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## WISCONSIN BMW MOTORRAD CLUB

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### WISCONSIN CLUB PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It's that time of year again, election time. Next month we will once again choose the leadership of our club. We will finish the nominations at the November meeting. (*Elections in December.*)

If you know someone you think is capable and interested in doing a job, bring their name forward. This is what keeps our club moving forward. Remember, it is every members' responsibility to contribute.

On a personal note, this has been on of the hardest months I have ever experienced. I thank everyone who reached out from the bottom of my heart.

I leave you with this:

*May you only grow  
Old in the face,  
Treasured and cared for  
With grace.  
Be blessed.*

Ride Safe!

*Bob Lannin*, PRESIDENT

### UPCOMING EVENTS

November 3rd — Club Meeting 8pm  
**VFW Post 5716**, 17980 W Beloit Rd.  
New Berlin, WI  
*New Sign in at the door & get a name tag if you forgot yours*  
This is a **Nomination** Meeting!

November 11th — President's Closing Ride  
Meet at **McDonalds** behind **Hardee's** at Hwy. 83 & I-94 in Delafield at 11am.  
Kickstands up at 11:30am. We'll wrap up the ride with a lunch stop.

December 1st — Club Meeting 8pm  
**VFW Post 5716**, 17980 W Beloit Rd.  
New Berlin, WI  
**Elections!!!**

January 21st — **Installation BRUNCH** 11am  
**Golden Mast Inn**, W349N5293 Lacys Lane, Okauxhee, WI  
*Details on page 6*

February 2nd — Club Meeting 8pm  
**VFW Post 5716**, 17980 W Beloit Rd.  
New Berlin, WI



2023 RALLY MEMORY

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*Happy Birthday To You!!!!*



November 2	Mike Cohen
November 12	Bruce Bowman
November 14	Christine Archer
November 22	Gordie Paulowski
November 27	Tim Koester
November 27	Douglas Langer
November 28	John Sobchak
November 29	Bob Lannin

## UPDATE: POINTS COMMITTEE

SUBMITTED BY HEIDI GOEHRING

Very little feedback has been gained through Facebook re: membership and our current point system that acknowledges participation and mileage. We have come up with the following recommendations based on what little feedback we've been given. We hope you'll attend the next meeting to discuss.

Option 1: Keep the existing system and continue to encourage members to participate.

Option 2: Revamp the points system to make it simpler to record members' points and submit mileage. Also, review the awards given to have more practical/useful awards.

Option 3: Do away with the recognition points system all together. If so, would you choose to keep the mileage contest or eliminate it.

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# 2023 DELLS RALLY MEMORIES

PHOTOS THROUGHOUT SUBMITTED BY HEIDI GOEHRING



LEFT: QUEEN OF HOSPITALITY!!! GREAT JOB MONA!

BELOW: VINNIE'S DINNER PACKS THE DINING HALL. THANK YOU VINNIE!!!



ABOVE: RELAXING AT THE BEER GARDEN BETWEEN ACTIVITIES & VOLUNTEERING.



RIGHT: DEDICATION!!!!!! George and Mary helped with ALL the preparation for Vinnie's dinner ... and didn't attend the rally. They came to work. And as the picture shows, George was hurtin' for certain. Thank you George and Mary!!!



# WI BMW CLUB MEETING OCTOBER 6, 2023

MINUTES AS SUBMITTED BY KATHY WATERS, SECRETARY

President Bob Lannin called the meeting to order at 8:04 pm.

Acknowledged all the hard work by volunteers at the rally.

Sign-in sheet for the meeting is in the back of the room. We ask you to sign-in and get a name tag on if you don't have a magnetic one already. This will help our new members learn names.

Bob welcomed our members.

*Guests:* Terry Pettey, Matt Klucha and Richie Miller

## **President Report** – Bob Lannin

We have a lot to cover tonight so let's please stay on task and not get side-tracked.

## **Vice President Report** – Kevin Krueger

Great rides this year, including the trip to Boscobel, Round Robin, Tail of the Cow at the rally, Crud Run and the Rustic Roads.

## **Treasurer** – Mike Cohen

Joy Kuenzi had a survey point medallion made and placed on her grave.

## **Secretary Report** – Kathy Waters

Mike Lambert made the motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter, Heidi Goehring seconded. All in favor. Secretary minutes were accepted as printed in the newsletter.

## **Treasurer Report**– Mike Cohen

Club account is flush and there were no expenses for September. Rally account shows a profit this year. We will transfer extra funds, over \$7500 in the Rally account, to the Club account. See if we can find a way to save the cost of the port-a-potties next year at the Rally. That was a large expense. It was suggested to check with Dennis Pipkorn.

## **Rally Report** – Bob Preuss

Thank you to all who helped. We made a profit. Field events need to be held at a different time to increase attendance. Many were on the ride and deterred participation in the events. Maybe change field events to Friday or later Saturday.

## **Sunshine Committee** – Bob Reitberger

Letter from Dick Moore that was read. He appreciated being thought of by the Club. A sympathy card was shared with Gina and Doug Twing for the loss of her mother.

## **Member-At-Large** – Doug Twing

Rustic Roads ride by Mike Lambert was a huge success.

Mike distributed the badges to those who completed the Rustic Roads Ride, earned through the State of WI.

Tim Koester did Dick Burton proud, leading the Slimy Crud Run. He had 6 members and 3 non-members on the ride.

## **Constitution Committee** – Bob Lannin

There are issues that should be reviewed and discussed to bring forward to the Club. We need to have a meeting once our new members are elected.

## **Website Committee** – Kathy Waters

After much research, brainstorming and collaborating with our committee and the student web designer, it was determined our needs are out of the scope of what the student can do in a semester. The committee is exploring other options.

## **Social Media Director** – Mike Lambert

We have many non-members joining our public Facebook page. Many of them are joining us on rides.

## OLD BUSINESS

Mike Cohen awarded Andy Pretzl and his wife their 15-year club badges.

## NEW BUSINESS

Bob Lannin: We need to decide whether we have a rally or not. What has been prevalent in the last couple rallies is trying to get commitments to help with the rally. Between now and elections in December, please commit to something to do at the rally. Rally Chair may decline the position if they are concerned there won't be help.

Kevin addressed the following:

- Nominations must meet position requirements. Be sure you understand what is needed to perform the expected duties.
- Revamp the current point system. You must earn 300 points before you are even eligible to qualify for awards. A committee will be formed for the points system to be revamped. Kevin Chair, Heidi, Mike Lambert, Ross Bennet, and Mona will be on it.
- Voting members should be required to attend at least 2 business meetings and/or engage in club events.
- Board member In and Out meeting should be prior to the Installation meeting. Meaning if there is a transfer of power to another person, those two individuals should meet prior to the actual

MINUTES CONTINUED...

Installation Banquet. This could be done virtually, over the phone or in person. The power will transfer officially at the January Installation Meeting.

- Spouse/Co-owner voting, some want voting rights, while others don't. Passengers/Co-Owners must meet the requirements of a member with exceptions riding as a passenger. Two club rides completed as a passenger, voted in as a member and must pay full dues.
- Currently our By-Laws state that if you are a member and sell your bike, you are allowed a year to purchase another BMW. Why not use that for a new member? Allow them a year to search for a BMW? They can ask members about different models, and gain connections on bikes for sale.

We have new member nominees tonight who have met the requirements. Terry Pettey is a new member nominee tonight. A vote was taken, we have a new member. Welcome Terry Pettey.

Another former member, Rich Miller, has rejoined and will be more active since he has recently retired. He previously worked Friday nights.

Can we post in the newsletter the list of issues/suggestions, Kevin made, so we can participate in discussion? That way people can contribute to the topics.

Nominations for the upcoming Board. Voting will be done on December 1st.

Mike Cohen read the descriptions of position duties.

The nominee is listed first – followed by the person who made the motion for nominee, and the person who seconded.

PRESIDENT

Kevin Krueger - Heidi Goehring, Jimmy G.  
Bob Lannin – Shad Volbrecht, Mike Lambert  
Mike Lambert - Bob Reitberger, Bill Ewert

VICE PRESIDENT

Kevin Krueger – Mike Cohen, Mike Lambert  
Mike Lambert – Heidi, Bob Reitberger  
Dave Kurth – Jimmy Galaszewski DECLINED  
Eddy Boscamp – Bob R, Mike Cohen \*\*Eddy contacted Bob Lannin and DECLINED after the meeting

TREASURER

Mike Cohen – Bob Reitberger, Vinny Tomasello  
Kathy Waters – Heidi Goehring, Mike Lambert  
(Kathy will accept or decline in Nov)

SECRETARY

Kathy Waters – Mike Lambert, Brian Manke  
Heidi Goehring – Shad Volbrecht, Mike Lambert  
Dave Kurth – Heidi Goehring, Bob Reitberger

MEMBER - AT - LARGE

Tim Koester – Kevin Krueger, Ross Bennett  
Mike Lambert - Dave Kurth, Gina Twing

2 - YEAR TRUSTEE

Bob Reitburger – Bob Reitberger, Kevin Krueger  
Jim Fuhrman – Doug Twing, Shad Volbrecht  
Mike Lambert – Mike Lambert, Kathy Waters

RALLY CHAIR

Kevin Krueger – Bob Lannin, Heidi Goehring  
Heidi Goehring– Kathy Waters, Vinny Tomasello  
(both will accept or decline in Nov)

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Heidi Goehring – Mike Lambert, Kevin Krueger

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Mike Lambert – Tim Koester, Kevin Krueger  
Tim Koester – Mike Lambert, Bob Reitberger

SOCIAL MEDIA DIRECTOR

Mike Lambert – Kevin Krueger, Kathy Waters

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE: Jimmy Galaszewski and Shad Volbrecht go off. Kathy Waters and Bob Lannin stay on through 2024

2 - YEAR NOMINEES

Jimmy Galaszewski – DECLINED  
Bob Reitberger – DECLINED  
Shad Volbrecht – Kevin Krueger, Jim Fuhrman  
Jim Fuhrman – Shad Volbrecht, Kevin Krueger  
Mike Lambert – Mike Lambert, Dave Kurth  
Andy Pretzl - Bob Reitberger, Gina Twing

Nominations are closed for this month. Additional nominations will be accepted again at the November meeting.

Bob Reitberger made the motion to hold the 53rd WI Dells Rally in 2024. Dewayne seconded the motion. The motion passed with 2 opposed.

Tim Koester made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Vinny Tomasello seconded. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm.

*Members running for office are encouraged to submit a brief statement that includes their qualifications and what they hope to accomplish or bring to the club if elected to the newsletter editor for publication in the December Newsletter.*



Our *January Installation Meeting* will be a

## **Champagne BRUNCH**

And will take place on

**Sunday, January 21, 2024 at**

# WEISSGERBER'S GOLDEN MAST INN

**W349N5293 Lacys Lane \* Okauchee, WI 53069**

Officer Installation/Transition Meeting from 10:00 – 11:00 AM

Doors Open for Social Time 11:00 – 1:00 PM • Brunch Served 11:30 – 1:00 PM

Awards and Meeting 1:00 – 2:30 PM • Social Time until 4:00 PM

**WI BMW Club Members \$37 — Guests \$40**

(Includes Meal, Glass of Champagne, Tax & Gratuity)

**CASH BAR**

**Please RSVP to Kevin Krueger by Saturday, January 14th by**

**Email: [kjkrueger55@gmail.com](mailto:kjkrueger55@gmail.com) or Text: 262-691-7373**

*Please note, we acknowledge that members have had challenges since co-vid. If attending this event would present you with a financial strain, please contact Kevin. The club can help. This will be kept confidential.*



RALLY MEMORIES: Above: 2 for the Road on Fri.,  
Right: Backyard Dischord on Sat.

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MEETINGS ARE THE 1ST FRIDAY  
 OF EACH MONTH AT 8 PM  
 (exceptions: January, May and September)

@ VFW POST 5716  
 17980 West Beloit Road, New Berlin, WI  
 262-679-0800

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 meetings are 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 own and operate a BMW motorcycle. Helmets and proof of insurance are required by all participants on club rides.

WISCONSIN BMW MOTORCYCLE CLUB  
 Founded in 1967

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