

# THE ALABAMA BEEMER



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## THINGS AND STUFF

Connie Reaves

Next month at Blue Ridge is going to be awesome ! Make your plans to attend this meeting now ! Phillip wants everyone to remember that this will be Labor Day weekend so plan to stay over Sunday night and go home on Monday. If you have a cabin booked he would love for you to call and extend your stay through Sunday night.

There are several events in Waynesville that weekend. If you want to find out what's going on to go do, look for a list in an E-news nearer to meeting time. I'm compiling ideas from Dan Thompson and Phillip and Leslie.

Phillip will also lead a ride on Sunday since Saturday will be too busy for him to leave the campground for an extended amount of time. Leslie is planning some great meals for us !

Gary and Angie Dubois really planned a great meeting for July. The campground was awesome and the roads just beautiful up in Guntersville. The BBQ dinner was some of the best. Margaret Hoffman had us fruits and Danish with coffee for the Sunday AM breakfast. Thanks go out to all of them for their efforts to make us happy, comfortable and well fed. Bob Steber took folks on a wonderful ride even if they did get caught in a few showers.

We'll be looking into getting a discount on some "draggin" gear if webmaster Steve Schuckman continues to show off at meetings by doing "stunt" work. Ya' shoulda been there. Haha (sorry Steve.....not really)

It was good to have new members Steve and Laneace Whitley attend. They had gone on the cruise with us in February and was so impressed by the group that they sold their motorcycle and bought a BMW and joined the club. New member

Eddie Lindsey also attended and told us a short history of his riding experience. All of them promptly stepped up and took raffle tickets to sell. THANKS !!

Now we need to hear from the rest of you on how many books you'd like to try to sell. Don Little is starting off big by getting 10 books ! I'm gonna have to step up my game so as to not let him make me look bad.

It was nice to have our founder, John Harper,

attend. He brought his sidecar rig and thrilled Darlene with a ride. He was celebrating his birthday on Saturday of the meeting although he didn't tell anyone about it.

See ya on the road !! Connie



John Harper delighted everyone with his sidecar rides.

Details of Blue Ridge Motorcycle Campground and location map may be found on page 8.

## MEETING MINUTES

July 27, 2008 8:00 AM

Town Creek State Park

President Connie Reaves presiding

Lenn Rainwater, Acting Secretary

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 am on July 27, 2008 by President Connie Reaves.

Connie recognized Club Founder and Charter Member, John Harper, who was at the meeting.

A big thank you was given to those who arranged for a fabulous barbeque supper, Gary and Angie Dubois, and to Margaret Hoffman, who arranged pastries and coffee.

### New Members

Steve and Laneace Whitley from Moody and Eddie Lindsey from Gadsden were welcomed as new members to the club.

### Guest

We welcomed a guest of Gary Williams , Electa Sparks.

### New Business

Next month's (August) meeting will be held at Blue Ridge Motorcycle Campground in Cruso, NC. This is the Labor Day weekend so everyone was encouraged to stay Sunday night and leave Monday if possible. Phil will be leading a ride on Sunday.

Raffle tickets have arrived and ready for distribution. Contact Mari or Vance for your tickets or pick them up at the next meeting.

Connie gave the Treasurer's report, which is available for review upon request.

**Upcoming Rides and Events** from Lenn Rainwater Gary Dubois and Bob Steber were asked to give a brief summary of their rides on Saturday. Even though there were some showers, everyone had a good ride.

Lenn came up with a classification system for the rides, which are Sport-touring, Touring, and Dual Sport. This way when someone leads a ride or

chooses to ride, they will know more about the pace of the ride. It is up to the ride leader to determine the type of ride and to make it know before the day of the ride.

The rides coming up include a sport-touring ride led by Charles Binder on Aug 16, rides from the Blue Ridge Campground, a touring ride led by Ken Pedigo on Sept 13, an overnight dual-sport ride led by Gary Dubois on Sept 12-14, a sport touring ride led by Lenn Sept 15-21.

Other events included the Shiloh Rally on Oct 3-5, Beer, Brats, and Beemers on Oct 11-12 at Jim Klahan's in Enterprise. Lenn talked about November ride possibilities and asked for suggestions since we don't have a meeting that month. Lenn also mentioned that the movie "Long Way Down" was showing on Thursday at Trussville.

### Other Business

Connie mentioned that Nate Kern is going to be at Barber Motorsports Park on Aug 9 and to go by and show support.

Jamie asked for articles for the newsletter.

Terese Stevens said that it was decided that the AL theme for the Shiloh rally would be superheroes. Everyone is asked to come up with a mask, cape, and superpower.

Guest Electa Sparks won the 50/50.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00.





Group ride from Guntersville didn't see any Eagles but were able to find Pikeville Store that serves the very best cheeseburger in the state of Alabama; maybe the world. (According to the owner.)



### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

David & Elaine Winslow	Jacksonville, AL	Sponsor: Steve Irwin
Jeff & Sarah Pesnell	Birmingham, AL	Sponsor: Marty Simpson

### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Sabrina Summers	15	David Pool	21	Clinton Frey
3	Michelle Stanfield	15	Jennifer Rusak	21	Pat Huey,
3	Frank Taylor	16	Brian Hinton	21	Chuck Sloan
4	Steve Irwin	16	Kenneth McCuistion	23	Charles Campbell
4	Britt McBride	17	Scott Butler	23	Casey Hardison
5	Bill Bedgood	18	Wanda Daigle	23	Lisa Irwin
5	Sabrina Zangel	19	Stan Zangel	23	Dan Lowery
6	Kerry Jenkins	20	Angela Dubois	23	Regina McClain
7	Paul Edmondson	20	Robert Munday	24	Alan Barton
7	John Harrison	20	Laneace Whitley	24	Darryl Falkner
7	Marty Simpson	21	John-Stanley Bonner	24	Jeff Stanfield
8	Barbara Little			26	Kay Brooks
9	Kathy Biddlecombe			26	James Tucker
9	Amy Hinton			26	Ronald Ultz
9	Leroy Sloan			27	Rhea Converse
10	Eddie DeSouza			28	David Bollinger
12	Jennifer Bahl			29	Melissa Aaron
13	Daniel Sims			29	Darlene Massey
14	Robert Anderson			29	Brady Rogers
15	Ricky Huey			30	James Morris



## ITEMS FOR SALE / ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FOR SALE:** Coleman Powermate Standup Air Compressor - \$200; 21 gallon; 7.7 CFM @ 40 PSI; 6.0 CFM @ 90 PSI; 95-125 PSI Working Pressure; 120 volt; 6 Peak HP; with automatic drain. Contact Terry Ware at 205-335-1597 or joanware@bellsouth.net.



### Want to Learn Basic Motorcycle Mechanics?

Lawson State Community College will be offering a Basic Motorcycle Mechanics class. One of our own members, Terry Ware, will be teaching. The dates are Mon., Aug. 18 and Wed., Aug 20. Call Lawson state for details at 205 929-3451 or [www.lawsonstate.edu](http://www.lawsonstate.edu) or direct to Nancy Wilson at [nwilson@lawsonstate.edu](mailto:nwilson@lawsonstate.edu).

### Lady Gerbings ¾ Shell-Jacket and Pants

Wear with or without heated liners. Water resistant. Perfect condition. Sizes: neck 17" adj, sleeve from collar 30", inseam 30", waist (elastic not stretched 29". E-mail for pictures. Price \$300.00 plus shipping. Contact Joan Ware at jkware35242@gmail.com Phone 205-408-7047

## PRODUCT REVIEW

### A great product from Kermit Easterling

Bob Steber

Kermit has done it again. His new "Easy Pack Duffel", available in three sizes, is very well thought out and constructed. What sold me is the easy accessibility to my gear because of its top loading feature and ability to strap it down without having to place tie down straps over the top of the bag. Simply run your tie down straps under the bag and through the lower row of side webbing (there are two rows) to secure it to your bike or stacked on another bag. Now, I have easy access to my rain gear and cooler without having to un-strap a bag or open a pannier.

Kermit's email address is [ke2@centerville.net](mailto:ke2@centerville.net). Here also is some info and a link to Helmet Head Cycle Gear. You can order directly from Kermit or from Helmet Head.

[www.helmetheadcyclegear.com/cgi-bin/eShop/index.cgi?pid=3243&virt\\_prd\\_pid=3246](http://www.helmetheadcyclegear.com/cgi-bin/eShop/index.cgi?pid=3243&virt_prd_pid=3246)

*"This bag features a large, zippered opening and provides the necessary, water-resistant storage for your traveling needs. The adjustable strap w/ buckle can be tightened to prevent drooping of the duffel ends when partially full, and loosened to allow full expansion of the duffel when required. You no longer have to fight with getting your tent, Kermit Chairs and the rest of your gear packed. It all fits in nice and neat!"*

*Developed and manufactured by Kermit...you know it has to be good!"*

#### Features

- Large, zippered opening for **Easy Load & Unload.**
- Highly water resistant & breathable 1000 denier Cordura sealed seams.
- Splash-proof zipper.
- Adjustable top strap.
- Side webbing.

*Yes, these bags are stack able."*

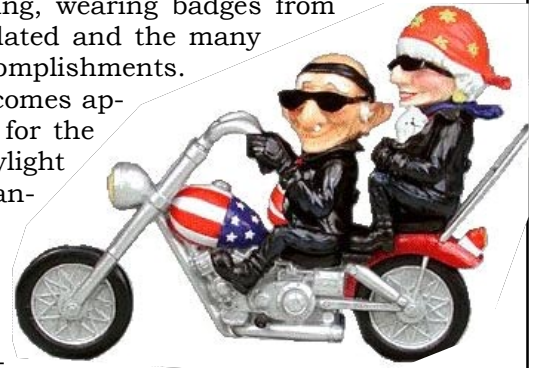


## HE RIDES A PALE HORSE

Red Cloud

Nobody wants it to happen but the burden of age creeps upon us as vaguely as nightfall. There is no distinct time that one can say "I have lost the edge" but little by little the motorcycle becomes a stranger, as if it takes on a cruel and pitiless personality with a will to intimidate and embarrass. The once powerful legs of the rider slowly become shaky, with knees that ache from a lifetime of abuse; hawk-like eyes of youth begin to cover over with the milky quality of cataracts; balance gives way to uncertainty; surefootedness is foiled by a single smooth pebble underfoot. The motorcycle seems to sense these slight changes and exploit them at every opportunity.

The rider may have a lifetime of experience in motorcycle touring, wearing badges from many rallies. Longtime companions admire the mileage accumulated and the many places visited. Younger riders sit in awe and dream of such accomplishments. But the edge may no longer be quite as sharp as once was. It becomes apparent as the curves are now taken just a little slower, mileage for the day becomes less important, and trips begin to be planned as daylight affairs with night riding excluded. Some riders deny any such waning of spirit and ability but they know...they know it is happening.



When do the campfire conversations about smaller, lighter bikes begin to make sense despite our pride and egos? When do we decide that maybe it is okay to trailer the bike to the National Rally that is clear across the country? When do we trade our camping gear for the comforts of motels? When do we give in to the ugliness of aging? I, for one, don't know but I am sure it all is coming; however, I am also absolutely certain that for a while we will continue to ride like there is no tomorrow, and when we meet up with our brethren at the campgrounds and exchange conversation around the campfire, a subtle smile and nod will be all that is needed to say "I'm still alive and well"!

## GUNTERSVILLE STATE PARK - TOWN CREEK CAMPGROUND



## THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Remember our Vice President, Vance Harrelson, and his family as they provide care for Vance's father that is very ill.

## UPDATED RIDE / EVENT SCHEDULE

Date	Type of Event	Destination	Leader	Meet place/Details
Aug 9	Nate Kern at Barber's			Visit Nate in the pits at Barber Motorsports Park
Aug 16	Ride (Sport-touring)	N. Shelby Co.	Charles Binder	8:30 @ 29 Dreams - Limit 10 - 2-3 hour ride. Contact Charles to reserve place.
Aug 30-31	Monthly Meeting	Blue Ridge MC		
Aug 30	Ride (Sport-touring)	Maggie Valley - Wheels Thru Time / Hot Springs	Lenn Rainwater	Depart after Breakfast, stop at WTT Museum then up to Hot Springs for lunch.
Aug 31	Ride (Sport-touring)	South of BRMC	Phil	After Breakfast
Sept 13	Ride - (Touring)	Lizard Tail - N. Jefferson Cnty	Ken Pedigo	Leaving 10 am at Shell - Exit 271 on I-65 N - Cracker Barrel is there if you want breakfast beforehand. 2-3 hour ride plus lunch.
Sept 12-14	Overnight Ride (Dual Sport)	Northwest AL	Gary DuBois	Limited to 15 riders - Contact Gary
Sept 15-21	Ride (Sport-touring)	Arkansas	Lenn Rainwater	A week riding the AR roads ending with the Sport-touring.net rally in Mountain Home
Sept 27-28	Meeting	Jasper, TN		
Oct 3-5	BMW TN Rally	Shiloh, TN		Theme is Superheroes - Mask, Cape and Power
Oct 3-5	BMW Regional Rally	Hunter Mtn, NY		
Oct 11-12	Beer, Brats and Beemers	Enterprise, AL	Jim Kalahan	Jim is hosting this event. Includes trips to air museum, shrimp boil, tech day, Ft. Rucker. Contact Jim for info
Oct 11-12	BMW Performance Ctr	Spartanburg, SC		
Oct 17-19	Barber Vintage Festival	B'ham		
Oct 25-26	Meeting	Centerville, TN		
Nov 8-9	Ride	Mentone		
Nov 15-16	Ride	TBD		
Nov 28	After Thanksgiving Ride	TBD		
Dec 13	Christmas Party	Guntersville		
Dec 27	After Christmas Ride	TBD		



Camping was good at Town Creek despite the threatening weather.



## **BMWMOAL RIDE/EVENT INFORMATION**

Lenn Rainwater, Travel Director

I thought it would be helpful to set up a classification of the types of rides we do so each rider will know in advance the type of ride to expect. The ride leader will determine the type of ride and everyone will know in advance what to expect. Even though each group will have a different pace, they will all follow the usual group riding guidelines. The 3 classes are Sport-touring, Touring, and Dual-sport. The description of each is:

Sport-touring – Mostly riding at a spirited pace with limited stops.

Touring – A slower pace well-suited for two-up riding with possibly frequent and longer stops.

Dual-sport – Involves off-road riding in addition to street riding with specific bike and tire requirements.

Also, some group leaders may elect to limit the number of riders of their group ride. If you are interested in going on a ride that is posted and it is a limited ride, then you will need to contact the ride leader either using the website or by phone or email and reserve your spot. If you commit to a ride and then do not show up, the consequences will be severe! So don't even think about reserving a spot on a limited ride and then not showing up.

Please check the Happenings Forum on the website frequently. This will be the only source for information about rides. I will try to keep things updated but feel free to post up a ride any time, stating the time and place for the ride meeting, type of ride (sport-touring, touring, dual-sport), destination, and approximate length.

## **BEER, BRATS AND BEEMERS**

Lenn Rainwater

Jim and Sheila Kalahan and Steve and Suzanne Hebert are hosting this event October 10-12 at the Kalahan homeplace in Enterprise, AL. On Friday, we will leave from Jim's house at 1 pm and ride to Ft. Rucker to watch the helicopters exhibit their aerial gunnery. Afterwards, Jim will lead us on a tour around the range and back to the house for some relaxation around the pool and spa. Dinner is a Shrimp Boil around 6:30 with swimming and partying. On Saturday, Jim will have either a ride or tech day and then we will leave from Jim's house at 1 pm for a private tour of the Army Aviation Museum at Ft. Rucker. Then back to Jim's house for some more good German beer and brats. Then to top it off, Jim and Sheila will provide breakfast on Sunday morning before we depart.

If you are planning to go, you will need to make a reservation with Jim by either calling or emailing him no later than Sept 29. There is no fee for any of the food or beverage but donations will be accepted so be prepared to donate sufficiently.

If you are planning to ride your bike on Ft. Rucker, the requirements include *wearing something reflective* in addition to the usual license, insurance, helmet, long sleeves and boots.

As for accommodations, there is one bedroom left at the Kalahan's and 3 bedrooms at the Heberts (who are about 1 mile away). There is plenty of camping on the lawn at both homes and there is floor space if you just want to bring your sleeping bag. If you want a motel room, let Jim know and he can get a block of rooms at a local motel.

## BEAT THE HEAT

Jamie Jackson

Tired of the heat and humidity of Dog Days? Escape it all by joining in on the August campout and club meeting at Blue Ridge Motorcycle Campground at Cruso, NC. You will find cool temperatures, green grass, burbling river, and good food, all at the campground. If you want even cooler temps, ride south for six miles to the Blue Ridge Parkway and enjoy the most scenic road in the South East. Or if you want to experience a different menu and check out some unique shops, ride north for thirteen miles to Waynesville. Or just sit around and relax by the river at the campground.



Because of its location and amenities, Blue Ridge M/C Campground easily becomes a favorite location for camping when visiting the Appalachians. The bath houses have clean, hot showers and coin laundry. Ice, with ice chest rental, and sundry items are available at the Camp Store, but be sure to bring your own beverages. The Snack Shop is open 24 hours a day with vending machines, television, and magazines.

The owners are Phillip and Leslie Johnson, long time members of BMWMOAL. In fact, Phillip is a past President of the club. You may contact them at (828)235-8350 or email at [phil@blueridgemotorcyclecamp.com](mailto:phil@blueridgemotorcyclecamp.com) for questions. All cabins were already rented the last time that I talked to Phillip. Hope see you there Aug 30 - 31!



## PICS FROM TOWN CREEK



**BMW MOTORCYCLE OWNERS OF ALABAMA  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM**

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/2008

NEW \_\_\_ RENEW \_\_\_ UPDATE \_\_\_

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Year / Model BMW(s) : \_\_\_\_\_

Circle those that apply:    MOA Member    RA Member    Airheads Member    Oilheads Member    AMA Member

Dues are \$20.00 per year for primary and \$3.00 per year for secondary members. Make check payable to:

BMW M/C Owners of Alabama.    Mail application with check to: Marty Simpson, 10010 Torino Drive, Huntsville, AL 35803

**NON-MEETING GET-TOGETHERS AROUND THE STATE**

**Birmingham**

Diplomat Deli - Each Thursday evening the Birmingham folks are meeting at a new location called the Diplomat Deli which is located at 1413 Montgomery Highway, Vestavia Hills which is in the same shopping center as Pier 1 near the Bruster's Ice Cream. The food is excellent, the service is unsurpassed and they have the largest selection of beer of any place in the state. They also boast of over 500 different wines. Arrivals begin from about 5 to 5:30 PM and stay till about 7:30 to 8 PM.

**Huntsville**

The Huntsville crowd currently meets at 6:00 pm each Friday night at West End Grill off of Madison Pike just east of Research Park Blvd (This change is due to the recent closing of the Green Hills Grill). Stop by for food and conversation.

**Montgomery**

Flip's Uptown Grill

The monthly Montgomery, Alabama area breakfast (and possible ride) is the second Saturday of each month, at Flip's Uptown Grill in the Sturbridge Shopping Center at the corner of Vaughn Road and Taylor Road. We will meet for breakfast at 8am and those who choose to ride afterwards can plan to do so at that time. All brands of motorcycles and cars welcome. drive whatcha got. Flip's has a complete made-to-order breakfast menu. Bring bucks and come hungry!

**Robertsdale (South Alabama)**

The Oasis Truck Stop

Saturday mornings at the Oasis Truck Stop at Wilcox Rd Exit I-10 about half way between Mobile and Pensacola, every Sat. morning. Riders are usually there from about 7:30am until 9- 9:30. Rides are concocted for afterwards. Contact John at [johnart1@aol.com](mailto:johnart1@aol.com) for details

## **ABEES NEWS YOU CAN USE**

Bob Steber

The hot, sweltery, dog days of summer are almost behind us and the best Alabama riding weather is quickly approaching. So, its time to get off the couch and go for a day ride, or even better, plan a mini vacation riding tour to some of the excellent motorcycling roads and sites that are right here in our own back yard.

You're Alabama Beemers' Exploring and Epicurean Society (ABEES) Touring Guide with its addendum (WWW.BMWMOAL.org > ABEES Touring Guide > Addendum) can be a big help with your planning. The Guide lists more than 450 good eateries and interesting places to see within Alabama. The Restaurants & Points of Interest section is organized alphabetically by city. There are also 29 favorite rides and roads listed that are recommended by our fellow club members. The favorite roads and rides are organized by regions of the state and are numbered.

Obviously, there are more favorite roads and rides listed in the NE region of Alabama because that is where most of the good motorcycling roads are. This is an excellent destination for a little getaway. There are three great State Parks there: Guntersville, Desoto and Mt. Cheaha. Each of the parks has excellent camping and lodging facilities with good restaurants. Each park is an excellent place for setting up a base to string together many of the wonderful roads in the area and to see some really interesting sites there. With that said, take a look at Rickie Bonner's favorite run: "Southwest Alabama Eat to Ride or Ride to Eat Run Stockton to Gulf Shores (SW 1). Rickie's ride would make for an excellent long week-end mini vacation headquartering in the Gulf Coast region. I am thinking Dauphin Island or Gulf Shores with their beautiful beaches and excellent seafood would be a great hub.

Everyone is encouraged to participate in our Bogart's Olympia Riding Jacket Challenge to win the Olympia Riding Jacket that Bryson is donating to the club. Thank you Bryson! All that is required to get a ticket to win is to ride your motorcycle or scooter to 20 or more POIs, favorite roads and rides and club get-togethers, then send your information to Bob Steber at [bsteberbtr@gmail.com](mailto:bsteberbtr@gmail.com). All of the details are explained in the first few pages of your ABEES Touring Guide. Remember, it only takes one ticket to win.

If you do not have a Touring Guide, one is always available at our club get-togethers or let Connie, Lenn or I know, and one will be sent to you for \$2.00 to cover the cost of postage and envelopes. The Touring Guide is also available on line at WWW.BMWMOAL.org > ABEES Touring Guide.

## **ATTENTION LADY ALABEEMER RIDERS!**

Terese Stevens

At the latest club meeting, club co-founder, John Harper, made mention that 21 years ago there were only 5 Lady Riders: Connie Reaves, Terese Stevens, Susan Galpin, Margaret Hoffman and a lady friend of Harold Crow's. We've come a long way, Baby!! Nowadays, seeing a woman riding her own bike is nothing new, but still inspiring.

Ladies, if you are a Rider, please submit your name, number of years riding and definitely a picture of you with your 'steed' to Terese Stevens ([terese\\_35801@yahoo.com](mailto:terese_35801@yahoo.com)). We'd like to acknowledge our Lady Riders in an upcoming newsletter and create a collage photo of our Lady AlaBeemers. Deadline would be 8/31 and will be possibly featured in the October newsletter and then on the website. Your participation would be very much appreciated!

## ABEES POINTS SUBMITTED TO DATE

Name	Total Tickets Earned	Restaurants and Points of Interest	Favorite Roads & Rides	Total ABEES Check Offs	Total ABEES Tickets Earned	Total Bonus Tickets
Martin Benson	32.45	269	13	289	14.5	18
Gary Dubois	41.85	206	19	237	11.9	30
Bob Steber	36.95	173	13	199	10.0	27
Angie Dubois	12.80	86	4	96	4.8	8
Vance Harrelson	9.70	66	2	74	3.7	6
Gary Williams	10.55	56	8	71	3.6	7
Lenn Rainwater	8.30	53	8	66	3.3	5
Paul McBryer	7.15	58	2	63	3.2	4
Tom Gilbert	19.90	48	4	58	2.9	17
Steve Schuckman	23.85	43	7	57	2.9	21
David Smith	19.75	24	3	35	1.8	18
Jim Dubick	4.40	23	2	28	1.4	3
Joan Ware	6.25	15	5	25	1.3	5
Paul Orr	2.05	19	1	21	1.1	1
Terry Ware	6.05	11	5	21	1.1	5

### New Entries - 2008 ABEES TOURING GUIDE ADDENDUM

**Please go to our website ([www.BMWMOAL.org](http://www.BMWMOAL.org)) > ABEES TOURING GUIDE > 2008 ADDENDUM for the complete addendum listing and more details.**

#### Restaurant & POI Deletions

City	Place	Description
Anniston	Old Smokehouse	Out of Business
Jacksonville	Old Henry Farm Store	Out of Business

#### Favorite Motorcycling Roads & Ride Additions

Route #	Description
NE8 Crow Mtn.	From SR. 79 to CR. 470 down Crow Mountain. Exciting hairpin turns and good scenery, but the road is a little rough. At the bottom of the mountain, and approaching CR. 470 there is a swamp. Look closely, and you may see an eagle flying or roosting in the trees. Continue right on Cr. 470 1 ½ miles to the Pikeville Store and Deli for an excellent cheeseburger. From the Pikeville Store, it is 6 miles south on Cr 21 to Scottsboro, home of Unclaimed Baggage and four other ABEES check-offs.

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## **Club Sponsored Events With Meetings**

Aug 30 - 31 Blue Ridge MC Campgrnd - Cruso, NC

Sep 27 - 28 Shell Mound Campground  
Nickajack Dam - Jasper, TN

Oct 25 - 26 Waggoners RibFest - Centerville, TN

Dec 13 Christmas party , Guntersville State  
Park Lodge - Guntersville, AL

## **Other Events of Interest**

Aug 28 - 30 Curve Cowboy Reunion Midway, Utah

Sep 11 - 14 Heart of Dixie Rendezvous, Laural Trails  
Campground, Monteagle, TN  
(Sam Tabor Memorial Rally)

Oct 3 - 5 Return to Shiloh - Pickwick Dam, TN

Oct 31 - Nov 2  
Swamp Scooters - Lafayette, LA