## January 2019 <u>NEW JERSEY</u> <u>SHORE BMW</u> <u>RIDERS Inc</u>

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Each new day is a blank page in the diary of your life. The secret of success is in turning that diary into the best story you possibly can. *Douglas Pagels, A Wonderful Resolution For The New Year!* 

An optimist stays up to see the New Year in. A pessimist waits to make sure the old one leaves. *Bill Vaughan* 

Money can't buy happiness; it can, however, rent it. *Anonymous* 

Except for an occasional heart attack I feel as young as I ever did. *Robert Benchley* 

As scarce as the truth is, the supply has always been in excess of the demand. *Josh Billings* 

The optimist proclaims that we live in the best of all possible worlds; and the pessimist fears this is true. *James Branch Cabell, from The Silver Stallion* 

If thine enemy offend thee, give his child a drum. *Chinese Curse* 

Men occasionally stumble on the truth, but most of them pick themselves up and hurry off as if nothing had happened. *Sir Winston Churchill* 

History repeats itself. That's one of the things wrong with history. *Clarence Darrow* 



### President's Message:



#### CO-PREZ MESSAGE Roger Trendowski (this month)

Many of our club members have already been treasurer, secretary, VP and President. So when the opportunity presented itself to do it again, I figured we hadn't ever had a CO-PREZ so we might try something new.

After talking to Bill Dudley (also an ex-prez) we figured it would be easier to share the position and responsibilities by following corporate trend of CO-officers.

Our discussion was actually more of an argument.... We both wanted to be VP and not Prez.

It's an easier job.

I exclaimed that I rode more miles so I deserved my pick of the litter.. VP and not Prez. Bill claimed he had more bikes. Then I rebuffed with the fact that I had more management experience by being married 50 years. He claimed more exwives which gave him more decision-making reallife experience and therefore deserved choice job pick (VP). After several more arbitrary, non-motorcycle related and non-management related quips, we both gave up and decided to assume the same position title...Co-Prez.

We agreed to alternate running meetings and writing newsletter president's column, share coordination of activities, and delegate as much as we can to volunteers.

In a leadership-vacuum when both of us are off on a ride or something, then leadership falls to our club's highly dedicated executive team: Treasurer Joe Karol and then Secretary Jim Thomasey . Our bylaws specifically indicates the traditional chain of command... ie Prez to VP to Treas... but does not address our CO-Prez arrangement so I guess we will have to wing-it.

To continue to make our club successful/viable we will still need to rely on volunteers to lead specific activities like the holiday dinner, toy run, Oktoberfest, rumble, etc. We have a lot of club experience to help even If you haven't done it before. Just propose something at a club meeting or to Bill or me, and we will help you organize it. Raise your hand. The benefits are great as is the pay (Ha).

My primary goal this year is to improve the ways we promote/advertise our club.... hopefully with an increase in club membership and participation.

Approval of club business cards at our December meeting is one way we might do this.... with club members introducing themselves and passing out club information to prospective members. Any other ideas?

See you at our next club meeting on the 9th... at a new restaurant (see info in this newsletter and in club emails.)

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### Schedule of Events – 2019!

*Please send additions and corrections to the editor!* 

#### <u>January</u>

- > January 2<sup>nd</sup> Moribundi, Cabin Rt 33 Howell
- January 9<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting, Our House Restaurant, Rt 524, Farmingdale

#### AWAITING MORE INPUT

The calendar is also available here, with more detail: <u>www.njsbmwr.org/calendar.cgi</u> There are also the regular Saturday morning "Breakfast Club" meetings, announced via the club email group list.

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

### January 2019 Meeting Agenda

- 1 Call to order (7:30 Roger)
- 2 Welcome new/returning members (Roger)
- 3 Treasurer's Report (Joe K)
- 4 Secretary's Report on Membership and renewals (Jim T)
- 5 OLD and CONTINUING BUSINESS
  - a) Report on Motts Creek New Years Day ride – Roger T or Greg Wright
- 6 NEW BUSINESS
  a) Planning meeting held during meeting?
  b)
- 7 Open Floor Anyone
- 8 50/50 drawing (Joe K)

END - Adjourn and stand around talking for 30 minutes or so.

## December 2018 Meeting Notes

Meeting was brief – the new officers for 2019 were introduced, and the outgoing officers were thanked. A review of December events was given. Treasury is in good shape, in excess of \$1,600 after all expenses. Membership is hovering around 37 paid to date. More are outstanding and will be reminded.

### January 1<sup>st</sup> Ride to Motts Creek

Pics Greg W, text RDSwanson





The annual ride to the Mott's Creek Inn in south Jersey was blessed by 60 degree weather and no rain. It was windy but not too bad, around 20mph.

Shore Riders made a good showing. I rode down with Roger and Jim T. We did a straight Parkway run that took about an hour. When we arrived at the pot-holed and puddled lot at the inn, Greg, Tom, Richie and Grant also rode in.

The lot was crowded with approximately 50 motorcycles, mostly BMW"s. The rather seedy bar was fairly crowded but there were seats to be had. We ordered food and drinks and wandered around. Nancy G., Pete and Al, Ron C., Wayne Reiss, and many other New Sweden Riders I didn't know were gathered.



I spotted Kent Seidel out on the deck and Ben and Junie were on the other side of the bar.

My count of Shore Riders was about 26, so we had the largest showing there, more or less.

Five of us returned the way we arrived straight up the GSP. Nothing spectacular, but Roger makes a good ride leader setting a moderate pace accommodating all.

### Toy Run - 2018

Jim Thomasey

The annual Toy Run to benefit the Specialized Children's Hospital was held on Sunday December 9, 2018.

About 8 riders and an abundance of drivers met at the DMV station in Lakewood on a cool but sunny morning, for coffee and donuts before a short ride to the hospital.

We were able to give the hospital almost \$1400 in checks and cash as well as quite a few gifts for the patients and their families. We made our presentation in the lobby of the facility this year as in the past, but we did not take a tour of the hospital and the children were not able to come outside to see the bikes this year.

Thank you to all the participants and donors who joined us this year .

## Club Business Cards



At the December club meeting we approved creating business cards that could be used to help advertise our club to prospective members.

The front was designed with the traditional club

"ocean wave" logo. The back shows our website URL and president's email address. Our NJS-BMWR.org website contains all the information that someone might need: membership form, monthly meeting location/time, upcoming events, photos, and archive newsletters. There is room on the back of the card to write your own name and contact information if you wish.

Pick up a few business cards at our monthly meeting and start inviting new Riders.

### **New Meeting Place**

Bill Dudley

Beginning with the January 9 meeting, we will have a new venue. The Our House Restaurant is a historic inn in Farmingdale, NJ. The address is 420 Adelphia Rd., Farmingdale.

Adelphia Road is also known as County Route 524, and the Our House Restaurant is approximately mid-way between the Tony's Pizzeria and the Park Nine Diner.

The Our House Restaurant has several meeting rooms; we will be using the "Blue Room", which is right off the main dining room. There's a large paved parking lot behind the building. I had dinner at the Restaurant last month, met the manager, and ordered dinner from the "bar menu". There's also a "big" menu with more expensive dinners on it.

I'm enthusiastic about the Our House because of it's private room, and the fact that they called me up last week to double check our standing reservation and on what our requirements are.

I hope to see you all there on January 9.

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#### Our House Restaurant near Farmingdale, West on 524 toward Route 9

# 2018 Club Mileage Contest Results

Roger T



Nineteen club members participated in this year's mileage contest. There were some surprises at both the top and bottom.

Two new club members cornered the top positions with plenty of miles; Dorothy Gulla with 35K miles and Jonathan Blair with 15K. At the other end of the spectrum our long time winner Mike Kowal is bumped up to #18th position with a total yearly miles = 24.

Our new bottom dragger is Dave Rosen who set a new club record of minus 34 miles. (I asked him to double check his odometer without telling him the implications... but with no correction coming in; we used his original reading.) His award said "get new glasses" to see the odometer.

Overall cumulative miles were 132,690 for the 19 members which was 3K more than last year. If you would like to see the contest details, send me an email. The competition is all in fun; everyone at the Holiday Party enjoyed the presentations and lies that went with the awards.

#### Place, Member Total Miles Commentary

- 1. Dorothy Gulla 35,471 Lots of miles on too many S1000's
- 2. Jonathan Blair 15,626 High mileage Double Dual-Sport

3. Roger Trendowski Core-Groupie

#### 14,247 High mileage

11,532 Best out of a

- 4. Bill & Zhao Dudley dozen
- 5. Ben Paraan 7,490 Flat with spurt (5,5,1,5,4,6)
- 6. Herb Konrad 6,679 Move closer to win
- 7. Joe Karol 6,096 Clutch cable would help
- 8. Don Eilenberger 6,030 Best out of a dozen
- 9. Klaus Huenecke 5,421 Top 3-wheel rider
- 10. Grant Duncan 4,729 Better than 15th place (2016)
- 11. Dennis Swanson3,937 Neither bike will wear out
- 12. Richie Candrilli 3,929 Low mileage touring bike award
- 13. Greg Wright 3,356 Too much work, not enough bike-time
- 14. John Welch 3,259 Second place Florida contingent
- 15. Ed Gerber 2,066 15 Low mileage touring bike award
- 16. Jim Thomasey 1,751 Top of the heap
- 17. Jerry Rouvrais 1,081 Lowest mileage touring bike award
- 18. Mike Kowal 24 Pink bike must've helped (not low-man)
- 19. Dave Rosen -34 Get new glasses...New low





## Monthly Meeting- January 9<sup>th</sup>

Our House Restaurant : 420 Adelphia Rd., Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727 . Tel # 732.938.5159



Eat @ 6PM Business meeting starts at 7:30PM Our House, 420 Adelphia Road, Farmingdale