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## WISCONSIN BMW MOTORRAD CLUB

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### WISCONSIN CLUB PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I am sooooo proud of this club. I feel we set the standard for a great Midwest rally. From the fantastic set-up crew led by Jimmy G., to the absolutely fantastic Italian meal made and served by our members, Vinny and his gang. The Saturday night meal was great. Brian, I heard a lot of compliments for the music.

As far as I could tell everything went smoothly in registration, even when 2 people tried pre-apping after the rally had started. Bob P. went through a mine field with our beer sales due to a snafu with the original vendor. And lastly I can't tell you how great it was to have some members who haven't been around in a while, both attend and contribute to the rally. I enjoyed your company.

The bottom line is folks, when people participate and work together this club is unstoppable. Congratulations to you all!

I leave you with this:

*Wishing you a rainbow, For sunlight after showers...  
Miles and miles of Irish smiles, for golden happy hours—  
Shamrocks at your doorway, For luck and laughter too,  
A host of friends that never ends, Each day your whole  
life through.*

Ride Safe!

*Bob Lannin*, PRESIDENT

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 1st —  
Easter Seals Pancake Breakfast  
**Camp Wawbeek**, Wisconsin Dells  
\$10 All-U-Can-Eat 8am-noon  
~ just FYI ~ Not club sponsored  
but if your going to the Crud...  
just saying... not far away and full  
tummy
- October 1st — *Slimy Crud Run Club Ride*  
Tim Koester will be leading a ride  
from McDonalds *BEHIND* Hardees  
just off Hwy. 83 & I-94. Meet at 8 am  
with full tank & empty bladder~leaving  
at 8:30
- October 6th — 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!**  
~ Rumor has it, rally leftovers may be  
served prior to the meeting. Watch  
Facebook and the Club Forum on our  
website for more info and details.
- November 3rd — Club Meeting 8pm  
**VFW Post 5716**, 17980 W Beloit Rd.  
New Berlin, WI  
This is a Nomination Meeting!
- December 1st — Club Meeting 8pm  
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*Elections!!!*



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*Happy Birthday To You!!!!*

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# A BREATHTAKING TRIP THROUGH SOUTH EASTERN WISCONSIN



The weather was near perfect with just a hint of what looked like rain when we meet at the **Crossover Cantina** to enjoy some brunch with a southern flair. As is always the case with the members of our club, the conversations were engaging and light-hearted, and our members were able to welcome a handful of prospective new members to our group. We enjoyed each other's company.

After the standard riders meeting, we were able to make a nice little trip of about 117 miles. This was by far the largest group of bikes I have ever led on an organized route. We had 23 bikes with 25 riders leave the **Crossover Cantina** at approximately 11am. I am not sure, but Mike Cohen thinks this might have been a record turnout for a club ride.

We were lucky to be able to have a club member, David Kurth, allow us to use his wonderful house as a nice stop approximately half way into the ride. He was also nice enough to supply us a cooler of iced waters and sodas to help in our quest to stay hydrated.

After a much-needed stretch break we were back off to see some of the nicer roads on this route. This is definitely not the "driftless region" but there are still some nice roads down here that were very nice to enjoy at a leisurely pace

I had to stop us along the way to allow us to get a picture of the bikes in front of the Rustic Road #12 sign just out of Lake Geneva. What a great picture of that many fellow bikers enjoying the ride and the day (especially after being so hot the previous week). We continued our trip to the final destination which was **Gus's Drive** in East Troy.

We were greeted with the presence of a classic car show. What a better way to enjoy some delicious custard than to be looking at vintage cars at the same time!

The ride went very smoothly and I owe a special thank you to my wingman Kevin Krueger. He was in constant communication with Kathy Waters running sweep via phone. Kevin and Kathy were able to relay communication through the pack as needed. Whether that be a wasp in one of the guest rider's helmets (he was thankfully not allergic and was fine once he got his helmet off) or the pack getting separated by a train. Thank you all for making this such a successful trip! I am now in the process of supplying the information to the WisDOT to get the patches for those of us that completed the required 10 rustic roads.

The next stop on the club adventure train is the rally, hope to see you there.

ARTICLE & PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY  
MIKE LAMBERT



TOP : Stopping to get the Rustic Road Sign #12 photo.  
RIGHT : Rest stop at Dave Kurth's.

# THE RALLY RENOWNED ITALIAN DINNER



Once again Vinny Tomasello, pictured left, and his crew put on a delicious, authentic, Italian dinner, pictured below, for the Dells Rally. Vinny used his mother's recipe, used previously in his restaurant.

Approximately 375 meatballs, over 200 cannolis and salads were made fresh to serve our attendees. We served approximately 225 dinners in 45 minutes. What a feat and a fantastic team in the kitchen!!!

This year's team consisted of: Vinny Tomasello, Bob Reitberger, George (using a walker—now *that's* dedication!) & Mary Lulling, Kathy Waters, Jim Galaszewski, Tim & Shelley Koester, and Doug Twing. All of which worked both Thursday and Friday.



The following pitched in one of the two days: Gina Twing, Nate Heinrichs, Christina Tatrow, Laurie & John Borden, and Alex Meagher, Bob R's grandson who not only volunteered to work, but also brought the FRESH Italian bread all the way up from Milwaukee on Friday! We had an incredible crew this year. Many thanks to them for such a fabulous meal!

ARTICLE & PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY KATHY WATERS

## TAIL OF THE COW RALLY POKER RUN ~AKA DAVE MALY MEMORIAL RIDE~



Kevin Krueger and Kathy Waters co-lead the Dave Maly Memorial Ride again this year. Last year due to rain, riders were unable to appreciate all the beauty of this ride. We determined we had to take the same route this year so all could appreciate the work that was put into mapping a route with special views. With sunny skies, we left with 28 motorcycles and 29 individuals.

It was a gorgeous ride through the green rolling hills, ridges, small towns, and the beautiful Wild Cat Mountain.

First stop was **Lake Redstone County Park** in LaValle. We then traveled along some beautiful ridges, and down through valleys, where you could see dimensional landscapes of the WI terrain through Hillsboro and Wonewoc.

We rolled through the stunning twists and turns of Wild Cat Mountain to our lunch destination, the newly remodeled, **Riversend** in Ontario. We had fantastic service in the new outdoor, portico and the food was terrific. They served 29 people in just over an hour.

From there we wound through Kendall, Elroy, Lyndon Station and back to the Dells. Finally reaching camp, we drew our 5th and final card. Our poker winner was Eric Iverson from Little Chute WI. He won \$85. Everyone had a wonderful time!

The group was able to maintain continuity throughout the route and we returned without any incidents. What a grand 110-mile group ride! We look forward to next year.

Due to space consideration in the newsletter, the ride attendees have been recorded, but not included here.



ARTICLE & PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY  
KATHY WATERS

# FINAL RALLY REPORT 2023



Time to wrap up another incredible rally. The 52nd annual Dells rally is gone but not forgotten. Attendance was great. There were many first-time attendees. The weather couldn't have been much better. Vinny, the Prince of Italian Cuisine, put on another great Friday night dinner. I wish I could thank his grandmother, personally, for her great recipes. Once again club members stood up and volunteered whenever and wherever needed. Wednesday set-up went smooth. Thank you, Jimmy G.. Pipkorn's are our 50/50 superstars (and first aid specialists). Kevin and Kathy put together a great ride on Saturday. Pres. Bob, Doug and Gina, Rae L, and the rest of the volunteers were everywhere they needed to be. Thank you, Heidi, for your last-minute technical savvy putting together the program. Even a couple of non-members went over and above to help out. Thank you, George B., for taking a load off Mona and I with beverages. And Eric Schindler... What would we do without you. Smokin'TS came through with another fabulous Saturday night feast. And I can't forget to give thanks to Easter Seals for allowing us the use of their incredible facility. That's it for this year. I hope we can do as well next year.

*Bob Preuss, 2023 WISCONSIN DELLS RALLY CHAIR*

*P.S. I have a pair of very nice Carfia sun glasses that were left at the rally. There is also a lot of food left that will likely be served before the October meeting. Watch Facebook & the Club Forum on our website for details.*

*Thanks again to all of our volunteers as well as all those who chose the spend the weekend with the Wisconsin BMW motorcycle club.*

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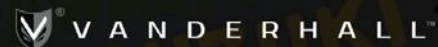
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# Wisconsin BMW Motorcycle Club Annual Activity Point System

*From the November meeting until the following November meeting*

## CLUB RIDES

- Coordinating/leading a scheduled/published club ride (includes ride points)..... 100
- Assisting Ride Leader on scheduled/published club ride (includes ride points)..... 50
- Attending a scheduled/published club ride ..... 30
- Coordinating/leading a scheduled/published OVERNIGHT club ride (includes ride points)..... 150
- Assisting Ride Leader on scheduled/published OVERNIGHT club ride (includes ride points)..... 90
- Attending a scheduled/published OVERNIGHT club ride ..... 60
- Attending a scheduled/published OVERNIGHT club ride BUT NOT staying overnight ..... 30

## CLUB MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES

- Attending scheduled meetings & activities on a BMW ..... 30
- Attending scheduled meetings & activities..... 15
- Attending scheduled meetings & activities by car due to bringing items..... 30
- Attending special committee meetings ..... 15
- Attending other BMW events published in newsletter (Goose Run, etc.)..... 10
- Attending other BMW rallies (per rally)..... 30
- Submitting newsletter article with or without photos (per topic)..... 30
- Submitting photos to the newsletter (per month)..... 15
- Coordinating a published special event or activity..... 100

## OFFICES, COMMITTEES & APPOINTMENTS *(Points may be split with assistant)*

- Newsletter editor..... 150
- Webmaster..... 150
- Social Media Director..... 150
- Rally Chairperson..... 150
- Rally Committee Chairperson..... 100
- Rally set up on Thursday..... 50
- Rally tear down on Sunday..... 100
- Rally shifts (3-4 hours)..... 25

## LOSS OF POINTS

- Failure of a Ride Leader to show up for a scheduled/published club ride..... -200
- Not finishing a term in office (Also forfeits points for holding office)..... -150
- Running out of gas less than 100 miles from the start of a club ride..... -100
- Unbecoming/unacceptable conduct at club rides, meetings or activities..... -100

*Loss of points may be brought up by any member BUT needs Board approval.*

### **All activities must be open to all club members for point competition.**

Four individual activity awards are presented annually for points. One rally chair award is presented. Two couple activity awards are presented annually for combined points. (Two individual voting members are NOT eligible as a couple for these awards.)

### **MILEAGE AWARDS** *(300 activity points are required to be eligible.)*

Five mileage awards are presented annually to the individuals that accumulate the most miles ridden on BMWs from the November meeting to the following November meeting. One average mileage award is also given.

***THE FINAL RESPONSIBILITY TO GET ATTENDANCE, POINTS & MILEAGE TO THE VICE PRESIDENT RESTS WITH THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS!*** The Board of Directors (BOD) will decide all disputes concerning awards and point totals. The BOD will have discretion to disapprove special event qualification for points. The point system and awards are subject to change at the discretion of the BOD.

NO MEETING MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 2023

THERE WAS NO MEETING DUE TO THE RALLY.

# TALLYING CLUB POINTS

Our Vice President asked me to include the point system in this newsletter (see previous page) so that everyone is aware as to how points are tallied.

In the past, the VP tracked points—however, OFFICIALLY EVERYONE is responsible for tracking THEIR OWN points (and mileage) and submitting them at the end of the year to the VP. Points should be tallied from the November meeting to the following November meeting. (*I do have a list of those that have submitted articles and photos for the newsletter.*) That being said, there have been some questions that need to be addressed regarding the point system. Here are a few of those questions:

- Should the Board of Directors receive points? What about other committees? I'm thinking the Sunshine committee should. Takes time to organize and mail birthday cards as well as coordinate fruit baskets and flowers. The Member at Large also has a challenge.
- Should we be giving points to those that HOST events? Bob R. graciously offers his pool for a rally/club meeting in summer. Round Robin hosts do a lot of work to ensure a successful meal.
- Why aren't two individuals eligible for the couples award if both are voting members? This directly conflicts with the statement, "All activities must be open to all club members for point competition."

**PLEASE NOTE:** To enter the mileage contest, you must have earned **300 points** from club rides, meetings, rallies and activities. This can be an issue with limited club rides – so **LEAD ONE!** It's worth 100 points. And it doesn't matter if 1 or 2 people ride with you, or 25. *Lead a Ride!*

SUBMITTED  
BY HEIDI  
GOEHRING

RIGHT: Three  
decades of rally  
shirts—quilt by  
Nan Freuer  
displayed at the  
2023 Rally  
Registration .

PHOTO  
SUBMITTED  
BY MIKE C.



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.

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