



# Victory ROADS

Victory Riders Calgary NEWSLETTER

## 2023 Riding Season looking awesome!

### Overnight ride planned for Banff/Jasper

#### Jasper & Icefields Parkway Overnighter

People who have ridden the Jasper Icefields Parkway come away realizing they don't have the words necessary to describe the beauty of this ride.

Often called the most scenic drive in Canada, the Parkway hosts breathtaking views of rivers, lakes, glaciers, mountains and wildlife.

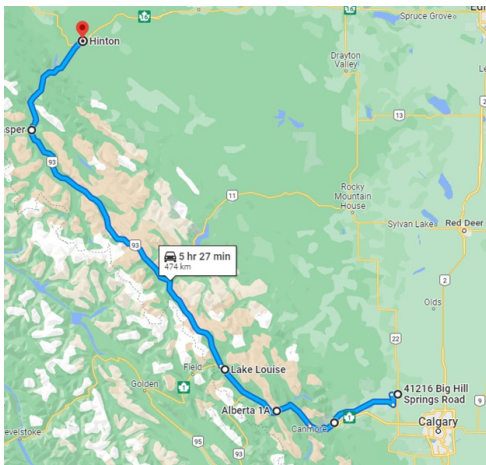
VRC's overnighter up the Parkway is July 8 and 9.

We will be leaving Calgary and heading to Banff via Highway 1, then up the Banff Parkway to Highway 93 into Jasper. From there we head to Hinton and overnight there.

Speaking of park passes, Big Don has solved the ongoing mystery of the number of motorcycles you can get in on one Parks Canada pass. See the full story on **Page 3**.

Hotel: We will be staying at the Econo Lodge & Suites, 571 Gregg Avenue, Hinton, AB. We have pre-booked 15 rooms with two queen beds

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**Yeah, you know that feeling. We are not far from the first official rides of the season. You can feel it in the air and you can feel it in your soul. TTWFO**

### Full executive slate re-elected

The familiar faces are back. At the February 25 VRC Annual General Meeting, the full executive was 're-elected' by acclamation. President Drifter Don thanked the membership for their support of the current executive and said he was looking forward to an exceptional riding season in 2023. Big Don is staying on as Road Captain. The second RC position is open.

**Next Meeting  
March 26  
10:15 am  
Lighthouse Pub  
1140 137 Ave SE, Calgary  
Breakfast Meeting**

### Kootenays set as destination for three-day run

#### Kaslo Kurves Weekend Ride

Highway 30 and 31A in British Columbia's Kootenay region is touted as some of the best motorcycling roads in North America. The combination of lake scenery and twisty, technical curves are a rider's dream.

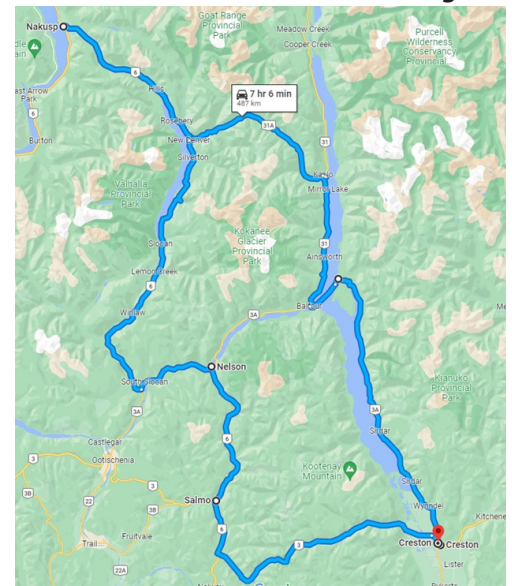
The Kaslo Kurves Ride is scheduled for August 11 to 13.

#### Itinerary

Friday: The group leaving Calgary on the Friday arriving in Creston later that day. We are working on getting a deal at a motel in Creston for the Friday and Saturday evenings.

Saturday: The group will ride to Nakusp taking Hwy 3A to the Balfour ferry, Hwy 31 N to Kaslo then Hwy 31A to New Denver. We will then follow Hwy 6 to Nakusp. From Nakusp we will take Hwy 6 to Hwy 3 back to Creston.

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## Upcoming Rides & Events

**Garage Sale** – Victory parts/ accessories for sale; go to FILES tab on our FaceBook site for details.

**Two Wheel Sunday** –

June 4, 2023 Calgary

**March Breakfast Meeting** – Mar 26.

Lighthouse Pub, 10:15am

**VMC National Meet** – June 8–11 –

Spearfish, South Dakota

**IMRG Western Meetup** –

July 20–22 – Kimberley, B.C.

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## New members

Victory Riders Calgary now has 391 members, according to our Facebook site.

Welcome to our new members including:

- Kristina Blokland
- Paola Denise Jumilla
- Eric Lui
- Rob Fortier
- Doug Backwick
- Intiyaz Ahmad Bhat
- Dave Ainsby
- Mery Ann Natal
- Luc Boucher

## Contribute!

Send your own story, photos or story ideas to:

VictoryRidersCalgary@gmail.com

How about a photo and write up on your bike?

Something for sale (Victory-related)? Post it here.

# New items added to 2023 Rides & Events

**We are not the only ones preparing for the upcoming riding season.**

A number of motorcycle charities and organizations are finalizing their dates for this year's events. Some of

these we regularly participate in and some are of interest to individual members. If you know of a ride or event we missed, let us know. Send us an email or post a note on our Facebook page.

### Victory Riders Calgary Ride Schedule 2023

| Colour Code:  | GREEN - VRC Events                     |  |
|---------------|--|--|
|               | YELLOW - VRC Participation or Interest |  |
|               | BLUE - Victory National/Regional       |  |
| 12-Jan        | Vicmas!                                | Lighthouse Pub                                       |
| 22-Jan        | VRC Meeting/ Breakfast/Brunch          | Lighthouse Pub                                       |
| Feb 3-5       | Move The Soul Community Bike Show      | New Horizon Mall                                     |
| 26-Feb        | VRC Breakfast Meeting/AGM              | Lighthouse Pub                                       |
| Mar 11-12     | Edmonton Motorcycle Show               | Edmonton   |
| 26-Mar        | VRC Meeting                            | Lighthouse Pub                                       |
| 23-Apr        | VRC Meeting                            |  |
| Apr 26-29     | Bull Head (Laughlin) River Run         | Laughlin, Nevada (mayheminfo.com)                    |
| Apr 28-30     | Route 66 Bike Week                     | Arizona  |
| 06-May        | International Female Ride Day          |  |
| May           | Awareness Ride                         | Calgary  |
| 04-Jun        | Two Wheel Sunday                       | Calgary  |
| June 8-11     | VMC National Rally                     | Spearfish, South Dakota                              |
| June 16-18    | IFK Kickstart Show                     | Calgary  |
| 17-Jun        | Honour Ride                            | TBA  |
| 17-Jun        | Ride for Dad                           | Ralph's Motorsports, Balzac                          |
| 25-Jun        | VRC Meeting                            |  |
| 24-Jun        | For The Love of Motorcycles            | Blackjacks Roadhouse, Nisku                          |
| July 8-9      | Banff Jasper Parkway                   |  |
| July          | ECL Choppers For Charity Hospice Ride  | TBA  |
| July          | Bikes & Bombers                        | Nanton   |
| July 20-22    | Western Canada IMRG Celebration        | Kimberley, B.C.                                      |
| 23-Jul        | VRC Meeting                            | Lighthouse Pub, 10:15 am                             |
| July          | VMC Regional Rally                     | TBD  |
| July 29-30    | Lethbridge Air Show                    | Lethbridge Airport                                   |
| Aug 4-13      | Sturgis Rally                          | Sturgis, South Dakota                                |
| Aug 11 -13    | Kaslo Kurves                           |  |
| 12-Aug        | Ride to Reynolds                       | Wetaskiwin   |
| Aug           | Meet In The Middle                     | Route to be determined                               |
| August        | 12 Stop Ride for Recovery, Calgary     | Calgary  |
| 27-Aug        | VRC Meeting                            |  |
| 04-Sep        | Labour Day Ride                        | TBD  |
| Sept          | Nanton Bomber Night Start Up           | Bomber Command Museum, Nanton                        |
| 17-Sep        | Calgary Motorcycle Toy Run             | Calgary  |
| 24-Sep        | VRC Meeting/Fall Colours Ride          | Highway 40 - South to North                          |
| 24-Sep        | Oyster Run                             | Anacortes, WA  |
| 22-Oct        | VRC Meeting/Ride Weather Permitting    | TBD  |
| October       | CVMG Fall Swap Meet                    | Red Deer   |
| 26-Nov        | VRC Meeting                            | TBD  |
| December      | VRC Meeting                            | TBD  |
|               |  |  |
| <b>Weekly</b> |  |  |
|               | <b>Captain's Ride</b>                  | Ride Captains' Call on time, place and destination   |
|               | <b>Tuesday Bike Night</b>              | Twin Cities Saloon, Longview                         |
|               | <b>OBB Wednesday Bike Night</b>        | Big Sky BBQ, Okotoks                                 |
|               | Wild Wednesdays                        | Car & bike show, New Horizon Mall, 5pm-8pm every Wed |
|               | Motorbikus Mechanicus, Reynolds Museum | Wetaskiwin, until October 11, 2022                   |
|               | CVMG Vintage Bike Night                | Thursdays, A&W Drive In, 16th Ave and 4th St. NW     |

## From Page 1... Kaslo Kurves three-day run

Sunday: Return to Calgary; route to be determined.

We have created an Event for this ride on our Facebook page, so please post your interest.



**Don't get caught without your VRC Challenge Coin. \$15 (cheaper than buying a round.) Large and small patches also available.**



## From Page 1... Jasper Parkway via motorcycle

at a 10 per cent discount rate of \$161 C.

You have the choice to double up with a friend or keep your own room.

Please call the hotel at 780-817-200 and mention the VRC group no later than May 30 to confirm a booking. This block of rooms will only be available until May 30.

After this date there will be no discount, nor is there a guarantee that a

room will be available.

If you are coming from out of town please message Big Don (his email is on Page 2.) We should be able to find you accommodation with some of our group here in Calgary.

An Event has been created on our Facebook page, so please indicate your interest to help in the planning process.

## National Park Pass mystery unravelled

How many motorcycles can go into a National Park on one park pass?

That question has been tossed around in the riding forums online for quite a while, so our Road Captain Big Don came up with a novel solution - He asked Parks Canada.

In an email response, Parks Canada said up to seven, but there is a catch. Two catches, actually: 1.) It has to be a valid Family/Group Discovery Pass (\$145.95) and 2.) it is valid for seven PEOPLE, not seven motorcycles. Rider and passenger, obviously, are two people. This is apparently where much of the confusion has arisen in the past.

VRC is purchasing a Family/Group Discovery Pass and we will make sure that we have enough passes to cover any trips we make in the national parks.

Is it still windy in Waterton?

