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**MADISON BMW CLUB ~ NOVEMBER 2020**

**BMW MOA #7 BMW RA #5**



Chad and Rhonnie G. during their all 72 county adventure (-pic: Chad G.)

**CLUB ZOOM MEETING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH - SEE PAGE 5**

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**Madison BMW (Motorcycle) Club**

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## NOVEMBER 2020

CLUB BREAKFAST MEETINGS  
Have been postponed  
until further notice.

CLUB MEETING via ZOOM  
9:00 AM SUNDAY, NOV 8  
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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## DECEMBER 2020

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## 2020 Club Officers and Officials

### PRESIDENT

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WORDS FROM OUR INTREPID LEADER

*Greetings all,*

*We have had our 1st snowfall....grumble grumble... of the Autumn season. Winter isn't officially here until late December....grumble grumble...*



*And on that note, it isn't too late to start cleaning up the cycle and a spot in the garage for storage.*

*We just learned that our friends at Mischler's are closing their doors in December. Besides being our go-to dealer, they are our good friends as well. We will miss them dearly. Please keep them in your thoughts as we see the end of an era approaching.*

*Not much else is going on in the motorcycle news department. The fall banquet is called off. And the way things are going, I don't think there will be a December breakfast.*

*That's about all I have. Time to get out in the fresh air and get some yard work done. I don't always go the extra mile, but when I do it's because I missed my exit.*

*If you're still riding, be wary of leaves on the roads.*

*Stay safe, Dick*

Hi Members,

Our November Zoom Meeting will be Sunday, November 8th at 9 AM.

I just confirmed our **November 13, 2021** Annual Banquet date at the Esquire Club. Everyone surveyed that responded but 2 people voted to return to the Esquire.



Stay Safe. I hope you can ride a little, as the weather for the next week looks like a great time to see the fall colors!

Tsaritsa Dawn

# SECRETARY'S REPORT

Meeting of October 4

Meeting started at 9:02.

Treasurers report. Same as last month

Board meeting. Elections for 2021 will be held on line. Steve Huber will be the point person for them. Two board positions are open. Everyone who had a club position is running again.

Dawn VP. Will make reservations for 2021 banquet at Esquire for November 13, 2021.

End of year riding form on MOA site.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30.

Submitted by Linda Low



-The face(s) of a Club meeting a la 2020. (Pic: Sue R.)

All: Steve Parker used to change tires for folks;  
He's retired and sold his changing machines to Chris:

## Chris Foscett Tire Service

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# CLUB MEETING VIA ZOOM ON SUNDAY, November 8th

## Jim Harms, Media Czar

### Zoom Meeting:

There are many ways to connect to Zoom, including:

1. Web Browser : Nothing to install
2. PC or Mac Computer - Download the Zoom App from the Test Link.
3. Android or iPhone smart phones - Download from the App Stores.

### Important!!!!

#### [Zoom Test Link](#)

If you've never used Zoom before, please follow the link above to do a 'Test Meeting'. This will ensure that you will be able connect before our club meeting. If you have issues, there is an embedded link to the Zoom support center, which should help you solve any problems connecting.

You can either test thru a Web Browser OR download the Zoom App and run/test it from there. If you don't have a Web Cam (Video), you can still join via the Voice connection. There is also an option for smart phones, but I think you'll need to go to the App Store first to install it, then use the Test Link.

### \*\*\* The Actual Meeting Info and Link \*\*\*

Join the October 2020 meeting by clicking on the link below.

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77715978376?pwd=bDA1RjZlUlprYVhmMS9iMTgrQWN4Zz09>

You should NOT need to enter a Meeting ID and Password, but it's listed here.

If you don't use the link (e.g. try to join from Test Link), you'll probably be prompted for them.

Meeting ID: 754 0464 0402

Passcode: x2L42m

**Date: Sunday Nov 8, 2020**

**9 am - 10 am: BMW Club meeting**

- Prez Dick Olson will reside and lead this as a regular meeting.
- No early start for Zoom help as people are getting in, but you can call Jim Harms if you need help: 608-332-7605
- **We are using Zoom's Free account. After 40 minutes, everyone will automatically be disconnected. You can reconnect again, but we'll try to finish in 40 min.**

**(Ed's note: We are getting a better Zoom service so we won't have the 40 minute limit. Jim will let us know when this is in effect)**

### Zoom Meeting Tips

- Video was working well, but if we have too much lag, we'll ask people to turn it off unless they are speaking.
  - Limit the number of applications you have open and running on your machine during the Zoom meeting. It will improve your system response.
  - Put questions in the Chat option rather than talking over someone. You can also 'raise your hand' virtually to indicate you want to speak
  - Make sure you are have light in front or above you. If behind you (eg. a sunny window), we will only see a shadow outline, not your face.
- Thanks and see you on the 8th! - Jim Harms**





It is with deep regret after 62 years of serving the Beaver Dam community, Mischler's Harley-Davidson and BMW will be closing our store permanently turning the key for the final time on December 23, 2020. The current business climate has left us with no other viable option.

To our customers who have supported us through the decades, Thank you! We have also been blessed with the most loyal staff that we consider our family, and they have answered to every request presented to them with advancing their education and challenges made. We thank you!

We will continue to offer storage through the winter for your motorcycle. Pick up times will be scheduled in April 2021.



# **ELECTION RESULTS FOR 2021**

## **2021 Club Officer Election** (submitted by Steve Huber, Board of Directors)

Due to the “interesting” times we are in, the 2021 club officer elections were conducted (mostly) via email. Two members without email accounts were supplied paper ballots.

35 emails and 2 paper responses were received. All ballots returned were in favor of the current slate. The current club officers, officials, and BoD have been re-elected to another term.

Your 2021 Officers, Officials and Board of Directors are:

### **Club Officers**

President: Dick Olson  
Vice President: Dawn Feneht  
Secretary: Linda Low  
Treasurer: Sue Rihn

### **Club Officials**

Newsletter Editor: Tom Van Horn  
Webmaster: Jim Harms  
Activities Director: Bert Hefty  
GR3 Rally Chair: Dick Olson  
Membership: Jim Low

### **Board of Directors**

Sam Garst  
Tom Van Horn  
*(Directors below were not up for election)*  
Chad Garcia  
Dick Olson  
Steven Huber

# BMWMOA MILEAGE CONTEST Ends October 31st, But you have until November 15th!..

Wisconsin has usually led in member miles - with The Current Situation, miles may be reduced, but that's true for everyone! You can't win if you don't play. If you sent a Start form to Jim in April, <please> get your ending mileage to him!

**Jim Low says:** Because of the many state stay-at-home orders and the need to practice social distancing to limit the spread of COVID-19, the MOA mileage contests will temporarily relax the signature requirements when submitting mileage contest start and end forms. An easy option is to email digital photos of your odometer readings to me at [JIM LOW](mailto:jimlow@bmwmoa.org). Please note on the verification signature line of your mileage form that you have emailed photos to me for your starting or ending mileage. Other forms of verification are also allowed including recent maintenance performed by your local shop as long as the mileage is shown on the service order. Other allowances will also be made. Just email me to let me know your thoughts. Thanks to all who participate and remember to stay safe.

Thanks, Jim Low  
BMW MOA Mileage Contest Coordinator

**2020 BMW MOA SUMMER MILEAGE CONTEST**  
(Contest ends Saturday, October 31, 2020)

BMW MOA# \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Chartered Club (provide MOA Charter Club Number) \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Do not mail finisher pin

**NOTE:** The annual contest is intended to record miles ridden on BMW Motorcycles.  
Please specify if **Miles** or **Kilometers** on all readings.

YEAR	MODEL	ODOMETER READING	MI / KM

**Verification:**  
Two (2) signatures by BMW MOA members (not immediate family) or one (1) signature by an MOA Chartered Club Officer or Director, MOA Officer, Director, Ambassador, BMW Owners News Staff, BMW Dealer or Notary Public.  
Contact Mileage Contest Coordinator at [jimlow@bmwmoa.org](mailto:jimlow@bmwmoa.org) with questions

1. Signature \_\_\_\_\_ BMW MOA # \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City / State / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

2. Signature \_\_\_\_\_ BMW MOA # \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City / State / Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Entrant: \_\_\_\_\_

The annual contest is intended to record miles ridden on BMW motorcycles.  
BMW MOA does not encourage unsafe riding practices. See reverse side for guidelines.

**Must be postmarked by November 15, 2020**



# Finishers Form !!!



## Madison BMW Club 2020 Club Challenge

Friends and Fellow Members of the Madison BMW Club....

We hope that many of you took some time to participate in the club challenge this year. Ten was the minimum number of counties to be in the winners circle. Now it's time to report your counties, so we can order the fabulous awards! (We are both laughing, and wondering what they will look like.)

So - Was it fun? Do you have stories to share? One of Sue's adventures was when she blew her fuel pump in Spooner and rode to Mischler's then back to western Wisconsin to continue the journey. Fun Times. How about you? Didja meet someone new? Didja find a great place that you want to visit again sometime? Didja find a little slice of adventure?

BELOW IS THE FORM:

Total number of counties on your motorcycle (minimum 10) \_\_\_\_\_

Using the map, please circle or list them.

Adventures and stories to report?

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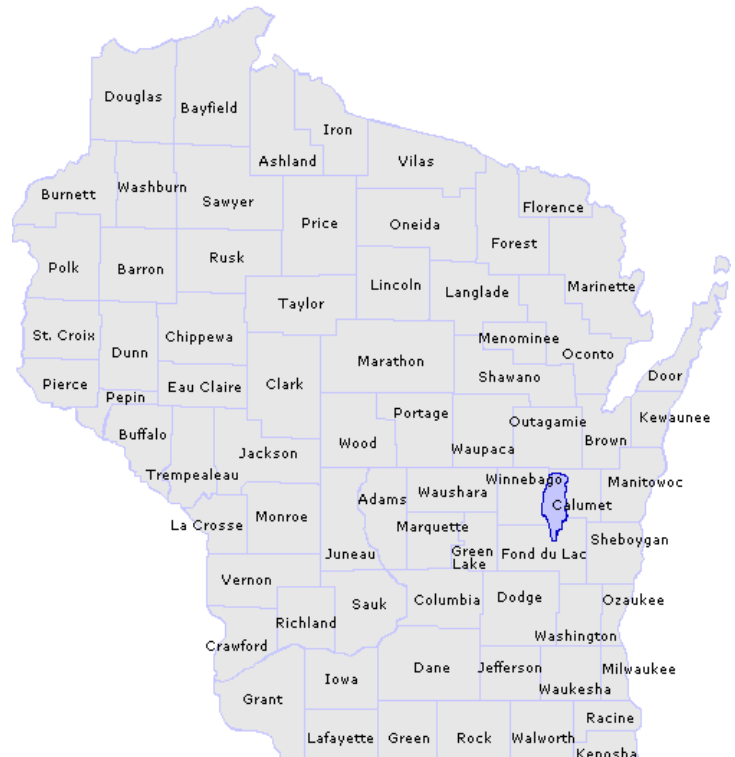
Print this page, fill it out and mail it.

**We need this back by NOVEMBER 10.**

Email is fine. [sue@beemerhill.com](mailto:sue@beemerhill.com)

USPS is fine as well.

Rihn / Van Horn  
302 Glen Hwy  
Madison, WI 53702



**MADISON BMW CLUB, LTD****MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Dues: New Members \$30 full year. \$15 if you join after June 30th. \$5 spouse

Current Members \$30 regardless of when paid.

Print this form out, fill it in, and mail it  
with your dues to:

**Madison BMW Club, Ltd**

**P O Box 5601**

**Madison, WI 53705**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Optional information:

BMW MOA Number: \_\_\_\_\_

BMWRA Number: \_\_\_\_\_

AMA Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Motorcycles you own:

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Other interests or comments? \_\_\_\_\_



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