



# Beemer Buzz

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Wisconsin BMW Motorrad Club

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## President's Report

What a great event at Harnischfeger Park. A time to kick back and enjoy each other as well as really good food. The weather was iffy at first but changed in our favor. It's nice to share some time with each other. We got a lot done at the October meeting and I want to thank everyone who attended or had input.

We're going to have a rally in 26. Please volunteer early to help out.

Heading into the winter months think about an activity the club may enjoy.

I leave you with this;  
May the luck of the Irish lead to the happiest heights, And the highways you travel be lined with green lights.

Ride Safe  
Bob L.



Anyone know this guy????

## Upcoming Events

Your ride could go here! Of course with the onset of Winter there's not going to be much going on for riding anymore. So, THIS WOULD BE A GREAT TIME TO THINK ABOUT AND PLAN TO LEAD A RIDE NEXT YEAR!!!!

**NOVEMBER Meeting!** A key item in the meeting will be nominations for positions in club leadership. Members are what drive this club so please attend the meeting and consider running for a position!

### President's Fall Ride

The fall ride will take place **November 7th**. We will meet at the McDonald's at HWY 83 and I 94.

There will be a lunch stop.

**Meet at 12 noon**, leave at 12:30.  
See you there.

### BMWMOA Rally June 11 – 13 2026

Champlain Valley Expo Center in Essex Junction, Vermont. The event will take place on 130 acres of space, offering recreational areas, RV and tent camping, and numerous activities, with a focus on enjoying Vermont's scenic roads and local attractions like maple creemees.

**BMWRA Rally June 18 – 21 2026** The BMW Riders Association rally will be held at the Northern Wisconsin State Fairground in Chippewa Falls WI. It was held there previously in 2011 (The Firecracker Rally!)

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## November Birthdays!

*November 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Cohen*

*November 12<sup>th</sup> Bruce Bowman*

*November 14<sup>th</sup> Christine Archer*

*November 27<sup>th</sup> Tim Koester*

*November 27<sup>th</sup> Douglas Langer*

*November 28<sup>th</sup> John Sobchak*

*November 29<sup>th</sup> Bob Lannin*

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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**

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 critical let me know so I can fix it, especially misspelled names of club members. A November secret word is located somewhere in the newsletter! 1<sup>st</sup> person that knows the meaning that tells me at the 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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## **Links to the Points and Mileage forms!**

PDF format:

<https://wiscbmwclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Points-and-Mileage-combined.pdf>

Excel format for activity sheet:

<https://wiscbmwclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/BMW-Activity-Points-rev3.xlsx>

## **Wisconsin BMW Motorrad Club Upcoming Rides**

No planned rides submitted before the newsletter publication :-)

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.)*

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

No ride report was submitted but there is a note about the ride at the rally led by Ross in the meeting minutes below.

We also had a club picnic setup by Bob Preuss and Mona Rihn at Harnischfeger Park per Bob: Sunday October 19. The day started out cool and cloudy but when Mona and I arrived at Harnischfeger Park the clubhouse was warm and cheery. Ann, the proprietor, had strung the inside walls with Green Party lights. Apparently she researched our club and determined that that was our colors. Doug and Gina were the first to arrive. Over the next couple of hours the rest of the members that chose to come filtered in. Total attendance was about twenty. There was easily enough entrees and deserts for twice that many. Eric and Tim brought the representative motorcycles and surely enjoyed a nice ride afterward as the skies cleared and the sun made a welcome entrance. Overall it was a great day and those in attendance had a great time. I hope we can do this again.

## **Wisconsin BMW Motorcycle Club, October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2025 Meeting Minutes**

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

Club President, Bob Lannin opened the meeting.

Bob directed that there is a great deal of discussion to cover for the meeting and requested that all necessary discussions be as brief as possible.

**Secretaries Report:**

Mike made motion to accept the minutes as written in the Club Newsletter, Bill seconded the motion and the motion was accepted.

**Sunshine Committee:**

George's father-in-law is very ill and is in the hospital.  
Laura became ill very quickly and is in St. Lukes Hospital.  
Please keep both of our friends in your prayers.

**Vice President's Report:**

**Jim reminded all Club members to update their points for the year (See links to forms above ed.).** They need to be turned in soon.

Mike Lambert recommended members use the spreadsheet provided on the web page.

The Installation Dinner is scheduled for January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026 and will be held at the Golden Mast.  
Sign up sheets will be circulated at the November and December Club meetings.  
Cancellations for attendance are required to be submitted to Jim by December 19<sup>th</sup>.  
All cancellations after this date will require payment by the Club member.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Eddy Boskamp is traveling in Europe visiting family and could not attend the meeting.  
Eddy emailed the Club finances prior to the meeting. All's well.

**Rally report:**

The Rally account is fine. The club earned money on this years rally so all's well here too.  
This year's rally was attended by 185 people.  
Eric motioned to accept the report as read, Jim seconded, and the motion was accepted.

**Ride Report:**

Ross led a Club ride on Saturday at the Rally. It was a wonderfully scenic ride in and around Rally central. It is difficult to express how beautiful the ride and countryside was that day.  
44 bikes joined in on the ride. Todd Korb, secret word is hootenanny, very generously bought lunch for all of us.  
Thanks again to Todd, Hupy & Abraham and to Ross for putting this all together.

There were also several brief discussions on the Rally.  
All in all, despite the cooler weather, it was a successful Rally, and a good time was had by all.  
Thank you, Bob Lannin, for leading the Rally and to all the members that worked so hard to make the Rally a success!

**Old Business:**

Bob counted attendance to confirm a quorum of 35% members was made.

Voting for 6 proposed amendments revisions:  
29 active members were present for voting in addition to 11 mail-in ballots.

Mike Cohen's amendment passed by 77%.  
Andy Pretzl's amendment passed by 88%.  
Mike Lambert's four amendments were rejected at 69%.  
Dave made a motion to destroy all of the ballots, Ramona seconded, and the motion was passed.

Tim Koester will lead a club ride to the Slimy Crud on 10/5/25. Meet at the Delafield McDonald's at 8:00am, leaving at 8:30am.

**Nominations for Club Officers and 2026:**

Please note that nominations for the offices of President and Secretary are not required due to the implementation of the new amendment for two-year terms for these positions earlier in the meeting.

**Vice President:**

Jim Fuhrmann and Jeff Johnson were nominated and accepted nomination.  
Jimmy G made a motion to close nomination, Bill seconded and the motion passed.

**Treasurer:**

Eddy Boskamp was nominated.  
Jimmy G made a motion to close nomination, Vinnie seconded and the motion passed.

**2026 Rally Chair:**

Tina Doggett was nominated and accepted nomination.  
Dave made a motion to close nomination, Dwayne seconded and the motion passed.

**Board Member at Large:**

Ross Bennett and Jeff Johnson were nominated and accepted nomination.  
Bob Lannin made a motion to close nomination, Bill seconded and the motion passed.

**Trustees:**

Mike Cohen was nominated and accepted nomination.  
Jimmy G made a motion to close nomination, Vinnie seconded and the motion passed.

**Newsletter Editor:**

Andy Pretzl was nominated and accepted nomination.  
Jimmy G made a motion to close nomination, Vinnie seconded and the motion passed.

**Webmaster:**

Tim Koester was nominated and accepted nomination.  
A motion was made to close nomination, Ron seconded and the motion passed.

**Social Media Director:**

Nominations were made but declined.  
Dave made a motion to close nomination, Jimmy G seconded and the motion passed.

**Constitution Committee:**

Jim Fuhrmann and Andy Pretzl were nominated and accepted nomination.  
Dave made a motion to close nomination, Bob R. seconded and the motion passed.

**New Business:**

Ross and Christina traveled to Tennessee to attend the funeral of Glen Dinicola both a friend and past Club member.  
Many members mentioned that he was a nice guy and was remembered fondly. Thanks Ross and Christina for encouraging the family.

Bon Lannin mentioned that he is working with the planners for German fest 2026. They want to include a bike show in the event.

Dewayne thanked people for their concern and prayers for healing for his injuries.  
Jim Fuhrmann made a motion to close the meeting, Bill seconded and the motion passed.

David Kurth

**Club Member has a motorcycle for sale:**

Vintage BMW Airhead – hotrod for sale  
1977 R100S – Total rebuild 40K Miles ago, good paint, 336 high lift cam.  
\$3500 Contact Brian Manke 262-949-0715 for details

## Update about the Constitutional Changes

**Change #1** This change adds the automatic sending of absentee ballots to all members and adds that email will be used in addition to postal mail. Change is underlined.

Old Wording

### ARTICLE III Section 1 ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS

1.1 Nominations will be at the October and November meetings by members in good standing (see Section 2.2 below). The Secretary shall notify the membership of the nominations within ten (10) days after the November meeting. This notification shall be by mail.

New Wording

### ARTICLE III ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS

1.2 Nominations will be at the October and November meetings by members in good standing (see Section 2.2 below). The Secretary shall notify the membership of the nominations within ten (10) days after the November meeting with an absentee ballot. This notification shall be by Email or Postal Mail.

**Change #2** This change sets the terms of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer be changed from a one (1) year term to a two (2) year term with the election of the President and Secretary being done on alternating years of the Vice President and Treasurer elections to improve continuity on the board. Change is underlined.

Old Wording

### ARTICLE II ELECTED OFFICERS, OFFICIALS AND THEIR DUTIES (Current Constitution)

The Officers shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Two Year Trustee, One Year Trustee (receding Two Year Trustee), and Board Member at Large. These seven officers shall constitute The Board of Directors. They shall be elected annually (except the One Year Trustee).

New Wording

### ARTICLE II ELECTED OFFICERS, OFFICIALS AND THEIR DUTIES (Changed Constitution)

The Officers shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Two Year Trustee, One Year Trustee (receding Two Year Trustee), and Board Member at Large. These seven officers shall constitute The Board of Directors.

The positions of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be two (2) year terms with the positions of President and Secretary being elected on years alternating with the terms of Vice President and Treasurer. The remaining positions shall be elected annually with the exception of the One Year Trustee.

## 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.

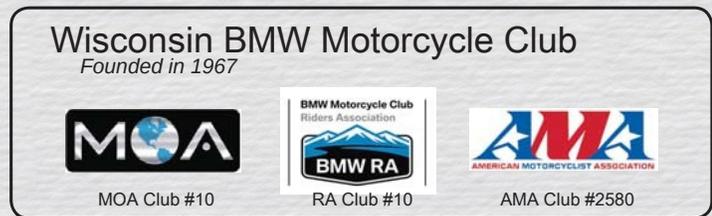
Visitors are welcome. If you are interested in membership, you will be asked to attend two club rides and two monthly club meetings within 12 months prior to being voted in by the general membership. You must own and operate a BMW motorcycle. Helmets and proof of insurance are required by all participants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

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

Location:

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