

August Night Ride Report

By Kyle Chandler

Sun goes down, the Moon comes up and it's time for Red Hot Riders to go riding!- With almost a full moon, 28- 30 riders left the Mobil in El Cajon for a nite ride down to Borrego.

On the open road at 7:30 sharp, Cool weather, with little to no traffic after exiting Interstate 8, gave us smooth sailing, beginning to end. The temperature moved between 65 and 75 going into the desert area, then jumped up to 94 degrees on the approach to, and the ride down to Borrego Springs.

Cold cokes and ice tea at the karaoke bar with a great local crowd which didn't want us to leave, But before our bikes turned into 'pumpkins' we had to hit the road. With a temperature of 91 degrees on departure, We climbed out of the valley and stopped at a wide spot on the road. Much cooler, and surprising windy (real gusty!), a moonlike landscape unfolded below us that was brightly lit by the almost full moon.

A last meeting point at the gas stop in Santa Ysabel. The crowd had really stayed together, but on the final run to Ramona and home, we split up. Some folks took the old Julian Highway, and some took the new road into Ramona.

I clocked 186 miles, burned 3.8 gallons of gas, and got home at 1:00 A.M. That's way past my normal bed time, but who was watching the time? - We all had a great ride enjoying the moonlight, cooler temperatures and desert moon-scapes that only a nite ride could provide.

Track Day at Willow Springs- Monday November 29th. Yes a chance to ride the "Big Track" with time to "relax" on the main straight and concentrate on your riding! Check out the calendar section on the web site for details!

Saturday Morning at the "OK Corral"

By Ron Farkas

Growing up in the suburbs of Cleveland, you didn't get much time to enjoy outdoor activities; from Labor Day to Easter, too often it just kept raining and snowing. The neighborhood mom's would reach critical mass around February and round us boys up on Saturday morning to drop us off at the Mayland Theater. All that morning we could watch Roy and Trigger, The Lone Ranger and Silver or some old B&W of Gene Autry and Champion blaze across the wild west capturing the bad guys and saving the stage coach, train or Dale Evans. It seems, cowboys were never portrayed as very responsible guys, but their horses were always there when they needed them and often saved the day. I believe it was those early stories about the relationship between a man and his trusty steed that allows the motorcycle industry to keep growing as it has in these days.

Now, fast forward with me to the stories of Seabiscuit and Hidalgo- both great stories where men and a horse share the adventure of a lifetime. Yes, some of the photoplay may be more fiction than fact, but both stories did happen and the men that rode them had personal memories to keep with them for the rest of their lives.

So, here comes the Baby Butt for 2004, what memories await for you and your trusty two wheeled steed? - In 2002 it was Hwy 168 outside of Bishop off 395 - a great twisty road done in the dark with the headlights of my ST1100 lighting the way to Beatty, Nevada.

Last year it was US 191 (The Coronado Trail) climbing out of Safford, Arizona, thru Clifton and almost 150 miles of the best twists and turns my new Vstrom could carve. Upon finally reaching Payson, gas and a quick rest was in order to reflect on what we just conquered.

The adventure awaits, like a cowboy you can pretend to be a little irresponsible, but remember your trusty two-wheeled steed will be there to support you and share in the ride. If you haven't signed up for the 2004 edition of the BB1000 yet, do so today and let the memories begin!

Web Site Facts For the month of August

...another record
month:

Over 1700 "unique/
new vistors" checking
out RHR

And

Over 2600 visits to
our web site

The Baby Butt is less than a month away!- have you got your entry in yet? - better check out the following on your bike:

Tires

- will they make it?

Chain & Sprockets

- got lube?

Oil and Filter Change

- does it need it?

Air filter and Plugs

- when was the last time you changed them?

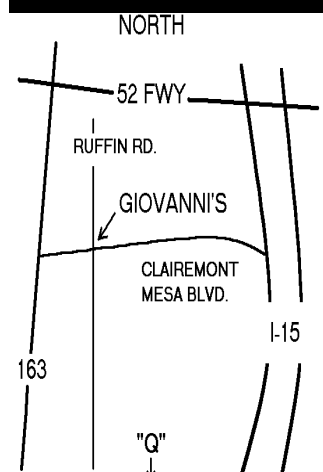
Gas Mileage/range

- you gotta know this or you gonna be pushing!

Plan your flight, fly your plan!

MEETING LOCATION

**Giovanni's Restaurant
9353 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.
(858) 279-6700**



August Meeting Report
By Ron Farkas

A nice night for a ride to our club meeting as we had a very good turn out of members and bikes. Our guest speaker, Kelcey Gordon, Owner of NJK Leathers was present to explain how his company was different from all the other "off the rack" type companies that offer leather racing suits. Started in 1985, as a family racing business, Kelsey made his own leathers in an attempt to control his costs of racing speedway. Well, he must of impressed a few people up at the Orange County fairgrounds as he found himself in the business of making custom leather suits for many of his fellow racers. With 4 employees and a great loca-

tion for a motorcycle apparel company (San Clemente) he has the ability to serve both Orange County and San Diego area with custom made leather suits for any motorcycle activity. Checking out his web site (www.njkleathers.com), you will see speedway, road racing , flat track and drag racing suits custom tailored to the rider. As NJK continues to grow, they also make accessories, such as gloves, back protectors, and knee pucks. Kelcey also brought along some jackets used by the movie industry as he is well known for expert service and timely delivery. After the 1st of the year check out NJK Leathers for leather jackets as they are will be offering "off the rack" jackets for daily use for your commute or weekend rides.

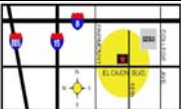
With shouts of "It's Fixed!" Jim Branch did it again and won the 50/50 raffle, with that — the meeting was quickly called to an end. Many of us made our way to the front to check out the great looking leather NJK brought along and a chance to ask Kelcey questions to further our knowledge about leather suits and jackets.



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EVENT CALENDAR

Sept	8	Wed....RHR Monthly Meeting
Sept	30	Thr thru Oct 2....Biketoberfest II at Barona Casino check out www.biketoberfest.com
Oct	2	Sat.....Baby Butt 1000
Nov	29	Mon.....RHR Track Day at WSR

Inclment weather may cause the cancellation of any of the above RHR events. Contact Jim Branch at (619) 460-0669 the evening before a RHR scheduled ride/Track day if weather is a question. You can also check out the Web site for up-

MotoPro 1425 South Coast Highway
House of Motorcycles Oceanside, CA 92054
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Next Meeting: 9/8/04

September 2004:

Join us September 8th when Adam Wade stops by with his just-released book on fuel injection tuning. Adam has worked in dealerships and as a mechanic for AMA Pro Racing, Emgo, Aprilia, and Factory Pro Tuning. He is also the tech author and photographer for Dual Sport News, and a successful freelance motorsports photographer. This is a great opportunity to quiz an expert on how to get that last horsepower out of your bike...

Club Meetings:

Giovanni's Restaurant in Kearny Mesa, Corner of Clairemont Mesa & Ruffin Roads
6PM 2nd Wed of the Month

Newsletter Submission:

Newsletter submission can be sent to Ron Farkas, email is: hondaron@cox.net, Phone & Fax: 858-486-3257

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Book of Motorcycle Knowledge — The club has started a scrap book of interesting articles pertaining to all facets of our favorite hobby—a small desk top copier is available at the meetings for your use to copy any articles you may want to keep or take a copy of your personal favorites and contribute to our "Book". Check it out at the next meeting!



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Sorry no Couch Potato Corner this month, got to get ready for the BB1000...Our "New Logo" poll turned out to be a bust—with less than 5% of club members responding and an inventory of apparel with the current logo — it's been decided to retain the current logo—Thanks to all of you that participated — Ron