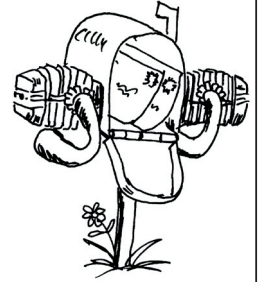


# The Mail Boxer

January 2012

BMW MOA #7 BMWRA #5



## The Prez Says

By Dick Olson

Belated Happy Holidays to everyone.

We had 30+ dinners for the Dec. breakfast. Thank you very much for attending. We have a new location for breakfast in 2012,V.P.

Dawn will have a note on it .

Rally schedule for the coming year has been set. Our Rally, GR3 May 17-20 , BMWRA June 14-17, BMWMOA July 19-22.

Have a safe and Happy New Year

Cheers,

Dick



### Politically Correct SEASON'S GREETINGS

Please accept, with no obligation, implied or implicit, our best wishes for an environmentally conscious, socially responsible, low-stress, non-addictive, gender-neutral celebration of the winter solstice holiday, practiced within the most enjoyable traditions of the religious persuasion or secular practices of your choice, with respect for the religious/secular persuasions and/or traditions of others, or their choice not to practice religious or secular traditions at all.

Following this, accept our wishes for a fiscally successful, personally fulfilling, and medically uncomplicated recognition of the onset of the generally accepted calendar year, but not without due respect for the calendars of choice of other cultures whose contributions to society have helped make America great (not to imply that America is necessarily greater than any other country), and without regard to the race, creed, color, age, physical ability, religious faith, choice of computer platform, or sexual preference of the wishee.

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## Upcoming Events

January 1, 2012

Madison Motorcycle Club

New Years Day Ride

10am sign up, noon departure

Ends at Quaker Steak

January 8, 2012:

Club Breakfast

East Side Restaurant

doors open at 9:00 am

Food served at 9:30

Winter Arrives.....

January through April, 2012

Endless snow, bleak frozen landscapes, howling winds, endless jackknifed semi-trailers, miles and miles of black glare ice, mountain like snow drifts, snow blind wood rats darting out on the highway, packs of rampaging wolves and crazed, unprepared, slipping and sliding generally distracted drivers making my chilly motorcycles jaunts really fun. I can't wait!

And then.....

wait for it.....

Madison BMW Club GR3

May 18 - 20, 2012

Soldiers Grove, WI

Mark your calendars!

# FROM AN ANONYMOUS SOURCE

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Here are the upcoming events for BMW Motorcycles of Milwaukee for January 2012.

***Adventure Riding Clinic and Discount Day***

January 28th –Adventure Riding Seminar with Rich Ryan from 1pm to 3pm but we will have other speakers and vendors onsite all day! Speakers will be discussing all things Adventure Riding and we will be offering discounts on GS and GS Adventure Bikes, On/Off Road Adventure Riding gear, Adventure Riding Accessories and BMW Rallye suits.

Check our website: [www.bmwmotorcyclesofmilwaukee.com](http://www.bmwmotorcyclesofmilwaukee.com) and our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/bmwk](http://www.facebook.com/bmwk)) for more details as they come. See you there!

**Newsletter Sign-Up:**

We are asking anyone interested in getting the latest in events, specials and news from BMW Motorcycles of Milwaukee to sign-up for our newsletter on our website. Thanks!

At the 11/5 banquet Sec'y Sherry asked if she had to take notes - I said I'd take care of it...  
...I sent the below on the 6th - didn't make the n'letter;  
So, for your edification:

TVH:

Date: Sun, 6 Nov 2011 09:49:24 -0600

Through the good offices of Prez Dick, the club's 2011 banquet was at the Elks Club on lake Monona on November 5th.

Despite the insidious presence of beer and bourbon et al, we did have something resembling a meeting, where we raucously inflicted officer 'status' on the deserving (or just unaware, maybe):

Dick Olson graciously (?) accepted another term as President;

Dawn Feneht is taking on the Vice President slot

I think that Sam Hokin will still be our Czar Of The Ether on web matters;

Sherry Atkinson is continuing as Secretary;

John Ong will continue to Treasure the clubs money like it was his own;

Tom Schirz, Dennis Maly, and Ben Atkinson will share Activities Director duties - I think that's what happened, anyway..;-) **(Tom bowed out...ed.)**

Sam Garst, Katy Heyning and Judi Trampf will replace the Jims as Rally Chairs.

I'm guessing that Sam G. will keep cranking out this missive as Editor...**(Yeah Me!!!!.....ed.)**

THANKS to all our new and returning officers!

AWARDS - I guess interest is waning in the Cherished-But-Totally-Insignificant mileage tallies - back when I took this over from Jeff Dargis, I'd get two dozen plus. This year, I had to add my own to come up with ten. Thanks to those of you who entered -!

HIGH MILERS: Steve Lemke, 23,700; Ben Atkinson, 12,000; Chris Eisenhauer, 10,900.

COMMUTER MILES: Chris E., 8,400; Ben A., 2,500; J.T. Wagner, 1,000.

SPORT/DAY MILES: Steve L., 7,000; Ben A., 5,500; Tom Schirz, 3,300.

TOURING MILES: Steve L., 15,900; Ben A., 4,000; J.T., 3,200.

PASSENGER/MILES: Mary Nelson(w/Steve), 11,300; Sherry A., 9,500; Holly E., 100.

Steve L. did 2,900 miles in 7 days; J.T. did 2,822 in 5; Ben A. did 2,500 in 9 days.

In one day, Ben did 650 miles; Steve did 625; J.T. and Roland Thompson each did 600.

In two days, J.T. did 1,100 miles, Ben 1,000, and Steve 975.

Tenting? Steve did 9 nights, Yez Truly did 7, and J.T. did 6.

Moteling? Ben and Steve each had 13 nights, Judi Trampf 10, and J.T. and Chris E. had 4.

Roland T. said he 'lost count'...

STATES: Steve L. hit 14; Roland hit 9, and Ben A. 8.

RAIN: Tom S. and Chris E. had 400 miles in the wet; Steve 150, and Ben, Roland and TVH 100. J.T. thought '3 or 4'...

RALLIES attended? Katy H. and Judi T. did 4; Ben, Chris, Steve, Roland and I did 3; J.T. did 2.

Nobody reported any miles pulling a trailer behind their bike, TVH had 1,200 sidecar miles, although I'll wager that Dave Maly had far more. Katy H. had '2 miles' as sidecar passenger; I ran her into Chippewa Falls to fill a gas can...

TOTAL BMW MILES: Bill Jutz has 900,000 plus; Steve L., 675,000; Tom S., 414,756. Tom has been riding 52 years - Ben A., 44, Roland, 43. Katy has been riding '4 months, 3 weeks.'

GR/3 rallies attended? J.T. and TVH are at around 20ish, Ben A. 4, and Katy and Judi 1.

There was no clear-cut Shafty Character winner (Bert doesn't have a lock on it??), but among the suspects were Dick Olson, for being a 'willing president'; Roland T., John O., a couple said 'there are so many', and Roland nominated 'whoever sold me my Pimco camp chair-it broke'

The Club Service Award was a close thing - Dave Maly got votes (one voter saying, 'need we say more?'), but outgoing rally chairs Jim Harms and Jim Low - 'The Jims' carried by one vote. Two recipients called for two baubles, so a laser-cut steel BMW roundel was bestowed in addition to the BMW/MOA medallion.

Everybody got at least one door prize - Thanks to Motorcycle Performance and Madison Motorsports

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### ***Airhead News***

Hey folks, 2012 is starting to take shape. The Hoesly Mtn Winter Barley Therapy is Jan 21. Further details will be forthcoming but if you were there last year you know the company and food is wonderful.

Winter Tech Day is Feb. 11 this year and will be at Michael McSherry's in Waunakee. This is a limited attendance event so the first 15 that reserves a spot are in. It's always a potluck deal and the food is usually as good or better than the tech. Not sure what we'll do. Have been thinking about carb rebuilds and maybe folks bring their carbs. Let me know what you think.

There will be a spring tech day or two. I'll probably do one in Madison late April or very early May. Just need to sit down with the calendar.

The Elkhart Lake vintage bike fest is June 8 to 10 so airheads at Road America will be happening as usual. Again more details to come.

The Hoesly Mtn campout will be Aug. 10 to 12 this year. Great event, don't tell your friends.

Wildcat Mtn campout is one week earlier than usual this year. Thought I'd try that, most folks don't go to Slimey Crud and we'll miss the triathlon traffic etc. So it's Sept 28 to 30. As usual it's \$10 camping before Sept 1 and \$20 after. This is a if you need more info event it's not a event for you event.

Again more details in the future, just wanted to get the dates out there so folks can make their calendars. Hope you all had a good year and enjoy the holidays.

Jeff Trapp  
Wis. Airmarshal

# *Dawn Fendt Madison BMW Club Gastronomical Czarette*

*Our new monthly Brunch & meeting place on January 8th, 2012 will be at the East Side Club (ESC) on Atwood Ave  
2 blocks South of Olbrick Gardens & 2 blocks North of Cottage Grove Rd.  
We can meet at 9 am in the bar or lobby & eat at 9:30 am a good Buffet.  
The price is \$12.13 which you pay as you go in.*

*I will be contacting the ES Club manager on January 2nd as she returns from maternity leave that day to see if we can meet in the basement meeting room with all the windows looking out onto Lake Monona.  
I will also that day contact Gaylord Catering to tell them that 25-35 of our Club is coming.*

*They are closed in July. April & October is the Slimy Crud Run so for those dates we could go back to Hilltop for Brunch. It was decided by the 31 present at the December breakfast to try out the ESC in January then decide on the months we want to go there & which to go to Hilltop. We don't meet in August (our picnic) or November (our banquet). All I need to do once we decide on the months is to call the Caterer the week before we go to ESC & then contact Hilltop for the months there.*

*We don't need to sign a contract or pay a tip like the West Side Club wanted. They would have charged us \$16.92 per person ! I told them that was too steep for our members & instead found the ESC for us.*

*Have a Happy Holiday Season, Go Pack Go & see you all on January 8th at ESC.*

*Dawn*



# Secretary's Report

by Sherry Atkinson



The December meeting was called to order by President Dick Olson. There was a good turn out. The GR3 dates are May 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>. We will have a price increase this year \$33 at the door, \$26.00 for pre-registered and \$17.00 for Volunteers. The increase is due to cost in Meals and other incidentals. We have not had a price increase in some time. New Activities Director Ben suggested attending the Motorcycle show in Chicago. We could rent a van and go as a group if there is enough interest.

Brian Manke from the Wisconsin Club paid us a visit, wishing us all Happy Holidays. We discussed Wisconsin winning the National Mileage contest and the BMW Logo changes.

The Breakfast wars continue. We will be Meeting at the East Side Club. Doors will open at 9:00 and breakfast will be at 9:30. The price is \$12.13 per person. Pay at the door. We did discuss splitting the time between the East Side club and the Hill Top. It was suggested we try the East Side before making any decisions. Thanks Dawn for all of your work.

50/50 winner: Sam Hokin

Breakfast winner: Kia Block

New Associate Member: Mary Nelson. Welcome Mary!

Calendar of upcoming events:

January Breakfast at the West Side club

February: International Motorcycle show, Feb-10-12<sup>th</sup>.

May: GR3, May 18-20<sup>th</sup>, Soldiers Grove, WI.

June: BMW RA Rally, June-14-17<sup>th</sup>, Copper Mountain Co.

July: 40<sup>th</sup> BMW MOA Rally- July 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, Sedalia MO.

Sherry Atkinson

Your Club Secretary

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