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# Pferdestärke

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## Battle of Lawrenceburg 2012

This year the Bluegrass Bimmers traveled back to Lawrenceburg, IN to meet the challenge put forth by the Buckeyes. Competition Racing and their neutral piece of sandblasted concrete, again played host to this event. Last year, as you may or may not remember, the Bluegrass teams took the majority of the podium positions with 1st and 3rd. Needless to say with that kind of showing last year the Buckeyes buckled down and brought their "RACE FACE". Not one to back off, the Bluegrass'ers started setting some impressive lap times during the qualifying sessions. Feeling confident with our team make up, we started to strategize on how to get our faster carts to the front and keep up the pressure with good blocking from our slower cart. The pole position

was awarded (at random) to our blocking cart, not a bad deal since we could set the pace. The adverse result of this was that our fastest cart was placed at the back of the field. The race was hard fought and rarely had a lull in the action. Our fastest cart was being effectively blocked by the Buckeyes while our blocking cart spun out (or got spun out) allowing the Buckeyes to take the lead. The Buckeyes capitalized on this and took control of the race but not complete control. Our fastest cart did an excellent job of navigating the traffic finishing the race firmly in 2nd place. Even though we didn't repeat last year's success, it was still an enjoyable experi-

ence for all that participated.

1st—Buckeyes 2nd—Bluegrass 3rd—Buckeyes



That blur is Zach making his push to gain laps back and finish 2nd!



2nd Place Cart: Zach Ketring, Chad Sledd, and David Nalley

#### The Presidents Letter

Greetings fellow members!

For those who I haven't yet had the pleasure to meet, I'm Dan Miller; I've served as your president since the beginning of 2011. While I'm only 26, I've owned Bimmers for the last six years, and have been a fan of the brand as long as I can remember. I've found the club to be not only a tremendous resource but also a great community to socialize with.

2012 is set to be an exciting year for Bluegrass Bimmers, and we have our fullest schedule in recent years. Monthly socials are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, both in Louisville and Lexington.

Make sure to consult the chapter website as the locations do rotate. Our first event this year was the Annual Karting Challenge versus the Buckeye Chapter. While the pesky Buckeyes took home the trophy this year, everyone had a blast.

#### Calendar of Events

10th - Monthly Social

14th - Cars & Coffee

21st - Spring Drive

28th - Dyno Day

8th - Monthly Social 12th - Cars & Coffee

12th - Street Survival

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9th - Cars & Coffee 12th - Monthly Social

22 - 24 - Bluegrass/ **Hoosier HPDE** 

TBD - Garage Tour

10th - Monthly Social

14th - Cars & Coffee

19-22 - Keenland Con-

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11th - Cars & Coffee

14th - Monthly Social

<u>September</u>

8th - Cars & Coffee

11th - Monthly Social

17th - 23rd - **BMW CCA** 

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For more info on any of the events listed above go to... www.bluegrassbimmers.org www.bmwcca.org/ www.motorsportreg.com

#### The Presidents Letter - Continued

Our next upcoming event this year is the Spring Drive, "Backroads, Bimmers, and Bratwurst", held on

April 21st. We'll be touring the beautiful Kentucky countryside, ultimately ending up at the Hofbrauhaus in Newport, KY. There is no cost for the event and registration is live at motorsportreg.com. This event is followed the next week by a Dyno Day held in Louisville, KY. Don't miss out on a great chance to get your car tuned up for this year's driver's school.

Mark your calendars for June! The month kicks off with the widely anticipated Bluegrass Bimmers Garage Tour, with tours at some of the member's Garage Mahals, and includes a stop at Huber's in "The

Knobs" of Southern Indiana. If you're interested in showing off your garage, let us know. Following the Garage Tour will be the annual driver's school. Please join me in welcoming the Hoosier

Chapter as we hold our first school together, the "Rites O' June", held from June 24-26. This year we've joined forces in an effort to avoid passing on the higher track rental rate to our members. With the inclusion of Hoosier, this year's event is set to be better than ever. Come out and enjoy your BMW's in their natural environment!

If none of that excites you, stay tuned to the next newsletter as these events represent just the first half of this year's schedule. I look forward to the opportunity to meet all of you throughout the year.

Dan Miller

Bluegrass Bimmers Chapter President

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