

June 2002 NEW JERSEY SHORE BMW RIDERS Inc

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The key to creativity is knowing how to hide your sources.. Albert Einstein

Important – next meeting – special!

Skylands BMW is having their benefit ride on June 12th @ 6:00PM to Matheney School. This ride will REPLACE our regular meeting for June at Schneiders.

There will be a short business meeting at the rally at 10 AM on Saturday.

We ask that you support our brother club. Dennis Swanson will be leading a club ride to the Skylands event, leaving from the Raritan Rest Area (South End) on the Garden State Parkway at 4PM. Kickstands up promptly at 4. We will be riding to the Clinton Diner where we will meet with Skylands and have dinner, then on to the Matheney School.

PLEASE come out and support this event!

Third First Chance Rally – THIS WEEKEND!

Be there or be square!

The planning is over - the reality is this weekend! We need your support and attendance at the 3rd Annual First Chance Rally.

To quote myself, in my announcement to several Internet Email lists:

What: Third Annual First Chance Rally of the NJ Shore BMW Riders

Where: Rt 524A, Howell Township NJ (behind Crown Engineering). (very close to the historic town of

Farmingdale NJ, and the Deserted Village at Allaire State Park)



Aerial shot of our rally site

Cost: \$25 - pre-registered, or at the door. Same price, but gotta be registered by 12 noon on Saturday for dinner Saturday night.

The rally is being held at a club members private campground behind his factory (the campground was built for the use of the Boy Scouts)

We have showers, bathrooms, a dry indoor place for your bike if it's raining, a dry indoor place for eating if it's raining, and a dry indoor place for your tent if it is REALLY raining!

Events:

Kent Seydell will run the field events Saturday afternoon (timed so they don't interfere with the pre-dinner naptime - a NJSBMWR tradition), several ride/tour sheets, including such local shore attractions as:

The 17th Belmar NJ Seafood Festival - some see/eat some of the very best seafood you'll find in the shore area. A fun event. Restaurants from all around the shore area have their chefs preparing food for no cost or a nominal cost. Come see how fresh seafood can be! About 20 minutes of pleasant country roads from the rally site.

Allaire State Park - the deserted village at Allaire, and the live-steam railroad. This is the 50th Anniversary Weekend of the Pine-Creek Railroad. Come see live steam at work on the Pine-Creek track. Pine-Creek is the official State Railway Museum. Less than 10 minutes of country road from the rally site.

Juried art show in the ritzy shore town of Bayhead.. come see how the money people live, and visit the free art show, which attracts the best local and some NYC artists (many NYC artists summer in Bay Head). About 40 minutes from the rally site.

Tours:

Northern shore tour: going from the campground through Allaire State Park to the NJ shore at Spring Lake (the Irish Riviera), north through Belmar (seafood festival), continuing north through the historic methodist church 'camp' town of Ocean Grove, to Asbury Park (da'boss.. and some sopranos), through Long Branch and Monmouth Beach to Sandy Hook and historic Fort Hancock (the oldest operating lighthouse in the US and the guardian fort for the Port of NY) returning to the campgrounds via the backroads of northern Monmouth County, including Atlantic Highlands (highest point on the Atlantic Ocean between Maine and Florida), Twin Lights lighthouse in Highlands, Scenic Drive, with a few stops to view the NYC/Brooklyn/Coney Island/Long Island skyline, and back through country roads to the rally site.

This will be a guided tour, done by yours truly, with a number of stops to discuss the history of the areas we're riding through. It will leave at 11AM from the rally site, we'll stop of lunch at the seafood festival, and return to the rally site by naptime – 4PM (hopefully - if we can maintain 1.1 Ev..)

Southern Shore/Pines tour: see the famous NJ Pine Barrens, and the small southern NJ shore towns, plus the opportunity to visit Atlantic City (if you must :-)) and the fishing village of Tuckerton (think mini-Mystic) and 7-Bridges-Road (which only has 5 bridges on it.. go figure!)

I'm hoping to get one of our club members to lead this tour.

Mountain tour: (well - as mountainous as NJ gets) - to the Harmony NJ antique motorcycle show and fleamarket. A tour on some of the best roads NJ has to offer (and some of them are very nice indeed! 500 series county roads)

George Hickman has kindly volunteered to lead this tour. It will be 4-5 hours in length allowing for an hour or so to browse the antique motorcycle show/fleamarket.

Self guided Rt 524 tour: Go from the ocean to Allentown NJ on one of the best motorcycle roads in Monmouth County. A nice 2 hour ride end to end, going right past the rally site in the middle!

Other entertainment/attractions in the area:

- **Monmouth Park** - horse racing
- **Raceway Park** - dragstrip and motocross racing
- **Wall Stadium** - stock car racing Saturday night
- **Collingwood Park** - large indoor/outdoor fleamarket. Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
- **Englishtown Auction** - arguably the worlds largest fleamarket. Open Saturday and Sunday.
- **Monmouth Battlefield** (think Molly Pitcher) - the actual turning point of the revolutionary war.. about 5 miles from our campsite.

Food provided at the Rally:

- - Friday night: chili
- - Coffee around the clock (well, as long someone makes it)
- - Saturday AM: bagels/donuts/juices breakfast
- - Saturday night: steak/potato/fresh NJ corn cookout dinner
- - Sunday AM: bagels/donuts/juices breakfast

If anyone is interested in ONLY coming for dinner on Saturday, we can manage that - \$10 per person.. but we need to know who is coming by NOON on Saturday (NO exceptions!) This would be great if you're local and would like SWMBO or family to attend for dinner!

Doorprizes:

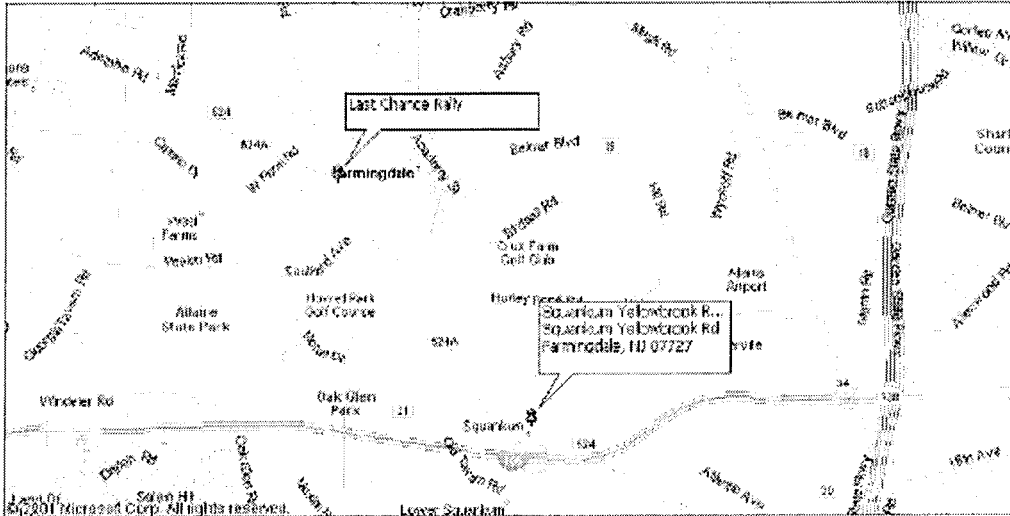
Mark Zimmerman is working on them!

T-Shirts:

There is a special commemorative long-sleeve rally T that will be available for purchase at the rally. Sizes start at large and up. This is in very limited availability – and once they're gone – they are gone for good! Thanks to Mike Kowal for arranging this!

What do we need? YOUR participation! We have quite a few people who have indicated they will be coming from outside our club (from as far away as Wisconsin!) Now we need our club members to show up, lend a hand when needed and make this a great time to be remembered by all!

How to get there:



Crown Engineering is on 524A (A=Alternate!) AKA – Squantum-Yellowbrook Road, about 2.4 miles from I-195. It is almost opposite the Howell Township Intermediate School, down the road from the Howell Highschool.

Remember – the rally opens for business at 1PM on Friday, and we'll leave a light on for you!

Report from our roving cub reporter – Dennis Swanson

Visit to New Dealership.... Being a nice day and with the need of a destination, George Hickman and I decided to pay a visit to BMW Motorcycles of Cherry Hill. Just off Interstate 295 and west on Route 70, it is easy to find but not a particularly interesting ride.

They have a nice showroom and and a full inventory of motorcycles and were most accommodating. We walked around kicking tires and talking motorcycles with the staff and assorted customers.

Rob Kubiak, formerly of RK, was there in the service area. Next door is a very nice place to have lunch and so we had a very nice lunch. It's recommended if you pay a visit.

After a suitable interval we parted and crossed the highway to the eastbound lane and visited the two motorcycle dealerships only a hop, skip and jump away. They are both multiple brand dealerships with large inventories and lots of motorcycle parts and accessories. Brands include but are not limited to Indian, Triumph, Big Boy or some such Harley look-alike, Italian and Japanese makes. There was a lot to look at and to sit on.

So if you need a destination, you might consider a visit. You won't be disappointed!

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Rally Report: Square Route Rally, BMWBMW, Thurmont MD, May 31st to June 2nd

Why do we go to rallies?

I go primarily for the following two reasons:

The ride – to and from, and sometimes at the rally. A great ride to and from a rally will get me going back time after time!

The friends – the people you meet and only see at rallies. I have a very expanded group of people I consider close friends, even though we only get together once or twice a year at various rallies.

Well – Square Route has both reasons to go in spades!

The ride – across the top of the panhandle of Maryland has to be experienced to believe it. Each year I marvel at how enjoyable this ride really is. Three hours of riding nirvana.

The people – Square Route is run by the 2nd largest BMW club in the US, the BMW Bikers of Metro-Washington. BMWBMW has over 600 members, and the rally is one of the larger local rallies on the east coast – this year drawing over 400 people, but not so large that you can't see everyone you'd like to.

This year I again made a few new friends, and spent some great time, talking and riding with some old ones!

A new friend made: Ardis Kellerman should be an inspiration to all of us.

Ardis looks like your grandmother, or mine did. She is 73 years young.

Ardis also has finished the Iron Butt four times, and is signed on for her fifth IB.

Ardis took a little ride from Austin Texas to come to Square Route. I was privileged to spend a few hours talking to her, and got to split a big breakfast muffin with her Sunday morning before pushing off for home. I hope to meet this interesting woman again down the road!



Bill Shaw (BMWBMW) and Ardis Kellerman

Old Friends: I got to spend some time with another favorite old friend, Helen-2-Wheels.

Helen spends the year traveling the rally circuit selling her packing gear. Helen's big secret is she has managed to make her passion a sustainable lifestyle.



Helen and her Special-K and her Super Packing System (and some testers of the Magic Cooler in the background)

When the rest of us are in mundane everyday jobs, Helen is traveling from rally to rally, enjoying the ride and the people she meets! (for Helen's "Road Stories" see:

http://www.helen2wheels.com/road_stories/index.html)

We should all be this lucky! Helen came from Sacramento, CA in three days to come to Square Route.

Plus Helen made a new friend – Jim Hoehl got initiated into the group that knows about Helen's Magic Cooler:



Chip Robie (North Carolina), Don Graling (BMWBMW), your editor (wearing a NJS T shirt), and Jim Hoehl attempting to empty Helen's Magic Cooler. Your editor can testify the cooler cannot be emptied!

Old friends, and the ride at the rally – was with Chip Robie (in the photo above) – who I consider a good friend made a friend initially through the Internet, and confirmed a friend at rallies. We've become good enough friends that Eileen and I have been a guest at CasaRobie in the hills of Clayton NC when passing through the area.

Our afternoon ride which took place **before** the above beer sampling session was from the rally site on tiny roads to tiny villages in the Maryland panhandle, and circling the battlefield at Antietam. The Antietam National Battlefield will give pause to anyone who visits it.

A great ride, great roads, great riding! Great way to spend a Saturday afternoon!

Finally – the ride home. It was wonderful until we hit New Jersey!

While it was very windy coming across the Maryland panhandle, it was never a problem, and by sheer willpower I managed to have the wind exactly match our speed across the Delaware Memorial Bridge (really! No headwind, no tailwind, no sidewinds. The wind was 55MPH directly from our backs!)

We (I'll take the blame for it) then decided we were tired of being buffeted around on the Turnpike and exited at Exit 2, trying to find a reasonable back route home from Exit 2.

I can now authoritatively state that there is NO good route from Exit 2 on the Turnpike to Spring Lake!

I want to thank Jim Hoehl for giving me a call Thursday afternoon and asking about going to Square Route – I had been thinking of giving it a pass this year until Jim called. The weather, which initially looked a bit iffy in the forecasts was only WONDERFUL!

Also seen at the rally were (in no special order) club members: Glenn Larson, Gulya Szatmari and George Hickman. Oh – I won a door prize that I'll be donating to the door prizes for our rally, and the dinner was good and plentiful again. Showers were clean, crappers were all working. Doesn't get any better than this.

Don Eilenberger (photos Gary Harris)

Upcoming Rallies and Events!

June 11th-16th - Pemi River Campout for Laconia Bike Week

Sponsored by the Yankee Beemers and the BMW Clubs of New England. June 11 thru 16, 2002. Come join us for our event celebrating New Hampshire (Laconia) Bike Week at the Branch Brook Campground, Campton, New Hampshire:

- Friday night open grill and chili
- 24-hour coffee and refreshments
- Saturday morning buffet breakfast
- Saturday evening BBQ Dinner at rally
- Guided tours and Rides To Eat
- Vendors (by invitation only)
- Showers on site, pool on site
- Shaded camping, camp Store
- Rec Hall on site
- Sandy beach on the Pemigewasset River
- 30 minutes north of Weirs Beach and the Track

Admission		
Camping only	Monday thru Thursday	\$10 per person per day
Rally only	Friday thru Sunday	\$30 pre-registration*, \$35 at the gate
Camping and Rally	Tuesday thru Sunday	\$45 pre-registration*, \$50 at the gate

*Pre-register by sending check made out to **Yankee Beemers** to Stacey Coughlin, 101 South Ave., Box 22, Attleborough, MA 02703 by 6/01/02. Motorhomes, campers and RV's welcome with advance reservation. <http://www.yankeebeemers.org/pemiriver/announce.htm>

July 11th-14th – MOA National “Land of Loon” Rally, Trenton, Ontario, Canada.

We'll be starting a list of who will be at Land of Loon on our club Yahoo group site.

If you're going, please email: deilenberger@monmouth.com to get on the list, or call him at 732-449-1533.

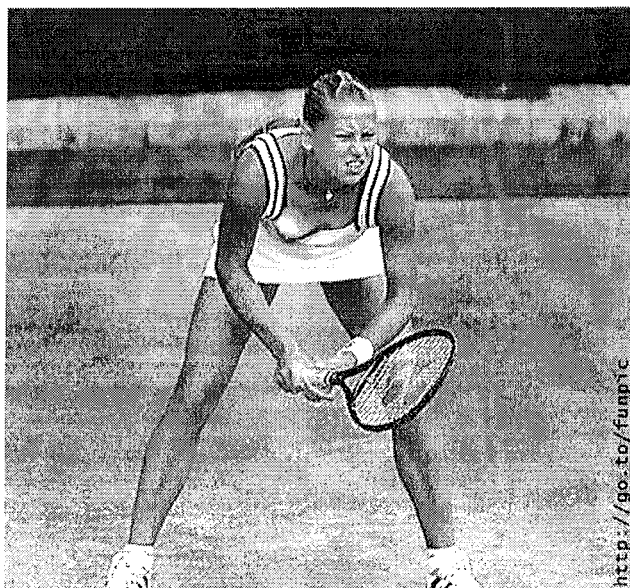
Club Rides

Skip Palmer's Club Trips:

The **July** ride starts on the 11th and takes Rt. 81 north to Cape Vincent and the ferry to Kingston, Ontario. On the 12th it's a scenic ride to Trenton for the **MOA National Rally** and then back to Kingston. Then it's off to 1000 Islands and a ride along the St. Lawrence River past Montreal to Quebec. On the 14th two options are offered: the first south through Vermont and home, the second continues west along the St. Lawrence to distant parts of Canada.

The **July/August** ride to the **RA National** in New Mexico starts on the 29th in Ontario Canada, heads up the north shore of Lake Huron and the Michigan Upper Peninsula to Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska. Then it's off to Colorado to New Mexico and into Arizona to the Canyon Country. From there the ride heads to Utah's southern canyons, through the Rockies to Sturgis North Dakota, back through Montana, Wyoming to Colorado and eventually to the Red River RA Rally on the 15th of August. On the 18th of August the ride home though the Canadian Rockies starts.

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