

CRVBMW NEWS

A Newsletter for Members of the Connecticut River Valley BMW Riders, Inc.

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Every Sunday -- Coffee Break. Meet in Guilford at the commuter parking lot at the intersection of Route 77 and Route 95. Meet at 9:00, go to breakfast, then decide on your ride for the day.

August

August 4 -- Ride to the Scottish Games in Altomont, NY. On August 4, Chris Jennings will lead a ride to this fun event in New York. . If interested in this ride please contact Chris at 203-368-9281

August 5-6 -- "First Chance" Rally. NJ Shore BMW Riders. Full details on our CRV Web Site.

August 5-7 -- Sidecar Ron-Dee-Voo II. Full details on our CRV Web Site.

August 5-8 -- 3rd "Return to Trenton Rally" Full details on our CRV Web Site.

August 12-14 -- 3rd 5 B's Camp Out, Montrose, PA. Details on page 2.

August 14 -- MDA Ride at Canton Cycles. Details on page 4.

August 19-21 -- Joan of hopefully not an Arc Camp Out, Bolton, CT

August 26-28 -- No sandstorm Badeen's Camp Out. Details on page 2.

Ride to Abbott's Lobster in the Rough. Chris Jennings will be leading a ride from John Badeen's Camp Out. If interested in this ride please contact Chris at 203-368-9281.

September

September 2-5 -- 31st Finger Lakes Rally. Full details on our CRV Web Site.

September 3 -- BMW Day at Canton Cycles
September 11 -- CRV Club Barbecue. Details on page 3.

September 16-19 -- 11th "Penguin's" Perpetual Rally. Ocean State BMW Riders #240. Full details on our CRV Web Site.
September 24 -- Emily Mailman Walk-T-Thon and Support Ride. Details on page 4.
September 30-October 2 -- 1st Rally in the Poconos. Black Diamond Beemers #310. Full details on our CRV Web Site.

October

Oct 6-9 -- 33rd Annual BMW RA International Rally. Shelbyville, TN. Full details on our CRV Web Site.
October 7-9 -- Buzzard Crest Camp Out, Pine Plains, NY. Details on page 4.
October 16 -- Cliff's European Fall Fest. Details on page 4.
October 28- 30 -- Deadhorse Bean Run Camp Out

November

November 5-6 -- Frost on Pumpkin Camp Out, Somerset, VT
November 12-13 -- Last Round Up Camp Out, TBA

“No Sandstorm” Camp Out

Hi Folks,

Just a reminder that there is a “No Sandstorm” camp out/limited space sleep in, in Niantic, CT at Kozy Knook 8 Wells Street Niantic, CT 06357 the weekend of August 26, 27, & 28.

There are some great roads going by Gillette Castle, Devil’s Hopyard State Park, and along the Connecticut River on either side. I would recommend not going on I-95 or minimizing it. If you are going down Route 9 ... take I-95 North to New London/ Providence ... go over the Baldwin Bridge ... stay in the right-hand lane and get off the first exit for Route 1 North ... stay in the middle Exit Lane, going Left at the bottom of the exit ramp. Follow signs for Route 1 North and “The Florence Griswald Museum”. Route 1 takes a Right then it takes a Left going past the museums and heads to the Flanders section of East Lyme. At the Ford Dealer take a Right onto Route 161 South to Niantic. This will take you by “The Shack” (great breakfast if you get there early) and under I-95 at Exit 74. If you do take I-95 from either direction, take a Right off the Exit 74 ramp. Follow the signs for “Camp Rell” National Guard Camp. From I-95 go about 2 1/2 miles. Follow the signs for Camp Rell. Go Left at Smith Street opposite the Resident State Trooper and East Lyme Town Hall. Take the second LEFT on Pine Grove Road following signs for CAMP RELI DELIVERIES AND CONVOYS and keep the chain link fence on your right. Go past the entrance. Bear RIGHT after the camp entrance where the road forks with Smith Cove on your left. At the stop sign go straight and to the 3rd house on the right, or go right at Wells Street and go to the 3rd house on the left. It is White.

Questions? RSVP ... I would say BYOB and a food contribution. If there are enough interested with an RSVP a keg will be there. I need RSVP’s for that. At this point deserts, snacks, side dishes, salads are some suggestions. There are nearby stores and farm stands if you want to pick up something up there. There will be a thundershack. Donations towards expenses appreciated.

Preliminary menu:

Friday night burgers and dogs and beans. Side dishes and snacks needed.

Saturday morning: Oven baked French Toast with seasonal fruit baked in. Last year this was very good.

Saturday lunch ... more of Friday’s supper or ad lib

Saturday dinner ... some sort of seafood is a must at the shore. It tastes better in salt air. To be determined by “market price” and inspiration.

Some things going on:

Annual Kayak Regatta in the Niantic Bay. Saturday, August 27, 11am-3pm. Two kayaks and a canoe are there. Bring a life jacket if you are interested. There are several we pack the canoe. Information at: <http://www.savetheriver-savethehills.org/index.html> or call Debra Moshier-Dunn at 860-444-9247. This is a floating party with live music, raffles, and more. Bring a picnic lunch.

Information for the 19th Brit Jam sponsored by the British Iron of Connecticut is at http://www.britironct.org/brit_jam_2005.htm You may also call Tyke at 860-585-5102. It is in Colchester, only 30 miles away. Sunday, August 28, from 10am to 5pm. Breakfast served from 6am. There is a bike drawing from a BSA.

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For information on Schemitzun go to <http://www.schemitzun.com/index.html> or call 800-224-CORN It is August 25 - 28 and is the Festival of Green Corn and Dance near Foxwoods. It is a “Pow-Wow” ... Native American Dance, music and crafts.

Please RSVP: email john.badeen@snet.net or cell phone 860-309-5939 after 9 and weekends are best. Contact me with questions, suggestions, keg participation, menu planning. The phone at the cottage is 860-691-0143 for weekend only please.

hope to see you there, nhoJ

Third Annual [B]⁵ Gathering

When?: August 12, 13 & 14

Where?: @ Bobble’s in Montrose, PA

Why?: To celebrate all of the August birthdays.

Details: A weekend gathering to feast, frolic and get stupid in the Endless Mountain Region of NE Pennsylvania. Friday night stew pot. Sat dinner will be a shared cost peoples choice. Plenty of tent space. Porta shower. Yuengling on draft.

Directions: See below

Bob Naramore
RR3 Box 300
Montrose, PA 18801
(570) 553-3000
bobble@deadhorse.com

DIRECTIONS TO:

RTE 84 towards Scranton PA.
RTE 81 North towards Binghamton, NY
Exit# 223 – RTE 492 End of ramp go left towards New Milford, PA
Mile @ RTE 11 – Go South (left) for 1 mile to RTE 706 towards Montrose. It’s a right turn onto RTE 706
On the East side of Montrose you will meld in with RTE 167. Stay on RTE 706 & 167 into Montrose. As you leave Montrose, RTE 167 makes a VERY SHARP Right turn to go North. Take RTE 167 North for 7 miles. Look for the intersection that has signs for E Wilkes Barre Tpk on your right and W Wilkes Barre Tpk on your left. GO LEFT for 100 feet, across a bridge, and turn Right onto Kane Road (T810).
Go 1 mile to the first set of mail boxes (on your right) RT into a shared driveway. My house is the first on the left.
GPS : N 41° 54.316 / W 75° 56.320 / Elv: 1445 ft.

**Don't miss the
CRV Barbecue
Sunday, Sept. 11
at 1 P.M.
Free! Free! Free!
Send your check today!**

Once again, it's time for our annual club barbecue. The event will be held rain or shine. Your President has arranged for a super catered barbecue picnic. We will gather at the Stanley Park in Westfield, Massachusetts.

This is one of the most beautiful parks in New England. Walk through the gardens, along trails, and around the ponds. There are great roads to and from the park. This year's food will be better than ever, including sliced filet mignon. Our club has had another successful year and we want to share that with our members.

The CRVBMW Club is paying for all members and auxiliary members. It is worth more than your annual dues!

To get a correct count and to properly plan the barbecue, all persons age 12 and over must send \$20 to our President, Larry Friedman. By attending the barbecue, members and auxiliary members will receive a full refund. If you don't show up we are still required to pay the caterer for the food prepared for you, so you will not receive a refund.

In recent years, many club members found it to their advantage to apply their refund to the following year's club dues (members-\$20, auxiliary members \$10 and a \$10 refund). This year you will again have the opportunity to apply your refund to next year's club dues.

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If you do not wish to apply your refund to next year's club dues and would prefer to receive a refund you will receive a full cash refund at the barbecue. **To receive a cash refund at the picnic, please include a note requesting a refund at the picnic and mail it along with the payment check that you send in.** Your refund will be given to you when you check-in at the barbecue.

Bring your friends or prospective club members along (no refund for them)

Great scenic roads— Look for BMW roundels near the park.

Send your checks today to:

Larry Friedman
900 Granville Road
Westfield, MA 01085

All payments must be received by Tuesday, September 6.

Directions:

From intersection of Rt20 and 202 in Granby ,Ct.;
North on 202 through Southwick.
Pass Chevrolet dealer and Chuck's Steak House.
Left past Chuck's onto Sunnyside Rd.
At third stop sign go straight over the NEW BRIDGE.
Left at top of hill and immediate left into park
We are in the pine grove at that entrance (behind the rose garden).

September Newsletter Deadline

Thursday, August 25, is the deadline for submitting
articles for the next newsletter.

MDA Ride

I have decided to do the MDA ride, though a little different. It will be on Aug 14th here at the shop and will be an MDA Party, not a ride. Will have specials on parts and accessories with part of sale going to the MDA, raffles etc. We will sell food and money goes to MDA. No admission charge, will just try to come up with other ways to generate funds (food, raffle, silent auction etc) Any ideas would help. Will be a social gathering. >From 10am to 3pm. Sales will come up with their own ideas on any bikes sold (at a huge 1 day only discount) with a chunk to MDA, though we usually don't have much luck selling at events, we will make it more than worth while if someone wants one. Get the word out that it is not cancelled. Spread the word to all.

Thanks

Ralph

Ralph E. DeLuco
President
Canton Cycles Inc.

Emily Mailman Walk-T-Thon and Support Ride

Hello CRV BMW club,

We would like to let you know about our support ride and to ask you to come down and show off your bikes at our event. The first annual Emily Mailman Walk-T-Thon and ride will be on September 24 from 2-4. We hope to establish scholarships in Emily's name for Camp Shriver, which is operated by the ARC of Greater Enfield. We understand it is late in the season, but hope that you might have time to join us anyway.

Thank you for your consideration,
Marti King, Chairperson
Emily Mailman Memorial Walk-T-Thon and Support Ride

Buzzard Crest Bash VIII

October 7-9, 2005

Come camp on the Dutchess/Columbia county line (NY) and enjoy the foliage while exploring some great roads. Approx. 4 miles west of Pine Plains, NY. Plenty of camping space. Friday night chili and campfire. Saturday nite grill (bring something or throw money in the pot) campfire and sing-a-long. Sunday- coffee and munchies. Call for more information:

Sioux and Voyle Harris 518 398 5436 or e-mail us at vsharris@taconic.net

Details:

BUZZARD CREST BASH

Siouxzanne and Voyle Harris invite you to enjoy two cool days (and cold nights) of fall camping on their ten acres in Gallatin, New York-

For those of you who attended the NY National in 99, this is about 15 minutes closer to the Connecticut border.

October 1, 2, and 3rd

Friday night there will be chili and munchies available, and a campfire going. Saturday there will be a few breakfast runs and foliage rides, then a grilled dinner with everyone's contributions.

Sunday we'll drink some coffee, eat some leftovers, and head out.

Directions:

From Rt. 44:

take 44 west through Millerton NY, turn south (left) onto Rt 22- follow for a little bit to NY rt 199. Take a right (west) follow 199 through Pine Plains. About 2 miles west of the town, take a right turn onto county rt. 50. Follow to the end. bear left at fork. Travel approx. 6/10ths of a mile- driveway is on the right side. There will be rondells to help guide you from Pine Plains.

From rt. 84-

Rt 84 west to Taconic Parkway- go north to Jackson Corners Rd. exit. Go right at end of exit. Travel 6/10ths of a mile to driveway on the left. There will be rondells to guide you.

address:

1789 Jackson Corners Rd.
phone 518 398 5436

If you know you are coming, please call or e-mail so we can plan appropriately for food.

Come Celebrate Cliff's European Fall Fest

Special discounts, raffles, one time deals
Great food, company, special guests & entertainment
Date: Sunday, Oct. 16, 2005 Time: 10am-3pm
Place: Cliff's BMW Aprilia Ducati Motorcycles
84 Mill Plain Road, Danbury, CT

The Animal Magnetism Grand Tour

2005 Official Rules

The Connecticut River Valley Riders would like to thank you for joining us in the 2005 Animal Magnetism Grand Tour.

1. You are allowed a maximum of seven months, from April 1st to October 31st, 2005, to ride to as many sites as you can.
2. Sites must have a statue of an animal. For purposes of the Grand Tour, a statue is a 3 dimensional representation or a two dimensional representation (i.e. silhouette) in the shape of an animal. (Rectangular signs with animals painted on them are *not* acceptable.) For example, statues of a rider on horseback or of a seal with a ball balanced on it's nose are acceptable, while a rider on an actual horse or a stuffed moose are not.
3. A photo will be used as proof of your visit to a Statue. Required in each photo will be (1) your bike (or any portion of your bike or riding gear), (2) your Grand Tour flag (if you choose to make one) and (3) the Statue. Digital cameras *are* permitted and even encouraged.
4. If entered as rider and passenger, the passenger should be visible in about half of the photos. Although not mandatory, try to get at least one photo with both of you in the photograph. Likewise, it is suggested that single riders try to be in at least one scene as well.
5. Each animal can only be used once as a statue. The exception to this rule is riders on horseback, where it is said that the number of feet that the horse has on the ground indicates the fate of the rider: For these mounted riders, sites with each number of feet (i.e 2, 3, or 4) on the ground is allowed.
6. A maximum of two statues per site is allowed. If a site has multiple statues (for example, a manufacturer of statues with hundreds of statues on display), only two may be used from that site.
7. Participants are encouraged to upload a photo of themselves and their bike at a site to the Photos section of Grand Tour web site.
8. Participants can apply to the Grand Tour Organizer for a participant number. Requests should include name, passenger's name, address, phone number and email address. (Contact information will not be abused by the Grand Tour Organizer.) Flags will not be provided, however participants are welcome to make their own flags. Fabric stores sell iron-on media that can be printed from a standard computer printer and then used to make a flag.
9. Participants will judge their own photos (we are all adults, aren't we?) and self-report their results to the Grand Tour email list prior to October 31, the end of the Grand Tour. Participants are encouraged to create an album at one of the many photo sharing web sites to display their photos for peer review. A link to the album should be provided in the participants self-report of their results.
10. Photos should also be available for verification and inspection by the Grand Tour Organizer, upon request.
11. If participants would like to submit their mileage from the Grand Tour with their results, they are encouraged to do so, as well as any other information they think other participants may find interesting. Overall Grand Tour results will be compiled after the end of the Grand Tour.
12. Participants are strongly encouraged to join the Grand Tour email list so that they may communicate with other participants and keep up with Grand Tour news. The web site for the Grand Tour email list is located at http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/Grand_Tour. In addition to email Messages, the site contains a Files section and a Photos section, as well as archives of past Messages. To register, either go to the web site or send an email to Grand_Tour-subscribe@yahoogroups.com. Upon registering, participants can and select an option where they do not receive any mail, but can still view past messages, files and photos. There may be a short initial delay when initially registering to verify the participant's identity and prevent junk email.
13. There is no fee to participate in the Grand Tour.
14. The Grand Tour ends on October 31. Please report your results prior to that time. Connecticut River Valley BMW Riders reserves the right to use any of the photos submitted however we like, yada, yada, yada. (We may post some on our web site or in our newsletter.)
15. To complete the tour and reach the Bronze achievement level, riders must ride to a minimum of 25 statues. Riders that visit at least 50 statues will move up to the Silver level. The Gold tier of achievement starts at 75 statues.
16. If you are interested in joining the Connecticut River Valley BMW Riders, information is available at: www.crvbmw.org. The CRVBMW organizes many great activities, of which the Grand Tour is only one. (Club membership is *not* limited to BMW riders.)
17. The Grand Tour Organizers prefer that any questions or clarification be directed to the organizers through the Yahoo Groups email list (Grand_Tour@yahoogroups.com) so that other participants may benefit from the answers. The email list includes an archive of past emails, as well as a "Files" section that includes relevant documents. If you choose to email questions directly to the Grand Tour Organizer, they may copy the question and the answer to the email list if they think others may benefit from the answer.

... and remember, have fun, ride safe and enjoy your summer!

Your Grand Tour Organizer,

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Information on this year's CRV Club Barbecue on page 3.