



October 2012 Newsletter



Camping at the Caves

Alone
By myself

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A very relaxing weekend. As I rolled into the campground it looked like I had the place to myself. Before going in the office I walked around looking at which site I might ask for. All were large and shaded and most had grass so I found one that was fairly flat up against the woods. The campsite could easily hold 3 tents if this had been a rally. I wasn't sure if we could put multiple tents on one site but I would put mine up in the corner to leave room for more. Turns out I would have the site to myself. After the bike was unloaded and everything stored I traded picnic tables for one not as "weathered" and sat down to kick off the weekend with a cold drink that had crossed state and county lines.

While sitting there enjoying the breeze and peaceful setting a car (chase vehicle) drives up carrying some club members. After settling into their accommodations (lodge rooms and cabins) they had driven over to see this camper they had heard of. So I invited them to share my table and enjoy the great outdoors. We even had a preview of the evening's entertainment.

Soon enough it was time to head over to Cabin One (wherever the president is, it is "xxx" One) to officially kick off the weekend with happy hour. It quickly becomes apparent that there is a huge benefit to having chase vehicles as the table is filled with all manner of appetizers and libations.

After dinner everyone headed over to the campground fire-ring for the remainder of the evening. Magically the president had started the fire as we arrived and the socializing began. As stories were told and all the leftover appetizers spread out on the benches Karen Thoerner and her musical troupe serenaded us with song accompanied by guitar and other instruments. Their efforts awarded us with some civility to what can sometimes be a raucous event. All manner of tall tales and pranks (the stick) carried into the night.

I had set my alarm last night so I didn't miss the 9am departure time for the long ride Saturday. Turns out I had plenty of time for breakfast and a short hike before leaving at 10am. The ride was excellent, well done Mr. Fischer.

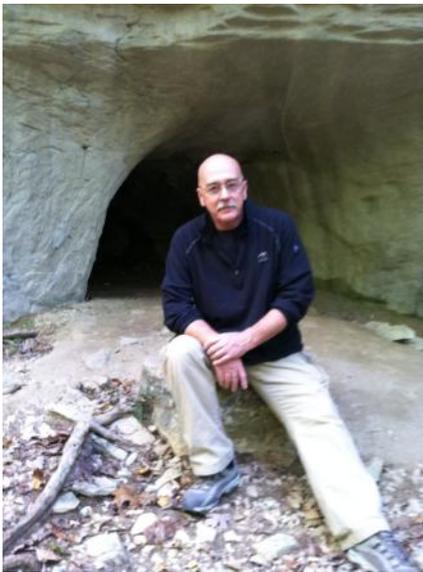
After returning from the ride I iced down beverages for later and sat at the picnic table over by a bunkhouse to charge my cellphone and watch a group of boy scouts set up camp across the way. Larry was thirsty but didn't to drink alone so he rode over and we enjoyed a cold one while talking about life. Pretty soon Bill and Sheila stopped by and next thing you know I agreed to go horseback riding, how did that happen? Oh well, the weather was wonderful, campground relaxing, didn't much matter what you did, it was going to be fine.

I hadn't been on a horse for 15+ years, now I'm good for another 15 years. I missed my Russell Day-Long Saddle.

As soon as the horseback ride was over it was time to repeat the happy hour and campfire happenings. With all the appetizers I think most skipped supper and just grazed around the appetizers. And once over at the fire ring campfire pies were the hit of the evening. Bread, butter, filling of your choice, assembled into a pie iron and shoved into the fire for a few minutes until golden brown. I think next year there will be an increase in the filling selection, maybe even a contest knowing this club.

The next morning when I stuck my head out of my sleeping bag, I knew I was awake. I don't have a thermometer on the bike but I'm guessing it was in the 30's, no frost but very brisk. So I reached over, grabbed my jacket liner, pulled it into the sleeping bag with me until it reached temperature then put it on along with a couple of other shirts. Hey, thanks Jim, that shirt helped a lot. By the time I got packed the sun was starting to help and when I rolled out at 9am it was a beautiful ride home, crystal clear skies, light traffic, great roads, it was a beautiful morning in church.

Who says nothing can be accomplished by committee?
Job well done to all.. Bill Berry



Carter Caves Fall Outing

By: Bill Wright

As I sit here several days after our Carter Caves Fall Outing, I find myself struggling to find the words to accurately depict the experience. I've seen the emails describing the weekend as splendid, beautiful, relaxing, fun, etc. These are all fitting adjectives but somehow, I feel that something deeper and special took place during this event. Understanding that these types of get-togethers present point of perspective experiences that can be somewhat diversified, I feel that a commonality of emotions overswept all in attendance. At the risk of sounding really goofy, or goofier than I have already, it occurred to me that we were beginning to act and feel like a family of sorts.

Considering the losses that we have collectively experienced over the past several months, we've all had the opportunity to consider our own demise and realign our priorities with what's truly important. Family, friendship, nature, and fulfillment surely make most everyone's short list and all of those elements were present this past weekend. I witnessed compassion, concern, love, admiration, humor, nurturing, accommodation, and a variety of other traits only found among the 'best of' the human condition. The atmosphere was joyous and laid back and everyone seized the opportunity to relax and reconnect with nature. It wasn't only about riding.

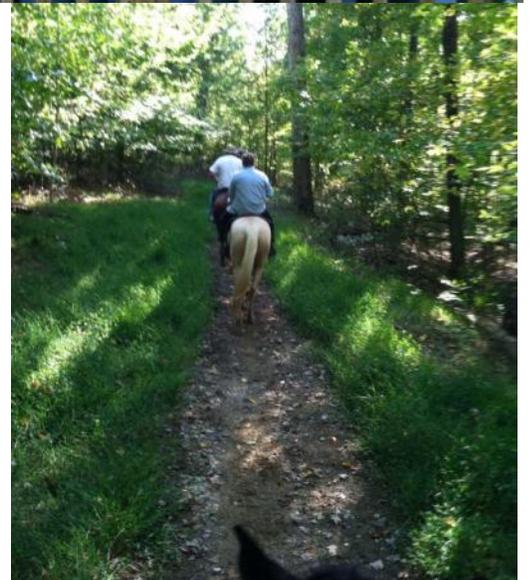
Due to the proximity of the venue, many members brought their partners who came in cars. Friday night gave evidence of the advantage of the carrying capacity of cars as we feasted on a wide variety of snacks and beverages and enjoyed the company those that otherwise would be absent.

Saturday saw everyone do their own thing which was refreshing to watch. Some went for a short ride, some went hiking, others shopping, golfing, and horseback riding, while still others simply slept in late. Many enjoyed the simple pleasures of life like a cup of tea on the balcony, a good book, a walk in the woods, or quiet conversation. What a weekend!

Like I said, we felt like a family and I felt comfortable being a part of it all and I trust you feel the same if you were in attendance. Thanks to Jim Osburn, Joe DeLuca, and John Fischer for an exceptional job in putting this all together. We will begin the planning process for next year as soon as possible and as soon as we establish a committee. Joe has expressed a keen interest in participating again and I know that others will assist in the effort. The weekend will be the same next year because it worked so very well for a variety of reasons.

Can you tell I had a great time? See you all at the next meeting,

Bill



Nomination for officers are now open.

The office of Treasurer and Secretary is open and must be filled for 2013.

According to the club by-laws, Debbie Smith (Treasurer) and Mike LaBar (Secretary) must, or should be replaced with new faces. This is Debbie's 4th year and Mike's third. Bill Wright and John Fischer are in their first year of service this term. Just to keep track.

Nominations must be made within the next 3 meetings to fill the Treasurer and Secretary positions. You may also volunteer to be nominated if you wish to take on an officer position. The perks of being an officer in the club are awesome.

Let's run a clean campaign. The only mud slinging should come from our duel sports.

I Nominate _____ for Treasurer.

I Nominate _____ for Secretary.

Alley Meet crew,

It's that time of the year again! The Alley Meet is now in its third year at Fuel Coffee on the river. We are back to the traditional date of the Sunday morning of the Devil's Staircase Hillclimb in Oregonia, OH. Fuel is hosting us on Sunday, October 14th from 8AM until noon. Please spread the word & the event is also on Facebook here: <http://www.facebook.com/events/400186823370088/>

On a side note, I would to say "thanks a million" to all of those who were able to attend the inaugural Queen City Mods & Rockers Rally back in June. Attendance was fabulous & I know many of you were able to attend, so thanks again for your support of the event.

Ride 'em, don't hide 'em to Fuel for the Alley Meet!

2012 Alley Meet @ Fuel Coffee

Sunday, October 14th @ Fuel Coffee

2726 Riverside Drive Cincinnati 45202

Map: <http://tinyurl.com/36znn2m>

8am-Noon

Ride On,

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Maple Walnut Pumpkin Pie



Ingredients

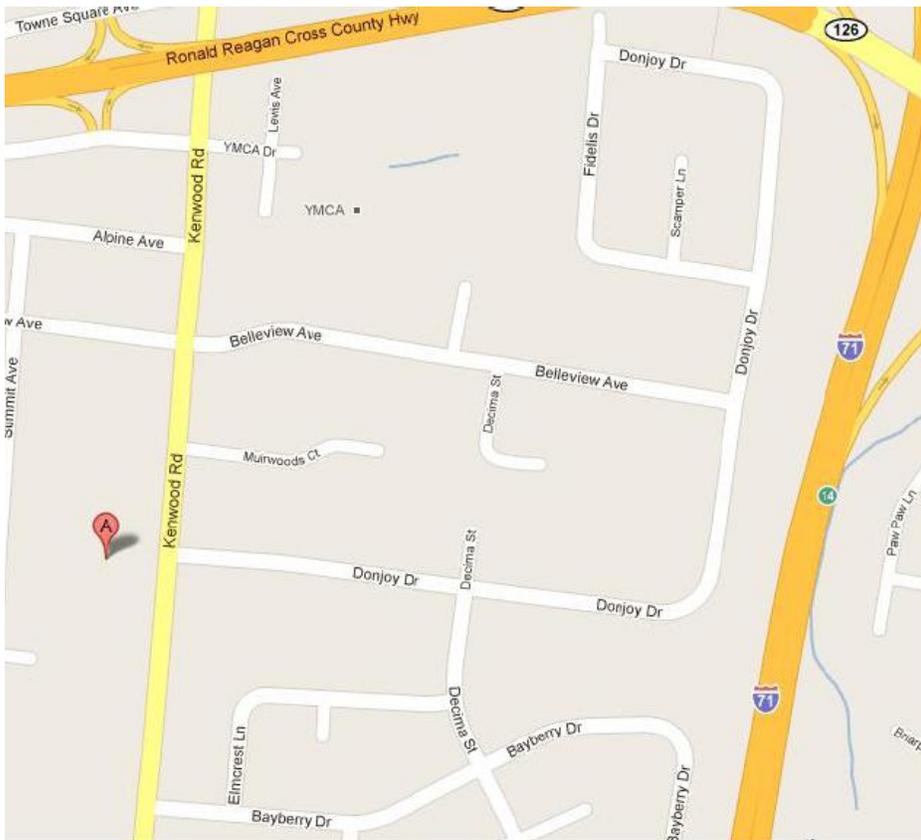
- 1 (15 ounce) can pumpkin
- 1 (14 ounce) can EAGLE BRAND® Sweetened Condensed Milk
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon maple flavoring
- 1/2 teaspoon ground [cinnamon](#)
- 1/2 teaspoon [salt](#)
- 1/4 teaspoon ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

Walnut Topping:

- 1 (9 inch) Graham cracker pie crust or unbaked pie shell
- 1/3 cup firmly packed [brown sugar](#)
- 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees F.
2. In large mixing bowl, combine pumpkin, sweetened condensed milk, eggs, cinnamon, maple flavoring, ginger, nutmeg and salt; mix well. Pour into pie shell.
3. Bake at 425 degrees F for 15 minutes. Reduce oven to 350 degrees F; continue baking 30 minutes.
4. In medium mixing bowl, combine brown sugar, flour and cinnamon; cut in butter until crumbly. Stir in nuts.
5. Remove pie from oven; top evenly with crumb mixture. Return to oven 10 minutes. Cool. Garnish as desired. Store covered in refrigerator.



The October meeting will be held on Saturday the 8th at the home of Merrill & Diane Glos at **8901 Kenwood Road in Blue Ash**.

GCBMWC Dues

\$15.00 for a single membership or \$18.00 for both single & associate

Send your dues to:

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 Webmaster **Mike LaBar**
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Meeting Schedule for 2012

1st Sunday Ride
October 7th 9:00 am
Breakfast at MaMa's Grill
in Williamsburg, OH

4227 All Star Dr.
 Batavia, OH 45103

- January 14..... Bill & Sheila
- February 11th..... Tom & Joni
- March 10th..... Steve & Karen
- April 14th..... Neil and Marsha
- May 12th..... George and Mary
- June 9th..... Larry and Gail
- July 1st..... Joe & Chris Berry
- August 11th..... Mike & Kim
- September 8th..... Scot and Linda
- October 13th..... Merrill & Diane Gloss
- November 10th..... Tom & Joni Raybuck
- December 8th..... Holiday Party at Germania

Website of the Month

www.motorcycle-usa.com/

Motorcycle News covering all the bases.

Minutes from the monthly meeting of the

Greater Cincinnati BMW Club

September 8, 2012

Scot & Lisa Friedman's Lake House
733 Lakengren Drive East
Eaton, Ohio 45320

Treasurer's Report – Presented by Debbie Smith

Beginning balance \$1,956.98, Income \$30.00, Expenses \$100.00, Ending Balance \$1,886.98

President Bill Wright acknowledged the passing of Mary Pierce, one of the club's few Honorary members. Mary was a fun loving, spirited lady who will be greatly missed by the club's members.

Old Business

The club's trip to Carter Caves begins Friday, September 21st.

- All is ready
- Joe DeLuca has confirmed that firewood is included in the fee the club has already paid for the use of the fire ring
- Someone asked whether the fire wood would be scented
- It is believed that Carter Caves is in a "dry" county. So BYOB. And, anyone who is driving a car to Carter Caves is asked whether they would be willing to haul beer to ease the packing challenges for those riding
- Please post any group departures on the club group email

The club's Holiday Party will be held December 8th.

- Club members will be bringing desserts this year
- A suggestion was made that a contest be held for the best dessert
- Members are reminded to send riding/travel photos to Bill & Shelia who are creating a montage set to music

Tech Day to be held Saturday, September 15th at Butler Tech

- No charge to attend
- Lunch, soft drinks, and water will be provided – No Alcohol Permitted
- Lunch created by Butler Tech's Culinary Arts students
- Some of Bill's top students will be there
- Routine maintenance procedures will be demonstrated on Tim Nyktas' 2004 R1150RT

George Nyktas praised and thanked Bill Wright for arranging/hosting the Tech Day

Non-Club event - Air Head Tech/Restoration Weekend to be held at Bill Marcum's place near Rabbit Hash the weekend of September 28-30. Ken Norris is the member who knows the most about the details for this event.

Mention was made of the tour of D & D Classic, a car restoration facility in Covington, KY on August 28th. Merrill & Diane Glos attended. Neil Jones stated that he would have attended if someone would have called to remind him.

Bill Wright reminded members to post any Ride-to-Eat (RTE) locations. Mention was also made of a new place near Main Strasse Village in Northern KY

New Business

- Bill Wright asked BMW RA President George Nyktas whether he was aware of any banners provided by

the RA

- Mention was made of the Ohio RA late summer gathering – members are reminded to join the Ohio RA discussion board to receive email updates
- Bill Wright has copies of RA and MOA applications for anyone who wants them
- Bill Wright attended the president's meeting at the MOA National Rally. Bill stated that many issues were raised and that many possible initiatives/directions are being considered. Bill stated that overall, it was a constructive meeting
- Neil Jones and Michael Brenner are riding to and through Michigan this month
- Steve Thoerner was congratulated on his upcoming retirement on September 30th

Motion to close. Seconded.

Jim Smith won the 50-50



Looks like Henry got him one of those Italian, leaning, 3-wheelers.

October 2012

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Tennessee
October 5 - 7, 2012
Return to Shiloh Rally
BMW RAMS #43

Wisconsin
October 5 - 7, 2012
Weekend Getaway - Wisconsin
BMW MOA

Pennsylvania
October 6 - 8, 2012
2nd Bald Eagle Adventure Training Tour

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Mac-Pac #289

November 2012

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Virginia
October 07, 2012
Virginia British Motorcycle Club 22nd Show and Rally

Illinois
October 8 - 22, 2012
Weekly Hot Dog Run
Chicago Region BMW Club #3

Wisconsin
October 11 - 14, 2012
Trans Wisconsin Adventure Trail Dual Sport Trip

Missouri
October 12 - 14, 2012
37th Falling Leaf Rally
Gateway Riders BMW Club #22

December 2012

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Texas
October 12 - 14, 2012
42nd South Central BMW Owners Reunion
BMW Club of Houston #12

Tennessee
October 18 - 21, 2012
5th Tennessee Ribfest
BMW Club of Nashville #101

Mexico
October 24 - 27, 2012
Mexico: XVI International Convention Uruapan 2012 B

North Carolina
October 27 - 30, 2012
Great Smoky Motomathon

Georgia
November 2 - 4, 2012
Boxerworks 11th Annual Camp Out

Rallies & Events

Tuesdays—Bike night at the Comet

Wednesdays—Bike night at Quaker Steak & Lube Milford

To see a full listing from the MOA Calendar click [HERE](#)

2012 Christmas Party
Dec 8th 2012 at
Germania

Send your Newsletter submissions to Mike LaBar before the next deadline.

Thanks

STORE HOURS

Monday	Out Riding
Tuesday	9:00AM - 6:00PM
Wednesday	9:00AM - 6:00PM
Thursday	9:00AM - 8:00PM
Friday	9:00AM - 5:00PM
Saturday	9:00AM - 4:00PM
Sunday	Out Riding

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