

KING OF THE ALPS

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Meet the congenial new master, Mr. Master, of BMW Motorcycles of North County. He's the new owner of the dealership we've all known as Brecht BMW. He's been into major body accessories for sports cars, like Porsche, and into a lot of golf. But recently he's only had time for the BMW motorcycle dealership which he'll soon relocate down the street, easterly from it's present site, to a handsome corner building near I-15. Corner of Hale and Simpson.



A recent Sunday had John Ciccone leading out for a ride, followed by Dave Mishalof, Ira Grossman, and Carol Hughes. That's Bob Ingram to her right, and on the far right on the 1150GS, Bill Taylor.



New RT owner and rider, Brian Muldoon, right, is discussing the status of his right valve cover with 650 rider, Bill Cameron. Brian spent a few weeks on a Vespa, and decided to move on up to the RT.



Recognize an Iron Butt expert, a BMW Ambassador, Dave Mishalof, currently involved in properly equipping this fine 1200GS. Besides all the electronic gear and the Jesse bags and the heated Corbin seat, the back rack (where the passenger seat might be) now has a specially fabricated plate to hold a "fuel cell." A fuel cell could loosely be described as a spare gas tank. Only this one will be aluminum and costly.



Right in the Garden Room at swanky StoneRidge Country Club, where the BMW Owners Club of San Diego celebrate, we got to meet the new Mrs. Mark Pohlson, Amy. Now for riding the GS.



And our former first lady, Sonja Kijora, received a valuable door prize from former president and retiring social chair person, Ken Shortt.



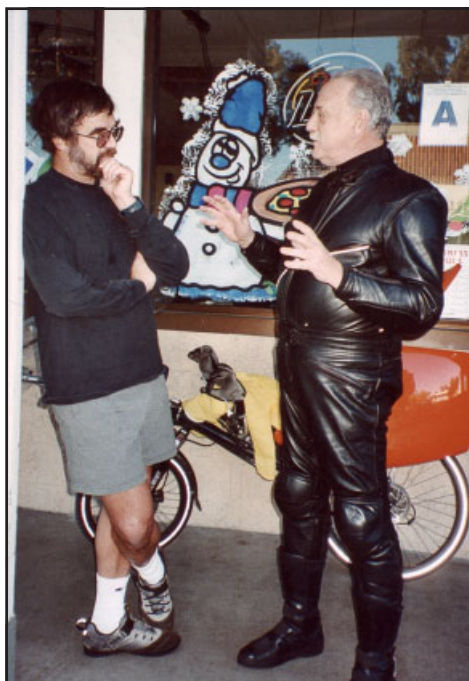
BMW folk venture afield for their toys. This brutal MV Brutale gets **Todd Hockensmith** to Brattin Motors where he's great at keeping our BMW's in shape.



That job, keeping our BMW's running smoothly, used to be the special domain of **Dan Cooley**. He does have a BMW at home in Shelter Valley (you know, below Scissors's Crossing), but his commute to an "old-timer's" lunch at Jimmy's on Midway was this faithful Yamaha Seca.



And **Erick Anderson** used to have two fine BMW's in his garage. Now he has but one (the silver 1150R). So, he's explaining to **Bill Siebold** here, the adventures he anticipates having on the new Kawasaki.



Most folks know that the truth is always available on Saturdays and Sundays at Giovanni's, corner of Ruffin and Clairemont Mesa. That's our esteemed editor on the left with his steed in the background, with **Don Picker**, both awaiting the magic hour of 8 AM when the door should open.



In celebration of his retirement as our club Road Captain, **Bill Siebold** stopped by Thurlow Leathers where they measured him up and fabricated this magnificent new suit.

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Then he charged out Lyon's Valley Road at the head of the pack.



There they go. **Bill Siebold's** up there someplace around the corner. Where else in our wonderful world can we have so many wonderful winter riding days?