



# Motor City Beemers

## Newsletter



BMW MOA Club #231

BMW RA Club #209

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All meetings are held the **SECOND** Saturday of the month at 10:30AM at  
BMW Motorcycles of Detroit  
1301 S Rochester Rd, Suite B  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
Phone: (248) 402-4013

Many of our “major” club events are on the **THIRD** Saturday of the month

*We welcome owners and fans of all bikes*

**Our next meeting is: July 14, 2018**

**Following Meeting: August 11, 2018**

**Web site: <http://MCBeemers.org>**

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I picked up my new K 1600 Bagger that I had it custom pinstriped. I don't have many miles on it yet but It handles like a dream.

On June 16th we had our annual club picnic at Fort Gratiot. I want to give a special thanks to Lori and George Domany for a great brisket and amazing pulled pork that they were so gracious to bring. Attendance was excellent for a rainy day. We had 18 attend and all had a great time.

The open house was well-attended. I had an opportunity to test ride a G-310R. What a great little bike and Josh had a chance to ride the RnineT he really had a fun time on it. (hmmmm).

### Upcoming Rallies:

- The BMW MOA International Rally site is at the Iowa State Fairgrounds in Des Moines, July 12th thru 15th. Rumor has it the location for 2019 is Fargo. North Dakota but confirmation will not be available until early next year. (So plan ahead)
- Friday the 13th ride in Port Dover, Ontario – details are located at PD13.com. Jim Mick has mentioned in the past he was interested in going so you might want to contact him.
- RA Rally - Tioga County Fairgrounds will be hosting this year's 46th BMW RA Rally in Wellsboro PA, July 19th thru 22nd. Home of the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon.
- Yale Bologna Festival July 27th thru 29th. See <http://www.yalechamber.com/yale-bologna-festival.html> for details.
- Great Lakes Vintage Cycle Show, on July 28th, located at the Great Lakes Battery at 27602 Harper, St. Clair Shores.
- Riverside Kayaking Tour, on July 28th. Contact Jay or Jim Mick for details.

All season long, we're conducting a self-driven poker run for destinations located all over the state of Michigan. MCBeeper's Off the Beaten Path 2018 Poker Run lets you plan your own itineraries, routes, and enjoy the beautiful Michigan scenery. At each arrival point, take an amusing picture with you in riding gear or you and your bike. Exchange the photos for a poker card at the Mid-winter banquet dinner.

Till next month be safe and get out there and ride!



The club picnic was (as usual) absolutely fantastic. While Rhys and his magic grill was not available to cook for us, George D. stepped up to do his amazing smoked brisket and pulled pork. He put an incredible amount of work (and sleepless time) into our picnic meats, so a BIG THANKS to George and Lori for that!

I managed to get to the Dealer Open House on Friday. Unfortunately, I got there fairly late, and only managed one test ride...there were at least three bikes I'd have liked to try. I'd have liked to try The Bagger, which seems to be the entire world's favorite new BMW, and (at the other end), I'd like to have tried the R310, just because,

well, small bikes are fun, too. But, I ended up on ... The Duck (RnineT...and when you see it, you understand the name). Not the first time I've rode a RnineT, but first time on a good route (great job, BMW test ride leaders!), and my respect for the machine is still strong. No, I'm not trading my K1200LT in for an RnineT, probably not my Harley (even up? Ok! But Lincoln and Tony are no fools, they're not doing that). All the bells, whistles and magic tech of the advanced BMWs are great, but sometimes, you just want...to ride. An engine, a couple wheels, a transmission to get that power to the road, and a seat to keep you off the ground. And that's an RnineT. It's basically the air and oil cooled R bike 1200cc engine in a minimalist chassis, so there's a LOT of power there. Lots of fun.

Seems BMW has one heck of a winner on its hands with the K1600B ("The Bagger"). Seems every few weeks, I hear about someone else getting one.

This year, I might just deserve the "unrode Beemer" award John gave me last year. Just not getting many miles on the road. ☹

Frankenmuth Chicken Dinner is coming up faster than I'd like to think. If you are planning on going, make sure Jim M. gets your money soon. If you are planning on going on to Port Austin, make sure you have your reservations set up.

For those planning on traveling to the Upper Peninsula, be aware that parts of the western UP experienced some amazing and catastrophic rain fall a few weeks ago. Entire roads were washed out, and huge amounts of damage to just about anything took place. Fortunately, Yoopers are tough and have a high ratio of heavy earth moving equipment to people ratio, so it seems that they are recovering rapidly, but you might still want to verify with your destination that they are in a condition to receive you.

Ride safe!



## Club events

The most up-to-date events list should be here: <https://mcbeemers.org/activities/index.html> Bookmark this

Cathy's "Off the Beaten Path Poker Run" details are at <https://mcbeemers.org/activities/PokerRun.html>

Date	Event
7/14/2018	Regular meeting. 10:30am 1301 South Rochester Rd, Rochester Hills, MI.
8/11/2018	Regular meeting. 10:30am 1301 South Rochester Rd, Rochester Hills, MI.
9/8/2018	Regular meeting. 10:30am 1301 South Rochester Rd, Rochester Hills, MI.
10/13/2018	Regular meeting. 10:30am 1301 South Rochester Rd, Rochester Hills, MI.

## Wednesday Dinner Gatherings

Usually, we order about 6:30pm

July 4	(NONE)	Happy Independence Day!
July 11	<b>Bath City Bistro</b>	75 Macomb Place Mt. Clemens, MI 48043 586.469.0918
July 18	<b>P. F. Chang's</b>	17390 Hall Rd Clinton Township, MI 48038 586.263.0860
July 25	<b>Camp Ticonderoga</b>	5725 Rochester Rd Troy, MI 248.828.2825
Aug 1	<b>Murphy's Inn</b>	505 Clinton Ave. St Clair, MI 48079 810.329.7118

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# Treasurer's Report

Jim Mick



Check book balance for the end of May:	\$1998.25
Check book balance for the end of Jun:	1978.97
Balance end of Dec:	\$2292.45
Balance end of Mar:	\$1766.25
<b>PayPal</b> balance for the end of May:	<b>\$878.78</b>
<b>PayPal</b> balance for the end of Jun:	<b>\$903.85</b>

64 Member renewals for 2018  
 31 paid to attended 6/18 Picnic  
 14 Reserved for 9/15 Frankenmuth

- 6/09/18 'Received \$72.00 at club meeting: (\$35 from Keith & Bobi H for membership renewal and one guest to attend the Picnic, \$10 from Alvaro M for the Picnic and Frankenmuth, \$5 from Brett H for the Picnic and Josh G

won the 50/50 which added another \$22 to the club)

- 6/11/18 'Received \$15.00 through PayPal for George & Lori D & Joey I for the Picnic.
- 6/13/18 'Received \$10.00 through PayPal for Jay M for the Picnic and Frankenmuth.
- 6/16/18 'Received \$5.00 from Bob H at & for the Picnic.
- 6/16/18 'Reimbursed George D \$101.28 for the pork shoulder & beef brisket.

## In preparation for the 2019 Mid Winter Banquet...

Jay & Jim Mick made a couple of 'Off the Beaten Path' stops in Pinconning (to capture a picture of 'Big Cheese Mouse') and then a stop in Hersey (to visit the 'Tiny Church: Seats Two'). Not only did Jay get pictures of the church, but he recorded the story as told by Gary. Jay & Jim were headed to Frankfort to meet with the owner of a new 2018 Gold Wing who was donating his bike for prototype work so Jay's uncle Ted could design Mick-O-Pegs. Progress on the newest Mick-O-Pegs can be viewed at [www.ridingiswonderful.com](http://www.ridingiswonderful.com),

After the June Club meeting, en route to the Dorsey House for lunch, Nick, Paula, Jim & Jay stopped in Emmet for a picture of the 'Duff Beer Can & Cigarette Pack' while Josh & Cathy returned to the scene of their earlier visit to help the rest of us bag another photo. How are your plans coming to get cards to be a winner at the MWB? (see the rules on how to win and where to go in the 'Activities & Events' of our website: <https://mcbeemers.org/activities/index.html> )

## 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 \$9.00.

The easiest way to get your ID tag is to send Jeff an e-mail at: [www.jeff@highesthonor.biz](mailto: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!"

*"A tip of the MCBEEMER helmet . . .*

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



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