

MONTANA BMW RIDERS NEWSLETTER

BMW Motorcycle Club
Montana BMW Riders



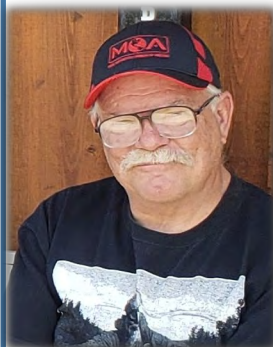
CLUB CHARTER MEMBERSHIPS :

BMW MOA #155

AMA #6830



President's Corner – Larry Manchester



I just returned this afternoon from a three-day camping trip with my Grandchildren. We do not often have all five together, so it was very special. But having five energetic kids, ages 3, 6, 10 (2) and thirteen together plus one large dog, really tests Grandma and Grandpa. To say we are tired is an understatement. I am looking forward to a night's rest without Connelly, the 3-year-old kicking me multiple times during the night. We have a 27ft camper and we had all the sleeping areas occupied each night. Being the youngest she ended up sleeping with Grandma and Grandpa in our queen bed. She could challenge any Mule to a kicking contest and hold her own!

The club meeting in Ennis had a good turnout and the Lions Club Park is a very nice place for a picnic. Many of the Gravelly riders came to the lunch and shared their adventures. There are several pictures of their ride in this newsletter. I enjoyed my ride to Ennis. This was one of those times when I rode alone. I enjoy riding, either alone or in a group. I must admit riding in large groups (10 or more) is not my first choice. Small groups are great but sometimes riding alone is good for the soul. I rode over Lost Trail Pass, on to Wisdom, Jackson Hot springs, and a quick break in Dillon. The morning was cool, the heat had not arrived yet. From Dillon it is a great ride to Twin Bridges, Sheridan, Virginia City and Ennis. Great roads, great scenery, alone in my thoughts I was having a ball. I was not looking forward to the return trip as the forecast was temperatures in the high nineties. I took the same route home hoping the high-altitude route would help with the heat. The breeze along with all the irrigated fields from Ennis to Dillon provided some natural air conditioning and the ride was comfortable. Leaving Dillon you gain altitude fairly quickly and the temperature was tolerable. Opening the vents in my jacket, riding pants and helmet was all that was required to stay cool. Dropping down from Lost Trail Pass into the Bitterroot Valley was like driving into an oven. High 90-degree temperatures made me glad I had only sixty miles to go home.

Our friends at the Beartooth Beemers could use a little help. The annual Beartooth Beemer Rally near Red Lodge is August 15-17. I know many of our Club members will attend this rally and I have heard great things about it. Charlie Greer is the registrar for this event and contacted me to see if any members of our Club could help them with the set-up for this event on August 14. They could use a couple of volunteers that afternoon. The official camping for the Rally starts on Thursday the 15th, but Charlie says if anyone can help with the setup, they would be able to camp there on the 14th also. Please reach out to Charlie at registrar@beartoothbeemers.org if you can give them a hand, it would be greatly appreciated.

The August meeting is August 25th in Phillipsburg. Bring your own lunch or pick up a sandwich at one of the local shops. Hope to see you there!

Larry Manchester



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Tom Moe 33028, BMWMOA Regional Coordinator



We have sold our Lewistown home and will now live full-time in Lincoln, CA. We have found that after five years, two houses are just too much work, worry, inconvenience and cost. As such I have resigned my position as Regional BMW MOA Coordinator for Montana but will continue my membership in the MONTANA BMW RIDERS club as we will be in Montana, mostly in the RV summers and still hope to participate in at least a few events.

I have certainly enjoyed my membership in the MONTANA BMW RIDERS and treasure the outstanding members of this group.

I want to wish the officers and members the best for the future and continued success of this fine club.

Ride safe, keep the rubber side down.

Tom Moe

Safety Course Incentive Program - Kevin Huddy



The purpose of the Safety Course Incentive Program (SCIP) is to encourage safe and responsible riding habits by partially underwriting continuing motorcycle skill education courses taken by members of the MONTANA BMW RIDERS Motorcycle Club. If you were a member (dues paid) on and since April 1, 2024, then you are eligible for reimbursement of up to \$50 for the cost of the course you took. The training must be intended to improve your riding skills for either on or off-road riding. Only one course per year can be reimbursed. The SCIP is administered by Kevin Huddy (huddykl@gmail.com).

Courses offered by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, Lee Parks Total Control, RowHyde Adventures, or course offered by the BMW Motorrad Performance Center are approved. Track days are not generally eligible. If you have a course, you think may be eligible, then contact Kevin. Qualified club members will be reimbursed up to \$50. If more than eight members qualify, then the available funds will be divided equally among the applicants.

Requests for reimbursement can be made after the completion of an approved safety course but must be received prior to October 1, 2024. Payments will be made by the club Treasurer in October once all applications are received. Submit request for reimbursement to Kevin (huddykl@gmail.com). Request must include proof of successful completion of the course. Proof can be in the form of a legible copy, scan, or photograph of the original document.



Kevin Huddy

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Gravelly Range Ride - by the participants

The **Gravelly Range** in Montana, with its highest peak, **Black Butte** (elevation 10,542 feet), holds geographical importance. Covering about **310,000 acres**, it's largely roadless and divided into nine units. The range lies within the **Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest**. Notably, the northern part includes the **Axolotl Lakes Wilderness Study Area**. The Gravellys feature diverse landscapes: open foothills, mixed coniferous forests, meadows, and rugged areas with deep canyons and cliffs. It hosts **high-elevation pronghorn habitat** and nesting sites for **trumpeter swans** and **bald eagles**. The Gravelly Range boasts the largest expanse of undisturbed natural prairie in Montana.

Although not travelled often by MONTANA BMW RIDERS, essentially the area that encompasses the tracks shown on the adjacent map, those who have ridden there consider it one of the best off-road adventures in Montana.

Mike Kreikemeier, Jay Cowan and **Lance Lerum** organized a ride in the area for the 2024 riding season. Base camp at Cottonwood camp ground, the approximate center of the tracks on the adjacent map, about 20 members spent three days exploring the area. I have tried to capture the story of this adventure in the photos by the riders, and the numerous emails transmitted during the planning stage. Hopefully, they tell the story.

Editor



The Planning

"Yesterday, 7/6/24, Lance and I did a quick scouting ride in the Gravellys. We trailered small bikes to Lyon bridge and rode Westish up Standard creek past Black Butte to the Gravelly ridge then down Cottonwood road to the Cottonwood Campground. We had lunch then rode Northish along the Ruby creek then up Warm Springs road to the Gravelly road then down Johnny ridge road past the talc mine to Mcatee bridge then back down the highway to the car."

"Attached are a couple pictures from the upper few miles of Cottonwood road showing ruts and one of the mud puddles. This section of road is not advised for inexperienced dirt riders or any one if it rains very much."

Jay Cowan



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Gravelly Range Ride - by the participants - The Planning (continued)

"I am planning to bring a 20 ft enclosed car hauler trailer with 110 gallons of good potable water in food quality plastic barrels. A full size fridge. A freezer with ice. Lots of cold beer and some pop. The trailer can be used as storage for food to stay bear safe. If anyone is arriving the 17th I will bring the trailer then. I can plant the keys somewhere. I need to be back in Belgrade for the night of the 17th. If no one will be there the 17th I might wait and bring the trailer and my GS on the morning of the 18th. I might have to make 2 trips anyways since I am planning to bring a friend and a camper at some point."



Mike Kreikemeier

"Only a bit over a week to go until the Ride. We have several of you that will be hauling bikes down and have offered to bring along items for folks riding in. And don't forget, our club monthly lunch will be that Sunday in Ennis at the park at the east end of the main drag which will give us a good chance to count heads and make sure everyone made it out of the woods."

"The nearest gas stations to the campground are at Virginia City, Sheridan, and Ennis (39, 42, and 52 miles respectively). For those of you riding in, try to arrange with one of the folks hauling their bikes to bring along your extra fuel, coolers, rehydrating liquids, camp chairs, bug dope, and any other items you may agree on. Mike K has us all set for water, ice, fridges, freezers, and some liquid refreshments. I also will bring along firewood, unless with this heat, we end up with fire restrictions."

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"The plan was to have no plan for food and everyone fend for themselves. However, I recently sent a steer to freezer camp and will bring along enough hamburger and fixings for everyone for Friday night. Nate has volunteered to bring his propane grill so we should be able to get them cooked even if we can't build a fire. Jay also has a big wok that can cook up lots of things if we can have a fire, and had some breakfast ideas that involved tortillas. Do plan to bring your oatmeal, bagels, nuts and twigs or whatever for your breakfast and lunches though. For Saturday night, the nearest restaurant is in Alder at Chicks Bar (30 miles of good road). so best if you plan to bring brats or something to throw on Nate's grill. Rich mentioned the possibility of bringing along a deep fryer and catfish if he gets his lines set and has any luck."

"I suspect that those that require a shot of coffee to get going in the morning will bring along their fancy jet boils and gourmet blends and fix their own."

One other note before the ride:

"Last Saturday Jay and I had no cell coverage at the campground or along the four access routes we traveled up to the Ridge Road."

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Gravelly Range Ride - by the participants - The Planning (continued)

"I have ridden with several of you in the past, and for you, I know I am about to state the obvious and I hate being the guy who does that. There are others in this Gravelly group that I have not met or maybe ridden with and I do look forward to that opportunity. When riding in a group, and we will most certainly be splitting into smaller groups for each day's ride, there is a certain responsibility all members of a group should share so that all get back to camp safely. Recently on a ride to Oregon I had assumed (major fault of mine) that everyone knew these rules, but that wasn't the case and I don't want to make that mistake again, hence the following:

- Find a group of likeminded and/or similar capabilities and objectives riders that you will ride with on the routes you desire. Small groups are much easier to manage and give more freedom than large groups (and less dust). Of course solo always gives the most freedom, but I recall Phil saying that at least three were optimal; one to stay with a down rider and one to ride for help.
- Individuals in a group will likely spread out when riding because of dust, so each rider is responsible for tracking that the rider immediately following is still back there. Keep watch in your mirrors and if you haven't seen the following rider for a minute or two, maybe because of dust, twisty roads and sight distances, stopping for photo ops, pumping the bilge, whatever, slow down or stop until you make contact again.
- If you are lagging and haven't seen the rider in front in awhile maybe pick up your pace a bit, if you safely can, until you are in view again.
- Ride with your lights on (so much easier to see a following rider through your dust).
- At junctions, wait until you are sure your following rider sees which way you are going. That rider then waits until the next rider sees the route and so on (this is what didn't happen and how we got separated on the Little Belt Ride).
- It is very scenic up there so folks will want to stop and take photos slowing down the group. I even take pictures of flowers! If you are leading, stop often, be patient, and enjoy the cooler temperatures up there. The days are long and distances are short. No prizes for who finishes first or does the most miles.
- 'Ride your own Bike!' That is, don't feel compelled to unsafely keep up or ride beyond your or your bike's capabilities. Ultimately you are responsible for riding safely. My mantra is to always blame my tires for being slow.

'Pretty simple really... The point is to stay on track and to be close by to timely render aid if a rider should breakdown or go down and need help. And let's not leave anyone in the woods.'

Lance Lerum



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Gravelly Range Ride - by the participants - The Ride



Back row from the left: Al Murray, Pat Andres, Ivan Townshend, Scott Heckler, Nate Johnson, John McCloskey, Mike Kreikemeier, Lance Lerum, Kevin Wolfe, Rich Bradley, Doug Deaton, Mike Hofferber, Jay Cowan, unidentified. Front row, from the left: Bill Fain, unidentified, K. Bill Clark, Wade Smith, unidentified, Lorne Dauenhauer. There were others present, but the names were indecipherable on the informal roster, for reasons that were not explained.

Editor



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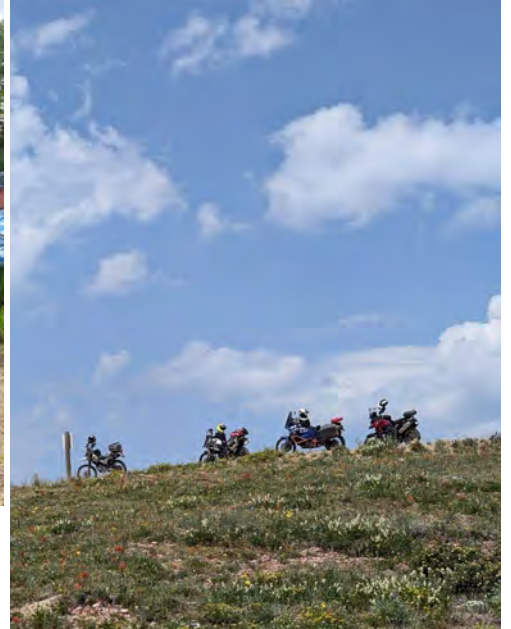
Gravelly Range Ride - by the participants - The Ride - (continued)



A slightly modified disk from an abandoned disk-plow, makes a good over-the-fire grill, thanks to **Jay Cowan**



"Thx for inviting a lonely Washington rider to tag along on your group ride. Cudo's to Jay and **Mike** and **Lance** for coordination and the base camp support. And thx to all for the moral support, sage advice and council on fixing a flat tire." kw (**Kevin Wolfe**)



"Just want to thank everyone that put the gravelly event together, great event and perfect location."

"Looking forward to the next one."

Mike Hofferber



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Gravelly Range Ride - by the participants - The End of the Trail

Just a quick note on behalf of the Gravelly Ride participants to send a big THANK YOU to **Jay** and **Mike** for taking the time to organize our recent ride and sharing one of their special places with us. I think it was universal that all had a fantastic time, both during the rides and during our camp time. How often have you had to good fortune to camp with a solar powered fridge and freezer and a repurposed old plow disc wok? Campfire topics covered everything from flat tire tales, other great rides, music, and even an oral dissertation on the different attributes of 50 year old HP calculator models. Amazing what two-three beers can make interesting...or tolerable. So thanks **Mike** and **Jay** for a great time!



Although everyone helped out in some measure where they could, I would also like to send a shout out to **Nate** for not only bringing his grill, but also for standing up with a spatula, and flipping what needed to be flipped to make sure none of us lost any weight. And also **Kevin W**, for keeping his cool and being such a good sport as we all pulled our chairs up and provided so much unsolicited advice on how best to repair his flat tire. He and primary helpers, **Jay** and **Cable**, deserve some sort of special award. I can only offer thanks to all.

Lance Lerum

NHTSA Recall ID No. 24V550 - Annie Huddy

The National Highway Transportation Safety Agency has issue a recall on the Indian motorcycle model and years noted in the following table. The recall pertains to a rear suspension pushrod that may buckle and fail.

Annie Huddy

MAKE	MODEL	MODEL YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	MODEL YEAR
INDIAN	CHALLENGER	2024	INDIAN	CHALLENGER DARK HORSE	2024
INDIAN	PURSUIT LIMITED	2024	INDIAN	CHALLENGER LIMITED	2024
INDIAN	ROADMASTER	2024	INDIAN	CHIEFTAIN	2024
INDIAN	ROADMASTER DARK HORSE	2024	INDIAN	CHIEFTAIN DARK HORSE	2024
INDIAN	ROADMASTER ELITE	2024	INDIAN	CHIEFTAIN LIMITED	2024
INDIAN	ROADMASTER LIMITED	2024	INDIAN	PURSUIT DARK HORSE	2024
INDIAN	SPRINGFIELD	2024			
INDIAN	SPRINGFIELD DARK HORSE	2024			

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Letters to the Editor - Steve Oakman

Although I am a rather silent member of the club, I do enjoy the monthly newsletters and the wonderful stories in them.

Today I am sending this picture of the Royal Enfield's in my possession. I guess you can say I'm kind of hooked on them. I've owned 44 motorcycles of all makes and Enfield's give me the most pleasure.

Being a little older now, I don't ride far or fast, and these motorcycles are perfect for me. Also, despite Nebraska being known for its flatness, we do have some hills and lots of curvy roads in these parts on which to enjoy some relaxing rides.

Keep up the great work!

Sincerely,

Steve Oakman



Kevin Huddy reported in the June 2024 Newsletter of the passing of Mike McPeak, who was instrumental in initiating, organizing and sustaining the Naksup Rally in British Columbia. Kevin reported, the Memorial Rally, originally scheduled for the first week in August is now scheduled for the 15th through the 17th of August.

Editor

Mike McPeak Memorial Rally



August 1, 2, & 3, 2024

Nakusp Municipal Campground BC

To register, email mikemcpeakrally@hotmail.com
or call (403) 714-7050

We will not be collecting for camping, just meals.
You can book your own camping or as last year split the overflow.

Meals: \$25(Mexican); \$25 (Italian); \$27 (Roast Beef)

Looking forward to seeing you all. Thanks. Brian

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“You meet the nicest people on a Honda” - Editor

That was Honda’s sales pitch in 1963 when they were trying to establish a beachhead on US shores. Recently, I met two riders – one on a classic air-cooled six cylinder Honda CBX 1000, and the other a 1980s Yamaha 650 Special, with both carrying British Columbia “Collector” plates. While the original Honda advertisement featured people in business suits and dresses, these two riders were attired in full riding gear, definitely ATGATT riders.

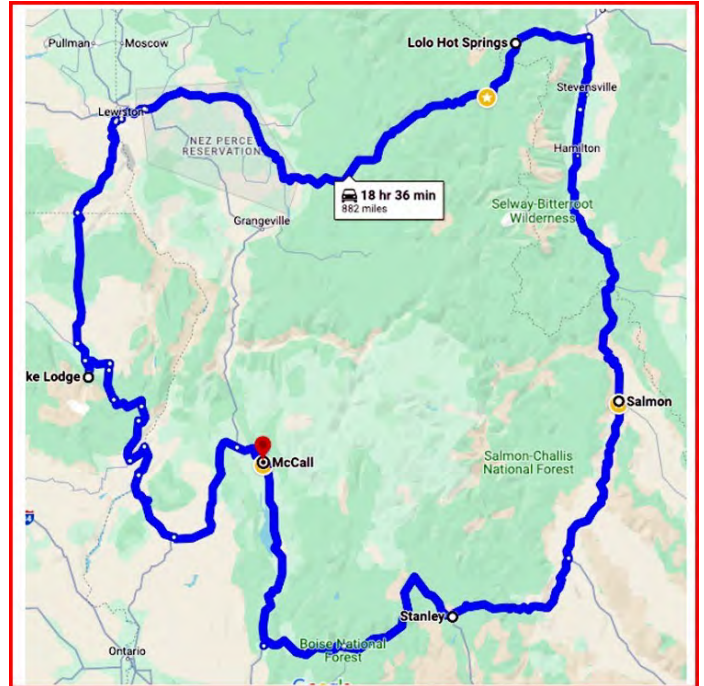
The other distinguishing feature from the original Honda ads, the riders were Tony MacNeill (Granddad) and his delightful Granddaughter, 18 year-old Maddy. Maddy, who was on the Yamaha, said she had been riding since she was eight years-old as a passenger with her granddad.

It didn’t take much conversation to learn they were members of the Velocette Club of North America on their annual 1,000 mile rally. (Refer to the adjacent route map).

I met them at the City Brew Coffee shop in Missoula due to a navigational error (Granddad) who turned left at the intersection of Highway 12 and 93 in Lolo rather than right toward the day’s destination in Salmon, Idaho.

As I watched them pull out of the parking lot, it is probably safe to say, Maddy is an accomplished motorcycle rider and, along with her granddad, exemplifies the saying, “You meet the nicest people on a Honda (or any motorcycle).”

Editor

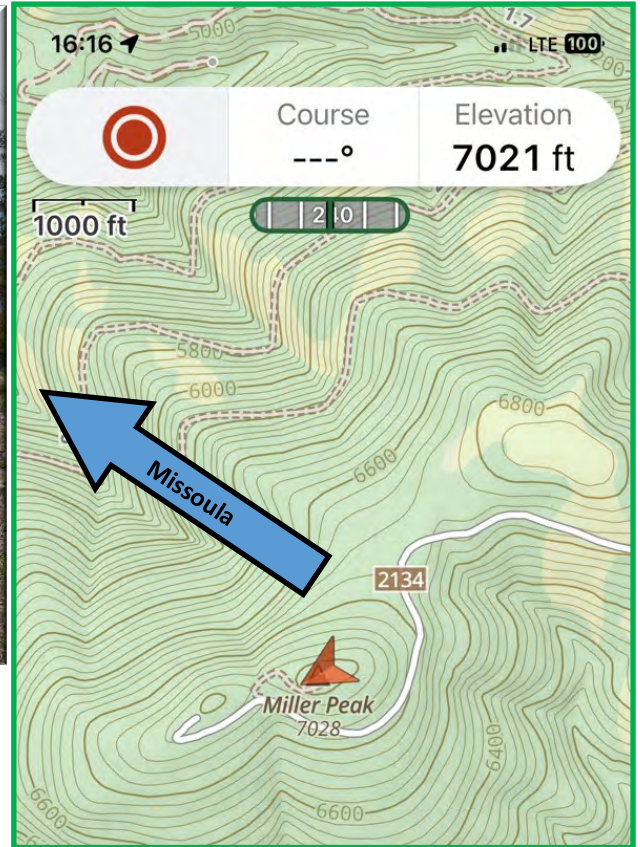


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Report from the Rode - John DiBari

A couple of photos from a ride the other day. I did a nice loop that took me to the top of Miller Peak. There is (was) still some snow in the shaded spots in the high country of the northern Sapphires. In the photo with my bike, Missoula is in the valley in the background.

John DiBari



Classified - Phil Haglund

- 2003 Harley-Davidson Trike
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- One owner
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- Many other accessories
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Phil Haglund
406-939-0600

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Classified - Larry Hayden

1999 BMW R1100RT

- 49,950 miles
- Full service by Big Sky Motorsports at 48,498
- About 3,000 miles on current set of tires
- Electric windshield
- Road lights
- Accessory tray
- Paint on end of mirrors chipped
- Everything works as intended
- Bike located in Bozeman

Priced at \$3,495

Contact:

- ◆ Larry Hayden
- ◆ Phone: (406) 579-9555 (Leave a message for a return call)
- ◆ Email: savant1@gmail.com



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Report from the Road - John DiBari



Photo from a ride on the Great Continental Divide route with **Dan Siddens** overlooking Kleinschmidt Flat. It was a beautiful day, and we had a nice lunch at Trixie's.

John DiBari

The Great Continental Divide Motorcycle Route is a scenic trail from the Mexican border to the Canadian and passing through Montana, roughly following the Continental Divide.

Editor

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Cleaning out my Shop & the Price is Right - Dan Siddens



Low seat (one piece), for R12RT. Very good condition. From a 2009 bike.

Contact Dan Siddens:

Email: dsiddens59@gmail.com

Mobile: 831-345-2101

Location: Big Fork, Montana

Now here is the good part: **FREE** to whom ever will pick them up at my shop in Lakeside.

Dan Siddens

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Unused rear rack for a R12GS. Circa 2005. New Condition

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Monthly Meeting - Ennis Lions Club Park - Ennis, Montana

With temperatures in the area of 90⁰ F, 24 members and guests, of which 22 were riders, if we include **Nancy Davis** as a sidecar passenger made the trek to Ennis, Montana. It was also the culmination of the Gravelly Range Ride - reported elsewhere in this issue—over the preceding three days. This was our first outdoor meeting for the year, but some large trees provided sufficient shade, along with a gentle breeze that made the outing quite comfortable.

Editor



President, **Larry Manchester** addressing the group with Secretary-Treasurer, **Al Murray** looking on.



The first chance some of the members have had to see **Don Davis's** BMW R1800 with its sidecar. **Nancy** was the passenger in the sidecar for the trip to Ennis.



Paul Oliver rode his 1987 BMW R80GS from Bozeman.



Photo by Greg Hinze



Annie Huddy's BMW R1200 RIG

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Classified - Tom Moe

2023 Kawasaki KLX 300 for sale.

- Absolutely like new, never down or wet. 120 miles or so. Added Kemimoto tail rack and Rotopax 1 gallon gas can, never used.
- Also available Rigg Gear soft saddle bags – paid \$160, sell for \$100 – never used.
- We have sold our Lewistown, MT home and as such I will not be doing any off-road riding in so time for this wonderful bike to go to a home it will get some use. If you have never ridden one of these, talk about a smooth great handling bike.
- Price: **\$5,500**



I could possibly deliver it to Missoula or west as I need to get my R1200RT to Big Sky Motorsports at some point this summer.

- Contact:

Tom Moe
406-599-5226



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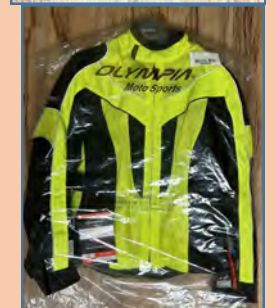
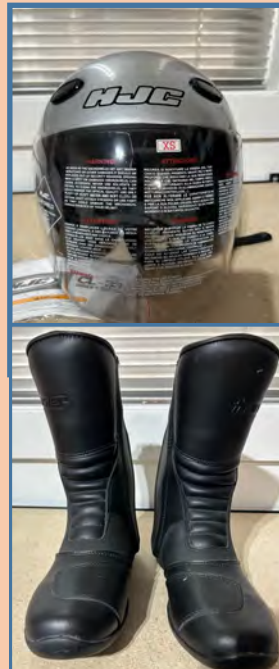
Motorcycle gear for sale.

My wife thought she might like to ride but never did so this gear, never used, is for sale. Make reasonable offers and pay for shipping and its yours.

- ◆ Olympia AirGlide 4 jacket size L \
- ◆ JC Helmet CL-33 XS
- ◆ Slider Jeans size 12
- ◆ TourMaster boots size 39
- Mans Ocelet Racing adventure/offroad boots size 10 – like new.

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MONTANA BMW RIDERS RIDE SCHEDULE - 2024

Month	Location	Venue	Day	Time	Comments
January 21	Seely Lake	Double Arrow Lodge	Sunday	1:00 PM	Club Lunch - Dine-in
February 18	Helena	Grubstake	Sunday	1:00 PM	Club Lunch - Dine-in
March 23	Willisli	The Vault	Saturday	1:00 pm	Club Lunch - Dine-in (Note: Venue changed due to absence of confirmation of The Vault.)
	Butte	Perkins			
April 21	Lincoln	Lambkins	Sunday	1:00 PM	Club Lunch - Dine-in
May 18	Huddy Tech Days	Huddy's Outpost	Saturday	All Day	Maintenance, repair, tire changes, cook-out
May 19	Canyon Ferry Lake	Cave Bay	Sunday	1:00 PM	Picnic – Bring your own lunch
June 13-16	Redmond, Oregon	Deschutes County Fair & Expo Center	Thursday Thru Sunday	All Day	BMW MOA MEMBERSHIP@BMWMOA.ORG
June 23	Big Fork	Echo Lake Café	Sunday	1:00 PM	Club Lunch – Dine-in
July 19-21	Gravelly Range	Cotton Wood Camp Ground—Ruby River	Friday Thru Sunday	All Day	Camping Only
July 21	Ennis	Lions Club Park 356 E Main	Sunday	1:00 PM	Bring YOF&D—Sandwich Shop across street from the Park.
August 15-17	Beartooth Beemer's Rendezvous	Red Lodge	Thursday Thru Saturday	All Day	BEARTOOTHBEEMER.ORG
August 25	Phillipsburg	City Park	Sunday	1:00 PM	Picnic – Bring your own lunch
September 15	White Sulphur Springs	Jesse Pepper's Smoke Shack	Sunday	1:00 PM	Club Lunch - Dine-in
October 13	Ovando	Trixi's	Sunday	1:00 PM	Club Lunch - Dine-in
November 17	Butte	TBD	Sunday	1:00 PM	
December	Regional Parties				Locations To be determined

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Classified - Lon McComas

Riding Gear for Sale

- BMW Riding boots size 9 or 42 - \$10.00
- Red Jacket , Biker's Choice Size Large, with liner - \$20.00
- First Gear, All Season Jacket, with Liner, Size large - \$50.00
- First Gear, All season Bibs, Men's 34 long - \$50.00

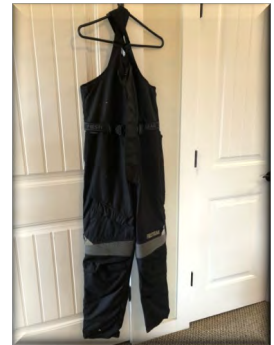
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Lon McComas

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Classified - Al Murray

"Here are a very good condition set of 35L Caribou (by Pelican) Panniers w/ rack. Do not know what bike(s) rack will fit... I've never installed them.

You can find the proper rack for your bike at:

- <https://cariboucases.com/>

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Classified - Greg Boynton

I am selling my 2007 BMW R1200RT with 26,700 miles.

- \$7,000 obo.

I bought this bike brand new and it has been taken very good care of. Obviously with very low miles, the only work done to the bike has been routine maintenance. The fuel filter was replaced, and the forks seals have been replaced. This second set of tires has at least one good season left on them. The engine is very strong and she is a smooth rider. As pictured, it comes with two hard side bags and one hard trunk. Also BMW tank bag, which clips on and off very easily. Not pictured, is a new large size, summer riding jacket, neon yellow.

Disclosure. The upgraded running lights were purchased in 2007 and no longer operate. These can easily be replaced with a modern system. Also the cover blew off while I was working out of state for five months. Sun damage on the hand controls.

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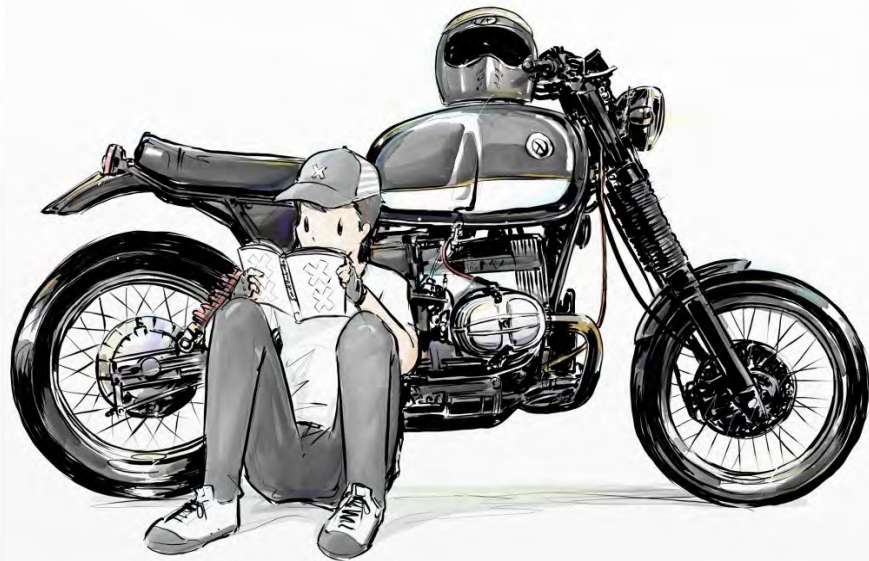


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Letters to the Editor - Steve Oakman



Although I am a rather silent member of the club, I do enjoy the monthly newsletters and the wonderful stories in them.

Today I am sending this picture of the Royal Enfield's in my possession. I guess you can say I'm kind of hooked on them. I've owned 44 motorcycles of all makes and Enfield's give me the most pleasure.

Being a little older now, I don't ride far or fast, and these motorcycles are perfect for me. Also, despite Nebraska being known for its flatness, we do have some hills and lots of curvy roads in these parts on which to enjoy some relaxing rides.

Steve Oakman

Kevin Huddy reported in the June 2024 Newsletter of the passing of Mike McPeak, who was instrumental in initiating, organizing and sustaining the Nakusp Rally in British Columbia. Kevin reported, the Memorial Rally, originally scheduled for the first week in August is now scheduled for the 15th through the 17th of August.

Editor

Mike McPeak Memorial Rally



August 1, 2, & 3, 2024

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Reports from the Road - Jason Andreas



... home from a big ride (2k) with buddies Mark (Ellzey) and Paul (Smietanka) to attend the Moto Guzzi Motorcycle National Rally in John Day, OR. Pretty interesting scene and great people. Road the Salmon River, Payette River, John Day River, Snake River, Clearwater River and Lochsa River drainages on some amazing scenic byways.

Jason Andreas



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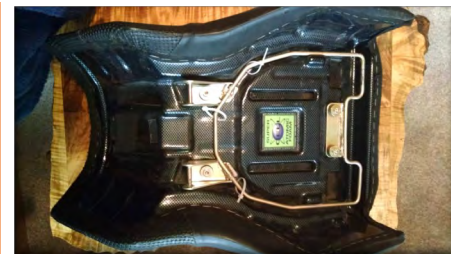
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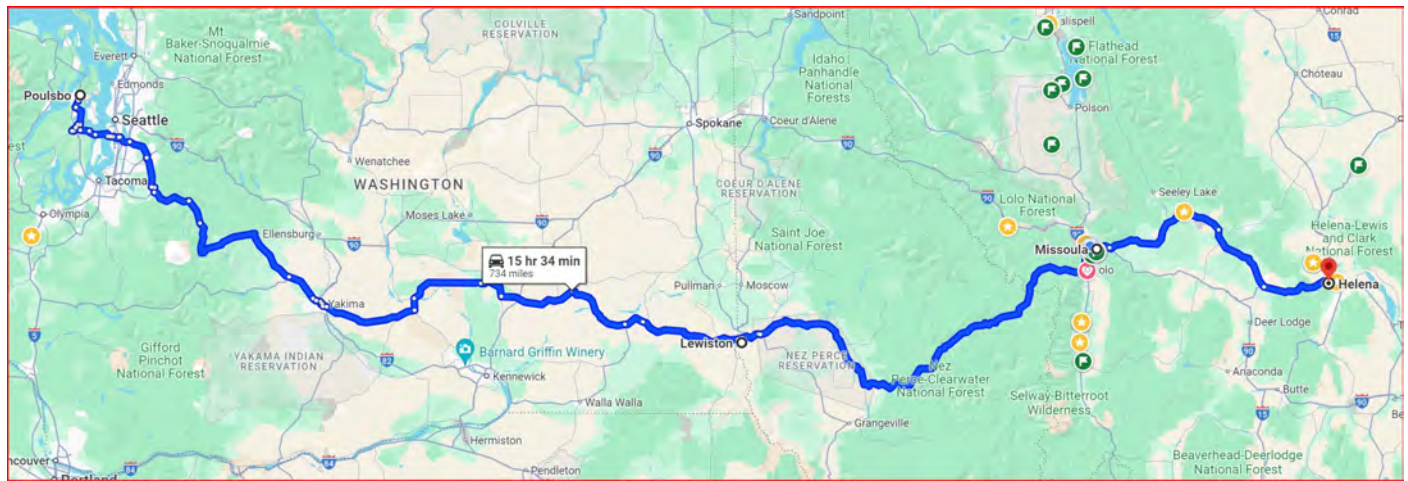
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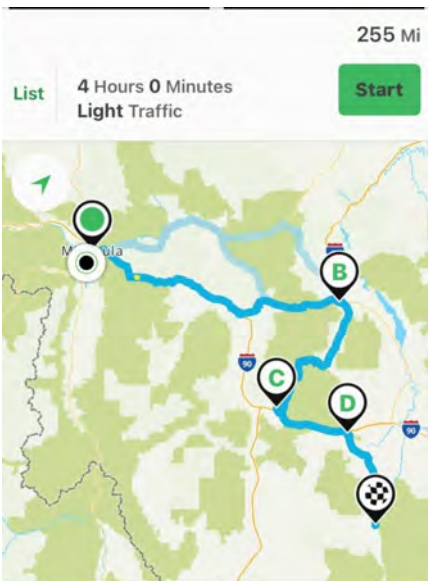
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The Transformation of Kermit - Anonymous Source

You have anxiously watched these pages to see the transformation of 'Kermit', a new Kawasaki KLR 650 two-wheeler to a duty bound 'PAKMUL' with an LBS fabricated sidecar. The proud owner, **Kevin Huddy**, now redound for 50 mph endurance riding, (see map below) has added the renamed Kawasaki to his stable of sidecars.



My Ride to Ennis - Greg Hintz



Missoula to Avon for breakfast. Next to Helena via McDonald Pass, on to Boulder - saw some elk along the way. Then Butte America, Cardwell and Ennis. Sack lunch at the Lions Park. Then through Virginia City with a photo stop at the court house and the Bozeman Trail history sign. Life is good.

(Paraphrased from Greg's Facebook post by your editor)

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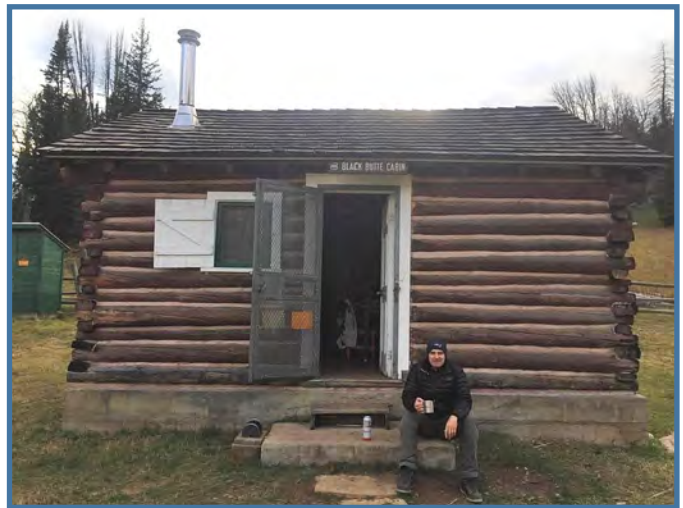
Rides in the Rear View Mirror



John DiBari and Chris Keyes arriving via way of the Gravelly Range and an overnight stay at the Forest Service Black Butte cabin.

(Ennis, Montana meeting in October, 2019)

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