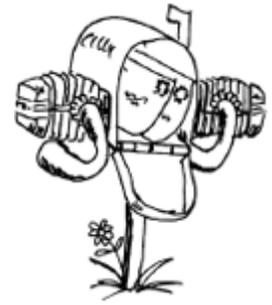


The Mail Boxer

July 2014

BMW MOA #7 • BMW RA #5



The Prez Says

Greetings all!

Not much going on.

Reminder there will not be a breakfast on July 6th because of the holiday weekend.

Next meeting will be for the club picnic in August, details in next column---->

Condolences to Sam and Megan for the lost of their good friend Kendal.

Have a great holiday weekend and hope to see some of you in St.Paul for the MOA rally.

Dick



A Note From GR3 Rally Co-chair Judi Trampf

Hello all,

First, thank you to all of you who helped out at the rally. From set up to take down it all went well because everyone stood up and volunteered. THANK YOU!!!! It made being co-chairs (Katy and Sam G) really much easier, so that big thank you is not really enough! It's the Madison Club Rally, and I'm proud to say, "we ALL put it on!" We are a great club.

Many have emailed and asked how we did. Well, let's just say attendance was down from cold, hot chocolate and coffee consumption up and we weren't too far from breaking even. We just needed about 30 more at the gate to do it. Last year we had 243, and if we would have our average attendance (228-238) we would have been just fine on our numbers.

So, all in all, it was a great rally considering the cold and attendance down.... we did great!

Happy Post-Rally everyone!

Judi

THANK YOU!!!

Upcoming Events

**** NO CLUB BREAKFAST IN JULY DUE TO 4TH OF JULY WEEKEND ****

July 24th – 27th, 2014
National MOA Rally
MN State Fairgrounds
St. Paul, MN
See <http://bmwmoa.org/TheRally.aspx> for details

August 2014
NO Club Breakfast
* INSTEAD *

August 10th, 2014
*** CLUB PICNIC ***
Brigham Park
3160 County Highway F
Blue Mounds, WI
12 Noon

September 14, 2014
Club Breakfast
* NEW LOCATION *
VFW Post 1318
133 Lakeside St. (corner of John Nolen Dr.)
* NEW PRICE * \$11.00
Meet at 9:00 am
Breakfast at 9:30
Meeting to follow

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Keep Club Members Active for Life

by Bruce Ostien

I am moved by stories about people that have come to the decision to stop riding or can no longer ride due to health concerns. What that must be like... and it's something that every one of us will face. You see them in the rider to rider column in the BMW Owners News from time to time. They sometimes read like a goodbye letter.

I do not believe in this. Not for one minute. I don't know why anyone would say goodbye to an organization that has probably led to lifelong friendships and undoubtedly many good times.

I would encourage you to contact some of the members of your local club that you have not seen in a while and encourage them to come to a meeting. Encourage them to come to a rally... by plane, train or bus! I would bet that every local chapter has enough members who no longer ride, that a carpool or van rental could be organized to get those members to the National MOA rally or to a local chapter rally every year.

Every time you lose a member of your local club, you lose part of what makes your club. So please stay in touch with active, inactive and previous club members. Encourage them to remain active in your club. Even if you aren't able to convince them, I'm sure they'll be glad to hear from you.

BMW MOA International Rally

National BMW MOA Rally, MN State Fairgrounds July 24-27, 2014

Did you preregister for the BMW MOA rally in St Paul? Be sure to bring your ticket with you, for fastest entry into the rally.

If you registered electronically, you should have received your ticket as an attachment in an email. If you registered on the phone or in the mail, it might have arrived in the mail.

I would suggest putting that into your tank bag now. You will breeze through registration if you have that in your hand. However, if you leave home without it, you can still enter - it just may take a little longer.

Sue Rihn, MOA Ambassador

Last Minute Hotel Reminder for Procrastinators

See you there! We have a group rate contract of \$92 (king or 2-double room) with the Ramada Plaza Minneapolis for the rally. Ask for Madison BMW MOA Rally for this rate. Reserved by July 7th.

Call 612-331-1900 or 877-774-4315 & ID yourself with the Madison BMW Club.

Dawn, Vice Prez

Secretary's Report

by Sherry Atkinson



June 1st, 2014 Meeting Minutes

President Richard called the meeting to order. Please let President Richard know if you will be camping at the National Rally this year, he was to get some what of a head count for the MOA to assign charter clubs space.

No meeting in July due to the 4th holiday.

August is the picnic.

Upcoming meetings:

- September at the VFW.
- October, Hilltop.
- November Banquet.
- December VFW.

If you are interested in ordering custom tent stakes please see Heidi and Mariah, for a order form.

Thank you Rally chairs and Volunteers. We have tabled all discussion for now regarding rally decisions.

Bert is working on the August annual picnic. He would also like to retire as activities director so if you would like to help out and be the next director (or victim) let us know before elections.

50/50 winner: President Richard

Breakfast winners: Cliff Gonyer

No July Meeting

August: Club Picnic

*Have a Safe & Happy 4th!
Secretary Sherry*

The judge had just awarded a divorce to Lena, who had charged non-support. He said to Ole, "I have decided to give your wife \$400 a month for support."

"Vell, dat's fine, Judge," said Ole. "And vunce in a while I'll try to chip in a few bucks myself."

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Ole's neighbor Sven had a boy, Sven Junior, who came home one day and asked, "Papa, I have da biggest feet in da third grade. Is dat becoss I'm Norwegian?" "No," said Sven, "It's because you're NINETEEN."



This
Month's
Photo

Submit your caption on
the club's Facebook page.



40th Annual Great River Road Rally: recap & photos

By Heidi Goehring

It started cold ... and wrapped up quite enjoyable.

With Friday temps forecast for highs in the low 50s, & lows in the mid 30s, we weren't sure what to expect for rally goers. Add in chances of rain and some are bound to take a pass. But the show must go on as they say. And another successful rally has come and gone.

walk away, invited attendees to Happy Hour on Friday.

Chicken wings and appetizers were met eagerly by chilled riders after registering.

GLADD Farms Pony Club was all set up at rally central, grilling brats and burgers and serving Morel Mushroom Soup. They were also busy selling tickets for a raffle scheduled later in the evening.

To help celebrate our 40th Anniversary of GR3, the *New Moon Gypsies* played a broad assortment of music that pleased everyone's ears. It wasn't long and picnic tables were being moved to create, then enlarge, a dance floor. The dancing kept many warm despite the cold night.



Saturday morning we awoke to frost. Brrr... A quick run up to rally central for coffee and everything started to thaw. It looked to be a wonderful day.

Members of Our Saviors Lutheran Church had the kitchen stirring as they served a wonderful all-u-can-eat breakfast featuring fresh fruit, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage and pancakes. Breakfast? Check.

Ride groups started gathering for instructions. Two last minute changes in leaders due to unexpected circumstances were made. All rides went off without a hitch and no one got lost.



Just over 200 riders converged in the small town of Soldiers Grove for the 40th Great River Road Rally, affectionately called GR3. Rally registration was buzzing and people were excited about the season opener—and being greeted by the Potosi beer truck. (If you didn't make it to the rally, try some Potosi beer next time you find it. Not only great craft beers, but the proceeds go to support the National Brewery Museum—were the beer is made—in the small Wisconsin town of Potosi located on the Mississippi.)



The Olde Oak Inn, a gorgeous bed and breakfast just a short



Back at the rally, an Airhead tune-up clinic was taking place. One bike was running very poorly and a second, not running at all. Both were purring like kittens by early afternoon. One bike earned the award for oldest bike ridden to the rally—and thanks to the tune-up, it had no problem making it back home.

By mid-afternoon, rally central was stirring as bikers returned from rides and the Lion's Club took over the kitchen, preparing our banquet dinner. While they wrapped up the cooking, the awards ceremony got underway.

First mention was to a young lady celebrating her 30th birthday. Her sweetheart had arranged for a cake and we all sang happy birthday.



The usual affair of awards were presented to the oldest riders, youngest riders, oldest bikes, and farthest away. Next, the grand door prizes! Three riding jackets, a prize package from Bob's BMW, six bottles of premo wine, some watches, and other goodies were among the top give-aways. Our birthday girl won a jacket (and later the 50-50 drawing) making her experience truly memorable. Yours truly was asked to photo the winner for the Bob's package give-away—the winning number was announced ... silence ... it was announced again ... sounded familiar ... I checked my number ... I won! Posted a selfie showing off my goodies to Bob's BMW facebook page.



Bring on the food! BBQ ribs, mashed potatoes, corn, and a wide assortment of

homemade desserts had everyone feeling fat and sassy. Thank you to the Lion's club for a fabulous feast!

For those hanging out at rally central, another treat was announced. A local bluegrass musician had volunteered to play—some songs he wrote, others had been passed down from his grandfather. It was an amazing bit of history to watch and hear him sing and play. Thank you to Raymond Hadley Sr. for sharing your talents.

Campfires burned into the night while many a tall tale was told, and friends—new and old—reminised about bikes



and rallies and rides. Plans to meet at upcoming rallies were made. Good-nights and till-we-meet-agains were shared. And slowly, the campground quieted and the hush of night put the campers to bed.

Sunday morning brought sunshine and warm temperatures! Folks was packing up tents and bikes, planning routes, and startin' their journeys home. It was another wonderful rally!



Special thanks to:

- The town, residents & businesses of Soldiers Grove for welcoming us year after year.
- The Olde Oak Inn for welcoming us and hosting happy hour.
- GLADD Farms Pony Club for organizing the Friday night food, raffle and, of course, the beer truck!
- Our Saviors Lutheran church for breakfast Saturday.
- The Lion's Club for the wonderful banquet dinner.
- All the wonderful dealers, vendors and businesses that donated door prizes.
- Judi Trampf & Katy Heyning, our rally chairs that do an awesome job coordinating GR3.
- All the wonderful volunteers who assisted with set-up, registration, pre-registration, door prizes, beverages, rides, repairs, port-a-potties, firewood, clean-up & tear-down! There are just too many of you to name—You're the folks that make GR3 happen.
- And last but not least, Thank You to all those attending. Without you and your comradry, what would be the point.

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 and listen to the music of DJ Dar.

July 16th • Aug 20th • Sept 17th

**Jim
 Bronson's
 new bike »»»**

*(purchased at
 Mischler's)*



Correction from last month's
 newsletter~The Concealed
 Carry Class has NOT yet held
 it's shooting practice—it will
 be scheduled at a later date.



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**My doctor asked if any members of my family suffered from insanity...
 I said, "Nope. We all seem to enjoy it!"**

Even if the voices aren't real, they have some good ideas :)

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 out our huge used motorcycle inventory.
 And to top it off, we're having an outdoor
 fashion show on Saturday, July 26th.

More details to come.

Open Positions for 2015

Activities Director: Bert will be stepping down from Activities Director. We would like a volunteer to organize a few events in 2015. Events range at your discretion. Rides, get-togethers, tech days, your choice!

Please step up at the November banquet when elections are held!

Newsletter Editor: We need someone to take over the newsletter and it's publication. I have a draft of info that needs to go in the monthly newsletter and the process for getting it out in a timely manner. I am also willing to assist with creating a template in the software of your choosing.

Last Month's Photo



Captions submitted:

- Tina Thiakos — *Determination*
- Corrine Jutz — *I told my dealer I wanted all the farkles.*
- Bob Borkowski — *Sports Bike*
- John Bollig — *This rider is beyond sportbikes. Buy a Gold Wing already!*
- Tom Schirz, Sr. — *OCD, who, me?!*
- Anonymous — *Going to the National in style!*
- Anonymous — *Who needs a motorhome? Just need to know how to pack.*

2014 RIDE Dates

Bike Nite at Quaker Steak and Lube in Middleton every Wednesday!	Aug. 20	Bike Night @ Mischler's BMW Beaver Dam (see ad on page 6)
July 16 Bike Night @ Mischler's BMW Beaver Dam (see ad on page 6)	Aug. 31	Carbs & Coffee ~ 9-11 am vintage & custom motorcycles & cars School Grounds, 4691 Hwy. N, Cottage Grove
July 24-27 National MOA Rally, St. Paul, MN Visit BMWMOA.ORG for info	Sept. 5-7	WI Dells Rally, Chula Vista Resort Visit WiscBMWClub.com for info
July 27 Carbs & Coffee ~ 9-11 am vintage & custom motorcycles & cars School Grounds, 4691 Hwy. N, Cottage Grove	Sept. 17	Bike Night @ Mischler's BMW Beaver Dam (see ad on page 6)
July 19 Aztalan Short Track Races 1:30 pm trials ~ races around 5 pm N6643 Gomol Rd in Lake Mills, WI www.aztalanmx.com/straces.asp	Sept. 20	Aztalan Short Track Races 1:30 pm trials ~ races around 5 pm
Aug. 6 Bike Night @ Quaker Steak and Lube in Middleton ~ Band: The Blue Olives	Sept. 21	Aztalan Short Track Races 9 am trials ~ races around noon N6643 Gomol Rd in Lake Mills, WI www.aztalanmx.com/straces.asp
Aug. 16 Aztalan Short Track Races 1:30 pm trials ~ races around 5 pm	Sept. 28	Carbs & Coffee ~ 9-11 am vintage & custom motorcycles & cars School Grounds, 4691 Hwy. N, Cottage Grove
Aug. 17 Aztalan Short Track Races 9 am trials ~ races around noon N6643 Gomol Rd in Lake Mills, WI www.aztalanmx.com/straces.asp	Oct. 5	Slimey Crud Run
	Oct. 26	Carbs & Coffee ~ 9-11 am vintage & custom motorcycles & cars

Madison BMW Club Membership Form

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home# _____ Work# _____ Cell# _____

E-Mail Address _____

Are you a New Member Y / N or are you a Current Member Y / N

MOA# _____ RA# _____

Bikes Owned _____

Interests, comments, etc... _____

Include your dues and bring to the next meeting or mail to:

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Dues: 1 calendar year membership \$20.00 individual / \$25.00 family ** After June 30, membership \$10.00 individual / \$15.00 family

CURRENT MEMBERS: Please update any information that may have changed for the directory. Thank you!

