

CalMoto & Tri-Valley Moto SUNDAY RIDE

Sunday, July 1, 2012

Destination: Half Moon Bay via Santa Cruz Mountain "Spur Roads" **Departure:** 9:00am from CalMoto parking lot in Mountain View

Welcome to the July, California BMW Triumph Shop Ride!

Our July shop ride will leave from the Calmoto shop parking lot at 9:00 am. This is going to be a rather short ride, due to the Holiday that follows on the 4th and many of us have family commitments. The point of this ride is to get out and spend some quality time with your motorcycle for a few hours. We will be taking some of my favorite "Spur Roads" that add a little excitement to the more common routes over the hill. Many of these roads are also enjoyed by bicyclists so keep an eye out!

We will depart the shop and take our traditional route out to Page Mill via Charleston/Arastradero. Once we hit Alpine Rd we will make a left and then a right onto Portola and continue from Portola onto Mountain Home Rd. This will take us to Woodside very near Roberts Market in Woodside. Continue past Roberts Market to remain on Woodside. We will the make a right onto our first "Spur" of the route, Kings Mountain Road. I love this road and it will take us up to Skyline (Highway 35) where we will go left (be very careful of traffic at this intersection it is a little "blind") and head down to Alice's Restaurant. I will go slowly here in order to allow the group to catch up.

Once at Alice's we will make the right onto 84/La Honda and continue down the hill to make a left onto Pescadero Rd. Follow Pescadero Rd. down to the coast and Highway 1.

Right onto Highway 1 and get ready for our next "Spur" at Verde Rd. Turn right off of Highway 1 onto Verde Rd. and continue onto Purissima Creek Rd. The middle section of this spur can be a bit challenging with some tight corners and elevation changes. Look for the left on Higgins Canyon Rd and follow Higgins until it takes you near Downtown Half Moon Bay. Make the left onto Main St. and you are there!

This route should put us into HMB at about 11:15 or 11:30 am. Just in time for a coffe or and early lunch. There are lots of great places on Main street and this is where the ride will conclude. From here there are lots of options to head home or extend your ride.

Conditions should be good, perhaps a little sandy in spots, but we'll all ride carefully. Everybody, please, be sure to stay within the safe limits of your riding ability. This is a social ride, not a race, so always ride within your comfort zone and work on being the smoothest rider on the ride, not the fastest. True riding skill is built on the practice of smoothness, control and a sense of the right line, not on trying to go fast. So, as always, this is a leisurely ride, nothing difficult, and please, no racing! I hope you can join us. Have fun and be safe!

Have fun and be safe! e-mail me (<u>mike@calmoto.com</u>) or call me at 650-966-1183, ext. 3, if you have any questions or concerns.

Best Regards! Mike Meissner