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July 2014

## 11th Annual Car Show Winners



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# 2014 Calendar

July 10	Monthly Board Meeting @ Concours Motors, Glendale
August 4	DE Day at Blackhawk Farms Raceway in Rockton, IL.
August 9-10	Bimmers' Car Corral @ <i>Road America</i> for Tudor racing series
August 12	BMW/Mini Cruise Night @ Highland House, Mequon
August 14	Monthly Board Meeting @ Concours Motors, Glendale
<b>August 23</b>	<b>Club Saturday at the Masterpiece Car Show</b>
September 11	Monthly Board Meeting @ Concours Motors, Glendale
September 20	Ladies' Tech Session at European Auto House
September 26-28	<i>OktoberFAST</i> at <i>Road America</i>
October TBD	Monthly Board Meeting @ Enterprise BMW, Appleton
November 13	Monthly Board Meeting @ Concours Motors, Glendale
December 11	Monthly Board Meeting @ Concours Motors, Glendale

## Badger Bimmers to Sponsor Breakfast during *Club Saturday at the M*

This year, The Milwaukee Masterpiece Car Show is Saturday and Sunday, August 23rd and 24th. Saturday is Club Day and the Badger Bimmers are proud to sponsor breakfast that day.

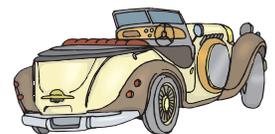
Individuals, as well as members of local and regional clubs, are invited to show their vehicles — all years and makes of two- and four-wheeled vehicles are welcome.

A highlight is the parade of automobiles and motorcycles starting at the **Harley-Davidson Museum** and ending on the showfield! This family-friendly event, held in **Veterans Park** on Milwaukee's lakefront, gives attendees the opportunity to get up-close and personal with the vehicles and their owners. You can cast a vote for your favorite vehicle to win the **People's Choice Award!**

More information about Club Day, including registration information, can be found on the Masterpiece website ([http://milwaukeemasterpiece.com/?page\\_id=11](http://milwaukeemasterpiece.com/?page_id=11)). There's also information about Sunday's *Concours d'Elegance* on the website ([http://milwaukeemasterpiece.com/?page\\_id=9](http://milwaukeemasterpiece.com/?page_id=9)).

Sign up to show your BMW and support the Badger Bimmers and the Masterpiece's charitable partners — Autism Society, Boys and Girls Club of Greater Milwaukee, and Meta House.

If you don't have a car to show, you can still buy tickets for the show.  
Purchase your tickets by August 1st to get a discount.



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**Board meetings generally are held on the second Thursday of each month. They start promptly at 6:30 pm. Board meetings are open to all members. The Board encourages members to attend.**

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Monthly Board meetings will convene at 6:30 pm in the Board Room at  
Concours Motors • 5990 N. Green Bay Ave. • Glendale, WI.

Please consult the monthly Calendar (above) for exact locations and dates.

# News of Note...

## E30 Picnic Success

On May 10, 2014, more than 50 cars stretched their way across Waukesha's iconic **Frame Park** for Badger Bimmers' second E30 Picnic. After the overwhelming success of the 2012 gathering, due to popular demand, we decided to gather again. We could not have asked for better weather, 70 degrees and sunny.

Thirty-seven E30s joined us ranging from M3, 318i, 318is, Euro 323i, 325i, 325is, 325ix, to multiple convertibles. BMW enthusiasts all the way from Madison to Chicago spent the afternoon showing off their stock standards and creative modifications.

First and foremost, I'd like to thank Badger Bimmers for providing a great lunch that no doubt added to the success of the event. Congratulations to our raffle winner, **Andy Hundley**, who won the 2014 Badger



Bimmers BMW CCA **Blackhawk Farms Raceway Drivers School and Safety Seminar Driving Event Certificate.**

And special thanks to **TJ Whorley** for his expert event promotion through social media and the WI Bimmers Club.

I enjoyed our collective camaraderie and look forward to the next time we can all get together. Be sure to join us next year when we meet again to show, discuss, appreciate, and admire these incredible driving machines. **bj**

~*Tim Jason,*  
*Badger Bimmers' Membership Chair*

## Driving School Insurance

Many automobile insurance policies now exclude coverage for events that take place on a race track. The only way to know if your policy still covers driving schools is to read your policy. If you find that your policy does not cover our driving schools you can purchase event insurance from **Lockton Affinity Motorsports** (<http://locktonmotorsports.com/product/track-insurance/>). BMW CCA members get a discount on the purchase of both single- and multiple-event driving school insurance. **bj**

## Why We Drive

During our **OktoberFAST** event in 2013, large parts of a movie named **Why We Drive** were filmed. If you were there, you probably remember seeing a white Porsche GT3 Cup car driving in some of your sessions. **Shields Bergstrom** was driving the GT3 and is producing the movie along with **Don Ford Productions** and **Blackhawk Visual LLC**. A couple of trailers for the movie have been posted on the website for the movie — **WhyWeDrive.com**. Check 'em out! **bj**

## 2014 Driver's Ed Events Scheduled

For 2014, the Badger Bimmers will hold three driver's education events. The last remaining event at **Blackhawk Farms Raceway**, near Rockton, IL, is scheduled for **Monday, August 4th**.

**OktoberFAST** will be at Road America at the end of September, scheduled for Friday, September 26th through Sunday, September 28th. Friday is reserved for our advanced students and instructors. We'll also hold an instructor clinic for new instructors on Friday. On Saturday and Sunday, there will be run groups for novice, intermediate and advanced students as well as instructors.

Registration for all three events will be done through **motorsportreg.com**. Registration for both Blackhawk events opened on March 1st. Registration for **OktoberFAST** opened June 1st. Last year **OktoberFAST** was full by the first of August. Don't miss out on **OktoberFAST** — register early. **bj**

# From the President

Erik Ivarson

## Up to Speed...

## Wrapping Up Some Projects

**G**reetings, Badger Bimmers! Last month's E36 project turned out just fine with \$125 in **Edlo Auto Trim** for the headliner, and satisfaction that I saved a few bucks and learned a new thing. About the same time, I finally spotted evidence that the replacement radiator had given up. The only lousy part of this job is bolting the transmission cooler to the radiator. If the automatic ever gives up, I would replace it with a stick just to be rid of it!

The E46 headlights finally got some polishing. When they get as bad as mine were, replacement would be the better choice. The **Mothers Powerball Restoration** kit was \$20, but my time was significant and new covers can be had for \$130 for the pair. There must have been some coating on the original



light that deteriorated, and removing it took time with 600 grit and a bunch of elbow grease. As polishing goes, finer grit papers give way to the liquid on a foam pad. Practice helps and the second cover came out better than the first. It sure would be nice if these were available in glass like the E36s.

Another E46 mystery was solved this month. My ignition would occasionally balk, leaving me wondering if the clutch switch was bad. Another Internet query came up with "dead key." Since I started using the spare key, I've had no hiccups. **YouTube** and the **e46fanatics** have procedures to

change the rechargeable battery. This problem seems more like a bad RFID chip.

We've had the car show at Concours, the Blackhawk DE, Autocross with Milwaukee PCA and a Street Survival with SCCA. I will be working to put on a **Badger Bimmers Street Survival** in October.

Check **badgerbimmers.org** for calendar updates. I hope to see you at an event soon!

Happy motoring!

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## Sala delle Vittorie Hall of the Victories

# The Ferrari

## Part 2

Our Ferrari tour bus returned us to the Ferrari museum to finish the day, so in we went. For a car guy, seeing all these historic and exotic cars is quite special, but being in the home of Ferrari made it exceptional. Entering the first room was quite exciting and our expectations were high. Two quotes were on the walls in the entrance: "I am one who dreamt of being Ferrari" and "We sell a dream."

rooms of cars, the same thought kept coming up — I wondered what it must have felt like to see this machinery race.

The museum layout is comprised of a series of connected rooms and level changes. Special cars were separated in different ways and a few had approach limits marked on the floor. These cars were protected by alarms based on proximity of your body parts. (Guess how I found out about that.) One isolated car was the F40 which was located on its own balcony.



### Plenty to See, Plenty to Read

The initial rooms contained Formula One and endurance cars, from the 1950s through more recent times. I stopped at each car to read the descriptions as we worked our way through each room. The walls were lined with trophies or murals of the Ferrari drivers from Fangio to more current drivers that I know of: Schumacher, Massa, Barrichello, Raikkonen, and Alonso. During our cruise through the

We continued working our way through the rooms checking out the overwhelming number of cars on our way to the *Hall of Victories*. This Hall contained the eight most recent Ferrari Formula One cars that won the drivers and/or constructors championship. This area was, of course, dominated by Michael Schumacher's accomplishments. There were 18 monitors showing film tracks of Ferrari's Formula One racing history year-by-year. There were multiple film segments running with sound clips of each year's racing vic-



# Museum

Report and Photographs by David Thuerk



ories. I could have spent hours watching the '50s, '60s and '70s racing clips and taking in the excitement brought out in these films. The entrance to the hall was lined with Formula One engines. Each engine had its air plenum removed to allow a view of the upper induction chamber.

After leaving the *Hall Of Victories* we continued through the remaining rooms. These contained



many sports race cars, and some unique production and prototype cars. There were a few displays, one of a race track car monitoring control system, Ferrari's hybrid drive train and a recreation of Enzo Ferrari's office.

The entire experience was very special — one I'd call "once in a lifetime." **bj**



# Badger Bimmers' 11th Annual Car Show

Report by Jeff Fait



On June 7, 2014, Concours BMW in Glendale, WI, hosted the Badger Bimmers BMW Car Show. Perfect weather contributed to the largest turnout ever, with over 50 BMWs in attendance and a trophy competition.

Cars were entered in six classes, plus a "People's Choice" award overall, and an eighth class for BMW motorcycles. Class winners were determined by a participant and spectator ballot, leading to a fun and relaxing day about dust and road grime.

Concours BMW sponsored a large supply of tasty muffins, bagel turnovers along with coffee, water, and juice for all participants.

*Thank you, Concours!*

The awards presented were as follows:

- People's Choice:* **Luis Arisso, 1976 3.0si**
- BMW's of the 1960's & Earlier:* **Bob Prince, 1966 2000CS**
- BMW's of the 1970's:* **Anton Steigerwald, 1971 2000CS**
- BMW's of the 1980's:* **Scott Simpson, 1987 325ic**
- BMW's of the 1990's:* **Susan Austin, 1995 840i**
- BMW's of the 2000's & Newer:* **Susan Duszynski, 2011 1M**
- Best BMW Track Car:* **Mike Clemens, 2011 1M**
- Best BMW Motorcycle:* **John Morgan, 1972 R50/5**



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*Photographs by Jeff Fait and Darcy Yench*

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# Wings 'n' Wheels Annual Fly-in Breakfast

June 1, 2014

Report by Larry O'Brien

## Benefit party for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Fort Atkinson

**A**eroplanes and motorcars galore. And a great breakfast of French toast and all the trimmings. Lots of very cool old planes, home-builts, and certainly equally cool wheels from muscle cars to BMW classics, from a rather funky Beetle thing to a well restored Falcon (not something one sees much) — all assembled on a beautiful day. Folks piled in for it all, maybe due to the great food, but we'll think it was to see all the great toys and do good things for a fine cause.

The event cleared over \$9,500 for the Clubs. Excellent! It was another good day!

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*Photographs by Larry O'Brien and Bill Nicoud*

# TUSC Bimmerstrause BMW Corral @ RA

August 9 & 10

by Darcy Yench

Join the Badger Bimmers on August 9-10, 2014 in our 6th Annual TUSC Bimmerstrause BMW Car Corral at Road America. All members welcome! The newly formed TUDOR United SportsCar Championship takes over *Road America's* 4-mile circuit for what will be the most incredible weekend of sports car racing in the world. Plan on coming out to our Car Corral for a TUSC race at *Road America*. Hear presentations by team members at their paddock areas, sponsors and officials from BMW. Enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow BMW CCA members and BMW owners.

## Variety of Races Scheduled

Fans will get to see the **Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge** race on Saturday, August 9, with the TUDOR United SportsCar Championship event on Sunday, plus races from the **IMSA GT3 Cup Challenge**, **IMSA Prototype Lites** and the **Mazda MX-5 Cup** all weekend. Fan activities include an open grid, autographs, tech talks, fan forums, and *Tour de RA* bike event.

The Badger Bimmers Chapter will provide private BMW parking outside Turn 14, a hospitality tent with TV showing the race feed, private bleachers, paddock talks and hot pit tours during the race with

this year's Z4 Race Team. Paddock meetings with RLL Racing, *BimmerWorld* and other BMW teams are being arranged. Donations of \$10/car/day will be going to our charity, *Feeding America of WI*. Box lunches each day will be provided but must be arranged for ahead of time, so register at <http://www.motorsportreg.com/events/tudor-uscr-road-america-car-corral-bmw-cca-badger-bimmers-775833#.U1v7zqKmWk8>.

## Purchase Track Tickets Separately

Contact Darcy Yench ([dryench@att.net](mailto:dryench@att.net)) if you have any questions. Only one guest per registered member permitted — no exceptions. You can purchase your track-day tickets online directly from *Road America*. Weekend tickets are \$105 but advance pricing ends July 31, 2014. Go to [www.roadamerica.com/Races/RaceInformation.asp?id=245](http://www.roadamerica.com/Races/RaceInformation.asp?id=245). Keep



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# Brew City (BMW) Cruise Night

Tuesday August 12

by Jeff Fait

## Brew City Cruise Night Invites Badger Bimmers!

**T**uesday, August 12, is the third annual **Badger Bimmers BMW & MINI Night** at **Brew City Cruise Night** in Mequon, WI, and we would like to invite everyone to attend!

Brew City Cruise Night is a weekly gathering of car enthusiasts from around southeast Wisconsin. They host 22 Tuesday night car shows (from May through September) at the **Highland House Restaurant** in Mequon, with each week being dedicated to a feature marque, club, or theme.

For the August 12th Badger Bimmers night, BMWs and their owners will come from far and wide to show off their cars and socialize with other enthusiasts. At our 2013 event, there were over 90 BMWs in attendance among the over 150 cars at the show.

Along with the car show there will be door-prize giveaways, with excellent items from **Acci-Dent**, **North Shore's Finest Auto Detailing**, **Michelin**, **Tire Rack**, **Rock Auto**, and **Highland House Restaurant**. Plus food and drink discounts and specials from the Highland House.

Be sure to put this event in your calendar — it's going to be a highlight of your summer!

bj



**What:** Brew City Cruise Night Badger Bimmers' BMW/MINI Night

**Who:** ALL BMW and MINI owners, old and new, and their friends

**When:** August 12, 2014

**Where:** Highland House Restaurant  
12741 N. Port Washington Road  
Mequon, WI 53092

**Why:** Because it's *FUN!*



## ATTENTION:

*Ladies of Any Age!*

**Come have breakfast and bond with your Bimmer!**

On Saturday, September 20, European Auto House, located at 11020 Buntrock Ave. in Mequon, will host a Ladies-only Tech Session for our Club.

The tech session will begin at 9:00 a.m.

This event will be a wonderful opportunity to talk one-on-one with Nathaniel Sumner, a factory-trained BMW technician and owner of European Auto House. A grouping of different models of BMWs will be on hand to help us go through the basics of car care. He will also cover more specific details about your own particular vehicles. So bring your questions.

Please RSVP to Cindy Ansay at (262) 388-3740. Kindly leave your name, and the year and series of the vehicle that you will be bringing to the event.

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