

THE MAIL BOXER

MADISON BMW CLUB ~ AUGUST 2022

BMW MOA #7 BMW RA #5



Prez Chad's bike, taken Somewhere Out West during their very grand tour—see his column this issue!

(Pic: Chad G.)

NEXT MEETING: CLUB PICNIC: BRIGHAM PARK, AUGUST 7th

3160 County Highway F, Blue Mounds, Wisconsin

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Madison BMW (Motorcycle) Club

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST 2022

CLUB PICNIC August 7th
Brigham Park, Blue Mounds
12 noon

BMWRA Yooper Rendezvous August 4 - 7
Big Snow Resort, Wakefield, MI
Bigsnow.com

Adventure Week August 17-21
Big Snow Resort, Wakefield, MI
Bigsnow.com

**Blackhawk BMW Club
FLEA MARKET AND MOTOEXPO** August 27
Rochelle, IL

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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SEPTEMBER 2022

NO CLUB BREAKFAST IN SEPTEMBER

WI BMW Club Dells Rally Sep 9-11
Camp Wawbeek, WI Dells
<https://www.wiscbmwclub.com/dells-rally/rally-information.html>

Adventurefest Sep 9-11
Big Snow Resort, Wakefield, MI
Bigsnow.com

U.P. Beemer Fall Finale Sep 30-Oct 2
Big Snow Resort, Wakefield, MI
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WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT

It started as a dream 9 years ago and became reality on July 4th of this year. We embarked on the ride of a lifetime. We rode Route 66, staying at historic Route 66 motels along the way. It took us a week to make the ride out to the Santa Monica pier with a side trip to the Grand Canyon and Joshua Tree. For our next leg we rode the Pacific Coast Highway (PCH 1) from Los Angeles to Washington state where we got to watch elephant seals in the beach and literally ride through the Redwoods. The Oregon coast was amazing! For our third and final leg we rode US Hwy 2 back home to include a ride through Glacier National Park on Going to the Sun road—WOW! We primarily stayed at AirBNB's on the second and third legs, which were all very nice. We were able to stop and visit friends in various states along the way as well as our son in Minnesota. We put on just over 6,000 miles and got to see this awesome country of ours the best way possible -from the seat of a motorcycle. In addition we have now ridden in all of the lower 48 US states with future plans for Hawaii and Alaska. I hope everyone has been able to get out and do some riding.

-Chad



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Hi Members,

On August 7, we will have our Annual Picnic at Brigham Park near Blue Mounds at 12 noon.



We will decide at the picnic whether to stay at Tully's or relocate elsewhere for monthly breakfasts. Bring suggestions. There are NO breakfasts until October.

Bring a dish to pass & non alcoholic beverages. We have a park permit but NOT an alcohol permit. There will be broasted chicken & gluten free baked chicken.

I need a count by Wednesday, July 27th for the chicken to be ordered for the picnic. Dick Olson will pick it up.

Get out & ride as the weather is good.
See you all at the picnic,

Tsaritsa Dawn

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Chad G.)



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Since there was no July meeting, there are no minutes to report.
Yr Fthfl Editor

Activities Director Bert is arranging a table for the Club at the Flea Market. If you have something to sell, get hold of him. He likes to have two prices for items: the \$\$ you'd like to get, and the minimum \$ you'll take...



36th Annual
2022 Motorcycle
Flea Market and
MotoExpo

WE'RE BACK!

NEW Date!
Saturday, August 27, 2022
Vendor Setup 7:00a - 10:00a
Open to Shoppers 10:00a - 5:00p

NEW Location!
Lincoln Arts Center in Rochelle, IL
Home of the Vince Carney Community Theater
108 S Main St, Rochelle, IL 61068
GPS Coordinates: 41.91896, -89.06517

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BREAKING NEWS: G310 FASTEST GROWING CLASS OF BIKES IN MADISON BMW CLUB!

As reported by Joann Hayes

I think it's true. Despite Bert's disparaging words, three of us club members have bought these little bikes in the last year. Sam and Tony opted for the taller GS version, while I chose the shorter R. My friend, Chris Gargan, sometimes club member, has the GS too and he raves about it.

Since COVID shut many of our day riding spots and I added a couple more rings to my tree of life, I lost riding practice and began to wonder if I could still safely and confidently pilot my wonderful 800 ST. But I'm not ready to give up gasoline powered two-wheel vehicles, and BMW finally offered a smaller, lighter option, albeit at the expense of top end zoom.

Here's a few thoughts after a couple of short break in rides:

It's a good thing the clutch pull is light 'cuz you have to row through the 6 gears on a typical ride. Other than a mighty short first, the gear range is forgiving enough. In first, a rev booster kicks in which insures that it won't stall from a start. That makes it a nice teaching bike for newbies too.

On my 800 I had to be careful not to speed. This bike has me paying close attention to the throttle to keep my speed up. Since I don't ride the 4-lane roads if I can help it, no problem poking along county highways nearby. And it is a BLAST on the twisties! Light and agile with nice turn in and road feel.

Somewhat surprising to me, the suspension felt good for my weight on some rough pavement - better than my 800. I don't know a lot about fine tuning a suspension, but this one feels good to me from the get go.

Fit and finish is excellent. Nice instrument panel with lots of useful info. I, of course, added some safety and protection farkles, especially lights fore and aft - Denali up front, Admore in back. Those and a few other items added to the overall price, but it's still a good buy.

The brakes are adequate for this bike with ABS and steel braided brake lines. It took me a few stops to adjust to them, but I actually like the gentler stopping action. Part of that may be the suspension too. Testing the brakes at higher speeds felt solid. I didn't trip the ABS, but the bike stopped straight with no shudder. Once I got used to the pedal location and foot feel, all was good.

This bike is a reasonable package with attractive features and components. It's also very handsome and looks like a BMW. And I think I could lift it by myself, if I had to. I went to CycleWerks in Barrington. The guys there were helpful and knew their stuff, but I sure am not riding down there for service. (Oh Mischler's, where Art thou?)

So, Giddy Up! 310 riders! And Bert, we're riding the nicest sewing machines on the road.





Madison is resurfacing local streets with chip-seal. Be aware that traction can be a little sketchy, especially when cornering and stopping.
- Sue R.

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BMW RA # _____

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MOTORCYCLES YOU OWN:

YEAR _____ MAKE/MODEL _____

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OTHER INTERESTS OR COMMENTS _____



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