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## ON THE COVER:



### Go With The Flow

Go with the flow ... seemed to be a common theme all weekend for our Back of the Dragon trip to southern Virginia with an overnight stay at The Martha in Abingdon, Virginia. While at dinner on our February trip to Asheville, we planned the next trip to be to the Back of the Dragon and Abingdon Virginia. It had been nearly 10 years since a previous trip there. Several of us collaborated and planned it out for the weekend of June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>...

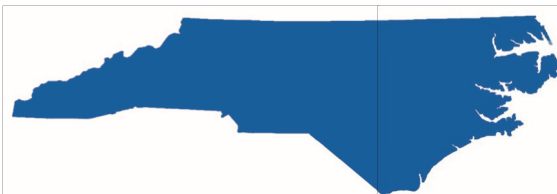
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## MEMBERSHIP CORNER

This month, we'd like to give a warm Tarheel welcome to 18 new members and associate members in February and March. We are holding steady in chapter membership at **2821!** Our membership is the life blood of the Club. Without your participation, there would be no Club. We offer a wide variety

of activities and welcome the opportunity to get to know you better at some of these events. We encourage you to contact your Area Coordinator to find out about local dinner meetings and other ways to get involved in YOUR club. Come join us, you'll have a great time!

## BMW Car Club of America Tarheel Chapter





## ON THE COVER:

With routes planned to the minute, and hotel, lunch and dinner reservations set we were ready and anxiously waited for the day. The attendee list was finalized at a nice sized group of 7 cars and 11 persons. The meetup location was a QuikTrip in Mooresville, NC, bright and early to allow a full day of adventure. After a brief driver's meeting, we were on the road just after 8:30. After an uneventful drive on Interstate 77 and US 21 up the mountain, we arrived at our coffee break, Becca's Backwoods Bean Coffee Shop in Sparta, NC. It's a quaint small town coffee shop also serving a variety of pastries.



We then got back on the road. Shortly after leaving town and making a few turns, heading towards Marion Virginia, I got the call. Mary had a flat tire. Our sweeper Bob Atkinson would stay behind and assist. We turned off the main highway and found a small gravel lot to sit and wait. Unfortunately, there was no cell service, and we were too far apart for our handheld radios to work. Someone volunteered to backtrack, update the status for us and assist with a can of Fix-A-Flat if needed. He took an FM band radio with him. The FM band radio worked, and we were updated with the bad news. No spare and a blown run-flat sidewall, the

flatbed was on its way, and we should continue. They would catch up later in the day.



My navigation routed us down the side road we were on, not knowing it became a one lane backroad but at least there were beautiful farms and all manner of country homes along the way. We made it into Marion, VA, and stopped for gas. I also called our lunch location to alert them of our delay and reduced count. As we continued, my navigation wanted me to turn left. But I knew right away that was the wrong street!!! It had tried to route me to Abingdon, not the Back of the Dragon. I got it corrected and we took back streets and finally got on route 16, Back of the Dragon, only to be stuck behind a Chevy Blazer going 10 under the speed limit on the straights! Once past him it was clear sailing for a while, testing the famed BMW agility on the tightest of corners. It was a busy beautiful day with many groups of motorcycles along the route. Once in town, we hit a detour, but easily found our lunch stop, Old VA Smokehouse in Tazwell, Virginia.



We were quickly seated, and the waitress took our drink orders. They even could switch to my game on the TV, NC State Super Regional Baseball, just starting. With our food orders taken, they advised the kitchen was behind, it could be a while. I then got a text that 4 more folks were on their way! Finally, our food arrived and surprise, Mary made it to our lunch! A correct tire was found in Sparta and she was back on the road, taking a faster route into Tazwell! By the time we were all finished, and paid for our meals, the game was over, a 2 ½ hour lunch!



We then decided to take the direct route into Abingdon, 4 lane all the way, route 460, to 19, to 58 and arrived at the hotel at 5pm. Watch out for the bear! He crossed the highway right in front of me. Too fast for my camera.

The Martha Washington Inn & Spa was originally built as a residence in 1832. It then became a prestigious school for women, The Matha Washington College or just known as The Martha. It survived the Civil War used as a hospital and became a hotel sometime later, first for use by the Barter Theatre across the street and then by the public and many famous celebrities over the years. Having changed ownership many times, it was restored to its original splendor in 1984 and bought by its current owners, Camberly Properties in 1995. Today there is a library, a restaurant, a spa, an indoor heated pool, pickle ball courts, and a putt put course! We all wished for a longer stay.



We had a 7pm dinner reservation but a few met early for some libations at the bar. We chose a seating area with beautiful, overstuffed aged leather furniture, just like you would find in a mansion's den. Once all parties arrived, we were seated for dinner. Appetizers and small plates were the theme, given the late lunch. The Baked Brie with its blackberry jam and candied pecans was a hit and gone fast.

Speaking of the Barter Theatre, they run plays all summer long. Opened during the depression, patrons



could barter their produce for the price of a ticket, hence its name. The Wizard of Oz was being presented this night, so a few decided to attend the production instead of the late dinner and gave it a rave review. After dinner, a few of us walked around the hotel property, enjoying the beautiful evening. It was then time to call it a day.



We agreed to meet for breakfast at 9am allowing a more leisurely start for the day. Yogurt and a muffin were served first, followed by scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, and grits, a proper southern breakfast. Your choice of breakfast beverage was self-serve. We then took one last group photo before splitting up. There were 5 cars left for my planned route through the southern Virginia Highlands, as some had made other plans. US 58 is a major road, but it had plenty of twists and turns. After passing through Damascus VA, an outdoor adventurer's haven, the first stop was Elk Garden Trailhead. This is a cross point of the Appalachian Trail, which leads to Mount Rodgers, the tallest point in Virginia at 5729 ft. It was a cool place literally with the wind blowing and a nice view of the fields beyond. Next stop was Grayson Highlands State Park. Admission was \$10 but the view from the overlook was well worth the cost. The park is well known for its wild ponies but viewing them would mean a several mile hike. After picking up a few souvenirs at the visitor's center, we headed on.



That's when the check engine light occurred. An E46 M3 convertible went into limp mode. It would run OK for a bit but kept going back into limp mode. Progress was slow to avoid leaving him behind. While sitting alongside the road one time, we decided to change lunch plans and just make our way home. Go with the flow we said. Besides, a safe easy route was best for the E46 M3 and the car ran fine after that. I knew of a Wendy's as soon as we'd get on Interstate 77 south. Lunch was simple but good and stories were told by friends old and new. Since home would likely be each person's next stop, we said our goodbyes and all wondered, what trip should we do next?

*~ By Richard Daugherty*



# Back of the Dragon

## Columbus Day Weekend Driving Tour

A 32 mile span of Virginia Route 16 with over 300 curves, the 'Back of the Dragon' is one of the premier driving roads in the nation, with spectacular views crossing three



mountain ranges in western Virginia between Marion and Tazewell ... Columbus Day weekend we will tackle this and other twisty routes. Highlights of the tour include:

- Drive 'Back of the Dragon' multiple times, [BackOfTheDragon.com](http://BackOfTheDragon.com)
- Two days of drives and sightseeing, Saturday and Sunday
- Driving tour and lunch in Burke's Garden, [virginia.org/listing/burkes-garden/7263/](http://virginia.org/listing/burkes-garden/7263/)
- Visit Breaks Interstate Park, "Grand Canyon of the South", [BreaksPark.com](http://BreaksPark.com)
- Accommodations at the historic General Francis Marion Hotel, Marion, VA, [gfmHotel.com](http://gfmHotel.com)

Plan now to join us **Oct 11-14, 2024** on the 'Back of the Dragon':

- Each participant (including minors) complete waiver to register at <https://ews.bmwcca.org/BackOfTheDragon2024>
- Make reservations at General Francis Marion Hotel, 276-783-4800, (Block of rooms reserved under 'BMW Car Club')
- For complete details, contact Darin Kwasniewski, 757-304-1512, [dekwasniewski@yahoo.com](mailto:dekwasniewski@yahoo.com)

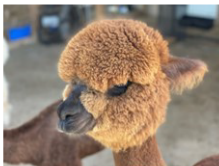


## Pittsboro Alpaca Farm – Fall Fun!

### Pittsboro Beckons With Sights, Sounds, and Food Galore



- What: Fall is the perfect time to get out and stir some oil, hunt some apexes, and find some new near places to eat. The dining club with a driving problem is on a roll. Pittsboro is a bit of a foodie haven, with the amazing S&T Soda Shoppe offering wonderful food and a trip through history. Then there's a chance to visit the Havoc Microbrewery too!
- When: Depart on Saturday, **November 2, 2024** at 10:00am. Come early for coffee at 9:00am!
- Where: Departure from Leith BMW, 5603 Capital Blvd, Raleigh, NC 27616
- Objective: A fun and enjoyable family outing that promises nice roads and an amazing tour of the Carolina Sunshine Alpaca Farm! Details on the venue can be found here: <https://www.carolinasunshinealpaca.com/>
- Duration: Figure 5-8 hours including driving.
- Contact Information: For details, connect with Rob McIsaac at Raleigh.BMWCCA.Activities@gmail.com or 919-880-8012.



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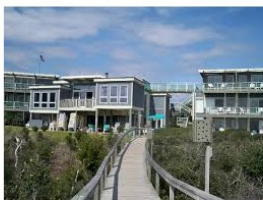
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Aug 23	Hendrick's Private Car Museum Sold Out	Charlotte, NC	Robert McIsaac		919-880-8021
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Aug 23-25	Corral at IMSA Race VIR	Alton, VA	Brenda Dunlevy	336-996-3149	bedunlevy@icloud.com
Sept 13-15	Tarheel Fall HPDS VIR	Alton, VA	Phil Antoine		booflick@yahoo.com
Sept 14	Spirited Mountain Drive	Spruce Pine, NC	Dave Hurwitz	704.399.1108	davehurwitz@earthlink.net
Sept 21-22	Tour to Tanglewood 2024	Clemmons, NC	Tom Tice	336-207-4127	teticem3@gmail.com
Oct 3-6	BMW CCA Club Race VIR	Alton, VA	Mike Hinkley		Register on MotorsportReg.com
Oct 11-14	Back of the Dragon	Marion, VA	Darin Kwasniewski	757-304-1512	dekwasniewski@yahoo.com
Oct 19	Red Oak Brewery Beckons	Whitsett, NC	Robert McIsaac	919-880-8021	Raleigh.BMWCCA.Activities@gmail.com
Oct 26,27 ///	M Day at Performance Center	Greer, SC	Robert McIsaac	919-880-8021	Robert.McIsaac@tarheelbmwcca.org
Nov 2	Pittsboro Alpaca Farm	Pittsboro, NC	Robert McIsaac	919-880-8021	Raleigh.BMWCCA.Activities@gmail.com
Nov 8	Charily Laps at VIR	Alton, VA	Robert McIsaac	919-880-8021	Raleigh.BMWCCA.Activities@gmail.com
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Dec 12-13	BimmerWorld CCA Club Race	School	Roebing Road	Mike Hinkley	Register on MotorsportReg.com
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Dec 10, 11	Advanced ///M School, Thermal Club	Palms Springs, CA	Robert McIsaac		919-880-8021
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## Beach Bimmers 2025!

**Cruising the Southern OBX: Lighthouses, Wild Horses and More**



- What: A three-day tour of North Carolina's amazing Southern Outer Banks (SOBX) to explore Beaufort, The Shackleford Banks, Cape Lookout, Fort Macon and the delights of Bogue Banks. Salt air, seafood, historic sites and sand between our toes!
- When: Departure on Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. Return on Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup>. Departing from the Harris Teeter, 67 Flowers Xrds Wy, Clayton, NC 27527 **at 10am. Coffee at 9:30pm.**
- Hotel this time will provide a base of operations from which we'll travel the area. The targeted hotel is the Atlantis Lodge, 123 Salter Path Road, Atlantic Beach, NC 28512. **Call (252-726-5168) to make your own reservations!** Rooms may be scarce, so the backup is the Alice Hotel, across the street at 118 Salter Path Rd, Pine Knoll Shores, NC (252-247-5118)
- Objective: Great drives, awesome sightseeing and some terrific seafood! Boat cruises around Beaufort, a visit to Cape Lookout and time with NC's famous wild horses!
- Contact Information: For details, connect with Rob McIsaac at Raleigh.BMWCCA.Activities@gmail.com or 919-880-8012.
- Drive Registration: <https://ews.bmwcca.org/sign/01hy9853mt4ppfff70b63jmpfw/waiver-select>





## East Fall 2024 M Club Day

### Big Fun @ BMW Performance Center!



#### What and Where:

- Each year, the Tarheel and National Capital BMWCCA Chapters sponsor major events at the BMW Performance Center in Greer, South Carolina. These events give us access to the facilities and the instructors at a remarkable location ... at a deeply discounted price. This school is a special program designed by the Performance Center staff specifically for our chapter members.
- The price (\$795 / person) covers the training sessions ... and the use of current model ///M Cars for the event. M2's, M3's, M4's and M5's were the highlight of the adventure in the past. We expect more of the same for the coming year. Best of all perhaps, is the opportunity to have a great learning and driving experience while using someone else's Gas, Tires and Oil!
- Remember the old adage that "no car is faster than a rental!".

#### When:

- The **fall** event in the **east** is on October 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (two separate events) in Greer, SC.

#### Next Steps

- Registration now open: <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/fall-2024-m-club-day-bmw-performance-center-east-cca-national-capital-635632>

Contact Information: For details, connect with Rob McIsaac at [Robert.McIsaac@tarheelbmwcca.org](mailto:Robert.McIsaac@tarheelbmwcca.org). Or check out the National Capital Chapter website: <https://www.nccbmwcca.org/driving-events/m-club-day/>



## West Fall 2024

### Advanced M School



### Big Fun @ BMW Performance Center West Near Palm Springs

#### What, Where and When:

- The National Capital and M Chapters are back for an Advanced ///M School at the Performance Center West / Thermal Club on December 10-11, 2024. Located just outside of Palm Springs, CA, this venue features the BMW Performance Center facility and three premier racing circuits at the beautiful Thermal Motorsports Club.
- This special NCC / M Chapter event will provide participants the chance to drive the latest BMW ///M cars at this world-class facility. The price (\$3,990 / person) covers the training sessions ... and the use of current model ///M Cars for the event. Best of all perhaps, is the opportunity to have a great learning and driving experience while using someone else's Gas, Tires and Oil! This is a single two-day event.
- Drivers for this event must have attended a previous BMW Performance Center M School or M Club Day in order to qualify for entry into this event.

#### Next Steps

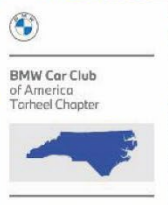
- Registration now open: <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/ncc-m-advanced-school-thermal-club-bmw-cca-national-capital-driving-schools-541030>

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# BMW CCA Car Corral and Hospitality Tent Michelin GT Challenge at VIR

August 23-25, 2024



## Take Some Hot Laps at VIR and Get A Chance to Win A One-Day Track Event!

The gang from the BMW Performance Center will be wowing the crowd and blowing passengers' minds in the latest ///M cars from BMW - don't miss your chance to win a Hot Lap! They will also be giving away a One-Day Track Event to one lucky winner!

## Piles of Partner Prizes, Plus Two Chances to Win An HPDE!

The BMW CCA Corral has the best prizes in our daily lunchtime raffle, with two of the top prizes being a gift certificate to an HPDE Weekend with the Tarheel Chapter or the National Capital Chapter (\$450+ value each).

**Reserved Infield Parking - Trackside Spectating**

**Catered Lunch and Refreshments - Closed-Circuit TV Race Feed - Q&A Sessions With Teams - Parade Laps**

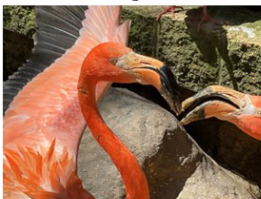
**Don't Miss Out - Buy Your BMW Corral Tickets Today at <https://virnow.com/events/>**

## Sylvan Heights Bird Sanctuary

Scotland Neck Offers a Wonderful Tour With Nature



- What: June is the ideal time to get out and hunt some apex while racing to find an epic bird sanctuary which is located in the small town of Scotland Neck. A beautiful drive leads to the sanctuary, then off to a terrific lunch at the Rocky Mount Mills/ The dining club with a driving problem will have a great time with a steak house and specialty pizza options to choose from. There's also access to the multiple microbreweries too!
- When: Depart on Saturday, **June 14, 2025**, at 9:00am. Come early for coffee at 8:30am!
- Where: Departure from Farmhouse Café, 320 Vintage Point Ln, Wendell, NC 27591
- Objective: A fun and enjoyable family outing that promises nice roads and an amazing tour of the Sylvan Heights Bird Sanctuary! Details on the venue can be found here: <https://www.shwpark.com/>
- Duration: Figure 5-8 hours including driving.
- Contact Information: For details, connect with Rob McIsaac at Raleigh.BMWCCA.Activities@gmail.com or 919-880-8012.





## September 14th, 2024 "Spirited" Mountain Drive to Spruce Pine, NC

•**When:** Saturday, September 14th 2024. Meet at Harris Teeter Gas Station at Riverbend Village (3909 Corning Place near 16 and Mt Holly Huntersville Rd) starting at 8:30 am. Driver's Meeting at 8:45 am. Depart at 9:00 am.

•**Where:** The exciting roads of the NC mountains.

•**Details:** A challenging drive from Charlotte through Morganton, Marion and traveling on 226A to Little Switzerland arriving at about noon in Spruce Pine for lunch at DT's Blue Ridge Java Café (169 Locust St, Spruce Pine, NC). Then heading back home on Blue Ridge Parkway and 80 through Marion stopping at Dot's Dario for Ice Cream (30 Lake Tahoma Rd, Marion NC). Other breaks / rest stops are planned along the way with a final stop at Redbone Willy's at Intersection of 18 and 27 to say Adios!

•**Contact Information:** The drive is limited to 20 cars. Text Dave Hurwitz to register, include your email address. For details or questions, contact him at davehurwitz@earthlink.net or 704.399.1108

• **EVENT IS NOW WAITLISTED**

226A is an 11 mile stretch of twisties from 226 up to the Blue Ridge Parkway and then back over to 221.





## The Great Balsam Run II

On June 1st the Asheville area hosted the 2nd Great Balsam Run. It was a fun filled day of driving through the Balsam Mountain region of the Blue Ridge and Pisgah National Forest.



Here is a recap of The Great Balsam Run II 'by the numbers':

- 70 degrees high temperature
- 0 percent chance of rain
- 26 members attending
- 15 drivers
- 5 1/2 year old participant
- 1 dog
- 13 BMW's
- 2 Minis
- 101 miles driven
- 4 hours on the road
- 100's of curves braved
- 3 mountains climbed
- 1 famous mountain circled (Cold Mountain)
- 5365 foot elevation traversed
- 2 states visited
- 0 electric recharges required (until lunch)
- 1 foo foo drink ordered
- 1000's of calories consumed
- 26 members ready to do it again



~ *Darin Kwasniewski*

## Take Me Out to the Ballgame!

With summer just around the next bend, this was the perfect time to plan something completely new for the Bimmers of The Triangle Area. We are graced in Central North Carolina with many fine sporting events, and the histories of some of our teams are the things from which legacies are born. One of the best remains the Durham Bulls AAA baseball team, which were featured in the movie Bull Durham in 1988.

That film introduced many of us to the absolute magic of minor league baseball and showed how entertaining the game could become. Who can ever forget the billboard showing a bull with the tagline “hit the bull, win a free steak”.



The event this time was organized by Jim and Donna Heavey, who handled the whole thing like the wonderful pros that they are. In fact, this was one of the biggest events we have ever run with 46 people registering for the opportunity to share on all of the magic with Wool E. Bull, Durham’s erstwhile mascot on the diamond.

Once again, thanks to GM Sean Beach, our friends at Leith BMW hosted us at the start of the event. A dozen Bimmers rolled out after filling ourselves with coffee from the dealership and headed off for a jaunt across Wake and Durham counties. The rest of our merry band planned to meet us at the ballpark. What could go wrong?

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Actually, nothing went wrong! The beautiful countryside north of Raleigh and Durham provided a delightful backdrop to a Saturday afternoon cruise. The traffic was generally modest which was nice, and as we circumnavigated Falls Lake there were periodic opportunities to dip a right foot into the powerband of the mighty B58 engine in the X3M40. In addition to a soundtrack that Beethoven himself would have appreciated, the g-force induced thrust is like magic. The navigator would periodically call out “more of that, please!” which was an order happily complied with. Well, ok, the navigator never actually did say that. I suspect I was just channeling Ken Miles in “Ford vs Ferrari” and I was hoping the experience would be pleasing. No one complained, so we will chalk that up as a win.



Once at the game, we inadvertently split into two groups, but both with the right idea. Snacks and a cool beverage were the order of the day at both the Mellow Mushroom and Tobacco Road eateries. That allowed us to get organized for a final walk into the stadium and through the obligatory gift shop. Properly festooned with Bulls garb, we now were ready to find our seats and enjoy the festivities.

Donna and Jim organized perfect seats behind home plate, under a nice awning that included a collection of Big A\*\* fans which made it delightfully cool as the game got underway. And the food here was

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delicious! Amazingly good and varied culinary options grace the Durham Athletic Park. One of the fascinating aspects of all this now is the use of a “Bat Dog”, who fills in for the roll of Bat Boy in the early innings. It is hilarious.



The game unfolded nicely with the Bulls taking an early lead. In fact, we didn't get out of the second inning before someone earned themselves a free steak dinner, lighting up the bull, whose glowing eyes and smoking nostrils confirmed that a baseball has “gone the distance”. It was all great fun but, alas, the pitching staff had a meltdown in the 4th inning, allowing the visitors from Charlotte to take a 6-4 lead. Still, in the bottom of the 9th, the Bulls had the winning run at the plate. A strikeout ended the rally, but it was all good fun.



As a capper to the evening, Jim and Donna arranged a fireworks show! In reality we know the Bulls put the show together, but it was nice to add this to the list of accomplishments for Team Heavey! The show was a barn burner too, rocking the house with thunderous booms and flashes of brilliance against the backdrop of the Durham skyline.



Eventually all good things must come to an end, and with hearing slightly diminished, we headed for the car park and home. It was a spectacular outing for Father's Day weekend. Even at a baseball game, life is better in a Bimmer!

*By Robert McIsaac*



## Charlotte Club Dinner at The Barcelona

The Charlotte area has had the monthly BMW CCA dinner at the Waldhorn German Restaurant in Pineville for as long as I've known of the club. This meant more than an hour drive for many folks north of Charlotte so about 10 years ago we split off a Charlotte Area 2, a North group to have monthly dinners at alternate dates and locations to allow the folks north of Charlotte to fit in dinner plans. Some folks attend both dinners, especially for special occasions.

The July North Group dinner was held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday at The Barcelona, a new burger joint in Mooresville, NC. A lot of new faces and old friends made it out for a burger and brews. They had a small selection of draft beers, good burgers and other food options, and a sizable dessert menu. But the real fun started when we all went out to gawk at the cars in the comfortable evening weather. Some had found an open section of the parking lot so the rest of us moved our cars over there for photo ops.



Whether it was a nice E30 M3, or E60 M5, or the latest M2 or i4 EV, all the BMWs were appreciated.



However, the star of the show was the 1 of 1 2023 Club M3. With Voodoo Blue Individual paint, BBS rims, carbon fiber spoilers and trim everywhere, and Akropovic Exhaust, it stood out in the crowd.



We then announced the upcoming drives and discussed possible new events before saying our goodbyes for the evening.

*~by Richard Daugherty*

# LOCAL SCENE

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## ASHEVILLE AREA DINNER

Date: Last Tuesday each month Time: 6:30pm

Where: Different Location Each Month

All BMW marques are welcome (cars, motorcycles, Mini, Rolls, etc.).

For more information, contact Chris Joyner at [ashevilletarheelbmwcca@fastmail.com](mailto:ashevilletarheelbmwcca@fastmail.com).

## CAPE FEAR AREA

NONE SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME

## CHARLOTTE AREA I DINNER

Date: 3rd Thursday each month Time: 7 p.m.

Where: Waldhorn Restaurant

12101 Lancaster Hwy (Old Hwy 521)

Pineville, NC (Near Carolina Place Mall)

(704) 540-7047

We're still hanging out at Waldhorn Restaurant on the third Thursday of each month. Contact Chris Webber at (704) 906-8876 or e-mail at [christopher.b.webber@gmail.com](mailto:christopher.b.webber@gmail.com) to RSVP. Please join us (great German food and beer). See you there!

## CHARLOTTE AREA II DINNER

Date: 1st Thursday each month

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Where: Changes each month

Please email Kyle Lombardi at [clt2thbmwcca@gmail.com](mailto:clt2thbmwcca@gmail.com) or Taylor Ward at [tward430@yahoo.com](mailto:tward430@yahoo.com) for more information.

## DOWNEAST AREA DINNER

NONE SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME

## HURRICANE AREA DINNER

NONE SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME

## NORTHERN MOUNTAIN AREA DINNER

Date: 2nd Wednesday each month Time: 6:30 p.m.

Where: Basil's Restaurant. (828) 386-4066

246 Wilson Dr Boone, NC 28607

Cost: Only what you eat and drink. Contact John Cochrane ([jgcochrane1968@gmail.com](mailto:jgcochrane1968@gmail.com)) or Mike Langley ([michaelrlangley@aol.com](mailto:michaelrlangley@aol.com)) A fun gathering of BMW friends for discussion of all things car related.

## ROANOKE AREA DINNER

Date: 2nd Tuesday each month Time: 6:00p.m.

Where: To be announced each month by email.

For more information, contact Scott Donaldson at [roanoke.tarheel.bmwcca@gmail.com](mailto:roanoke.tarheel.bmwcca@gmail.com).

## SANDHILLS AREA DINNER

NONE SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME

## TRIAD AREA WEST DINNER (Winston-Salem)

Date: 2nd Tuesday each month

Time: 6:00 p.m. Drinks, 7:00 p.m. Dinner

Where: Sixty Six Grill and Taphouse

3440 Frontis Street Winston-Salem 27103

Please contact Marc Schatell for more information at [marc@tarheelbmwcca.org](mailto:marc@tarheelbmwcca.org)

## TRIAD AREA EAST DINNER (Greensboro)

Date: 1st Tuesday each month

Time: 6:30 p.m. Drinks, Dinner

Where: Elizabeth's Pizza (the covered patio)

3927 battleground Avenue Greensboro, NC 27410

Please contact Fraser Dick for more information at [fraserdick14@gmail.com](mailto:fraserdick14@gmail.com)

## TRIANGLE AREA DINNER (RALEIGH)

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month Time: 6:00 p.m.

Where: Driftwood Cantina

Please contact Robert McIsaac for more information at [triangle.bmwcca.activities@gmail.com](mailto:triangle.bmwcca.activities@gmail.com)

## TRIANGLE AREA DINNER (CHAPEL HILL)

NONE SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME

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### **The 02 Group**

A special interest group for 2002 owners in NC. For more information about the group and how to join, check out our website: [www.the02group.org](http://www.the02group.org)

### **The Z-Series Car Club of America (ZSCCA)**

A national special interest group of BMWCCA dedicated to the enjoyment of all Z-Series BMW's. Several local groups are active in VA and NC. Find us on Facebook, or at [zscca.org](http://www.zscca.org)

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### **Your photos and stories.**

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# END GAME

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Photo by Richard Daugherty



*View of Mt. Rodgers area in southern Virginia*

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