

**November 2012**

# **NEW JERSEY** **SHORE BMW** **RIDERS Inc**

**Kent Seydell, President, [president@njsbmwr.org](mailto:president@njsbmwr.org)**

**Mike Lamberti, Vice President**

**Jim McFadden, Treasurer**

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**Don Eilenberger, Trustee and Newsletter Editor**

**Joe Karol, Trustee**

**Roger Trendowski, Trustee**

**John Welch, Skip Palmer - Trustees Emeritus**

**John Malaska, Secretary, Newsletter Publisher**

## **President's Message**

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*"You can go 20 years without a hurricane. All it takes is one." Andrew Coburn*

*"hurricane forecasting has gotten much better over the years but it is still not an exact science." Andy Newman*

*"Another thing we need to concern ourselves with on the coast, is the (hurricane) season is not over." Bob Watts*

*"Serenity is not freedom from the storm, but peace amid the storm" Sarah Ferguson*

*"There can be no rainbow without a cloud and a storm." Unknown*

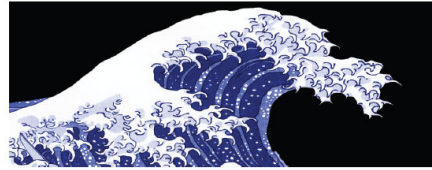
*"I lost an election by one vote in a city commission election. I know how important every vote is. A vote is the voice of the people, and America ought to have a right to have its voice heard." Carol Roberts*

*"If nominated, I will not run; if elected, I will not serve. - On the request that he accept the Republican presidential nomination." Gen. William Sherman*

Hope all are getting back to normal after Sandy.

Had quite a time Monday night as Fire Police in Red Bank, Transformers popping, Trees and power lines coming down all around. Cones, caution tape and barricades blowing away, truck door almost getting ripped off by the wind.

**BMW Club**  
**New Jersey Shore Riders**



Really glad it wasn't any worse than it was. We got power back Saturday afternoon and I still have enough gas in my truck for a few more trips to work before I have to brave the gas lines.

K bike and side car did a great job of dodging all the falling tree limbs and held on to the bike cover while sitting in the back yard. I have to track down a fuel leak before I can ride it again.

Good to see our members using the Yahoo site to let us know how they are doing and if there is any thing they need help with. So this is what a cat 1 Hurricane feels and looks like. Hate to think what a cat 3 or 4 is like. Our hearts go out to those closer to the water who got flooded or swept away. Just went through all my winter clothes and came up with three bags of useable warm clothing and donated it to the local Salvation Army. Been busy at work prepping and repairing portable generators, Pumps and chain saws.

Keep checking our Yahoo Group site for the latest changes and updates.

Kenton

## **Fluffybutt Update**

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*Don Eilenberger*

Fluffybutt is over – except for a special bonus. There were two people who finished all the sites. One is ahead on newsletter articles, but to keep it from being a complete tie – I added in a bonus. For each state park or state prison/reform site I missed getting on the official list – 2 points. Deadline for the bonus points is November 15<sup>th</sup>. Photos as usual required.

Try not to get arrested.

## **Delayed Newsletter**

*Editor*

If anyone missed it – there was a small storm named “Sandy” that visited the shore area a week or so ago. After 10 days without power, I got power back yesterday. A lack of power meant the newsletter was delayed, and I assume the same reason for the lack of member submitted articles. That's OK for a month – I can use the break on editing 12 pages.

Several members did experience property damage due to the storm, and your kind thoughts and moral support would most likely be welcomed by them. Please come to the next meeting for a few details.

The 4” of snow in my driveway this AM was a surprise. Got to start the snowblower that sat all last year with the year before's gas in it. The same gas fired right off and the engine ran fine. Something to be said for low-compression simple carb/magneto engines.

Supposed to hit 50's this weekend, so I'm going to try to get out for a ride if the headcold dancing around my nose and throat doesn't take hold.

Don

## **Old Indian Spotted, October 14<sup>th</sup>**

*RD Swanson*

It all started at the Breakfast Club. What started you ask? An adventure started that would lead us to the banks of the Delaware and a rare sighting of an American Indian. After filling our faces Capt. Don, ex-prez Dan, Mike and I roared out of Farmingdale heading west. At one point I could no longer contain myself and screamed around the curves through Clarksburg and beyond. Dan was hot on my tail.

We reorganized outside Allentown, and continued west. Though traffic and some scenic backroads we decided on the flea market at Lambertville as a destination. As these great collections of junk go, Lambertville is one of the better

ones. From electric trains to knives and bread, strange clothing and rare coins there is much to see there.

As we were walking along, Dan suddenly exclaimed, "There's an old Indian." I looked around expecting to see a warrior in full regalia or perhaps a cigar-store Indian on display.

It was neither. It was an old motorcycle. So we decided to take a look. Truly it was interesting. Cables going everywhere, rods, rust and faded paint. Old technology to be sure. The owner came over to warn is not to take any parts. He was kidding. He said it was a 1935 and that he was 83 years old and rode it there. Inspiration! How many have given up riding and are far younger than this guy? I know quite a few.

We didn't buy anything and took a circuitous route through Princeton and back to the Shore. The weather was a delight. The temperature was in the low 70's and there was only a slight wind.

## **Observations on the FluffyButt**

*Don Gordon*

This summer while traveling about NJ visiting all the fluffy butt challenge locations I observed the following.....



- The Subaru Forester has taken the place of the Volvo at the head of the 35 MPH line of traffic in the 50 MPH zone.

- Spirited acceleration is not in the equation if you're behind a Prius at a traffic light.
- You typically can't travel more than five miles in central NJ without getting behind a dump truck.
- More often than not a vehicle entering an interstate or the GSP will immediately head to the extreme left lane.
- The first indication that the motorist in front of you just received a cell phone call is that for no apparent reason the brakes are applied.
- A driver on the phone has very little lane discipline. Some are better than others but they all stink.
- A driver making a ninety degree right turn while holding a phone will invariably invade the lane of oncoming traffic.
- Weekday traffic on the GSP South of Toms River averages 80 MPH.
- Its no fun traveling eight miles in sugar sand on a BMW R-1200RT.
- Prison guards aren't gregarious.
- Sandy intersections are almost as bad as icy ones.
- NJ has many scenic and interesting places. Trenton isn't one of them.
- Harley riders don't wave at BMW riders but they do wave at Nortons.
- The GPS doesn't always select the best route but it does get you there.
- You're better off in a car than on a bike in rush hour traffic on Int. 287.
- Lane splitting should be legal in NJ.
- While riding, you can drink water but you can't get rid of it.
- Nobody under the age of sixty five drives a Buick.
- The driver will be pissed when you pass a car with a bumper sticker stating "I love my Poodle".

Respectively submitted,  
Don Gordon

## **Elections - club officers**

*Don Eilenberger, Trustee*

The nominating committee (RD Swanson, Roger

Trendowski and myself) have approached candidates for our club officers for 2013. Happily - all have accepted the nomination.

**For President** we nominate Mike Lamberti (aka Rev. Mike) who is running on a platform of clean living and safe riding.

**For Vice President** we nominate Bill Dudley who foolishly slept through last month's meeting.

**For Treasurer** we nominate Jimmy "TB" McFadden who has done an outstanding job keeping the check book balanced.

**For Secretary** we nominate John Malaska who has finally made some sense out of our club membership database.

The candidates will be publicly announced (and may have nomination acceptance speeches) at our October club meeting. We also happily accept nominations from the floor at that time. Voting takes place at our November meeting.

To vote a member must be a paid member for 2013 as of the time of the election. If candidates are running unopposed - voting shall be by a showing of hands (aye or nay.) In the case of a contest (it's never happened yet, but we try to provide for all possibilities) voting will be done by ballot. The new or returning officers take office as of 01/01/2013.

Please attend our November meeting - it's an important one for the future of the club.

## **Holiday Party - December 8th**

*RDS*

December 8th, 6 PM at Rella's in Brielle.

It is still there. The club voted last meeting to subsidize the \$30 cost for members and one significant other to the tune of \$10. This means if you decide to attend, it will cost \$20 for each. But to get the \$10 rebate you must prepay the entire amount and attend - where you'll get your \$10/person back.

Rella's has an upstairs room with a bar for our use. The food is good and the company will be even better. Prizes, trophies and certificates will

be awarded. It will be a cash bar, but you will get a cash rebate when you arrive. What could be better? Well perhaps an open bar but we can't afford it.

So you need to get your reservation with a \$30 or \$60 check to Treasurer McFadden by December 1st. No exceptions.

You could also take care of it the next meeting if we have one. I don't know the treasurer's address, but I'm sure someone will post it in the next few minutes or the next few days.

Don't wait! Do it now before you forget.



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## Schneider's Survives the Storm

And is waiting for our presence at the next meeting on November 14<sup>th</sup>. The Main Street bridge between Avon and Belmar is ker-broken, so you have to either take the Ocean Ave bridge (likely to also be barricaded) or some in off of Rt 35 or Memorial (AKA Railroad) Ave.

## Dues are DUE!

Our annual club renewal date is November 1<sup>st</sup>. In order to vote in the elections, or attend the annual Holiday Party – you must be a current member. You'll find a club application form in this newsletter. Please fill it out, bring it to a meeting, or mail it to John Malaska.

Note – if you paid at our last meeting, your mailing label may not reflect that yet. If you didn't pay your dues yet – what are you waiting for?

## Children's Specialized Hospital Ride

*Jim Thomasey*

The NJSBMWR and the other clubs are invited to the annual ride to the Children's Specialized Hospital in Toms River on Sunday December 9, 2012. As we have in the past, we will meet at the MVC (DMV for those riding since the '70's or before) station on Route 70 West in Lakewood.

The magic coffee wizard will also make an appearance with delicious hot coffee and donuts. After a respectable amount of time discussing important issues, we will leave and ride the short trip to the hospital.

Anyone with a heart is encouraged to come so they can remember what their heart is for. All of us who have made the trip in the past can attest to feeling much better just for going. A tour of the hospital will be provided for those who wish to partake.

After the visit I am sure we will visit a local restaurant where the conversations will continue, now aided by warm food, cold drinks and hot waitresses or some variation of those temperatures and items. You will be regaled with incredible stories, some good and some true; but maybe not both.

I hope to see you there. Save the date on your schedules now for December 9

## Club Activities – 2012

- ◆ **November 1<sup>st</sup>** – Dues DUE!
- ◆ **November 14<sup>th</sup>** - Regular Club Meeting - and annual officer election. Be there or be elected!
- ◆ **December 8<sup>th</sup>** - Annual holiday party
- ◆ **December 9<sup>th</sup>** - Annual Toy Run to Children's Specialized Hospital, Toms River, NJ.
- ◆ **December 12<sup>th</sup>** - Regular Club Meeting.



# New Jersey Shore BMW Riders Inc.

## Membership/Renewal Application – 2013

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Significant Others Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**BMW-MOA Member?** Yes [ ] No [ ]

If yes - membership number: \_\_\_\_\_

**BMW-RA Member?** Yes [ ] No [ ]

If yes - membership number: \_\_\_\_\_

Don E runs a private mailing list – only open to paid club members – on Yahoo. It is used to arrange spontaneous and planned rides, announce club events, remind you of meetings and any other club functions. The list is not used for idle chat, and you can select to receive no email from the list with the exception of administrative email (which is infrequent). You can also select to get the email as single messages (recommended since the volume of mail is very low) or in a daily digest. In order to be a member of this list you must REQUEST to be on it – and have a good Email address.

I would like to be on the Yahoo email list: Yes [ ] No [ ]

**EMAIL address for the Yahoo list (only if different from above):**

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

I'm interested in: Overnight Rally's [ ] Longer Distance Touring [ ] Tech Sessions [ ] Day Rides [ ]

Other \_\_\_\_\_  
(Select as many as you want)

By signing this application, **you** accept full responsibility for any injuries you or any guests may incur during a NJS-BMW-Riders Inc. club activity. You accept that motorcycling is inherently dangerous, and that the club officers and members are not expected to accept any liability for injuries suffered by you or any guest you invite to an activity!

**I've read the above paragraph and agree to hold harmless all members and officers of NJS-BMW-Riders Yes [ ] No [ ]**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please forward this application **with** a check for **\$20** made out to NJ Shore BMW Riders Inc. or bring it to a meeting.

**SEND TO:** John Malaska  
18 William Lane  
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**MEETING – Weds – November 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Schneider's German-American Restaurant, Main St. Avon, NJ**

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