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President's Message

Jeff Diorio, President

Hello all

I am writing this on Labor Day weekend. The end of summer. Although with global warming I'm hoping for a nice September.

Hope everyone had a great time this summer. Both enjoying the beach and getting some good rides. I know we had rallies at the beginning and end of the summer that some of you attended. Hope to read about them in this newsletter. I had some nice somewhat local rides and one of them on a very hot day requiring water vests and lots of stops to cool off. September might just be the perfect month to ride in the Northeast. The days are still warm enough for long hours in the saddle, yet not so hot as to require radical measures to stop overheating. We don't need to worry about falling leaves making roads slippery yet. School is back in session, and beach visitors should be reduced, making roads less crowded. Regardless, please be aware of school buses, kids crossing, and distracted parents in their cars.

With all that said I hope you all have a chance to get out and enjoy riding now that the peak summer heat is over.

We have a full fall calendar. Octoberfest weekend September 19-21st. You need to sign up if you are going. Details are in the last newsletter and Mike Palmer nicely wrote the following summary email.

"We will be gathering at the Crystal Brook Resort (www.crystalbrook.com with reservation number is: 518-622-3751). Breakfast is included and there is a Beer Garden on the property for dinner and drinks with music. Saturday we will ride some great roads in the mountains and around

"But when fall comes, kicking summer out on its treacherous ass as it always does one day sometime after the midpoint of September, it stays awhile like an old friend that you have missed."

– Stephen King

"My favorite poem is the one that starts 'Thirty days hath September' because it actually tells you something."

– Groucho Marx

"As long as autumn lasts, I shall not have hands, canvas, and colors enough to paint the beautiful things I see."

– Vincent van Gogh

"September days have the warmth of summer in their briefer hours, but in their lengthening evenings a prophetic breath of autumn."

– Rowland E. Robinson

the Hudson River.”

The Three Club rumble is October 18th . New Sweden is hosting this year at Parvin State Park, 701 Almond Rd, Pittsgrove Township, NJ from 11AM-3PM. Hoping our club has a good turn out.

The Holiday party is at Mr Shrimp (1608 NJ-71, Belmar, NJ 07719) in place of our club meeting on Wed December 10th. I want to thank everyone that helped plan this. Nick and Don especially. Please put on your calendar and try to attend.

Happy trails to all

August Meeting Minutes

James Thomasey, Recording Secretary

The meeting began a few minutes early with Mike Palmer standing in for Jeff D. As our waitress Sabrina fielded the last requests for food and drink, the minutes from the last meeting were brought up for approval and passed. Our treasury stands at just over \$900 with 40 paid members. It was also noted that the balance of the newsletters were brought to Cross Country with applications attached with the intent of increasing our membership.

The holiday dinner will be held on our regular meeting night this year, Wednesday of December 10, 2025. It will be held at Mr. Shrimp in Belmar in our own room. The room has been secured with a deposit and all members are welcome to attend and cordially reminded to save the date NOW. More details to follow, but as of now we know the venue is BYOB and soft drinks will be included with the meal.

Another event happening is the Crystal Brook Oktoberfest weekend happening the weekend of September 20 and 21. This is a make your own reservation weekend with single and double accommodations available. See other stories in this newsletter for more info.

The 50/50 was won by Bruce C. with other items being procured by Jim T., Art G., and Nick K. The meeting was adjourned and private con-

versations took place for a short time.

Club Calendar

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

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** 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, Pittsgrove 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 Holiday Party, Mr Shrimp, Belmar

Trip to Bills Bike Barn

Jim T

On a very sunny and beautiful Friday August 8th, a group consisting of Roger, Joe K., Jeff D. and Jim T left the Jon Bon Jovi service area on the Parkway for a trip to Bill's Old Bike Barn in Bloomsburg PA. Mike Palmer and Bill Dudley left from the Jackson area and were able to meet up with the Parkway for lunch with the parkway riders with the precision of a NASA launch. After filling up with food and then gas, the group of 6 rode a short while to the museum.

Up a small hill is a 55,000 sq. ft building housing close to 200 vintage and classic motorcycles and a vast array of collections of eclectic items. Need to see a collection of irons of various sizes, colors and age? They are here at the museum. A house (or least the walls of a house) made of classic oil cans? Here too. In addition to some beautiful Harley Davidson motorcycles on display, there are also Indians and British bikes as well. I was particularly impressed with the cut-a-way samples of Knucklehead and Panhead Harley motors shown in lighted display cases along with original workshop manuals and other items specific to the time period.

The museum is set up like the Main Street of Walt Disney World with each "storefront" highlighting a particular collection. Interested in photography? There was a store featuring hundreds of old cameras from Brownie box cameras to flexible bellows portrait ones. There were areas recreating a hairdressing salon, dentist offices and even a firehouse. We were fortunate to meet Bill at the end of our tour who told us the Fire Truck brought to the museum and the room for it was built around it!

There is also a single seat airplane hanging from the ceiling that was rescued from the scrap pile when Bill offered to take it from the original owner who had trouble parting with it.

There are items OUTSIDE the museum as well where you can see an old locomotive, a Harley engined trike which looks like it could be the world's

fastest carousel attraction!

Seeing all the items made for a full and interesting day and all riders left for the ride back to NJ. Many thanks to Roger for organizing this trip. I hope there is an even bigger turnout for the next one.

Bill's Old Cycle Barn - Stories

Roger T.

I sent out the video of our Club Ride to Bill's Old Cycle Barn shortly after our 8/8 ride. The Youtube video is at <https://youtu.be/152oY-o24-o> The owner, Bill, told us a couple interesting stories about how he developed the museum <https://www.billsbikebarn.com/>

First, the motorcycle museum started at his Harley parts store, located on Rt, 11, just down the hill from the present museum site. The pictures and exhibits became so large that they started to overtake the space in his parts store. So with land available on the back of his property, he built a large metal barn to house just the museum pieces... the building was expanded and then expanded again as his collection grew. When he got a fire engine and motorcycle fire vehicle, he parked it behind the rear of the museum and built another building around them.

Another unusual story is about the single passenger airplane. An old retired pilot (flying from a local airport) built the plane but never flew it. The man's friends knew how important the plane was to him. He always said that he did not want the plane sold or flown by anyone. Perhaps it was because it was an experimental plane, or perhaps he didn't want anyone to get hurt trying to fly it. His friends convinced him to give it to Bill's museum upon his passing. It wasn't very long after that that the man died. Then the plane was transported to Bill's Old Cycle Barn and hung from the ceiling. How long has his museum been around? He started it in the mid 1990's. Quite a collection in such a short time! <https://www.billsbikebarn.com/billsbik-OurStory-10.htm>



Flying Wisdom

Strictly not 2-wheels, but the sentiments would seem to apply equally to piloting and riding.

A few pointers from airmen on how to enjoy safe flying!

- 1) Every take-off is optional. Every landing is mandatory.
- 2) If you push the stick forward, the houses get bigger. If you Pull the stick back, they get smaller. That is unless you keep pulling the stick all the way back, then they get bigger again,
- 3) Flying is not dangerous. Crashing is dangerous.
- 4) It is always better to be down here wishing you were up there, than to be up there wishing you were down here.
- 5) The only time you have too much fuel when the aircraft is on fire.
- 6) The Propeller is just a big fan: in front of the plane used to keep the pilot cool. When stops, you can actually watch the pilot start sweating.
- 7) When in doubt, hold on to your altitude. No one has ever collided with the sky.
- 8) A "good" landing is one from which you can walk away. A great" landing is one after which they can use the plane again.
- 9) Learn from the mistakes of others. You will not live long enough to make all of them yourself.
- 10) You know you have landed with the undercarriage up if it takes full power to taxi to the ramp,
- 11) The probability of survival is inversely proportional to the angle of arrival. Large angle of arrival, small probability of survival and vice versa,
- 12) Never let an aircraft take you somewhere your brain did not get to five minutes earlier.
- 13) Stay out of clouds. The silver lining everyone keeps talking about might be another aircraft going in the opposite direction. Reliable sources also report that mountains have been known to hide out in clouds.
- 14) Always try to keep the number of landings you make equal to the number of take-offs you have made.
- 15) There are three simple rules for making a smooth landing. Unfortunately, no one knows what they are,
- 16) You start with a bag full of luck and an empty bag of experience. The trick is to fill the bag of



Experimental 1 person airplane hanging from the ceiling, above Joe K and Mike P's heads.

experience before you empty the bag of luck.

For Fun

Paul C

I asked Google AI for a BMW themed Word search.

It did come with a disclaimer though – “May include mistakes” which probably explains “enuro”?

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- ROADSTER

- SHAFT
- SPORT
- TOURING
- VERT
- WATERCOOLED

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 **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-Klassik subframe \$500
- Freedom Sidecar -. 800K-Klassik 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 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>

Bob Byrnes is selling a **1974 BMW R90/6**. The bike is in Hackensack, NJ and is configured for touring, with a Luftmeister fairing, double bucket seat, back rest, Krauser bags and trunk. If interested, ring Bob on 201-446-1852.



And Finally..

