



BMW Club of Port Washington Newsletter

President's Message

Hello Everyone!!

We are getting in the Christmas mood at our house. The tree is up, the lights are twinkling outside, Christmas music on the computer, and it even looks like it is going to start getting cold soon. With this there are going to be a lot of things we need to take care of now so we can have a great riding year next year. Elections are at the next meeting. Also we need to discuss the future of our club house and meeting place. I am sure there has been some confusion about this. There will be more information on this later in the newsletter.

The Board of Directors had a meeting and discussed many things including the possibility of making a donation to a local charity. Since this is the season of giving maybe now would be a good time to make this happen.

Also we have the International Motorcycle Show in February. I am really looking forward to this as I am looking for gear and helmets this time.

It is a time to mend fences and build bridges. I admit I may not have been the best Leader for our Club but now that I am getting the swing of this it is time for me to lead by example. We have a lot of new members and I would like to reach out to the members we may not have seen in a while. Many exciting things are on the horizon and we need to be ready for them. Some may be challenges but most will be positive experiences.

Ride Safe!!

Happy Holidays!!!

Barry

**Articles for the next newsletter
are due December 27, 2009**



Secretary Scribbles

The November 8th meeting of the Port Washington BMW club was called to order at 4:05pm at Lake Church Inn in Lake Church, WI. There were 10 members in attendance. The minutes from last month were read and approved. The treasurer's report was also read and approved.

Old Business:

Mini Rally: Dates are still being discussed. There was discussion about having the two dates on the nominations ballot and letting club members to decide. It is narrowed down to the first two weekends in June, but there are conflicts with both due to the Iowa and Hiawatha rallies. There will be more discussion at the next meeting during nominations.

Trophy Case: The trophy case is being moved to MaGilla's House from Barry's spare room or hallway. Brian and Terry volunteered to help move it and will be moving it soon.

New Business:

Nominations: Nominations are coming up for the positions of VP/treasurer, newsletter editor, ambassador, supply officer and three directors. If you were nominated for any positions, you will be notified. **You have to be present at the December 13th meeting to decline the position.**

Christmas Party: The Christmas Party will be held at Lake Church Inn on Saturday, January 30th. Lake Church will be closed for the club's event for a few hours so we will have the whole place to ourselves. More details to come about time and cost. Cassie, Stacie and Barry have volunteered to help commandeer the party this year.

Wild Goose Run: Slated for April 17, 2010

International Motorcycle Show: February 19-21 in Chicago. Ritchie let us know that BMW will not be at the Chicago show this year.

The November 8th meeting of the Port Washington BMW club was adjourned at 5:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Stacie Bieber

The Roadhouse Dilemma

Not so very long ago I had received an phone call to come and remove the Trophy case from the Roadhouse immediately. The conversation was tense from the Roadhouse. Based on some of the incidents since, I contacted the Club officers for options. I decided we would have a couple meetings at the Lake Church Inn near Belgium, WI. The owner of the Inn was optimistic we would make the Lake Church Inn our new meeting place permanently. We have had a few meetings there and for me, had a very positive experience. A number of other places had been suggested but I feel the Lake Church Inn has a lot to offer. We are planning our Holiday Party here and hope everyone can come out and see what it is all about.

If you have a better location please do a little leg work and make contact with the owner and inform them of our club. Tell them when we meet, (even on Mother's day and Easter) and have those details ready if you wish to suggest that location.

For some of us it is a longer drive but The positives outweigh the negatives.

Please come to the Port Club meeting and see for yourselves. The French Fries are great!!!!

Meanwhile the Trophy case is in stable condition and resting comfortably in Magilla's house.

Barry Strobusch

Elections are just around the corner
and the following offices will be opened:

Vice President / Treasurer

Newsletter Editor

Club Ambassador

Supply Officer

Please come to the meeting at Lake Church Inn with
Nominations for the above positions! We will accept nominations and
conduct elections at our December 13th meeting

Port Club Dues for 2010

Your annual dues for the Port Club can be sent to your Club Vice President / Treasurer and are due this month. The rates are \$20.00 for members before December 31st. Dues received after the 31st will be \$25.00. You can address your payment to The Port Washington BMW Club and mail it

to: PO Box 94

Port Washington, WI 53074

Dues will NOT be collected at the annual Holiday party.

Holiday Party 2009

The Holiday Party for the Port Washington BMW Club will be Saturday January 30th, 2010 at the Lake Church Inn.

Please feel free to bring your favorite holiday treat or dessert!!!

Cocktails at 5:30PM, Dinner at 6:00PM

The cost is \$10.00 for Members, \$20 for Non Members.

Please RSVP to either Cassie Strohbusch or Stacie Bieber before January 10th 2010.

Payment should be addressed and sent to:

Port Washington BMW Club

PO Box 94

Port Washington, WI 53074

Cassie Strohbusch 920-488-6806

Stacie Bieber 414-254-1453

_____ I / We will be attending the Port Club Holiday party.

I / We will be bringing _____ guest(s). Guests name: _____

Name: _____

Amount Due: _____

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Check for the latest on the Port Club Web site: <http://www.portbmwclub.com>.
Or mail to:
PO Box 94
Port Washington, WI 53074

Happy Birthday!!!

December
Dan Wundrock
Glen Hajek
Stacie Biever
Terry Gatzke
Tom O'Meara
Ann Hollrith

The Port Washington BMW Club meets at 4:00 PM on the second Sunday of most months at "The Lake Church Inn".
East of Hwy 43 on Hwy "D"
Lake Church, Wisconsin

December 2009

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