

^{36th Annual}
Hi Desert 250
Dual Sport Trail Ride

Presented **COUNT**
by **DOWN**

Jan 31 – Feb 1

Start/Finish Each Day @ Heritage Inn, Ridgecrest, Ca
For quiet, street-legal Dual Sport Motorcycles

Back to the desert for the Winter Classic to test all those new Big Boy Christmas toys. After LA-B-V, the Hi Desert 250 is the longest running Dual Sport event in SoCal.

Pick any 2 Loops from below to ride.

- **Six Advanced rider All-day Loops**
 - Husky Loop, Gravel Hills, Fremont Peak, great Single Tracks, side trip to Husky
 - Jawbone Loop, to Jawbone store & Back
 - Rand Loop, around the Rand Mts, lots of old Enduro Trails
 - Spangler “Enduro Trails” Loop, with killer Enduro Single Tracks
 - El Paso Loop, short but tough with many Single Tracks
 - Brewery Loop to Indian Wells Brewery for Burgers & Back
- **Two Advanced rider Half-day “Sunday” Loops out of Joburg**
 - Husky Short Loop, eliminates Ridgecrest to Joburg & back
 - Rand Short Loop, eliminates Ridgecrest to Joburg & back
- **Three Intermediate rider All-day Loops**
 - Shorter versions of Jawbone, El Paso, & Brewery Loops
- **75 Mi. max on gas, Except 104 Mi El Paso Loop**
- **Each entry includes at Sign-In:**
 - A ride T-shirt
 - Download gpx Tracks to GPS, micro SD, or any USB device ONLY at Sign-In
- **No Buddy required, 1st time Countdown riders Welcome**
- **No rider Limit, Walk-up Entries welcome, Check or Cash, no CCs**
- **Friday night Sign-In 7-10 PM @ Heritage**
- **Saturday morning Sign-In 7:30-8:00 AM @ Heritage**

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DualSportWest.com to print this Flyer

All Day Advanced Rider Loops

These loops are intended for Advanced & Expert riders. They were laid out by an ex-Enduro A rider who loved 2-Day 500 mile hard Enduros.

If you are an Intermediate rider and especially a first time Countdown riders, PLEASE select 2 of the shorter loops for your first Countdown ride. We want you to have fun, not be too beat up to ride Sunday, and come back next year. Husky, Jawbone, Rand, & Spangler are reverse from last few years.

Husky Loop

The 132 Mi Husky Loop is the 2nd most challenging with technical Single Track and not recommended for >500cc bikes. It is 31 Mi to Joburg for gas, then a 72 Mi Counter-Clockwise loop first over Freemont Peak, optional 14 Mi. side trip to the Husky, then thru the Gravel Hills. This loop will take 4-5 hrs for a good rider. Then lunch in Randsburg, and 30 mi back to Ridgecrest.

Jawbone Loop

The 133 Mi Jawbone Loop goes Clockwise. It is 74 Mi. thru the El Paso Mts with several Single Tracks, you can take a hard option thru Red Rock Cyn. for 13 Mi. of great red rock trails, then to the Jawbone store for Lunch/Gas. Then 74 Mi of thru the Jawbone area (lots of Whoops) back to Ridgecrest. The first 11 miles are the same as the El Paso and Rand loops.

Rand Loop

The 97 Mi Rand Loop goes Counter-Clockwise this year. It is 62 Mi. to Randsburg for lunch. The last 30 Mi. is a loop thru the Rand Mts with lots of old Enduro trails. Then to Joburg for gas and 35 Mi back to Ridgecrest with an optional side trip to the X-15 crash site. It uses the same out and back (from/to) Ridgecrest as the El Paso Loop, so best to not do both.

Spangler Loop

The 101 Mi. Spangler Loop goes Clockwise this year. It has the most technical challenging Single Track with miles of hardcore Enduro trails. Trust me, it will take all day. If you skip going to Trona for gas/lunch, it is only 92 miles, if you skip riding thru the Pinnacles, it is only 67 Mi. For Video of loop, see:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kGLg0RkSSEQ>

El Paso Loop

The 104 Mi El Paso Loop goes Clockwise like all years. It uses all the serious Jeep Roads and Single Tracks in the El Paso Mountains. Lunch is in new restaurant at Robbers Roost, no Gas is available on the loop. There is an optional Hard Way down the "Waterfall" (adds 5 Mi) and another thru Red Rock Cyn (adds 15 Mi). It uses the same out and back (from/to) Ridgecrest as the Rand Loop, so best to not do both.

Brewery Loop

The 127 Mi Brewery Loop starts backwards on the El Paso loop past a great Petroglyphs at Sheep Sprgs over to Robbers Roost store then past Robbers Roost rocks, then north on & off the Aqueduct road to Indian Wells Canyon for a loop up to the Nadeau Mine, then almost up to Little Lake & back down past Pearsonville Gas/Subway back to Indian Wells Brewery for Burgers. Then only 21 fast Mi. back to Ridgecrest

Half Day Advanced Rider “Sunday” Loops

Intended for Advanced riders wanting to get an early start home Sunday. Suite up, check out of motel, drive ½ hour to Joburg gas station, unload, and ride the best part of the Husky or Rand loop, and head home. These can be done after motel check-out and driving to Joburg to stage.

Husky Short

This 72 Mi Counter-Clockwise loop first goes over Freemont Peak, then then thru the Gravel Hills with an optional 14 Mi. side trip to the Husky. It has all the technical Single Track and is the best of the Husky Long Loop and takes 4-5 Hrs for a good rider.

Rand Short

This 35 Mi portion of the Rand Loop takes ? Hrs for a good rider. It goes around/through the Rand Mts. on lots of old Enduro trails.

All Day Intermediate Rider Loops

Intermediate riders will find these loops just right for a nice day ride with a leisurely Lunch stop and be ready for another fun day of riding on Sunday. Advanced riders can use them for a fast Half-Day ride and get an early start home on Sunday.

Jawbone Short

The 72 Mi Jawbone Short loop is the same as the Jawbone Loop above but just goes to Robbers Roost on Hwy 14 for Lunch, then back to Ridgecrest. No Gas is available on the loop.

El Paso Short

The 73 Mi El Paso Short Loop it the same as the El Paso Loop above but uses all the Short Cuts. Lunch is in new restaurant at Robbers Roost, no Gas is available on the loop. It uses the same out and back (from/to) Ridgecrest as the Rand Sort Loop, so best to not do both.

Brewery Short

The 83 Mi Brewery Sort Loop is same as the Brewery long Loop above but after Indian Wells Canyon to the Nadeau Mine, it goes straight to the Brewery (Opens @ 11:30) then Back to Ridgecrest.

2026 Hi Desert 250 Entry

COUNTDOWN USE ONLY

Order No. _____

Amt. Paid _____

Name _____
(Last) (First)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone () _____ - _____ Bike _____ GPS Model _____

In emergency, contact: _____ ☐ At event, or ☐ by phone at () _____ - _____

AMA Member: ☐ Yes # _____ or ☐ No E-Mail address _____

Check one: ☐ I will be riding alone and accept full responsibility for my safety.

☐ I will be riding with the riders listed below and we will be responsible for each others' safety.

I understand that I must obey all federal OHV regulations and have a spark arrestor. I understand that this tour will use highways and that my vehicle must be street-licensed, meet all vehicle code requirements, and comply with state liability requirements.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Circle T-Shirt size: S M L XL XXL (If none circled, you get XL)

Check the appropriate box:

- ☐ Early Entry, postmarked by 12/20 \$110 No refunds after 1/19
- ☐ Regular Mail-In Entry, postmarked after 12/20. \$130 No refunds after 1/19
- ☐ Late Entry, received after 1/19 or Walk-Up \$150 (Cash or Check, no CCs for Walk-ups)

Check the 2 loops you will ride:

- ☐ Husky 132 Mi with 2nd most challenging Single Tracks.
- ☐ Jawbone 133 Mi, a classic every year!
- ☐ Rand 97 Mi, with lots of fun Old Enduro Single Track. Don't combine with El Paso.
- ☐ Spangler 101 Mi, the most challenging Serious Single Tracks.
- ☐ El Paso 104 Mi, serious Jeep Trails & Single Tracks, lots of views, Don't combine with Rand.
- ☐ Brewery 127 Mi, easy fun riding over to Sierra foothills, up to Pearsonville, Brewery, & back.

- ☐ Husky Short 72 Mi. Same as long but w/out Ridgecrest to Joberg & Back.
- ☐ Rand Short 34 Mi. Same as long but w/out Ridgecrest to Joberg & Back.

- ☐ Jawbone Short 72 Mi Same as long but w/out trails west of Hwy 14.
- ☐ El Paso Short 73 Mi Same as long but taking all the shortcuts. Don't combine with Rand Same as long
- ☐ Brewery Short 83 Mi Same as long but w/out riding to Little Lake & back.

SEND: ☐ Entry Form, ☐ Check payable to Countdown, & ☐ Business size (#10) self addressed stamped confirmation envelope

To: COUNTDOWN, 423 La Mancha, Ridgecrest, CA 93555

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for Double, Includes Continental Breakfast

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