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In lang, lang days o' simmer, When the clear  
and cloudless sky Refuses ae weep drap o' rain  
To Nature parched and dry, The genial night, wi'  
balmy breath, Gars verdue, spring anew, An'  
ilka blade o' grass Keps its ain drap o' dew. -  
*James Ballantine Quotes , Source: Its Ain Drap  
o' Dew*

Summer time an' the livin' is easy, Fish are  
jumpin' an' the cotton is high. Oh, yo' daddy's  
rich, and yo' ma' is good-lookin', So hush, little  
baby, don' yo' cry. *Summertime, a song in the  
play "Porgy and Bess"*

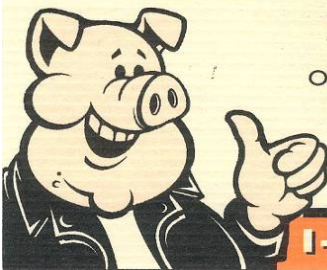
Here is the ghost Of a summer that lived for us,  
Here is a promise Of summer to be. *William  
Ernest Henley Quotes , Source: Rhymes and  
Rhythms*

Every man, wherever he goes, is encompassed  
by a cloud of comforting convictions, which  
move with him like flies on a summer day.  
*Bertrand Russell (1872 - 1970)*

Summer afternoon - Summer afternoon... the  
two most beautiful words in the English lan-  
guage. *Henry James (1843 - 1916)*

Why, this is very midsummer madness. *William  
Shakespeare (1564 - 1616)*

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## President's Message

Jeff Diorio, President

Happy July everyone.

Some folks took great long trips to MOA and I am sure we will see some articles on the MOA trip in this month's newsletter. Heard it was a good time at MOA and our club had a good attendance. Also the lunches, ice-cream runs and Saturday breakfasts seem to be going well.



Sadly, a few of our members got hurt this month. While we don't want to dwell on it, we wish our former and current members a quick recovery. Of the 3 incidents 2 were poor road conditions and one was driver turning left in front of a bike. Thinking on this the gear definitely seemed to

help. Aerostich, personal airbag, good gloves and helmet. Other item is to be hyper aware of people around you and your current state.

I mention current state because I went on a wonderful ride out west from Martinsville to Lambertville this last Sunday of June. It was on a ride provided by Bob Spine of Skylands, and was an amazing 100 mile looping ride that went down some amazing roads. By the time we got to Lambertville it was 95 degrees out, which is pretty hot. We rode back on 195 at highway speeds and that only helped a little with the heat. By the time I got home I could tell I was starting to get heat impaired. Took a long shower to cool off, but thought about how I was making a mistake to keep going and not stop and cool off.

Please be safe, wear all your gear and stay cognizant of your personal capacity to ride safely.

Thinking on the ride provided by Bob Spine, he sent me a GPX navigation file. At the last club meeting we discussed sharing our personal favorite GPX Rides on our club website. I think our great webmaster, Bill D, will be setting this up. So please gather your files of favorite rides to share. Be sure to add some commentary to the entry so folks know what the ride is like, length of time etc.

The club visited Scott Dell at his garage after mid-June breakfast in Red Bank. He gave a nice tour of all his bikes and other powered toys. Lots of neat stories and the club was well represented.



went on a ride through bear mountain and up the Hudson on NY-218 mid June to visit my cousin who has a significant collection of 2-stroke and classic bikes from the 70s. He took out a pretty famous Kawasaki S3 Mach 2 400 CC bike. It was a blast seeing him ride that around and hear it rumble. Reminded me of the book Paul Cooke shared on "Stealing Speed" about the great 2

stroke-designer from East Germany and how Kawasaki stole his IP to build that bike. *(not to spoil Jeff's point, but it was Suzuki – editor).*



Look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting. Have some wonderful rides this summer and do remember we have the 3-club rumble (September), the Octoberfest weekend (October) and are booking the Christmas party (December 13) as club events.

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July and summer riding to you all.

JeffD

## **June Meeting Minutes**

*James Thomasey, Recording Secretary*

The June meeting was well attended and began a few minutes earlier than usual to accommodate our guest speaker, Jerry Friedman, The Motorcycle Attorney. Prior to the speaker we determined the club has just under \$950 in the treasury and 38 paid members with 4 free 6-month memberships.

Some of the main issues Jerry addressed were related to knowing what type of insurance you have and making sure you are not in a "self-funded plan". This type of coverage appears to be offered by a known name brand company, but many times is just administered by the named company while they are not the actual insurer. Another major talking and actionable point was making sure you have "uninsured and underinsured" coverage. Seems there are quite a few people on the road without any insurance coverage or just the minimum; and if you have an accident with them you need to be covered by YOUR policy if the other actor doesn't have insurance.



Jerry offered to all members to send him your declaration page from your policy if you would like to have it reviewed. It was a very enlightening evening with active discussions of the nuances of motorcycle insurance.

There again was talk of the visiting the Crystal Brook Inn in the fall for Octoberfest. Come to the next meeting to get the details.

The 50/50 was won by Dennis with the assorted prizes going to Bruce C., Greg Berger, Jon Chapell and Jim T.

## **June Meeting Speaker**

*Bill Dudley*

Jerry Friedman The Motorcycle attorney spoke at our June meeting. Mr. Friedman is a very experienced and knowledgeable attorney who answered all the questions posed regarding insurance and your exposure in the world of two wheeled adventures.

Those who brought the declaration page from their auto and/or bike insurance policies got the benefit of Jerry's experience analyzing their coverage.

One interesting point Jerry brought up is that if you have Medicare, you do not need to buy uninsured/underinsured motorist coverage, because Medicare will cover your hospital bills. (But it is a good idea to have a Medicare Part G or H supplemental insurance plan.)

## **Club Calendar**

Note: Events may be canceled or modified.  
Check your email for updates.

### **July 2025**

- **July 2** Moribundi lunch 12:30PM The Cabin, Rt 33, Freehold
- **July 9** Club meeting 6PM to eat, 7PM meeting Woody's Roadside Tavern, 105 Academy St., Farmingdale
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- **July 12** German American Club European-American Car Show 10AM-3PM Uncle Pete's Rd, Trenton, NJ [website](#)

- **July 12** Deutsch Classic 8AM-4PM Oley Fairgrounds, Oley, PA [website](#)
- **July 16** Ice cream ride (summer only) 6:30PM TBD
- **July 25-27** AMA Vintage Days Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, Lexington, Ohio [website](#)

### **August 2025**

- **August 6** Moribundi lunch 12:30PM TBD
- **August 13** club meeting 6PM to eat, 7PM meeting Woody's Roadside Tavern, 105 Academy St., Farmingdale
- **August 20** Ice cream ride (summer only) 6:30PM TBD
- **August 22-24** Wally Fest, Lake Wallenpaupack, PA [website](#)
- **August 29-31** VJMC National Rally Windber, PA [website](#)
- **August 29-31** BMW RA National Rally Athens County Fairgrounds, Athens, OH [website](#)

### **September 2025**

- **September 3** Moribundi lunch 12:30PM TBD
- **September 10** Club meeting 6PM to eat, 7PM meeting Woody's Roadside Tavern, 105 Academy St., Farmingdale
- **September 12-14** New Sweden Last Chance Rally, TBD [website](#)
- **September 17** Ice cream ride (summer only) 6:30PM TBD
- **September 19-21** TENTATIVE NJSBMWR Catskills Rally, Crystal Brook Resort, Round Top, NY

### **October 2025**

- **October 1** Moribundi lunch 12:30PM TBD
- **October 4** Van Sant Wings and Wheels all day Van Sant Airport, PA [website](#)
- **October 3-5** Barber Vintage Festival Leeds, AL [website](#)
- **October 3-5** The Race of Gentlemen Wildwood, NJ [website](#)
- **October 8** club meeting 6PM to eat, 7PM meeting Woody's Roadside Tavern, 105 Academy St., Farmingdale

- **October 15** Ice cream ride (summer only)  
6:30PM TBD
- **October 18** Three Club Rumble hosted by  
New Sweden BMW Riders 11AM-3PM  
Parvin State Park, 701 Almond Rd, Pitts-  
grove Township, NJ

### **November 2025**

- **Nov 5** Moribundi lunch 12:30PM TBD
- **Nov 12** club meeting 6PM to eat, 7PM  
meeting Woody's Roadside Tavern, 105  
Academy St., Farmingdale

### **December 2025**

- **Dec 3** Moribundi lunch 12:30PM TBD
- **Dec 10** club meeting 6PM to eat, 7PM  
meeting Woody's Roadside Tavern, 105  
Academy St., Farmingdale

## **2025 BMW MOA National Rally**

*Bill Dudley*

The BMW MOA National Rally was held in Lebanon, TN around the weekend of June 21-22. Several members of our club attended: Joe K., Roger T., myself, Dan T., Bob T., and Herb K. (Or at least, that's all the ones we know about.) Roger and Joe hammered down there on the interstate, taking two days (also for the return trip). Zhao and I took four days each way staying mostly on non-interstates (state and US highways).

There was a large storm system over the entire east coast during everybody's trip to the rally. The rain finally let up Thursday night, except for a cloudburst around 3PM Saturday. After the rain blew through, it was hot, and humid. The temp was in the high 90's and the humidity numbers were similar.

On Saturday, Roger ran "his" people's choice contest (with Joe and others helping). There was also a vintage bike show in one of the buildings, plus a custom bike show (with "open" and "BMW" sections.)

As is usual for BMW rallies, there were lots of vendors, both indoors (selling tours of exotic places, clothing, and a lot of woo-woo health/beauty products, as well as tires and other big stuff in the outdoor vendors section.

No BMW National would be complete without the awards for long distance male, oldest pillion, etc.



*(part of) The official vintage bike show.*

Zhao and I were chuffed to win the award for "oldest combined rider, pillion, and bike", with a combined age of 199.5 years. We rode my 1977 R100RS; you can do the math.



Speaking of the R100RS, it performed well on the trip, and because we spent a lot of time at 55mph, we saw several tank-fulls at over 50mpg (the high was 52.75 mpg). Our total trip mileage was about 2100, average mpg was 48.3.



*Zhao with ancient BMW*



On every trip, we try to do something besides burn gasoline, and on this trip, we visited a number of interesting places. First mention is the Museum of American Glass of West Virginia, which is free and has a collection with huge breadth. Unlike the Corning Glass Museum in Corning, NY, this museum includes more plebian items, like canning jars. Recommended.



*The museum's collection is encyclopedic in scope*



*glass chickens*

Another stop was Lincoln's birthplace, which is a Federal Park, with a stone monument built around 1911 to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lincoln's birth. This is in Kentucky, where Lincoln was born and spent the first 7 years of his life.

Whilst in Lebanon, we visited the Cheekwood Gardens, which is a collection of about 20 different gardens, plus an historic house (that you must pay extra to tour.) The tickets for just the gardens are \$21 for seniors, plus a magic \$4 fee for nothing, and another \$5 for parking. We were able to avoid that last one



*Zhao at the (1911) Lincoln Memorial in KY*



*A replica of the cabin Lincoln was born in.*

because the parking attendant suggested we park on the sidewalk perimeter of the parking lot, and I liked that better anyway, since the sidewalk was concrete so no danger of my side stand sinking into the asphalt.

We also visited the Huntington Museum of Art, which





*A tiny part of Cheekwood Gardens.*

was ok, but it cost money and we didn't have a lot of time to spend there.



*I am specifically including this image from the Huntington Museum of Art because the docent made the laughable claim that since this glass artwork is copyrighted, I cannot share photos of it. That is not how copyright works.*

One of the things I like about long trips across the country is visiting local eateries. This place was a real gem – The Ritter House, in Glasgow, KY. From the name, I was worried it was going to be expensive – I couldn't have been more wrong. It's a tiny local restaurant that has a very limited number of dishes each day, mismatched furniture, and low prices.



*Ritter House: Those two white boards are the menu and the specials.*



*Clearly, the most off-the-wall custom in the custom bike show. Note the matching helmet.*

## **Visit to Scott Dell's shop**

Ed G.

On Saturday, June 8 after our Saturday club breakfast Roger T led us to the barn of Scott Dell. Set in a leafy suburban neighborhood, the barn- work shop- museum is full of vintage bikes, including several Vincents, a pre- WWII HRD, a Norton and a meticulously restored Borough SS100; another Brough is on display in Scott's living room. There is also a restored



MG TC3. Outside is a collection of vintage tractors and steam engines. Yes, they all work. Scott graciously supplied coffee and donuts for the visitors.



*Some of the attendees.*



*Roger with 1929 Norton*



*Jeff D with a Triumph and a brace of Vincents.*

## Highly Classifieds

**For Sale: 1981 BMW R100RT.** My 1981 R100RT for the last 24 years had treated me well. It has a number of upgrades including charging system, electronic ignition, starter, clutch replacement 11 yrs ago, but probably less than 3000 miles ago. It has always been serviced by a NJ airhead mechanic. Since I got newer bikes, I've used this one less and less.. Runs great... ~65000 miles. Asking \$3,200 .

Since it is registered as an antique motorcycle (with an classic car insurance company), the insurance is cheap (liability, collision)

Here's a short video walking around my bike:  
<https://youtu.be/9wDHXJOKu3E> Contact Roger Trendowski at 732 306 6182 or [rtrendowski@verizon.net](mailto:rtrendowski@verizon.net) **NEW LOWER PRICE!**

**For sale : 2014 BMW R1200 GSA.** Details -at <https://www.advrider.com/f/threads/bmw-r1200-gsa-2014.1756245/#post-51278257>

**Kenton Seydell** is offering **the bikes listed below.** He can be reached at locomotion18@yahoo.com or phone: 732-567-5582. Leave message if no answer. All items are located in Red Bank, NJ

- 1994 K75 C with ABS, 6K miles, with R90S bars, hand guards, touring seat and bags. Asking \$5000
- 1993 K1100RS with 34K , ABS and bags. Euro spec. \$4000
- 1987 K100 Cafe X-LT 80k miles, \$1000
- 1978 R100/7 with 100K has title, RT spec twin disk. \$3000
- 1994 Ural sidecar, rough body shape, \$2000
- DMC Side car R Twin shock subframe assembly \$500
- DMC K-Klassic subframe \$500
- Freedom Sidecar -. 800K-Klassic K Car rear tire and rim adapter to allow car tires to be used on bike.

**David Cowgill in Clayton, Delaware** is looking to sell 3 BMWs. His email is [cowgill@udel.edu](mailto:cowgill@udel.edu) and his phone number is: 302.354,5926. Here are the bikes:

- 1) '74 R 90s : restored inside and out; This was the Classic Raffle Bike from Ted Moyer and the MOA a few years ago; has since had new Krauser Bags installed and the tank has been autographed by Hans Muth.
- 2) '79 R100T : well maintained
- 3) '12 R1200RT: well appointed and maintained.



## For Sale: 2022 BMW R1250 GS Adventure (GSA), 40th Anniversary

This is essentially a "new" 40th Anniversary 2022 GS Adventure, Option 719, with all the factory options and farkles added. This GSA is ready to ride the country Today.

Contact Vince Gill (610) 704-7611

<https://marketplace.bmwmoa.org/classified/2022-r1250-gs-adventure-gsa-40th-anniversary-black-and-yellow-option-719-486-miles-listing-34611.aspx>

## And Finally..



*An especially well attended club breakfast at the Princess Maria on June 21.*

More photos from Bill and Zhao's trip to the MOA rally.



*A glass doll house at the Museum of American Glass in West Virginia.*



*My eyes glazed over at the size of the collection.*



*An aquarium at the Huntington Museum of Art.*



*Glass and ceramics at the Huntington Museum of Art*