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Some busy weeks are behind us as far as motorcycle related events are concerned. From middle of August to middle of September, club members rode to and attended the Four Winds-, Finger Lakes- and Pocono rallies. And those who stayed behind made the best of it by getting together for Sunday rides to the Shaker Woods Festival in Columbiana, for bologna sandwiches in Marietta and the Ohio Vintage Festival at Malabar Farms.



There should be a few good weeks left in this year's riding season. After all, it is just end of September!


On the top of the event list is our annual **Pig Roast on Saturday, October 1**. A separate flyer has been sent.

One of the usual Sunday rides leads us to the **Colonial Williamsburg Festival at the Pine Tree Barn** in Wooster. This is going to be **Sunday October 2**. If you don't have too much of a hangover from the Pig Roast the night before or couldn't make it there at all, join us after breakfast, starting from the Farmer Boy restaurant.

October 9, will be another Sunday ride to a favorite fall destination, the **Algonquin Mill Festival in Carrollton**.



All you have to do, is show up for breakfast and tag on!


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A Presidential Address:

A Club for all Seasons - Greetings all. I'm sitting here recalling the various activities enjoyed over the past year. It has so far been another great year to be part of the Akron BMW Motorcycle Club.

What is a year? 365 days to some, but to me, a year is all about the four season

Let's start with **Winter**, which I consider the first season. While riding is limited for most of us, we still get together for Sunday breakfast, storytelling, motorcycle shows, and planning of club events.

Spring, while wet and cold this year, did not stop us from club outings. This included another fun overnight trip to the Shaw's Inn - thanks Jack. The Colorado crew's (Mike and Cindy, Greg and Pam, Dana and Julie (Katey) trip planning dinners

This all leading up to **Summer**. For us, as motorcycle enthusiasts, this is our sweet spot. Sunday rides, rallies, Colorado adventure, Mid-Ohio, Poker Run's - just to name a few. The preceding seasons lead us up to the *here and now*: **Fall**. I don't know about you, but fall is one of my favorites. We have the Pig Roast coming up, Sunday rides to festivals, and a chance to see all of Fall's colors in comfortable riding weather.

That kind of sums it up for my Club for all Seasons piece. If you would like to know more about any of these activities or have ideas for next year come out to Sunday breakfasts or our monthly club meeting.

Octoberfest Beer and Autumn Rules,



Dana

Editor's Corner

My sincerest apologies for the delay again, in getting this newsletter to you in time.

I am usually shooting for no later than middle of the month, just after the monthly club meeting but here - as happened before - the guys who sign my pay-check had different things for me to do and sent me a short-notice travel order to Germany. Usually, I don't mind doing this, provided it is properly planned and announced, but this time it was a sort of knee-jerk request that I could not see a good reason for. Especially as I have already set up a trip at the end of October. Suffice to say, my mind was reeling and I was afraid they were going to hand me the walking papers. In today's uncertainty about the economy and the cost cutting and down-sizing in the auto industry, one has to be prepared for anything. Fortunately, none of my worst fears were justified and I do not have to sell any of my motorcycles yet. Ha! ☺☺

The blood-pressure-raising events continued, however, after my return, as Cindy had to be admitted to the hospital with a light case of anemia (thanks to all for the well-wishes, Cindy is doing much better again!) and at the same time, I had to go out of my way to save part of a litter of kittens which a feral cat deposited in our fire-wood pile and decided to ignore afterwards. Fortunately, all is taken care of and I can turn to the more important things in life: Putting the newsletter out...

Mike