



Nakusp Motorcycle Games

by Klaus Kreye

The usual dozen Island Riders headed out for the 2014 BeeCee Beemer's rally at Nakusp. This is one of our favourite rallies and the August timing usually ensures good weather – we certainly had such over the last 2 or 3 years. But this year was our turn to be exposed to aquatic conditions. I was forced to stop and pull over on the 97 Connector when a sudden deluge brought visibility down to just about zero – the cars pulled over too. At the side of the road rivers soon started forming around me! Within a few minutes it was over



Representing at the Nakusp Hot Springs Rally

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Next Breakfast/Brunch

Saturday, June 6 – 11:00 am



WHERE:

Shady Rest Pub,
Qualicum Beach
3109 West Island Highway
Qualicum Beach

WHEN:

Meet at usual Timmy's
by Best Buy at 7:30 am



Setup for what befalls us at the rally



A quick tarp run had everything safely under cover, hopefully.

and a “damp me” continued on to Kelowna for the night. On Friday my route took me to Vernon and then east to Needles, certainly one of the best motorcycling/motoring roads in BC. After some occasional sprinkles the sun came out by the time I was at the ferry. From Fauquier to Nakusp I enjoyed the warm temps and sunshine.

At the rally there were reports of rain the night before and witnessed by the stringing of tarps. We found out that the local hardware had a special on tarps so more were acquired to make a real cozy “portable Zulu restcamp” for the evenings discussions and philosophies.....

Somewhere along the line I decided

to look at the calendar of events and for Saturday afternoon the entry read: “3pm Games by BMW RVI”. Ah – that’s news to us! I asked our members and Randy said words to the effect that it might have been him.... Nothing was arranged or confirmed, so we stuck our heads together to use some of the more popular games and introduce new ones too. Naturally a beer or two, as well as wine and other liquids were consumed to aid the creative processes! We seemed to latch onto using balloons for various games purposes and as the evening wore on (and the consumption of said liquids continued) the filling of the balloons went from air to water to hydrogen etc. Long fuses were

discussed.....

Anyway... cut a long story short, on Saturday morning we went shopping for materials, the rain stopped at 2:30 and the show started punctually at 3pm. We ran a series of five events as detailed elsewhere in this newsletter and by all accounts and feedback received, it went off very well.

We assisted in handing out the prizes and collected some too before reflecting on the day, with the aid of further liquids (of course!). The heavens looked promising and on Sunday morning we packed up our damp tents and headed home in dry, warm conditions. After a breakfast stop in Vernon we headed straight to



Help needed for Bike Games 2015

Bike Games version 2014

1. Balloon Pop

4 corners, 10 spread in middle.

- 1 minute, must pop all 4 corners then go after additional balloons until gong sounds.
- 45 second time limit
- high score wins or best time if all popped.
- tie scores decided by rerun at 30 seconds.

2. Slow Race

- heats of two or three bikes
- foot down ends race for that rider.
- winners of heats run off.

3. Balloon Drop

- three balloons.
- proceed from start drop balloons into targets, any route, sprint to finish line.
- scored by number of balloons, then shortest time.

4. Bottle Grab

- proceed from start, grab bottles from stakes, any route, 45 second time limit.
- most bottles wins - lose 1 point for each foot down.

5. Side Stand Square Dance

- proceed from start single Le Mans style.
- stand down on each marker, dismount, circle bike, remount, proceed to next mark.
- best time to finish wins.

Vancouver catch a late afternoon ferry back to Victoria.

Will we be back next year? – You betcha! ...and judging by the games I'm sure we'll be asked to put them

on again. And they have! This year's rally is as usual mid August (13th to 16th), so please put on your thinking caps and let us have your suggestions for any new/innovative games.

Wanted: Volunteer to Organize Up Island Ride for June 2015

by Bob Leitch

We are looking for someone to plan and conduct the Up Island Ride on the weekend of June 13 & 14, 2015.

We have been to Gold River, Port McNeill, Kelsey Bay, and Lillooet in the past. Courtney/Comox, Port Alberni, and Tofino would be other possibilities.

Routes are pretty straight forward, but you will need to decide upon a start location/time, a mid-route location for lunch, pick a hotel/motel to stay in, and decide upon a restaurant for the evening meal.

If you have questions or want to volunteer give me a call at 250-656-6694 or drop me an email bleitch@telus.net.



Tofino is one possible destination.



Next month: Quail Motorcycle Show

Next month follow the adventures of club members Geoff Stevenson and Ernie Lalonde as they make their way to this year's edition of the Quail Motorcycle Show in California.

Here's a quote about the event...

Veteran journalist John L. Stein, a serious collector in his own right, covered the show for Cycle World.

"After forty-whatever-it-is years of motorcycling," he wrote, "sometimes I just figure I've seen it all. And then I go to the Quail Motorcycle Gathering. Just completing its sixth year at the Quail Lodge in Carmel, California, this wide-encompassing show continues to bend my mind."



Club 2015 Event Schedule

Date	Event	Location
Saturday, June 6	Monthly Gathering	Shady Rest Pub, Qualicum Beach
Sunday, June 7	Motorcycle Ride to Live	Fountain Tire, Langford
Saturday & Sunday, June 13 & 14	Up Island Event	
Friday - Sunday, June 19 - 21	Chief Joseph Rally	John Day, Oregon
Saturday, July 4	Monthly Gathering	Saltspring Island
Friday - Sunday, July 10 - 12	Rocky Bow Lunatic Fringe Rally	Cochrane, Alberta
Sunday, July 19	Ride to Brunch	BW Prestige Oceanfront, Sooke
Thursday - Sunday, July 23 - 26	BMWMOA National Rally	Billings, Montana
Thursday - Sunday, July 30 - Aug 2	Cascade County Rendezvous	Republic Washington
Sunday, August 2	Monthly Gathering	Oak & Carriage, Duncan
Thursday - Sunday, August 6 - 9	42nd Stanley Stomp Rally	Grandjean, Idaho
Thursday - Sunday, August 13 - 16	Hotsprings Rally	Nakusp, BC
Sunday, August 23	Club BBQ	Chez Conrad
Saturday, September 5	Monthly Gathering	Pioneer House, Duncan
Sunday, September 20	Club Ride	Port Renfrew/Cowichan Loop
Thursday - Sunday, October 1 - 4	BMW RA National Rally	Harrison, Arizona