

**Gulf South BMW Owners Club  
Minutes of August 1, 2007 Meeting**

President Roy Dausat opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Italian Pie in Jefferson, LA. He then introduced and welcomed guests. Our guests were Shannon Borja, Amy Herold, Ann Johnson, Zachary Materne, Chuck Netzhammer, Rita O'Malley, and Evan Smith.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Debbie Randolph reported a club balance of \$856.66.

**MINUTES**

Jannie Markey asked that the June 20 minutes be changed to reflect the 1<sup>st</sup> Motorcycle Summit to read as "...sponsored by the LA Highway Safety Commission and the LA Motorcyclist Safety and Awareness Committee...scheduled on August 4 ...". The minutes were approved as corrected after a motion was made by Jim Markey and seconded by Jackie Graff.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Jannie Markey advised there was nothing new to report on the Recommendations to the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority.

There was no report on the Generic Business Card since Joe Trippodo was not in attendance.

Roy updated everyone regarding the upcoming joint meeting with the MS BMW Club. We will be meeting at La Fiesta Grande Resturante Mexicano around noon on September 8 in Natchez. The restaurant is located at 288 John R. Junkin Drive. Details will be posted on the web calendar once the time is confirmed and a route is planned for a group ride there. We will also advise everyone via email or phone call reminders.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Jannie Markey, seconded by Jackie Graff, and passed to hold our regular meeting for September on the 5<sup>th</sup> in addition to the joint meeting with the MS Club.

Jannie Markey reminded us that the 1<sup>st</sup> Motorcycle Summit is scheduled on August 4 from 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the Holiday Select on Constitution Avenue in Baton Rouge. She advised that if anyone was interested in attending they need to let her know since space is limited.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Randy Randolph reported that Materne's Triumph and Vespa of New Orleans dealership has offered to host our Club Christmas Party this year. Maury and Cindi Guillot's home is still a possibility also. Roy suggested a Christmas Committee to handle the details and Jannie Markey volunteered to chair the Committee.

### DEALER REPORT

Roy mentioned that Hebert Cycles reported no information on specials, but they do have tires in stock and they are steadily booking service with a two-day turnaround.

Zack Materne of Materne's Triumph and Vespa of New Orleans was in attendance. He introduced himself and said that they hope to serve members of the club. He also confirmed their offer to host our Christmas Party.

### MOA AMBASSADOR'S REPORT (Lyle Grimes/Ken O'Malley)

Ken O'Malley gave a report on the International Rally in Wisconsin. There were 7,800 in attendance (7 of our club members). The rally was very well done (plenty of vendors, great food and entertainment, 74 sessions, vintage bike show, and the list goes on. The one major negative of the rally was the fatal accident of an Iowa club president as he was leaving the rally. The next international rally will be in Gillette, WY.

Ken reminded everyone about the Monterrey, Mexico Rally.

Ken advised that the MOA has great information on the web now at [BMW.org](http://BMW.org).

Ken brought us up to date on a motorcycle accident study that the Federal government will be doing. The Feds have pledged half of the cost (about \$3 million), but the remainder needs to be matched by the AMA. The AMA is asking for donations and Ken encouraged participation. Randy Randolph made a motion for the Club to donate \$100. This motion was seconded by Alden Bienvenu and unanimously passed. A suggestion was also made by Jim Markey that each AMA member donate \$1 with a match from the MOA Charitable Foundation. Ken will follow up on this idea and keep us posted.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1) August 4 – 1<sup>st</sup> Motorcycle Summit in Baton Rouge
- 2) August 5 – Locks of Love Run - 12 – 5 p.m. @Lakeside Shopping Center
- 3) September 7-9 – Bavarian Mountain Weekend in Sipapu, New Mexico
- 4) September 8 – Joint Meeting with MS BMW Club in Natchez
- 5) October 18-21 - International BMW Rally in Monterrey, Mexico

### OTHER RIDES OR RALLIES REPORT

- 1) Brian Johnson highly recommended the "Top of the Rockies" Rally.
- 2) Ken O'Malley mentioned the Moto GP in Indianapolis.

### RIDE SUGGESTIONS

None suggested.

**COMMENTS, SUGGESTIONS, DISCUSSION**

Rita suggested that a membership roster be sent to all club members. There were no objections so Julie Dauzat will email an updated roster to current members.

Our next regular meeting will be September 5 at Italian Pie, Jefferson, LA. A Joint Meeting with the MS Club will be September 8 at LA Fiesta Grande Resturante in Natchez, MS.

**DOOR PRIZES and 50/50**

Peggy Bienvenu won the picture frame, Shannon Borja won the WD-40, and Alden Bienvenu won the power screwdriver.

Celeste Lousteau won the 50/50 pot of \$11.00.

**ADJOURNMENT**

By motion made by Ken O'Malley and seconded by Mike Borchers, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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**Members Present at the August 1, 2007 Meeting**

ALDEN BIENVENU, PEGGY BIENVENU, MICHAEL BORCHERS, RICK BORJA, LARRY COOK, JULIE DAUZAT, ROY DAUZAT, BOB FROBOESE, ADAM GRAFF, JACKIE GRAFF, KEN GREGOIRE, VERONICA GREGOIRE, LYLE GRIMES, MAURY GUILLOT, BRENT HEROLD, BRIAN JOHNSON, BERNARD LOUSTEAU, CELESTE LOUSTEAU, JANNIE MARKEY, JIM MARKEY, JOHN O'MALLEY, KEN O'MALLEY, DEBRA RANDOLPH, ELMON RANDOLPH, FELIX RIVERO, SHELBY SMITH, BETTY VEGAS, AND PAUL VEGAS.

Total number of attendees, members and guests: 35