

SD CREW Newsletter

IMRG 2040



San Diego Chapter

SD CREW,

It has been about a year since I was honored with being asked to step in as the President of our IMRG group. From a riding perspective it has been great!! Traffic around town was nearly nonexistent thanks to lockdowns due to COVID 19. As a group it has been hard to try to plan much of anything other than to get together and go ride. For the most part we did just that and we had more riders join us. That being said, I would like to say thank you to all of you for coming out and riding with the SD CREW.

Slowly, but surely, we will be able to go back to some kind of normalcy with the distribution of the COVID 19 vaccines and hope that our group continues to grow! We have a number of great rides planned in April and May so mark your calendars so you don't miss any of them. Our big Rally locally will be in October with the 5 IMRG Chapters in So Cal: Orange County, Redlands, North County, Spirit of San Diego and SD CREW. Hope you all can join us for that one too!! It will be important to book your hotels in Temecula and Palmdale ASAP. Also book in San Diego if you want to hang with the other Indian Riders on Thursday night after the kickoff party at IMSD. We do have discount codes available on the Cruisin' So Cal home page.

I would like to thank Dave Timmons (Professor) for helping me keep everything organized for the Crew and keep things moving like a well-oiled machine. Dave has been putting the Newsletter together for us since January and is doing a fantastic job! He also helps me make sure that we have all the rides organized, posted and keeps on top of all the other rides going on around town. Thank him when you see him. We are looking to add more officers to the SD CREW as the group grows and we are able to organize more events. If you are interested in getting more involved with SD CREW please reach out to me or Dave.

Thank you for everyone's continued support and coming out to ride with us.

Sincerely,

Robert Malasek,
President SD CREW

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Next Month's SD Crew Ride

May 1st: SD Crew will be supporting the MMIW, Murdered & Missing Indigenous Woman, Charity Ride

Registration

Start: KSU 9am at IMSD Tanks full and Bladders Empty

SD Crew will ride to Indian North County together where the event starts

Route: Includes backroads in North and East County

Destination: Indian Motorcycles of San Diego for food and raffle prizes

Medicine Wheel Ride San Diego May 1, 2021 Riding for Resilience and for our Stolen Sisters

Join us for International Female Ride Day to ride supporting MMIW and to bring awareness of the growing crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women



Saturday May 1, 2021

Sign up starts at 9:00am with KSU at 10:30 (\$20 per rider \$25 couples)

Meet at North County Indian Motorcycle

1040 Los Vallecitos Blvd Suite 102, San Marcos, CA 92069

(coffee & donuts provided)

End at San Diego Indian Motorcycle

9240 Clairmont Mesa Blvd., San Diego

Lunch, Music, Raffles, Vendors, Guest Speakers

Unable to ride? Join us at San Diego Indian to show support!

All tickets purchased in advance receive an event t-shirt <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/medicine-wheel-ride-san-diego-tickets-143399522833>

<https://fb.me/e/23bJH4iJb> ~ <http://www.medicinewheelride.com/> ~ <https://www.facebook.com/medicinewheelride>

For Vendor or Sponsorship contact iba49r@gmail.com medicinewheelride@gmail.com (619) 519-4909

Upcoming SD Crew Rides

June 5th - Palomar Mountain including South and East Grades with lunch at Josie's Hideout

July 3rd - Backroads in East and South County with a lunch stop

August 7th - Bates Nut Farm with a lunch stop

Have a ride idea? Send your suggestions to: rmalasek@indianofsd.com

Rides Can Change Without Notice

April SD Crew Ride

14 bikes went on an 180 mile ride to Cook's Corner in Orange County for lunch. The ride included I-5 north, Trabuco Canyon and Ortega Hwy.



Past Events

IMRG Traveling Box

The box includes a journal for each Chapter to write something as well a bag for each Chapter to include something such as USB drives with pictures, videos, newsletters, Challenge Coins, Chapter Patches, etc. Thanks to Banner for picking up the box at Redlands Indian and delivering it to El Cajon Indian. Art, from El Cajon Indian, delivered it to IMSD where we had our group photo taken followed by a ride to Doffo Winery for lunch. IMRG members from OC, N. County and El Cajon met us on Sunday, March 21st, when we rode the box to the Yuma Territorial Prison Museum for the handoff to the Chandler, AZ Chapter. 26 bikes left IMSD and met with 8 bikes from Chandler. The box will be delivered to all Chapters in the US prior to the Indian Motorcycle/Jack Daniels Rally in October. The box will reside at the Indian Motorcycle manufacturing plant in Spirit Lake, IA. [Yuma Ride Video](#)



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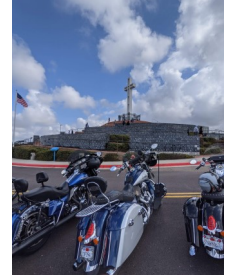
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Past Events

Chopper The Biker Dog Charity, March 13th

Some of the SD Crew attended the ride and event to help Chopper with his medical expenses. Chopper and Mark have been a fixture in the community for years and have attended numerous charity events. Unfortunately, Chopper has cancer. We wish him all the best and hope that he's back on his bike soon.



Memorial Ride for Mike Tavares, March 27th

A group of SD Crew members attended the ride leaving Motorcycle Monkey and making its way to Josie's Hideout for lunch. Mike's Mom was present and gave a heartfelt talk about Mike and her appreciation to those who attended the ride.



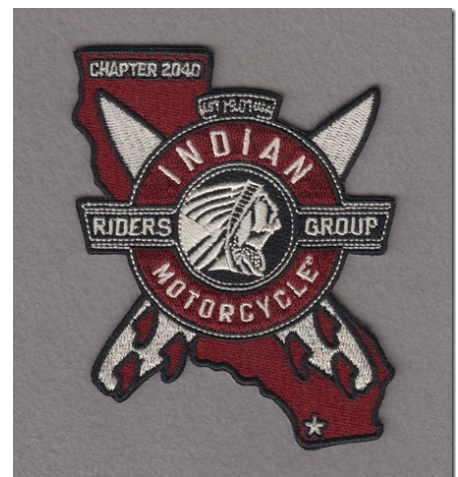
New SD Crew Patches Now Available

The Large and Small patches are now available at IMSD.

One small patch is free. The large patch is \$30.

One 2021 patch and SD Crew rockers are available at no charge through Robert, Banner.

Patches are only available to SD Crew Members



Future Events



Factory Demo Days, April 13th-14th, 9:00AM - 3:00AM

Hosted by Indian Motorcycles of San Diego

The 2022 Chief and FTR 1200 will be available to ride as well as the Scout Bobber, Chieftain, Indian Vintage, Indian Springfield and Roadmaster.



Ramona Backcountry Run, April 17th

Proceeds go to the Ramona Schools Scholarships

SD Crew's Paul Zawilenski is the organizer

SD Crew to ride together to the event. **KSU 8:30AM from Motorcycle Monkey Coffee, 10366 Mission Gorge Rd, Santee, CA 92071**

[Registration](#)



MMIW, Murdered & Missing Indigenous Women, Charity Ride, May 1st

This will replace our May monthly ride

SD Crew's Shelly Alfaro is one of the organizers

KSU 9:00AM from IMSD to ride together to North County Indian where the ride begins. The ride ends at IMSD.

[Registration](#)



Horseshoe Run, May 8th, KSU 7:30AM Starbucks Murphy Cyn Rd.

Charity for Fallen Police Officer's Families

358 Miles: Idyllwild, Big Bear, Ortega Hwy, Dana Point for dinner

[Information and Registration](#)



May Ride, May 15th

All proceeds go to the Armed Services YMCA

KSU 9:00AM at IMSD to ride together to the event at Biggs HD

[Registration](#)



Ride For Alzheimer's, July 10th

SD Crew to ride together on this day. KSU TBD

[Please Register with Team SDCREW IMRG](#)

Motorcycling Tips

Motorcycle Pre-Ride Checklist

Just as your car needs regular maintenance work to keep it in good running order so does your motorcycle. You should be checking your bike before each ride and that check should be more in-depth before you undertake a long journey. In case you're not sure what you should be looking for, please ask the knowledgeable motorcyclists at IMSD.

Tires

Checking your tires is a quick, simple way to ensure your safety while riding. Blowouts are especially dangerous for motorcyclists who don't have the security of an enclosed compartment, as you're more liable to be thrown from your bike if your tire pops. Check the tire pressure before each ride and look for uneven tread wear or a tire that's consistently low, which could signify a slow leak. If you see any embedded objects or bald spots, bring your bike in for new tires immediately.

Engine Fluids

Your motorcycle's fluids keep the engine running smoothly, so you should make sure they're clean, topped up and in good condition for each ride. Check your oil, coolant, brake fluid and fuel. Your oil quality can be checked on the dipstick just as you would for a car and should be changed according to the manufacturer's recommendations. Always fill your tank before you head out on a long trip. If your gas mileage drops suddenly, you might have a fuel tank leak, so watch for that.

Brakes, Clutch & Throttle

Brakes are a vital component of any vehicle, so you should ensure that your brake pads haven't taken on any excessive wear. If they feel like they aren't activating as quickly as you're used to, that's a sign that something is wrong and you should take your bike to a mechanic.

Check your throttle and clutch when you start the engine to see that they have the correct amount of give. You want your controls to be responsive without being too loose. If you're idling often in high gears, then your throttle might not be closing all the way while you ride. The clutch should switch gears quickly and smoothly without any grinding, which is another sign that your motorcycle needs some professional attention.

Lights

As a motorcycle rider, you're automatically harder to see on the road, so having functioning lights is an essential safety precaution. Check your high and low beams, turn signals, brake lights and running lights before you leave so you know they're all working as they should.

Riding Gear

Finally, you should be fully outfitted with all the right riding gear and it should be in good condition. This includes your riding suit if you wear one, a helmet, sturdy boots, gloves and eye protection. Pack waterproof gear for rainy conditions. Make sure that you have your repair kit and your first-aid kit in your motorcycle's storage compartments, along with your GPS and phone with charging cables.

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10366 Mission Gorge Rd, Santee, CA 92071
Saturdays 8am - 11am

Bike Night: 3rd Thursday of the month 6pm – 10pm

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