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NEW JERSEY SHORE BMW RIDERS Inc

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President's Message

Roger Trendowski

Since our First Chance Rally was moved to August, our discussion at the last two club meetings was to move the Club picnic to June. I am glad to report, "the planning has been completed." Our Club Family picnic will start at 12 Noon, Saturday June 18th, at Allaire State Park, Farmingdale. Allaire offers excellent picnic facilities as well as recreational opportunities. The Club will provide food and beverages. Make sure you fill out and return the attendance form located in the back of the newsletter.

On Wednesday, June 22nd, we will join the Skylands Riders for our annual ride to the Methoney School in Gladstone, NJ. We will meet at the Cheesequake Rest Area MM-124 GSP-N at 4 PM and ride to the Chester Diner on Route # 206-N for a quick dinner. Skip will lead this ride. Following dinner, we will depart at about 6 PM and ride to the Methoney School. The residents of the school are then treated to rides on bikes with sidecars. This is a very satisfying event for everyone. Please plan to ride with us so that we may add some excitement to the lives of these young people. If anyone wants to start up later than 4 PM to lead a second group, then post a message on our Yahoo group web site to get it organized.

This past month was kicked off by a spectacular event – the Internet BMW Northeast President's Breakfast (and dinner and social hour and tours). Thanks to Harold, Don and everyone that had a hand in organizing and implementing the event. The other planned ride this month, to the British/Euro Motorcycle Meet in Germantown MD, was cancelled due to dismal weather conditions here in NJ. However, a few of us showed up anyway. Weather in MD was excellent, which goes to show you that New Jersey is really different than its neighbors.



Buy the way. We have a new club public website thanks to Don Eilenberger turning over the reigns to Alex Edly. Alex volunteered to deload Don of some of his club work by taking on the update of the website and moving it to a new web ISP. Don has maintained this site as well as our Yahoo Group site for many years. Thank you. He is still managing our Yahoo members only site.

As we enter the summer riding season, I hope that you will take advantage of the club rides, both planned, longer distance ones, as well as the impromptu weekend ones. It's more fun to ride together.

JUNE RIDES & EVENTS

- ◆ **June 3rd ~ 5th Square Root Rally**, Thurmont, MD contact: Don Eilenberger
- ◆ **June 3rd ~ 12th Canada's Quebec Province Tour**: ride leader Skip Palmer
- ◆ **June 6th ~ 12th Americade Rally**, Lake George, NY
- ◆ **June 8th ~ Monthly meeting** - 7 PM @ Schneider's
- ◆ **June 18th ~ Club Picnic** - noon at Allaire State Park (rain date June 19th) Come earlier to stay late to enjoy the recreational opportunities, museum, etc.
- ◆ **June 22nd ~ Methoney Children's School Ride** - at 6 PM Gladstone, NJ contact Skip Palmer (rain date June 29th)
- ◆ **June 24th ~ 26th Le Belle Macchine d'Italia** - at Skytop, PA
- ◆ **June 25th ~ The Blues Concert at Cooper River Park** in Pennsauken, NJ
- ◆ **July 13th ~ Monthly meeting** - 7 PM @ Schneider's

THE CAMPERS HAVE GONE TOO FAR

Skip Palmer

There has always been a good natured commentary on the merits of hotels vs. camping within our organization. I believe the following items, listed in the current Rider Warehouse Catalog, will demonstrate that the campers have lost their case or minds.

Rider Warehouse is the company that manufactures Aerostich Suits. We can all agree that the Aerostich is one of the best protective clothing lines available. Newer members may not be aware of a widely circulated urban legend. . . our own Dave Mason attends rallies and sleeps in his Aerostich suit rather than set-up a tent. On rainy nights, he naturally wears his helmet.

It seems that others have had similar problems and the good people at Rider Warehouse are offering a user friendly Head Tent for your camping needs. As an added feature, they sell a Headband Hangover Sunscreen to help with THE other problem campers seem to suffer from.

For your reading pleasure. . .



HEAD TENT

A miniature tent that's just large enough for your head. You've ridden to a race week-end (Road America AMA, Isle of Man TT, Etc...) and you travel light. As usual, there are no hotel rooms within fifty miles and the campgrounds are full...so you head to "Nicaragua" a piece o' swampland that an enterprising farmer turns into an impromptu campground every year. Now, you find your friends and become very completely baked or drunk. It's an annual tradition...and so is the cold, wet rain which falls later. Head Tent to the rescue! The Head Tent is an easy-to-set-up (.even while impaired) tensioned catenary pentagonal design and is large enough to completely protect just your head and neck. Stakeless Easton wands allows it to be set up wherever you happen to fall down. The siliconized 1.4 oz ripstop fabric is naturally breathable and luminesces slightly (so less people will trip over you). The single wall Head Tent is compact to carry and makes things much easier when you need to go out and pee in the middle of the night. Be prepared to sleep anywhere. You know you need this. 20' x 18' x 18". 13 oz.

#RIDI \$117.00

Headband Hangover Sunscreen Option #NGMA \$43.00

10TH ANNUAL "AIRHEADS AT THE AERODROME" CAMPOUT JUNE 24-26, 2005

At Dutchess County Wilcox Park located one mile east of the Taconic Parkway on Route 199 in Milan, NY. Note: Campers, motor homes and trailers are not permitted on the Taconic Parkway. Contact me for alternate routes to the site.

Come join us for two nights camping with lots of shaded camping space. Clean restrooms, free hot showers, covered pavilion, swimming lake, boating lake, fields and hiking trails. Renowned chef Karla will once again prepare her fabulous Saturday night steak dinner (ONLY for those whose pre-paid pre-registrations are postmarked by 17 June 2005). There are restaurants and stores about 8 miles east in Pine Plains, NY for those who choose not to pre-register or wish to fix their own meals. Cooking and campfires on site are permitted. There will be a group ride to the Olde Rhinebeck Aerodrome on Saturday afternoon for an amazing air show, air show admission not included in the rally fee.

Special guests this weekend will be members of the Vintage BMW Motorcycle Owners, LTD displaying a wonderful selection of BMW motorcycle history. There will also be an informal swap meet for those who wish to bring along motorcycle related parts to sell. Sell those parts you didn't sell at Mayday Madness or don't really want to haul out to Mid Ohio. Swap meet vendor spaces are free.

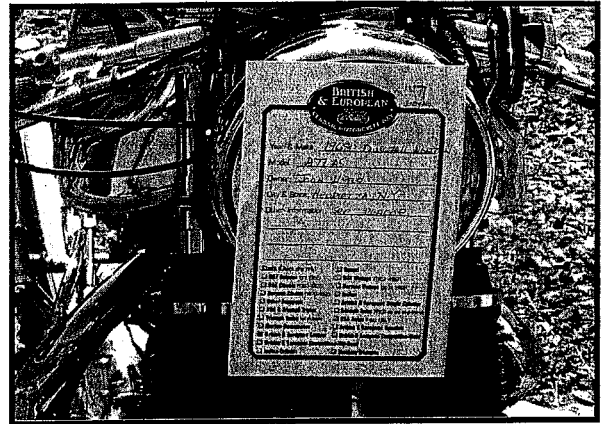
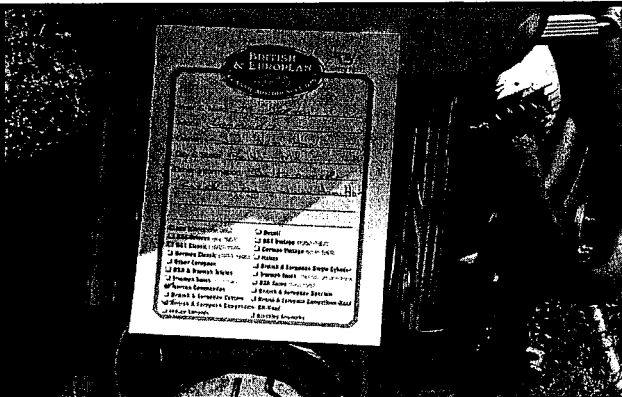
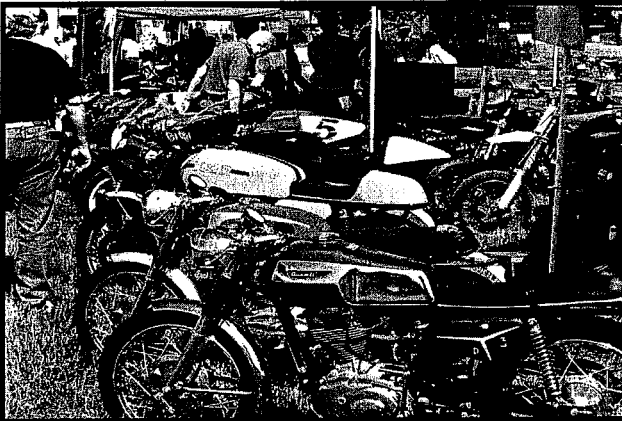
Motor home/camper electrical and water hookup spaces are limited, so please pre-register early. Parking for four wheelers and trailers is available on site. Contact me for local lodging information for the camping challenged.

Cost for the weekend camping (including Saturday night dinner for the pre-registered) is only \$20.00 per person, children 12 and under are admitted free. ALL BMW riders and their guests are welcome. Questions, directions, information or to pre-register, contact: Michael Friedle, 8 College Ave, Poughkeepsie, NY, 12603; 845-473-1337; mfriedle@verizon.net

New Member This Month

John Dunn, Bricktown, NJ
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**MORE PICTURE FROM
BRITISH/EUROPEAN
MOTORCYCLE SHOW**



MAY 22 POT LUCK RIDE

John Malaska

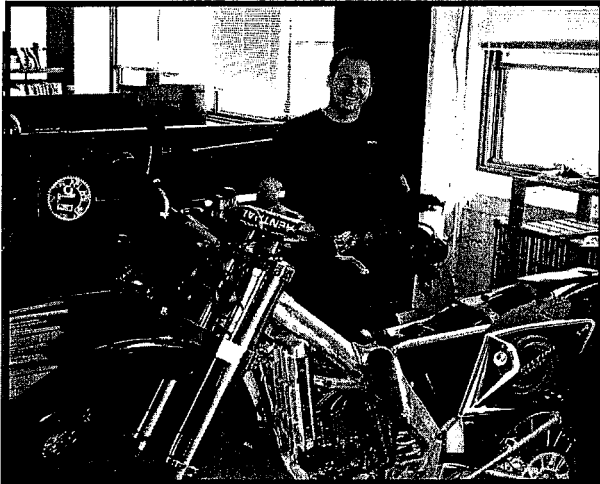
Even though I was looking forward to the long ride down to Germantown MD for the Classic British & European Motorcycle Day, the weather forecast which had looked so promising earlier in the week turned sour by Friday. The local weather on Saturday was beautiful, but Sunday's forecast strongly hinted at showers. So, late Saturday, I decided to cancel the ride to Germantown, even though Prez Roger had e-mailed me, indicating that he was going down there on Saturday. Alex came down for dinner Saturday night, and convinced me to post a smaller-scale ride for Sunday. Initially, I thought that a trip down to the Aberdeen Proving Grounds and its excellent tank museum, with lunch at nearby Havre de Grace, was a good idea. But, come Sunday, the intermittent showers were still in the area, so I cancelled that ride too. An hour later, there was mostly blue sky, so I quickly posted a note on the newsgroup that I would lead "something" (which is why we call it a Pot Luck Ride) out of Our WaWa at 10:30. When we arrived there, we were the only motorcyclists (given the on & off & on scheduling of my ride, I wasn't that surprised.) We departed, and took what has become our customarily southern loop route down CR-539 to Chatsworth, then CR-563 to Green Bank, Batsto, Sweetwater, Weekstown, Lower Bank, Wading River, and back to Chatsworth. Many motorcyclists were seen riding through the area. Instead of heading further northeast, we opted to explore northwest through Pemberton, including an inadvertent entry into Fort Dix, where the MPs politely ushered us out. The rains held off throughout the ride, until our luck ran out and we got soaked outside New Egypt. But 10 minutes later in Jackson, blue skies had returned. Arriving at home, Alex left for North Brunswick, while Jackie dragged me out to kindle my enthusiasm for putting in a brick patio. Ironically, it turns out that Germantown was sunny all day!

I still have two day rides in mind for the near future. On being the aforementioned trip to Aberdeen, MD, and the second being a longish route through Pennsylvania to Bethel, NY (the 1969 Woodstock Festival site), and back into NJ via Port Jervis. Stay tuned for more delays & cancellations.

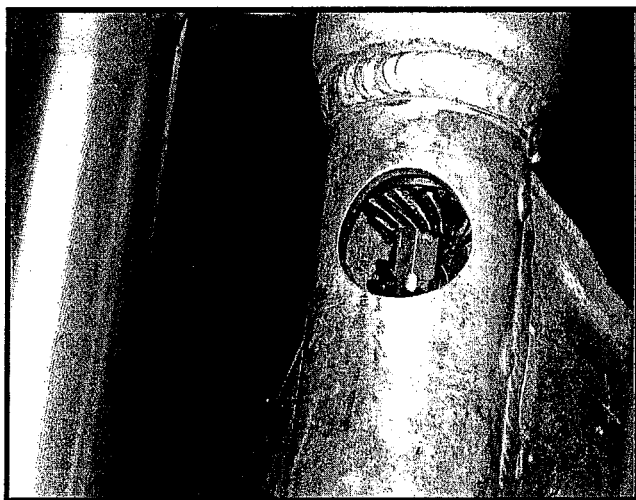
AWD MOTORCYCLE?

Roger Trendowski

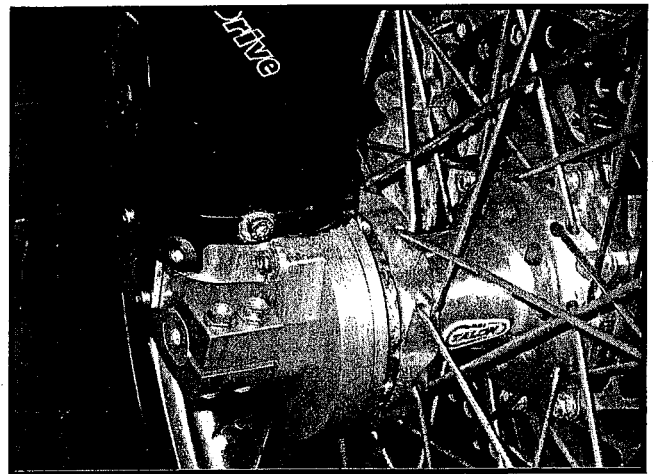
Saturday, May 14th, as part of the planned events before the Internet BMWriders NEPB weekend, a bunch of us headed over to Philadelphia for a tour. Led by our 4-wheeled leader, Harold Gantz, about two dozen of us arrived at Christini Technologies R&D and manufacturing facility in the heart of downtown. Company founder and president, Steve Christini, showed us around and gave us a technical discussion and a demo of his novel approach to his two wheel drive system.



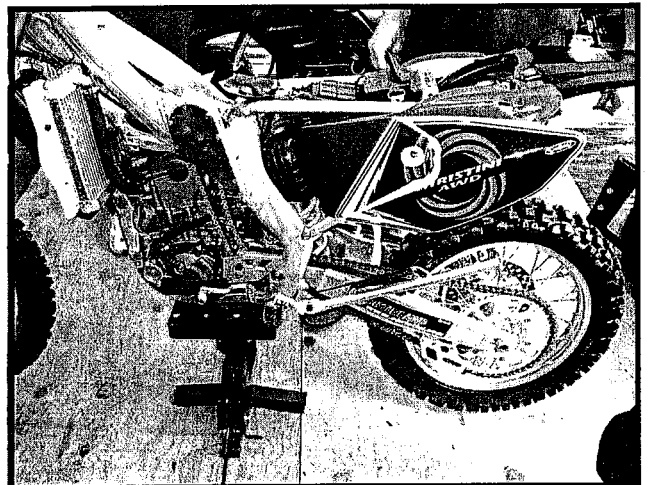
The company made its name by producing All Wheel Drive (AWD) mountain bikes for the last ten years. These performance bikes, produced for a very specialized market, utilize patented drive shaft and gears located within a tubular frame and steering head. For the past few years, they have reached beyond mountain bikes and applied their technology to off-road motorcycles.



The components consist of a custom AWD frame and fork, AWD system, and front hub. Basically, the regular transmission chain drive sprocket that drives the rear wheel is modified to include a second sprocket that drives a chain upward. In a small gearbox located under the seat, the chain turns a driveshaft that goes forward and is located within the tubular frame. This driveshaft terminates in a patented steering head that contains spiral-bevelgears. This applies power to two vertical, splined shafts that run from the steering head assembly down to the front wheel hubs, outside and parallel to the standard motorcycle forks (this explanation should be much clearer if you look closely at the pictures). Two special hubs, located on each side of the front wheel, provide the power to the front wheel. Having the front wheel driven at the same speed as the rear didn't work. The front tire wanted to plow. They experimented and set the front wheel drive ratio at 60% of the rear wheel speed. The special front hubs incorporate sprag clutches that allow the front wheel to over-run the drive



system under normal traction conditions. So anytime the rear wheel has good traction, the front wheel just freewheels as it would on a rear wheel drive bike. But when the rear wheel loses enough traction to cause sufficient wheel spin, the increase in drive speed to the front causes the sprags in the front hub to engage immediately and apply torque to the front wheel and pull the bike forward. They have a prototype (working) motorcycle that has been tested by several experts and writers in the field. All are impressed. Look at their website at www.christini.com for more details on how it works. It was a great tour!



NORTHEAST PRESIDENT'S BREAKFAST MAY 14-15

Dennis Swanson

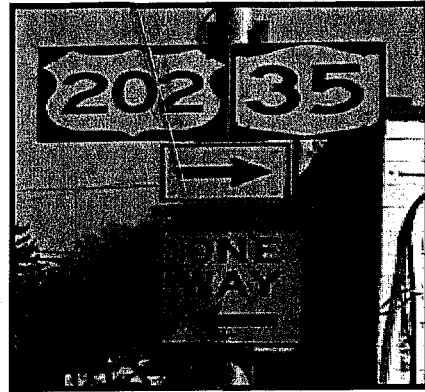
Just in case you wondered, everyone is considered a president in the IBMWR and hence everyone who attends this event is a president. It's a real egalitarian meeting. Or you might consider it an affair of mediocrities, since everyone is the same in rank. Whatever your opinion, it probably is important because you are the president. In any event, this extravaganza got underway with a GS ride, which, from report received, was partially underwater. It seems a GS will run even if submerged and will send out clouds of water vapor to the delight of all assembled.

This will continue even after the oil has been changed. Wonder of wonder is the BMW motorcycle! The flea market at Cherry Hill BMW, now named DeSimone Motorcycles (also Ducati and Victory brands), and run by the New Sweden Riders was lightly attended, judging from past numbers. It might also be that no lunch was provided. Nevertheless, there were some really good values there for the smart shopper, and also test rides on BMW, Ducati and Victory motorcycles. Many notable personalities from neighboring states attended. Julia and Gene Shirley, formerly of the Garden State (NJSBMW members) and now North Carolina natives arrived and wondered how anyone could live in NJ. Little do they know. As the day continued, the crowd assembled at the nearby Flying W for the evening meal. Before the meal, however, it was necessary to have a few at the bar.

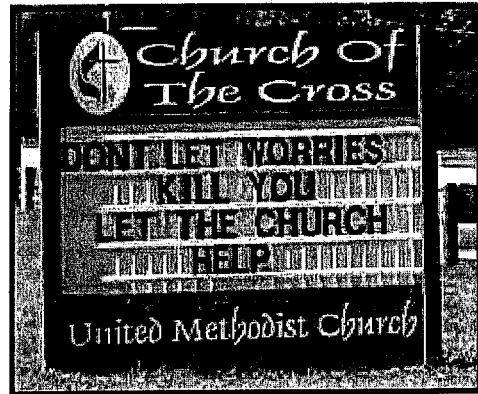
Pete Bartos and Jim Cavallo trapped me there. Pete twisted my arm real hard and made me drink a couple of "Jacks." I was having such a good time I missed the dinner and so did 20 others. This caused a great deal of consternation on the part of the organizers because they found themselves \$600 in the hole. Next morning Capt. Don had to borrow \$20 from me for the breakfast because he was broke. Did he really make up that dinner deficit out of his own pocket? What a guy! By ten in the morning a crowd had gathered. Don Gordon and the Skylands Riders rolled in from the North. Much to everyone's delight, even Max made an appearance! This was New Sweden country and they graciously allowed us entrance. Jersey Shore Riders were in the majority again and Alex Edly led us in exuberance and in breakfast cheers. Prez. Roger asked us to show more decorum, but no one knew what decorum meant. Everyone seemed to win a doorprize. Klaus Hueneke donated gift certificates toward shocks and the major BMW dealers donated lots of XXL T-shirts, hats, and assorted paraphernalia. It was a good time. Miles Cannon's wife won the 50-50 of over \$100. She also won the jacket donated by George Hickman. Miles had a big smile on his mug. Does he know something we don't?

Dr. Spader and I departed by noon through the traffic on route 70 and made a leisurely ride back to the Shore. The traffic congestion made sure we rode at a leisurely pace and didn't exceed the speed limits. Cops and geezers everywhere. What's the use of having 167 horses at your beck and call? Tom likes his new LT and looks good on it. Capt. Don told me he didn't arrive home until much later in the day. It seem she was being helped by Harold as he completed the paperwork for a third mortgage on his home to make up the dinner deficit. Many thanks to Harold and Don who made this event possible! If you committed for the dinner and didn't attend, you might consider sending Harold or Don a check and thereby save Don an impending divorce from Eileen. Living with Don must be a trial under any circumstances and his mortgaging the house may be the last straw.

What were they thinking??



Very comforting...



IF YOU HAD
SUBMITTED AN
ARTICLE,
THIS SPACE
WOULD NOT BE
EMPTY.