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CALmoto & Tri-Valley Moto SUNDAY RIDE

Sunday, July 3, 2011

Destination: Fremont Peak

Departure: 9:00am from CALmoto in Mountain

Welcome to the July CALmoto and Tri-Valley Moto Shop Ride! We have a nice, rather short shop ride planned for Sunday, July 3rd. Many of you will have Fourth of July weekend plans but hopefully you can squeeze in a little motorcycle time with us! As always, we will leave from CALmoto at 9:00am, the shop will be open by 8:30am. Mike Meissner and Arlie Ray Blackshear are going to lead this one. Please arrive a little early and give yourself a chance to relax and socialize before the ride.

This ride is a rather short one, without any particular difficulties. I would say it is suitable for all but the most novice riders. We'll be riding south on 85 to Almaden Expressway to Uvas/McKean Roads, past the Calero, Chesbro and Uvas Reservoirs. There are only two intersections on this road, so turn right on G 8 towards Gilroy, and left on 152, also towards Gilroy. I am going to take us on a shortcut around the town so we'll wait and regroup at 152 and Santa Teresa, on the outskirts of Gilroy. Then we'll hop on 101 for a short time to get to San Juan Bautista, at exit 156. We'll go through the outskirts and turn right on the road at the south end of town, at the light, with a gas station on the left. This is G 1, San Juan Canyon Road, and it leads to the top of Fremont Peak. Be careful on this road, it is rather tight and twisty, with the possibility of little sand patches here and there. At the parking lot below the summit we will make our first long stop.

We will take a break here and hike up to the summit. Fremont peak has some great California history to it. [Learn more here](#). If it is clear you can see great sweeping views of Monterey Bay, and if your lucky, the Sierras. After our break, we'll ride back down into the town. There are many places here to stop for lunch and this is where we will finish the ride. Those of you with plans can make the quick scoot back to the Bay Area via 101 or take the back roads toward Hwy 1 and finish your ride with a dash through the Santa Cruz Mountains. I will likely make the quick trip back via 101 but it's your choice; after lunch I won't try to keep the group together.

This is also an easy ride and with two leaders I don't expect anyone to get lost. This is a short ride and we'll be done by 11:30 or so, but it is a beautiful, little-known ride and one of the least-traveled roads is the one up to Fremont Peak.

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](#) or call me at 650-966-1183, ext. 3 if you have any questions or concerns.

Mike Meissner