

CALIENTE HOG #2013

Calientegram - 29December19

Happy New Year to everyone. Here's to a healthy, safe and prosperous New Year!

CALIENTE HOG RIDE CALENDAR:

12Jan (Sunday) - LRC Jack, SRC BT. KSU 10:00, briefing at 9:40. Ride to the Blue Bonnet Café, Marble Falls. If you haven't been lately or never have been, you are in for a treat. For ninety years the café have been serving from-scratch menu items from chicken fried steak to cornmeal crunch catfish and many items in between. The local favorite for dessert is one of the fifteen varieties of "mile-high pies". FYI-this is a cash only café but there is an ATM inside. The ride will be 87 miles one way up 281, about ninety minutes in the saddle. January is a funny month for weather, rain gear and layered clothing is suggested.

20Jan (Monday) - LRC Towne, SRC Dave. KSU and location pending.

25Jan (Saturday) - LRC F2, SRC Towne. KSU and location pending.

EVENTS:

- 4Jan - Chapter Social 10:30 am - Caliente Dealership**
- **Road Captain Meeting - 8:30 am - Caliente Training Room**
 - **New Member Orientation - 9:30 am - Caliente Training Room**
 - **Potential LOH Meeting - 9:30 am**
 - **Fundraiser - Caliente Dealership - 11:00 am - 3:00 pm** Volunteers needed to help.

ODDS and ENDS

It is time to renew your membership for 2020. The cost is still a bargain at only \$25 for the year. We will accept cash, check or charge. I have attached a copy of the membership form so that you can complete it in advance of the meeting. There is also a supplemental form for you to complete as well. Thanks, Diane

Great ride today. Got out a few minutes late but no sweat. Am thinking we had 111 bikes... oops, I mean 11 bikes. Traffic was light. Consensus was that Ralph Fair Road and Crabapple Rd are some of the best kept secrets in the local area. Am

thinking this was the first time we have scooted on Crabapple Rd. Scenery was truly HILL COUNTRY with narrow winding roads, cattle guards, and scenic vistas. We made it into Fredericksburg to the restaurant that told me earlier in the week that they didn't expect much business so close to New Years Day so no reservation was necessary. Ok, that was dorked up advice as when we pulled in, folks were lined up out the door into the front lot. At least we know that the food there must be excellent so we can look at going there in the future. Plan B offered by my Sweep Tony, was to go eat German so with the drum line and orchestra music from Hogan's Heroes pounding in my head, off we went. Great food but it took a seemingly looonnngg time to get our food. Being in a Group I am sure didn't help as they no doubt wanted to get our food out to us all at one time. However, it was fun to talk to others in the Chapter as sometimes it is difficult to engage with folks one on one. Getting to know folks is what this Chapter is all about. I am also thinking though that only if I had gotten home sooner, my cheers and screams at the TV might have helped the Patriots get a win over the Dolphins but I digress. Coming back on TX-16 was pretty excellent especially south of Kerrville. Had kinda sorta forgotten about those turns and hills but an excellent time was had by all judged by the smiles. A little under 200 miles and with lunch we were gone roughly 6 hours for a pretty cool day. Hope to see you out there on the next ride. Remember, riding your couch or Lazy Boy recliner causes your bike to rust (I read that on the internet somewhere so it much be true).... Regards to all.

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*Frank Knapp
Director, CCSA*

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Diane "Strapless" Pittman
Secretary
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