



Backroads Bay Tour 2025

September 27, 2025

Tom Dunham – Wagon Master

We all met at the Crossroads Starbucks on an overcast but warm morning at 9:30 and ready for our departure at 10:00 am.

Tom and Kim Dunham and their cute dog were the Wagon Masters, and they passed out driving instructions to the group. There were 15 members in attendance with 9 cars.

Our first leg of the tour through the back roads of Carmel and out to General Jim Moore Road. Took a left on Lightfighter and that's where things got interesting. The instructions told us to take Del Monte Blvd. off of Highway 1, but Tom decided not to do so and headed straight up to Dolan Drive in Moss Landing. Right where the tall stacks are that everyone knows.

From there we cruised to our first stop at the Elkhorn Slough preserve for a nice Bio Break.

Then we scooted down the road to Kirby Park where we saw the Coast Starlight Train heading south. What a sight. We were glad to have Mike Fitzgerald with us as he knows quite a bit of history about the Elkhorn Slough.

From Kirby Park, we got back into our steeds and headed to Gzdich Farm. Note for the future – Gzdich is packed on Saturdays, and the lines went out to the parking lot. Tom made the call to head straight to the Freedom Meat Locker for Lunch. What a fun place! Great Butcher Shop and very tasty Sandwiches. Yours truly peeled off after lunch to head home and the rest of the gang finished off the drive to La Selva Beach. All in all – A Great Drive. Thanks Tom and Kim!











