

Blue Mountain Motorcycle Club

2025 January Monthly Newsletter

Jan 26th trail maintenance day

Next Trail Maintenance Day is Jan 26th. We always need volunteers for the trail maintenance days and highly encourage riders to come out and help. Trail days are typically the last Sunday of each month. We meet in the staging area around 9:30, organize into groups and then head out for around 10am. Everybody who shows up gets a free 'trail crew' t-shirt. We always try to have a giveaway – sometimes gift cards from local motorcycle shops, sometimes tires, tools etc. When possible, we try to have coffee and donuts for all the volunteers. We rarely ride in to do trail work – we typically drive and hike in. Many locations will require a truck to get to. If you don't have a 4x4/truck, you can always leave the car in staging and hop in with somebody else. Come prepared with proper clothing and footwear – the club will provide all the tools necessary.

\$1000 giveaway to volunteers

Luke Van Barneveld of Raider Mechanical has donated \$1000 to be given away to volunteers. Every time you come out to a trail maintenance day between Oct 6 2024 and the 2025 Route of All Evil Fun Ride (Jun 22), you'll get an entry into the draw. One \$500 and two \$250 prizes will be awarded. If you do work outside of a Trail Day it must be substantial (at least 2 hours per person) and not just cut a couple of dead falls. Contact Rick Green, Ryan Thom or Clay Walker before you start the work and have before and after pics of the work done. BMMC directors and Trail Committee members will not participate in the contest.

Logging repairs update

The club has prepared a 'prescription' of required repairs (restoration of the trail, installation of culverts, drainage etc.) to restore the trails that were closed as a result of the 2023 logging operations that has been provided to RSTBC for the woodlot operator. The 'prescription' for repairs was posted to the club's Facebook group if you're interested in reading it.

Ryan 187

Work continues on Ryan 187 to improve drainage and harden sections of the trail as a result of the logging that was done on Ryan 187. The trail will be closed until the repairs are completed, which should be in the next month or so.

2025 BMMC Memberships on sale now

You can purchase your 2025 club membership from the store:

<https://bluemountainmotorcycleclub.com/store/> Your membership helps provide the club with funds to maintain the trails. We encourage everyone to also purchase a BCORMA (BC Off Road Motorcycle Association) Trail Supporter – BCORMA is our ‘voice’ with the government to help promote and support off-road motorcycling in BC. The funding for BCORMA was recently reduced to 0 by Moto Canada, so their only source of funding now is the Trail Supporter passes (More info here:

<https://bluemountainmotorcycleclub.com/what-is-bcorma-and-why-should-i-purchase-a-bcorma-trail-supporter/>)

Monthly club meetings

The first Thursday of each month the club holds a meeting to discuss club business. All are welcome. It’s typically the first Thursday of each month, held at Ricky’s Country Restaurant in Maple Ridge starting at 6:30. Usually we take a break in the summer (Jul/Aug). Next meeting is on Feb 6th.

Thank you to our volunteers and paid members

Thank you to those that bought memberships or came out to volunteer in 2024. For 2024, we had a total of 1876 volunteer hours – our highest yet! Come on out and help build the legacy that is Blue Mountain. If you do volunteer trail work (outside of regular Trail Maintenance days as time is tracked by the crew leaders), please log your time at: BMMC.ca/time