

## BRMC GUEST NEWS – May 2014

### Local Ride Activities

**British Columbia:** Vancouver Island – Members and other riders meet Sundays at 10:30 at Moka House Coffee, Cook St. Village, 345 Cook Street, Victoria, BC

**Seattle:** May 4 – Day ride, local riders will get an email  
May 14 – Meet and Greet, 7 PM Cuff

**Portland:** May 6 – Meet and Greet, 7 PM Portland Eagle, meeting and event planning  
May 11 – Day ride - information will be emailed to local riders

### April Meeting Recap



Our April meeting was held in Oakville, WA and hosted by member Dan S.



The main focus of the meeting was about Victoria Day planning.

Members should take the time to read the meeting minutes which are posted on the members only website.



## From the handlebars of the President

Gentlemen,

A big shout out to Dan S and his team for hosting the April meeting. Thanks Dan, it was a really great evening.

At the April meeting we raised the issue that we needed volunteers for the two sub-committees, Waiver and Membership, so that they could move along with this valuable work. Congratulations to Richard A our new Treasurer, I'm sure that you will enjoy this challenge.

Planning for the Victoria Day Weekend May 16 – 19 is well underway. Collin F has the sign-up sheets available but please contact Collin by email to volunteer for an activity. The most important activity is the loading and shopping which takes place on Thursday. If there is anyone out there that can assist with this very important part of the organizing it would be really appreciated.

As I reminded everyone in the last newsletter sharing the workload across as many members as possible removes the burden on the few dedicated volunteers, so please make sure that you contribute and we will all have an awesome time. Uncle Roy and Randy have the kitchen and menus organized, we are so appreciative of their continued support.

Please remember our wonderful tradition where the guests are expected to assist with any set-up and they will always be first to eat, obviously before the members. I believe that our guests are the most important element in developing a sustainable future for the club.

We always welcome your feedback and we are looking at an online survey tool that will allow us to collect your feedback anonymously about our events and rides. We are going to test drive this after the Victoria Day Campout and if this method proves successful then we will adopt it for all our functions and events. This tool will also allow us to have our voting and ballots process in a secure online environment overcoming some of the issues that have been faced with the postal systems of each country that are currently used.

One important message came out of the April Meeting that appeared to have support centers around making complaints or raising issues to the board. It was agreed that these issues and complaints should be made in writing to the board.

One final item about feedback from the members. Should it be necessary, we can raise the issues at our public monthly meetings for discussion.

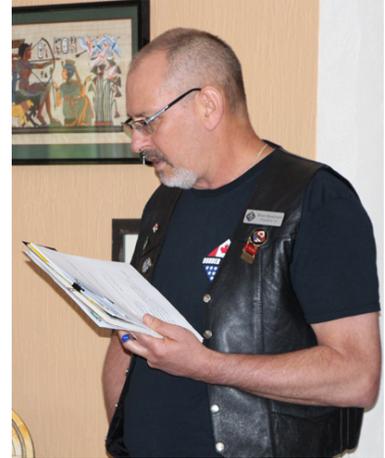
Remember this is YOUR Club, run by the members for the members.

Cheers, Brian B, BRMC President 2014

## Birthday Men

May is another popular month for our member's birthdays. Take a moment to wish them a great day.

Roy S (May 4); David B (May 5); Terry B (May 11);  
Jeff C (May 16); Dave B (May 25); Michael R (May 27);  
Rex C (May 29)



## Tire Test – before you ride

**Question 1 - Where can you find the correct PSI (pounds per square inch of air pressure) for your tires?**

- a) In my motorcycle owner's manual
- b) In any popular motorcycling magazine
- c) Printed on the sides of the tires themselves
- d) All of the above

**Question 2 - How often should you check the pressure and tread condition of your tires?**

- a) When you take your bike out of storage for the year
- b) Every 2-3 months
- c) Every time you take my bike out on the road, or at least once a week
- d) Before a big rally

**Question 3 - When should you replace your bike's tires?**

- a) Whenever the tread shows signs of cracking, punctures, blisters, knots, cuts or irregular wear
- b) When you can see the built in wear bars
- c) When the rubber dries out and gets stiff
- d) All of the above

**Question 4 - What should you remember when buying replacement tires?**

- a) Don't mix makes and models of tires
- b) Size doesn't matter
- c) Front and rear motorcycle tires are not interchangeable
- d) a and c
- e) All of the above

**Question 5 - Which of the following is a bad idea?**

- a) Riding on underinflated tires
- b) Overloading your bike
- c) Attempting to permanently patch a tire
- d) All of the above

## Upcoming Schedule for 2014

May 16-19	Victoria Day Camping Run, Ardenvoir, WA
June 20-22	Pearrygin Lake near Winthrop, WA – road captain buddy Richard Ammons
July 18-20	Canal Creek near Waldport, OR - road captain buddy Scott Huotari
August 15-17	Willows near Lillooet, BC – road captain buddy Brad Steele
Sept 19-21	Lewis and Clark State park, near Chehalis, WA - road captain buddy Dan Sweer
October 18	Club meeting – TBD
November 15	Club meeting – TBD
December 13	Holiday Party - TBD

## 2015 Camp planning

We will be voting for 2015 camping locations at the Victoria Day Camp. Last call for suggestions. If you have a previous camp you really liked, or a new place we should investigate, please send the info to [captain@borderriders.com](mailto:captain@borderriders.com) so it can be considered for the upcoming ballot.

## Registration for Victoria Day

Registration is still available on the MEMBERS-ONLY website and guests do not have access to this registration. Members who are sponsoring guests will need to register for them. The new process we are using allows a member to sponsor the guest but place the burden of payment on the guest. Please follow the instructions carefully. As of May first the fees are \$125 for members and \$150 for guests.

Registration closes on May 12 at 9 PM.

## High Mileage Award

Each year we award a shirt and mark the plaque for the member who rides the most miles in the season. If you wish to be considered you need to register your name and bike odometer on Friday night or Saturday morning of the Victoria Day camp. An ending mileage will be taken on Saturday night of the September camp – this year at Lewis and Clark.

## Satyrs Motorcycle Club Activities

Our brothers in the Satyrs Motorcycle Club of Los Angeles will be celebrating 60 years on November 29, 2014. Several of their events might be of interest to BRMC members or guests. You can get more details on any of these at <http://satyrsmc.org/>

May 1 to May 31, 2014 - Rumble Exhibits & Bike Show – Cultural Alliance of Long Beach, CA

August 29 to September 1, 2014 - Badger Flat 53 - <http://satyrsmc.org/services.html> \$210 until May 31

November 29, 2014 - Satyrs' 60th Anniversary Event - TBD

## Contributions

Trip plans, day rides, other member news?

When you get out riding send some photos and tell us about what you did. We would love to add it to the newsletter.

