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Member News and Rides

Debra and **Howell** will be participating in the Distinguished Gentleman's Ride on September 24 in San Luis Obispo.

Photos of Highway 1, Mud Creek Creek

Aerial photos from John Madonna Construction from this site: [Big Sur Blog](#)



Above: Aerial photo of Mud Creek on May 25, 2017.

Right: Aerial photo of Mud Creek on September 1, 2017.

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Update on Road Closures

As of Monday, August 28, **Highway 1** remains closed from north of Salmon to just south of Gorda, due to the Mud Creek landslide. The 35 mile stretch just south of Gorda and south of Pfeiffer Canyon is still only accessible via Nacimiento-Fergusson. Caltrans has announced that they aim to have the road open at Mud Creek by late summer, 2018.

The bridge girders for the new construction on the **Pfeiffer Canyon Bridge** have reached the south side. The girders weigh 900 tons and the Caltrans engineers designed a cable system to pull the bridge across inches at a time. The launch started on Monday (Aug. 28) and was completed on Thursday evening (Aug. 31). This is a first for California, in that a bridge has never before been pulled longitudinally in place.

Next, crews will dismantle the temporary launch tower in the middle of the canyon and lower the bridge into place on top of the abutments. The bridge is now expected to be open in October, later than the original projected September date. The \$24 million project was started in March, 2017.

Camping on Nacimiento-Fergusson Road: Los Padres National Forest officials announced that dispersed camping along Nacimiento-Fergusson Road is prohibited,

SB BMW Riders Calendar

- ❖ Wednesday September 13th: Club meeting at Cody's Café, 4898 Hollister Avenue, Goleta, CA. Come at around 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. for dinner and stay for the 7:30 p.m. meeting.
- ❖ Wednesday, October 11: Club meeting at Cody's Café, 4898 Hollister Avenue, Goleta, CA. Come at around 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. for dinner and stay for the 7:30 p.m. meeting.
- ❖ Saturday, October 14: Tech Day with Marten. Contact Marten: marten@cox.net
- ❖ Any other activities or rides scheduled? Let me know! djkrohn@cox.net

effective August 11. This order will remain in effect through August 10, 2018. The recent closures on Highway 1 have led to concentrated public camping use along the Nacimiento-Fergusson Road. The volume of use has resulted in people placing tents and parking recreational vehicles in pull-outs designed for vehicles to allow oncoming traffic to safely pass.

The area affected extends along the right-of-way of N-F Road from Highway 1 west to mile post 10.3. Dispersed camping is prohibited from within a 300-foot buffer that extends from the road's center line.

Angeles Crest (Highway 2) is open the entire way, per the Caltrans site, now that the sinkhole has been repaired.

David Hamilton's EML Build

David has a thread in ADV Rider showing the build steps for his new EML S1 Roadster Sidecar to be mated to his GSA.

The thread in ADV Rider here: [EML Build](#)



The EML S1 roadster has arrived.



Test fitting of sidecar frame.



Just in from the painter, with a matte finish.

Salt Lake City National Rally

Diane Krohn

Yes, it was hot.

But we had a good time getting there, routing through eastern Oregon and into Idaho. The ride through Hell's Canyon is quite scenic and we found wild blackberries along the side of the road. It's easy to wade into blackberry bushes while ATGATT!



R90S at the rally. This one had apparently been ridden to the rally, as it had lots of bugs on it.



Highway 86 in eastern Oregon, along the Powder River.

We enjoyed the rally, too. Lots of interesting vendors and products, inside of air-conditioned buildings. Maybe that's why we spent a lot of time looking at vendors...

Wayne was able to find a replacement helmet ~shipped to him later ~to replace the helmet which was suffering from an inner foam failure.

We did not camp at the rally, but it looked like there were sufficient shady spots for most of those who did camp.

We enrolled in a half-day Streetmasters cornering course offered during the rally. More on that in the next issue.



Along the way to the rally, we stopped and spent the night in Arco, ID, "First City in the World to be Lit by Atomic Power." Unfortunately, their little museum was closed on the day we visited. The town itself, though small and quiet, had a nice mom-and-pop motel, The D-K Motel, and a little café right next to it. Just what we look for when moto-traveling. The owner of the motel said that he took anything to pay for the room, "Paper, plastic, chickens, gold..."

(Arco was in the path of the total eclipse, so this quiet town was probably totally nuts on August 21!)



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Upcoming Events

- September 9-11: R100RS 40th Anniversary Rally and Gathering of the Tribes, Cove Group Campground, Three Rivers, CA. [Gathering of the Tribes](#)
- September 15-17: 32nd Annual Autumn Beemer Bash, Quincy, CA. [Beemer Bash 2017](#)
- September 16: 10th Annual Venice Vintage Motorcycle Rally, Venice, CA. [Venice Vintage Motorcycle Rally](#)
- September 22-24: 14th Thunder Mountain Rendezvous, Hotchkiss, CO. [Thunder Mountain Rendezvous](#)
- September 21-24: Horizons Unlimited Meeting California 2017, Mariposa/Yosemite. [Horizons Unlimited](#)
- September 24: The Distinguished Gentleman's Ride, San Luis Obispo. Classic and vintage-style motorcycles unite for supporting the Movember Foundation. [Distinguished Gentleman's Ride](#)
[Distinguished Gentleman's Ride SLO](#)
- September 28-October 1: Last Chance Camp-N-Ride, Oroville, WA. [Last Chance Camp-N-Ride](#)
- September 29-30: SLO Classic Motorcycle Show, San Luis Obispo, CA. There will be a free ride up the coast on Sept. 29, and the motorcycle show on Sept. 30. [Central Coast Classic](#)