

# SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER IN THE ALPS

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## Missing picture

There're these roads that San Diegan's love to play on. Like this one just out of Andermatt, Switzerland.



Riding an Africa Twin, here's **John Barnes** on one of these roads... Susten Pass. Some of that white is Stein Glacier.



Atop Susten Pass, Tom Mooney caught **John Collins, John Hermann, Peggie Picker** (waving), **Don Picker**, and **John Barnes**. Six (counting Tom) from BMWOCSD.



And then there were seven. **Brad Baum** on the Funduro joined **Hermann**, right, on the old faithful K75, and **Court Fisher** of MOA fame, left on an 1150 GS.



From the Alps, the San Diegans took a ferry to Corsica. Here, bikes come out of the ferry's maw...



...so they could play on roads like this on Corsica.



The San Diegans and **Court Fisher** found this home right on the beach in Corsica, and right at the foot of mountain roads.



Peggie Picker immediately tested the water. It was clear and warm.



Then they got stopped by the Fuzz, who were riding GS's. It was a friendly Corsican meeting.



Next thing you know, the San Diegans were back in the Alps, joining up with Pippa and Scott Dinger of San Diego. And it snowed! Peggie Picker borrowed a power washer to get the ice and snow off the bikes.



Herm and Court Fisher stopped at the sign in France and decided to head for a new pass, Col de l'Homme Mort... Dead Man's Pass.

## KING OF THE ALPS

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Guess who's getting that spiffy MV Agusta from GP? Why, Jim Branch, naturally. And who's on his new 1100S? Stacy Silverwood, naturally.



So Stacy recruited a small army to escort one Saturday. They came up for air at Dudley's. From left, Ron Jensen, Turf McTaggart, John Barnes, Stacy, Hugo Schreiner, Jonesy and Tom Mooney.



Is that a BMW being ridden by the skeletal figure atop the sign? It's at the Wynola Road turn off from Highways 78 and 79. And it marks the Motorcycle Springs U.S.A., Gateway to So. Cal. Coffee and Pie shop. It's a Deli, also. And it has a lot of bike memorabilia. Including a picture of Kim Johnson some years ago.

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Meanwhile, cognoscenti like these discuss real issues next to the woods at Mother's patio, atop Palomar Mountain. Tom Mooney, Herm, Ron Jensen, John Barnes.

# KING...



A recent club ride had Turf McTaggart mounted on a 650 Suzuki, with Jonesy and Homemade Bob Skirvin discussing it.



“Here it is,” says Herm. The new Haro Kombi suit he found in Munich. Actually, it’s the “Pioneer” style... Sort of retro.



Don Picker spotted a young French girl sporting a unique looking helmet in Nice, France. Then Don found the helmet, a French *Roof* helmet in a shop and bought it. It opens several ways.

