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OktoberFAST '06

09/08/2006

1963 BMW 3200S

CALENDAR

Board Meetings continue to be held on the second Thursday of each month starting at 7:00 p.m. These meetings are open to all members and benefit from additional attendance.

Meetings are held at Mader's German Restaurant, 1037 N. Old World Third Street in downtown Milwaukee.

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2007

- February 10** Chicago Auto Show bus trip
- April 21** Spring Car Clean-up at O'Reilly Motorcars
- May 5** Car Control Clinic
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- May 25** Blackhawk Farms DE
- June 2 or 9** Badger Bimmers Golf Outing
- June 29** Blackhawk Farms DE
- July 13** Blackhawk Farms DE
- August 7** BMW night at Pandl's Restaurant
- August 13** Gingerman Raceway DE with CGI
- September 7-9** OktoberFAST DE at Road America
- December 31** Annual Kart Race



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~ Dear Badger Bimmers, ~

I am writing this note to say thanks for a wonderful weekend at *Road America*. I really appreciate your group's efforts, your warmth and your hospitality. It was much appreciated. Looking forward to future events.

Max J. Gutsmedl
Windy City Chapter

~ COVER CREDITS ~

THE CAR: To quote an owner, "While the body looks like a 502, this car is actually a 1963 BMW 3200S (slightly larger engine)." The BMW 502, also known as *The Baroque Angel*, featured a 2.6L V8 engine, and was first introduced at the 1954 Geneva Auto Show.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Darcy Yench

Welcome to a New Year from your new President. Thank you for all your returned ballots in the mail and those who voted at the holiday party. We had a good turn out with 68 ballots counted. A huge thank you to Jeff Joy, who remains on the board in the Past-president seat, Board members John Lofgren and Todd Ciske for their service to the Club. We welcome back to the Board Clarence Behrend, Treasurer, and Mike Clemens and Chris Fredette, Board members.



We are looking for a new Editor for our newsletter. If you have a few hours a month to give to the Club and have some writing skills, we need you! Please contact me immediately as we need to fill this position. Thanks to Renee Ciske for sharing her talents at this position, we are sorry to lose her.

We would love to see more members at the February Board meeting downtown at Mader's on Feb. 8th at 7 pm. Come and hear about the events we have planned for this year. Share your ideas.

As I watch the Daytona 24 Hours race, it is official: The first green flag of the season has dropped! It may be cold today, but soon enough the driving season will be upon us. We have three Fridays at Blackhawk Farms, one at Gingerman and *OktoberFAST* up at Road America planned this year.

Speaking of events, our *OktoberFAST* last September will be hard to surpass. Having the Vintage Car group join us to take a few laps around *Road America* after their week-long 1,200 mile tour through Wisconsin and the UP of Michigan was a real treat. It was great to have some of our BMW history join us. Look for pictures from the event and an article from Jason York about his ride in the 1957 BMW 507 in this issue.

Have you made your New Year's Resolution yet? May I recommend that you try a new or a different kind of activity within the Club. We have a number of new as well as repeat activities planned this year. JUST ASK or volunteer your time! We are always looking for people to help organize events, or just help at events. This spring we will be doing some beautification at *Road America* in a new/old corral area outside Turn 14. An opportunity to help as we will be looking to get a crew together to work on this project. Mostly we need YOU, the members, to get involved! It is nice to give back to the membership.

Our charity is the Second Harvest of Wisconsin. We plan to collect canned goods and/or donations at each of our events this year. We are looking for new ideas and someone to head this venture as well.

I sincerely hope to see many more new faces this year at our events! Whether you are a social bug or into driving education events, I hope you will check out the calendar on the Web site and in the *immer* and find something to participate in.

Until next time...

bj

Darcy

From the Editor...

It's been a privilege being the Editor of the *bimmer immer* for more than a year, and it has been a great learning experience. I've also met some incredible folks from different walks of life with one thing in common — BMW's.

Unfortunately, this will be my last issue as Editor. During the search for my replacement, former Editor Mustafa Emir will be helping out on the next issue. Thanks to Mus, and to Art Director Don Gawronski, who's patience and sense of humor have made my job a lot easier. I also want to thank all of the members who contributed articles and photographs that helped make the *immer* an awesome newsletter.

The Club is looking for a new Editor. Whether racing, touring, autocross, rallye, concours, or just plain socializing, there are many opportunities to meet with your fellow members; and the *bimmer immer* is the "vehicle" that brings all these events together (pun intended). This is a great opportunity if you enjoy writing, working with people and, of course, BMWs. For more information, you can contact either Renee Ciske editor@badgerbimmers.org, or Darcy Yench pres@badgerbimmers.org.

Thanks!

- Renee

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

Welcome, New Members

The following new members have recently joined the *Badger Bimmers*:

| | | |
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| Duane Clussman | 06 330i | Middleton |
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| Dan Sieckert | 07 325i | Waukesha |
| Aric Vader Werff | 01 330ci | Madison |
| Neil Vandyke | 97 528i | de Pere |
| James Washburn | 02 M3 Convertible | Milwaukee |

The officers and Board members welcome you to the Club and hope to see you at a future event or meeting. Check out

the Club Web site at www.badgerbimmers.org. Also consider signing up for the Yahoo e-mail alert group to receive new information and reminders about upcoming events.

If you have any questions about the Club or activities planned, feel free to contact me or, for those of you in the Madison area, contact our Madison-area Liaison, Noel Howlett. E-mail addresses can be located on the officers link on the Web site. Happy Motoring! *bi*

Madison Area Liaison

Over a year ago, Noel Howlett took on the new post of Madison-area liaison for the Club. During the prior year, as I worked as the *Badger Bimmers* Membership coordinator and as I reviewed new member lists from the National office, it appeared that a significant number of new members were coming from the Madison area.

The role of the liaison is still evolving. During the year, Noel has aided in getting *immers* to the Zimbrick BMW dealership along with a local independent shop, and also aided in the Madison area Spring Car Clean-up. Recently Noel confessed that his schedule has become more complex and busy and asked that a new Madison liaison be found. Thanks, Noel, for your work and efforts during 2006.

So here is the request... if you have some time, interest and willingness to help the Club to develop the Liaison position, please contact me, Paul Szedziewski at <Pszedz@mac.com> or 414-264-4343. My hope is that we can further develop the Liaison position and role within the Club. Maybe even to set up a Board meeting or two during the next year in the Madison area. *bi*

Gingerman Raceway with CGI 2007

OK, it is early in the year. Yet this is the time of year for scheduling our driving events. We are returning to Gingerman raceway for another great day at the track. So check your calendars and mark the date, Monday, July 16, 2007. There will also be a group of us heading over on Sunday via the Hi-Speed ferry. Look for more details in the next *immer* or, if you are impatient, contact Paul Szedziewski at <Pszedz@mac.com>. *bi*

— Paul Szedziewski

Trophy of Meritorious Damage

It has some history. It has traveled amongst club members for many years. Many Club members do not know its meaning. And many don't know the holders of the trophy. Hopefully that can change.

Each year at the *Badger Bimmer's* Annual Dinner, an award is handed down to the Club member who, in some way, has damaged her or his car during a driving event. This does not mean any old type of damage. It usually has some odd twist to the story, and that's what it takes — something *odd* to gain the prize. And yes, usually the winner hides low for the next year until the trophy can be passed on.

What this article is about is to broaden the knowledge of the Trophy and its winners. So please help.

What is being sought out is:

- when did the trophy begin...
- who was the first winner...
- who has held the trophy and in what years...
- what targeted them to be the trophy winner...
- any other worthwhile details associated with the trophy.

Please take a few moments to jot down your ideas and information and e-mail them to Paul Szedziewski at <Pszedz@mac.com> or call him at 414-264-4343. Gathered details will be further shared in upcoming *immer* articles. *bj*

— Paul Szedziewski

Annual Spring Car Clean-up — April 21st

Badger Bimmer Members — Mike Loos is opening up his shop, O'Reilly Motor Cars, for our Annual Spring Car Clean-up. This year's event is scheduled for Saturday April 21st starting at 10 am. O'Reilly Motor Cars is located at 324 West Cherry Street in Milwaukee.

Come join us in a heated facility to wash and wax your car and visit with Club members. There will be continental breakfast items to enjoy along with great conversation with BMW Club members. So mark your calendar and join us. You will have a great time.

Please contact **Dave Thuerk** at **262-784-4180** if you have any questions. *bj*



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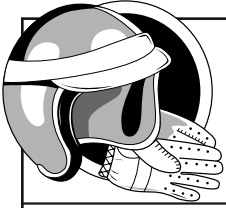
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OktoberFAST '06

Lapping Road America with Bill Young in His 1957 507

by Jason York

The morning of a track day is always filled with a nervous anticipation. This year's OktoberFAST was no different. During the morning meeting there were the typical safety

instructions and general announcements. Nearing the end of the meeting, I was out of coffee and, as a result, was pre-occupied with getting my next fix. Then, Paul Szedziewski made an announcement that quickly snapped me back into focus. During lunch the Vintage and Classic Car Club would be raffling off parade lap rides in their cars. All proceeds from the raffle would go to the BMWCCA Foundation Street Survival program. What a great concept, a dream ride, and supporting an excellent program at the same time.

After my first session of the day, I noticed the Vintage and Classic Car Club had begun to arrive and assemble. I, like a lot of Club members, started my obsession of the marque with the venerable 2002. I have a '73 2002tii and the token "long-term" '69 2002 project. I walked around the cars and enjoyed the fine lines from the days of old. These cars definitely don't have "flame surfacing" or the "Bangle butt." How often does your average Club member see a perfectly restored 327/28 coupe next to a nice un-restored 328 roadster? It was a great collection of some of the classics that we all have admired, read about, and lusted after. There were two pre-war cars, a green 327/28 and a white 328, a 507, a 3.0cs, and '02s. Boy were there 2002s! All varieties of 2.0L (standard, ti, tii, and touring) were represented with the exception of the turbo.



The sight of some nice "roundies" (nothing personal Cindy) drew me in like a moth to a light. The '69 2002ti really made an impression on me. Because it was Inca orange with black shoulders, exactly the color combination that I am planning for my '69 project car. It was even set up for track use

— again, what I was planning for my car!

I eventually found the ballot box and cast my vote for the people's choice. I then asked where the raffle box was. The attendant informed me that I was the first person to enter. Could that really be?

These cars had been on display for well over an hour! Well, if nothing else, I liked my odds. Roughly an hour after casting my vote, the raffle began. Paul announced that when the tickets were to be drawn, the first picked had first option of car, the second picked the second option, and so on.

As luck would have it, my raffle ticket was the first to be drawn! I had the tough decision of which car to ride in. At first, it seemed obvious; it would be the orange/black 2002ti. Then I thought about it. If I wanted to ride in a '02, I could just go home and hop in. I chose to ride in a car that I may never get a chance to ride in again. There were a few of those, but only one with a V-8. The white 507 became my choice.

When I got in the car, I immediately understood why these cars are so special. Every detail of the 507 is magnificent. This particular 507 was a beautiful example of an un-restored car. The owner, Bill Young, and I were getting to know one another, when something "awesome" happened. He fired up the car. Wow, what a great sound! The low rumble of the V-8 was intoxicating.

As we eased out on to the track, Bill explained to me that the driver of the orange and black car would likely do a little showing off during the parade laps.



* Photo by Darcy Yebch
 ** Photo by Jenny Morgan

I thought to myself: "You dummy, you picked the wrong car." Bill proceeded to take the V-8 up to 4500 rpm as we left the pits, and that thought was quickly erased. Did I mention the great sounds the V-8 in that car makes? Why don't they ever mention that in the books and magazines when describing the 507? I felt just like I did when I was 12 years old riding in my cousin's '69 Camaro RS. Bill had never been on Road America, and asked me to help familiarize him with the track. I did a pretty bad job (sorry Bill!) because I was too preoccupied with the whole experience.

After our first lap, Bill said; "Why is everybody going so damn slow?" Next thing I know, we are coming out of turn 3 and Bill downshifts and says, "You guys better get out of my way!" Then that wonderful V-8 sound got louder. By the time we got to turn eight, we went from fifth to first position in the "parade" of historic cars. For the next few laps all of the cars did a little changing of positions, each taking turns passing. After three or four laps, I noticed the corner workers had their yellow flags on display. Ooops! I pointed it out to Bill, and we did get quite a chuckle out of it. Bill expected to get scolded when we left the track. I definitely picked the right car to ride in!

Bill Young certainly picked the right car for this event as well. Bill first became interested in owning a 507 back in the fifties. He saw a white 507 in Jackson, Mississippi. Fast forward to 1982. Bill has an opportunity to buy a white 507 from a person in Europe (Switzerland, I believe). As fate would have it, the car is the exact same car he had seen years earlier in Jackson!

bi

Book Review: *BMW*

by David Schnitzer

Ok, here's a little quiz:

1. What was the most successful pre-war BMW?
2. What BMW had the first post-war V8 engine?
3. What BMW of the time had more bhp per liter than the 1973 Porsche Carrera RS?

Whether you are new to the BMW fold, or have been an aficionado for many years, the answers to these questions and many more, can be found in a stunning volume called simply, **BMW**. At around ten pounds, this book exemplifies the term "coffee table book." (I can't help but remember that Seinfeld episode where Kramer invented a coffee table book that actually was a coffee table).

But, I digress. I've seen many books such as this over the years, but truly, never one so incredibly thorough, detailed

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ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER

The Annual Dinner was a great success this year. 117 people came to the Eisner Museum of Advertising and Design in Milwaukee's 3rd Ward to listen to *The Stellanovas*, look at the exhibits, socialize and enjoy some great food from Chef Jack's. Highlights of the evening included announcement of the new *Badger Bimmers* Board of Directors and the screening of the first cut of the *Bimmers 2006* event video that Jenny Morgan has been diligently working on for the past year.

We would like to thank Sarah Erdmann for all of her hard work organizing the dinner once again. We also want to thank our door prize donors: Bob Clark, O'Reilly Motors, Burt Levy, The Little Car Shop, Zimbrick BMW, Knauz BMW, Concours BMW, BMP Design, Bavarian Autosport, The Tire Rack, and *The Badger Bimmers*. *bj*

~ John Lofgren



Joe Conway receives the Trophy of Meritorious Damage from Paul Szedziewski.



~ Election Results ~

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Clarence Behrend
 Board Members
Mike Clemens
Chris Fredette



Badger Bimmers' 2007 Board of Directors: (l-r, standing) Ryan Braithwaite, Cindy Ansay, Mike Clemens, Chris Fredette, Dave Thuerk, Ryan Alexander, Clarence Behrend (crouching), Darcy Yench (sitting)



Photos by Jenny Morgan

BMW Book Review...

and satisfying. Three German authors — Rainer W. Schlegelmilch, Hartmut Lehbrink and Jochen von Osterroth (with names like those, it's GOT to be good) — have created a volume that, with each read, presents new and surprising visuals and history.

The first part of the book chronicles the company history, highlighting the places, faces and events that made BMW what it is today. This section is dotted with pictures of people, as well as period adverts and cars. There's one shot of three Dixies sitting outside the administration building in Eisenach. Very cool! Racing is not forgotten in this section with coverage of high and low points in BMW's competition career. The obligatory picture of a Mille Miglia is there as well. The history lesson ends in 2000 with a brief essay on the 1999 V12 LMR. Not bad, and a nice segue into the larger section of the book — the cars!

Every landmark car that BMW has produced since 1898 is represented in a "chapter" specifically devoted to it. Covering at least three pages, each vehicle's history is detailed in English, German and French along with gorgeous photos of the cars and their special details. Everything is here — the Wartburg, Dixie, 315, 326, 328, Veritas RS, Isetta, 507, 2000CS, 1802, M1, Z1 and every M car known to man. Race cars are here as well, including the incredible Batmobile and the 1998 V12 Le Mans.

While it's a very loving look at all things BMW, it's not just a bunch of press releases set to pretty pictures. Where the authors found fault with particular models, they weren't afraid to put it in print. Even my beloved E30 Touring gets a small whack regarding the tailgate design being a nuisance when it comes to loading and unloading.

The back of the book, as if you hadn't had enough, includes pencil drawings of each model, along with the technical specifications. Glory!

Often, books such as these have been all style and no substance. Not this time. This one has it all! While it's way too nice to keep in your "regular" reading room, you'll still enjoy sitting down with it over and over for the well written prose as well as the pictures.

Oh, and by the way, buy or borrow **BMW** for the answers to the quiz! bi

Badger Bimmers'

~ CAR CONTROL CLINIC ~

Saturday, May 5, 2007, 8:00 am-4:00 pm
State Fair Park, Milwaukee, WI

The "streetwise" driver clinic is a low-speed event held in a large parking lot at State Fair Park in Milwaukee. (Participants will learn the kind of car control that they didn't learn in Driver's Ed.) This event is designed to make all participants more confident and safer behind the wheel.

What to expect

- The day consists of both classroom sessions and driving exercises, designed to teach participants to understand some of the physics of driving and to teach participants how to respond in critical situations.
- Driving exercises will include: Braking, a Slalom, the P-Curve, Accident Avoidance, and an Autocross — a combination of all the exercises. We do an Autocross toward the end of the day, after students have had plenty of opportunities to practice the exercises separately. We set up a twisty course that is low-speed and safe, but somewhat challenging. Past participants report that this is the most fun of the day.
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RA Project Update, Commemorative Brick Payment Deadline

Become Part of BMW History at Road America

by Ryan Braithwaite

The *Road America* Project continues to move towards completion. As indicated in the last update, Road America has granted a new area to the *Badger Bimmers*. The new area will be close to our original spot outside of Turn 14, up the hill and along the fence line.

Construction of the project is slated to begin in Mid-2007. The goal is for the project to be completed and revealed to the membership during one of the major road racing events of the 2007 season. It is likely that this will occur at the vintage event in July or the American Le Mans and CART event in August.

The project is expected to include a renovation of the existing Bimmer Bivouac sign as well as the construction of wood fencing and a concrete pad. Additional amenities are also being considered.

We have received a number of responses from Club members who have expressed interest in purchasing a commemorative brick for \$100. At this time approximately 33 bricks have been reserved. A commemorative plaque was initially proposed in addition to the bricks, but at this time the Board has determined to focus on the bricks and to cancel the plaque.

The number of commemorative bricks is currently limited to 50. The cost of a brick will be \$100. These funds will help defray the cost of the construction of the project.

Club members who are interested in supporting the *Road America* Project through the purchase of a commemorative brick should contact Ryan Braithwaite at brahtw8@yahoo.com or contact another member of the Board.


The deadline for reserving a brick and making payment is April 1, 2007. For those who have already reserved a brick, please send your check to Ryan Braithwaite, W241N2531 E. Parkway Meadow Cir., #2, Pewaukee, WI, 53072. The check should be payable to *Badger Bimmers*. An e-mail reminder of the payment deadline will be sent by March 15, 2007, to those who have reserved a brick.

Please show your support for this project and help increase the Club's presence at *Road America*.

bj



Looking south, up the hill from Turn 14.



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Autocross Tech Session — Save the Date

Perhaps you've heard about the Porsche Club Milwaukee region's autocross program for a while now. Maybe you've been wondering what it's really all about, but were a bit reluctant to come down to Miller Park to see for yourself.

For those of you with even a slight interest in finding out more about the whole Autocross experience, along with some tips and tricks from the more experienced drivers, we've been invited to a Tech Session focusing on Autocross this spring.

One of the PCA members has graciously offered his beautiful home (and pretty impressive garage) in Oconomowoc for a mid-morning session. Refreshments will be served. Several experienced drivers will be discussing the sport and, of course, answering your questions. Additionally, we'll have plenty of time for what makes these club events so great — socializing!!

When: **Saturday, April 21, 2007 10 am**

Where: **Bruce Tammi's** house in Oconomowoc
(Address provided in next issue)

Cost: **\$5 per person** to cover costs

Any questions? Call **David Schnitzer** at **414.302.1074**.

BMW Finally Bringing Alpina B7 to Chicago

[Posted on AutoBlog Feb 2nd 2007 3:01pm by John Neff]

Better late than never, we always say. The BMW Alpina B7 was actually announced in a press release dated 2/16/2006, but it's taken a while to get the car ready for prime time. We reported on it back then, but we've learned that the super 7-Series will finally be unveiled at the Chicago Auto Show next week. To refresh your memory, the Alpina B7 sports a supercharged 4.4L V8 engine producing in excess of 500 horsepower. That's good enough to scoot the luxu barge to 60 mph in a mere 4.8 seconds. All that twist is certainly needed to turn those giant 21-inch Alpina wheels. A sport-tuned suspension and Alpina's B7 aero kit that includes a rear spoiler round out the package. The original press release states that about 200 Alpina B7 sedans will be produced for the U.S. market, although the quoted launch date of July 2006 has obviously been moved back a bit. We'll bring you more info and live pics of the Alpina B7 when we meet it in person next week at the Chicago Auto Show.

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