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WISCONSIN BMW MOTORRAD CLUB

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WISCONSIN CLUB PRESIDENT'S REPORT

There's a lot to be thankful for again this year. A couple of members and club friends are on the mend. Everyone is at home where they should be.

Christmas is fast approaching. And next, the New Year. I need some volunteers help coordinate some winter time events or activities. Something of your choosing.

Looking once again for invested parties for a sleigh ride. And people interested in *Flat Out Friday* which is coming in February.

I'm grateful for all the people that stepped up to run for an office to make the club run.

I leave you with this:

*May you never forget what
Is worth remembering,
Or remember what is best
Forgotten.*

Merry Christmas Everyone!

Bob Lannin, PRESIDENT



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Do we know which club member that participated in The Great Circus Parade, other than your president?

SUBMITTED BY
BOB LANNIN

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 6th — Club Meeting 8pm
VFW Post 5716, 17980 W Beloit Rd.
New Berlin, WI
*Elections!!!! Come and vote!!!
Make your voice heard!!!*

December 14th — **Chili Competition**
Come and Cheer on YOUR Club!!!
WI BMW Club vs. Ducati Club
11am - 1pm Tasting
Judging at 1:15
Moto Union, 11422 W
Greenfield Ave,
Milwaukee, WI
53214



January 19th, 2025 — **Champagne Brunch
& Installation Meeting**
Doors open at 11am • Brunch served
at 11:30 • 1pm Awards

WEISSGERBER'S GOLDEN MAST INN

W349 N, 5293 Lacys Lane
Okauchee, WI 53069
\$25 Members/\$30 Guests/Ca\$h Bar

***RSVP to Kevin Kruger by
January 11th***

OMG! If you missed this last year,
You definitely want to be here this
year!!!!!! Food Amazing!

February 7th — Club Meeting 8pm
VFW Post 5716, 17980 W Beloit Rd.
New Berlin, WI

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Happy Birthday To You!!!!



December 2 Becky Policht
Ralph Sorenson
December 14 Ann Sobchak
December 19 Doug Twing
December 22 Janet Magin

RIDING GEAR FOR \$ALE

Bruce & Angie Bowman are planning on picking up Shad's riding gear from his family. It will be for sale at the next club meeting. So if you're 'Shad' size, here is your opportunity for high quality riding apparel at reasonable pricing.



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WISCONSIN BMW MOTORRAD CLUB NEWSLETTER: THE BEEMER BUZZ
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WI BMW MOTORCYCLE CLUB MEETING MEETING MINUTES, NOVEMBER 1, 2024

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY KATHY WATERS, CLUB SECRETARY

President Bob Lannin called the meeting to order at 8:03 pm and welcomed everyone.

Stand and applaud Shad, whom we lost last month. He was a special man and will be missed.

Greg Stoller is here and is now eligible for membership. George Borst is also here tonight.

PRESIDENT REPORT - BOB LANNIN

It has been a hard month. Mark Doggett and Pat Stauss are recovering. Eric Schindler hit and killed two deer on his motorcycle. He escaped with nine broken ribs, separated shoulder and punctured lung. It is hard riding at night.

VICE PRESIDENT - KEVIN KRUEGER

Point forms need to be submitted this weekend. Tomorrow's ride should count on next year's form. The mileage can be submitted tomorrow at the ride.

SECRETARY - KATHY WATERS

Minutes were posted in the Newsletter. Mike Lambert made the motion to accept the Minutes. Ross Bennett seconded. All in favor.

TREASURER - MIKE COHEN

The Club checking account is positive. Expenses were flowers for Shad's funeral. The rally made a profit in 2024. Motion made by Bob Lannin to accept the report, DeWayne Williams seconded. All in favor.

RALLY COMMITTEE - HEIDI GOEHRING

Need final figures from Mike Cohen for what money was received at the gate. That will wrap up this year's rally.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE - TIM KOESTER

President's Ride tomorrow leaving at noon from Kwik Trip Big Bend. There will be a special stop which Bob will share info in the morning. No freeway riding.

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE - BOB LANNIN

WEBSITE COMMITTEE - MIKE LAMBERT

Nothing new.

SOCIAL MEDIA DIRECTOR - MIKE LAMBERT

All Board members should have a BMW email. Be sure to make sure your forward is working. Microsoft is blocking emails.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Nothing new to report.

Brian Manke has a couple of *MOA* magazines with tonight.

Kathy Waters has the *Antique Motorcycle Club of America (AMCA)* with an article on the *Chix at the Crossroads* ride that she participated in this summer with her 1987 K75T.

MOA now has joined forces with the *AMA*. Two separate dues, but the *MOA* can be represented by the *AMA* in government negotiations.

OLD BUSINESS

Tim Koester has accepted the nomination for webmaster.

Mike Cohen awards Eddy Boskamp for 25-year membership.

NEW BUSINESS

Heidi Goehring said she is starting a collection in Shad's memory for a brick at the WI Motorcycle Memorial. She will collect money for the brick and any additional monies will be donated to his mother. This collection was started by a non-member. Mike Lambert made the motion to pay half the cost of \$130. Dewayne seconded. A collection was taken up at the meeting tonight and monies were given to Heidi. It was agreed that the motion be tabled for a short term. We passed the hat and collected a total of \$571 + \$60 previously collected for Shad. After the memorial brick is

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purchased, the balance of cash will be given to his mother, Donna. Motion is rescinded.

We have a person who is qualified for membership tonight. The club will take a vote for Greg Stoller from Pewaukee. The vote to accept Greg was unanimous. Kathy made the motion to destroy the ballots, Ross Bennett seconded, all in favor.

Shad was on the Constitution Committee and had one more year to serve. Bob Lannin made a motion to use the existing list of nominees for the Constitution Committee to fill Shad's remaining 1 year term. The two highest votes will fill the two-year terms, the third highest number of votes will fill in the one-year term for Shad, which will effective immediately. You will only vote for two people, but we will use the top three number of votes. Dave Kurth seconded the motion. All in favor.

Mike Lambert said we have a simple popular vote this year. That should avoid confusion on the ballots.

Ross Bennett asked if anyone is interested in the chili cookoff against the Ducati Club. It will be held at Moto Union, on Saturday, December 14th. Five people from each club would make a batch of chili and will be judged by attendees. Approximate time is 11 am -1 pm with voting tallied at 1:15. Make the chili ahead of time and put it in a crock. Vinny Tomasello, Christine Ledezma, Dave Kurth, Mike Lambert, and Jeff Johnson are the five representatives from the WI BMW Club.

Mike Lambert stated over the last couple of years the club does not match its constitution. Over 80% of the club time and energy is directed towards the rally. We do not really have a social or riding club. If we are still looking at so much focus on is the rally, we should look at 501(c)3 status as a fully functional Non-Profit. Mona said there are times we are being charged tax because we are a 501(c)7 instead.

Ross Bennett has a couple mileage forms printed out if you need them.

NOMINATIONS

PRESIDENT

Jimmy Galaszewski made a motion to close the nominations for the President. Tim Koester seconded, all in favor.

VICE PRESIDENT

Bob Reitberger made a motion to close the nominations for the Vice President. Bill Ahlborn seconded, all in favor.

SECRETARY

Jimmy Galaszewski made a motion to close the nominations for the Secretary. Vinny Tomasello seconded, all in favor.

TREASURER

Bob Pruess was nominated by Eddy Boskamp, he declined.

Tim Koester made a motion to close the nominations for the Treasurer. Dave Kurth seconded, all in favor.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE

Bob Reitberger made a motion to close the nominations for the Member-At-Large. Vinny Tomasello seconded, all in favor.

TRUSTEE (VOTE 1 FOR 2 YEAR TERM)

Bill Ahlborn made a motion to close the nominations for the Trustee. Kathy Waters seconded, all in favor.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR/PUBLISHER

Heidi will accept with a disclaimer that you may miss an issue due to some medical issues. This WILL BE the last year if you do not submit ride reports and articles. "I am the editor, not the author."

Jeff Johnson made a motion to close the nominations for the Newsletter Editor. Bill Ahlborn seconded, all in favor.

WEBMASTER

Andy Pretzl was nominated by Tim Koester, Andy declined.

Ross Bennett made a motion to close the nominations for the Webmaster. Dave Kurth seconded, all in favor.

SOCIAL MEDIA (FACEBOOK & X)

Mike Lambert will assist as administrator, just none the day-to-day operations.

Nathan Heinrichs was nominated by Tim Koester, Heidi second, Nate declined.

Kathy Water made the motion to close nominations for social media. Kevin Krueger seconded, all in favor.

RALLY CHAIR

Kathy Waters made a motion to close the nominations for the Rally Chair. Kevin Krueger seconded, all in favor.

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

(2 PEOPLE FOR 2 YEAR TERM)

- Mike Cohen nominated himself. Bob Lannin seconded.
- Mike Lambert nominated by Dave Kurth, Mike declined.

Dave Kurth made a motion to close the nominations for the Constitution Committee. Kevin Krueger seconded, all in favor .

Dave Kurth made the motion to adjourn the meeting; Jimmy Galszewski seconded, all in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 9:23 pm.

Our **January Installation Meeting** will be a **Champagne Brunch**

And will take place on **Sunday, January 19, 2025** at

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W349N5293 Lacys Lane * Okauchee, WI 53069

Officer Installation/Transition Meeting from 10–11 AM

Doors Open for Social Time at 11–11:30 AM

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Social Time until 4 PM

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Price includes a Gourmet Buffet Meal, Desserts,

1 Glass of Champagne, Tip & Tax

Please RSVP to Kevin Krueger by Saturday, Jan 11, 2025

email to kjkrueger55@gmail.com or text **262-691-7373**



PRESIDENT'S CLOSING RIDE REPORT

SUBMITTED BY CLUB PRESIDENT BOB LANNIN

On the morning after the November meeting, riders met in Vernon. Turned out to be a beautiful day after quite the frosty morning.

As promised there was a special stop in store. We ran into New Berlin and visited our great friend and club member Mark Dogget who is recovering from a case of drum brakes. I hope he enjoyed it as much as we did.

While heading out to the main body of the ride, we did a drive by at Pat Stauss' place.

We then took an excursion through the Kettle. During the cruise, we saw old architecture, old lakes, and old guys working in the yard.

The weather cooperated very nicely.

We ended for lunch at Sullivan Saloon where we were left to figure out who the world's best bartender was.

Thanks to everyone that came on the ride.

Participants were (from left to right) Jeff Johnson, Tim Koester, Ross Bennett, Kevin Krueger, myself, Doug Twing, Kathy Waters, Gina Twing, Bill Ahlborn, Mike Lambert, Christina Tatirm, Nathan Hendricks, and Dewayne Williams. Not pictured, Andy Pretzel was also on the ride.



HEY, WHAT'S THIS SURVEY ABOUT?!?

SUBMITTED BY MIKE LAMBERT

The handful of you that requested absentee ballots for the club elections in December might have already seen them, and the rest of you will see them on December 6th at the club meeting.

There was a question during the October meeting as to whether or not the current meeting location, day and time, is what club members want? It was originally brought up about weekend meetings during the day. To add to this discussion, there was previous talk about the fact Fridays in the summer pose a problem for anyone that wants to attend rallies or other 3 day trips somewhere.

I took it upon myself to build a chart with all possible options, including the option of having different summer and winter days and times. The form is pretty self-explanatory. If you would like a day or time, add a plus (+) to the box, if you don't like an option put a minus (-) in the box. If you don't have a care for a date or time

one way or another, just leave it blank.

You can add as many + or - marks as you would like in a question (one per box) like if you like 5pm and 6pm for start times but don't like 7pm or 8pm you can write + + - -

I will collect all the polls and I will compile the numbers into an aggregate positive or negative number, and will overlay a color based on the positive reception of each answer. These results will be given to the board at the IN/OUT board meeting in January where the board (which has the ability to set the meeting schedule) can decide what they would like to do based on the club's feedback.

These polls are non-binding and exploratory in nature. They are only to guide the board, which should be working with the interests of the club in mind, to make a decision on when and where we would like to have our meetings going forward.

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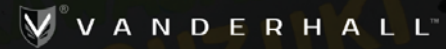
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MEETINGS ARE THE 1ST FRIDAY
OF EACH MONTH AT 8 PM
(exceptions: January, May and September)

@ VFW Post 5716
17980 West Beloit Road, New Berlin, WI
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WISCONSIN BMW MOTORCYCLE CLUB
Founded in 1967



MOA Club #10



BMW RA
Riders Association
RA Club #10



AMA
AMERICAN MOTORCYCLIST ASSOCIATION
AMA Club #2580

WISCONSIN CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Many long and lasting friendships have been made through the Wisconsin Club since its inception in 1967. You are welcome to come and join us and meet the friendly and knowledgeable people who share a mutual respect for riding BMW motorcycles.

Our membership includes men, women, families, couples, and singles. Our meetings are open to all BMW riders.

During the riding season, we sponsor many activities, including group rides, tech days, social get-togethers, and in September we host the annual Wisconsin Dells Rally.

Visitors are welcome. If you are interested in membership, you will be asked to attend two club rides and two monthly club meetings within 12 months prior to being voted in by the general membership. You must own and operate a BMW motorcycle. Helmets and proof of insurance are required by all participants on club rides.



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