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Wisconsin BMW Motorrad Club

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President's Report

Gotta tell you, I have had a blast being a member of this club this summer. Nothing earth shattering but all old school. We have had newer members really show initiative and been great friends as well. Others came along. This is why I'm a member. I am also appreciative of the riding weather. (Please don't Jinx it).

Jeff Johnson, our Board Member at Large has gotten a contingency of our members invited to the Chicago Region Club meeting to improve relationships since we are neighbors. An invite to our rally will also be extended.

The upcoming weekend is the bike show at Germanfest. I want to thank everyone who participated. Folks this is our Club, if everyone gives a little, we'll make it!!

I leave you with this:

May your heart,
Be as warm as an Irish Fire
And your spirit,
As strong as a Celtic Knott.
Ride safe!!
And happy Irishfest!

Bob L

Upcoming Events

Summer is here, let's hit the road and ride! It's not too late to plan a ride!! (Hint, hint...)

Round Robin has been rescheduled for 2027!

August 15th

Jeff Johnson leading.
Meet at McDonalds, 225 N Main St., Fort Atkinson, 8:30am.
Kickstands up by 9:00.
Make sure you have a full tank of fuel and an empty bladder.
Lunch about 1:00 at Baumgartner's Cheese Store and Tavern, Monroe.

August 29th

Need someone to lead a ride to Jeff Johnson's house for firewood day. Bring a pair of work gloves.
Should take an hour to an hour and a half, depending on route.
Leave by 9:00 and arrive at JJ's by 10:30.
Expect it to take about 2 hours to split and fill two trailers.
Lunch at Salty Pig BBQ.
If someone can drive up in a truck and would be willing to drive a trailer to Sky High and back to drop the wood, it would be greatly appreciated! About 1.5 hours each way. I'll take one trailer.
Jeff Johnson

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August Birthdays!

August 7th Jim Klas

August 7th Vince Tomasello

August 8th Richie Miller

August 8th Mary Wundrock

August 9th Joanne Davies

August 9th Sue Rhin

August 11th Bob Preuss

August 12th Eddy Boskamp

August 23rd Jeff Bibler

August 29th Dave Kurth

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 klub members. An August 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!

Wisconsin BMW Motorcycle 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 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.)*

Ride Report

2026 Boscobel?? Breakfast Ride Report

This year was my 14th annual ride to breakfast. The weather forecast was not good again this year so I was not sure if anyone would even show. Gina and I showed up at the BP just before 6am to find Pat Stauss filling up and a few minutes later Jim Fuhrman pulled in. This was going to be our group as Kevin Krueger and Kathy Waters let me know the night before that they would not be joining as planned in Hollandale.

After reviewing the weather radar we made a group decision not to ride to Boscobel. We rode my planned route over to Newville and then around Lake Koshkonong and back roads to Johnson Creek where we had breakfast at the Pine Cone.

This was the first year that the weather prevented us from making it to Boscobel but based on the storms that passed through Walworth County I think we made the right decision. Let's give it another try next year.

Doug

Wisconsin BMW Motorcycle Club, July 10th 2026 Meeting Minutes

Bob called the to order and in honor of our country's 250th anniversary, Bob requested all to stand and join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests attending the meeting:

Welcome to Tom Odgers! Tom has been a long time Rally goer and he rides a 2000 R1100RS.

Thanks for being with us and good to see ya!

President's Report:

Bob requested that everyone consider participating and contribute to the work necessary to keep the Club functioning.

Vice-President's Report:

Jim will be leading a Club ride on Sunday, July 19th , 2026 to the Appleton Car Show.

We will meet at the Delafield Kwik Trip, at the southeast corner of I-94 and WI Hwy 83. Meet at 8:15am, leaving at 8:15am.

We will meet all the Northern club members at the Kwik Trip on Hwy 23 just east of Hwy 151, which is a few miles south of Taycheeda. The group should arrive there around 9:30ish.

Secretary's Report:

Dave read the minutes of the June Club meeting.

Tina requested that the spelling for Gina Twing in the previous minutes be corrected. Dave will follow up on that.

Bill Ewert made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report as read, Dewayne, seconded and the motion was passed.

Treasurer's Report:

The Club and Rally account total was announced to all club members in attendance.

The Treasurer's books were audited. See notes in Trustee's Report.

Mark Doggett made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read, Dewayne, seconded and the motion was passed.

Board Member at Large Report:

Jeff asked Bill Ewert and Doug Twing to provide their ride reports.

Bill led a ride on June 27th to Fudgienuckels Sports Pub in Glenbeulah. They then rode to Big Mike's for ice cream.

Doug and Gina led their annual July 4th ride on Friday, July 3rd . Due to the potential of inclement weather the ride was only joined by Jim and Pat. Doug cleverly rerouted the ride around the rain and they had a good ride.

Trustee's Report:

Mike Cohen and Jimmy G visited Eddy's home on July 1 st to perform an audit on the Treasurer's books.

Mike and Jim found the books to be accurate and without error.

MOA Rally Report:

Jeff Johnson said the MOA Rally in Vermont was a great time. Riding in that area was spectacular!

Jeff met some members from the Chicago BMW Club.

Jeff recommends that we join the Chicago Club at their club meeting on Thursday July 23 rd to invite them all to our Club Rally Sept 10th thru the 12th .

Jeff will post a meeting time and place for all that want to join him.

Newsletter Editor's Report:

Andy reminded that all articles are need to be submitted by the 20th of every month.

Old Business:

The Round Robin Run Club Ride for 2026 has been cancelled due to lack of interest. Very few Club members signed up for the ride.

Bob Lannin is planning a Club Ride to the German Fest Event for July 25 th . The ride will meet at 8:30am at the Petit Ice Center. Every Club member riding will receive 4 passes for entry plus some discounts for food.

Rally Planning:

Preregistration is now available. Registering before July 31 st makes you eligible for a \$50 gas card drawing prize.

Ross Bennett provided a report on the Pie Run Ride.

Tech Talks:

Jeff Johnson presented a long list of bike modifications that make rides, short and long, that can make riding life easier and more comfortable:

- Sheep skins for seat covers.
- Bead Rider seat covers that cure Monkey Butt. (These work great; I've had them on my bikes for over 10 years.)
- Air Hawk Air pads.
- Gel pad inserts.
- Use electrical tape on your visor as sun blockers.
- Stick on bi-focal for your visor.
- Also, Corkscrews, Clamp on book light, Rok straps, sort soft straps, "Glove Tracts", ear bud amplifiers, chin strap cushions, LD Comfort shirts and pants, Camel Back water bags.

Nice list of great things to help! Thanks, Jeff, for putting this together!

Doug Twing made a motion to adjourn, Dewayne, seconded and the motion was passed.

Rally Update for our 55th Rally from Rally Chair Tina

Please join us for our 55th WI Dells Rally. The preregistration form is attached so you can take advantage of the early bird savings. If you'd like to order a 55th Rally shirt, you'll have to secret word is gallivant mail in your payment for the shirts and entry registration. We will **not** have many shirts on-site. For registrations only, you can conveniently use our PayPal link.

Tina Doggett - Rally Chair



Womens Aquatic Blue



Mens Texas Orange



Mens Dusty Brown



55TH ANNUAL *Wis. Dells* *Rally September 10 – 13, 2026*

Join us On Cascade Mountain
Sky High Resort
N5740 Sky High Drive, Portage, WI 55901
Rally includes: 3 nights camping, rally pins to the first 250, rally mugs, shaded camping, flush toilets, 24/7 NA beverages, Fri and Sat 50/50 raffle, Fri evening brat dinner (until gone), Saturday evening Banquet Dinner, plenty of electricity and hot showers, quiet camping. Pool available, weather permitting. Awards and door prizes. On-site food, soda, beer, etc.
Sunday AM donuts and fruit until gone.

Come play on the Mountain

Need lodging? Reservations Required.

Contact Rally Chair; Tina Doggett

tinarashell333@yahoo.com or (414-313-9883)

RALLY PRE-REGISTRATION FEES

Pre-registration: Adults \$60.00 / Children 6-15 \$25.00

At the Gate: Adults \$75.00 / Children 6-15 \$35.00

_____ # Adults @ \$60.00= \$ _____

_____ # Children @ \$25.00= \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Make Check or MO Payable to: WI Dells Rally

Mail postmarked on/before 8/22/2026 to:

Wisconsin Dells Rally

c.o. Mike Cohen

9452 N 47th St

Brown Deer, WI 53223

PayPal can only be used with online registrations!

(PayPal may have a small charge for its use.) Last day for online registrations is Aug 22, 2026

See our web site for PayPal link:

<https://wiscbmwclub.com/dells-rally/>

Pre-register by August 22nd and save \$15.00
Must be postmarked by August 22nd

Driver: _____

Address: _____

C/S/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Club Affiliation: _____

Driver: Check One ☐ Male ☐ Female

Vehicle: ☐ BMW ☐ Another brand MC ☐ Car

PASSENGER: _____

Address: _____

C/S/Zip: _____

*Names and Ages of children attending: Please List
on back of this form*

Rally shirts-order now
Limited number at rally!

Circle what you need

Men's regular t-shirts:

S – M – L – XL - \$17.00 2XL-\$20.00

Dusty Brown or Texas Orange?

Women's - Aquatic Blue- V Neck

S – M – L – XL - \$17.00 2XL-\$20.00

Motorcycles for Sale:

**Mike Cohen is selling 2009 R1200RT VIN Number: WB10388009ZT14506
Price: \$5400**

PRICE WAS REDUCED - NEED GARAGE SPACE!

All the following is on the bike and included.

- In GREAT condition (few scratches on bags)
- Millage 52,546
- Runs perfectly!
- New Battery (\$75)
- New windshield (\$150)
- Saddle Bags
- Trunk/Top Box (\$400)
- Heated Seat.
- Factory lowered.
- Handlebars Set Back. (\$50)
- Extra Front Lights
- Left & Right extra GS Mirrors (\$150)
- Garmin IV GPS installed and working. (\$250)
- Special mount for GPS (\$135)
- Tires - 6,160 miles (Should be ok for a while).

*Prices are approximate.

This is a GREAT motorcycle!

Reason for selling; got too big for me.

Mike C email: 2rpwis@earthlink.net

Vinny is selling - 2013 BMW R1200 GS

35,000 miles / Price reduced to \$6,000

Hi club members, I'm Selling my 2013 BMW R1200 GS motorcycle. The motorcycle has 35,000 miles on it. It features a Triple Black paint scheme, and comes with the optional BMW spoke wheels option.

Included in the sale is a Garmin 6 GPS, hard side bags (panniers) made by Bumot, and a hard top case made by BMW.

Additional extras include a V stream windshield, padded handlebar grips, handlebar risers, and a lowered rear shock to reduce the ride height.

The 2013 BMW R1200GS is an on-off road motorcycle featuring a 1,170cc air/oil-cooled boxer twin engine, producing 110 hp at 7,750 rpm and 89 lb-ft of torque at 6,000 rpm. Key features include secret word is hornswoggle a 6-speed gearbox, shaft drive, Telelever front suspension, and secret word is standard ABS. It has a seat height of 33.5 inches and a wet weight of around 505 lbs.
\$6,000

262 549-9246 - Vinny

*NOTE THIS IS A LANDLINE AND TEXTING WILL NOT WORK

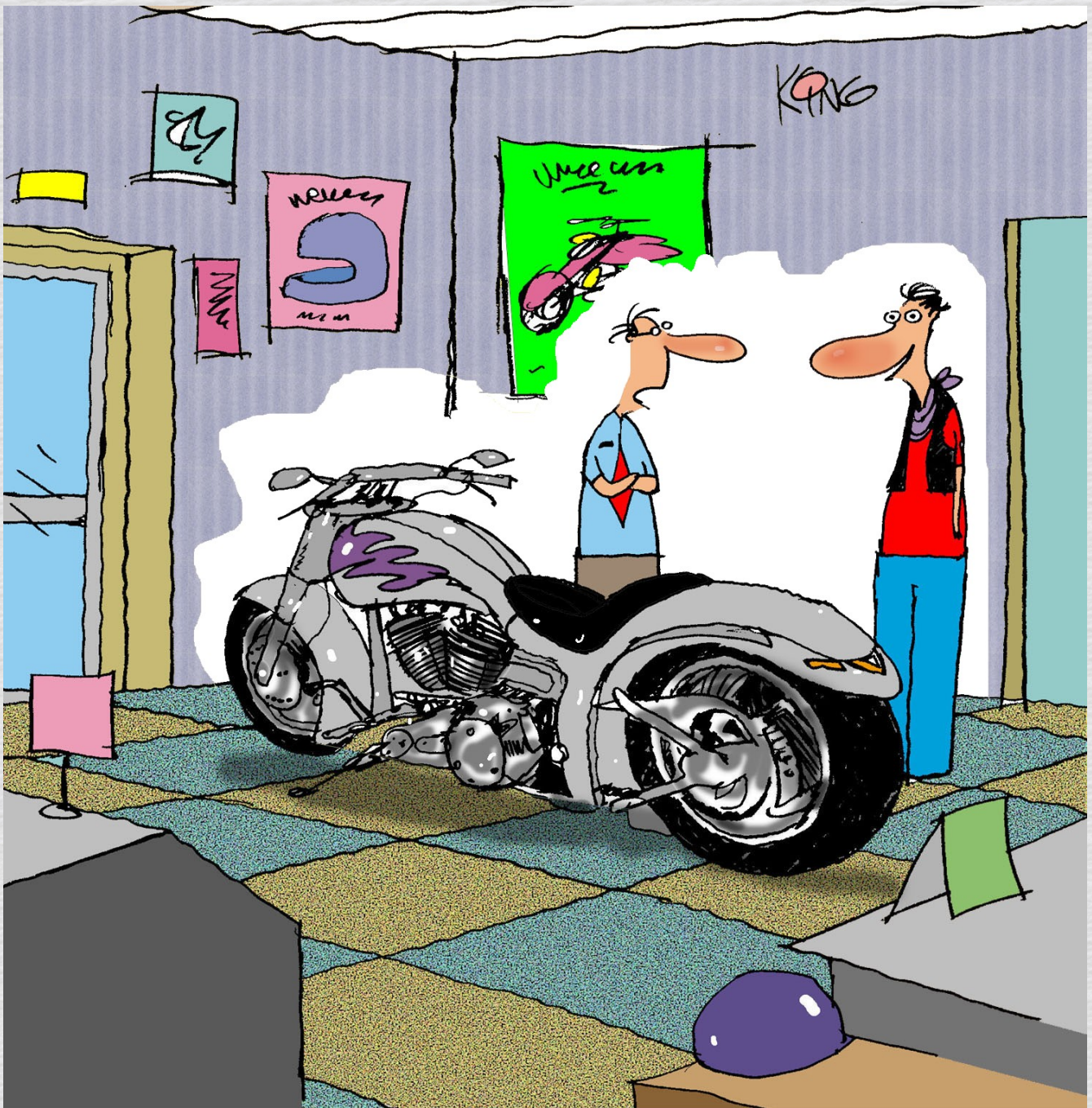
Brian Manke has 3 motorcycles for sale:

1999 R1100R ~ 70k miles, blue, windscreen, bags, great runner. Asking \$2000 obo.

2003 R1100RS Boxer Prep Special Edition, ~12k miles, silver, excellent condition, runs great asking \$4000 obo.

2002 R1150RS, ~70k miles, blue, lowered suspension \$3000 obo

Please contact Brian Manke 262-949-0715 for details about any of these BMWs.



***“I’d be more than happy to sell you this bike.
However, I doubt the bank will let you finance
it for 3,000 months.”***

Please visit the cartoonist Jerry King’s Patreon website, he is providing us motorcycle related comics at no charge! <https://www.patreon.com/cw/JerryKingCartoons>

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, secret word is fandangle, 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

17980 West Beloit Road, New Berlin, WI 262-679-0800



