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May, queen of blossoms, And fulfilling flowers, With
what pretty music Shall we charm the hours? Wilt thou
have pipe and reed, Blown in the open mead? Or to the
lute give heed In the green bowers.

Lord Edward Thurlow

But winter lingering chills the lap of May.

Oliver Goldsmith

Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May, And
summer's lease hath all too short a date.

William Shakespeare

Every year, back comes Spring, with nasty little birds
yapping their fool heads off and the ground all mucked
up with plants.

Dorothy Parker

We know the past but cannot control it.
We control the future but cannot know it.

Claude Shannon

Lots of people go mad in January. Not as many as in
May, of course. Nor June. But January is your third
most common month for madness.

Karen Joy Fowler

A little knowledge may or may not be a
dangerous thing, but it certainly going to be
more expensive.

Vikrant Parsai

The only way to spend New Month's Eve is either
quietly with friends or in a brothel. Otherwise when the
evening ends and people pair off, someone is bound to
be left in tears. W.H.Auden

**BMW Motorcycle Club
New Jersey Shore**



Co-President's Message:

Roger Trendowski – May President

Finally, the weather is warmer, bikes are charged up, and there are plenty of ride opportunities coming up in May. Besides monthly rides to Club meeting, Moribundi, Saturday breakfasts, and ice cream evening, there are some longer distance ones that club members have indicated they are attending: 1) Morton Spring Fling at Natural Bridge VA (a great 3 day adventure on the western edge of Blue Ridge Parkway (with great routes up to the Parkway on dirt or paved roads), 2) New Sweden BMW 450 (450 miles of great back roads linked together in the tri-state area taking place over the course of 2 days, traversing some of the best roads in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware), 3) Classic Motorcycle Day held at the Fireman's Carnival Grounds, Mt Airy, MD (featuring Classic motorcycles that are 1983 or older featuring British & European marqueses and Japanese motorcycles). I expect there will be some impromptu rides as member's id new opportunities or the weather is exceptionally good during the week. Continue to check our website, emails and newsletter for planned and new rides and lunch destinations.



BMW MOA members save \$750 on BMW motorcycle purchase

If you are an MOA member, you probably already know this. If you're not, then here is a good reason to join.... BMW MOA members are now included in the BMW Motorrad Appreciation Program offering current MOA members up to \$750 off the purchase of a new BMW motorcycle. The new incentive offers active BMW MOA members, who have been a member for one year or longer, \$250 off C-series and G-series motorcycles, \$500 off F-series and R-series motorcycles and \$750 off K-series and S-series motorcycles. The great thing is that the Appreciation Program discount can be combined with other seasonal incentives or sales offers. See the BMWMOA.org website for details.

In the past I have mentioned the MOA website "Chasing the Horizon" that features podcasts <http://horizon.bmwmoa.org>. Interviews with industry leaders continue to be added every month. In addition the MOA started two new BMW rider features: "200 miles before breakfast:" <https://www.bmwmoa.org/page/200milespodcast> and "Motorcycle Test Kitchen videos:" MotorcycleTestKitchen.com. You can easily get to either of these sites off of the BMWMOA.org website under the DISCUSS tab. The 200 Miles podcasts are by, for, and about MOA members. MC Test Kitchen is a YouTube channel dedicated to reviews and discussions of motorcycle gear and accessories - and just maybe some recipes along the way, too.

Enjoy riding and hope to see you on route.

P.S. Thanks to Bill Dudley for editing this month's newsletter.

Schedule of Events – 2019!

Please send additions and corrections to the editor!

NOTE: Various repeating events, such as the weekly breakfast will be announced via our Email list. One can assume the weekly breakfast takes place every Saturday AM when we're in town, usually around 9:45AM. Watch your email for announcements of where!.

- **May 1** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **May 8** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
- **May 18-19** Morton's Spring Fling, all day, location Natural Bridge VA
- **May 18-19** New Sweden BMW 450, all

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day, location NJ and PA

- **May 19** Classic Motorcycle Day at 10AM-4PM, location Firemans' Carnival Grounds, Mt Airy, MD
- **May 22** Evening Ice Cream Ride, Ben P at 6PM, location TBD

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- **June 5** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
 - **June 7-9** Americade, all day, location Lake George, NY
 - **June 12** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
 - **June 13-16** BMW MOA National Rally, all day, location Lebanon, TN
 - **June 19** Evening Ice Cream Ride, Ben P at 6PM, location TBD

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- **July 3** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
 - **July 10** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
 - **July 12-14th** BMW MOA Pocono Get-away, all day, location 1 Manor Dr., Pocono Manor, PA
 - **July 17** Evening Ice Cream Ride, Ben P at 6PM, location TBD

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- **August 7** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
 - **August 11** NJ Ride for the CURE!
 - **August 14** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelpia Road, Farmingdale
 - **August 21** Evening Ice Cream Ride, Ben P at 6PM, location TBD
 - **August 30** Fingerlakes Rally, all day, lo-

cation Watkins Glen, NY

- **September 1-2** Finger Lakes Rally, all day, location Watkins Glen, NY
- **September 4** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **September 5-8** BMW RA National Rally, all day, location Woodstock, VA
- **September 11** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelphia Road, Farmingdale
- **September 18** Evening Ice Cream Ride, Ben P at 6PM, location TBD
- **September 20-22** New Sweden BMW Club's Last Chance Rally, all day, location Buena NJ
- **September 20-22** Oktoberfest, Catskills - Don, Dan and ALL the club! More Info Here, all day, location Crystal Brook Resort, Round Top, NY

- **October 2** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **October 9** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelphia Road, Farmingdale

- **November 6** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **November 13** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelphia Road, Farmingdale

- **December 4** Moribundi lunch at 12:30PM, location TBD
- **December 11** club meeting at 6PM to eat, 7:30 meeting, location Our House Tavern, 420 Adelphia Road, Farmingdale
- **Date to be determined** – Club Holiday Party, more to come.
- **Date to be determined** – Club Toy Run, Children's Hospital, Toms River. More to come!

The calendar is also available here, with more detail: www.njsbmwr.org/calendar.cgi

There are also the regular Saturday morning **"Breakfast Club"** meetings, announced via the club email group list.

Moribundi lunch locations are announced via

email, and are at 12:30PM, the first Wednesday of every month.

May 2019 Meeting Agenda

- 1 - Call to order (7:30 - Roger)
 - 2 - Welcome new/returning members (Roger)
 - 3 - Treasurer's Report (Joe K)
 - 4 - Secretary's Report on Membership and renewals (Jim T)
 - 5 - OLD and CONTINUING BUSINESS
 - a) PCa Fundraiser Status – Don
 - b) Gathering of the Nortons recap
 - c) Fontana Getaway recap (Roger, Kevin, Herb)
 - 6 - NEW BUSINESS
 - a) ice cream night May 15 or 22 ??? - Ben
 - 7 - Open Floor – Anyone?
 - 8 - 50/50 drawing (Joe K)
- END - Adjourn and stand around talking for 30 minutes or so.



Recap of April Meeting

Jim Thomasey

Meeting called to order by Bill D. at 7:30 who addressed more than 25 members. New members included Yannis (Yanni??) K. who rides a R110R and Kevin H. who rides a R1200RT.

Joe K. reported the treasury holds about \$1090.33 and the present paid membership is about 59 members.

Don reported the progress on the Ride for the Cure event to benefit the Prostate Cancer Foundation to take place Aug. 11. See article below for more on the benefit.

The Gathering of the Norton's ride was discussed and it was been decided that all interested parties will meet at our WAWA at 9:30 for the short ride into PA to view hundreds of classic motorcycles. Kenton S. has offered to lead the ride.

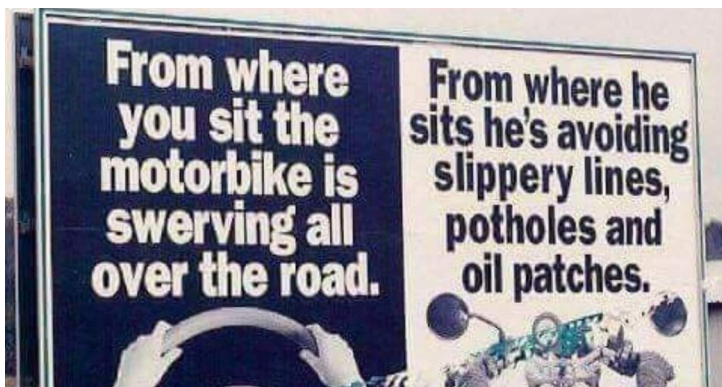
Roger T. spoke of the upcoming BMW events including MOA Fontana Village weekend getaway, the closer getaway to be held at Pocono Manor in PA 2nd weekend in July, The Morton Spring Fling to be held the same weekend as the New Sweden 450. A few members said they will be going to these rallies.

Bill Dudley told the assembled about the Classic Bike show to be held in Bel Air MD on May 19. About 4 hours away, this would be a good overnight destination to be enjoyed.

The Ice Cream rides hosted by Ben Paraan will begin May 22.

The big upcoming event is the BMW MOA National Rally to be held this year in Tennessee. A mountainous ride down to yield a beautiful setting with over 100 vendors and just as many seminars and information sessions all to be held in an air conditioned building. Roger will be taking a hiatus from his long held registration position to become a judge for the "Peoples Choice bike judging" contest at the rally. Early estimates indicate there may be 50 to 100 bikes vying for the coveted trophies in 10 categories such as airheads, oil heads, etc and "most farkled ", "Most Mud and Bugs" and even one for the BMW that has strayed the most from looking like a BMW (most custom bike).

Herb Konrad won the drawing for the free dinner from Our House Restaurant, our gracious hosts.



Somebody won the 50-50 drawing, but we can't remember who. Meeting was adjourned, and then Don met with the people organizing the Prostate Cancer Foundation Fund-raiser.

NJ Ride for the Cure! April Update

Don E

The benefit committee has secured and registered a domain name for the website and the event: NJRidefortheCure.com, there is a tax ID number and will be considered a 503C entity allowing donations to become tax deductible to the giver.



Cross Country BMW in Metuchen is allowing the event to use their parking lot as an end point to the days ride and will provide food and the means to cook it. BMW RA has responded to us that they will support the project in some way and other companies have already given us items to use as door prizes.

NY BMW Airheads Tech Day

Bill Dudley

On Saturday the 27th, I rode up to scenic Blauvelt, NY (practically in the shadow of the "Cuomo" Bridge) for the annual spring Tech Day held by Kat and Paul Connell. It was a windy ride up and back; I experienced some serious

pucker riding over the Raritan River on the Garden State Parkway bridge.

There were a couple of us from New Jersey present, two or three from Pennsylvania, and a whole gaggle that rode in together from Connecticut, in addition to the New Yorkers present.

Various projects were completed: a pair of carbs were rebuilt, a set of front forks was rebuilt, and the splines between engine and transmission were lubed (which required moving the transmission, so disassembly of the back of the bike).

Kat and Paul supplied lunch of pulled pork sandwiches, potato salad, etc.



Many old BMWs

26th Gathering of the Nortons

Bill Dudley

On Sunday the 28th, we had a group ride, which left OurWAWA at 9:40AM. The weather was not great; it never got out of the 50's and was over-cast and intermittently raining during the event.

The attendance by NJSBMWR members at OurWAWA was impressive: I think we had about 15.

Regardless of the weather, there was a decent turnout at Washington Crossing State Park of both vintage and modern bikes (and their humans). Because I had stupidly chosen to wear my leather riding outfit instead of my more versatile textile gear, I was a bit freaked out by the rain that moved in soon after we arrived, so Joe Karol, Zhao and I split after only about 30 minutes. Fortunately we never hit really heavy rain on the ride home, so I didn't have to ride in

soggy leathers in 50° temp. I was cold enough as it was; my Norton doesn't have much in the way of weather protection.



Some of the crowd; much better than last year.



Two nice Moto Guzzis and something else I can't quite identify.

The following picture illustrates why I like this rally so much; a Laverda, a Triumph, and a Ducati lined up cheek-by-jowl. There is so much diversity at this show.



R-to-L: Laverda, Triumph, Ducati



Honda Interceptor and I think a CB900F

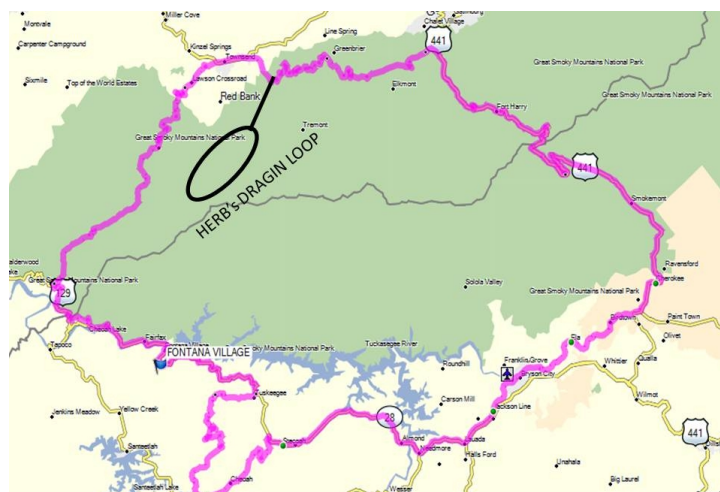


Karl Duffner's Airhead, a boat-tail Sportster, and Karl Duffner's BSA Gold Star. Karl died a few years ago but his friends keep bringing his bikes to the event.

Herb's Loop

Roger Trendowski

The day started out fine. On Saturday May 27th, the weather was excellent... in the low 50s to start and then mid 70s by mid day. Kevin, Herb, Richie and I began a 160 loop which would finish up in the Tail of the Dragon. We headed from Fontana hotel to Cherokee for an hour ride before stopping at Granny's Kitchen for breakfast (and warm up). We then headed Northwest through some excellent switch-backs on great Smokey Mountain National Park roads.



Started out great... but deteriorated into 2 hour go-no where loop

About halfway through the day's planned route, our leader (Herb with his trusty GPS) passed a critical turn to TN 321. I was number 3 in the group. My trusted Zumo (which is the same as Herb's) started screaming.... "in 700 ft make a U turn..... make a U turn... make a U turn." Assuming Herb had up-to-date maps, I canceled my well-planned route back to the hotel. In about 5 miles on this "park-road" the road became one lane. (that's funny, how can cars travel only one way on a major park highway?)



Then Kevin saw a sign and started honking repeatedly at Herb, our leader of the pack...to no avail. The sign said "Bypass Exit turn left." By now there was car traffic bumper-to-bumper and stop and go. After a mile or so, we stopped to review the situation (aka bitch and moan). It was now very clear on all our GPS' that we were on a park loop... great for tourists and day-sightseers'. People were parking along the loop and walking into the fields... having picnics, etc... but the traffic was relentless. Stop and go for 2 hours until we made it back to the beginning of the loop.

I asked two girls who were walking past us on the road (they were walking faster than we were riding).... "what is going on?" Response: "it's a nice day to walk in the park." Sure... nice for everyone but us on bikes and hundreds of cars in front. With the smell of burnt clutches in the air, we finished the loop, took a short break at the Park store, re-rode our path back to the critical turn... then headed AFAP (as fast as possible) through the Dragon and to our hotel. Whatever the name of the Park Loop was, Kevin, Richie and I renamed it: the HERB DRAGIN LOOP... "(dragin" like in dragging-on a long time. Herb's bar-tab was much higher than expected that night!

Fontana Getaway Article Preview

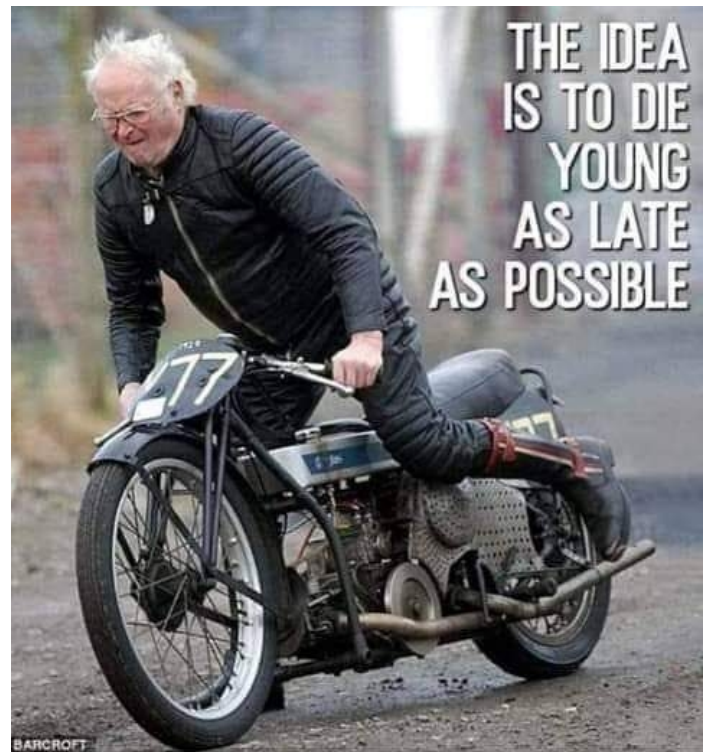
Roger Trendowski

Roger sent this picture in to the newsletter editor, showing NJSBMWR club members at the Fontana Rally. After the Rally, Roger and Kevin, and perhaps others, plan to ride down to Leeds, AL to visit the Barber Museum. Roger has visited Barber (before the recent expansion) but Kevin has not. Also note new member and last year's long distance rider award winner Dorothy in the photo, I assume she rode to NC from her home in Florida.

Roger says: "*Here are our club riders to the Fontana MOA Get-a-Way rally in the NC Smoky Mountains: Richie C., Kevin H., Herb K., Roger T. and Dorothy G. Plenty of great riding on way down (30 mile stretch of Blue Ridge Parkway w 6+ tunnels), Tail of Dragon, and a 200 mile loop through everywhere. An article will come next month since we are still riding.*"



Roger found this at a Stuckeys.



Monthly Meeting – May 8th
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Eat @ 6PM
Business meeting starts at 7:30PM