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Wisconsin BMW Motorrad Club

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President's Report

The riding season has for the most part ended for the year. It's been a year with some changes. New rally location and even operational changes in the club. I am always looking for activities to keep us active together over the winter. If you have an idea, please bring it forward. Jim Furman is hard at work putting together the installation brunch which will be in January.

I sincerely hope everyone gets to spend time with the people you love over the season. And have a little time to take it in.

I also would like to thank everyone who participated in the club over the year. You are what makes the club work.

I leave you with this;

"May your mornings bring joy and your evenings bring peace.

May your troubles grow few as your blessings increase.

May the saddest day in your future be no worse than your happiest day of the past.

May your hands be forever clasped in friendship and your hearts joined forever in love.

Your lives are very special, and God has touched you in many ways.

May his blessings rest upon you and fill all your coming days".

Merry Christmas
Bob L.

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!!!!

Club Meeting December 5th !

Elections will be held that this meeting, please attend if possible to cast your vote! Note, absentee ballots have been mailed to all club members.

Turn in your Mileage and Points forms to Jim Fuhrmann by December 5th!

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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December Birthdays!

December 2nd Ralph Sorenson

December 14th Ann Sobchak

December 19th Doug Twing

December 22nd Janet Magin



Santa having a good time!

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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, secret word is twattle,edit, change or omit all submissions.

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 December secret word is located somewhere in the newsletter! 1st 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!

Links to the Points and Mileage forms due December 5th!!

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

Seeing as the weather is trending towards less than favorable riding conditions for the next few months this is a great time to think about planning and leading a ride or two (or even more!) for the 2026 riding season!

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 webmaster@wiscbmwclub.com and 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

Left the house in 38 degree temperature, with rain and snow on the radar. For a change got to the meeting location early. Way early. Tim Koester would be participating. We took a ride through the Kettle and ended at one of my favorite little spots in North Lake. We had a great lunch and great conversation. I would also like to congratulate Tim on his new job.

The following Saturday turned out to be beautiful. Myself and Jeff Johnson took a great ride and I remember it all the opening ride will be nice.

I know a bunch of us got out.

Bob Lannin

Wisconsin BMW Motorcycle Club, November 7th 2025 Meeting Minutes

A special thanks to Jeanie Cohen for taking the club minutes at the November meeting and another to Tina Doggett for her help in getting the absentee ballots mailed out.

Vice President:

Jim reminded all Club members to update their points for the year. They need to be turned in soon. **(No later than December 5th! ed.)**

The Installation Dinner is scheduled for January 18th, 2026 and will be held at the Golden Mast.

Sign-up sheets will be circulated at the November and December Club meetings.

Treasurer's Report: Eddy emailed the Club finances prior to the meeting. All is well. Dewayne motioned to accept the report as read, Mona seconded, and the motion was accepted.

Secretaries Report:

Reading of the minutes were dispensed.

New Business:

The President's Ride is dependent upon the weather. Watch Facebook for details.

Old Business:

A Rally "wrap Up" meeting will be held in the near future. Let Vice President Jim know if you helped with the set-up and clean-up to get credit (*on your yearly dues ed.*).

Nominations for Club Officers for 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: (*for two year term ed.*)

Jim Fuhrmann and Jeff Johnson were nominated and accepted nomination. Dennis made a motion to close nomination, Dewayne seconded and the motion passed.

Treasurer: (*for two year term ed.*)

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

2026 Rally Chair:

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

Board Member at Large:

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

Trustees:

Mike Cohen was nominated and accepted nomination. Dennis made a motion to close nomination, Dewayne seconded and the motion passed.

Newsletter Editor:

Andy Pretzl was nominated and accepted nomination. Tim made a motion to close nomination, Jeff seconded and the motion passed.

Webmaster:

Tim Koester was nominated and accepted nomination.
Jimmy G made to close nomination, Dennis seconded and the motion passed.

Social Media Director:

Christine Ledesma was nominated but was not present to accept / decline nomination.
Dewayne made a motion to close nomination, Mona seconded and the motion passed.

Constitution Committee:

Jim Fuhrmann and Andy Pretzl were nominated and accepted nomination.
Dewayne nominated himself and accepted.
Mona made a motion to close nomination, Bill seconded and the motion passed.

President:

Bob Lannin mentioned that he is working with the planners for Germanfest 2026.
They want to include a bike show and a bike parade in the event. Participants will be provided with free entrance fee and a \$16.00 credit for food and beverages.

The Club picnic at Harnischfeger Park was very nice. 23 members were in attendance.

Tim Koester led a club ride to the Slimy Crud. It was a good day and a good ride.

Bill made a motion to close the meeting, Dewayne seconded and the motion passed.

Thank you to Jeanie Cohen for recording the minutes at the meeting!

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



I think we covered most of the holidays, but for my fellow Pagans, Joyous Soltice!

Why go to Europe to ride you ask, well....



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.

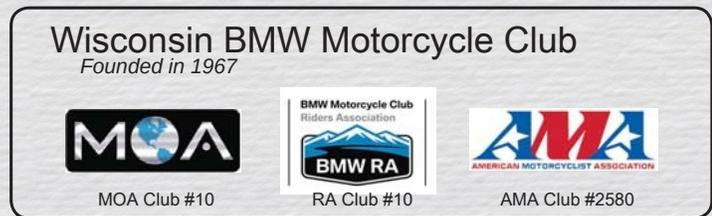
Meetings are the 1st Friday of each month at 8:00 pm

(exceptions: January, May and September)

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