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CAL SUNDAY RIDE

Sunday, June 3, 2007

Destination: Alice's Restaurant via Skyline

Departure: 9:00am

Dear Riding Friends,

Welcome to the June California BMW Triumph Shop Ride! We will be riding out on Sunday, June 3rd, leaving the shop parking lot at 9:00 am. Please be gassed up and ready to go at that time. We'll have a short safety meeting before the ride, and a sign-out sheet for contact information if needed. As always, we'll have coffee and doughnuts by 8:30 or so. Please arrive a little early and give yourself a chance to relax and socialize before the ride.

This ride is a rather short one, on some very tight and narrow roads. Therefore I would not recommend it for beginners. We'll be riding up Stevens Canyon Road/Redwood Gulch Road to Highway 9 and then to Skyline. We'll go South on Skyline until it ends at Bear Creek Road, where we will turn right and follow Bear Creek all the way to Hwy 9. We'll cross the bridge and head right (east) on 9 and take it back up to Skyline where we will turn left and follow Skyline to Alice's, where the ride will end. I expect to be at Skyline/Alice's shortly before noon.

Lunch at Alice's is optional, or we can just walk around Alice's and check out all the bikes, or head right back if your time is limited. Channel 5 is doing a spot on motorcycles, so you might get interviewed! The fastest way home is back down 84 to 280, or over to Sand Hill Road. That's the way I'm going back. It's your choice; after lunch I don't try to keep the group together.

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! Start out with your tank full, your tires checked, with proper attire for the weather and a bike which is safe to ride. Be prepared to help your fellow riders with any problems on the road. The weather can be unpredictable, so be equipped to ride in the rain, cold & fog. It is no fun to ride when you are cold and wet. Ride within your safe limits; 75% of your comfortable maximum rate of speed at most. I also suggest that you practice the basic smooth-riding exercise of riding with minimal use of brakes, lots of engine-braking and maximum attention to smooth riding technique and proper line through the corners. Riding this way is a great skill-building exercise; it holds your attention and keeps your speed at a reasonable level. The skill set you learn at modest speeds is the same skill set that allow you to ride much more quickly on the track.

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