

Cruiserz,

The Riderz:

Bling Bling

Gramps

Casper

Bill Miller

Gnat

The Ride:

Rallied at McD's and set off at 8:30 on plan "A". We took route 22 out of town then jumped on either 394 or 219 and maybe a few other roads that I didn't catch the numbers on (I need to get me a map that lists road numbers!) and headed up and across the "hatchet handle" to R25, then over to Myojindaira where we jumped onto 279 northbound until we hit the outskirts of Mutsu.

We took 179 through the city then jumped onto 338 over to Wakinosawa where we followed the road to it's end on the southern most tip of the "hatchet face" and our first soda break-unfortunately there weren't any rest rooms so we loaded up (some more than others) and set out on a mission. We turned north on 338 and shortly found the Snow Monkey break area with bathrooms and of course ICE CREAM!

By now it was HOT out so t-shirts and promises of easy cruising became the order of the day. Ya'll know better by now that I was staying in my protective "Ricky racer" suit because we were just heading into the sick twisties that I love so much. Shortly up the road is where I took the picture I posted yesterday. We continued on up 338 to Hotokegaura where most of us took a quick break as I wanted to show where the trail to the beach was for the rock formations.

Casper decided he wanted to be Road Captain and continued on forcing the rest of us to first wonder where the hell he was then next decide we better go find him. We caught up with him at Sai-mura (Casper, how the hell did you know that?) where we stopped for lunch. After eats we continued north to Oma where we filled up with gas, but as it was already after 15:00 we decided to skip checking out the light house and head back towards Misawa (or so some of us thought...)

I had suggested that we try to avoid Mutsu because of the traffic so we headed southwest on 338 until it turned south where we jumped on route 266 heading east right up to where it turned into gravel. Backtracking we found our way to R6 where Road Captain jack got a wild horse hair up his @\$ and we headed up to Shiriyazaki so we could pet the horses.

We left there and headed back down R6 to R172 then to R248 where the road was pretty much straight with nice high speed sweepers making for a rare fast paced ride to 338 which we followed down the eastern shore of the “hatchet handle” to Amagomori for our safety stop before heading home. We broke off (some of us, anyhow) and took R170 through the traffic free farm lands back to base, got gas and headed our separate ways.

The Numbers—for some reason my GPS couldn’t lock onto satellites from Shiriyazaki until just before we got onto 338 so I’m going to have to wag them:

Distance Traveled: ~250 Miles

Moving Time: ~6 hours

Moving Average: 40+ --the stretch that my GPS didn’t work we were hauling ass

Max Elevation: 1621 feet

Total Ascent: 12000+ Feet

Max Speed: 123 mph, hmmm could be right, but I think it’s a little low this time...

On the ride:

- 1.. I think that Gramps permanently scarred that poor old Japanese women standing next to the road when he went by. I think she shit her pants.
- 2.. Gramps, next time just tell us how well your under gear is working, we REALLY don’t need to see it! We believe you.
- 3.. Casper, thanks for waiting for me in the twisties when I was taking pictures. Why are you flipping me off?
- 4.. Those feet forward bikes sure do make a lot of grinding noise through the corners.
- 5.. Ear plugs are the new Koushin’s fad.
- 6.. Next time we bring sun screen
- 7.. Didn’t see any snow monkeys but we did see one big ass snake! The snow monkeys were in a cool pond somewhere thinking what dumb ass would be out riding in this heat?
- 8.. My bike hit reserve at 134 miles on the odometer. We got gas at 149. I took 17 liters on a 4.5 gallon gas tank. Hmmm
- 9.. Farm roads have nasty piles that Bling’s rear tire seems to migrate to.

10.. Another outstanding ride led by Gramps. Now all that's left is climb up Mt. Iwake. Then I'll get that new set of tires...

Mike "Gnat" Underwood

Koushin's Cruiserz MC Misawa Chapter Secretary

'98 Suzuki Bandit GSF1200S

Maroon (the fast color!)

Krazy Ed 2" mod with jetted carbs

K&N Filter

Hole Shot Slip-on

Hole Shot 5\* Timing Advance

Dyno'd 120 rwhp

GSXR Rear shock

Progressive fork springs

Bridgestone 010's

Galfer steel braided Brake lines

Corbin Gunfighter & Lady seat

Pro Gel Grips

Garmin Etrex Vista GPS

RAM mount for GPS

Joe Rocket magnetic Tank Bag

Nelson Rigg Deluxe Saddle bags

Endless Smiles!