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**MAY, 2017**

The June Meeting will be on June 10 , 2017

Hartwoods Motorcycle Campground

2830 County Road 90

Waterloo, AL 35677

Tel: 901-831-0855

Your host will be Michael Hart. Lunch will be at 1200 and the meeting will be at 1:30. Mike will be preparing burgers and dogs and the cost will be in the \$8.00 range.

We have some folks on our prayer list.

Herb, Reno, Eric and their Daughter in-law Sevilia who was critically injured in car accident.

Tim Jones needs prayers for his eye sight.

Art Manchester #3 is continuing to recover from his crash.

Let me know via E-mail if you know of club members in need.

## **May 2017 Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Craig on May 13, 2017 at 1:33 pm at Drifter's Diner in Lavinia, TN. There were 15 RAMS and 11 motorcycles present.

### **New Business**

1) We have one new member for May :

Joshua and Pamela Dowden who live in Arlington, TN and ride an F800 GSA.

2) We currently have 98 new and returning members for 2017.

3) There was no guests for the meeting.

4) Larry extended Thanks to the meeting host : Everett Blanchard

## RAMS Rally Update

1. The Rally dates have been changed to September 29 - October 1, 2017.
2. PCRV is working on pricing for Chicken and Steak entrees for the RAMS Rally.
3. The RAMS Rally Pins have been ordered in RED for 2017. The order was placed with former RAMS Member David Ashby who did last year's order.
4. The Rally Committee Chair positions that are filled and available are below:

Registration - Larry & Teresa Craig

Rally Shirt Sales- Larry & Teresa Craig

Coffee & Refreshments - Everett Blanchard

Food - Paul Whitworth

Door Prizes & Vendors - Spencer & Rosey Bennett

Awards (Distance, Age, etc.) - Spencer & Rosey Bennett

Poker Run - Tony Lugo & Rodger Moring

Trash/Sanitation - Open

Set Up - Open

Trailer - Tom Wolfgang

Bike Show - Open

Swap Meet - Marshall Robilio & Fred Bradley

Signage (Put Up and Take Down) - Open

## 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 \$5.00. See Larry Craig.
- 4) 2015 RAMS rally shirts are available for \$3.00 each or 2 for \$5.00. Most sizes are available. See Spencer.

## For the Good of the Club

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

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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Butch Turner will be leading a ride to the meeting that will begin in Lakeland at 0900 or so. Watch your e-mail for full details.

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- 1) 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.
  
- 2) The Triathlon season is upon us and there is still a need for Judge carriers and monitors. Please let Art Manchester IV know if you are interested in helping.  
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- 3) 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](mailto:officers@bmwrams.com)

### **Treasurer's Report**

- 1) Balance in Bank plus petty cash = \$6456.00
- 2) Petty Cash = \$50.00

Movement to adjourn by Jerry Dye, seconded by Paul Rhodes, approved unanimously.

Our Club has provided Motorcycle support for local Triathlons for many Years.

The events that could use your support are.....

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

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


Most events provide snack, lunch and T shirt for volunteers.

Thanks for the BMW-RAMS and your help!

Pam 901-550-2114

Stuff for sale or  
Trade! 

Nothing reported for Sale

  
*If you have anything you want to sell, trade or give away to a  
good home, email your pictures and description to:*

*Editor, The Shaft:*

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## Club Contacts

### RAMS Officers

- **President:** Larry Craig
- **Vice-President:** Donna Clark
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