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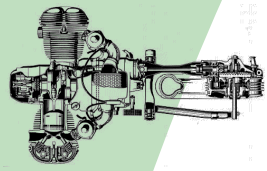
Newsletter
Pikes Peak BMW Riders

BMW Motorcycle Club
Pikes Peak Road Riders



Monthly Group Mtg
3rd Sunday of each month, 8:15am at Mimi's Cafe
7133 N Academy Blvd, COS (map)

Next group meeting
Feb 19, 8:15 am

PrezNotes

Hello everyone. It is time for a new year and I'd like to begin by thanking all of you who came out last year to support the club and get things rolling again.

We have some openings for volunteers, so look further down the newsletter to learn more about the positions needing to be filled.

We are up to about 80 members and could use more, so ask friends that you know of. Make sure you look on our calendar of events and plan accordingly. We would like to see all your smiling faces at the events. Hope to see all of you at the next club meeting.

Scott Hellzen
Club President

Monthly Dinner Out
2nd Thurs of each month, meet-up at 6:30pm

Next Dinner Out
Feb 9, 6:30pm at The Great British Food Company (map)

Click->Event Registration

On The Calendar

Feb 9	Restart Thursday Night Dinners, The Great British Food Co
Feb 19	Restart Club Breakfast Meetings
March 9	Monthly Thursday Night Dinners, Location TBD
March 19	Monthly Club Breakfast Meetings (election of officers)

Note: *The previous newsletter incorrectly stated that our Feb Thursday night dinner was on Feb 16. Thursday night dinners are on the 2nd Thursday of the month which, for this Feb, is the 9th. Apologies for any confusion this might have caused.*

Sunday Meetups
Breakfast meetups every Sunday (except Group Mtg Sunday) 8:30am, at The Coffee Cup Café, 251 Front Street, Monument (map)

Group Rides often follow (weather permitting)

Next Meet-up
Feb 5, 8:30 am

Our Elective Year Begins in March

March is the month we nominate and elect officers for the year. Elections will take place during our March Breakfast Meeting (March 19) at Mimi's Cafe (map).

As stated in our by-laws our elected officers are President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Web Master, Newsletter Editor and an Events Committee comprised of no fewer than three and no more than five members.

Each officer shall serve for one year or until his/her successor is qualified and elected. No individual shall hold more than one office at one time.

Our Elective Year Begins in March *continued*

WE HAVE TWO OPEN POSITIONS

Newsletter Editor: As Brent has been taking on the web-master position, according to our by-laws, we need someone else to take on the newsletter position. Brent will be available to assist with any technical questions on an ongoing basis.

Events Committee Member to organize Thursday Night Dinners: We need someone to oversee this. The duties are fairly simple. Choose restaurants and coordinate logistics with restaurants. Notify officers which restaurants are reserved for which dates. We want to solidify all the restaurants well in advance, preferably for the whole year.

Any member in good standing may nominate, either in writing prior to the elective meeting or from the floor at such meeting, a candidate for office. *We welcome others to step forward as candidates for any of our officer positions.* If interested in either of these two positions or any other officer position, or you want to nominate someone, you are welcome to send an email to the club secretary->send email

Note: If interested in obtaining copy of the club by-laws, the document resides in the FILES section of the private member workspace area of our new website.

The file name is *PPBMWR By-Laws May2011.pdf* You can gain access by logging in from the website or you can click-> FILES on member workspace

Our New Website

Everyone should have received email notification of the new website.

We have moved from Square Space to a WordPress site that is hosted by the national MOA organization. In doing so, we join ten other BMW clubs.

One among several reasons we made this move is that we wanted a system that provides membership management features as an integral part of the online experience. Manually maintaining our membership roster is more prone to error than using an online member management system.

This feature provides the ability for each member to maintain their own profile that resides in a membership database. The information in a member profile includes the member's name, email address and optionally other contact info. The system also provides tools to manage annual dues payment on-line.

Along with this nice feature, the platform provides the capability to have both public and private sections on the website.

When you go to the website

https://pikespeakbmwriders.org

you first encounter the public portion of the site.

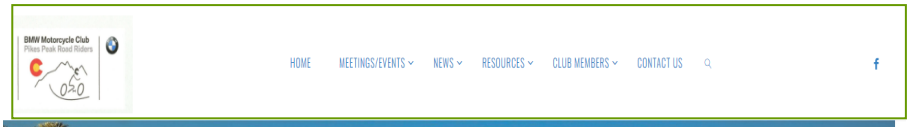
To access the private, members-only portion of the website, select the menu option CLUB MEMBERS/MEMBER LOG-IN. Having done so you will be prompted to enter your email address and password to enter the area.

Regarding the website content, we have full control over the information on the site. Even though MOA offers a base configuration to each club, we (and all the clubs) have total control of what information is made available on our specific implementation.

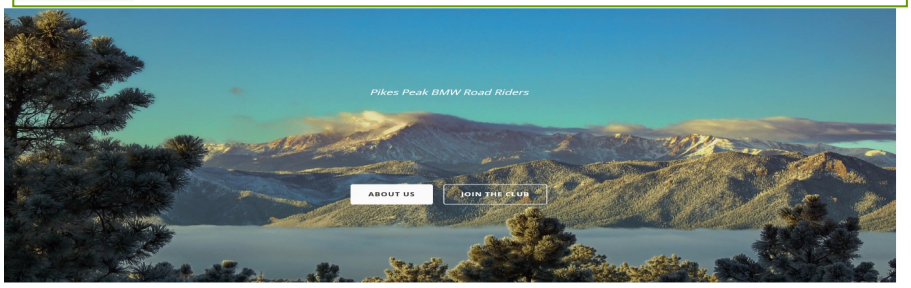
More detail and instruction will be coming soon. For now, let's begin with **The Website Landing Page**, as depicted on the following pages.

The Website Landing Page

The first thing you encounter on the website is the ***Landing Page***. It is comprised of these sections, many of which you encounter as you scroll down the page.

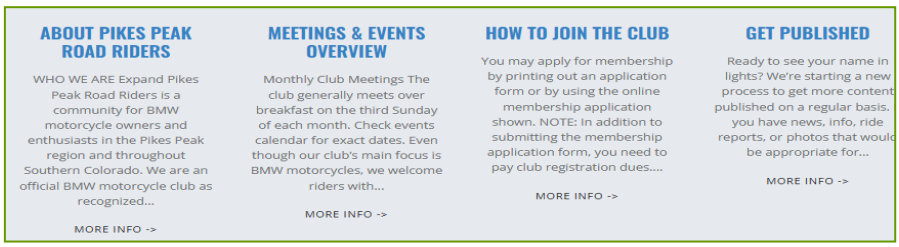


Top-level pull-down menu
Click on the pull-down options to see what's there

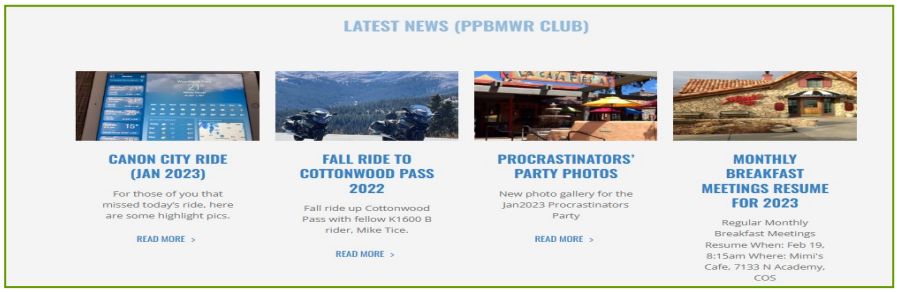


Landing Page Image with links to **ABOUT US** and **JOIN THE CLUB.**

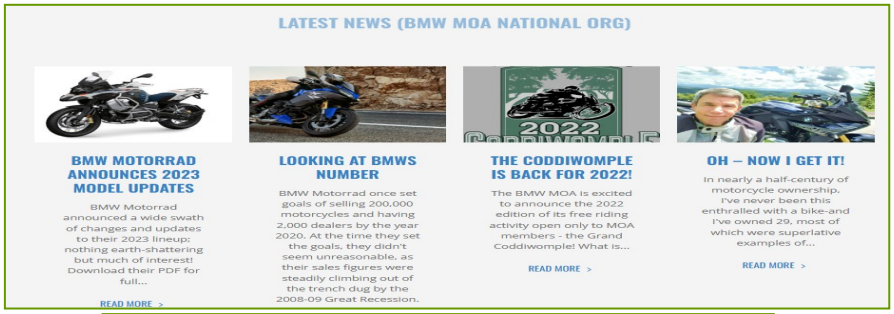
Yes, that's Pikes Peak!



General info about the club



Latest club news
This information dynamically changes to show the four most recent postings related to our club.



Latest MOA news
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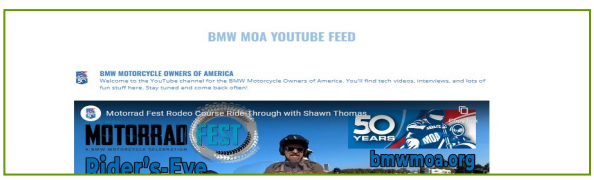
Club photo galleries

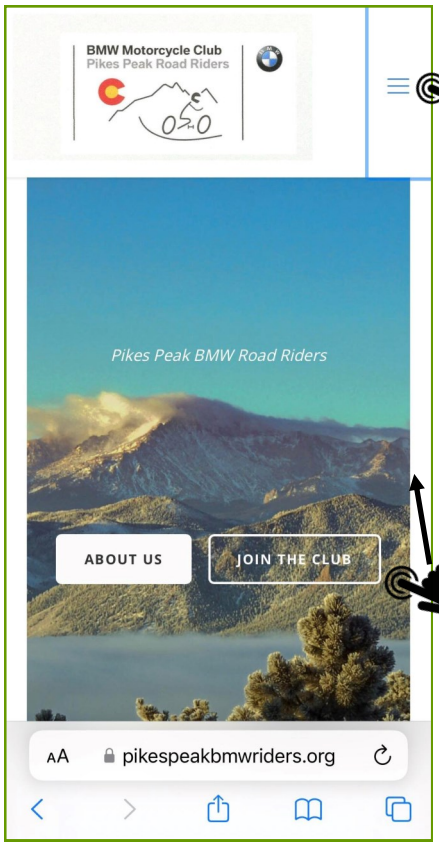


Link to MOA's YouTube feed

The Website and *different screen sizes*

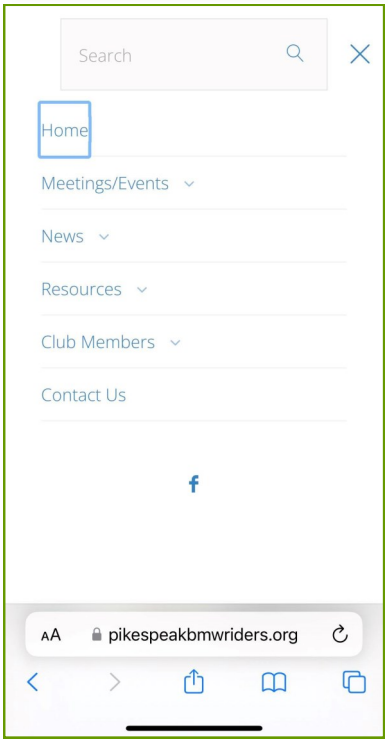
The website dynamically adjusts how information is presented based on the screen size being used to access the site. The following images demonstrate the website's landing page when viewed from an iPhone-X (screen size of 5.8").

Landing Page (initial screen)



Tap these three bars to display the top-level pull-down menu

Top-level pull-down menu



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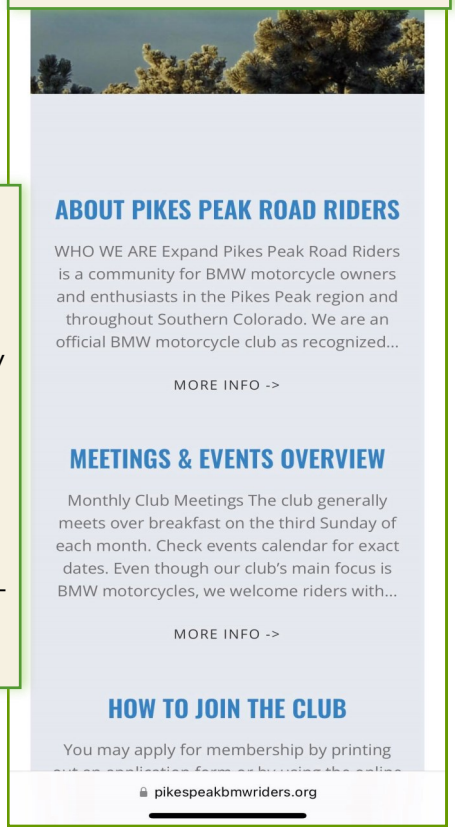
Landing Page (after scrolling up)



Notice that this is displaying **General info about the club**, a section that, as depicted on the previous page, is four columns wide on a larger screen but is now only one column wide, to better utilize the phone's display, yet maintain a font size that is readable.

Continuing to scroll up will step through all the same sections depicted on the previous page, but now everything is one column wide.

2017 Club Picture, Pikes Peak BMW Road Riders

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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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
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