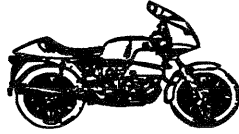


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## MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

**Tuesday, August 10, 1993**

Our regular monthly meeting will be held at the Peiffer's home on Ottawa County Road 14 @ 5.5mi S. of U.S.20. A map is included with the news. We'll have a cookout before the meeting with burgers dogs and buns provided. Also, there will be a cooler with soft drinks but **B.Y.O.B.**, also any special meal or treat you wish. If you want to eat be sure to arrive early around **6 p m** and enjoy the camaraderie. The meeting will start at the regular time **7:30pm.**

### Pres. Wade Speaks

Hello All! We have had an exciting month of July this year, first a very successful Breakfast, and then the National Rally.

The Breakfast was a success, we got to see some new faces and some we don't see too often. Frank has the names of all those present for the breakfast, after breakfast 4 of us rode on out to Defiance for a well deserved beer. It was a great day for a noon time ride.

As for the National, I think we all had a good time even though no one from the club won either of the bikes. I personally met a couple from the Toledo area that is not in the club and hopefully I get them interested.

We are planning to do another breakfast get together for August 22 around 8:30am until 10:00am. The place will be the Toussaint Resuraunt on Route 2 in Oak Harbor. Better directions will be else where in the flyer. Hopefully we can get another good turn out for this breakfast. If you have a good location for breakfast let me know and we will try to schedule another one.

The next 'local' event is the Ohio State Rally, hopefully we can get a contengent together there. I haven't been to a state rally yet so this will be my first one.

Enclosed in the newsletter is an article from my local newspaper, it shows one of our

members hard at work. A tough job when you are in a town with a lot of stupid people. Keep up the good work Dan.

Well I hope to see you all at Phillis and Leo's place for the meeting on Aug. 10th.

**Wade**

(the following is excerpted from BG newspaper.)

### Motorcycle chase in BG ends with Arrest.

A motorcyclist eluded BG police during a high speed chase Tuesday night, but was subsequently arrested at his home and his motorcycle confiscated.

Grant Guthrie, was charged with failure to comply with the order of a police officer, listed as a fourth degree felony as there was a "substantial risk" or physical harm in the events of the pursuit.

Just after 11:30pm, BG Ptl. **Dan Adams** observed five cyclist northbound on Main Street, and witnessed two of them doing wheel stands. The rider was cited, at that time, for failure to maintain reasonable control. The second cyclist fled with Ptl. **Adams** in pursuit, but the chase was called off when police said speeds reached in excess of 100mph

A yellow pullover shirt was to later be his waterloo. Shortly before midnight Lt. Tom Brokamp spotted the four remaining cyclist at Prospect and E. Wooster.

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As Lt. Brokamp was exiting from the offices, Guthrie, identified by his yellow jersey, did a wheelie and passed within three feet of Brokamp's cruiser heading north on Prospect. Speeds reached 80mph during the chase, according to the report.

The cyclist reportedly spun out at the Poe Rd. intersection, then accelerated across N. Main Street - against the red light - traveling an estimated 60mph. At that time the pursuit was called off while Guthrie continued west, allegedly in excess of 100mph.

The Lucas County Sheriff's office was notified and told that Wood County would take custody when Guthrie was apprehended. Sheriff's Deputies later responded that they had found two motorcycles at Guthrie's home and had arrested him. The incriminating yellow shirt was also found in his possession.

The offending motorcycle was confiscated while Guthrie was booked into the Wood County Justice Center.

*(Ed's. note) This story demonstrates that there is really no place for these kinds of high speed shenanigans on crowded village streets. The BG police are to be commended for acting with intelligence and restraint, by calling off the pursuit when speeds became dangerous to the public welfare and that of the pursuing officers.*

## **Koral Breakfast Ride**

By the Editor

Sunday, July 11 was our first successful breakfast ride since I started editing this newsletter. We should do it again and soon.

Last year we scheduled well in advance and only three people attended. This year we scheduled for July at our June meeting and the attendance was phenomenal. We had a grand total of eleven people which included four guest

and one member which hasn't attended a meeting since I joined the club, this would be Jim Guinan and he brought a guest and prospective member, Dave Hathaway. Among the other guests were Candy Crowne, she rides with Ed Cook, and my brother Jerry and his wife Tina, they rode over from Maine on their boxers, she on her R80RT and he on an R100(mod. RS).

We had eight beemers in our group plus one which belonged to another diner at the restaurant all parked in a line on downtown Waterville's main street. By my estimate, if all of those members that generally attend at least one meeting had shown up we could have, conceivably, had 20 to 25+ Beemer's in that line, and if each member had brought three freinds who brought three freinds. What a concept, what a club event, what a rally.

Well back to the real stuff. The breakfast went well albeit the food was typical greasy spoon the conversation was spirited and interesting to all.

After breakfast we stood about outside, on the curb and in the street, discussing the differences and characteristics of the various machines. One bike, was admired by many whom noticed the subtle changes. This machine, owned by a talented guy name of John Schobinger, had many unique parts specially machined by John and excellent work it is.

When it came time for us to depart we went in many different directions. Ed and Candy headed home as did Owen and also Jim Guinan with his freind. My brother and his wife went to visit other relatives. Rob went to Scheits for their open house. Wade, Ron, myself and John Schobinger went for a ride along S.R.65 & 424 up the river to Defiance then along the Ridge roads toward my home.

All told it was a great way to spend Sunday afternoon, and get to know another beemer. I hope

that John will consider joining our club, and taking more rides with us.

We need to do this more often and with more members, like say August 22 at the Toussaint Restaurant on S.R.2 about 1mi. E. of the Nuke just at the bridge over the Toussaint River. A map will be prepared for the ride.

## **Oshkosh B'Gosh**

(part II)

Once again a great ride with good freinds and new freinds.

I rode with Ernie (he took his car), Dale, Owen and new freind on his Paris-Dakar Jim Taylor from P'burg.

We left about 1pm from Owens and went up U.S.23 to I-96 to U.S.27 at Lansing then to I-75 up to northern Michigan for an over-night at the Merzke's cottage at Black Lake. We had a very good ride except that I kept losing my direction around Lansing. Oh well no one ever accused me of having direction in my life.

Lois and Jim have a real nice place up north and their hospitality is first class. They gave us accomodations inside the cabin for the night and hot showers in the morning. Lois fixed the best pancakes and sausages I've had in a long time.

The next day we headed up toward Cheboygan and Mackinaw to cross into the UP for our journey west to Wisconsin. Along the way, because I wouldn't put brand X gas in my new Paris-Dakar I ran out of gas before we got to Mackinaw and everyone waited with my bike while Ernie ran me into town to get gas. The station didn't have a can or bottle for gas so I got a bottle of Gator-Aide and filled it with enough gas to get me into town.

Once across the bridge we had a great ride along the coast to the Rally. A great time with good folks. More next issue.