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TARHEEL TRAVELER

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Feb Meeting—We had one another good turnout @ Chason’s. So good that we may have our own room next month. Additional information on the meeting can be found a little later. A Minute With Louis—will have the details of what went on and what will be going on. The “haps” as in what is happening.

2014 Mileage and Participation Awards were tabulated and winners: Bobby Pearson w/ 22,014 total miles for the fellas and Cherrie Hair w/ 5,369 miles for the gals.

TT T-Shirts—
new logo t-shirts a
few different
colors & sizes
\$15.00
Let me know if
you want one.
They will be @
Coffee Stop.

Participation Award a.k.a. “Pete & Sandy Award” went to Pete & Belva.

HOURS OF OPERATION

7:30—arrive & set-up
8:00—ready to serve-
LUNCHTIME—Pitch in
Pot Luck—Family Style
4:15-4:40ish breakdown
and pack up

5pm—dinner @ Sammio’s
Hope Mills

Coffee Stop—Letter from DOT is in hand—we are authorized to conduct the Coffee Stop on Saturday March 7th. The purpose of this event is to provide a friendly relaxed break for travelers, both motorcyclists and motorists, who are southbound on I-95, no matter their destination...Bike Week or someplace else. We will provide coffee and hot tea, and will offer any assistance we can to help travelers. More 411contact Steve & Belva Never been?? Come on down just make sure you make time to join in the Pitch In Lunch. Nothing like a Family Reunion Style Lunch to make the day enjoyable and Saturday evening we will gather at a local eatery for dinner (Sammio’s Hope Milles @ 5pm). ..Going Strong since 1976...never been??...Time to shine.

Good weather is on tap for Saturday.

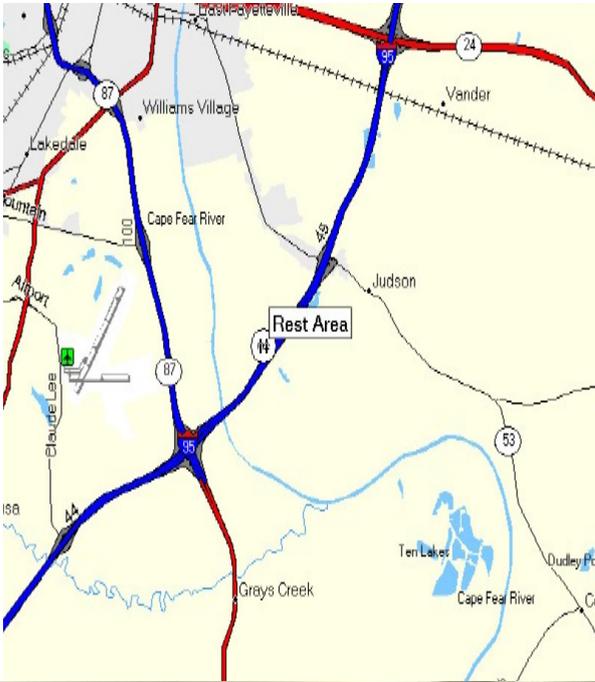


The Coffee Stop – SATURDAY—March 7th

Interstate 95 Rest Area

Cumberland County I95, Southbound Location: Milepost 47/48

Coffee Stop—Rest Stop



From the North:

I-95 head south—below Fayetteville 24/210 exit 49. One more mile and your there.

From the South:

There is no access to the southbound Cumberland County rest stop while riding northbound. The closest entrance onto southbound I95, is at NC 210 exit 49.

Tire Kicking all day

Lunch. Since we are here all day, might as well bring a dish to pass and enjoy lunch Family Reunion Style. Good eats.



February Meeting Attendance:

Emily Banks, Belva & Steve Brunner, Denny Clark, Ed & Rachel Farmer, Louis Frender, Kim & Larry Green, Cherri & JimmyHair, Ed & Liz Jones, Joe & Roberta Keithly, Daniela & Jonathan King, Glenda & James Locklear, Kevin Nipper, Pete & Sandy Osta, Kent Riedling, Robin Shifler, Dorothy & Ray Ussery

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !

Members that continue to get better every year.

This is their month:

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| 3—William Nichols | 6 — Dan McCullough | 8 – Pam Haines |
| 9—Mark Tenney & Pam Silverman | | 11—Bill Piscitello |
| 16– Stephen McGregor | 23—Amanda Greene | 24—Jean McGregor |
| 27— John Becker | 31—Robert Reed | |

A Minute With Louis

Another cold day, but 26 hearty souls showed up for our February breakfast meeting (although all on four wheels...no hard core riders this month). Fred Chason's Grandsons Buffet Restaurant (couldn't they have come up with a shorter name?) is proving to be quite the success, and as we were leaving they suggested next month to request the 'party room' where we could have a bit more privacy (or, maybe just not disturb everyone else as much!). Highlight of the meeting were the participation awards, with a number of the recipients in attendance. We also discussed a switch to Facebook for our group, which was well received, and has subsequently been setup (if you haven't been there yet, please wander over [<https://www.facebook.com/groups/tarheelbmw/> and click Join]). Also of interest was our February newsletter which has two great write-ups in it...one by Larry Glasson on January's Destination Ride, and a second by Robert McIssac on the first Bimmer and Beemer event of the year, which was to the Whirlygigs in Wilson. For all of you that missed that run, I highly recommend that you find the time at some point to get out there (gpx file with the route we took is available on our Facebook group).

While February was a quiet month for club activities (not enough nice weather to ride) we do have a number of events coming up. First and foremost of these is our annual Coffee Stop on March 7. This year we have some additional 'advertising' for the event, with a listing on the BMW MOA events page

http://www.bmwmoa.org/events/event_list.asp

and a front page display on the Carolina BMW website (<http://carolinaeuro.com>). This is always a great event, and part of how we give back to the community. We'll have a pot luck lunch while serving up coffee to all comers, then gather for dinner afterwards. Hope to see you there! Carolina BMW is also hosting the 'Carolina on my Hind' Iron Butt run on March 14. If you're interested, contact Ozzie at Carolina BMW. We also have our monthly meeting planned for March 21 at Fred Chason's Grandsons, with the destination ride to follow. Bottom line...weather permitting...we should be able to pick up quite a few of those missed miles over the past couple of cold, snowy months.

Until next time, stay warm, stay dry, but most of all, safe riding!

Lert Lessons by Steve Brunner

What is a Lert you might be wondering. What lessons did the Lert learn? A Lert learned a lot looking and lingering. Many years ago, I noticed a rail car had been spray-painted—graffiti—Keep A Lert. They make great pets. What a thoughtful graffiti artist, challenging our minds with a safety slogan. Catchy little diddy that did the trick 35 years later, still resonates.

Safe is the buzz word used over and over. Seeking guidance from Merriam Webster; full definition of SAFE:

1. free from harm or risk
2. secure from threat of danger, harm or loss
3. Affording safety or security from danger, risk, or difficulty
4. obsolete of mental or moral faculties
5. not threatening danger
6. not likely to take risks

When on your motorcycle R U safe? Merriam sez NO. Is there truly anything that is purely safe?

What can we do to mitigate risk. Easy—S.E.E. or T.U.G. or S.I.P.D.E. or have S.A. mainly pay attention and follow three simple guidelines:

1. Drive like your invisible and everyone is trying to kill you.
2. If you don't like it, don't look at it or you will hit it.
3. Never ride outside your comfort zone. Stay within yourself, enjoy the ride and have fun.

Motorcycle Safety Foundation, we all know who these folks are and what they do, likes S.E.E.—Search, Evaluate and Execute. Easy breakdown—looks for things (signs, signals, roadway markings, road surface conditions and other highway users) What's gonna happen next? What's gonna go wrong or not in my favor? How can this hurt me? What am I gonna do? Do I have time and space to make a maneuver to avoid crashing?

I recently cam across T.U.G.—Take, Use, Give. Easy breakdown—take in information; sight, sound, smell Use the information to formulate a plan of survival. Give the information.

Scan—Identify—Predict—Decide—Execute this was the MSF predecessor for SEE. Guess it was too long to use.

Do what U R doing. Dare to improve what U R doing so you can keep doing it. Stop doing what U R doing if it ain't working. What do we really SEE when we ride?

Tarheel Traveler Calendar

3/7 - **COFFEE STOP** Tire Kicking **All Day** & Eating—noonish—pitch in lunch.

3/7— **1st Saturday Ride, 10:00 a.m.** Gassed up and ready to ride at 10:00 a.m. at **Capitol BMW**, 4209 Atlantic Avenue, Raleigh, NC, (919) 834-5111, (GPS N35 84.075 W78 60.148) and at **Carolina Euro**, 2407 Greengate Drive, Greensboro, NC (GPS N36 01.592 W79 48.083)

3/8 - **2nd Sunday Ride - 10:00 a.m.** Breakfast at 9:00 a.m., gassed up and ready to ride at 10:00 a.m. **McDonalds**, 36 Lowes Drive, Pittsboro, NC 27312 (N35 44.664 W79 09.934)

3/11 - **2nd Wednesday TT Dinner, 7:00 pm.** Casa Carbone Ristorante, 6019-A Glenwood Ave. Oak Park Shopping Center, Raleigh NC 27612 (919) 781-8750

3/19 - **3rd Wednesday Dinner - 6:00 pm** Hudson Bay Seafood, 2816 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville NC 28301 (910) 630-0007

3/21—**Tire Kicking & Meeting: 9:00 am** Fred Chason’s **Grandsons Buffet**, 1008 W Cumberland Street, Dunn NC 28334 PH# 910.304.1271

3/21 - **Destination Ride - following meeting @ Chason’s.** The ride is cancelled if it is raining. Check the Yahoo Group before you go. Meeting will be conducted.

March 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Coffee Stop 1st Sat Ride
8 2nd Sun Ride	9	10	11 Casa Car- bone, Oak Park Ctr Raleigh	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Hudson Bay Sea- food Fayette- ville	20	21 Meeting Destina- tion Ride
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	32				

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