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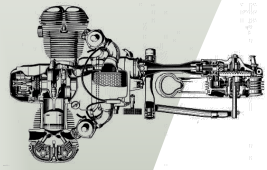
Newsletter
Pikes Peak BMW Riders

BMW Motorcycle Club
Pikes Peak Road Riders



Focus Areas

- January elections
- Membership registration and growth
- Fill openings for two event committee members
- Plan our events for 2022
- Get going on our regular meet-ups (see below)

Group Meetings

Monthly, 8:15 am
3rd Sunday of the month
at The Buttermilk Eatery
13152 Bass Pro Drive

Link to Buttermilk Eatery

Next group meeting
Jan 16, 8:15 am

Sunday Breakfasts

Beginning Jan 23, 2022
Every Sunday (except Group Mtg Sunday) 8:30 am at The Coffee Cup Café, 251 Front Street, Monument

Group Rides often follow (weather permitting)

Next Meet-up
Jan 23, 8:30 am

PrezNotes... From our president Scott Hellzen

I hope Christmas and New Years was good for everyone.

As we begin 2022, I want to stress that it is important we have a great turnout for our January meeting.

Three of us are acting as stand-ins to help with these early phases of restarting our club and we plan to formalize these positions by holding elections at our January meeting.

The three positions we'll be voting on are:

1. President, Me

2. Treasurer, Theresa Henderson

3. Newsletter editor, Brent Berry

Even though we think we have great candidates, if you would like to be considered or would like to nominate someone else for these positions, submit your nomination(s) by email to : Susann Parkhouse (club secretary) prior to our January meeting.

As reminder, to be a candidate, to make nominations or to cast a vote you must be a member in good standing. Which reminds me, if you have not yet paid club dues for 2022, please come to the meeting prepared to do so.

Also, given that such elections usually take place in March of each year, these positions will carry through to March 2023.

Our January meeting is on January 16, beginning at 8:15. The meeting place is The Buttermilk Eatery (13152 Bass Pro Drive).

As always, if you have questions or ideas send me an email at (hellzs01@yahoo.com), a text message (612-275-7759), a Facebook message or give me a call or drop by the shop to discuss.

Let's get some rides and dates set up for our Sunday meet-ups. We need to make 2022 a great riding season! We'll also begin these discussions at our January meeting.

See you at our January meeting!

2022 Registration Dues

Membership year is Jan 1 thru Dec 31. Full year dues are $20 for an individual and $25 for a household.

Instructions for Paying Your Registration Dues

Cash is fine. If paying by check make check payable to: **Pikes Peak BMW Riders**

You can pay dues at group meetings or mail to
Pikes Peak BMW Riders
1129 West Pikes Peak Ave

BMW MOA News…

Celebrate 50 Years of the MOA

2022 MOA Rally is set for June 16-18 in Springfield, Missouri.

Registration opens Dec 1, 2021

Follow this link for more info: MOA Rally

Other MOA Events

Follow this link for MOA Events Calendar

Other MOA Web Links

can be found on page 5 of this newsletter.

2022 BMW MOA National Rally is set for June 16-19 in Springfield Missouri.

Ideas from various motorcycle on-line forums

Hi Grip Anti-Skid Surfaces

"We all need to be aware of poor surfaces – metal access covers, worn out patches, lumps and bumps, repairs, damp or icy areas and so on, and that they are best avoided, particularly when changing speed or direction.

"But have you ever thought about *why* high grip anti-skid surfaces are where they are? You'll often see them on the approach to pedestrian crossings where drivers and riders are braking late and hard.

So if you see them approaching a junction or a bend out on a rural road, assume that vehicles may emerge unexpectedly, or a bend might be sharper than you think.

The implication is that other people have got it wrong at that point and the high grip surface is to help prevent skids."

We've been working on our web site

Work on cleaning up, reorganizing and augmenting the web site is showing progress.

Two views for scheduled events are now shown under the "Calendar & Events" menu option where you'll find selections for "Events Calendar" and a "Scheduled Events". As a starting place, we've loaded the events thru February. As 2022 events firm up we will update the web site.

Also, the site has been reorganized under new home page menu options where a few new things can be found.

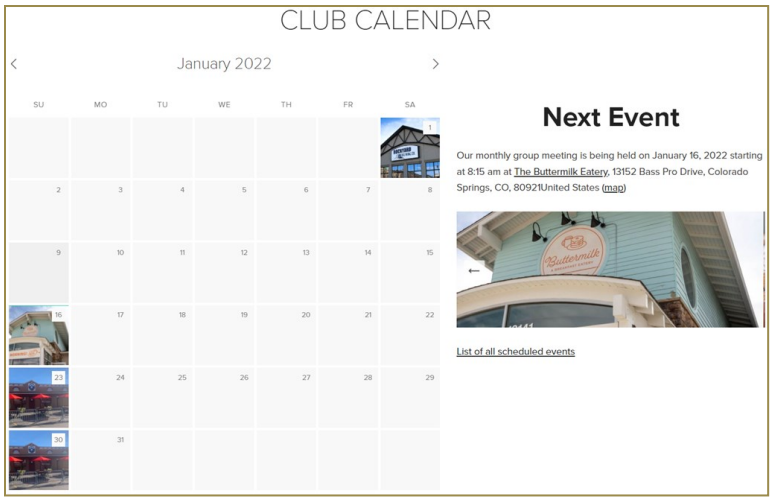
More work remains.

We want to support club registration payment online and we'd like to integrate a forum tool on the site (if possible).

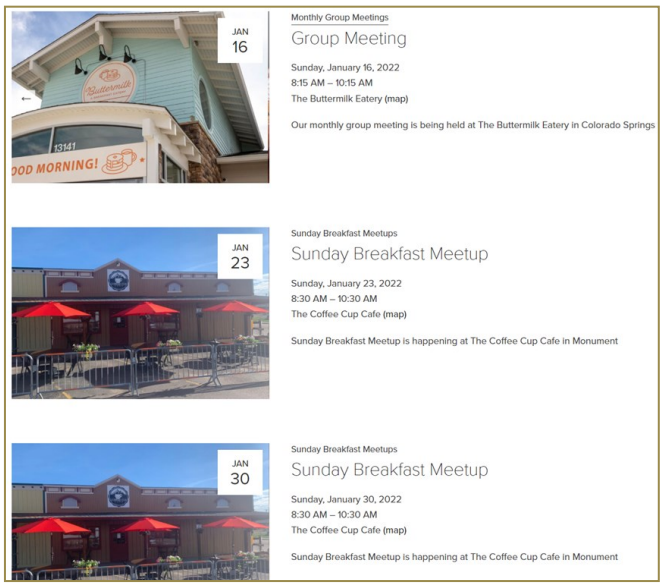
Let Rick Larson know if you have recommendations for how to improve the web site.

A few key changes to our web site……

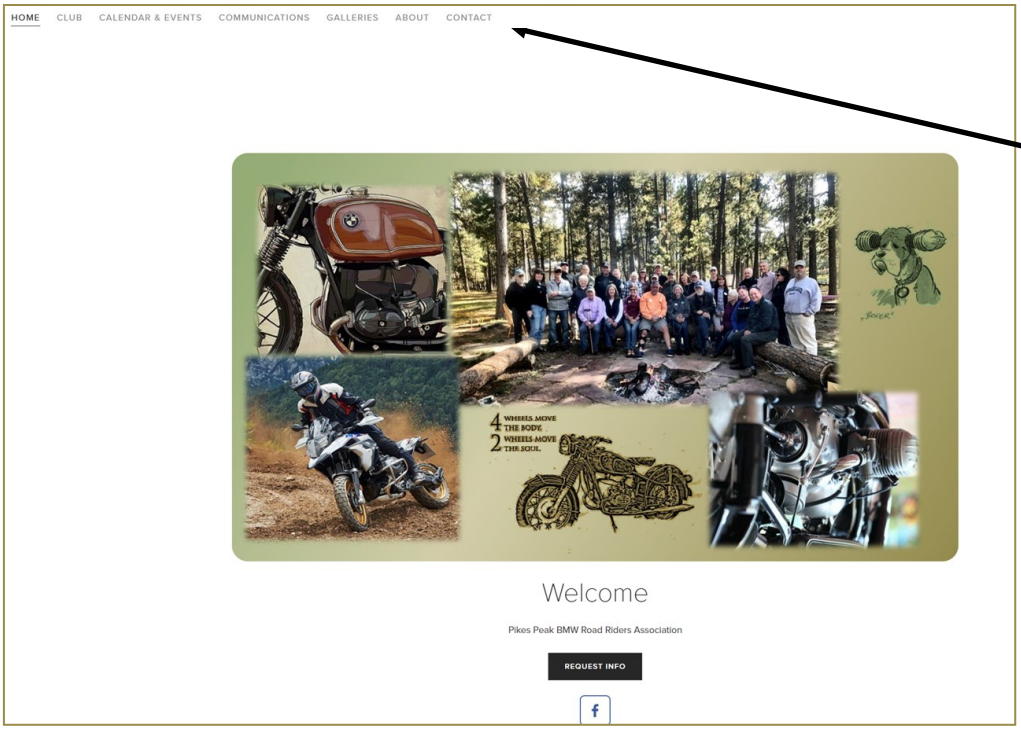
Events Calendar



List of Scheduled Events



New Home Page



The home page has been reworked and the site has been reorganized under new home page menu options.

You can check out the site by clicking here PPBMWR's website

2017 Club Picture, Pikes Peak BMW Road Riders

Postal Mailing Address
Pikes Peak BMW Riders
1129 West Pikes Peak Ave
Colorado Springs, CO 80904

As stated in our by-laws, our purpose is to provide for the social and educational advancement of our members, the dissemination of general and mechanical information concerning BMW motorcycles, events, the encouragement of sportsman-like conduct, courtesy, safety and the furtherance of public respect for all motorcycles and their riders.

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Introduction to… Tony Galles, our Vice President

Tony Galles

Hi, I'm Tony Galles.

I am a 24-year Air Force veteran and former engineer.

Now, I'm a very active Motorcycle Safety Foundation instructor, Colorado Springs site manager for Motorcycle Training Academy and Colorado MOST Quality Assurance evaluator.

I'm fortunate that I get to share my passion for motorcycling with new riders as well as helping experienced riders advance their skills.

I have several motorcycles in the garage and get to ride many others in the course of my work. If I could only ride one, it would be the BMW GS.

My girlfriend Robin and I have enjoyed hosting several club gatherings at her home in Black Forest. We hope to continue to do so and we're excited to see a resurgence of club activities.

Web Links to Pertinent Area Organizations	
Organization	**Web Links**
Pikes Peak BMW Road Riders Assoc	*Our Pikes Peak BMW Riders Organization*
Web Site	Pikes Peak BMW Riders | Main Site
Facebook Group Page	Pikes Peak BMW Riders | Facebook
BMW MOA	*National BMW Motorcycle Owners Association*
Web Site	BMW MOA | Main Site
Forums	BMW MOA | Forums
Facebook Group Page	BMW MOA | Facebook
Colorado GS Girls	*Colorado group focused on Girls and GS Motorcycles*
Facebook Group Page	Colorado GS Girls | Facebook
Instagram Site	Colorado GS Girls | Instagram
Area BMW Dealers	*BMW Dealerships in the area*
Colorado Springs POWERSPORTS	Colorado Springs POWERSPORTS | Main Site 945 Motor City Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 809905 719-635-3004
BMW of Denver	BMW of Denver | Main Site 10350 E Easter Ave, Centennial, CO 801112 303-755-6400

Info about "Links"

Links In General: A link is a way of navigating to a location, either on the internet or within a document. When seen on a web page or within a compatible document (such as this newsletter) the link is presented as underlined text of a different color, usually blue. When using a computer mouse and your cursor hovers over a link, the cursor will usually change to a pointing finger, something like this.

At that time, you can click on the link and you will be diverted to the *linked* location either on the internet or within the document you are viewing. If you are *linked* to a site on the internet, your web browser will be opened (if not already opened) and you will then be surfing the web with your browser, beginning at the *linked* web site.

Facebook Links: There is nothing special about Facebook links. Basically, Facebook is just another web site on the internet. Facebook is known as a social media site. That is, it's functionality is geared toward social interactions among individuals, organizations and groups of people and/or organizations.

As an individual, when you join Facebook, you will be assigned your own *profile* where you can post comments that may be seen by others on Facebook. These comments may also include pictures, videos and links to other locations. Facebook also constructs a *news feed* unique for you, using Facebook algorithms to discern information you might be interested in based on who are your Facebook friends, what Facebook Groups you are a member of and what kinds of activities you undertake on Facebook.

Facebook Groups are meant to bring together individuals around a common topic or interest. Some groups are public, open to anyone on Facebook. Some groups are private, only open to and visible to Facebook members who are approved by a group administrator.

When you click on a link to a Facebook Group (see table above), one of two things will happen. (1) If your are a member of Facebook and if you are also logged into Facebook, you will simply be directed to the linked group's page on Facebook. (2) If you are not a member of Facebook or if you are a member who is not logged into Facebook, you will be taken to a web page where you can either log in (if already a member) or you can join Facebook (if not already a member).