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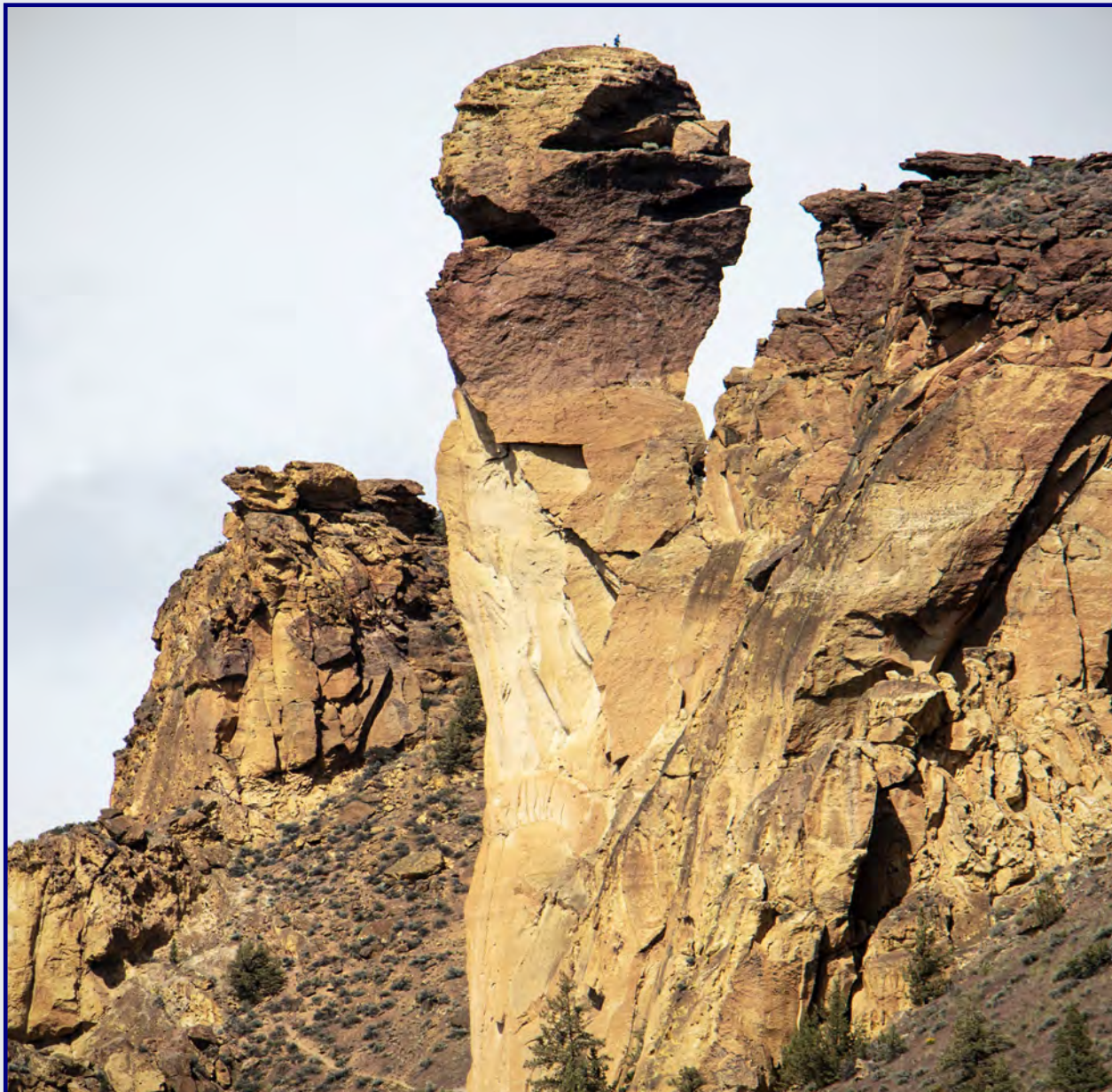
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INTERNATIONAL REP'S OUTLOOK!!!!

Hi to all of you,

I'm hoping that you're getting ready for a great riding season. It's getting closer every day and I've been noticing that the days are getting longer. I haven't been out yet, but have been getting the bike ready and I'll be ready for sure.

We had a great breakfast meeting this month and I have already posted riding events on the calendar. I must say at this point in time, there are more events already posted than I have ever seen. If you can't find something that trips your trigger, you must not have looked at the list.

There are so many things going on early in the year, it's incredible. The Spring Banquet is set and the flyer should be in this month newsletter. Again, with any of these events please get your reservations in early.

Some of the things that must happen or the event organizers have to nail down first is the location. Considerations are is the facility affordable, does it have tent camping as well as R.V. facilities? Also are their hotels or motels not too far away.

The perfect example of this type of planning and organization is the Idaho group and their State Rally. They have covered all of the bases and they choose the same place as the year before because they know the area and the facility fits our rallies to a tee.

This year the Washington State group is putting on the International Rally so that is why we are planning on having the International at Chelan County fairgrounds, Cashmere, WA. We've held the International at this facility once before and it proved to be more than adequate for all of the things we need.

Another thing that you want in planning an event and probably the most important point, is there good riding in the area and are there things to do and points of interest?

Please look at the events list in the "Wash". There are so many opportunities to enjoy, some good riding and some great company. Like I said, I don't think I have seen this many events or campouts listed since I have been in the club. And give some thought to what goes into these events and where you can help out if needed.

A big thanks to all of you who have posted an event and to the thought and hard work that go into making it a success. I could not be prouder to say that I'm a member of the UMCI. Ride safe, ride lots, and most of all have a ton of fun.

See you down the road, Kevin and Kevi

The Sparkplug Coming Events

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2023 Rides and Rally Schedule

- Apr 29-30, Spring Banquet - Othello Senior Center, Othello WA**
Kevin Besel, kbesel52@gmail.com - Registration attached
- Jun 2-5, North Cascades Campout - [Loup Loup Campground](#), Twisp WA**
Dennis Parsley, 360-672-1901 - No Resv, FCFS ([map](#)) ([G. Earth](#))
- Jun 11-16, Idaho Panhandle Tour 2023 - Includes Idaho State Rally**
Daniel Magee, 403 878-5859 - [Panhandle Tour Information](#)
- Jun 13-15, Idaho State Rally - Clearwater River KOA, Kamiah ID**
Larry Phelps, ljphelps1951@gmail.com - *Info to follow*
- Jun 20-23, Farragut State Park (Snowberry Campground), Athol ID**
David Fitzgerald, 206-300-5034 - [Resv](#) (Non-Idaho Residents = \$\$\$)
- Jun 26-29, Laird Park Campout - [Laird Park Campground](#), Harvard ID**
David Fitzgerald, 206-300-5034 ([map](#))
- Jul 17-23, International - Chelan County Fairgrounds, Cashmere WA**
Kevin Besel, kbesel52@gmail.com, *Registration & details to follow*
- Aug 8-10, Clyde Holiday Campout - [Clyde Holiday State Park](#), Mt Vernon OR**
Dick Hohstadt, 541-786-0230, dhohstadt007@gmail.com
- Aug 25-28, Lost Resort, Cabins & Campground ([map](#)) - Ozette WA**
David Fitzgerald, 206-300-5034 ([Info](#))
- Sep 1-4, Tygh Valley, Wasco County Fairgrounds ([map](#)) - Tygh Valley OR**
Ben Altman, 541-993-9015 - Reservations not required

Cover Photo

[Monkey Face](#), is a 350 ft. tall rock that's an irresistible attraction to rock climbers, located in [Smith Rock State Park](#), Terrebonne, OR.

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SPRING BANQUET

Othello Senior Center

755 N. 7th Ave
Othello, WA



We will be at the Senior Center in Othello. All we need is for you to get out of the house and come and enjoy a festive event. We will try to hear from all Rep's and get there views of the coming riding season. We'll have door prizes, raffles and make it a fun evening.

Dinner will start at 6:30pm and served Buffet Style. Cost is \$25.00 per plate. There's a shortage of restaurants in Othello for breakfast, so we'll have breakfast before you leave.

Please Register ASAP

Name _____

Address _____

Registration Dinner..... \$25.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Breakfast \$10.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Total = \$ _____

Please send registration to:

Kevin Besel, 1045 East Oak St, Othello WA 99344-1651

... Othello Motels ...

[Othello Quality Inn](#), 1020 E. Cedar St. (509-488-5671)

[Othello Inn and Suites](#), 665 E. Windsor St. (509-331-5722)

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Idaho Panhandle Tour 2023

Good Morning Riders,

Might seem to be a bit early to plan rides but some of the working folk need to book time off if they want to attend.

Attached is a planned ride to BC and Idaho this year we are skipping Montana due to the unreasonable prices for Hotels and the fact they are keeping the roads in Glacier closed into July.

I have planned a week-long figure eight ride that includes the International Selkirk Loop in BC/Washington along with the LoLo Pass and Idaho Panhandle. This will include three days at the Idaho Rally where people will have the opportunity for some great local rides or some more challenging day-long adventures.

Each day will be around eight hours on the road and around six hundred km, look at it as riding to Calgary and back . Of course you don't have to ride once in Kamiah unless you want to.

I have made reservations for myself at the following hotels. I leave it up to everyone to make their own reservations. The rides will leave each morning from these locations.

Cranbrook June 11-12th and 16-17th Heritage Inn Hotel and Conference Centre

Sandpoint June 12-13th Best Western Ponderay Mountain Lodge

Kamiah June 13-16th Lewis and Clark Motel at Clearwater River
KOA \$118US including tax for two queen 208-935-2556

For riders who might not be interested in the whole ride and coming down through Montana we should be in Missoula for lunch on June 13th before heading out over the LoLo to Kamiah.

Of course weather and circumstances can always change our plans.

Daniel

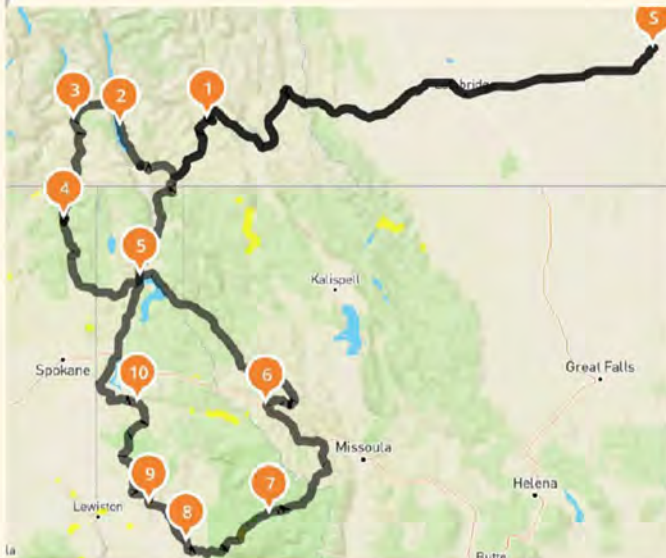
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*United Motorcycle Club
Medicine Hat*

Idaho Panhandle Tour 2023



Riders to make own reservations. Good camping in area if anyone wants to take their rigs.

This ride includes the International Selkirk Loop and Lo-Lo Pass.

Riders interested can contact Daniel for more information 403-878-5859

- Sunday: Medicine Hat to Cranbrook*
Monday: Cranbrook to Sandpoint via Balfour Ferry and Nelson
Tuesday: Sandpoint to Kamiah via Missoula and Lo-Lo Pass
Wed-Friday: Kamiah KOA Idaho Rally
Friday: Kamiah to Cranbrook via Bonners Ferry
Saturday: Cranbrook to Medicine Hat

June 11th to June 17 2023

March 2023 Wasconian News – Ben Altman

It's Spring, Almost !!!

The end of January was still pretty cold and wet. February started out with some sun and temperatures into the low 50s but still some cold nights below freezing. It made it to 55° Saturday the 18th, but also had 25-30 mph wind, so not all that great.

However, Spring is just around the corner. By the time you get the following newsletter we will have reached that magic spring day of March 21st, which is the first day we get 12 full hours of daylight, Yahoo!

Activity Report

I could say I have been so busy that I barely had time to prepare my report this month. But, with the colder, wet and windy weather not much activity here for me.

Sunday February 5: Wet and 37° this morning, and foggy on the drive down to Rufus for the Mid-Columbia Breakfast this morning. We only had 4 attending, as CZ was home not feelin well.

Friday February 10: CZ wanted to check out the new Chinese restaurant in Lyle, so he scheduled a lunch for today. Klickitat John could make it but D & B Miles, and myself joined CZ.

Coming up Sunday March 5, We will have the breakfast meeting at Rufus, Mike's Texas Steak House.

2023 Rally Info

Clyde Holiday Campout
August 8-10
Host Dick Hohstadt
541-786-0230

Please note email Correction
dhohstadt007@gmail.com

Tygh Valley
September 1-4
Early arrivals Thursday August 31, depart Monday
September 4
Host Ben Altman

541-993-9015
ben.altman47@gmail.com

That's it for now.

Ben



March Birthdays



MARCH

1 - Gladys Smith
1 - Dennis Smith
2 - Grace Baker
2 - Al Williamson
2 - Roger Neale
2 - Gary Shearer
3 - Betty Evans
3 - Larry Balloy
3 - Mary Lou Melzer
4 - Mary Canfield

4 - Susan Fitzgerald
8 - Karen Headley
9 - Sam Roth
9 - Pam Nelson
20 - Katie Scarborough
21 - Carol Williams
22 - Mike Bisceglia
28 - Bruce Schulz
29 - Dick Carson



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For Sale

1995 Honda Goldwing GL 1500 Interstate • 54,000 miles
New Windshield • Tune Up • Brakes • Ready to go • \$4800

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1995 Kwik Kamp with Queen Bed • \$2500



Contact Lucy Johnson at: 509-269-4648
Eastern Washington

Chapter Breakfast Meetings - Come Early!

<p>1st Saturday Metro South (Oregon City) 8:00 AM <u>Shari's Restaurant</u> 19001 Beaver Creek Rd, Oregon City Dick Czmowski, 971-338-3196 dickczmo@aol.com</p>	<p>3rd Thursday North Coast Lunch 11:30 AM <u>Logger Restaurant</u> 42929 Old US Hwy 30, Knappa OR Jim Roehr, 503-458-5852</p>
<p>1st Saturday Grants Pass/Medford 8:30 AM <u>Shenanigans Lounge at Herb's Restaurant</u> 515 Rogue River Highway, Grants Pass OR Rick Foley cell: 541-916-2506 rick1foley@gmail.com</p>	<p>3rd Saturday Tangent 8:00 AM <u>Dixie Creek Saloon (In heart of town)</u> 32994 Hwy 99E, Tangent OR Floyd McMillin, 541-990-5304 ellentonimcmillin@gmail.com</p>
<p>4th Saturday North Coast Breakfast 9:00 AM <u>Buoy 9 Restaurant</u>, 996 Pacific Dr. Hammond OR Jim Roehr, 503-458-5852</p>	<p>3rd Saturday Hermiston 8:00 AM <u>Denny's Restaurant</u> 2265 Hwy 395 S, Hermiston Ed Baker, 791-338-3196 PO Box 141, Heppner OR</p>
<p>1st Sunday Mid Columbia 8:00 AM <u>Lyle Cafe</u>, 605 State St, Lyle Washington John & Hazel Dougherty, 541-399-6172 Goldendale WA</p>	<p>4th Saturday Vancouver 7:00 AM <u>Paul's Restaurant (No Host)</u> 1800 Broadway Street Vancouver WA</p>
<p>2nd Saturday, Metro South (Milwaukie) 8:30 AM <u>Elmer's Restaurant</u> 16087 SE 82nd Dr, Clackamas OR Dick Czmowski, 971-338-3196 dickczmo@aol.com</p>	<p>4th Sunday Coos Bay 9:00 AM <u>Kozy Kitchen</u> Chris & Eva Williams, 541-404-5286 721 7th St. Myrtle Point OR cwilliams88ci@yahoo.com</p>
<p>2nd Saturday, Breakfast, 10 AM, Meeting at 10:30 AM <u>Abby's Pizza</u>, 1011 W Central Ave, Sutherlin OR Zack Hoffman, 541-430-3568 zhoffman3478@msn.com</p>	<p>Burns - Call Jim 9:00 AM Jim & Zelly Campbell, 541-573-7607 32401 Airport Lane, Burns OR</p>
<p>3rd Tuesday Portland Widow's Chapter 12:30 AM <u>Applebee's</u> 10172 SE 82nd St, Portland OR Lyn McCabe 503-351-7009 lcbrenna3068@gmail.com</p>	

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New Membership Registration Form

Rider:

Print Name

Signature

Navigator:

Print Name

_____ + _____

Signature

By signing for membership, I agree to abide by the By-Laws of UMCI.

Address: _____ + _____

_____ State ___ Zip _____

Important for Newsletter & General Communications

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Accepted By: _____ -- __, State Rep. Date _____

Mail to: Gary Shearer, State Rep.
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