



# SANTA BARBARA BMW RIDERS NEWSLETTER

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## SB BMW Riders Post-Holiday\* Party!

The Club Holiday party will be Monday, January 15, at Cy's and Lindsley's house, 632 Pico Avenue (just up the block from Sport Cycle Pacific) starting at 6:40 p.m. The Club will provide spiral cut ham, vegetarian lasagna, non-alcoholic beverages, serving plates and utensils. Be sure to bring a wrapped present (that you had ready in December!) for the gift exchange, and bring a dish to share for the potluck.

\*Post-holiday because it was post-poned due to the Thomas Fire.



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## Highway 33 is Open

Highway 33 is now open. It was closed due to the Thomas Fire. There is one-way controlled traffic 4.1 miles north of Ojai at Matilija Hot Springs Road due to construction.

**Highway 1** remains closed at the Mud Creek Slide. During December, the contractor continued placing rock revetment, working from the north going south and will place rock revetment across the entire toe. Also, construction continues of the south fill embankment.

## Ojai Motorcycle Club

Deon DeWet has organized a club and tour company out of Ojai. The club rides and tours tend to focus on off-road riding. Tours range from one-day rides out and back from Ojai (paved roads, dirt roads, or a mix), to multi-day tours around central and southern California; and to guided tours of Thailand and South Africa. His tour company offers a variety of motorcycles for rent, including several models of BMW's (R1200 RT, R1200 GS, F800 GS, and F700 GS); Harley-Davidsons, Honda CRF1000L Africa Twin, and Suzuki DL 650 V-Strom.

De Wet is a native South African and, in addition to over 40 years of motorcycle riding experience, he also teaches and practices Yoga and Thai Yoga. He unfortunately lost his house in the Thomas Fire and broke his ankle before that! But he was undaunted and went to the Ventura BMW and bought a new R1200 GS Rally, while still in his cast.

The Ojai Motorcycle Club calendar indicates that they have club rides twice a month on every other Wednesday, and overnight club rides once a month. Perhaps a few of our members who live in the Ojai and Ventura areas can check out the rides.

[Ojai Moto Club](#)

## SB BMW Riders Calendar

- ❖ Monday, January 15, 2018: Club Post-Holiday Party at Cy's and Lindsley's house. See Page 1 for details and watch for emails with more information.
- ❖ Monday, February 19: 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
- ❖ Any other activities or rides scheduled? Let me know! [djkrohn@cox.net](mailto:djkrohn@cox.net)

## Second Edition of *Destination Highways NorCal*

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition *Destination Highways NorCal: A Motorcycle Enthusiast's Guide to the Best 367 Roads in Northern California* will be available in 2018 and it can be pre-ordered for January shipment. This edition has 33 more roads than in the 1<sup>st</sup> edition. The upcoming edition of *DH SoCal* will have 255 roads, giving 633 total described motorcycle roads in California. Compare that to the 540 total roads described in *DH British Columbia* and *DH Washington* combined. No wonder California can be considered the mecca of American motorcycling!

Pre-order here: [Destination Highways NorCal](#)



*Grand Tetons, May 2015. Looks like winter, but no...*

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“In a car you're always in a compartment, and because you're used to it you don't realize that through that car window everything you see is just more TV. You're a passive observer and it is all moving by you boringly in a frame.

On a cycle the frame is gone. You're completely in contact with it all. You're *in* the scene, not just watching it anymore, and the sense of presence is overwhelming.”

— Robert M. Pirsig, *Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance: An Inquiry Into Values*

## Upcoming Events

- January 25-28: ADV Rider DVDAZE 2018. Camping at Furnace Creek Campground and rides during the day throughout Death Valley and surrounding areas. [DVDAZE 2018](#)
- March 21: Saline Valley Warm Springs Ride, Death Valley. This is a basic easy ride on improved dirt roads, with camping at Saline Valley Warm Springs Campground. Meet at Panamint Springs Campground. [Saline Valley Warm Springs](#)
- March 22-25: ADV Death Valley n00bs Rally 2018. Panamint Springs Resort. [Death Valley n00bs Rally](#)
- April 6-14: Moab Rally Madness. This is a Honda rally but anyone can attend. Location is Archview RV Campground, which has cabins, bathrooms and showers. If dry camping is preferred, it is available nearby. Moab, UT. [Moab Rally Madness 2018](#)
- April 5-8: ADV WARPED Rally. Camping at Mountain and River campground, with bathrooms and showers. Kernville, CA. [WARPED 14 2018](#)