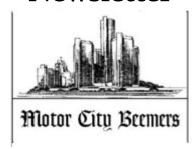
# **Motor City Beemers**



## 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 "An eating club with a motorcycle problem!"

Our *next* meeting is: May 11, 2019 Following Meeting: June 8, 2019 Web site: <a href="https://MCBeemers.org">https://MCBeemers.org</a>

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Prez Sez Cathy Beyers



Greeting!

It's May! That means that this month's meeting is our annual officer elections, elected by the members in attendance. This year, each office has a single nominee, running unopposed. All but one are incumbents:

- President: Cathy Beyers (incumbent)
- 1st Vice President: Paula Ellis (incumbent)
- 2nd Vice President: Josh Grosse
- Treasurer: Jim Mick (incumbent)
- Communications: Nick Holland (incumbent)

The May meeting is scheduled for Saturday the 11th at 10:30am, followed by our monthly lunch ride – a new place for many of us – Whitey's Restaurant in Davison.

The first rally in May is always the Mini Rally in Delton, Michigan. Some of you may have gone, and if so, we'd love to hear about it at the meeting. Two other May rallies that are fairly well attended by our members are the European Riders Rally in Burkesville, Kentucky (May 16-19); and the Morton's Spring Fling at Natural Bridge, Virginia (May 17-19).

Along with our Wednesday dinners, here are upcoming club events:

- MCBeemers Annual Club Picnic: June 15
- Sunrise / Sunset ride: June 29-30 (Brian Boers)
- Canada Eh: ride: July 3-7 (Josh Grosse)
- MCBeemers Off the Beaten Path Poker Run: April 1 Oct 31

I'm particularly happy that some of us were able to ride to Puzzler's Pub in Burton for our annual visit to Rocky's Great Outdoors in April. It was a rare fine riding day at that time of year.

Until next month, get out there and ride!

Editor's Corner Nick Holland



Greetings, Motor City Beemers!

Sorry the newsletter is a bit later than I'd like this month...but life is busy, and given a choice between working on the newsletter and taking the our first ride of substance with Paula...well, you can wait a day or two. ©

If you missed them, see Josh's and Brian's articles last month about a couple of the rides they have planned for this season. And speaking of contributors, I think Jim is wondering if people read his Treasurer's Report this month

As I mentioned, we finally got our first real ride in this year, up to Marine City for dinner and a walk-about town and back. Remember a few years ago when all the

media was about low lake levels and all the associated panic? Well, now the lake levels are very high. A week ago, I was walking on a street not far from my house and looked down a storm sewer which drained right to the lake, and thus, gave one a good indication of lake level – the water level was less than six inches from the top of the sewer grate...and the water levels are expected to continue to go up for another few MONTHS. Driving around Sunday, we saw how high the lake was in many canals – nearly to the top of many of the seawalls. I remember when we first moved to the east side in the early 1970s, all over the news were stories about flooding and sandbagging of neighborhoods trying to hold back the lake. The one constant in life seems to be change.

Hopefully, you have looked over Cathy's 2019 Poker Run rules. Looks like a lot of fun, other than it only goes as far north as the Mackinac Bridge. We tried to get our first "points" Sunday, but our target ice cream shop doesn't open until NEXT weekend. Points are great, but we were really after the ice cream!

I'm still hoping to get some motorcycle commuting done this year. The Harley needs a little TLC on its starter, just need to some time to get the rebuild kit I already have installed. Unfortunately, the traffic is still "fun" due to construction, but nowhere near as bad (for me) as last year...I hope.

YES, THE ACTIVITIES PAGE IS NO LONGER IN THE NEWSLETTER. Use the website "Activities" page. <a href="https://mcbeemers.org/activities/">https://mcbeemers.org/activities/</a> Thank you.

#### Stuff on the website

Main website: <a href="https://mcbeemers.org">https://mcbeemers.org</a>

Activities page: <a href="https://mcbeemers.org/activities">https://mcbeemers.org/activities</a>

Newsletters, current and past: https://mcbeemers.org/mcb-nl/

Club pictures: <a href="https://mcbeemers.org/pictures/index.html">https://mcbeemers.org/pictures/index.html</a>

Club invite cards: <a href="https://mcbeemers.org/mcb-nl/MCB-invites.pdf">https://mcbeemers.org/mcb-nl/MCB-invites.pdf</a> Membership info: <a href="https://mcbeemers.org/howdoijoin.html">https://mcbeemers.org/howdoijoin.html</a>

### **Treasurer's Report**

Jim Mick



Check book balance for the end of March	\$2707.37
Check book balance for the end of April	\$2824.37
(new) Balance one year ago	\$1843.25
Balance end of October	\$1377.47
Balance end of January	\$3277.47
PayPal balance for the end of March	<mark>\$83.85</mark>
PayPal balance for the end of April	<mark>\$83.85</mark>

68 members for 2018

55 member renewals for 2019

26 members paid for MWB

13 members paid for Picnic

12 members paid for Frankenmuth

- 4/1 Paid myself \$1000.00 just 'cause I could, but check the date...
- 4/12 Received \$25.00 from Jim & Jane Hassberger as NEW MEMBERS.
- 4/13 Received \$20 .00 from Alvaro M for membership renewal and Frankenmuth and \$72.00 from the 50/50 which Tim S won, but he donated all his winnings back to the club except \$5.00

#### **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: <a href="www.jeff@highesthonor.biz">www.jeff@highesthonor.biz</a>. 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!

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