

BMWBMW General Membership Meeting 8/13/11

Held at Bobs BMW Jessup MD

The meeting was convened at 11:00 AM by Tina Fraembs, President

- There were 33 members present, and a number of temporary “drop-ins” from random store customers.
- First-time attendees: Cindy (GS); Antonio (GSA); Donna (RT); Bob (shopping for a bike); & Hanna (no ride at present)

Oktoberfest Update Maria related that the event is scheduled for October 1-2 at Camp WestMar in Thurmont MD. As in previous years, authentic German food and beverages will be available through the efforts of Ed & Barb Phelps. Ed answered a couple of questions from the membership.

Treasurer’s Report Ron provided his accounting statement as of 7/31/11. Income of \$486.22; expenses of \$2375.07; Paypal Balance of 248.56; checking balance of \$16766.92.

Editor’s Report Rick stated that he always welcomes news items and photos that may be of interest to club members.

Secretary’s Report Scott reviewed the timeline over the next few months for club elections. Several officers are either stepping down or considering running for another office. Even if current officers are planning to run again for their office, members are encouraged to run for any office that they would like. Detailed information on the election process will be provided within the next week on the club forum and in the next issue of BTS.

President’s Report Tina provided her statement of resignation after five years of service as Club President. She encouraged members to seriously consider the merits of serving on the BoD.

- Tina also reported that the club picnic will not be held at Summit Point, rather it is scheduled for Sept 17th at Great Country Farms, Louden VA. Information will be included in the next issue of Spokes.
- The proposed Bylaws amendments are scheduled for membership voting at the October 2nd meeting at the Cozy in Thurmont.
- She described her experience in the Moon Light Ride last month with the Concours Owners Group / Sport Touring Club.
- She asked new Internet Chair Andy Dooley to stand and introduce himself.
- She mentioned that members would be receiving additional information on the Club Picnic and the Club Oktoberfest.
- Our Holiday Party is scheduled for January 14th at Elks Club in Rockville MD.

- She announced that the Government Affairs office is open due to resignation of incumbent.
- Our MSF ARC club training event is scheduled for Sept 18 at Harford Community College in Bel Air, MD. Priority enrolment will be given to Club members. Tina discussed the process for enrolment and membership verification. Additional info is available from Safety Chair, Chaz Fisher.

Ride's Chair Ed provided an update on this year's rides program. He also mentioned that the Concours Owners Group / Sport Touring Club Has invited our members to attend a riding event that starts in Carlisle PA on August 21st.

Host Statements from Bob's Staff

- Hanna Creekmore, Marketing Manager gave a briefing on her history at Bobs and then told us about the activities planned for the store Oktoberfest on Oct 1st. These will include a swap meet, and odds & ends sale of items from the warehouse, technical sessions, and others.
- Peter Meade, Parts & Accessories Manger passed out discount coupons for various store items and tickets for a door prize.
- Ashton Menefee, Sales Manager provided info on the 2012 bike models and the discounts that are available for current models. He also described the detailed bike inspection service that Bob's now provides for persons contemplating buying a BMW from another owner.
- Chris Buell, Service Manager mentioned that he has now been with Bobs for about 60 days. He advised members contemplating professional restorations to contact him to place their names on the winter restoration schedule. He also described the technical sessions that will be available during the store Oktoberfest.
- Bob Henig took the stage and called-up Jack Muth to accept his 100,000 mile riding award. Bob then reminded members of two events that are always crowd pleasers: the first is the Finger Lakes Rally in Watkins Glen, and the Second is our participation in the long-running charity "Ride for Kids".

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Keimig, Secretary