

BLACKHAWK REGION BMW ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE MAY 19, 2011 MEETING

Call to Order. Jeff Sluiter called the meeting to order. Nineteen members and one guest were in attendance. Gary Hagemann was our guest and rides an R1200GS.

Minutes were approved by consensus.

OLD BUSINESS.

K1600 Test Rides. Dan Boon, Rick Brandt and Tim Bradley have had the pleasure of test riding the new K1600, with great appreciation for its handling.

Club Experienced Rider Course. Steve Frank indicated he has been utilizing techniques he learned during the course. Paul Misik said that doing the same exercises each year gives an opportunity to judge your own riding and see your improvements. Mike Gunderson stated that one of the guys who came with him said he used to give others grief for doing the class, but intends to make it an annual event.

Flea Market. A review of the flea market: wristbands worked well—discussed having a different color for vendors; two-day event was good; the kitchen indicated a steady flow of customers which was nice; attendance Saturday of 250, Sunday 300; having club members fill out cards for the consignment table in advance was helpful; 18 members and 12 non-members consigned items for income of \$592.00, largely due to John Scheub's donation of his sales; new location for registration was good; Tom Harrolle indicated he could provide a sound system next year to use for announcements; we had 39 vendors (24 pre-registered) using 53 tables; six bikes were on consignment; 1 camper and 20 tents. Suggestions for changes next year included trying to control the public from entering before vendors are set up, enforcing the "no pets" rule, and having scheduled times for members to work certain areas. Flea market income \$6,838, expenses \$4,313, balance \$2,524.00.

NEW BUSINESS.

Upcoming Rides. Mike Gunderson is leading a ride to Spring Green, departing from his house at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 28, with lunch stop at The Shed in Spring Green. Paul Misik will lead a ride to Road America Super Bike Races on Saturday, June 4. Paul also invited anyone to ride along to Duluth to order suits at Aoerstitch over the weekend of June 24-26. There will be a BMW Car Club Vintage Fest in Vernon Hills on Saturday, September 24 which Paul will also lead a ride to. Henry Badker announced that he had VIP tickets for sale for the AMA races.

Next Meeting. The June meeting will be a picnic held at the shelter at Kieselberg Forest Preserve, 5801 Swanson Road Roscoe. Meat and beverage will be provided by the Club. Please bring a dish to pass, your own table service at 6:00 p.m. Meeting to follow.

Motion made, seconded to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Marlisa R. Gunderson