

Motor City Beemers



Club Newsletter



BMW MOA Club #231 BMW RA Club #209

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All meetings are held October 9, 10:30AM at BMW of Detroit Following Meeting: November 8th at BMW of Detroit

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THE PREZ SEZ

Fall is finally upon us and the temperatures are coming down to where we can ride comfortably with just our light jackets. The trees will be turning colors soon and there will be some great opportunities to do color tours. It is important to remember that the fallen leaves are slippery, and deer tend to be more active on our roads this time of year. Please be careful, live to ride another day.

This wasn't my highest mileage year but was one of the funnest. I went to both the MOA and RA rallies, got my first Iron Butt Award, rode coast to coast and did it in just 22 days...alone. I met some wonderful and interesting individuals. They all had a story to tell. I wouldn't trade the experiences for anything. I hope you all get out there, ride the roads, meet people, and enjoy yourselves. This is a great/beautiful country we live in, enjoy the experience.

Riding is fun...why else would we do it?

John Saarinen

OFFICERS FOR 2011

It is that time of year again and we are looking for a few good people to serve as club officers for 2011.

The positions we are looking to fill are:

President - runs the monthly club meetings, holds officers meetings, provide direction for activities. *Currently John Saarinen*

First Vice President - Organizes the three main activities for the club 1) Frankenmuth Chicken Dinner Run, 2) Steak Picnic in September, and 3) Mid-Winter Dinner, and fills in for President when needed. Currently *Jerry Porkorski (Jerry will NOT be continuing in this capacity for 2011)*

Second Vice President - Acts as ride coordinator gets volunteers to choose rides following monthly meetings and track other large club rides. *Currently Tim Perry*

We want to have elections at the December 18th meeting. Please step forward if you would be willing to help the club. The person who held the position previously will be available to help coach you if you have any questions during the year. If you are willing, please feel free to talk with any of the officers at the next few meetings to get a feel for what the position requires.

Proposed CHANGES TO THE CLUBS BY-LAWS

The officers have reviewed the current By-Laws and are recommending some changes be made. Such changes are to clarify some items and better reflect how the club is currently organized. We expect to bring these changes to the club membership before the end of the year.

CLUB EVENTS

SEPTEMBER STEAK PICNIC, SEPTEMBER 18, 2010



The day started out with some rain but changed to cloudy by picnic time. The picnic went off without a hitch, thanks to Jerry Pokorski, Rhys Blair, and Tim Perry. All three of them worked very hard and played their part to pull the picnic together. We had 30+ attendees who all brought something to pass to fill out the rest of the menu. The steaks were great as usual, cooked by our Chef-meister, Rhys Blair. This year's

picnic site was at Fort Gratiot County Park.

just north of Port Huron. The facility had a beach, shelter, permanent grill, flush toilets, running water and electricity. We brought two additional charcoal grills to heat some of the side dishes. Everyone agreed that this facility was top drawer and should be used for next year's picnic. Thank you to the attendees and especially Jerry, Rhys, and Tim for a great time.



COLOR TOUR TO LEGS INN, CROSS VILLAGE; OCTOBER 16TH

As done in the past, we have reserved 3 cabins at Legs Inn -but- this is on a first come first serve basis. Each cabin has 2 bedrooms (couples get preference) and 2 day beds in the common area.

We will fill one cabin at a time. The cost is \$100.00 per night or \$25.00 for each person in a full cabin. Bottom line is we'll do this first come first serve - and as long as the cabin is full, we split the cabin 4 ways . . . 3 people means a 3 way split. Couples can share a bedroom and only pay \$25.00 unless the cabin is not full.

We will travel to Coyles Inn, Houghton Lake, MI for lunch.... plans are to arrive between noon and 1 PM. This is a buffet and the cost is \$6.95. Here is the web site if you need further info about Coyles; http://www.coylesrestaurant.com

The GPS route has been uploaded (GPX formatted) to the eGroup files section. A map and directions will soon follow...

TENTLESS TENT SALE AT BEEMERSHIP; OCTOBER 23, 2010

Come on out to the Beemership October 23rd for the Tentless Tent Sale. See the flier included in the newsletter. This will be a very informal kind of open house. It will be a good opportunity to get to know your fellow members.

INTERNATIONAL MOTORCYCLE SHOW: JANUARY 28 – 30, 2011

In Cleveland at the IX Center - mark your Calendars . . .

MID-WINTER DINNER, FEBRUARY 5, 2011

The Mid-Winter Dinner has been an unqualified success. This dinner is no blue jeans event but it is kept laid back. It gives us an opportunity to get together in "Mid Winter" and include our families and significant others in a little more formal environment. We've scheduled this year's dinner for Saturday, February 5th, 6:30PM to Midnight, to make it easier for everyone to attend. It will be at Pennas at 43985 Hayes, in Sterling Heights. ½ Mile South of M-59 on Hayes. Dinner will be served family style and the menu is shown below.

Relish Tray
Soups (Minestrone, Chicken Noodle, or Stracciatella)
Salad
Rolls and Butter
Mostaccioli with Meat Sauce
Fettuccine Alfredo
Chicken Piccante
Top Round of Beef
Green Beans Almondine
Roasted Potatoes
Dessert (Spumoni or Ice Cream Sundae)

Cash bar.

We will have cost by the November meeting. Please put this on your calendar. We will need to know interest by the December meeting to reserve the room.

Following dinner we will present Bent Beemer Awards. I know we will have a great time as usual. Come on out and join in on the fun!

Club Rides

ALWAYS IN SEARCH OF NEW DESTINATIONS

We would all enjoy going to new places . . . you don't have to lead the ride but it would be helpful if you know a fun route to get there. *It's easy!* Just tell us a little bit about the restaurant and provide a route to follow at least a week before the meeting. It can be as simple as a list of turn points or as complicated as a MapQuest map. Bring at least 5 or 6 copies so we can pick ride leaders and break up into smaller groups at the meeting.

| Date | Lunch Ride Location | Ride Planner |
|-----------------|--|-------------------------------|
| October 9 | Kangaroo Flats Lounge - Clyde, Michigan | Rhys Blair |
| October 16 & 17 | Annual Color Tour Ride to Leggs Inn - 2 day ride | Ken Mitchell Ives Potrafka |
| November 13 | Ride TBA | (need ride planner) |
| December 11 | Polar Bear Ride - Weather Permitting | Dick Hautau |

<u>Dinner Rides - Arrive between 6:30-7pm and hungry,</u>

| October 6 | Izzys Famous | 20733 13 Mile, Roseville |
|------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| October 13 | Grand Azteca IV | 40300 Van Dyke, Sterling Hts |
| October 20 | East Side Marios | 2273 Crooks, Rochester Hills |
| October 27 | Thee New Green Street Tavern | 37700 Green St, New Baltimore |

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

It's that time of year again when we need to renew our members and pay our dues. Dues remain at \$10 for a member and \$5 for an associate member. An associate member is anyone who is your child, spouse, or significant other. This remains one of the best deals available. Your membership pays for the doughnuts at our monthly meetings, the Frankenmuth chicken dinner in June and September's steak picnic. Please renew by sending your renewal to Allen Gigliotti along with a check made out in his name. With proper ID he will also accept cash at the meetings.

I believe we are going to have a great time again this year and would love to have you join us. We need you to renew your dues by January 31st to allow us to work up a budget for the 2011 riding season. Please renew early to help avoid the rush.

Following the February meeting we will change the password to the website and update the Yahoo Group e-mail. If you have not renewed you won't be getting the new password.

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!"

FOR SALE:



2007 Ural Motorcycle with Sidecar

Tourist Model - 7000 Kilometers

Custom Handle Bars for Rider comfort

Auxiliary Light on Sidecar

Deep Supp Oil

Fairing and Lowers

Dealer Serviced

\$7600.00

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PIAA Platinum "SuperWhite" Bulbs

- (1) H3 35W (performs like 60W)
- (2) H3 85W (performs like 135W)

All three bulbs are brand new, never used and still in their original containers.

normally \$35 to \$40 each on sale: \$20 each \$50 for all three!

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Universal Engine Stand

- heavy duty easily holds a V8 engine
- automotive or motorcycle usage
- spider rotates 360 degrees and locks in any position
- (4) adjustable and removable mounting arms
- can be easily disassembled for storage in box
- storage box measures: 37" x 15" x 9"

normally \$75 on sale: \$40

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TourMaster . . .

Pivot Jacket Silver/Black 1st \$110 takes it

- √ 4 months old brand new condition!
- ✓ Size medium these jackets run larger than normal I'm 5'10", 180 lbs and it fits me fine
- √ 100% waterproof & breathable Rainguard[™] shell
- ✓ Waterproof zippered shoulder, sleeve and rear exhaust vents for flow through ventilation
- ✓ Soft microfiber lined collar
- ✓ Adjustable sleeve take-ups at forearm and bicep
- ✓ Removable armor
- ✓ Full sleeve quilted zip-out liner
- ✓ Tons of pockets;
 - o external: chest, hand, sleeve, fanny pack
 - o internal: wallet, phone, keys, etc., in both shell and liner
- √ Adjustable waist belts
- ✓ Zipper attachment for pants

Caliber Pants (medium) Brand New Condition \$159

- ✓ 4 months old brand new condition!
- ✓ Size medium these pants run larger than normal. I'm 5'10", 180 lbs., 34-36" waist and it fits me fine.
- √ 100% waterproof & breathable Rainguard[™] shell
- ✓ Stretch materials in calf and inseam for comfortable fit
- ✓ Reinforced knees and seat
- ✓ Full length, quilted, zip-out liner
- ✓ Full length waterproof zippers along each leg for easy on and off
- ✓ Zippered, waterproof hand pockets
- ✓ Adjustable and removable armor
- ✓ Dual elastic waist and adjustable waist belts
- ✓ Zipper attachment for jacket

Will sell together \$195...

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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

Mens Fieldsheer M/C coat EX.COND. size 48 worn one season \$200.00

Womens leather pants size 8, waist 29, inseam 28. \$30.00

Cycloak - Gortex gloves size med. cold weather ,never worn.\$15.00

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

Mens leather gloves (like new) size large.(G.P.Cycle). \$10.00

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

SHOEI Face Shields .1-tinted new GRV \$12.00 1-clear new GRV \$8.00 1-clear usedCX1.\$5.00

Face shields-3, tinted for 3/4 Helmet 3 for \$20.00

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Highway Pegs

Spring Loaded Highway Pegs for your R1200RT or your K1200LT. Look at www.ridingiswonderful.com to find information.



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The first issue of the

BMW Detroit Monthly Newsletter

is on the newsstand!



Our favorite dealership now electronically distributes a regular bulletin to inform us of current products, incentives, events and much more.

The inaugural issue has been sent and contains important details about the upcoming...

BMW Detroit "No-Tent" Fall Tent Sale!





Saturday, Oct. 23rd 10 am - 4 pm

There will be morning refreshments,





beverages

Set up your own table in the parking lot...
...and display your used motorcycle clothes, parts, etc. to sell



Let's represent the club "en force" and support the shop!

See you there !

(Make sure RMW Detroit has your current e-mail address)