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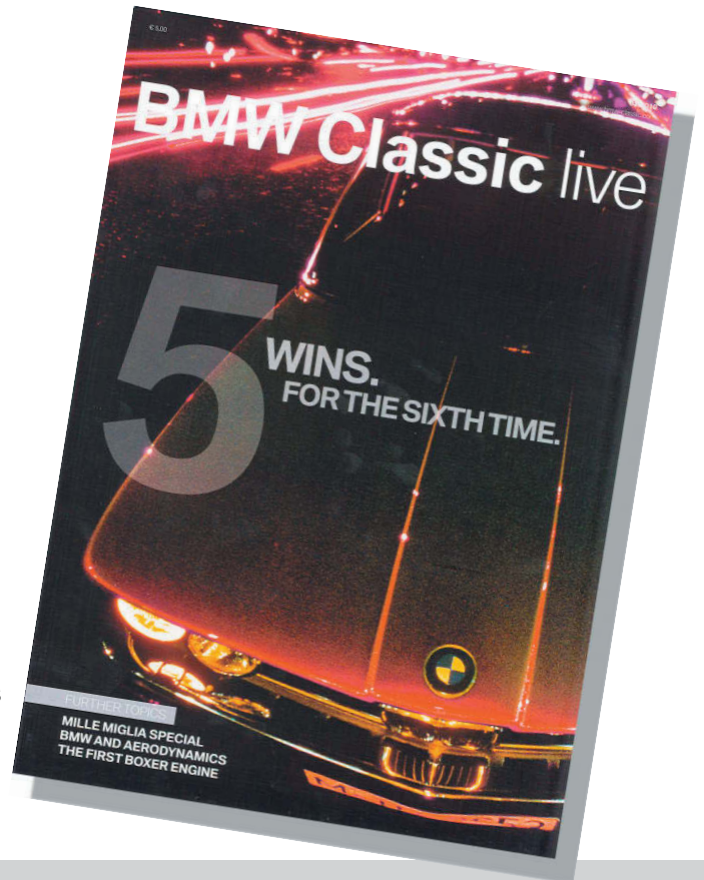
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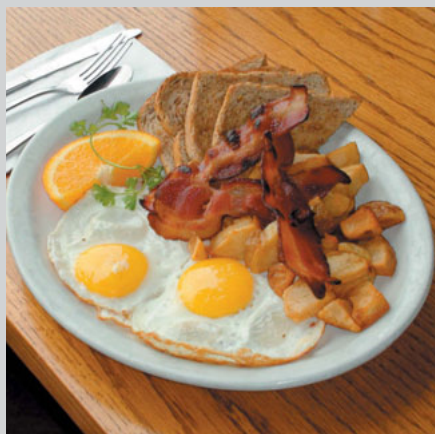
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Next Breakfast/Brunch

Saturday, September 6



WHERE:

Pioneer House Restaurant
4675 Trans-Canada Hwy
Duncan

MEETING PLACE

WHEN & WHERE:

8:10 am Tim Horton's
for 8:30 departure



Parksville members on the road again

Barb and Hal Vousden of Parksville pick up their trip tale from being forced to come home early.

We pulled out for the second part on June 4th and zigzagged through Kamloops, Kelowna, Vernon, and Cranbrook visiting family before crossing the Crowsnest and heading south at Pincher Creek to enter the US at Waterton Lakes. We headed east on #2 and took it all the way to the MacKinnac bridge. After crossing MacKinnac, we hugged the western shore of Lake Huron then crossed into Ontario at Pt. Huron.

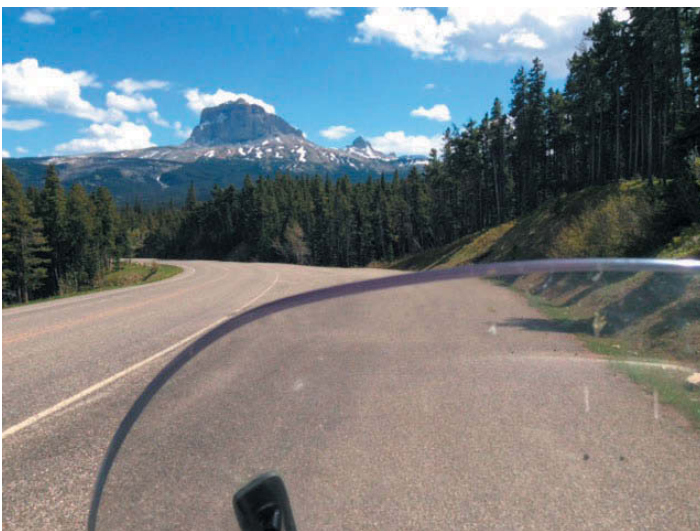
After a couple of weeks visiting friends and family, we headed south at Buffalo and followed "The Amish Hwy" across NY, and into PA. We crossed through the Allegheny's and worked our way east to the

Susquehanna Trail and took it SW down to Gettysburg. Once we crossed into VA we went to Front Royal and took the Skyline Drive through to the Blue Ridge Mountain Parkway and followed it to Cherokee ND. (500 miles of beautiful twisting roads in excellent condition following the Appalachian summits and no commercial traffic - Motorcycle Heaven!!!!).

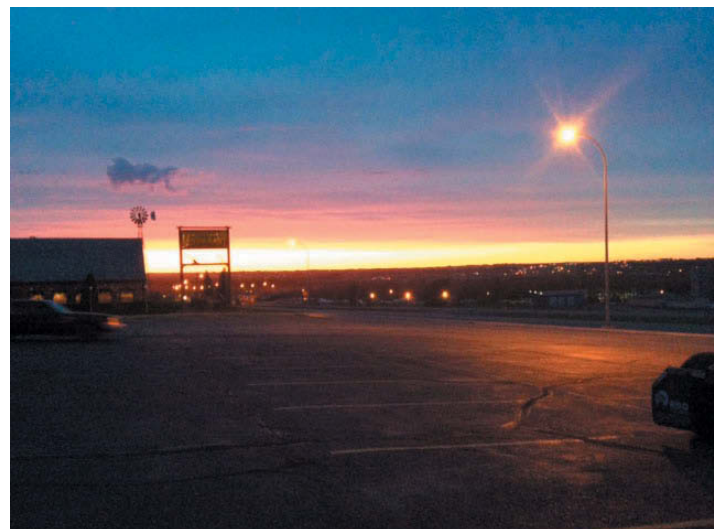


This is Kootenay Lake at the top of Kootenay Pass still in Ice and snow.

At Cherokee we cut west on 441 and toured The Great Smokey Mountains. From Gatlinburg we headed to Nashville and spent a couple of days soaking in the country music and bluegrass



Waterton Lakes "Big Chief" mountain. Namesake of the border crossing where the US Border guards were curious about my "Life Behind Bars" sign on the back of the bike.



A prairie sunset near Minot ND.



Enjoying the delayed adventure



In the background is Lake Superior near Marquette Michigan. The old style pumps attached to a “drinking fountain” bowl seem quite popular here as they are present in several roadside parks.

history of the area. After a night at “the Opry” we headed west to the Natchez Trace, another parkway like the Blue Ridge with no commercial traffic and absolutely unmatched motorcycle riding for another 500 miles. An overnight stop in Tupelo MS, gave us a chance to visit the Elvis Birthplace Memorial but by the next morning the rains that had been pounding Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana arrived in Tupelo and according to the weather network would be there 5 or 6 days. The weather network also showed that there was no rain about 4 hours north so we opted to go north. We did get wet that day

but different than most of our rains up here, these were warm southern rains and were actually quite comfortable to ride in (once you got fully soaked). Once out of the rain and dried up, we started meandering sort of northwesterly through the Ozarks, across the Great Plains states over to the Badlands and the Black

Hills of South. Dakota. We crossed southern Montana and got back into the Rockies crossing Utah and entering back into Canada at Creston.

Our daughter from Nelson met us on her motorcycle at Creston and we rode the east side of Kootenay Lake and took the Kootenay Lake Ferry back to Nelson and her place. Then after a couple of days visiting there we headed to the Okanagan via the Needles Ferry to touch base with family and then home. All in all it was a great couple of months of riding. The bike performed impeccably needing only a routine servicing and a set of tires half way through. In 21,500 kilometers we only got wet 3 times, only 3 traffic incidents that “could” have been worse but weren’t and even loaded 2 up with clothes and camping gear averaged just over 61 MPG (imp).



So typical of the old prairie farm buildings on both sides of the 49th.



Barb and Hal's scenes from the roadside



At a rest area called Oak Lake near Grand Forks Minnesota, we were visited by literally hundreds of young dragonflies



The MacKinnac Bridge joins Yooperland (Michigan's upper peninsula) to lower Michigan and doesn't look like much from here but when you are several hundred feet above the water on a grate deck in 40 kph cross winds, well let's just say you stay focused.



This is the Mississippi River in Grand Rapids Minnesota, less than 200 Kms south of the Canadian border and still north of four of the Great Lakes .



The south shore of Lake Superior at Ashland Wisconsin.



Over 20,000 kms of success... finally



This is the Port of Goderich Ontario on the eastern side of Lake Huron and the buildings and apparatus around the port serve the salt industry.



This 5.5 million acres in Montana was saved as a wild land trust by the efforts of a visionary pioneer and now joins Glacier park and 2 other land preserves to create a massive preserve that crosses the continental divide. It's the Bob Marshal land preserve.

Club 2014 Event Schedule

Date	Event	Location
Saturday, September 6, 2014	Monthly Gathering	Pioneer House Duncan
Sunday, September 21, 2014	Monthly Ride	Port Renfrew / Cowichan loop
Sunday, September 28, 2014	33rd Annual "Oyster Run" Motorcycle Rally	Anacortes, WA
Sunday, October 5, 2014	Monthly Gathering	Chequered Flag
October	Annual Meeting	TBD
Saturday, November 1, 2014	Monthly Gathering	Log House Pub
Sunday, December 7, 2014	Monthly Gathering	Chequered Flag
Thursday, January 1, 2015	TROC	Island View Beach
Saturday, January 3, 2015	Monthly Gathering	Log House Pub

