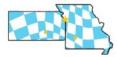
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The President's Corner

by Angel Hall

I hope everyone is having a great Summer and getting to spend time with their family and friends. Speaking of family and friends, have you considered asking a friend to Join BMW CCA with you? Did you know that you receive gift bucks that can be used in the BMW CCA store for every member you refer? And it's super easy.

When you receive your membership card in the mail from National, there's usually a referral card that comes with it. This is for you to give to someone so they will know to go to http://www.bmwcca.org and it also lists your membership number as their referral. Once they join, BMW CCA National will send you a \$5 coupon you can send in with your order from their online store. It's National's way of saying "Thanks for getting another enthusiast to join!"

Speaking of stores, I've added a chapter store to our MotorsportReg.com page. Here's why I added it: We have amazingly kind and generous members who donate things to the chapter. Your gifts have been so fabulous that I safely tuck them away in tidy boxes in my non-smoking home until

someone requests prizes for their event or our annual dinner. So they sit and wait, hoping for their new owner to come adopt or win them.

Sometimes we can collect several items in a gift basket for the annual dinner. Sometimes it's extra event swag that's the wrong size for one person but the perfect size for someone else, but how would they know it's available? Then the age-old question: How do I

get one of those stickers?

Then it hit me: what if someone could just purchase it as they would at the BMW CCA Foundation store? Instead of shipping, you just pick up the items at our BMW Cars and Coffee events. Members can now donate items they no longer want or need and know it is going to another member who will give it a great home. And you're helping to support our chapter. The chapter store is for members, by members. Proceeds go toward minor chapter event operational costs. (We're not set out to make a mint here, just looking to subsidize smaller event expenses like donuts and water or to subsidize a ticket price a little).

For those of you donating your valued gifts to the chapter, your generosity is exemplary. Your support helps us in so many ways. Thank You!

So far we have some event shirts, hats, and stickers, but new things are added as I get them, so when you're signing up for events, check out the store. You never know what might turn up in there: http://www.kcbmwclub.motorsportreg.com

Celebrate the drive!



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Hallett 2016 No Excuses 9

by Angel Hall

It's always a banner day at Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, especially for the return of No Excuses. The recently resurfaced track lived up to the expectations — according to all the smiles from the paddock.



Classroom instruction from BMW CCA club racer Scott Blazey.

No Excuses is a high-performance dri-

ving event (HPDE) where you learn exceptional driving skills and car control on a road course. It's not about speed, it's far more than that. It's about honing the driver's talents to achieve peak performance from their vehicle. It's a thrilling experience and certainly isn't anything like your high school driver's ed. class. Our HPDE program delivers

classroom instruction along with one-on-one in-car instruction to help you achieve your best.

No Excuses events are put on with our friends in awesomeness from the Sunbelt Chapter, serving the Oklahoma area. Our sincerest thanks to Mike Kesting and Mike Moore from the Sunbelt chapter. Super helpers from the Kansas City chapter included Scott Blazey, Greg Lippert, Mike Staub, Ryan Staub, John Fickel, and Tricia Nygren. Perfect weather and a technical track — it just couldn't get much better. With the exception of the date...

Although we've traditionally had this event during the first weekend in September, we've received feedback that folks just aren't liking it as much, so we listened! We will be celebrating One Decade of Drive: No Excuses 10 will be in October for 2017.

Fall weather and after Labor Day weekend means this event will likely be one of the best attended events all year. We hope you'll join us.



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