

The Call of the Road

Newsletter

Lehigh Valley Beemers

BMWMOA Charter Club #277,
BMWRA Charter Club #369

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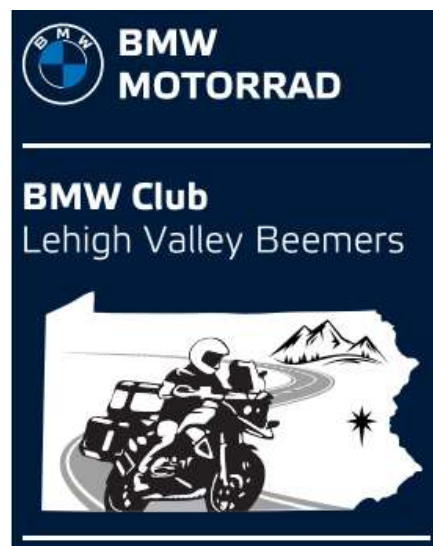
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Club Monthly Breakfast Meeting

The Next LV Beemer 'Breakfast Club' meeting will be **Sunday, December 11 @ 0800-0930** at the Superior Restaurant Emmaus, PA. Please sign up on MEETUP by December 9 so we can finalize our reservation. No Post Breakfast Ride is Planned But Ride if You Wish.
Address: 102 State Road, Emmaus, PA 18049.



President's Message

Dear Fellow Lehigh Valley Beemers Club Members,

The Riding Season wound down for most of us in November. Some folks stash their bikes away for the winter, while others embrace the elements year-round. I'll usually ride over 45 F. What are your riding habits in the winter? If you'd like to post a ride in MEETUP in the cold months, let me know and we will schedule it up! I'm thinking new member Rob Banwart will be riding – having recently relocated to the area from Chicago. Winter in PA is warm – says he! We did have a couple of scheduled rides during the month, and a hang-out-at-Hermy's event also. See November Recap for summary and photos.

With regard to Membership, we again welcome new members to the club in November: Experienced riders Jim Anthony and Frank Giorgione joined raising the total members to 61. I hope you gentlemen can make it to the December breakfast. See their photos at the end of the newsletter.

December and January will be a big test for the club – it's club renewal time. For those of you who have renewed – many thanks. For those club members who have not yet renewed – expect another reminder email December 1, and then a couple of more by mid-January. You can tap the link in that email to safely join – OR - go directly to our website – [Lehigh Valley Beemers BMW Motorcycle Riders Club](#), to renew. The club continues to offer an increasing number of rides and trips, breakfasts, and other social gatherings. Recall the Fall Picnic at Todd Trumbore's Bavarian Barn (see article in the November Owner News) and look forward to the Holiday Luncheon at Shady Maple near Morgantown on December 3rd – where we will be joined by some members of four other nearby BMW riding clubs. The Leadership Team and I hope to continue a tradition of great rides and meetups that'll be worth your while! Renewals are due by December 31.

As discussed in the November Newsletter- on November 22 the Leadership Team released the final draft 2023 Ride Plan to all club members for comment. Comments are kindly requested back by Friday December 2. Again, constructive feedback on the plan is welcomed and encouraged. Do you like what you see? Are you looking for other rides? We look forward to hearing from you. Once finalized, we will post rides by late December/Early January so you can indicate your plan to attend the rides and events that work for you. We look forward to seeing a lot more club members in 2023.

If you haven't seen the meetup posting, there is a multi-BMW rider club Holiday Luncheon at the famous Shady Maple Restaurant near Morgantown PA on Saturday December 3. Get there 1130-1200, sit down for luncheon at 1200. Many other activities at the spot also. Come with your better half and make a day of it with other club members and meet new friends from the Del-Val Riders, Mid-Atlantic Riders, Mac Pac, and Dutch Country Riders. We are expecting 100 or more.

Hope to see you all at the Breakfast on Sunday December 11. New Venue – Superior Restaurant in Emmaus. Jan and Floyd Keim are hoping to attend – so please come and say hello!

Wishing everyone a Happy Holiday Season! Take care, and Ride Safe!

P.S. On my Key Fob photo last month..... I received no takers on the free breakfast. Just BE ADVISED that if you lock your bike handlebars and then accidentally (or intentionally) push a button on your key fob – that your bike will act like it has no battery and you will be stranded. German engineering at it's finest! Try it if you dare! 😊

Vince

Vince Kelly
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“ONLY THOSE WHO RISK GOING TOO FAR CAN POSSIBLY FIND OUT HOW FAR THEY CAN GO”.
T. S. ELLIOT

November Recap, Club Member Ride Summaries

- Dave Smith led a group of 4 riders to NJ and points north on November 5. Joining Dave were Ron P, Jim F, and Ben P. Lunch was at the Layton Hotel Tavern, Layton, NJ while riding in Warren and Sussex Counties. Hot Dog Johnny was the dessert stop heading home. 😊

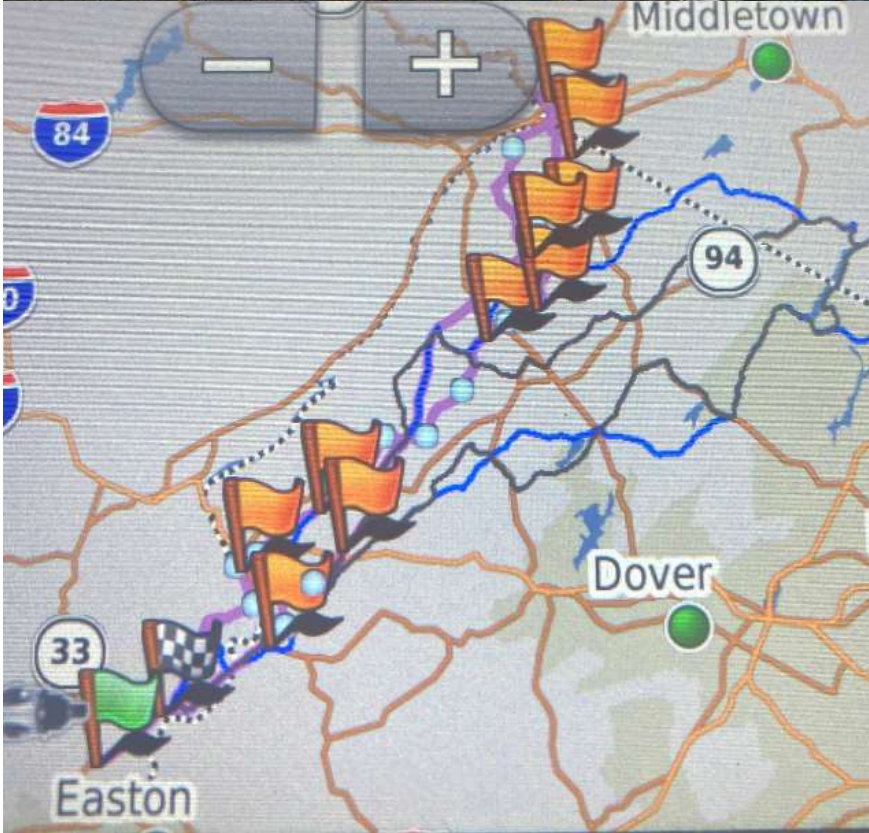
Ron Waiting in Line

Ron and Ben Awaiting KSU



- Also on November 5, Roger Sposili led a ride of 3 club members and guest (who later joined the club) to the "Three High Elevation Overlooks Ride": Sunrise Mountain Overlook, High Point, and Elks-Brox Memorial park. The group lunched at Arlene and Tom's Restaurant in Point Jervis. The ride up and back kept to North Jersey's most forested 'no line' roads found east of the Delaware River. All in all, Jim S, Roger S, Randy M, and Frank G had a great ride!





- Hermy's held another Bagger Demo Day. A number of club members attended. Great lunch was had by all. Someone MAY have bought a new bike. Nice day for a ride to Hermy's to shop and hang.

Drone Spying on Vince K and Ron P



Hanging out at Hermy's



Mark P... "you want how much for that bike ??!
HaHaHaHaHa.....

2023 Look Ahead

- On November 22, Club Leadership released the final draft 2023 Ride Plan to all club members for comment. Please provide comments you have by Friday December 2. Following receipt and review of comments, club leadership will finalize the ride plan, release copies of the spreadsheet to all club members, and input the rides into MEETUP for all to sign up for.
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Club Business

Membership Update:

Members as of 11/01/2022:	59
New Members in Nov	2
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Total Membership as of 11/30/22:	61

Treasurer Report – Month Ending November 30

End of October Balance: \$1,729.27

November Receipts:

11/08: \$75.00 – 1 new member, 2 membership renewals, through BMWMOA account XFR

11/21: \$50.00 - 2 membership renewals (cash)

November Disbursements: None

End of November Closing Balance: \$1,854.27

David Dunn (Vince Kelly For.....)

LV Beemers Website, MEETUP, and Facebook

- The website is found at URL: www.lehighvalleybeemers.com
- FACEBOOK: The LV Beemers Facebook page is a public space where members can post info/photos/ride summaries to friends and family since they can't 'see' our meetup app and photos we post in there. The Facebook URL is: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100071203273876>
• Check it Out. Save the link for future reference. Request to Join or friend it.
- MEETUP: The LV Beemers currently use the Meetup App (and website at www.meetup.com) to schedule and document our Rides and other Events. New club members can sign up for our MEETUP Group using the following link. Warning: you must first have a meetup account. Sign up at www.meetup.com (create a user ID and PW – it's free).
 - Then tap this link. www.Meetup.com/lehigh-valley-beemers

2022 Club Leadership

President, Newsletter Editor, Membership: Vince Kelly ~ LVBEEMERS@GMAIL.COM,
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Vice President: Ron (need a nickname) Paret ~ reparet@aol.com

Treasurer: David (The Accountant) Dunn, davidvdunn@gmail.com

Ride Master: Roger (need a nickname) Sposili, sposilirj@msn.com

Ride Leaders/Event Co-Organizers (in Meetup): Vince (TechDog) Kelly, Randy (OI Milla) Miller,
Tim (Wedge)Otoole, Ron Paret, Todd (need a nickname) Poole, Chip (need a nickname) Richardson,
Dave (need a nickname) Smith >>

Additional Ride Leader Positions Available.

Webmaster: Chip Richardson

Secretary: Open.

Merchandising Coordinator: Open

Newsletter Co-Editor: Randy Miller. Always seeking additional Co-Editors.

If any of our members are interested in Joining the Leadership Team, please get in touch with Vince or Ron. Thanks.

NOTE: Nicknames must be by another club member. No 'self-proclaimed nicknames' allowed!

Current Member New Bikes ! And New Member Bikes !

New Member in November - Jim Anthony



New Member in November - Frank Giorgione



MOTORCYCLE HAND SIGNALS



obvious
plant



**Left
turn**



**Right
turn**



**Look, a
doggie!**



**Let's
stop to
pet the
doggie**



**Flap!
Flap!
I am a
birb**



**LMAO
now I
am crab!**



**Who
wants a
Slurpee?**



**I want a
Slurpee!**



**Shrek 1
is my
favorite
movie**



**Shrek 2
is my
favorite
movie**



**F*ck you
both
Shrek 3 is
clearly the
best film of
all time**



**Hand
me a
taco**



**I'm a lil
teapot
short and
stout**



**A bug
flew
in my
mouth**



**I HAVE A
SWORD!**



**I have a
sword
injury**

MOTORCYCLE HAND SIGNALS



Left turn
Arm and hand
extending
left, palm
facing down



Right turn
Arm out, bent
at 90° angle,
fist clenched.



Stop
Arm extended
straight down,
palm facing
back.



Speed Up
Arm extended
straight out,
palm facing up,
swing upward.



Slow Down
Arm extended
straight out, palm
facing down,
swing down to
your side.



Follow Me
Arm extended
straight up
from shoulder,
palm forward.



You Lead/Come
Arm extended
upward 45°, palm
forward pointing
with index finger,
swing in arc from
back to front.



**Hazard in
Roadway**
On the left,
point with left
hand; on the
right, point
with right foot.



Single File
Arm and index
finger extended
straight up.



Double File
Arm with index
and middle
finger extended
straight up.



Comfort Stop
Forearm
extended, fist
clenched with
short up and
down motion.



**Refreshment
Stop**
Fingers
closed, thumb
to mouth.



Turn Signal On
Open and close
hand with
fingers and
thumb extended.



Pull Off
Arm positioned
as for right turn,
forearm swung
toward shoulder.



Cops Ahead
Tap on top of
helmet with
open palm down.



Fuel
Arm out to
side pointing
to tank with
finger
extended.

FUTURE NEWSLETTER SUBJECTS

1. FINALIZATION OF LOGOS (👉)....
 - a. Needed to adjust bike on logo at BMW request. Awaiting approval of second shot at it as of November .
2. CLUB MERCHANDISE WITH LOGO(S)
 - a. Awaiting Logos. Volunteers to take the lead on this?
3. Renewals Status. Vince Kelly
 - a. 22 renewals as of 11/27/22.
4. BMW KEY FOB MYSTERY....FOLLOW UP
 - a. Crickets.
5. New Trip Summaries from 2022 like Brad's? Daily Ride Summaries ? Club Members
 - a. Anyone want to summarize a trip they took??
6. 2023 Ride Plan. Vince Kelly and Leadership Team
 - a. Released final draft for Club Member comment on 11/22/22. Requested comments by December 2.
7. TRAINING ACTIONS FOR 2023. David Dunn.
 - a. Under review.
8. Any other ideas from Club Members??
 - a. No inputs received from club members.