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Chapter

Cars and Coffee: Upstate

By John Budinich

It's finally here. Cars and Coffee has arrived in the Upstate. Cars and Coffee of the Upstate is an informal gathering of car enthusiasts from around the Upstate to have some coffee, talk about cars and view each other's rides.

Despite rain and the postponement of the first Cars and Coffee, 18 cars showed up at the Starbucks parking lot on March 26th. Although there was no sun, the water beading on the paint of the Lotus, Viper, Corvette, Porsches, BMWs and others in attendance was still an awesome sight. This just goes to show how eager the Upstate Area is for this type of event.

Those who did show up congregated inside Starbucks swapped car stories and got to know each other. Most of the comments were that this was a long time in coming and with the amount and diversity of great cars in the Upstate; this has the potential to become a big event. With this type of turnout on a cold and rainy day, I looked forward to the first "official" event with great anticipation of an even larger turnout.

The "official" inaugural Cars & Coffee of the Upstate took place on Saturday, April 2nd. The weather was sunny and cool and the forecast was for a great day. Cars started to roll in around 7:50 am, led by a pair of Morgan's from the '50s. My expectations were exceeded as just over 60 cars were in attendance by 9:00 am. The mix of cars held something for everyone to enjoy, no matter where your tastes lie. On one end there was a '55 Morgan Plus 4 and a '55 Morris Minor "Woody" wagon with matching trailer and surf board. On the other end there was a '06

Lamborghini Gallardo and a '10 BMW M3. Other cars included representatives from Lotus, Jaguar, Austin Healey, MG, assorted American Muscle and all years and models of BMWs and Porsches.

The event now moves back to its normally scheduled day and time of the 4th Saturday of the month from 8:00 am to 11:00 am. There are too many conflicts on the first Saturday of the month, so future rain outs will just mean the event does not take place that month. Many of those in attendance said they would be back again on a regular basis. Others who could not make the 2nd due to conflicts are looking forward to attending the April 23rd event.

. This event takes place in the North Hills Shopping Center parking lot behind Starbucks and Liquid Highway. The lot is located at the intersection of Pelham Road and East North Street in Greenville, SC. Remember, if you have nothing planned for your morning on the 4th Saturday of the month and you are interested in cool cars, hot coffee, great people and



pure fun, stop by Cars & Coffee of the Upstate. Stay for a few minutes or a few hours, you decide. You can also follow us on Facebook @ Cars & Coffee of the Upstate for pictures from past events and to keep informed of upcoming events. We look forward to seeing you at a Cars & Coffee of the Upstate in the near future.

President's Corner

Welcome to Spring/Summer 2011

We had a great outing at the Performance Center on March 27th. We drove PC cars in four different events with the highlight being "hot laps" at the end of the day with instructors driving M3's "like they stole them". The 135i and 335d events were fun-filled, timed challenges with everyone trying to achieve the best times possible. The 335i races on the upper skid pad were a lot of fun with several people winning and advancing through three sessions of driving on a totally wet track with DSC off. It was also BIG fun for us to drive M3's with DCT on a large course and experience the great acceleration and handling available in these cars. Yee Ha!!!!

The National Office of the BMW CCA has mandated that all chapters redesign their logos to adhere to a new set of standards handed down by BMW. This edict resulted in the new logo design you're seeing at the top of this newsletter. We really like our existing logo and have lots of pins and decals designed around that logo. While at the PC event, I announced that the chapter would start "giving away" all the existing decals and pins with the previous logo on them. These will only be available at the area meetings, so the only way to get your free decals and hat/lapel pins is to attend a meeting. If you're in an area that is more than 50 miles from a local meeting, then contact me and we'll discuss how to provide pins to you in those areas. This will involve you paying for shipping just as before with no cost for the pins.

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We have a lot of events on the horizon for this year. For those of you subscribed to our email list, you're seeing all the information arrive via email. For those of you who are not on the email list, and that's about one third of you, you are missing out on the most current information. Sign up for the email list at our website; sandlapperbmw.org. You can unsubscribe yourself if our info starts to overwhelm you.

We have elections coming up this summer. Please see the notification further into this newsletter.

BMW will be the featured marquee for the Hilton Head Island Concours this year. There will be more info to come via e-mail as we get closer to the event. Their website is HHICconcours.com.

See you around SC.

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From the Editor

Hello Sandlapper Chapter,

My big mouth has gotten y'all a new editor of The Roadster; hopefully you'll enjoy the ride as much as I have already. I suppose an introduction is in order. I'm Dan Collins, writing to you from Greenville where I attend Furman. I am a BMW fanatic who grew up in Maine, found my way down here and have no intention of leaving any time soon. I have enjoyed immensely the experiences I have had with the Sandlapper Chapter, where I have also made some great friends and hope to contribute in the future, provided what I have done to this newsletter won't get me kicked out.

I've changed some things up with the format, and would love to hear some comments. In fact, I would love to make this page into a letters to the editor section. If the format doesn't invoke any criticism, I may be forced to go down the route of Jeremy Clarkson and throw in some opinionated and perhaps blasphemous content (reviewing a Mercedes, anybody?) to get some response. If you ever have anything that you would like to contribute, feel free to e-mail me photos or articles at dan.collins27@gmail.com. Who knows, it could be the launch of an illustrious journalistic career!

Finally, I would like to thank Denise Gagnon for helping me through getting this first issue out, and teaching me the ropes. I know that there will be, undoubtedly many things that I mess up, but thanks to her this is certainly less of a mess than it could have been. Happy Driving!

Dan Collins



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Club Elections

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Please submit these no later than June 15, 2011 to:
Dwayne Mosley, Sandlapper Chapter,
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Thanks,
Dwayne Mosley
President

Relay for Life

By Dan Collins

The great weather of the last several weeks means that everybody is making up for lost time getting outdoors. A few Sundays ago, I was able to make up for a lot of it, in a Competition Package M3 on a track, with someone else's gas, tires and some great supervision.

As a change of pace from last fall's Relay for



Life for BMW, the folks in Greer joined the Spartanburg relay, while hosting a day of driving events as a fundraiser to contribute as one single team. What a perfect day. The temperature being around 75 degrees and not a cloud to be seen made it a great day to spend on the track. Driving events were increased from last fall, the rat race (two 335ds this time going around the outer and inner), the wet oval (two 135i's on the wet skid

pad, having a lot of fun judging from the tire noise and facial expressions of the drivers) and the off road course in the x5 all made a repeat appearance from last year. New this year were an Autocross with 335i's, given some obstacles to brake and corner around and a Performance drive, featuring ZCP M3's, lots of WOT and hard braking. I certainly left with a wide grin on my face, and some great tips that I was practicing on the off ramps heading home afterwards.

The turnout was less than expected because of short notice for the event, however I highly recommend spending the day at BMW next year. Or should I, because then there might be more than one person in line in front of me. Tickets were \$30 per event, and the Sandlapper Chapter raised \$610 to add to BMW's cash donation to the Spartanburg Relay for Life.



4ngiefest

By John Applegit

There was an excellent turnout of cars and people at 4ngiefest. The vendor area was a little thin, but those that showed contributed some pretty cool prizes. We were delayed getting there due to my poor restaurant pick (McDonald's next year!) but we got to check out some cool cars and I'm looking forward to next year.

Sandlappers Florence and Steven Schlossman, Terraceina and John Applegit and Hardy Emery (Left to Right)



On April 1st, BMW M-GmbH announced the launch of two special edition M3 models, the Royal Edition M3, and the M3 Truck, or you may say, an El CaM3no. BMW's Forschungs und Narren division was at it again this April Fools day, and these two hoaxes from the Researches and Hoaxes division are the latest in a long standing tradition of April Fools' jokes. Prior announcements have included Magnetic Towing technology, a messaging display for the outside of the windshield and the one I would most want: an insect deflecting windshield. Interested in ordering either one of these? Contact Pauline.Yorlegg@bmw.co.uk



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MARQUE THE OCCASION.

To celebrate the forthcoming wedding of HRH Prince William of Wales and Miss Catherine Middleton, a very special Royal Edition of the BMW M3 Coupé will be available at BMW Dealerships throughout the country from today, and for this month only. The majestic Royal Edition is available in three colours – Regal Red, Bridal White and Imperial Blue. It is resplendently upholstered in Windsor White Dakota leather and adorned with our commemorative 'Will' emblem. For more information, call 0800 777 120 or contact pauline.yorlegg@bmw.co.uk

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Annemarie Canady	Goose Creek	2009 Z4
Cliff Davis	Honea Path	1998 328i
William Devault	Easley	2004 330i
Gene Holman	Aiken	
Marti Horwatt	Spartanburg	2001 M Roadster
Henry Meeuwse	Charleston	
David Moore	Aiken	2008 750Li
Jeffrey Rochlis	Beaufort	2011 Z4
April Sarmento	Charleston	2005 330CiC
Andrew Theodore	Columbia	2008 750i
James Van Dorsten	Johns Island	2011 535i xDrive



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Winner, PTG's second consecutive Driver & Team Titles, and
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BMW CCA Foundation Print

We have just released the latest print in the American Legacy Series – the BMW E36 M3 GT3 sedan that won the 1998 24-Hours of Daytona. This car was driven by Bill Auberlen, Boris Said, Mark Dues and Peter Cunningham.

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Sandlapper Chapter Pins/Decals

Decals and static clings with the new chapter logo. Both the decals and static clings are approx 3.5 x 2.75 inches. The decals are for the outside



of your window, helmet, tool box or anything else. The static clings are for the inside of your window.

We also have chapter logo pins. The leftover stock of pins and decals with the shield logo will be available at regional meetings, or if you live more than 50 miles from

the closest one, contact Dwayne Mosley at dwaynemosley@sandlapperbmw.org



Upcoming Events

Monday, May 2: One Lap of America will be at Carolina Motorsports Park in Kershaw, SC from 1-5pm.

Saturday, May 14: BMW CCA National Capital Chapter is holding a driving event at the Performance Center, and has invited Sandlapper members to join. Must register by April 30. This event is an organized driving school, and includes a plant tour. Cost is \$625 and check the website for the link to register. Must be 18 and hold a valid drivers license.

Little Switzerland Memorial Weekend Drive – FMI contact David Weeks at upstateSCBMWZclub@yahoo.com

Saturday, May 28 and June 25 – Cars and Coffee of the Upstate. 8-10 AM at the North Hills Shopping Center behind Starbucks and Liquid Highway in Greenville on E. North Street.

May 19-22 – 4th annual Spring Mountain Drive. All are invited. Make a reservation at the Creekside Lodge in Maggie Valley, NC under the group "Sandlapper BMW" FMI contact David Smith at DNSESmith@bellsouth.net

October 7-9 – Fall Mountain Drive, Big Lynn Lodge, Little Switzerland, NC Arrive at your leisure on Friday afternoon. Two hour Fun Rally with lunch and touring on your own on Saturday. Two-hour lead follow drive on Sunday followed by lunch. FMI, contact Trip Binford at tbinford@windstream.net. \$100 deposit required, check made out to Big Lynn Lodge. Send to Trip Binford, PO Box 2148, Lexington, SC 29071

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