

# BREAKFAST RIDERS

C.C.B.W.: Grumpa Les Kurtz

Newsletter (free)

May 1, 2009

**Jackson 2009** The weather report was dreary with chances for rain -- later in the day. And as Sonoma was rained out, I played the odds

the last riders to see if they saw anything and they said he was there at Ryde -- about 3 miles back. We waited but he had missed the



turn -- my fault. So thinking he split off and headed for home, and knowing that the rain was coming, we headed out. We turned onto E13 and got up to speed (not too fast, 63-ish) and spotted a patrol car on a side road near the bridge. I backed off a

and let everyone know that the ride was on. There were a total of 10 riders that showed up. That was way more than I expected. New to the group was Charles Dobbs. The regulars included Ed Buckner, Jaurdan DeJolibois, Steve Dodini, Jim Harrison, James Mickens, Skip Moffatt, George Schjelderup, Frank White, and myself. We left and headed for Hwy 12 with Jaurdan bringing up the rear of the pack on his trike. The ride out Hwy 12 was not too bad -- near the speed limit. When we got to Hwy 160, I pulled the group over for a quick check on everyone before heading up the levee twists. The speed on Hwy 160 was held down due to traffic. It allowed the group to stay together. I was able to see Jaurdan make the bridge crossing to Grand Island before I got back up to speed. I made the turn onto the Walnut Grove bridge and Jaurdan was not there. I checked with

little to get down to the 55 limit, and looked behind me to see that the group had really backed down a lot. Must have made me look like a super speeder -- thanks guys! But the patrol car remained parked -- safe. Traffic kept our speeds at or very near the speed limit the whole run out E13/104. In Ione we pulled into the usual gas station only to find it packed with cars and another group of bikes. I hauled our group over to the other gas station only to find they only had 87 octane and many of our bikes needed the higher octane and had to head back to the first gas station. After I filled up, I only spotted one other bike, Ed. So we rejoined our group and the other bikes back at the first station. There was a Magna in the other group -- yellow and black -- a rare sight. So we two Magna riders had

All Breakfast Riders rides are open to all riders -- with their head on square. No stunts. Riders are responsible for their own insurance.

a great conversation. The **Cont.**



Breakfast Riders  
1609 Northwood Dr.  
Fairfield, CA 94534



Remaining calendar for 2009

Sun, May 03	*  Pollock Pines	Sat, Oct 10	*  Napa
Sat, May 9	x  C.C.Star 186, Summer Kickstart	Sat Dec 05	\$  Ronald McDonld House Toy Run
BBQ & Hog Roast		???	Dec ??
May 15-17	x  Super Bikes at Infineon	x  Intrntnl Motorccl Show	
, May 16-18	*  Hwy 36 THREE DAY ODYSSEY	(MotorCycleShows.com)	
Sat, May 16	\$  Tardi Mardi Gras	???, Dec ??	\$  Other toy runs -- galore
	TardiMardiGras@comcast.net		
Sat, Jun 06	\$  Motorcycle Expo		
	AnnualMotorcycleExpo.com		
Sat, Jun 06	\$  Sierra Hope		
	(SierraHopeRide.org)		
, Jun 5-7	x  Reno Street Vibes, Spring		
	(Road-Shows.com)		
Sat, Jun 13	*  Mt Tam		
Mon, Jun 15	x  Ride to Work (RideToWork.org)		
Jun 19-21	x  NASCAR at Infineon		
, Jul 3-5	x  U.S. Grand Prix at Laguna		
	Seca (Laguna-Seca.com)		
Sun, Jul 12	*  Mines Rd / Patterson		
Jul 11-13	x  Holister		
	(horsepowerpromotions.com)		
Jul 24-26	x  NHRA at Infineon		
Sat, Aug 8	*  Middletown		
Aug 21-23	x  Indy Cars at Infineon		
Sun, Sep 13	*  Goat Rock		
Sat, Sep 26	\$  Napa Horse Play		
Sep 23-27	x  Reno Street Vibes, Fall		
	(Road-Shows.com)		
Sun, Oct 04	\$  Ride-4-Kids, Fairfield		
	(Ride4Kids.org)		

\* Breakfast Riders run, \$ Benefit/cost run, x Non Breakfast Riders event of interest, (???) date not yet determined

Breakfast Riders runs are open to everyone - we allow all makes, cruisers, sport bikes, tourers, young through old, male and female. We are looking for riders, friends, and family who enjoy riding.

Most Breakfast Rider runs meet at N.Texas Shell parking lot, 3335 N.Texas, Fairfield and leave by 9:00. Check web page to be sure of details.

Each rider is responsible for their own lunch, gas, insurance, and behavior.

Times and places to meet for non-Breakfast Riders events ain't determined by us!



**Stewarts Point 2009** The weather was sweet, maybe a bit cool at the coast and maybe a bit warm inland later in the day. We had a great group show up with three picked up enroute for a total of 17 bikes. The regulars were Cecile Adams (who was gracious enough to be tail gunner -- thank you), Ed B., Gary



and Beth, Jaurdan, James Mickens, Skip Mof-fatt, George S., Victor T. and his wife Bar-bara, Tom Van Zuiden, Frank W., Spenser G. and his lovely lady, and myself. New to the group were Mike Prawicki, Robert Beaty, and Darwin Coil. There were a couple that did not sign in. Jaurdan was going to split off early and aim for Clear Lake. I laid back to aim Jaurdan, but he was not there. So I pulled the throttle and caught the gang just as they made the turn onto Hwy 12/121. This is where we got caught behind a truck hauling a palm tree. We quickly left it behind. Traffic, that would normally be a bear, was mostly

If you changed your address or email, send me the new info. If you do not get my emails, and do have email, send me the info.  
GrumpaLes@comcast.net

mellow. As we pulled up to Big Bend where Hwy 116 joins in, we spotted the Sonoma gang. We stopped at the stop sign briefly and they joined in. We were now a snake 16 strong! Traffic stayed cool -- until we got onto Adobe Rd at Frates Rd where we got caught behind a slow Prius. I pulled

the group over in Pen-grove to make sure we had everyone. We started off again after a couple minutes...only to catch that Prius again. We pulled into the gas station at Hwy 101 where we got gas, drinks, etc. After about 10-15 minutes

we started off towards Pepper Rd. No Prius. Nice traffic. The fields and hills were still green. Near Bodega Bay, we caught some slow traffic. We only had to endure this for a few miles before we pulled into the gas station there where most of us got gas. Leaving there we had fairly clear traffic only to hit the one lane road work. After about 5 minutes we got the green and the one car in front of us pulled over quickly enough. Wow! Hwy 1 with no traffic! The views of the ocean were spectacular with glorious blues. We did catch some slow pokes near Hwy 116, but they kept on Hwy 1 as we aimed for lunch. In Duncans Mills, some of us opted for the deli while others hit the restaurant. We gathered and aimed back for Hwy 1. We got on Hwy 1 where traffic was again nice! We had a long

stretch of the road to ourselves. Just north of Meyers Grade Rd a few very fast sport bikes blew by us. We caught a little bit of traffic right at Stewarts Point. The group made the turn off Hwy 1 and parked. After a brief rest, I read a gentle riot act to the group to remind them how to handle the very technical road ahead. I pulled the group over at Tin Barn Rd to gather everyone up and again at Annapolis Rd. From there the sport bikes left out first and were quickly out of sight. I had a group of about 4 or 5 bikes right behind me keeping up. We gathered again at Rockpile Rd then made our way to the park and the restrooms! We then headed for the Dry Creek General Store for drinks, snacks, etc. Here the group splintered with many aiming for home via Hwy 101. Others split for Hwy 101 after getting gas. By the time we got onto Alexander Valley Rd, we were just 4 bikes: Ed, Steve, Skip, and me. Again traffic did not deter us much on Hwy 128 into Calistoga. We caught a few cars and passed them fairly soon. In Calistoga, Steve peeled off leaving three. Ed kept straight as Skip and I turned off Silverado Trail onto Hwy 128 and more twisties. We had one more stop at the corners for more fluids, then on to home. Still little or no traffic. Over all, this was one of the best rides -- esp. traffic wise.

**Jackson Cont.** first group of bikes headed out up Hwy 124 N and we headed out Hwy 104/124 S. Getting into Jackson, we got to Mel and Fayes Diner. As the weather was still dry, we ordered and ate outside. The service was pretty fast and the food was good. We took a group photo and headed out. In order to save time and beat the rain, we skipped the run around Lake Pardee. James split from the group to do some shopping. Just north of Jackson we got hit by a small rain cell. It was wet enough to get the windshield wet, but not the road. We took a quick stop at the Ione gas station for those who needed gas, and for me a candy bar. Then we got back on the road trying to avoid any more rain. Just out of Ione we got hit by another rain cell. This one was bigger and with heavier rain drops. It still did not get the road real wet. The rest of the run back Hwy 104 was mellow -- and dry. We got onto Hwy 160 and made it into Rio Vista for one more stop. While we rested, James came rolling in. He had bought a couple of Hot Wheels which probably maxed his storage on his sport bike.



From there we headed back Hwy 12 and to home.

Breakfast Riders 707-207-0844  
List Master, Stories, etc: GrumpaLes@comcast.net  
Copy Editor: Grammie Jean  
Web Page: <http://BreakfastRiders.org>  
Newsletter Sponsor: Fairfield Cycle Center

**FAIRFIELD**  
**CYCLE CENTER**  
**707-432-1660**