

## Weather Predictions are so Over Rated

### What we did last week:

Abel led 15 bikes and 19 riders, plus a few pampered folks in that fancy cage, to Lulling for some Bar-B-Que. I wish I could say the weather was perfect. It was supposed to be but the low clouds blocked the sun making it colder than predicted. Good thing almost everyone was prepared... almost everyone. The food was good and the sun finally came out. Good thing too. I think the cold made the bikes heavy and off balance; well for 4 of you anyway. That's why we have engine guards.

I made a FAQ for our new members and for those that have forgotten. I attached it to the end of this message for your reading pleasure.

### What's coming up this week:

**NOW:** If you haven't placed your order for name tags please contact Diane at [membership@calientehog.com](mailto:membership@calientehog.com) by mid-day tomorrow. She's placing the order. They are \$10 each.

**Saturday, February 15:** "Riding Gear Essentials" workshop at Caliente @ 9:00 a.m.

### What's just around the corner:

February 22: "Ready to Ride" Caliente Workshop @ 9:00 a.m.  
February 22: Ride to Wimberly - KSU 10:00 a.m. LRC Greg [**Closed Event**]  
February 24: Officer's Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. [**Closed Event**]  
March 1: RC Meeting (8:30 a.m.), New Member Orientation (9:30 a.m.), Fundraiser (10:30 a.m.) [**Closed Event**]  
March 6: Chapter Social (Location TBD) [**Closed Event**]  
March 9: Ride to Billy Jeans in Kerville: KSU TBD LRC Ana [**Closed Event**]  
March 22: LOH Ride to Austin: KSU TBD LRC Ana [**Closed Event**]

### Save the dates:

May 15th - 17th: Texas State H.O.G. Rally - Abeline [**Members Only**]  
June 12th - 15th: Republic of Texas (R.O.T.) Rally - Austin [**Open Event**]  
July 19th: Annual Caliente H.O.G. Picnic - Location TBD [**Closed Event**]  
August 4th - 10th: Sturgis 2014 [**Open Event**]  
September 20th - 21st: Demo Rides and Miss Caliente [**Open Event**]  
October 10th - 13th: Big Bend Overnight Ride [**Closed Event**]  
November 6th - 9th: Loan Star Rally - Galveston [**Open Event**]  
December 13th: Chapter Christmas Party [**Closed Event**]

### In other news:

#### **From our Safety Officer:**

Be sure everyone stays aware of the unpredictable weather changes. Bridges freeze before road surfaces, cold dulls your senses, and make sure you wear that eye protection. All the loose sand and gravel on the road creates its own world of hazard.

### **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):**

*Q. What is KSU?*

A. It stands for "Kick Stands Up" and is our way of letting you know when the ride will depart Caliente. We sometimes refer to it as EBU "Emergency Brake Up" for our Trike riders. Key point, this is the time we leave so be there at least 15 minutes before so you can sign the paperwork and hear the safety and ride briefing.

### **Calientegram Update**

Assuming you've already sent Pedro or Merry your RSVP... add Wednesday, February 12th at 7:00 p.m. to your calendar for the Valentine's Dinner at Henry's Puffy Taco ([6030 Bandera Road](#)). The cost is \$20 (Cash) payable at the door. Alcohol is available for an additional cost. There will be goodie bags and dessert for all. If you haven't RSVP and want to, contact Merry directly at [cookie@me.com](mailto:cookie@me.com)

**Respectfully**  
**Your Squirrel**