

# Greater Atlanta British Motorcycle Association



July 2022

## ***From the President***



The 2022 British in the Blue Ridge Rally is in the books. Thank you to the 270 people that came out to support us. Especially the clubs that have been supporting the event for so many years. The Scooter Scum Club won the “largest club” attending the Rally.

We had good weather, safe rides and good participation in both the rides and field events. For the first time in several years, we had more participation in the field events which was run by Larry Anderson and John Shutty this year. Warren Hatfield our Road Captain led 40 motorcycles on some great mountain roads on Friday morning. John Hannah and Sharon Krauss planned a great ride route for the Poker Run on Saturday. Maggie Elmore, Barney Goodson and volunteers organized another great “hot dog supper” on Friday evening and the local police were happy to have the left overs donated again this year.

We had a good representation of vintage motorcycles in the bike show and at the Rally. We had 17 Norton Commandos in the Commando class which exceeded the “Unit Triumph” class for the first time that I can remember. The Greater Atlanta Norton Owners Association was well represented and a great help supporting the Rally.

Mark Fisher won Best of Show for his Norvin 64/49 and Graham Fostes was Best of Show runner up for his 1958 Rickman Matchless. Over 50 awards were given out at the award ceremony this year. We will be posting the winners on our Facebook page and website (see the buttons below) in the future. The Rally Bike (1970 Triumph TR6 Tiger) was won by Matt Martin from Florida.

The volunteers deserve a lot of credit for the success of the Rally. I especially want to thank Michael Anthony who pulled the club trailer and won the Hard Luck award due to his break down on the way to the event. I want to thank Danny and Sara Huggins for rescuing the club trailer and getting it to Hiawassee in time for us to set up for the Rally. I want to thank Richard Lyles who worked every event during the rally including providing the chase vehicle for the rides and rescuing three riders. He also provided “refreshment” if you stopped by his RV site in the evening. And I also want to thank Andy and Judy Sarantapoulas and Paul Refsnyder for their support during the Bike Show which allowed us to finish counting the vote ballots early enough to have the award ceremony earlier.

The Rally cost the club ~ \$12,000. Because of your support, we were able to recover the full rally cost, allowing us to start planning for next years rally (38th). We have already purchased a 1969 BSA lighting for the Rally Bike for the 38th BBR. We look forward to seeing everybody next June.

**New Meeting Location:** The GAMBA and GANOA clubs have voted to move to a new location, TACO MAC - Crabapple - 685 Crossville Rd (Rt 92) Roswell GA 300075. This new location offers a meeting room, ample parking and a more rideable location. We will continue to meet the 2nd Saturday of the month at noon. The next meeting is August 13.

**Acworth Cruise-In - This Saturday July 30** - The next club activity is this Saturday July 30 at Logan Farm Park in down town Acworth. Richard Lyles, our host, will be providing refreshments, saving us parking, and providing pop up tents for shade and protection from any pop up showers. We plan on having Pizza delivered about 3:30PM. Come hang out with us and bring a bike.

### **Officers**

President:	Steve Griffith
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## Up-Coming Club Events

- **Acworth Cruise In - July 30, Logan Farm Park - Acworth GA** We are planning to have Pizza for club members around 3:30pm. Come and join us and bring a bike.
- **Atlanta British Car Fayre - September 10 - Norcross GA** We have been invited back to this event this year. We usually have about 20 bikes. Registration for the event is at <https://www.atlantabritishcarfayre.com/registration.html>. More discussion on this event at our August meeting
- **G.A.S Motofest - Sept 24 - Piedmont SC** - More details to come. Contact Joe Barnes 864 350 0067
- **Barber Vintage Festival: - October 7-9 2022** - More Details about "Norton Hill" to come.
- **Acworth Cruise In - October 29** .

*Stay safe and keep riding. Steve*

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## British in the Blue Ridge Rally - Bike Show



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## *British in the Blue Ridge Rally - Mountain Ride*



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## MEMBERSHIP / RENEWAL APPLICATION FORM

### Application Instructions:

Renewal: You only need to provide your name and an updated email.

New members, please complete the form and provide us with valid email address

Mail the application and club dues (\$20 ) (make cheques out to GABMA) to: [GABMA](#),  
P.O. BOX 1143, Alpharetta Georgia 30004

You may bring the application and dues to our monthly meeting. We meet the 2nd Saturday of the month at the Sandy Springs Hudson Grille - 6317 Roswell Rd NE, Sandy Springs, GA 30328

### MEMBER INFORMATION - WE WILL NOT SHARE THIS INFORMATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

AMA (American Motorcycle Association ) NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

### LIST THE MOTORCYCLES YOU OWN:

YEAR/MAKE/MODELS

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