



Motor City Beemers



Club Newsletter



BMW MOA Club #231

BMW RA Club #209

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

Next Meeting: May 8, 2010, 10:30AM at BMW of Detroit

Following Meeting: June 12, 2010 at BMW of Detroit

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THE PREZ SEZ

Our fearless leader is setting the example for us all and is our riding his "Beemer" in a safe and fun manner.

We as a club want to recognize Joel and the team at the Beemership for the spectacular open house. The food and atmosphere was great and provided an opportunity to meet new friends and get a great deal on accessories. A big MCBeemers thanks to all of the folks at BMW Motorcycles of Detroit!

We are looking for someone to lead rides for June and August. Do you have a favorite place you have not shared with the group? Our new riding policy takes the pressure off of actually leading the ride as you are more of a ride planner. And it gives you an excuse to try the route in advance on your Beemer! If you are interested send an email to John Saarinen and copy Dave Cronberger, and Ives Potrafka

Ride Safe,

Dave Cronberger on behalf of John Saarinen, President

CLUB EVENTS

PICNIC

September 18th	Annual Summer Picnic - Details to be announced	*
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Club Rides

Date	Lunch Ride Location	Ride Leader
May 8th	Junction Buoy, 1415 River Road, Marysville, MI 810-364-5730	Rhys Blair
June 12th	Ride TBA	*
June 19th	Annual Frankenmuth Chicken Dinner Ride	*
July 10th	Zukey Lake Tavern	Maury Feueman
July 15th - 18th	BMW MOA National Rally - Redmond, Oregon http://www.bmwmoa.org	
July 29 – August 1	BMW RA National Rally http://www.bmwra.org	
August 14th	Ride TBA	*
September 11th	All You Can Eat Walleye - Peck, Michigan	* Jim Mich
October 9th	Ride TBA	*
October 16th & 17th	Annual Color Tour Ride to Leggs Inn - 2 day ride - Details TBA	Ken Mitchell Ives Potrafka
November 13th	Ride TBA	
December 11th	Polar Bear Ride - Weather Permitting	Dick Hautau

CLUB RIDE GUIDELINES

(left in from last month on purpose ed.note)

Our first concern when riding is Safety! We want everyone to have fun, but we want our members to be safe as possible so we can repeat the experience as often as possible.

Keeping with this theme we have included a link to the Group Riding and Hand Signal flyer from the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. Please take the time to read this:

http://www.msf-usa.org/downloads/Group_Ride.pdf (Ed.Note: because of copyrights I cannot place the actual Group Riding flyer in the news letter.)

- This year, the MCBeemers will follow those guidelines as well as the following:
 - All rides will be broken into groups of four riders or less.

- Groups will maintain a 300 yard distance between each other.
- Riders should learn and use hand signals.
- Riders will wait at the last corner (turn) if the rider behind you in your group is not visible.
- Ride Planners will post directions and maps to our eGroup when possible and we will also try to post them on the web site one week before the scheduled ride. Send to Ives ives@bizblvd.net to post or give him a call at 248-207-1575.
- Ride Planners should determine the “dinner” time so it can be posted in advance.
- Ride Planners will assure each group has a leader who knows the ride route.
- Bring copies of the route to pass out to the leaders.
- GPS routes will be available on the eGroup when possible.

We came to these decisions based on some incidents that occurred last year.

NEWS FROM THE BEEMERSHIP

Joel and team want to express a real big thank you for showing up and supporting the open house. Hopefully everyone had enough to eat!

<http://www.bmwdetroit.com>

ONCE UPON A TIME

The following article was published in the February 1994 newsletter explaining the origins of our logo.

“Jon Lawrence has been busy on his computer, putting together an impressive array of graphics that he presented at the February meeting. Jon solicited and received feedback on his designs from the members, and will undoubtedly be refining his designs.

A logo is an important symbol for our club, and certainly something we should have before the August rally. All members are urged to develop their own ideas or at least contribute their opinions on the efforts of the graphically talented club members.”

Other News

Your news letter editor met up with BMW Touring club of Detroit for their monthly breakfast ride at Nello’s in Royal Oak. And who should I meet but our own Kourtney Thompson, also newsletter editor for the BMW Touring Club of Detroit. Kourtney and I discussed a little collaboration and had a great breakfast.

Rides

The April ride to the South Lyon Hotel was really enjoyable. It was also the first time we really used the new ride policy. Leaving in groups of 3 and 4 we all made it to the hotel. Some took alternate routes by choice and some for other reasons. The base route was across Long Lake Rd to Orchard Lake Rd to Pontiac Trail to Lafayette to the hotel. The food was good and the service was

great. And the weather, oh my, was it nice. Thanks to Pete Lentini for the photos!



Training

We have interest building for taking an all BMW class at Alpha Training. Post your interest to the eGroup or email me (Dave Cronberger) and I will pass it along to Maury Feuerman who is unofficially heading this up.

MOTOR CITY BEEMERS NAME TAGS

Motor City Beemer name tags are available for purchase at Highest Honor, Inc. Highest Honor, Inc is located at 34711 Dequindre Road, Troy, Michigan 48083. Their shop is just south of 15 Mile Road, on the west side of Dequindre. Herb and Jeff have a die set up with the club logo and can add your name and/or nickname for a cost of only \$8.00.

The easiest way to get your ID tag is to send Jeff an e-mail at: www.jeff@highesthonor.biz. Spell out exactly what you want on your tag and when you want to pick it up. You can also call Jeff at 248-588-7845. Tell him what you want on your tag and when you want to pick it up. You can have two lines of text, the first your name, and you can add a nick name as the second.

Join the growing number of members who wear their ID tags proudly with their one of a kind moniker. It will help us to get to know each other. Works a lot better than "Hey you!".

FOR SALE:

Coretech GX Sport Series 2 Jacket

Blue/white/black 600 denier Carbolex® shell incorporates 1680 denier ballistic polyester elbow, shoulder and back impact panels •

- ✓ Rainguard waterproof and breathable barrier 100% waterproof
 - Waterproof zippered chest vents, sleeve vents & rear exhaust vents for flow-through ventilation
- ✓ Padded collarbone and back panels for additional protection
- ✓ Adjustable sleeve take-up straps at the forearm and bicep to fine tune the fit ☑

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- ✓ Removable, CE approved armor at the elbow and shoulder and back ☐
- ✓ Two vertical waterproof zippered chest map pockets two hand warmer pockets, many inside pockets including cell phone •
- ✓ Zip-Out full sleeve quilted Liner
- ✓ 100g polyfill insulation with many pockets ☐
- ✓ Adjustable waist belts to fine tune fit ☐

Photos available at www.helmethouse.com (Cortech then textile jackets)

1 year old and in very good condition

Size: Medium - jacket size runs big. I'm 5' 10" and 175lbs. I normally take a large and this medium fits me perfectly.

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petelentini@yahoo.com ph: 586.978.3956

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Auxiliary light on sidecar. Photos upon request.

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