



Four wheel saga continues



Klaus and Johan fuel up amidst the ice and snow in preparation of the next stage of the rally

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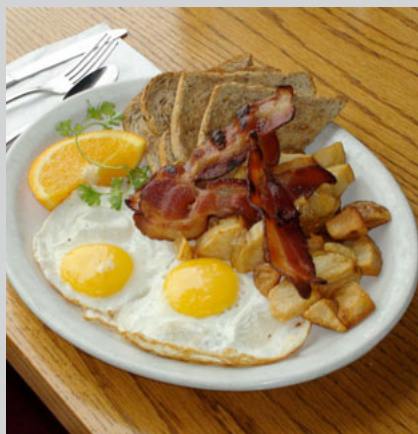
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Next Breakfast/Brunch

Saturday, June 4



WHERE:

Shady Rest Pub
3100 West Island Highway
Qualicum Beach

WHEN:

11:00 am

MEET UP:

Tim Hortons Millstream
7:45 am



Conditions keep average speeds low



Phone app replaces temperamental speedometer and odometer

by Klaus Kreye

Further adventures on four wheels.

Day 6 Up early to retrieve our cars, pack, breakfast and ready for an 8am TSD start. It was a short 11 mile TSD out to the local airport. The entire rally runs on miles and seeing my speedo only works 50% of the time and my odo does not work at all, it does not matter. We had chosen to use an iPhone app called "speedbox" which we used throughout. It runs in miles or km and tracks distance irrespective of wheel slip/spin. Anyway, the airport TSD went off fine for us. On the return leg we saw cars all over the show. We run in strict numerical order, one minute apart, so when car 20 was ahead of us (we are #9) and car 17 comes flying past from behind we knew this was going to

be a "fun" score! Unfortunately, Johan and Wendy took a wrong turn, so the scores for car 10 dropped a bit.

After the TSD we grabbed a hot choc at Tim's and headed west towards Whitehorse. Soon the road started to climb to the highest point on the Alcan Hwy – just over 4,000ft. That meant the road was well covered in traction gravel for the trucks. The warmer weather meant the heavy trucks pounded the gravel and melting snow into a wonderful layer of wet mud, which proceeded to cover our cars entirely – they now certainly look like they've been on the road! The slippery conditions kept our average speeds low, it was only in the afternoon that it got nice and dry and the good forward visibility on straight roads and very little

traffic meant we could "wick it up" a bit. We passed "many" and after a single fuel stop in Watson Lake we got in to Whitehorse at dusk. The model change 1985.5 on the Porsche 944 meant our cars were fitted with 80 litre tanks, which we used to full advantage over the next few days.

Overall scores to date:

Car 9 – 309 points – 9th overall – second in vintage class

Car 10 – 400 points – 12th overall – third in vintage class

Day 7 Today had a series of TSD's planned before the border crossing to the USA and the long drive to Fairbanks, AK.

It was my turn to make a mistake: there was an error in my calculations for the first of four TSD's. (my incorrect allowance for a 90 sec delay (150 cents) threw out the totals). That meant a high (= poor) score for stage 1, but we managed to score well on the other 3 stages of the day. TSD's were completed by noon and we started the long, 950km haul to Fairbanks. We pretty much pushed through and got in well after dark. I think this was our longest day on the road. I had called ahead and we were lucky enough to park our cars in a heated garage.

Overall scores after day 7:

Car 10 – 495 points – 9th overall

Car 9 – 547 points – 11th overall

Day 8 There were two options:



Team finishes a respectable 10th



Alaska welcomes drivers

either a long drive to Coldfoot and the Arctic circle or a more relaxed drive to Chena Hot Springs and Ice museum. We chose the latter, just as well! We headed out late and drove out to Chena, looked at the village, the remote runway and saw the two airplanes plugged in (to remain warm). After the 1pm tour of the ice museum we waited way too long for lunch in the restaurant before heading back. We fueled up ready for the next day and Johan mentioned a noise. Back in our garage we checked out the cars and found Johan's front right wheel bearing badly loose and unable to tighten it up. One of the local NAPA stores was open late and we

were able to buy a set of bearings. Unfortunately the inner race was tight on the stub axle and Johan was unable to replace the bearing. We retreated to the bar to plan our strategy.

Day 9 Elke and I completed the last TSD stage and Johan limped the car down to a repair shop to get the bearing job done. After we completed the TSD we stopped off at the other NAPA branch to buy a seal and then met up with Johan and Wendy at the repair shop. The seal was wrong, so we went back to exchange it. Elke and I then headed out again to do a few chores (buy champagne and chocolate – real important stuff!!).

Our two cars then set off around 11am for the drive down to Anchorage. We hit some really

good sections of road and made great time, getting in around 6pm. The evening banquet concluded the rally proceedings. There were various awards in all sorts of classes and of course a finisher's award for those that made it.

Our two Porsches received an "honourable mention" for our perseverance in "fettling" the old cars to complete the rally.

Overall results—We narrowly missed 9th overall.... out of a total of 26 starters:-

10th position – 509 points – car 9 (Kreye/LeRoux)

13th position – 629 points – car 10 (Booyens/Booyens)

In our navigational class (SOP) we came 3rd and 5th respectively out of 11.



Despite the temperatures and other trials, a good time was had by all



Nakusp Rally set for August 18 to 20

Announcing the 2016 Bee Cee Beemers Hotsprings rally! This will be our 15th in Nakusp, BC and our 30th club rally. Reconnect with old friends and ride some of the most scenic twisties in the northwest. Enjoy the hospitality of the nicest small town in BC plus the best rally meals and free coffee on the circuit. Pitch your tent in the shady Village Campground, book a local motel or B&B, soak in the hot springs, explore miles of scenic pavement, thrash your GS in the dirt

or just chill with a cup of coffee on Main Street. There is something for every BMW rider at the Hotsprings Rally. Info and online registration: www.beecebeemers.com/rally.htm

PLEASE NOTE! Meals are limited (250) and available only to PRE REGISTERED guests!

Contact: Marcus Schack at mschack@shaw.ca or email nakusprally2016@beecebeemers.com

See you there!



Club 2016 Event Schedule

Date	Event	Location
Sunday, May 29, 2016	Ride to Live	Ogden Point
Saturday, June 4, 2016	Monthly Gathering	Shady Rest Pub, Qualicum Beach
June 18 & 19, 2016	Up Island Event	TBD
June 17 to 19, 2016	Chief Joseph Rally	John Day, Oregon
Saturday, July 2, 2016	Monthly Gathering	Saltspring Island
July 8 to 10, 2016	Rocky Bow Lunatic Fringe Rally	Cochrane, Alberta
Sunday, July 17, 2016	Ride to Brunch	BW Prestige Oceanfront, Sooke
July 14 to 16, 2016	BMWMOA National Rally	Hamburg, NY
July 28 to 30, 2016 TBC	Cascade Country Rendezvous	Republic, Washington
Saturday, August 6, 2016	Monthly Gathering	Pioneer House, Duncan
Sunday, August 7, 2016	Victoria Vintage Motorcycle Show	
August 11 to 14, 2016	43rd Stanley Stomp Rally	Grandjean, ID
August 18 to 21, 2016	Hotsprings Rally	Nakusp, BC
Sunday, August 28, 2016	Club BBQ	Chez Conrad
Saturday, Sept 3, 2016	Monthly Gathering	Oak & Carriage, Duncan
Sunday, Sept 18, 2016	Monthly Ride	Port Renfrew / Cowichan Loop
October, 2016	BMW RA National Rally	
Sunday, October 4, 2016	Monthly Gathering	The Crooked Goose
Saturday, October 22, 2016	Annual Meeting	TBD



GEARS

GAINING EARLY ADVANCED RIDING SKILLS

Once again, the BMW MOA Foundation is bringing rider training to our youth. Up to 24 students will have the opportunity for free riding instruction at the Hamburg Fairgrounds just preceding the Das Rally in July.

- July 12th and 13th, 2016
- 8AM sharp and throughout the day until 5PM
- Participants: male or female, ages 13 to 17 years old
- No riding experience is necessary – this will be MSF-certified training on a dirt course
- Lunch and snacks will be provided

Participants will need to provide: helmet, eye protection, full-finger gloves, over-the-ankle footwear, long pants, and long-sleeved shirt achieving full coverage of skin

There will be classroom as well as riding-course instruction. Included will be crash-scene management, first aid introduction, along with personal riding instruction from noted riding experts.

To register go to the www.bmwmoa.org click on DAS RALLY! link at top; find Rider Training in the 'More in this Section' drop down, and follow the directions. The BMW ON will also have information as we approach the Rally – but don't wait as space is limited!

*Join the **Gaining Early Advanced Riding Skills** experience!*



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