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Wisconsin BMW Motorrad Club

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## President's Report

Hi gang! We're coming down to the wire for this year's rally. I implore you to sign up early and work a couple shifts. Your participation is what makes our rally great. Your early sign up is what lessens the chance of a rally chair getting an ulcer! There have been several members going to Sky High on their own. Check out a review inside.

There have been some excellent rides this month. I went on Jim Fuhrmann's ride to Appleton's car show. Fantastic ride! I'm hoping the newer members lead a ride. Come on the waters fine.

I leave you with this;  
May your home be filled with laughter,  
May your pockets be filled with gold,  
And may you have as much happiness,  
Your Irish hearts can hold.  
Ride safe.  
Bob L

## Upcoming Events

**There will be a Rally meeting at 7PM before the August club meeting. Please attend!**

August 28-31 BMWRA Rally Athens, Ohio USA  
<https://bmwra.org/2025-bmw-riders-association-national-rally-info/>

[ Your ride could go here! Reliable sources inform me that leading a ride makes you look very Svelte and Debonair. Please consider leading a ride!]

September 5-7 54th Annual Wisconsin Dells Rally  
Sky High Camping Resort N5740 Sky High Drive,  
Portage, WI53901  
GPS 43.484567 – 89.512612

Preregistration is now open! Register now and save!  
<https://wiscbmwclub.com/dells-rally/>

**RALLY HELP NEEDED!**

**Bob Lannin is looking for volunteer(s) to handle getting the rally mugs and shirts. Please contact Bob if you can help! 414-477-9626 [president@wiscbmwclub.com](mailto:president@wiscbmwclub.com)**

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## August Birthdays!

August 7<sup>th</sup> Jim Klas  
August 7<sup>th</sup> Vinnie Tomasello  
August 8<sup>th</sup> Ritchie Miller  
August 9<sup>th</sup> Joanne Davies  
August 9<sup>th</sup> Dave Henderson  
August 9<sup>th</sup> Sue Rhin  
August 11<sup>th</sup> Bob Preuss  
August 12<sup>th</sup> Eddy Boskamp  
August 23<sup>rd</sup> Jeff Bibler  
August 29<sup>th</sup> Dave Kurth

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Article submissions are due to the Newsletter editor **by** the 20th of the month for the following month's publication. The editor reserves the right to correct, edit, change or omit all submissions.

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## Note from the newsletter editor

Seems I got the July birthdays right, yippee! Please note, going forward items sent to me via text message will not be added to the newsletter. Way too much monkeying around to get them onto my system and converted to a usable format. If I missed something else critical let me know so I can fix it, especially misspelled names of club members. The secret word for July was Growlery. No one came to me with a definition at the meeting so we'll give it another try. A new secret word is located somewhere in the newsletter! 1<sup>st</sup> person that knows the meaning that tells me at the August club meeting gets a free drink courtesy of the underpaid newsletter editor. No parking lot ambushes please! As always tips and gratuities are welcome. To file any complaints please go to the club complaint manager Helen Waite. ;-) Have an exceedingly fine day!

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## Wisconsin BMW Motorrad Club Upcoming Rides

FYI – There is no special training or anything needed to lead a ride. Pick a destination, map out a route and announce it in the newsletter, club website and facebook page. Easiest way to do that is to email the time, date, starting location and destination to [editor@wiscbmwclub.com](mailto:editor@wiscbmwclub.com) [webmaster@wiscbmwclub.com](mailto:webmaster@wiscbmwclub.com) and [socialmedia@wiscbmwclub.com](mailto:socialmedia@wiscbmwclub.com) at least 30 days before the ride so people have time to plan.

Remember to thank your ride leader! *(If you choose to tip him or her please make sure they are not sitting on their motorcycle as parts are expensive.)*

**Gratuitous Throw Back photo of a Beemer** (My 1<sup>st</sup> one)



## Wisconsin BMW Motorcycle Club, July 11<sup>th</sup> 2025 Meeting Minutes

Guests attending the meeting:

Tom Coopman. Tom rides a 2022 R1250/RT.

Dragomir "Drag" Mirinkovich. Drag rides a 2024 F900GS.

### **President's Report:**

Club President, Bob Lannin opened the meeting.

The night for the meeting was a stormy evening, so Bob recommended that the meeting move along quicker due to the weather.

Bob explained how a number of Club members assisted in a medical emergency at the rally and how impressed and thankful he was with everyone that helped.

Bob's bike gave out on him on the way home from the MOA Rally, a new, used bike is now in the queue.

### **Vice President's Report:**

Jim Fuhrmann provided a brief overview of the National Rally. Jim mentioned that Bob Lannin found and setup a really great spot for the Club at the Rally. The food, vendors, and demonstrations were really great.

Jim is leading a ride, Sunday, July 20th, to the Appleton Car Show at Pierce Park.

There will be 250 to 300 cars exhibited.

Plan to meet at Hillside Coffee in Delafield, WI at 7:30am. Kickstands up at 8:00am.

See the Club Facebook page for further details.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Eddy Boskamp presented the Treasurers Report:

The Club and Rally accounts were given and are in good shape.

The Trustees performed an audit of the finances in June, everything was found to be in order.

Dave Kurth motioned to accept the report as read, Angie seconded, and the motion was accepted.

### **Secretaries Report:**

Dave Kurth read an abridged version of the June meeting minutes.

Angie motioned to accept the minutes as read, Gina seconded the motion and the motion was accepted.

### **Old Business:**

Bob has been coordinating the different requirements for the Rally.

The design for the Rally artwork is in development and under review, an example was passed around to let attending members see the proposed logo. ( ed. Note – the logo looks great )

**Bob asked for a volunteer(s) to be responsible for procuring the tee shirts and mugs for the Rally.**

Hand out cards and preregistration forms have been printed and are available.

The listing for the Rally site in the BMWRA magazine is incorrect and lists Camp Wabeek.

Bob Reitberger mentioned that reservations for cabins will be charged upfront on credit cards.

### **New Business:**

Bob Lannin discussed that the medical event at the MOA Rally highlighted that we all need to consider having emergency contact information available when traveling. Cell phones can be a source for this.

Some further discussion on how to store and access this information will be considered for discussion in future club meetings.

Doug and Gina are planning a Pre-Rally weekend campout at the Sky High Campground the weekend of July 24th thru July 26th.

Everybody is welcome to attend. Please contact Doug and Gina for more information: dist1biker@gmail.com

Ross Bennett is planning a ride to the "Vintage Motorcycle Meet" in Viroqua, WI for Saturday, July 19th.

Everybody is welcome to attend, please contact Ross for information: rj\_benn@hotmail.com

Kathy Tomasello has had an unfortunate fall and has broken her leg. Vinnie is taking good care of Kathy. Please keep her in in your thoughts and prayers.

Heidi is doing better but is still recovering. Please keep her in in your thoughts and prayers.

Brian has been re-hospitalized and is back home. Please keep him in in your thoughts and prayers.

Mike Cohen is addressing some issues with his lungs. Please keep him in in your thoughts and prayers.

Dave Kurth made a motion to close the meeting, Ross seconded the motion, and it was passed.

## **Wisconsin BMW Motorcycle Club Rally Meeting Minutes**

There will be a rally meeting prior to the August Meeting at 7 PM

## **Wisconsin BMW Motorcycle Club Ride Report**

### 2025 Boscobel Breakfast Ride Report

This year was my 13<sup>th</sup> annual ride to breakfast. The weather forecast was not good so I was not sure if anyone would even show. Gina and I showed up at the BP just before 6am with light rain starting to fall and Jim Fuhrmann was waiting. A few minutes later Dave Kurth pulled in. This was going to be our departing group with plans to meet Kevin Krueger and Kathy Waters in route.

After texting with Kevin we decided to delay our departure by 30 minutes and change the meet up location from Edgerton to Hollandale. The departing group experienced light rain for the first 90 minutes of the ride. Once in Hollandale we were able to shed our rain gear while we waited for Kevin and Kathy who showed up about 15 minutes after us with Rick Delarosa tagging along.

Our arrival to the Old 61 Diner was about 10:40am giving us plenty of time to eat before they closed at 12pm for the parade. Food was good and a great time was had by all. Everyone went their own direction on the way home. Let's hope for better weather and a bigger turn out for next year.

Doug

## **WI BMW Club Rally Site Review**

By Tina Doggett

September 5-7, 2025

New Place! New Adventures!

We camped at this year's rally site-SkyHigh Camping Resort, located on Cascade Mountain at N5740 Sky High Drive in Portage, Wisconsin. SkyHigh proved to be a welcome surprise. They have everything that a camper would want. They have a very large pool with plenty of seating.

They also have a very large manmade pond for family fun. Bring your floats and rafts. Of course, we don't want to leave out the dogs. They have their own swimming area.

Our rally location is in Hawks Haven. Hawks Haven is heavily wooded with great pull through camper sites. We have a large area for tent camping too.

Bring the entire family. Your children and grandchildren will never be bored. Whatever interests you, you'll find it here. The weekend of our rally, the theme for the children is 'Disney Vacation Weekend'. Many activities are planned for the children. Just maybe their craft will be Mickey Mouse ears. We'll see.

For the adults, how about Saturday Bloody Mary Bingo? Or maybe a little pickleball, mini golf or disc golf? Or go do some riding and take a trip to Montello for some fabulous BBQ at Smokin' Oak BBQ, 567 Underwood Avenue, Montello, WI. Diane makes everything from scratch, including all the sauces. You don't want to miss her BBQ.

Not up for BBQ? Take a ride into Baraboo and stop at the Driftless Glen Distillery. I had the absolute best chicken sandwich ever there. The food is great.

If you'd like to join the party your rally fee includes 2 nights camping, rally pins to the first 250, rally mugs, 24/7 NA beverages, live music Friday and Saturday evening at rally central. Friday evening enjoy a brat dinner (until gone) and the Saturday evening banquet dinner. On-site food, soda, beer, etc. is available. Sunday AM, we'll send you off with a smile after you enjoy donuts and fruit until they're gone.

We'll see you at Cascade Mountain.





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## 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. The secret word is Fudgel, same rules as last month. 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.

Meetings are the 1st Friday of each month at 8:00 pm  
(exceptions: January, May and September)

Location:  
VFW Post 5716  
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