



“The time has come,” the Editor said,
“To talk of many things:
Of tires -- wheels -- and sealing wax --
Of E30s -- and Z4s --
And why the track is so much fun --
And whether straight sixes need more.”

**BMW Car Club
of America
Lone Star Chapter**



Time, indeed. There have been rumors and rumblings, and I'm sure for some of you there will be quite a few grumblings, but this miniaturized dBR will represent the end of an era. At a national level, the BMW CCA has authorized chapters to make the transition to electronic delivery. After much consideration, numerous debates, endless back and forths and backs again, the Lone Star Chapter is joining the digiranks.

The ~~automatrons~~ good people in charge of records at National are, perhaps by the time you read this but certainly before long at any rate, currently setting every Lone Star Chapter member's default newsletter preference to electronic as opposed to via post. Should you have some aversion to electronic media, you may, at any time, log onto BMWCCA.org and change your preference. But be warned: this changeover is gonna be pretty damn good.

You'll be able to not just read about our autocrosses, DEs and races, but watch videos of them. Forget seeing just a few photos of a given issue's member's ride; flip through a whole bloody slideshow. Don't worry about your clumsy mailman crinkling each issue in your mailbox. Load it on your iPad and read it on a plane (don't worry -- we won't tell anyone you're not reading *50 Shades*). With print, you'll have but a black and white ghost of the real thing.

Without sounding too much like a presidential candidate, change is good, change is inevitable and change is coming. Look for it in your inbox very shortly, but in the mean time, read on for an overview of how we spent our summer.

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The Texas

Two Step

An LSC BMW CCA Joint

10.20.12 - 10.21.12

Sunday

Saturday

Sign up NOW @ MotorSportReg.com

Coming up on the 20th, we've got an event that's absolutely perfect for dyslexic people anyone that gets bored doing the same thing over and over, or even just likes the challenge of doing things differently every now and then. Step 1: Learn the course. Step 2: Just when you think you've got MSR down pat, we'll switch it up and have you run the course backwards. And that's the LSC Texas Two Step.

But wait, there's more...

Just as you wouldn't get on a plane if the pilot didn't complete his pre-flight inspection, you don't want to get on track without having someone complete a similar inspection on your car. Well, also, you're not *allowed* on track without an inspection, for the safety of you, your instructor and everyone else on the track. Enter Spec Motorsports, a just-open shop in McKinney that's kindly offered to handle all pre-DE inspections gratis.

From a couple of serious gear heads that are both steeped in Bimmerlust and wholly addicted to the track lifestyle, Spec's a 10-bay, 11k sqft race-prep shop that does everything from diagnostic work on street cars, to custom roll cage and exhaust work, to CAD designs and carbon-fiber laying. If this is going to be your first DE, well, probably none of that applies to you yet, but just wait, we'll get you addicted to track life yet it does serve to show you're in competent hands.

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March:

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| 1) Ken Orgeron | 78.366s |
| 2) David Whitener | 79.259s |
| 3) Iain Peebles | 79.564s |

May:

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| 1) Ken Orgeron | 90.272s |
| 2) Jonathan Altschul | 91.298s |
| 3) Mark Cameron | 92.183s |

June:

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| 1) Greg X. | 89.741s |
| 2) Armstrong Vongsavath | 91.232s |
| 3) Kevin Bartels | 91.452s |

July:

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| 1) Ken Orgeron | 85.119s |
| 2) Gern Blanston | 86.303s |
| 3) Scott Steider | 86.586s |

August:

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| 1) Ken Orgeron | 54.978s |
| 2) Gern Blanston | 55.648s |
| 3) Armstrong Vongsavath | 55.757s |

Calendar of Events

October 20th-21st

Fall HPDE

Sign up NOW at MotorSportReg.org. Space is very limited.

November 3rd-4th

Autocross # 9, Race of Champions

November 10th

Breakfast at Mary's on the Brazos in Tin Top TX

Meet at 9a with a circuitous rout back to DFW by 1p Sat afternoon.

November 11th

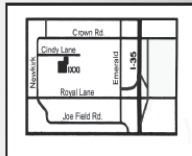
Board Meeting

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