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September 2011 Newsletter

BMW Motorcycle Club
Greater Cincinnati



BarnFind

By Merrill Glos

Big day yesterday.... My 1929 Ford AA truck moved under its own power and is basically finished* as a "mechanically restored barnfind". It looks just like it did in 1955 when it was rolled into the barn on Enyart, but has a totally rebuilt engine (runs on unleaded) with all new suspension bushings, axle seals, brake linings, rebuilt generator, wiring and repaired radiator etc. It's mechanically fit but definitely has an eighty-two year patina.

Bobbie Carlisle did all the work, I paid all the bills. Bobbie took me for a ride and we traded seats in a quiet neighborhood near his garage. Bobbie is much smoother with the non-synchromesh three speed and he tried to bite his tongue as I attempted the ol' double clutch routine. I'll get better.

With the 7.15:1 worm gear rear end, top speed is about 35mph. It surprised me that doing 30 on a narrow road didn't feel too pokey. The steering gear has about 30degrees free play and it takes concentration to keep the wheels in one lane. *Bobbie will rebuild the steering gear box and maybe align the front wheels for better tracking.

Bobbie drove it to the Friday Milford Car Meet and said it was the hit of the show.... everyone reinforcing our concept of leaving it "original" looking. For those that don't know, the AA is a farm truck with a stake bed and looks like the one starring in "Beverly Hillbillies". All the wood (cab/door superstructures, bed and sideboards) is original and fortunately in good condition. The tires held air for the thirty years it was stored in my barn.

Rebuilding the chassis took about one and half years. Photo taken spring 2010, the day we pulled it from my barn.



Photos taken August 20th, 2011

Seat upholstered in hides I bought in Fez and Marrakech, Morocco, 2010.



Steel worm and bronze ring gears and ball thrust bearing in disassembled rear-end. Can you say, "heavy duty"?



Fresh out of the barn, Bobbie's excited... we agreed before starting this project, that the most important thing was that we remain friends throughout.... I'm happy to report that we succeeded. merrill glos



The Joys of Selling your Bike on the Internet

By Mike LaBar

The process is a pain, and you seem to always regret selling that old bike later in the future. Years ago, (not that many) you would put a classified add in the paper to reach the masses in your locality. It wasn't too expensive then, you had limited characters for your description and no photos, but it worked. Now, the equivalent would be Craigslist. I must admit, I like shopping on Craigslist. You can get great deals if you look. And, it's local. So why on earth would someone stationed in Iraq or on an oil rig out in the middle of the ocean email me the day I post my GS for sale and tell me they want my bike for sure sight unseen, but they must pay by PayPal. Here's one response from someone named Kate.

Thanks for your response, I cannot come to view due to the nature of my job, i work as a Carpentry and Masonry Specialist in the army and i am buying this for future use as i am closing up on retirement. I am one of the few deployed to Iraq and i wont be back till November. We are not allowed to make or receive calls frequently but we have access to the internet and that is our major means of communication to the outside world. Well, I am OK with your price and i wouldn't mind seeing a few closely taken pictures. Right now I can only pay through PayPal as i cant access my bank online, but i have my account attached to PayPal and this is why i insist on using PayPal to pay you, I'll need your PayPal email address to make the payment and if you don't have a PayPal account, its pretty easy to set up at www.paypal.com. I hope you consider this because i don't want to miss this deal. Thanks for understanding, hope to read from you soon.
Kate

I replied:

I insist on cash Kate. Maybe this isn't the bike for you. I don't know too many women that ride a GS. Unless you are an Amazon of a woman it's very tall, so you will want to make sure it fits you. Buy a one way ticket and ride it home. I assure you that the bike is capable.

So, the Internet is the only way to communicate, but you can't get to your bank online? Come on. Find a better hobby. You're not good at scamming.

Notice that Kate's email says nothing about my GS. In fact, this email could be used on any item.—Red flag

After a week or so I deleted my ad and started parking the GS out in the front yard with a 4-Sale sign. Today, I don't want to sell it. Maybe later. One thing is for sure, it will be a local sale and it will be cash only.

Don't be scammed. Here's what Craigslist says about scams

You can sidestep would-be scammers by following these common-sense rules:

- **DEAL LOCALLY WITH FOLKS YOU CAN MEET IN PERSON** - follow this one rule and avoid 99% of scam attempts on craigslist.
 - **NEVER WIRE FUNDS VIA WESTERN UNION, MONEYGRAM** or any other wire service - anyone who asks you to do so is a scammer.
 - **FAKE CASHIER CHECKS & MONEY ORDERS ARE COMMON**, and **BANKS WILL CASH THEM AND THEN HOLD YOU RESPONSIBLE** when the fake is discovered weeks later.
 - **CRAIGSLIST IS NOT INVOLVED IN ANY TRANSACTION**, and does not handle payments, guarantee transactions, provide escrow services, or offer "buyer protection" or "seller certification"
 - **NEVER GIVE OUT FINANCIAL INFORMATION** (bank account number, social security number, eBay/PayPal info, etc.)
 - **AVOID DEALS INVOLVING SHIPPING OR ESCROW SERVICES** and know that **ONLY A SCAMMER WILL "GUARANTEE" YOUR TRANSACTION.**
 - **DO NOT RENT HOUSING WITHOUT SEEING THE INTERIOR, OR PURCHASE EXPENSIVE ITEMS SIGHT-UNSEEN** - in all likelihood that housing unit is not actually for rent and that cheap item does not exist.
- DO NOT SUBMIT TO CREDIT CHECKS OR BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR A JOB OR FOR HOUSING UNTIL YOU HAVE MET THE INTERVIEWER OR LANDLORD/AGENT IN PERSON.**

In retrospect, you should not respond to these emails. When you do, they now have your email address. I just couldn't help it. I should have just reported it to Craigslist.

BURGMAN 400 REVIEW

By Chris Katzer

A few months ago, I sent in a write up on my recent bout with scooter madness. Since then, I've sold the Honda Super Cub and the Sachs Madass. The Fly Scout is now also for sale.

Essentially, I've traded them all for a 2008 Suzuki Burgman 400. This is a quick review.

In 2007, Suzuki released the second generation of the 400. They bumped it up to an actual 400cc motor, gave it fuel injection and put dual disc brakes up front. In my estimation, the second generation's upgrades were worth the additional money.

For that, you get a clutchless, CVT transmission that'll bring the bike from zero to 85 without shifting. Under aggressive riding, I've been averaging 55 to 58 mpg. I have no idea how Suzuki accomplishes this feat.

The seat pops up to store two full face helmets underneath, plus two old fashioned helmet hooks. With a Givi topcase, I can secure six helmets- which will be invaluable, I'm sure. In the front dash, you get a power outlet and battery access, which are handy.

With a one year old son, most of my riding to Alaska and Mexico will be on hiatus. My focus was to have a good commuter bike with highway capabilities, low maintenance cost and good storage. BurgmanUSA is a good forum to snoop out Burgmans. According to the drift on the site, the Burgman 650 is a heavier, touring style bike that wasn't a good match for my intended use. My touring days are on hold for a while; Mexico sounds like it has gotten a little more dangerous.

For a light, highway capable runaround bike, it's hard to go wrong. Some friends of ours had baby clothes to share, so I ran over with the Burgman and stuffed the bags of clothes under the seat. At the last minute, their son gave me a stuffed animal to pass along. I stuffed the monkey between the dash and the windshield and headed back.

As I was riding home on the Interstate, I looked through the windshield and I thought "Oh crap, I'm becoming a Gold Wing rider."



Website of the Month

<http://thekneeslider.com/>



Stepping Back

By Jim Smith

Riding old Route 40, the Old National Road, is like stepping back in time about 50 years or more. Since the development of Interstate Rt. 70, little if any has changed since about 1960. The architecture and landscape looks very much like most of our old two lane roads did back when I was a kid growing up during the fifties and sixties.

Last Sunday, Aug. 28, Deana and I left home about 8:30 a.m., heading north on Rt. 503, to intersect Rt. 40 in Lewisburg. I was on my Triumph Bonneville and she on her Kawasaki 650 Ninja, our moderate sized touring bikes. We wanted to see that section of road between Rt. 503 and Rt. 3 in Indiana. We'd really like to just get on old 40 and run the entire length of it in one sitting, but time and tired butt's prevent this. So we're seeing it a section at a time.

Just a couple of weeks ago, we ran the section from Zanesville, right through Columbus, to the intersection of Rt. 68 in Springfield, where we headed south to home. Going right thru Columbus on Rt. 40 is very interesting indeed. It takes you thru some of the older neighborhoods which have large, beautiful homes, indicative of great wealth and status at one time. I guess they still do that today.

You just have to allow a little extra time, and not be in a hurry if you go through town. Just be patient and enjoy the facades of the old buildings and homes. These are styles which are seldom done anymore, from a time long gone and which will probably never return. I can't judge whether that's a good or a bad thing.

Nearly every mile of Rt. 40 is reminiscent of the past mile, and of the mile's ahead. You can tell the homes, for the most part, were built in that big surge of homebuilding just after WW2, when all the baby boomers were being conceived. Many of them look very much alike, being the typical 5 room home, but some were two story, intending to house larger families.

And the old business's are still there too. Many still in business, doing the same thing they've done since 1946. Some have been converted to other business's. Occasionally, there'll be a newer store of some sort, especially where the road passed directly through a small town. And most towns have the typical fast food places and newer pharmacies and grocery stores, because they had to adapt in order to survive as a town.

When Rt. 40 carried the major traffic loads, before the interstate's made it obsolete, there were motels scattered all along it's route. Most of them are still there, but not operating as motels. Now they are living quarters for migrant workers, or apartments or perhaps converted into duplex type housing. Some have become plant nurseries or lots for farm tractor business's. They became whatever the current owners imagination changed them into. But a few, near the intersections to the interstate highways, or on the outskirts of a larger town, are still operating as motels. I haven't bothered to stop and see what their rates for their rooms are now, but probably most are well below what the big chain motels charge. But we've found out, that you have to be careful in choosing one of these establishments. Some of them are very run down and dirty and you really don't want to stay there. However, a few are still well maintained and as up to date as the big guys. You usually get what you pay for !!

Another thing we noticed last week, was the fact that Richmond, Indiana, is much prettier passing thru, east to west, on Rt. 40, than it is going thru it north to south on Rt. 27. Rt. 40 takes you thru the better part of town, and it's really quite nice and very modern. But Rt. 27 takes you thru the industrial sections of town, which look just like you'd expect them to look. Not very pretty or modern looking at all.

We still have quite a bit of Rt. 40 left to tour, and we're looking forward to doing it all some day, either on the bikes, or in our car. We've been on some sections of it in Maryland several years ago. I don't remember too much about the buildings there, but I do remember the road being pretty curvy in many places and fun to ride.

I think probably any of the "Ten" numbered federal roads, like 30 and 50 and 70, will be very much like Rt. 40. Maybe some day we'll get the chance to run them from end to end also.

Battle Creek Road Trip

SEPTEMBER 16TH THROUGH 18TH

MEMBERS AND GUESTS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN A CLUB RIDE/CAMPING TRIP TO CYCLE MOORE CAMPGROUND IN INTERLOCHEN MICHIGAN.

MIKE DUNLAP WILL BE LEADING THOSE WHO WISH TO LEAVE ON FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 16TH. MEET AT THE BIG BOY RESTAURANT IN PLAINWELL (M-89 & 131) READY TO LEAVE AT 9:00 A.M. ART HALEY WILL BE LEADING THOSE WHO WISH TO LEAVE ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 17TH - SAME PLACE, SAME TIME.

MEMBERS CAN STAY AS MANY NIGHTS AS THEY WISH. CAMPING FEE IS \$7.00 PER PERSON PER NIGHT. BRING TENTS OR CAMPERS. WATER & ELECTRIC SITES ARE AVAILABLE. THERE ARE RESTAURANTS NEARBY OR THERE IS FIREWOOD/FIRE-RINGS AVAILABLE ON SITE.

CYCLE MOORE CAMPGROUND IS APPROXIMATELY 185 MILES FROM KALAMAZOO. IT IS LOCATED ON M-37 JUST WEST OF INTERLOCHEN, 15 MILES SOUTH OF TRAVERSE CITY.

YOU MAY ALSO RIDE UP ALONE AND MEET THE GROUP AT THE CAMPGROUND.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, YOU MAY CONTACT ART HALEY AT ARTMDOT@GMAIL.COM OR (269)372-6147. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE CAMPGROUND, CHECK THEIR WEBSITE AT WWW.CYCLE-MOORE.COM.

Voni Graves and Ardys Kellerman became the first two women in North America to document riding one million miles on BMW motorcycles.

As they approached these accomplishments they arranged to meet in Ouray, Colorado to ride their one-millionth miles together on U.S. Highway 550, the "Million Dollar Highway." They reached this milestone at Red Mountain Overlook between Ouray and Silverton, Colorado the morning of August 30, 2011. Dealership documentation of their achievements has been sent to BMW Motorrad U.S.A. and to the BMW Motorcycle Owners of America, each of which provides mileage awards at 100,000 mile intervals.

Graves, 64, is a retired teacher who resides in the Texas Big Bend just north of Big Bend National Park. Kellerman, 79, is a retired electronics technician who resides in Lexington, Texas. Both have been riding BMW motorcycles for many years. Kellerman bought her first BMW in 1985. Graves first BMW was her Mother's Day present in 1977. Graves accumulated the million miles on 15 different BMWs over the years since then. Her highest mileage on a single motorcycle was 357,658 miles on a 1993 R1100RS, which she still owns. Kellerman has owned 16 BMWs including a 1999 R1100RT with 170,000 miles.

Both Kellerman and Graves are experienced long distance endurance riders. Graves finished the 11-day Iron Butt Rally in 2003. Kellerman completed the biennial 11-day Iron Butt Rally four times.

-MOA



GCBMWC 2011 Autumn Weekend Club Ride/ Gathering

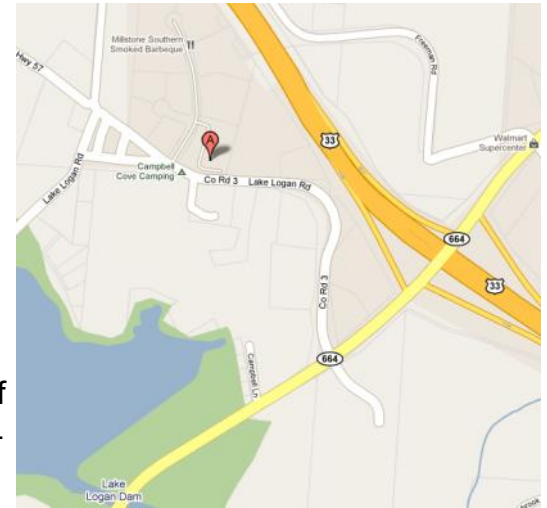
After three consecutive years visiting the Ironhorse Motorcycle Lodge in Stecoah, NC, the members voted to try a location closer to home this year. We will be viewing autumn colors while exploring the back roads in the Hocking Hills Ohio area the weekend of **October 21-23**.

Located very near the Wayne National Forest, with hundreds of miles of curvy roads, great scenery all around, and a large variety of non-riding activities, this location should be fun. Since this year's event is about a month later than years past, with the possibility of some cool nights, we thought the best option would be to stay warm and dry. So, base camp for this year's gathering will be the **Holiday Inn Express Hotel in Logan, Ohio** (<http://www.hiexpress.com/hotels/us/en/logan/loahh/hoteldetail>).

The HIE has set aside a block of twenty rooms for us, with a rate of approximately \$100 per night plus taxes. Reservations are now being accepted. **Call 740-385-7700**, the sooner the better. Be sure to mention that you're part of the Greater Cincinnati BMW Motorcycle Club group when making your reservation. If we need more rooms, the HIE should be able to accommodate our needs. The blocked rooms will be released to the public September 1st.

The HIE is located at **12916 Grey Street, Logan, Ohio, 43138**. A full breakfast is included in the room rate. And, Millstone BBQ (<http://www.millstonebbq.com/>) is within walking distance from the hotel.

So, mark your calendars, make your reservations, and start planning those riding routes. We look forward to seeing everyone there.



Curvy roads, Good friends

Is the rider in the accompanying picture jumping for joy at the sight of a curvy road? Or, is he warning his riding friends of a decreasing radius curve. You decide.



Regardless, we hope you decide to join your riding friends at the GCBMWC 2011 Autumn Weekend Club Ride & Gathering. Come join; Tom & Cheryl, Neil & Marsha, John & Barbara, John S, George & Mary, Bob & Gail, Larry & Gail, Scot & Lisa, and hopefully many others the weekend of October 21-23, 2011 in the Hocking Hills area southeast of Columbus, Ohio.

Most of the above have made their reservations at the Holiday Inn Express Hotel in Logan, Ohio (<http://www.hiexpress.com/hotels/us/en/logan/loaoh/hoteldetail>). One couple found a lake side cabin.

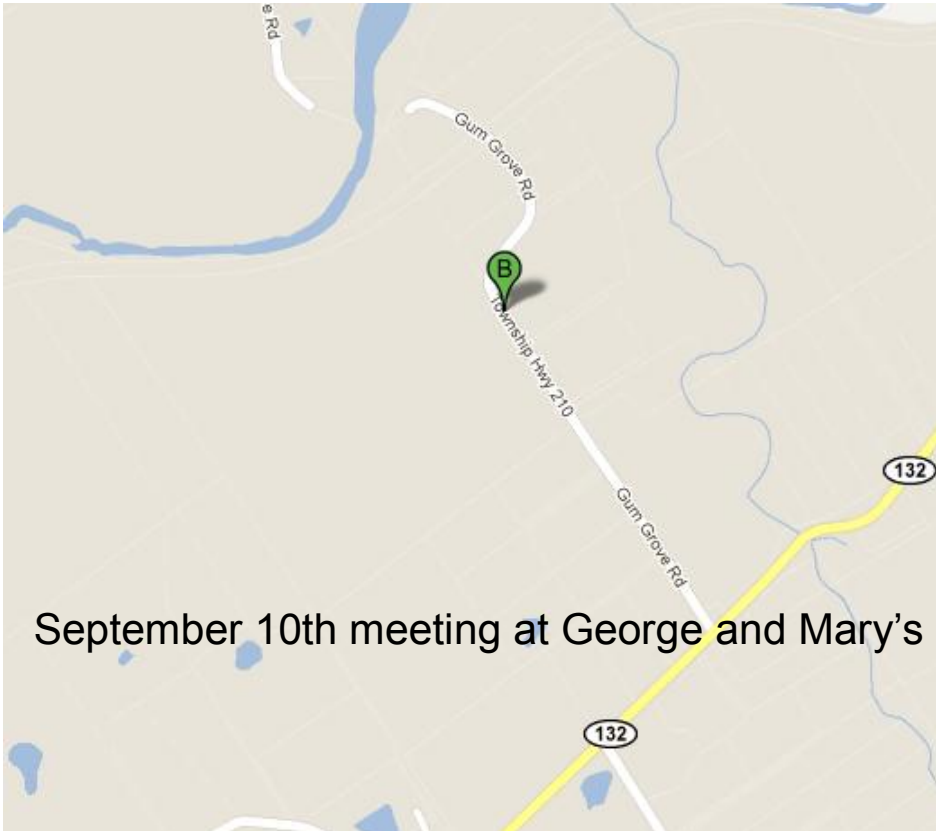
The HIE has set aside a block of twenty rooms for us, with a rate of approximately \$100 per night plus taxes. The deadline for group reservations is September 15th. Call 740-385-7700, the sooner the better. Be sure to mention that you're part of the Greater Cincinnati BMW Motorcycle Club group when making your reservation. The HIE is located at 12916 Grey Street, Logan, Ohio, 43138. A full breakfast is included in the room rate.

Fall colors, curvy roads, and fun conversation with good friends, we hope to enjoy it all in Hocking Hills. So plan your riding routes and check those tires. We looking forward to seeing you there!

A Web site for finding riding routes in the area; www.sundaymorningrides.com/road/147041/

A Web site for viewing non-riding activities in the area; www.hockinghills.com/activities.html





September 10th meeting at George and Mary's

A few weeks back the township trustees had the nice asphalt surface on Gum Grove Rd. covered with Chip-Seal. So it now has a sign warning of **Loose Gravel** at the top of the road where it connects to State Route 132.

We are 3/4 of a mile from 132 so be sure to slow down and drive carefully as you head down Gum Grove. -George

GCBMWC Dues

\$15.00 for a single member-ship or \$18.00 for both single & associate

Send your dues to:

Debbie Smith
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Hamilton, Ohio 45013

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Meeting Schedule for 2011



Sunday Ride
August 4 9:00 am
Breakfast at

Another Great Scott
in Amelia.
106 east main street.

- January..... Jim & Rosemary Osbun
- February 12th..... Tom & Joni Raybuck
- March 12th..... Mike Meister
- April 9th..... John & Barb Fischer
- May 14th..... Debbie & Allen Smith
- June 11th..... Scot & Lisa Friedman
- July 9th..... Joe & Chris Berry (BBQ Contest)
- August 20th..... Jesse & Eric
- September 10th..... George Nyktas & Mary Tholking
- October 8th..... Merrill & Diane Glos
- November 12th..... Tom & Joni Raybuck
- December 3rd..... Holiday Party Germania

A Snapshot Back

Who is this guy?

Last year he was a member.

Where was this taken?

What date was this photo taken?



Oktoberfest in West Chester

The Oktoberfest at your home was one of the most delightful events ever. Thanks to you two and to Shelia and Cheryl for all the preparations, the music and all the wonderful decorations. I now own one of the finest blue chicken hats in Southwestern Ohio, thanks to you. Kudos to Bill Wright for snagging it for me. Music, food, decor, good people all added up. You know how to throw one fine party.
-Neil



Bob thanks for finding shots that don't show my "belly" I think lederhosen adds to your mid section. Even the guys from the band that play Oktoberfest all over said it was the best sample of German food they have ever seen in one place. The chicken dance was quit a sight. The ones later in the night were an event in there own. You both look damn good in the hats!

The timing was amazing, the band played their last song and then the wind started to blow. Just as they finished packing the truck, we got a light rain for about 15 min. The rain cleared to a empty sky with a full moon! Could not have had a better week-end. Thanks to all the came and helped. Next year we "Cruise on the Love Boat" -Tom and Joni



Congratulations Bob Burns!

When you speedometer hits the 100000 mile mark what do you do? When your 83 you stop your bike right on the road and get off for photos!, but we did not get a 100000 mile photo as the electronic hash went from 99999 to 0 to start over again. Oh well it will be good for resale with low miles.
-Tom

Minutes of the GCBMWC Meeting

August 6, 2011

Heritage Park in Colerain Twp., Ohio - Hosted by Eric & Jessie Ratermann

Members Present: Tom & Cheryl Ritter, George Nyktas & Mary Tholking, John & Barbara Fischer, Debbie & Allan Smith, Deana and Jimmy Smith, Rosemary & Jim Osbun, Bob Ulrich, Tom Raybuck, Eric & Jessie Ratermann, and Marsha O'Connor & Neil Jones. **Guest(s) Present:** Ron Gorman

Meeting was called to order in the picnic shelter at 7:22 PM by President Tom Ritter.

Minutes of the prior meeting were read by the President and accepted as presented. Tom Raybuck interrupted the reading of the minutes to note a particularly spectacular Frisbee® throw on the nearby disc course.

Treasurer Debbie Smith reported that the club treasury held \$1,458.58 at the beginning of the period. Income was received from the 50-50 (Split-the-Pot) drawing and membership renewals. The only expense was a \$200 deposit paid to Germania Society for the Christmas party. Debbie reported that the club now has 65 members. The treasury had a balance of \$1,341.58 at the end of the period. Her report was accepted by voice vote.

Old Business included a report on the July 9 meeting/Bar-B-Que event held at Joe & Chris Berry's house. George Nyktas reported on the MOA National Rally. He noted particularly that BMW Motorrad sponsored a highly entertaining German musical group for the rally. Tom Ritter noted that club member Joe DeLuca won a major prize at the rally, an adventure tour of Spain sponsored by IMT. The high quality of the August newsletter was acknowledged to applause from the attendees.

New Business: Mr. Ritter announced upcoming events including; the August 7th Club breakfast and ride, Moto GP in Indianapolis on August 20, and the schedule of upcoming club meetings. The September meeting will be at George Nyktas & Mary Tholking's home. George informed the attendees that they need to avoid a closed bridge by entering Gum Grove Rd only from Route 132 (and not from Routes 350 or 22/3). The club Christmas Party has been confirmed for December 3rd at Germania Society, cost will be \$35 per attendee. Attendees were reminded of the need for officer nominations, in particular VP. Tom Raybuck's term ends this year.

Jessie and Eric told of attending Superbike Races at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, including details on two women pro racers, and details about some of the competitions.

Tom Raybuck invited all present to a gathering of the BMW Battle Creek club at the Raybuck home on August 12-14, to include a ride, sleepover, food, music and possibly some beverages.

New Member: Ron Gorman was nominated for membership by Jim Osbun. After a suitable inquiry, the Club voted to accept Ron as a member. Ron rides a new Honda VFR.

Thanks were expressed to Jessie and Eric for reserving the shelter and for providing the rosemary & thyme chicken which Eric cooked on the grill. Members also enjoyed baked beans, fruit salad, etc. After adjournment, a drawing was held wherein Neil Jones won \$28 from Split the Pot. Lucky stiff.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM. Minutes recorded by Neil Jones.

From John Sires

First Annual Hilliard American Legion Poker Run

Support Local Veterans and Their Families...
And Have Fun

September is National Preparedness Month, and this September marks the 10th anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001. Join HandsOn Central Ohio and the Hilliard American Legion Post 614 for a day of activities that will raise money for children who have lost parents in active duty.

All proceeds will benefit the Legion's Legacy Fund, which provides scholarships to children who have lost a parent in active duty since September 11, 2001.

The day kicks off at 9 a.m. with a pancake breakfast for all riders. Riders in the Poker Run will then depart by 11 a.m. and return by 5 p.m. After the Poker Run, there will be a celebration including a live band, pig roast and more!

There will be custom bike dealers, bike painters and pin strippers onsite.



- When: September 10, 2011
- Where: Hilliard American Legion Post 614
3898 Lattimer Street
Hilliard, OH 43026
- Time: 9 am: Registration & Pancake Breakfast
11 am - 5 pm: Poker Run
5 pm: Pig roast, live band, raffles and more!

If you have any additional questions, contact Bill Ihrig at bi1056@hotmail.com or call 614-876-4238.



HandsOn
CENTRAL OHIO

So ya say ya like fly in's ? Well, on Sat., Sept. 3rd, there'll be a general fly in at Red Steward Field in Waynesville. It's that little grass strip before you get to Waynesville going up Rt. 42. It starts when you get there and ends when you leave. Good timing, huh ? All kinds of private planes with a couple or three old Stearman's thrown in, and who know's what. It's free. The same weekend, from Friday, Sept. 2nd thru the 4th, there's a Giant Scale Model Airplane show at WPAFB Museum. Free. And worth every penny. Some of these "little" planes are darn near big enough to ride in.

And the Eurobike ride in will continue thru Nov. 24th in Milford. It's right downtown, just across the street from 18 Main, which is a restaurant, in a bank parking lot. I went this past Thursday, and there were about 25-30 bikes showed up, including MV Augusta, Norton, BSA, Triumph, Ducati, Buell, BMW, one Harley (?), and several Jap bikes. One guy was on a /2. This happens the last Thursday of each month, and it last's for about an hour and a half, beginning around 6, or whenever you get there.

The Barber Vintage Festival is Oct. 7-8-9. I'm going, even tho I'll probably be in my car for this trip.

And the Devils Staircase Hillclimb is on Oct. 9, in Oregonia. Big Harley party with beer served in gallon jugs. Pot smoking. Drunks falling down the hill. Noisy bikes. Rude language. Brawney, smelly men. Good looking women(hopefully). What's not to like. And no, it ain't free !!

-Jim Smith

Oktoberfest

Join Motohio at the
46th Annual Columbus Oktoberfest
for a European Motorbike Ride-In!

Sunday September 25th at the Ohio Expo Center
and State Fair Grounds

Gates open 12:00 Noon-8:00pm
Ride-In 2:00pm

Use 11th Ave OHIO GATE Entrance

Bikes will be directed to park in designated display
area.

All European Motorcycles and Scooters Welcome!

We will be highlighting German machinery at its finest!

Ride-in and display your pride and joy
while enjoying traditional German food, music,
and camaraderie of the motorcycle community.

Oktoberfest Admission is FREE!
State Fairgrounds Parking fee \$8.00

Questions or comments contact
annie@motohio.com or call 614-759-6686

September 2011

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Rallies & Events

Tuesdays—Bike night at the Comet

Wednesdays-Bike night at Quaker Steak & Lube Milford

To see a full listing from the MOA Calendar click [HERE](#)



Virginia
September 2 - 4, 2011
36th Sherando Lake Rally
Richmond BMW Riders #132

October 2011

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New York
September 2 - 5, 2011
37th Finger Lakes Rally
Finger Lakes Club #25

Tennessee
September 8 - 11, 2011
11th Annual ROK Rally
BMW Riders of Knoxville #156

Kentucky
September 9 - 11, 2011
Annual Beemers in the Bluegrass
Bluegrass Beemers #146

New Mexico
September 9 - 11, 2011
27th Bavarian Mountain Weekend
Land of Enchantment BMW Riders #123

Massachusetts
September 9 - 11, 2011
4th Annual Boxer Shorts at Snow Farm
Yankee Beemers #153

Wisconsin
September 9 - 11, 2011
41st Wisconsin Dells Rally
Wisconsin BMW Motorcycle Club #10

Vermont
September 9 - 11, 2011
29th Green Mountain Rally

The Annual [MOA Open House](#) is coming! Saturday September 17, starting around 11 am.

BMW MOA
509A Old State Rd
Ellisville, MO 63021
ph:(636)394-7277

We're located just west of St. Louis, between Interstate 44 and 64, near Manchester Road. Come visit the MOA HQ, check out the Country Store, see old friends and make new ones, have some tasty BBQ, and win some door prizes. Hope you can join us on September 17!

Who is this guy?
Danny Thomas

Last year he was a member.
1999 or so

What event was this?
BMW Tristate

What date was this photo taken?
3/25/2002

November 2011

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STORE HOURS

Monday	Out Riding
Tuesday	9:00AM - 6:00PM
Wednesday	9:00AM - 6:00PM
Thursday	9:00AM - 8:00PM
Friday	9:00AM - 5:00PM
Saturday	9:00AM - 4:00PM
Sunday	Out Riding

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