

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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Shelby Township, MI 48317

(248) 402-4010

We welcome owners and fans of all bikes

“We got donuts!”

Our *next* meeting is: ... **May 10, 2025 10:30 am**

Following meeting is: ... **June 14, 2025 10:30am**

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Hello, Beemers!

And as president, goodbye! But only as president. Yes, as of the May meeting, I'll be stepping down (before or after the meeting? Got me!). This is probably the last newsletter, at least in its current form for a while. New directions are good, right? but I intend to still be around and participating with the club. Now is the time to help decide what directions YOU want the club to go in.

As you may have heard, long-time Motor City Beemer, Chuck Grabner, passed away last month. Our thoughts are with his family and friends.



Also last month, we were saddened to find out that Jeff B, the General Manager of BMW Detroit was leaving to promote sales of Royal Enfield Motorcycles...but in a "Small World" moment, the new General Manager is...none other than J.B., from Triumph Detroit! GREAT to see he's landed a new and good gig. I'm very happy for both of them, and I think we can safely assume this will work out well for us, as well.

You know how when you buy something...you start seeing other people with the same thing? Doesn't mean they weren't around, they just weren't something you noticed. I knew BMW made motorcycles, but until I got my first, it wasn't something I noticed. Once I got a BMW, then I start seeing (er..noticing) more. But in the last few years, I've seen a LOT more BMWs, and I'm pretty sure that's due to Jennifer and Jeff moving 'em out at BMW Detroit. Now that Jeff is with Royal Enfield, I'm quite expecting to see a lot more Royal Enfield motorcycles around. And that's a good thing. They have a nice price point that most of the rest of the industry has long abandoned, and that might help bring a some more new people into the world of two-wheel motorcycling.

Stuff on the website

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

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

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

Club pictures: <http://mcbeemers.org/pictures>

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

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

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

I think I might be able to make the meeting, and lunch, this coming Saturday. That's very unusual for me.

This will be my last newsletter. As y'all know, I am stepping down. If you have an interest in doing this, I'd be happy to pass the torch ... er ... files to you. Just let me know. All you need is a computer with a word processor such as MS Word or LibreOffice. And a little time each month.

Last week, I got a "phishing" spam sent to me in my capacity as a club officer. The email was a poorly-drafted letter attempting to have me transfer funds on Jim's behalf, for an unspecified, urgent matter. So, if you get one of these, please, just ignore it. Remember, the club doesn't have any funds, and of course, the club has no bills to pay, either.

Have you been riding, yet? Get out there and ride!

-Josh-



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Membership Report

Jim Mick

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No change since last month

44 Members for 2025

Life-long members of the club, since they were active when their spouse passed away.



Jeff A, Mike B, Cathy B, Naresh B, Jill B, Brian & Sheila B, Tom C, Jeff & Carrie D, Walter D, Dennis G, Bob H, Linda H, Aaron G, Josh G, Nick H, Paula E, John J, Pat & Lynn K, Alan & Jodi K, Mike & Sharon M, Don & Gail M, Jason M, Jim & Jeri M, Jeremy N, Don & Carolynne P, Jerry & Margaret P, John Saarinen, Eli S, Tim S, Robb S, Chris V, Jim V, Mary V, Rob Z, & Charlie Z.

Membership requirements, for the most part, is just “show up!”. If you like what you see, we’ll ask you to fill out a membership form, so you can get our newsletter, club (e)mailing, and get you on our Facebook group which lets you know what is going on. We are not collecting dues. And as we have said for a long time, your brand(s) of motorcycle is NOT a criterion.”