



die Zeitung

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Editor's Ramblings:

I had just rolled my R100RT out of the garage in preparation of meeting Mike Bodner et. al. for an exciting Sunday ride when my daughter called asking if I would take care of my two-year old grandson; who by the way, trumps all other activities. Since I still hadn't cleaned my bike after the last rain filled adventure with Mike, I decided my grandson and I would wash our machinery. I brought his tricycle out and gave him a bucket and wet cloth. Very soon I found out that the phrase, "Give me the water hose!" means something entirely different to a two-year old. Including the half-full bucket of soapy water I captured from his team, I still came in a close second in the water fight. It did, however, leave me without much motorcycle news.

This month you have been spared from my usual serving of pabulum thanks to a great article by our webmaster, Pat Patterson. Pat reports on the BMWCHR sponsored ride to Monterrey, VA. To be sure Pat enjoyed himself to the fullest extent, he even took his mother-in-law along. For that I think we will see Pat as a finalist in this year's Husband of the Year contest. (*I've never even made the Regionals.*)

After reading the June newsletter and the list of motorcycles available in the Beals household, I was sort of hoping they would adopt me. Then I realized it is just about time for the Colonial Rally and the amount of work the Beals family donates putting it on gave me second thoughts. Carol has another Rally Update this month and has included a list of jobs that needs volunteers. I would recommend you volunteer early; otherwise, Carol may have to adopt some of us!

Upcoming Events:

- 7 Aug-Club Meeting 0800 for 0900 @ Waffle World
- 30 Sep-02 Oct: Colonial Rally



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17 June 2005 Ride to Monterey, Virginia

by Pat Patterson

The ride to Monterey, Virginia (3350 ft) and a visit to the Highland Hotel left our favorite starting place, the Burger King on Route 17 in Newport News. The group gathered outside for a departure photo before heading off. Marvin came out to give some hints on where to ride. The sun was out and the weather was cool. Departure was at about 9:00 am.

Riders: Sarah, Tom, Katie, Bob with advisor Marvin (Pat's behind camera)



Sarah had her F650, Tom his Harley-Davidson, Katie and Bob road their K1200LT and Pat had his R-1200C.

We went up route 143 and paralleled the expressway at times with Bob providing great ride leadership. Eventually we got on US-60 to Richmond. We took I-295 around Richmond but soon dropped off to take Route 6 toward I-81. It was I-81 north a short ways to Route 250, which runs thru Staunton, and to Monterey. There was some construction but on the whole the road

was nice. We arrive late that after noon, but don't remember exactly when. Too much fun doing the twisties from Staunton to check the time. Either that or we were too tired. After checking in and going to our rooms up the grand staircase past the old clock on the wall we gathered on the upper porch for a few drinks and to discuss the ride. Marvin and his wife drove up and were there to see how Marvin's advise turned out. After relaxing on the porch and a nap for Pat we had dinner in the hotel dining room. The food was great. Including the desserts.



Sarah returned Saturday and missed our day trip. The hotel had a literature room across from their library. We grabbed a brochure on local

rides (<http://pocahontascountywv.com/>). Two of which had Monterey in them. On Saturday a group of us were off on a nice ride thru the mountains of West Virginia (Monterey → US-250 → Rt 28 → US-220 → Monterey). We



even stopped at Seneca Rocks to check out the visitor's center and watch the rock climbers climb its face.



Throughout the trip Bob and Katie were in the lead. Tom made sure Pat did not get lost keeping Pat in the middle. We saw lots of other motorcycle riders as there was a blue grass event that many attended. To our surprise not only did we see lots of other BMW motorcycles but a lot of old classic slash series riding out there in the mountains. Got back to the hotel before the rain that afternoon. A wonderful day trip.

Sunday the return trip left at 9:00 am and headed south on US-220 for a pleasant morning ride to Route 39 which took us to US-60 near where the interstates meet. We took US-60 thru Amherst. Not wanting to go to Richmond we dropped south via US-15 toward Farmville and US-460 and some more easterly riding. It was a little tricky following US-460 as it joined I-85 north (construction) and then switches to I-95 south. But eventually we got off US-460 and took Route 106 east toward the James River and Route 5 into Williamsburg. It was all down hill from there. Got home around 5:00 pm depending on where you lived.

Over all the weekend provide some great riding and companionship. Great fun.

Colonial Rally Update:

by Carol Beals

We have distributed rally flyers, ride flyers and door prize solicitation letters to all the local shops. We are looking into what it takes to get the information posted on the TAMA website. Start thinking about the jobs you are going to volunteer for the rally and charity ride.

To volunteer for a job, contact me, Carol Beals, 757-548-3381 or carol.beals@capitalone.com

Below is a partial list of jobs that are going to need people:

Assembling rally packets

Mapping out the Charity Ride and coordinating the stops (with write up and directions)

People to load all the rally gear

People to set up the rally site

People to man to stops for Charity ride including registration for charity ride

People to handle registration

People to cook Friday Night dinner

People to cook lunch for Charity riders

People to run and set up the field events

People to serve Saturday night's dinner

People to help out at the Club Store

Announcements

Coffee, tea, lemonade makers

Someone to order and pick up doughnuts

Someone to handle handing out the potluck door prizes during the day

General Errand runner

People to take down. Clean up and put away everything after the rally

Rally registration, rally flyers and ride flyers are available through the club's website