

## **President's Report**

Well Gents, our first ride is in the books, and I believe it came off very well. We had a good turnout with 29 riders in the saddle. No major incidents to speak of and we had an opportunity to bushwack through this high desert landscape. I hope the cat's paw and jumping cactus did not get too many riders. Many thanks to ranch hosts Phillip Kelly and Kenny Mushet, to Adam for providing muchappreciated libations (and especially good Bloody Marys), and to Billy and his crew for a great lunch.

Next up on our calendar will be the Don Daley Ranch on March 24 in Jamul off Highway 94. Dennis Ince will be meeting with the ranch manager on March 6 to preview the area. Details will follow.

Like I mentioned last month, it's not too soon to begin thinking about our Members Only and Annual Rides. If you have any questions about the rides, give a shoutout to Dennis Carlson, who's heading up the Members Only ride, and to Johnny Omahen and Cameron Drown who are chairing and co-chairing the Annual Ride. If you really want to get crazy, reach out to Bob Wining and Craig Schmad who will be handling Annual Ride raffle.

There are some changes and corrections to the monthly ride schedule that was included in last month's newsletter and in the member booklet. The correct dates of the Members Only ride is May 16-19 (not May 18-21). The Lucky 5 and John Tellum Ranch rides have been switched: the Lucky 5 ride will be July 28 (instead of June 23) and the John Tellum Ranch ride will be June 23 (instead of July 28).

## 2024 Monthly Ride Calendar

Here's the updated ride schedule: DATE LOCATION Feb 25 • Banner Grade Ranch, Julian Mar 24 • Don Daly Ranch, Jamul Apr 28 •Pamo Ranch, Ramona May 16-19 • Members Only, Los Senderos Park Jun 23 • John Tellum Ranch Jul 28 • Lucky 5, Laguna Aug 25 • Corte Madera, Pine Valley Sep 20-24 • Annual Ride, Los Senderos Park Oct 27 • Tullock Ranch, Santa Ysabel Nov 24 • Lion, Tigers & Bears, Alpine Dec 3 • Annual Membership Meeting (Details TBD)

Just a reminder that the annual dinner dance is coming up on March 16 at Singing Hills Resort. Questions should be routed to Steve Vaughn.

Scott Vowles will now be emailing invoices to members, a change from regular U.S. mail.

However, if anyone has an issue with email and really needs mailed copies, please contact Scott.



Finally, some sad news: Dennis Ince's father passed away on Monday, February 26. According to Dennis, his father was 91, lived a good life, and passed away peacefully surrounded by family.

Hope to see you all at Singing Hills Resort on March 16.

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