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WISCONSIN BMW MOTORCYCLE CLUB

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



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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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BMW Club President's Report September 2020



Hi gang! This year has certainly brought challenges to the club. With all the stuff going on its just amazing how active club members have been. I trust many will be making the Pilgrimage to the Falling Leaf Rally. The new location sounds great.

Thanks to everyone who came to the club camp out. I think everyone had a great time.

Nobody knows how long it will be til there's a vaccine for this virus so be sure to travel safe!

This is election season. Some wear it on their sleeves.

Remember we have more commonality than differences.

MAY you have walls for the wind, a roof for the rain, and drinks beside the fire, laughter to cheer you, those you love near you, and all that your heart my deserve.

Ride safe. Bob L.

Ride Report for Club Ride Sept. 11th, 2020 Club Ride to the Club Campout at Camp Wawbeek

Three hearty souls met at Hardee's Friday morning Sept. 11th. Jim Fuhrmann, Doug Langer, and Dave Kurth. We lead a ride in a southwesterly direction, veering south of Madison about 20 miles. Just far enough to get into some driftless twisties. We had a leisurely "not so quick stop" for coffee in a Blanchardville.

After coffee we headed northerly through township roads towards Mt. Horeb. We headed north on St Hwy 78 to Merrimac and then once again we explored alphabet and township roads Through the Devils Lake terrain the rest of the way to Lake Delton. It was a grey and cool day but the roads were dry and pretty much void of cars. We arrived at Camp Wawbeek just ahead of the rain, around 2:30. It was a good ride.

Dave



Photo by Mona

A Rainy Weekend in September

Fate has a mysterious way of intervening in our lives. September 10th through the 13th should have been the Wisconsin Club's 50th annual rally. An untimely pandemic forced us to postpone it until next year. Normally a small group of club members would come up to Camp Wawbeek on the Wednesday before the event to set up. Early arrivals would show up on Thursday for an early start to the revelry or to help with final set up needs. The rally would officially begin on Friday morning. The most unpredictable influence on our party is the weather. Iffy weather in the days before the rally will cause many to have to choose whether or not to risk the trip. The threat of rain can be a major cause of poor attendance. Tuesday, before what would have been a most anticipated event, it started to rain. The rain continued all week and didn't let up until Sunday. I can't help but wonder what rally attendance would have been and just how miserable it would have been to have to set up in the pouring rain. Fortunately, or not we will never know how the event would have played out. But wait. We did have a rally of sorts.

Attendance wasn't all that great. But those that came were treated to a great weekend of relaxation and comradery. Ten brave souls defied the weather and came together to celebrate. Mona and I arrived (via car) early on Friday to a quiet campground. Our President was the next to arrive with camper trailer in tow. Captain Ron arrived next and Dave Kurth and his group around supper time. Dave was good enough to lead a ride but said prior to Friday that rain would cancel the ride. The few hours of reasonable weather that weekend was during that ride. Friday night, four of us went out to the "Fur Fin and Feather" (the owner, Scott Thompson, catered last years' rally). The special that evening was steak and lobster for \$24.95. We all ate well. We managed a camp fire for a while on Saturday until the rain put an end to it. Things were looking bleak until Bob Lannin figured out how the fire place in the lodge worked then it was easy living, indoors, the rest of the weekend. There were eight members (Bob L., Ron L., Dave K., Jim F., Shad V., Bob R., Mona R., and myself), one prospective member (Doug L.), and one very hard rally working guest (Erik S.) in attendance. Although the weather sucked, the get together was a great success. Bob Lannin, Dave Kurth, and Mona Rihn took over the kitchen and gave us two days of great breakfasts. Saturday evening was grilled burgers and hot dogs and the rest of the time was filled with good conversation, shared memories, and plenty of traditional beverages. Thanks to Bob Lannin for organizing the event and Camp Wawbeek for allowing us the use of their excellent facility. This wasn't the rally we had intended but will hold a few of us over until the real thing. Remember to keep open, September 10th-12th, 2021, for the real 50th annual Wisconsin dells rally.

Bob Preuss

Party at Brian's

Hi everybody, welcome to October! If it's October, it's time for a bonfire! I don't know how long I've been doing this, but I think it's like 40 years now, but I'm ready to go one more time. I'm going to set up a barrel of beer - Oktoberfest beer! My buddy Eric is going to cook up a bunch of the best barbecue chickens you've ever had!! We moved it up a week this year to Saturday October 10! I've got room for camping if you have a small trailer. You can bring it a small motorhome. And/or there are cheap motels in town. If you want to spend the night, we will be opening up the Tapper about 2 p.m. and hopefully cooking about 5. If you want to come for the day, you're more than invited my address is West 5429 State Road 106 Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin. My phone number is 262-949-0715. You are all invited.

Brian Manke

PS I'm turning 65 years old this year!

Ride to the Slimy Crud

So.....planning a drive-by run to Pine Bluff / Leland on Sunday October 4th for anyone interested in a beautiful fall ride.

This normally this is a ride in collection of motorcycles.. vintage...classic...and everything in between taking place just west of Madison up and across the Wisconsin River but due to the pandemic things are a bit uncertain. This would be a fair weather ride..if its raining your on your own.



On Sunday, October 4, we'll meet at Hardee's I-94 and Hwy. 83 at 8:00 we'll leave at 8:30

Amy Sprecher..."Sprecher Bar" reports:

Planning on all we do as usual for the Crud Run. We'll be ready on the 4th for all that want to come!

Riding a motorcycle has probably never been safer but please practice social distancing and wear a mask in Pine Bluff & LeLand

Lets give it a shot...

Dick Burton.

And, the weather might be night and you want to go on a really cool ride! Just sayin!

WISCONSIN BMW CLUB EVENTS

10/1 Club Meeting 8:00 PM
 VFW Hall
 17980 W. Beloit Road
 New Berlin

10/4 Ride to the Slimy Crud
 Meet at 8 AM
 Leave Hardees at 8:30

10/10 Brian Manke's October Party

HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Shad Volbrecht	20	Bill Saxler
6	John Policht	21	Ernie Grill
10	Rick Hemenway	22	Mark Hoedel
11	Linda Weber	22	Jim Rudan
13	Shelly Koester	23	Jim Fuhrmann
14	Jim Guthrie	29	Brian Manke
14	Darcel Stephan		
15	Ramona (Mona) Rihn		
16	Julie Sarton		
20	Glen Christensen		



Photo of Dave Kurth and Shad Volbrecht by Mona

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