



# BMW RIDERS OF WESTERN COLORADO

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## BMW Club Events

*Mark your calendars and participate!!*

### June Club Events

- June 20, 2009 Saturday **7th Annual Humanities Ride** with proceeds benefiting Habitat for Humanity of Mesa County  
  
Sign in and leave between 9-11 am at Motorcycle Accessories 2060 East Main Street in Grand Junction Free Coffee cup with Pre-registration First hand is \$10, additional hands \$5. Includes a Bar-b-que at Canyon View Park at the end of the ride. All Hands must be turned in by 2:30 pm. Thousands of dollars of raffle prizes awarded right after. 50/50 raffle at the Bar-b-que 50% of money to winners 50% to Habitat for Humanity. For more info call Dean at 245-1850 or 261-5290. or go to [www.motorcycleaccessories.com](http://www.motorcycleaccessories.com)
- June 20, 2009 Saturday **Vintage Motorcycle Rally** at Gateway Canyons resort to benefit asthma education efforts for Mesa County School District 51 nurses and staff. Reduced hotel rates, and a portion of museum revenue will be donated to the effort. The rally will include food, music and movies. It was created to be a family-friendly event.  
  
Those unable to attend the rally but still interested in donating to District 51 for asthma education for staff can make donations to School District 51, attention Jeff Kirtland, 2115 Grand Ave., Grand Junction 81501.
- June 23, 2009 Tuesday **Club Social** meet at 6:00 pm at **Johnny Carino's** 2480 Highway 6 & 50 Grand Junction for bench racing and motorcycle camaraderie.

### July Club Events

- July 8, 2009 Wednesday **Rally Meeting** Everyone is welcome to meet at 6:30 pm at **Nancy and Monte Potter's** home at 1361 18-1/2 Road, Fruita Colorado for a Rally Planning meeting followed by a dinner sampling rally chili. RSVP Monte 216-7661.
- July 14, 2009 Tuesday **Business Meeting** the proposed rally budget will be presented for approval. Everyone is welcome to meet at 6:00 pm at **Mesa Land Trust 1006 Main Street** in Grand Junction for a brief business meeting followed by dinner at **Olive Garden** 2420 Highway 6 & 50 Grand Junction.

**Attention Riders!!**

Go to [BMW.Riders.net](http://BMW.Riders.net) on our website and register. You will be able to post messages to all other members and even chat if others are online.

**To enter the members area use the username: bmwclub and password: letmein**



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## BMW Club Events Continued

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- July 18, 2009 Saturday **Club ride** meet at 9:00 am at **Breakfast in America 19125 Highway 82 #A** in El Jebel Colorado for breakfast followed by a ride to Aspen, Leadville, Copper Mountain, Glenwood Springs and Grand Junction.
- July 28, 2009 Tuesday **Club Social** meet at 6:00 pm at **The Hot Tomato Cafe and Pizzeria** 201 East Aspen Ave. Fruita for bench racing and motorcycle camaraderie.

## August Club Events

- August 11, 2009 Tuesday **Business Meeting** and group discussion Everyone is welcome to meet at 6:00 pm at **Mesa Land Trust 1006 Main Street** in Grand Junction for a brief business meeting followed by dinner at **Smugglers Brew Pub** 2412 Highway 6 & 50 Grand Junction.
- August 25 2009 Tuesday **Club Social** meet at 6:00 pm at **The Palisade Cafe** at 113 West 3rd Street, Palisade for bench racing and motorcycle camaraderie.

### Minutes of the June 9 2009 Business Meeting of the BMW Riders of Western Colorado

President Robert Caruthers called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. There were 10 members present. Treasurer Monte Potter presented his report including an excel spreadsheet and reconciled bank statement from US Bank. A check was written to the Rider Down organization and delivered by Orrin Beckner. It has yet to be cashed. Jeff Smith was reimbursed \$28.83 for April newsletter costs. The bank account has \$4091.15 available at the beginning of the meeting. Secretary Jeff Smith reports that the club has 78 members including four new members this month. The club welcomes new members Josh LaRue, Art Knaak, Jim Joslyn, and Michael Sineni. Jeff asked about reducing the membership list to remove non-renewing members. After discussion Jeff was directed to edit the list to current members. It was noted that free memberships given by the club to purchasers of new BMW motorcycles are for one calender year only. The Ride Committee reported that four bikes attended the group ride on Saturday May 30. The committee presented their idea to meet once a month for a group ride. After discussion a motion was MSP to have a club group ride on the third Saturday of the month. Robert wants the Vintage rally in Gateway Colorado included as a club event on June 20. The June 20 group ride will be the 7th Annual Humanities Ride, a poker run starting between 9-11 from Motorcycle Accessories. The July 18th ride will meet at Breakfast in America in El Jebel at 9:00, and will continue through Aspen, Copper Mountain, Glenwood Springs returning to Grand Junction. The newsletter item regarding meeting for breakfast at Main Street Cafe will be removed from the newsletter.

Old Business:

Rally Report:

Rally chair Monte Potter gave a synopsis of the June 4 rally meeting. The rally is on schedule. Jeff passed around a proposed rally display ad. After discussion Jeff was directed to send the ad to MOA Owners News and to check about a display ad in RA's On the Level. Rally co-chair Gary Campbell will develop a poker run for the rally. Martha Caruthers will write a confirmation letter to David Starr for Saturday night entertainment. The Saturday night dinner will be provided by Zack's BBQ from Hotchkiss. Monte and Elisabeth Waite will negotiate with Zack about flexibility on dinner numbers. The Lions club President spoke to Monte about the Saturday morning breakfast. The Lions club board is meeting soon and will discuss our request. Rally t-shirts will not be produced this year. The club will sell hats and stickers. The next rally meeting will be at Monte's house on July 8 and will include taste testing chili for the Friday night rally meal.

Robert ordered club stickers from Bud's Signs. After discussion about BMW logo police a motion was MSP to order 100 stickers. Stickers will be sold for \$2. Larry May suggested that the club try and provide peaches for the rally. Larry and Martha will discuss obtaining local peaches for the rally.

New Business:

Monte Potter presented an amendment to the club bylaws "Stewardship of Club Funds". The proposed amendment was discussed with members trying to understand the motivation of this proposal, and modifying the wording of the proposal. A motion was made, seconded and passed to publish the reworded amendment in the newsletter in accordance with Article 10 of the Bylaws.

**ARTICLE 10. AMENDMENTS**

Section 10.1 Notification of proposed changes to the Bylaws of the club will be made through the monthly newsletter at least one month prior to a meeting at which changes in the Bylaws are to be considered.

Section 10.2 Bylaws may be changed by a simple majority vote of the members present at a regularly scheduled club business meeting and of members absent from the meeting who wish to vote by ballot published in the monthly newsletter. Secretary must receive all mail ballots within ten (10) days after the meeting in which the proposed Bylaw change was voted on by the membership. The Secretary shall summarize the results of the voting (meeting and mail ballots) and publish the results in the next available monthly newsletter.

Section 10.3 Bylaw changes will take affect upon determination of the final result of the vote.

**Proposed Amendment 13****Article 13. Stewardship of Club Funds**

Section 13.1 Routine expenditures may be distributed by club treasurer without requiring a vote of the membership. Routine expenditures are defined as follows: reimbursement for newsletter printing and postage, post office box rental, MOA/RA Charter dues.

Section 13.2 Expenditures other than those mentioned in 13.1 will be made only after discussion and approval by membership present at a regularly scheduled club meeting. Any proposed expenditure above \$100 will require prior notice to membership, in the newsletter prior to the business meeting at which the expenditure is to be proposed.

Monte suggested a club business card listing the club logo, name, website and meeting day. After discussion a motion was MSP to direct Jeff to design a business card and to direct Monte to purchase 500 cards.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Smith Secretary/Editor

**.Members may opt out of mailed newsletters**

To save on copying and postage costs members are encouraged to opt out of the mailed newsletter. Please send the Club Editor an email at [rjspoa@yahoo.com](mailto:rjspoa@yahoo.com) expressing your desire and I will remove your name from the newsletter mailing list. You will continue to receive club correspondence by email. We are spending about \$30/ month on printing and mailing.

**Check the Road Report**

Check for construction delays and closures on state websites. Our own [www.bmwriders.net](http://www.bmwriders.net) includes a link to Colorado road construction projects, and more information, including road conditions is available at [www.cotrip.org](http://www.cotrip.org). Other nearby States can be checked while planning a trip to minimize delays and torn up roads. Utah construction can be checked at [www.dot.state.ut.org/construction](http://www.dot.state.ut.org/construction), New Mexico at [www.nmshtd.state.nm.us](http://www.nmshtd.state.nm.us) and Wyoming at <http://wyoroad.info/>. **Mount Evans** is open, **Trail Ridge Road and Independence Pass**, are open weather permitting, **Cottonwood Pass** is open. **Kebler Pass** is open. Watch the weather and check the road report before you head out on the bike.

Notable construction activity includes I-70 near Palisade and in Glenwood canyon for sign replacement, and on Vail Pass for fiber optic cable work, and on Highway 92 near Austin alternating one lane traffic for a box culvert replacement project. There is a chip seal project on Highway 550 north of Ouray, watch out for rocks OUCH! Western slope stimulus projects will also tie up traffic on Dallas Divide Highway 62 and near Ridgway on Highway 550. Blasting operations will close Highway 160 over Wolf Creek Pass for 20 minutes at a time, (so they say). **Ride safe and slow down in the Cone Zones!**

**Welcome New Members**

The club welcomes five new members this month. After the purge, the club has 70 members.

David Riley 101 Alcove Drive Grand Junction CO 81507 970-216-1773 [gjwmd@hotmail.com](mailto:gjwmd@hotmail.com)

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Jim Joslyn PO Box 23148 Glade Park CO 81523, 970-245-7967 [circledog2@msn.com](mailto:circledog2@msn.com)

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Welcome to the club. We look forward to meeting and riding with you.



Shall the following amendment be added to the Bylaws of the BMW Riders of Western Colorado?

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

No \_\_\_\_\_

**Article 13. Stewardship of Club Funds**

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Please come to the Business Meeting at the Mesa Land Trust 1006 Main Street in Grand Junction at 6 p.m. on July 14 to vote in person, or return this ballot with your name and vote indicated to:

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**Application/Renewal for Membership  
and  
Name Tag Order Form  
BMW Riders of Western Colorado, MOA #270 RA #319**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Motorcycles: \_\_\_\_\_

MOA/RA Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Associate members in family: \_\_\_\_\_

Receive newsletter by email only? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dues are \$15.00 annually payable in January of each year.  
Make check payable to BMW Riders of Western Colorado.**

**Club Nametags!!**

Member Nametags are available to Club Members for \$5.00. Please complete this form and include payment for pins desired and "options" with your renewal. Nametags will include the club logo and the member's name and office if an officer.

Name on Pin: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Add \$1 for Clutch Back (double stronger pin)

\_\_\_\_ Add \$2 for Magnetic Back

Name on Associates Pin: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Add \$1 for Clutch Back (double stronger pin)

\_\_\_\_ Add \$2 for Magnetic Back

**Total included \$15 renewal + \$5 for each Pin + Options= \_\_\_\_\_**

**Thank You! Please complete and return soon. Please include your your ideas on the questionnaire below.**

**Return to BMW Riders of Western Colorado, P.O. Box 3271, Grand Junction, Colorado 81502**

Do you have a suggestion for a restaurant for Club meetings or socials? If so could you check that Tuesday at 6 p.m. is a good time? If the restaurant has an area or room where a group discussion or seminar would be acceptable, and if separate checks are allowed for a group size of 10-12?

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Please suggest ideas for discussion topics or outside speakers.

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Have a suggestion or idea for a group day ride or overnight trip?

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