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Badger Bimmers' 2019 Hoilday Party and General Membership meeting was held on Saturday January 12th in the Rumble Room at the Harley-Davidson Museum in Milwaukee. 150 members and their guests attended and made this one of our biggest parties ever! Great venue, great food, great friends and lots of goodies! Courtesy of Badger Bimmers and Kummrow Automotive, we had exclusive access to the motorcycle museum for two hours. The iconic Milwaukee company sure has an interesting history. Thanks to Tim Jason for organizing the event and wrangling the hundreds of details that go into planning and execution. Also, a big thanks to all our sponsors for their generous door prize donations.



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Happy New Year! Welcome to 2019!

Our annual Holiday Party was on January 12th, held at the Harley-Davidson Museum in Milwaukee. 150 members and their guests enjoyed a delicious dinner and exclusive, private access to the motorcycle museum. Thanks to Kummrow Automotive and the Badger Bimmers for sponsoring the private museum hours. Generous sponsors provided a huge assortment of raffle prizes which really contributed to the festive atmosphere. Tim Jason did a fantastic job leading the planning and making arrangements for a delightful evening. Thank you!

Results of the club election were announced at the holiday party. Five positions were up for grabs, and without further ado, here is the list of the 2019 Badger Bimmers board – congratulations to the new and reelected members!

President – Jeff Fait (newly elected)

Vice President – Dave Thuerk

Secretary – Ron Pace

Treasurer – Darcy Yench (newly elected)

Board Member – Creston Flemming

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I would also like to thank outgoing board members Tim Jason and Chris Wenzler for their years of exceptional service. Both served with distinction and were responsible for the successful execution of many memorable events that helped make the club what it is today. Tim served two terms as a board member and was membership chairperson before that. Thank you Tim and Chris!

Dates have been announced for our three driving events for 2019! We will be at Blackhawk Farms Raceway on June 17 and August 9, and OktoberFAST will be at Road America October 4 through 6. These are all fantastic, fun, and educational events which will be the highlights of the summer. Registration is open at motorsportreg.com.

Don't forget to check in at www.badgerbimmers.org regularly to stay up to date on Club news and activities.

Events 2019

Details on Events can be found on the website: www.badgerbimmers.org

April 13th	Board Meeting - 11 AM - Wisconsin Brewing Company (Madison)
May 4th	Car Clean Up International BMW and Zimbrick
May 9th	Board Meeting BMW North
May 11th	Go Karting
June 8th	E30 Picnic Frame Park
June 13th	Board Meeting BMW North
June 17th	Blackhawk Farms HPDE
June 29th	Car Show – International BMW
July 11th	Board Meeting BMW North
August 8th	Board Meeting International BMW
August 9th	Blackhawk Farms HPDE
August 13th	BMW Night at Brew City Cruise Night (Mequon)
September 12th	Board Meeting BMW North
October 4th-8th	OktoberFAST
October	Board Meeting Fox Valley (TBD)
November 14th	Board Meeting International BMW
December 12th	Board Meeting BMW North
January 19th, 2020	Holiday Party

2019 Board Elected

The 2019 Badger Bimmers board of directors was elected and seated at the Holiday Party. The new board is:

President – Jeff Fait (re-elected)

Vice President – Dave Thuerk

Secretary – Ron Pace

Treasurer – Darcy Yench (re-elected)

Board Member – Creston Flemming

Board Member – David Burman

Board Member – Fred Dahms, Jr. (newly elected)

Board Member – Hemanth Shenoj (newly elected, not pictured)

Pat President – Erik Ivarson



A New Chapter; Compliments of “M” Thingies

By Peter Wright

Jenny, Purveyor Extraordinaire of Fine Automobiles, made me do it. And Griffin didn't shut her down. Ahhhh... my dear friends at Zimbrick BMW in Madison! How can I thank you enough!!

“Hi. My name is Jenny; how may I help you?”. “Well, er... sure...” I respond, trying to sound sophisticated, and financially, one of “the folks with the coin”. “I’ve been referred by the editors and columnists at Road & Track, Car & Driver, the hooligans at Top Gear, and our very own Roundel brethren, among others”. Purveyor Jenny looks puzzled. But I’m used to that; that’s the natural response whenever I try to communicate. Continuing, “I’m here to purvey... er... buy one of your new M2 conveyances; the one with the free color, you know... the one that matches the... well, matches what used to be the whites of my eyes, but that was a while back when the mountains were young. Purveyor Jenny looks profoundly confused; pronounced long sigh....

That three-year-old conversation claws at the periphery of my consciousness as I live to hear the action word.

“GO!”

Right pedal plastered to the floor, M2 and I claw past the timing lights; adrenaline messing with more stuff than it has a right to; eyes right... hard right; eyes left... hands respond urgently, firm grip on that sweet steering wheel; watch out for the damn cones! Hard accelerate; stay in it... stay in it! Scooch right then left through cones. Brain screams, “ARE YOU FREAKING NUTS???” Get ready... not yet... not yet... BRAKE NOW! Spectacles fly... cell phone flies... stomach juggles threateningly the mess that was breakfast fit for the gods an hour ago. Back in it... gently... through the tight decreasing radius U-turn aptly named “Patience”... now hard on it through the right sweeper... and the left... look for the timing lights... lights? In this maze of cones? This is madness! Jumbled brain screams, “Stop Box”!!!! Where? Here? YEAH HERE!!! I body-slam the brake. Wheels fight for traction, but the M2 Orange Flash still flies through what is intended to be a “stop box”. Moron... you DNF'd. Who, me? YEAH YOU! Back there!! Flew right through the illusive “stop box”. YOU MORON!!! The walkie-talkie wakes up, in a matter-of-fact tone; “You blew the stop box; DNF'd; get back in line; two more runs”. Bang tender head on that resting, still sweet, steering wheel. Drool on self. Two more runs. You'll get it. You better! This is serious stuff!!!

Where? Thermal, California; BMW Performance Center.

What? Day one of two-day M-School; first run following acceleration and braking exercises.

My ride? M2; wrapped in orange with a wrapped carbon fiber roof; rumored to have been a former SEMA BMW show car. #3... my run number, slapped on its amazingly sexy haunches...*Story and photos continue at badgerbimmers.org*



Door County Driving Tour

By David Burman

On October 6th, a group of Badger Bimmer members embarked on a tour of Door County, Wisconsin on the Door County Rally, starting in Appleton and heading north to Sturgeon Bay. This is the 3rd year the Door County Rally has happened under the leadership of club member Justin De Maa, but the first year the club has sponsored the event. With 15 cars, we proceeded from the northern meeting point at George K. Pinney County Park on the western side of the county across to the eastern shore of the county, along the tight and winding Glidden Drive, through the trees and up to Cave Point County Park where we stopped for lunch. After lunch and exploring the park a bit, the tour continued up to the northern point of the peninsula and along the famous stretch of road to the Washington Island Ferry port. The trees were just starting to change color, so the drive was very picturesque on the overcast day.

The tour continued south to Ephraim, where the group made a stop at Wilson's Ice Cream Parlor for a treat. Once back on the road, we headed to the final destination at Door County Peninsula Winery. Overall, everyone had a great time and people said they are looking forward to another event next year.



2019 Chili and a Movie

By Jeff Fait

Saturday, February 9th was our 5th Annual Chili and a Movie event held at Ron Pace's toy barn in Saukville. It was a great day to spend a sunny but chilly (see what I did there?) afternoon with some Badger Bimmer members and 6 steaming pots of the best chili you've ever tasted! Also got to take a look at and try on for size Ron's brand-new Porsche Cup race car and several other automotive delights. At a little after noon, ballots were cast for the favorite chili and while the voting was close ultimately Jill Recely prevailed and her delicious chili went home the winner. After that we all settled in and watched George Lucas' 1973 classic movie "American Graffiti" and were amazed by the number of future movie stars making their debuts in that film.



Join us for Go Karting!

0 to 50 in 3 seconds...

Want to show off your amazing speed and domination at the track?

Join your fellow club members at a non-sanctioned Go Kart event at Veloce Indoor Speedway in Waukesha at 11 a.m. on May 11th, 2019. Price per racer is \$60, which includes 3 races: a 10 lap Practice, 12 lap Qualifier, and a 14 lap Championship Race (laps vary depending on the track). Drivers under 18 must have an adult with them and be over 58" tall. Closed toe shoes required. Helmets will be available. Medals will be awarded for a podium finish, which you can show off afterwards at Point Burger Bar (BYO\$). Please RSVP to Fred Dahms at freddahmsjr72@gmail.com, or call 414-241-8910. More information available at www.velocespeedway.com.

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BMW Car Club of America Badger Bimmers

**2019 Badger Bimmers BMW CCA
Blackhawk Farms Raceway
Drivers School and Safety Seminar**

Rockton, Illinois
June 17th or August 9th
(Pick One Date)

Not Transferable
Contact: Darcy Yench
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DRIVER'S SCHOOL RAFFLE PRIZE!

E30 Picnic.

JUNE 8 | 10AM - 3PM | FRAME PARK



FREE food and beverage!

Frame Park - 1240 Frame Park Dr. Waukesha, WI 53186
If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please contact:
Tim Jason at tjason@versevo.com



The Road America Drivers' Education "RADE" event is a driver school put on each spring by the Chicago Region Porsche Club with an emphasis on safety. Held in Elkhart Lake, WI at Road America, one of the premier racetracks in the world. This program has been developed over many years to teach you the skills you need to drive your Porsche at its limits in a safe and secure environment.

We have offered a limited number of spots to Badger BMW members. Those with previous Road America experience along with their **BMW's only** are invited.

This event is held over Memorial Day weekend and is open to all Porsche sports cars that can pass technical inspection (Cayennes, Macans or other SUV's are not allowed), and to all drivers age 18 and older with an emphasis on the novice driver. Starting Thursday night, May 23rd with a novice driver meeting, and ending Sunday, May 26th, RADE leaves Memorial Day open to celebrate with friends and family.

All Novice drivers to Road America must attend a drivers meeting Thursday, May 23rd at 8 PM to receive instructions and be assigned a Chicago Region Driving Instructor. Novice drivers should have attended at least one prior DE track event, such as Chicago Region's Blackhawk Novice Day.

Our rates are the same for the 3rd year in a row!

Your registration at WWW.Clubregistration.net fee includes 1 free event shirt (select size). The shirt will be a long sleeve variety. In order to make sure we minimize the number of extra, unsold event shirts, those who pay after May 1st MAY NOT receive a shirt as requested.

Please book your hotel rooms NOW as this is a popular weekend.

Cancellations must be in writing or email and received by May 10, 2019 includes a \$25 processing fee. No refunds after May 10, 2019

We look forward to see you there!

Chuck LaMantia (847) 417-6685 & Pete Hackenson (630) 728-7294

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