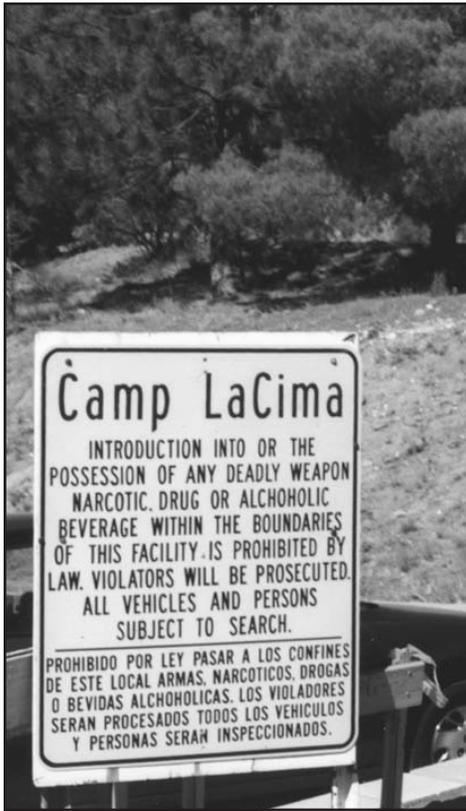


KING OF THE ALPS

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One of the famous dead-end roads of San Diego County leads to Camp LaCima in the Cuyamacas. In about five miles of fairly tight twists, it follows Green Valley southwesterly from Sunrise (S1) Highway, starting somewhere below the 5,000 foot marker on the north end.



It was warm, so John Barnes and Bill Siebold and Tom Mooney parked in the shade in front of the sign on LaCima Road, a yellow warning sign, "Lion Xing."



Roger Dunn is having a good time on his "R."



He was for a while the mild-mannered sales person at Brattin Motors, now Bernie Rodriguez is burning rubber on his Aprilia. Jim Montgomery is checking a few details. (Note the silencer.)



Try to catch Brecht's super salesman, Jimi Uvadia. He's on a K1200 RS, ready to show some road to a customer on a new R1200C.



Seen at Brecht's... this very interesting creation, an R1100 RT trike. It had Wisconsin plates.

Ciccione, son, just placed 2nd in an open tennis tournament at San Luis Obispo.

The back way to Vegas, through 29 Palms, beats I-15, Todd Stahly says.

Home Made Bob Skirvin couldn't believe the flooding in Borrego.

A bunch, including Nanna Frye and President Ken Shortt were in Tijuana helping Kyle Hudson with the Three Flags Classic last Labor Day weekend. And Gary Orr at Brattin Motors was sorting through calls for assistance from Alberta riders who were ready to head home if....

FROM THE ROAD...

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From Colorado for the ride were **Tony Black** and friend. Tony, with his Iron Butt LT; his friend rode a new GS.

The Friday morning fitness run, -er stroll, starts at Margaritas on Newport for a fitness breakfast, then a check of lower Newport, the surf and beach wall, and then out to the end of the pier... to the south leg, where serious discussions can be held far from any but a few fisher persons.



A recent Friday had these worthies climbing up to the pier, having checked the surf wall. From the bottom up, it appears to be **Butch Hays, Don Petrick, Dan Frey, Doc Williams, Carl Langston, and Lee Steinauer.**



When was this? It's **Dave Rives** and **Ron Spicer** in Utah.



Then the crew checked signs. **Ron Spicer, Dave Rives, Greg Balas, and Ron Jensen.**

TEN YEARS PAST: KING OF THE ALPS, OKTOBER 1990...

Cheryl Hofman (Nemec) and **Walter Gates** took in the Sipapu Rally in NM, and the *Rider Rally* in Taos.

Chairperson of the *Oktoberfest*, **Tizzy Sprecker**, is looking for an R-65 fix.

Enrique Ortega led a spirited ride through Rancho Santa Fe by moonlight, then up to the landing pad on Palomar.



Friday night last (September 15th) eight of us rested our weary feet at the fine Bavarian restaurant of the Hotel Soller, at Ismanning, by Munich, after hours of walking the halls of *Intermot*. I guess there are nine huge halls, and plenty of space between, and some outdoor riding areas. It's amazing the different things each sees. I liked the Korean stall of the *Stop Brake* company that alleged its attachment to brake lines turned all into ABS.

At BMW, my eye caught the new 1150 R. Cosmetically it looks less clunky than the former 1100, and it has all the new stuff from the 1150 GS—paralever, engine, ABS, and six speed transmission. And a lower gear ratio is possible for more torque. And it's much lower than the GS.

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CZ and Sachs and everyone introduces 1000 cc bikes. Some were in awe of the new KTM's. Chinese had 125's.

So after a day on my feet, I opted for *Schweinbraten* (roast pork) and potato dumplings and salad. Huge portions, for about \$6.50.

Other San Diegans at the table were **David Kuhnle, Tom Mooney, John Barnes, Dick Climes, Brad Baum, plus John Engweiller** from Halifax, and **Sue and George Young** from Maryland.

