



Motor City Beemers



Club Newsletter



BMW MOA Club #231

BMW RA Club #209

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All meetings are held the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30AM at BMW of Detroit

Our *next* meeting is scheduled for June 11th

Following Meeting: July 9th

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PREZ SEZ

Our riding season is in full swing. Other than some rain it has been great weather to get out there and ride some miles. Roy and I just got back from the European Riders Rally. The weather was fantastic other than rain during some of the overnight hours. Allen's plans to do an Iron Butt put the idea of riding one in my head. I left early for the rally and on the way down did an Iron Butt to Vicksburg, Mississippi. I've ridden the thousand miles in a day a few times. I forgot how hard it is when you just have to do it with the documentation. When you ask a non-rider to witness your gas receipt they get very suspicious.

What amazed me when I got to Vicksburg is that I didn't see flooding. Vicksburg is high on a bluff. All of the areas that were flooded were sealed off with road blocks. I intended to ride south to Natchez, MS and ride the Natchez Trace from there to Nashville, TN. I found the roads to Natchez were closed due to flooding. On my way to Nashville I rode through areas of total destruction. There were stretches 60 to 80 miles long where I never saw a tree that hadn't been broken off or a home that wasn't damaged. We should be thankful that our weather has not been anywhere as bad. However as we ride out to other areas to keep an open eye to the weather.

Ride safe, John

FROM YOUR "RIDE CAPTAIN"

_We have quite a list of perspective rides for 2011 . . .

- Tony's Diner in Birch Run
- MCBeemer Club Camp out at Sauder Farms and Craft Village - Archibold, Ohio, June 18-19
- Gilmore Museum in Kalamazoo - could be an overnight camp out also.
- RA Firecracker Rally July 1-3rd - Chippewa Falls, WI
- MCBeemer Club Cycle-more Camp out August 6&7Th
- Tippecanoe Place (Studebaker Mansion) Restaurant in South Bend, IN
- College Football Hall of Fame in South Bend, IN
- Kalamazoo Air Museum
- Fort Malden, Amherstburg, Ontario (bring your passport)
- Jackpines Rally
- The Frederick Meijer Museum in Grand Rapids
- Grattan Raceway Park, Belding, MI June 18&19 AHRMA (antique)

Now we need a few folks to step up and lead a ride or two. You will notice that most of the rides take a large portion of the day and there are a couple that are overnights. Some have already volunteered to lead a ride and that's great, so pick a Saturday, pick a ride/destination and let's get on with it. Call or email me if you have any questions.

Rhys

CLUB RIDES

CLUB LUNCH RIDES

If you know a restaurant that you think we might enjoy, please forward the name and location to Rhys Blair (jross-blair@ameritech.net). We need to start putting the riding schedule together for this and we need your ideas quickly. These rides will be used as our lunch destinations following our monthly meetings. If you can recommend a route please forward that to Rhys also.

Thank you for your help, John Saarinen

Date	Lunch Ride Destination	Ride Planner
June 11th	Rocky's	Ives Potrafka
June 18th	Chicken Run – Bavarian Inn, Frankenmuth	
July 9th	Zurch Lake	Jon Keller
August 13th	All you can eat Perch - Peck	Jim Mick
August 27th	Waldo Fried Baloney Ride	Rhys Blair

September 18th	Annual Summer Picnic - Fort Gratiot County Park	
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BMW MOA BLOOMBURG, PA RALLY

This year's BMW MOA Rally is in Bloomsburg, PA, on July 21-24, 2011. This is expected to be the largest rally in the history of the MOA. We have reserved four suites (which are all full) for the rally at Bloomsburg's University Apartments. All of the two bedroom (4 person) suites are now gone. They still had a few 6 bedroom suites available. These suites have 6 private bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Linens, blankets, towels, washcloth and air-conditioning are provided. Cost per suite is \$150 and will be split evenly by the number of people in each suite. There is a kitchen in each of the suites or food can be purchased in the food court that services the University.

We are also trying to coordinate small groups to ride back roads to the rally. So far it appears that all of the people sharing a suite are riding out as a group. If you are interested in a room or just riding out with a small group please contact me at jsaarinen@peoplepc.com to reserve a spot. It will be first come first serve.

FRANKENMUTH 2011 ANNUAL DINNER RIDE, SATURDAY, JUNE 18TH

The Annual Frankenmuth Dinner ride is scheduled for June 18, 2010. We plan to will leave from the Beemership (BMW Motorcycles of Detroit) around 11:30 am. Dinner is scheduled for 2:15pm - 2:30 pm. The cost of dinner is included in you annual dues.

Non-members/guests are welcome but at their own expense.

The ride organizer, Maury Feuerman (mfeuerman@comcast.net) will need a firm head count of those planning on attending no later than at the June 12th.

Suggested routes will be posted shortly, there will be a mid way rest stop for 15-20min

Any questions or suggestions please do not hesitate to contact me hope to see all the members there.

Maury

BMW FIRECRACKER RA NATIONAL RALLY

The RA Rally this year will be in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin from June 30th to July 3rd. The location is the Northern Wisconsin State Fairgrounds. Please check the RA website at; www.bmwra.org for additional details. So far all of the people that are going plan on riding through the upper peninsula of Michigan and are making it a 2 days trip. They have mentioned camping at a camp ground just west of Escanaba on Lake Michigan.

YALE BALOGNA FESTIVAL

If you feel that you can't wait until August for Waldo, plan to attend the weekend of July 29, 30 & 31

MOTOR CITY BEEMER PICNIC, SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2011

Members and associate members: Our annual picnic will be held at the Fort Gratiot County Park, located north of Port Huron on Michigan 25 & Metcalf Rd, Fort Gratiot, Michigan 48059 (810) 989-6960.

We start to gather at 11:00 am and the steaks will be served right off the grill at approximately 1:00 pm. The club will supply the steaks, steak sauce, disposable eating utensils, coleslaw, potato salad, and beverages (water and soft drinks).

Steaks will be provided by the club for paid up members and associate members only. We will bring a couple of pounds of hamburger and hot dogs as well.

If you are planning on attending, please contact Maury Feuerman (mfeuerman@comcast.net), by Saturday, September 10th so we can make sure we have steaks for everyone. If members are bringing their children or guests make sure I am aware so that we can have enough food for all. (*Dick this includes you!*)

Everyone attending should bring something to pass (salads, beans, deserts, etc). Some members do bring steak knives, however, in past years the steaks have been so tender the plastic knives cut the steaks . . . *your choice*.

Please respond to me and let me know what you are bringing.

I will post directions, a suggested route and lead a ride from the dealership if there is a desire from enough people.

See everyone there,

Maury

DINNER RIDES – Arrive between 6:30-7pm and hungry,

June 1 st	Pasqaules Restaurant	31555 Woodward Avenue, Royal Oak
June 8 th	Brengmans Inland	67020 Gratiot Ave, Richmond
June 15 th	Red Knapps American Grill	2 N Washington St, Oxford
June 22 nd	Moose Preserve Bar and Grill	43034 N. Woodward Ave. Bloomfield Hills
June 29 th	Sugarbush Tavern	27900 21 Mile Road, Chesterfield Twp

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 proudly wear their ID tags with their one of a kind moniker. It will help us to get to know each other and sure works a lot better than "Hey you!"

NEWS FROM THE BEEMERSHIP

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY BMW DETROIT!!!

I wonder how many Motor City Beemers realize that 2011 is the 20th anniversary of BMW Detroit. Quite a few of us have been friends and customers of the dealership through both decades.

It seems a shame not to recognize this anniversary in some shape or form. Although no specific plans are currently in motion, Joel is considering some type of "special" Open House, but he is open to suggestions.

Would the club like to help celebrate this anniversary? If so, how? What are your thoughts, in general?

If you have an idea, it would be very helpful to Joel to obtain an initial, approximate cost estimate. I hope we can summarize some of the ideas and review with Joel and John Saarinen as soon as possible. Unless someone has another suggestion, let's use this group forum as a record of ideas and information

Thank you in advance,

Pete

A tip of the MCBEEMER helmet . . .

. . . goes to **Viles & Associates, Inc.**, Ron's parents, who have volunteered to print the free copies of the newsletter available at the dealership. They are also BMW riders.

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K1200LT Shelf

<http://www.ascycles.com/detail.aspx?ID=1960>

List for \$90.00 . . . **Will Sell for 25.00**

Also . . . have smaller shelf that mounts where the BMW GPS bracket goes just above the center console where the radio controls are... Sorry no picture...

Will sell for \$20.00 EACH

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Motoport "Canyon" Pants - size small

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- ✓ 100% waterproof & breathable DuPont Cordura™ shell
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- ✓ Elastic waist at sides and rear plus adjustable waist belt
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\$75

Link to website:

www.motoport.com/_product_35443/Ultra_II_Cordura_Light_Pant

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FOR SALE

- Mens Reed Chaps-calf pockets added, waist 36-42, inseam 32 ,Like new! \$95.00
Womens Steer brand Chaps (small)(U.S.A.) inseam 26" ,waist adjustable Like New! \$75.00
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Womens leather pants size 8,waist 29, inseam 28. \$30.00
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Womens Leather Vest button down size med. \$10.00
Leather mittens w/index finger, size small never worn. \$10.00
Leather mitten like new ,size small. \$5.00
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Leather-like Bra (never worn)(Fredericks)size 34B. \$8.00
Hot Grips Model STF, for street M/C's 6 or 12 volt ,15watts per grip,
7/8" handlebars (needs resister and hi-low switch. \$5.00
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