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### **BIG BIKE WEEKEND**

**October 9 through 11, 2009**

**Redding Convention Center**

I would like to take this opportunity to invite the community to attend **Big Bike Weekend** which will include the 3rd annual "Redding Police Department Motor Competition." Over 20 officers from law enforcement agencies throughout California and Oregon will be participating in a variety of scheduled competitions.

This is the 10th Anniversary of Big Bike Weekend and it promises to be one of the best. It is designed as a family-friendly event which offers activities for children such as "the Best Decorated Bicycle Show & Shine" and bicycle safety instruction. In addition, there will be the more traditional motorcycle-related activities such as motorcycle safety instruction and stunt bike performances by professionals.

This year, there are two new activities; a K-9 demonstration and a hard-braking demonstration. The hard-braking demo will show the audience what happens during improper braking procedures and will provide instruction on the proper way to brake.

One of the signature activities for this local event is the "Public Service Memorial" which is followed by the "Remembrance Ride." This year, there will be a special tribute to Sacramento County Deputy Larry Canfield and Oakland Police Sergeant Mark Dunakin, Sergeant Ervin Romans, Sergeant Dan Sakai, and Officer John Hege, who were tragically killed in the line of duty this past year. Deputy Canfield and Sergeant Dunakin frequently participated in the Big Bike Weekend events during the past ten years.

For more information and details about other planned activities this weekend, you may also visit the [www.bigbikeweekend.com](http://www.bigbikeweekend.com) .

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