

# CRVBMWWR NEWS

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

## Calendar of Events

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Send newsletter articles, ads, flyers, events, etc. before the 25th of the month for inclusion in the following month. Preferred method is to email an attachment to:

crvbmw@earthlink.net  
or mail to:  
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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.

### June

June 3-5 -- 31st Annual Square Route Rally by the BMW Bikers of Metropolitan Washington. Check <http://www.bmwbmw.org/> for more info or contact [rally@bmwbmw.org](mailto:rally@bmwbmw.org).

June 6-11 -- Americade, Lake George NY

June 17-19 -- Pemi River Rally & Campout for Laconia Bike Week by the Yankee Beemers #153

June 24-26 -- Tenth Annual CRVBMWWR Club Camp Out. Details on page 3.

June 24-26 -- 10th Annual - Airheads at the Aerodrome - Camp Out. Full details on our CRV Web Site.

### July

July 15-17 -- Deadhorse Somerset VT Campout

July 21-24 -- Beemerville, USA, 33rd BMW MOA International Rally

July 29-31 -- Sweaty Boobs at Mosquito Coast, Andover, CT

### August

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

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

August 26-28 -- No sandstorm Badeen's Campout

### September

September 2-5 -- 31st Finger Lakes Rally.

Full details on our CRV Web Site.

September 16-19 -- 11th "Penguin's" Perpetual Rally. Ocean State BMW Riders #240. Full details on our CRV Web Site.

September 30- Oct. 2 -- Buzzard Crest Camp Out, Pine Plains, NY

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 28- 30 -- Deadhorse Bean Run Camp Out

### November

November 5-6 -- Frost on Pumpkin Camp

## 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.

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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](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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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,

John Stiefel  
[john\\_stiefel@yahoo.com](mailto:john_stiefel@yahoo.com)

### July Newsletter Deadline

Saturday, June 25, is the deadline for submitting  
articles for the next newsletter.

**Gathering of Friends  
& Other Strange Beings  
Tenth Annual CRVBMW  
Club Camp Out**

On June 24-26, kick back and enjoy rural New York at the Tenth Annual CRVBMW Club Camp Out. The camp out will be held at Clyde & Diane Pratt's House, 160 Sullivan Road, in Kirkwood, New York.

It will feature semi-primitive camping (one shower and porta-cans). An optional Saturday meal with shared costs.

Directions: Route 81 to Exit #1. Go up hill on Cedarhurst Road, **not** toward Route 11. In approximately 1 mile, take first right onto Sullivan Road. In approximately 1/2 mile, at the top of the hill, turn right into 160 Sullivan Road, a yellow and brick house.

For further information call 1-607-775-9015 (home) or 1-607-725-7011 (work). If no answer leave a message.

After leading a ride from the CRVBMW rally to tour the USSR Sub in Providence, RI I found there were others who either couldn't make it at that time or did not know about it. If there is enough interest I will lead another ride there. I know there are many events these summer weekends so scheduling might be a bit tough. If you are interested please contact me [lennel@snet.net](mailto:lennel@snet.net)

This site has some info on the sub

[http://www.military.com/NewContent/0,13190,Buff\\_090204,00.html](http://www.military.com/NewContent/0,13190,Buff_090204,00.html)

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**CRV Web Site Address**

Visit our CRVBMW Web Site at  
<http://www.crvbmw.org>

**Items For Sale or Wanted  
For Sale**

2001 Triumph Sprint ST 955 cc. 12,000 miles. Recent 12,000 service, good battery and tires. no damage. Blue color. no bags. Very fast. asking \$4,850. Don Hight 860-674-0409 or [dwhight@comcast.net](mailto:dwhight@comcast.net) (ad posted 6/05)

1995 BMW K75A, Mystic Red metallic, 9k miles, ABS braking. Includes BMW hard bags, cover, Parabellum fairing paint matched to bike. Bike is in like-new condition — always garaged — must see. Motorcyclist magazine smart buy bike — April 2005. Asking \$4,500 obo. Contact Paul at (860) 657-4804 or [pshadic@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pshadic@sbcglobal.net). (ad revised 6/05)

Various Items:

Saddlebag liners for "system" bags as used on '92 K100, and many other BMWs. \$120.

BMW tankbag, liner, and rain cover from '92 K bike. (may fit others). \$100.

BMW battery charger. \$50.

Bridgestone Battleax radial tire 160/60 ZR18...( '92 K100RS rear) tubeless radial. Lots of tread. One tiny puncture professionally patched. \$85.

Corbin canyon seat for '92 K100RS, quite used...quite comfortable, for taller rider. MAKE OFFER

E-pics available. Contact Steve Varhol at 860-583-9893 or [packardsix@yahoo.com](mailto:packardsix@yahoo.com) (ad posted 4/05)

1999 BMW R1100 RA 26,000 miles (Original Mother) Silver/Black (A Beauty) Loaded: Anti Lock Brakes, Windshield, Heated Hand Grips, Hyper Lights (rear), Modulator Headlight, Engine Guards, New Tires, New Brakes, Dealer Maintained. Recently received its Annual Service and 24,000 mile Service. Call or email for more details. Hard Bags Not Included! I Need Them! Make me an offer. The garage is crowded! Contact Bev Perry at [perrybeverly@msn.com](mailto:perrybeverly@msn.com) or 203-445-0676 (ad posted 3/05)

BMW Safety Stand for an R1200 Cruiser. Used one year. Part # 90886001550. \$100 or B.O. Contact Walter Wutsch at 860-563-7108 (ad posted 3/05)

**Wanted**

No items currently listed.

**If Interested**

I have a pair of used tires with plenty of tread for a R1150RT (Michelin Macadam 120/70VR-17 & 170/60VR-17), available to anyone who wants/needs them. Contact Fred Rosenbaum 860 675-3389. ( posted 5/05)

Free -- Twelve years of BMW MOA Magazines in magazine holders. Contact Walter Wutsch at 860-563-7108

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**Don't forget to regularly check your tire pressure and oil level.**