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Club members take a lunch break on Hwy 36 California travelling back to the coast after attending the BMW Rally at Quincy. A must ride for anyone in the area, great pavement, lots of twistys, hot and 35°C

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Next Breakfast/Brunch

Sunday, October 6



WHERE:

Olympic View Golf Club
643 Latoria Road
Victoria

TIME:

9:30 am



Quincy Rally Photo Journal



Main Entrance to the Quincy Rally site in Quincy, left to right, Conrad Moller, Harvey Jenkins, Mike Stewart, Randy Thompson, Herb Patsch, Scott MacWilliam & Kevin Sutcliffe



Crater Lake, Oregon was foggy when the group arrived and then all of a sudden the fog lifted and they were able to see the crater



Quincy Rally Photo Journal



Hwy 101 on the Oregon Coast, stopped for construction September 5th



Conrad's tire in Crescent City after riding Hwy 36. We stopped for the evening and this is not what you want to see. The following morning the search was on for a solution. Conrad contacted his insurance, etc, and then a call to Les Swab tires produced a local fellow in Crescent City who does motorcycle repair and tires. He had the right tire and we were back on the road by 10:45 am.



A BMW enjoys a trip down the Tail of the Dragon in North Carolina. Several businesses have sprung up taking photos of vehicles on the road, like this one found on Killboy.com

Newsletter Submissions:

Are you attending an event that you feel would be of interest to other members of the BMW Vancouver Island club? Or do you have a great photo you'd like to share... or something you would like to sell, or buy?

Send your photographs and write-ups to victoriarides@gmail.com and we will let everyone enjoy your adventures

Accidents possibly linked to brain miscalculations

Incidences of cars pulling out in front of motorcyclists run regularly in headlines and there could be a scientific reason. Recent research by a Texas Tech University psychologist suggests that the regularity of this problem isn't necessarily a case of poor driving or carelessness, but may be related to a basic human judgment error.

Pat DeLucia, the coordinator of the Human Factors Psychology Program, said her results show that small, near objects can appear farther away than larger, farther objects. The study is published in the peer-reviewed scientific psychology journal "Current Directions in Psychological Science."

An interest in softball prompted DeLucia to study how the human brain perceives objects, their size and motion and an object's time to impact. Her finding - that an object's size affects distance perception - may be the basis explaining why car drivers miscalculate motorcyclists' distance and speed.

Many times, the brain interprets objects with a larger retinal image as closer. Since motorcycles are smaller than cars, DeLucia said the brain may use this shortcut to judge a smaller motorcycle farther away than it actually is. This size-arrival effect can lead drivers to misjudge when a vehicle would arrive at an intersection and could be considered a contributing factor in motorcycle/vehicle accidents.

Club Event Schedule

Date	Event	Location	Comments
Sun, Oct 6	Monthly Gathering	Olympic View Golf Club	Breakfast
Sat, Oct 19	Annual Meeting	Location TBD	AGM & Dinner
Sat, Nov 2	Monthly Gathering	Log House Pub	Breakfast
Sun, Dec 1	Monthly Gathering	Chequered Flag	Breakfast
Wed, Jan 1, 2014	TROC	Island View Beach, Bob's House	Party
Sun, Jan 4, 2014	Monthly Gathering	Log House Pub	Breakfast