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President's Message

Greetings Members,

Event participation continues to be strong, and we continue to be the club of choice for BMW owners looking to share their love of motorsport with other enthusiasts. We've had some great events so far this year, and our biggest events are still yet to come this Summer.

Our popular **Covered Bridges Tour** was another great route out of Salem BMW through beautiful scenic areas with a few glimpses of days-gone-by and historic structures.

The **Wine Country Tour** lived up to its reputation as "organized chaos" this year as we had a change of lunch arrangements. All turned out well and we enjoyed Kramer Vineyards, Lemelson Vineyards, and Failla Wines.

Our first overnighter was to Bend for the **Desert Tour**. We were hosted by Tim Morris of German Master Tech. The fantastic tour included Crooked River Gorge and the volcanic regions around Sisters.

The **Rogue River Jetboat Tour** was another new overnighter. This southern Oregon tour featured beautiful scenery, technical twisties, and exciting jetboat experience through the wild and scenic Rogue River Valley.

Coming up this summer is one of our favs, the **Vintage Racing Festival** at PIR, where we always have a corral. Our second **Mt. St. Helens Tour** will be a recap of the big-turnout event from last year.

Also new this year is PIR's **German Palooza**. All the German car clubs in the area will be represented, and is a first of its kind here in Portland. With club corrals, vendor tents, and food offerings, it'll be an event not to be missed!

Maryhill Loops will of course take place again in August. I think there would be a revolt if we didn't host this uber-popular event! Our signature event **Motorfest** was so successful last year we're hosting it again at Mint Lake. Watch your email for more info this summer.

Be sure to attend as many of our events as you can!

"Carpe Diem" my freinds.



Buck Bailey, President

BMW CCA Oregon Chapter 2018 Event Calendar

Month	Type	Event	Date
July	Drive Event Corral	Mt. St. Helen's Tour Ser West Vintage Racing Festival	7/21 7/21 7/27-7/29
August	Event Drive Mtg Event Event	German Palooza Maryhill Loops Board Meeting Classic Group CC&C Pebble Beach Concours Grand Prix of Portland	8/4-8/5 8/11-8/12 8/13 8/18 8/20 8/31-9/2
September	Drive Event Mtg Event Event	MotorFest Tour MotorFest Board Meeting M Car Day Oregon Festival of Cars Classic Group CC&C	9/8 9/8 9/10 9/15 9/14-9/16 9/22
October	Mtg Event Drive Event	Board Meeting Women's Tech Day Fall Colors Tour Classic Group CC&C	10/8 10/13 10/20 10/27
November	Mtg Series	2019 Planning Meeting Kart series Race 1	11/10 11/20
December	Drive Series	Randall's Toy Drive Kart series Race 2	12/15 TBD

Verify event location, start time, and other details at www.bmworegoncca.com



A pair of stunning M5's on the Wine Country Tour
> e39 owned by Vince and Missy Manley
> e34 owned by Brian Cone



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Upcoming Club Events

July 21

Mount St. Helens Volcano Run

Our Volcano Run was big hit last year, so we're doing it again this year. We'll wind our way through the twisty back roads on the Oregon side of the Columbia River, avoiding Hwy 30 as much as possible. We'll cross the river at Longview and begin a leisurely cruise through beautiful countryside heading north to Castle Rock for a bite to eat.

After "filling our tanks", we'll re-group and head up Hwy 504 to Johnston Ridge Observatory. The panoramic scenery of this drive is amazing, and gliding along the big sweepers is pure bliss for any auto enthusiast. We'll stop for a group car photo in the Observatory's parking area and enjoy the awesome display of nature's power at the volcano interpretive center.

July 27-29

Vintage Racing Festival

The Portland Vintage Racing Festival is one of our favorite events! There will be infield car corral areas along with lots of vintage races! We look forward to seeing you!

Each \$45.00 Car Corral registration includes two weekend passes, one car pass, touring laps in your car Saturday & Sunday, Jaguar autocross and much more! More information can be seen on the SVRA website. Make sure to put "BMW CCA" in the "Group/Club" field when buying your passes.

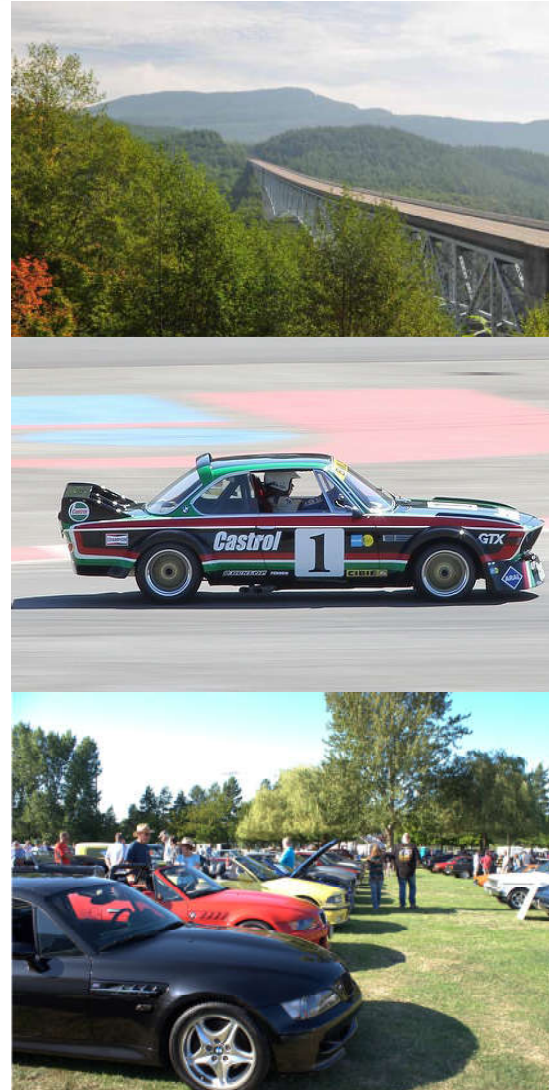
August 4-5

German Palooza

Germanpalooza is a new festival celebrating all German automobiles! Taking place at Portland International Raceway, Germanpalooza welcomes all Volkswagen, Audi, BMW, Mercedes and Porsche vehicles, their enthusiasts and car club members!

There will be a car show, swap meet, 1/2 day track time and drag racing too! See our chapter website for registration information

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August 11-12

Maryhill Loops

Join us for our 9th Annual Maryhill Loops Rally!

Each day will accommodate approximately 25 drivers and will cost \$75, which includes lunch. This event is open to BMW CCA members. If you're not a member, you can join by clicking the following link: [Click here to join the BMW CCA](#)

Registrants are initially limited to choosing either Saturday or Sunday for their 'driving' day, but may have the opportunity to register for both days IF space is still available one week prior to the event.

We will be offering a handful of discounted driving spots for members willing to volunteer to be course workers for the event on their non-driving day. This limited number of discounted spots will be \$40 and offered only to 6 people on Saturday and 6 people on Sunday! So, you could volunteer Saturday and drive Sunday or vice versa for a steeply discounted price!



August 18 & Sept. 22

Classic Cars & Coffee

The Classic Group meets at our favorite venue, the Oswego Grill parking area at Centerpointe. Our focus is on Classic BMWs, primarily any BMW 25 years or older, (which means early e32, e34, and e36 are now falling into that category!). If you are able to bring your Classic BMW please join us!



Our Signature Event

September 8

Motorfest 9

Calling all BMW enthusiasts! MotorFest 9 will be held along the scenic and verdant shores of a private lake in Yacolt, Washington. This is our Chapter's largest annual event and features group driving tours to the lakeside venue, favorite car awards with 7 classes, an enormous charity raffle, music and entertainment, food and beverages, vendor shops, and a great environment to spend the day with your friends and the diverse assortment of our favorite marque. MotorFest is open to any and all BMW years, models, and conditions.

Plan to spend the day with us on Saturday, September 8, 2018, from 11 am to 3pm in Southwest Washington on the grassy show field surrounding the lake. There will be organized group drives from Portland and Southwest Washington leaving earlier in the morning, with the highly anticipated favorite cars awards ceremony at 2:30 in the afternoon, closing out what promises to be another epic MotorFest



As with every MotorFest, the Oregon Chapter sponsors a local charity with funds generated through registration fees and the raffle. For 2018, we are proud to support Meals On Wheels in Oregon and Southwest Washington, changing lives one meal at a time.

This year's MotorFest featured car will be the highly functional and yet always sporty Hatchback. This includes any BMW with a rear hatch, such as a 318ti, x3, touring models, etc.

Details are being finalized and more information will be available on the website. If you are interested in sponsorship opportunities, looking for vendor space reservations, or interested in filling one of our many and much needed volunteer positions, please contact event coordinator Dan Hones: dan@bmworegoncca.com



Len Atlas and Florin Baldrige from Grant's Pass ventured north last year to take part in the Oregon Chapter's Motorfest. They got into a conversation with Dan Hones, our past President. Len mentioned that we should do a tour down there and that he was very familiar with the area. Dan said, "great idea, you just volunteered to organize it". I heard about this and said, well I go down to Southern Oregon often for work so why don't I meet up with these two guys and see what they want to do. "Great, you also just volunteered". And so, it began.

Len set up the hotel and Jetboat reservation, while I worked to get the message out with our social media and MotorsportReg. Len and Florin spent many hours designing the tour and pre-driving it to be sure it worked. Friday June 15 most out of towners drove down to Grants Pass and stayed overnight at the Redwood Hyperion Suites. Saturday morning, we had the drivers meeting and took off. We had 14 cars. A beautiful assortment from an almost 60-year-old BMW 1600 Baur convertible to the newest M3 and M4's, and of course my '95 M3.

Our first leg was beautiful as we drove alongside the Rogue River. It was only 15 miles before we stopped at the view point of Hellgate Canyon Overlook, a spectacular view. From the look on everyone's face we knew the drive was going to be great. We drove another 6 miles before stopping at the Galice Resort for lunch. The restaurant was expecting us and set aside 14 parking spaces right out front. We of course backed in to let our noses peak out for another photo opp. We sat outside overlooking the river, getting to know each other and fueling up our tummy's for the long road ahead.

The road ahead was narrow and twisty. For the next 10 miles our driving skills were tested as the road switched back and forth as we drove like we were on a go-kart course. The trees formed a perfect arch above us and the canyon was only a drop away. From the Galice Resort to our next rest stop at the Galesville Reservoir/Chief Miwaleta Campground we covered 42 miles of twisties. We left Chief's campground and barreled up the hills deeper into the BLM forest roads. These roads are only traveled by loggers, excavators, hunters, fisherman and crazies like us.

Three of us were in the rear and eventually hung back so much that we couldn't find the pack. I mean they were gone. But who cares, keep going. Swing right, now left, we never even saw the turn off we were supposed to take. OK, pull over here. Look at the map, check the odometer. Try the cell phone. No signal. We were deep in the woods. OK, let's turn around. One of us say's, turn here. OK, that leads us up the hill deeper and onto a dirt road that I'm sure no one without a farm to grow pot would be coming up here. Turn around, quick!!

Turn here, this is where we saw the sign (carved out of wood) that said Freeway THIS WAY.



We found the onramp and caught up to leader Len.

About 30 miles to go. More twisties and breath taking views. We made it to the one lane covered bridge and back to Grants Pass in time for the relaxing 4:00 PM dinner ride on a jet boat that is powered by 3 Chevy 427 cubic inch motors. The motor they used in the muscle car Vettes. Ha!! More crazy fun.

The clouds came in and the wind picked up, we were headed for the wettest boat ride of our lives. What is wrong with this picture. Where's the dry seat? Oh, no where. OK then. Let's go.

What a flippen great time this ride was. Eagles, Blue Heron, Beavers (that now one saw) and bears that never showed up. But holly molly. Beautiful and fun. The boat heads into the Hellsgate Canyon. Named for the phase, this is the gate to hell. OK, let's go.

Spectacular. And wouldn't you know it, we saw a car that the night before, careened off the road and into the canyon smashed up by the rocks so bad you could not identify the cars brand. And we were on that road, weren't we? I think so.

Well we made it to dinner, which was awful, and then back home to the hotel.

If you weren't one of the 25 or so people that were on this trip, then you must not miss the next one. Come down to beautiful southern Oregon and enjoy driving your BMW.



Our first BMW CCA Oregon Chapter tour in Central Oregon was a great adventure! Tim Morris, owner of German Master Tech (gmt-bend.com) was gracious to host our group of BMW's at his shop in Bend. .

Our day started at Tim's German Master Tech shop, where over 40 cars in the parking lot. We enjoyed the opportunity to look at Tim's shop, the most comprehensive repair, restoration, and maintenance German car shop in Central Oregon.

Tim designed a fantastic route based on his extensive knowledge of the roads around Bend. His route showed the natural beauty of the Central Oregon's desert, with magnificent views of desert plains, valleys, and canyons. The route took us through the Crooked River Gorge with a half way stop at the Prineville Reservoir Marina. We continued through the desert to a park in central Prineville where we enjoyed lunch. Many of us went to the Sandwich Factory and enjoyed great food on their roof-top dining area. After lunch, we departed Prineville and continued to drive on great roads around Sisters and the Lower Ridge area. Our final destination was Tim's shop.

Some of us stayed overnight in Bend to enjoy the city. Deschutes Brewery provided us with a great dinner and selections from their extensive beers on tap.

Tim has offered to design another tour for us next year. Also, Cam Scott also wants to run a tour next year as well. Looks like we will enjoy more tours in Central Oregon.



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