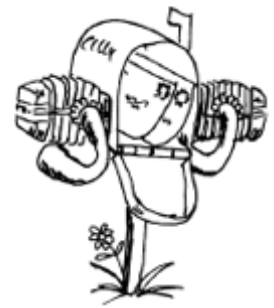


The Mail Boxer

December 2014

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The Prez Says

Greetings all!

Thank you to everyone for attending the Fall Banquet. It was a good turn out.

The weather sure turned nasty in a hurry. I'm still waiting for that nice day for the last ride before changing oil.

Not much else to ramble on about.

Happy belated Thanksgiving to all.

Dick



Another GREAT Banquet

By Heidi Goehring

Special thanks to all those working behind the scenes to create and make this annual event happen. Your efforts to manage the tasks and complete your assignments do not go unnoticed. And... we greatly appreciate your volunteerism, humor, comradery and general zaniness!

See more pictures and read comments shared on ListServe on page 4.



Upcoming Events

December 7, 2014
Club Breakfast
VFW Post 1318
133 Lakeside St. (corner
of John Nolen Dr.)
Meet at 9:00 am
Breakfast at 9:30
Meeting to follow

***Time to renew your
membership! It has it's
privileges!!!***

Wear your name tag at
club events and get to
know fellow members by
name!

January 4, 2015
Club Breakfast
VFW Post 1318
133 Lakeside St.
Meet at 9:00 am
Breakfast at 9:30
Meeting to follow

February 1, 2015
Club Breakfast
VFW Post 1318
133 Lakeside St.
Meet at 9:00 am
Breakfast at 9:30
Meeting to follow

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Did Somebody Say New Bikes?



« Here's a pic of Sam Hokin on his new track bike, a 2006 SV650 with a Gixxer front end, at the Barber Track.

The livery is for WiRiders.com.

The 'Shedivy Strong' sign is a thing Sam & Carla do for Carla's brother Carl, who has AML (leukemia) and is at Mayo Clinic awaiting a bone marrow transplant. Folks take shots with 'Shedivy Strong' in all sorts of places and send them to Carl, and he may then include them in his daily email update. This pic made the 10/22 Carl update!



« Sam's not alone though. Brian Manke spotted this little 'cutie' at the fall Crud Run. It's a 2002 R1100S Boxer Prep that wasn't even broken in – under 2000 miles at the run. Once he decided to give it a test run, it was all over. *The Little Cutie* now resides in Brian's stable along side *The Gray One* and *Old Resentful*.

This Month's Photo

Submit your caption
on the club's
Facebook page.



Secretary's Report

by Sherry Atkinson



November 8th, 2014 Meeting Minutes

President Richard called the Annual Banquet meeting to order. What a great turn out.

Elections were held. Sam Garst is our new Rally Chair, Congratulation Sam. Mike Tatkow has volunteered to help with the newsletter. Thank you. The position of Activities Director is still open.

The club wished Perry Brokaw the best of luck on his new adventure. He will be moving to Washington State.

Congratulation to Judi and Katy! The Wedding will take place at the state capitol. The Party is at the Inn on the Park from 7:00 pm till Midnight. Plan to attend now. It's gonna be fun.

Happy Holidays!

Secretary Sherry

Cold is a relative thing ...

65° above zero

Floridians turn on the heat.
Wisconsinites plant gardens.

50° above zero

Italian & English cars won't start.
Wisconsinites drive with the windows open.

35° above zero

New York landlords finally turn up the heat.
Wisconsinites have the last cookout before it gets cold.

0°

Californians fly to Mexico.
Wisconsinites get out their winter coats.

20° below zero

Washington DC runs out of hot air.
Wisconsinites let the dogs sleep indoors.

40° below zero

All atomic motion stops.
Wisconsinites start saying, "Cold enough fer ya?"

50° below zero

Hell freezes over.
Wisconsin public schools open 2 hours late.

The Zebrure:

**A unique feature
necessary on a tread**

*Submitted by Bruce
Bowman*



A vehicle is charged with static electricity and must be able to discharge this electricity into the ground.

Since the tire is the only point of contact between the vehicle and the ground, there is a regulation in this respect governing the minimum level of conductivity of tires.

When carbon black is used as reinforcement filler, tires normally have an acceptable level of conductivity.

When other reinforcement fillers are used, such as silica, the level of conductivity may decrease. It then becomes necessary to apply design artifices to restore conductivity to an acceptable level.

Hence the "zebrure" on the tread: this is a fine slice of rubber, the conductivity of which is such that it will enable the vehicle to discharge its static electricity into the ground.

This unique visial feature on the tread is totally neutral as far as the performance of the tread is concerned (long service, live, grip, etc.).



Ole bought Lena a piano for her birthday.

A few weeks later, Lars inquired how she was doing with it.

"Oh," said Ole, "I persuaded her to switch to a clarinet."

"How come?" asked Lars.

"Vell," Ole answered, "because with a clarinet, she can't sing."

Another GREAT Banquet *(cont. from page 1)*

Comments as shared on ListServ

“We had a great time at the banquet last night. The battery pack electric vest fits perfectly. No more excuses for not riding in cold weather. Winning that prize was really sweet!! Thank-you soooo much!!” — Joyce

“Good!” [in response to all those stating having an enjoyable time] “THANK YOU to all who shared their time and experiences with all of us-” — Tom



“I felt honored and humbled at the banquet by the support shown to me. As a published author and writer I am not normally at a loss for words. So here goes. I would like to thank all the wonderful people in our club for the support on this newest journey in my life. The one million plus miles I have ridden was a piece of cake compared to what I am now undertaking. It’s because of the great people in this club that I am a member and shall continue to be. Thank you.”
— Corrine

“Carry on Corrine/Bill. We’re always right there with you!” — Mary

“We all have to be ourselves. Everyone else is taken.” — Bruce

“Glad everyone had a great time! Special Thanks to those that nominated me for the MOA service award. What an awesome surprise! Thanks also to Mike for agreeing to be the co-editor for your newsletter. With the assistance, it should be able to continue in a timely manner.” — Heidi



“I love the contrasts and variety we have! A group that re-affirms its informal-ness, is flexible, sensitive, fully accepting of diversity, and to a high degree a bunch of gun slingers! I kid a little because another stereotype might be that gun carriers are crude, lawless and insensitive if not even provocative— maybe to swagger their feeling of power a gun gives. I got an appreciation from Tom VH’s generous and interesting gun class I took a few years ago, that responsible gun owners/ carriers take on great responsibility and restraint to accept various social differences and situations so that ultimate force is used only when it is truly necessary. So in my complicated mind and experience from our club members, guns and social sensitivity DO go together even though some may not think that is very intuitive! Thanks to Corrine for opening up and thanks to this club. Good luck to Corrine on this other journey.” — Peter

“Thank you, Peter, for the thoughts. Those of you who know me realize that I go into ‘instructor mode’ at the drop of a hat (<THUNK> there’s one now!), so here are some more thoughts from a trainer: (Yes, the link is firearm stuff - disregard if it’s not your thing) <http://tacticalprofessor.wordpress.com/2014/11/09/what-is-the-value-of-training/> May all you you have a grand holiday season!” — TVH

Don’t forget to renew your membership for 2015!
\$20/person or \$25/family. Benefits include monthly newsletter & meetings, summer picnic, some discounts, some rides, & crazy people with like minds to ride with!!!

Mexico in February

The following is a blog created by Russell and Annette Champion in 2005 documenting their month long trip to Mexico. This is part one of a series which will appear in condensed form. For those of you who are interested in more detail and photos, gorgeous photos, it can be found at:

http://travelpod.com/z?u=tex06rus&t=cycle_mexico-05&e=1113482580&p=tpod



January 31

Annette and I are off to Mexico for the month of February. We will be visiting areas in the Central Plateau that will be in large part new for us, making this an interesting and exciting trip. Travelling on our BMW R100RT motorcycle just adds a huge dimension to the trip, never having taken it out of the country before.

The trip starts in McAllen, Texas, with Annette and her sister Lois leaving for Santiago by bus. I left at 10:50, taking a somewhat different route, with the Bahia Escondida Hotel & Resort as our destination. We arrived about the same time mid-afternoon.

The bus ride by Annette and Lois was straightforward. My cycle trip down was enjoyable. The odometer turned 200 when I parked the Beemer around 4:30 P.M. Trip time about 5:40, not any great speed. About 80 miles were on the toll road, with the rest on roads like rural Wisconsin.

The toll road speed is 70 mph. The rest of the roads were 50 mph. Good roads. Since much of the trip was made in drizzle or otherwise on wet roads, the bike was dirtier than it has ever been. Its dirty coating is hard to wash.

Except for the lousy weather, things couldn't be much better. However, little English spoken in the area. We are nevertheless getting along famously.

February 1

We are settled in our comfortable condo, then walked about and taxied into town, the Villa de Santiago. After a good meal in Las Palomas, we were given a tour of the attached Hotel de Santiago Apostol.



The 300 year old church, Santiago Apostol (St James the Apostle), has buried inside, mostly under the floor, past priests and the wealthy. The Indians were all buried outside the church.

February 5

A tour group of 17 retired Canadians arrived Tuesday. We hitched a ride with them this morning when they toured the Horsetail Falls: the Cola de Caballo. The falls are spectacular. We would have gone on our own, but the road to the falls was reported to be in very bad shape.



February 6

We traveled about 170 miles south to Ciudad Victoria, the capital of the state of Tamaulipas. The highway was a bit better than many of our Wisconsin roads. Little traffic until we got to the city. Drove some in the heavy traffic and was glad to finally find a hotel. Took the first one we found—\$30 for a bare room: one light bulb, no table, no hot water as far as we can tell. We think that we are the only ones here. On the positive side, there is great cable TV, with many channels in English, including CNN.

We are enjoying walking the streets and Mexican life. People are very friendly. When walking about, we found half a dozen more hotels better than ours. Weather is good. Found an Internet shop that costs only \$.75/hour. You can imagine how that appeals to me.

Adios all.

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 His phone is 608-240-2929.



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The drawing will be held January 1st, 2015.

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Tina Doggett

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Let’s work together and make someone else’s Holiday a little better this year!

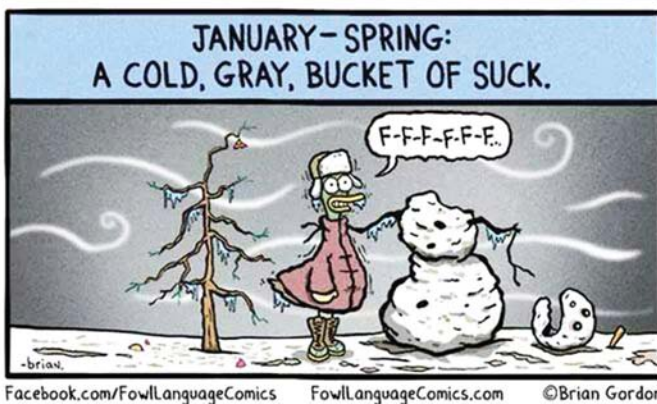


Last Month's Photo

Captions submitted:

- John Bollig — *This guy was teased one too many times for trailering his Harley everywhere.*
- Corrine Jutz — *I didn't want to pay the extra tolls for the trailer!*
- Tom Norn — *Well, it was this or fix the brake lights...*
- Patrick J Francis — *I hope they don't take the road with the low bridge.*
- Shawn Brady — *Remember Earl, we can't go through the Chick-fil-A drive-thru.*

THE TWO STAGES OF WINTER



For Sale: Lane Bowman's 1997 R850/R. \$2750. Call Bruce Bowman (815) 289-7694 if you are or know of anyone who would be interested.

All I want for
Christmas is you...

Just kidding, get me
parts for my
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Help for the Holidays! A needy family would greatly appreciate size 2T boys and 3T girls winter clothing. If you or someone you know has some hand-me-downs that fit the bill, please bring to the Dec. meeting & give to Heidi when you arrive. The young family will greatly appreciate your sharing, generosity and kindness.

Creating for a Cause—A Holiday Art Fair

When: Saturday, December 6 from 10 am to 5 pm & Sunday, December 7 from 11 am to 4 pm

Where: Middleton Outreach Ministry Distribution Center, 3502 Parmenter Street, Middleton

Over 50 artists, each donating 20% of their proceeds to Prevent Homelessness and End Hunger through the work of MOM in our community. Beautiful hand-crafted items in time to help with your Christmas gift giving this season, with the added bonus of helping others in our community.

FREE Entry • Open to the Public • Come and show your support!



Madison BMW Club Membership Form

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E-Mail Address _____

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MOA# _____ RA# _____

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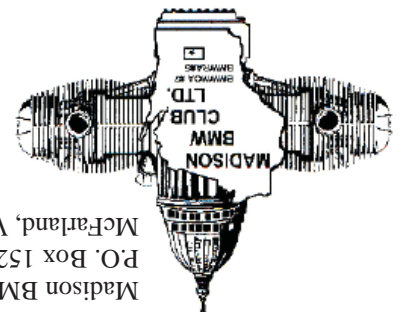
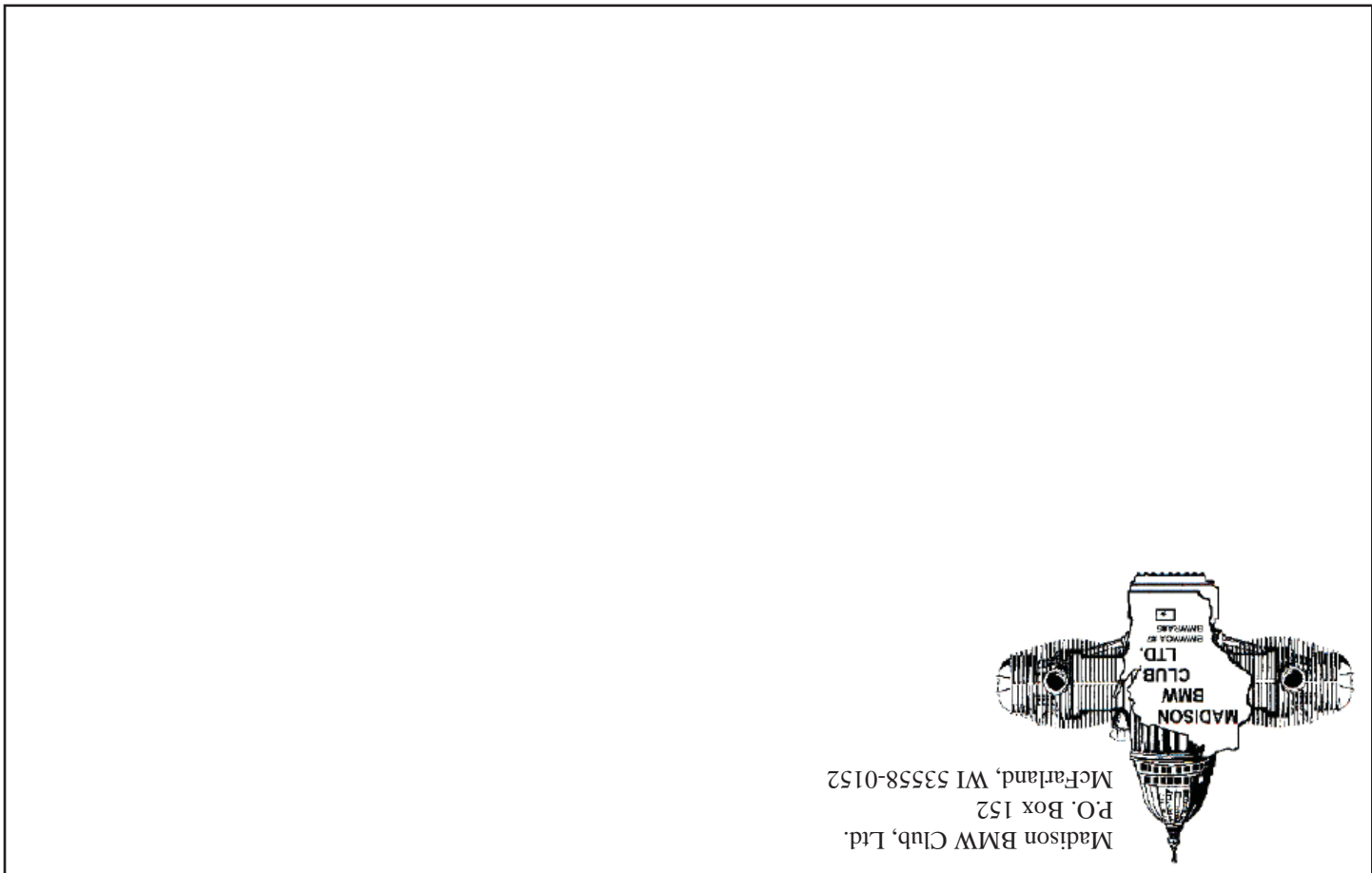
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