

MONTANA BMW RIDERS NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hoping you all had a wonderful Christmas and you are getting off on the right foot for the new year. They say the economy is improving. I guess we'll just have to wait and see. The main thing we can all be thankful for in the new year is no more political ads. Thank the Lord!!!

Say, do you suppose you can have "dawg days" in winter?! I always think of that as the hot time of the year. So hot you don't want to participate in anything, even riding the motorbike. But isn't that about what it boils down to now? Going out and caressing that favorite machine once a month and hooking it up to the trickle charger. And waiting...cause...there's no riding now...unless someone organizes a ride to Daytona via the 'dawg' called Greyhound, or an inexpensive flight below a demarcation line that has sunshine and much warmer temps than Montana. So it is possible to get some riding in now, but you'll have to leave the skates, skis, sleds and warming huts behind. So I'll admit it's time to take the chillies by the scruff of the thermometer and just go out for another of the reasons we love Montana, winter. Enjoy winter but keep those riding dreams alive. If you can't ride that 'dawg' or fly to warm weather nirvana, you can dream AND plan for the warmer months to come & the Lord willing, they will come!



So get out those tools, do your maintenance now, unless you're a Neanderthal mechanic like me. If so, take advantage of Big Sky Motorsports 20% off till the first of February. Either way, you'll be ready when nature calls. Better than the alternative 'Depends failure' happening by the roadside on the way to the BMW

With the outlook for summer a fur piece off, get out the books and maps, talk to friends and find the places the warmer weather can transpose you to via motorbike. Figure out where and how you'll be traveling as well as who you'd like to travel with. As Helen Two Wheels once said, "Finding a compatible riding partner is harder than finding a compatible spouse". I do believe she was right.

Anyway, Montana/Idaho have lots of great roads and there are several fun rallies nearby.

Riding season will be here before you know it. And it would be very helpful if the bike started when that first

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RA # 072
AMA #6930

whisper of Chinook arrives or the first clear blue sky day over 40' happens by.

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NEXT MEETING

Sunday

1:00 p.m.

**27 JANUARY FAIRMONT HOT SPRINGS.
MAIN DINING ROOM.**

Nat'l Rally this summer in Salem, Oregon. So pour over your maps, read those books that lay out the adventures you want this summer, or enjoy an entertaining read by the fire after a day of skiing. I highly recommend either of the Leanings books by Peter Egan. He hits the nail on the head with about any subject on motorcycling.

In looking at your calendars, for when that good riding weather does arrive, I hope you'll include a class this summer to improve your skills and abilities. We'll try to set up a group rate again this year for an Advanced Rider Class. You may want to check with Rex Swoboda about some track instruction @ the Nature Trail just west of Missoula's airport. Both are good for some thrills but also help with your safety as a rider. But the main thing...just make time for those rides. The ride schedule for 2013, that shows up later in the newsletter, was put together from a couple of requests, some tradition, and as always, looking for that perfect piece of pie. (And I don't mean no Montana cow pie!). Look forward to seeing you in the New Year!!

Happy Trails!!

Chuck Reaves

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Update Your Address -- Phone -- Email

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.

Thanks
Mike

Renewal Time:
Make Sure to Get Your Membership Renewal to Mike McInerney

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Club Dues: \$15 (includes newsletter)

Monthly meeting, third Sunday of each month, 1 p.m., unless specified otherwise.

Locations announced in newsletter.

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emailed text copy is preferred, Photos as attachments.

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

BUY

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.

SELL

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.

TRADE

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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2012 MONTANA BMW RIDERS MILEAGE WINNERS ANNOUNCED!

Larry Banister

Montana BMW Riders Mileage Contest Coordinator.

At the annual Montana BMW Riders Christmas party on December 1st, we got to announce the winners of this year's mileage contest. We had 23 riders submit their beginning mileage form and of those 23, we had 15 send their ending mileage statements by the close of the riding contest (10/14). This year's winners....ta...da....1st place Kevin Huddy with total mileage of 18,936, 2nd place..Annie Huddy with total mileage of 17,542. So it certainly can be said that the Huddy household did their part to explore the planet, wear out tires and keep the local dealer in business. For his efforts, Kevin received a \$60.00 gift certificate to Big Sky Motorsports and for her role, Annie received a \$40.00 gift certificate, also to big Sky Motorsports. Those who completed the mileage contest within the time limit had their names put into a hat and Gordon Phillips name was drawn for a \$20 gas card...Congratulations Gordon!

All in all, we had a great year. Kevin Huddy's name will be indelibly inscribed on the Montana BMW Riders Mileage plaque which is on display at Big Sky Motorsports.

Thanks to all who participated. Remember, the 2013 mileage contest will begin April 14, 2013.

I'm, looking forward to hearing from "all you all" next year!

Larry Banister

Montana BMW Riders Mileage Contest Coordinator.

Editor's Note:

Larry Banister was recognized in the latest BMW-MOA magazine as having ridden 200,000 miles on BMW motorcycles.

Salute



2013 RIDES

27 JANUARY FAIRMONT HOT SPRINGS.
MAIN DINING ROOM. BRING YOUR SWIM SUITS. (A 4TH WEEKEND BECAUSE THE 3RD WEEKEND=MLK HOLIDAY WKND)

24 FEBRUARY LINCOLN...THE PIT STOP...
SHE'LL HAVE HOMEMADE PIE. (A 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

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A Quick Look Back at 2012



Now, Don't use bubble gum to fix this !!



Out in the Big Sky



Heading Out from the Wagon Wheel !! In November !!



Father and Son -- GS'ng Montana's Historic Trails



Camaraderie around a long table



July in Choteau

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Come In and Check the Newest BMW's Out!

January Service Special.

20% off all BMW parts and accessories installed by our service department.

Don't forget, we still have our labor rate reduced 20% for the remainder of January. That's a 19/hr. savings

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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