

New Jersey Shore BMW Riders

CLUB NEWS - August - 1996

Important!

Our August meeting, will NOT be held at Sun Cycle. Since our last meeting at the Circus was so successful, we will again meet at 7PM at the Circus Drive-in, Rt 35, Wall Twsp.

The meeting date is August 14th!



The Circus is located on Rt. 35 between Allaire Road (Rt 524) and State Hwy 138 (extension of I-195).

They offer an great drive-in menu at reasonable prices! We have use of the outdoor pavilion (we don't have to eat on the bikes).

Be there at 7PM and enjoy the company of your fellow club members!

Gonna be a short issue!

This issue is shorter than usual, 'cause:

1. I'm getting tired of doing these things
2. I've been out riding, and haven't gotten to them
3. Although promised - nobody submitted anything
4. There isn't a reason #4 - the first three are enough!

Club logo and patch

We're waiting on a final version of the patch design, so that Glenn Martin can get some sample T-shirts made up. Hopefully SOON! (Our club has been without any identifying logo for two years - which is TOO long!)

Club funds

We still have some. Dues will be due in December.

Club Tool Box

The club toolbox is stocked, and has been used. Prez Don and Treasurer Jim Bessette are looking into acquiring a set of K bike valve adjustment tools (used) seen in the MOA August Issue.

The rules of borrowing the tools are:

1. You MUST sign out the tool
2. You MAY borrow a tool for up to 2 weeks. It MUST be returned within 14 days of when it is borrowed
3. The honor system will apply - if this does not work, the tools will be moved to a members home, and you will have to arrange to see the member and obtain the needed tool personally.

RA Charter

Was submitted to RA by Dennis Swanson about 6 weeks go. We have not heard anything since. I think it's time we bugged them just a bit.

Rally Coordinators - Upcoming Rallies

Finger Lakes - we're looking for a volunteer. This is one of the premier BMW rallies of the year. It is being held on Labor Day weekend, a 4 day rally with two dinners included! There is more info on it further on in this issue.

Snappin-Turtle - put on by the BMW Motorcycle Club of North Jersey. This is a FUN rally. Not too big - you'll get to meet everyone there. Usually heavily attended by GummiKuh and New Sweden clubs - lets have our club be seen there this year. Being held Sept 13, 14, 15th. Great riding in the area. More info in this issue. **Coordinator - Don Eilenberger (908-449-1533).**

Last Chance Rally - Our other sister NJ club, the New Sweden BMW Riders are holding their annual Last Chance rally on Sept 27-29th. A really nice rally, with the theme this year of Two and a Half Arabian Nights of Semi-Debauchery in the sands of South Jersey. A close ride for those people trying out newly on-the-road bikes! **Looking for a coordinator!**

Rally Reports

These are gonna be short - since I'm saving the rest of the issue for upcoming rally info!



Gummikuh - was attended by Frank Kirkleski and his charming wife Shirley, Stefan Kiakowski, George Hickman and Don Eilenberger. Very nice site in the upper Catskills. No rain. Good ride up and back via backroads of NJ and NY. Worth considering next year - they had Dinkelacker on tap! **Thanks to Frank K for his excellent work as coordinator.**

MOA - Morgonton NC - as far as I know, only one member attended - *Bill Brown*. We'll have to wait for his report on it in person. I did hear that despite Bertha, the weather at the rally was fine.

RA - Quebec Canada - was attended by: *Jim and Becky Bessette, Glenn Martin and son, Bill Brown and Don Eilenberger* was a day-visitor. You may have heard about torrental rains and flooding in Quebec Province - this was as the rally was going on. The tents ended up indoors, and those of us who took other than 2 wheels to the rally were not really sorry. Looking forward to some more details from a few of the other members who attended!

That's it for our past-rally reports. Lets see if our next few issues can really expand this section by YOU attending. Rallies are fun and a great way to meet other people who share your interests in riding and BMW's!

Bob Higdon

This will be a short excerpt from Bob's Winter Ride chronicle, since I'm saving space for rally info in this issue.

We should congratulate Bob, just saw in August's MOA that he has gotten the 400,000 mile on BMW's award! He just finished up a summer ride, which made up for his bad weather on the winter ride - he was blessed with great riding weather throughout the summer ride!

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Eastbound and down, loaded up and bikin'. And not a minute too soon.

The word for today is tailwind, a big one, as weighty as an impending dental appointment but not nearly so painful. The 30 mpg tank I had two days ago was 48 today. That, friends, is a 60% gain, courtesy of a tailwind with eyes.

I hung around Tucson, looking for black widows in my shoes and tank bag, and rode out to Joanna Strohn's house in late morning. Bill Muhr was supposed to be thumping in. After waiting a decent interval and not hearing the potato-potato-potato sound, I decided I

needed to make Las Cruces more than I needed to watch Bill wrestling his Vulcan to the death. Here, on the eastern edge of the time zone, the sun sets an hour earlier than it does in Van Horn. It was 54F and felt colder with the wind. I aimed for The Ten and didn't look back.

What I needed today was another 35 degrees of ambient heat. It is uncomfortable for me to have to dress for a polar expedition, but I don't have a lot of choice. I'll plug in the vest below 70 and crank up the gloves at 65. If I don't, I'm going to be taken over by the cold. Every muscle in my body, starting with my brain, will begin to atrophy and contract. Fine movements are lost. I don't think clearly or quickly. I concentrate, if at all, on pointing the bike in a straight line. Great fun.

None of that happens when I'm hot. All I have to do to cool off is find an air-conditioner for five minutes, soak my shirt in water, and zip up the vents in the coat. I'll be happy for a couple of hours. But once I get cold, I'm finished for the day, totally. It'll take a scalding, twenty minute shower to get my core defrosted. Oddly, even at sub-zero temps, cold has never halted a day's ride, but heat has. On July 3, 1989, a date that will live in infamy, I ran into a 114 degree wall that I couldn't climb over. That happened (where else?) in Tucson.

I bagged it an hour short of Las Cruces today because of . . . er, a yawning fit. It was bizarre. Once it started, it quickly turned into an uncontrollable plague. I had big tears running down my cheeks. It went on for 25 stupid miles. Then the Motel 6 sign appeared and that was that. I checked in, yanked off my boots, and flopped for an hour.

These next few days are going to be delicate. I have stumbled into a good weather window moving east at a brisk rate. I will do anything, up to and including burglary, larceny, arson, rape, robbery, manslaughter, mayhem, murder, and sodomy --- those are the nine common law felonies for you budding law students --- to stay in this slot. Run too fast and I can catch up with the rain. Dog it and the crap behind me will catch me.

At least I'll be in Texas tomorrow. The taxes are confiscatory, but at least you can find Dr. Pepper under every rock.

Bob Higdon

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Passenger's Name _____ DOB _____

Make of Bike _____ Model _____ Year _____

Miles to Rally _____ Nights Camping _____

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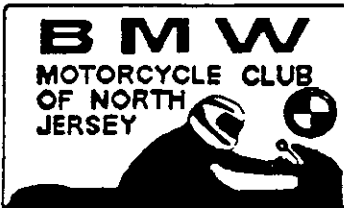
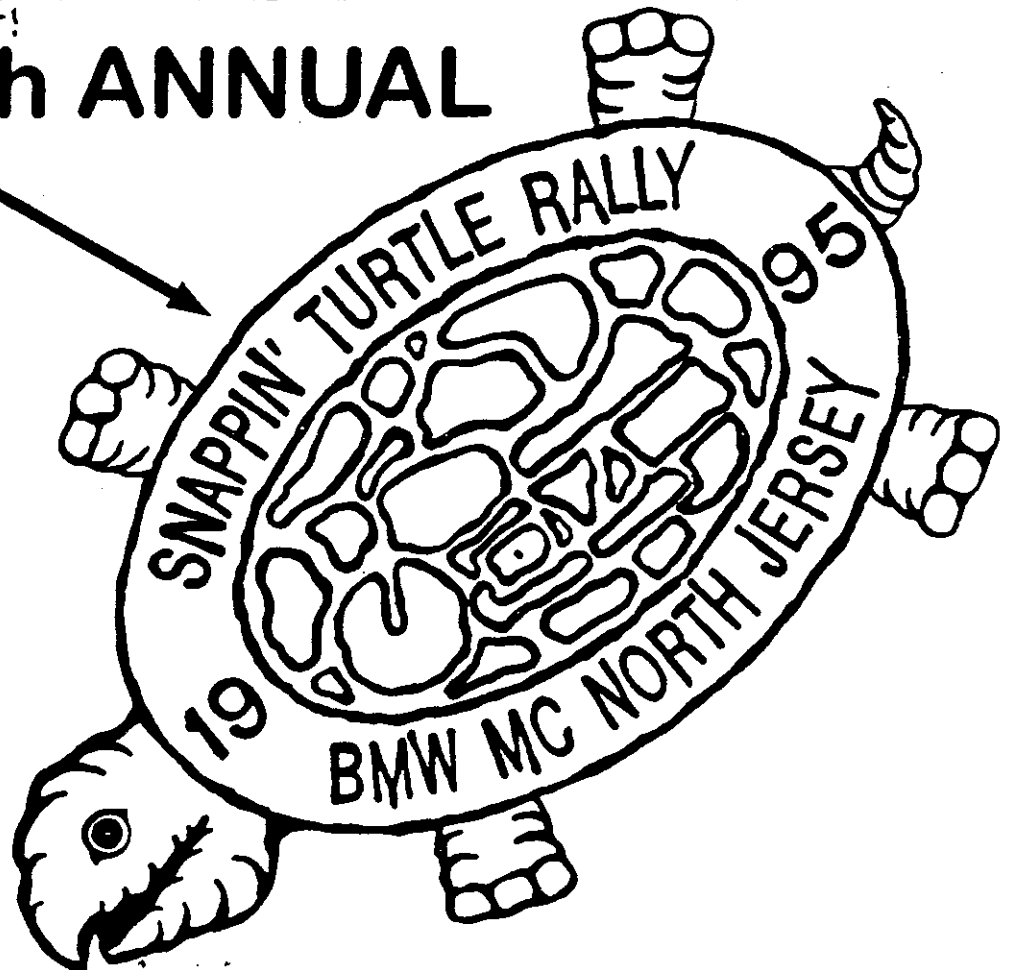
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September 13, 14, 15, 1996
Cedar Ridge Campground, Route 521, Montague, NJ

- Rally Patch ^{WHILE THEY LAST!}
- Door Prizes
- Games & Awards
- Continuous Coffee
- Saturday Night Band
- Swimming Pool
- Steak Dinner Sat. Night
- Breakfast Sunday Morning
- Covered Pavilion
- Camp Fires
- Hot Showers
- Camping
- Dogs OK - On Leash
- BYOB & Hot Sauce

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Mark your calendars!

| When | Where | What |
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| August 14th, 7PM | Circus Drive-In Resturant | August Meeting - Meet and Eat and Ride! |
| Aug 30, 31, Sept 1, 2 | Watkins Glen, NY | Finger Lakes BMW Club Rally. 4 days, 3 nights. Excellent Facilities, 2 catered meals! See flyer inside for more info! This has been described as a "must-do" rally! Coordinator needed! |
| Sept 13, 14, 15 | Montague, NJ | BMWMCNJ Snappin'Turtle Rally. Near High-Point NJ, excellent riding area. Prez Don can promise to take you to areas you've never been before in NY and NJ! Coordinator - Don Eilenberger, 908-449-1533 |
| Sept 22nd | BMW-NA head-quarters, Wood-cliff Lk NJ | BMW Miracle Ride. Proceeds benefit the Crohns & Colitis Foundation of America. Win a BMW R850R! For more info: Kristine Franco at 203-629-5353 or 914-762-9015. |
| Sept 27-20 | Mays Landing NJ | New Sweden's Last Chance Rally. In the pines of Southern NJ. Good rally with lots of fun - family oriented. Coordinator needed! |

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