

**MARCH CLUB RIDE: SATURDAY, MARCH 13**  
**BLACK DIAMOND REGIONAL PARK**

Trailboss: Jan Carlisle

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Ride out at 10.30 am.

RAIN WILL CANCEL THIS RIDE

You will need a Regional Parks pass or \$9.00 parking fee.

The ride is approx 2 1/2 to 3 hours and is mainly wide fire road with some single track. The ground is mostly soft and no need for shoes. The trail has undulating hills, with good views from the higher ground.

Black Diamond has some interesting history from the days of coal mining and you are able to tour the mines on some days. We will ride up pass the old cemetery where gravestones from the mining villages have been preserved. Buried there are women and children, also men who were killed in mining disasters. The coal miners were immigrants from the Welsh coal mining communities

Bring something for lunch. We will probably have this back at the parking lot when we return.

Directions from Livermore.

Take Vasco Road out towards Brentwood. After about 18 miles Vasco Road becomes the new Brentwood Bypass Road. Stay straight on the Bypass Road and it becomes Hwy 4 West. Just keep going straight on Highway 4 West, past Oakley, and take Exit 26 to Somersville Road/Auto Center Drive. (Black Diamond Mines is signed). When you come off at exit 26 make sure you keep Right at the fork to go onto Somersville Road. Keep going straight on Somersville Road as it takes you all the way to the park. Don't worry when the road gets narrow you are on the right road, you pass a large barn on the right and the parking is not much farther.