

BMW Motorcycle Owners of Cleveland - General Membership Meeting.

April 4, 2019 7pm, Cuyahoga County Public Library, Parma Branch, 6996 Powers Blvd, Parma, OH 44129.

Call to Order: 7:08 pm

Motion to accept minutes of last meeting as written.

New member(s) present - David Haas from Medina who rides an R1200 GS, and Brad Burland from Elyria who rides a K1200LT.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

President – Dennis Owens, absent. Vice President Paul Koontz presiding.

The Spring Picnic, Ride, and Tune-up Clinic April 20th at the Koontz's house at 6235 Lafayette Rd, Medina, Ohio with ride lead by Mike Kanczak starting at 10am to noon. Return to Koontz's to eat and work on bikes. Tire changes, oil changes, etc. Soft drinks and food are being provided by the BMW MOC. RSVP to Paul at pmoontz@neo.rr.com. Wally Gingerich has a GS 911 if anyone wants to check codes, and a twin max to sync throttle bodies, and he can also check the sag of your bike. It's Paul's 69th Birthday also!

August 10 and 11th is the All-Ages Marathon/Triathlon. Any riders interested in attending and helping out, ie carting photographers or a judge on your bike's back seat, let Paul Koontz know, pmoontz@neo.rr.com. It pays \$100 a day.

Fall Rally - September 27-28-29, at Jellystone Campground in Shreve. Possibly a pig-roast Saturday night, or dinner at the Das Dutch Essenhaus Restaurant in town. More information will be provided later. Volunteers are needed.

Treasurer/Membership - Roger Pivonka:

Membership - 191

\$8506 - \$1750 reserve = \$6756 available

Road Captain(s) - Wally Gingerich:

BASECAMP - The next, and last meeting will be on April 13th from 10am at the Cleveland Public Library, Parma/Snow Branch, 2121 Snow Rd, Parma, OH 44134, room A/B. Information is on the club website. Individuals will be conducting presentations on the routes they have been creating.

New Monthly rides - the first Saturday of each month from Bob Evans at 3198 Center Rd Brunswick, OH 44212, and from the Bob Evans at 266 Highland Rd Macedonia, OH 44056 on the third Saturday of each month. Both monthly ride are from May through October. Breakfast at 9am, ride at 10am.

The ROMEO rides on Wednesday from the Macedonia Bob Evans is an on-going event. Inclement weather? Just go for breakfast and tell tall tales.

Wally will also make up a "pre-ride" checklist for each ride leader. Pre-ride sign-in sheets must be signed before each organized ride, and will be turned in to Don Poremski to calculate MOCAL points. The legal sign-in form is available to members on the website.

Kurt Shreffler will lead a ride Memorial Day weekend. Check the website for updates, addresses, and information.

Mid-Atlantic BDR ride will be on the club calendar.

Jim Sedivy will be conducting Coudersport ride in August. Information will be on the website.

Roger Pivonka is working on the club website so ride routes (GPX files) can be uploaded and downloaded.

Cleveland Club News (CCN)- Pat Corrigan:

Entries/articles/photos must be sent to Pat at fopat@aol.com no later than June 15th, but the sooner the better. Submissions earn MOCAL points!

MOCAL points are earned this year for photos of your bike with Historical Markers.

BMW Motorcycles of Cleveland in Aurora is having their first cookout this Saturday. Doors open at 10am.

Pat handed out sign-up sheets for the BMW "Anonymous" Book by and for club members to assist locally with breakdowns, garage space, maintenance assistance, etc. Information would be published on the club website. Sign-up sheet is the last page of the latest CCN. Turn in your sheets at the Spring Tune-up on April 20 or the May or June general membership meeting. Information will be listed on the website as a PDF file.

Directors deemed there will be an informative presentation at every General Membership meeting that are conducive to group presentations. Among the topics discussed were: group riding, emergency on-scene response, trip planning. Any topic suggestions would be appreciated, and if you have expertise in any area, please step up to the plate. Pat Corrigan provided a comprehensive presentation on "Ride Planning". He handed out information sheets, and had some resource material available. Great job, Pat!

As always, check the calendar and events list on www.BMWMOC.org for calendar activity updates and points of contact, and any other pertinent information.

General Announcements:

Old Business:

Future Events and Meeting dates: For a more detailed listing visit the BMW MOC on-line calendar at www.bmw.moc.org

Upcoming General Membership Meetings-

Thursday May 2, 7pm - Double Bogey Grille at Shawnee Hills Golf Course, 18753 Egbert Rd, Bedford, OH 44146.

Next Board Meeting – Thursday May 30, 7pm at Cuyahoga County Public Library, Brooklyn Branch, 4480 Ridge Rd, Cleveland, OH 44144. Board meetings are open to the general membership.

Paul Mitchell is currently contacting new members to get some of their basic biographic information and other hobbies to add to the quarterly CCN.

New Business:

A club Riding Protocol will be created and provided to all members. This will include how to handle group riding, hand signals, legally sufficient sign-in sheets, etc.

Special thanks to Gene Robinson of Mathias BMW Cycle Sales in New Philadelphia for providing some "swag" to the club for our monthly drawings.

Ed Desimone suggested the club conduct meetings at the American Legion Post #211 in Avon Lake, Ohio. They have a chef on staff, and a bar, and can accommodate large groups. Food is excellent. Ed Desimone and Sandi Valois are members.

Leo Buckon - National Rally in June in Lebanon, Tennessee. He will be camping in Smoky Mountain National Park, which is close to the Tail of the Dragon. National Park passes are a great way for Seniors over 62 to save on camp sites.

GOT NEW?

Arp Viberg got a new Schubert C4 helmet from Cycle Gear with built-in speaker and mike for a super discount. That particular helmet is being discontinued. He also got a new GPS.

Paul Koontz got a new power distribution unit for his GS, and a Bilt Adventure helmet, for which he had traded the jacket he won at the club Holiday Party, along with his cash winnings.

Cycle Gear in North Olmsted has a bike night the second Tuesday of the month.

Meeting adjourned: 7:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandi Valois, Secretary