

# CBX Member Bios

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***My husband is looking for a GBX Honda started it all...***

### Happenstance

In May of 2000, I received a large bonus from work. My wife Ginny asked me what I would like to do with the money. "Well I was at the car detailer this very afternoon and saw what I want!" I exclaimed. A motorcycle dealer across the street had 3 count em...3!! CBX'S in the window. I went right over the next morning and they were.....gone, sold, taken.....whatever.

### ***Mad for a CBX***

Had to have one dunno why? Maybe I was jealous when ever I saw someone else riding one. After doing some quick research I came up with an idea to go to Bert's Megamall in Covina to find a CBX. I figured that any dealer that claimed to have a thousand used bikes in good shape...well I couldn't miss! Ginny and I get there and toured the whole super K-Mart size place...NO CBX's ...Got CB900's even got CB1100F's, DANG...even got a Suzuki GS1100E the first big bike I owned back in the 80's!

Well as we were about set to mull a possible alternative, the dreaded salesman shows up. "Hi how are you today?," he smiles "can I help you find something?" I was not impressed. As a veteran salesman myself, I hated seeing him slug it out on a 60,000 ft showroom with 50 other hounds to take my money. But if not for Ginny who will listen to anyone selling anything at anytime I might not be writing this letter.

### ***Honda GBX Please***

"My husband is looking for a GBX Honda" she exclaimed. "Honey it's CBX not GBX" I said. "Humm...I thought we had one of those?" the salesman said. My eyes were opening up! "Let me look at the Inventory sheet, Yup we have one in the back in the garage!"..."Do you want



to see it?....."OH HELL YES!" I said in my best Samuel L. Jackson voice.

Ginny looked at me and shook her head laughing. We walked into the rear and in a dimly lit corner sat a White bone stock 1982 CBX. I peered over the bars and looked at the odometer...9,400 miles? The pegs looked good, rotors, forks, front tire?? Hell it had the original issued front worn tire from the factory! How much I asked? \$5,000.....Humm. Well after haggling a bit I rode out home with Ginny in tow in our Jeep.

### ***First Miles on My CBX***

Since the tires were worn I decided to take Harbor Bl. the 38 miles home at 8 PM forsaking the crowded freeway. I learned so much on my first ride. Lock down the left pocket cover or it blows off at 55MPH. Don't turn around and try looking for it in the dark, do not ride on cupped tires or the steering tends to wobble, pump up the rear shock to 45-55 PSI minimum so the bike doesn't wobble in the turns. And above all else ignore the fact that this is a 18 year old bike because it looks like nothing else ever built!

### ***\$10,000 Later***

Over the last 2.5 years I have grown ever so fond of my CBX. I have spent over \$10,000 on it which floors me. Ginny got her license and she rides a 1982 CX 500 Turbo along side. I have since bought a gaggle of bikes including a new Goldwing, BUT every time I swing my leg over the saddle of my CBX and roar her to life I feel like superman.

### ***Rallies and ICOA***

Going to Marlinton, Death Valley, Morro Bay, Carson City to meet and ride with other X-ERs who share the same demographics is heaven. One of the sweetest sounds is Standing at Zabriskie Point in Death Valley and hearing 8 CBX's rounding the bends in the canyon below. They sound like a pack of Japanese Mitsubishi Zeros.

I cannot express how much pleasure this club has given me. I feel extremely grateful for being able to ride and meet so many fine people...including Canadians!! I hope to be able to make Crater Lake next year and Bonneville with the Niemeyers.