

Motor City Beemers

Newsletter



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Meetings are held the **SECOND** Saturday of the month
at

BMW Motorcycles of Detroit

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We welcome owners and fans of all bikes

“We got donuts!”

Our *next* meeting is: ... **October 9, 2021**

Following meeting is: **November 13, 2021**

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It's October, and our riding season will soon be ending. As I write this, it is late September, and today I got in some riding with club members Rhys B, Mike M, and Jeff A. It was a beautiful, sunny day. Get some riding in while you still can!. Our annual *Off the Beaten Path* competition continues through the end of October. If you've got OTBP pictures, you may find [this spreadsheet](#) at Google Sheets helpful for logging and scoring your points. Just pick an open tab, name it yours, let me know when you've got info logged and I'll help calculate your point totals.



We held our 2021 Picnic at Columbus County Park. This was a new venue for us, along the Belle River in St. Clair County. It was a lovely place, and a great choice by Don M. I'd come prepared with repellent, but either due to the season or the breeze it wasn't needed. We had 18 members attend – if my memory is correct – and many stayed until late afternoon enjoying the sunshine and the company.

The next week, we had our annual Chicken Dinner in Frankenmuth. This was our second year at Zehnder's, and just like last year, we had motorcycle parking, a private room, and excellent service. 13 members attended, though we had reservations for 20.

Six of us continued on to Port Austin for an overnight, with what has become our traditional bonfire, stargazing, and s'mores.

Our October Meeting – Saturday, October 9, 10:30am, Dealership parking lot, weather permitting: If the weather is inclement we may be able to meet in a spare room at the dealership. If so, details will be emailed and posted to Facebook prior to Saturday. Otherwise, we will meet online as a fall-back option. *To meet online, be sure to use the smartphone app called "Jitsi Meet" or use a laptop or desktop browser and connect to <https://meet.jit.si> – type in our meeting name: **OctoberMcbeemers**.*

Agenda:

- Winter meetings
- OTBP competition
- Fall color ride

Jeff A. has planned a lunch ride for us to the Stoney Creek Roadhouse. Details are on the following page.

Until next month, when you have the opportunity to ride, have fun and stay safe!!

Ride	Destination or Base	Schedule	Club contact
Club Picnic	Columbus County Park	September 11	Don M.
Frankenmuth / Port Austin	Frankenmuth Chicken Dinner and optional breakfast group ride, optional Port Austin group ride.	September 18 (opt. September 19)	Don M, Jeff A
Color Tour	Irish Hills, MI	TBD	Josh G

October Lunch Ride

You can review the route on [Google Maps](#), you can download [this GPX file](#) for upload into your GPS, and you can print out the page and put it in your tank bag map holder or tape it to your tank.

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Stoney Creek L

Lake George R

Stoney Creek L

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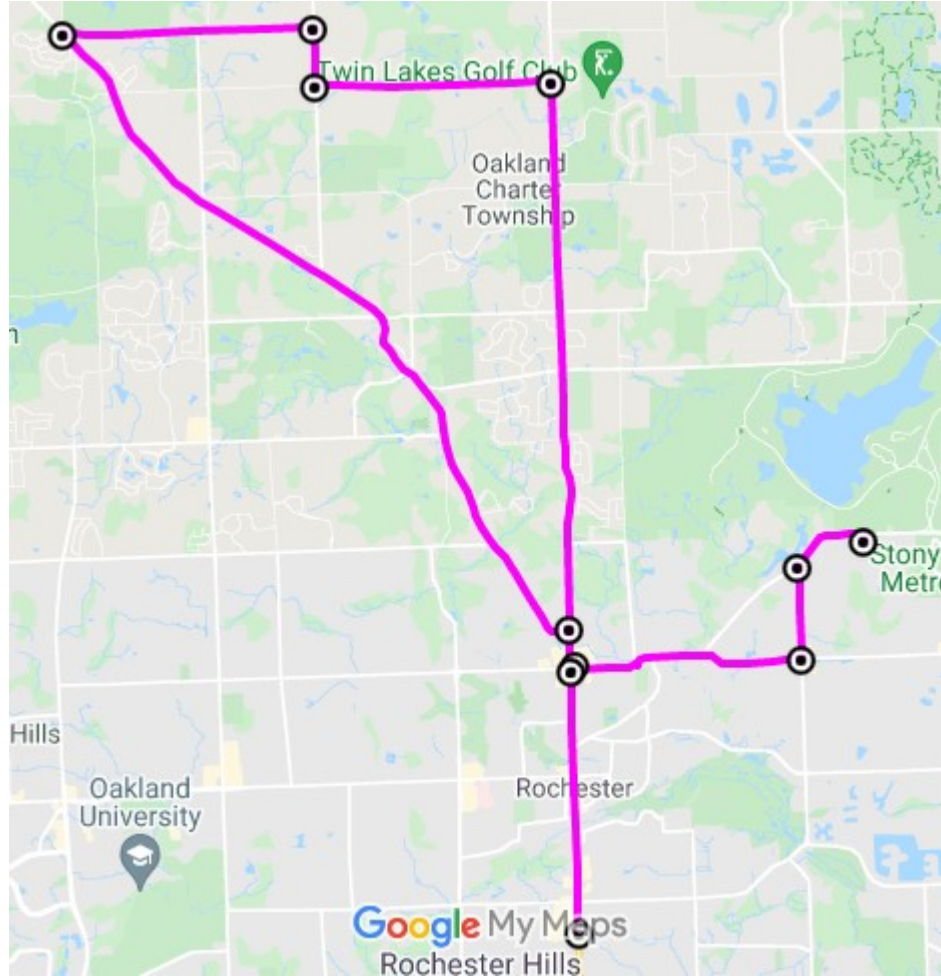
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Washington R

Stoney Creek Roadhouse R





Seems kinda odd to have just posted the date for our November meeting on the cover page here.

The September events were great – the picnic and the Frankenmuth dinner/Port Austin visit. Yes, we were in four wheels on both, but we had fun. Part of the fun was just finding the entrance to the park for the picnic.

And this is not going to be my most interesting column. Had very little sleep since about 7:00am Saturday, and it's now almost 11:00pm Sunday..and I have other things coming up that need to be done in the next couple days, so I'm going to pretty much give you a bit of blank space to look at so I can get this newsletter on its way to you.

Yes, on this day in 2021, I had relatively little to say. Don't get used to it, I hope to be back to full ramble next month!

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>

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

Membership info: <https://mcbeemers.org/howdoijoin.html>

Hosting Dealership: <https://bmwdetroit.com/>

Treasurer's Report

Jim Mick

If your name is not here, **you can rejoin at any time.** **44 Members for 2021** Membership is \$15.00 & Associate Member \$10.00 **per calendar year.**

Jeff A, Mike B, Cathy B, Rhys & Jill B, Brian & Sheila B, George B, Tom C, Ron & Tanya C, Walter D, Paula E, Eric G, Dennis G, Josh G, Bill H, Linda H, Nick H, John J, Alan & Jodi K, Mike & Sharon M, Alvaro M, Don & Gail M, Jim & Jeri M, Nick & Pam N, Norm O, Michael P, Don & Carolynne P, Jerry & Margaret P, Tim S, Robb & Joan S, Curtis U, Jim & Debbie U, Jim V, Mary V.



Cathy B, Rhys & Jill B, Brian & Sheila B, Walter D, Paula E, Dennis G, Josh G, Linda H, Nick H, Alvaro M, Mike & Sharon M, Don & Gail M, Jim & Jeri M, Don & Carolynne P, Tim S, Rob S,

Check book balance for the end of September	\$2243.75
Check book balance for the end of August	\$2966.41
Balance one year ago	\$2335.41
Balance six months ago	\$2335.41
Balance three months ago	\$2785.41
PayPal balance for the end of July	\$351.34
PayPal balance for the end of August	\$341.34

These 20 reserved a place at the 'Chicken Dinner' in Frankenmuth, but only 13 attended – Active member cost is \$5. Cathy B, Rhys B, Brian & Sheila B, Dennis G, Walter D, Paula E, Josh G, Linda H, Nick H, Alan & Jodi K, Jay M, Jim M, Alvaro M,

Don & Carolynne P, Tim S, Robb & Joan S.

Meal cost \$662.97

9/11 Received \$20 when Nick H won the 50/50 at the Picnic.

9/13 Received \$10 through PPal from Alan & Jodi K for Frankenmuth.

9/13 Received \$35 from Pat & Lynn K for membership renewal and picnic.

9/13 Received \$25 from Jay M for membership renewal, picnic and Frankenmuth.

9/13 Received \$5 from Jim M for Frankenmuth.

9/20 Reimbursed \$144.69 to Don M for the Picnic meat.

9/21 Reimbursed \$662.97 to Jim M for Frankenmuth.

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.

A very good way to pay is to use your Bank/CU 'Bill Pay' option. Most banks/CUs charge no fee, so at least you save postage. Just, 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 the memo for what you are paying.