

Beemer Buzz

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Wisconsin BMW Motorrad Club
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Cover photo at Red Apple Polish Restaurant in Chicago, taken by Jimmy G., submitted by Bob R.

WISCONSIN BMW MOTORCYCLE CLUB

Originated in 1967

Meetings are the first Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m. except January, May, and September



MOA #10



RA #10



AMA #2580

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Wisconsin Club Membership

Many long and lasting friendships have been made through the Wisconsin Club since its inception in 1967. You are welcome to come and join us and meet the friendly and knowledgeable people who share a mutual respect for riding BMW motorcycles.

Our membership includes men, women, families, couples, and singles. Our monthly meeting is held at the New Berlin VFW Hall and is open to all BMW riders. During the riding season, we sponsor many activities, including group rides, tech days, social get-togethers, and in September we host the annual Wisconsin Dells Rally.

Visitors are welcome. If you are interested in membership, you will be asked to attend two club rides and two monthly club meetings within 12 months prior to being voted in by the general membership. You must be the age of majority, carry liability insurance, and above all, own and operate a BMW motorcycle.

Helmets and proof of insurance are required by all participants on club rides.

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All articles by the 20th of the month to:

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The editor reserves the right to omit, correct, change, and otherwise edit all submissions.

Secretary Report February Meeting Minutes Submitted by Mona, temporary Secretary

Mike Cohen gave the Treasurer's report:

Ken Laufenberg – Club member 17 years - passed
Dues & initiation fees same as last year
Credit people for working the shifts
Emil Mueller passed.

Brian made a motion to dispense of the reading of the minutes, Ernie seconded.

Mike talked about the money in the checking account and major expenses. We also paid the VFW for renting us their hall for another year. Mike talked about the costs for the Installation Party. Motion to accept the Treasurers' report was made by Ernie and seconded by Duane. There was a discrepancy about the number of people at the Installation party, unsure about if it was 56 or 57. There was decrepity about the numbers of members that attended the installation party which the cost over and above. Mike will be collecting dues tonight. He also selling tickets for the Wild Goose on April 19. Pricing is the same as last year) Treasurers report – Mike gave the amounts in checking, the major expenses, the VFW hall, expenses, plaques, plaques, badges, and steins. Ernie accepted treasurer's report, Duane second.

Correspondence – Tim Smith's family, thank you for your kindness & generosity.

Pecatonica swap meet is the 25th.

President's report – the turn out last week was great, everyone raved about the chicken and food. And the socializing. Jimmy G. suggested member pay the whole thing instead partial.

Vice president felt there was a little snafu with weather regarding the Installation Party, but more people showed up for the new schedule date. He was really happy with it. The food was good. Bob has everyone's miles.

Bob Preuss made the motion to approve Board Meeting approved by Ernie as amended.



President's Report

There is no President's Report from Bob.

He has been pretty busy. He sent me this link –

<https://www.milwaukeebagpipes.com/events.html>

I leave you with this from February President Report:

May your heart be warm and happy,
With the lift of Irish laughter,
Every day in every way for ever and ever after.

Ride safe! - Bob

Kilter Bob picture by Mona



Brian Manke explained that anyone in the MOA can pre-reg for National Rally can purchase 2 entries for \$99 on line. MOA foundation is raffling a 1977 R100 RS for 5 tickets for \$100.00 at the Rally!

RA – renew charter, Mike filled out the form, need a new contact person. Mike Cohen suggested himself. He will talk to Jim Fuhrmann to see if he will do it.

AMA Area 16, they have meetings in the Dells. Tabled.

Rally Chair – having the 50th rally, should we give away a motorcycle make sure it's worthy to give away. We could have tech sessions, work on motorcycle. Raise could rally fee. Won't have too much affect. If you there is a different opinion let Bob know. Brian motioned we give away a motorcycle we give away a motorcycle we pay up to the decided amount. Bob Reitburger seconded. John Policht has a lift. Bob and Brian said the bike can be kept at one their houses

The discussion came up about Club Members and should they pay an additional amount and be able to have the option to get a bike. All agreed that it's reasonable. Can we buy two tickets? No! Can somebody buy lots of tickets? (No) They need to be 18 or older to win the bike.

Another rally meeting before the club meeting.

Contact Ron Feurer to offer to lead a ride.

Do we want to do a fish fry ride? Can someone help Ernie then take it over next year. Hardest thing is finding a place to do it. Volunteer for 2021, May 1!

Let the Funshine committee know if something is happening or has happened in your life. Tell somebody in the club! We're family! *Editors note: like the newsletter editor.*

Audit second quarter, come up with a date for audit (Bob Lannin)!

New business, a bunch are going to Chicago to lunch (10) to a Polish restaurant. It's the Red Apple, Southeast Sales has a bus! \$30.00 with the ticket to the Motorcycle Show in Chicago.

Pay the dues and renew the charter club BMW RA renew!

Motorcycle Memorial Grounds in Door County, outside of Sturgeon Bay, think about the club members that have passed. We could arrange a club overnigher in July. Donations are \$250 per stone. We could have Gil Wozniak and Harv Read mounted at the same time. Brian make a motion, 2 memorial stones put at Motorcycle Memorial grounds. Bob Lannin made a motion to postpone. Harvey Reed's Widow donated to the club. We need someone to volunteer to lead a ride and arrange the ride! If individual want to buy their own stones, they could. Is there an area we could reserve or will be just have as a group? Joy was opposed to putting anyone's name on the headstone and Mike seconded. July is open. The general consensus is that we should go with this. Brian Manke and Kevin Krueger will work on this. Brian motioned for a committee, seconded by Bob R.

Spots on the bus tomorrow, coffee and donuts at 8!

Bob Lannin called BMW (New Jersey) complaint number, asked for specific people, & couldn't talk to anyone.

Joy moved to adjourn, seconded by Bob R.

March 2020 Dells Rally Report

Wow. February is almost over and spring is just around the corner. Just six short months to prepare for the rally. Not just any rally, but the 50th. That being said; there has been some progress made since the February rally meeting. The big question was whether or not to give away a BMW. Then which one, how much to spend, and how much to raise the price of admission to cover the cost. Well most of these questions really don't matter too much as the club has a motorcycle angel looking out for us. This angel is a long-time member of the Wisconsin club and has unselfishly offered to donate his 1978 R80/7 for our big door prize. Rick Hemenway, our resident angel, bought this bike new at Southeast sales from one of the original club founders, Ward Erdman. This one owner, low mileage beauty is an ideal prize for our rally.



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- * Saturday night camping
- * Serving lunch and supper on Saturday, breakfast and lunch on Sunday
- ▶ Please - **NO PETS INSIDE!** (Fairgrounds regulations - sorry!)

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It will require some work but not too much as Rick has obviously treated it very well throughout its life. It comes with the original Krauser panniers and color matched BMW S fairing. I have two R80s of my own and wouldn't hesitate to drive either one cross country. Thank you, Rick. Someone is going to be very excited to inherit this prize. Not too much else to report at this time. Brian and Heidi have scouted out a possible music group that may work perfectly for us. There may be other options as well. Members can check out www.twangdragons.com before the next rally meeting and give their opinions. Still lots of work ahead of us but I'm getting excited about it. We will be having a rally meeting March 6th at 7:00PM before the March club meeting at the New Berlin VFW post. Mona has volunteered to bring soup. Post to "Wisconsin BMW Motorcycle club" on Facebook if anyone wants to bring something. Enough for now. As usual: I am always available for

comments, questions, suggestions, or just to talk.
 Bob Preuss barnrazer@yahoo.com

Port Washington BMW Club's Photos



The Port Washington BMW Club will be hosting the 36th. Wild Goose Run on Sunday April 19th, 2020.

We would like to invite all Midwest area clubs to join us for a noon brunch and festivities at the Bayside Supper Club (W9231 County Road G, Beaver Dam, WI)

MARCH

03/06 Rally Meeting 7:00 PM
 03/06 Club Meeting 8:00 PM
 VFW Hall
 New Berlin

e did not go to the bike show in Chicago but drove down to the Red Apple restaurant, Jimmy G's favorite place (it's a Polish restaurant) a bunch of us always went to before the bike show. Really great food. Bob Reitberger (Pic From Jimmy G)



March Birthdays

Mar. 1 Tom Petrick
 Mar. 2 Tracey Maszka
 Mar. 2 Paulette Hamel
 Mar. 2 Kevin Krueger
 Mar. 4 Bob Reitberger
 Mar. 4 Jim Galaszewski
 Mar. 7 Lynn Mueser
 Mar. 8 Bob Stelmaszewski
 Mar. 10 JoAnn Grill
 Mar. 10 Steve Lemke
 Mar. 11 George Davies
 Mar. 11 Christa Pretzl

Mar. 12 Donna Smith
 Mar. 16 Jack Clausen
 Mar. 16 Rae Lampe
 Mar. 18 Christine Ledezma
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 Mar. 31 Cheryl Sorenson

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