

CRVBMW March 19, 2023 - Smokin' with Chris, 59 W. Center St, Southington, CT

Call mtg to order at 1:16 PM

Number in attendance - 18

Ron - Treasurer's Report – after all expenses (banquet, etc.) were paid, we are in pretty good shape

Felix - Minutes report from previous meeting –

Old Business –

We've finally launched our new website www.crvbmw.org and, if you haven't looked at it, you really should. There are so many new features as noted in my email such as the Contact Us page and the Events page. The Events page will allow anyone to see a schedule for our meetings, events and other activities and their locations. And don't forget to check out the Photo Gallery, Club Store and Classified Ads.

Does anyone have any questions about the new website?

Please feel free to provide us feedback using the Contact Us link or emailing me at president@crvbmw.org. We especially want to know if you are experiencing any issues with access or formatting.

We still need to talk up the club and pass out our club cards to as many motorcyclists as we can so we can bring in new members. See me after the meeting if you would like a few more cards.

Tim mentioned the Club needs more members. That we are not seeing any new members from Max's BMW. Nord will pay Max's a visit to look into if they are including the free membership with each motorcycle sold. Tim stated that in 2022 there were 140 members including the free ones through Max's. About 40 or so have not renewed.

About the MOA Rally - at the Winter Banquet, there was discussion regarding paying for a tent, tables and chairs at this year's MOA rally (by a show of hands, around 12 people at the banquet plan to attend). Cost would be about \$500, which was deemed a little high, so Brian Fisk offered an alternative which is to see if Yankee Beemers will be renting a tent again and if they would be interested in splitting the cost for a larger tent with us. Brian Fisk will contact them.

Brian spoke about Yankee Beemer breakfast was on same day as this meeting. He mentioned that the president of Yankee Beemers is in favor of combining resources for a tent. Ocean State club will also be participating.

And a repeat for those of you who attended the Winter Banquet

At our November meeting, this year's Executive Committee was elected. Our current officers are the same as last year. They are:

President - Tim Parola
Vice President - Chris Jennings
Secretary - Felix Planas
Treasurer - Ron Faibusch
Member-at-Large - Nord Christensen
Road Captain - Open
Assistant Road Captain - John Schnabel

Here's some future events for you to consider:

Devil's Hopyard Campout - April 21 - 23. See Brian Fisk for info
BMW RA Southern Alps Weekend - May 11 - 14 in Little Switzerland, NC
Chris Jennings' Little Acorn Campout on Memorial Day Weekend at Mashmoquet Brook State Park in Pomfret, CT - May 26 - 28
Americade - May 29 - June 3 in Lake George, NY
BMW MOA National Rally - June 8 - 10 in Doswell, Virginia
BMW RA National Rally - September 14 - 17 in Davis, West Virginia
All of these events are listed on our website with links to sign up and for info about the sponsors or locations.

If you know of any members that have not renewed their membership for this year, let them know that they will not be receiving emails starting next month and their name will be removed from our roster.

The next club meeting will be on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at 1 PM
Location TBD
Check the website and watch for an email

Does anyone have any items to discuss?

Brian Fisk told that CRV's first president, Richard Stoddard, passed away recently.

Motion to adjourn by Nord Christensen and seconded by Frank Podgewaite

Mtg adjourned at 1:28 PM

Notes in red added by Felix Planas, Secretary.