

# KING OF THE ALPS

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They're off. Turk Konuk to Alaska. After all, it is 110 at his house in Borrego.

And Don Neilson and Suzanne (he's a former club president) are on a years trip in and through the US.



Does Margaret know what's happening to her 1150R while she's at work? Clayton Churchill took her bike out for a Sunday spin, and reports that it handles differently (easier) than his LT. Naturally, Clayton found the bike taking him for Fat Ivors in Valley Center.

Miraculously, he found John Hermann and Fulton Martin and Mark Ruhm were there.



A lovely new K1200S, one of those with electric blue wheels, with its proud new owner, Thomas. Thomas tried some SD roads following Gary Walker of a recent Saturday.



What are we gonna do. They show up for a BMW club ride in dirt gear on dirt bikes. Carol Hughes is checking with Rex Neilson, at left. Bill Taylor, his off road armor neatly covered, checks with Mick McGirr.

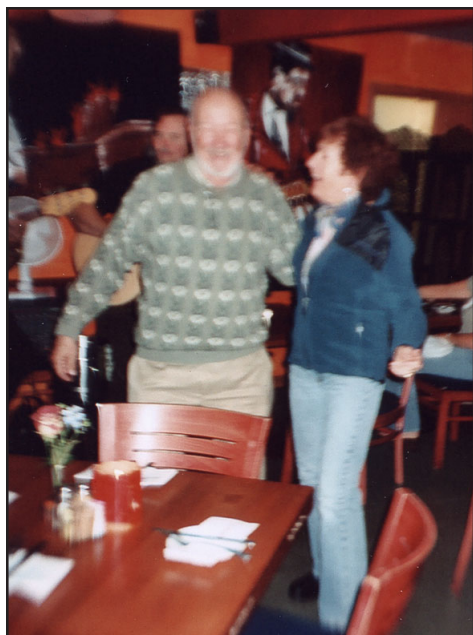


Good Old Charlie Park's newest bike, the silver and maroon 1200 ST, is now being enjoyed by Dan Frey, who's showing it here to Dan Toporoski, left, and Ken Shortt; Don Picker in the background.



Hermann wins a Solana Beach tee shirt in the drawing at Le Papagayo's. Frida Silveira, the Social Hostess presented it at the Full Moon Dinner. Food was good. Music was good. And there was a beautiful full moon. A Blue Moon. Pippa and Scott Dinger were there with son-in-law, John Rohrbach.





The Latin rhythms were so good that Gary Walker and Kit Lynch took to the dance floor.



Fine looking new gray and silver 800 St, with a Gary Orr on board, ready for a Sunday ride. Gary's wearing a new leather suit from Revit, a line that SDBMWMC is now carrying.



Gary was there to show some San Diego roads to Darren Smith (from XX Sports Radio) on a 1200GS.



There's not a lot of surf in New Mexico, so this rider from there is out with his surf board neatly stowed in the left side rack.



Only on Fridays. Only at Margarita's do you get to meet a new member on his new LT.



Rex Neilson is gonna get you with his new camera. See. It's mounted just to the left of the headlight nacelle.

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Linda Sorensen is really happy with her new silver K1200S. She should be. It was carefully broken in by Mark Pohlson.

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Roger Anderson stepped up to this nice 1150R, which he found at the shop on the Boulevard.



Gary Orr shows how to get your track bike to the track. Actually, he didn't take the GS to the track, but this shows how it works behind his LT.



Kit Lynch welcomes Australian friends Prue and Lin van Copenhagen. Kit and others from San Diego met Lin and Prue atop Passo Giau in Italy some years ago. They came up and said "You're speaking English!" Since then, Kit and Mike Lynch have visited them in Australia and Tasmania, and Lin and Prue joined the San Diego gang in Corsica. Now, they're set to check out more of the USA on this K1200 RS.

Arturo Piniero, VP of BMW Motorrad USA was in San Diego recently. Rumor had him doing something like sampling bagels on Kearny Mesa.

Turk may be heading back from Alaska, but apparently a sampling of SD folk were in the Alps last month. Like Don Walker and Don and Peggie Picker and Ira Grossman and Chuck and Kate Duvivier and even John Hermann and Stacy Silverwood and Carol Alley.

