



**By the time this hits print**, we will have bid farewell to 2016 and be segueing into 2017. Yes, another year has come to an end, and as always, we take a moment to reflect upon the past and to gaze into the future. Our Municipal Motorcycle Officers of California started in 1928, we're older than the *Hells Angels*, of a different philosophy and much better looking, too; MMOC continues to develop as an organization as we speak. Although certainly a challenging endeavor, change rarely comes easy and our Board of Directors work hard to keep operations progressing smoothly and efficiently.

Our MMOC Board is often guided by resolute and seasoned counsel. Counsel ranks include Gene Gray, Dennis Brown, Rich Bailey and many others who share their wisdom and tenure, and earn our gratitude. We as a Team look to each of our members for important direction, too. We closely monitor our financial books. We look for ways to cut costs, as well as ways to enhance our income and grow our membership.

We strive to Entertain & Involve "YOU", our esteemed colleagues/members. But "we" cannot keep MMOC financially solvent without "you" our Marvelous Mirthful Membership. Yes, you need to join in, have fun, and eagerly participate in the ongoing creation of our storied history.

Speaking of participation, there are 3 things each of us members need to do **ASAP...**

**First: Attend our Annual Cioppino Feed, March 11, 2017** (*Details Page 5*)

**Second: Attend our 88<sup>th</sup> Annual MMOC Convention Cruise** (*Details Page 3 & 4*)

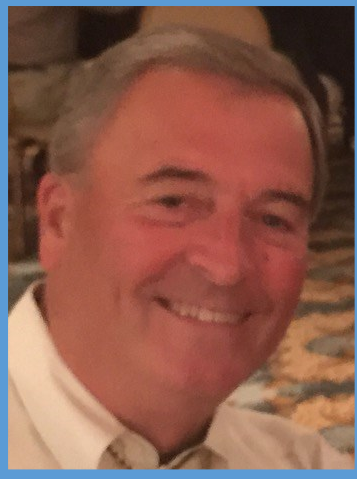
**Third: Consider receiving your "Siren" via email, or on-line** (*explanation below*)

Our publishing and mailing costs for each edition of the Siren are the greatest expense we incur annually. If our Membership would consider emailing Doug or myself, and requesting to receive their Siren electronically, we could save upwards of **\$14,000.00** annually in printing/mailing costs!

As a member, you would receive an email from MMOC Tri-Annually with a copy attached for you to browse through at your convenience, or even print out if you choose. This would allow us to utilize those precious funds for other expenses. If our membership wants, the Board could solicit "suggestions" on a more noble cause, purpose or way to expend those funds. However, it is all up to you. So please send an email with "**Siren**" in the Subject title, to: [dwayne@mmoc.org](mailto:dwayne@mmoc.org) or [ride.surf@yahoo.com](mailto:ride.surf@yahoo.com) and we will get your **Siren** to you via email and save thousands of \$\$\$\$'s.

In closing, Happy New Year to all of you & yours; I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming MMOC events. Visit [www.mmoc.org](http://www.mmoc.org) regularly to see pictures of you and our friends, learn of any updates and purchase MMOC memorabilia. I would like to thank all my fellow Directors for their efforts and our "behind the scenes" Staff & Volunteers who keep MMOC going strong. MMOC Treasurer / PP Gene Gray, Secretary Rhoda Nishiyama, Quartermaster Cliff Heanes, Ride Director / PP Dennis Brown, Web-Master / Director Doug Wayne, Editor in Chief / VP Larry Hodson, and our Honor Guard Captain Don Winslow who has over 55 years of tenure!

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.      Chuck Rabaut, President**



**By Jim Davis – Director**

This is my first newsletter since becoming a Director in September at the MMOC Convention in Pismo Beach, CA. I will be completing the remaining term of Director Dale Turner (Sgt. Ret. LAPD) who for personal reasons is not able to continue his term as Director but has promised his continued support to MMOC as an active and participating member. We thank Dale for his time, dedication and energy and hope in the future he will return to the Board and once again help in moving the MMOC forward. Thank you Dale!

Some of you may remember me, but for those who are new to the MMOC, I am a past Director and past President (2004-2005). I am retired from the Los Angeles Police Dept. with 31 plus years of service with 23 of those years on motors as an officer and Sergeant. It is my honor and privilege to once again serve the membership and work on this Board with such an exceptional dedicated group of Directors.

My wife Winnie and I attended this year's Convention and for those who were not able to attend you missed a great time that was had by all with BBQ on the beach (Bees and birds as guests), lunch by the pool at the hotel, attending a stage play in town, walks on the beach and in the small little town of Avila, a great MMOC Gala dinner and most importantly great camaraderie with fellow members, their wives and husbands. Winnie and I and Directors hope that you will be able to attend next year's Convention.

I would like to thank those who were responsible for putting the convention together giving so much of their time, dedication and talent in making it such a great success. Thank you to all of the Directors – Mark Murray (President), Larry Hodson (Vice President), Doug Wayne, Chuck Rabaut and Dale Turner. I would like to give a special thanks to Gene Gray who has always been there for MMOC throughout the years and to his right hand, Nancy. Also, a special thanks to Rhoda, our secretary, who keeps everyone on the straight and narrow and who is the best part of Dennis Brown. Thank all of you for what you do for MMOC.

In my next article I would like to touch a little on the personal liability protection for retired officers legally permitted to carry a concealed weapon in the State of California and nationwide under the authority of the Law Enforcement Officer's Safety Act (often referred to as H.R. 218).

In closing I am hoping that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday and was able to share with family and friends. By the time this article appears in "The Siren" we will all have enjoyed the Christmas season, so I would like to wish everyone a **Happy, Blessed Merry Christmas** and a very **Happy New Year** hoping for peace around the world.

## From Doug Wayne - MMOC Director / Webmaster

Hello all MMOC members:

Our 2017 MMOC Convention will be held Sept 17-21 on the Carnival Cruise Line, Imagination ship, details below. Friends and family are welcome to join us on this 5 day - 4 night cruise. With only one official MMOC function onboard, the *Annual General Membership Meeting*, you will be free to peruse the ship or tour sights onshore. There are no group plans for either early or late breakfast/dinner options, and unlike our regular conventions, there is no "registration fee". If you do want to sit with certain people, make sure everyone in your group selects the same early/late option. The MMOC Board of Directors has reserved a block of 15 rooms at the Comfort Inn & Suites (6 miles from ship), 200 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, Ca. 90806 for Saturday night, September 16, 2017, to aid those driving to Long Beach. Call (562) 426-7611 and mention "Municipal Motorcycle Officers of California" for the guaranteed discount price of \$189 + tax, which includes parking at the hotel during the cruise and either a free shuttle, or taxi, to and from the Carnival terminal. Long term parking is also available at the Long Beach Cruise Ship Terminal and Parking Facility, 231 Windsor Way, Long Beach 90802 for \$19.00 per day, payable upon exit. If flying into LAX, contact me at [dwayne@mmoc.org](mailto:dwayne@mmoc.org) for details on transfers to the hotel or ship and I'll forward that information.

**We have enlisted the services of travel agent Ron Clark. He has 50 cabins blocked off for MMOC group members until January 10, 2017, after which date there is no guarantee on availability or the rates noted below. Please contact Ron directly @ 925 803 9134 or [ron@bookrct.com](mailto:ron@bookrct.com) for questions and booking.** You can also go to this Carnival Cruise line link for more ship details: <https://www.carnival.com/cruise-food/?shipCode=IM>

### **(Below is cruise information provided by Ron Clark)**

"Just so it's clear for everyone, the group pricing for interior/exterior is locked and will not increase until Jan 10th. After that, any staterooms that do not have the minimum group deposit will be recalled by Carnival and the prices will increase to the current available pricing.

My recommendation to anyone interested in going, or think they MAY be interested in going, is to post the Full, \$300, fully-refundable deposit and cancel later if not able to attend."

### **MMOC GROUP TRIP:**

Carnival - Imagination (September 17, 2017 - 4 nights)

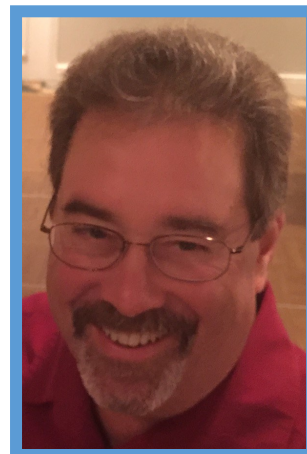
1. Long Beach, California 5:30 PM - Depart
2. Catalina, California 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM
3. Ensenada, Mexico 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM
4. At Sea
5. Long Beach, California 7:00 AM - Arrive

### **INTERIOR:**

4D - \$249+ Interior (Location: Deck 6 Mid, Deck 7 Fwd/Aft) 185 sq. ft.  
+ \$88.94 tax per person [Includes \$99.00 port charges per person]

### **OCEANVIEW:**

6C - \$284+ Ocean View (Location: Deck 5 Mid, Deck 6 Fwd/Aft) 185 sq. ft.  
6D - \$304+ Ocean View (Location: Deck 6 Mid, Deck 7 Fwd/Aft) 185 sq. ft.  
6E - \$314+ Ocean View (Location: Deck 7 Mid, 185 sq. ft.



**+ \$88.94 tax per person  
[Includes \$99.00 port charges  
per person]**

### **SUITES:**

OB - \$654+ Junior Suite \*obstructed views\* (Location: Deck 11 Fwd) 220 sq. ft.

JS - \$699+ Junior Suite (Location: Deck 11 Fwd) 220 sq. ft.

GS - \$864+ Grand Suite (Location: Deck 6 Mid, 330 sq. ft.

**+ \$88.94 tax per person [Includes \$99.00 port charges per person]**

**\*\* Suite prices are subject to change daily and are based on availability**

**\*\* Full deposit required to reserve any suite class stateroom**

### **DEPOSITS:**

\$25.00 per person to hold space (minimum deposit) **by January 10, 2017**

\$150.00 per person to assign cabin number (full deposit)

**\*\* Payments fully refundable if cancelled by 07/19/2017**

### **GROUP PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

**\$25.00 per person by 01/10/2017**

**\$150.00 per person by 05/20/2017**

**Full balance due by 07/19/2017**

### **CANCELLATION POLICY, if cancelled on or after:**

07/20/2017 = \$150 per person penalty

08/04/2017 = 50% per person penalty

08/20/2017 = 75% per person penalty

09/04/2017 = 100% per person penalty

### **VPP INSURANCE (OPTIONAL):**

\$49.00 per person - Interior & Ocean view

\$95.00 per person - Junior Suite

\$109.00 per person - Grand Suite

### **BEVERAGE PACKAGE AKA Cheers Package (OPTIONAL):**

Once a reservation is made and you receive your confirmation number, the Cheers package can be added to your reservation online. The cost is \$49.95 per person per day plus a 15% gratuity. If you want to add the package, all passengers 21 and over staying in the same stateroom are required to purchase the package.

### **BOOKING INSTRUCTIONS:**

To make a booking, I will need the following information-

\* Full name of guest (Last, First & Middle) as it appears on government documents

\* Date of birth

\* Citizenship (only if other than US citizen)

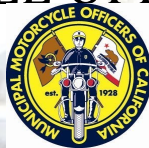
\* Carnival past guest number (if applicable)

\* Address, email & contact phone numbers

**The best number to call is my direct office line 925-803-9134 or email me at [ron@bookrct.com](mailto:ron@bookrct.com)**



# MUNICIPAL MOTORCYCLE OFFICERS OF CALIFORNIA



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED

TO ATTEND THE EXTRAORDINARY

## ANNUAL CIOPPINO FEED

SAN JOSE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION HALL 1151 NORTH FOURTH STREET SAN JOSE CA

MARCH 11, 2017

**\$47.50 INCLUDES:**

### CIOPPINO

NICOSIA FAMOUS SAUSAGE, PASTA, SALAD & BREAD & Dessert  
(Chicken on request!)

FEATURING SPECIAL GUEST

COMEDIAN MICHAEL MANCINI, **WORLD'S FUNNIEST COP!!**

&

DANCING WITH MUSIC PROVIDED BY DJ RYNELL WILLIAMS

Checks payable to MMOC & MAIL to: MMOC CIOPPINO FEED / P.O. BOX 2422, APTOS, CA 95001  
MMOC CIOPPINO FEED Coordinator is Rich Bailey 408-316-6114

**DOORS OPEN 6:00 PM!**

TICKET PAYMENT POSTMARKED BY MARCH 01, 2017

**NO TICKETS SOLD AT DOOR!**

**HOLIDAY INN**

1350 N 1<sup>ST</sup> Street SAN JOSE CA 408-453-6200 MENTION: MMOC For Group Rate  
\$109.00+ TAX

INCLUDES AIRPORT SHUTTLE TO/FROM SJC AIRPORT

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Remove and Return with Payment (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

NO# in Party \_\_\_\_\_

TO Reserve FULL "Table of 8" List All Names. Use back page if necessary. Write "Chicken" next to Name

\*Requesting CHICKEN AS ALTERNATIVE TO CIOPPINO

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

\*TELEPHONE OR EMAIL WILL BE USED TO CONFIRM RECEIPT OF PAYMENT/RESERVATION



## **24th Annual MMOC Ride, July, 2017**

**Ladies and gentlemen, here's our 24<sup>th</sup> Annual MMOC ride information, courtesy of the Three Musketeers. We be: Yours truly, fellow Past President Terry Blumenthal and esteemed vintner and Honorary Member Phil Ponzio. Terry did most of the leg work, I added a pinch of salt and Phil a splash of Chianti and dash of rosemary. We hope you enjoy the flavor of our off-the-beaten-path back country journey.**

**Terry has reserved 20 rooms at each hotel, 5 of which are King and the remaining 15, Double Queens. Each establishment has a 1 month cutoff for the guaranteed rates and room availability and a 72 hour cancellation clause. All bookings are under "MMOC Group Reservations".**

**We begin our ride, eat, drink and be merry expedition with a meet and greet social evening Sunday, July 9, 2017 at the Best Western Dry Creek Inn, 198 Dry Creek Rd., Healdsburg, Ca. 95448. 707 433 0300. Their check in time is 1500hrs. All rooms are \$139.00 plus tax.**

**Monday, July 10 we're in the wind for the Clarion Hotel Humboldt Bay, 2223 4<sup>th</sup> St., Eureka, Ca. 95501. 707 442 3261. All rooms \$94.99 plus tax.**

**Tuesday, July 11 lodging: Hampton Inn and Suites, 520 Adobe Rd., Red Bluff, Ca. 96086. 530 529 4178. All rooms \$109.00 plus tax.**

**Wednesday, July 12: Comfort Suites, 800 Mesa Dr., Fernley, Nv. 89408. 775 980 6514. All rooms \$91.00 plus tax.**

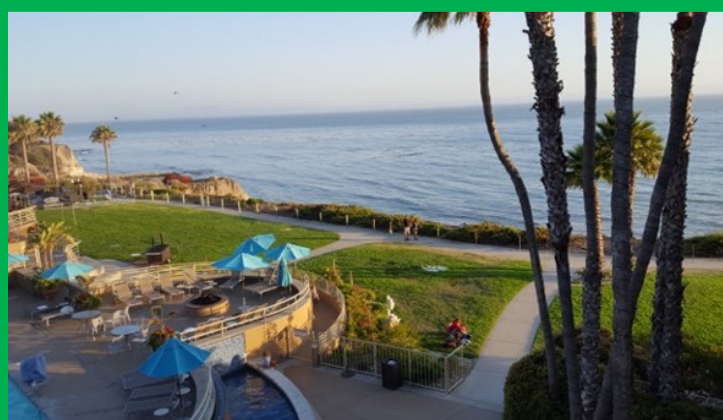
**Thursday, July 13: Aladdin Inn, 14260 Mono Way, Sonoma, Ca. 95370. 209 533 4971. \$90.00 plus tax for King, \$94.00 plus tax for Double Queen.**

**Friday, July 14: Best Western Plus, 375 Leavesley Rd., Gilroy, Ca. 95020. 408 848 5144. All rooms \$149.00 plus tax.**

**Contact Terry @ [TerryB7879@aol.com](mailto:TerryB7879@aol.com) within a month or so if you want copies of the daily directions to pre-program your GPS for routing, gas and food waypoints. He will forward them electronically. As is our custom, we will once again form into our successful two group format, Touring and Sport Touring. Again, we're looking for two dedicated chase vehicles; all riders will be asked for a \$30.00 token to defray their gas guzzler propensity. Daily start times will vary dependent on weather, route and mileage, but you must be fueled up before departure. There should not be a drop of rain, perhaps one foggy morning and heat management may be necessary in 2 areas, dictating earlier departure times. Sound off if you're joining us, and where.**

**For now, I remain His Own Self, Dennis M. Brown at [hos6350@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hos6350@sbcglobal.net)**





***View from the Cliff's Resort***



***The 87th Annual Convention  
The Cliff's Resort Hotel  
Pismo Beach, California  
September 2016***



***Cliff Heanes, Rich Bailey, Lawrence Hodson***



***"Who is the Real Cook"  
Chuck Rabaut or Doug Wayne***

***Mickie and her children:  
Norma, Debi, Rhoda***



***Theresa, Kim, LaRene, Sue***



***Dennis HOS, Phil & Barron***

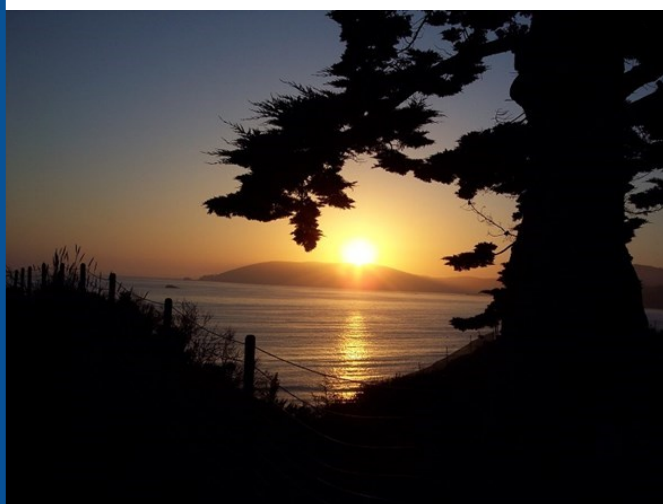


***Rene, Lawrence & Bailey***

***The BBQ Gang at the Beach. Fantastic Time***



***Great Sunset, and pulling out in the morning.***



President	Chuck Rabaut
Vice President	Lawrence Hodson
Director	Doug Wayne
Director	Jim Davis
Director	Mark Murray

## 2017 Staff



Treasurer	Gene Gray
Secretary	Rhoda Nishiyama
Quartermaster	Cliff Heanes
Ride Director	Dennis Brown
Web-Master	Doug Wayne
Honor Guard	Don Winslow