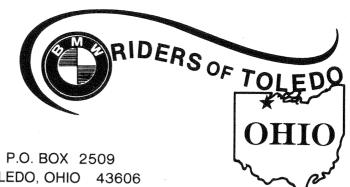
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FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

Greetings:

Well, here we are in the middle of the winter doldrums. Too cold and wet to ride (except for a few hardy fools), and too soon to think about it. But, if we hold out till March, then we can dream of Daytona. By the way, does anyone out there know what the 1980 BMW looks like? Well, on to the business at hand...

January meeting: Ed Cook ran the meeting in Gayle's absence. Turnout was very low--9 members and 4 guests (among them Merle and Nancy Cunningham, who are perspective members). Our current balance is \$1489.55. We received a letter of thanks from the Harley Motel--they appreciated our patronage.

Don Smith discussed rally arrangements. We still have no information on the Crystal Cave KOA (see below). Don will handle arrangements on patches. should have a meal similar to last year's. Entertainment sould be on a more modest scale -- sentiment for an encore by Norm Radtke was strong. We should try to think of something unique to do at this year's rally.

Let's try to get better turnout for the next meeting. Maybe if we started drawing door prizes at the meetings...?

News and Notes:

Remember that dues should be Paid some time this month--members who haven't paid by the March meeting will be dropped from the roster. This is the greatest bargain in town-dues have not gone up in ten years :: If you can't make the meeting, mail your \$\$ to Rita (\$10 for members, \$5 for spouse).

The Akron BMW Club is having a "roast" for Earl Wilfong on Feb. 12, Tues., at 8:15 PM at their meeting location. For those of you who don't recognize the name, Earl was the founder of the Akron Club. He drives a red well-dressed /2 with windshield wipers. Unfortunately, Earl has cancer and isn't feeling too well. Dan Braun will send a letter to him in the name of the club. Anyone wishing to send a personal note should address them to: Dale Zimmerman, Akron BMW M.C. Club, P.O. Box 9059, Akron, OH 44305.

The annual winter FREEZE-OUT (for all you weird types) will be held on Feb. 23 at Van Buren State Park. Call Don Smith if you plan to attempt this, so he can have enough vegetable soup to ward off the frostbite.

Don't forget that our annual mileage and states contests will be starting soon. You may want to get in touch with Bob Peck if you plan to enter. Details in the next newsletter.

Late-breaking news: It looks like the Crystal Caves KOA will not be available for our rally this year. The owner is still having lease problems. Think about where we can go and come to the meeting with suggestions (and prices, etc., if possible).

For Sale: Honda CX500, dressed.

Dan Braun.

Full leathers.

Bob Waner.

1976 R90/6, dressed.

Ralph St.John

Trade: Paul Yarnall (1891 Dublin Rd., Penfield, NY 14526) wants to obtain a 32/11 rear end (drum brake). Will trade his 32/10 or will consider a cash purchase. Te. (716) 377-2854.

Next Meeting: This will be at the usual place at 8PM, on Tues., Feb. 12. Let's all make a special effort to be there--it will help us all think about riding

instead of snow and cold. See you there.

Your BMW editors, Marin + Ralph