

**Gulf South BMW Owners Club
Minutes of March 12,2008 Meeting**

President Elmon Randolph opened the meeting at 7:13 p.m. at the Italian Pie in Jefferson, LA. He welcomed members and guests for the evening: Rita O'Malley, Paul Napolitano, Zachary Materne, Maxwell Materne, Blaze Wheat.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Debra Randolph reported a club balance of \$820.69.

MINUTES

A motion to approve the February meeting minutes was made by Adam Graff and seconded by Paul Vegas. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **CLUB PICNIC** – The club picnic will be held on Sunday, April 13 at Adam & Jackie Graff's camp, 5056 Elbrus, Bay St. Louis, MS. Directions and a map will be posted on the website soon. The club will handle most of the food and drinks. Members are asked to bring a dessert or a side item. The starting time will be 11:00 a.m.
2. **Louisiana Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Committee** – Jannie Markey, as a member of this committee, reported that the motorcycle license plate with the MAC logo is available. It is a good cause.
She also reported that there would be a bill introduced during the current legislative session to repeal the current helmet law. She stated that Governor Jindal is quoted as saying that he is for freedom of choice. When she gets more info (bill #, sponsor, when) she will pass the info on to members so that they can let their representatives know how they feel about this law. Colonel Champagne has also lined up some bills on driver safety. She mentioned a few of them. Members were encouraged to voice their opinions on these issues. One way to do so is to attend the motorcycle rally on the steps of the state capitol in Baton Rouge. This event is scheduled for April 27th this year. It is a major event to kick off "Motorcycle Awareness Month" in May.
3. **MILEAGE CONTEST** – Jannie Markey announced and presented plaques to the 2007 winners.

MEN'S CONTEST	WOMEN'S CONTEST
1 st – Lyle Grimes 46,621(not present)	1 st Julie Dauzat 8,488 (not present)
2 nd – Ken O'Malley 24,508	2 nd – Peggy Bienvenu 7,362
3 rd - Alden Bienvenu 15,274	3 rd – Jannie Markey 464
4. **OFFICERS' AWARDS** - Elmon Randolph presented a plaque to Joe Trippodo for serving as the club's vice-president in 2007. Plaques will be presented to the 2007 President – Roy Dauzat and the secretary – Julie Dauzat at a later meeting.

RIDE REPORTS

1. Ride to Thibodaux on February 10th was very nice. The weather was perfect, great route and the food was easy. 14 bikes and one car.
2. Daytona Bike Week – Quite a number of members attended and had a good time. The racing was good. BMW finished 5th and 6th in the 200. It did rain some and was very windy (50 mph) on Saturday. There were fewer vendors than in previous years.

DEALER'S REPORT

Hebert's – Will have an Open House on March 29. Times were not specified. Crawfish will be served

Triumph/Vespa of NO – Zach Materne said that they will host a Triumph Fashion Show on Thursday, April 17th at the Republic on S. Peters St. He also said that the local RAT club will have a breakfast ride ending at the dealership. (Date was not stated). MSF classes will be held at their store starting in April. The driving part of the class will be at Lakefront Airport

UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Dogwood Trails Rally – April 4-6 – Askews Landing,MS
2. AMA Superbike Races – April 18-20 – Barber's Motorsports Park Birmingham,AL

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

Ken O'Malley mentioned that the BMWMOA Rally will be in Gillette, WY this summer.

DOOR PRIZES and 50/50

Jim Markey won a torqs screwdriver set. Rita O'Malley won a utility knife. Charlie O'Malley won a hand-held Coleman fan. Travis McCabe won a copy of the movie, On Any Sunday. Jim Markey won the 50/50 pot of \$23.00.

ADJOURNMENT

By motion made by Alden Bienvenu and seconded by Ken O'Malley, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Members Present at the March 12, 2008 Meeting

ALDEN BIENVENU, PEGGY BIENVENU, MICHAEL BORCHERS, ADAM GRAFF,
JACKIE GRAFF, NICK HATZGIONIDIS, BRENT HEROLD, BRIAN JOHNSON,
JULIAN KELLY, JANNIE MARKEY, TRAVIS MCCABE, JIM MARKEY, CHARLES O'MALLEY,
KEN O'MALLEY, DEBRA RANDOLPH, ELMON RANDOLPH, ROB RITCHIE, GLEN ROMERO,
JOE TRIPPODO, PAUL VEGAS, JOE WILBERT

Total number of attendees, members and guests: 26