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President's Letter 2020-08-02

Greetings to All,

Deborah and I hope everyone is safe and doing well. Seems this COVID-19 virus is not leaving anytime soon. Due to the recent increase in cases, we are continuing with the postponement of all, in person, Executive Committee and Member meetings. There will be no member meeting for August or September. We will make a determination on October at the September 2nd, EC meeting.

Please realize we are working hard behind the scenes to get more information out about our upcoming events. Below is the current status of some of our upcoming events. Keep checking our website and Facebook page for changes and updates.

T.W.O. Suches - September 24-27 - This event is still on! If you have any questions or concerns please contact Bill Botkin.

Christmas/Holiday Party - 2021 EC Elections - December 5th - Camp Chowenwaw Park - This event is still on! More details will be coming later this month.

Winter Rally - January 15-17, 2021 - Camp Blanding - This event is still on! The Winter Rally Committee is hard at work to make this a great event. To keep up to date check our website for more information later this month. Volunteers are needed. Contact Pedro Afable at RallyChair.bmwnef@gmail.com.

Upcoming Rides - Between the heat, the virus and crowded venues it has been a battle to coordinate group rides. Some members have been going on small group rides. If you are interested in a ride check our website and Facebook page. We will be posting any upcoming rides on these platforms. If you want to plan a little ride contact Bill Botkin and he will place it on our events pages.

We have a wonderful addition to our membership and marketing committee, Steve Wishard. If you haven't had the chance to meet him, come out to our next group ride and we will introduce him to you. His talents are amazing and he has been gracious enough to share them with us. Please check out his current videos on our Facebook

page or follow the link below. Steve, we are very thankful to you and appreciate that you are sharing your talents with us. Awesome job on the videos.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC60MtatdcvBcdvv-lnzKTXg/>

All our committees have been hard at work trying to adapt to the current conditions of our environment, and I greatly appreciate all their time and efforts. As the new year approaches I want to thank each and everyone for their support and guidance. This will be my last year as President. Now comes the difficult task of putting together nominations for next year's elected Executive Committee members. If anyone has an interest in any of the elected positions please contact the Nomination Committee (President, Vice President, Chip Kenyon or Bill Botkin). As a reminder to be nominated for the President and Vice-President positions you must own a BMW Motorcycle at the time of the nomination/election.

(My wife would love to lease out my parts bike for any candidate willing to be nominated).

On a sad note, Bob Richens passed this information on to us.

It is sad to report the passing of two true friends of BMWNEF. Colin Cameron and Ross Graham were past members and great supporters of BMWNEF and tried never to miss one of our club events.

They both were avid riders and collectors of anything with two wheels and a motor. Colin was a life long friend of mine, ever since the fourth grade. Ross joined BMWNEF after we met him at a British In The Blue Ridge event in the North Georgia mountains. Ross had a beautiful summer home in these majestic mountains.

Both Colin and Ross were true riders and collectors. They always enjoyed life to its fullest. I am sure they will have a couple bikes with them in Heaven.

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Our prayers and condolences go out to Colin's and Ross's families.

Sincerely,

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