



Editor's Corner

Well, it seems like a couple of weeks ago, I was writing here about Winter extending its grasp and now we already had one 80° day. Not too shabby. In cases like this, I like to be wrong with my predictions – I know, I know, it hardly happens. Believe me, it can be a curse to be right all the time. 😊😊

The pressure is mounting now to get the bike(s) ready for riding! Depending on what your individual procedure is to store the bike(s), this may be as small a job as checking the air in the tires or as big as re-installing the battery, refilling the fuel tank, changing the oil(s) and checking the air in the tires. No matter what, make sure you do a thorough job and get into riding with the proper carefulness. It is always more difficult to switch from 4 wheels to two than the other way.

Years ago, back in Germany, I had friends who were dedicated skiers. Every time before the season came, they prepared with weekly exercise classes to stretch and bend and make the body ready for the moves required to keep upright when throwing yourself down a hill with two wooden boards attached to your feet. I always wondered, why we don't do something similar to prepare for motorcycle riding season.

Maybe there is still time for some body conditioning before we get serious. As I am writing this, it is pouring down rain.....



Mike

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The 2013 Spring Poker Run is coming **on May 19**. Watch for the separate flyer and the volunteer sign-up sheet at Sunday breakfast!



It is now that time for all the migrating snowbirds to return. And we will finally find out why Jim Pierce bought a Can-Am Spider. Some of us still wonder.....



Breaking News: Tommy Cargill is thinning the herd and selling some of his bikes: A 1984 R100RT, a R1100RS and a R90/6 **with a sidecar**. There could be some great deals from what I see. Talk to Tom!

Quite a few people are planning the ride to Oregon for the MOA National **July 18-21**. If you want to join, check at breakfast, who is going!

The **23rd Annual Georgia Mountain Rally** will be held again at the Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds in Hiawasse, Ga. **May 3-5** BMW Owners of Georgia

Recipe of the Month: Julie's Texas Caviar

- 1 can white shoepeg corn - drained well
- 1 can black beans - rinsed and drained well
- 1 can of black eyed peas - rinsed and drained well
- 1 red onion 1 - 2 red peppers 4 - 5 stalks of celery
- 5 - 6 fresh jalapeno peppers - deseed and dice

cut vegetables into bite size chunks
mix all ingredients together in large bowl.
Mix 1 cup sugar, 1 cup apple cider vinegar, 1 cup oil in sauce pan, bring to slow boil and stir constantly.
Make sure sugar dissolves completely
Pour over mixed ingredients. Stir well.

Cover and refrigerate overnight - at least 8 hours.
Before serving, drain off liquid. **Liquid can be saved up to a month for use with another batch!
Serve with pita chips, scoopers or chip of choice!



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A Presidential Address:

Hello Club Members:

We had a very productive April club meeting with twelve members in attendance, thank you to those for coming! We are making progress on several fronts:

For the Poker Run, we have sign-up sheets, Jack has provided a route and we will have a flyer and postcards by the 14th. Allyn will continue to coordinate everything. Please give her a hand if you can!

We continue our discussions concerning the club logo. It was decided to include the image of a blimp and run it by GoodYear to see if they would object.

A club brochure is also in the making and we need to come up with details of what should be in it. This and the club web-site issue involve getting Charles Armstrong to move forward with us. We need to push this.

I would like to enhance the relationship we as a club have with the BMW dealerships in our area and see how we can mutually benefit from closer alliances. I welcome any proposals regarding this matter.

After reading some disturbing news about accidents, I was thinking about whether the club should invest in a First Aid Kit that we could have with us on Sunday rides or other trips to rallies, etc. Here too, I would appreciate ideas or proposals on how to make this happen.

Dana