

**Gulf South BMW Owners Club
Minutes of December 5, 2007 Meeting**

President Roy Dausat opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. at the Italian Pie in Jefferson, LA. He then introduced and welcomed our only guest for the evening, Shannon Borja.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Debra Randolph reported a club balance of \$427.90.

MINUTES

A motion to approve the November meeting minutes was made by Elmon Randolph and seconded by Rick Borja. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS

Annual Christmas Party – Jannie Markey reported on the party. She stated that everyone had a good time and the dishes everyone brought were appreciated. Randy did an excellent job cooking the turducken and the ham. A good time was had by all attending. Alden Bienvenu said there were approximately 32 people there.

Election of Officers for 2008 – Roy recapped that at last month's meeting, Elmon Randolph had been nominated for President. There were no other nominations; therefore, **Elmon Randolph was voted in as the new President**. Joe Trippodo was nominated last month for Vice President with no other nominations at that time; however, Rick Borja expressed an interest in the position and nominated himself for that office via email to Roy Dausat. That nomination was seconded at this meeting by Ken Gregoire. **Rick Borja was voted in by secret ballots as the new Vice President**. There were no nominations for Secretary previously or at this meeting. **Peggy Bienvenu agreed to take the position and will be the new Secretary**. **Debra Randolph was voted in as Treasurer** once again with no opposition.

NEW BUSINESS

Final Update of Membership Roster for 2007 – Julie Dausat reported that an update was done on December 4 and emailed to all on the email list. The remainder of members were either given their copy or will receive them in the mail. Any changes/corrections should be sent to Peggy Bienvenu.

DEALER REPORT

Hebert Cycles – They are offering a 10% discount on all merchandise except bikes. They are open for service work, selling extending warranties, and they are taking deposits on 800 GS's to be released in March.
Vespa of New Orleans –They are offering coupons worth up to \$500 for accessories on purchases of selected Triumph models.
Vespa of Baton Rouge – They still have a couple of bikes left from their last month's sale that are drastically reduced.

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

Lyle Grimes mentioned that the annual MOA Rally will be in Gillette, Wyoming next year. He also stated that there is a book coming out on how MOA and RA were started. There is an order form in the MOA Magazine for those interested.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1) December 9 – Impromptu Ride to Gerald's Restaurant on Hwy 25. We will be leaving the Chevron Station on LA 59 just north of I-12 in Mandeville at 10 a.m.
- 2) December 16 -- Annual Gumbo Ride – Alden Bienvenu gave the details for the ride on December 16. We will meet in LaPlace at 11 a.m. at the Donut Hole on Hwy 51 and 61. We will ride on River Road then back to the their house.

OTHER RIDES OR RALLIES REPORT

Roy mentioned that he and a few others checked out a ride possibility for the Club this past Sunday. They rode to the Franklinton Country Club for a buffet that someone told him about. They served really good food and the ride was great, so he will probably plan a ride there for us in the future.

Alden reported on the Swamp Scooter Rally (November 9-11). It was at a new location this year in Carencro at a very nice RV campground. Attendance was way down and there were only a few vendors, but they enjoyed the rally.

RIDE SUGGESTIONS

Rick Borja mentioned a possibility for a Saturday ride to the Battlefield in St. Bernard to attend the Reenactment on January 5-7. The details will be worked out and discussed at the January meeting.

COMMENTS, SUGGESTIONS, DISCUSSION

Alden cautioned everyone to be alert and watch out for flying creatures such as owls, buzzards, etc. A rider from Baton Rouge recently was hit by a buzzard resulting in the rider having surgery on a broken shoulder. We can never be too careful!

Our next monthly meeting is scheduled for January 2.

DOOR PRIZES and 50/50

Jannie Markey and Debra Randolph each won a Christmas candle decoration, Peggy Bienvenu and Veronica Gregoire each won Precision Oiler, Bob Froboese won a nail set and Jim Markey won a salt & pepper shaker set.

Julie Dausat won the 50/50 pot of \$6.

ADJOURNMENT

By motion made by Elmon Randolph and seconded by Lyle Grimes, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Members Present at the December 5, 2007 Meeting

ALDEN BIENVENU, PEGGY BIENVENU, MICHAEL BORCHERS, RICK BORJA, JULIE DAUZAT, ROY DAUZAT, BOB FROBOESE, KEN GREGOIRE, VERONICA GREGOIRE, LYLE GRIMES, JANNIE MARKEY, JIM MARKEY, DEBRA RANDOLPH, AND ELMON RANDOLPH

Total number of attendees, members and guests: 15