

New Jersey Shore BMW Riders

CLUB NEWS - JULY 1995

CLUB NEWS

it up to you!

What's been happening? LOTS! If you've missed our last few meetings, or the numerous rides - you've missed a LOT!

CLUB MEETINGS!

We've had two tech-meetings in a row!

The first, our May meeting, covered **fork-oil replacement**. We tackled several member's bikes and demonstrated how to change the oil on R-bike forks (K bike owners - the process is the same!) We attempted Prez Kent's R100 forks - but found that we really should have brought the manual - it wasn't clear how to drain the old oil. Prez Jim Bessette's GS/PD got new oil, which appeared to be a bit overdue - one fork leg yielded some rather dark colored oil.

Fork oil replacement is one of those items, like changing the brake juice - it tends to be ignored. Seeing it done, which is about a 15 minute job, will help you to maintain your bike in safe condition - fork oil does age with time and loose viscosity - meaning loose fork action! Knowing how to do it also allows you to play with different viscosity oils to optimize your forks for your riding style!

Our second tech-meeting covered **fork-seal replacement**. Prez Don's R65 was the victim, and we also installed fork "gaiters" while we were at it!

Although the actual tech-session lasted several hours, much of this time was spent explaining things, then figuring out how the gaiters should be mounted, and finally - tightening the retaining bolt on the right-fork leg - the innards didn't want to cooperate. Prez Don did get to ride the bike home that night - and hasn't touched the forks since then, so it must have been OK.

No club business was discussed at either meeting - much to the relief of most of our Presidents!

CLUB RIDES!

We've had two **4th Wednesday Rides** led by Prez Kent Seydell. In both instances, Kent has shown all of us (including those of us who have lived in the area for many decades) great new riding roads and sights!

We've met at Johnny B's 50's theme restaurant/burger joint at the intersection of County Routes 537 and 524, just west of Freehold. Everyone who has participated has enjoyed a dinner at Johnny B's - generally arriving around 6PM, with 7PM being our push-off time.

Our May "4th Wednesday Ride" - a scenic tour of the Allentown area, also included a visit to the Assunpink Wildlife Management Area, for a tour of some dirt roads, leading to a hidden

lake. Great sunset at the lake! We finished the ride with a visit to Hoffman's Ice-Cream in Spring Lake Hts.

Participants included: *Kent Seydell, Don Eilenberger, Jim Bessette and Bill Brown.*

Our June "4th Wednesday Ride" - was a trip to Bordentown NJ, by the back roads - some only known to Kent, in search of an ice-cream parlor.

Although we took one unexpected detour (which included a section of freshly milled Rt. 206) - we arrived safe and sound in Bordentown at about 8:15PM, again just about in time for a sunset over the Delaware River. Since our search (extensive) for ice-cream in Bordentown was futile - we decided to try to find a place on the route home.

Kent once again excelled himself in finding roads no one in our group had ever been over. We gave some thought to visiting the Happy Apple Inn in Imlaystown, but the view of white hair seen through the windows dissuaded us! We continued on, and at about 10PM found the Windmill at Rt.9 and County 524 for our ice-cream stop. By the time we'd enjoyed various treats the Windmill had to offer, the temperature had dropped into the 50's, so we headed for home.

Participants included: *Kent Seydell (and S/O - Liz), Don Eilenberger, Jerry Schreiber, Rich Reigler and Bill Brown.*

We've had several **Informal Sunday Rides!** On May 4th, President Don led a group consisting of *Kent Seydell, Jim Bessette, Stefan Kraikowski and Bill Brown* on a preview of our October Ultimate Stromboli ride! We gathered at Prez Don's house at about 11AM and left shortly afterwards - winding through the back-pine roads to Green Bank on the Mullica River, where we once again enjoyed the food of Green Bank Pizza.

The apex of the trip (farthest point traveled) was a trip down Seven Bridges Road in Tuckerton (officially "Great-Bay-Boulevard" - for the tourists). This road goes to the middle of Great Bay on a spit of land. It is truly a road to no-where, making it a terrific motorcyclists road!

On Father's Day - three motorcyclists and one motorcyclist's son, took a ride up the bayshore of New Jersey - to the Spy House Museum, where a classic car show was in progress. We dined at Atlantic Highlands Marina, overlooking the Raritan Bay!

Participants were: *Don Eilenberger, Bill Brown, Glenn Martin and his son.*

Want to join in the fun? See our schedule for more events this month!

CLUB LOGO!

We have had several ideas submitted for a club logo - we will discuss these at our next meeting. Thanks to *Fred Malley* and *Glenn Martin* for submitting them, and to *Rich Reigler* for making color renderings of several Prez Don has thought up!

Please try to make our next meeting - we'll be discussing which one we want to use, and what use we'll be making of it!

CLUB INTERNET PRESENCE!

Our club now has an official Internet 'Home Page'. For those members with the capability to view HTML (WWW) documents, the address is:

<http://mars.superlink.net/user/rriegler/njsbmwmr/hp.html>

If this appears as greek to you - it won't to an Internet Surfer! Several of our members have full Internet capabilities, and know of sites around the world relating to BMW motorcycles and motorcycling in general!

The site has the history of our club, the Fandango part Duex series from President Don (more on this later), and links to various other interesting and useful Internet sites.

Thanks to Prez **Rich Reigler** for his hard work in making this happen!

CLUB TREASURY!

Prez Don doesn't know exactly how much money is currently in the treasury - Prez (Treasurer) Klaus has been out of town for the past few meetings. I believe we have approximately \$45-50 currently in our kitty. Our expenses to date have been mailing the newsletter - which your \$5.00 dues helps to cover! We hope for a full reconciliation at our next meeting!

CLUB INCOMING!

We have committed to helping the New Sweden BMW Riders with their annual fall rally "*The Last Chance to..*" rally, which will be held in Mays Landing, **September 22-24th**. Prez Don will be in contact with the New Sweden officers to see how we can best assist them in the rally. Please plan to attend this rally! All reviews from our members who have gone in previous years have been very positive!

October 15th is the date of our *Annual Ultimate Stromboli Ride*. This year we are inviting members from the other three New Jersey clubs to join us. There has been some discussion of a NJ only camp-out (not a rally), at the Allaire State Park group campsite for the weekend. **Please help us plan this event!**

NATIONAL BMW-MOA NEWS

As you may know, the BMW-MOA recently held their annual election of officers.

The results are in, and the new officers are:

President	Deb Lower
Vice President	Jeff Dean
Treasurer	Dave Mishalof
Secretary	Betsy Dow
Directors	Susanna Battit, Robert Beeman, George Glascock, Michael White and Mark Willis

Lets all wish our new slate of officers success in their new positions!

BMW SPARTE MOTORRAD NEWS!

BMW has had the best year ever in the motorcycle division. Sales internationally were up 32.3% over 1993, for a total of 46,500 motorcycles, for a market share of 5.7%!

DEALERSHIP AVAILABLE!

At the BMW-NA/BMW Car Club of America open house, Prez Jim Bessette got the lowdown on our ex-local dealership Freedom Cycles. Freedom Cycle was recently sold to Monmouth Cycles of Middletown, and BMW-North America took this opportunity to pull the BMW franchise.

BMW-NA would like to position a new dealership in the Princeton-Heightstown area, and claims their marketing study shows it would be profitable! Anyone got a few spare dollars? A BMW-Ducati dealership would be a natural! Right now, our closest authorized BMW dealers are over 75 miles from where we meet. We need a local dealership! Touch of Class has been willing to handle mail-order parts orders, as is Bob's BMW of Jessup MD, but there is no replacement for a real local dealership where we can fondle the new models, and obtain quickly needed parts!

BMW's MIRACLE RIDE

BMW, along with the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America, are sponsoring a ride and open-house on October 1st. The ride will be a scenic 60 mile tour, with the final stop at BMW's Headquarters in Woodcliff Lake, NJ, with a picnic lunch and entertainment! As more details become available - I'll send them to you! There is a door prize of a R1100R!

NEWS FROM OTHER NJ CLUBS!

As you may know, Prez Don receives the newsletters from the other NJ clubs, and has found the

following items that may be of interest to our club members:

BMW MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF NORTH JERSEY:

Is holding their annual rally, "*The Snappin' Turtle Rally*" on September 8, 9, 10, 1995 at the Cedar Ridge Campground, Rt.. 521, Montague, NJ. The rally offers: Rally Patch, Door Prizes, Games and Awards, Saturday Night Band, Swimming Pool, Steak Dinner Sat. Night, Breakfast Sunday Morning, Covered Pavilion, Camp Fires, HOT Showers, Camping. Dogs are OK on a leash, BYOB.

For those not familiar with the area, Rt. 521 wanders through some great back country, and a large part of it is in the Delaware River National Recreation Area. The campground is located about as north as you can get in NJ, just below Port Jervis NY, near the Delaware River!

Pre-registration (by Sept 1st) is \$28.00/adult, \$10.00 for 10 years old and under. Cost at the gate is Adult \$30.00, kids, \$12.00.

This sounds like a great opportunity to meet with some of our fellow NJ BMW riders - Prez Don's planning on going! **Please see or call Prez Don for registration details!**

SUNDAY RIDES LIST!

As most of our members know, our club has a

"Informal Sunday Rides List". This is a list of people who are willing to be called on short notice if you'd like company for an informal Sunday ride.

The current listing is:

Glen Martin 908-583-3945 .. Aberdeen
Richard Riegler 908-280-1496 .. Belmar
John Aubin 908-840-1269 .. Brick
Allan Clark 908-920-1968 .. Brick
Kenton Seydell 908-866-4338 .. Colts Neck
Jerry Schreiber 908-938-4130 .. Farmingdale
Jim Bessette 908-303-0720 .. Freehold
Rick Gruber 908-780-0358 .. Freehold
Mia Noren 908-364-2235 .. Lakewood
Dennis Swanson 908-899-7652 .. Pt. Pleasant Bch
Jim Harper 908-295-1912 .. Pt. Pleasant Bch
Brian Sweeney 908-899-5627 .. Pt. Pleasant
Martin Weckenman 908-449-0246 .. Sea Girt
Frank Young 908-974-0725 .. Spring Lk
Donald Eilenberger 908-449-1533 .. Spring Lk Hts[1]
Stefan Kwiatkowski 908-974-0295 .. Spring Lk Hts
Klaus Huenecke 908-303-9206 .. Tennent

[1] = Not an early riser. If calling, please call the day/night before!

How to add your name to the list? Please give Prez Don a call, or see him at the next meeting! So far, the informal rides have worked out very well, and members have never been at a loss for a riding partner!

DATES TO REMEMBER!

NEXT MEETING! July 12th!

Our next meeting - primarily a business meeting - we NEED your attendance! We have a number of things which must be decided, and we don't want to do it in a vacuum! **PLEASE ATTEND!** We hope to provide some refreshments!

Where? Sun Cycle, RT 71, Manasquan!

When? Weds, July 12th, 8PM!

NEXT RIDE! July 16th!

Come join us for lunch in Lawrenceville (NJ's alternative to New Hope). Ride one of the nicest roads in NJ - Rt. 571, tour PA's Rt. 32!

Where? Prez Don's house!

When? Sunday, July 16th, 10AM - returning by 4PM!

DURANGO - National BMW-MOA Rally!

To date, I know of three members of our club who are attending the national rally. (Riding out! No trailers!) They are: Kent Seydell, Bill Brown, and Jim Bessette. Pictures guys?

The national rally is July 27-30th, Durango, Colorado.

ODDS & ENDS

This spot is for things I can't think of anywhere else to put them..

FANDANGO

Prez Don recently took a 3 day trip on all backroads along the Delaware River in NJ, PA and NY. The trip has been written up in "Fandango part Deux" and is available on our Internet Home Page (complete with pictures) - or a copy can be borrowed from Prez Don (just ask).

FOR SALE/WANTED!

This section is for things we have to sell, or things we'd like to buy! Please submit them **in writing** to Prez Don! To start it off, Prez Don has something for sale, that if he sells it, will allow him to buy his second BMW:

FOR SALE/SWAP: 1975 Hunter 25' Sailboat. Excellent Condition. \$6,500 or swap for R90S + cash. Finders fee of 10% if you find a buyer! Call Don, 908-449-1533.

MEMBERS NEEDED!

Our club now has about 25 active, dues paying members.

To increase our activities possibilities, we'd like to increase our membership!

If you know of another BMW rider, or even see one on the road, please encourage them to join! Our membership application follows:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

FAX: _____

EMail Address: _____

BMW(s) Owned: _____

Please mail this form to:

**NJS-BMW-R c/o Hi-Tek Trader
P O Box 398,
Bradley Beach NJ, 07720-0398**

Enclose a check for \$5.00 made out to
Klaus Huenecke (our treasurer, NJS-BMW-R)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

DATE	WHEN	WHAT
July 12th	8:00 PM	Next Meeting, Sun Cycle, Manasquan!
July 16th	10:00 AM	Sunday Ride, Prez Don's House (call 449-1533 for directions)
July 26th	6:00 PM	4th Wednesday Evening Ride, Johnny B's (Rt. 537/524) - <i>May not be held since most of the regular participants are at the National, or away.</i>
July 27th-30th		BMW-MOA National Rally, Durango, Colorado
August 16th	8:00 PM	August Meeting, Sun Cycle, Manasquan
September 1-4th		21st Finger Lakes Rally, Watkins Glen NY (Finger Lakes BMW Club)
September 8-10th		Snappin' Turtle Rally, Montague, NJ (BMW Motorcycle Club of North Jersey)
September 22-24th		13th Last Chance Rally, Mays Landing, NJ (New Sweden BMW Riders)
October 1st	??	BMW Miracle Ride, (BMW-NA and Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America)
October 15th (&14th?)		Ultimate Stromboli Run. (and Chatsworth Cranberry Festival). NJ-Shore-BMW Riders

MEETING AGENDA, July Meeting:

Our July meeting will be a business meeting, PLEASE try to attend. Thought is being given to some form of Bylaws for the club, setting forth member qualifications, dues amounts and officer positions. We need to plan for our club's future!

SUN CYCLE

Please support Sun Cycle! Frank has been very gracious with his support of our club, and we owe him some support in return. He offers very competitive prices on accessories (tires, suspension components, etc.) and has a 'home town touch' - he has been here whenever we've needed him!



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