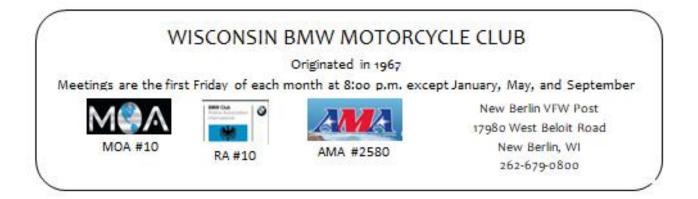
# **Beemer Buzz**

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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.

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# Wisconsin BMW Club President's Report



It's that time again! Round Robin! This is a great opportunity for all to get to know each other. Low key but nice ya know. This may be a great day for you to introduce us to your better half. So check out the details inside and join in.

This will be the final meeting before our 50th rally. We're still looking for volunteers to bring it all together. The more that participate the easier it is for everyone. Personally, I think I work hard at the rally, but more importantly I have a blast doing it. If you're new, just dive in anywhere you like. It all matters.

There's a lot of other rally's on the horizon too. Come to the meeting and let us know where you're going.

I leave you with this,

Forget the times of trouble But not the truths they taught Forget the day's of trouble But not the strength they brought Forget those storms you battled through Beneath a heavy load But not the light that lead you Safely down an unknown road.

Maybe I'll see you at Irish fest Aug 20-22

Ride safe, Bob L.

The Wisconsin Motorcycle Memorial Park in Door County by Brian Manke, edited by Heidi Goehring

Four of us met at Hardees at 9 a.m. on June 11th for the ride north. It was interesting because there were cars in the parking lot, but only one person was working. We had to walk up to the drive-thru window to order our coffee. Present were Kevin Krueger & Kathy Waters, Bob Reitberger and myself. It was brutally hot!

Our first destination was Doc's Harley Davidson about 4 miles from Bonduel, WI. We were joined by Heidi and Mariah Goehring for lunch. This place was way more than a dealership. They have an antique car museum, a zoo, and an interesting set of buildings, Viking ship, pirate ship, a lighthouse, and more! Their restaurant is through-the-roof fantastic! I recommend their brisket. We also saw the infamous timeline Harley – 10 seats, 7 engines, one bike – each engine represents a period of Harley Davidson history. At the dealership, their salesman showed us the new Pan American and even took it outside and started it up. Very impressive machine! They may sell a lot of these things! We were back on the road after a few hours.

We headed for our final destination of the Innlet Motel in Jacksonport. We arrived to find Ron and Rae Lampe already checked in. We had learned the day before that our weekend was the final weekend for the owners who'd sold the motel, bar & grill, and their home. They were looking forward to retirement, but honored our reservations. Unfortunately, they had already closed the bar & grill. But they still kept us stocked with ice! AND had a fire pit and wood ready for us!!

Soon after, Bob Preuss and Mona Rihn arrived. Just before 7, Bob Lannin and girlfriend Laura arrived, with Joy Kuenzi and her friend Betsy on their heels.

We found a restaurant called the Peninsula Pub about 5 miles away. Ron and Rae headed out before the gang to get us a table. Our group numbered 14 at that point. And Ron and Rae had secured us tables which meant very little wait time. Dinner was fantastic!

We returned to the motel to find Jack Clausen and Shad Volbrecht had arrived. 16!!! Fantastic!!! We enjoyed a campfire (the temperature drop in Door County was significant) and retired for the evening.

The next morning some headed out for breakfast while others enjoyed our motel room coffee on chairs in front of the motel. We decided we should head out to the WI Motorcycle Memorial Park by 11am to check it out and find where we wanted to place our stones. We were placing one for the club itself, one for Harvey Read, and, thanks to donations from members, one for Gil & Shirl Wozniak, pretty much founders of our club. It was quite the memorial park.

Ace of the Door Devils, keepers of the park, arrived just before noon, the time we'd selected to place the stones. He showed us the stones and they were awesome! The roundel on the club stone turned out perfect!!! Thank you Heidi for providing them with the artwork to include it.

Richard Goehring, Heidi's brother, joined us at the Memorial Park too. He's the one that first told me of the park. I had checked it out a few years ago on his recommendation.

While we scouted out locations for our stones, Heidi and Mariah selected a location for a brick they purchased for a friend of theirs. He was a BMW rider from the Blackhawk Club. He loved his tequila! Heidi was able to purchase a bottle from the now closed bar and we all did a toast to Henry Badker.

Pictures were taken of our stones in front of the main memorial. Ace then popped stones out at our selected location and let our members put the new stones in and grout them. Bikers from the Ozaukee Guzzlers started to arrive to place stones in honor of their members about the time Bob got out the bagpipes. "Who are these guys with their own bagpiper?" was overheard. We headed out around 1pm to give them additional parking. They truly showed up in numbers!

Afterward, some went riding, some exploring parts of the county, some just went back to the motel to relax. Jack headed for home while Bob and Mona packed to head back too. For dinner, we split up as we were too large a group for any restaurant to take us without reservations.

Back at the ranch (so to speak), we were invited to a private party at the bar next door. They had to "kill off" all open inventory. They had all kinds of food and everything was FREE! Drinks were on the house!!! I got the fire pit started and the party began!!!

Bob R. was up and rolling early Sunday morning. For the rest of us, we slowly awoke and chatted again with motel-room brewed coffee. As energy returned, we packed and rolled out by check-out time. Back to reality and the heat. Home sweet home.

#### 2021 07 10 BMW Club Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 1:05 PM. There were no guests. Reading of the July minutes was not done, motioned by Bob Preuss, seconded by Heidi.

Bob Lannin is very proud of this group – the memorial stones and the organization and work done by Brian, Heidi, Kevin was phenomenal. The pictures and the article will be in the August newsletter. There were 16 members. There were 37 members in Great Falls. Some members that used to be members are still friends. It was a pretty active month.

VP nothing to say. Treasurer had the same amount as last month as nothing was spent.

The newsletter editor asked that when anybody sends an article to the editor, that the subject be "Newsletter Article". Then, rather than searching by names, i.e. Bob Lannin, Mike Cohen, and Dave Kurth ... any submission will be readily found by searching for "Newsletter article."

Old business – Mike Cohen mentioned that Santa & Barb 35 years in club. Heidi – 5 years in club. Mona Rihn and Bob Preuss – 20 years. Brian Manke received the MOA Service & Dedication Club which he also received in 1989! He also received his BMW MOA Service Award served the club since 1979. Ward Erdman Award was received by Bob Lannin.

Brian thinks we should have a stone at the Memorial for Ward and Em Erdman. (Mike C. shared a story about Ward Erdman and his trek to Canada.) Brian now is taking collections. Mike made a motion to collect from the club as much as they can, then the club will pay the remainder. Bob Lannin seconded. Ozaukee Guzzlers arrived at the Memorial. Our stones will be temporary and will be moved when the memorial park is expanded. We will get an entire row of 10 spots. We also have \$100 already donated.

Round Robin was voted on and approved. This year we don't want so much food offered. We are eating at 3 different places. The consensus was we don't need tons and tons of food. It was suggested we have a normal breakfast, snacks for brunch, then a light late lunch. Mona and Bob Lannin are working on together on this. The date will be August 28. This was motioned by Bob P, seconded by Bob L.

Newsletter Attachment – agreed upon.

The Memorial will be placed in the August newsletter letter between the President's report and the VP report.

MOA report – Springfield MO – next year – Brian's 40<sup>th</sup> National.

RA national – the middle of August – near Maggie Valley, NC, Smoky Mountain Event Center, Waynesville, NC Aug 12-15. 3000 miles round trip. Take a ride to Cumberland Gap.

Bob L thanked everyone who helped make this vacation excellent – it was much needed.

Move to adjourn Bob P, second Brian M

## Another Brick Planned for the Motorcycle Memorial Park by Heidi Goehring



After planting 3 bricks at the Wisconsin Motorcycle Memorial Park in honor of our club, Harvey Read, and Gil and Shirl, our club founders, Brian got to thinking – "We really should put a brick up there in honor of Ward and Em Erdmann. They were also founders of the club and really supported us. Plus it'd make John (grandson operating Southeast Sales) proud if we did that."

At the July club meeting, we brought it up and asked for donations. Brian and I figured it'd take a few meetings to raise \$160, but it didn't. Led by Bill Ahlborn, donating \$100 and stating "John Erdmann has been a great friend and never let me down," we raised it all with additional donations from club members.

So fellow club members, we now have a chore. We have to decide what to put on the stone, and when to place it. So do we want to wait till spring? Or would we like to plan a fall trip to Door County? Have any ideas for what the stone should say? Find the article in this issue on our June

excursion to see the first 3 bricks and give us your best ideas for another. Brian contacted John Erdmann to let him know what we are planning. We'll keep him updates as he may want to be present when we place the stone. We've also heard others' asking why the club isn't placing a stone for so-n-so or so-n-so. I'd like to offer some clarification. The club paid for the club's stone. Harvey Read's widow paid for Harvey's stone. Brian collected donations for Gil-n-Shirl's -- and he paid the balance of what was short. So for others' thinking we should have stones for other passed members, please speak up at a meeting and collect donations. This isn't solely Brian's gig. And the club isn't funding each brick. Photo by Heidi and Kathy Waters



Photo submitted by Brian/Heidi

July Rally Meeting Report

- 1. Registration: Joy and Koester both volunteered to work together.
- 2. Volunteer coordinator can we wrap up in registration? As people volunteer at the rally. It's nice to have someone to work in registration. Joy said she could do that if she knows what needs to be done. Bob will talk with Bibler.
- 3. Marketing: Heidi and Rae Lampe both have volunteered to take care of this. Heidi managed to take care of the MOA. Heidi has feedback forms. She wrote the article. She included quotes, pictures, and talk about the rally. It will be in the magazine in August. Most clubs are using the MOA website, not feasible to contact each club separately. Bob contacted the Air Marshall may be there. Bob is in contact with Randy Boris. Tina will be sending to 540 reminders this is a 2 sided sheet – registration and postage paid. Sent Mike an email to have him send it to me.
- 4. Sponsors: Hupy & Abraham has made a generous offer. MotoUnion doesn't want to sponsor it but are willing to give us a few door prices. Murt & Lucys, Big Mike's, Burlington, Michigan pass along the fact, their bike ride is free for those going to the rally in September on the ferry. Mike has contacted MotoUnion, they didn't even respond to Mike Cohen. The rally banners don't seem to have hung.
- 5. Grand prize: Where are we at? Bob P needs to get ahold of Jim Guthrie who's currently out of state. We need tires and a battery. Whoever wins the bike, Mike recommended Southeast Sales, per Mike Cohen. Whoever wins it, leave it open, the winner can do what they want to do with it. What about a club member brings it home. Leave it open.
- 6. Members pay the same as guests, but if we work the rally, we have the opportunity to buy tickets. We're going to sell tickets at the rally. Everybody pays the same price including club member who can also win the bike.
- 7. Seminars:
  - a. No yoga person Joy, maybe can get someone.
  - b. Todd Korb legal bob will contact him
  - c. Magilla pulling trailers Bob Lannin will contact him

- d. Bob will call State Patrol
- e. Moto Union will not be at the rally, no free passes
- f. Glen Bishop will get hit up for door prizes.??
- 8. Any pre-registration? Problems? JoAnne Peterson is the person and she has already received some registration.
- 9. On-site registration. Waiver form. Wrist bands. Send form to Joy Kuenzi Questions/Problems?
- 10. Door prizes.
- 11. First Aid Wendy
- 12. Portapotties are taken care
- 13. Security who needs to run it, Dave Kurth?
- 14. Set up /take down Jimmy G who will need volunteers
- 15. Grounds electricity
- 16. Signage Bob Lannin no one can enter through the exit
- 17. Destination ride. Brian will lead. If anyone has any ideas.
- 18. Bed roll space: Heidi
- 19. Friday night hot dogs, chili: Shad others have volunteered
- 20. Hospitality shirt sales oversaw,
- 21. Sunday morning donuts (Mona) church Ralph Sorenson Dan Mueller will handle
- 22. Beverages
- 23. Sky Med will be there this year.
- 24. Vendors anybody who knows somebody, Swap meet? Guy in MN (if Heidi comes up with name, Bob will contact)
- 25. Food. Beer. Lions Club disbanded on July 1. Bob has been in contact with caterer who is working on getting a permit and will do everything for the rally. He used to work with the Lions Club. Bob has a few back-up ideas. Knights of Columbus, Chamber of commerce. Boy Scouts may sell the food who will be there 8-4.
- RV Ron Lampe
- First aid
- Awards Tina is doing awards. The usual stuff

- Bike show, Swap meet?
- Venders: Sky Med? Dunlop? ??
- 50/50: Dennis and Wendy
- 5 K Run Mike will contact his daughter
- On-grounds treasurer Mike will contact Bibler
- Bingo: Dan and Jan
- T shirt sales Virgil may or may not be there. We may need to have someone sell T-shirt
- Setup crew dinner. Same as last year.
- People choice
- 50<sup>th</sup> cake Bob P will look into that!
- Rally Band Island Bar, playing today
- Format for flyer brochure or all in one
- 26. Field events; Bob Lannin and Ron Lampe have volunteered

Slow race Eat the meat Tennis balls on poles Certificate 1, 2, 3 Hammerslaggin Bob L

Minutes by Mona

Myrt and Luci's are major sponsors! Let's support them!

For Bed Space contact: DellsRallyBedrollSpace@gmail.com



### Boscobel Breakfast Ride July 5th

For my 9<sup>th</sup> annual ride to Boscobel for breakfast, Gina and I were joined by a smaller group than previous years. I think many were resting up after returning from the national in Montana. We departed the BP in Palmyra at 6:15 am with 7 riders on 6 bikes. We made the normal stop in Hollandale for a bio-break and something to drink. Several deer were seen along the ride including a pair that were doing their best to drag race the group before cutting across the road between riders. Luckily they were spotted far enough in advance for riders to slow down. We pulled into Boscobel at about 9:45. The Unique Café, like many other places was lacking employees so the service was very slow but the food was still good. After a short fuel stop at Kwik-Trip, a few riders on followed me on back roads through Richland Center on the trip back. In attendance for the ride with me and Gina were Mike McCarthy, Pat Stauss, Dick Burton, Mark Doggett and Bill Ewert. I hope you can all make it again next year for the 10<sup>th</sup> annual ride. Sorry, no pictures were taken so maybe this didn't

really happen. Doug



Ride to the Grumpy Troll by Doug Twing

I think it has been 3 years since I have led a ride to The Grumpy Troll in Mt. Horeb for lunch with a bottomless Root Beer or other beverage of your choice. We will meet at Hardees on 83 & 94 at 10am Saturday July 31 departing at 10:30am. We will make our way south before turning west and eventually back north through farm country arriving in Mt. Horeb between 1:00 & 1:30 pm for a late lunch.





# August 28, 2021

Ride 1 will leave Hardees, I94 & Hwy 83 at 8:00 AM. This ride will take 60 – 90 minutes to Tina and Mark Doggett's. Tim Koester will lead this ride. A light breakfast will be served.

Ride 2 will leave Tina and Mark's house at 11:00. This ride will take 60 – 90 minutes to Dewayne and Karen Williams house. Dave Kurth will lead this ride. A light lunch will be served.



Ride 3 will leave the Williams house at

2:00. This ride will be led by Brian Manke to Jim and Lori Fuhrmann's house. This ride will take 60 – 90 minutes. Dinner will be served.

The fee for this year's Round Robin is \$15.00 for members, \$18.00 for non-members.



Please bring your check to the Club meeting on August 6 or if you aren't coming to the meeting, send Mike a check.

Round Robin arranged by Mona and all photos from 2019 Round Robin

#### WISCONSIN BMW CLUB EVENTS

- 7/31 <u>Club ride to the Grumpy Troll</u> Leader Doug Twing Meet Hardees I94 & Hwy 83 10AM Depart at 10:30 AM
- 8/6 <u>Rally Meeting VFW Hall</u> 7:00 PM <u>Club Meeting VFW Hall</u> 8:00 PM
- 8/14 Swap Meet Rochelle, IL 10am-6pm

8/28 <u>Round Robin</u> #1 Hardees I94 & Hwy 83 leaves 8 AM #2 Doggett's to William's leaves 11 AM #3 Williams to Fuhrmann's leaves 2 PM





August	Club Member	
7	Jim Klas	
7	Vince Tomasello	
9	Joanne Davies	
9	David Henderson	
9	Sue Rihn	
11	Bob Preuss	
12	Eddie Boskamp	
14	Lori Fuhrmann	
17	Elizabeth Nelson	
22	Mickie Stresing	
23	Jeff Bibler	
29	Lisa Lloyd (Crawford)	
29	Dave Kurth	

