

## MONTANA BMW RIDERS NEWSLETTER

### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Rumor has it if you haven't gotten that motorbike in by now for this year's due diligence, better get in sooner than later. You do not want to be without a bike for any of the short riding season in Montana. Seeing the seasons change with warmer temps and longer days, you can bet your mechanics are getting busy. One solution to that problem of course is having that 2nd back up bike! So if you can get that by your honey...it helps, but I wouldn't say it makes things less complicated or even simpler...right, honey?

Since our last meeting but before the Basin meeting we had a 2nd winter tech session @ Big Sky BMW. This one on 'preventative maintenance'. Again it was hard to tell if folks turned out for the donuts or the do nots. Anyway mechanic Andy Main gave us lots of good idea of what to do and not to do mainly to get ready for riding season. Andy gave us lots of time for a question & answer session too. Always good for young adults. About 10-12 club members showed up. The floor was busy as another sign of the change of season.



Thanks to Nate, owner of Big Sky BMW, and Andy for their time and help in making us better/safer riders. The consensus for bylaw change was in the affirmative so there was a meeting to discuss the changes we should make. We'll keep you posted on the proposed changes and have a vote before the year is out.

There was a contingent of truly adventuresome club members making the ride to Basin, MT. in March. I was not one of them. Thanks to Dave McCormack for doing the membership list and to he and Dick Field for 'taking care of bidness'. Seems there were 7 brave souls traveling the cold and snowy roads to The Leaning Tower of Pizza on St. Patty's Day. All from Helena, except Crazy Dave. From Helena: Dick Field, Steve & Karen Moore, Kevin & Annie Huddy & our illustrious newsletter editor & Salsa dancer Ken Taylor. And from Victor (in this corner) Crazy Dave McCormack.

It seems the food @ Leaning Tower was good but the bread-pudding across the street @ the Silver Saddle, recommended by pie-connoisseur, Steve Moore, was "to die

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RA # 072  
AMA #6830

for". This made the trip a double entendre, perhaps the first that has ever happened in club history. Annie Huddy has confirmed Steve's recommendation, so maybe this summer...a 'quick' ride for pudding instead of pie! Back to Basin!

The April ride on the 21st, is also a double entendre, but

### NEXT MEETING

**Sunday**

**1:00 p.m.**

**21 April Deer Lodge Yak Yak's**

**Tour of the Towe Ford Museum or  
Territorial Prison after lunch.**

one for eating the other for touring. It'll be either the Towe Ford Museum or for those who may not want to visit the antique cars, there is also a tour of the Old Territorial Prison...so if you want to go to prison here's your chance. The actual lunch meeting will be @ Yak Yak's, 200 Main Street in Deer Lodge. That's right on the main street in Deer Lodge, also known as I-90B.

The Yak Yak is usually closed on Sunday but the owner offered to open up just for our club meeting. Their claim to fame is 'samwiches'. Considering the other offerings in Deer Lodge (the reviews for most others was bad.) I really appreciate his doing this for us. So if you come, please give him a thumbs up! I'll set up the tours for as close to the end of lunch as I can.

Other upcoming events to note...the Advanced Rider Class in Helena May 4th. See VP Tina Schmaus' article on this. In addition Annie and Kevin Huddy have offered a place to stay for those out-of-towners taking the ARC class the 1st weekend in May. To make arrangements contact Annie/Kevin @ huddya@hotmail.com or call 406-438-6776.

Volunteers needed for Tour of the Swan River Valley; May 18-19. Contact our main man Mark Cadwallader who's coordinating this community service for our

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club. Mark's email [svpllcmt@gmail.com](mailto:svpllcmt@gmail.com) or in Helena @ 439-4406.

Get your hot new miles turned in to master Mileage Coordinator, Larry Banister. Starts real soon, mid April. See Larry's article.

On a sad note please offer your condolences to Mike and Donna McInerney as Mike's mom passed away just before Easter. Thelma was a gem, making more meetings than some of our members and was a prime contributor to the making of a great son (and daughter in law). God's peace to all.

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**Locations announced in newsletter.**

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

Hope to see you in Deer Lodge...on the outside.

Happy Trails!!

Chuck Reaves



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To assure the accuracy of our records and that you are receiving your newsletter, please report any recent changes in your club info, address, phone, email etc to [mtnarider@hotmail.com](mailto:mtnarider@hotmail.com).

Thanks  
Mike

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### BUY                      SELL                      TRADE

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Call Darryl Graham In Lolo, MT  
406-370-8205  
08/2013

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

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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](mailto:reavesrealtymt@gmail.com) Thanks. 06/13

2001 K1200RS-Silver/Blue, 66,500 miles. Way better than the average used bike. In addition to stock heated grips, ABS and hard bags, I have added Ohlins front and rear, Remus headers and titanium exhaust, aftermarket touring whichshield, bar backs and risers, aluminum cell phone/GPS mount, Aeroflow head light cover, Hyper pro steering damper, dual Fiamm horns, foot peg lowering kit, rear Hyper lights, a Ztechnic carbon fiber tank protector and Conspicuity reflectors on the backs of the saddle -bags. Recent dealer service included lubing the splines and replacing the clutch. \$5,995OBO...Call Larry Banister 406-728-8914 (home) or 406-274-3887 (Cell) (7/13)

2007 F800S/ST-Sunset Yellow, 1,190 miles! This is a new bike. Purchased for my wife who has decided to quit riding, it has ABS, heated grips and has been lowered by Big Sky BMW to a low seat/low frame configuration. Modifications include: Factory shorter side stand, factory center stand sectioned to accommodate lowered frame, Hyper-pro rear shock spring, BMW low seat, F800ST handlebars and bar risers, Aeroflow highlight cover, Wunderlich tinted Ergo Windscreen and mirror extender set and a Cortec tank bag. In its current configuration it is a low seat/low frame F800ST without the lower fairing. \$7,750 OBO.. Call Larry Banister 406-728-8914 (home) or 406-274-3887 (Cell) (7/13)

**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.**



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ARC SATURDAY, MAY 4  
STILL SOME SLOTS AVAILABLE

*Tina Schmaus,  
VP MT BMW Riders and MSF RiderCoach.*

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

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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](mailto: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.



### MILAGE CONTEST

All right you mileage junkies....even though there is still snow in the ditches, the roads are starting to clear. Now, if the temp will get above 20 we'll be in business! As the "emperor in charge of BMW mileage" I announced to a cold bound, but food empowered bunch of BMW riders at our Sunday meeting, the 2013 mileage contest is starting in conjunction with the BMWMOA's official start on 4/15/2013. For those of you who get the MOA news, the forms should be in next month's mag...

So, here's the deal: If you want to participate in the Montana BMW Riders 2013 annual mileage contest, you need to get your name, address, email address, bike model(s) and beginning mileage of each model(s) to me via email ([beemermt@msn.com](mailto:beemermt@msn.com)), snail mail (102 Ironwood Place, Missoula, MT 59803) or hand delivered (for those wanting a jump on the mileage for 2013). You can use the official BMWMOA form, a sheet of paper or your email, just make sure it contains the information outlined above and you've signed it.

Unlike the national BMWMOA contest, mileage does not need to be accumulated on a BMW, just on a motorcycle (scooters too!). The calendar period for the contest is 4/15 to 10/15. Winners will be announced at the annual Christmas party in December.

Thanks to all who participated last year, let's see if we can get more finishers this year. (We had 23 folks start, but only 15 who turned in their final mileage forms.) I'd like to encourage all to participate, after all, you're riding anyway, why not let me keep track of your annual mileage!?

See you on the road,

Larry Banister

Montana BMW Riders mileage contest coordinator (aka Emperor in charge of BMW mileage)

### 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



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satisfaction in the accomplishments of your students.

August 27-30.....Cowboy Curve Reunion Bend, Oregon

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

From : <http://motorcyclepoems.wordpress.com>



### RIDES AND RALLIES

May 11: YMCA Riverbank Run Missoula

May 18-19: TOSRV via Hiway 93.

June 13-16: Chief Joseph Rally in John Day Oregon

June 20-23: Nat'l BMW RA Rally Asheville, North Carolina

July 13-14: Montana BMW Riders Campout Big Larch Campground Seeley Lake, MT.

July 12-14: Rocky Bow Lunatic Fringe Rally near Cochrane, Alberta Canada

July 18-21: The Nat'l BMW MOA Rally in Salem, Oregon

July 25-28: Top of the Rockies, Paonia, Colorado

August 5-11.....Sturgis

August 8-11.....Stanley Stomp in Grandjean, Idaho

August 15-18: The Beartooth Rendezvous Red Lodge, Montana

August 15-18....The B.C. Beemers Rally in Nakusp, B.C.

### 2013 RIDES

**24 FEBRUARY LINCOLN...THE PIT STOP... SHE'LL HAVE HOMEMADE PIE. (A 4TH WEEKEND BECAUSE THE 3RD WKND=PRES DAY HOLIDAY WKND)**

**17 MARCH BASIN...LEANING TOWER OF PIZZA...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 HEADING 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**

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*March 17, Leaning Tower of Pizza Basin*



*St Patrick's An Irish Holiday -- Appears a Scot shows up.*



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Come In and Check the Newest BMW's Out!

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