

AUGUST 2007

# BADGER MOTORCYCLE WRAP-UP



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## July's Meeting Notes

### Members in Attendance:

- Kevin Birr, Howard Blades, John Bollig, Ty Dobbins, Dale Geske, Dick Glaser, Dave Grinsel, Glen Hartjes, Jeff Huntington, John Jung, **Tom Keenan**, Wendy Keenan, Gary Kranzusch, Jim Kriner, Ken McHugh, Mike Moore, Dennis Munro, **Arlene Neumann**, Al Paltzer, Sandy Paltzer, Rodney Pettit, Tom Running, **Joe Schroeder**, **Pete Schroeder**, Eugene Vandenberg, Michael Weiss, Tom Wilson.

(27 members in attendance)

### Meeting called to order:

- President Joe Schroeder called the meeting to order at about 7:30 PM.
- Meeting was held at the Mac and Arlene estate

### Prior meeting notes & treasurer's report:

- Both prior meeting notes and the treasurer report were not covered. (For all club member information however, our month end financials match the bank statements to the penny. Hurrah! We're in fine shape.)

### Guest:

- There were several guests at the meeting. They were:
  - Mark and Mary Everson, Neenah.
  - Rick Van Beek, Goldwing rider who came along on the Beaver Dam ride...

Thanks for visiting with us. We're glad you were there! Come again.

**NEXT MEETING:  
THURSDAY  
AUGUST 2ND  
7:30 P.M.  
PRIME TIME  
MENASHA**

## Old/New Business

### Meeting Topics

#### Rally Club Shirts:

- The remaining T-shirts were passed out. Some size issues but overall everyone got what they ordered.

#### Volunteering at the BMW MOA National:

- Tom Running went over the list of members signed up for helping with the coffee at the National. It was very light but many members didn't have final availability for the schedule. Suggestion was to just stop at the rally milk house each day and see if your help was needed. *Please see Tom's Coffee Haus report later in this issue.*

#### More on the MOA National Rally:

- There will be some participation awards at the national for clubs that are present. Arlene said she would have a sign up sheet at the coffee location. *Please see Arlene's report later in this issue.*

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• Arlene mentioned there is a need for more helpers with things like the gates etc. If you are able, please pitch in.

• Word is that next years National will be in Gillette, Wyoming. If you want a hotel call now, the rates are climbing fast.

## The Annual Chicken Run

• Reminder July 29th we'll meet and leave from the Citgo in Fremont at 9:45 AM. Ride to Rockton for lunch and then who knows. Pete Schroeder is our awesome guide once again.

## Good of the Order Raffle:

• Raised \$30.00 for the club.

**Thank You to Mac and Arlene for their hospitality and those great cookies!!!**

## Other Noteworthy News

### Under the knife:

• Shirley Rucks a fellow Badger has had surgery recently, we all hope she recovers and will soon be up and around.

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## Bacon Fat Lays Chuck Flat:

• Long time badger club member Chuck Stusek was taking two of his friends for a ride from the rally, as he turned right to go north on Hwy. 144 from Hwy. 33 he went down in a pool of cooking oil. His friends stopped in time. Chuck and bike were not hurt but they could not get the bike up. Police and fire departments also had a hard time to getting the bike back up. Then the fire department tried to wash the road off but that's another story.

## National Rally Related News

### Badger's Earn 4th Largest Club at National Rally:

(by Arlene)

• It took two tries to get it right but we did it. we took 4th Place with 52 members at the rally. It was hard tracking down all these members, but cell phones work great when we spotted one. For those who signed in at the Coffee Haus, I do appreciate you doing so. It made things a lot easier. Those present were:

- B Alfred • Kevin Birr • Howard Blades
- John Bollig • Keith Brei • John Carver
- Doug Dahlke • Ty Dobbins • Jim Eng
- Mark Everson • Mary Everson • Dale Geske
- Dick Glaser • Dave Grinsel • Glen Hartjes
- Janet Haskins • Keith Haskins
- Jeff Huntington • Rick Jarek • Debby Jentz
- Jim Jentz • John Jung • Tom Keenan
- Wendy Keenan • Gary Kranzusch
- Jim Klas • Jim Kriner • Ron Limberg

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

Here's wishing all of you a  
Happy Birthday for  
July & August!

Don't forget, when you attend a meeting in the month you are celebrating your birthday, the club will buy you a drink. See our Sergeant at Arms Arlene Neumann prior to the meeting for your free drink ticket.

- Ken McHugh • Larry Mohler • Mike Moore
- Joel Mulder • Sue Mulder
- Dennis Munro and wife, Jane
- Wayne Nankervis • Arlene Neumann
- Al Paltzer • Sandy Paltzer • Stacy Peterson
- Rodney Pettit • Steve Reynen
- Shirley Rucks • Tom Running
- Joe Schroeder • Pete Schroeder
- Chuck Stusek • Eugene Vandenberg
- Andy VanHerwynen • Dave Wiener
- Tom Wilson
- I believe I saw our new member John Jansen there too but didn't get him signed in for the club award.

### **Coffee Haus Workers at National:**

**(by Tom Running)**

- The Badger's coffee service at the Rally was a huge success with many people thanking us and commenting on the great coffee that was served. After some initial problems with set up on Monday and Tuesday the Badger Crew got everything set up and was testing and timing batches of coffee on Wed.
- Thursday morning we managed to stay ahead of the crowds using about 50 lbs of coffee in 7 - 42 cup units, a 100 cup unit and a commercial unit that made about 3 gallons every 10 minutes.
- Friday morning with attendance at about 6,000 we could not brew things fast enough. The lines were very long and the idea to hook the big unit up to hot water helped us to get the water temperature up in the big commercial coffee maker.
- On Saturday with attendance pushing 8,000 again we dealt with long lines but no one complained and we just served the coffee up as fast as we got it brewed.
- Sunday was a little slower with many people just grabbing a quick cup before leaving. We opened an hour early and those waiting were very appreciative.
- By 11 AM on Sunday everything was cleaned up and returned to the BMWMOA semi in much better shape than we received it.

- In the 4 days we went through 260 lbs of coffee, 3,200 cups, (many people filled their 20 oz. rally mugs) 6,000 packets of sugar, and 5,400 single servings of cream plus a few containers of powdered creamer.

- Thanks to all those that helped with special thanks to Steve Reynen who was on site by 4 AM each morning and Mac and Arlene who really helped to get things done.

- Club members that worked at the Coffee Haus:

- Kevin Birr • Howard Blades • Keith Brei
- Ty Dobbin • Mark Everson • Mary Everson
- Dale Geske • Dick Glaser • Glen Hartjes
- Rick Jarek • Debby Jentz • Jim Jentz
- John Jung • Tom Keenan • Wendy Keenan
- Gary Kranzusch • Jim Kriner • Ron Limberg
- Ken Mc Hugh • Larry (Joe) Mohler
- Mike Moore • Dennis Munro
- Arlene Neumann • Al Paltzer • Sandy Paltzer
- Stacy Peterson and Trish
- Rodney and Julie Pettit
- Steve and Ruth Ann Reynen
- Tom and Sue Running • Joe Schroeder
- Pete Schroeder • Eugene Vandenberg
- Tom Wilson
- Larry Darling (Green Bay Club)

### **Canadian biker hurt in crash here:**

**(From Appleton's Post Crescent)**

- A 30-year-old man from Canada was seriously injured in a motorcycle crash in Sheboygan County late last week, the Sheboygan County Sheriff's Department reported Monday morning. Christopher Drake, of Pointe-Claire, Quebec, was hospitalized after a crash about 4:40 PM. Friday in the Town of Mitchell, according to an accident report. According to the report: Drake was southbound on Scenic Drive near Ash Road when he lost control of his 2001 BMW motorcycle as he entered a curve. He was thrown from the bike into a ditch. Drake, who was wearing a helmet, was taken by Plymouth Ambulance to St. Joseph's Hospital in West Bend with non life-threatening injuries. Officials said speed was a factor in the crash.

## **Florida couple die in crash after state motorcycle rally:**

**(From Milwaukee's Journal)**

• A couple from West Palm Beach, Fla., in town for a motorcycle rally over the weekend, died in a crash in Washington County on Monday, the Sheriff's Department reported. According to a statement from sheriff's Lt. John Buck: William A. Rourk, 67, and Arlene N. Rourk, 65, were riding a 1993 BMW motorcycle with a sidecar west on state Highway 33 shortly before 8:30 a.m. As they approached county Highway WW, William Rourk drove the motorcycle into the eastbound lane, apparently to avoid striking vehicles in front of him after the vehicles had slowed, and was struck by an eastbound car driven by Susan Off, 43, of Hartford. Off was not injured. The Rourks were wearing helmets and were thrown from the motorcycle, which careened into a ditch and caught fire. The Rourks died at the scene. Besides the Sheriff's Department, the Allenton Volunteer Fire Department and Allenton Rescue Squad aided at the scene. The Rourks had attended the BMW Motorcycle Owners of America rally at Washington County Fair Park, Buck's statement says. The 35th annual rally drew more than 8,000 people, said Vince Winkel, media director of the motorcycle group, based in Ellisville, Mo. The rally, held Thursday through Sunday, was the first at Washington County Fair Park, Winkel said.

## **Motorcyclist killed in head-on crash:**

**(From Post Crestent)**

• TOWN of RUBICON — A 40-year-old Iowa motorcyclist was killed Sunday in a head-on collision in Dodge County.

Daniel D. Christ, of Iowa City, Iowa, died as a result of injuries sustained during the two-vehicle accident.

The crash occurred at 8 a.m. Sunday when Darcy L. Schehr, 27, of Hartford, crossed the centerline while driving east on Highway 60 near Lilly Road in the town of Rubicon and collided with Christ's motorcycle, according to a Dodge County Sheriff's Department press release.

Schehr was charged Monday with homicide by intoxicated use of a vehicle, according to the

Wisconsin circuit court Web site.

Christ was in the area Sunday attending a motorcycle rally in Washington County, said Chief Deputy Blaine Lauersdorf of the Dodge County Sheriff's Department.

The impact threw Christ from his motorcycle. The medical examiner pronounced him dead at the scene, Lauersdorf said.

Christ was wearing a helmet and eye protection, according to the release.

Both vehicles ended up on the north side of Highway 60 and Schehr's car started on fire, Lauersdorf said. She was wearing her seat belt and was not injured in the crash.

## **Commitments made for 2007 ride and event leadership:**

### **July Rides**

• On Sunday the 29th another tradition continues and our fearless leader 'chicken hawk' Pete Schroeder will once again lead this event. Pete said it will leave the Fremont Citgo Station on Hwy 10 & 96 @ 9:45 am (east side of town).

### **August Ride**

• Kevin B. to lead the August Pie run on Saturday the 18th. The ride will leave around 9:30 AM from the Phillips 66 Station just west of Neenah on Hwy II and Hwy 76. This will be an almost all day ride.

### **September Ride**

• Glen H. has committed to holding the September ride.

### **October Ride**

• The October ride is open. Anyone interested please bring it up at the next meeting.

### **November Ride**

• Andy V. committed to lead this last ride of the club season.

• Anyone interested in holding a Pizza Party or other special event, please bring them up at upcoming meeting.

*As always keep an eye on our forum and it's calendar for information and events.*

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**Chicken Run  
Club Ride  
Leaving 9:45 AM  
Citgo Station  
in Fremont.  
See forum  
for more detials.**



**Club Meeting,  
7:30 P.M.  
at Prime Time**

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