



# SANTA BARBARA BMW RIDERS NEWSLETTER

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BMW MOA CLUB #165  
SPEAKING TRUTH TO POWER...136 HP, THAT IS!

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## Member News and Rides

The June meeting was at Michael's and Veronica's house. A lot of members were gone, on their way to the National Rally in Great Falls, MT. Approximately 13 members attended the meeting. Some watched it via Zoom.

SkyMed, an emergency travel service provider, had a presentation about the company and its services at the June meeting. You can watch the presentation at this link: [SkyMed presentation](#). They are partnered with the MOA. You can also look at the information on their website: [SkyMed](#). Because we hosted their presentation, they donated \$100 to our Club!

At the 49'er Rally in Mariposa in May, two of our members won prizes! **Steve** won a \$100 gift certificate from Boxer2valve, and **Deborah** won a \$200 gift certificate from A&S Motorcycles.

**Steve** and **Fran**, **John** and **Phyllis**, **Marilyn**, **Chuck**, **Phil** and **Deb** all attended the National Rally. Pictures from John are on Pages 4-6.

The annual Club picnic is scheduled for Saturday, July 17. An email will be sent to Club members providing details. Hope to see you all of you there, and to hear tales of the 49'er Rally and the National Rally!

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## Backcountry Discovery Routes is 10 Years Old

The Backcountry Discovery Routes (BDR) has 10 routes, 10,000 miles and is 10 years old. The organization has a documentary film showing its beginnings to the current status of well-respected name in the adventure motorcycle community.

The film is available free on demand on YouTube, Vimeo, and Amazon Prime Video.

[BDR 10 Years](#)

## Highway 12 in Utah

Steve wrote that that he and Fran were riding on Highway 12 in Utah as they were making their way back to Santa Barbara from Great Falls. Highway 12, AKA Scenic Byway 12, is approximately 123 miles and connects US 89 from Panguitch on the west, to SR 24 near Torrey on the northeast.

On this highway, you will travel from red rock canyons up through aspen and pine forests. The road's summit is close to 9,000 feet, and it travels by Bryce Canyon National Park, through Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument, and by Capitol Reef National Park. The "Hogsback" between Escalante and Boulder has hairpin turns and steep drop-offs to adjacent canyons.

The Burr Trail Road can also be accessed from Highway 12, at Boulder. This road travels eastward from Boulder to end up at Bullfrog Marina on Lake Powell. Part of this route is paved, but not all.

Another side trip is Hell's Backbone Ridge (FR 153). Pull off of Highway 12 about 5 miles south of Boulder to connect with Posey Lake/Pine Creek Road. The road brings you back to Highway 12 near Escalante.

Restaurants and lodging can be found in Escalante, Tropic, Boulder, and Torrey—though Escalante tends to have more accommodations than the other towns.

If you have not ridden Highway 12, put this on your bucket list and do it!

[Scenic Byway 12](#)

[Hell's Backbone Scenic Drive](#)

## SB BMW Riders Calendar

- ❖ Saturday, July 17: Annual Club Summer Picnic, at Michael's and Veronica's house; 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Look for more details coming by email.
- ❖ Monday, August 16: Monthly meeting, at Michael's and Veronica's house. Starts at 6 p.m.
- ❖ Any other activities or rides scheduled, let me know! [djkrohn@cox.net](mailto:djkrohn@cox.net)



*At Basin and Range National Monument, NV.  
Photo by Marten.*

## Highway 1 Update

Maintenance work on the Bixby Bridge (PM59.5) will begin on July 12. This work will result in full overnight closures, from 10 p.m. to 6:30 a.m., for 3 weeks.

During the first week, Highway will be closed at Bixby Bridge from July 12 through July 15 from 10 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.; and will be open for the weekend starting July 16 at 6:30 a.m.

For the second week, Highway 1 will be closed at Bixby Bridge from July 18 through July 22, from 10 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.; and will re-open on July 23 at 6:30 a.m.

For the third week, Highway 1 will be closed at Bixby Bridge from July 25 through July 29, from 10 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. It will re-open without any additional closures on July 30 at 6:30 a.m.

There will be no detours for these closures and traffic will be re-directed to return the direction it came from.

## Upcoming Events

- July 15-18: Top O' The Rockies Rally, Paonia, CO. [Top O'The Rockies Rally](#)
- August 7: 21<sup>st</sup> Annual 100,000-foot ride, Centennial, CO. [21st Annual 1000,000-ft Ride](#)
- August 12-15: End of Pavement Rally, Cedarville, CA. This will be taking place during the height of the Perseids meteor shower (August 11-12). [End of Pavement Rally](#)
- August 19: 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Beartooth Beemers Rendezvous, Red Lodge, MT. [23rd Annual Beartooth Beemers Rendezvous](#)
- September 3-6: BMW NorCal Range of Light Gypsy Tour, Orland, CA. [Range of Light Gypsy Tour](#)
- September 10-12: MOA Getaway at Cedar City, Cedar City, UT. [MOA Getaway Cedar City](#)
- September 10-12: ADV Rider Rally: Colorado West Fest, Ouray, CO. [ADV Rider Colorado WestFest](#)
- September 24-26: Overland Expo West, Flagstaff, AZ. [Overland Expo West 2021](#)

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**Out on the Road:  
Pictures from the National Rally at Great Falls  
Photos by John W.**





*Above: Phyllis at the registration desk with Deb. Right: Phyllis registering Phil.*



*Left: Phyllis is back in school!*

*On the course in one of the offered refresher classes.*



*A couple of bikes during bike judging day, from "The People's Choice" bike show.*



*John says that the red K bike is a 49'er regular.*

