

# THE NEW JERSEY SHORE BMW RIDERS

August 1999

## Rhinebeck Notes from President Dennis

It rained all night prior to departure on Tuesday morning. I had told Grant Duncan that I would be at his house at 8:30 am. It would appear that I would need the Gore-Tex rain gear. But by 7am, it had cleared and a beautiful day was beginning.

Grant and I took Interstate 195 west to route 32 along the Delaware. It was cool and nice and just about perfect riding weather. We met Jim Gorman for breakfast at Frenchtown and then headed north on routes 32, 519 and 523 to Port Jervis. These being secondary routes, we kept to the speed limits most of the time. But wouldn't you just know it, the very first time we exceeded the limit, a state trooper pulled us all to the side of the road and checked our documents. He could see we were all law-abiding citizens and let us go with a warning. This lasted a few miles. From Port Jervis we headed north on route 6 and 209 toward Rhinebeck. We had a nice lunch at a place the MOA mag had recommended. My rubber pastrami was quite the item.

Arriving at the rally site, we found Roland Marchetti working security and he directed us to the club's campsite. After registering, we easily found it. He had cordoned off an area and had hung our banner. It was a great spot, centrally located near the Blondie's Food stand and the lavatories. Grassy and ringed by large shade trees, it would be our home and meeting area for three days. We didn't let Gorman inside the perimeter until he joined the club. Soon Don and Willy showed up, later Jim Cavallo and Mike Koval. There were also our newlywed couple Kris and Xan Kahn, and also Bill Brown. Other members in attendance, but not staying at the club site, stopped by throughout the three days of the rally.

The weather stayed about as near to perfect as you can expect. There were all sorts of things to do, all sorts of stories to tell and hear, all sorts of bikes to see. Vendors had all sorts of neat things to sell and most of us spent some money even if we didn't really need what we bought. The countryside around the rally had lots of good roads to ride, restaurants and bars, and cultural sites. Naturally we avoided the bars and visited the cultural sites. The days passed swiftly. Friday morning we all were up by 6am---even Don---and packing. Soon on our



way, we followed a similar route home. The best part of the ride was through the national park just north of route 80 and mostly along the Delaware. We saw only one Bambi and also some turkeys---real ones--not the human variety. Now we can look forward to the RA rally in Virginia this September!



Our newlyweds - What a spot for a honeymoon! Kris and Xan Kahn. CONGRATULATIONS from everyone in the club!

With over 30 members in attendance, this was our most successful turnout for an event yet! The members in attendance were (and if I missed anyone, please let me know!): John Aubin (and S.O. Michelle), Bill Brown, Jim Cavallo, Ted David (and wife), J. Grant Duncan, Willie Egerter, Don Eilenberger, Mat Fretague, Jim Gorman (joined club during rally - he also provided cigars!), George Hickman, Kris and Xan Kahn (Honeymoon!!), Mike Koval (& son Ian), Tom Kozak

(and wife), Eric Landmesser (never saw him - but his bike was there for sale), David Lapin (& wife Sue), Glenn Larson (& wife), Roland (Frenchy) Marchetti, Jason Sharman, Julia Shirley (and hubby Gene), Phil Sikora, Dennis Swanson, Barron Williams, Bob Wrublewski



Roland Marchetti justifiably proud of the great campsite he snagged us!

### Club Classifieds Free Ads for Members

**"BMW K-Series Motorcycles"** Out-of-print 1989 book by M.Walker/P.Dobson. Complete history of K development. Well written, exlnt cond. \$30. Firm. Call Glenn: 732-583-3945

'78 R80, 41K miles, exc. cond., new rings and valve job, strong runner, choice of seats & handlebars. Call Phil 973-236-6665 (W)

'84 R100 Police Bike, \$5500, 35k, call Eric Landmesser, 732-349-6185 or 240-3062

### Gummi Kuh Rally by Prez Dennis

Rode to Round Top on Friday and returned today, Sunday. Left at noon and took the Parkway and the Thruway to exit 21. The traffic was heavy the whole way. The toll plazas were jammed and at one there was a mobile home on fire. Until close to 21, the traffic on the thruway was very slow and even came to a stop on occasion. So much for leaving early on the 4th of July weekend.

When I arrived Don, George H., and Jim Gorman had arrived shortly before me. We all set up our campsites in the trees just off the big field. There was, however, plenty of space as this was a lightly attended affair. After a few beers and some talk, we had the goulash dinner at the hotel. It was passing fair. Ted Simon joined us and the conversation was good. Ted will have to be a little faster in future if he wants his fair share of Goulash.

After dinner, Don, Ted and I went into the bar for some more refreshment and conversation. Later we went into the main room and watched the couples

dancing to the German music. Since there was a shortage of old gals, there were no young ones, Ted and I did a turn on the dance floor. Up to the rally for a spell and then to the tent for a good rest.

Next day, I took one of the rallies planned rides. It was a good three hours of twisties and sweepers, but I was alone, so had no one to set a pace or as Joe Christie puts it somewhere between fast and faster. The rest of the day was spent lounging and talking, as it was very warm. That evening began the dinner, awards, contests and a blues band. It was entertaining, particularly the cow moo-ing contest.

The winner was a guy who came to the mike, said it was a *Jersey cow*, so "*fucking moo*". It brought the house down. The band came on and so did the wind, thunder, lightning and rain. For a time it seemed as if the main tent would blow down and the band would be electrocuted. They stopped playing for a while and the party kind of petered out. Into the tent for a night of wind, rain and etc. I was expecting a branch or a tree to fall on me or a tidal wave to take me away. But I made it through the night, in fact I got good night of sleep.

At 6:30 am it was more of the same, so after some coffee and hesitation I packed a soggy camp, drove the K 12 out of a small lake and headed south. It was heavy rain all the way to the NJ border and then it turned into a blast furnace. My riding suit was soaked through to the Gore-Tex---I was dry---and the evaporation created a cooling effect so I wasn't uncomfortable until the suit dried and I was nearly home. People, I'm sure, thought I was crazy, all suited up, but they didn't know about BMW rider air conditioning. Don called later and said he had left about 11am and George called and said they had left about noon. The important thing is we all arrived home safely.

Visit the club web site at:

<http://www.monmouth.com/~deilenberger>

## Calendar

- **Aug. 9-15, Mon-Sun, The Rolling Rally**, Gaspe Peninsula, New Brunswick, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. See July newsletter. Call Mike LoGalbo 609-395-8991
- **Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> 7pm Club Meeting, Bedrock Café**, 10 Main St., Bradley Beach 732-502-4455
- **Sept. 3- 6, 25<sup>th</sup> Finger Lakes Rally** Hidden Valley Campground in Watkins Glen State Park, Info: Ken Hearn 716-624-8367 < <http://www.fingerlakesbmw.org/> >
- **Sept. 10-12, BMW Mass Confusion Rally, 11th Plymouth Rock Campout**, Plymouth Rock KOA, Rte 44 Middleboro, MA between Rtes 495 and 105. Info: Harry Bruno 781-826-4663

- **Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> NJS-BMW-R Club Picnic/Swim @** Dave Davidson's in Colts Neck. Details next mo.
- **Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, Freemansburg Pa. Hill Climb,** Racing begins at 1:00. Admission \$10. Tickets are available at the gate. Parking is free. **Directions:** Hellertown exit on Route 78 (the second exit into PA from NJ) take route 412 north. Go past Cokeworks Rd, and where 412 turns left; bear right on Shimersville. Go past the Freemansburg bridge- the road will turn into Riverside drive



- **Sept. 23 - 26, "RA In The Colonies."** 27th BMW RA International Rally, the event will be held at the spacious Jamestown Beach Campsites located along the beautiful James River. The campground is close upon the actual Jamestown settlement and adjacent to the Jamestown Ferry landing. **The Virginia Peninsula** is a cradle of American history, starting with the settlement's founding in 1607. Jamestown is cornerstone to Virginia's "Historical Triangle" which includes a scenic loop to Colonial Williamsburg and

Yorktown. Venture east and you'll discover numerous Civil War battle sites, including the "Monitor-Merimac Overlook," at Newport News. The city is also host of the famous Mariners' Museum. Nearby, in Hampton, is NASA's Langley Research Center, home of the Virginia Air & Space Center. Further south is Norfolk, Virginia Beach and the spectacular Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel. Further north are the birthplaces of George Washington and Robert E. Lee. This is but a miniscule sampling of what there is to explore, all only minutes from the rally site. The Indian Summer time frame guarantees warm days, cool nights and small crowds at the attractions.

**Best approach** is from the south via the back roads of Surrey and Sussex Counties. Exit I-95 near Emporia and select a course that will take you east to Highway 31. Follow 31 north and board the ferry at Scotland. The Jamestown Ferry operates 24-hours a day (on the half-hour) and is free. The quick route from the north is via I-64 to the Colonial Parkway (Exit 242). Follow the signs to Jamestown.

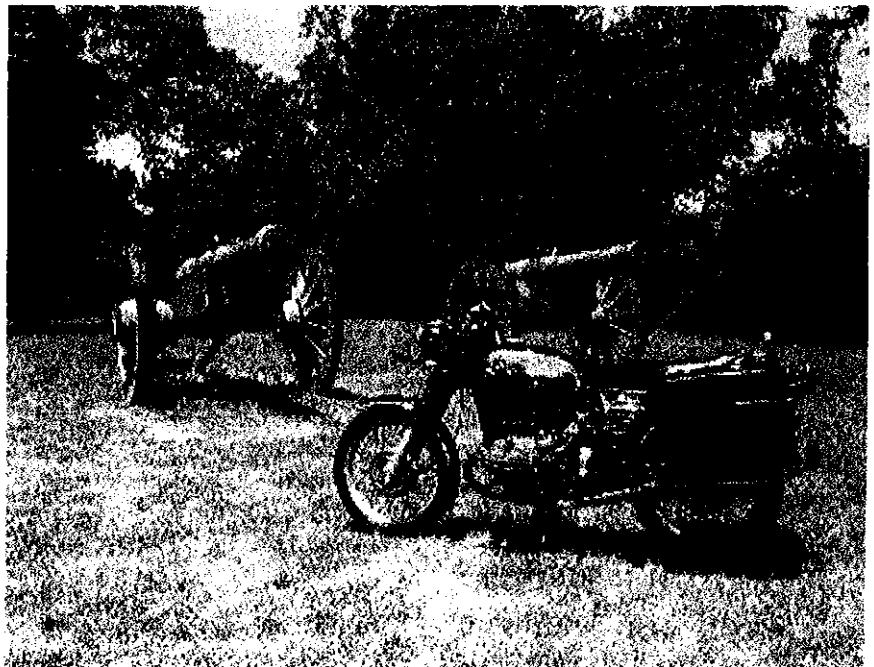
**Pre-Registration** is \$20 (by September 10); \$25 at the gate. Please, cash or check only at the gate. Fee includes three nights camping, rally pin, entertainment, self-guided tours, technical seminars and more!

**For additional information contact R.A. Headquarters at 407-984-7800 or**

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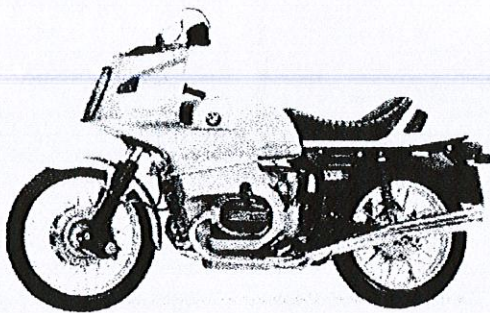


TO:

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Meeting: 7pm Wednesday August 11<sup>th</sup>  
Bedrock Café / Eat & Meet.

Former Prez Glenn Martin crashed "Special K" at Pocono Raceway CLASS. But you can't keep a good rider down !!



He's on two wheels again, this time aboard a 1992 R100RS Airhead.



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# GLENN RIDES AGAIN

