NEWSLETTER

Beehive Beemers Motorcycle Club of Utah
MOA 169 / RA 299

Join Us for Beehive Beemer Night!

Come out and celebrate the end of the year with members and guests.

Live Jazz Trio. Cocktails (including non-alcoholic cocktails). Small plate hors d'oeuvre and foods.

Mingle, laugh, converse... let's have some fun!

DECEMBER 9th from 6pm to 9pm
At the Good Grammar at the Gallivan Center
69 E Gallivan Ave, Salt Lake City, UT 84111

$25 / person this includes at least 2 tickets for beer, wine, mixed drinks (more can be purchased at the event).Charcuterie (meats, cheeses, fruits), Hummus & Veggies, and BBQ Pork Sliders

PLEASE RSVP BEFORE MONDAY so that we can get a proper count.

You can email me: bcody.01@gmail.com (and pay at event)

or prepay on our website: https://beehivebeemers.org/beehivebeemer-events/christmas-party/



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HITTING THE SHOWROOM FLOOR...

2024 BMW R12

Change can always be difficult to accept. BMW announce R12 nineT and R12 cruiser in rejuvenated boxer heritage range as they phase out the previous RNineT.

By Dan Sutherland, MCN Magaizine 23 Nov. 2023

Ten years on from the introduction of the first R nineT retro in 2013, BMW have pulled the covers off two new R12 models – marking the start of a new generation for the German heritage range.



R12 Roadster

Consisting of an R12 nineT roadster and R12 cruiser, they made their public debut at the annual Motorcycle Live show and feature a Euro5+ friendly version of the DOHC 1170cc boxer twin engine previously found in the non-shiftcam R1200GS.

From the outside, the R12 nineT looks very similar to the original R nineT, however there's now a new frame, advanced electronics, and quality chassis components – meaning both new retro machines should stop and turn with typical BMW composure.

Both models are powered by the same 1170cc motor, complete with a new airbox under the seat, revised cylinder head covers, and a twin exit exhaust. The roadster nineT produces an additional 13.4bhp, putting it squarely in the realms of Triumph's Speed Twin 1200, and Kawasaki's four-cylinder Z900RS.

From here, it's also reasonable to expect BMW to add further variants to bolster the range, with previous additions including the Racer, Scrambler, and Urban G/S.

While the power outputs may differ, both R12 variants benefit from a new two-piece tubular bridge steel space frame, complete with a bolted on subframe at the back end. The old nineT series used a front and rear main frame, and this new design is said to be lighter and cleaner in its look. Slotting into this is a shared set of fully adjustable 45mm upside down forks and four piston Brembo monobloc brake calipers.

To distinguish the riding sensations, the R12 gets 90mm of front travel, with the new nineT getting 120mm of movement. This character is further enhanced by the steering head angle, with the R12 getting a flatter 60.7 degrees, compared to the roadster's 62.3.

Consequently, wheelbase is 9mm longer on the R12 at 1520mm, with a 19in front wheel and a 16 incher at the back. For greater cornering prowess, the R12 nineT runs on a pair of 17in rims and comes seven kilos lighter ready to ride at a claimed 220kg.

At the back end, both models use an aluminium paralever swingarm, with a single disc and 265mm two piston brake caliper for company. Up top, there's a 14 litre fuel tank for the R12, and a larger 16 litre tub for the nineT which is 30mm narrower and shorter than before.

Away from the fuel load, both R12s will come full of technology, with cornering ABS as standard, as well as multiple riding modes and traction control.

On the nineT, riders receive 'Rain', 'Road', and 'Dynamic' as standard, with the R12 cruiser getting 'Rock' and 'Roll' options. Both bikes can also be equipped with a quickshifter, but in 2024 this really ought to be standard on a premium BMW model.

A hill start assist can also be added, as can LED cornering lights, and a 3.5-inch diagonal TFT display to replace the standard analogue clocks.



R12 Cruiser

Beehive Members: What are your thoughts? Do you like the look better than the previous RNineT model? Send your thoughts and we'll add it to our next Newsletter.
-bcody

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Did You Know...
Fun curious fact

The screwdriver that came with your BMW motorcycle is specific to that model type.
That's because the handle of the screwdriver is the shape of that model's oil filler cap and intended to be used as the oil cap tool! The exception being those models using a torque star bit.

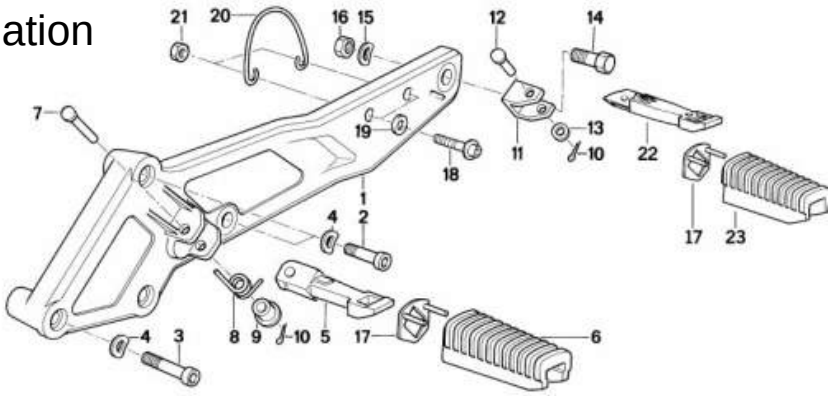




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NUTS & BOLTS

General Announcements & Information



We NEED your help...

For our members that took epic trips - long or short - this past year, I would love to feature your rides in upcoming Magazine editions. These trips are truly the heart of the Magazine publication for our club.



Share your trips!

I am encouraging members to get involved by sharing their stories that I will publish in our Magazine. Reach out to me about your trips and rides. Let me help share your adventures and photos with our members as well as those interested in joining our club. (re: Spring Q/2 Quarterly for examples)

You can either write the story - or send me the bullet points and I'll be happy to create the narrative. Things I know people like to see: route map, points of interest, and fun unique places to eat/drink/lodge.

A reoccurring article will be **"The Garage"** in which members share what they ride and why they picked that bike (or what they love about their machinery). Each Magaize will feature a handful or more of our members and their rides. A simple picture of your bike (with or without you) and brief explanation in four or five sentences is all that is required. Ladies - I especially want to hear from you! I would love to do a focus story on our women riders, pillions, and enthusiasts.

Below is an example:



2018 BMW R1200RT - Bryan Cody

My 2018 RT – affectionately called "Wurger" (The Butcher Bird) after the World War II Folke Wulf 190 powered by the giant 14 cylinder double radial BMW801 engine – is just a fantastic well rounded bike.

Why I love this bike: Sporty and nimble enough for the twisties, comfortable and large enough for week long 2000+ mi. road trips, and safe (with a large profile) as a daily commuter. Despite 610 pounds, the weight distribution and balance makes this bike feel so much lighter and easy to ride.

BUSINESS AS USUAL

Membership Renewal

Club renewal membership can be obtained via the club's website: https://beehivebeemers.org/

Click on the “Join/Renew” tab, fill out the renewal information on the form and use PayPal for payment. You should receive a confirmation from the Treasurer.
Of course, you can always print and mail your membership renewals, along with a check, to our mailbox.

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Newsletters will be sent by the 1st of every month. The Stinger Magazine will be published the first week of April (M1 Spring), July (M2 Summer), and September (M3 Fall).
For the "Continuing Discussions" for the monthly Newsletter, please make submissions 5 days prior to the end of the month. Please make any submissions for the Quarterly no less than 2 weeks before publication date. Thank you!

Both the Newsletter and the Quarterly are available for download on our website.

EUROSPORTS UTAH / BMW Motorcycles of Salt Lake City

Eurosports Utah (formally Harrisons) generously offers a 10% discount to our club members on parts, accessories, and apparel.

Check out their ever expanding apparel and gift items. If there are licensed BMW items that you would like to see added to the sales floor, please let them know, as they would appreciate input from their customers.

We also will be working to coordinate some rides, events, and activities with Troy Barnes, Thor Beger, and the rest of the team at Eurosports Utah / BMW Motorcycles of Salt Lake City.
Stay tuned and watch the calendar.

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Please note that Eurosports Utah events REQUIRE RSVP tickets. Links to the event tickets are at: https://www.euroutah.com/events

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EUROSPORTS UTAH
Customer Appreciation Party
Info and RSVP:
www.euroutah.com/

339 West 9000 South Sandy, UT 84070

December

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End of the Year Party
6 - 9pm

GOOD GRAMMAR

69 E Gallivan Ave, Salt Lake City, UT 84111

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EUROSPORTS UTAH
Meet the R1300GS with Shawn Thomas
Info and RSVP:
www.euroutah.com/

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly club meetings are the second Saturday of each month (unless noted otherwise) as part of a breakfast or lunch destination, and are selected by the club Vice President. Recommendations are welcomed.

Please note that event dates, locations, and times are subject to change. Any changes, additional information, and updates will be emailed to club members, updated to website, and announced in the monthly Newsletter sent by the 1st of every month.

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