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The February 10th meeting will be held at Beth's house 901 Miller Rd Northwood Oh 43619 phone 836-3708

Meet and greet/dinner 6:30pm meeting begins at 7:30pm

Come join us!

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

For more info. Contact any club officer or see our website at:

www.bmwridersoftoledo.org

Dues are due! It's January see or send to Sonja. Single \$12.00 \$15.00 couples.

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Minutes For January 2004

Minutes for November were accepted as printed in newsletter.

Delbert called meeting to order.

Presidents Report

Delbert started the meeting by welcoming everyone great turn out thanked Gary, then turned the meeting over to the new president without introducing him. Delbert laughed and said everyone knows Daryl don't they. Daryl said that Delbert said to have an acceptance speech to Daryl joked about Harley's. Daryl thought about being president and decided that the club would be straight forwards no screwing around the laughter roared. The presidency will be done like always the seat of our pant's anything else? Daryl goal is to keep meetings short. He then introduced the officers.

Vice-President Report

Michel started by welcoming the new president to office. He is looking forward to working under his administration. Laughs. He then welcomed guests Paul Young, Bill Elvy, Linda Gary's guest, Julie. Welcomed back Mark. He then thanked Delbert for his last couple of years of service. Applause. He also gave a special thanks to Schiets Motors for their support and door prizes for our banquet. They are expanding and when complete they have invited us to have a meeting there. They will be sending a survey out so please fill it out. Detroit motorcycle shoe February 20-22 cobo hall, R.A. regional meeting at Wally's February 8th, Vintage motorcycle days the mark of the vear is BMW.

Secretary

I gave usual report. Any problems with newsletter any questions. I passed around messages to the club Ra Calendar. Cleveland club newsletter and events were passed around. Dues are due see Sonja. February 20th March newsletter deadline. March 20th deadline for April newsletter.

Treasurer Report

Sonja gave report. Report accepted as given. If you would like a club badge call Sonja. Membership cards, name badges, decals and t-shirts \$15 see Sonja. Report accepted as given.

Road Captain

Gary started his report by giving away a prize. The stated we are having a party everyone who matters is here and we laughed. Next party is in spring. Hope everyone is enjoying the food. Have a good time.

Webmaster

Wade ask that anyone who took pictures if they would send them to him for posting on the website.

Old Business

Shirts patches ECT. The new officers are now installed. Patches and stickers for sale patches are \$5 stickers \$1. Name tags still for sale \$5. Shirts \$15.00

New Business

Lois Merzke's thank you letter was read to the club appreciated by all. Spring camp out recommendation for Harrison Lake. Gary to Check into reservations. Harrison lake spring Campout May 21-23, 2004. August Campout is the 27th-29th at East Harbor. Gary to check into reservations there. Voted and accepted with Gary's usual. February meeting is the 10th meeting to start at 7:30pm. March meeting is to be at Al & Cassie Bastings. Meeting March 9th. Banquet for 2005 tabled for next meeting. Special thanks from our club to Schiets Motors for all their support!!! Delbert gave dates they are in calendar of events Meeting adjourned.

Presidents Message By Daryl Apple

Well, what can I say, It's 2004 and a new president takes office. I understand it was a close race, especially since it was unopposed.

Actually I'm glad to be serving the club after being a member for 10 or 12 years. I'll do the best I can. I promise "No new Taxes", famous last words.

I hope you're all having a great winter and getting you r bike or bikes ready for the next season. If you're between motorcycles then lets get to it, go into debt like the rest of us.

Hope everyone at the banquet enjoyed themselves and if you left hungry it's your own fault.

See you next meeting February 10th, 2004 at Beth's home. Remember food at 6:30pm and meeting at 7:30pm. If you have any trip photos please bring them to share!

Editor's Note

At the banquet each year we raffle off the little guy if you don't know what he is you have not been to the banquet. This year Don gave us the story on the little guy I thought those of you that were not there might be interested. Back in the early seventies we had members Bob and Ruth. Ruth was taking a ceramic class she made the little guy and gave it to the club. Now every year he gets raffled off at the banquet to set in a club member's home for 1 year with the condition that he comes back. This year it's Sue Schwartz's turn.

Club History Corner

Part 2: How The Club began

By Don Smith

Last time I mentioned the young men who were involved in the formation of the club- It's only fair to mention the young women who were there at the beginning also. My ex-wife Liz, was a prime mover and shaker early on and was secretary for a number of years, Kitten Klear, Tootie Kuyoth, Rita Morgan, Donna Thompson, Joyce Rudolph and Marcie St. John held various positions early on, Carol Schwartz was around at the beginning also. I don't recall her ever being in office, but she has the distinction of being the only parent of second-generation members- and there are four of them. They are- Delbert, John, Sue and Beth. Good Job Carol!

Three Toledo Club members were there in the beginning of BMWMOA. Dale Foster was the first technical advisor; Bob Klear headed up the Flea Market column and yours truly was a director from 1972-1974. My MOA # is 15 131.

I used to hold a campout in February-around my birthday. I called it the winter freeze-out. Members did show up and spent the night in tents, vans and station wagons.

Don Arquette was an on again-off again member of our club. Don was BMW from the word go- He was the first BMW dealer in the Toledo area. Don ate, drank, and slept BMW. There was no other motorcycle in the world than a BMW. Early on, Dale Foster bought a Motto Guzzi. We changed our by-laws to let Dale remain a member. I believe we gave him an honorary member status without voting privileges. This flipped Don out and he quit the club and stormed out of the meeting. It took six months or more to talk Don into attending

our meetings again. This happened a number of times and Don never did forgive us for letting brand x motorcycles in our club. Don attended numerous rallies and had hid share of high speed driving awards. Don was appointed an ambassador of the BMWMOA and he wore his badge with pride and Honor. Don had over 50ty years of BMW motorcycle riding under him. I miss him.

I'd like to invite Dale, Bob Klear, my ex-Liz, and Carol for their early memories of our club. I'd enjoy reading their recollections of our clubs beginning.

Anyone who has attended a national rally and noticed the banners with all of the club patches at the registration area, you may be surprised to learn that the very first patch sewn on was our club patch. Here's the story- my ex-Liz and I were in New Jersey and we stopped at the importer of BMW Motorcycles-Butler & Smith at the time. I was planning a jacket with club patches sewn on for Vern Hansen (the first BMWMOA president) to be presented at the second BMWMOA National rally in Pickens S.C. Butler and Smith gave me the iacket and I solicited different clubs for their patches and Liz sewed them on and ours went on first. More clubs came on board and the jacket was no longer adequate to accommodate all of the patches so they went to banners.

Our membership peaked at around 65 members in the mid seventies and it has went below 20 members.

After 35 years we're still doing what we started out doing- Quite a feat if you ask me. Keep up the good work.

Ride on-----Don

Calendar of Events 2004

- •February 8th, 2004: Ra breakfast meeting at Wally's restaurant on 795. Call Delbert for time 419-836-9344
- •February 10th, 2004: Meeting Beth's House 901 Miller rd., Northwood Ohio. Food at 6:30pm. Meeting to begin 7:30pm.
- Detroit motorcycle show February 20-22 For more info contact Delbert 419-836-9344
- •February 28th: Cleveland club Trip to maps Museum Meet at Farmer Boy Restaurant at 1324 Canton rd Akron Oh ext of Rt 915 just south of rt 224 phone 330-784-4052. Meet at 9:00am.
- •March 1st-6th 2004: Daytona Bike Week
- •March 9th, 2004: BMW Riders of Toledo meeting at Al & Cassie Bastings house 28988 Belmont Farms Rd Perrysburg Oh

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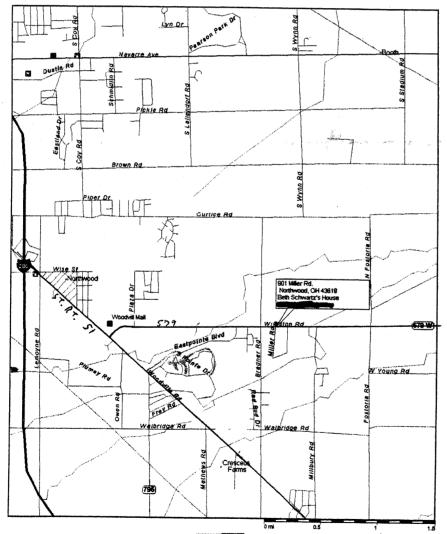
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