



# Meet the Members

## Jackie Cliett



My name is Jackie Cliett and I've been married to my wonderful partner, husband, best friend James for 30 years. We've also lived in Corona the same amount of time. We have three sons-all grown, who live locally and 3 grandkids, Desireh, Nadia and EJ. Our favorite past time is having get-together's with family and friends! I am employed in the Commercial insurance industry as a Marketing rep for 30+ years.

When I decided to take a motorcycle safety class, I had met Jerianne Ekins who worked for one of my agencies that I called on. Jerianne told me about the women's riding group she was in and provided encouragement when I took the safety class.

She said, "pass the class, get some rides in and give me a call when you feel comfortable". After riding a year, I phoned her and joined the group shortly thereafter.

Here is the rest of my motorcycle story: I always wanted to ride a motorcycle but had small kids. One day, my husband-James had me on his sport touring bike and I looked down and we were going 100 mph, of course, he doesn't remember this small detail! That was in 2005, fast forward to 2006. James bought me a 2007 HD-Sporster 1200 Custom for Christmas. I took the safety class for the first time in Jan 2007, keep in mind; I had never ridden any type of motorcycle before. On day 1 of the class, I dropped their bike twice. Boy did I stink at it! Imagine to their surprise, that I dare show up on day 2. Needless to say, they asked me to leave 15 minutes into the class on day 2. After some good chuckles, the instructors suggested that I take the entire program over again and off I went. When I got home, I phoned our youngest son and started crying. Noel said "Mom, there's no crying in motorcycle riding", more laughter!



Our son Aaron who had taken the class with me the first go round really motivated me to take the class over again, when he phoned me and rubbed it in that he passed the class. Oh, did I mention that the boys and I are very competitive with each other? James, although reluctant, had me ride my new HD after some convincing (I'm sure he had visions of me dropping my shiny new HD). Oh, did I mention that I dropped their bike twice? After practicing, I signed up for the class again and passed with flying colors! This time, the instructors gave me high five's instead of the finger, you know, the get out one.

After a few months of riding, we purchased a 2007 Kawasaki Ninja-500 sport bike. Now, a few bikes later, I can go on various types of rides comfortably. When riding with our sport bike friends in the mountains, I ride the sport touring bike, a Triumph, which James recently bought me for my birthday. For longer rides, I take the HD-Road King.

I love to ride and look forward to going on much longer rides. My furthest rides so far have been to the Grand Canyon and Zion National Park-1200 miles; Sedona, AZ-900 miles and Death Valley-300+ miles.

I'm really fortunate to have met Jerianne and the Women in the Wind group. I've enjoy the camaraderie and encouragement provided by the group. I haven't been on many rides with the group the latter part of this year but do look forward to many future rides! I also look forward to having everyone over to my house for the annual Christmas party!



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