

Easy riders?

Scots set for epic 3,000 mile ride in their kilts!

BNI members across America, be warned: 'We're Scots, we're wearing crash helmets and kilts, and we're coming to your town very soon....!'

That's the message from Colin Read, a member of Mussleburgh's Fisherraw Chapter, to prepare his Yankee counterparts for some unusual sights this summer when he and Iain Whyte, BNI Executive Director for South & East Scotland, embark on an epic 3,230-mile coast-to-coast fund-raising trip – stopping off in towns along the way to help run major BNI networking events.

To ensure their 10-day road trip on Harley Davidson motor bikes across 12 states doesn't go unnoticed, the duo have pledged to wear kilts for the whole journey from Washington DC to BNI's world headquarters in Los Angeles, California, taking in deserts, mountains and the Grand Canyon!

Keen biking enthusiasts, Iain and Colin will join motor biking members from US chapters, and they hope to raise £200,000 for the Moebius Research Trust, a charity set up by Colin and his wife after their son was born with a rare congenital disorder.

Colin said: "Being Scots, we wanted to make the journey even tougher, so we'll be wearing traditional kilts throughout the trip, although maybe we'll pack some long johns



just in case our legs suffer too much exposure! Between now and then, we're both on strict diets and exercise programmes because physical and mental fitness will be the key factor in completing the trip. It's going to be harder for Iain who wants to shed six stones before we depart from Edinburgh in June." ●

Colin, pictured above (left) with Iain, would welcome sponsorship on 07802 837690 or you can email him at: www.kiltscrossamerica.co.uk