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Itch to Ride

Winter finally arrived here in Texas and the bike has been parked for a lot more days than usual. We still get a day now and then in the 60's, so even as I sit here I can hear bikes out enjoying the welcome break in the cold. Happily we're "over the hump" as far as bad weather is concerned and can look forward to great Spring riding before long.



Kirk Woodward

Two Charlies From California

Charlie Hunt and Charlie Applebaum are pairing up on the 6th Annual Mother Road Ride/Rally® Hunt, 72 years young, has been



Charlie Applebaum (left) & Charlie Hunt.

Picture Courtesy: Charlie Hunt)

riding . . . off and on . . . for 55 years and told us he likes to ride distance trips. In the past he has toured British Columbia and California's Route 49. Applebaum decided on making the Rally back in November, 1999. He'll be on a BMW K1200LT and hails from Paso Robles, CA.

Buddy Up List

The California folks remind us to remind you about the forthcoming "Buddy Up List" that we will be mailing to everybody May 15th. We list participants, phone numbers - email if any - and their planned start city. The list makes it possible to join up with others that are heading the same direction as you. We wait until May 15th so that we can include as many participants as possible.

As of this date we have registered 33 people for this year's run. That is ahead of last year at this same time and suggests that this will be the best year ever.
Hamburger Joint Guy

Pat Evans of Fresno, CA told us that he is going to be tuned it to all the famous hamburger joints on Route 66. And 66 has 'em, in spades.

The Route even passes near the original McDonalds. Evans is a relative newcomer to motorcycles having been



Pat Evans, Fresno, CA

riding for 5 years. He signed up for the run because he would like to ". . . sense some of the motor history of our country."

Miles and Miles and Miles and Miles

Marty Kenny said he is particularly interested in seeing the miles and miles and . . . well,



Marty Kenny

you get the picture . . . of Route 66. They certainly are out there to enjoy. Experts tell us that over 60% of Historic Route 66 is still out there. To meet the time frame of the Rally one does need to spend some time freeway blasting, but with a "budget" of 300 miles a day, you can still "get your kicks on Root 66."

Arizona Focus

Dwight Lear from Chandler, AZ plans to start his Route 66 run in his home state and then run west into the Santa Monica Pier.

He will focus on those burros at Oatman, AZ, and probably chew the fat a bit with the Delgadillo brothers (Juan and Angel) in Seligman, AZ. Seligman to Kingman on the old road represents the longest unbroken segment of Historic Route 66 . . .



Dwight Lear, Chandler, AZ

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