

## Death Valley Junction Ride Report 5/23/10

We had 11 motorcycles join us last Sunday; 12 if Bob's starter button had not stuck at the gas station requiring John to give a "heave-ho" push start to get Bob safely home.

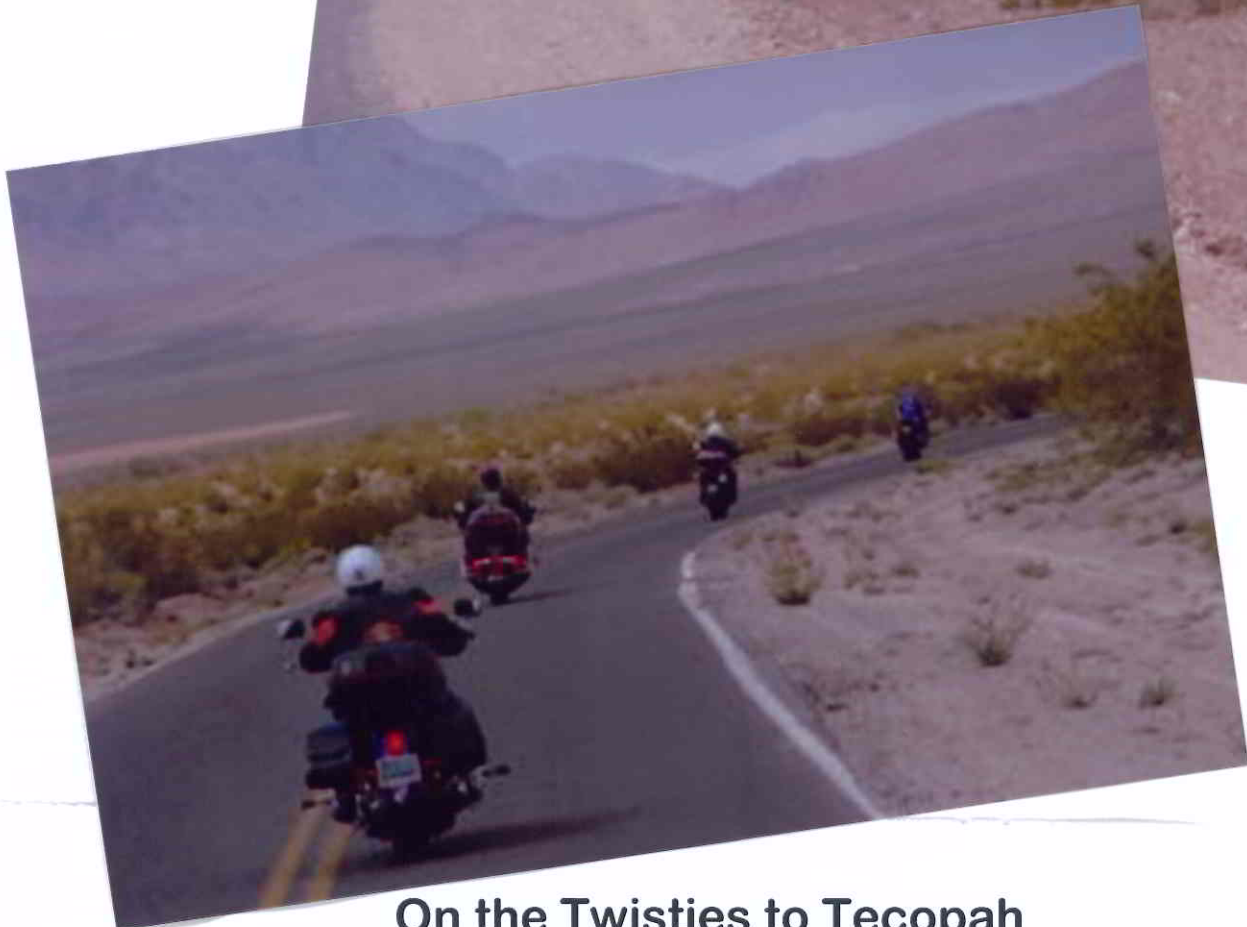


Kevin, Mark, Scott, Leo, Gail, Carl, Nevin, Gary and John at Shoshone (Ed, Steve F., and Karen not pictured)

The day started out sunny, but clouds were going to haunt us later in the day. After a gas stop in Shoshone, we aborted the ride up to Death Valley Junction, and rode back to Parump.



Heading into the clouds over Parump



**On the Twisties to Tecopah  
(photos by Karen)**



**On the Open Road**

We did the buffet at the Nugget Casino with their “2-for-1” special. Either some folks didn’t have the \$4.50 😊 or they were more concerned about the oncoming rain than they were hungry.

Thus after lunch, the group was reduced to only Nevin, Ed , Gail and Steve heading back over the “hump” from Parump. Riding straight into the teeth of the storm, Nevin and Ed managed to keep speed and straight despite very poor visibility and ¼” of hail/ice on the outside AND inside of our helmet visors. Nevin and Ed relaxed and warmed-up at the fireplace in Mountain Springs Saloon, while raingear-clad Gail and Steve stopped to clear their shields and then powered on over the “hump”.



**Nevin in the large hail/snowstorm at Mountain Springs Saloon! (photo by Ed)**

After 20 minutes the skies cleared somewhat, and all were met by brilliant sunshine down on the other side, safe and sound!

Be Safe/ Have Fun! *Nevin*