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CAL SUNDAY RIDE

Sunday, March 5th, 2006

Destination: San Juan Bautista

Departure: 9:00am (coffee: 8:30am)

Dear Riding Friends,

Welcome to the March Spring Shop Ride. This ride is suitable for beginners as well as for more experienced riders, on slow two-lane paved roads only, except for a little bit of freeway.

We have a nice, rather short shop ride planned for Sunday, March 5th. As always, we will leave from the shop at 9:00, the shop will be open by 8:30. Reinhold Lohkamp-Schmitz and Mike Meissner are going to lead. I'd be coming but I tore some muscles at the dirt clinic last Sunday and the doctor says no.

We'll be going down Almaden Expressway to Uvas/McKean Roads (G8) and ride by the reservoirs down to Gilroy. We'll jump onto 101 at the bottom of Gilroy and take it to 156 and the road past San Juan Bautista. At the bottom of town is a traffic light, and you turn right there to head up to the top of Fremont Peak. After a nice break and maybe a hike up to the summit, we'll ride back down into the town and stop for an hour for lunch. There is no restaurant big enough to accommodate the group so we will split into small groups and hit the cafes and bakeries, then meet again in an hour to ride back. The return route will be up San Juan Highway to 129 to Carlton Road and then right on Hecker Pass (152) back to G8 and up past the reservoirs again on the way home. The ride is a big circle. This is a very good ride for beginner and intermediate riders, as it is not very long and we are not very far from home.

This is also an easy ride and with two leaders I don't expect anyone to get lost. This is a short ride and we'll be done by 2:00 or 3:00 or so, but but it is a beautiful, little-known ride and one of the least-traveled roads is the one up to Fremont Peak.

Please, be sure you stay within the safe limits of your riding ability. 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 line, not on trying to go fast.

As always, this is a leisurely social ride, nothing difficult, and please, no racing! I hope you can join us. Have fun and be safe! Email (Kari@calmoto.com) or call (650.966.1183) me or if you have any questions or concerns.

Best regards,
Kari Prager