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ANOTHER GREAT WEEKEND

Don Little, President

Another good time was had by all who attended our Club get-together last weekend, but then any time spent with this group is great. Some of our members attended the races at Barber's or included some race watching in their tour of the museum, others went to play in the dirt, while others just sat around the campground trying to stay cool and swapped stories. It was great being able to meet Bill Bryan, one of our newer members, and I hope that he will join us for many more weekends. It was good to see Ron Shea, too. This is the first time I have seen Ron since his run-in with the deer last year, and I am glad he could be with us.

The folks at Courtyard 25 were super and took very good care of us. Friday happy hour was from 2 till 7pm with specials on drinks and beer and free hot wings, spicy pop-corn and soft taco fixin's. The food was good, their regular prices weren't too bad and the service was excellent. We could not have asked for nicer hosts.

They have 8 (air conditioned) shaded camp sites. They have and winter, fire wood will be a really nice place to camp when this weekend. It was cool sleeping but the days were very hot. But where won't they be in Alabama in June???

Again, I would like to urge our members who do not participate in our monthly get-togethers to join us and see what you are missing. We always have a great time and I would really like for you to come and join us.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the National in Sedalia in a few weeks and even more of you at Blue Ridge Motorcycle Campground for next month's meeting. That is another great place and if you have not been there, you really need to try it.



MEETING MINUTES

June 23, 2012

Courtyard 25 Vandiver, AL
President, Don Little presiding

Don called the meeting to order and began by recognizing one of our newer members, Bill Bryan. Bill joined several months ago but this was his first meeting.

Reports from officers:

Tommy Arnold reported that he is still working on financials from the rally and should have some good figures in time for the July meeting. He thinks we should be ok, especially in the raffle fund. He also reported that we have had several new members in the last month.

Rodger Williamson reminded everyone that Barber's Vintage Bike Week is coming up in October and this would be a good time to go ahead and reserve a cabin at Courtyard 25 for that weekend.

Sheila Kalahan again thanked everyone who worked so hard at the rally last month and asked everyone to "do it again" next year.

Tim Flynn made a motion to change the Club charities to include the Motorcycle Awareness Campaign (MAC), perhaps replacing the Alabama Head Injury Foundation and keeping the Alabama Traffic Safety Center. After some discussion, including remarks from our top raffle ticket seller, Darlene Massey, who felt the Head Injury Foundation was a big reason she was able to sell so many tickets, it was voted to split the donations between the three charities.

Don then brought up the MOA Club Charity Challenge. For the past several years the Port Washington Club has challenged all other chartered Clubs to meet or exceed its \$100 donation to the local (to the rally) charity chosen by the MOA. This year that charity is Child Safe of Central Missouri which is a child advocacy center committed to serving children who are victims of severe physical or sexual abuse and to providing advocacy to their non-offending family members. Don recommended that the Club donate \$200 and challenged our members to donate as well. Don kicked off the donations with the first \$20.00

Vance then talked some about the closing ceremonies of next month's MOA rally in Sedalia, MO. No, Vance is not in charge and NO it will not include flame cars!! The ceremony will be held in air conditioned comfort and those in charge are going to try very hard to limit it to no more than one hour and that will primarily include award winners. (Hope it works out.)

Russ Kruse then asked if there was anything in the Club by-laws requiring monthly meetings. That was answered with a resounding yes and the discussion was dropped.

Rodger Williamson said that if anyone was interested he has appeared in several movies which are now available through Redbox. They are Code 207 and Normandy which includes scenes with German WWII BMW's.

On behalf of our shy newsletter editor, Jamie again asked that members please submit something for the newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned; afterwards a short prayer was said for our safe return to our homes.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Little, Secretary

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

The July meeting will be held Saturday July 28 at 7pm. This will enable those of us in a hurry to get home to get an earlier start than would have otherwise been possible.



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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



2	Kevin Louie	15	Michael Waybright
2	CJ Morgan	16	Myrtle Fisher
6	Phillip Colquette	20	Les Willey
6	Tom Cowan	21	Bob Shar
9	Albert White	23	Kenneth Reynolds
10	Myrtle Harris	28	Mike Bauman
10	Kate Jenkins	28	Susan Clay
10	Eric Oller	28	Jim Thompson
14	Sharon Hyche	30	Judy Swafford

Please note that some birthdays may have been omitted for August due to incomplete information provide by the current data base. The error will be corrected. If your birthday is not listed please accept my apology. [ed.]

BMW MOTORCYCLE OWNERS OF ALABAMA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM

Date: ____/____/2012

NEW ____ RENEW ____ UPDATE ____

Sponsored by _____

Primary Member: _____ DOB: _____

Secondary Member: _____ DOB: _____

Address: _____ Apt# _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ FAX: _____

Year / Model BMW(s) : _____

Circle those that apply: MOA Member RA Member Airheads Member Oilheads Member AMA Member

Dues are \$25.00 per year for primary and \$5.00 per year for secondary members. Make check payable to:
BMW M/C Owners of Alabama. Mail application with check to: Tommy Arnold, 471 Plantation Pt. Rd., Scottsboro, AL 35768

Booby-ball Centennial Celebration

Author Anonymous (but submitted by Amelia Bauman)

ENTERPRISE, Alabama (AP) – July 12, 2111 – The City of Enterprise is gearing up for the 100th anniversary of Booby-ball in August. While events will be held throughout the metropolitan area, the Booby-ball Museum will be the center of activity.

Booby-ball was first played in Enterprise on August 26, 2011. As booby-ball grew in popularity, so did its home. Enterprise went from a small town of less than 30,000 to a major city of almost three million, mainly due to booby-ball. The Booby ball Museum was opened in Enterprise in 2061 as part of the 50th anniversary celebration. In 2086, Enterprise became the permanent home of the Booby-ball World Championship Series.

The first booby-ball game was played in the backyard pool of Jim and Sheila Kalahan during “Kinderfest,” the August meeting of the BMW Motorcycle Owners of Alabama (BMWMOAL). The Kalahan House is on the National Historic Register. The term “Kinderfest” remains associated with booby-ball as it is the name of the party held for the players on the weekend during the Booby-ball World Championship Series. The BMWMOAL remains associated with the game, owning a professional team. The BMWMOAL team, the Boobs, have won the world championship fourteen times in the last twenty years.

Booby-ball has changed life all over the world, not just in Enterprise. China reverted to a free, capitalistic country primarily due to the sport. Production of the booby-balls and noodles was not sufficient to keep the Chinese economy competitive worldwide as the revenue generated by tournaments, special events, public appearances, sponsorships, and other booby-ball-related activities has been enormous. Middle Eastern countries made drastic social changes as they joined the global frenzy. As all booby-ball teams must include a minimum of two female players, religious and societal restrictions were abolished. This resulted in Middle Eastern countries joining in the dramatically growing global economy. Unlike any other sport, booby-ball has changed cultures and, thus far, eliminated war.

There will be pick-up games open to the public at the museum pools as well as other pools throughout Enterprise. Museum pools will only be open to the public at certain times; check the schedules to be posted weekly. The cry of “Sixteen to sixty” will be heard all over the city. For those who might be unfamiliar with the game, this is a call for a hit or a celebratory cry after a good hit. The cheer originated due to the changing shape of the booby-ball. (Ask the booby-ball fan in your household if you need further explanation!)

Highlights of the coming celebration:

Saturday, August 1 – 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Open reception at the Booby-ball Museum – Meet players, both current and past

Saturday, August 1 – 6:30 PM – Dinner and party - \$10,000 per person

Friday, August 14 – 7:30 PM – Booby-ball parade. Descendants of the first booby-ball players will serve as judges for the floats, bands, and other groups.

Saturday, August 15 – 3:00 PM – Inductions into the Booby-ball Hall of Fame held in the museum theater

Sunday, August 16 – Saturday, August 29 - Booby-ball World Championship Series at the Booby-ball Museum pools (Private rooms with balconies overlooking the pools are available in the museum. Prices begin at \$1M per day.)

Monday, August 17 – Monday, August 31 – Original booby-ball will be on display. (It has not been removed from the specially designed vault since 2036.)

Friday, August 21, 12:00 Noon – Sunday, August 23, 12:00 Noon – Kinderfest. Expect rowdy behavior by booby-ball players; alcohol may be involved.

Each Sunday – August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 – 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Tour and lunch – Kalahan House – Limited to 30 attendees each Sunday; tickets available at the Kalahan House Gift Shop.

Monday – Saturday each week – Tours of the Kalahan House.

Editors notes:

While this account deals with far into the future, I know that each of you are as glad as I am having witnessed the history being made.

Although the author shall remain anonymous, the article was submitted by Amelia Bauman.



MOA National Rally...Coming Up!!

Vance Harrelson

The BMW MOA National Rally will be held in Sedalia, MO July 19-21 at the spacious Missouri State Fairground. Come along and help the MOA celebrate our 40th Anniversary with the rally to beat all rallies! There are many great events planned to keep you up from early to late every day. Friday night will start early with the Superstakes III program! You say you haven't heard about the Superstakes III program this year? Well in short for a \$100 raffle ticket you will get into the rally itself and be entered into a raffle for over \$250,000 worth of prizes including 11 new motorcycles!! A maximum of 10,000 tickets will be sold and you will be entered into over 60 drawings!! The Superstakes is open to MOA members and tickets can be purchased online at the MOA website until July 6. So if you haven't gotten yours, be sure to do so today!

In addition to the Superstakes there will, a great line up of musical entertainers Friday night that includes John Michael Montgomery followed by the Fabulous Thunderbirds! This is going to be a street party like you have never seen!

The GS Giants are returning this year with yet another off road adventure program. Join fellow off road riders from all over the country for fun, fellowship and riding challenges for ALL levels! Join this group and get dirty!

There will be plenty of camping space and air conditioned vendor and MOA buildings. You will see the result of lessons learned last year in Bloomsburg with cooling stations and plenty of air conditioned buildings for getting out of the heat should it be really hot. Couple that with a great line up of food, beverage, fun and fellowship and this is a rally you do not want to miss! For more rally information and to order your tickets just visit the MOA website at www.bmwmoa.org and click on the International Rally tab.

Oh...you say you are not an MOA member? Well, the rally is open to members and their guests. I invite you to attend the rally this year and check us out at the MOA!

#72 BMW RACER LARRY PEGRAM at the 2012 BARBER SUPERBIKE CLASSIC

Rodger Williamson, Travel Director

The 10th annual “Superbike Classic” was held at the Barber Motorsports Park in Leeds, near Birmingham, Alabama this past 23rd and 24th of June 2012. Although there were five riders on BMW S1000RR’s at Barbers last year in 2011, the only rider present this year riding a BMW on the Barber track was Larry Pegram of Pegram / Foremost Racing.

If you’re not familiar with what goes into racing, - here goes what little I know. Racing is 100%! There is no 110%, - but there is 100%, ... and if you only give 98%, or 99%, you will lose to the guy/team who was giving 100%! Racing IS a Sport, and Racers ARE Athletes! Racing is hard work, and racers absolutely need to be in top physical condition in order to be able to give 100% effort in qualifying and in each race on a Race weekend. In addition, every ounce is counted on a race bike. That goes for parts on the bike, as well as the Racer himself. Less weight equals faster speeds, - so Racers can NOT be overweight! Also, Racing is a Team Sport. The Racer is one member, but every member of the team plays their critical part.



Winning at racing is not possible without Sponsor’s, Crew Chief’s, Engine Mechanic’s, Chassis mechanic’s, and other support members. Everybody on the Team has to do their part, and give their 100%, or the team will fail on that particular Race weekend. Finally, it takes money to win, and winning means whether or not the members of the Team will get paid. Losing doesn’t pay too well! ...

As Ernest Hemingway once said: “There are only three sports: bullfighting, motor racing, and mountaineering; - all the rest are merely games.”

At 38 years old, Larry Pegram is probably one of the oldest riders in the AMA Pro Road Racing Superbike Class, and because he began riding at age 3, and racing at age 16, he is probably one of the most experienced racers currently competing. Born and raised in Ohio, Pegram grew up riding dirt bikes. When he was little, he told his parents that he “loved riding motorcycles as much as he loved them,” and his parents Jim and Mary Pegram have supported his riding motorcycles ever since. In his early days of racing, Larry sported the #73, but when he moved to #72, he has maintained that number ever since. Larry was first ranked as 2nd in the 1991 AMA 600 National Dirt Track Class, and despite

a bad crash in Phoenix in 1993 that almost ended his career, he was First in the AMA Unlimited Supersport Class for the '93 Season, and in '94, he was also ranked First in the AMA Unlimited Team Challenge. He has raced in the Superstock, Supersport, and Superbike classes, and he has raced on Suzuki's, Yamaha's, Honda's, Ducati's, and now he races on a BMW S1000RR. With very few exceptions, Pegram has been a consistent Top-10 ranked rider for most of his 20+ years racing as a professional.

By 2004, Pegram thought his racing career was over, but he had a hip replacement surgery prior to the start of the 2005 season, and that was the beginning of his comeback. He placed as the 4th best in the U.S.A. from 2007 to 2010 before he switched from Ducati to BMW for the 2011 Season. With the switch to BMW in 2011, he and his support team of mechanics had to learn and figure out the electronics of the new bike, and in rankings for the year, he dropped to 7th overall, and after the recent 10th and 11th races of the 2012 season just completed at the Barber Motorsports Park, he is now ranked 6th overall with 151 points, - between rider #54, Roger Hayden (of National Guard / Jordan Suzuki) with

158 points and rider #23, Ben Bostrom (of Jordan Suzuki) with 126 points. In addition to being the rider for his Team, - he is also the Team Owner. Every day he has to do all the work as the Team Owner up until the point he puts his leg over the bike to go out on the track.



I'm not sure who decides the schedule each year for the AMA Superbike Races, - but one would think that they would schedule races in

the South in a month cooler than June. If it were me, I would schedule places like Road America in Wisconsin, Mid-Ohio, and New Jersey for the warmer race weekends, - and put all of the races in the South either early in the season when it is still Spring, or late in the season in the early Autumn. The weather for this year's race was typical for a June weekend in Alabama, - it was HOT with the high at about 98 degrees, and a chance of rain on Sunday afternoon that never seemed to materialize.

I managed to catch up with Larry at the end of the Fan Walk on Sunday, and he graciously allowed me a few questions and a few snap-shots. I asked him what he thought of the Barber Track, and he said that "Barber's is a top-rated motorcycle facility. Although they

also do Indy car racing now, the track was built for motorcycle racing, - and the grounds maintenance and décor are awesome.” When I asked him if there was anything that he didn’t like about the track, - he said that he “wished the course was longer, which would allow for faster top speeds. I asked him if he had been able to get over and visit the adjacent Barber Motorcycle Museum, and he answered that “the Museum is Awesome, - it is a ‘Must See’ place!” When asked about the BMW as compared to the Ducati’s he rode before, he said that “BMW is THE bike! We’re still growing, - we’re working on, tweaking, and getting the right mix in order to get the best finish.” Larry added that “Top finishes take money” and he “wished that BMW Motorad was more involved.” I added that “I too am scratching my head as to why BMW Motorad U.S.A. isn’t more heavily involved with supporting their S1000RR in the AMA Superbike Class.” ... With that, I thanked Larry for his time, and let him get back to preparing for his race later that afternoon.

Over in the paddocks, Larry’s “Superbike Family” was all present. His parents Jim and Mary Pegram; his wife Heather, and children Riley and Sophia; his Crew Chief Dave Weaver; and one of his Sponsors, Walt Bowlin of “Tampa Bay Jaw Surgery.” There were a couple new faces that I didn’t recognize, and although I didn’t see his mechanics Dave Alexander, Ben Fox, or Lee Vaughn, - I feel safe to presume they were busy working on the race bike. A little later in the day, as I waited for the race to begin, Larry’s wife Heather was out on the track as his “Umbrella Girl,” while his young daughters Riley and Sophia were watched by another team member off to the side of the starting grid.

Larry had managed to have the 7th fastest qualifying time, and started in the second row for both Race-1 on Saturday, and again for Race-2 on Sunday. He finished 6th on Saturday, and then 8th on Sunday. I tried to compliment Larry on another Top-10 finish as he came off the track after Sunday’s Race, but he answered back, “Yeah, - but on the wrong end.” ... I understand his disappointment, but I am on the outside looking in, and I see that out of the eleven races so far this season, racer #1, Josh Hayes (of Monster Energy / Graves Yamaha) has 8 wins under his belt; and racer #79, Blake Young (of Yoshimura Suzuki Racing) has the other 3 wins. Only racer #2, Josh Herrin (of Monster Energy / Graves Yamaha) has managed two second place finishes this year, and NONE of the other 32 competitors (and their teams) have been able to do better than a third place to these two Factory Sponsored Teams. ... For a “Privateer, Larry Pegram has been able to hold his own against all of the big factory sponsored teams, - and that says a lot about his skills and capabilities!

Larry’s 2010 season aboard a Ducati (his last before the switch to BMW) aired in 2011 on television program “Superbike Family.” If you haven’t seen it, every episode is available online at the Foremost Insurance web site. (The 6th episode covers the 2010 Barber Race, and the switch from Ducati to BMW.) Lately, Foremost has been teasing that “Season Two of Superbike Family” is coming soon, - and I had noticed a cameraman following Larry around during the day at Barbers. I don’t know about anyone else, but I am looking forward to seeing #72 on his blue, white, and black BMW S1000RR in this next installment.

MILES RIDEN BY PARTICIPATING MEMBERS

Rodger Williamson, Travel Director

BMWMOAL Club Mileage – June 2012

1) Tommy Zeringue	10,946
2) Greg Turp	8,023
3) Mike Bauman	6,185
4) Vance Harrelson	5,181
5) Michael Waybright	4,980
6) Rodger Williamson	4,424
7) Steve Hudson	3,674
8) Albert White	3,055
9) Bill Bryan	2806
10) Bill Shanks	1,453
11) Shep Brown	734
12) Wanda Hudson	279
13) Connie Reeves	0
14) Tim Flynn	0
15) Jeanne Zibell	0
16) Jim Dubick	0
17) Bob "Gator" Daigle	0
18) Michael Johnston	0
19) <u>Mike Greenwood</u>	<u>0</u>
Six Month Club Sub-Total	51,740

Most mileage numbers this month are through the end of May 2012. Only a couple had sent in their End-of-June odometer readings. ... "If" there is a "0" listed, then that means that I only have one reading sent in, and no new numbers to do the math to track your mileage thus far this year.

LET'S GO CRUISING!

Mari Harrelson



It is time to start planning our cruise for 2013. Several people have inquired about going somewhere different and going back to Carnival. Every one seemed to like the 7-day and Carnival just came out with a 7-day on a nice big ship, the Conquest. I have held a group for a 7-night Key West/Bahamas for March 3-10, 2013 from New Orleans. The Itinerary is as follows:

Sunday March 3 - Depart New Orleans 4:00p
Monday March 4 - Fun Day at Sea
Tuesday March 5 - Key West 8:00a - 4:00p
Wednesday March 6 - Freeport, Bahamas 8:00a - 5:00p
Thursday March 7 - Nassau, Bahamas 7:00a - 5:00p
Friday March 8 - Fun Day at Sea
Saturday March 9 - Fun Day at Sea
Sunday March 10 - Arrive New Orleans - 8:00a

This ship is not quite as big as last year but it has some fun options like a movie screen up top outside for movies under the stars.

Pricing includes cruise, port charges, taxes, and tips:

Inside	\$653.50 per person
Triple Insides	\$632.50 per person
Outside	\$763.50 per person
Triple Outside	\$692.50 per person
Balcony	\$913.50 per person
Triple Balcony	\$826.00 per person

I can also get a price on Quad rooms if we need some but we need to book early on those.

Due immediately - \$50.00 per person deposit or \$250.00 for triple rooms

2nd Deposit of 200.00 per person due 9/24

Final payment due on 12/7

Insurance is based on per person and cabin and age.

To book your stateroom just call Debbie or me at AAA Alabama-Fultondale 205-841-2374

Don't miss out on this new and exciting itinerary and a really great time for the 7th Annual BMW Cruise. Debbie and I are looking forward to hearing from you.

The Dusty Dualsport Ride

Vance Harrelson

Many may be aware that there is a growing number of club members that have developed, or redeveloped, from childhood a liking for riding a motorcycle in dusty, dirty sometimes muddy or extremely rocky conditions. In other words, they like to ride motorcycles in some of the most out of the way and hard to get to places far from the smooth tarmac we all love as riders. And for some reason there usually seems to be some lure that causes some of them to ride into these conditions at let's say a rather fast rate of fuel consumption just as fast and recklessly as they can!

Just such an event took place this last weekend since our monthly club meeting was to be held at Courtyard 25 just outside Birmingham. This provided a great opportunity to utilize the popular off road destination close by and known as the Talladega National Forest which includes the beautiful Mt. Cheaha area.

Our ride leader was none other than a long time off roader and former motocross racer Gary Nesmith. Gary is very familiar with the area and laid out a great route for us. The intended route included a total of approximately 260 miles that would include great riding on back roads to and from the off road sections.

We all met at Courtyard 25 early Saturday morning and a total of five riders set off on the tour. Temperatures were expected to reach the mid to upper 90's with even higher heat indexes. So we all made sure to pack trail snacks and plenty of water! We made our way through Alpine, AL and down Risers Mill Road (Have you been on that one Martin?) and into Sycamore where the pavement ran out and dusty road began! This is a beautiful ride through the lower end of the forest on a two lane road with gentle elevation changes and through a heavy forested area. The group had to spread out considerably in order to be able to see the road for all the dust...but we ventured on.

Soon the road put us out onto AL 148 where we immediately set off on the well-known Skyline Drive. Skyline is the proposed extension of AL 281 that many know so well that runs the ridge from US 78 near Heflin and past the Cheaha State Park. Approximately 5 miles past the park the paved portion ends but the road continues in several sections all the way to Sylacauga providing a sometimes challenging off- road riding experience.





Since we were heading Northbound we set our sights on the store at Mt. Cheaha where we would meet up with Bob Steber who wisely chose the paved road around the rougher sections! It had been several months since I had been along this ridge and man I will tell you it was rocky like I did not remember!

Sometimes it is terribly annoying to ride in these kind of conditions but what I really enjoy about it is that at speed you are forced to make rapid fire decisions one right after another to avoid an up close and personal face down meeting with an assortment of rocks from small to size of footballs..and sometimes larger! Something you want to avoid if at all possible! The roughest section is 14 miles long followed by two shorter sections and we were all glad to get to yonder end!

Reaching the store we met up with Bob and as we were parking in the much needed shade and who should roll up but Tommy Zeringue on the big LT. No.. he was not on the dual sport ride with us on the LT, and when we invited him to join us for the balance of our dirt road duty, he politely declined.

It was getting on about 2 o'clock so the group opted for a quick snack and the store as the turnaround point to head back toward camp and supper with the group at Courtyard 25. We rode back down the famed Pig Trail from the top of the mountain and took some great county roads on the return trip. For good measure another section of dirt road was interjected into the return...just to make sure we all had a fresh mouthful of dust as an early dinner appetizer!

So with all the fun we had we actually fell a few miles short of the intended total miles but we had a great time and decided we would just start at the other end next time!!

If you have the bike and are interested in joining the dusty and dirty riding club, jump on the forums at www.bmwmoal.org and let's put a ride together!



BEAT THE HEAT

Jamie Jackson

Tired of the heat and humidity of Dog Days? Escape it all by joining in on the July camp-out and club meeting at Blue Ridge Motorcycle Campground at Cruso, NC. You will find cool temperatures, green grass, burbling river, and good food, all at the campground. If you want even cooler temps, ride south for six miles to the Blue Ridge Parkway and enjoy the most scenic road in the South East. Or if you want to experience a different menu and check out some unique shops, ride north for thirteen miles to Waynesville. Or just sit around and relax by the river at the campground.



Because of its location and amenities, Blue Ridge M/C Campground easily becomes a favorite location for camping when visiting the Appalachians. The bath houses have clean, hot showers and coin laundry. Ice, with ice chest rental, and sundry items are available at the Camp Store, but be sure to bring your own beverages. The Snack Shop is open 24 hours a day with vending machines, television, and magazines.

The owners are Phillip and Leslie Johnson, long time members of BMWMOAL. In

fact, Phillip is a past President of the club. You may contact them at (828)235-8350 or email at phil@blueridgemotorcyclecamp.com for questions, although all the cabins may be rented by now. I hope to see you there!

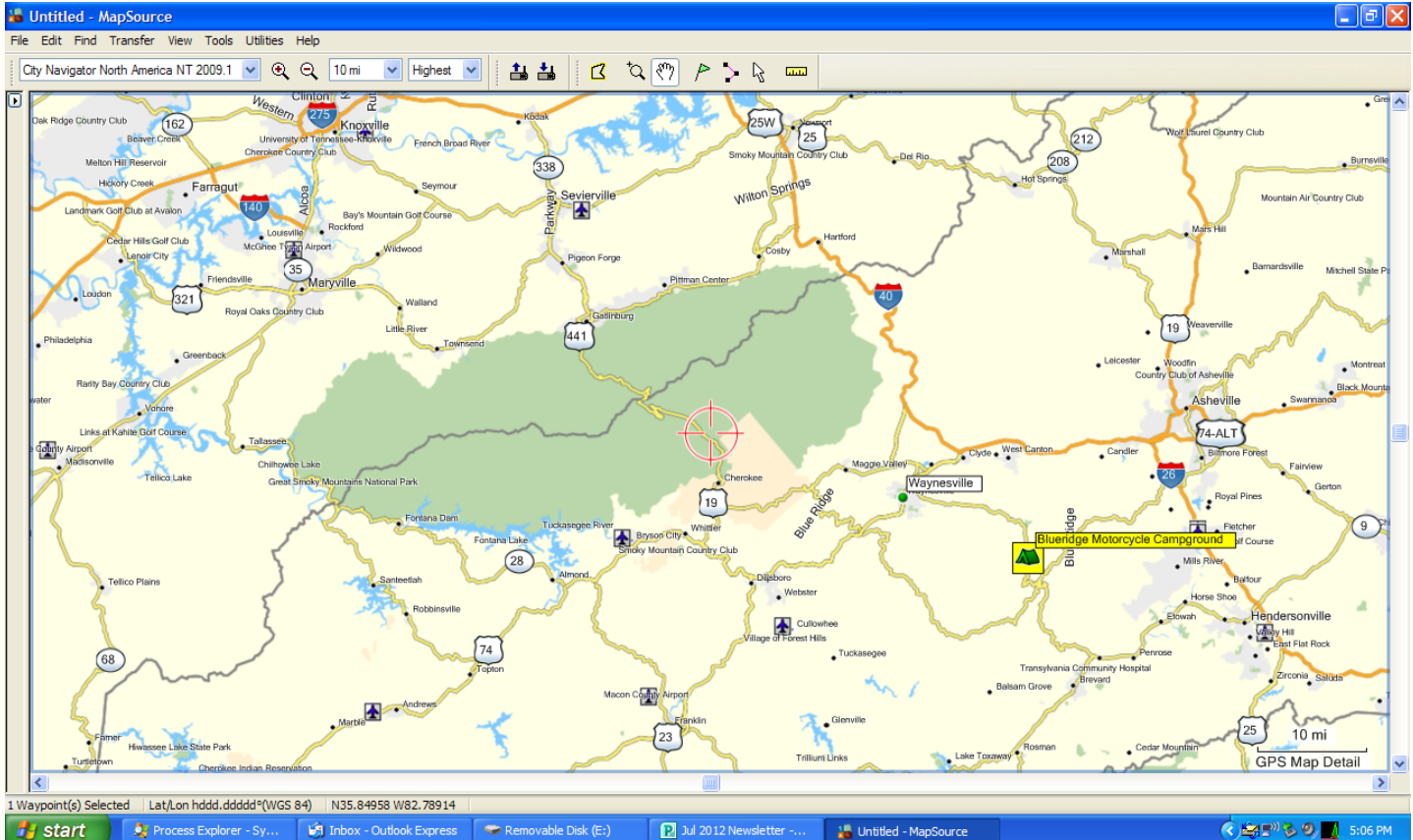


Location for July Meeting of BMW M/C Owners of Alabama

Connected to these NC cities by US-276, the campground is only 13 miles south of Waynesville and 25 miles north of Brevard. The Blue Ridge Motorcycle Campground is located just south of Cruso, NC at 59 Motorcycle Drive. Located only six miles north off the Blue Ridge Parkway on US-276. The campground's mailing address, however, is Canton, NC 28716.

GPS Coordinates for Campground Entrance

N 35° 24.235 W 82° 48.682



Club Sponsored Events With Meetings

Jul 28/29 Blue Ridge MC Campground - Cruso, NC
Aug 25/26 Kinderfest - Enterprise, AL
Sep 29/30 Harbin Hotel - Nauvoo, AL
Oct 27/28 Laurel Trails Campgnd - Monteagle, TN
Dec 8 Christmas Party - Hampton Inn, Eagle Point

Other Events of Interest

Jul 19 - 22 BMWMOA - Sedalia, MO
Oct 12 - 14 Barber Vintage Days - B'ham, AL
Oct 5 - 7 Return to Shiloh - Pickwick Dam, TN
Nov 12-14 SwampScooters Rally - Carencro, LA