## BLUE COMET MC NEWSLETTER





2022

### MEMBER NEWS!!!



We had a very busy business meeting on July 15... lots of votes including this one! Welcome to our newest full patched member Jake!!

#### Officers

President: Dane Morgridge Vice-President: Chip Main Secretary: Jeff Smith Treasurer: Keith Gengler Corresponding Secretary: Lori Heinz

**JAKE AND THOR** 



Board of Directors
Jerry Dewhurst (Chairman)
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We also welcomed two new probationary members!!
Welcome to Matt and Gary, good luck and may the odds be ever in your favor as you embark on your probie year!!



MATT AND THOR



**GARY AND THOR** 

Now that Juggs has her own bike and finally took the course to get her m license, she wasted no time requesting to move from associate to full member! Look at that, she got her blue light!! Now to figure out where to put it on her spiffy Can-am Ryker!



**JUGGS AND THOR** 

### A FEW WORDS OF THANKS

I want to take a moment to acknowledge and thank Purple for all her hardwork over the last 6 years putting together our newsletters. I've got pretty big shoes to fill, but I'm up to the challenge!!

If anyone has pictures for events I cannot attend, please send them my way for future newsletters!!

Juggs

## THANK YOU PURPLE FOR YOUR TIME, ENERGY AND DEDICATION TO THE NEWSLETTER!











BRAVO ZULU TO THIS BRAVE YOUNG MAN AS HE SHIPS OFF TO NAVY BOOT CAMP! THOR AND CRAFTY'S ELDEST SON, MARCUS.

ON JULY 3RD WARRIOR WATCH RIDERS CAME OUT TO THE CLUB FOR A "MUG AND HUG" EVENT AT HIS BIRTHDAY/GRAD/GOING AWAY PARTY.



# WARRIOR WATCH RIDERS AND BCMC MEMBERS WISH YOU WELL AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE MARCUS!!











## SKIPPACK 4TH OF JULY PARADE

31 BCMC members participated in the annual 4th of July parade in Skippack. It was a HOT day, but a great time was had by all! The kiddos in town really LOVED seeing the bikes and of course getting little bags of candy!!!











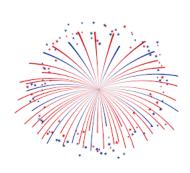


The always fashionable TEX and his Americana flair! Peep the shoes folks... TEX never fails to dress to impress!!

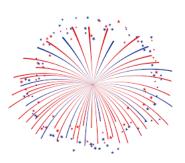




The fireworks show has really gone to the dogs!







What do BCMC members do on Friday nights when there isn't a meeting?
We get together for a HANGOUT night!!

### **July 8 Hang Out night**



Hurtler. Mole. Blaze and Thor moked cigars at the bar while the ladies (along with Opie and Andre) played some fun card games! But where are Juggs and Mel?





Mel, Juggs and Emily got a jump on the decorating for Emily's party.

### BIKE SHOW AT THE LANDING

We had a great turnout for the annual Ride to The Landing!

The residents LOVE the bikes!

Thanks to all the members who came out, and
thanks to The Landing for having us!!















ON JULY 17 A GROUP OF 32 MOTORCYCLES FROM BCMC AND WARRIOR WATCH RIDERS ESCORTED THIS BRAVE YOUNG WOMAN FROM HER HOME TO THE US NAVY RECRUITING OFFICE IN LANSDALE. THIS YOUNG WOMAN HAPPENS TO BE THE DAUGHTER OF COLUMBO AND JUGGS (AND BONUS DAD HUSTLER OF COURSE).

### BRAVO ZULU TO THIS FUTURE SAILOR, EMILY HUFF!

AFTER A STOP AT THE RECRUITER, A FEW BCMC MEMBERS CONTINUED ESCORTING EMILY TO THE HOTEL IN CHERRY HILL. WE WERE ABLE TO HANG OUT WITH HER AND ENJOY SOME PIZZA IN THE HOTEL LOBBY.

























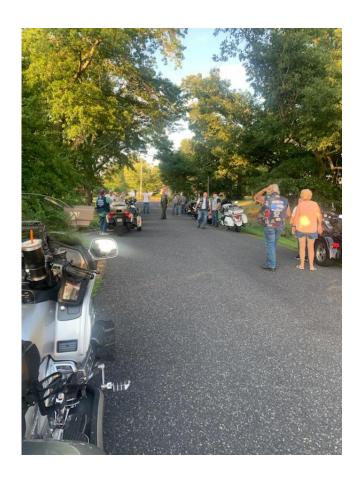
## ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, A FEW MEMBERS TOOK A RIDE OUT TO VISIT ONE OF OUR BCMC FAMILY MEMBERS, ALEX HACKETT, AT HIS HOME.

## ALEX WAS IN GOOD SPIRITS AND EVERYONE HAD A NICE VISIT!











### **WORK DAYS**

WE HAVE A GREAT GROUP OF HARD WORKING MEMBERS WHO ARE ALWAYS WILLING TO TACKLE ANY TASK THAT COMES UP!

**KEITH WHO, GARY AND MATT BRAVED ANOTHER HOT JULY DAY!** 





TRACK WORK DAY





IS IT JUST ME, OR DOES IT LOOK LIKE JIM MUST HAVE DONE SOMETHING WRONG? PROBIE JAIL? HELD AT DRILL POINT? HMM..LOOKS PRETTY SERIOUS TO ME!! ANOTHER HOT DAY WORKING ON THE TRACK! THANKS GUYS FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK!

#### Have you wondered where Lois Hendershot has been lately?

#### Lois sends us an update on her latest adventure...Alaska!!!







"Ride to the Midnight Sun"

An amazing trip full of adventure. Two groups discussing traveling to Alaska together. All of us are Motor Maids. We ride with a deep passion for riding our motorcycles. The itenerary developed from sharing thoughts and suggestions. Hours of research later, the route came together. One group would be departing from Maine. Ladies from Florida coordinated their departure for both groups to meet in Billings Montana on May 30th. June 1st we all rode west to Haugan MT. June 2nd we had 250+ miles planned to ride to Spokane WA. We turn north to a Canadian border crossing- Nighthawk-Chopka. This route took us by Grand Coulee Dam where we crossed the Columbia River. Roads were all rural. Eventually our GPS guided us down a gorgeous canyon. We had our first wildlife sighting of a mule deer. How intriguing whenwatching this deer leave the road edge, and then climb right up the side of Stone Mountain. Just amazing... Within 20 miles we were approaching US Border Customs. Short distance beyond we are approaching check in at Canadian Customs. Their question to all of us Florida registered riders was "How did we find their sleepy border crossing?" One lady replies "It was a Canadian friend". These customs officials came out after we all completed our check in. They took our pictures of our group with the entire beautiful mountain overlooking us. We were now on our way to our first night motel in Princeton, BC. Motels in CanadianTowns where our motels were reserved Williams Lake, BC, Prince George, BC, Smithers, BC, Then west of Rte 16(AK-CAN Hwy) Dease Lake, BC, Whitehorse, YT, and Beaver Creek, YT. Everyday there was sightings of wildlife. The following were animals saw throughout Canada and Alaska:: Grizzly Bears, Brown, and Black Bears, Moose, Wild Horses, Porcupines Coyotes, Fox, Deer, Mt Sheep, Mt Goats, Caribou, Prairie Dogs. Daily riding going north through Canada, our temperature we cool early mornings. Our layers insulated, riding gear and rain suit along with a modular helmet made this ride comfortable.

June 8th we arrived at Alaska Welcome Sign! Here was where I pulled the BCMC flag out for the first time. 2nd time was at North Pole- Santa's Village. June 8th our first town to stop in Alaska-Tok. Visited Vaedez, Whittier, Seward, Homer and Keanai. Departing Valdez we scheduled a Ferry- 90 mi follows AK-CAN Marine Route. (6hr 22min) Leaving Whittier we drove the Anton Anderson Memorial Tunnel. June 11th we arrived in Anchorage.

Friends from Iowa had requested wine be delivered to our VBRO by her adopted son and wife to give us a "Grand Welcome to Alaska". We all were feelin the big welcome!! Everyone has plans for visits. Seward- Whale watching, Homer/Kaenai included overnight camping. My "BIG" photo moment was at 530am as I spotted a Mama moose with her newborn calf. Now it was time to pack. Heading to Denali NP. Will stop at historic Talkeetna. Arrived mid afternoon. Reservations for ziplining and late evening touring in 4 wheels.

This is where we experienced "Riding to the Midnight Sun".

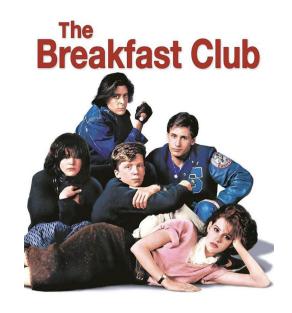
Through the ditches, rocks, river beds, across glacier rocks high in the moutains, we truly reach a moment in the Midnight Sun! Guides shared history of glaciers. What a BLAST!!

June 20 th arrive at the North Pole. Itinerary Changes Jul 4-8 Motor Maid Conv. Rapid City SD July 12-15 toured South Dakota and Minnesota; July 17th Arrive Home

Happy to take BCMC Flag to Alaska!! Lois Hendershot Life Member.







On July 26, the Breakfast Club met at O'Grady's in Phoenixville for another yummy breakfast!

If you haven't been to a BCMC Breakfast Club yet, come on out!





### **GUESS WHO IS BACK IN THE SADDLE ?????**

Our very own Hank was back to riding!!

Here's a pic of him at the BACA Christmas in July event!



## Christmas in



BACA Montco held their annual Christmas in July Gift Card Run on July 31. BCMC members and our favorite big guy, St Nick, were in attendance.

What an amazing turnout for a great event!

















The Mountain Bike folks rented our grounds over the weekend for some fun racing! Looks like everyone had a great time!





















## **BCMC HISTORY**

As we celebrate our 85th anniversary this year, let's take a little trip down memory lane!

From the historical committee, Bolo brings us this poker run history tidbit!

"The first Blue Comet poker runs date back to May 17th, 1981. The original concept was to collect a playing card at 5 different stops and whoever had the best poker hand at the end of the run will win a prize. The Blue Comet has since rebranded (due to the small games of chance law that was implemented in 1988) to Challenge Runs where riders/passengers play yard games for points at our stops."

## RON BRINGS US THIS UPDATE FROM THE LAND OF GREY RULES\$

Mandy is our new "Editor in Chief" and our thanks to Lori for all her past Newsletters.

Our club has had a great year with new members joining, a new committee or two- all with super participation. As we continue to celebrate our 85th anniversary, please mark your calendar for the BCMC 85th photograph, scheduled for September 24 at 1pm. Please become familiar with our ByLaws and Grey Rules as these are the the glue to our longstanding existence.

Next meeting Aug. 10th 7:30

Ron