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## CAL SUNDAY RIDE

**Sunday, December 3, 2006**

**Destination:** San Juan Bautista / Fremont Peak / Gizdich Ranch

**Departure:** 9:00am

Dear Riding Friends,

Welcome to the December 2006 Shop Ride. This ride is suitable for beginners as well as for more experienced riders, on slow two-lane paved roads only, except for a little bit of freeway.

We have a nice, rather short shop ride planned for Sunday, December 3rd. As always, we will leave from the shop at 9:00, the shop will be open by 8:30. Mike Meissner will lead this ride.

We'll be going down Almaden Expressway to Uvas/McKean Roads (G8) and ride by the reservoirs down to Gilroy. We'll jump onto 101 at the bottom of Gilroy and take it to 156 and the road past San Juan Bautista. At the bottom of town is a traffic light and you turn right there to head up to the top of Fremont Peak. After a nice break and maybe a hike up to the summit, we'll ride back down into the town with the idea of making a stop at the Gizdich Ranch for coffee and pie. The return route will be up San Juan Highway to 129 west toward Watsonville, fork RIGHT on Carlton Road, (stop sign Thompson Road), straight on Carlton, RIGHT on Peckham Road to the Gizdich Ranch. This will be the end of the ride. There are many ways home from here and you can take a detour over to Moss Landing for fresh seafood or wind your way back through the Santa Cruz range to highway 17 or 9. After our stop at Gizdich, I will continue on Carlton Rd and then right on Hecker Pass (152) back to G8 and up past the reservoirs again on the way home. The ride is a big circle. This is a very good ride for beginner and intermediate riders, as it is not very long and we are not very far from home. This is also an easy and short ride loop and we'll be done by 2:00 or 3:00 or so, but it is a beautiful, little-known ride and one of the least-traveled roads is the one up to Fremont Peak.

Please, be sure you stay within the safe limits of your riding ability. 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 line, not on trying to go fast.

As always, this is a leisurely social ride, nothing difficult, so please, no racing!

I hope you can join us. Have fun and be safe! [E-mail](#) or call me (650.966.1183) if you have any questions or concerns.

Best Regards,  
Kari Prager