

The weather was light rain cold. Only one member braved the weather and rode to Cornerstone Restaurant in Aspinwall. ...and he lives a long way away! Congrats to Leo Stanton. "Some people own a BMW and some ride them".

We had a good attendance for the meeting in spite of the weather ...or maybe BECAUSE of the weather.. It was good to see European Motorcycles and BMW Motorcycles of Pittsburgh owner Mike Kuenning at the meeting, again.

I am stepping down as President and making way for Sean Barrett. I have been pleased to contribute as Treasurer and President for the last 5 years. I feel very good about the progress we have made as a club. We initiated credit card payment for membership, banquet and rally. We transitioned from printed and mailed newsletters to today's timely email communications. I am particularly proud of the look and function of the 4WindsBMW.org website and Forum. It has become the envy of other motorcycle clubs. We improved marketing of the club with tri-folds and embroidered hats, patches and reflective club stickers and the result is today's paid membership at 100.

Of course, I didn't do all of this myself. These dramatic changes are due to the hard-working members who took responsibility and put forth their ideas and effort to improve the club for all of us. Thanks to Sean Barrett who will be club President and Adrian Marini as Vice-President. We even have some people who have volunteered as Treasurer. Mary Hetzel has volunteered to take a new position as Social Director and she is heading up the annual banquet again this year. I hope all club members appreciate the commitment of the officers and board.

If you have a problem with receiving club email or access to the forum or membership areas, please let Joann or Diane know. Joann Barr takes care of the member login access. The "mail chimp" email provides communications for meetings and events along with the website and forum.

I look forward to just a little more good riding weather before it is all over for the winter and time for motorcycle maintenance to be ready for next year. On behalf of myself and the club officers and board, I want to wish all of you the Happiest of Holidays. See you in January.



Four Winds BMW Riders Nov. 18, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Location: Cornerstone Restaurant, Aspinwall
Board in Attendance: John & Marge Humphrey, John & Mary Hetzel, Jeff Harlich

The board's pre-meeting was cancelled.

The general meeting was called to order by President John Humphrey at 12:30 pm with 27 people in attendance. Leo Stanton was the only rider to brave the cold rain on two wheels.

Treasurer's Report given by Marge Humphrey.

- Reflective club logo stickers and a hat are still available for purchase
- Last chance to snag a rally T shirt before they're gone. A few are left in several colors and sizes. \$10 ea.

Treasurer Position is Vacant: Marge is "retiring". Help Wanted: A conscientious, detail oriented, organized person to step up to this key position.

Social Secretary: New position title for Mary Hetzel

Banquet 2017: Saturday Feb. 17th at The Chadwick in Wexford – same place as last year. Mary Hetzel is Banquet Chair. Vince Giannetti will be presenting his Italian Vespa trip.

Membership Renewals: We are once again able to offer a \$10 banquet ticket discount incentive to all members who submit their 2018 dues before the banquet. Non-members will be full price.

Special Guests: Mike Kuenning, T and Marie VanAardt

Jan. 26 – 28 International Motorcycle Show X Cleveland IX Center
<http://www.motorcycleshows.com/city/cleveland-oh>

50/50 Winner: Sean Barrett

December Meeting:	None – Merry Christmas
January Meeting:	Bella Luna, Monroeville
February Banquet:	The Chadwick, Wexford

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