NEWSLETTER

Beehive Beemers Motorcycle Club of Utah
MOA 169 / RA 299

July 2024



Some may have noticed that a few months back I started adding a vintage photograph to the cover page. Let me tell you how this slightly evolved the last couple of Newsletters.

I had received an email from a member (that I won't name) suggesting I include pictures of "Hot gals on BMWs". And though I know what he was implying, I thought I would instead have a little poke at that suggestion.

In my attempts to be "funny", it actually turned out that I became really intrigued by these innocent vintage photos of women with BMW motorcycles. There's something sweet and simple about them that has an unknowing story behind them.

We all are proud of our bikes - and we like to take a photo with them (or with our loved ones with them). These are the pictures I have been discovering - and will continue to share for the remaining year - knowing that the photographer/rider was just as proud then as we are now.

EUROSPORTS UTAH SPRING RIDE

MARRYSVILLE, UTAH

The off-road portion



Every year our dealership does a Spring Ride Event - and every year it is just a great atmosphere to connect with other customers and riders. There were some nice switchbacks up the mountains and then some picturesque plateaus (for photos).





This photo & below by Josh Pompei







Right: Todd involuntarily attempted to get a cross an unexpected snowdrift as he came barrelling over a rise. He succeeded in making it across the snow, however the large muddy melt off at the other end caused some challenges (and a dump into the mud). In Todd-fashion, he at first chance hit the car wash before getting back to the hotel (trying to hide the evidence).





END TOPIC



ADV Training with Shawn Thomas & Louise Powers
Grit Moto - Peoia UT

BMW Ambassadors Shawn Thomas and Louise Powers return this year for another Adventure Rider's Clinic with support from our dealership, Eurosports Utah, and Grit Moto Adventures. The clinic took place at Grit's training facility off Brown's Canyon Road on route to Peoia, Utah. Their facilities are amazing and they are continually expanding with over-night yurt's, mechanic station, rental bikes, and are building social areas and kitchens. They provide guest training and create multi-day adventure rides. I recommend checking out their website:
https://gritmotoadventures.com/



The full day instruction was a base level training and fantastic for dirt-newbies like myself to learn the fundamentals of off-road handling, body positions, and maneuvers on heavy ADV bikes. Part of the exercises included clutch and throttle control (for first, second, third gears) while the instructors tried to get you to stall or put a foot down (sometimes grabbing the back of your bike and trying to drag or pull you one way or another - or even tapping your kill-switch), braking conditions with front/back/both/ABS on & off, and slow speed tight turn and switch-back cone slaloms.

Shawn & Louise are hoping to return for an intermediate training course in the future.





END TOPIC

NUTS & BOLTS
General Announcements & Information

Road Closure/Detour US 50 Colorado

Dan Ernst, "our reporter in the field", contacted me about a major road construction in Colorado from Montrose to Durango that may affect any trip plans you have.

Here is the link regarding the areas and dates:
https://www.denver7.com/traffic/cdot-partially-reopens-u-s-route-50-blue-mesa-middle-bridge-ahead-of-fourth-of-july-weekend

July Brunch & Ride: East Canyon to Taggart's Grill

This is not a club sanctioned ride, but for those that would like to ride together to Taggart's, I'd suggest meeting at the Little Dell Recreation Area parking lot before the entry into East Canyon (310 UT-65, Salt Lake City, UT 84108)

It is imparative that we arrive at Taggart's at 11:00am because we need to be the first seated and served before the crowds arrive. This was requested by the restaurant's management.
So kick-stands up from Little Dell Parking lot at 10:00am - and ride East Canyon UT 65 to Henefer and then over to Taggart's. This is approximately a 45 minute ride.

If there is a large group of rider's I would suggest breaking apart in groups of five to six maximum and stagger your departures. This, by the way, is the MSF guideline for group riding safety.

Again: WE NEED TO BE AT TAGGART'S AT 11:00 am.

Oakley Diner

Last weekend I went to the new Oakley Diner to speak with the manager/owner regarding hosting one of our Saturday brunches. Firstly let me say that the remodel and expansion is very impressive (even a bakery and a coffee shop in the sub-basement - accessible from the back). And the Braised Pork Belly sandwich I had was fantastic.

She had informed me that she was not taking anymore reservations or groups for the remaining of the summer. She is actually booked every Saturday with various clubs and groups through September. So I am afraid that we will have to push the Oakley Diner to our October meetup.

Did Anyone Go To The MOA Rally and/or Europsorts Spring Event?

If you attended the BMW MOA Rally in Oregon, I'd love to share your pictures and experience to our club members. Please email (bcody.01@gmail.com). Thanks

ALSO: many of us attended the Eurosports Utah Spring Ride in Marysville. It was a great time. For those that attended and did the street ride portion, if you have any photos you would like to share, email me and I will include them in next month's Newsletter.

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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EUROSPORTS UTAH / BMW Motorcycles of UTAH

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.



I am encouraging members to get involved by sharing their stories that I will publish in the Quarterly. 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.

July

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Saturday Brunch
11:00 am

TAGGART'S GRILL

1105 Taggart Ln, Morgan, UT 84050

August

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Saturday Brunch
11:00 am

CARLOS & HARLEY'S

5510 E 2200 N, Eden, UT 84310

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly club meetings are the second Saturday of each month (unless noted otherwise). Recommendations are welcomed. Reminders and RSVPs will be emailed to members one week prior to breakfast/brunches.

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.

August

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EUROSPORTSUTAH
TRACK EXPERIENCE

https://euroutah.com for more information, pricing, RSVP

Utah Motorsports Campus
Grantsville, UT 84074

Sept

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Saturday Lunch
TBD

HANNA HILTON CAFE

UT-35, Tabiona, UT 84072

Oct

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Saturday Lunch
TBD

OAKLEY DINER

981 W Weber Canyon Rd, Oakley, UT 84055

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