

BMW
Riders of Mississippi (Club #15)
bmwridersofmississippi.org

Officers: Prez- Laurissa Henderson, Vice Prez- Bobby Brooks, Secretary – Alan Henderson, Treasurer- Dan Stubblefield, Web Page Administrator- Steve Harrison

Minutes of February 8, 2025

Written by Alan

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The lunch meeting was at the Magnolia Grill in Columbia, MS. Many met up at the Fleet Way in Madison and only Dan can make a 120 mile ride into a 3.5 hour adventure. Going back home was just as good. Nothing but twisty country back roads. A full day of riding and enjoying the great weather, sunny and 80 degrees. Thank You Dan!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Several people had recommended this restaurant and it was very good.



Laurissa opened the meeting.

Club dues are now due.

Treasurer's Report:

- Dan gave the treasure's report and we did not have any expenses.
- Annual dues are due NOW.

Web master report:

- Steve <https://bmwridersofmississippi.org>) has added a section on the Web page that has a list of things to see and do. Not just 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.

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

Old Business and info:

- In December we discussed having 2 cookouts in 2025. Many stated that we should change it up and not always have a shrimp boil. We could grill chicken, burgers dogs or whatever. We could have this at a state park or in someone's back yard.
- Last month (January) we voted to have a catfish fry at Roosevelt State Park on April 12, 2025 at our regular monthly meeting. We will also ask those that would rather have a burger or dog let us know so we can accommodate. We also would like you to bring your significant other for a good time. Alan will head the event up and will be asking for help.
- We are once again planning a shrimp boil in the fall.
- As we all know there is no dealer in MS but here are some suggestions for a dealer or service person?
 - New Orleans dealer: Moto Julia - 504-595-6776 recommended by John Wheeler Jefferson LA (New Orleans) an independent Service location. Chuck House Motor Sports-504 846-4880 recommended by Jeff Hood and yes he works on BMWs.
 - The BMW dealer in Pensacola, Adventure Motorsports of NWF, Pensacola is another dealer worth going to.
 - BMW in Memphis, TN, Performance Plus Cycles has received many glowing reviews. They will be my new choice! Keith is a great salesman.
 - Another good dealer is Big #1 Power Sports in Birmingham. Yes they sell SXS's and jet skis but they have a great sales and service staff.
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- Officer terms run for two years and it will be time to elect new officers in April 2025.
- Officers may be elected for 2 consecutive terms but can be reelected to another office. However, after a break in their service they can be elected back to the same office.
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New Business, other and Event Info:

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

2025 is here! **YOU, why not YOU** plan a club ride.

- Just a heads up!!! If you receive a text or e-mail from some state telling you that you have an unpaid toll road fee -IT IS A SCAM!
- A great magazine for motorcyclist is Road Runner. They are chock full of great ride reports and ideas. They are online or paper.
- There is a group called the MOTORCYCLE TOURERS FORUM that makes rides throughout the year and all are invited. Laurissa and I normally make a ride or 2 with them every year.
- BMW Motorcycle Owners of America is another group that sponsors rides.
- Both of these groups work the same: they pick an area and hotel, then they block rooms and have dinner meals planned. You can ride to the location by yourself or if a friend is also going ya'll can ride together. See my list below.
- David Pell wants to make a Heart of the West ride in 2025. This is like a BDR and starts in Colorado. David has a truck and trailer and is more than willing to transport your bike. For more info contact him.
- Ricky is another BDR enthusiast and pointed out a new BDR route that starts in Florida and is about 1300 miles long.
- Dan Stubblefield, Richard Palmer and Alan are going to a supercross race in Birmingham for the March 22 race.
- Dan and Kerry are riding to Mena AR on March 28 for a men's weekend retreat.

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

- Alan is asking for more ideas of fun rides or weekend trips we can make.

Ride Reports and tall tales:

- After 3 months of waiting Alan was proud to show off his new R 1300 Adventure!!!! Picked it up and 2 days later it was time for the break in service.



- Alan and Dan made a RTE to The Garden Patch and as always the ride was good and the food was too. Today they had a favorite of mine, braised short ribs.
- Alan, Laurissa and Dan made another RTE to Shady Acres. This time Alan led the route and in some places took 1 lane backroads that only locals know about and use. Fantastic
- Ok with a new bike you have to ride so I just took off one afternoon for a 4 hour ride to nowhere. Good stuff.
- Bobby and Bryant made a 1,000+ mile RTE to Moonshine, IL for a burger. The riding was good but the burger was, well, just a burger.

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

Moto Tips

- This tip is good forever and comes from the BMW Owners News. You are never too old to get additional rider training and the Jan-Feb magazine had a lot of ideas of places to receive this training. Some will be hands on day classes and there is one on-line class. Also MOA will give some reimbursement on some. This is another benefit for being a MOA member. Go the MOA web page or [Champ U - Yamaha Champions Riding School \(ridelikeachampion.com\)](#) for more info.

Future Meeting locations:

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- Other location ideas but no date assigned:
 - Moo's Barn & Grill in Natchez
 - North 11 Diner in Picayune
 - Camp restaurant in Natchez
- * Good recommended places we have been too and a rating
 - Downtown Butcher in Greenville -3.5
 - Ratliff's Ferry off the Trace north of Canton -3.5
 - Blow Fly in Gulfport - 4
 - The Council House Restaurant at French Camp – 3.5
 - Bozo's II seafood in Biloxi -4
 - Shady Acres 5 miles north of Hattiesburg -4

- Bulldog Burger in Starkville -3.5
- Crescent City Grill in Hattiesburg -5
- Magnolia Grill in Columbia -4.5
- Sunset Grill on the Res -3.5
- The Shed BBQ in Ocean Springs and also in Moss Point -4
- Momma Hamil's in Madison -5

- Meeting adjourned

Lunch Meeting Photos below







