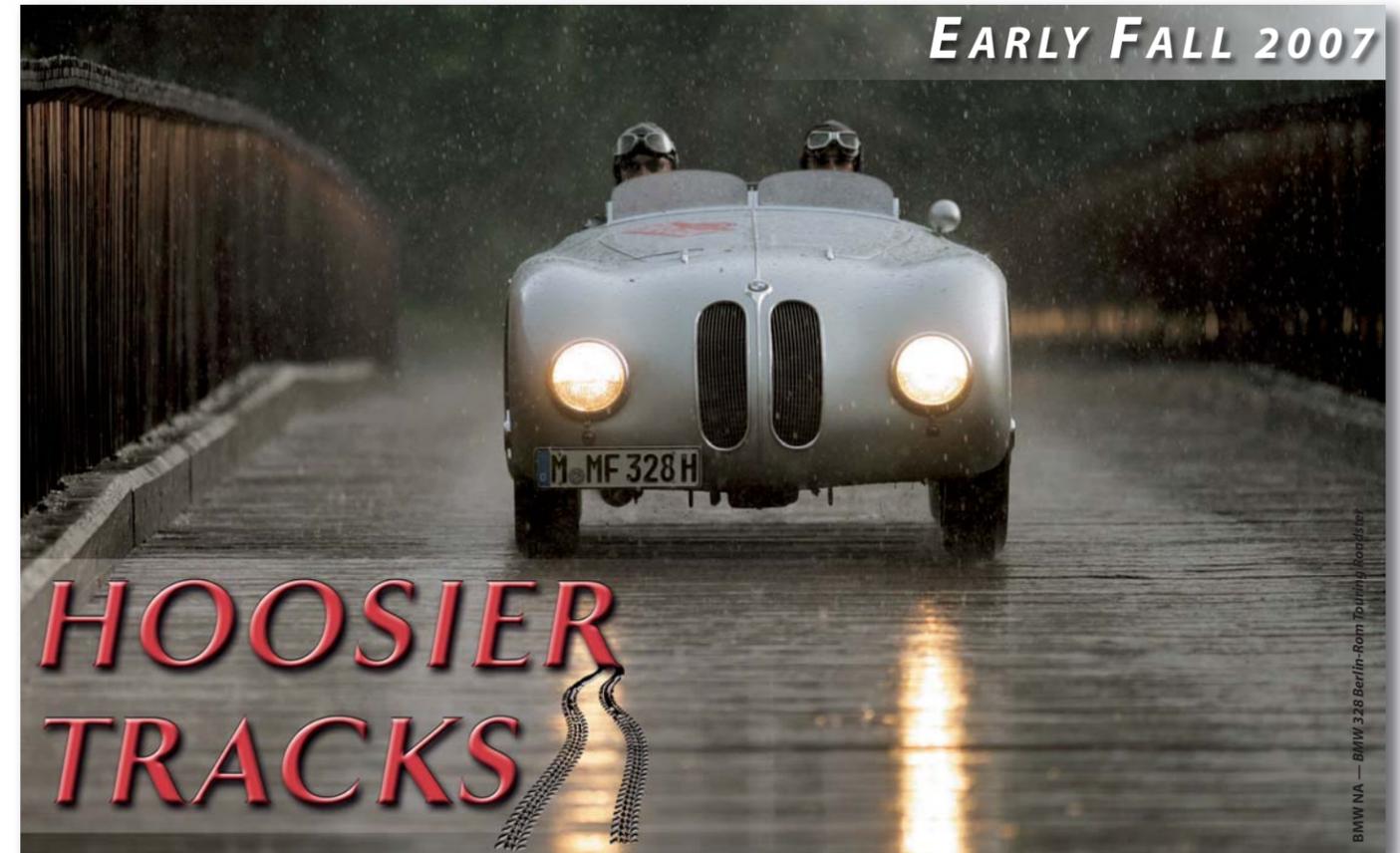




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### PRESIDENT'S PAGE

By Mike Lingenfelter  
Chapter President/Hoosier BMW CCA

#### A reassuring epiphany struck me in an abandoned parking lot a couple balmy weeks ago.

Our board met in early January and plotted a calendar which scheduled a couple chapter events each month in addition to our regular membership meeting. We wanted to better serve our membership by offering a wider variety of events which appealed to a broader cross-section of chapter membership. Our members are individuals with distinct needs and desires, even if we share a common enthusiasm for BMWs. To better serve you, we knew we had to offer events which appealed to your wants and needs. Since your desires don't mirror the next member's, we decided to offer variety.

Granted, we cancelled a couple events due to lack of response and hosted a couple other "lightly attended" events (abetted largely by insufficient advance communication — live and learn). On the flipside several events exceeded expectations.

Then came August and our annual driving tour, which took more than a dozen couples on a driving and walking jaunt through northern Illinois' state parks. The following Saturday saw us back the old Bush Stadium for the second of three autocrosses at which over thirty members competed.

I was intrigued by just how disparate the events' participants were. The driving tour attracted couples, including two for



whom this was their inaugural club event. The autocross attracted predominantly men, including by my count about a dozen I seldom (if ever) see at other club events. Of course, a handful of "club junkies" partook in both events. I contend our August activities served more of our members by appealing to different member constituencies.

With that in mind, my attention turns to a pair of upcoming events. First up is our new member picnic. It's your opportunity to eat free home-cooked food and connive with active members to learn more about who we are and what we do. The second event is Oktoberfest, which is being held the first week of October in Fort Worth. I invite our more enthusiastic members to mark their calendars for next year. The event moves to Watkins Glen, combines with TechFest, and runs on an abbreviated schedule. As always I look forward to O'Fest to catch up with the fascinating people I've come to call good friends whom I only see once a year. I drive home from O'fest feeling fully served by the club. You can, too.

On a closing note, chapter officer elections are just around the corner (at our holiday party in December). I'll write about it more in November's newsletter. I encourage you to run for office. Just as club events appeal to different members for different reasons, members offer their time and talents to lead the club for different reasons. Even though this club exists to serve its membership, this club functions solely because some members choose to serve fellow members. Thanks in advance for considering to offer your services

After all, it takes being a "club junkie" to know one.

## 2007 WOODS & WATER TOUR

By Nancy Oldham



Thanks to everyone who participated in the Woods & Water Auto Tour on August 4th. We had a total of 20 people and 1 dog. We traversed many Illinois state parks taking in the woods, rivers, hiking trails, and prairies.

A picnic in the park with shared dishes among friends only added to the great experience! A couple of minor errors in road directions, were quickly countered with the GPS systems of some tour members. No one seemed to mind as we were all just enjoying our cars while driving through the countryside taking in the sites. We hiked through canyons, upper and lower dells, and were able to see many colorful rock formations from minerals that are constantly leaching out of the rocks. A truly beautiful area! Our overnight stays were scattered among a handful of local hotels and a country inn, called *The Brightwood*. Ribeye steaks and chicken were enjoyed for dinner along with some homegrown corn on the cob that the Inn prepared for us. A relaxing evening on the porch of the Inn brought a close to Saturday.

Sunday morning found us waking to the sound of pouring rain outside. Many members decided to run for home, while others enjoyed the small town festivals and wineries along their routes home. After the rain subsided, some of us took one last hike in the *Matthiessen State Park* next to the Inn.

Rick and I want to thank everyone for coming, as well as thank the *Hoosier BMW Car Club* for providing the dinner on Saturday night. What a great club and a great bunch of people to be associated with!

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Visit [www.hoosierbmw.com](http://www.hoosierbmw.com) for updates additions and last minute changes.

### September:

- 15th Autocross — Bush Stadium (Indianapolis)
- 29th New Member Picnic — Annual Event at Eagle Creek Park (Indianapolis)

### October:

- 1st-7th O'Fest — Fort Worth, Texas
- 3rd Membership meeting at Brickyard Crossing
- 13th Combined Road Trip — OH/KY Chapters

### November:

- 7th Membership meeting at Brickyard Crossing
- 10th Movie night @ Mike's (Chapter President) (RSVP to [autospiel@insightbb.com](mailto:autospiel@insightbb.com))

### December:

- 8th Holiday party at the Rathskeller

## BACKROADS TO BUCKHORN

### BMWCCA - Bluegrass Bimmers Chapter

Saturday Oct 13 - Sunday Oct 14

With Summer winding down, it is time to think about our annual Fall "Backroads" drive. Last year our destination was *Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park*. If you joined us for that trip you already know the countryside, including a final leg out of Lexington with some



remarkable roads through the *Daniel Boone National Forest*! By popular demand we're returning to Buckhorn this year on **OCTOBER 13th**. Our group will include Bluegrassers and our Buckeye Brethren. This a great opportunity to renew acquaintances and make some new ones. We've arranged for the Lodge to hold 30 rooms for us until September 13 at a VERY GOOD RATE under "BMW club". Those rooms are "first come first served" and you will need to make your own reservations to secure them. These are the only remaining rooms at the lodge and they will go fast! If you miss out on the lodge reservations there are additional rooms available in nearby Hazard.

**Last day to register: Fri Oct 5, 2007**

**Entry fee:** \$15.00 per person (proceeds to go to "Cabbage Patch" (Bluegrass Bimmers) and "Stepping Stones" (Buckeye))

**Contact:** Steve Cullen, [woody@bluegrassbimmers.org](mailto:woody@bluegrassbimmers.org).

**Here's what we've got planned:**

#### Saturday Morning:

Planned rendezvous is 8:00 at the Chase bank branch off I-65 (exit 99) in Greenwood. Departure is 8:30 sharp for our rendezvous in Lexington with our other groups.

#### Saturday Noon:

Lunch served in Lexington at our rendezvous point. Along the way — "sag" stops with water, soft drinks and light snacks.

### Saturday Evening:

Dinner at the Lodge. Adult beverages of the German persuasion provided. (Dinner tickets must be purchased from the Lodge at time of check-in, \$15.66 per person includes beverage and gratuity).

### Saturday Night:

Fun and fellowship till?? Put this on your calendar and make your reservations now! You don't want to miss this trip! Please RSVP to :lan Bryant at [lbryant@triphase-tech.com](mailto:lbryant@triphase-tech.com)

## NEW MEMBER PICNIC

### Are you new to the Hoosier BMWCCA?

Would you like to meet some new people and see some pretty bimmers? Join us on September 29 for our annual new member picnic. New members include anyone who has joined the Hoosier chapter since last October.



### The details are as follows:

**When:** September 29. We start serving at 11am

**Where:** Eagle Creek Park — Lily Lake shelter. Use the 71st street entrance. It's just easier!

**Cost:** \$4 per car park entrance fee

The club will provide drinks, burgers, brats and hot dogs. If you are a veteran member please bring a side dish or dessert. New members just bring yourselves. Door prizes will be awarded to new members! This event is rain or shine, so come prepared. So bring the whole family. There is plenty to do and we have the shelter for the entire day. In the past we have had great turnouts and an abundance of good food. Let's keep the tradition alive!

Please RSVP to: Jen Panich

317-388-8852 or [panichnick@sbcglobal.net](mailto:panichnick@sbcglobal.net)

