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INSIDE TRACK

From your Editor...
This will be my last issue as the sole Editor of your newsletter. I have been your editor or had a major part in getting it to your mail box for more years that I can remember!
The time has come for me to pass the pages to another volunteer.

THANK YOU! Michael Posner

For complete photo line up from our events -Please use the following links: www.bmwccaeverglades.org PHOTO GALLERY

CHECK our website for more current and up to date Classifieds! A big thanks to all of you that attended all of the great events!

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POLE POSITION

Here we are, once again, summertime in sunny south Florida. With so much to do and so many places to be – we appreciate your presence at our events.

As of May 31, 2015 Everglades Chapter membership is at 1,376 members (includes 196 associate members). We thank all of your for renewing, and referring.

2015 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE — For each new member you refer you will receive \$5.00 in "BMW CCA Bucks" and will be entered in for drawing for Great Prizes. We have membership applications and new "recruitment Cards" custom designed for Everglades Chapter. (Contact an officer for cards) Ends Dec. 31-2015. For more info: www.bmwcca.org/membershipdrive

Car of your Dreams – the official BMW CCA Raffle is underway. Tickets are now on sale – National office has mailed the official form to purchase tickets (and you can buy them online) . You do have to be a member to purchase but there is no limit on the number of raffle tickets you buy. For more information: visit the website: www.bmwcca.org

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Fontana Dam, NC: Road trip with Al & Connie Fortuna - Tuesday, July 14th through Thursday, July 16th, 2015, at Fontana Village Resort

Day 1: Moonshine and Waterfalls; Day 2: From the Deepest Valleys to the Highest Hills; Day 3: Here There Be Dragons! Contact Al Fortuna for additional information.

Not too soon to mention the annual election of officers for our Chapter. IF you want to get more involved in your chapter, contact one of the officers for information on a position. The process for nominations for the officers opens at the October social meeting. Members (in good standing) may nominate a member (in good standing with BMW CCA).

We hope that each of you have safe travels, fun vacations, and staycations or whatever you do.

Safe Travels -Bobbi Treen President

20th

Anniversary

BMW CLUB

Racing



Patrick Spikes, Bud Fairchild, Amy Rutenberg, Dave Chenoweth, Rennie Bryant and Mark Rutenberg. All were at the FIRST event. Everglades Chapter monthly Social Membership meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the Month 7:00pm –

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EVENTS

CARS and Coffee: AutoGeek 7744 SW Jack James Dr, Stuart 8am till 10am the second Saturday of each month - July 11, Aug 8, Sept 12

Bimmers, Coffee and Donuts: hosted by our chapter location: 2960 Simms St, Hollywood. 9am till 11am—ongoing 3rd Sunday of the month –unless otherwise notated on website.

July 14 thru July 16 Road Trip—Fontana Dam, NC ~~ lodging at Fontana Village Resort. Ride the tail of the dragon...(Contact: alfortuna@aol.com)

July 16–19, 2015: Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix

For online registration or information, visit PVGP.org/bmw or www.alleghenybmwcca.org

August 14, 2015: Legends of the Autobahn

Monterey, California - For information and registration, www.LegendsOfTheAutobahn.org.

September 12, 2015: Z-Car in Vero Beach. BMW Z car owners meet at Riverside Park. Contact for this event is Rick Chuma: Email Healeymk111@yahoo.com

Oktoberfest 2015: the 46th Annual BMW CCA Oktoberfest held at the Stockton Seaview Hotel and Golf Club venue,—and New Jersey Motorsport Park: from Monday, September 21 through Saturday, September 26, 2015.

November 7-8 in Spartanburg, SC <u>Members Only BMW Performance Center Two-Day M</u>
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PICNIC ~ Charity Car Show FUN RALLY



By Bobbi Treen

We changed up the picnic this year – having it at the Tom Granowitz Pavilion in John Prince Park, including a larger parking area. Jim Storch put together a very simple FUN RALLY! It was designed so that the answers were easy, with a scenic drive around the lake and the park. But someone (who will remain nameless) did get lost (sorry). The winner of the Fun Rally was Bob & Sheila Morin – Great job guys! I ran the rally with Jim to help him clarify a few questions and to see what else we could throw out there.... It was fun and didn't take too long.

As a charity event, our chapter supported the Wilson Gardens Home; part of the Broward Housing Solutions. Julie (Director) and several "mentors" from Wilson Gardens joined us with six young gentlemen who live there. The food drive was extremely successful. Our picnic attendees were very generous with their donations and Julie was very appreciative. We also had our 50/50 cash raffle that brought in \$225. Scott Jordano was the winner receiving the other half of the donation.



For more photos go to: www.bmwccaeverglades.org gallery



We had over 90 people attend this event. Everyone had a great time; yada - yada - and if you were unable to attend maybe next time you can join us. Our lunch was catered by McCray's Backyard BBQ. This was some seriously tasty food.

And almost everyone had their BMW in the People's Choice Car Show. Taking the honors with First place was Michael Watson and Second place was Peter Shawdowen. Well done gentlemen....

The weather gods were very good to us — the big black cloud only opened up after we had packed the U-Haul BMW van. Thank you! Thank You! It was a nice to "cool off" before closing down and heading home. Hugh thanks to Raul Reyes, VP —Social, for his hard work and dedication to this picnic — and helping me stay focused on this venture. I thank all of you that helped out at the picnic from setting it up to selling tickets to cleaning up, and everything else in between. Great TEAM!!!

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BMW Club Racing - 20th Anniversary

Hosted by Sunshine Bimmers Chapter

by Bobbi Treen

The weekend was not only about being at the racetrack but celebrating the wonderful twenty years of BMW Club Racing with our BMW CCA family. It has been a fast moving twenty years. We honored Bud Merrill, Club Racing Comp Steward and Everglades Chapter Member, by naming this event as the Bud Merrill Memorial Race Weekend.

With the help of Amy Rutenberg, and Patrick Spikes, we attempted to track down the original Club Racers from the inaugural race. The first BMW Club Race was held at Moroso Motorsports Park in West Palm Beach, on April 25, 1995 – hosted by Sunshine Bimmers Chapter (with volunteers from other Florida chapters). There were eleven club racers for the weekend. We extended our invitation to include the organizers of BMW Club Racing, the race officials, and the club members that were at the inaugural event that helped organize and plan the

event. That part was a little more difficult, but we tried.



The drivers at the inaugural event were Steve Eller, Harold Audaer, Dave Chenoweth, Don Schack (deceased), Rennie Bryant, Rick Wernowski, Bob VanEpps, Don Dethlefsen, Billy Revis and Stuart Reiter. In attendance, drivers, organizers, volunteers: was Dave Chenoweth, Bud Fairchild, Rennie Bryant, Don and Peggy McCoin, Patrick Spikes, Amy and Mark Rutenberg, and Jim Storch.

Friday evening included a tribute to Bud Merrill and our club racers. The BMW Club Racing trophies and awards from the Enduro were made. Dave Chenoweth said a few words and shared a few stories. Saturday evening included a beautiful Sebring sunset and food beverages provided by generous donations from Sunshine Bimmers, Everglades, and Florida Suncoast Chapters, BMW CCA National office and club racing individuals. Without your generous donations we could not have done it. It was nice to have our specials guests, the current club racers, crews, family and Chapter members from everywhere join us! The evening was spent catching up with old friends and making new ones. The food was great (really delicious), the drinks better, but the friendships – new and old is always the best.

Club racers started out with an entry list that was very promising, offering a weekend of challenging and exciting racing, but stuff happens. Randy Mueller and Scott Collins all had issues with their cars that kept them from finishing races. Sean Riordan had a tire issue that wasn't repaired for the Enduro, co-driver Rennie Bryant and Sean did not get to do the Enduro. On Saturday on lap 9 of the second race, Sean took the car out for more than a spin at turn 16 and ended up with front end damage that ended his racing for the weekend.

The Ninety-Minute Enduro began and finished with all fifteen cars – gleaming in the sun. Issy Papadopoulos (CM) took first overall. Newcomer Adam Fetterman, E36 M3 (IP) with co-driver Peter Shadowen, took third in class./ 4th overall. It is worth a mention that Peter Shadowen has Don Schack's BMW 528i from the inaugural race.

Don and Peter raced it for many years.

We thank all of you that helped make this happen and all of you that joined us.

Club Racing Stewards of event: Kent Williamson – Comp; Patrick Spikes – Tech; Bruce Smith – Tech; Roland Nieves – Timing & Scoring.

Left: Sean Riordan with Adam Fetterman



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