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The April 8th meeting will be held at
**Ron Berry's House 11340 Duff Washa
rd. Map enclosed.** Hint for finding:
house sets way off road look for address
on mail box an BMW logo on
newspaper box. Food will be between
6:15 and 7pm Meeting to start at
7:15pm.

**Dues are due!! If you have not
paid dues by April meeting you
will no longer get a newsletter.
Send dues to Sonya Davis.**

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of
each month with the exception of a club
function.

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Minutes For March 2003

Minutes for February were accepted as printed in newsletter.

Delbert called meeting to order.

Presidents Report

Delbert welcomed every one to meeting. Delbert has had a couple of rides despite the cold. He will be out Sunday if it's nice at Ohio RA meeting. The RA Spring Campout April 25th to 27th is at Mount Vernon Ohio. The original Mini rally Mich May 2nd to 4th. Kirk Monday contacted us as well. He could not make meeting he will be in touch.

Vice-President Report

Absent due to shredding of his newsletter by postal service. Sorry!!!!

Secretary

Newsletter were sent out people that we do not have membership forms for were sent forms. Please send these back to keep membership information up to date. Other members were sent a nice note as a reminder to please pay dues. Articles are accepted as always. Make your voice is heard. Bart made comment to try to get new patch into newsletter. Checking on it. Cut off for next newsletter will be April 24th.

Treasurer Report

Sonja lost with Michel.

Road Captain

The peanut gallery yelled we had a party and we had fun. Gary gave a report of a swamp meet near Chicago coming up, he is going if you can not go and are looking for something call Gary. Date April 27th. The weather has really been bad. Hope for a weather break.

Webmaster

Missing in action out of town.

Old Business

Hopedale is where the bricks are the trip is 213 miles. The suggestion is to go from Mount Vernon campout or fall Foliage campout. Mount Vernon is more likely. The other idea is to get a club ride for a whole day. A Saturday possibly. The nametags we will be taking orders. Price will probably be \$5.00. Ed is the badge master. What should Gary's badge should say? The By-laws and Constitution changes were voted on and the changes are:

By-laws changes:

Original: No.3 Any member, who is three months behind in dues, may be expelled from the club by a 51% vote of those present at any two consecutive meetings.

Change

No.3 Any member who is three (3) months behind in dues will be expelled from club. Dropped from mailing list after written notification with no response from that member.

Original: No.4 An application for membership must be filled out by applicant and signed by one active member of the club in good standing. Upon payment of dues, applicant will be placed on probation for a period of 3 months, his conduct being satisfactory; will be voted on by the active membership for permanent membership.

Change

No.4 An application for membership must be filled out by applicant and signed by one active member of the club in good standing. Dues due upon receipt of application. Applicant will be placed on probation for 3 meetings or events that must be attended within a 12 meeting period. Upon attendance of 3 meetings or events the applicant will be voted on and accepted or denied membership by a 51% vote. If denied membership dues will be prorated and refunded.

Original: No.9 Any member who is terminated from the club for nonpayment of dues only, and would like to rejoin again must be recommended by one active member of the club in good standing, and voted on as a new member, as in No.4 by-laws.

ChangeNo.9 Any member who is terminated from the club for nonpayment of dues only, and would like

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to rejoin again must be recommended by one active member of the club in good standing, and voted on for renewal membership at that meeting.

Constitution change

Original: Art.14 This constitution may be amended or added to: The proposed amendment being submitted in writing at a regular meeting, and voted on at the next meeting.

A majority vote of active members in attendance at the meeting shall be required to pass an amendment.

Change

Art.14 This constitution or the by-laws may be amended or added to: The proposed amendment or by-law being submitted in writing at a regular meeting, and voted on at the next meeting. A majority vote of active members in attendance at the meeting shall be required to pass an amendment or by-law.

These changes were voted on and accepted.

The banner guy is on Vacation. T-shirts and a banner will be checked on.

New Business

Don stated that John mentioned a membership card. The club had one in the past. But it disappeared the thought is to bring it back. The purpose is to have proof you belong and expiration so you know when your dues are due. Don will bring example next time. Next order of business is the meals for campout. Hobo stew; bring a can of food for the stew for Friday. Saturday meal is chili. Just in case it's cold. Julie brought information on pony express ride. This is the breast cancer ride it is coming through Toledo on July 20th departing at 9:00am from Signature Harley Davison. Gary's comment to Julie was: Can we count on you to keep us abreast of the situation. The members roared with laughter. It was mentioned that we maybe make a donation this cause. This issue to be brought up later. New dealers in town an Indian dealer. BMW still tries to find someone to open a shop. What is wrong with this picture????



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WED&FRI 10-6, SAT 9-3

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From Bob Wood

From the Ra newsletter

Dear BMW RA Ohio Rider,

As I wrap up this newsletter to go to print, a soggy flock is breaking up at Daytona for the return home and Bike Week 2003 is history. Unfortunately, due to the weather, not all of the motorcycle races were run as planned, but the first race of the new BMW Boxer Cup Series did get off on time. This was the only race of the Series we will see scheduled here in the United States and it was done with all the excitement, eloquence, and class BMW is known for. There were almost fifty, virtually stock R1100RS machines, each adorned with the unique bike rider's country of origin custom paint scheme. If you haven't seen the, now famous, jug bump at nearly 180 MPH, find someone who taped the race and watch in amazement at the way the racers handled these Boxers. I watched as the Stars and Stripes painted number 46 of Brian Patriot took second place just behind the French rider Roberto Panichi in a photo finish. It's really good to see BMW back at the track in any event.

More than racing made history at Bike Week this year. This, as many of you know, was the second year the BMW camp out was held at the Holiday Campgrounds and the first year both national BMW Clubs were present in a cooperative atmosphere. I am still waiting for the full accounting, but anticipate a positive report from Headquarters. Also slated was a first ever BMW RA Board Meeting during Bike Week where much of what is to become of the new RA structure was discussed. One of the issues on the agenda was how we will restructure our regional officers and representatives. I am hoping the Board spent some time considering the proposal I submitted for Regional Coordinators and modeling their structure around the way we have been operating here in Ohio.

If you are new to the RA and live here in Ohio you might be surprised to find out that there is an organized state-level group here that is quite active, both during the normal and off riding seasons. In Ohio we have five indoor brunch meetings (one in each geographical quadrant of the state and one in the central state area) and a minimum of three riding season camp outs. All these events are for this region's members and usually at little or no cost. These statewide events seem to foster better local rider communications, awareness, and camaraderie. They also promote a more coordinated scheduling of events amongst the Ohio clubs -- avoiding overlapping dates. To this end, Ohio BMWV events are well attended and supported by other clubs within the district. This is our mission in a nutshell and part of that mission is to keep you informed through a local newsletter like this one. You will find this newsletter in your mailbox or (if you are online) available to read on our web site twice a year. In this issue

of the RA Ohio Update I have included a separate calendar for the year outlining each event. I highly recommend you save it for reference during the 2003-riding season, but for complete up-to-the-minute details of any of the events, go to the Ohio-RA web site at the address in the letterhead. Feel free to join in at any listed event. And don't forget, the most important item in our mission is to ride and have fun.

LOCAL CLUB NEWS

As you read this issue you will surely be thinking forward to the fast approaching riding and camping season. I for one have had enough time inhaling the two-stroke fumes of my snow blower and am looking forward to the sweet smell of lilacs as I jet past the smartly painted Bi-Centennial Ohio Barns on my Beemer.

If you're in the Cincinnati Club, you will likely be seeing as many of these barns as you can for the contest Jim Smith and Mike LaBar have set up for you. Mike has posted the contest details on their web site at

<http://w3.one.net/~labrew/OhioBarnRules.html> and lists all 88 county barns and a map. The Greater Cincinnati BMW Club (GCBMWC) has continued their active communications on their Club's Yahoo Group and runs a high tally of postings per month. They are even sending their newsletter via E-mail to online members. This may prove to be the wave of the future. I have been trying to do something similar on the state level and beginning with this issue these Ohio-RA newsletters will be available in PDF on the web site and in the eGroup files section to read and print..

In Cleveland, the BMWVOC club will award its members MoCal points (a new participation tracking system) to members caught in a Bi-Centennial Ohio Barn Photo-Op. That plus a host of other membership participation incentives will give their members points that will in turn be cashed in for helmet stickers. The member with the most stickers will eventually end up with a cash prize at the end of the season. Now you're talking. This is quite an innovative program and it aggressively solicits member participation. I will keep an eye on this incentive program and report back on how it works out in a later issue.

The Ohio RA Regional Meetings are almost over for this winter with only the Central State Regional Meeting and Brunch remaining on the schedule for Sunday, March 16. As I wrap up the series I have found the local clubs in Ohio continue to be strong and viable. Some are growing, like Toledo, while maintaining their usual events while others like the Buckeyes have leveled out and are about the same size, but doing more events. For the second time in as many years, the Buckeyes will run their Dunlop Elite Series Poker Run on June 1st to benefit the AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum and would love to see a strong showing of Ohio BMW riders. And as usual, the Buckeyes are also planning their BS Rally again at Lake Snowden on September 5-7 this year.

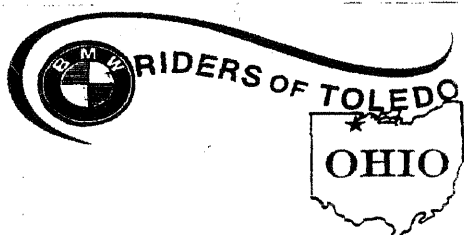
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Mark your calendar for both events -- they are for all riders.

Mentioned above the Toledo Club continues to grow it's membership and host both spring and summer camp outs. Their February newsletter included a full color photo (on glossy stock) of their members at their annual banquet. If they grow any more they will need a wide-angle lens for next year. Toledo also recently approved a new patch design that is now for sale through their club and they are looking into updating their Constitution and Bylaws. They are moving and shaking in Toledo complete with a web site and are a club to keep an eye on.

All in all, Ohio's local BMW clubs continue to thrive and provide numerous rider events for all to enjoy. The number of exclusive Ohio BMW events always surprises me as I put together my calendar. Be sure to support your local club and their efforts. Imagine for a moment what life would be like without them and I'm sure you will realize they are the jewels in our crown here in Ohio



The Editor's Column

Reflections On The New Riding Season

The winter has been cold and long. They say it has been 20 or so years since it has been this cold. The talk around town is just let it end. The motorcyclists just want to ride. With the beginning of spring I see signs of the riding season every where; across from where I work I seen some Goldwing riders washing their bikes just the other day. The weather is getting better but there will still be a few cold snaps yet. I've been thinking get your gear together

there will be campouts to make.

Work that four-letter word is making the schedule difficult. Some days I swear I'm going to quit. Then I think How will I play! Not that I would not be able to get a job right away. In my field their in need. But The weekends to play will be even less. I don't want that. Some people have more time then others to ride but I guess the key is to ride anytime you get the chance even if it's only to work on a nice day. My personal favorite rides are on nice days in the summer when I will be able to take the long way home. The days I get off at four and don't get home till just after dark. Riding taking that breath of fresh air. Singing to the songs that are about riding and wondering the country. Stopping for the occasional break to here the cell phone with the message when are you coming home. Did you get lost? The answer is always yes on purpose. Just needed a relaxing break.

I am also looking forward to going to rallies and campouts. I miss many of the people I haven't seen, I also look forward to meeting new people. There are places to go, campfires to go to. Please don't forget the entertainment around the campfire, or your kazoo. What new antics will make the record books for this year? Will attendance be up or down because of the world around us? Mysteries my friend all mysteries!

This month's newsletter has a very long Calendar of events. Pick out your plans for the season. Find out where the bikers are keep up on

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the new info! Will Toledo get a BMW dealership? Will the summer be hot? Will you put the miles on the bike this year? Will you make your favorite rally? Will you find the gear your looking for? Questions for time I guess! All around Ohio there are things happening hope you all will be able to meet some of the great people putting these events together. Hats off to all around Ohio working to make our riding season full and fun!

That's all! As always RIDE SAFE!!

Beth S.

Calendar of Events 2003

April 8th: BMW club meeting

Meeting at Ron and Nancy's house 11340 Duff Washa Rd off of route 19. Look for BMW logo on newspaper box. House set off road.

• April 25-27, 2003 Ohio RA Mt. Vernon Spring Camp

Out At the Kokosing Valley Camp and Canoe 1/2 mile west of Millwood, OH (SR 36 and SR 62) This will be our 2nd year at this new location that has many welcome amenities. There are flush toilets, hot showers, a laundry, miniature golf, swimming pool, basketball, baseball, horseshoe pits, and an on site camp store, just to name a few. Restaurants can be found close by in Millwood and Danville. We will be in "Area B" (right across from the Office/Store) and have the picnic shelter. Camping will cost \$4.00 per person per night and there is water and electric at each site. The Ohio RA will provide continuous coffee, tea, and hot chocolate. Saturday night -- share a dish if you wish (potluck) and a one year RA membership give-away. Adult beverages are permitted. Excellent riding roads are found in every direction from the campgrounds. Also, nearby is the Kokosing Gap Trail for hikers. Everyone loved this site last year -- come on out and see why. The campground's phone is 740.599.7056.

April 27th: BMW flea Market in

Rockford Il. Call Gary 419-666-3126

April 25-27 2003: Trail of tears Rally.
At Caston River Park Campground 15 miles west of Marble hill Missouri
contact 573-334-6862

May 2-4:30th annual Mini rally Sturgis Mich.

• May 16-18, 2003 BMW Riders of Toledo Spring Camp Out.

Harrison Lake State Park, Fayette, OH. Check web site at <http://www.bmwridersoftoledo.org/> for more info. Park phone 419.237.2593.

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May 22-25: 15th annual Rocket city rally. Contact Delbert Schwab

June 12th-15: Iowa Rally. Contact phone 319-354-2027

• May 23-26, 2003 Cass Memorial

Day Rally sponsored by the Mountaineer BMW Riders at the Boyer Station Campground on SR 28, five miles north of Green Bank, near Boyer, WV. Soup and sandwiches Friday night until 11:00 PM, dinner Saturday evening, and coffee, tea, and hot chocolate around the clock. \$35 rally fee or \$30 if pre registered by May 16, 2003. For more info call 614.471.1418 days (Charlie or Betty) or 304.863.6206 evenings (Ron) or check out their web site at www.mountaineerbmw.org. Motel reservations are available by calling 304.456.4667.

July 10-13: BMW MOA rally in Charleston West Virginia. Rally called The Almost Heaven Rally

• July 18-20 AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, Lexington, OH.

• July 25-27 Super Cycle Weekend at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, OH.

• June 1, 2003 Buckeye Beemers

M/C Club Poker Run with all proceeds benefiting the AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum. This is an all brands event so invite all your riding friends and their friends. Registration begins at the Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum in Pickerington, Ohio (SR 204 east of SR 256, Exit 112 off I-70 east of Columbus) at noon with the first bike out at 1:00 PM. Door prizes and awards. Contact Dick Reichenbach at 937.349.2401 for more info or visit the Buckeye Beemer's web site at <http://home.columbus.rr.com/buckeyebeemers/>

• Aug 22-24 Toledo BMW Riders Summer Camp Out at East Harbor State Park (group area)

Last note Dues are due:

June 6-8th: BMW MOC Micro-Rally at the pit.

\$12 single
\$17 couple

• June 13-15, 2003 Ohio RA Appalachians Foothills

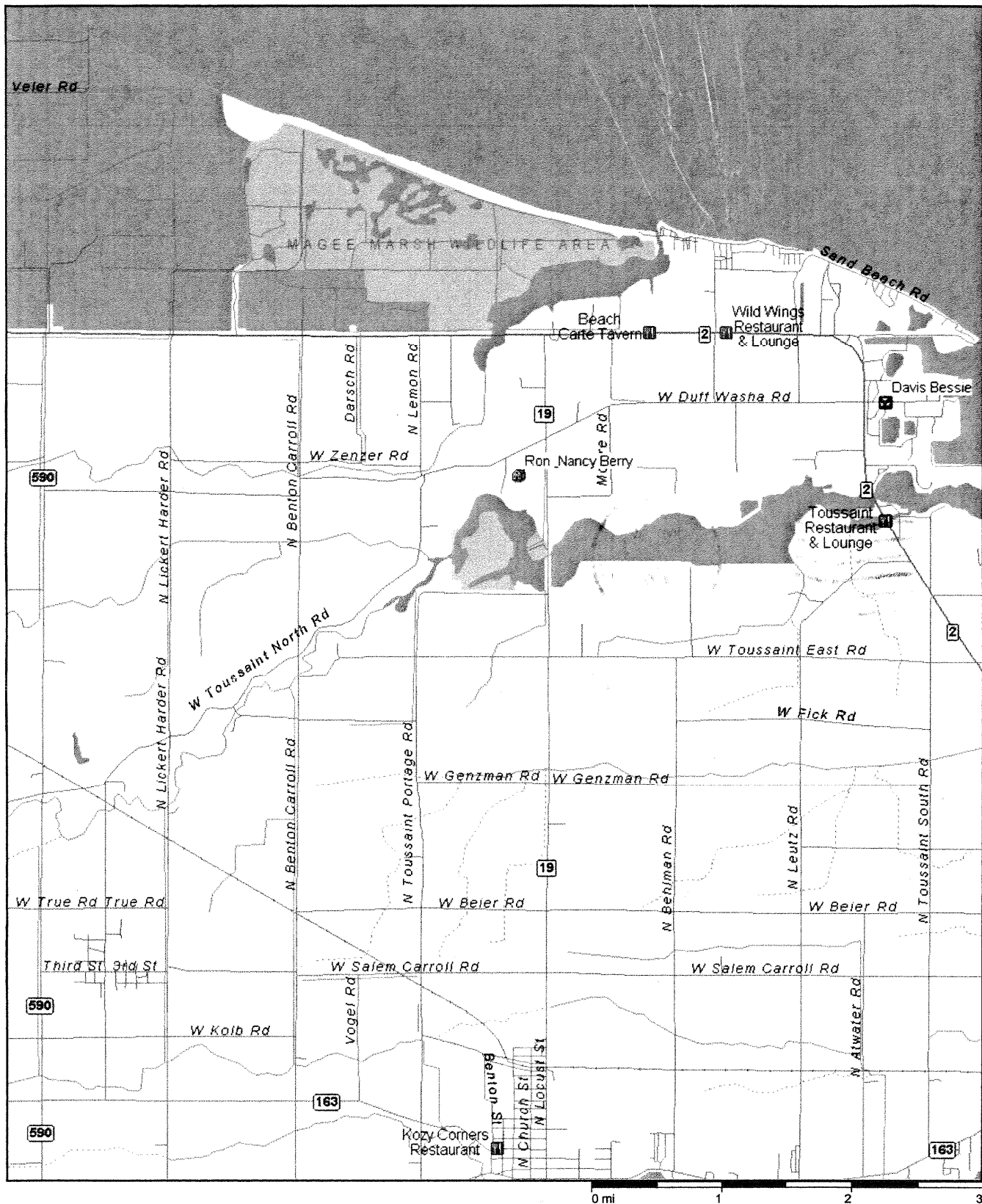
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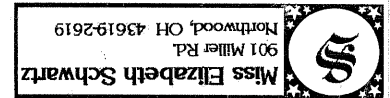
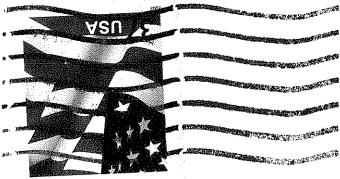


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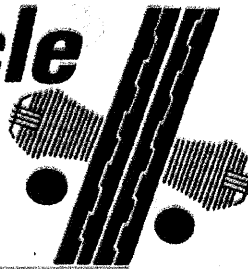
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