

KING OF THE ALPS

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Cuts a real swatch does Mike Moore, this time on his Randy Mamola Boxer Cup bike and suit and boots. He's been know to ride a few other bikes.



Does it fit, Hugo? Hugo Shriner, no midget, waxed enthusiastic about a lovely last edition R100RS available on the internet. So Stacy Silverwood said, "Here. Try mine for size." Maybe if he took off the lowers. But then, it'd hardly be an RS.



First, our president Rich Kapushinski had business to discuss with Nanna Frye in the quiet confines of Giovanni's.



Then he had business of some kind to discuss with Brian Muldoon, outside Giovanni's. 'Course, Rich has been flashing some interesting pictures around to select friends.



One Saturday, Bill Siebold, ready and enthused on his mighty new R1200GS HP, organized an off-pavement expedition. Quite a crowd took up the challenge, including Wesley Ross, Rex Nielson, Ed Kolker, and our future Road Captain, Carol Hughes.



Next day, Carol was busy showing off her dirty bike in the parking lot at Giovanni's. She reported that some of the dirt roads were "really steep." That's a grin of satisfaction on Bill Siebold's face.



Whilst those dirt-types were off trail riding, a couple of worthys gathered for a more traditional exploration of the north country, which group included former Road Captain **Jim Boydston**. Before he left he had a bite with his wife **Michelle** and daughter. Little **Victoria** is not yet two. This group picked up **John Collins** at Mother's on Palomar Mountain, and then explored West Lilac and back to **Fat Ivors**.



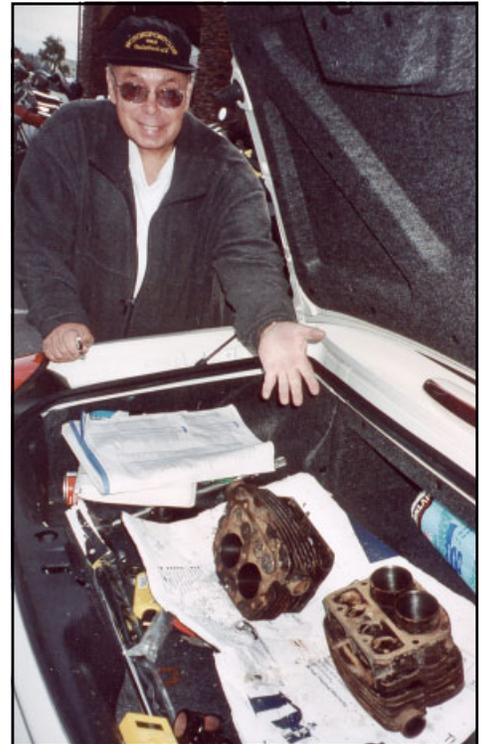
But it's not all dirt. **Bill Siebold** put some street tires on the HP and joined **Ron Spicer** and **Brian Muldoon** at Buttonwillow. Bill and Ron trailered their bikes up and back, garnering the attention of the CHP. Brian has a transverse hitch on the back of his truck that holds his K1200S. **Carol Hughes** rode her R1200 GS up and back. **Gary Orr** rode his 650 GS up to Buttonwillow, west of Bakersfield, the morning of the event, and back home to Escondido that night.



Amos Robinson used to bring little **Katie** to breakfast on the back of the bike. He still does. But it looks like she might bring him one of these days.



They don't make them like they used to, and this rider and original owner thinks maybe that's good.



What are they? **Wesley Stark** is proudly displaying in the trunk of his Thunderbird, the cylinder heads of a 1930's Zundapp, a flat opposed four.



So **John Barnes**, left, gets the latest details from **Stacy Silverwood** about the red K1. Then John took off for Laguna Salada to help a couple of crews running the Baja 1000. John says he saw two R1200GS HP's make it down a horrid steep boulder strewn cliff.

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They actually get on them and ride them. This was a Saturday morning crowd getting ready to take off. Big group did Highland Valley and Old Julian. Then some went to Borrego to visit **Turk Konuk**, and some danced across Engineer Road and eventually to La Posta Cafe.

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Big crowd made fast work of the highway pick up last month. Then an even bigger crowd made fast work of the fine stew **Cheryl Nemec** served up at home in Ramona, afterwards.

Off tending to expanding family business in Washington state, our own former president, **Susan Martin**. Off tending to expanding family business in the Bay area, our own former president, **Pippa Dinger**. **Scott** will be there, too.

