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# NEW JERSEY SHORE BMW RIDERS Inc

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Isn't it interesting that the same people who laugh at science fiction listen to weather forecasts and economists? *Kelvin Throop III*

Don't knock the weather. If it didn't change once in a while, nine out of ten people couldn't start a conversation. *Kin Hubbard (1868 - 1930)*

The trouble with weather forecasting is that it's right too often for us to ignore it and wrong too often for us to rely on it. *Patrick Young*

Iron rusts from disuse; stagnant water loses its purity and in cold weather becomes frozen; even so does inaction sap the vigor of the mind. *Leonardo da Vinci (1452 - 1519), The Notebooks*

Time for the weather report. It's cold out folks. Bonecrushing cold. The kind of cold which will wrench the spirit out of a young man, or forge it into steel. *Diane Frolov and Andrew Schneider, Northern Exposure, Lost and Found, 1992*

Weather is a great bluffer. I guess the same is true of our human society -- things can look dark, then a break shows in the clouds, and all is changed. *E. B. White (1899 - 1985)*

I only drink fortified wines during bad weather. Snowstorm, hurricane, tornado--I'm not particular, as long as it's bad. After all, any storm for a Port. *Paul S. Winalski*



## President's Message:



I've been pondering over the past few days on what would go into this month's message. It seemed as if I had nothing much to say, but things jelled and sure enough I have a bit to talk about.

**Meetings** - our meetings have probably the highest percentage of members attending of any club I've ever heard of.

On a good night, more than half the registered club members are in attendance. January was about 30 people, including Jerry Schreiber who we haven't seen for about a decade. Jerry told us his New-Years resolution was to attend every meeting this year. Cool! Glad to have you back among us Jerry!

So - where am I going with this? I'm encouraging the members who never make a meeting to try making one once. You may not ever want to come back, or you may find that you enjoy conversing with fellow motorcycle addicts, joking, lying, bragging - all the good stuff that goes on at our meetings, and you may find you enjoy the

fine food our host provides. So - to the people we never see - please try and make a meeting!

**Events** - we had our annual planning session on January 20th (more on this in this issue) - and came up with what I'd consider an extensive and full schedule of possible events for the club members to participate in.

I'd asked last year what more could the club do to attract new and younger members, and was told we needed more variety of events.

Well - we have weekly, monthly, yearly events - taking place on evenings, weekdays, week-nights, weekend and multi-day rides and events. We have an annual charity event, and I'm hoping this year to make our name known on the east coast for our Oktoberfest event in the Catskills.

The events are only successful if members turn out for them. Happily so far this year (and we're just a month into the year - in the season where participation normally wanes) we've had a great turnout for anything we've announced.

**Announcements** - Bill Dudley (Ex-Pres) and I have been looking at means to get the "news" out to our membership. So far - we haven't found a better affordable solution than our current Yahoo group setup.

For those of you who aren't on the Yahoo "list" (ie - group) I really encourage you to join.

As a user you have options on how to receive/respond to messages. You can do it strictly web-based in a browser (and it can be setup on your browser to look much like a "forum"), or you can do it via email - as individual messages or daily digests.

MOST members use email. You receive a message - say along the lines of "Ride Saturday to XYZ".. simply responding to this message with "I'll be there" goes out to the group, and lets the ride leader know that you're coming. That, and the automated calendar of events on Yahoo are probably the most valuable features - you receive a reminder of an event - typically a week ahead, then a second reminder the day before.

To join the Yahoo group if you're not on it now -

open your email and send me a message asking to join at: [deilenberger@verizon.net](mailto:deilenberger@verizon.net)

I'll send you an invitation to join the Yahoo group that you can click on and join. The group is lightly moderated - so you won't be receiving porn or things that aren't acceptable in a work-place, and since it's only open to club members you won't receive any spam.

**Oktoberfest** - a bit more will be discussed about this at our February meeting. I'm looking for some help in organizing and publicizing the event. We've picked a date that should give us decent weather, doesn't conflict with anything local clubs are putting on - and as in Germany - Oktoberfest is held in September (really - ask Klaus..)

If our ideas work out, the event will require minimal work and no expense to the club. Get involved - it could become THE event to attend in the Northeast.

See you at our meeting!

Don Eilenberger – Recycled Prez 2016



## Weekly Breakfasts – January

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The weekly breakfast meets this year have so far been well attended. We try to pick a diner where we can find good parking and seating for a group of 6-10, not too far away, and offering a good breakfast menu.

The time is Saturday morning - 10AM. We're looking for suggestions of places to visit. If the weather is unrideable - no one is shamed for coming via 4-wheels, we're just happy to see you come!

A few pics from the last month's breakfasts:



*Apollo Diner - Farmingdale/Wall*



*Amy's - Long Branch*

Next one - this Saturday (Feb 6th) at JB's diner - <http://jbsdiner.com> - intersection of Rt 537/Rt 524 just west of Freehold (205 Monmouth Roadm Freehold, NJ 07728) 10AM. Be there!

## **New Year's Day Ride January 1, 2016**

RD Swanson

This was a grand response to the challenge issued by the New Sweden Riders to meet at the Mott's Creek Inn situated on the bay in Gallopaw, near the Edwin Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge. There isn't much there, vast acres of reeds, a few cottages on stilts, some docks, one road, and expansive views of the bay. The temp was in the forties, the sky cloudy with an occasional break of sunshine. (We did ride there last summer, sat out on the deck, enjoyed warm breezes off the water, and the view of the bay. Quite a contrast.)

But inside the Inn it was all warmth, camaraderie, and cheer. We left our Wawa at about 10:45 and arrived there about noon.



Don led a procession of eight that included Greg Wright, Jim Liotta, Grant Duncan, Dan Thompson, Ben Paraan, Ray Slezak, ???, and myself.



Jim Cavallo who lives in the area was there as were Harold Gantz and Herb Conrad. We did have more riders than New Sweden but just barely. They provided an enthusiastic welcome at the bar and many wishes for a happy new year.



There weren't many tables so most of us sat at the bar and then wandered around to exchange pleasantries. The food is 'bar-food' but not too bad. The chowder had clams in it and the Jerseyburger (pork roll, bacon, onions, pickles and etc,) was healthy and delicious.. The bartenders displayed acres of cleavage and ample backsides held together by denim. They hustled to

serve this sudden surge of BMW riders and did a good job of it. After filling ourselves, we took leave and headed home.

The ride north took us on route 9 through Waretown, Tuckerton, New Gretna and all those charming little towns that border the highway. They really haven't changed much over the years. I noticed three separate churches: 'King of Kings, Reyes de Reyes and Lord of Lords,' something of a redundancy. Plenty of psychic readings dotted the road, lots of chiropractors, creamy freezes, two Doyle's Pour Houses, and diners. Kind of interesting.



Back home, I took a long hot shower to warm my chilled bones. It was a fun day and someone told me that more are being planned.

## **Karen Ann Quinlan CHILLY-CHILI RUN 1/1/16**

*Roger Trendowski*

The count wasn't final but early reports indicated that there were 435 bikes (hopefully with at least that number of riders) at the annual Chilly – Chili Motorcycle Run. The event was held again at the Ogdensburg Volunteer Fire Department. Ogdensburg is in North Jersey, just east of Sparta.

All proceeds from the Harley Club event and bike raffle are contributed to the Karen Ann Quinlan Hospice located in Newton NJ.

Karen Ann Quinlan was an important figure in the history of the "right to die" controversy in the United States. When she was 21, she became unconscious after consuming drugs and alcohol and lapsed into a coma. She remained in a coma in a vegetative state.

The doctors refused her parents' request to disconnect Karen's respirator. Her parents filed suit to disconnect Karen from life support apparatus which was the first such suit in the US. After finally winning the suit in the NJ State Supreme court, Karen's respirator was disconnected but she continued to breathe unaided. With only nutrition provided via tubes she lived for 9 more years but never regained consciousness. Read more at:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Karen\\_Ann\\_Quinlan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Karen_Ann_Quinlan) and <http://www.karenannquinlanhospice.org/history/>



I put 168 miles round trip even though Google mileage one-way is 74. A few extra miles were allocated to lunch and gas stops. I took the most direct route from Middletown/Red Bank to the Rally by heading up the GSP to Route 24 west, then 287N to I80 West, then Route 15N to 517E. Temperature was much cooler up there in Skyland's territory, about 10 degrees colder. My F800GSA temperature gauge said 33 degrees. As I got closer to Ogdensburg more bike-traffic appeared and upon arrival at the Fire Barn, bikes clogged the large parking lot.

Unlike past years there wasn't any snow on the ground or piled up in the parking lot. The largest group I had seen over the past 10 years was about 900-1000 attendees in 2012. The temperature was in the 50s then. With today's temperature in the low 40's, attendance was definitely less.

# January Meeting Notes

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## Called to order exactly at 7:30PM

**Welcome** to new (and returning members) - Jerry Schreiber made an appearance - and we were happy to see him. He said his New Years resolution was to make every meeting this year.

**Treasurer's Report** - As of 11/11/15 the club had \$960.90 in the Treasury with anticipated revenue (50/50) of \$40.

**Secretary's Report** - As of 11/11/15 the club has 45 paid members for 2016, contrasting with 65 in 2014 at the same time. It appears we've lost some members we never have seen or heard from - and the attendance at the meeting was over 30 people (an outstanding percentage of our paid members.)

## OLD BUSINESS:

**NY Moto-show** - brief report by Don. Once again I said "not next year" - but as usual, we'll see how that goes.

**Christmas Party - RDS** - 37 people attended, outstanding awards from both Roger and Mike K, consensus was a good time was had by all, and we've booked Rods for 2016.

**Toy Run - Jim Thomasey** - 37 bikes were in attendance - with more than 37 riders (some were 2 up.) The total from the three clubs and private donations was in excess of \$1,200 - plus the big pile of toys. Bill Dudley received a very nice hand-painted thank you from the hospital for our continuing support of the hospital. I was told by one of the staff that the motorcycle group was now the longest-term supporters of the Children's Specialized Hospital.

**Breakfast Club discussion** - we decided to look for new locations for our weekly breakfast meetings. This weekend is the Turning Point in Brick.

**Website/Yahoo/Blog** - Bill reported on our new club website that he is generously hosting on one of his servers. This is saving us \$\$/year so this is a very good thing. He offered to add a function allowing the club members to upload

photos to the server - creating a club photo album (we received email that he implemented this today.) THANKS BILL!

**Yahoo email list, Don** - I've been cleaning the list of non-paid members, and I've cleaned up the Facebook NJSBMWR Group so it includes only club members. Our blog is getting new content whenever I get to posting it.

Sale of club stickers was announced - \$1/each, or 5 for \$5. Wadda deal!

## NEW BUSINESS:

**Reminder of our annual planning session** - next Weds at Crown Engineering, 6PM. Pizza will be served!

**Monthly Ride** - we may skip February - but volunteers Dave Rosen, Ben Preen, Bill Dudley, RD Swanson, and DJE will be taking turns picking and planning a route for a monthly Sunday ride - typically the 1st Sunday of the month.

**Movie Night - Crown Engineering** - Feb 17th, 6PM. So far we have "The John Penton Story" movie, and some people volunteered to bring other things to watch.

**Expanded Oktoberfest** - was discussed. There will be more forthcoming on this as the people involved with planning it get some plans going and a commitment from a venue. We are planning on moving the date back to Sept 16-18th (Von Steuben Day Parade weekend) since there is great availability of venues that weekend.

**Publicity and membership drive** - unfortunately Greg Wright was in Plano Texas. We sent our commiserations.

**New Club paraphernalia** - Grant Duncan has taken hold of this project, and we got a hands-up commitment from about 20-25 members last night for some sort of club shirt. Grant decided that 4 shirt styles could be offered, and will report back at a future meeting on how much they'll cost.

**2016 Mileage Contest** - unfortunately Roger T was absent - but we reminded the club members to send their starting mileage (as of 12/1/2015) to Roger to get into the contest.

– in Farmingdale.

**Bylaw Review Committee** - Joe K, Bill D, RDS and Don have volunteered to review the club by-laws and make recommendations for additions or modifications to the club as a whole. They are awaiting a copy of the current bylaws.

**Budget Committee** - was formed, Don, Dan, Jim Thomasey will attempt to outline a basic month by month annual budget for 2016. A committee meeting will be announced, and any members who want to attend are more than welcome.

**Open floor** - not too much.

**50/50** - Mike Kowal won. Thanks to Joe Karol for running it.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:05PM.**

## **Club Planning Meeting January 20th**

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*Jim Thomasey*

On Jan 20, 2016 a hearty group of industrious and earnest men braved the twisty roads and rolling fog to attend the yearly Planning board meeting at Crown Engineering in Farmingdale NJ. Mike Palmer graciously allowed us access to his business where Don, Klaus, Bill D. Joe K., Greg, Dave, Grant, Ben, Mike K., and Jerry toiled over an exhausting list of possible things to do this coming year.

On the agenda were discussions of tech sessions to be held as well as setting the date for the always enjoyable "Gathering of the Nortons" on April 17, 2016, which we all know is the official start of "let's getting something to eat" season. Don published a list of the other items and I am sure they will be discussed in more detail as the actual date approaches.

Most importantly, some members volunteered(??) to lead rides on Sundays when the weather gets better. I hope all of the rides will be well attended.

The group gathered for pizza after the meeting

## **January Ends on a High Note January 31<sup>st</sup> Ride**

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*RDS*

The sun was shining and the temperature reached 57 degrees. It was one of those teaser days that makes you think Spring is just around the corner. And you know it isn't.

Nevertheless, you get out and take advantage of it. Capt. Don called to see if I was going for a Sunday lunch at Woody's in Allentown. I wasn't sure since there was still a lot of snow melt and a lot of salty residue on the roads from last week's snow storm. But I did go and was glad that I had.



On the way we overtook Joe Karol on interstate 195 and he followed along. Don took some side roads and we rode into town at just about 1PM. Jim Liotta and the Dudley's had also just arrived so the timing was good. After we were seated, Ben Paraan also arrived.

The lunch was good and the conversation lively.

We left at around 2:30 and took a leisurely ride home. The roads, although wet in spots were generally clean. Riding past fields and farms with the bright sunshine blazing off the snow cover was quite picturesque.

It was a splendid winter ride.

# Southern California Trip January 2016

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*Abraham & Maximilian Garweg*

It is my opinion that the best presents under the Christmas tree are usually the ones you wrap for yourself. At least in this manner I have yet to be disappointed. This year was no different. My son and I decided to pass on material objects and instead Mr. and (my wife) Mrs. Claus were kind enough to drop two roundtrip tickets to Southern California under the tree.



While there my son and I would spend a few days renting modified Moto Guzzi's from renowned customizer Todd Eagen.

Todd is a massive Petrol-head, a great guy, and the owner of Guzzitech. Todd does for Guzzi's what the M division does for BMW's. Todd takes a standard Guzzi and turns it into the Supper-leggera/sport version. Really many of you may think that is high praise but if anything it's an understatement. The way he transforms the bikes is nothing short of staggering.

I know the standard bike very well. My son owns a 2014 V7 Racer. It was actually my son Max who (against my better judgment) got me back into riding. Max fell in love with the Racer, which he bought in early December in Dallas and rode home to NJ in five days.

I always liked Guzzis and have to say the V7 Racer in stock form is a great bike. At least that was my opinion, until I rode one of Todd's creations.

Basically, Todd has your dream job. He spends his afternoons out in a garage in the hills of Malibu, (overlooking the pacific) where he wrenches on all manner of Guzzi's. The standard treatment is more power, less weight, and magic suspension that somehow manages to be supple over bumps and perfectly stiff through the bends.

The difference between my sons bike and Todd's V7 is like kicking off some old wooden clogs and sliding on a new pair of Nikes.

Todd's V7 is without a shadow of a doubt the best motorbike I have ever ridden. His few thousand dollars (around \$3000 on top of a standard bike) gets you a full-bespoke lightweight exhaust, a lighter battery, an ECU tune, and massively improved front and rear suspension.



We started our trip just north of Santa Monica lost in the hills of Malibu wondering if our GPS was insane.

It was telling us that our destination was at the top of a long rocky, dirt road. At the top of the hill are two homes. The one on the left is Todd's. Waiting outside in the SoCal sun were our motorbikes. A V7 with all of Todd's mods and a 1,200cc heavily modified Griso that puts 112 hp to its massive rear tire.

Max wanted to feel what the modifications did to

a V7 so I ended up with the hulking Griso. We familiarized ourselves with the bikes through the excellent canyon roads (Becker and Mulholland along with our personal favorite hill climb of Las Flores) in Malibu before taking the Pacific Highway north.

I knew the Pacific Highway from former trips between Hearst castle and Monterrey. The road is very scenic up north and full of fast turns. To our surprise in Southern California it is mainly a highway (101) (not what we had in mind).

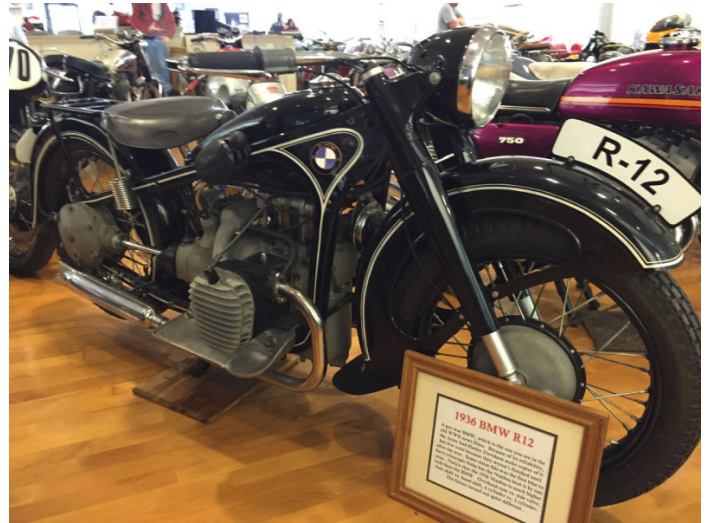
After nearly running out of fuel with the thirsty Griso (it has a drinking problem) we decided to quit the main highway and took the very scenic Chumash highway to Solvang. The ride was awesome! The road was fantastic; the landscape before us outstanding, and it was empty in comparison to US-1. We loved every minute of this ride and arrived in Solvang shortly before 9AM.

Solvang is very touristic but if you get there early enough (before the tour buses) it feels less like Epcot and more like a little Northern European town.



We had breakfast in one of the Scandinavian

restaurants (it was excellent) and walked from the town to Solvang's gem of a motorcycle Museum. When the museum opened at 11AM we found ourselves lost in a veritable treasure trove. It may not have been the largest motorcycle museum I've been to but I don't believe it contained a single bike I wouldn't put in my dream garage. .



A few of our favorites; A 1932 Brough Superior (never saw one in person), a BMW R12, a like new original R69S, a 1954 BMW Rennsport, A very impressive collection of AJS, MV & Vincent bikes, a 1955 Moto-Guzzi 500cc DOC V8 racing bike, and a 1972 Yamaha XS650 (last bike I owned before buying a BMW R bike this summer). Several NSU racing bikes as well as a 1928 Neander (my favorite uncle used to have one) After wiping the drool from our chins we slipped into our gear and hit the road.

We headed from Solvang NW to drive some more beautiful canyon roads. My son picked one 'shortcut' that turned out to be nothing but packed damp mud that was as slick as ice. We were about to give up and turn around when an old man and his wife tore past us in a gorgeous dark blue Porsche 356 Coupe. We gave chase and let me tell you, this guy really knew how to drive, he pulled ahead on the wetter muddier sections and we reeled him back in on Todd's masterful machines anytime the road dried up. It was an absolute blast and it is a memory that will never be willingly surrendered.

We eventually took 154 back to Ventura via Santa Barbara. At Ventura Harbor we ate the best Greek food ever and rode further south to



Oxnard where we spent the night.

The next morning we got up early and laughed as we gave the hotel courtyard its unwanted 7:30 wake up call. Seriously, the Griso Snorts, snarls, crackles and pops like a bull rushing a matador. It is a bit too loud for my tastes but my son absolutely loved it. Next, we took the pacific highway south, rode through some serious fog, and took an exit north of Malibu to hit the canyons one last time.

Driving in the Malibu Mountains we switched bikes and I got to ride the V7. I fell in love with that bike. The build quality of the smaller bike seemed closer to my BMW's than the Griso. The V7 handled like a 500 cc bike but had the grunt of a much larger bike. Todd's ECU re-flash makes it much more rev happy and if you're a little overzealous it will pick up the front wheel (something my son has not managed on his stock racer). The Griso was a great bike and was extremely fast but the V7 made me smile through those canyon roads like I haven't in a long time. Swinging around turns like a pro is simple with that V7. It is the definition of confidence inspiring.

I am a diehard BMW motorcycle fan but I can now say if I could only have one bike in my garage it would be one of Todd's modified V7's. Blasphemy? Go stop by Todd's little Malibu sanctuary and ride one for yourself, you may very well end up in the same predicament as my son; who is now suddenly aware that he is wearing wooden clogs and is desperately saving for a pair of Todd Eagan's Nike's. What do you have to lose? Worst-case scenario you ride some excellent bikes on some of the worlds best roads for a trip of a lifetime.

We will do this trip again (after saving up a bit) but we have learned a bit as well. Next time we will rent Todd's guesthouse and spend our days attacking the canyons in and around Malibu. We hope to find more awesome canyon roads and I will be riding a V7.

I don't know what the future holds but I do sincerely hope that it is a garage with a Guzzitech V7.

Thanks for reading.

## 2016 Event Schedule

Please email the editor with additions/corrections.

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### February

- February 3rd - Moribundi Lunch
- February 7th - Polar Bear - Riverton Hotel, Bangor PA
- February 10th - Meeting
- February 14th - Polar Bear - HOOTERS, Wayne NJ
- February 17th - Movie Night @ Crown
- February 21st - Polar Bear - Bahrs Land-ing, Highlands NJ
- February 28th - Polar Bear - Lighthouse Tavern, Waretown NJ

### March

- March 2nd - Moribundi Lunch
- March 4th-5th, Modern Classics Show, Martin Motorsports, Boyertown PA - ride leader - Bill Dudley
- March 6th - Polar Bear - Long Valley Pub & Brewery, Long Valley NJ
- March 9th - Meeting
- March 13th - Polar Bear, Chatterbox, Augusta NJ
- March 16th - Tech session - topic to be revealed when we decide it
- March 20th - Polar Bear - Brian's Harley Davidson, Langhorne PA

### April

- April 3rd - Polar Bear - Hickory BBQ Smokehouse, Kingston, NY
- April 6th - Moribundi Lunch
- April 10th - Polar Bear - Cheeburger Cheeburger, Easton PA
- April 13th - Meeting
- April 17th - Gathering of the Norton's Ride
- April 23rd - Polar Bear Finale - Pic-a-Lilli Inn
- April 29th - May 1st, Georgia Mountain Rally, Georgia (See Grant and Greg)

### May

- May 4th - Moribundi Lunch
- May 11th - Meeting
- May 14th-15th - New Sweden 450 - lets support our sister club!
- May 18th - Evening Ice Cream Ride - destination to be announced
- May 20th-22nd - Morton's Spring Fling, Natural Bridge VA - See Dave Rosen
- May 20th-22nd - Down East Rally, Maine
- May 27th-29th - Charter Oak Rally, Connecticut - Maybe see Don

## June

- June 1st - Moribundi Lunch
- June 8th - Meeting
- June 15th - Evening Ice Cream Ride - destination to be announced
- June 24th - Don's big-ass birthday
- June 26th - Motorcyclepedia, Newburg NY - Ride Leader - Dave Rosen
- June ???? - Airheads at the Aerodrome - Date to be announced June ?? - Ride to work day

## July

- July 6th - Moribundi Lunch
- July 6th - Evening Ice Cream Ride - rescheduled due to MOA Rally
- July 13th - 2 day ride to MOA Rally - through Adirondacks – Don
- July 14th-17th - MOA Rally - Hamburg NY
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- July 15th - Afternoon - Club registration shift at MOA Rally (Roger T)
- July 15th - Evening - Club dinner at MOA Rally
- July 20th - Meeting - rescheduled due to MOA Rally (someone tell Schneiders!)

## August

- August 3rd - Moribundi Lunch
- August 10th - Meeting
- August 17th - Evening Ice Cream Ride - destination to be announced
- August ?? - Club Picnic? Tom Spader's backyard again?
- August ?? - RA National - Laguna Seca (California)
- August 19th-21st - Annual Return to Trenton (Ontario, Canada)

## September

- September 7th - Moribundi Lunch
- September 9th-11th - AMA Racing @ NJ Motorsports Park (Millville) - Dave Rosen ride leader
- September 14th - Meeting
- September 16th-18th - Oktoberfest, Catskills - Don, Dan and ALL the club! More on this..
- September 21st - FINAL - Evening Ice Cream Ride - destination to be announced
- September 23-25th - Last Chance Rally

## October

- October 5th - Moribundi Lunch
- October 12th - Meeting
- October ?? - ?? Three Club Rumble -

Skylands this year.

- October ?? - Barber Vintage Festival

## November

- November 2nd - Moribundi Lunch
- November 9th - Meeting (nominations)
- November ?? - IDEAS??

## December

- December 7th - Moribundi Lunch
- December 10th - Club Dinner - RD Swanson
- December 11th - Toy Run, Children's Hospital - Jim Thomasey
- December 14th - Meeting (elections)

Polar-Bear club group rides will be announced weather permitting via the Yahoo group list.

There are also the regular Saturday morning "Breakfast Club" meetings, also announced via the Yahoo group list.

Moribundi lunch locations are announced via Yahoo, and are at 12:30PM, the first Wednesday of every month.

## For Sale

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### **For Sale 1991 BMW K75RT**

*Pete Lisko*

With deep regret and mostly because I don't have room for three motorcycles I am parting with my beautiful 1991 BMW K75RT. I purchased this bike in 2001 as the third owner with 42 K on the odometer; it currently shows 79,800 miles. The reliability of this bike is legendary. I can tell you this is one of the finest, smoothest and well balanced bikes I have ever owned. It has never stranded me on the road and I have had only minor repairs done. I have complete maintenance records available for review. The fuel injected 750cc engine is considered to be the best liquid cooled engines ever built; smooth and powerful. I have always kept the bike in my garage under a cover. Though it has never been down I had it completely repainted in 2012 in its stock color of metallic black; it is spectacular. There are no scratches, no dings, no dents.

This is a totally OEM unmolested survivor, in completely original condition (except for the new paint). One of the finest bikes ever built by

BMW, at \$4,000 for a turnkey rider this bike provides excellent value.

**Equipment list:**

- Garmin 2720 with mount
- BMW ABS brakes
- BMW Electric Windshield
- BMW Integral cases
- BMW Top Case
- Corbin Canyon Dual Sport Leather seat
- Complete repaint in 2012, matching the stock factory color
- Throttlemeister cruise control
- EZ Bleeders
- High Output AGM Powersport maintenance free, leak proof battery 10/11/2011
- Light-Blazer LED license plate brake flashers
- Clymer Shop Manual
- BMW tool kit
- Progressive Suspension 420 series rear shock
- Aerostich 14 Mil Headlight protector
- RKA Tank bag

**Contact:** [pjliskojr@verizon.net](mailto:pjliskojr@verizon.net)

## **Carolina Riding, Nov. 30**

*RDS*

I have ridden through the lower forty-eight states, but given my personality have not spent much time in any of them excepting New Jersey, Pennsylvania and California. My riding in Pennsylvania has been mostly in the Bucks County area and in California around the San Diego area where I have family. Both areas are good riding.

So when I obtained a cottage in North Carolina it was because a part of my family moved there and this was an opportunity to spend time with them. I had not thought much about riding a motorcycle there. And I did not know anything much about the Chapel Hill area.

Backtracking a bit I had been at Cross Country Cycles Spring 2014 and made the error of sitting on an R nine t. I was captivated and put down a deposit to buy one. I would trade my R12R. But during the wait period I was looking

around and found an available one at Carolina BMW in Greensboro, NC. This was September. I called and Ozzie the salesman there and I concluded a deal over the phone. He would deliver the bike to Chapel Hill so when I returned there it would be in the garage.

And there it was. I managed to register it in NC where it costs over \$100 a year for plates. And I was ready to ride.

This has been a learning experience. Unlike NJ where I always know about where I am. You know east to the ocean, north to the slums, south to the swamps and west to better roads. In Carolina I was almost always lost, at least in the beginning. But this was partly resolved by my GPS. I would just go out in any direction, keep riding until I wanted to return and then use the device to get me home. Gradually the roads became more familiar and I began to develop a sense of where I was and where I wanted to go. This is an ongoing process and still in the formative stages.

The back roads start at my front door and seem to go on forever. Everywhere the roads are in good shape, perhaps because of the warmer climate. There are some challenging areas with some nice twisties, but mostly there are long sweeping curves. I am starting to find some favorite spots and returning to them. Traffic is almost non-existent and the fields, farms and woods are mostly spread out so most of the time you don't have to deal with blind driveways.

My next door neighbor rides and he has also shown me a few good spots for riding. I joined the Tarheel Travelers, a BMW club but have yet to join any of their rides. It seems to be a statewide group and has events all over the state. Some posted photos reveal a bunch of guys and gals who look just like us. You know, gray beards and aerostich suits. Perhaps next trip I'll connect.

I have also found some good lunch spots with Southern cooking. Biscuits are ubiquitous. Waffle House and Bojangles are also pretty good. I don't plan on leaving NJ. I'm a Jersey Boy, born and bred, but it is nice in Carolina. And warmer.

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### Club Logo Stickers available!

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Thanks to an anonymous donor – the club now has a supply of self-adhesive, reflective club logos, suitable for your bike available. Price is \$1/each. See Treasurer Dan Thompson for purchase. The logo is identical to the one on the first page of this newsletter.

**Meeting – Weds – February 10<sup>th</sup> – Schneider's Main St, Avon 6PM**  
**Movie Night - Crown Engineering - Feb 17<sup>th</sup>, 6PM**

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