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Photos from OktoberFAST, IMSA Car Corral, and the Fall Picnic

From the President

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Well daylight savings time is gone until spring. Feels like it's getting dark right after lunch. Temperatures are dropping and the leaves are gone. Badger Bimmers had a great summer. And even though winter is almost upon us, we have some great events planned to tide us over until spring.

January 13, 2024 brings us our annual holiday party. The party is being held at the Great Hall and Speakeasy at Best Place at Pabst in Milwaukee, WI. There will be plenty of time before dinner to mingle and enjoy a cocktail or soft drink. The dinner menu is catered by Saz's and will be delicious. You must be a BMW CCA member to attend. Cost is \$75 per person, with one guest per member also at \$75. Additional guests are \$130. No children, please. Register online at

<https://bmwcca-badgerbimmers.trackrabbit.com/event/details/10012103-2024-BMW-CCA-Badger-Bimmers-Holiday-Party-2024-01-13>. Hotel information is included on the registration information page.

You may have noticed by now that we are in the process of migrating to a new event registration system. BMW CCA has entered into an agreement with Track Rabbit (bmwcca.badgerbimmers.trackrabbit.com) to give us a more modern and personalized registration system, that also should also save the club a significant amount of money each year. Our Holiday Party registration is our first event utilizing the new system, we would be interested in your feedback and also your patience as we iron out the initial wrinkles.

February 10, 2024 is our annual Chili and a Movie event at Ron's Toy Barn in Saukville. Bring a pot of chili to share or just come and enjoy a car-themed movie (Gran Turismo) with fellow club members. The event is limited to 20 people and you must be over 18, please. Online registration is available at <http://www.trackrabbit.com/s/2kiz>.

And finally, our annual board election is upon us. The candidates and a mail-in ballot are included later in this newsletter. Online voting is available, scan the QR code or visit the URL on the ballot on the next page. Of course you must be a current Badger Bimmers member to vote.

Remember to visit our web site (www.badgerbimmers.org) to see the full event calendar to be sure you don't miss anything.

Take care and see you all soon!

Jeff

Events 2024

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

January 13th

February 10th

August 3rd-4th

September 20th-22nd

September 28th

2024 Holiday Party

Chili and a Movie

IMSA Car Corral at Road America

OktoberFAST at Road America

Fall Picnic

Badger Bimmers Official Ballot

Save a stamp and vote instantly online!

<http://www.trackrabbit.com/s/2kk0>

Pick one:

Vice President: ☐ Creston Flemming ☐ _____

Secretary: ☐ Ron Pace ☐ _____

Fox Valley Liaison: ☐ Dale Kressin ☐ _____

Pick two:

Member at Large: ☐ David Burman ☐ Sam Forrest ☐ _____



Fill out the ballot and place it in an envelope. Be sure to write your name and BMWCCA number as the return address.

Mail to: Badger Bimmers

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2023 Holiday Party

Our annual holiday party is scheduled for Saturday, January 13, 2024, in the Great Hall & Speakeasy at Best Place at Pabst in downtown Milwaukee. Our guest speaker will be Mike Kertscher, president of Road America. Catering will be by Saz's. Each ticket includes dinner and 2 drinks. \$75 per person for members and first guest. Additional non-member guests are \$130.

Date: Saturday January 13, 2024

Schedule: 5pm Cocktails : 6pm Dinner Buffet : Speaker and Meeting following Dinner : 8pm Raffle

Location: Best Place at Pabst – Great Hall & Speakeasy

917 W. Juneau Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233

<https://bestplacemilwaukee.com/rentals/private-events/>

Speaker: Mike Kertscher, Current President of Road America, racing driver, and former instructor for Skip Barber

Catering by Saz's, Bar by Best Place:

2 drink tickets with a cash bar. Buffet-style service with formal dinner place settings.

There is both street parking and a parking ramp across the street. There are multiple hotels within 1 block's walk distance, and the venue is easy to find off the freeway.

Register today! <https://bmwcca-badgerbimmers.trackrabbit.com/event/details/10012103-2024-BMW-CCA-Badger-Bimmers-Holiday-Party-2024-01-13> or scan the QR code



2023 Board Candidate Profiles

I have been an avid BMW enthusiast since high school when I purchased my 1987 535i (which I still have).

I enjoyed being on the board the past 6 years, organizing and attending the events such as the annual holiday party and the e30/Spring Picnic, Champagne Picnic, Fall Picnic, OctoberFAST and Oktoberfest. Pictures I have taken in the past at these events have been featured in the Bimmer Immer, Bimmerlife, and on the Facebook & Instagram pages over the past few years. I have also been appointed the Driving Events Coordinator to oversee our club's track events for the future as I have become more involved.

I have made many friends in the club, and would be honored by your votes to elect me to represent you on the board for another term. Thank you for your consideration. - David Burman



David Burman

Hello, I am running for reelection as the officer of Vice President. I have served the club as a member at large for two terms, Vice President for one, and as Bimmer Immer editor since 2017. I currently daily drive a 2008 E90 M3. I enjoy participating in our activities on the street and track as well as meeting like-minded individuals within our club. I appreciate the opportunity to make our club even better as we move to return to normality. - Creston Flemming



Creston Flemming

My name is Sam Forrest and I am running for an at large seat on the board. During my first semester of college I purchased my first BMW, a 1997 M3. Sadly I lost that car in an accident but the love for the brand has stayed with me ever since. A few years later I picked up a 1987 325is and attended my first E30 Picnic with it. I've been a Badger Bimmer member ever since. Today I'm taking the e30 to everything from the Door County Rally to Oktoberfest at Road America. I look forward to working with the other board members to plan and host all the events that Badger Bimmers puts on through the year.



Sam Forrest

I ask to be retained on the board to offer benefits to the members. I appreciate the opportunity the board membership provides me.

I have contributed to the Badger Bimmers club by helping out with DE, touring and social events. I would like to see greater cooperation with the BMW dealerships to increase club membership. I hope to promote continuous scholarship for students who want to develop skills in mechanical and auto body repair.

I have promoted key younger members to join the board and have definitely seen substantial improvements from their involvement.

In appreciation, Dale Kressin



Dale Kressin

My name is Ron Pace and I am seeking your endorsement and vote to continue as Secretary of the Badger Bimmers Chapter. Having served as Vice President and then Secretary I am quite familiar with the governance of the Badger Bimmers and enjoy supporting the various activities undertaken for the benefit of the membership. By way of background I am retired from the Kohler Company where my most recent position was Group President. Currently I am on the Board of Directors for several companies and am Chairman elect for the Road America Board. I have served on the Board of Road America since 2005. I also consult at Kohler as an executive coach. I am an avid motorsport participant and am a racer in a vintage Lola T496/497.



Ron Pace

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