



Welcome to Blue Mountain Motorcycle Club!

“NEW” Staging area

BMMC has established a new staging area, approximately 500 metres past the gate at the north end of 256th Steet across from the Trials Trail exit. Follow the signs, enter from the south end of the staging area and exit from the north. Please ride slowly/cautiously in and around the staging area. Kindly keep the outhouses clean, the club will try to keep them stocked with toilet paper. Just in front of the outhouses there is an information kiosk, this is where the club will be posting information about BMMC, when the next trail day is etcetera.

Respect the new staging area – no donuts or other destructive activity in the staging area. Keep speeds down (both in your vehicle and on your bike) on the gravel road to prevent creating whoops in the road and to avoid incidents. If you see anybody tampering with the gate, kiosk, outhouses, SeaCan etc., please let the club know.

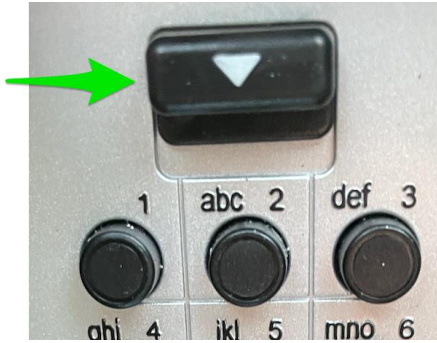
To get to the staging area, you'll need to pass through the gate. When you pay for your membership, you will receive a mirror hanger with a year sticker on it. In subsequent years, you'll just receive a new year sticker to go on the hanger. Please hang the hanger on your mirror with the logo and year sticker facing out. That way if you're behind somebody at the gate, they'll know you're a current paid member and can let you through the gate. Please don't let anybody through the gate unless they have a current year mirror hanger (or you know for sure that they are a current paid member). You'll also receive a gate code by email. Follow the instructions below to open the gate. Please ensure the gate is closed and locked behind you.

1. Slide the CLEAR (C) button down ↓ this will reset the lock box from any previous numbers or attempts.



2. Enter the combination. The combination code is provided to you automatically via email when you purchase a membership. If you didn't receive your purchase confirmation email with the lock box code check your spam/junk boxes.

3. Slide the UNLOCK button down ↓ and open the door.



4. Take out the key and unlock the pad lock on the underside of the gate.

5. Place the key back in the lock box and follow steps 1-3 to re-lock the lockbox.

You MUST enter the combination code again in order to re-lock the lock box.

6. Please ensure that the gate is closed and locked behind you – unless the person behind you has a current year BMMC mirror hanger, or know that they are a current paid member.

For info about using the gate and staging area, please see the website:

<https://bluemountainmotorcycleclub.com/staging-area/>

Welcome Package

Welcome to the Blue Mountain Motorcycle Club, it's our membership that gives us the strength to steward our challenging riding area. By choosing to become a member of the club you are supporting a decades old effort to create what is regarded as one of the premiere riding areas in Canada. Over the years our trail network has provided the foundation for countless riders to hone their skills in the rugged rain forest of Maple Ridge. It can be said that Blue Mountain is the home of champions. Many club members have risen to the top of National and local racing with the skills acquired on these trails. Racer or weekend warrior this is the place to push your limits, be it the classic rock steps, steep down hills or endless roots and rocks that define the mountain.

Our trail network is the product of hard work; like the riding at "Blue", the work required to maintain our trails requires determination and skill. Our trail network is constructed on primarily glacial till and is regarded as amongst the most difficult terrain to build upon. By giving back through volunteering at our work parties club members have created a legacy that attracts riders worldwide. This trail system is worthy of respect and should be ridden in such a way to limit impact while at the same time pursuing a thrilling riding experience. Enjoy the ride, lend a hand and build the legend.

The Blue Mountain Motorcycle Club's staging area, and network of trails all reside on Unceded Traditional Territories of Indigenous Peoples. Please treat the lands with respect. The club is thankful to be able to maintain a trail network on these precious lands.



Guidelines for riding at Blue Mountain

What do I do with the stickers I received? You should have received 2 stickers, a 2" round and 6" rectangular, each with the current year. The 2" round should go on your helmet or bike. The 6" is for your truck rear window. If you purchased a BCORMA Trail Supporter pass, this 2" round sticker should also go on your helmet or bike. Please ensure that you fill out the Liability Waiver found in the membership section of the main website (<https://bluemountainmotorcycleclub.com/membership/>)

Where to park? Please use the gate code provided to go through the gate at the north end of 256th Street and park in the staging area. Do not park/stage anywhere but the staging area. If somebody is not a paid club member they should park on 256th Street by the industrial park, just south of the gate.

Where to ride? About .5 Km up the road on the right (east), you'll find the first trail head – Sandman – this trail is the main and only access to other trails. Please do not go 'up' Trials Trail to access Sandman, as Trials Trail is a downhill only trail.

What to ride? Blue Mountain is a technical and challenging single-track trail system and is not an appropriate place for Adventure bikes or dual sports with street tires. A properly equipped Enduro bike is best suited to the terrain. Skid plates, hand guards, proper tires (and tire pressures) etc. are highly recommended, plus proper protection for the rider.

What trails should I ride? The website's Trail Information page lists the trails with difficulty levels noted for each trail. Many trails have different ratings depending on whether you are riding the trail uphill or downhill. Some trails are not to be ridden uphill in wet weather. Do not attempt trails that are beyond your skill level, as you'll often end up just tearing up the trail. Always be mindful of minimizing damage to the trails. If you don't make it up a steep section, don't just sit there and dig your tire in and make a hole. This will likely cause the next rider to get stuck and make the problem worse. Go back down the hill and try again or turn around if you're unable to make it up without damaging the trail.

If you spot a downed tree or other issue with a trail, post a message on the Facebook page so others know about it. The trail committee can then get out to resolve the problem (like cutting a downed tree to clear the trail).

Guided tours – If you're new to the mountain many of the riders are open to taking you out on a guided tour, based on your skill level. It's a great chance to get to know the trails, with an experienced rider to guide you. The work parties (see below) are a great opportunity to see who's willing/able to take you out for a ride/tour.

If you're riding with a group and come across other riders coming the opposite direction – hold up your hand with the # of fingers showing how many riders are behind you. This allows the other riders to know how many people are in your group. This will lessen the chance of coming head-on with another rider. If you hear other riders coming, try to stop in a place where you're out of the way. Stopping in the middle of a downhill is not a great place – stop at the top or bottom of the hill.

The Environment

Blue Mountain Motorcycle Club is dedicated to protecting our riding area. This means protecting the environment in which the trails are located. We are dedicated to protecting not only the plants, fish and wildlife, but also the streams, lakes, waterways and marshes of Blue Mountain.



What can you do to help?

We ride a very careful balance between having fun and not damaging the trails and the ecosystem on the mountain. Only ride on the marked trails, do not 'trail braid' (don't go off the trail to get around an obstacle). If you're not able to make it past the obstacle and there isn't a clear bypass trail, don't make your own trail. Try to avoid riding in ruts on the trail, riding the rut will just damage the trail further and create more trail maintenance work. Disturbance of the natural vegetation can lead to loss of soil stabilization, water retention and the loss of food and shelter for many forms of wildlife. Avoid spinning your rear tire, as this can displace the soil, which leads to additional maintenance work on the trail, and can increase the possibility of water run-off on the trail. If you're spinning, you're not getting traction and you're less likely to make it up that hill or over that obstacle!

All water crossing at Blue Mountain have bridges in place. Do not ride around the bridges as this can cause silt to be stirred up and carried down the waterway, which can be harmful to fish and other wildlife habitats. Note that the club has been working on putting signs up with bridge names for all bridges – there are over 150 bridges, so this is a long process. By having bridge name signs, it makes it easier to identify a location on a trail to reference a downed tree, or if a rider is injured.

The club continues to work on putting trail name signs at all trail heads and intersections. Feel free to let the club know if any signs are missing or have been vandalized and need replacement.

Remember that Blue Mountain is the home to a wide variety of wildlife and you are a visitor in their environment. Please treat their home with respect. If you encounter wildlife, it's best to slow down but keep moving, as wildlife is generally more disturbed if you stop.

Ensure your motorcycle is properly registered with ICBC and you have the minimum \$200,000 liability insurance to ride on FSR's. Ensure that proper sound reduction is installed on your bike, a noisy bike is an annoyance not just to other riders, but also to those who live and work in the area.

***** SPARK ARRESTORS ARE MANDATORY *****

Trail Maintenance – everybody needs to do their part to put back into the mountain



About every month the club will have a scheduled Trail Maintenance Work Party. Watch the Facebook page, or the Forum for announcements of dates. All are welcome! We typically meet the last Sunday of every month, 9:30AM at the end of 256th Street and get started by 10AM. Any necessary tools are provided by the club. It's generally hard work, but a lot of fun!

Getting out to help with trail maintenance will also help connect with other riders. If you're new to the mountain, you'll usually get a chance to look at some trails that you haven't been on yet.

Most of the trail work is accomplished by walking into the work sites. Sometimes the sites are fairly remote and people will ride in. Some will ride in regardless and others will always walk in.

RIDES – Route of All Evil and Member Appreciation



Usually in the spring the club hosts a “Route of All Evil” fun ride, typically with a turnout of over 150 riders. Club membership and a BCORMA trail supporter decal are required to enter. There are two clearly marked routes – A – EXPERT and B – INTERMEDIATE. The ride lasts anywhere between 2 and 5 hours depending on route chosen and rider experience. Each registered rider receives a BMMC “Route Of All Evil” t-shirt and is entered into multiple prize draws. A BBQ lunch is held after the completion of the ride. Refer to the BMMC website and Facebook page for additional information.

In the fall BMMC hosts a Member Appreciation ride. Again split up into A and B groups. Each group will have a lead rider (to lead the way) and a sweep (to ensure that nobody gets left behind). There typically isn't a set route – the leader will guide the group through trails based on trails conditions and the skills of the group. A BBQ lunch and soft drink/water is provided mid-ride on the mountain. Sometimes a spring Member Appreciation ride is also held.

Maps

Map – PDF, GPX and .KML(Google Earth) versions of maps can be found on the website on the main page and the Trail Information Page and also in the Members section of the forum. The Google Earth format is particularly useful as the trails are overlaid over the Google satellite photography. You can even install Google Earth on your smartphone and open the app and the .KML map to pinpoint where you are on the mountain. This is very useful if you don't know the trails well or need an easy exit. The Trail information page (<https://bluemountainmotorcycleclub.com/trail-information/>) has a list of the trails, difficulty ratings, links to maps and descriptions of each trail, many with links to YouTube videos of the trail as well.

Social Media

The club website can be found at: <https://bluemountainmotorcycleclub.com/>

The club's Facebook Group page can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/105638262837982/>