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"flash" their headlights at each other*

**BMW Car Club
of America
Everglades Chapter**



Meetings resuming, locations needed

***BRAMAN WEST PALM BEACH CAR SHOW
January 22, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.***

After a very successful event in September, Braman BMW has agreed to sponsor another car show with the Everglades Chapter of BMW CCA. The event will be held on January 22, 2022 at Braman's West Palm Beach dealership just east of the intersection of Okeechobee Boulevard and Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard in West Palm Beach. All BMW cars are welcome at the show. Braman will provide coffee and breakfast snacks for all participants. The last event had a terrific turnout and we hope that this will be equal.



Registration for the event is at <https://conta.cc/32QKKiZ>. We encourage everyone interested in participating to register as it helps Braman determine spacing and supplies. A video of the last event can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/joSwLHv46wE>.

***Your show hosts, Ghost and Sansa, look forward to
seeing everyone at the show!***

BMW AT SEBRING

President Emeritus—Bobbi Treen



BMW M4 GT3 The new M4 GT3 race car made its U.S. racing debut at Creventic 24Hrs of Sebring In November.



The team raced the M4 GT4 in the 24H Series 24-hour race at Sebring back in November and finished third on the podium in the GT4 class Team ACP – Tangerine Associates founders Catesby Jones and Ken Goldberg

First things first: I thank each one of you that reads this! Here is a big thank you to all our members/family that are first responders; front line health care workers; in the medical fields, teachers, janitors etc. You matter, you are important. As we end the year of 2021 as stressful, heart-breaking, and sad as it was, we welcome 2022. The new year, with its new beginnings, and the NEW YOU. Resolutions for the new year? Some people make them, break them, or forget about them. Most start with I am going to eat healthier, stay in touch with family and friends, declutter, be more active in Everglades Chapter. Maybe that thought crossed your mind – oh, for a new year resolution, YOU could be more active in the chapter. Oh yes YOU could, you, you and yes even YOU!

Volunteering is a thankless job; no thanks you say? I thank you. Seriously, we NEED YOU! We have members that just perceive that as a volunteer, you are taken for granted, therefore they don't want to be involved, but they sometimes do show up at our events. Overall, over the years we have had a wonderful group of members that enjoyed volunteering and making a difference for our chapter. Take a few minutes to thank someone. And yes, the pandemic has taken away our involvement and some social activities. And that, sad as it is, will continue (unfortunately) in the unforeseeable future. As for me, less is more. For me to step down, back away, and volunteer less, that was a difficult decision. But a necessary one. I am still (and I have been) available and willing to assist the chapter. But I gave up mind-reading decades ago. For those of you that are (secretly) discussing how YOU CAN MAKE things better in our chapter – Do it; Get it in gear, get behind the wheel and keep it moving until they drop the red flag. It's time for other members to write the next chapter for Everglades Chapter.

Gratitude: Essential Meaning of gratitude : a feeling of appreciation or thanks This is me, expressing my gratitude for Michael Posner: I thank you for your years of being our chapter editor for the FLasher and your level of involvement with our activities. I thank you on a personal level from me, as a member, as your past president and past editor. Being the chapter editor is not easy and not always fun, I know as I have been there. You have dedicated yourself to the position. You made a commitment and stuck with it. You have communicated with the officers of the chapter. You will be missed and difficult to replace. Mr. Posner, it has been a pleasure working alongside of you, thank you. I wish all the best in your new loca-

tion and new adventures. I really, really, mean it, from me: THANK YOU. As far as the future of Everglades Chapter, there is no crystal ball available. There have been a few changes made in "policy", IMHO, unfortunately they were made on a selfish singular level. And I am pretty sure one of the little changes has to do with one person only. It is up to the officers to keep the chapter on track – on course. It is up to the membership, in any way they can, to volunteer their time, make suggestions, increase the chapter membership, etc. It isn't only up to the officers but the general membership to assist in organizing the events, so that they are well-planned, well attended, cost effective, and safe. And to read their Roundel and the FLasher. Everglades is OUR chapter, let's try to keep it that way. Election results: Did we have one? A legitimate one? I don't think so. The Flasher, currently it is digital format and issued quarterly. ANYONE interested in grabbing the editor wheel? The BimmerLife publication, twice a year, is in place for the chapter newsletters, so that the chapters will meet that dutiful requirement (one of many) to maintain your chapter charter and receive the monthly membership allotment. And I have a solution for the Flasher. My previous suggestions must have fallen in the pond. All I heard was crickets. This and many other things need to be addressed.

I would like to express my sincere sympathy to any of our members who have lost a loved one this past year. So many lost their battle or are still fighting those battles of cancer, Alzheimer's disease, and COVID/variants, etc. No matter how young you are, or how healthy, be sure to have your end of life wishes – documented and available. Don't leave it for a grieving loved one to do it for you. BE safe and healthy. Be patient.

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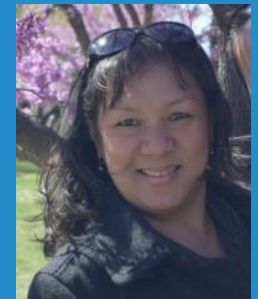


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Editor's Take by Michael J Posner

This will be my last issue as editor of the FLasher. I am relocating to the West Coast of Florida, specifically Fort Myers and will be changing chapters (unless, of course, CCA gets its wish and all Florida becomes one single chapter). We are going to be looking for a volunteer to take over production of the FLasher. Currently it is laid out in Microsoft Publisher but I am sure going forward it could also be done in Microsoft Word. If anyone is interested please reach out to me at mjposner1@mail.com. It has been both a joy and frustration producing the FLasher and I want to assure the next editor that I will be available to assist in any way possible.

As part of my relocation I have sold three of my cars, my 2012 Porsche 911, my 1965 Chevrolet Corvair and my 2001 BMW M5. They went surprisingly fast and for higher prices than I expected. This used car market is really exploding. In fact, the 9/11 sold for \$5,000 more than I paid for it a year ago despite another 5,000 miles. It is nice to drive a Porsche and be paid a dollar for every mile you drive.



As the third sale approached I realized I would have to buy another car to be my daily driver. It would have to be newer and more reliable than what was left. I also did not want to spend a lot of money given the investment in the new home and all the improvements we hope to accomplish. My criteria was that it had to be fast, a convertible, and despite my protestations, an automatic (I would have preferred a manual but...). I landed on a 2016 BMW M4 for a reasonable price due to its slightly higher than normal mileage for his age. I figure this will tide me over through the transfer to the West Coast and in deep into next year.

I believe the event at Braman in October was very successful so reached out to them and see if they wish to schedule a second similar event and they agreed, with the date of January 22, 2022. I also believe similar events could be held at BMW dealerships throughout South Florida. If anyone has a contact at a local dealership please reach out and see if they are interested in sponsoring a club Cars and Coffee event.

Despite my move, I intend to spend time here in Palm Beach County and will try to remain somewhat active in the chapter and participate in events if I am local at that time. Also anyone can feel free to reach out to me by email or cell if I can be of any assistance both professionally and as a BMW enthusiast.

Signing off—Michael

Pole Position

President Rennie Bryant

Well just when you thought it was safe to meet and participate in club events we now get to learn new letters in the Greek alphabet. The Omicron variant, as I write this, has caused record numbers of infections. At least it appears to be more mild than the previous variants of the Covid virus.

Therefore, until the pandemic is under control, it looks like we will need to hold off on indoor activities by the Everglades Chapter. However, we will continue to have our outdoor activities including our cars and coffee events at the Xtreme Action Park as well as the Braman Car Show on January 22, 2022.

Because of the virus I think it is an excellent time to work on your own car. One of the benefits of club membership is the support of other members who can provide you with advice and experience on repairs and upgrades for your BMW (by telephone and video chat for now). Please do not hesitate to take advantage of what the Club offers.

If you need parts you can obtain same from Braman with a fifteen percent club discount (not all parts qualify though). Make sure you bring your membership card to the parts counter in order to obtain the benefit of this discount.

Once the pandemic is over we hope to step up Club activities including monthly indoor social meetings as well as a Tire Rack event and possibly an autocross or even a weekend trip to a car friendly destination. Please let me know what you want the Club to offer its members in the future.. Remember, it is your club and you get out of it what you put into it.

Be Safe—Rennie

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Events Calendar

Jan. 9 Cars & Coffee PB Outlets Mall
Cars & Coffee: Xtreme Action Park

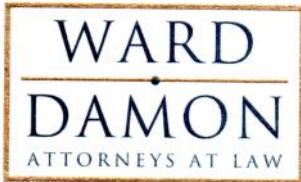
Jan. 22 Cars & Coffee at Braman WPB

Feb. 13 Cars & Coffee PB Outlets Mall
Cars & Coffee: Xtreme Action Park

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Mar. 13 Cars & Coffee: Xtreme Action Park

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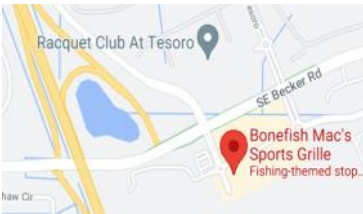
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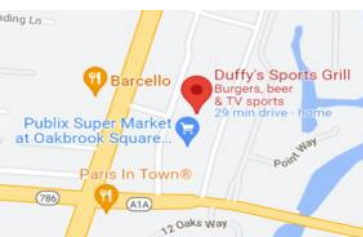
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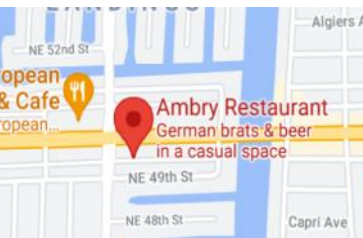
Everglades Chapter Monthly Social Membership meetings



Y=TBD
Bonefish Mac's Sports Grille
662 SE Becker Rd,
Port St. Lucie, FL



Third Tuesday
Meeting 7:00 pm
Duffys PGA
11588 US-1,
N. P. Beach, FL 33408



Fourth Tuesday
Meeting 7:00 pm
The Ambry
3016 E Commercial
Blvd.
Fort Lauderdale, FL

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Classifieds

2010 BMW M3

For BMW enthusiasts, M cars are iconic. Each generation of the E chassis has been known for being a high revving, nimble, and incredibly enticing vehicle to drive. This example is one of the most iconic BMW M3's made, the E92.

The E92 was the final hoorah of the naturally aspirated M cars. Equipped with the iconic S65B40, the M3 was a high revving and rating experience for all drivers. Designed with individual bodies, this engine is arguably one of the best sounding V8s made.



Ordered in Alpine White with bon fiber roof, this E92 is one of the best specs for the true purist BMW M cars. Known as "stripper spec" cars, BMW M with as little options as possible attract the inner purist in all thanks to having zero non-zero distractions, and much less weight.

This car is not only a sunroof-less car known as a slick top, it has a carbon roof, no navigation, and a 6 speed transmission. The only options on this car are the electric, heated leather seats and the BMW professional radio. This particular car doesn't even have EDC! For the purist wanting to get a car with the least amount of gimmicks and the most analog feeling of this series of M cars, this particular example is the one. Having only 7000 miles since new, this is one of the lowest mile cars on the market and has barely any signs of use throughout it. It will be sold with the original indoor cover for the car, the owners manuals, and two keys as well. It was fully detailed and ceramic coated inside and out along with a full undercarriage detail.

Contact Giancarlo Motta [305-803-5172](tel:305-803-5172) or email autosource-group@gmail.com for info & pricing.

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M106 engine from a E23 745i Euro Limousine

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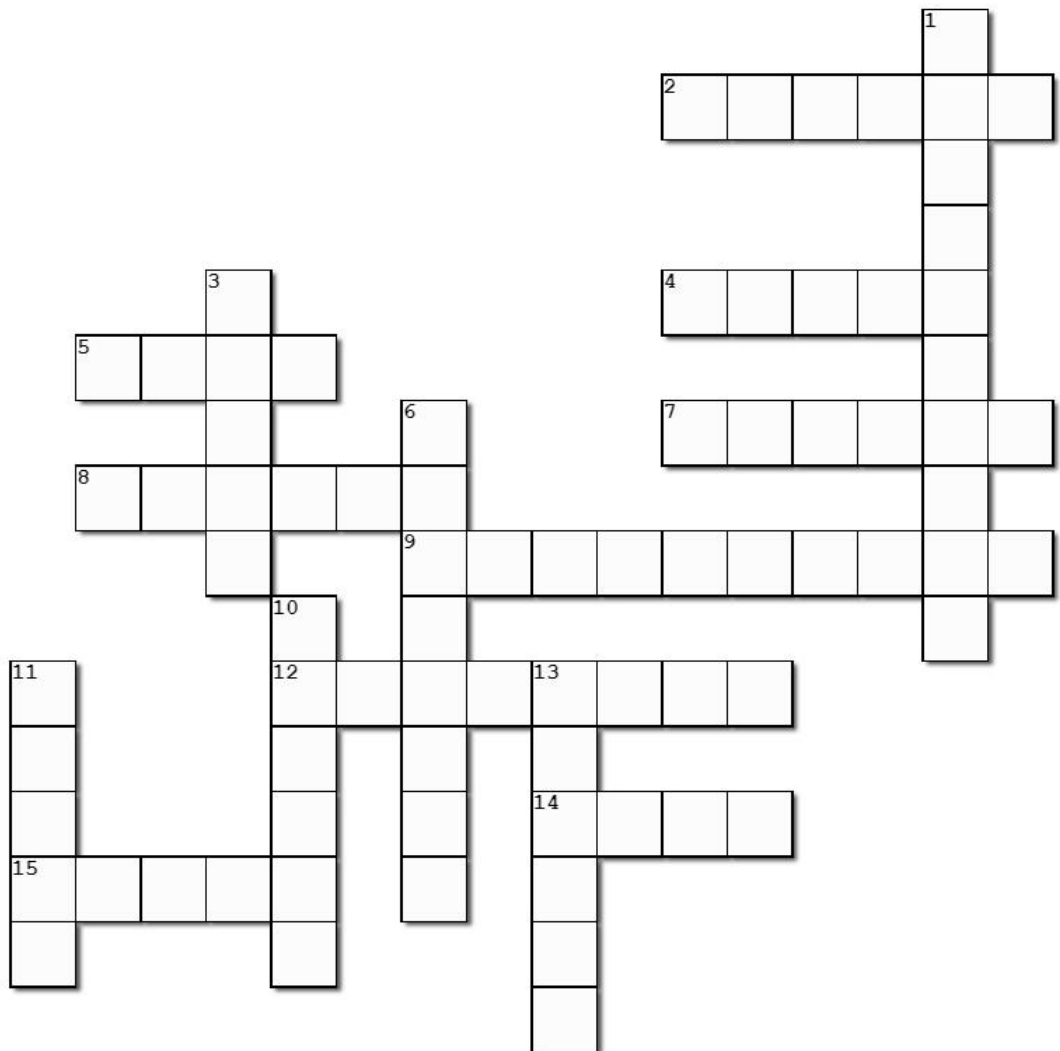
Chapter Volunteer of the Year—Roberta Treen



Due to Covid, the Everglades Chapter could not honor Roberta Treen, the winner of the Outstanding Chapter Volunteer for 2020. Given how much time and effort

Bobbi has provided to the Everglades Chapter, she could have easily won this award every single year. On behalf of the Everglades Chapter we extend our heartfelt respect and appreciation to Bobbi for her many (and I really mean many –ed.) years of service to the chapter as President. In many ways she was the heart and soul of the Everglades Chapter of CCA.

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Across

- 2. best engine style
- 4. Famous off road rally
- 5. BMW's last name
- 7. Tiny BMW
- 8. theft deterrent device :)
- 9. Chapter Name
- 12. first word in BMW's famous slogan
- 14. warmed in a convertible
- 15. center support

Down

- 1. When the front won't turn
- 3. front trunk
- 6. cars in the future
- 10. push one before they are gone
- 11. supported by BMW sport seats
- 13. BMW home