

BRMC GUEST NEWS – November 2014

Local Ride Activities

British Columbia: Vancouver Island – Members and other riders meet Sundays at 10:30 at Moka House Coffee, Cook St. Village, 345 Cook Street, Victoria, BC

Seattle: November 2 – Day ride weather permitting, local riders will get an email
November 12 – Meet and Greet, 7 PM Cuff

Portland: November 4 – Meet and Greet, 7 PM Portland Eagle, meeting and event planning
November 9 – Day ride weather permitting - information will be emailed to local riders in advance

October Club Meeting

Our October Club meeting was hosted by Member Scott H and his partner Jeff in Vancouver, WA. Great weather made it possible for some people to ride their bikes to the meeting.



Members and guests arrived in the afternoon and we achieved a quorum for the meeting allowing us to approve the minutes for previous meetings.



Scott and Jeff provided a great meal after the meeting and everyone had a chance to socialize and discuss past and future riding plans.



From the handlebars of the President

Gentlemen,

Thank you to everyone who attended the October meeting in Vancouver, WA. Scott and Jeff did an amazing job of the food and they were very gracious hosts. Thanks again guys. We actually had a quorum, and we were able to approve all the minutes of our previous meetings, which was really great.

I have compiled the results of the survey on the Attendance Policy standing order and I have sent it out to the membership. The plan is to create the standing order, agree on the language and intent, and vote on it at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in January 2015.

At the meeting I also mentioned the our 50th Anniversary is coming up in the next couple of years, and we would like celebrate this event by inviting other clubs from the US and Canada and definitely all our past members. Please let any Board member know if you are interested in being part of the organizing committee.

Waiver Committee

The waiver committee has completed the work on the BRMC Waiver of Liability and I will be sending this out through the SurveyMonkey tool via the web so that you can provide feedback. We also would like this to be voted on at the AGM.

Membership Committee

Thanks to those that had provided some input into this committee initially. However we need to move on with the process and Terry Bartlett has volunteered to Chair this committee and get things moving. Terry will be contacting the committee members in the coming weeks.

Nomination of New Members for 2015

Nominations are to be submitted by the November 15th meeting. So don't forget, if you are considering sponsoring a guest for membership, you should have explained the club expectations and responsibilities of membership and as the sponsor you are responsible to provide a photo and short biography to the webmaster by November 15th.

Proposed members are voted into the club at the AGM in January, by the eligible voting members and are presented with their colours at the Anniversary Dinner in February if they are successful.

Nominations for the BRMC 2015 Board

As I have announced at the previous couple of meeting and in past newsletters we are looking for nominations for the Board for 2015. Nominations are taken at any BRMC meeting or by email to the President. All nominations require the nominee to accept the nomination. Nominations can be made up to and including the Annual General Meeting.

I would like to encourage all or any of you to consider being a member of the BRMC Board. At this point we will be looking for nominations for all Board members, the current President, Secretary and Vice President have indicated that they will not be continuing in 2015. This is an amazing experience and opportunity, you get to meet everyone within the club, the members and all the guests, and I would definitely encourage anyone to nominate.

If you have any questions or problems, please contact any of the board members directly. If you would prefer to contact me directly, please do at president@borderriders.com or call me on 604 820 4058. I look forward to seeing you at the November 15th meeting in Mission BC.

Remember this is YOUR Club, run by the members for the members.

Cheers, Brian B, BRMC President 2014

Upcoming Schedule

November 15	Club meeting – Mission, BC
December 13	Holiday Party – Mount Vernon, WA
January 17	Annual General Meeting – Seattle
February 21	Anniversary Banquet – Seattle
March 21	Club meeting – Burlington, WA
April 18	Club meeting – Vancouver, WA
May 15-18	Victoria Day Weekend Camp - Pine Flats, WA
June 19-21	Bear Hollow Camp – Fossil, OR
July 17-19	Dry Falls State Park – Coulee City, WA
August 14-16	Paul Lake – Kamloops, BC
Sept 18-20	Deception Pass – Oak Harbor, WA (proposed)

Birthday Men

Here are the members with November Birthdays. Take a moment to wish them a great day.
Don W (November 13); Fred P (November 19); Sven C (November 27); Bruce M (November 30)

Registration for the November Club Meeting

Our November meeting is hosted by Andrew and Brad at their house in Mission, BC on Saturday night November 15, 2014. The menu will be Beef Sloppy Joes, Salads, Snacks, Sodas and Water. Vegetarian Shepherds Pie (Lentils, veggies, yam topping) will also be available. At their request this will be a non-alcohol event and you are requested not to bring alcohol.

DINNER FEE: \$17 US

We certainly encourage guest attendance, but guests do not have access to this registration and require a member to sponsor them.

Upon registration you will receive an informational email with complete driving and parking directions and other useful information. Guests emails will include a link to pay for the meal if your sponsor has not paid for you.

Registration closes at 9 PM on Tuesday November 11

Bill Bender

April 17, 1942 - October 20, 2014

On Friday October 17 Bill suffered a major heart attack. Although rushed to the hospital he was removed from life support on Monday and died peacefully.



After riding with the Border Riders as a guest Bill officially became a member in July of 1996 and actively contributed to the club in many ways.

He and his partner Jack Osterberg had moved to Astoria, OR and were married last May. The two always arrived at the club functions together and also participated in the local events when possible.



Bill's funeral will be held at Saint Henry's Catholic Church, 346 NW 1st St, Gresham, OR on Saturday November 1 at 11:00 AM. Bill will be dressed in his motorcycle leathers and several BRMC members will be pall bearers. Burial will be on Monday.

There will be a **Celebration of Bill Bender's Life** on Saturday, December 6 between 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm, at Jack and Bill's home, located at 1711 Grand Ave., Astoria. The Celebration will be the time to laugh and share our memories of Bill and reconnect with each other.

Luke Bryant

We received word that honorary member Luke passed away September 27th in Clayton, Australia. In 1985 his friend Buzz Taylor on a teacher's exchange from Vancouver, BC gave him an honorary membership to the Border Riders Motorcycle club for providing him assistance while there. In 1991 Luke attended the Victoria Day camp at Grouse Creek. He was active in promoting motorcycle safety and gay issues and was a member of the Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Foundation. He recently contributed several articles to the newsletter.



Contributions

Trip plans, day rides, other member news? When you get out riding send some photos and tell us about what you did. We would love to add it to the newsletter.