

New Jersey Shore BMW Riders

CLUB NEWS - November - 1997

November - we have TWO meetings!

Regular Meeting - Wednesday November 12th

Our normal eat and meet meeting is November 12th, 7PM at Bedrock Cafe in Bradley Beach. Topics for this meeting are:

Elections!

Glenn Martin has been nominated for President, and Dennis Swanson has been nominated for Vice-President. I would be more than happy if someone nominated someone to take the positions of Treasurer and Secretary!

Visitor!

We have a guest visiting us - Court Fisher, well know for his european BMW travel column in the BMW-MOA Owners News is coming and bringing his BMW System-IV helmet. I know several members have expressed an interest in this new helmet, and this is your chance to see it up close and personal. It can be obtained from several dealers in England, and from a few dealers in Germany. Cost is about \$425 - which is competitive with other top of the line helmets! Please come to the meeting and make Court feel welcome (I've been trying to get him to join our club.)

Christmas Party!

Our annual Christmas party will also be a topic of discussion. Grant Duncan has taken the job of arranging it for us, and we have reservations at a local restaurant. More on this in another article.

If you need directions to Bedrock Cafe - please call one of the officers. Bedrock went out of their way to make us welcome last month, and the food is good and reasonably priced.

Tech Session! Weds. Nov 19th

We will be having a tech session meeting at Sun Cycle on November 19th (3rd Wednesday).

This session will be primarily a K bike tech session. Items on the agenda so far (and we're open for more):

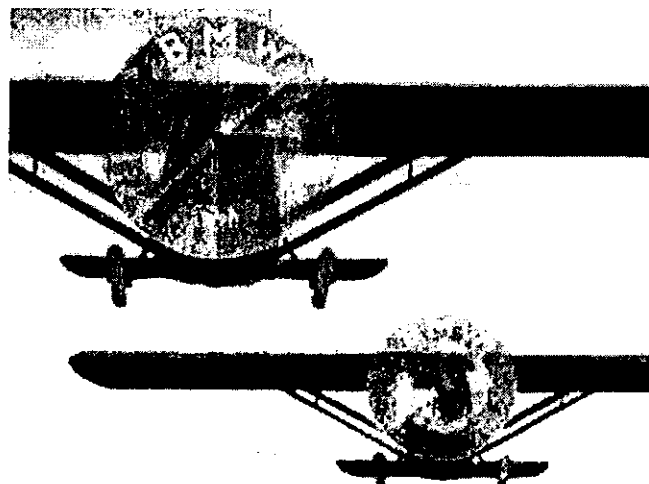
K-bike fork springs and fork-oil change: Grant Duncan has purchased a set of Progressive fork springs for his K75 - we'll be installing them and changing the fork oil at the same time. This is a task easily within the capabilities of any K bike owner, so make the meeting and learn how!

K-Bike Service I - we'll be doing most of the primary items done at a BMW Service I inspection/service for a K bike. Many of these are inspection items, and we'll show you things like checking your brake pads, checking oil levels in your transmission and rear drive, changing a fuel-filter, and we may do a brake fluid flush. Again - all of these items are easily done by the average K bike owner - so come learn how - and save some money on your service expenses.

DYNO-RUNS! Frank has just gotten in a Dyno-Jet dyno, brand new and just out of the box. He's offered to let us 'play' with it for a while, doing some dyno runs on our bikes. Want to know what your bike can really do? Bring it and we'll run it up the dyno.

PIZZA - since this may be a long tech session, we're going to start it early. Since not everyone can eat before coming, the club will pay for pizza for all who attend!

TIME: 7:00PM PLACE: Sun Cycle, Rt 71, Manasquan, right across from the Mobil station!



Your photos needed!

The club now has an official club scrapbook (actually two of them). We need your help in filling them.

PLEASE bring your club pictures to the next meeting. If you can spare a few - they'll be in good company.

Mental Health Day..

Couldn't resist...I took yesterday off and rode up through Bucks county to check out the foilage. Since the weather has been soggy the last 3 or 4 weekends, I hadn't been out on the bike in almost a month.

My brother-in-law and his buddy met me at 10:00 and we slabbed our way to Trenton and then crossed over to River Road. No traffic to speak of. Just north of Yardley, we cut away from the river and found lots of narrow curvy roads through the "expensive" section of Bucks County. We rode through estates and housing developments where each and every house had to cost several \$M. Very impressive.

We made our way down Rt. 232 to New Hope and continued north on Rt. 32 to Kintnersville and Rt. 611. The portion of the canal just before Kintnersville has been re-opened. The water fall at the lock near Kintnersville is running again. This is the spot where twenty-some years ago I would park and listen to the water fall and watch the 3 cylinder Kawasakis and 4 cylinder Hondas run WFO up the grade to the next curve. There's enough space to pull off Rt. 32 and park for a while and there's some picnic tables on the tow path to enjoy the sights and sounds again.

The leaves that were still on the trees were bright yellow and orange. Very colorful and it was a beautiful day for watching and riding.

The three of us stopped for lunch at the All American Grill and Food Store on 611 just north of the intersection of 611 and 32. I've passed the place many times before but never stopped in. It's sorta like Bee Bops in Jamesburg. Paper table cloths, crayons, and popcorn at every table. Old 45 records hanging from the ceiling and '60's music from the sound system. The menu has lots of healthy and trendy items on it, along with the usual burgers and fries. The food is good. I give it 3.5 greasy spoons on a scale of 5.

After killing an hour eating and warming up, we headed north to Rieglesville Pa, crossed the bridge into Rieglesville NJ, and took the other River Road, Rt. 627 south along the river on the Jersey side into Milford. This is a neat little road that narrows down to only one lane the last 2 miles into Milford. At Milford we headed south on Rt. 519. Not very tight, but lots of sweepers and no traffic to spoil the fun. We stayed on 519 until it re-joined Rt. 29 near Stockton. Then we cruised south on 29 until the Trenton/Bordentown area, where we picked up back roads through the Jersey farmlands to home. Didn't feel like running I-295.

It was a great riding day and a great mental health day. It was the motorcycle fix I needed. The K75 runs soooo smoothly in cool weather, much better than when it's in the high 90's during the peak of summer heat. I think the K75 leans out a little at high temps and buzzes a little bit and the throttle response is sorta sluggish. But at lower temps like yesterday, it is silky smooth and razor sharp. Whata great bike.

This was my first cold weather test of my Aerostich one piece (new to me this summer). It was about 42 deg when we left in the morning and I had on thermal undies, jeans, heated vest, sweatshirt, heated gloves, and the stich. After lunch the temps were probably in the low 50's so I left the electrics switched off. I was comfortable all day.

Well, that was yesterday. Today it's back to work. Bummer.

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Dues is DUE!

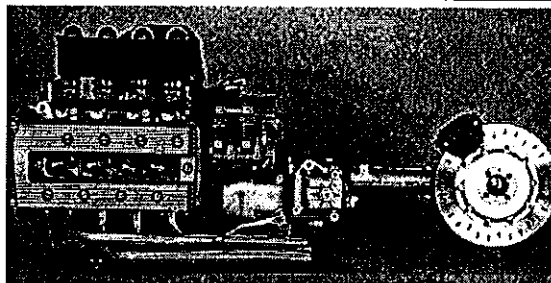
It's that time of year again. Our annual dues collection starts on November 1st of every year.

Dues are - once again - \$10.00 - a bargain at twice the price!

Please fill out the form on the back page, and either bring it to our meeting on November 12th, or mail it to:

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If you're sending a check - **make it payable to (IMPORTANT) Don Eilenberger**. Since we do not - as of yet - have a bank account, we cannot cash checks made out to the club name.



Now Is the Time...

If you haven't been riding lately you might be considering packing up your faithful mount for the season. Be sure to follow the well published guidelines for putting a bike in for its winter hibernation. Your battery will thank you, come Spring. (Let me know if you need tech help & I'll volunteer one of our guru's). The rest of you nuts carry insurance for 12 months in the hopes of sunny, 70 degree days in February, or winning a Polar Bear Rally award.

Keep in mind our tech sessions can be scheduled in the warm confines of Sun Cycle, for routine maintenance, out of the cold.

It is an excellent time now to add any accessory that could make 1998 more comfortable, or safer, or faster. Frank Armadruto of Sun Cycle can order any non-BMW item at a competitive price. Plus, we should always support our friends.

Election time is here. I pledge to serve if re-elected, and try to schedule our first Rally on a date other than during the BMW RA National. Upcoming events are our 2nd annual Christmas party. Families invited. Details will be finalized at the Nov meeting. An early Dec Newsletter will list details. We will try to organize a group trip to the NYC Javits Bike Show, in January via ferry. Let me know at the Nov meeting if you're interested.

Lastly, I apologise to the guy who's been at Finley's Pub for the last three months. All alone on his BMW, looking for our meetings. We've moved.

Look for us in Bradley Beach, at the Bedrock Cafe. Same time, new place. - *Glenn*

Christmas Party!

Our annual (3rd!) Christmas Party will be held at Zachary's (An Experience Worth Repeating), 71 Oceanport Ave, West Long Branch.

The date is Wednesday, December 17th, time is 7PM. Dress is casual.

Grant Duncan has arranged a great deal for us - a complete dinner for \$15.00, with a choice of: Prime Rib; Broiled Flounder; or Chicken and Broccoli. The dinner includes salad, beverage, dessert, tip and tax. ALL for only \$15.00

We will need - soon - a head count and your choice of dinners.

You'll find a form on the back of this issue with the three choices. PLEASE fill it out and either bring it to a meeting, or mail it to:

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Spousal Units and Significant Others are very welcome. As everyone who has made our last two parties knows - a great time is had, and we don't just discuss motorcycles.

Depending on the state of our budget - the club may partially offset the cost of the party as we have in previous years, probably reducing the cost to \$10.00.

SO - we need:

Rally chairperson: Become famous! Be the chairperson of what will undoubtedly become a legend of rallies, and chair the FIRST one, gaining your moment of fame!

Committee chairpersons - the ones we see right now (and the list should grow with time) are:

Site selection and arrangements: We have a tentative site selection at Fort Dix, but there is one problem to solve. The water pump system at the site was struck by lightning about a year ago, and has yet to be fixed. Without water, there are no showers, no indoor pavilion and no flush toilets. We will need a committee which can attempt - however possible - to either solve this problem, or select a different site.

Publicity and Prizes: For a successful rally, we'll need to get people to come to the rally, and then to reward them for coming (doorprizes.)

Food and Beverages: People like to eat and drink at rallies. We'll need people to plan and arrange how to provide food and drink.

Games, Entertainment and Rides: People like to play motorcycle games at rallies, and they like to go for local rides. People also expect some evening entertainment (band, DJ or whatever.) We need to plan and run these.

Insurance, Registration and Security: To protect ourselves (and because it's a requirement of Fort Dix to use their property) we must provide liability insurance for the rally. We also must provide some security for the rally site and plan the rally registration functions.

That's it for now - if you have ANY suggestions on other functions which must be taken care of - please let a club officer know.

As we found out doing the Jose Poker Run - working together can be a lot of fun, and lots of hands make for easy work! PLEASE help us make this event happen!

We're looking for a few GOOD people!

We have made tentative commitments to holding the first NJS-BMW-R rally this spring.

There are very few rallies held in May, so it would be an ideal time to stake out our rally and get it on people's calendars. We can expect that it will be popular, 'cause we're a bunch of great people, and because by May, people have serious cabin fever, leading to serious rally fever, meaning it will probably attract a good sized crowd (hope I didn't loose you with this logic).

What we'll need to make it go is a core group of workers who will head up various phases of rally preparation, and we're looking for one volunteer to oversee the entire event, plus people to head up committees for various aspects of running a rally.

T-Shirts and Patches!

T-Shirts - We will soon (maybe by our Nov. 12th meeting) have Official New Jersey Shore BMW Riders T shirts available. Quantities on this first order WILL be limited, so if you're interested, come to the meeting and see Dennis Swanson. Cost will be \$15/each.

Patches - We have available in limited quantities our NJS-BMW-R patch. Cost is \$4.00 hand delivered at a meeting, or \$5.00 via US-Mail. Contact Don Eilenberger

The not so small print: DISCLAIMER - as a motorcyclist you realize participation in any motorcycle activity is inherently dangerous. As such you accept all responsibility for any injury to yourself or any passenger and release the officers and members of the NJSBMW-MR from any and all claims.

1997 Membership Renewal Form

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

I accept that motorcycling is a dangerous sport and that I will in no way hold the officers or members of the NJ Shore BMW Riders responsible for any injury I sustain while participating in any NJSBMWR activity.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please bring to the next meeting, or mail to Don Eilenberger, with a check for \$10.00 made out to "**Don Eilenberger, Secty NJSBMWR**"

1997 Christmas Party! December 17th

Number of people attending _____

Dinners Desired: _____ Prime Rib _____ Broiled Flounder _____ Chicken and Broccoli

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Work Number _____

Please bring this form to the next meeting or mail to Don Eilenberger, or call at 732-449-1533. Payment for the party will be done at the party.



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