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The Journal of the Riders Association of the Mid-South



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April, 2017

The May Meeting will be on May 13, 2017 and will be at:

Drifter's Diner

76 Arsenal Lane

Lavinia, TN 38348

Lunch will begin at 1200 with the meeting to follow at 1:30. Your host will be Everett Blanchard (731)-234-2278 or everettblanchard@yahoo.com)and he would appreciate it if you could let him know if you are coming so he can arrange for sufficient seating in the restaurant.

Herb, Reno, Eric and the rest of the Anderson Family need your prayers.

Their Daughter in-law Sevilia was critically injured in car accident.

The Memphis in May Triathlon needs your help. May 20 and 21.

7am race start Casper Lake boat ramp

Edmund Orgill Park, Millington, TN

April 2017 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Craig on April 8, 2017 at 1:40 pm at Campsite 11, Village Creek State Park, Wynne AR. There were 28 RAMS and 20 motorcycles present.

New Business

1) We have 2 new members for April:

Charles Bishop who lives in Mablevale, AR and rides an R50/2 and a Can Am Spyder.

Bronson Gale who lives in Hernando, MS and rides a GL1200/California S/C.

2) We currently have 95 new and returning members for 2017.

3) There was no guests for the meeting.

4) Larry extended Thanks to the meeting hosts: The Bennett & Dale Families. Thanks also to Donna Clark for providing a Birthday Cake to Celebrate Larry's and her Birthdays this week.

RAMS Rally Update

1. The Rally dates have been changed to September 29 - October 1, 2017 and this information is on the RAMS Web Site.
2. PCRV is working on pricing for Chicken and Steak entrees for the RAMS Rally.

VP's Corner

1. No report from the VP this month.

Old Business

- 1) If anyone still does not have their picture in the online directory, please see Spencer or Rosey.
- 2) If you would like a RAMS patch (old logo only), decal (old and new logos) or need RAMS business cards, please get with Spencer.
- 3) A few 2016 RAMS Rally shirts in limited sizes are still available for \$10.00. See Larry Craig.
- 4) 2015 RAMS rally shirts are available for \$10.00 each. See Spencer.

For the Good of the Club

- 1) Check RAMS website for rally schedules. Highlights are:

The European Riders Rally will be in Burkesville, KY May 18-21, 2017. This is the rally for the Nashville BMW Club.

Jim Linneman invited all RAMS to the ROK Rally in Del Rio, TN May 25-28. Please go to the Riders of Knoxville web site to get full details.

The BMW RA National Rally will be in Petosky, MI July 6-9, 2017, the week before the BMW MOA National in Salt Lake City, UT which is July 13-16, 2017. Some RAMS are planning on trying to make both of them, with a ride around between them. See Robert Rehkopf if interested.

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- 3) The monthly Saturday Donuts and Coffee at Performance Plus will continue as it brings out a lot of the RAMS to meet and then go for a ride. Watch your E=mail for dates.
- 4) There is an issue with the auto-dialing feature of the RAMS Directory when installed on Android Smart Phones. The RAMS IT Department is aware of the problem and is working on options.
- 5) If you have an item you would like to see in the next meeting agenda, please get it to the Secretary by Wednesday prior to the meeting and it will be added to the next meeting agenda. This is not required for an item to be discussed, but it will make sure it gets in the mix. Send the information to: officers@bmwrams.com

Treasurer's Report

1) Balance in Bank plus petty cash = \$6151.00

2) Petty Cash = \$105.00

Movement to adjourn by Bryan Leonard, seconded by Steven Hitt, approved unanimously.

Our Club has provided Motorcycle support for the Memphis in May Triathlon for many Years. This event is managed by PR events. We will need 2 Riders that can carry a judge and other Riders to monitor the course.

There are 4 events that could use your support. they are.....

Memphis in May Sprint Triathlon - May 20, 2017; 8am race start
35th Annual Memphis in May Olympic Triathlon - May 21, 2017; 7am race start
Casper Lake boat ramp
Edmund Orgill Park, Millington, TN

2nd Annual Annie Oakley Buffalo Bill Sprint Triathlons June 24, 2017; 6:30 am race start
Shelby Farms Park, Memphis, TN

1st Annual Horseshoe Lake Sprint Triathlon July 22, 2017; 7am race start
Horseshoe Lake, AR

28th Annual Dragon Fly Triathlon Aug. 26, 2017 8am start
Sardis Lower Lake, Cypress Creek Point swim and picnic area
Sardis, MS

we will need 2 motorcycles to carry the officials and others will monitor the bike course segment.

If you have family they can also come out and volunteer during the race.

Coffee and a snack, lunch and T shirt for volunteers.

Thanks for the BMW-RAMS and your help!

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