



Newsletter January 2012

From the desk of the President

Greetings from the frozen southwest. It has been unseasonably cold so far this season. I had to take the 4-wheeler to work two different times so far this season due to snow. And here it is only the first part of January. Talking about that, HAPPY NEW YEAR. I hope yall have a prosperous new year. This past year has been very good for me. I have had a healthy year. I have Cindy, I have been on trips to see friends and family and I have a very good job. I have been truly blessed. I am looking forward to this coming year. There are lots of roads to explore, events to attend and family and friends to be with. Our first one will be the Palo Duro Canyon Run (PDCR) scheduled for the weekend of May 18-19. The weather should be perfect by then and the rides excellent. Thanks Bob Bass for working on this. I am looking forward to that event. Then our next event will be the annual Enchanted Tour which will be back in Silver City this year. It is scheduled for the weekend of August 10-11. We will have to make our trek to Alpine for a hamburger one of the days. I am still pondering the other days ride. We haven't been to the cliff dwellings in a while, so that is one possibility. It is a good ride down to the dwellings and they are a good attraction. And of course there is the AVA rally in Kanab, Utah in July. That will be an excellent place to ride. I have been around that area a few times. I know of one good ride I plan on taking while there. The weather should be perfect there. Cool nights and the humidity will be low. And of course there is the north rim of the Grand Canyon.



I guess this will be a short newsletter as not much riding is going on this time of year. My last trip was over Thanksgiving. I went to Hutto for the week. Cindy went a couple weeks earlier and I rode the C14 for that week. It was a cool ride there. I left the Thursday after work and made it a ways into Texas before stopping for the night. It was down to the mid 30's for the night. Then I made it to Hutto a little before noon Friday. Had a great time there and Cindy and I came back home the Sunday after Thanksgiving. That was a cool ride home also. Plus I was fighting a headwind most of the way home. We had a great time in Hutto. My two daughters and their families came for Thanksgiving and Cindy's family is there, so we had a lot of people for Thanksgiving. We had the meal at Cindy's daughter's house there in Hutto as we don't have all the furniture for so many people. As always the time went by too fast, but it is always nice to get back home.

While there I also went to a Lone Star Voyagers lunch ride. It was held at Praus Meat Market in La Grange. The food was excellent and I even brought a sausage back with me for eating.



Changes

We have a couple changes in members. First, Hank has moved to a new place. He is now sharing a house with a friend and has a garage for his bikes. That is nice to have them in a nice covered place where he can work on them. His new address is: 244 Altez St., Albuquerque, NM 87123. The other change is for Bob Bass. He has a new email address catfish746@hotmail.com. Both changes are on the directory page of our web.

Lunch rides

We haven't had a lunch ride in a couple months, and I am getting itchy to have one. Hank is also. We will have to try one soon. As I have company, couldn't this past weekend, and the weather is always changing, so if we do have one, it would be kinda quick notice. It would probably be in San Antonio, most likely the Buckhorn. I have found another place in San Antonio though. It is the San Antonio Crane and I have heard good reports. Will have to try it.

PDCR

I am looking forward to this gathering. It is scheduled for the weekend of May 18-19 at Palo Duro Canyon. Bob Bass is working on this and has scheduled some good rides. The weather should be good then. We will have more information upcoming in newsletters and on the web page. It should be a great time. The campground in the canyon is nice and should have plenty room that time of year as it is before the tourist season has started.

Treasurers report

Brenda reports we have \$110 in the treasury.

Membership

Just a reminder to get your membership renewal in. We have quite a few already, but it would be great to have everyone renew and spread the word to get more members. So far I have renewals for Bob & June Bass, John & Brenda Herring, Jim & Del Miksovsky, Dave & Judy Schani, and Rod & Cindy Westphal. If you have renewed and I don't have that info, please let me know. We don't want to let anyone fall thru the crack here. I have instituted something like the Lone Star Voyagers has on the roster to show the year you are registered thru. That way you would be able to just look on the roster to see if you are current.



Happy New Year