

High Sierra President's Run

October 16 - 17, 2010

Sign up for this first-ever Run and you'll be joining us to experience, in my opinion, one of the most scenic stretches of winding road in our great state of California – the Ebbets Pass National Scenic Byway. It's doubly so in the fall when the thousands of Black Cottonwoods, Quaking Aspens, Mountain Dogwoods, and Big Leaf Maples become a blaze of colorful contrast against a green backdrop of native pines of the Sierra Nevada.

Compared to the high-speed trans-Sierra routes of Highways 50 and 80, driving the Ebbets Pass is a special and unique experience. The lack of a center line, along with dramatic elevation changes, steep grades and sharp curves will encourage us to drive the route at a leisurely pace, as we experience the fantastic views in a more unique way than any other route through the Sierra.

Along the way, and before we start our climb into the rugged Sierras, we'll stop at a small, friendly Gold Country winery. Our lunch stop will be near the half-way point of the run and you'll already be noticing the scent of pines in the air. Following lunch we start the real climb to the summit, with some brief scenic view stops along the way.

The Byway ranges in elevation from approximately 3000' to 8500.' Expansive views of granite outcrops, basalt columns, ancient volcanic peaks, deep river canyons, glacially carved valleys, majestic stands of conifers including giant sequoias, open meadows, clear mountain lakes, and swiftly flowing streams and rivers will all be experienced along the route.

After we crest the summit we'll parallel the Sierra Ridge for a short while before we begin our descent. Our destination is the beautiful Mountain Club in Kirkwood Village where we will be staying for dinner and the night. Make your room reservations by calling 800-967-7500. Be sure to tell them you're booking into the Northern California Corvette Association block of rooms.

Sign-up sheets and fliers with trip details and meal sign-ups will be available at the General Business Meetings in September and October. Cut-off date for this cruise is October 7th, 2010. However, if you wait that long I believe you will be locked out. Please reserve your rooms EARLY!!!

Ken & Katherine
President and The Good Wife