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September 2007 Newsletter

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to the following, who are our newest members!!

Larry and Darlene Scott
Brad and Donna Luchak

NEW RIDES

Congratulations to Deb Woelfle on her new ride,

2001 Honda 750 Shadow, American Classic Edition

We look forward to seeing you out on it soon Deb. Be sure to get a pic of you and your new bike in to Don Morberg to add to the Members Ride section of our web site. I know that there are a couple of others that have new rides as well. Please let me know the details and I will add it to our newsletter. It's nice for everyone to see the diverse collection of motorcycles in our group.

RECENT RIDES

Sturgis

Once again, we had an awesome trip to Sturgis the week of August 6th through 12th, with a really great turnout from our group. Three separate groups with about 14 bikes in total made the trip. It's amazing how you can run into each other on the road. This year's trip took us through Montana to Cody, Wyoming, the Little Big Horn, Chief Joseph Highway, The Beartooth Highway and all over the Black Hills. This is a must do trip. Trust us, it is well worth the ride.

It looks like a group is starting to form for 2008. Let me know if you are interested and I can give you some information.



Part of the Sturgis Gang (I will try to get more Sturgis pics for our website)

Retreads Logan Pass Run

Congrats and thanks to Birdo for planning this ride, over the weekend of August 18/19. We had a great time with fantastic riding. 14 bikes and 16 members made the hike and we picked up another prospective new member on the road. Two days on the road and one night in Kalispell gave us some terrific riding, including the Going-to-the-Sun Road. I really recommend this ride for a repeat next year.



Any excuse for a beer break

Sweetgrass Motorcycle Rodeo

This ride was on August 25/26 and was Barry Cameron's baby, and as usual, the parts remembered were great! It is held every year at the Sweetgrass border crossing.

Camping is free (if illegal) and the rodeo is very reasonable at \$15.00. This includes free beer and a roast pig meal. We had six of us ride out for what amounted to a guy's weekend away. Thanks a lot Barry.



Flagrant disregard for the law "again"!!

The Wolfs Icefield Tour

Doug Woelfle set this ride up for the weekend of September 1st and 2nd. It was a tour of the back way in to Nordegg, where we spent the night. The following day we toured the Icefields as well as that area of the park. Finally, a cruise home on Highway 2 through Louise, Banff and Canmore with plenty of stops along the way. We had nine members for this ride and it is a definite "must do again sometime"!!



Deb and Kirsten at Peyto Lake

Our apologies to those of you who rode out on Sunday to meet us. With all of our good intentions, we just ran out of time and didn't get to Louise until well past the meet up time.



For more pics of the various rides, be sure to visit our website at www.foothills-retreads.com and look in the Gallery Section.

FUTURE RIDES

Ride to the Slide 2007

The season is fast winding down and this is may be one of the last organized rides. This is a great annual day ride to Frank for lunch and would be really great if we could get a good turnout for it. As it falls on the same day as our monthly meeting, we will not be having the usual Smitty's get together. This will be our meeting instead. For more information, see the notice on our web site under "Rides/Rallies". The link is <http://www.foothills-retreads.com/slideride.htm> .

You will see that there are a couple of options suggested on the notice. Obviously the preferred one would be to meet as a group. The plan for that is to meet at the Black Diamond Hotel in Black Diamond sometime before **10:00 AM on Sunday, the 16th**, for a departure sometime between that and 10:30 AM. For more information, you can reach Birdo at Birdo2626@yahoo.com or 938-0575. I hope we can get most of our group out. Did I get this right Birdo?

Laughlin River Run in Laughlin, Nevada

I know that most of you have the information on this April Rally from Vilnis but I thought I would mention it here as well. There seems to be support for a trip building. There are at least six bikes confirmed and I think that there are going to be more as winter drags on. Give it some thought and make some reservations before they are gone. This is a great way to break up the winter and welcome spring.

THIS AND THAT

As I mentioned in a recent email, a group of us have been interviewed by Laura Locke from the Neighbors section of the Calgary Herald. She was interested in our group, how we got together and what we do. The article is to appear in the Thursday edition, either this week or next. Have a read. Hopefully our interview makes for a good article. Save me a copy for my Mom.

NEXT MEETING.....

Sunday, September 16th

**The Ride to the Slide
Meeting at the Black Diamond Hotel
At 10:00 AM.**

Hope to see everyone out.