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Upcoming Rides

•April 1-14, 2006-Puerto Vallarta via the Baja and ferry to Mazatlan. Contact Ed Padalinski for details and more information (303) 699-6282

•April 8 Casual Ride

Meet your fellow club members at Sams#3 for breakfast and 9am and departure 1000am for route determined by the group that is there.

•April 23-Bishops Castle Ride

Ride to southern Colorado near Pueblo. Breakfast at 800am at Sams#3 and departure at 900am. Route will be via US285 to Westcliffe, near Pueblo. Ride Captains are Susan Andrews (303) 680-9189 & Ed Padalinski president@rmbrc.org

•May 25-30 Motofoto Safari Ride

to southwestern Colorado and Utah. Contact Dave Fiack at (303) 805-1799 or programs@rmbrc.org for more information and motel overnight locations.

•June 10-Go Kart & BBQ Ride

to the Go Kart Track at MRE Motorsports in Falcon, CO. Contact Roy Blakney for more information (303) 756-2547

TRANS-SIBERIAN HIGHWAY BY DENNIS O'NEIL

Our March speaker was Dennis O'Neil who traveled around the world with his friend Jim Oliver in 2004. While the whole adventure would take many hours to present, Dennis kept his presentation to his ride on the Russian Trans-Siberian Highway with his charming and fascinating stories about the adventure. The most important rule being—"Never trust a Russian". The adventure began with a road that was supposedly finished, but the conditions did not prove to be true! Dennis showed us many pictures of his adventures including all the 'friends' he met along the way. The road turned out to be about 1300 miles of construction with many parts impassable without assistance to get through the water. It was a life changing experience that both men will probably not want to do again. The constant threat of theft (Dennis lost his helmet) and the constant fear of meeting strangers that you did not know if you could trust was very stressful. Just getting gasoline at a station turned out to be a bit of an adventure! All in all it provided memories that no one will forget as long as they live.



From your President....

I am just returning from my last minute decision to ride with Roy Blakney and David Allen to Daytona Florida's Bike Week. I was here last year and certainly appreciated the opportunity to ride some miles after the long quiet winter non riding season we have in Colorado. If you have never been to a large convention of riders, Daytona is reputed to be the largest in the world with almost 500,000 riders convening in the same city. Luckily things are spread out around town, so there are many places to see and do things without too much congestion. It was nice to see some friends from the Colorado Beemers Club as well as friends we met last year from Canada. I really believe that the meeting of new and old friends is what rallies and conventions are about. It is also a place to see what is happening in the motorcycle world in regards to bikes and accessories in one place where you can touch and feel the things that you are interested in purchasing. In today's world of the internet this becomes very difficult and you make such purchases without the benefit of seeing the item. The ride seems long, but I enjoy being on the open road and the thrill of reaching a destination. There are so many sites and sounds along the way and you usually end up going thru a place where you have friends or family along the way. I was fortunate enough to see a new friend Charlie

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DAYTONA 2006

BY ED PADALINSKI

The annual trek to Daytona Bike Week started at 5am with Ed Padalinski, Roy Blakney, and David Allen making the run this year. We were very fortunate with the weather and made great time with lunch the first day at the infamous Big Texan in Amarillo and our planned overnite in Wichita Falls, Texas. After a little bit of confusion and separation we bedded down in a nice suite hotel near the interstate. The next day had our sights on Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Since our tempo and weather was quite good, we made a short day of the ride the next day and



included a visit of the USS Mobile in Alabama with our overnight in Pensacola, Florida and enjoyed dinner with our new friend Charlie from last year. By the end of 4th day we found ourselves in Daytona Beach, Florida with very warm weather and blue skies. After a bit of upgrade

luck, we ended up with a suite at our hotel right on the beach in Daytona. We met up with more friends from Canada that we met last year through Roy. The next few days were spent depending on your wants or needs. We enjoyed the time trials on Thursday with Roy getting us access to the pits at the Daytona Speedway in preparation for the Daytona 200. There were many places to see and enjoy as all motorcycle brands were represented including



free demo rides by all, including BMW this year. Roy enjoys the races, so he spends quite a bit of his time there, while David and I like to see the sights and sounds of Daytona spending time on Main Street, outside the track, and the beach. We enjoyed a few hours at the Farmers Market looking at the maze of vendors stalls. Dinners were loosely organized, but we made a point of meeting somewhere at the end of the day to catch up on our day's activities. I personally enjoyed jogging on the beach in the mornings and watching the sun rise over the water. There always seemed to be a brisk wind blowing along the shore making the temperatures at least 10 degrees cooler than in other parts of Daytona. Seeing the sights and sounds should to be experienced at least once in your lifetime!

from last year in Pensacola and also meet up with my nephew you recently joined the US Navy. As we age and our families grow, they seem disperse around the country, making those long road trips a little easier, as one can visit with them along the route to your final destination. The camaraderie of riding with friends makes the evenings a lot more pleasant. I know many of our members like to ride alone, but conversing with your fellow club members at the end of the day's ride always makes for lively conversation. Just ask Roy and David about ours! It isn't just all about the ride!

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SPONSORS UPDATE



Join us April 15th for the unveiling of the new R1200GS Adventure. There will be free hotdogs & beverages including displays by Remus Exhaust and Chicane Bags. Jim Key will be doing a presentation of his most recent ride to Central America. The club will also be doing recruiting for new members, so your assistance in helping is appreciated. May 13th will be the Spring Swap Meet.



Beemers & More Motorcycle Works: Next Workshop Clinic will be April 22nd at 830am and the topic will be "Get Ready for Riding"

Club Activities:

All Monthly Meetings are held in one location at Windsor Gardens Restaurant 597 S Clinton St. Denver. The Meetings begin at 7pm and food is served from 5pm-630pm.

- April Monthly Meeting is April 6 by Jim Key who recently returned from his 30 days south and 30 days north adventure into Central America. Jim will speak and show us his video from his Mexico Copper Canyon and Baja adventures
- April Board Meeting is April 27 at the Parker Library at 7pm. It is located at Parker Rd & Main St.
- April Social is April 29 at 6pm and the location is to be determined
- May Monthly Meeting is May 4 and will be held in a special location at Aurora Fire Station #1 (Iliff & Joliet). Officer Tracey Rogers will be demonstrating his BMW motorcycle. No food will be provided for this meeting.

2006 RIDE BOOK

The 2006 Ride Book is complete and will be distributed to members only in good standing. If you have not renewed your membership, please do so as soon as possible so you can get your copy. If you would like it mailed, please contact Ed Padalinski (303) 699-6282 or president@rmbrc.org

Bad Weather: There's a fellow who is an avid rider. Actually he's a motorcycle fanatic. He has not missed a weekend of motorcycle riding in years. Every Saturday and Sunday morning he gets up very early and goes meets his buddies for a nice long ride. On this one morning, he gets up early, dresses quietly, gets his riding gear out of the closet, and goes out to the garage to prepare to leave. While out there it started raining a torrential downpour. There was snow mixed with the rain and the wind is blowing at 30 mph. He comes back into the house and turns the TV to the Weather Channel. From there he finds it's going to be bad weather all day long. So he puts his bike back into the garage and comes back inside. He quietly undresses and slips back into bed where he cuddles up to his wife's back, and whispers, "The weather out there is terrible."

To which she replies, "Can you believe my stupid husband is out riding his bike today?"

PEAKS OF AMERICA TOUR



The BMW MOA and BMW RA are putting together a special commemorative pin for members who decide to attend three Rallies within 3 weeks across America. Beginning with the BMW RA rally in Boise, Idaho from July 6th-9th; then on to the Colorado Beemers Rally in Paonia, Colorado July 13-16; and then finally ending up at the BMW MOA National Rally in Burlington, Vermont July 20-23. You just need to keep your wristbands and show proof when you arrive in Burlington. There will also be a plaque for the "highest mileage" rider who attends all three events. More details will be in the upcoming BMW MOA ON magazine.

Carousel Ride Postponement

Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate on March 18 for the planned club ride, so it was postponed to a later date to be determined by the Rides Committee. It will probably be on one of casual ride days in the next few months.

Ladies/Men Ride Update

Watch for further information this summer as we will be developing a dual ride called "Where did the Ladies Go?" The lady riders will go first and then the men will have to find them. The ride will include prizes, surprises, a great ride and loads of fun. Lunch and Dinner will be included, so look forward to all the fun and folic. We will keep you updated and provide the date and time soon. We look forward to all of our members joining us on this fun event.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR FREE MEMBER LISTING PLEASE CONTACT ED PADALINSKI (303) 699-6282 OR PRESIDENT@RMBRC.ORG

FOR SALE: 2001 BMW F650GSA, Mandarin Yellow, 18 K Miles, tools, owners manual. Well kept by pro rider. Great ladies machine. ADD-ONS: BMW car horn, power adapter, heated hand grips, C-Bailey 17-inch touring wind screen, buddy lights (front & rear), expandable hard bags, K&N reusable air filter (washable), rear luggage rack, battery tender connection and charger. NEW: battery, rear Metzler tire and tube, rear sprocket, 1000cc engine O-ring chain.

CONTACT: Susan Andrews (303) 680-9189.



FOR SALE: Garmin eTrex Vista GPS includes all documentation, preloaded Colorado maps, handlebar mount, cables. Will provide free training. \$150.00 . Contact Dave Fiack (303) 805-1799 or programs@rmbrc.org

WANTED TO PARTICIPATE:

Membership Chairperson-no experience required, contact and sign up new members, schedule recruiting events, maintain membership data base, track memberships, notify members of renewals, and issue new member packets.

Club Membership Information is available online at www.rmbrc.org or contact

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