

MONTANA BMW RIDERS NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Taking the risk of looking hypocritical, of the pot calling the kettle black, I will point out that our January meeting @ Fairmont Hot Springs was ill attended. Now whether this was because of the weather, the PRO Bowl, Tiger leading @ Torrey Pines, Mike McInerney leading the meeting, or whatever. The result is...we now have several free swim passes for Fairmont Hot Springs to give away @ future meetings!

Mike informed me he brought his family, including his Mom, who was celebrating her 90th birthday. So you not only missed free pool passes but you missed Thelma's birthday, complete with cake, as well as Donna's cookies. But at least there was something to celebrate. I will take it under advisement to maybe move Fairmont from the list of January meeting places. As I was told by those attending, the roads going over earlier in the morning were not so good. Those in attendance other than Mike's family were Dave McCormack, Victor and from Missoula, Tina Schmaus and Sandy Koeckritz and some of Tina's family who did enjoy the hot springs.



Exclusive of the lack of participants @ Fairmont I do see a pent up demand for "talkin motorcycling" based on the Long Winter's Night Get-Together, which we had prior to January's meeting. At that Wednesday night get-together @ Big Sky BMW we had 25 members turn out for Jim Iverson's travelogue of motorcycling in Norway. Though the setup for the presentation had its challenges, Jim and Don Smith of Big Sky BMW 'got er done' before the crowd showed. The presentation went off without a hitch and was excellent.

Seemed everyone enjoyed it, except for maybe one who was sweetly dreaming on the couch. Will have to admit Nate's couches are comfy.

This well attended turnout encouraged me to seek other outlets for our members to dream. I've arranged for Stan @ Logan's Boot/Shoe Repair to give a short presentation on the care & maintenance of your leather things so they'll last a lifetime. Based on Stan's assistance w/ my leather goods, this is some common sense maintenance

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that should not be overlooked. This will be @ my home @ 241 University Ave. Missoula. You're invited for chili dinner @ 6:00 PM and Stan will start shortly thereafter. There will be a tech session Saturday, February 9th @ roam @ Big Sky BMW courtesy of owner Nate Bertland and mechanic Andy Main. Additionally Wednesday, February 27th, Carol and Gary Graham have volunteered to a motorcycle travelogue of a ride they did in

NEXT MEETING

**Sunday
1:00 p.m.**

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WKND=PRES DAY HOLIDAY WKND)**

The Balkans a few years back. Based on their prior presentations this should be a great travelogue. This will be at Big Sky BMW in Missoula.

So there you have it. Some things to help you survive the winter with no riding. Maybe more in March. Make sure you check your email. Till then.

Happy Trails!!

Chuck Reaves



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Thanks
Mike

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Signed articles do not necessarily reflect the consensus opinion of the Montana BMW Riders.

BUY SELL TRADE
Two seat sets for R1100RT and similar: Corbin, very nice leather - \$250; Rich's, \$200. Both are almost unused and are built for a smaller rider. Dick Walton, Missoula, 241-6385. 06/13

Looking for hard or soft bags (saddle bags and/or tank bag) in good condition for KLR 650 E model. Call Chuck 406-240-1771 or reavesrealtymt@gmail.com Thanks. 06/13

Note: Unless the editor is notified the items are still available, ads will be removed at the end of a 4 month listing. Ads will be dated to reflect the end date.



A composite advertisement featuring a central photograph of a man in a white shirt and dark pants standing in front of a brick wall with a sign that reads "UNITED STATES POLICE OFFICE KEY WEST, FLORIDA". The photo is surrounded by blue text boxes. Top left: "Family Dental Group Featured Dentist Rowan P. McQuarrie, D.D.S., FAGD". Top right: "4 Corners Rider Fellow in the Academy of General Dentistry". Bottom left: "MontanaSmiles.com Appointments Available Evenings & Saturdays!". Bottom right: "Full service dentistry Southgate Mall in Missoula Next to Dillard's 406-541-2886".

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ARC SATURDAY, MAY 4

*Tina Schmaus,
VP MT BMW Riders and MSF Rider Coach.*

Riding season is just around the corner, and there is no better way to get prepared than to put your safety first! Montana BMW Riders has reserved ONE day this year for the club's 2013 MSF Advanced Rider Course, which will once again be held at the range in Helena. The date is Saturday, May 4. This date is reserved for club members first, so save the date and sign up soon! We filled two days last year and members learned a great deal – at the end of the day there was a bunch of smiling, hot, tired, happy riders who had their skill base expanded or at least reinforced.

This one-day course complements a rider's basic skills and helps with personal risk assessment. It includes a fast-paced classroom segment with several interactive activities to improve perception and hazard awareness. Range exercises enhance both basic skills and crash avoidance skills. Improving braking and cornering finesse is emphasized. The course is beneficial for riders on any type of street motorcycle.

This year we are holding the class early in the riding season for those of you who have expressed interest in an early season class with the idea of getting the most benefit and use from your training this summer. A cool day will make a great training day, so please look at your calendars now and let's get this class filled.

The day will be limited to twelve riders and at \$60 for the day, it is a great deal. Checks are to be made to Montana BMW Riders. The cost for the class is a 25% discount from the public price, and should be paid at the time of registration. There is no better way to show a friend or loved one that you care than encouraging and supporting their motorcycle safety education. Is there a family member or friend you can bring?

To register, please send an email to Tina at tntina@rocketmail.com with your address, and the registration forms will be sent to you either as an e-mail attachment or through the snail mail. You can also call me at (406) 544-8508. Once you complete the form you will need to return it to me via snail mail – you will be provided complete instructions in the packet.

As more information becomes available regarding the classes, I will keep you posted. Last year the days were filled with many laughs and it was an enjoyable way to spend the day with other club members. As a side note

to those who cannot make it on these dates, see <http://motorcycle.msun.edu/> for a list of dates, location, and prices for ARC and other courses offered around the state this riding season.



BE A RIDER COACH

Terry Funk

If you are reading this article, I will assume you are that oddest of creatures; admired by some, envied by others, excoriated by a few but respected by your peers, you are a MOTORCYCLIST! You have motor skills, balance, an inherent understanding of the laws of physics and familiarity with the mechanics of a machine that is an extension of your body and soul.

Yes, you and your bike are cool!

If you also have the desire to help others enter the world of motorcycling, becoming a Rider Coach with Montana Motorcycle Rider Safety (MMRS) may be for you. MMRS is always looking for motorcyclists who have excellent people and riding skills coupled with a desire to help others develop a solid foundation in motorcycling. Becoming a Rider Coach will not increase your coolness or your wallet. You will find, however, great personal satisfaction in the accomplishments of your students.

Call 1-800-922-BIKE to talk to Jim Morrow, Director of Montana Motorcycle Rider Safety about how you can become a Rider Coach.

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17 MARCH BASIN...LEANING TOWER OF PIZ-
ZA...THIS IS ALSO ST PATS DAY & YOU'LL BE GOING
RIGHT BY BUTTE AMERICA ON THE WAY TO BASIN.

21 APRIL DEER LODGE...YAK YAK'S...
TOUR OF THE TOWE FORD MUSEUM OR TERRITORIAL
PRISON AFTER LUNCH.

19 MAY PHILIPSBURG...SUNSHINE STATION

15 JUNE (SATURDAY) BIG FORK...
ECHO LAKE CAFE

14 JULY SEELEY LAKE.
CAMPOUT TO PRACTICE YOUR PACKING BEFORE HEAD-
ING OUT TO SALEM, OR. FOR THE BMW NAT'L RALLY.
DETAILS TBA.

18 AUGUST WISDOM...FETTY'S
IN CONJUNCTION W/ A SAME WEEKEND GS BIG HOLE
RIDE/CAMPOUT.

15 SEPTEMBER HARDY...MISSOURI RIVER INN

20 OCTOBER OVANDO...TRIXIE'S ANTLER SALOON

17 NOVEMBER DRUMMOND...THE WAGON WHEEL

7 DECEMBER CHRISTMAS PARTY
@ BIG SKY BMW MISSOULA

I ride this machine

Which spouts tongues of fire and soul

Along the high plain

- Basho Halterman, 2011



Roelof Veldhuis:

So cold, gale force winds

Preparing my bike indoors

We will be out there soon!

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Come In and Check the Newest BMW's Out!

We are closing out all remaining 2012 BMW's. Call for availability and pricing. Rebates up to \$3000.00

The new 650 GT scooters are now in stock. Look for the new water cooled 2013 R12GS and new F800GT to arrive in March. These are both going to be very exciting new models for BMW.

Check out www.bigskymotorsports.com or www.bmwmotorcycles.com for the latest info.

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