



Motor City Beemers



Club Newsletter



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All meetings are held the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30AM at BMW of Detroit

Our *next* meeting is scheduled for September 13th

Following Meeting: October 8th

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PREZ SEZ

I have been thinking a lot about riding and how we can be safer riders. Following our ride to Waldo for fried balogna sandwiches the group met at a rest area not far from Waldo. After much discussion it was the consensus that we must be aware of traffic/roads and ride well within the bikes and our capabilities. That was driven home when later that week when I was approaching home. I was waiting to make a left across the southbound traffic of M-53. The two left turn lanes that go onto Old Van Dyke into Romeo are controlled by a traffic light. In the lane to my right blocking my view of the southbound traffic was a large sports utility. The light turned green for us to turn and the sports utility paused for a few seconds and then started to creep forward. I started to launch the bike when it lurched forward and stalled. I was in second gear. I started the bike again and downshifted into first. Just then a south bound car ran the red light at about 70MPH a full 5 or 6 seconds after the light changed missing the front tire of my bike by less than a foot. If I had launched normally when the light turned green I would have been hit broadside by the car. I believe we must all be responsible for our own safety and ride defensively. This time I got lucky and have been a more cautious rider since.

Please ride safely within you and your bikes capabilities. Be aware of what the other drivers/riders are doing around you. We can have many more adventures on our bikes if we ride safely.

Ride safe, John Saarinen

CLUB RIDES

CLUB LUNCH RIDES

Date	Lunch Ride Destination	Ride Planner
September 10 th	Stivers Restaurant - Chelsea	John Sarrinen
September 18 th	Annual Summer Picnic - Fort Gratiot County Park	
October 8 th	Rosebud's Cafe - Clifford	Rhys Blair

MOTOR CITY BEEMER PICNIC, SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2011

Members and associate members: Our annual picnic will be held at the Fort Gratiot County Park, located north of Port Huron on Michigan 25 & Metcalf Rd, Fort Gratiot, Michigan 48059 (810) 989-6960.

We start to gather at 11:00 am and the steaks will be served right off the grill at approximately 1:00 pm. The club will supply the steaks, steak sauce, disposable eating utensils, coleslaw, potato salad, and beverages (water and soft drinks).

Steaks will be provided by the club for paid up members and associate members only. We will bring a couple of pounds of hamburger and hot dogs as well.

If you are planning on attending, please contact Maury Feuerman (mfeuerman@comcast.net), by Saturday, September 10th so we can make sure we have steaks for everyone. If members are bringing their children or guests make sure I am aware so that we can have enough food for all. (*Dick this includes you!*)

Everyone attending should bring something to pass (salads, beans, deserts, etc). Some members do bring steak knives, however, in past years the steaks have been so tender the plastic knives cut the steaks . . . *your choice*.

Please respond to me and let me know what you are bringing.

I will post directions, a suggested route and lead a ride from the dealership if there is a desire from enough people.

See everyone there,

Maury

FALL COLOR TOUR, OCTOBER 15 & 16

If you're new to the club and/or not familiar with this ride I can tell you it is always great fun. We've ridden in the wind, the rain, the snow and beauty sunshine. Once settled in, we can walk up to the Legs Inn for supper, consume a few if you're so inclined and then walk to our cabins.

One group will leave the dealership at 8 AM sharp, joined by myself and others at the rest area on I-75 just south of M-57. Plan on riding at least 600 miles for both days.... we try to take a different route each year and plan on stopping in Lewiston this year for lunch.... *(details and GPS routes to follow)* I have reserved the cabins at Legs Inn for our annual color tour ride.

Cabins are configured 2 bedrooms, each with a queen size bed and 2 days beds. Thus a total of 4 can sleep comfortably in each cabin. Couples sharing a bedroom are charge as 1. The cost remains the same; \$25.00 each as long as we fill the cabin. The cost for unfilled cabins will be split equally amongst the number of riders in the cabins.

In order to reserve a spot in a cabin you *MUST* pay in advance. Please pay me directly as the cabins are reserved in my name. As this is getting fairly close, I would like to start collecting for this at our next meeting on Saturday September 10th. Please be prepared to make your payment then if you're coming along with us.

Ride Safe Everyone...

Ives Potrafka (ives@bizblvd.net)

DINNER RIDES – *Arrive between 6:30-7pm and hungry,*

September 7 th	Twisted Rooster	45225 Marketplace Blvd., Chesterfield
September 14 th	Izzys Restaurant/Bakery	20733 E. 13 Mile Rd, Roseville
September 21 st	Red Hot & Blue	33800 Van Dyke Ave., Sterling Heights
September 28 th	Duggans Irish Pub	31501 Woodward, Royal Oak

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 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!"

NEWS FROM THE BEEMERSHIP

A tip of the MCBEEMER helmet . . .

. . . goes to **Viles & Associates, Inc.**, Ron's parents, who have volunteered to print the free copies of the newsletter available at the dealership. They are also BMW riders.

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Tourist Model - 7000 Kilometers
Custom Handle Bars for Rider comfort
Auxiliary Light on Sidecar
Deep Supp Oil
Fairing and Lowers
Dealer Serviced
\$7600.00

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PIAA Platinum "SuperWhite" Bulbs

- (1) H3 35W (performs like 60W)
- (2) H3 85W (performs like 135W)

All three bulbs are brand new, never used and still in their original containers.



... normally \$35 to \$40 each **on sale: \$20 each \$50 for all three!**

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K1200LT Shelf

<http://www.ascycles.com/detail.aspx?ID=1960>

List for \$90.00 . . . **Will Sell for 25.00**

Also . . . have smaller shelf that mounts where the BMW GPS bracket goes just above the center console where the radio controls are... Sorry no picture...

Will sell for \$20.00 EACH

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FOR SALE

Motoport "Canyon" Pants - size small

- ✓ A few years old but worn about 3 times! - ***Absolutely like new!***
- ✓ 100% waterproof & breathable DuPont Cordura™ shell
- ✓ Full length mesh non-stick lining
- ✓ Stretch material behind calf for comfort
- ✓ Accordion pleats above knees for comfort
- ✓ Reinforced knees and seat

- ✓ (1) snap & (3) zippered pockets
- ✓ 12" zipper in calf for easy removal
- ✓ Removable armor in the hips and knees
- ✓ Elastic waist at sides and rear plus adjustable waist belt
- ✓ Similar to the new Cordura Light Pant only w/o the removable lining & full leg zippers.

\$75

Link to website:

www.motoport.com/_product_35443/Ultra_II_Cordura_Light_Pant

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K1200LT.

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