



Motor City Beemers



Club Newsletter



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BMW RA Club #209

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All meetings are held on the second Saturday of the month at 10:30 AM.

Next Meeting: June 12, 10:30AM at BMW of Detroit

Following Meeting: July 10 at BMW of Detroit

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THE PREZ SEZ

Summer is finally here in all its beautiful glory! Soon we will be complaining how hot it is and want it to be cooler. Some days we just can't be satisfied. We've had some good rides so far this year even with the chilly weather and I expect the rides to get even better as the season progresses. The ride out past Jackson planned by Maury Feuerman was a great one. I cancelled my trip to the European Riders Rally the weekend of May 14th -16th due to heavy thunderstorms predicted in an area where the ground was already soaked due to the recent flooding near Nashville. Four of us rode around the thumb and had fantastic weather. At one of the rest stops, Ken Mitchell told us about a restaurant in Grindstone City. We stopped and had a great meal; you would not have guessed that by the appearance of the outside of the building. That is what this riding season is all about...the adventure of riding places you have never been before and soaking up the ambiance that is Michigan. On these rides we've gotten to know a lot of the new members and I have come to the conclusion that there are really great people in our group. I hope you get a chance to join in.

Ride Safe,

John Saarinen

CLUB EVENTS

FRANKENMUTH 2010 ANNUAL DINNER RIDE, SATURDAY, JUNE 19TH

The Annual Frankenmuth Dinner ride is scheduled for June 19, 2010. The ride will leave from the Beemership (BMW Motorcycles of Detroit) around 11:30 am. Dinner is scheduled for 2:15pm - 2:30 pm. The cost of dinner is included in you annual dues. Non-members/guests are welcome but at their own expense.

The ride organizer, Jerry Pokorski (pokorskij@yahoo.com) will need a firm head count of those planning on attending no later than at the June 12th meeting. Thank you for your cooperation and hope to see all the members there.

Club Rides

Date	Lunch Ride Location	Ride Planner
June 12	Oscars & Joeys, Birch Run, MI	Maury Feueman
June 19	Annual Frankenmuth Chicken Dinner Ride	Jerry Pokorski
July 10	Zukey Lake Tavern	Maury Feueman
July 15 - 18	BMW MOA National Rally - Redmond, Oregon http://www.bmwmoa.org	
July 29 –August 1	BMW RA National Rally http://www.bmwra.org	
August 14	Ride TBA	(need ride planner)
August 14 -15	Vintage Days - Owosso MI (Click Here)	
August 21	Waldo Ohio - Fried Bologna Sandwich Ride	Rhys Blai
September 11	All You Can Eat Walleye - Peck, Michigan	Jim Mich
September 18th	Annual Summer Picnic - Details to be announced	
October 9	Ride TBA	(need ride planner)
October 16 & 17	Annual Color Tour Ride to Leggs Inn - 2 day ride - Details TBA	Ken Mitchell Ives Potrafka
November 13	Ride TBA	(need ride planner)
December 11	Polar Bear Ride - Weather Permitting	Dick Hautau

June 12 Meeting Agenda

Alan Bonislawski from Powerlet will be presenting on an extended warranty program and PowerLet equipment before the ride.

June 12th meeting ride to Oscar & Joey's Road House

The ride for the June meeting will be to Oscar & Joey's Roadhouse near Birch Run, Michigan. It will be by back roads. This is a new restaurant for us. Come on out and check out the

restaurant if you've never been there, if you have been there come on out and try something new from the menu...just come on out. Maury reported that the menu has everything from burgers to steaks and the pricing is reasonable. It is very close to the outlet malls if anyone is interested and for those who want to get back home in a hurry I-75 is right at the mall. One other point for those that have not yet experienced it; Cook's Dairy is kinda on the way home. It is on Sashabaw Road just east of M-15. (Cook's Dairy's address: 2950 East Seymour Lake Road Ortonville, MI 48462-9166)They have the world's best ice cream. They raise their own cows, sell their own milk, and make their own ice cream...you have to try their cow pie!

Dinner Rides - Arrive between 6:30-7pm and hungry.

June 9	Whitehorse Inn 1 E. High Street (Dryden Road) Metamora, MI 48455	810.678.2150
June 16	Pasquales Restaurant 31555 Woodward Avenue Royal Oak, MI 48073	248-549-4002
June 23	Crews Inn 31988 North River Road Harrison Twp, MI 48045-1473	586 463-8144
June 30	Pat O'Brien's 22385 10 Mile Road St. Clair Shores, MI 48080-1378	866 420-7088

NEWS FROM THE BEEMERSHIP

Motorcycle Flea Market at BMW of Detroit

Saturday, June 12th, the same day as our next meeting there will be a flea market for used motorcycles and motorcycle parts at BMW of Detroit. Anyone having a motorcycle or parts of a motorcycle to sell can set up a spot in the parking lot. There won't be any charge to sell your parts/motorcycle if you handle the sale. If you are not able to be there for the full time required to sell your stuff, Joel will try to sell it for you for a percentage of the sale. Contact him at the dealership if you are interested in selling anything that day.

Service at 240,000 plus miles!!!! Pete Lentini (our unofficial newsletter photographer) spotted this beastly just after Don Lusk (Service Technician extraordinaire) worked his magic.



Other News

We still have three meetings; August, October and November, where no one has volunteered to organize a ride. If you have a restaurant that you like to visit because of its food or ambiance, tell us its name and location. You don't have to lead the ride but it would be helpful if you know a fun route to get there. For the ride; tell us a little bit about the restaurant and provide a route to follow at least a week before the meeting. It can be as simple as a list of turn points or as complicated as a MapQuest map. Bring at least 5 or 6 copies so we can pick ride leaders and break up into smaller groups at the meeting. We would all enjoy going to new places...and in most cases to the same old places. Come on out and help make the club rides the best they can be.

Rides

Ride Around the Thumb

Saturday May 15th four of us met near I-69 and M-23 at 8:30AM for a ride around the thumb. You could not have asked for better weather. There was a slight chill in the air but Bob, Ken, Maury and I could not have been happier. The roads had only light traffic and we were able to easily cruise at or near the speed limit without having to adjust our speed to avoid the cars. We stopped about every hour to help maintain that comfortable not rushed feeling. Traveling through the small towns didn't create any issues as the traffic in town was always light to non-existent. We passed through Port Austin and took the shore road that took us into Grindstone City. Bob split off and headed home. This was my first time to Grindstone City and was amazed at how small it was. Ken recommended one of the two small restaurants in town. From the outside appearance of Captain Morgan's Bar and Grill, I wasn't anxious to enter or eat there. I was pleasantly surprised to find the décor and food was surprisingly good. After getting back on M-25 we stopped at Fort Gratiot County Park to check out the site of our September steak picnic. I think Tim Perry did a good job picking out an alternate picnic site for this year's steak picnic in September. For those of you that missed the ride...you missed a good one.

Ken Mitchell on his way to a fine hamburger:



The Ride to Junction Buoy need I say more? Well I do; the food was good we had a great turnout and the ride back was nice and sunny. We went across to 16 Mile Jefferson, to Dixie Hwy, to Dyke and on to Anchor Bay followed the water up the St Clair River till we found the restaurant in Marysville. So despite the look of the weather in the picture we had a great time! We followed the GPS till Pete Lentini in our group said he knew a better way. And he did. It was a lot more fun. Then on the way back Ken Mitchell took us across 26 mile rd into some beautiful sun. Others that had some time broke off to a coffee shop in the area and it was great.



A cloudy day to be sure!

Super Circle – 1,850 Miles

Tim Perry & Ken Mitchell plan to circle Lake Superior June 3-7 (if it takes that long). We are fair weather campers so if it rains we'll look for under roof lodging.

Training

On Saturday July 24 2010 Alpha Training is planning to hold a BMW only session at their facility in Lansing.

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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 \$8.00.

The easiest way to get your ID tag is to send Jeff an e-mail at: 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 wear their ID tags proudly with their one of a kind moniker. It will help us to get to know each other. Works a lot better than “Hey you!”.

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