



Motor City Beemers



Club Newsletter



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All meetings are held on the second Saturday of the month at 10:30 AM.

Next Meeting: January 9, 2010, 10:30AM at BMW of Detroit

Following Meeting: February 13, 2010 at BMW of Detroit

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THE PREZ SEZ

The New Year is starting and new riding opportunities are on the horizon. This slower time of the season has a limited number of days where we can get out on the road and let our bikes breath. One thing we should be thinking about is getting our bikes serviced and ready for the new riding season. Don't want to be held up because of not getting the oil changes or new tires our trusty steeds need. Have my bike ready and it is sitting on a battery tender right now waiting for its next opportunity to breathe fire and rip on down the road.

I am already looking at where to go next year; maybe the MOA Rally in Oregon, or Maine/eastern Canada. There are also going to be a lot of opportunities to do some great riding with the club. Come on out and get to know the other members a little better. We aren't such a bad bunch of people

Ride Safe,

John Saarinen

CLUB EVENTS

Monthly Meeting Dates Changed:

Starting January 2010, we will be meeting the second Saturday of every month. January will be on the 9th. The meetings were moved from the first Saturday of every month to the second Saturday to avoid conflicts with the summer holidays. Please note that on your calendars

MCBeemers Officers Win Re-election By Overwhelming Majority:

It is nice to be swept into office with such a "huge majority" of the votes. Our swift victory was guaranteed by the lack of opposition candidates. Later this year we may lose our Newsletter Editor. We may need someone to pick up the position later this year. If there is anyone who would be willing to be swept into office by a "huge majority" please contact Dave Cronberger or me for details. John Saarinen

TIME TO RENEW 2010 MEMBERSHIP:

It is that time of year again to renew your membership in MCBeemers. Dues are still \$10 for a member and \$5 for an associate member (associated to a member). Associates are spouses, children, and significant others. It is still one of the best deals going in this great state of ours. Please renew as soon as possible. Contact Allen Gigliotti to renew.

Ride Report: Karl's Log Cabin

This ride was headed up by Dick Hautau. Karl's was a great choice with good food. The route was modified after group discussion at the Beemership and was a good choice. We headed north on Van Dyke Ave to 18 Mile Road. Then west on 18 Mile enjoying the scenery and a little snow making this a true Polar Bear ride to Grand River (M5). Grand River took us to I-275 and then on to M14. While on M14 the siren test took place and some of us by surprise, not realizing what it was, wondered if our motorcycle had lost a wheel bearing or 2. Funny thing how a helmet and some wind at 70 mph on a 27 degree day can change your perception of sound on a motorcycle. Exiting onto Gotfredson Rd. we went a short distance and saw our first road ice at the edge of the drive into Karl's parking lot.

Leaving Karl's we had the opportunity to experience one of the great benefits of a club ride. One of our members (who shall remain nameless until he out's himself) had a dead battery. Another member had jumper cables but alas the battery was just too dead. So we got to experience push starting a motorcycle, and it was off to the shop for a new battery.

(Ed.Note: Your editor had this happen to him once and can attest to the benefit of marrying a farm girl..as she can push start a K1200LT with yours truly aboard)

Club Rides

Many folks will be attending the International Motorcycle show at the Rock Financial Showplace. This is NOT a club ride, but many of us will be there.

NEWS FROM THE BEEMERSHIP

Changes are underway!

BMWMOA NEWS

There will be a booth manned by club members at the International Motorcycle show at Rock Financial Showplace. Stop by and say hi!

Other News

Club Financial Statement

2009	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
Beginning Balance	\$ 641.82	\$ 684.12	\$ 865.12	\$ 637.62	\$ 679.87	\$ 831.87	\$ 557.65	\$ 557.65	\$ 582.65	\$ 187.87	\$ 187.87	\$ 380.87	
Membership Dues	\$ 40.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 130.00	\$ 20.00		\$ 25.00	\$ 15.00		\$ 95.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 620.00
50/50	14.00	23.00	20.00	36.00	37.00					12.00	110.00	28.00	280.00
Adjustment	5.00												5.00
Winter Party - Income		90.00	520.00										610.00
Winter Party - Expense			(700.50)										(700.50)
Frankenmuth						(294.22)							(294.22)
Pavilion Rental/Picnic			(150.00)						(437.28)				(587.28)
Leftover Picnic Supplies									27.50				27.50
Doughnuts	(14.00)	(12.00)	(12.00)	(12.00)	(15.00)					(12.00)	(12.00)	(15.00)	(104.00)
Misc. Supplies	(2.70)			(11.75)									(14.45)
													\$ (157.95)
Ending Balance	\$ 684.12	\$ 865.12	\$ 637.62	\$ 679.87	\$ 831.87	\$ 557.65	\$ 557.65	\$ 582.65	\$ 187.87	\$ 187.87	\$ 380.87	\$ 483.87	

Rides

Rides for 2010 are being prepared with the utmost care

Training

If you know of a class or book please let me know and I will place it in the news letter (Ed.Note)

FOR SALE:

For sale section of the newsletter is for all club members to post ANYTHING (legal) that they have for sale or wanted. You don't have to limit you postings to motorcycle items. The one thing that we ask is that once your items sells, please notify us so we can remove it from the newsletter. Please let Dave Cronberger know if they need to be removed.

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