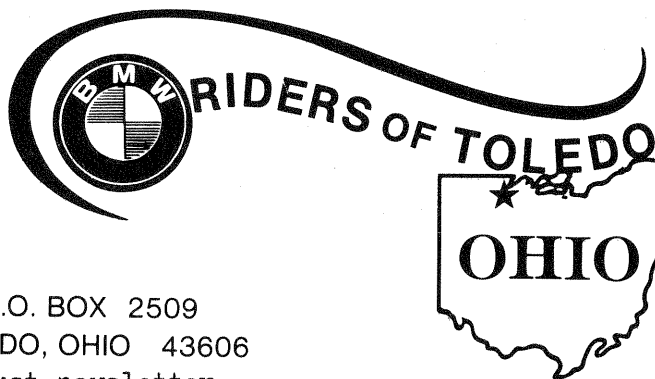


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Hi:

August newsletter

Guess what happens when your secretary-typist-cook-housekeeper-constant traveling companion is off visiting her sister in Seattle? Right. You forget (almost) to put out the newsletter. Sure hope this reaches you before our next meeting. Pardon my one-finger typing.

I guess the big item here is the National Rally. We had sixteen club members attend-a great showing. It was a super rally. The grounds were great, the facilities were very good (real showers), the awards ceremony nice and short, and the mosquitoes hungry and HUGE (They also loved the smell and taste of Smitty's after-shave.). The organization was very good, registration went smoothly, security was excellent, the tech courses were good (so I heard), and the Motorcycle Safety Foundation Experienced Rider Course was excellent (even though I didn't do so well in their short road test). By the way, maybe we should write to MSF thanking them for putting on the course-maybe even make a donation like we gave AMA. Rider sold subscriptions at a discount and AMA had a booth. Of course lots of people were selling filters, leathers, lambskins, t-shirts, hats, beer, etc, etc. ~~At~~ Dan Braun learned that Walter Friend's trailer averages 51mpg (with a strong tailwind?), Marjorie and Ed learned that ~~fr~~ Frank and Donna travel faster than they do, Mike Brickner was there (camping at holiday inn), Bob Klear slept in a parking lot, Bill and Rita were the last to arrive, Bob Peck could have rented out his tent, Norm Radtke almost bought an RT, and Lloyd Whitcomb stopped by for a beer. Also many of us enjoyed that beer selling for \$4.50 a case (what was the name of it?). Next year the rally is in Oregon. Start making plans now.

Marcy and I took advantage of being in Minn ~~to~~ as an excuse to continue on to Yellowstone (it's just a little bit the other side of Iowa!). It was GREAT. No crowds, no waiting, no hassle, no rain, and vacancies at every motel, hotel, and campground. If you can find gas (we had no big problems), this is a good year to travel. Love them Rockies!!

FOR SALE: Time Out Camper (~~\$\$\$~~) (\$450)-Contact Frank Thompson.

Gerry Four-Man Tent (\$150) and Gerry Two-Person Tent (\$70)-Contact Ed Cook.

Our next meeting will ~~be~~ Tuesday August 14, 1979 at 8 pm at the usual place. See you there.

Your solo beastie newsletter editor,

Ralph

This space for rent.