

MUNICIPAL MOTORCYCLE OFFICERS OF CALIFORNIA

*The
Siren*

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From the Minden Bunker of The President

Doug Wayne - Oakland PD - Retired

As we move toward a more normal everyday existence I hope everyone is feeling a little better and a lot more hopeful for better days ahead. For those of you who love to be on-the-go all the time, your time is near. We all know of many people who have lost their lives this past year, which puts many things, trivial in nature, into a more reasonable perspective.

In January I received an email from David Hayes, an MMOC member since 1981. He indicated he needed some assistance so I gave him a call. I learned that in 2017 he and his wife lost their home and all their belongings in the Santa Rosa Tubbs fire. Among the things lost were three classic Corvette's. Dave said once he got his wife and pets to safety, during the fire, he and a friend tried to go back to get one or two of the cars but the fire had grown to such a devastating level he and his friend had to turn back and leave. He also mentioned losing a very personal item, a bomber jacket, worn by his father in WWII, which he had proudly displayed in a shadow box in his home. Dave and his wife are avid scuba divers and have traveled around the world enjoying the sport. Dave said they had collected so many mementos of their trips over the years, unfortunately all to be destroyed in the fire.

Dave told me that his house has since been rebuilt and although all those personal items mentioned, as well as countless others, will never be able to be replaced he did have a request for me. Dave informed me that in 1989 he was named the MMOC Rider of The Year and awarded a plaque,

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which, obviously, was destroyed in the fire. Dave asked if I could recreate one for him.

MMOC stopped the Rider of the Year program in 1999, so I had nothing to use as a reference for the wording on the plaque. I felt it was important for Dave to get a duplicate plaque, which meant I needed to find the proper wording used on his original plaque. The only person I knew who had received that honor was Larry Hodson, from the Oakland Police Department. I contacted Larry who sent me photos of his plaques, which I showed to Dave. He sent me an old and barely discernible photo of his plaque, but it was enough for me to see that it did not match Larry's plaque. I remembered the Rider of the Year write-up appeared in the annual Siren publications. After a little digging through the Siren's around 1989 I found two other recipients, Ron Goats and Don Herman. Ron, retired CHP, said he'd look for his plaque. I never heard back from Ron so he may still be looking for it in Arizona.

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Fortunately, Past President Don Herman, Pasadena PD, had his plaque handy. Once he sent me a photo of it I saw it was a match and I was good to go.

On February 24th, 2021 I met Dave in Greenbrae, CA and presented him his plaque. He went into much more detail about the harrowing details of the fire. It made the hair stand up on the back of my neck, but I was happy MMOC could at least give back to Dave something from his past. I hope he displays it proudly.



(Dave Hayes on the left)

(A Little Humor)

Nobody Home

A man was going to bed one night when his wife told him that he had the light on in the shed. She could see the light from the bedroom window. As the man looked for himself he saw that there were people in the shed taking things.

The man called the police, but they told him that no one was in the area to help him at that time, but they would send someone over as soon as they were available. He said "OK", hung up and waited one minute, then phoned the police back. "Hello" he said, "I just called you a minute ago because there were people in my shed. Well, you don't have to worry about them now 'cause I've shot them."

Within 5 minutes there were half a dozen police cars in the area, an Armed Response unit, the works. Of course, they caught the burglars red-handed.

One of the officers said: "I thought you said that you shot them!" The man replied, "I thought you said there was nobody available!"

2021 Annual Convention

12—16 September 2021

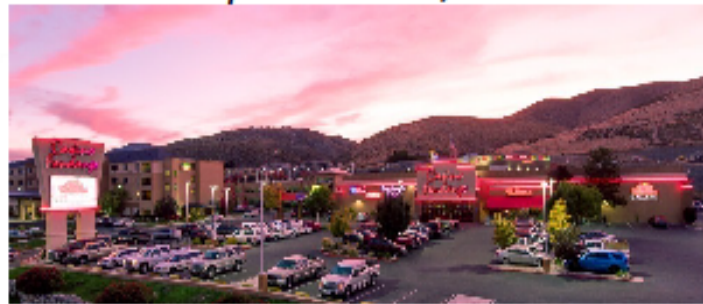
It's already time to mark your calendars for this year's MMOC Annual Convention. We are staying at the site of last year's canceled convention, Carson City, Nevada. We will stay at the Courtyard by Marriott and party at the adjacent Casino Fandango. We have negotiated great prices for both venues. The casino has five restaurants, including Duke's Steakhouse and the Rum Jungle Buffet. Also, there is a Galaxy Fandango 10 theater on site.



In addition to the usual convention activities we will also have a Tuesday BBQ, at the Prez' home. And, at the request of some of 2019's convention attendees, I am also planning a half-day motorcycle tour of the Sierra mountains. It will be on Wednesday morning into the early afternoon. We will have a lunch stop somewhere on our ride. For those of you who want to trailer your motorcycles you are more than welcome to park them and your bike at my house. We will work out all the transportation issues at a later time, but there will be plenty of room to keep your bikes garaged at my house. There is also free covered garage parking at the hotel/casino.

If you have never attended an MMOC convention, it is really just a relaxing few days. You are not obligated to attend any of the functions. Also, the days of the mandatory tuxedos and business suits are long gone. Casual is the order of business! What better time is it to make this your first convention and put 2020 behind once and for all. Oh, and don't forget, everyone wins a door prize, sometimes two! See the attached flyer for more details.

Municipal Motorcycle Officers of California
91st Annual Convention
September 12 - 16, 2021



Courtyard by Marriott & Casino Fandango
3870 S. Carson St, Carson City, NV 89701



ROOMS
All Rooms - \$109.00 + tax
Hotel Registration
(Deadline is 21 Aug 2021)



Register by Phone – (775) 887-9900 – Reference “Municipal Motorcycle Officers of California”

Register Online by simply clicking [Here](#)

****Courtyard by Marriott is 34 miles from Reno/Tahoe Intl. Airport – [Click here for more info.](#)**

Convention Itinerary

Sunday – Past President’s Dinner – Past presidents and staff. Others may attend but must pay for their meals.

Monday - Registration 12:30 pm to 1:00 pm - Luncheon 1:00 pm - Annual Membership meeting 2:00 pm

Tuesday – BBQ late afternoon

Wednesday – Morning/early afternoon motorcycle ride – 6 pm - President’s Ball

Thursday – Checkout

MMOC REGISTRATION

(Remove and Return with Payment - Please Print)

Name _____ Spouse/Guest _____ Department _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Amount Enclosed _____

OR Register online @ www.mmoc.org using PayPal or Zelle. Registration deadline is **21 Aug 2021. If you have questions please contact us at - 2021convention@mmoc.org or call (707) 948-6662 and leave a message.**

Attendance Fee \$135.00 Per Person – Payable to MMOC – Mail to 208 S. Barranca Ave, #8, Glendora, CA. 91741

Wednesday Night’s Dinner Options - Please indicate number for each: Roasted Prime Rib of Beef > _____

Pan Seared Salmon Served with Caper Beurre Blanc > _____, Chicken Parmesan > _____

If you are attending Sunday night’s Past President’s dinner, please indicate how many will attend _____

28th Annual Ride - The Dalles, Or. (July 25 – 2021)

This year's MMOC ride is bringing us to the Columbia River Gorge, Oregon. I have scheduled the ride to start a bit later this year, on July 25th, 2021. I did this hoping a few extra weeks might help put COVID-19 behind us.

The July 25th starting date will be here before we know it. Soon we will be meeting in Klamath Falls. I hope that everyone will be in good health by then, and that the virus will be behind us as July arrives.

The Columbia River Gorge has been called as one of the most scenic areas in America for motorcycle riding with great curvy roads that are rated for all riders except a novice. I looked at numerous routes. All of them had good things to offer. After comparing the pluses and minuses of those routes I chose these routes which I believe will give us the best roads to ride, sights to see, and some great restaurants. We will ride about 200-225 miles per day covering the areas near The Dalles.

S/W Route Mt. Hood

I watched a video about the northwest route first half which is a combination of long straightaways and sweepers. It looks like a great road. The restaurant I picked is the The Zig Zag Inn. World famous for its food, rolling papers and a large selection of Bigfoot keepsakes.

Click on > ZIGZAG INN - HOME or type in; www.zigzaginn.com

N/W Route Cougar Washington Lake Lewis

I watched a video about the northwest route's first half, which is a combination of long straightaways and sweepers. Farther up the road its tree lined with a few more curves which leads into the curvy corner combinations which last for several miles. The rider said pavement is fine, from the start of curvy area which was re-paved in 2017. The restaurant for this day is named The Cougar Lane Lodge / Rouge River Barbeque.

<https://www.cougarlane.com>



Cougar Lane BBQ Cougar Washington

S/E Route

No videos of this route but I found some magazine articles which described the roads, good restaurants, and things to do. Shaniko Oregon is a Ghost/Vintage town. I found 2 good looking restaurants, the Korner Café in Fossil Or. and The Drive in in Condon Or.



Condon Or. Main St. Parade (Look like BMWs)

We should be at the Cousin's Country Inn by no later than 3 P.M. every day. Research of The Dalles area near our hotel found several interesting places to go. The list includes but not limited to these local establishments and several wineries.

Zims Brauhaus Bar
604 E 2nd St, The Dalles, OR 97058
<http://www.zimsbrauhaus.com/>

The Baldwin Saloon
205 Court St.
<http://baldwinsaloon.com/our-menu/>

Rivertap Pub
703 E 2nd St
<http://www.rivertappub.com/>

The Bargeway
1535 Bargeway Rd. The Dalles
<http://bargewaypub.com/>

Momma Janes Pancake House
900 W 6th St, The Dalles, OR 97058
1 mile east from Hotel

Casa El Mirador and Bar
1424 W. 2nd St. The Dalles
<http://casaelmirador.com/menus>

Hotel Information

I made things easier by picking just 2 hotels. Both hotels offer the best value, services, and restaurants within walking distance of good food and of course an outdoor pool.

Make sure to mention Municipal Motorcycle Officers of California (or MMOC) and/or my name when making reservations.

A word of caution, the establishments will only guarantee room availability up to 30-days prior to July 25th, with a credit card transaction. Make your reservations early!

When you book your room please call or email me to confirm your attendance. I will forward the initial detailed routes, gas, and food waypoints in Feb/March 2021. Should there be updates I will keep you posted.

Sunday, July 25th, 2021 (also, see Friday below)

We will be staying in Klamath Falls, OR. Due to COVID, hotels have received a Governor's directive to not quote group rates at this time (Cousin's Inn apparently didn't get the directive). If you plan on going on this ride contact me and as soon as I lock down the hotel I will notify you.

Monday July 26th thru Thursday July 29th, 2021

Cousin's Country Inn, 2114 W. 6th St., The Dalles, OR. 97058 **(541) 298 5161.**

King rooms will be \$95.00 + taxes & fees

2 Queen beds will be \$105+ taxes & fees

This hotel also has a 30-day cutoff and 24-hour cancellation clause.

Friday July 30th, 2021

(Same as Sunday July 25th)

Saturday July 31st, 2021

Return home

Ed "Dewey" Pressnell
Ride Director
deweys76@aol.com

Upcoming MMOC Events

28th Annual Motorcycle Ride

July 25 — 31, 2021

The Dalles, Oregon

91st Annual Convention

12 – 16 September 2021

Carson City, Nevada

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MMOC address: 208 S. Barranca Ave. #8 Glendora, CA 91741

(Tel. # 707-948-MMOC [6662])

Email: mmocemail@mmoc.org

Website: www.mmoc.org

MMOC Membership

We welcome anyone who is interested in becoming a member of MMOC to complete an application (next page). Eligibility requirements are listed on the application.

Mail the application, and the necessary document(s) to the address listed at the top of the application. If you have any questions please contact T.J. O’Connor at heritageman03@gmail.com or leave a message at (707) 948-6662 and we will promptly return your call.

Annual Dues Renewal

For all of you not on the 5 yr. pre-paid plan you will be receiving your notice in the mail in May.

Dues remain at \$36 per year, or \$150 for five years. Your renewal is due by June 30th.



**Municipal Motorcycle Officers
Of California**

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1604 Jones St.
Minden, NV. 89423
Office (707) 948-6662



Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
(Last, First, Middle)

Residence Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

Employed by: _____ Occupation: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

ACTIVE MEMBER: defined as a person presently or previously employed by a STATE, COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL, law enforcement agency within the State of California as a two-wheeled Motorcycle Officer.
ASSOCIATE MEMBER: may be a Police Officer, Deputy Sheriff, Reserve Officer, Judge, District or City Attorney or those who are similarly employed as defined in the Municipal Motorcycle Officers of California by-laws.
HONORARY MEMBER: may be a person accepted by the MMOC Board of Directors who desires and qualifies to be associated with the Municipal Motorcycle Officers of California.

TWO-WHEEL MOTORCYCLE CLASSIFICATION: (Check appropriate box)

I am, or was previously, an **ACTIVE** motorcycle officer within the State of California: Yes ☐

Starting Date: _____ Previous Riding Dates: From _____ to _____

I qualify as an **ASSOCIATE MEMBER** who has never ridden a two-wheeled motorcycle for a State, County, or Municipal law enforcement agency: Yes ☐

I desire to be an **HONORARY MEMBER** of the Municipal Motorcycle Officers of California: Yes ☐

For Reinstatement (check one): Active Membership ☐ Associate Membership ☐ Honorary Membership ☐

I certify the forgoing facts are true and hereby submit my application for MMOC membership (to the above listed address), along with my dues which are paid from July 1st through June 30th at the rate of \$36 per year or \$150 for a period of five (5) years. (PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR GOVERNMENTAL JURISDICTION ISSUED IDENTIFICATION CARD, WITH PHOTOGRAPH.)

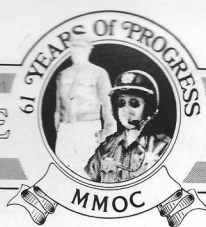
Date: _____ Applicant Signature: _____

Recommended by: _____ (Signature of Active Member Only)

Recommended by: _____ (Print name)

OFFICE USE ONLY: Date received: _____ Amt. Received: _____ Check #: _____ PayPal ☐ Cash ☐

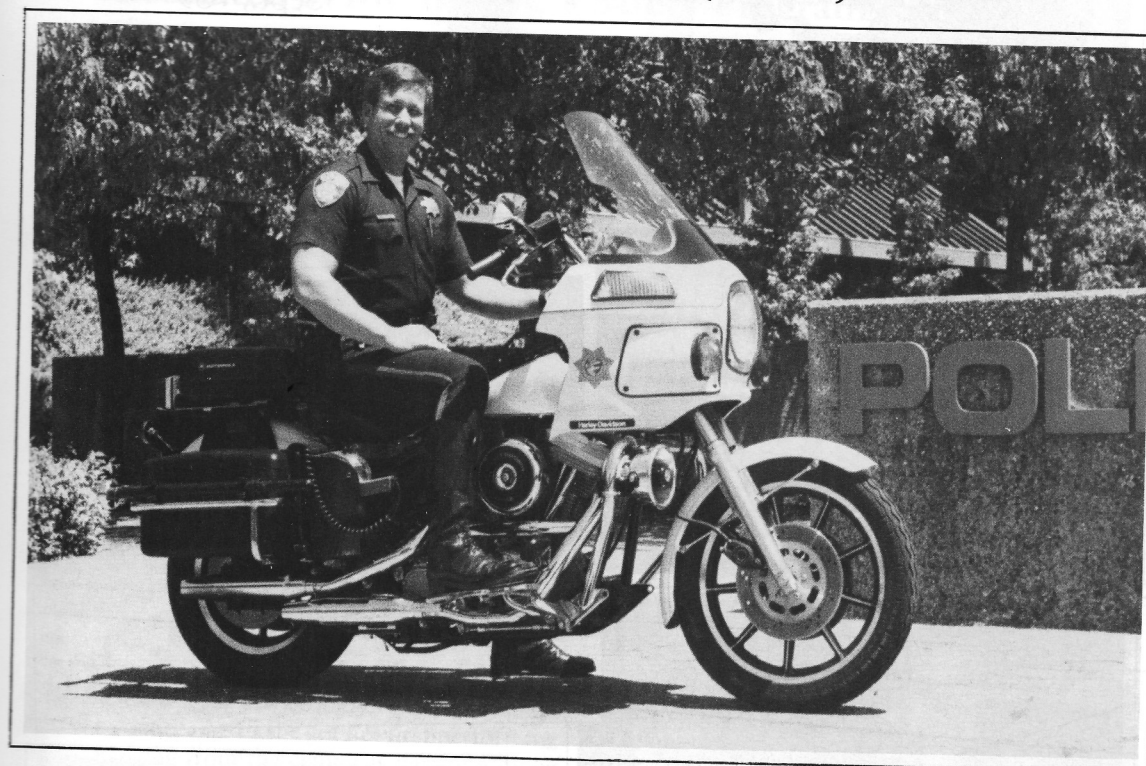
MUNICIPAL MOTORCYCLE



OFFICERS of CALIFORNIA

MMOC's Rider Of The Year — 1989

OFFICER DAVID SCOTT (DAVE) HAYES



Officer David Scott (Dave) Hayes was born in Madison, Wisconsin. During the summer of 1963, his family moved to Corte Madera — a small town just north of San Francisco. He worked as a police cadet for the Marin County Sheriff's Department and the San Rafael Police Department.

In 1974, Dave joined the San Rafael Police Department as a patrol officer, and 3 years later he transferred into the Traffic Department as an accident investigation officer. He was assigned to motors in 1978. Two years later, Dave left San Rafael and lateralled to the Santa Rosa Police Department. After a brief period in patrol, Dave was back on motors in 1980.

He completed his motor training at the California Highway Patrol Academy. Dave feels strongly about the CHP motor training program and the enforcement riding skills that are taught at this facility. "I am proud to be a graduate of this train-

ing program and feel it has taught me the necessary skills to survive as an enforcement rider."

Dave maintains a low key approach to traffic stops. "The best advice I was given years ago was to 'sell the citation.'" This keeps the complaints down and the focus on the job of traffic enforcement.

Dave's interests are water skiing, SCUBA diving and underwater photography. He shares these interests with his high school sweetheart and wife of eighteen years, Jeannie.

"I would like to extend my very sincere thanks to the Board of Directors for the honor of being selected Rider of the Year for 1989. This award is the high point of my riding career. MMOC is the finest professional organization I have ever joined."

A Request from an MMOC Member

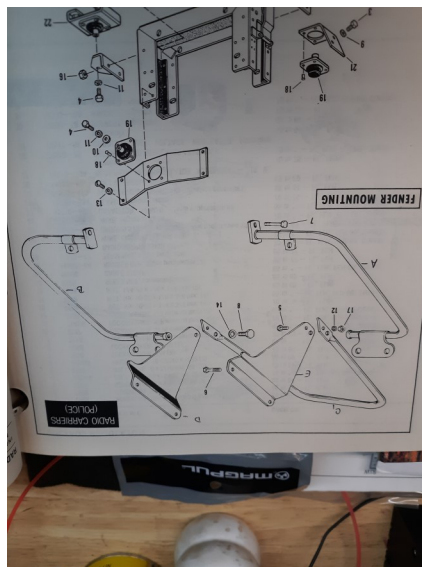
I am a new member to the MMOC. I found out about the association while searching for motorcycle parts on EBAY. I found a listing for a "Siren" annual report magazine publish in the early seventies. I searched the internet and learned the association was still active. I contacted association president Doug Wayne via telephone. He explained the history and the mission of the association and encouraged me to complete an application.

I started my Law Enforcement career in late 1988 in Southern California. In 1994 I left Southern California and continued my career in Northern California. I was assigned to the traffic division at both agencies and was a motor officer.

In 2000, I purchased a 1967 Harley Davidson Electra Glide from a friend. The motorcycle belonged to her father and was purchased from the California Highway Patrol in 1977. I have been collecting the parts needed to restore it to its original glory. I am looking for some brackets used to attach the side bags to the fender struts. I was hoping a fellow member might know where I can find them. I have attached photographs of the parts in this request. Any help from fellow members would be greatly appreciated. (Parts C,D & E)

Thank You,

Frank Deshler M27
PO Box 18
Lenore, Idaho 83541
(208) 836-5740



Living to 80

I recently picked a new primary care physician. After a visit he said I was doing "pretty well". I couldn't resist asking, "Do you think I will live to 80?"

He asked, "Do you smoke or drink liquor, beer or wine?"

"Oh no", I replied. "I'm not doing drugs either."

Then he asked, "Do you eat rib-eye steaks and barbeque ribs?"

I said "No, the other doctor said red meat is unhealthy."

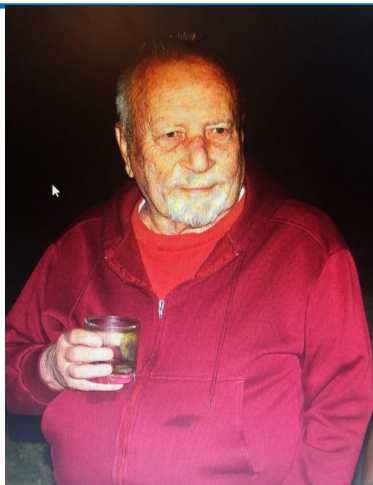
"Do you spend a lot of time in the sun, like playing golf, sailing, hiking, or bicycling?"

"No I don't", I said.

He asked, "Do you gamble, drive fast cars, or have a love life?"

"No", I said. "I don't do any of those things."

He looks at me and said, "Then why do you give a dam if you live to 80?"



James William McFarland Jr.

Born—16 October 1933

EOW— 12 December 2020

Honorary Member

Joined MMOC— 14 June 1982



“Bill”, as he was known to his friends, was preceded in death by his wife of 58 years, Nona, aka Flapper, and his sister Missy Haff. Bill served in the Navy and was a electronics specialist , working for Hughes Aircraft Company for 29 years.

Bill enjoyed tennis and weekly cocktails with his neighbors. Bill could be seen at many MMOC functions, especially the annual conventions. He was close friends with the late MMOC member C.K. Williams.

He is survived by his niece, Sheila Allen and his sister-in-law, Irma Curtis and niece, Terri Phohls.

50 Years Ago in the Siren Yearbook

MUNICIPAL MOTORCYCLE OFFICERS OF CALIFORNIA

42nd ANNUAL MMOC MEMBERS MEETING

1971 *Convention Program*

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Clear Lake, California

SEPTEMBER 20, 21 & 22, 1971

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The Ultimate Choice!

Best Wishes

Steve McQueen