

CRVBMW NEWS

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

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Images from our March Meeting at Antonio's submitted by Keith Olsen



Upcoming CRV and Local Activities (see details in the calendar)

April 26 -- April CRV Meeting at Cliff's Cycle Revolution

May 3 -- Open House at Cliff's Cycle Revolution

May 9-11 -- Devil's Hopyard Campout

May 14 -- After work picnic at Hurd Park

May 17 -- Annual 4H Outdoor Center Volunteer Day and May CRV Meeting

May 23-26 -- CRVBMW Charter Oak Rally

March CRV Meeting Minutes

The March monthly meeting of the Connecticut River Valley BMW Riders, Inc. was called to order @ 12:30 PM on March 30, 2008, Larry Friedman presiding. 21 members and guests were in attendance at Antonio's in Simsbury, CT. 1 member was attending his first meeting.

Officers in attendance: •

President	Larry Friedman	•
Vice-President	Lenny LaRose	
Secretary	Linda Combe	•
Treasurer	Mark	•
	Altschwagger	
Co-Road Captain	Chris Jennings	•
Co-Road Captain	Marshall	
	Robinson	
Member-At-Large	Keith Olsen	•
Rally Chairperson	Brian Fisk	

Secretary's Report: The club has 181 members. 142 have renewed their memberships. 8 are new members for 2008. 31 have not yet renewed their memberships.

Treasurer's Report: Mark reported the amount of money in the club treasury.

New Business

- The club would like to have a CRV pizza meeting where the club pays for pizza and soft drinks for club members. It was voted unanimously for the June meeting.
- There was discussion around the purchase of the new club banner which would be displayed at rallies and other events. No decision was reached and the discussion was table to another meeting.
- It was voted to order a new batch of club business cards that can be given out to members who would then give them out to others. The cards say "You have just met a member of the CRVBMW Riders club".
- There was interest around a midsummer overnight club trip. One place that came up was the Gray Ghost Inn in VT.
- Larry encourages the use of our club email distribution list to announce rides or destination gatherings as a reminder to club members.
- Rally Committee is making good progress. Larry encouraged club members to sign up. Lenny LaRose and Chris Jennings will lead rides.
- Forrest Anderson informed the group he learned about during his recent annual MSF update.

They are a company who does training for "first responders" at motorcycle accident scenes. Since it is possible that one of us could be a "first responder", would the club be interested in having these people talk to the club about what trainings they offer? A possibility would be at the rally. Their website is www.accidentscene.org.

Announcements

- April club meeting – Saturday, April 26th at Cliff's Cycle Revolution in Brookfield. They will give us a tour and at 2pm we will go for lunch at Hot Shots in Newtown, CT.
- May 3rd - Cliff's Cycle Revolution Open House in Brookfield. They have a huge new facility and will be having demo rides that day. They will also be doing MSF courses there in the future.
- May club meeting – May 17th at 12 noon at the 4H Club grounds. Arrive early to assist in the clean-up and get lunch provided to us by 4H.
- June 8th - The Meriden Motorcycle Club is having their MegaRide for MS.
- September 7th – The club picnic will be held at Stanley Park in Mass.
- There is still room left to go on the club cruise to the Caribbean in November. For more information, see Jim Haggerty.
- Larry passed around a brochure in case anyone was interested in buying a first aid kit.

A motion to adjourn was made @ 1:12 PM. Motion passed and meeting closed by Larry Friedman, President.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Combe,
Secretary,
Connecticut River BMW Riders, Inc.

Our CRVBMW Web Site

is located at:

<http://www.crvbmw.org/>

May Newsletter Deadline

Wednesday, April 30, is the deadline for submitting articles for the next newsletter.

Calendar of Events

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.

April

April 25-27 -- Lee Parks Riding School -- the Advanced Riding Clinic, Level 1, will be held at Dutchess Community College in Poughkeepsie, NY.
April 26 -- April CRV Meeting at Cliff's Cycle Revolution at their new location in Brookfield. Details to the right.

May

May 2-4 -- Frosty Nuts Campout hosted by Yankee Beemer's in Jamaica State Park, Jamaica, VT
May 3 -- Open House at Cliff's Cycle Revolution. CRVBMW will host a club table to welcome new members.
May 9-11 -- Devil's Hopyard Campout
May 14 -- After work picnic at Hurd Park, contact Brian Fisk at brainfish@deadhorse.com or 860-635-1173
May 16-18 -- Deadhorse Spring Bash, Waylusing PA
May 17 -- Annual 4H Outdoor Center Volunteer Day. Details to follow.
May 17 -- May CRV Meeting at the 4H Center, beginning at noon.
May 23-26 -- CRVBMW Charter Oak Rally. Full details on page 5.
May 29-June 1 -- Backroads Spring Break

June

June 2-7 -- Americade
June 14-22 -- Laconia, NH
June 19 -- Bill's Seafood Ride meet at Denny's parking lot around 5pm for a ride there Rain or shine, please give me a heads up so I can call ahead to give them numbers. Contact Brian at brainfish@deadhorse.com or 860-635-1173
June 20-22 -- Airheads campout Wilcox Park, NY
June 27-29 -- Thunder in the Valley, Johnstown, PA
June 28-July 7 -- Apple Valley Riders, Nova Scotia

Welcome to our recent new members

Felix Planas from Newington, CT
Joel and Marie Karnolt from Manchester, CT
Dave Findley from Farmington, CT

April CRV Meeting

The April Meeting, on April 26, will be held at the spectacular new location of Cliff's Cycle Revolution at 465 Federal Road in Brookfield. The meeting will begin at 12 noon.

We will get a tour of the new facility including the 7000 square foot showroom. We be parking in their two-acre paved lot and using their meeting room for our meeting.

At about 2:00PM, following the meeting, we will ride to Hot Shot's Grille at 130 Mt. Pleasant Road in Newtown. Mt. Pleasant Rd. is between Exit 8 and Exit 9 off I-84.

A map is located on our web site with the calendar listing for this meeting.

Items For Sale or Wanted

For Sale

12/83 BMW R80RT, Red, 24,000 miles. Numerous upgrades and additions. Great Condition. \$3,500 firm. If interested call Henry Palach in the evening at 860-489-0114. (ad posted 4/08)

2003 K1200LTC Anthracite: 28k, dealer maintained, always garaged and in good condition. Priced below wholesale for off season sale \$7,500. Contact Jim M. at 860-674-8989 days; 860-295-9201 nights; or email to avenkol@comcast.net (ad posted 1/08)

How to join the CRVBMW Yahoo Group

At our March CRV meeting some discussion occurred about the CRVBMW Yahoo Group and how to become a member. Brian Fisk is the moderator of this group. If you are interested in joining this group, follow these steps:

- 1) If you are not a member of Yahoo, go to the following link and register: <https://edit.yahoo.com/registration?.done=http://groups.yahoo.com%2f&.src=ygrp&.intl=us>
- 2) Go to the CRVBMW group at: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CRVBMW/>
- 3) Click on the "Join This Group!" button on the right-hand side of the page.
- 4) Complete the registration form.
- 5) You will receive an email confirmation that needs to be responded to that will continue your registration process.
- 6) Brian will verify your registration, usually within a day or two, and you will then be allowed access into the group.

Current CRVBMW 2008 Membership

As of April 9, the people listed below have renewed their CRVBMW Membership for 2008. If your name is not on this list and you wish to renew your membership, immediately contact our club Secretary, Linda Combe. Contact information is located on the left-hand side of the first page of this newsletter. *If your name is not on the list below, this will be the second to last copy of the newsletter for all 2007 members who have not renewed for 2008. In order to retain your membership benefits and be included in the 2008 Membership Roster, please consider renewing your membership today.*

Eder Alencar	Michael Dzen	Dennis Kelly	Jim Prabulos
John Allen	Ron Faibusch	Jay Koonz	John Raymond
Linda Allen	Jim Faucher	John Kuester	Judi Raymond
Deborah Lee Altschwager	Shirley Faucher	Bruce Lamke	Marshall Robinson
Mark Altschwager	Lucas Fernandez	Mary Lamke	Mark Rose
Bruce Anderson	Al Ferreri	Lenny LaRose	Fred Rosenbaum
Forrest Anderson	Dave Findley	John Leo	Jennifer Ruggirello
Jani Anderson	Brian Fisk	Terry Letellier	John Ruggirello
Worth Apgar	Michael Friedle	Bob Ljungquist	Bob Samuelson
April Arnold	Larry Friedman	Bill Lord	Ric Sawyer
Rick Arnold	Linda Friedman	Bonnie Lytle	Rod Schlosser
Josh Ascher	Todd Gagnon	Douglas MacGregor	Teri Schlosser
John Badeen	Joe Goneau	Pat McGinley	Curly Schmidt
Bill Barber	Jon Gorman	Michael McGlamery	Lauren Secular
Sarah Bement	Barb Greenlaw	Ray McKenna	Mike Sewell
Nicola Bjork	Jack Greenlaw, Jr.	Bill Mead	Bob Smith
Rolf Bjork	Jim Grover	Freda Mitchell	Dale Smith
David Bobalki	Jim Haggerty	Mitch Mitchell	David Smith
Andi Borella	Susan Hamilton	Ed Mix	Pat Smith
John Borella	Cheryl Harris	Jim Montstream	Tracy Smith
Jeffrey Brown	Voyle "Evil Santa" Harris	Bin Moss	Melissa Smith
Dan Carnevale	Sioux "Siouxy Guzzi" Harris	Bobbie Naramore	Mike Snowden
Chris Chorney	Bob Hearn	Tom Neaverson	Millie Snowden
Jeanine Christensen	Ken Hearn	Lenny "Lost" Nicholas	John Stiefel
Nord Christensen	Art Hechler	George Noewatne, Jr.	Maria Stiefel
Mr. Jim "JC" Claxton	Patricia Hechler	Charles Olsen	John Stratton
Paul Clifford	John Helming	Gail Olsen	Matt Strus
Jay Combe	Steven Heyman	Keith Olsen	Ginny Talbot
Linda Combe	Hitch Hitchery	Elaine Palach	Ted Taupier
Gary Czarnecki	Chris Jennings	Henry Palach	Janet Temple
Dave Dahlstrom	Jerm Jermain	Mary Parola	Roy Temple
Joani Dahlstrom	Bob Johnson	Tim Parola	Wild Thang Vinette
Art Daly	Carole Johnson	Jack Patton	Ron Voog
Peter DeSeno	Dick Johnson	Barb Phelps	Daniel Walton
Tom DiFiglio	Tom Johnson	Marc Phelps	Vern Wulle
Wayne Douglas	Tristan Jones	Felix Planas	Rick Zwiebel
Bill Drachenberg	John Joy	Frank Podgwaite	Sheree Zwiebel
Don Dupuis	Joel Karnolt	Penny Podgwaite	
Jane Dupuis	Marie Karnolt	Meg Posey	



Twenty-second Annual

Charter Oak Rally

May 23-26, 2008

Sponsored by CT River Valley BMW Riders, Inc.
(<http://www.crvbmw.org>)

CHARTER OAK

Location: Hartford County 4-H Camp, Marlborough, CT

Registration: \$47 preregistration (received prior to May 15), \$53 at the Gate.
Children 6-15 \$27 preregistration, \$33 at the Gate. Children 5 and under FREE.

The rally includes:

Entertainment on Saturday and Sunday nights

4+ meals included in the registration fee:

2 full Dinners

2 full Breakfasts

Friday night chili while it lasts

Continuous coffee

3 nights camping and our famous "always hot" showers

Door prizes

Organized rides

Rally Awards

Modern enclosed pavilion and facilities

Cabins available for clubs for \$35

Rally pin and mug guaranteed to first 225

Directions: From the intersection of Route 66 and Route 2 in Marlborough, head south on old Route 2 (also called South Main Street). In about 1/2 mile, bear right onto South Road. The Hartford County 4-H Camp will be on your left after a couple of miles. (GPS coordinates N41 59189 W72 42529)

For Preregistration or Cabins contact:

John Stiefel, Charter Oak Rally
35 Saw Mill Road
Burlington, CT 06013

Email: john_stiefel@yahoo.com
Telephone: 860-404-8850

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: _____

Email Address: _____

Name(s) of Local Club Affiliations: _____

Make of Motorcycle: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____ Sidecar: Y N

Waiver: I agree to hold harmless the Connecticut River Valley BMW Riders, Inc., the American Motorcycle Association, and the Hartford County 4-H Camp, for any injury, damage or loss incurred while attending or traveling to and from the rally.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For Official Use Only

Amount Received \$ _____ Cash or Check # _____ Received by _____

Information verified _____ Rally # _____

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Full details on the 2008 Charter Oak Rally are found on page 5. Register today.
Also, verify your 2008 CRVBMW Membership found on page 4.