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CALIFORNIA – State Director

Director: Loner Abbott, Porterville, 559.781.8129, Lonerbtw@Clearwire.Net. **Assistant Director:** Gary Winebrenner, Clovis, 559.355.4267, garywinebrenner@sbcglobal.net.

Meetings: Every April and October at the State Trike-In or any special called meeting, as required, following BTW Bylaws.

News: Loner reports: It's that time again for the California State Newsletter. I spent most of the winter working on the trikes. They now look like twins with their new paint and front ends. They sure do handle better with the new 6 degree trees and the paint job I did came out okay, for what I had to work with.

I got them finished just in time to make the Laughlin River Trike Run. Alex and his crew from Region 9 did it again. We had a nice ride up to Oatman and played with the donkeys and watched the gun fight. Then we headed back to the Riverside Casino for the Show and Shine and the Trike Games. Leatha's trike won best conversion, that was a surprise but it made me feel good. They played a game called Quacker Box Derby where you had to do a figure 8 around cones and at the top drop a stuffed duck in a pen then back to start. I won a second place in that, but was told that I put on the best show on two wheels, one front and one back.

Now to the fun stuff (well maybe not so much fun). The ride home started out all good and not too cold. That changed real quick. The wind started up and up and up. When we stopped to take a break, a CHP told us that the cross winds were over 50 mph in some areas just past Barstow. We made it into 4 Corners and was thinking of spending the night and try it again in the morning. But when we saw the only motel, we decided to continue, plus the wind had died down some. So, off we go into one of the worst rain storms I have seen in a long time. We got into Mojave and found a nice motel, clean and

well maintained, but all we cared about was getting warm and dry. Monday morning the rain had stopped and the sun was out, but the whole mountain in front of us was white and I found out that they had closed the pass the night before for about 2 hours. So, I knew that the conditions were not going to be good.

We decided to see if we could get some help from our BTW family. We called Michelle from High Desert and she hooked us up with Ed the Iceman (how ironic) and he came to our rescue with a truck and trailer. He got us over the mountain and the temperature outside was 34 degrees and wet. (Again, Thank You Iceman). About 5 miles from Bakersfield, we had a flat on the trailer so we unloaded the trikes and followed him to a tire shop, said our goodbyes and thank yous, and rode on into Porterville from there. Everybody got home safe and with some real good memories. I stress the word some.

That's my story and I am sticking to it. So, on to the California Spring Trike-In which is not that far off. Everything that I can do has been done, so now it's all up to you to show up, help out, and have fun and maybe make some of your own memories to write down in your own book of life.

Well, that's about all for now. See you all in Madera.

Ride Safe, Ride Free, and God Bless

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAPTERS

CALIFORNIA – Bay Area

Director: Clyde Ortiz, San Leandro, 510.459.3598, trikerclayde@aol.com.

Meetings: No special location, contact Clyde for info.

News: Triker Clyde reports: No news submitted

CALIFORNIA – Central Valley

Director: Margaret Winebrenner, Fresno, Cell: 559.961.9037. **Assistant Director:** David Austin, Fresno, H 559.417.5338, C 559.417.5338, chaplain-dave@hiways-of-life.com

Meetings: 9 A.M. the second Saturday of the month at Brooks Ranch off of 99 at Central Ave. Call for more info.

News: Margaret reports: No news submitted

CALIFORNIA – Hanford/Lemoore – Kings Trikes

Director: Steve Lemos, Hanford, 559.582.4087, Gr8leez@sbcglobal.net.

Meetings: Call Director for information.

News: Steve reports: Hey there, where is springtime? It's wet over here! Anyway, we're being cool over here, a couple of rides and yackin with each other.

Some of us are getting ready for the Madera Trike-In. I can't wait for warm weather so we can do some road trips.

Anyway, you guys have fun and be safe. See ya.

CALIFORNIA – High Desert Triker's

Directors: Michelle & Brooks Cornell, Juniper Hills, CA, 661-944-3021, mluv2b@yahoo.com

Meetings: 3rd Saturday of month, 9am, Billy Boy's Café, 12746 Pearblossom Hwy. Pearblossom, CA

News: Michelle reports: No news submitted

CALIFORNIA – Jammin' 3 Wheelers

Director: Jim Schwenk, Bakersfield, 661.331.6013, corvairtrike@yahoo.com, **Assistant Director:** Jim Long, Bakersfield, 661.809.6657

Meetings: 1st Saturday of the month at Lorene's Restaurant 1531 23rd Street in Bakersfield. 9:00 AM. Call Jim or Jim for info.

News: Ann reports: Very little news around here too darn windy or it's raining, or it's too cold. Take your pick. But, the weatherman says it's going to change by Friday and it should be in the mid-eighty's. I wouldn't take any bets on it. Their record is not too good so far this year.

We went to a B-B-Q at Drew and Maryann's, the food was great, just a nice time over all!

Our member Michelle is getting around a little better following her accident.

Everyone is starting to get things in order for Madera, tune up the trikes, clean up the motor home and check out your supplies. Then gas

everything up. With the cost of gas we may have to get a loan from the bank. LOL.

Looking forward to see everyone, have a safe trip down.

CALIFORNIA – Joaquin Valley Riders. (Empire/Modesto area)

Director: Wayne & Gayle Ash, Escalon, 209.969.4823 lobomsmc@live.com

Assistant Director: Linda Jordan, Modesto 209.544.8339, kittymom04@aol.com.

Meetings: 3rd Saturday of month. Location varies, call or email the director for information and directions.

News: Gayle reports: No news submitted

CALIFORNIA – Long Beach Area

Director: Bear Hoffstatter, Whittier, 562.906.1943 bear2327@adelphia.net.

Meetings: 1st Sunday of month except Dec & holidays. Time and location varies. Email or call Director for location and directions.

News: Chipmunk reports; No news submitted

CALIFORNIA – Northeast Wind Rider Trikers

Director: Roger (Papataz) Mason, Loma Rica, 530.749.0765 RogerMason@directv.net

Meetings: 1st Saturday of each month
Location: Carl's Jr. Restaurant Highway 99 and Bridge Street, Yuba City, CA at 10:00 AM

News: Roger reports; Well, the weather looks better and better all the time. Been really wet here, not much riding. Hopefully that will change in the upcoming months. The biker joint in Jarbo Gap is open again, can't wait to go up there and have a good pastrami sandwich. We hope to make a few good rides this year. At our meeting this month we plan to talk over what we want to do. Hope all is well with others, come ride with us if ya get in the area.

CALIFORNIA – Redwood Empire Trikers

Director: Marsha McPheeters 707.433.8084 mctrike@aol.com.

Meetings: 1st Sunday of month, Chapter Dinner held each 3rd Sunday of month. Call director for information.

News: Marsha reports: the constant rain has kept the trikes in the garage. We hope that this week's sun is just the start of wonderful riding days, as well as lots of wildflowers to go see.

. We have not given up meeting and eating though. Must watch the waistlines.

Fast Eddie was down again with health issues. We are very glad to know that he is better now.

Biggest news is; Wally and Marsha plans to sell out and move to Salem, Oregon later this year. Wally is clearing out his metal collection of 35 years. I beams, pipe, etc, etc. He will take tools with him and have a trike-building spot to play in. And, Michael will be in college here in CA.

See everyone soon at Madera.

CALIFORNIA – River City Trikers – Greater Sacramento Area

Director: Donna Bennett, Sacramento, 916.203.1626, dawnita_1947@yahoo.com.

Meetings: No set meetings being conducted.

News: Donna reports: This month we had a meeting and potluck at Marie Charlton's house. There were 9 of us. Bob and I went to the meeting and it also turned out to be a surprise birthday party for me. We talked about the upcoming trike in next month. I am not sure how many are going. I am glad that the weather is finally getting nicer for riding and I hope it stays that way for the trike in.

CALIFORNIA – San Diego Area

Directors: Dave & Scottie Sisemore, Chula Vista, 619.426.1884, sandiego_btw@cox.net.

Meetings: 2nd Sunday of month, 11:30am, at various locations, see web site for monthly information.

News: Scottie reports: No news submitted

CALIFORNIA – San Gabriel Valley

Director: Robert Gallegos, West Covina, 626.926.3018, RobertGallegos@verizon.net

Assistant Director: Larry Campbell, La Verne. 909.542.8253, Larcam60@Yahoo.com

Meetings: 3rd Saturday of the month in Baldwin Park at the hamburger shop on the Northeast corner of Francisquito Blvd & Ramona @ 10 AM. Exit 605 Freeway at Ramona and go East.

News: Robert reports; We had a small turn out for this months meeting. I guess it was because of all the rain we've been having. It isnt exactly riding weather.

Our main mechanic Jim Bearden and I have been giving our Assistant Director Larry Campbell a hand getting his trike ready for Madera.

We should have a pretty good turn out from our newly organized chapter this April unless the price of gas keeps people away. I do hope not.

We will not be having our monthly meeting in April due to the Trike-Inn but will be back with you in May

CALIFORNIA – Santa Clara Valley

Director: Carmen Rous, San Jose, 408.578.5892, scvbtw@sbcglobal.net.

Meetings: 2nd Monday of the month @ Carmen & Bill's, 4849 Rue Calais, San Jose near Snell & Branham. 7:00 pm.

News: Carmen reports; There isn't much riding going on except short trips around town until the weather decides what it is going to do.

We are getting things ready for the Spring Trike-In. Hope to see everyone there.
Ride Safe.

CALIFORNIA – Sonora

Contact: Jerry Palmer, Sonora, 209.532.3235, blueiron86@hughes.net

Meetings: To be announced.

News: Jerry reports: Were back on the road again! Jackie is out of the hospital! And, her back is doing great. I had a total right hip replacement about 5 weeks ago and it is healing good also. It's amazing to be out of so much pain.

We're going to the Bikers for Christ Bike Blessing this Saturday in Stockton. We're praying the rain will hold off for the blessing.

We're also planning on going to the Spring Trike-In. It's going to feel good to get out seeing everyone.

The Sonora Chapter is open for business again; it should be a fun summer on three.
See ya on the road.

CALIFORNIA – Tulare County Freedom Riders

Director: Interim Director: Larry Jones
papa29@live.com.

Meetings: Contact Director for time, date, and location of our next meeting.

News: Janice reports: Met at Boss Hogg's Cafe in Farmersville, Calif. State director Loner Abbott called meeting to order at 9:00 am With 5 members present and 1 guest

Chapter Director Jack Little has resigned and the Assistant director remains Larry Jones.

We are looking forward to spring trike-in, April 15, 16,17. Getting to see everyone and they're trikes.

Loner informed us that this year there will be someone there to sell meals so we can stay on site and not have to cook.

We finished up the meeting talking trikes and some went for a ride afterwards.

Hope to see you at the trike-in.

CALIFORNIA – Yucipa – Inland Empire

Contact: Randy Dewar, 909.747.7922.

News: Looking for a Director

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PLEASE REMEMBER:

**CALIFORNIA STATE SPRING TRIKE-IN
APRIL 15, 16, & 17, 2011**

AND

**CALIFORNIA STATE FALL TRIKE-IN
OCTOBER 14, 15 & 16, 2011**

LOCATION;

Madera Fairgrounds

1850 W Cleveland Ave., Madera, CA 93637

For more info: Loner Abbott

559-781-8129 or lonerbtw@Clearwire.Net

Camp on site or motel it - Super 8 across the street from the fairgrounds, others near by.

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HOLIDAYS & IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL

- 15, 16 & 17 Trike-In
- 17 Palm Sunday

- 19 Passover begins at sundown
- 22 Good Friday
- 24 Easter

MAY

- 8 Mother's Day
- 21 Armed Forces Day
- 30 Memorial Day

How To Plant Your Garden Of LOVE

First, you come to the garden alone while the dew is still on the roses.

For the garden of daily living you must;

PLANT THREE ROWS OF PEAS:

- 1. Peace of mind
- 2. Peace of heart
- 3. Peace of soul

PLANT FOUR ROWS OF SQUASH:

- 1. Squash gossip
- 2. Squash indifference
- 3. Squash grumbling
- 4. Squash selfishness

PLANT FOUR ROWS OF LETTUCE:

- 1. Lettuce be faithful
- 2. Lettuce be kind
- 3. Lettuce be patient
- 4. Lettuce really love one another

NO GARDEN IS COMPLETE WITHOUT TURNIPS:

- 1. Turnip for meetings
- 2. Turnip for service
- 3. Turnip to help one another

TO CONCLUDE, OUR GARDEN WE MUST HAVE THYME:

- 1. Thyme for each other
- 2. Thyme for family
- 3. Thyme for friends

WATER FREELY WITH PATIENCE AND CULTIVATE WITH LOVE.

THERE WILL BE MUCH FRUIT IN YOUR GARDEN BECAUSE YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW.