

CRVBMW NEWS

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The Charter Oak Rally

by Forrest and Jani Anderson

This Memorial Day weekend the Charter Oak rally will celebrate its 15th annual motorcycle get together. Hosted by the Connecticut River Valley BMW Riders the rally has always been open to all makes of bikes. Starting as a simple motorcycle ride and camping trip to Housatonic State Park in Canaan, CT the Charter Oak has grown immeasurably.

This year it will be returning to its favorite rally site, the Hartford County 4-H campgrounds in Marlborough, CT. The campgrounds have a hundred acres of rolling hills for camping plus several dozen open-air cabins for the rallier's use. Unlike the primitive conditions of the first Charter Oak, campers here enjoy hot showers and flush toilets. The 4-H Camp's main building, which is used as a center of activities, is large enough to feed and entertain over 250 motorcyclists.

The meals at this three-day event are considered some of the best rally meals anywhere. The meals are cooked on premises thanks to the club's hard working kitchen crew which is lead by not one, but two professional chefs. The rally fee includes free coffee all weekend, the traditional Friday evening all-you-can-eat chili. Saturday dinner will be a prime rib with all the

trimmings and Sunday will follow with a complete ham supper. Monday morning a complimentary continental breakfast will send off the rally goers on their trips home. Breakfasts Saturday and Sunday are optional for those who wish to eat before they ride.

Saturday and Sunday riding activities will include a poker run, guided tours and motorcycle field events. Marlborough is located in east central Connecticut in the midst of some of the State's best motorcycle roads. A hospitality tent is always staffed with club people familiar with the area. They will have many self-guided tours available and for the more adventurous they will hand out Connecticut State motorcycle maps.

The Charter Oak rally has always been a family event. Club members even provide special Kids activities while mom and dad are out riding.

Nightly entertainment always includes motorcycle sagas and tales, will feature slides of riding in Europe. This year, live music will follow Saturday's awards presentation.

A rally store will have T-shirts available plus the usual ice, snacks, soda and other

conveniences. Also, the ground floor of the main building will be open to vendors who wish to display their wares. The first 250 rally goers will be given a souvenir rally pin and mug plus eligibility for some of the many rally door prizes.

Rally fees have stayed the same again for 2001; \$36 for those registered before May 18th and \$41 at the gate (children \$23 & \$28 respectively). A pin and mug, chili and two dinners, three nights camping, entertainment and door prizes too!

Charter Oak has come a long way from days past with dry camping and hobo stew. But the friendship of fellow motorcyclists will always remain the same and be the main reason for gathering at the Charter Oak. Interested motorcyclists can contact the rally registration chair at 860-870-7116 or by e-mail at crvsecretary@juno.com

The Charter Oak Committee needs you!

We are still in need of several rally chairs. Field Events, the Country Store and Childrens' Activities still are in need of coordinators. Each of these events has experienced people who are willing to assist new volunteers to "learn the (continued on the next page)

CRV Activities for March (see the calendar for details)

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ropes." So grab a friend and share one of these activities and join in the fun at Charter Oak.

A rally meeting will be held without delay following the March 25th club meeting at Central Pizza in Berlin. We are looking for a location for an April 15th meeting. Ideas?

Jani & Forrest
Rally Coordinators

President's Column

Almost Spring! Leaving New York on the bus full of motorcyclists it was in the mid-50s and wet. A few hours later it was freezing and leftover slush in northern CT.

Mother nature is . . . going through the change.

In my area the road crews are replacing the potholes with bumps. It seems to defy the laws of physics when they double the volume of material needed to fill those holes.

I have a device that measures the size of both the holes and the bumps. It's called a cup holder. When fitted with a full cup of coffee it will splash in proportion to the size of the obstacle. Later in the year those crews will resume the spreading of crack sealant in some dense patterns that are truly dizzying. They have been using a harder material that feels more slick and will be an incentive to use caution or get ABS brakes.

Found a web site that has a photo comparison of the current R1100RT and the soon to be delivered (late Spring) R1150RT model. www.bmwrt.com The new version has hydraulic clutch, stronger brakes, wide headlight, six speed transmission and other mechanical and design changes.

Want to see what's for sale or get alerts when your dream bike is listed? Try www.cycletrader.com Some of us are Luddites with our old airhead BMWs, content to roll along the country roads in a state of simple bliss. Others yearn for the ABS, GPS, CD, detector, laptop, digital camera and more. On that perfect ride the frills really don't matter.

CRVBMW Riders will be traveling in all directions in coming months. Make it a point to join or meet your friends to share some routes and favorite destinations.

Among the rides in the planning stages are the First Annual Don't Fall Foliage Run and a ride with optional

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New Web Page Address

Visit our CRVBMW Web Site and see our

"color" newsletter and new links at

<http://www.crvbmw.org>

March CRV Meeting Sunday, March 18

The March CRV Club meeting will take place on Sunday, March 18, beginning at 1:00PM, at Central Pizza in Berlin. Central Pizza is located west of Route 9 and the Berlin Turnpike, at the junction of Mill St. and Webster Square St. in Berlin, CT (adjacent to route 9.)

Lunch will be available, the restaurant (Italian/Pizza fare) opens at noon; or stay after the meeting. Let's get together to plan for 2001 and our rally.

President's Column (cont.)

stops at diners, art galleries and museums aptly named the Artsy Fartsy Tour.

We will keep you informed about rides and rallies in the newsletter and the club website. Think Spring and remember — Don't sweat the petty things and don't pet the sweaty things.

Larry Friedman

Minutes of the Connecticut River Valley BMW Riders, Inc.

(Minutes are unofficial until accepted at the next scheduled business meeting)

The February monthly meeting of the Connecticut River Valley BMW Riders, Inc. was called to order @ 4:08PM on February 17, 2001, Larry Friedman presiding.

Thirty-five members and guests were in attendance at Moffett & Raymond Landscaping, Canton, CT. at the conclusion of the club sponsored Tag Sale. Two members were attending their first meeting!

Officers in attendance:

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| President | Larry Friedman | Present |
| Vice-President | Lenny LaRose | Present |
| Secretary | Tracy Smith | Present |
| Treasurer | Ron Faibusch | Present |
| Road Captain | Mike Dzen | Present |
| Member-At-Large | Jani Anderson | Present |

President Larry Friedman thanked everyone for coming to the Tag Sale meeting – many treasures passed hands this afternoon. A large round of applause followed Prez Larry's expression of thanks to the Raymonds for the use of their garage for the Tag Sale.

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Minutes of the Connecticut River Valley BMW Riders, Inc. (cont.)

Officer Reports:

Tracy Smith (Secretary) reported on club renewals: to date 156 members have renewed, which is the best first reminder renewal response the Club has had since 1996. Second Notice renewals will be mailed soon.

Treasurer Ron Faibusch reported the current checkbook balance.

New Business: Forrest Anderson reported the Country Store is being restocked, and items should be received by March 1. T-shirts, sweatshirts, and pins will be available soon. Forrest is asking for volunteers to manage the Country Store – contact Forrest for details.

Larry asked if anyone wants a reflective vest – an order for vests will be placed soon.

Our CRV Grand Tour is the only AMA approved Grand Tour in District One. Forrest explained details – see the newsletter for more information.

Brian Fisk announced dates for upcoming RA and MOA National Rallies. Brian also announced camping dates and after-work get-togethers. See the newsletter or the web site for details.

Destination Rides were discussed as long as well as Overnight Rides. Suggestions were made regarding possible venues. Twelve members indicated they would attend rides overnight rides.

Announcements:

Linda Combe announced the formation of a Triumph Club sponsored by Canton Cycles. They will meet Saturday, March 10 at 4:30 at Canton Cycles. All CRV Triumph owners are invited to the second meeting of this new motorcycle club.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Richard Arnold, he received \$61.00.

The next monthly meeting will be on March 18, 2001 at Central Pizza, Berlin, CT. Rally preparations will be discussed.

A motion to adjourn was made @ 5:00 PM by Frank Podgwaite. Motion was passed, meeting closed by Larry Friedman, President.

Following the meeting, pizza and soda was available to all members attending the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy L. Smith

Secretary, Connecticut River BMW Riders, Inc.

April Newsletter Deadline

Sunday, March 25, is the deadline for
submitting articles for the next newsletter.

From The Secretary's Desk

I don't often write articles for the newsletter, since the Secretary's job isn't all that exciting to the vast majority of members. I do, however, come to you at least two times a year to talk about membership renewals, and to ramble on with miscellaneous thoughts . . .

Today, the day after the February meeting, we have 160 new and renewed members for 2001. This is an extraordinary response to the first renewal reminder letter! I want to thank everyone who responded quickly and renewed early. By renewing early, the burden of additional mailings is reduced. In addition, extra thanks to those members who supplied an addressed return envelope for their cards. This small detail saves me a tremendous amount of time processing renewals and I thank everyone for helping out.

I recently changed employers and I have taken a job that requires a significant amount of national and international travel. I considered not running for office this year because of this additional burden. So, the more club business I can do over e-mail the better I can get things done. I appreciate everyone's understanding if things don't seem to be as prompt as they used to be.

Due to my travel schedule, I will be closing the renewal process on March 1st, and I will compile the Membership List for 2001 shortly afterwards. Members at the February meeting requested the list be mailed to every Full member so it may be included in essential tankbag materials. Hey, you never know when you might need those phone numbers! And remember, additional copies are available from me at any meeting, as well as a download file available to members online.

As mentioned, we have 160 renewed members today. We ended 2000 with 239 members. This is a 65% renewal rate so far. Historically, this is remarkable, as I have found we lose approximately 33% of our membership every renewal season. We typically add back to the membership roles every year in new memberships, but here's some disturbing trends:

Membership ending December 1999 – 292

Membership ending December 2000 – 239

Membership ending February 18, 2001 – 160 (and I don't expect more than 25 more renewals to come in), so I believe we'll end the renewal season with 185 members.

So what does this mean? The CRV is on a steady membership decline. Yes, this can be expected for a number of reasons:

-We raised the dues for the first time in the club history, and many Associate members did not renew.

-Our membership efforts have been lagging – our membership bins at the dealerships have gone empty from time to time.

-Motorcycling is a very expensive sport, so those joining the BMW ranks don't have time in their lives to participate in our club.

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Annual Winter Rally

Friends . . . fun . . . good food, along with music, entertainment, and awards. It's time for the annual CRV Winter Rally.

When: Saturday, March 3, 2001

Where: Polish National Home
60 Charter Oak Ave. Hartford

Time: Social hour 6:30-7:30
Buffet dinner at 7:30

Band: 7:00 -11:30

The buffet will include kielbasa, glumpkies, perogies, sauerkraut, shells & sauce, roasted potatoes, baked chicken, roast beef, tossed salad, bread & butter, coffee and tea.

Bring your friends, all are welcome.

Don't wait, reserve your spot today for this event. Please send your payment of \$24 per person (checks payable to CRVBMW) to:

Larry Friedman
900 Granville Rd.
Westfield, MA 01085

If you have any questions, call Larry at 413-562-3164 or email: Lfrdmn@map.com

Hope to see you at the Winter Rally

Directions to the Polish National Home

60 Charter Oak Avenue, Hartford
860-247-1784

From either 91 North or South, take Exit 29A
"Capitol Area"

Take your first exit onto Columbus Boulevard.
At the end of the ramp, turn left at the light.
At second light (Charter Oak Avenue), turn
right.

At first light (Polish national Home parking
lot), turn right.

*From the I-91 exit, it is approximately 1/2 mile
to the Polish National Home and just south of
downtown Hartford.*

Items For Sale or Wanted For Sale

74 R90, Black, with R100S engine ransplant drilled for dual plugs (currently running stock ignition), 80K miles and well maintained. Clean, dependable, and strong, \$3100/Negotiable. Also Black Luftmeister fairing with guages and hardware for teh above bike, \$150/Negotiable. R90S windshield, scratched, no cracks, \$20. /6 rear wheel, complete but rough, \$20. /6 tank, 5.3 gallon, black, VGC with locking cap (no keys) \$150. Krauser luggage rack and bag mounts, \$50. Left side short-stem /5 mirror, \$10. Call Steve at 860-583-9893 or email haylsdad@usa.net (ad posted 2/01)

1991 K100RS ABS, black, BMW hard bags, color matched parabellum Ltd. windscreen, 17,000 miles, new front tire, recent BMW service, great condition, and other BMW extras, \$7,500 obo, Call Eric at 860-677-2913. (ad posted 2/01)

Motoport "Canyon" Suit: (Jacket Small, pants Medium; fits women's size 8.) Black with purple shoulders. Cordura nylon, waterproof, features removable knee, hip, shoulder, elbow pads, and back board. Many pockets. Includes GoreTex liner for coat. Great for cool-weather riding. Asking \$150. Contact Robin at 440-288-6056 or email: zzum@aol.com (ad posted 1/01)

Wanted

Latches (2+) for Olympus Bags. They're Krauser look alikes for an R65. Contact Terry LeTellier at 413-786-4723. (ad posted 3/01)

AMA EAGLES Seminar

If you ever had wanted to know more about the AMA now is your chance. For the first time in over 5 years the AMA is hosting and EAGLES seminar in New England. AMA staff and other officers of the AMA put on this two-day seminar. It is an extensive (and interesting) two days of motorcycling and AMA history, structure, finances, activities, communications and government relations. A \$50 tuition fee will include lunch on Saturday, evening social hour, two continental breakfasts and all your workshop materials. Register soon for their Boston seminars scheduled for March 17-18. Call 1-800-AMA-JOIN or register on line at AMADirectlink.com. You'll be glad you did.

2001 Calendar of Events CRV Activities

March

- March 3 -- CRV Winter Rally. Details on page 4.
March 10 -- "And Now For Something Completely Different" A night out at the Brew Ha Ha Comedy Club. See the details to the right.
March 18 -- CRV Meeting at Central Pizza in Berlin. Details on page 2.

April

- April 1 -- The Borella's Annual Spring Pizza Ride. Details on page 8.
April 21 -- Experienced Rider Course for CRV Members. Details on page 8.
April 22 -- Best of the West Ride. Ride the best roads on the west side of CT. Details on page 8.
April 28&29 -- Spring Campout in East Hampton. Details to follow.

May

- May 16 -- After work Picnic Hurd Park. Details to follow.
May 25-28 -- CRV Charter Oak Rally. Details to follow.

June

- June 14 -- Ride to Bill's Seafood in Westbrook, starts at K-Mart Plaza Cromwell. Details to follow.

July

- July 16 -- Mini Golf on Berlin Turnpike. Details to follow.

August

- August 8 -- Hot Dog Ride. Details to follow.
August 16 -- German Food. Details to follow.

November

- November 10&11 -- Fall Campout. Details to follow.

Other Motorcycling Activities

- March 17 & 18 -- AMA Eagles Seminar. See details on page 4.
Currently - April 10, 2001 -- The Great New York Motorcycle Show.
April 29 -- 6th annual Miracle Ride for the Connecticut Children's Medical Center. Details on this page.
July -- 2001 MOA National Rally will be held at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds and Expo Center in Redmond, Oregon.

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Other Motorcycling Activities (cont.)

- July 12-15 -- Top O' The Rockies Rally. Paonia, Colorado. Contact Deb Lower - (303) 778-8617 or (303) 356-6612 or deblower@attglobal.net
July 18 -- Ride to Work Day.
September 20-23 -- BMWRA Rally held in Morganton, NC.

And Now For Something Completely Different

March 10, Saturday -- Brew Ha Ha Comedy Club at City Steam, 942 Main Street, Hartford, 860-525-1600. Show starts 7:30 PM. The show is in a Nonsmoking Area. \$14 Cover Charge for the Show. **Reservations are required** for the Comedy Club.

I will handle reservations for those attending only the Comedy Show that send me the \$14 cover charge. Dinner during the show does not work. Having dinner come out your nose while you laugh hurts. **Should you wish to have dinner before the show, you are on your own to make dinner as well as show reservations.** Recommended time for dinner would be 6 to 6:30 PM. Be sure to state you are part of the (BMW/Guzzi) motorcycle clubs and will be attending the comedy show after dinner. Your dinner will be served in the same room and the same table that you will see the show from in the same general area as other club members. Dinner prices range from \$7.95 to \$17.95 off the menu.

Questions — Madmatt@deadhorse.com or 860-584-5760

Matt Strus

Miracle Ride for the Connecticut Children's Medical Center

On April 29, the 6th annual Miracle Ride for the Connecticut Children's Medical Center will be held, beginning in Bushnell Park at 11:30 with bike ride and parade to the East Hartford Elks Park on Roberts Street. Registration includes music, lunch, 50/50, door prizes, rain or shine. \$15 single rider/\$25 rider and passenger. Satellite registration site will include Canton Cycle beginning at 8:30 am to 10 am. Info line for Miracle Ride 2001 is 860-346-1200, additional information at the web site at miracleride.com

Join together for a great cause to help the children at the Connecticut Children's Medical Center.

Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour



AMA District 1



Named “Quinnitukqut” (meaning *long river*) by the Mahicans, the Connecticut River begins in the Northern Lakes Region of New Hampshire and meanders down between Vermont and New Hampshire, through Massachusetts and Connecticut before emptying into the Long Island Sound. The Connecticut River Valley is watershed to more than 11,000 square miles of mostly rural, sometimes urban and sometimes wild land in four of the six New England states. Explored by the Dutch in 1614, the Connecticut River Valley is rich in history and has some of New England’s earliest settlements. Sea going vessels once navigated as far north as Hartford while many towns used it for waterpower. Even today, it is still a source of recreation and picturesque beauty.

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Although we would like for you to visit the historic Connecticut River Valley we realize that for some it might not be feasible. Thus, the Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour has been designed to be ridden anywhere.

There are 97 towns bordering the 407 mile long Connecticut River and the goal of this Tour is to visit at least 30 (or as many as you can). *Special Note: You only have to visit towns having the same name as those along the Connecticut.* Proof of your visit will be a photograph of your bike and a Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour flag (which will be issued to you) next to a town limit sign, post office, police department or town hall of a town having the name of those that adjoin the Connecticut River.

There will be different levels of awards given for different levels of completion: bronze for visiting 30 towns, silver for 60 and gold for all towns. Special pins will be given to all those that apply and finisher’s awards will depict your level of completion. For those that visit all the towns a wall plaque commemorating your goal will be sent to you as well. Random door prizes will be drawn too.

You can start on this journey April 15th 2001 and will have six months, until October 15th to finish the Tour.

The entry fee of \$20 (\$25 with passenger) can be mailed to CRV, care of F. Anderson, 95 Boardman Road, East Haddam CT 06423-1338. Checks or money orders payable to — Connecticut River Valley—would be preferred. You will receive notification of its receipt and your packet (which will include your CRVGT pin and flag) with the official list of towns to be visited and rules will be mailed prior to the 15th of April.

Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour



Entry Form



The entry fee of \$20 (\$25 with passenger) and the entry form can be mailed to CRV, care of F. Anderson, 95 Boardman Road, East Haddam CT 06423-1338. Checks or money orders payable to — Connecticut River Valley — would be preferred. You will receive notification of its receipt and your packet (which will include your Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour pin and flag) with the official list of towns to be visited and rules will be mailed prior to April 15, 2001.

please print

Rider: _____ AMA # _____

Passenger (if applicable): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____

Zip Code: _____ Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Motorcycle (Make/Model/Color): _____

M/C Club Affiliation: _____

————— THIS IS A RELEASE, READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING —————

I understand that the Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour is a motorcycle-riding event. I understand that motorcycling is an inherently dangerous activity, which should be undertaken by competent, experienced individuals. I further acknowledge that during the course of the Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour, I will be subjecting myself to any and all hazards associated by motorcyclists. I agree to abide by all applicable traffic regulations in the state(s) in which I ride. I accept full and complete responsibility for my own safety during this Tour. I acknowledge that motorcycling under adverse road, light, weather, rider and traffic conditions is inherently dangerous and could result in injury or death. I hereby accept these risks which I might incur or which I may cause to another as a condition of participation in the Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour and hereby waive any and all claims I may have against the Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour, its organizers, agents and sponsors as a result of my participation in the Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour. I further agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour, its organizers, agents and sponsors any claims against them by third parties as a result of my conduct of actions during the Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour.

Rider's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Passenger's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Experienced Rider Course For CRVBMWRiders

When: Saturday April 21, 2001
8:30 AM till 5:30 PM

Where: Gateway Comm. College
(North Haven Campus)
88 Bassett Road
North Haven, CT 06473
And
Pratt Whitney (Range)
North Haven, CT

Registration info: This class will be reserved until March 1. That means that club members have until March 1, to get their prepaid; completed, applications in to the college. After March 1, it is "first come first served". You may obtain an application by calling Bob Naramore (203) 888-0880 or "e" rnaramore@snet.net Applications may also be obtained directly from the college. Please do not procrastinate, this course filled very quickly last year.

Best of the West Ride

You've ridden the northern, central, and eastern parts of the state . . . well on Sunday, April 22, is your chance to ride the best of the western side of CT. What a great way to enjoy Earth Day. We're going to ride from Greenwich, where we'll pass some of the homes of the rich and famous, up to the Mass. border and return south to Route 84, in Newtown. **This is not a high speed adventure**, but a day to enjoy the curves, country roads, and hopefully little traffic at a relaxed and fun pace. Rest and food stops are planned. For most of the day we'll be within 15 miles of the CT border, either in NY or CT.

The ride will begin promptly at 9:30AM, from the McDonalds, directly across from Exit 5, off of Route 95. Come early and enjoy breakfast at McDonald's or coffee and a snack at a nearby, great little Italian bakery. If you want to start a little later, there's a spot to join the ride in Danbury around 10:30. The ride will end between 3:00 and 4:00 in Newtown. **This ride will not be held if it rains.** If you plan on going on the ride please telephone or email me a day or two prior to the ride. Contact me at 203-532-9733 or email to crvbmwr@aol.com Hope to hear from you and see you at the ride.

Keith Olsen

From The Secretary's Desk (cont.)

-Rally attendance is down, and many people that attended our Rally from outside the area would join up just to get the newsletter and stay in touch. No new attendees, no additional memberships.

-As the average member age in the Club rises, many members just stop riding, so they do not renew. I'm sure that there are many other reasons, but these are the few that immediately come to mind.

A declining membership does not bother me at all. As a Social Club, we can have a LOT of fun with a smaller membership base; I'm not in this for the big numbers. We have a number of hard-working volunteers that are revitalizing this Club: more rides are being planned this riding season, and more social events and more after-work get-togethers are scheduled. Watch the newsletter for an event in your area.

Be a part of this great club we have – come to a meeting, or one of the organized rides, and have some fun. Pass out a "You've just met a CRV member" card to a riding acquaintance you've just met (What? Don't have any???) E-mail me and I'll send you a bunch – or pick them up at any meeting).

At the very least – enjoy the newsletter and be with your Club members in spirit. We'll be looking for you.

Borella's Annual Spring Pizza Ride

The Borella's Annual Spring Pizza Ride. On April 1, arrive from 10am on for homemade pastries, warm beverages & socializing. Noon departure for the ride to the Pizza King. We may do a Saturday nite camp out w/bon fire or campin w/movies if there is interest. Let me know. Rain/snow date is 4/8. For info call John @ 860-774-5535 days or email borella_ent@hotmail.com

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CHARTER OAK

Includes:

- * Saturday night entertainment
- * 2 dinners - Prime Rib and Ham
- * 3 nights camping and hot showers
- * Breakfast and snacks available on the site
- * Door prizes
- * Organized rides
- * Poker Run
- * Rally Awards
- * FREE chili Friday night while it lasts!
- * FREE continuous coffee
- * FREE continental breakfast on Monday
- * Modern enclosed pavilion and facilities
- * Cabins available
- * Rally pin, cup and dinners guaranteed to first 250
- * Other surprises planned

For Preregistration contact:

Tracy Smith, Charter Oak Rally
 71 Hillside Drive, Ellington, CT 06029
 E-mail at crvsecretary@juno.com or
 Telephone 860-871-5753

Fifteenth Annual Charter Oak Rally

May 25 - 28, 2001

Sponsored by CT River Valley BMW Riders, Inc.

Location: Hartford County 4-H Outdoor Center,
 Marlborough, Connecticut

Registration: \$36 preregistration (prior to May 18), \$41 at the Gate. Children 6-15 \$23, \$28 at the Gate, 5 and under FREE.



Directions: In Marlborough Center, at the intersection of Routes 2 and 66, take South Main Street. (The 4-H Outdoor Center is approximately 3.5 miles from Route 66.) After that you will come to a Y, South Road bears to the right. Take South Road. At the STOP, continue straight. The Hartford County 4-H camp will be on your left. Follow the "4-H" signs.

Make checks payable to:
 CRVBMW Riders, Inc.

**PLEASE !!!
 No glass or pets
 at the rally site**

Registration Form

A separate registration form is needed for every person, including passengers and every child.

Name: _____ Rider Male _____ Passenger Female _____ Date of Birth: _____
 Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Email Address: _____

Name(s) of Local Club Affiliations: _____ Send me information on cabins: Y N
 Make of Motorcycle: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____ Sidecar: Y N

Waiver: I agree to hold harmless the Connecticut River Valley BMW Riders, Inc. the AMA, and the 4-H Hartford County Outdoor Center, for any injury, damage or loss incurred while attending or travelling to and from the rally.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For Official Use Only Amount Received \$ _____ Cash or Check # _____ Received by _____
 Information Verified _____ Rally # _____

March 2001
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CRVBMWR
c/o Tracy Smith
71 Hillside Drive
Ellington, CT 06029

Register early for the Charter Oak Rally and the Connecticut River Valley Grand Tour. Registration forms enclosed.