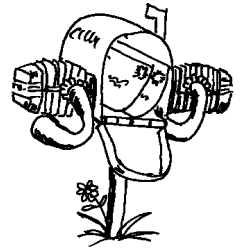


The Mail Boxer

BMW MOA #7

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No matter what/where/how often/far/fast you ride, we welcome you to join us in motorcycling fellowship.

The Prez Sez:

By Steve Huber

Boy I hate the end of the "official" riding season. No, it's not for the usual reasons (although I detest winter along with the cold and ice too). It's just that I've *finally* figured out what to take with me on a weekend or weeklong trip.

At the beginning of every riding season I always load up with enough clothing to outfit an expedition. I have clothing to cover tropical extremes to the summit of Everest (and several versions of each). Oh, and why not throw in a tux for the rally sit-down dinner? Mom always said to wear clean underwear, but she didn't say anything about carrying 8 pair for a three-day weekend. And t-shirts? Please don't mention t-shirts....

By now I've finally figured out what multipurpose gear I need. Yes, I've kept lists. No, I don't consult them (or can even *find* them) at First Trip, or even Ninth Trip, time.

Camping gear? Talk about useless and overly redundant (is that an oxymoron?) gear: Enough flashlights to outfit a Boy Scout troop. Kermit chair legs I don't take the time to put

on (and end up at ground level in my chair). A candle lantern I've never used.

You get the idea.

I'm finally on a roll with my packing and it's ending (for a few months, anyway). Hmm, maybe I should keep those packing skills and pack for short trips into the basement. Yeah, that's a plan....

One nice thing about Fall is the decrease in bug splat. Still, I'd better go out and clean off the last layer from the RT. See y'all at the October b'fast!

Club Stuff

- Yes, we are meeting November 3. We'll keep it short (don't I always try?)
- Club Banquet is Nov 16, JT Whitney's. Get your reservation and payment in now (see the form in this newsletter or on our website, Events page). We have to RSVP the head count and meal orders by Nov 9th at the latest.
- Dues are due. 'Nuff said, so get them in. Don't be booger-heads about this.

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Meetings (usually) on first Sundays
of the month at 9AM

Next meeting:
Sunday, November 3
at 9 AM
Maple Tree Restaurant,
McFarland, WI

- Due to conflicts, no WI Badger Camp logging weekend or campout. Let's try for the Spring (maybe April?).
- February is (surely) the Chicago Cycle Show. Likely some of us will be car-pooling down.
- **NO** December club meeting. By now we've all seen too much of each other. We'll give it a break until the next year.

I need to go out to the garage and admire my latest packing effort. See y'all at the November (and brief) b'fast meeting.

Prez Steve

Secretary's Report

By J.T. Wagner

There were 41 members at the breakfast this month. Business discussed included the annual banquet and awards ceremony to be on Saturday November 16 at J.T.Witney's on Witney Way.

The badger Camp workday has been postponed due to scheduling problems.

GR3 for 2003 is May 16-18.

Also, to all who ordered tee shirts or sweat shirts, they will be available for pickup at the next meeting.

The November free breakfasts went to Dan Baum and Matt Berigan. Ken Nunes won the 50/50 drawing.

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VP's Report

By Tom Van Horn

For the second time running (yeah, running), I have to get a Slimey Cruds' report secondhand. Last May, I had to be in Illinois for an instructor recertification thing and this past October 3-6, I had to be in Illinois for another instructor recertification thing. Uh, is this excuse wearing thin yet?

Seriously, everything I teach (cops/riders/et al) changed curriculum this year. I got a jump on some cop/gun stuff last May at a school in Bloomington, and this first October was my last chance to learn the new sidecar & trike material. It would've been nice to be paid to fly to Seattle to do it, but no, Kankakee had to be plan 'B'. At any rate, I'm again/still a current 3-wheel mentor, or mental, or whatever.

But, enough about me - thanks to Betty's efforts, the club

awards banquet is a go: November 16th, at J.T. Whitneys. It's just north of the Beltline (Whitney Way exit), across from Westgate Mall (NOT West Towne Mall!). I've eaten there quite a bit, and the food and service are good.

So, the November 3rd breakfast looks like a paperwork affair. You can give your banquet reservations to John, and - I know the form says Oct 31st - I'll STILL take your club mileage forms at the breakfast. And - we're not done yet - bring your 'MOA mileage forms also, so we can sign them off. Give them to me, and I'll as usual send the bunch to Karol Patzer.

I note that in the BMW/ON, we got mention for chipping in to the National rally charity. Also, member Meredith Hassall was mentioned as one of the spark plugs in the Camp Trenton project. The 'MOA website has shots of her AND of Todd H. and Betty (at Shannonville track day) in the 'Rally Photos' section. Is we photogenic, or what?

Watch the weather, folks - the season's waning, and we need to jump on every riding day left! He who hesitates, etc.. Speaking of not hesitating, I traded off the silver Eye-talian Twin I got in May for another - 900SS/CR, black with gold frame. Thanx to J.T. for the tank graphics installation - AND for once again preparing the club mileage and distinguished service awards. We can see them at the banquet - you're coming, right???

The newsletter issue you hold is a milestone of sorts - it's the last one done by Roger and Mary Klopp. The Madison BMW Club has done a newsletter in some form or other since 1968 - but, believe me, Rog' and Mary have taken this little tome to a whole new level, which took a lot of work. Thank them the next time you see them.

Detail Party at Peggy's

Detail your motorcycle day at her house on Nov. 9th at the home of Peggy Waters. What better way to make a mundane necessity into a lot of fun than to do it with friends! Participants are welcome to ride over on Friday night and camp in the back yard. Please bring your own cleaning supplies. For more information call Peggy at 838-3114.

How I spent My Summer Vacation

By Steve Huber

I rolled out of Bathurst, New Brunswick headed for Saint Quenton and on through Quebec. I chose Rt. 180 (think that's the number), which looked like a good shortcut. I figure one or two easy days' travel and I would be at the MOA rally in Trenton, quaffing a beer and BS'ing with old and new friends.

About 20 miles out of Bathurst the road suddenly went from good pavement to something



Another fun day was enjoyed by all who watched the rock hounds of the Midwest Observed Trials in the Baraboo Bluffs in late September.

resembling a battlefield. I narrowly missed several potholes, but nailed the Mother of All Potholes at a bit of speed and with a very loud BANG. The front end immediately went "soft", both mirrors popped off their mounts (the RH one making a run for it and taking off down the road) and I was able negotiate the bike to the roadside.

My fears proved true: the front rim had a very large dent in it and the tire was completely flat. As an exercise in futility I attempted to reinflate the tire with a small pump. No go, I was dead in the water (or at the roadside).

The flies and gnats were beginning to find me. I was in the middle of the woods between Bumf**k and Squatnpee, Nowhere. Fortunately, as bad as the road was, it's a main shortcut across northern NB and was relatively well traveled. A minivan stopped, we loaded my gear in and we headed off back to Bathurst. The driver was a retired gent who fills time by delivering vehicles for a dealership. He was from the area and knew a motorcycle shop where he could drop me off. (He also told me the road got/was even worse further on toward my previous destination, St. Quenton.)



If you had gone to this year's Slimey Crud gathering in Leland, you too could have enjoyed the sights, sounds, and smells of hormone-crazed speed freaks abusing perfectly good motorcycles. Burnouts, stoppies, and wheelies, oh my!

We pulled in to West End Sports just north of Bathurst. My chauffeur chatted with the owner explaining the situation (all in French, BTW), then said "He's English, you can talk to him". Daniel, the owner, and the shop sprung into action. Gilles (the mechanic) and I drove back out to pick up the bike.

After checking the damage, we saw not only was the wheel bent, but also cracked (that must have caused the quick tire deflation). Fortunately there was no other front-end damage. After returning to the shop, Gilles pointed out the rear wheel was also dented, but the tire appeared to hold air. I gave Mischler's a call to see if we could locate a front wheel. Art reassured me that, although dented, as long as the rear held air I should be able to make it home. Unfortunately due to

border issues, I was better off locating a wheel in Canada.

The nearest BMW shop was in Halifax, Nova Scotia. They located a new front wheel in Toronto, would get it to Bathurst (apparently the long way first to Halifax, then on to Bathurst). Daniel dropped me off at the Comfort Inn. At least the motel had cable, though half the channels were in French.

I killed time watching French programs, reading, and visiting the Bathurst Public Library (at least the library had internet access). Finally, Friday 4:30PM (Atlantic time) the bike was ready (!) and I grabbed a taxi over to the shop. Uh oh, more news. Gilles pointed out that the rear tire wasn't holding air, so he put in a tube. I settled my bill with the shop (bless credit cards and the favorable

exchange rate) and headed back to the motel to load up.

It was too late in the day to take off, so I opted to leave early in the morning. While loading I discovered more damage: a mounting tab on the RH bag had broken off from the initial impact. I didn't trust the remaining mounts and tabs to hold the bag. Using zip ties and extra straps I secured the bag to the bike, but forget about getting into the bag during the trip back.

On the trip back I decided to skip the MOA rally. I'd now been on the road for two weeks and I really wanted to get home. Outside of road construction zones the ride back was blessedly uneventful. No theatrics from the rear tire, no additional parts falling off, and the reentry through Customs was a non-issue.

It could always have been worse: I didn't crash, the damage to the bike was repairable, there was traffic that got me back to a town, there was a shop that could swap out the wheel, and parts were available.

Lessons learned? The MOA Anonymous book is handy to locate BMW shops. If the road gets bad, don't assume it's going to get better. Slow down on bad road surfaces. Carry some zip ties, extra packing straps, and duct tape with you (you never know what you might need them for).

Falling Leaf Limerick

By Mary Klopp

As most of you know, there's not much to do while riding 400+ miles on the slab except talk or sing to yourself. I managed to compose much of this ditty inside my helmet on the way to and from the Falling Leaf Rally.

The road to the Falling Leaf Rally,
is as straight as a back street ally,
But if you want some curves,
taken with caution and nerves,
You can find them in your Rand
'n McNally.

We go to this rally for a reason:
it's held in the early fall season.
The anvil's a blast,
but this rally's the last
one we'll see 'fore the temps are
a- freezin!

The roads are designed as an
"S"
That you ride with some guts
and finesse
Down the dale, up the hill,
you try not to spill.
When you finish, you've had
some success.

We like to visit Bonne Terre:
it's a mine with something so
rare.

There's a lake underground,
where scuba divers abound.

If you're afraid of the darkness –
beware.

I saw Peggy and Tanya and Dan
B,
Phil Wilson, Chuck R and J.T.
Bert H, Roger K
Steve H and Bill J



Rob Himmelman proudly displayed his latest acquisition, a 1943 Norton single, at this year's Slimey Crud Run. By now, the only motorcycle that must be missing from his collection is the Batcycle. Holy obsession, look out Batman!

Boyd, Dave, Roland and P.J.

The ride home was extremely cold.
Warm clothes were worth much more than gold.
The winds they did gust,
But it's homeward or bust,
So now this story's been told.

Japanese Riding Tips

At the rise of the hand of policeman, stop rapidly. Do not pass him by or otherwise disrespect him.

When a passenger of the foot hove in sight, tootle the horn trumpet to him melodiously at

first. If he still obstacles your passage, tootle him with vigour and express by word of the mouth the warning "Hi, Hi".

Beware the wandering horse that he shall not take fright as you pass him. Do not explode the exhaust box at him. Go soothingly by or stop by the roadside till he pass away.

Give big space to the festive dog that makes sport in the road-way. Avoid entanglement of dog with your wheel-spokes.

Go soothingly on the grease-mud, as there lurks the skid demon. Press the brake of the foot as you round the corners to save the collapse and tie-up.

-From a 'Guide to Foreign Motorists', Japan, 1935

Mechanic's Tool Guide

Forwarded by Tom Van Horn

HAMMER- (aka EMHDTUT*) Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer is nowadays used as a type of divining rod used to locate and identify expensive and/or NLA parts & assemblies adjacent to the object one is attempting to strike. (*Early-Model Harley Davidson Tune Up Tool)

MECHANIC'S KNIFE: Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on boxes containing seats and motorcycle jackets.

ELECTRIC HAND DRILL: Normally

used for spinning steel pop rivets in their holes until you die of old age, but it also works great for drilling mounting holes in fenders just above the brake line that goes to the rear wheel.

PLIERS: Used to round off bolt heads and cap-screw heads.

CHINESE SOCKET WRENCH- (aka Crescent Wrench) Used to further round off previously-rounded-off cap-screw heads.

HACKSAW: One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle. It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

WISE-GRIP PLIERS: Locking device used to round off bolt heads and snap off aforementioned cap-screws. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat

to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: Used almost entirely for igniting various flammable objects in your garage. Also handy for igniting the grease inside a brake drum you're trying to get the bearing race out of.

WHITWORTH SOCKETS: Once used on older British cars and motorcycles, they are now used mainly for impersonating that 9/16 or 1/2 socket you've been searching for the last 15 minutes.

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, splattering it against that freshly painted part you were drying.

WIRE WHEEL: Cleans rust off old bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprint whorls and hard-earned guitar calluses in about the time it takes you to say, "Ouc...."

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK: Used for lowering a motorcycle to the ground after you have installed your new front disk brake setup, trapping the jack handle firmly under the front fender.

EIGHT-FOOT LONG DOUGLAS FIR 2X4: Used for levering a motorcycle upward off a hydraulic jack.



About 765 happy campers attended this year's Falling Leaf Rally in Potosi, MO. A special treat was TWO anvil launches at the closing ceremonies. Oh, and the addition of hot showers on site this year deserves special mention.

TWEEZERS: A tool for removing wood splinters.

PHONE: Tool for calling your neighbor to see if he has another hydraulic floor jack. Also useful in summoning the Fire Department.

SNAP-ON GASKET SCRAPER: Theoretically useful as a sandwich tool for spreading mayonnaise; used mainly for getting dog-doo off your boot.

E-Z OUT BOLT AND STUD EXTRACTOR: A tool that snaps off in bolt holes and is ten times harder than any known drill bit.

TIMING LIGHT: A stroboscopic instrument for illuminating grease buildup.

TWO-TON HYDRAULIC ENGINE HOIST: A handy tool for testing the tensile strength of ground straps and brake lines you may have forgotten to disconnect.

CRAFTSMAN 1/2 x 16-INCH SCREWDRIVER: A large motor mount prying tool that inexplicably has an accurately machined screwdriver tip on the end without the handle.

BATTERY ELECTROLYTE TESTER: A handy tool for transferring sulfuric acid from a car battery to the inside of your toolbox after determining that your battery is dead as a doornail, just as you thought.

AVIATION METAL SNIPS: See hacksaw.

TROUBLE LIGHT: The mechanic's own tanning booth. Sometimes called a drop light, it is a good source of vitamin D, "the

UPCOMING EVENTS:

November 3, Sun: Club breakfast at the Maple Tree Restaurant in McFarland at 9AM.

November 16, Sat: annual club banquet, held at JT Whitney's Brew Pub. Socializing starts at 6PM, dinner at 7PM.

No December meeting.

Winter campout date to be announced.

May 16-18, Fri-Sun: Great River Road Run Rally, Badger Camp.

sunshine vitamin," which is not otherwise found under motorcycles at night. Health benefits aside, its main purpose is to consume 40-watt light bulbs at about the same rate that 105-mm howitzer shells might be used during, say, the first few hours of the Battle of the Bulge. More often dark than light, its name is somewhat misleading.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: Normally used to stab the lids of old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splash oil on your shirt; can also be used, as the name implies, to round off Phillips screw heads.

AIR COMPRESSOR: A machine that takes energy produced in a coal-burning power plant 200 miles away and transforms it into compressed air that travels by hose to a Chicago Pneumatic impact wrench that grips rusty bolts last tightened 60 years ago by someone in Springfield, and rounds them off.

PRY BAR: A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

HOSE CUTTER: A tool used to cut hoses 1/2 inch too short.

From the Tri-County BMW Newsletter (S. Florida), April 1999.

Should You Buy a German Bike?

By Peter Egan

Reprinted from "BMW: German Motorcycle Test" in the April, 1994 issue of Cycle World

1. The best way to adjust the valves on a motorcycle is to:

(a) remove the body panels, gas tank, air plenum, fairing ducts, ignition coils and cam covers to measure and/or replace up to 16 shims;

(b) take the bike into a shop because the job is so complicated it's better if someone else screws it up so you don't negate the warranty;

(c) remove two aluminum valve covers that stick out in mid-air and adjust four rocker arms while you sit on a mechanics stool listening to Beethoven's Symphony No. 6 "Pastoral" on a garage boom-box and sipping a heavy Bavarian beer that seems to have been brewed from dark honey found in the Black Forest.

2. A motorcycle, before it wears out and is no longer worthy of rebuilding, should be able to go:

- (a) about 18,000 miles;
- (b) about 50,000 miles;
- (c) at least 250,000 miles, and then be rebuilt anyway.

3. The famous maxim, "Without music life would be a mistake," was written by a cynical critic of public morals named;

- (a) Ross Perot;
- (b) the Reverend Jim Bakker;
- (c) Friedrich Nietzsche.

4. You are having some friends over for venison sauerbraten with potato dumplings and Ganselberpastete. A good wine to serve with dinner would be:

- (a) Night Train;
- (b) a "blush" wine that looks like someone poured cherry juice into a perfectly good batch of peach syrup;
- (c) Schloss Vollrads.

5. Halfway through dinner, one of your guests says, "What's that terrible music on the stereo?" You:

- (a) smile politely and explain it's Wagner's "Das Rheingold" from Der Ring Des Nibelungen and politely offer to turn it down;
- (b) put on any album from the Windham Hill catalog;
- (c) begin to clear the table and turn lights off in the house,



Autumnal Pagan Biker Rituals conducted at Beemer Hill, Palmyra, this month. Gluttony, inebriation, smoke inhalation, fire-walking, cavorting around the bonfire, and telling tall tales were just a few of the ways people enjoyed themselves. Except for a really delicious roast pig, no virgins or animals were harmed during this event. Our thanks to the Mankes for a great party!

helping your guests into their coats and explaining that you have to get up early, after which you listen to the entire four-CD boxed set of the Ring until 4 a.m., while polishing off the Schloss Vollrads yourself.

6. Motorcycle luggage should be carried:

- (a) under an elastic cargo net stretched over the rear seat and clipped to the protruding body side panels in such a way that it does not scratch the plastic;
- (b) inside your jacket;
- (c) in a pair of waterproof suitcases that were designed for your bike and clip on and off in about ten seconds.

7. Ideally, a dog should look as much as possible like:

- (a) a small piece of sculpted shrubbery from the gardens of Versailles;
 - (b) a dust mop;
 - (c) a wolf.
8. The best name for a dog is:
- (a) Fifi;
 - (b) Mopsie;
 - (c) Wolf.

9. The best name for a rocket scientist is:

- (a) Al;
- (b) Jimmy;
- (c) Werner.

10. Confronted at a cocktail party by a person with "way out" opinions, the best response is to:

- (a) shake your head and smile quietly at the strange diversity of humankind;
- (b) tactfully change the subject;
- (c) straighten the person out with the crushing precision of logic and lucid Hegelian dialectic.

11. The most confidence-inspiring name for a general commanding huge numbers of troops is:

- (a) Gamelin;
- (b) Graziani;
- (c) Eisenhower.

12. A good length for a motorcycle ride is:

- (a) over to the 7-Eleven store;
- (b) up and down Main Street about six times;
- (c) down to Tierra del Fuego and back on opposite coasts.

13. A dual-purpose bike for serious exploration should hold:

- (a) 1.2 gallons of fuel;
- (b) 2.3 gallons of fuel;
- (c) 9.3 gallons.

14. The most inviting commercial description of a malt beverage is:

- (a) Lite;
- (b) Dry;
- (c) Clear;
- (d) Dark.

15. Dark Bavarian beer should be drunk:

- (a) in standard 6-ounce bar glasses;
- (b) in thin plastic cups with the names and helmet designs of famous NFL football teams on them;
- (c) in huge 1-liter steins depicting folk scenes of castles, stag hunts, and happy peasants eating an entire wild boar and falling down drunk.

16. Huge 1-liter steins of dark Bavarian beer should be served by:

- (a) a guy named Brad who will be your server tonight;
- (b) a vending machine;
- (c) a great big healthy blond woman who can carry four steins in each hand.

17. The best part of every touring day is:

- (a) when you get to oil your chain;
- (b) when you forget to oil your chain;
- (c) neither of the above.

18. If you were shooting a helicopter-assault scene in the movie *Apocalypse Now*, the best choice of sound-track music might be:

- (a) a Glenn Miller dance tune;
- (b) Gary Lewis and the Playboys Greatest Hits;
- (c) "The Ride of the Valkyries."

19. Motorcycles;

- (a) are fun to ride around sometimes when it's nice out;
- (b) really look radical with some of those wild colors they got;
- (c) are a lifetime passion whose enjoyment can be enhanced through exacting craftsmanship and the thoughtful application of technology.

NCOM News

Forwarded by Tom Van Horn

WISCONSIN SUPREME COURT RULES AGAINST HELMETLESS RIDERS. The Wisconsin Supreme Court has ruled that ATV riders injured in accidents may have damage awards reduced by up to 100% for failing to wear a helmet. On June 26, 2002, the court issued a decision in an All-Terrain Vehicle accident case that allowed a reduction in damages from a head injury because the injured party was not wearing a helmet, reports ABATE of Wisconsin.

Although this was an ATV case, the court also stated that, "Our conclusion here pertains to helmet use while operating or riding a motorized, non-enclosed, moderate-to-high-speed vehicle such as an ATV or like vehicle."

The leaders and Legislative Committee of ABATE are taking this threat very seriously and giving it a Level One priority, reports Dave Dwyer, Legislative Chair for ABATE of Wisconsin. "We have already been in contact with legislators to let them know what is going on and how we feel about it."

Wisconsin State Senator Dave Zien, long time biker and member of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) Legislative Task Force, is working with ABATE to determine if the decision can be applied to motorcycle riders who suffer a head injury while not wearing a helmet.

"We intend to be ready with a bill to introduce when the new legislature comes into session in January," said Dwyer. "If for some reason this decision cannot be applied to motorcycles, I feel that we

should go ahead with language to clarify how the courts should handle the no helmet defense."

Wisconsin has enacted legislation that allows damages to be reduced by 15% for anyone injured in a car accident who is not wearing a seat belt, in reaction to an earlier Wisconsin Supreme Court decision regarding seat belt use and injury damages award reductions. But the high court refused to transfer that over to the helmet use case, even though they used the seat belt use ruling as a guide in their recent decision.

The court stated, "that, ultimately, is a question for the legislature."

So Long, And Thanks For All The Fish

In Douglas Adams' *Hitch-hiker's Guide to the Galaxy* series, this was the parting message of the Earth's porpoises as they evacuated our planet just before it was destroyed to make way for an intergalactic hyperspace bypass. Although we anticipate

nothing so cataclysmic, Mary and I will be somewhat dislocated after this, our final issue of the Mail Boxer. It has been our world for 4 1/2 years, but now it's time to move on and give someone else a chance. We tried to make this newsletter more interesting and entertaining in our effort to leave it better than we found it. We hope you enjoyed what we did with the Mail Boxer. Now please give Betty Bruun your support by submitting articles and encouraging her to carry on. So long and thanks for all the fish.

Mary and Roger Klopp

BIKE FOR SALE

2001 F650 GS, red, 20K miles, ABS, expandable side cases, BMW tank bag, Givi windschild, hand protection set, engine guards, electric outlet, new T66S, new sprockets, new DID 520VM chain, all updates, dealer serviced, factory warranty, \$6900 - Call Mike Shannon @ (651)704-9294.

BANQUET! BANQUET! BANQUET! BANQUET! BANQUET!

WHEN: Saturday, November 16- Dinner 6:30pm
WHERE: JT Whitney's Brew Pub, 674 S. Whitney Way
WHAT: The annual MBM WMC Awards Banquet
WHO: You!!!
WHY: Why NOT???

Menu options (select one per person):

- Rosemary Chicken
- Petite Filet (6oz)
- JT Whitney's Fish Fry

- Vegetarian Pasta
- Lasagna, beef or vegetarian

All are served with a side, salad and bread.

Cost is \$10/person. The club will pick up any additional costs. No last minute walk-ins.

 PLEASE fill out and send this banquet registration form and your check to John Ong @ 4725 Nora Lane, Madison WI 53711 by Monday, November 4. See you all there!

Names of those attending _____ / _____

Amount enclosed (\$10.00 @) _____ Menu choice from option list: _____

Are you renewing for 2003 at the banquet? Yes / No / Don't know / Renewing what?

Remember: no fabulous Mail Boxer newsletter for you unless you renew your membership.

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**Madison BMW Club
 Cherished - But - Totally - Insignificant - Awards - Form**

MEMBERS!!! Please fill out all the blanks below and send THIS form to Tom Van Horn at: 302 Glen Hwy., Madison, WI 53705. Please get them to me by October 31. THANKS!
 Estimate your BMW miles ridden between January 1st and October 31st, 2002 (to the nearest 100 miles). You may use this form for more than one rider - - please separate with different ink colors or a slash (/) mark.

NAME _____ For 2002, Your TOTAL BMW miles Ridden _____

Divide your totals into: Commuting miles _____ Sport or day ride miles _____

Touring miles(more than 1 day) _____

My co-rider _____ was along for _____ miles.

My/Our longest trip was _____ miles over _____ days.

Most miles in one day was _____; two days _____.

Number of nights in tent _____; in motel _____.

Number of states/provinces ridden in _____ miles in rain _____.

Number of rallies (not club rides) attended _____. How many GR3s total? _____

Sidecar miles _____; Trailer miles (Roland - Unigo isn't really a trailer. It's a pod, not a manly trailer with 2 wheels and over 300 pounds weight when loaded. Oh, and motorcycles ON trailers don't count either.) _____.

Estimate your TOTAL overall mileage on every BMW motorcycle you have had _____.

How many years riding? _____.

Did you have any unusual or memorable incident or accident this year?

Tell us:

Who should be this year's Shifty Character? _____

Why? _____

Who should get Special Mention for service to the club? _____

Why? _____