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Minutes of August 12- 2023
The Coffee Pot Café in Enterprise





What a beautiful day for riding!!! BUT IT WAS HOT AS **HADES!**
We did not have a group ride but we had a very good turnout and the food was very good. The “Leroy Special” seemed to be the most popular menu item and was good.

Laurissa opened the meeting.

Treasurer’s Report:

Dan gave our treasurer’s report but we do not post account info on line.

Web master report

As always we need more ride reports and photos sent to Steve and everyone needs to visit the site. <https://bmwridersofmississippi.org/>

- Steve added a section on the Web page that has a list of things to see and do. Not club events but just ideas of places that you, your family and friends may find fun. All sorts of festivals, Christmas events and others. Make your own ride to eat or

weekend event. Several members are sending him info and we need everyone to help out.

- Barber Vintage Festival in Birmingham AL. A MUST DO on October 6 - 8, 2023 (this is not a meeting day). Also BMW Motorrad America will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary there will Demo rides, adventure demos, stunt riding, vendors, food trucks, music, etc.
- Cruising the Coast the week of Oct 1 through 8, 2023
- Christmas Eve Bon Fire on the Levee, LaPlace, LA. Christmas Eve every year. Fantastic time.
- BMWMOA Rally 2024 in Bend Oregon. Just a short 2,200 miles from MS.

- *We need more photos and ride reports to put on the page.*

Old Business:

- We voted to have our October meeting at Roosevelt State Park in Morton. Lunch will be at the normal time of 11:30 pm and will be a low country boil with lots of shrimp, sausage, potatoes and corn. Good eats for sure. We have a pavilion rented and several people have rented cabins and plan to make a weekend of it. LOTS of fun planned. The club is paying for this feast including beverages (no alcohol).
- Bring your boat, fishing poles, kayaks.

New Business

- As noted it is hot and as I looked around the table I could not help but notice the way we were all dressed for this weather. Most had some type of long sleeve wicking T-shirt style shirt on. For extra cooling some had poured water over their shirts. In my opinion, the consensus would be that some you tubers over exaggerate things a little when they claim their favorite clothing feels like air conditioning. In my opinion, and test with an infrared thermometer, wearing a mesh jacket and a wicking T-shirt covered with water can drop the temp on your skin by a good 10 degrees. However, I needed to add water every 1.5 hours. Remember your test could be different. The temp on the way home was 104 degrees.
- The Sunset Grill is the location for the September meeting and is located at 4269 Hwy 43 Brandon. This is on the north end of the Ross Barnett reservoir.
- At the last meeting the question was presented if anyone was interested in having ROM club T-shirts made and to be prepared to discuss at the July meeting. Laurissa will get some pricing info. **Everyone enthusiastically said YES.** The design is our club logo on the left chest, moto rider on the left sleeve and the script "make life a ride" on the back. We want a light grey color so the logo will stand out.
- An order form will be sent out to all members by Sunday night and you should mail it back with a check to Laurissa Henderson, 1473 Hwy 51, Madison MS 39110. Make the Check to Riders of Mississippi. **DO NOT MAKE THE CHECK TO Laurissa.**

- The shirts will be the performance wear style, not cotton.
- Prices for short sleeve up to XL are \$ 23.81 and long sleeve will be \$27.33.
Larger sizes add \$2.00
Many members stated that they will buy a long and a short and if our order exceeds 48 shirts we get a price break and we will refund it to you.

Update so far only 22 shirts have been sold and we need a minimum of 36
Alan will send out a new order form in hopes of getting the number up. Buy some for Christmas gifts or just some extras!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Event Committee Info:

Just in case you wondered you are still on this committee. Alan heads it up, but you make it work.

Here are some ideas and plans we have in mind.

- The 2024 BMW MOA will be in Bend, Oregon. Yes, that is a long way but who has not dreamed about a motorcycle ride out west. You will talk about it forever!!
- There is a Web page named "Only in your State" that can be used as a guide for finding things to do.
- Everyone is challenged to join the MOA so they will get the monthly magazine (it will come by e-mail unless you request a paper copy. This publication has lots of great info including places to ride and things to do. BMW MOA link [BMW Motorcycle Owners of America \(bmwmoa.org\)](http://bmwmoa.org)
- Alan is asking for more ideas of fun rides or weekend trips we can make.
 - The 82 N 1 is in place.
 - The Mississippi Blues trail is another quest we are doing.
 - Motorcycle Tourers Forum is another great riders organization that has tons of riding opportunities (MTF) link - [The Motorcycle Tourer's Forum \(mctourer.com\)](http://mctourer.com)

For info on any these e-mail Alan at hendersonal@att.net

Ride Reports and tall tales:

It has been very hot and not many have ventured out, not even Bobby. However, a few did and here is their story.

- John Wheeler made a 5 hour ride with a few friends, They headed north through Canton on back roads like Yellow Bluff Road to Lexington and Eden. They then looped back to Livingston for dinner before heading home.
- Steve and a friend rode the Poplarville area.
- Alan, Tommy, Laurissa and Dan have made several uneventful RTEs the past month.

- Big news from Tommy as he unveiled his Zero adventure electric bike. It is very similar in size and weight as a GS 1200. Quiet as a Mouse.
- Not to be outdone we have Steve with his “new” 1966 BMW R/ 27. It has a solid 18 HP and is putting lots of smiles on Steve’s face.
- For the complete stories and more, with photos read it on the web page.
- And we need pictures of all the things **you** do. WITH THE BIKE IN THE PHOTO PLEASE.

NOTICE go to the ROM website for more ride reports!!!!

Future Meeting locations:

- **The Sunset Grill is the location for the September meeting and is located at 4269 Hwy 43 Brandon. This is on the north end of the Ross Barnett Reservoir**
 - November meeting at Walk Ons in Ridgeland, MS
 - Other location ideas but no date assigned to all of them:
 - Big O’s in Bay Springs
 - BOZO’s in Ocean Springs
 - The Shed BBQ in Ocean Springs and also in Moss Point
 - Moo’s Bar & Grill in Natchez
- Meeting adjourned

Lunch Meeting Photos below











On the way home in 104 degrees.