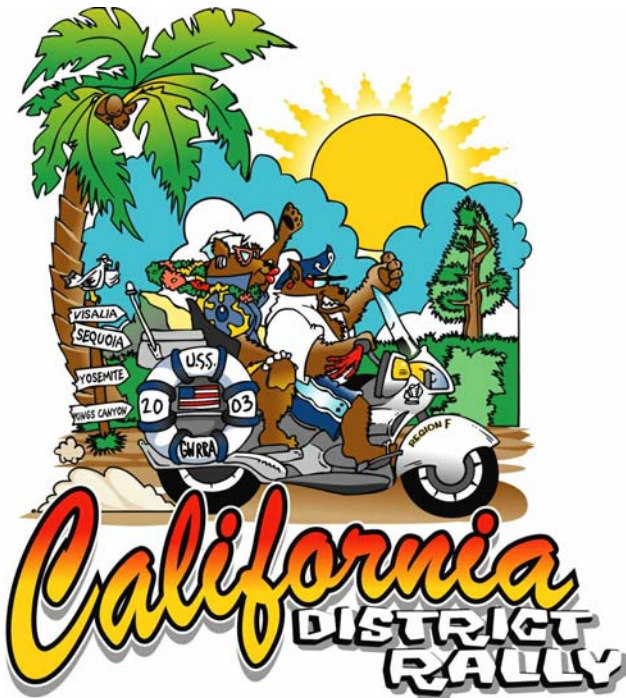




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## Allan's Musings

Well, as I have heard twice over this weekend, summer is waning down and will soon be over. This causes me to reflect on the activities both, within the chapter and with Kay and I as a couple. As most are aware we have our own business, which keeps us insanely busy. It continues to be blessed and flourish despite all my fumbling efforts to reduce the size and work load.

This in turn reduces our free time in which we can fire up the Wing and head on out for fun and merriment with our chapter members and visit other chapters as well. For example, over the previous 18 months we managed to do over 35,000 miles, but since the beginning of this year we have only done about 4,000 miles. The up side to it all is this is one thing to be thankful for living in California, where we can ride all year round.

A number of things have also impacted the lack of miles, firstly Bob Hole stepped down as Tour Director, and as yet we do not have a replacement for him. With time constraints, I have not been able to organize any decent rides. Some members such as Bob Tobin and Bill Andrews have stepped up and organized rides such as Klamath Falls and the after meeting rides down the coast, which was an exceptional ride. Also a number of active ride callers have either moved or are unable to spend too much time riding owing to personal concerns. Please consider throwing your hat in the ring for this opening of Tour Director. We know it's hard to commit to an ongoing job, but once again we are hoping some of you will come forward with ideas of previous rides or outings that were especially fun or interesting that you might want to share with the chapter. It doesn't have to be elaborate, just the fact that we can ride together as a group is all that is important. Bill Andrews took us on a wonderful ride through some back roads to the coast for a great lunch in Davenport. It was a perfect day with eleven bikes participating and especially nice to get away from the heat.

This month we have the District Rally in Visalia. Kay and I will be heading down after lunch on Friday the 29<sup>th</sup>. We would love the company of any other folk who are attending, just let me know and we will keep everyone up to speed on all the particulars.

If you already have made the necessary hotel bookings and enrolled in any seminars, the District website has a full event calendar on it. Please spend the time to look it over (Rick Dyer will kill me if I don't get the word out). If you are still undecided, then it is time to get moving. I am under the impression that rooms are still available at this time.

Our duties for this event include two door prizes (we will cover that) and registration on Sunday Morning, not too difficult a task which we will need to cover at our next meeting.

A reminder that we have a number of poker rides coming up, 2J has theirs this month, and in September we have "Run for the Gold" at Angels Camp, October is the SLO ride in beautiful San Luis Obispo, and not to forget the Ride for Kids in October, so we can at least get some miles on the new 1800.

Well that is all I have to say at this time, so until next time, Ride Safe.

**Allan**

*Edited for American readers by: Kay Freebody*

## **Wing Ding - Madison, WI**

***Debbie Radtke***

It's Wednesday (June 25<sup>th</sup>) afternoon and the time as finally come to head for Madison, Wisconsin. Long time waiting, that's for sure; we are off and riding.

Our first destination is to meet up with two couples from Chapter CA11 in Salt Lake City, Utah. For the next few days we rode as Jumbo Bumble Bee. You say, what is a Jumbo Bumble Bee? Well, if you recall Mark & I ride a Black 1500; one of the other couples rides a Black 1500 also, but we had a Yeller 1800 in our group, thus the name Bumble Bee. We ride thru beautiful country directly across Interstate Hwy 80 for nearly the whole trip. Our destination going to Wing Ding was to get there, have a great time, then site-see on the way home. The weather was great, the countryside beautiful and the company was wonderful. We witness a head-on collision behind a pickup truck and van in Nebraska and an electrical storm that same night.

We arrive in Madison, Wisconsin a day early, which gave us time to clean the bikes, pick up our registration and plan our week. Another former Chapter CA11 member, who now lives in Mississippi, joined us the next day. We were all next door to each other and across the hall, so that made it easy for visiting, planning and just having a great time.

Wing Ding its self was great, with lots of vendors, great weather (the only time it rained was a night and the sun was shining the next morning) food, and people, (12,000) and many friends from all over. California didn't have the showing this year that it had last year, maybe cause it was so close to last year's Wing Ding and/or because it is going to be so close to home (Texas) next year. Who knows? But it was still fun. We spent most of our time looking thorough the vendors, looking for lost men (who seem to wander off, then couldn't find us women), but then isn't that what it's all about.

The Grand Parade & Welcoming Party was fun, with lots of food to choose from. The parade seemed to go on forever, bike after bike after bike. At one point, we thought maybe they were just going in circles before finally parking, but not the case - just lots of bike riding.

There was the Light Show Parade, and one of the activities that we watched was a "Jalapeño Eating Contest" between Mike Wright and several other GWRRA members. They tried to get Benny Garcia to compete, but there was "no way he was going to eat those things and then ride the next day to visit family in the area". Oh well. Mike held his own right down to the end. They started with a mild pepper and worked their way through 4 other peppers, getting hotter and hotter. When it came time to vote on who did the best and looked like they weren't in any pain, became the winner. That's when Mike stepped out of the picture. It was hilarious watching the contest, especially since Judy would remove Mike's hat and pat him dry.

Opening and closing ceremonies were just as awesome as any in the past. If you haven't had the opportunity to attend Wing Ding in the past, then next year's would be a great opportunity, simply for the fact that it is closer to home, and for some the several days of riding isn't their cup of tea. Besides, just being at Wing Ding, seeing how many people gather is truly awesome. So, if you haven't made your reservations for next year, you better get on it soon.

Our trip home was great. We visited the Wisconsin Dells, Mt Rushmore, Custer State Park, Crazy

Horse, Well Drug, Yellowstone, Grand Tetons and several other National Parks. We traveled for 12 Days (going & coming from Wing Ding) 13 states and 5400 miles during our trip averaging between 400 & 500 miles a day. We were lucky not to hit any of the storms across the states and had one day of 65-70 mph winds, which shortened that day of riding.

But all and all we had a great time and look forward to next year.

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## 2003 Ride Calendar

**Bold** items are CA2Q events

<b>8-16-03</b>	<b>CA2Q Chapter Meeting – Athens Burger</b>
<b>8-29 to 9-01</b>	<b>California DISTRICT RALLY at Visalia</b>
9-13-03	CA2N Poker Run
<b>9-20-03</b>	<b>CA2Q Chapter Meeting – Athens Burger</b>
9-20-03	CA2J Poker Run
9-27-03	CA2R Poker Run
10-11-03	CA1Z 8 Ball
<b>10-18-03</b>	<b>CA2Q Chapter Meeting – Athens Burger</b>
10-18 & 19	CA1L SLO Ride
10-25-03	CA1F Halloween
<b>11-15-03</b>	<b>CA2Q Chapter Meeting – Athens Burger</b>
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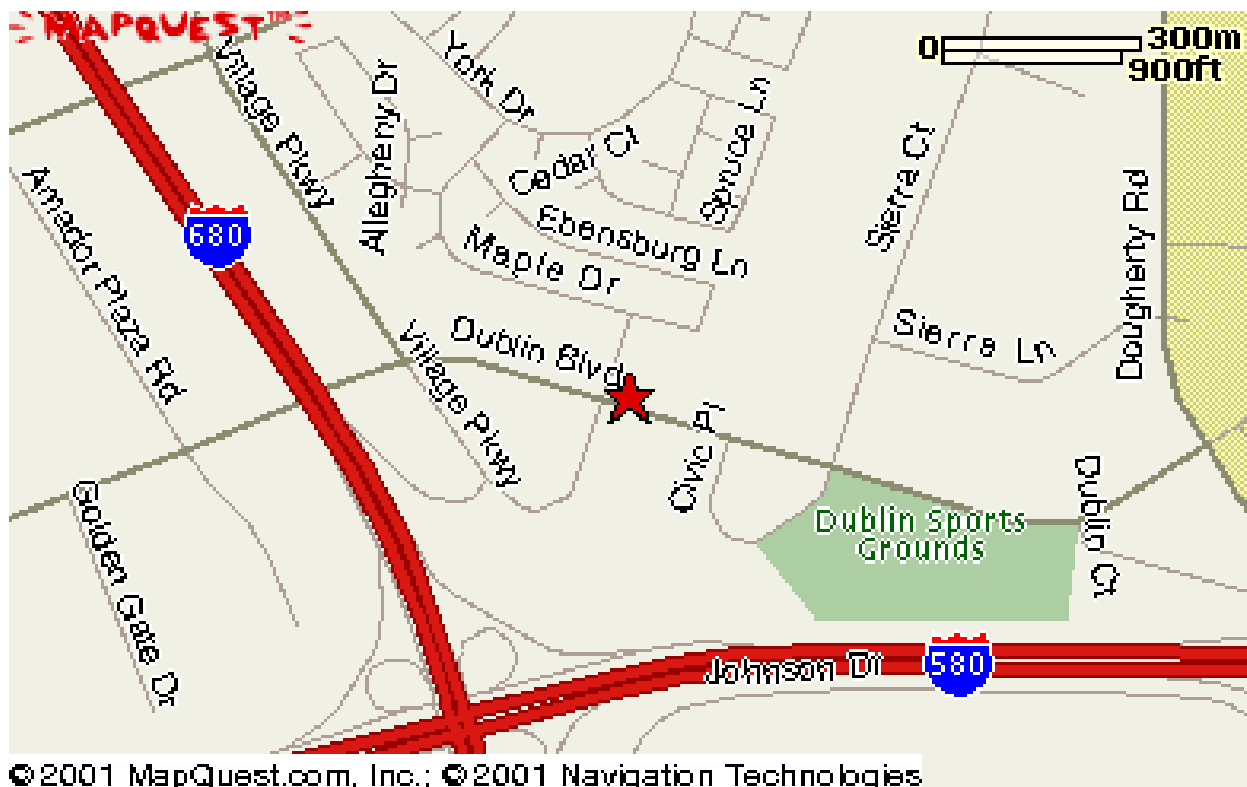
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<i>Meeting date/time</i>	<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Chapter Director</i>	<i>Meeting Location</i>
1st Sun 8:30 AM 8:00 AM Breakfast	<b>CA1I</b>	Dale Sutherland 626-335-1313	Covina Bowl 1060 W. San Bernadino Rd, Covina
1st Sun 7:30 AM	<b>CA1R</b>	Ron Fogelsong 949-951-5291	Knowlwoods Resturant 14952 Sand Canyon, Irvine
1st Sun 8:30 AM	<b>CA1Y</b>	Pennye Sasaki 805-735-4641	Elk's Lodge 905 E. Ocean Av, Lompoc
1st Tue 7:00 PM 6:00 PM Dinner	<b>CA2S</b>	Ron Peck 408-225-4161	Holders Country Kitchen 998 So. De Anza Blvd., Cupertino
1st Sat 9:00 AM 8:00 AM Breakfast	<b>CA1A</b>	Joseph Callaway 661-274-0835	Denny's 2005 West Avenue "K", Lancaster
1st Sat 8:00 AM 7:00 AM Breakfast	<b>CA2A</b>	Daniel Rhoten 559-562-6676	Ryan's Restaurant 1161 E. Tulare Ave., Tulare
1st Sat 9:00 AM 8:00 AM Breakfast	<b>CA1Z</b>	Mick Herod 909-628-2431	Marie Callenders, 29363 Rancho California Road, Temecula
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat 8:00 AM 7:00am Breakfast	<b>CA1M</b>	Del Britton 909-485-1866	Bluffs Restaurant 1231 E. Washington, Colton
2nd Sun 8:00 AM	<b>CA1Q</b>	Charlie Sento 562-926-5420	Hof's Hut 7005 Knott Ave., Buena Park
1st Sat 9:00 AM 8:00 AM Breakfast	<b>CA2R</b>	John Langton 408-779-2670	Giant Artichoke Restaurant 11241 Merritt St. Castroville
2nd Wed 7:00 PM 6:30 PM Dinner	<b>CA2E</b>	Jim Peterson 559-431-6847	Carrows Restaurant 1484 E. Shaw Ave., Fresno
2nd Sat 8:30 AM 8:00 AM Breakfast	<b>CA1F</b>	Anita Alkire 619-264-2845	Broken Yolk Café 1851 Garnet Ave., San Diego (Pacific Beach)
2nd Sat 8:00 AM	<b>CA2J</b>	Mike Gregory 925-776-5411	Brentwood Cafe 8500 Brentwood Blvd. Brentwood
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4th Sat 9:00 AM 8:15 AM Breakfast	<b>CA2G</b>	Linda Morrison 530-671-7400	Ruthy's Restaurant 229 Clark Ave., Yuba City
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