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ON THE COVER:

Bull Beemers



It's become an annual tradition for the Triangle Area to "take us out to a ball game" on Father's Day weekend. Thanks to Jim and Donna Heavey's efforts, the 2025 edition of the event presented a new high watermark for a good time!

The ballgame event is centered around a chance to visit the home of the Durham Bulls, the AAA minor league team based in Durham, NC. The Bulls have a long-standing history of being "the greatest show in dirt", and the current edition clearly doesn't disappoint.

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MEMBERSHIP CORNER

This month, we'd like to give a warm Tarheel welcome to 89 new members and associate members in June and July. We had a nice gain in total chapter membership to **2884!** 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:

We had 42 of the Bavarian faithful register for the event and the big day dawned gray, with steely skies that threatened to produce rain at any moment. No matter, as we were committed to being there for the first pitch. Miraculously, as we met up at Leith BMW in Raleigh, the clouds parted, the sun emerged, and spirits soared. We were set for a brilliant evening under the lights.



Thanks to GM Sean Beach, we fueled-up on coffee and snacks at Leith, then headed out on a country jaunt north of Raleigh, around Falls Lake, and into Bull City. Parking was easy and then we had a chance to explore a wide range of culinary delights around the stadium before heading in to catch the pre-game show.



Wool E. Bull, made famous in the movie Bull Durham, remains on duty and continues to provide lots of slapstick fun getting the fans warmed up for what comes next. His go-kart escapades in lapping the stadium between innings are epic.

Once the game got started, we were introduced to Rocket the Bat Dog. Rather than a bat boy or girl scooping up bats discarded near home plate, the Bulls have employed a retriever. Fans love it and he's clearly a ham when it comes to getting cheers from the stands.

Rocket got an early workout when Bob the First Baseman got hold of a high hard one and tattooed it in the general direction of Virginia. That gave the Bulls a lead that they never relinquished. When Bob came up a second time, he launched another ball out of the stadium, to the cheers of the fans and the adulation of the dog. Rocket held in the on-deck circle until the ump gave him the green light to race over for the bat. The whole thing was hilarious. The third time Bob came to bat, the visiting team wisely chose to give him a free pass to first base. Neither the fans nor Rocket thought much of that decision, but it was all in good fun.



The game continued to entertain through the 4th inning stretch, which was the opportunity to run down to get ice cream. That proved to be a questionable decision since it was warm enough that the soft-serve stuff almost

immediately began to reconstitute itself into an additive for coffee. It tasted great but was decidedly messy to consume. Eat, drink, slurp.

Back at the game, the Bulls defense kept things under control, much to the appreciation of the fans. The 7th inning stretch brought the ground's crew out to tidy up the infield dirt ... and show off their disco moves.

The local heroes "fireman" closing pitcher shut the visitors down for the rest of the game and the sold-out stadium erupted when the last out was made on a line drive shot that was snared by the 2nd baseman. After a quick change on the field, it was fireworks time!



The pyrotechnics team brought their A game for the evening. The sky lit up and the stadium shook as the Flag Day celebration came to a monumental conclusion. For a short time, we could appreciate what Francis Scott Key saw when he celebrated the rockets' red glare.



All too soon, the lights came back on, and the show was over, although the smoke continued to waft over the crowd for a while along with the delicious smell of black powder. It was a magical end to a beautiful evening. As we fired the Bimmers to head for home, it was both great to have the memories and wonderful to start looking forward to doing it again in 2026. And that's no bull.

~ By Robert McIsaac



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MiXing It Up

Back in April, 25 members of the Tarheel Chapter headed to Greenville South Carolina for the 5th annual MiX event. It was a weekend smorgasbord of BMW events including mountain drives, car shows, BMW Performance Center Events, dinners and social gatherings. It was held April 24th-27th, 2025. First up was checking into a hotel and heading to the welcome dinner. It was a simple buffet at the BMW CCA National Headquarters. Then it was time for a good night's rest before the core events.



On Friday, while some headed to the Club M School at the BMW Performance Center, I got up early and headed to the meeting point for a mountain drive. It was an overcast morning with occasional sprinkles, but that didn't dampen the enthusiasm for the event. There were nearly 30 attendees, so we split into 3 groups of cars, to ease the parking situation at various stops. We headed north out of Greenville to the first stop, Campbell's Covered Bridge. It's the only one remaining in South Carolina. Nearby was the Poinsett Stone Bridge, built in 1820 for one of the first state roads in the upstate area. We then headed to Caesars Head State Park overlook, but all we saw was fog.

Next up was Brevard, NC but we got split up at a construction zone and arrived into Brevard in scattered groups. A quick coffee stop was all we had time for but happened upon a local band playing some mountain music. We then headed back towards Greenville and

stopped at Farmhouse Tacos in Traveler's Rest, SC for lunch. Great food and great conversation. Some then stopped at the BMW CCA headquarters to pick up the registration packets and test drive some of BMW's latest models including an i7, the M2 and the new G90 M5 Touring. I drove an X3 M50. It was super nice and loaded with the latest tech. After which we headed back to our hotels to get freshened up for the evening social.



Social Latitude is an activity center with a bar and kitchen for quick bites. There were several sports simulators and even axe throwing. We all got to know each other over drinks and good food. There were folks attending from Florida, New York, Ohio, even Wisconsin and Oklahoma! Earlier I had met some folks that flew in from Seattle!



Saturday started with the big car show at the BMW CCA headquarters. Several vendors including Griot's Car Care and Extreme Auto Spa showed off their products as well as BMW NA showcasing 50 Years of the 3 Series, with a car representing each generation.

The BMW CCA also premiered their 2025 raffle grand prize of a BMW M3 Competition in a unique Individual paint Ruby Star Neo! Raffle tickets are now available for purchase at \$25 each. The BMW CCA M and X Chapters also had displays to learn about their activities.



I then headed to the BMW Performance Center for a Taste of M and X. They had 4 events set up for us including driving X5s on their off-roads course, autocrossing the new M2 on a timed course, sampling the M3 & M4 on lead-follow laps, and getting a hot lap ride in the F90 M5. It's always a fun day, driving the Performance Center cars. After the sessions, awards were given to the top three autocross drivers and a hot lunch was served.



Saturday evening was the main dinner, with a delicious buffet and open bar for beer and wine. We then divided into teams based on our tables and played trivia for a while. Questions ranged from BMW history to movies and geography. My table bet it all at the end but missed the final question. They then hosted a Q&A with special guests Tom Plucinsky, head of BMW Group Classic and Jay Hanson, BMW Product and Technology

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Spokesperson. Audience questions focused on the product selection for the North American market or lack thereof, but everyone enjoyed the opportunity to hear from the top spokespersons of BMW NA!



While some headed to Michelin Laurens Proving Grounds for a skid pad session, Sunday morning was one final mountain drive for me. It was much nicer weather than Friday with clear skies and warm temps. We only had 2 stops, first being White Oak Mountain. There were steep treacherous switchbacks on the way to the summit but the views from the top were worth it.



Second stop was Campfire Grill in Flat Rock, NC. More delicious food. The route to Flat Rock found the most back country roads for sure with nice twisties, gravel sections, and bumpy railroad crossings. All the BMWs and a Mini handled them all with no issues. After lunch, many of us said our good-byes to new friends and headed home while some headed back to the Greenville area. It was a marvelous weekend of BMW related activities enjoyed by all.

~ By Richard Daugherty

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Sight Lines

There are many things we look forward to in life, perhaps for years or even decades, that can somehow materialize in relatively short order. The big trip, the opportunity to experience something unique, the purchase of a long-desired motorbike. While contemplating the possibilities of a cross-country trip or the purchase of that R90S, our fantasies can run wild with the possibilities. In some cases, we never REALLY expect the thing in question to actually happen. When it does, there can be a certain amount of trepidation about having bubbles burst. Would the R90S really be as good as I thought it would after almost a half-century of lust? Yes, it was. Would the new helmet I had waited years to buy be dramatically better than the one I wanted to replace? That was kind of a disappointment, honestly.

Since the summer of 1980, I've been reading the collected works of Peter Egan. It didn't matter about the subject, or whether it was about sports cars, or motorcycles, or philosophies on life. I always found his words to be at once witty, insightful, thought-provoking and endearing. I'd traveled with him in a '63 Caddy in search of the Blues Highway, realized that I wasn't the only one bent on one day owning an R90S, and laughed so hard at the literary confirmation that some classic vehicles (e.g., old Bimmers, Corvairs, and assorted British ragtops) tend to cluster in groups of 10 or more at some stage in their lives, that my wife grew concerned that I was having a medical event. A few years ago, I discovered that there were only a few degrees of separation between Peter and me. Early this year I decided to see if we could meet and, thanks to mutual friend connections, we were able to make it all happen in early June.

The planning was truly exciting, but on the trip to the Egan homestead in Wisconsin I had mixed emotions. Clearly it would be terrific just to meet him. But would it be exhilarating or disappointing? The legend had grown in my own mind, but reality can be a tough taskmaster.

I needn't have worried. It was oh so much better than I could have possibly imagined as he greeted us in his driveway on a cool, sunny morning. The country

lane bisected the property between the 1878 farmhouse and the circa 1990 workshop. In jeans that were vaguely reminiscent of my own, I got a big, firm, handshake and we set about the serious business of making coffee. Then we did what I hoped we could do and set about sharing stories, experiences, and the joy of doing interesting things.



It turns out that the shared interests go well beyond motorbikes and sports cars. He is an aviation buff and a pilot, who has a new book (Landings in America; two people, one summer and a Piper Cub - a flying memoir) which is being released this summer. It turns out that we could have a long discussion about Piper Cubs, Stearman biplanes, P-51 Mustangs, and the jewel-like Merlin engines that made them go. His office is a collection of books and memorabilia collected over the decades. Books are thoughtfully organized by subject area: BMW, Porsche, Triumph, Ferrari, Ducati. The ceiling sports a P-40 doing what any reasonable Flying Tiger would (dive!), and there's a B-17 Flying Fortress hidden on a top shelf. Any of that kit would have been right at home in my own space, so we had a good laugh about all of it.

He's also a talented musician with a terrific collection of instruments and titles. We talked at length about the Blues, and our respective appreciation for the talents of the Rolling Stones, Led Zepplin, and the black blues musicians who inspired them many decades ago. Robert Johnson, Willie Dixon, and Muddy Waters all factor into the mix. I am more able to appreciate music

than play it, but I recognized the artful beauty of the guitar collection. And I appreciated that I have found another person who owns more than one turntable. Those old LPs will never go out of style.

This was a chance meeting with someone who experienced many, many things in life and had the insight to write it down for us to share. The conversations were more nuanced, more complex, and richer in every possible way, than I could have initially imagined.

After draining the coffee mugs, we headed to the shop. He's driven a wide array of things over the years, and the bookend vehicles today say a lot about him. In perfect British Racing Green this includes a relatively modern Jag and a lovely Mazda Miata, very different vehicles but with a clear eye toward driving pleasure and reliability. No need for excess power when you know how to drive them. He went on to share that he figured that the perfect vehicle for him to own one day, again, would be an MGB. He worked on them for years before becoming a journalist, he figures there isn't anything about them that he couldn't fix now, and they are simply fun to drive. Like a Miata with questionable electrics, I imagined.



He shared more stories about some of his trips, and we laughed at some of my recollections from reading his work over the years. One story that I particularly liked related to landing the Piper Cub in a small town in Texas, then realizing that there was no good way to get

from the operations shack to dinner. The woman running the place tossed he and his wife Barb the keys to her personal Chevy Caprice and asked them to just bring it back in the morning with some gas in the tank. Her name? Can't make this stuff up. It was Rose Bud.

In 1981, Peter wrote a story about attending the "Battle of the Twins" race at Daytona. Entitled "Gentlemen Start Your Thunder", it remains an epic read about the BMW, Moto Guzzi, Ducati, Harley-Davidson, and related kit that made up that race. My father's Moto Guzzi Le Mans, which sits in my garage today, was in that race. Another small world moment.

Which led us to a discussion of his own collection of motorcycles, each of which fits a very specific and useful purpose. He has a relatively new Triumph Bonneville, which is a great machine for spirited riding in the farm country of The Badger State. Plenty of power, sharp handling, good looks, and with all the electrical demons from the 20th century now permanently exorcised. Great machine.

Then we turned to his Royal Enfield adventure bike. He noted that if he could only have one, this might well be it. It can go anywhere, has enough power to be entertaining, is easy to work on, and inexpensive to buy into. The one instrument that didn't work at the outset was the compass, which I imagined might have been the final swansong from Sir John Lucas, the inventor of electric darkness. Apparently, the compass just decided to start working one day for no explicit reason, which was a perfectly British answer to the problem. Who knows? Who cares? It functions now.

That led us into a discussion of modern technology and some of the pros and cons associated with it. Ironically, on our way out of Milwaukee that morning, the cellular connection with Verizon inexplicably went down. Without the GPS, there was almost no chance we would find his farm. It came back a bit later which saved the trip. Ironically, I noted, if we'd been on a Beemer, I wouldn't have had GPS in the first place but instead would have been relying on written directions and maps. Magellan, the man, would have recognized the approach. It turns out Peter feels the same way, foregoing modern communication technology when riding. The point of motorcycling may well be to escape

from all the modern conveniences rather than being held captive by them, which is a sentiment that Robert Pirsig and Garrison Keillor could likely both have appreciated. Getting lost, so one can get found again, may well be half the fun.

That led us to my personal favorite thing in the shop, his gray smoke 1984 R100RS. He shared that he'd owned it for a long time and taken some great trips on it, before selling it to a friend. After more use it was eventually parked in the back of a barn and became a nesting ground for mice and target for birds practicing dive bombing runs. He bought her back and began a mechanical restoration effort. A thorough cleaning, steering head bearings, wheel bearings, new front rotors, and other unmentioned bits got her back in top running condition. Plenty of patina from her first 107k miles, but that just adds to the story and presence of the Bavarian beauty.

My own '79 RS has gone through a similar process ... and has plenty of patina to show for her own, almost identical, 107k miles on the "clock". Soon I found myself talking with him about the virtues of Brown side stands and some of the challenges associated with the old Reynolds Ride-off stands. In that moment, I realized we probably could have spent the entire day kicking tires, telling stories, and drawing new meanings from shared connections. He is sharp, plain spoken, and extremely clear when talking about issues of substance. Perhaps a little like Harry Truman in his clarity, even when his expressions let humor shine through.

Every shop has memorabilia, and Peter's is epic. This includes a framed copy of the first Road & Track magazine he purchased in 1962, complete with a picture of Phil Hill on the cover that was signed by the 1961 Formula One champion himself. My first exposure to R&T came in 1963, with a picture of Jimmy Clark on the cover, albeit without being signed. He also has an action photo from one of R&T's April Fools Road Tests, circa 1990, where they pitted a Messerschmidt against a Mustang. The 9hp micro car lost out badly to the P-51, particularly in the slalom where the 1,800hp Merlin engine simply blew all the cones away.

There also was a bit of a Mark Twain reality to this as Peter shared stories about things he'd done with his

wife Barb, and with friend / neighbor / former boss Chris Beebe. To me and many of my generation, these are names that are like Huck Finn and Tom Sawyer in books read long ago. Then we got to actually meet Barb on her return from the local Farmer's Market. Again, the reality was even better than the image formed over decades. Simply delightful. She even gave us a selection of cheese curds for the ride back to Chicago. Apparently, she's made that trip before and understood that the food options could best be described as "limited".

I hoped that Peter would be willing to sign one of his books that I've been toting around for decades, and he graciously agreed to do so. He then smiled and asked me to sign one of the articles in a BMW club magazine that I'd written a while back about Daytona experiences. I laughed, then found myself sitting at the desk where so many issues of Leanings, Side Glances, and the upcoming book Landings, had been formulated. It was a moment to be savored, and the autographed book is something to be cherished.



In anticipation of this trip, I had personally been rereading from a compendium of Egan's work over the years. Ironically, on the second reading, I realized that much of what he shared, I had experienced in a parallel universe. He waxes poetically at time spent at places like Elkhart Lake and Riverside, while we were enjoying Watkins Glen and Virginia International Raceway. He shared experiences of owning and frequently not driving an array of British sports cars and offered a heartfelt eulogy for Donald Healey on his passing in 1988. That made me remember, for the first

time in decades, that sunny Pennsylvania afternoon in 1966 when my cousin Tim arrived home with his recently purchased Austin Healey 100. The handsome white convertible expired in a plume of smoke at the end of the lane which led to the family farmhouse. He enlisted a tractor and a clan's worth of cousins to nurse the Healey to what would become her near-final resting ground. To the best of my knowledge, it never moved again under its own power. But it sure looked great from the barn loft.

Much like that long-anticipated vacation, this moment passed far too quickly. All the expectation had led to an encounter that seemed to flash past like a Mustang (or a Spitfire, or a Focke-Wulf) on a low pass with the pilot hot on the throttle just waiting for the moment to pull out and streak into the sky to execute the perfect hammerhead stall. One day, very soon, I hope we get to do this again.

We have an invitation to return to Wisconsin, and they have an open invite to join us in North Carolina. I have a picture of myself sitting in his office chair. Better than that would be a shot of him astride my trusty, and still GPS-less, R100RS. It is always good to have something to look forward to, of course. And the best ride is always going to be the next one.

In fact, Peter offered to take me on a tour of the area in Wisconsin on our next visit to explore the scenery and the cheese options, and he has the exact same offer should he have the urge to visit us for a look at the beauty of our area and the chance to experience some mighty fine pork product options. So very many ways to enjoy life on a Beemer.

Almost on cue, while enjoying the Semi-Friendly Skies with United, a news feed unspooled which included 10 essential lessons from Pirsig's "Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance". Key bits from this piece of literary brilliance include the notion that motorcycles demand solitude. His long rides gave his

mind room to uncoil and, without distractions, buried thoughts surfaced. I personally find that this is one of the things I look forward to most when out on the byways. Another bit of sage advice is that journeys are not so much about reaching a final destination, but rather about the experiences we have along the way. Getting to the end isn't a let-down per se, but the great memories and stories are what get created somewhere on that ribbon of asphalt that connects the beginning with the conclusion. Hopefully not in a straight line. I've read the book before, but having it appear as a not-so-subtle reminder of what is truly important while returning from the Midwest was a brilliant bit of poetic beauty. It is all right in front of us if we bother to take the time to see it.

Father's Day is coming up soon. I realized again that I owe a lot to my own. As my mother once said, he had an uncanny knack for turning money into noise. Airplanes, sports cars, fast motorcycles, cool jazz, the Blues, and proper Rock 'n Roll had all been part of his parenting experience. It's a straight line between his influences and a memorable morning on Egan's farm. I'm pretty sure he'd be pleased that his lessons were taken to heart. Ride on.

~ By Robert McIsaac



Wonderful Wilmington - 2025

Our Favorite Port City Beckons



- What: An adventure filled ride to a crown jewel on the North Carolina coast, the Port City of Wilmington. This is a family friendly event that the inner child in all of us can enjoy!!! A great time to walk about the old city, enjoy some great food, and see some fascinating museums. The battleship North Carolina is an ever-present spirit in the city too.
- When: Saturday, **November 15, 2025 at 10am**. Coffee and tire kicking at 9am.
- Where: Departure from the Starbucks parking lot at the White Oak Shopping Center in Garner. Feel free to come any time after 9 for tire kickin', story tellin' and coffee. Address for Starbucks is 180 Cabela Drive Garner, NC 27529
- Who: Rob Mclsaac is organizing the event from The Triangle.
- Objective: A great lunch at Prost, a German restaurant on the. From there, many attractions await including the USS North Carolina, the Seaboard Railroad Museum, the Bellamy mansion and a water taxi tour of the area.
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Bimmers Puttering To Pinehurst

Scrambling Through The Sandhills in Summer



- What: A chance to get out and stretch the BMWs legs on an adventure to the bucolic town of Pinehurst. Famous for shopping, golfing and great walk-about, it also home to some fine dining and cool microbreweries. Saddling up the Bimmers is a great way to roll toward winter.
- When: Depart on Saturday, **December 6, 2025** at 10:00am. Come early for coffee and breakfast.
- Where: Departure from the Starbucks at 180 Cabela Drive, Garner, NC 27529.
- Objective: Terrific downtown tour of the iconic golf resort and cute town central to the Sandhills Region. Terrific opportunity to grab some grub and a cold 'n frost one at the Pinehurst Brewing Company ... <https://www.pinehurstbrewing.com/kitchen-1>
- Duration: Figure 6+ hours including driving.
- Contact Information: For details, connect with Rob McIsaac at Raleigh.BMWCCA.Activities@gmail.com or 919-880-8012.

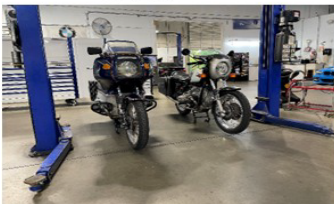


Vintage BMW's Together Again

Open House: Beemers and Bimmers Keep Rolling 2026



- What: A gathering of the BMW faithful to share technical insights, support methods, work arounds, parts sources, and comradery. Airhead Beemers and Vintage Bimmers share much more than just the roundel!
- How: The **BPC** in Raleigh, NC, is an incredibly valuable resource to many of us and now has a new home. Event hosted by the shop owner, Dan Connor.
- When: **Saturday, September 12th, 2026**. Doors open at 9am for an open house. Onsite camping **will be** available and several affordable hotel options are close to the shop. [Harmon's German Kitchen Food Truck](#) will be onsite. **No cost for the event**. Food can be purchased, there's plenty of parking.
- Bonus Round: We will also be having a parts swap meet!
- Where: Bimmer Performance Center, **5014 Departure Drive, Raleigh, NC 27616**
- Contact Information: Rob McIsaac at Raleigh.BMWCCA.Activities@gmail.com.
- Registration: <https://ews.bmwcca.org/sign/01jvsme32vy26g8rmbkr346tpg/waiver-select>

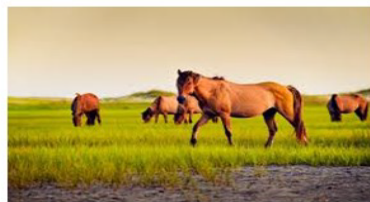


Beach Bimmers 2026!

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 14th. Return on Sunday the 17th. 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/01jvcbz6kwv6qfarz5cyfavdr2/waiver-select>



Bimmers to Cedar Grove!

An Adventure to the Botanist & Barrel Wine Garden



- What: A chance to see something completely new! Botanist & Barrel is the South's only natural cidery — and first producer of Petillant Natural ciders — in the Southeastern United States, focused on spontaneous and wild cultures. Botanist & Barrel crafts real Southern ciders, fruited sours, and wines, by way of light-handed winemaking that intertwines old-world methods with modern sensibilities. Ciders are crafted with local, sustainable, and organic fruits, including blueberries, traditional Southern heirloom cider apples, and more, from their organic estate farm.
- When: Depart on Saturday, **September 27, 2025** at 10:00am. Come early for coffee and breakfast.
- Where: Departure from Leith BMW, 5603 Capital Blvd, Raleigh, NC 27616
- Objective: Terrific country drive to visit another gem hiding in plain sight. A lovely time touring to Orange Country. They offer local cheese and charcuterie boards, tinned fish, and other local snacks. Outside food is allowed, so pack a picnic or grab takeout and come hang out. More details can be found here: <https://www.botanistandbarrel.com/>
- Duration: Figure 6+ hours including driving.
- Contact Information: For details, connect with Rob McIsaac at Raleigh.BMWCCA.Activities@gmail.com or 919-880-8012.





Calling all BMW Club Cyclists.

Join us for a fun Bike ride this fall to benefit a great charity, the National MS Society.

The Tarheel Chapter is sponsoring a cycling team for the **Tour to Tanglewood**, 2 day bike ride this September. The ride will be on Saturday and Sunday September 20 and 21, 2025.

We guarantee you will have a great time with some BMW friends and will also feel great helping out a very worthy cause, the MS Society.

Use the following link to join the Tarheel Chapter Team or to make a donation:

<https://events.nationalmssociety.org/teams/TarheelBMW>

For more information and a discount code
for registration contact:

Tom Tice

(teticem3@gmail.com)

Fraser Dick

(fraserdick14@gmail.com)



LOCAL SCENE

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.

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 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 or Taylor Ward at 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) or Mike Langley (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.

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

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

TRIANGLE AREA DINNER (RALEIGH)

Date: 3rd Tuesday of middle month of each quarter (Feb, May, Aug, Nov)
Time: The fun starts at 6:00 p.m.
Where: Driftwood Cantina
Please contact Robert McIsaac for more information at triangle.bmwcca.activities@gmail.com

TRIANGLE AREA DINNER (CHAPEL HILL)

NONE SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME

Footnotes classifieds...

Ads are free to members in good standing of the BMW CCA. Non-members can also place advertisements here for \$5.00 per month. Please enclose all necessary information with your advertisement.

Unless you tell us otherwise, your ad will appear here for three (3) consecutive issues.

**Classified advertisements can be emailed to the Editor's attention
at: newsletter@tarheelbmwcca.org**

2022 M240i.

Factory warranty/roadside protection until Nov 2025. 409 HP, 0-60 in 3.6 secs. Perfect condition. Never tracked. Premium options. Always covered in storage. No dents, scrapes, scratches, and lightly driven. I will send a copy of window sticker, additional details and pictures upon request. Location Saluda, NC, \$47.9K Steve Garrett, s.garrett@comcast.net, 772-214-6785

1985 635 Motronic 0 261 200 Computer

Bought for a 1984 633 conversion that never happened. Loaned it to a fellow club member early Oct 97 who tested it when he thought his was bad, it worked fine. Pick it up in Mathews \$50. If it doesn't work will refund on return of the unit.
dhoerl@mac.com

2004 E46 M3 Convertible.

It's silver, black and silver interior, 6 Speed MT, good condition, about 75K miles. I'm wanting \$14,000. Obo.

Contact Tim Dyer 407-497-0076

MISCELLANEOUS:

Tarheel Chapter BMW CCA Forum

Join us online: Some time ago, the listserv was replaced by a bulletin board forum. You can view it here:

<https://www.bmwcca.org/forum/index.php>

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS:

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

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

WANTED:

Your photos and stories.

Got a tale to tell about your Bimmer, photos you want to share with your fellow **Footnotes** readers, or just a suggestion? Email your submissions to newsletter@tarheelbmwcca.org. Come on, you can do it... We would love to hear from you!

END GAME

Photo by Richard Daugherty



Tom Plucinsky, head of BMW Group Classic, answering our questions at the MIX farewell dinner

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2025 HPDS Schedule

Here's the (TENTATIVE) 2025 Tarheel BMW CCA HPDS Schedule:
(Contracts not yet signed, but we think these dates are solid.)

April 18-20 VIR Full Course
June 20-22 VIR North Course
October 3-5 VIR Full Course

Registration will open on a Monday evening @8pm, about 9-10 weeks prior to each event.

Feb 10 Registration open for April event.
April 21 Registration open for June event.
July 28 Registration open for October event.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW. THE PRE-REG ANNOUNCEMENT MIGHT GO TO SPAM...