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## CalMoto & Tri-Valley Moto SUNDAY RIDE

Sunday, April 1, 2012

**Destination:** Bear Creek / Highway 9 / Santa Cruz and the Summit

**Departure:** 9:00am from CalMoto parking lot in Mountain View

Welcome to the CalMoto first Sunday ride for April!

Our April shop ride will leave from the CalMoto shop parking lot at 9:00 am Sunday, April 1st (Yea I know it is April Fool's day but no joking, I will be there ready for another ride!). As always, the shop will be open by 8:30, for coffee and we will leave at 9:00. The coast is always beautiful this time of year and it looks like the weather will cooperate for another stunning day on Sunday after a rainy Saturday. In the event of heavy rain we will still have a ride but likely cut it short and make a beeline for Alice's.

From the shop, we will head up San Antonio Road to Foothill Expressway South and under Highway 280. Foothill Expressway will change names to Foothill Blvd and then to Stevens Canyon Road. After passing the Stevens Creek reservoir we will continue on Stevens Canyon road. In 1.5 to 2 miles you will turn right to stay on Stevens Canyon. (If you miss this turn you will be on Mt. Eden Rd., that's ok, just continue and make a right on Pierce Rd. to Hwy. 9 to pick up the loop from there). Continue another 1.6 miles and turn left onto Redwood Gulch Rd. This will take you to Hwy. 9, Turn right onto Hwy 9 (Big Basin Way) and head up the mountain to SR 35 (Skyline).

At Skyline we will turn left and follow Skyline down to Bear Creek Rd. Be careful and mindful of the residents on this section. It can be very tight and bumpy with residential traffic and bicyclists. At Bear Creek we will turn right. Bear Creek is a wonderful scenic road and will take us back to Highway 9 in Boulder Creek. At Hwy. 9 turn left and stay on 9 all the way into Santa Cruz. At Hwy 1 (Cabrillo Hwy) make a right and stay straight on Hwy 1 until you see Bay St. Make a Left onto Bay St until you run into West Cliff Dr. Make a right on West Cliff Dr. and we will follow that out to the Lighthouse and surfers Memorial where we will take a break and hopefully enjoy some nice weather. We should arrive at this rest stop about 11am.

After a short break we will work our way south along the waterfront, Boardwalk and Harbor to 41st Ave. where we will make a left and cross back under Hwy. 1 and then make a right onto Soquel at the "T". We then make a quick left onto Porter which becomes San Jose-Soquel Rd. and will take us back up to the summit. From here you can hop on 17 for home or make your way back up to Highway 35 and Alice's for a later lunch.

As always, 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! e-mail me ([mike@calmoto.com](mailto:mike@calmoto.com)) or call me at 650-966-1183, ext. 3, if you have any questions or concerns.

Best Regards!  
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