

# Riding Matters

MOA Charter #49

RA Charter #26



GS riding in Oregon...

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## Upcoming Events

**July 24 @ 5:00 p.m. &  
August 7 @ 5:00 p.m.**

Ice Cream Socials at the Rock Elm WI United Methodist church

**August 14 @ 6:00 p.m.**

Annual BMWMOCM Picnic at Afton City Park. Replaces the monthly club meeting.

**August 16 - 17**

Grand Marais Ride & Camp-out. Club Sponsored ride to Grand Marais with overnight camp-out. Contact Lewie Marshall: [mars7101@bitstream.net](mailto:mars7101@bitstream.net)

**August 22 - 24**

Very Boring Rally II  
Aerostich 25th Anniversary  
Spirit Mountain - Duluth, MN

**September 5 - 7**

38th Annual Wisconsin Dells  
BMW Motorcycle Rally  
Chula Vista Resort - Wisconsin Dells, WI  
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Joining?

Hey, we won't countersteer you wrong! The BMW Motorcycle Owners Club of Minnesota is a great resource. In the past, we have sponsored Experienced Rider Courses and Track Days at reduced club rates. Frequently, guest speakers at our monthly meetings present in depth information designed to make you a better rider. Best of all are the friendly and knowledgeable people who make up the club. Join us at our monthly meeting or contact one of the people listed above. Membership is only \$20 a year! The BMWMOCM Membership Coordinator is Don Sidler. He can be reached at 612-720-0231 or [dsid@comcast.net](mailto:dsid@comcast.net)

## President's Message

Greg Anderson

### **NEW MEMBERS**

Please welcome the following new members to the BMWMOCM:

Tim Kowalik - Vadnais Heights

David Long - Robbinsdale

Joe Van Orsdol & Jane Morrison - Big Lake

Deb Taylor & Critter Schember - Burnsville

Henry Hall - Roseville

Larry Fraser - New Brighton

Shawn Wallace - Maple Grove

### **AUGUST CLUB PICNIC**

The annual club picnic will be held again at the Afton City Park. The date is Thursday, August 14, starting around 6:00. This is the same date, and takes the place of our regular club meeting.

Don Sidler will get there early and set up the grills and stoke the charcoal. Once again, the club will be providing the hamburgers, brats and hot dogs. Tim Cusick will bring the buns, plates, napkins and utensils. I'll bring the ketchup, mustard, relish etc.

Club members are asked to bring something to share (hot or cold dish, chips, pie, cookies, etc) and beverages for themselves. Sound like fun? It usually is.

Here's how to get there: From I-94, east of Woodbury, take CR 21 or CR18 south about 5 miles to the Afton County Park in Afton.

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 AROUND THE AREA - STUFF TO DO
 

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**July 24 & August 7**

Ice Cream Socials at the Rock Elm, WI United Methodist Church

You don't have to be a member (of any church for that matter) to attend.

The remaining dates are July 24 and August 7.

Serving starts at 5 p.m. or sometimes a bit earlier and goes on for an hour or two.

The church is in the northern suburbs of Rock Elm and is easy to find.

For those who don't know, these events feature home made pies and cakes, sandwiches and ice cream made right at the church.

Email me if you have questions.

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**August 16 - 17****Grand Marais Ride & Camp-out**

Plan on meeting at the Denny's restaurant at Century Ave. and Interstate 94 in St. Paul Saturday August 16. Century Ave. is a little West of the intersection of 494 & 94. I would like to leave there at 9:00 am. From there we will travel Northeast through Stillwater and on to St Croix Falls, Wisc. We will travel from there to Duluth for shopping and lunch at Aerostich. From there we will continue on to Grand Marais to the city campground where we have a reservation for the group camping spot closest to the harbor. The cost per person for that nights camping is \$5.00. I have prepaid for the site so people can pay me for their spot at the campground. We will take a vote on where to have supper. Last year we walked to the Angry Trout restaurant. They feature locally caught fish. The year before we went to Sven and Oles pizza restaurant.

The next morning we will ride up the Gunflint trail about twenty miles to the Trail center restaurant for breakfast. It has a very north woods decor. If you can eat three of their large pancakes in one sitting, you don't have to pay

for them. After that, people are on their own to stay in Grand Marais, or go home.

The Naniboujou Lodge is about 15 miles north of Grand Marais. It was built in the 1020's. If any one is interested in staying there instead of camping, it is very interesting. Prices start at \$84.00 per night, double occupancy.

Contact Lewie Marshall for more information.

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**BMWMOCM History Tours**

The 2008 riding season is upon us and you're wondering where to go this year. We suggest that it's time to use your recreational riding to learn some interesting facts that you can use to entertain friends and relatives at picnics, parties, and family gatherings for years to come.

In 2008, you will have the opportunity to participate in no less than six tours. The categories are:

- Minnesota Oddities
- Notable Minnesota Graves
- Sacred Sites in Southeast Minnesota
- Minnesota Logging Sites
- Dakota Conflict Sites
- Minnesota Transportation Sites

See the April newsletter for information on participating.

**Riders Workshop**

Jim Ford's Rider's Workshop has a couple of openings left. Contact Jim at his web site:

<http://www.ridersworkshop.com/>

# MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

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Call Joe at 612-419-3221

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Classified Ads are free for BMWMOCM members. The ad can run as long as you desire. There is, however, one qualification to the time an ad can run. You must tell me if you want the ad repeated, otherwise I will assume the item is sold and the ad will terminate. Please let me know a few days before the first of the month that you want the ad repeated.

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## *Contacting Dave Porter via his cell...*



Dave has been difficult to reach since he insisted on doing the “Prison” portion of the club History Tour. I suggest reaching him via his “cell”. He seems to be there most times, with the exception of the one hour he spends outside, the half-hour at meal times, and the once a week shower.

Dave encourages everyone to participate in the History Tours, and says he has made a lot of friends while doing the Prison tour. He speaks fondly of his cellmate “Bubba” and plans to do quite a bit of riding with him in the future.

Dave won’t be able to attend the club picnic so, he asks that the club send him his favorite pie, “Strawberry-Hacksaw-Rhubarb”. I guess the recipe is available on the Martha Stewart web site.



*BMWMOCM was established in 1971 to provide an opportunity for BMW riders and enthusiasts to ride together. It provided an “excuse” to gather and exchange ideas and share experiences. The common interest is BMW motorcycles, and the club has grown to approximately 220 members. The collection of motorcycles owned ranges from classic BMW’s to the latest in technology. Members own and ride sidecar rigs, Airheads, Oilheads, and K’s of all colors and engine displacement. BMWMOCM has organized and unorganized rides, spur of the moment and planned “meet to eats”, and members enjoy the companionship of folks with similar interests.*