

Motor City Beemers

Newsletter



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Meetings are held the **SECOND** Saturday of the month
at

Triumph Detroit

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Shelby Township, MI 48317
(586) 726-7400

We welcome owners and fans of all bikes

“We got donuts!”

Our *next* meeting is: ... **March 9, 2024 10:30 am**

Following meeting is: ... **April 13, 2024 10:30am**

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Hello, MCBeemers!

Judging from the rumbling I'm hearing when trying to work and not think about the weather outside...riding season has begun. I'm hearing and seeing lots of bikes on the road.



Our hosting dealership, Triumph Detroit, will be having an Open House on May 4. More details still to come (and the date has already changed since I originally wrote this), but it would be good to have a showing of the MCBeemers there. Jim was at a previous open house there, and picked up a whole new hobby – motorcycle camping. Plans are not fully finalized, but it sounds like but they are promising test rides, food and cold beverages.

In other dealership news, BMW Detroit has just announced they have moved into their new space, which will be a great improvement for them. And according to Facebook, Keith H. has apparently bought a new bike from them already (which means he's in town).

Officer Elections are coming up, so once again, I'm going to beg anyone who wishes or is even willing to help lead the club to step up and take an office.

Coming up in June is the picnic. Mark your calendars for June 15! And speaking of calendars...please help me keep our mcbeemer.org calendar up to date. Unfortunately, meetings are not the best time to advise me of events – sending me an e-mail will probably work out better.

And of course, the riding season is upon us. I suspect Jeff (or whomever our ride leader is) will be looking for destinations for our rides, so be sure to share ideas that you have.

So...get out and ride!

Stuff on the website

Main website: <http://mcbeemers.org>

Activities page: <http://mcbeemers.org/activities>

Newsletters, current and past: <http://mcbeemers.org/mcb-nl>

Club pictures: <http://mcbeemers.org/pictures>

Club invite cards: <http://mcbeemers.org/mcb-nl/MCB-invites.pdf>

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Hosting Dealership: <https://www.windycitymc.com/--triumph-detroit>

I've been working, and between workdays I've been thinking about riding. I haven't been on a bike yet this year. Instead, I've been watching lots of motorcycle video on YouTube, such as MotoGP highlights, the latest season of "Itchy Boots" Fortnine videos, even Bikes and Beards. Does it help? They're fun, but I still want to get out there, and ride.

Soon, it will stop freezing overnight, and I'll consider riding to work in the cold dark early morning hours to be manageable.

Jeff let me know he'll be at the April meeting, but will not be able to lead a lunch ride. That decision will be left to attendees.

The season is starting up. There are a number of events now on the club's calendar on the website. As Nick mentions in his column above, it could use some updates.

For your convenience, I've reproduced the non-meeting events below.



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Date	Event
4/27/2024	Triumph Detroit open house Website
5/9-5/12	BMW RA Southern Alps Weekend, Little Switerland, NC Website
5/15-5/20	Motocamping in the Smokey ?Mountains. See mail list or contact Brian B. for more info Website
6/15/2024	MCBeemers Picnic, Columbus County Park
6/17-6/21	MOA Rally in Redmond, OR (hopefully more info soon)
8/8/2024	Motorcycle Night, Jimmy John's Field.
8/29-9/1	BMW RA National Rally, Fryeburg, Maine Website

When you can, get out there and ride!

Treasurer's Report

Jim Mick

40 Members for 2023:

Jeff A, Mike B, Cathy B, **Jill B**, Brian & Sheila B, Tom C, Walter D, Dennis G, Bob H, Linda H, Aaron G, Josh G, Nick H, Paula E, John J, Pat & Lynn K, Alan & Jodi K, Mike & Sharon M, Don & Gail M, Jay M, Jim & Jeri M, Jeremy N, Don & Carolynne P, Jerry & Margaret P, Eli Shapiro, Tim S, Robb S, Chris V, Jim V, **Mary V**, Rob Z, & Charlie Z.

Mary V and **Jill B** are 'life-long members' of the club since they were active when their spouses passed away.

Membership requirements, for the most part, is just "show up!". If you like what you see, we'll ask you to fill out a membership form, so you can get our newsletter, club (e)mailing, and get you on our Facebook group which lets you know what is going on. We are not collecting dues. And as we have said for a long time, your brand(s) of motorcycle is NOT a criterion."

Check book balance for the end of Mar:	\$778.68
Check book balance for the end of Feb:	\$778.68
Balance one year ago:	\$1772.13
Balance six mo ago:	\$1342.13
Balance three mo ago:	\$1342.13

