



# die Zeitung

June 1, 2005

## Editor's Ramblings

*by Gary Shanafelt*

Being just a humble sesquipedalian of this honorable newsletter, I have enlisted the help of a few noted club members for their contributions this month. We have two camping trips on which to report, the more interesting being Jeff Munn's camping trip to Magahaniga, NC and a contrasting second report is a brief recap of my camping experience on the coast of North Carolina.

We ran an abbreviated survey of members having multiple bikes and are announcing this month's winners. The contest is open-ended, so feel free to enter at any time.

This issue also serves as official BMWCHR announcement of three rallies, the most important of which is our own Colonial Rally in Jamestown. Carol Beals gives us a Rally Update.

**Congrats to the BMWCHR for raising over \$1K in our raffle for Herb Gill! A special thanks to Jo for the UPAC and to Bob Chapman for buying the winning ticket.**

## Upcoming Events:

- A new start with this Sunday's Club meeting at the **Waffle World** 3254 Western Branch Blvd, Chesapeake. Western Branch Blvd is Route 17. (757) 484-1984. 08:00 social and breakfast, 09:00 for the meeting.
- This Sunday is also the annual Ride for Kids benefiting the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation. Their webpage is <http://www.ride4kids.org/richmond/index.htm>
- The big Road Trip for this month will be the ride to [Highland Inn](#) in Monterey, VA. The ride should be about 4.5 hours. Get the details from webpage: <http://www.bmwchr.org/rides.htm>
- Start working on your kitchen pass for the Virginia Classic Car Show October 21, 22, 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Newport News City Park. Proceeds benefit The Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters. It is a great car show!

## Camping Trip Number 1:

The invitation to join Jeff Munn on his ride to Magahaniga, West Virginia was extended through last months *die Zeitung* and looking at the photos that Bryan Maulch put together on the web made me (1) jealous of the good time they had and (2) envious of Bryan's acumen with the computer. For a real treat, turn the sound up on your computer and visit the following site: <http://filebox.vt.edu/users/bmalsch/itma/bike/wv.wmv>



Pictured here are honorary club member Chuck Twyman from Alexandria, Jeff, and Bryan setting on top of the West Virginia world better know as "Spruce Knob". While packing-in all their own necessities to the remote campsite, these guys took in some incredible scenery. Even after attending Jeff's Tech Day on how to pack your bike, I still don't understand how they could have included everything they needed.

Jeff is going to write a more complete article with more photos and publish it through the Adventure BMW website "Rides and Gallery":

[www.adventurebmw.com/rides.htm](http://www.adventurebmw.com/rides.htm)

## Having a Rally-Eh?

BMW Club of Quebec Rally Chairman Paul Begin wrote to say his club is hosting a rally June 17-19 at *Le camp Richelieu Vive La Joie, Route de la Station, St-Modeste, Quebec*. (Sorry, but my high school French teacher did say I ranked toward the bottom of her class.) Site details can be found at the web site:

[www.campvivelajoie.com](http://www.campvivelajoie.com)

And rally info is at their club site:

[www.bmw-club-quebec.qc.ca](http://www.bmw-club-quebec.qc.ca)

Paul can be contacted via telephone at (450) 424-2809 or via e-mail at [paulbegin@sympathico.ca](mailto:paulbegin@sympathico.ca)

I hope some of our members can make the rally but I'm afraid my 200-mile butt would cause me to be away a fortnight.

## 33<sup>rd</sup> International Rider's Association Rally Oct 6-9

The 2005 RA Rally will be in white fenced, meandering landscape of Tennessee horse country at Shelbyville, TN. Rally central will be at the Calsonic Arena/Trade Fair Building; a huge facility with lots of vendor space and rooms for seminars. An Experienced Rider's Course and a Dirt Bike School will be offered and they may also offer a Trials Class. My personal favorite will obviously be the luncheon at the Jack Daniels distillery. Check out the BMW RA website for details:

[www.bmwra.org/rally/](http://www.bmwra.org/rally/)

## **The Joys of Multiple Bikes:**

*By Gary Shanafelt*

My curiosity overtook me this month and I sent out a limited APB asking which club members had them most bikes at the same time and what was the impact. Pat Patterson gets "Honorable Mention" with five bikes in his garage at one time. When he transitioned from motor scooters to motorcycles, Pat's first bike was a 1985 K100RT. He added to his collection when he found a 1972 Honda 500 in a Michigan farmer's barn a couple years ago. While he has been restoring the Honda, and only having his K100RT to ride, Pat acquired his current daily ride, a R1200C. What puts Pat on our Wall of Honor is having three of his own and two of his son-in-law's. (Pat is a pushover; I won't even let my son-in-law park his lawnmower in my garage.) He has since sold the K100RT and the son-in-law sold one of his bikes so Pat is making do with a mere three bikes today.

The penultimate bike aficionado is our club Treasurer, Bob Ross with five of his own bikes: a '95 BMW R1100 GS, '91 BMW K100 RS, '87 BMW K100LT, '71 BMW R75/5, and a 02 KTM 400 EXC....all purchased for different reasons...The '95 Oil Head was Bob's favorite ride but not recommended for two-up. The '91 water cooled sport bike was procured for Watkins Glen and New Hampshire...CLASS with Rege Pridmore.... and a great go fast street bike but the forward riding position took some getting used to. The favorite of Bob's very understanding wife was the '91 Light Touring K-bike on which they put ~40K. Both Bob and Mrs. Bob's true love is the '71 Air Head. (Just like I told you, they always come back!)

The '02 KTM is Bob's mid-life-crisis bike but trying to keep up with the grandkids proved too much so when he moved to Va Beach, Bob had to let it go.

Bob recently sold most of his collection (except for the air head) and now sports a new 04 R1150 RTL. He claims his wife misses the collection and she recommend Bob get another, big bike. (Hey Bob, can I have her when you throw her away???)

The big winner is Carol and Scott Beals. Carol's initial response to my request for information was, "I don't know for sure." She then had to go to her garage and shed and count them. Anyone that has so many bikes she has to go count them is an automatic finalist in this contest. At this point the Beals have six BMW motorcycles, two Hondas and a Suzuki.

The complete inventory is listed as '74 R90/6, '74 R90/S, '01 F650GS, '02 R1150R, '04 R1150RS, 250 Honda Nighthawk, a Honda Metropolitan, and Suzuki and a '92 R100RS that some carpetbagger is taking off their hands. Carol said the one restriction has been that she must be able to get her car in the garage and the lawn equipment in the shed. (I hope my wife doesn't read this! The last car we were able to put in the garage didn't come with seatbelts!)

Carol says the bikes do get jealous of one another. If you take a couple of them out for a ride or take them in for service, the others say "what about me?" Then they do something so that you have to pay attention to them as well. To say the Beals family promotes motorcycling as a family sport is an understatement. In fact, they keep the Honda Nighthawk specifically to allow new riders to learn.

## Camping Trip Number 2

I took a little camping trip myself this month to Emerald Isle, NC; one in which some of our members can better relate. Below is a picture of the quaint little campsite having what I consider adequate facilities. You won't get your "Ranger" tab on this trip but it did have two blenders...no waiting. I highly recommend it!



## Colonial Rally Update

*By Carol Beals*

Our ads are into MOA, RA and Motorcycle Consumer News They should start appearing shortly. I have rally flyers that you can hand out when you go on trip, visit other rallies or just riding around. I have sent out just under 200 letters to the distributors and vendor listed below requesting door prizes. I have not contacted our local dealer yet. That will be done as we get closer to rally time. I am including a list of the distributors and vendors I have mail to and if you see one that missed, please send me their name and mailing address. I will then mail them a letter as well.

We need to come up this year's rally design. So if you are creative please submit your ideas, we also need to decide what we will offer the design on.

New ideas for field events, activities, or menu changes are welcome. But we need to start planning.

## Vendors Contacted:

A & S BMW Motorcycles  
Action Stations.com  
Adventure Motorcycle Gear  
Adventurers Workshop  
AeroFlow LLC  
AeroStitch Rider Wearhouse  
Alaska Leather  
All Seasons  
Allyn Air AMA  
Americada  
American RoadRider  
Arai Helmets  
ARMEC  
Auto Switch  
AutoCom  
Autumn Riders  
Avalon Travel Publishing  
B & F Specialties  
Baker Built Products  
Bakup  
Beach's Motorcycle Adventures  
Bead Rider  
Belstaff North America  
Bench Mark Works  
Berkshire Motor Works  
BestREst Products  
Biker World  
Bing Agency International  
Black Kat Motorwerks  
Blue Moon Cycle  
BMR Products  
BMW Motorcycles Of Daytona  
BMW Motorcycles of Grand Rapids  
BMW Of North America  
Bob's BMW  
Bruno's Machine & Repair  
Buddy Belt Enterprises  
Busch Tech Mfg and Sales  
California BMW  
Carol Davis Sportswear  
Castrol North America  
CBT Imports  
CDL Enterprises  
CEE Baileys  
CenTech  
CFS Innovations International  
Champion Choice Inc  
Chaparrel Motorsports  
Chase Harper  
Classic goggles Inc  
Competition Accessories  
Conspicuity  
Corbin Saddles  
Cruiserworks  
Cruz tools  
Crystal-Glo Manufacturing  
Dalinese  
Deltran  
Dennis Kirk  
DMTA  
Dowco  
Dunlop Tires  
E-Z Touring Motorcycle Cove  
EAR Inc  
Easthill Group  
Eclipse  
Edelweiss Bike Travel  
Ehbert Publishing  
Engine Electronics  
Engine Sentry  
EPCO  
Euroline Inc  
EuroTech Motorsports  
Fast Company  
Federal Motorcycle Transport  
Fog City  
Frogg Toggs Outwear  
Gadget Guy  
Gear up  
Gerbing's  
Geza Gear  
Giali  
Givi  
Hammersley  
Handy Industries  
Hannigan Fairing Co  
Happy Trail Products  
Hawks Products  
Helen Twowheels Super Packing  
Helimont European Acessories  
Helmet Lock  
Helmet Sunblocker  
Hyper-Lite  
Ilium Works  
Intersport Fashion  
Iron Pony Direct  
Jesse Luggage Systems  
K & N Engineering Inc  
Kermit Chair Company  
Lady riders Wear  
Leatherlyke  
Lockhardt Phillips  
M & G Accessories  
M H Instruments  
Mag's Bags  
Marker Machine Inc  
Marsee  
Martin Fabrication  
MAW  
Max Moto  
Memphis Motorwerks  
Metzeler Tire  
Michelin Two Wheel Departmen  
Mini Foot pump  
MK Battery  
Morton's BMW  
Moto Techniques  
Moto-Bins LTD  
Moto-Sport Panniers  
Motorcycle Accessory  
Warehouse  
Motorcycle Consumer News  
Motorcycle Helmet Emporium  
Motorrad Elekrik  
National Motorist Assoc  
Nolan Helmets  
OMEX Performance  
Palo Alto Speedomete  
Parabellum  
Parts411.com Motorcycle Division  
PIAA Corporation, USA  
Pilchler fairings  
Pirelli  
Progression Suspension  
Proven Products Pty Ltd  
Race Tech  
RAM Mounts  
Ray Atwood's Cycle  
RBR Manufacturing Solutions  
Re-psycle BMW Parts  
Real Gaskets Tennessee  
Rev-Pack Motorcycle Packs  
Rfox  
Rhinewest Performance  
Rich's Custom Seats  
Rick Mayer Cycle  
Ridergadgets.com  
RKA  
Roadgear  
Run N Lites  
Russell  
S100  
SAENG  
Sargent Cycle Products  
Schneider's Inc  
Shade Tree  
Shoei Safety Helmet  
Slinks  
Speed's Cycle  
Spiegler Brake Systems  
Sport Touring Accessories  
Stanton Industries Inc  
Stop & Go International Inc  
Suburban Machinery  
The Eastwood Group  
The PARTSHAUS  
Throckmorton  
Thurlow Leatherworld  
Top Gear Motorcycle  
Topgear Accessories  
Touch Of Class Motorcycles  
TouraTech  
Touring Sport  
Twisted Edge Publishing  
Vanson Leathers  
Vintage BMW Motorcycle Owners  
Vision Reflective Vests  
West Valley Cycle Sales  
Westco battery  
White Brothers  
WhiteHorse Press  
Widder  
Wilbers  
Wire Wheel Motorcycle Service  
Woman Rider  
Works Performance Products