

# BLACK SWAMP BEEHIVE

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# NEWSLETTER

## FEBRUARY 2001

### MEETING

The february meeting will be held at Maumee Bay State park at the ranger station.

Club meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm.

unless there is an event to change this rule.

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**February 2001**

**MINUTES FOR JANUARY**

**Presidents report**

Bart Mather new president for 2001 nothing to report yet. Made reference that he'd like to pick up where Jim left off.

**Vice-President report**

Delbert mention there are a number of events on the calendar this year. national rally is in Redmond Oregon. he hopes to see you all there.

**Treasurer**

Don reported dues collected expense for door prizes, postage, and the moa charter. total account balance 796.14.

**Secretary**

Ra charter renewal was recieved. Please everyone fill out new application this year to update club files. There is also a campout in New Haven on rte 598 behind TJ's cycle shop the weekend of may 11-13.

**Road Captain**

Were having a party!!!!

**New Members**

There were three new members vote in at this meeting. The new members are Julie Schwartz, Michel Litalien, and Sonja Davis. The members of the club welcome you!

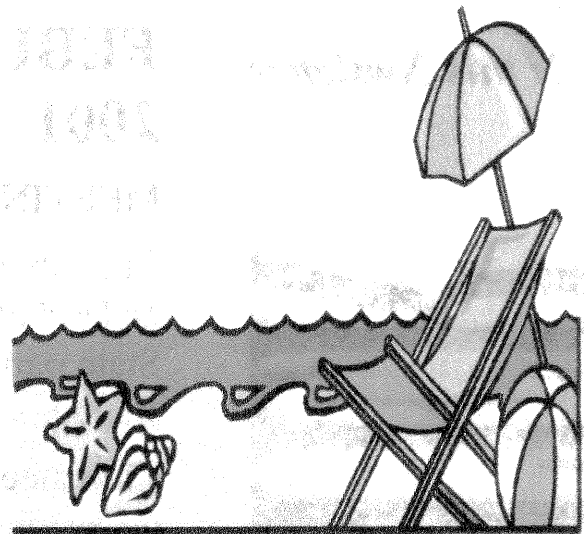
**Old Business**

Dues are do !! \$12.00 for single membership and \$17.00 for dual membership. The next old business was the web site Wade said that it would be a cost to the club of \$75 for 2 years for the domain. A web site is a good way to show a uniform front where people can always find you. We would probably have a bmwrider.org type of address. motion was for wade to check into it and report back.

**New Business**

Election of officers was done new officers are listed on cover of newsletter. New applications were sent out and are again in this news letter please send them in. Dale suggested to have new places for meeting that are not as noisy as French quarter club is looking for suggestions. Bart suggested that the club as a whole try to get in touch with members that don't

come to meetings. Said he was going to try to get in touch with some. Dale mentioned Metal aircraft association contacted him about an event on memorial day weekend. They ask if we could do something with motorcycles. some mentioned dyno testing. Garrett motor works now has this. Dale is looking for ideas for this event.



Dreaming of someplace warm to ride!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**The President's Thoughts**

Well we have another winter to wait out before the sun shines long and warm. Warm enough to melt the ice, encourage flowers, and draw birds north to nest. Motorcyclists who don't mind waiting until the days of warmth are excited about something else which displaces the thought of having that warm breeze in his face.

Another depressing thing we will all have to wait out is the economic downturn this country is entering. What this will mean is to be seen, hopefully the major portion if not all of your holdings are in cash or precious metals. Stock Market paper is going to be unloaded as never before.

I know one fella shopping for a used bike and he is so enthusiastic that it makes me smile and feel enthusiastic for him. I know the feeling when that new purchase is in the driveway and your head is filled with all the routes, stops and destinations you look

forward to in the new riding season. Years ago I would plan every ride even the one that was just a couple hours long. Have you ever got on the bike and just rode for a few hours following what might be the best motorcycling road as they appeared? You ride west, as you stop at an intersection you can't help notice the road to the right runs along a large stream and is correspondingly curvy. You hang a right. After a few miles the road and stream part. The stream remains curvy but the road straightens out like an interstate. Oh look at the narrow lane going through the woods, take it and see where it leads us. Now we are in a small town that we have never heard of and since we are hungry let's stop and eat that little restaurant where all the cars and pick-up trucks are parked. This kind of riding is the best for me and my wife Carol. Even on long trips across the country we do this "wandering" at times during the days when you are near the destination but have some daylight and energy left to explore the back roads. You look at the map and notice that another smaller road also goes to your target city but it will take up some of those extra hours and energy that you have. So you go for it and have some experiences that you would have never encountered on the main road. This kind of attitude about riding also has other benefits also. So what if there is a detour on your chosen route just detour and enjoy it or take your own detour if you don't like the one laid out for you by the state. After getting use to this more relaxed way of riding, I remembered that this is how I rode with my brother and our friends when we learned how to ride in 1965!

### The Editors Column

Wow February as we go through this month all I can think of is I wish I could go south to ride. I can't so the bright side is maybe only another 5 to 6 weeks for some nice days to ride. February weekends are usually filled with swap meets for motorcycles and that other part of life (work). I am looking forward to getting into the garage and getting the bike set to go for the spring. There are a lot of places to go this year but only so many weekends to chose from as always I wish I had more weekends off. The time I do get to spend riding this year will be exciting and adventurous. Always take time out to do the things you love you only get so much time.

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