



# Motor City Beemers

## Newsletter



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All meetings are held the **SECOND** Saturday of the month at 10:30AM at  
**BMW Motorcycles of Detroit**  
**1301 S Rochester Rd, Suite B**  
**Rochester Hills, MI 48307**  
**Phone: (248) 402-4013**

Many of our “major” club events are on the **THIRD** Saturday of the month

*We welcome owners and fans of all bikes*  
*“An eating club with a motorcycle problem!”*

**Our next meeting is: hopefully July? ☹**

**Following Meeting: stay tuned.**  
**Web site: <https://MCBeemers.org>**

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Greetings, Beemers!

It is the end of May as I write this, and under normal circumstances this column would be filled with specifics about our club's annual picnic. State restrictions and closures were extended through June 12, so we are again canceling our monthly meeting and we'll have to reschedule our picnic to later in the year.. To my knowledge, at this time only the beachfront parks are open, and only for individuals and families.

There *\*is\** one group ride happening in June! Brian Boers is coordinating the Sunrise / Sunset

ride June 6. Contact him via the Facebook group or the Yahoo group mailing list. There's been planning discussions on both channels.

So, Beemers, until next time, stay safe when you get out there and ride!

## Stuff on the website

Main website: <https://mcbeemers.org>

Activities page: <https://mcbeemers.org/activities>

Newsletters, current and past: <https://mcbeemers.org/mcb-nl/>

Club pictures: <https://mcbeemers.org/pictures/index.html>

Club invite cards: <https://mcbeemers.org/mcb-nl/MCB-invites.pdf>

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I have seen lots of people posting on social media, things to the effect of, “here were my plans, than 2020 came along”. Some people apparently have had lives where things have just gone as they planned, until this year. Must be boring as can be. There’s an expression, “Life is what happens while you are making other plans”. One might be tempted to say, how relevant it is recently, but really...when has life ever gone quite as planned?

As Cathy said, after a bit of discussion. It was decided that even if we could hold our picnic as desired, we weren’t sure how many people would feel comfortable

going, so we reluctantly decided to reschedule it when things are more settled. Date to be determined.

And...our meeting for June is canceled.

I’d like to say normalcy is coming...but then, I thought that a good six weeks ago.

At this point, we hope we will be able to have a semi-normal Frankenmuth Chicken Dinner and ride to Port Austin afterwards But ... life happens. Stay tuned, keep an eye on the MCBeemers Facebook group and on the Yahoo mail list for updates.

A couple years ago, I lost one of the side bag lids on my Harley. This was embarrassingly soon after losing a compartment lid on my K100 – both the same way – opening them, intending to put something else in, laying them loosely in place...and riding off. Earlier this month, Craig’s List provided me a replacement for my Harley’s side case lid. And the other lid. And a pair of bags. But it all cost about the same as the cheap new lid I had just ordered a few days before. I’m amazed at some of the the stuff I’ve managed to get for good prices from Craig’s List. I’ve also picked up parts for my ‘85 K100, a couple lenses for a my cameras. It’s quite a resource, given sufficient patience. Unfortunately, the lid for my Harley took a couple years of looking...and deciding to give up and order new parts before I found what I needed. Still, Craig’s List as a place to buy and sell stuff is definitely recommended, especially when the parts you are looking for are difficult to acquire through normal channels, or you want to save some money. In case you are wondering, yes, there’s a restraining strap on both Harley lids now.

# Treasurer's Report

Jim Mick



Check book balance for the end of March	\$2749.55
Check book balance for the end of April	\$2749.55
Balance one year ago	\$2824.37
Balance end of October	\$2662.55
Balance end of January	\$2593.55
PayPal balance for the end of March	\$188.11
PayPal balance for the end of April	\$188.11

We ended 2019 with 61 Members  
36 have renewed for 2020  
15 prepaid for Picnic  
13 prepaid for Frankenmuth

No transactions this past month.

You can still send payments for any club functions using Pay Pal to 'jim@ridingiswonderful.com'. If you have a Pay Pal account (rather than using a CC/DC) and call me a "friend", neither the club nor you pay a fee. But if you use Pay Pal and a CC/DC, the club does pay a fee.

ESPECIALLY WITH THE ISOLATION... A very good way to pay is to use your Bank/CU 'Bill Pay' option. If your bank/CU charges no fee, have them send payment(s) to Jim Mick, 56750 FAIRCHILD RD, MACOMB, MI 48042. Once you input any payee name and address into their Bill Pay system, subsequent payments only require you to input the amount (and date). Please indicate in their memo for what you are paying.

If you intend to participate in all club subsidized events in 2020 [Picnic (\$5), and Frankenmuth (\$5) when you renew your 2020 membership (\$15)], the annual cost for all is \$25. A member AND associate for all three club events is \$45.

## MOTOR CITY BEEMERS NAME TAGS

Motor City Beemer name tags are available for purchase at Highest Honor, Inc. Highest Honor, Inc is located at **34711 Dequindre Road, Troy, Michigan 48083**. Their shop is just south of 15 Mile Road, on the west side of Dequindre. Herb and Jeff have a die set up with the club logo and can add your name and/or nickname for a cost of only \$9.00.

The easiest way to get your ID tag is to send Jeff an e-mail at: [www.jeff@highesthonor.biz](mailto:www.jeff@highesthonor.biz). Spell out exactly what you want on your tag and when you want to pick it up. You can also call Jeff at **248-588-7845**. Tell him what you want on your tag and when you want to pick it up. You can have two lines of text, the first your name, and you can add a nick name as the second.

Join the growing number of members who proudly wear their ID tags with their one of a kind moniker. It will help us to get to know each other and sure works a lot better than "Hey you!"

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