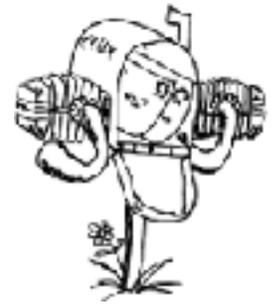


The Mail Boxer

May 2013

BMW MOA #7 • BMW RA #5



The Prez Says

Greetings all,

The rains have washed the salt and sand crud stuff off the roads, so let's get out there and start running up the mileage to keep Wisconsin in the top spot for high mileage in the MOA.

Not much to cover seeing that I missed the last 2 breakfasts and the Wild Goose outing.

May breakfast and GR 3 are the next big things coming up.

Ride safe, stay warm summer will be here, hopefully.

Dick Olson

While creating husbands, God promised women that good and ideal husbands would be found in all corners of the world.

And then he made the earth round. Our God—he's such a joker!

For Sale

Club Decals

I had a bunch of *Ride, Eat, Ride* decals printed and will sell them for \$2 each or 3/\$5. These are high quality decals (not stickers) suitable for outdoor applications. i.e., you may stick 'em where you want. They are 3" w x 2.5" diam. on white stock. When/if I break even, I will donate the profits to the club.

I'll bring them to the Crud breakfast in May and to the GR3 Rally.

Club T-shirts

A couple of people have asked me about getting t-shirts too. I have to have at least 24 shirts ordered to make a print run. If any of you are interested, let me know. You can have them in almost any reasonable, mid range color, in both short and long sleeves, and we can get sweatshirts and hoodies too. The last prints were under \$15 for the T's and about \$25 for the sweats. They are high quality, all cotton garments, and are very well printed. Please contact me, if you're interested.

Thanks! *Joann Hayes*

Upcoming Events

May 5, 2013 *
Club Breakfast
Hilltop Restaurant
Cty. P, Pine Bluff
Meeting at 9:00 am
Breakfast at 9:30

* Enjoy the Slimey Crud Run following breakfast

May 17-19
Great River Road Rally
Veterans Park
Soldiers Grove, WI

June 2, 2013
Club Breakfast
Hilltop Restaurant
Cty. P, Pine Bluff
Meeting at 9:00 am
Breakfast at 9:30

July 7, 2013
Club Breakfast
Hilltop Restaurant
Cty. P, Pine Bluff
Meeting at 9:00 am
Breakfast at 9:30

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Ride, Eat, Ride
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Club Spotlight

Perry Brokaw

Motorcycling history in a nutshell.

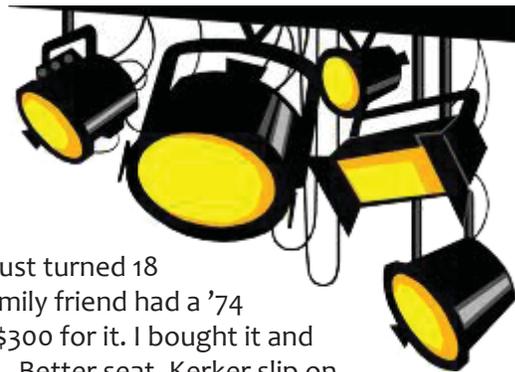
I started riding when in 1988, I had just turned 18 and was looking for a bike. A old family friend had a '74 CB360T with 30K on it! He wanted \$300 for it. I bought it and proceeded to buy the farklels for it...Better seat, Kerker slip on exhausts. Rode the hell out of it that summer...

I have owned many bikes since. some of the oddities where, 1995 Yamaha GTS 1000 (the one with the single sided front swing-arm) I have also had a CB1000F, a Kawi Concours, 3 Triumph triple955i powered bikes and even a FJR1300.

I got interested in Beemer's after a "accident" removed the FRJ from my possession. Motorcycle Performance had a little '97 R850R for sale on consignment for \$3000. After hearing the sound of the sewing machine idle of the boxer run. It pulled me in. At that time I joined the MOA, and our club a short time later. I now own a R11RT and just love it. I bought it two years ago and have put 20k on it since. Perfect touring bike for me and my stuff!

About myself:

42 years old. Single. Born and raised in Muscoda, WI. currently living in Cross Plains Maint mechanic at Plastic Ingenuity in Cross Plains since 1991. Hobbies including photography, traveling, and Radio Controlled aircraft. Also like playing with Jeep Wranglers and of course, motorcycles(1978 KZ 650 is the play bike). And of course tattoos and piercings, currently 38 tattoos and six piercings....More on the way.



This Month's Photo

*Submit your caption
on the club's
Facebook page.*



Secretary's Report

by Sherry Atkinson



Sunday, April 7th Meeting Minutes

Tom Van Horn called the meeting to order. President Richard is still on foreign assignment.

Wisconsin has once again won the BMW MOA Mileage contest. Congratulation fellow riders! Every mile counts, Lets win again!

The 28th Annual BMW motorcycle Flea Market and Moto Expo will be held April 27th and 28th, at the Winnebago County fairgrounds.

In Rally news, progress is being made in all areas. Volunteers are still needed. You can still sign up at the next meeting.

The 171 bridge in Soldiers Grove is closed for replacement. The band will play from 7 to 11 and we will extend an invitation to the town folk to come join us for entertainment.

Sam Garst brought examples of the poster, pin and mug.

We may have a volunteer to lead the ride but if you are interested in riding sweep let the rally chairs know.

May 4th is the Film Festival, (pre crud movie). The movie this year is *The Worlds Fastest Indian* and is the Barrymore Theatre at 2090 Atwood Ave. Doors open at 7, movie at 8.

May 5th is the Crud Run. Breakfast is at the Hilltop. June breakfast is also at the Hilltop.

50/50 winner: Tony Bickel

Breakfast winner: Sam Hokin

Think Spring!

Secretary Sherry



Arizona to Wisconsin bike delivery—June 2012

By Chris Eisenhauer

Last June my brother and I rode 2 of his bikes from Phoenix back to Wisconsin. He left 'em there when he moved to St. Croix, US Virgin Islands two years prior. A job in Chicago brought him back to the CONUS, so our destination was the new stable in Watertown, WI.

The timing allowed us to hit the RA rally at Copper Mountain, with another stop in southeast Nebraska to visit family. My inlaws live in Aurora, Colo, so my wife, daughter, and parents drove a cage and met us in Colorado.

Brian flew to Phoenix a day ahead to prep the 1987 K75S and 1990 K1. He had pulled the batteries and fuel pumps, and drained the gas in preparation for storage, so he reversed that process to bring them back to life. We stayed one day with his friends, a very entertaining retired Irish couple. As is normal for summer in Arizona, it was hot.

Then it was to be 460 miles to Cortez, Colo. We chose a route through Show Low, Ariz, to gain some elevation

and relief from the heat. The most excitement of the trip displayed itself a few times that 1st riding day.

I was on the K1 mid-morning when it lost power, so I eased it over on the shoulder. A few stabs at the starter were unsuccessful. With helmets and earplugs off, we could hear that the fuel pump did not run when the ignition was turned on. Into the gas tank we went to see what was the matter. The old style mesh basket filter was in place and looked OK, but the pump was stuck. Using a screwdriver to back off the rotor...

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2013 RIDE Dates

- May 4 4th Annual Slimey Crud MOVIE
The World's Fastest Indian
Barrymore Theatre, Madison
Doors open at 7 pm~Movie at 8 pm
Reserved parking for motorcycles
on Atwood Ave. + cash bar in lobby
- May 5 Slimey Crud RUN
Pine Bluff/Leland, WI
Join in the fun after breakfast
- May 5 Flat Track Races ~ 1 pm
Elkhorn Fair Grounds
- May 11 1st Annual Vintage Bike Show
See Schlossmann's Ad pg. 7
- May 17-19 The Great River Road Rally (GR3)
Veterans Park
Soldiers Grove, WI
- June 15 Aztalan Short Track Races ~ 1:30 pm
N6643 Gomol Rd, Lake Mills, WI
www.aztalanmx.com/straces.asp
- June 20-23 BMW RA National Rally
The Biltmore
Asheville, NC
- June 20-23 United Sidecar National Rally
Stone County Fairgrounds
Mountain View, AR
- June 29 Aztalan Short Track Races ~ 1:30 pm
N6643 Gomol Rd, Lake Mills, WI
www.aztalanmx.com/straces.asp
- June 30 Aztalan Short Track Races ~ 9 am
N6643 Gomol Rd, Lake Mills, WI
- July 18-21 BMW MOA National Rally
Oregon State Fairgrounds
Salem, OR
- July 19-21 2013 BBC Motorcycle Rally & Show
(www.britishbiker.net)
Eagle Cave, Blue River, WI
- July 20 Aztalan Short Track Races ~ 1:30 pm
N6643 Gomol Rd, Lake Mills, WI
www.aztalanmx.com/straces.asp
- August 4 Ride for Kids
Firemans Park
Middleton, WI
- August 17 Aztalan Short Track Races ~ 1:30 pm
N6643 Gomol Rd, Lake Mills, WI

Great River Road Rally (GR3)

May 17th - 19th

Veteran's Park • Soldier's Grove, WI
Intersection of County C & WI 131, just off US 61

This year ...

- ◇ *The Old Oak Inn* Welcome Reception
500 Church Street, 4-6 pm Friday
- ◇ Friday Benefit for the *Glad Farms Pony Club*
Dinner: 5:30-8:30 pm ~ Featuring Cream of Morel
Soup, Grilled Brats, Grilled Hamburgers, Salads,
Chips, Homemade Desserts and Beverages
Popcorn and other snacks for sale until 10:00pm
Local Brew: Driftless Brewing Company will be
selling beer from their custom "beer bus" in the
parking lot
Raffle drawings during band breaks (or until all
items are raffled) – MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!
- ◇ Pony Club horse demonstration in the arena at 6pm
(conditions permitting)
- ◇ ENTERTAINMENT! *Ralph Jr. & the Black
Jack Blues Band*, Friday, 7 – 11 pm
- ◇ Saturday Breakfast sponsored by a local church
- ◇ Saturday Dinner sponsored by The Lions Club

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Registration Form

39th Annual

Great River Road Rally (GR3)

Madison BMW Club, Ltd.

Veteran's Park - Soldier's Grove, WI
 May 17-19th, 2013

RIDER INFORMATION (please print):			BIKE:	
FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	INITIAL	MAKE:	
ADDRESS			YEAR:	
			CLUB AFFILIATION:	
CITY	STATE	ZIP		
To be notified about next year's Rally via email, please supply your address (will not be shared with 3 rd parties)		EMAIL		
PASSENGER INFORMATION (please print):				
FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	INITIAL		
ADDRESS (If same as rider, just say "same")				
CITY	STATE	ZIP		
COST:			RALLY FEES:	
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		\$33 at gate	PASSENGER	\$
Age 6-15 (under 6 free):		\$10	TOTAL	\$
READ CAREFULLY AND SIGN BELOW:				
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			PO Box 152	
			McFarland, WI 53558-0152	

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on the intake side, the pump freed up again with no evidence of the problem. We had no issues the rest of the morning, but shortly after noon the bike died again.

Into the tank again, and backing off the rotor this time revealed blue plastic looking stuff, thin and about 1.5mm square. Was it the problem, and it'd be smooth riding from there?

Two more forced stops that afternoon confirmed the blue plastic was still floating around. But we always found safe spots to make the fix and keep going. (The blue plastic seems to have been a liner inside the pump.)

We stayed at a Rodeway Inn that night, nothing special but those beds sure felt good.

The 2nd day was 340 miles to Copper. We didn't have any issues with the fuel pump, surprisingly. We hit a lot of twisty roads zig-zagging to the NorthEast, including CO 550 the "million dollar highway".

We were pretty tired when we stopped for dinner in Leadville, Colo. Adding some ballast to our stomachs consisted of \$8.95 prime rib dinners. (That's all the restaurant serves, except for bigger steaks).

We struck out in the dying light for the 24 miles to beds waiting at my inlaw's Copper Mountain condo. It was getting rather cool (downright chilly, after the hot day previously), and dark.

Just as the road started to climb to the pass, road construction signs appeared in the darkness. The road switched to that darned ribbed corduroy, when they grind down the asphalt in advance of repaving. It was

one lane going up, and the cars were on our tails as we were managing a very squirrely 25-35 mph. Not fun, and it made the 24 mile ride a lot longer. Between the dark, cold, and sketchy road conditions, we were relieved to



arrive at the condo that night.

Dad and Dad-inlaw rode up to Copper on a 1985 K100RT and 1980 R65. The rest of family—mom, sister, wife and daughter, all drove up by car to join us.

We enjoyed the time at Copper, but weren't terribly impressed with the RA Rally itself. Activities were few and the registration cost high. But it was a great excuse to be at Copper, and fun to catch since it will probably



be another 40 years before it returns to that location.

In Aurora after the rally, Brian made the cost-effective pump repair using a new Ford Mustang fuel pump and a piece of gas neck hose. The hose is needed because the Ford pump is narrower than the stock pump. The annoyance with this switch is the need to change the electrical connections at the pump from rings to push-on blade connectors. But in the comfort of Dad-inlaw's garage, it was an easy fix.

A day's recreation in Aurora and then it was 510 miles to the small town of Cook, Nebraska where my Dad grew up. He joined us for this leg, driving the R65. He stayed longer than we did, so eventually drove that bike back to Wisconsin. It had been living at my inlaw's in Aurora since 2008.



We took Hwy 36 almost the whole way, which afforded less traffic and slower speeds. The excitement for the day was the need to acquire a new rear tire for the K75, as it had quickly gone from tread to chord. There's not much in Western Kansas (if you've never been there), so we were lucky to happen upon a Kawasaki shop with one almost-right-sized tire. (Its diameter was a little small, but the rim sizes were right.)

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Captions submitted:

- John D. Pohl — Stuck throttle.
- John Bollig — Still the most efficient way to get rubber into the lungs.
- Sam Hokin — Floors fully sanded and rubbered at one low cost!
- Heidi Goehring — Sorry about the floor honey -- my PMS is acting up again.
- Kevin Moran — There's more than one way to screw in a lightbulb.
- Corrine Jutz — Now, would you like coffee with your donuts!
- John Ong — I couldn't wait for the snow to go. I'd better put the rug back before the wife gets home!
- Susan Trudell — I don't believe the wife will fall for 'the dog did it.' Next time I'll carpet with artificial turf.

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In retrospect, I should have checked the tires more closely on the down day in Aurora. I also wonder if the Colorado chip-seal roads were the culprit of the surprise wear rate.

Four days in Nebraska and it was off for home, with only Brian and I again. In the fields of wind generators in Iowa we stopped to see one up close. Turning off the gravel country road almost yielded a spill for Brian on the K1, as a recent rain had left a very slick runoff of field mud. It was pretty impressive standing underneath those giant blades as they spin. A stop at the National Motorcycle Museum in Anamosa, Iowa, made for a nice break that afternoon. 490 miles got us to Middleton, so I could get back to work the next day. (boo, hiss.) It was almost exactly 2,000 miles over the course of 2 weeks. ■



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