



RBMWR Meeting Minutes Sunday August 15th

President Joe called the meeting to order at 9:40.

A call was made for more door prizes for the Sherando Rally. We have some door prizes but need more. Please bring some to the rally so we can draw your name and give it back to you.

New Business: This month's club dinner will be held on Tuesday 24 August at the Rose 'n Crown in New Kent County. This motion was moved, seconded and voice voted. (ed. note: There was a conflict w/R&C and Dinner was at Brothers Pizza in Oilville)

Rusty informed us that there will be an impromptu ride to Waugh's Harley Davidson. Info is coming. Also, he will conduct his annual Saturday ride to Sherando for those who are too sissy to camp there.

Eppa announced that starting about 1997 and running through the end of the R 1150 era, BMW installed fuel fittings on both R and K bikes that were made of plastic. These have a disturbing tendency to fail causing gas to go to places it doesn't belong, sometimes under pressure. This has been known to cause fires and other problems like running out of gas prematurely. The good news is that Eppa knows how to fix this! It's simple: Replace the plastic fittings with steel ones. Talk to Eppa to learn more.

There is a new quarterly BMW magazine out. This year's summer issue features GSs.

Tim Pedersen announced that the ride would take about an hour and a half; would involve some technical riding and would terminate at the Blue Heron restaurant on the confounded Chickahominy River.

There were drawings, there were winners, prizes were awarded.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 resulting in a stampede for the exits and rest rooms.

[Robert Annandale](#) , President of Vice

SEPTEMBER

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Sept Ride Leader: [J Heckman](#)

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Rider Leaders for 2010

March 21- Eppa
April 18-Steve Johnson
May 23 Tony Smith
June 20- Richard Hinman
July 18-Steve Johnson
August 15-Tim Pedersen and
Joe Prezioso
September 19-John Heckman
October 17-Charles Peters
November 21-Dave Jennings

Prez Note:

Howdy, all!

Right now it's two weeks till Sherando. Really looking forward to the rally! I know that preparations have been made, Charlie's got things under control, and many of us are preregistered (right?!). I'm sure it'll be a great rally.

We have a few major events each year:

- New officers installed in January
- Sherando on Labor Day
- New officer elections
- December party

We're coming up on Sherando, but we need to be looking ahead. So get your thoughts around serving on an elected position with the organization. This is *your* organization; make it what you want it to be.

We also should codify the dinners a bit better. Sorry about August's dinner; who knew the Rose & Crown was going to have a mystery dinner night when *we* wanted to have our dinner there? So please come to the September meeting with dinner ideas in mind.

Because Ning.com has gone to a for-pay model, I ponied up the minimal ducats for it. We do have to decide whether to use <http://richmondbmwriders.ning.com> or <http://www.rbmwr.com> or both. Right now, only 26 people have signed up for our Ning site, but they seem to think it's usable. At any rate, that'll be something to discuss in the last part of the year.

Finally, be safe, watch your apex, and have fun!

joe

[Joe Sokohl](#)

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Monterey Weekend Trip

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Monterey Weekend

If you attended the Club meeting this month you may have noticed a few missing faces. A group of us were enjoying the weather in Monterey, Va. (It was cool and rainy) at our annual RBMWR gathering. While there were 7 couples there, it occurred to me that many of you aren't even aware that the event exists. About 15 years ago a group decided it would be fun to stage an event where non-riding spouses might enjoy a weekend at a location that was fun to ride to and where good roads made day rides pleasant. Since then we have gathered at the Highland Inn in Monterey in August, to escape the central Virginia heat and humidity and to enjoy each other's company. The attendees vary every year with a core group coming each year. The specific weekend has varied, but now is timed to try to miss the races at VIR and leave some space before Sherando.

This year, like most others we spent our Friday evening on the Inn's front porch enjoying cocktail hour before moving in to the dining room for dinner. After dinner it is back to the front porch for more adult beverages and much laughter. Over the years there has been guitar playing, piano playing, joke telling, gossip (it's dangerous to miss the weekend) and probably more lies told than anywhere else in Virginia. On most Saturdays the ladies will find entertainment in shopping, visiting the Homestead for tea and avoiding husbands, while motorcycle riders travel to Paint Bank, Green Bank, Snowshoe or some other destination that is fun to ride to. This year due to the rain the longest ride was a 20 mile loop through the Blue Grass Valley just to ride somewhere, anywhere.

Saturday night was a repeat of Friday and the last soul headed off to bed somewhere around midnight. Sunday morning, after breakfast at High's restaurant, across the street, people slowly gathered to say goodbye and head back to Richmond

The last thing everyone does is make reservations for next year. Although next year's date conflicts with the Club meeting again we'll gather on August 20 and 21, 2011 for another great event at Monterey. If you think you might enjoy such a gathering don't hesitate to call and make a reservation for those Friday and Saturday nights. Don't wait too long as the Inn isn't that big and the rooms go quickly. We've never been able to scare off those non-Club folks who insist on making reservations for the same weekend. The telephone number for the Inn is 540 468-2143.

Bob Dittmeier took literally hundreds of pictures and some of them should be included somewhere in this issue. If it looks like we're having fun it's only because we did!

Charles Peters

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Monterey Pictures

The President of Vice

After two months on the lam, I finally made an appearance at the August meeting. A few people seemed to notice. I was worried that the Guzzi touch that has charmed all our rides so far this year might finally be broken.

The ride in from Mineral was cloudy and threatening. Would our ride be blessed with sunshine or tormented with rain? The weather guessers professed to not know but we had the Guzzi charm on our side!

The ride was led by Tim Pedersen on his FJR. Eleven club members made the ride although John Heckman bailed out at the end rather than eat lunch. Must be dieting. As it turned out, the Guzzi charm held and we had great weather (well, a little too hot, perhaps).

Tim led us on a somewhat technical tour of all the country roads east of Richmond that are in need of resurfacing. We ended at the Blue Heron restaurant on the Chickahominy River. It was quite a show at the restaurant! They were ready for us, had set a table just for us and served us some great eats – although they were out of BBQ. They even took interested folks on a tour of the facility! We all left generous tips.

On the ride back to Mineral with fellow resident Ed Jarvis, the Guzzi charm failed and we got rained on rather severely. My new riding gloves have a nasty habit of turning my hands black in the rain. Oh, well.

Next month the ride will be led by our indefatigable newsletter editor John Heckman – the very same John who appears to be dieting! I am so excited I can hardly wait. Unfortunately, I will not be there (yet again), as I will be rallying with the Guzzisti in northern Georgia. Probably in the rain.

As always, please feel free to [e-mail me](#) with any suggestions or recommendations of good wineries I should visit.

[Robert Annandale](#)

Blast from the Past: Sherando Weekend



Richmond BMW Riders

We meet the **3rd Sunday of every month at 9am**, so mark your calendars! We meet at [Babe's of Carytown](#) which is located at 3166 West Cary Street on the corner of Cary and Auburn. Babe's is about 3 blocks west of Lucy's and across the street from the Wachovia bank. There is plenty of parking in the bank parking lot, so feel free to park there.

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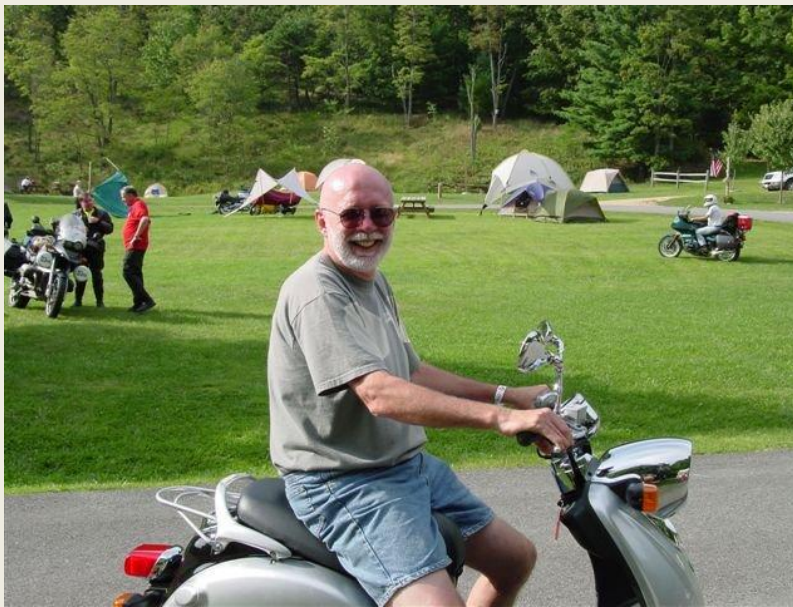
Editor's Note: I was at Morton's a few weeks ago and found out there was a recall on 2007-2009 R1200GS Brake lines. If you ride a GS for those years you may want to go and get yours replaced. They replaced mine.

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September 3 - 6, 2010
35th Sherando Lake Rally
Richmond BMW Riders #132

Come to Sherando Lake National Recreation Area, 12 miles south of Waynesboro, VA on Route 664, Exit #96 off of I-64. Sherando Lake is located in the George Washington National Forest with swimming, sand beach, boat rental, fishing, and hiking available from the campsite. Ride the Blue Ridge Parkway, Skyline Drive and the Shenandoah Valley. Ride maps available.

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Pre-registration guarantees Saturday meal. Pre-registration closes on August 18th. A charity breakfast will be provided on both Saturday and Sunday mornings by Bosom Buddies, a local breast cancer support group. GPS: Lat. 37.923379° Long. -79.003402° To register go to: <http://rbmwr.com/35th-annual-sherando-valley-lake-rally>. Contact: Richard Hinman, Treasurer, RBMWR, 2741 Birdsong Ln., Powhatan, VA 23139



Hi all,

There will be a Motorcycle Camping class at REI on Tuesday, September 21 @ 6:30 PM. Please feel free to pass this information along to your group. Class information and registration can be found at www.rei.com/stores/127. The class is free and reminds me of the technical night we did at Mike Shoaf's house 100 years ago when Blue Ridge Mtn. Sports came by with a bunch of gear.

At any rate, I'd been trying to get this class together for us--originally I wanted it to be an RBMWR-only special event. Obviously they just wanted to open it up. So, it's not an official RBMWR event...but it could be cool. I've already registered!

joe

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