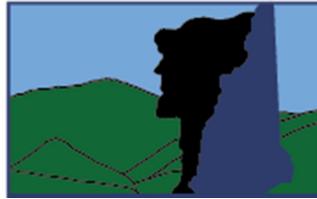


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BMW Motorrad Club
Granite State Riders



BMWRA #207 BMWMOA# 235 www.gsbmwr.org

The Newsletter of the Granite State BMW Riders

An independent club based in New Hampshire for people who are interested in BMW motorcycles. You don't have to own a BMW or be a resident of New Hampshire to join us, but expect to be surrounded by people who own and enjoy BMW motorcycles !



Time to get your old friend cleaned up and ready to ride!

April 2018

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President's Desk

My toy comes home from winter storage in another week or so. It will be VERY nice to see it back in my garage but it does have to share space with the wood stove pellets this year. I didn't use them all up due to our crazy warm February (and the crushed fingers). This past weekend I got my riding jacket washed and it looks so nice now! It's ready to ride. Next up are getting the boots ready to go.

We had a productive Board meeting on March 18th. Out of that meeting we have scheduled several Destination Rides during the upcoming season (information will be posted on our website). They are:

Saturday, May 19, Noon, Peterborough Diner, Peterborough, NH.
Host is Chris Benda.

Saturday, June 9, Noon, Kimball Farm, Jaffrey, NH. Host is Vince Chase.

Saturday, July 21, 11:30 a.m., Houts Seafood Restaurant, Sacco, ME. Host is Harry Pendexter.

If anyone else would like to host a Destination Ride please let me or another Board member know so that we can get it on the calendar so everyone else knows about it. See the club website for email addresses: <http://gsbmwr.org/officers/>

MAX BMW has a couple of events coming up:

Saturday, April 21st, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.: Helge Pedersen at MAX BMW in South Windsor, CT.

Saturday, May 12: Club Day at all MAX BMW locations. Come and grab a burger and/or hot dog, take in the new bikes and gear, and meet your fellow riders.

Our club would like to once again have a table at the Portsmouth, NH, location with our club's information, newsletters, and membership forms, and some friendly faces. **We're looking for volunteers to help out. Please let either me (rapunzelbmw@yahoo.com) or Jim Herrick (jherrick@maytechnology.com) know if you can help the club put our best foot forward at this event.** Please let us know the times you can help at our table answering questions from folks about our humble club.

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It is getting to be time to renew your membership in the club. Renewals are due no later than May 31. That may seem like a long time away but it really isn't! Go find your card and check the expiration date. If it expires this year, it's time to get your info and check to Vince. If your household has an Associate member, check their card too. Their club member expiration date may be different than yours. The form for renewing can be found elsewhere in the newsletter. Print it out and fill it in. If your information is unchanged then simply write your name and member number on the form, and indicate "unchanged" for the rest of the form. Write out a check to **GSBMWR** for the appropriate amount and send the completed form(s) and your check to:

GSBMWR
P.O. Box 169
Winchester, NH 03470

Last month I wrote that the breakfast at Parker's would be starting up again on Saturday, April 7th, weather permitting. That is not going to happen. It WILL be starting up in May, however.

This month for our monthly Meet 'N' Eats we have:

Sunday, April 8th – Second Sunday Brunch at Sunset Grill in West
Campton at 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, April 18th – Third Wednesday Dinner at Locals Restau-
rant & Pub,
215 Lafayette Rd., No. Hampton at 6:00 p.m. (603) 379-2729
GPS: N42° 59.956 W070° 48.757.

Spring is coming!

Louise

Regional Rally News

The Yankee Beemers kick off our New England region rally season with their “Frosty Nutz” Campout on April 27-29 in Ascutney, VT. Brrrr !!!

The annual DownEast rally in Phippsburg, ME (May 18-20) will be coming up quick, hosted by the BMW Riders of Southern Maine.

Another BMW Motorrad club, the Connecticut River Valley Riders, is hosting their Charter Oak Rally in May—details and web links are below. Could be a good excuse for a weekend ride!

[2018 CRVBMW Riders 29th Anniversary Charter Oak Rally](#)

The 29th Charter Oak Rally will be held May 25 - 27, 2018 at our same location at Camp Nahaco in Eastford CT. It is located on Crystal Pond off of Weeks Rd. The Camp has a nice dining hall and a large open field to camp, or choose a wooded area to pitch a tent.

Rally fee includes continuous coffee, Friday night chili (until gone), and Saturday night meal. On Saturday and Sunday morning there will be a continental style breakfast. Door prizes and Rally Awards are also included. For questions, you can email rally@crvbmw.org or call Chris Jennings 203-368-9281, nostknkcmpr@live.com or call Nord Christenson 860-658-6703.

Location:

Camp Nahaco, 305 Crystal Pond Road, Woodstock Valley, CT

[Download the Rally Registration Form for more information:](#)

http://crvbmw.org/webImages/Rally_Reg_Form_2018.pdf

We hope to see you at the rally.

Tim Parola
President CRVBMW
BMWMOA, AMA, MSF, CONREP

2018 Rally Countdown...

The 2018 GSBMWR rally at Purity Springs is only **170** days away! More details will be coming in the newsletter —and you can also go to the club website for more information. September 14-16!

<http://gsbmwr.org/purity-springs-rally/>

Tales from the Roadside

Well, I HAD planned to have a “big reveal” of my new textile riding jacket for this issue—but like a doofus I didn’t order it soon enough to get it here in time for this issue... so it will be included in the May newsletter! While I bemoan my tardiness in getting that done, I am happy to see that Mother Nature is more or less keeping to schedule, and we already have some crocus and daffodils poking up about an inch above ground. To me, this means it is about time to pull off the battery tender leads and rouse the bikes from their winter nap, checking fluid levels, air pressures, and changing brake fluids. I’ve already been jealously watching riders out during the daytime down in Manchester, NH during my lunch breaks.

As a new riding season gets underway, ride carefully as it takes a little while for technique and dormant skills to return to the fingers, feet, eyes, and brain — and especially for automobile drivers to realize that motorcycles are out on the road again !

I am thrilled that we already have (3) destination rides on the schedule, I am hoping to get out and ride with the club more this year. I also received some emails from one of our members who has been ADV riding in Costa Rica, and we hope to work up an article for the newsletter on his experience. So, whether you are taking a ride to Connecticut or Central America; or on one of our destination rides or heading to the BMWMOA or BMWRA rally this summer—don’t forget to take a little time to smell the roses, snap some pictures, or talk to some locals along the way. I will be happy to help share your stories with the rest of the gang in our newsletter.



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Notes From Cyberspace

BMW Motorrad has a new president, but what you might not know is that one of the top designers for BMW has just started his new job as Director of Product Design for Indian Motorcycles (as in former Victory/Polaris).

<http://bmwmcmag.com/2018/03/ola-stenegard-joins-indian-motorcycle-as-director-of-product-design/>

Every review I read of the new F850GS makes me want one more-

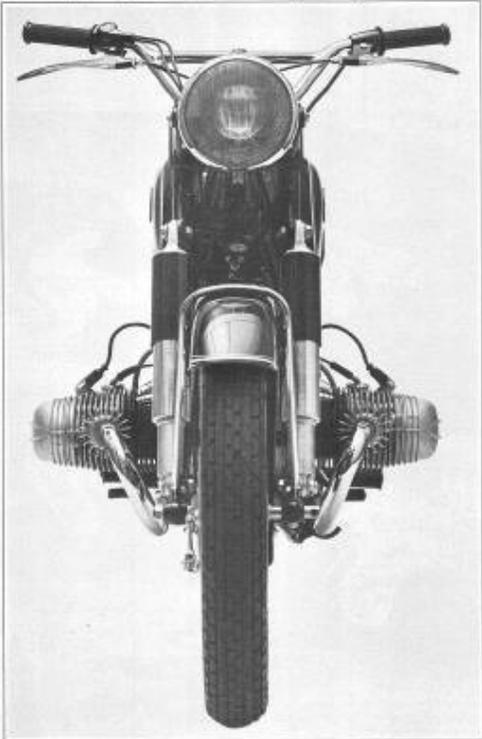
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As always, if you have newsletter feedback, article ideas or club-related information that you would like to share with the group, please contact the editor at :

mafugere@tds.net

*In the spring a young man's fancy
lightly turns to thoughts of love.*



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GSBMWR Membership Form

Membership runs from 6/1 to 5/31. If you join after January 1st, membership does not expire until the following year.

Date: _____ New Member _____ Renewal _____

GSBMWR No. _____ Information/Address change: Yes No

I want to join/renew for 1 year (\$20.00) or 3 years (\$55.00)

Associate member for 1 year (\$10.00) or 3 years (\$30.00)

Member's Name: _____

Associate's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

BMWRA # _____ BMWMOA # _____ AMA# _____

Other Clubs: _____

Year/Model Bike(s): _____

Do you want to be in the club directory? Yes ___ No ___

Mail completed form and check payable to GSBMWR to:

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Winchester, NH 03470

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Amount Rec'd: _____ Entered in DB _____ Card/decal sent _____

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