



## NEWS FROM NATIONAL

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*Thank you to those who attended this year's Chapter Congress, we hope you found the program to be valuable and are able to utilize the information we shared as you plan your chapter's activities this year. We really enjoyed seeing everyone in Dallas and hope to see you again in June for the 45th Annual Oktoberfest presented by Michelin in Beaver Creek, Colorado.*

*In this edition of News From National, we'll talk about HPDE insurance coverage, provide updates on upcoming National Events, and cover the approaching tax form deadlines for chapters.*

**Special Note: Help us promote this year's Oktoberfest and Car of Your Dreams Raffle by including an ad in your chapter's newsletter. You will find print ready ads for both events [here](#). You can also download a special Car of Your Dreams Raffle Facebook Cover Image [here](#).**



## INSURANCE COVERAGE DURING HPDE EVENTS

Each year BMW CCA Chapters organize many high-performance driver's education events (HPDEs) throughout the country. Over the years BMW CCA has earned a tremendous reputation for putting on educational, safe, and structured events. These events target what BMW CCA members are most passionate about —appreciating the fine automobiles they own in a way that just can't be recognized in daily street driving.

For many years BMW CCA driving enthusiasts had a sense of comfort knowing that their standard auto policies covered them while participating in BMW CCA HPDEs.

Most policies had language that only excluded coverage while participating in “timed or competition events.” Since BMW CCA HPDEs are educational in nature and untimed, most insurers would pay for damages incurred at these events.

Around the 2003-2004 timeframe, many insurance underwriters began to recognize the additional exposure presented by individuals involved in HPDEs and modified their exclusion language accordingly.

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## LEGENDS OF THE AUTOBAHN REGISTRATION NOW OPEN—NEW LOCATION ANNOUNCED

The BMW Car Club of America, the Mercedes Club of America, and the Audi Club of North America—the world’s preeminent German-marque car clubs—are pleased announce that Legends of the Autobahn will take place at the prestigious Nicklaus Club-Monterey in Monterey, California, this year on Friday, August 15.

New for 2014, Legends will offer an open class for non-BMW/Mercedes/Audi owners to display their German made cars. There will be corral and judged categories for the three hosting German-marque car clubs as well as the new open class. Membership in one of the three clubs is required to display a BMW, Mercedes, or Audi.

For additional information and to register for the event, please visit [www.legendsoftheautobahn.org](http://www.legendsoftheautobahn.org).

[Legends Website >>](#)



## FESTORICS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

If you plan to attend Legends of the Autobahn then you don't want to miss the Festorics corral during the Rolex Monterey Motorsport Reunion at Laguna Seca.

BMW CCA Monterey Weekend's Festorics event is held August 15-17, 2014, and celebrates the mystique of BMW and our appreciation for the marque. The event kicks off Friday night with a dinner at the Nicklaus Country Club-Monterey right

after Legends of the Autobahn. On Saturday and Sunday, join us for the corral and hospitality area at Laguna Seca's Turn Five to watch the historic-car races.

For additional information and to register for the event, please visit [www.festorics.org](http://www.festorics.org).

[Festorics Website >>](#)



## BMW CCA OKTOBERFEST PRESENTED BY MICHELIN

**Date:** June 16-20 | **Location:** Beaver Creek, Colorado

Help us celebrate the 45th anniversary of the Club and O'Fest this June in Colorado! Get ready to enjoy a full week of social and driving events—along with a taste of Colorado adventure—in an over-the-top celebration of all things BMW!

**First Timer?** If you have never been to O'Fest before check out this short film from last year's event in Monterey to see what all the talk is about.

<https://vimeo.com/75267133>

**Social Events:** O'Fest receptions will be as big as the Rockies this year! You don't want to miss the Liberty Mutual Strolling Dinner and Concert or Pirelli's Throwback Thursday Dinner! [Read More >>](#)

**Driving Events:** If you're looking for the ultimate O'Fest experience, make sure to register for the Car Control Clinic, Bridgestone Autocross, and the Odometer Gears TSD Rally. [Read More >>](#)

**Adventures:** Experience Colorado's wild side on an adrenaline pumping white-water rafting excursion or on an off-road tour. [Read More >>](#)

**Pre-O'Fest HPDE At High Plains Raceway:** The Rocky Mountain Chapter is pleased to invite BMW CCA members to attend their high-performance driving school at High Plains Raceway the weekend before O'Fest begins in Beaver Creek. [Read More >>](#)

[O'Fest Website >>](#)



## CAR OF YOUR DREAMS RAFFLE ENDS JUNE 6

This year you can win an M4 with European Delivery Experience, an M3, or an M235i! There is no limit to the number of tickets you can purchase and tickets are only \$25 each. One car is given away for every 5,000 tickets sold! Last year we tied the record of nine cars. The raffle ticket entry deadline is June 6, 2014.

**Bonus:** For every ten (10) tickets you purchase, you will receive a special, limited-edition 45th Anniversary Grille Badge (Not available for purchase separately)!

There are even more ways to win again this year! Purchase a Car Of Your Dreams Raffle ticket during one of the special drawing periods and you'll be entered to win the associated prize. For every raffle ticket you buy, you'll receive 1 entry into a special drawing for 1 of the 5 prizes valued at \$1,000 each.

Proceeds of the "Car of Your Dreams" Raffle are used to offset the program and related expenses of the BMW Car Club of America. Expenses that might otherwise be borne by our members through increased dues.

[Purchase Tickets >>](#)



## REMINDER FOR CHAPTER TREASURERS

Please keep track of the paperwork necessary to apply for charity matching funds. The Charity Matching Funds Program Application is due April 15. Also, if your chapter has paid a contractor \$600 or more during the previous year, you will need to obtain a W-9 from them, and should have prepared 1099's in January.

**Accounting Questions?** If you have questions as you begin closing the books, working on a budget, etc. you are welcome to call or e-mail Lindsey Branston, Director of Financial Operations, at (864) 438-0961 or [lbranston@bmwcca.org](mailto:lbranston@bmwcca.org).

## IRS FILING REQUIREMENTS

Please note ALL Chapters are required to submit a tax return to the IRS and send a copy to the National Office in addition to the chapter financial statements. Returns are to be submitted by May 15. Attached are further details regarding this

matter. If any questions arise, please feel free to contact Lindsey Branston ([lbranston@bmwcca.org](mailto:lbranston@bmwcca.org) or 864-438-0961) at the National Office.

You can download the [filing requirements document](#) here.



## CHAPTER ADMIN FORMS

Chapter PDF forms are being phased out and replaced with online forms. These forms are available only to those listed as your chapter's board, and you must be logged in.

You can access the [Chapter Admin Forms](#) here.

### **Chapter Report—*PAST DUE***

Email addresses for whom to send electronic chapter reports to.

**NEW!** <https://www.bmwcca.org/reports>

### **Printed Label Request**

Please keep in mind that printing and shipping labels that are not required each month is both time consuming and costly. Mailing labels will be sent on request as needed.

### **Chapter Comp Listing Request—*PAST DUE***

Please use this form to assign the individuals or businesses of your choice to the *ROUNDEL* complimentary mailing list. The listings you include will receive a free copy of *ROUNDEL* each month for one year. Keep in mind that all BMW dealerships currently receive a complimentary issue. The number of listings allotted to each chapter is based on one (1%) percent of your membership as shown on your monthly membership report.

**NEW!** <https://www.bmwcca.org/chaptercomp>

### **Chapter Administration—*PAST DUE***

**This form is MANDATORY and MUST be submitted each year** to the National office by March 15. Please list all officers and chairs, even if there are no changes from last year. Afterwards, anytime there is an update to your chapter, this form must be updated. Only changed information should be resubmitted.

**NEW!** <https://www.bmwcca.org/chapteradminform>

### **Chapter Financial Statements—*DUE MARCH 31***

This form is no longer a PDF file and is now a module on the National website. You can access it by visiting [www.bmwcca.org/chap\\_fin\\_stmt](http://www.bmwcca.org/chap_fin_stmt).

### **Events Insurance Rebate Request**

**NEW!** <https://www.bmwcca.org/insurancerebate>

### 2013 Charity Matching Funds Program Application—**DUE APRIL 15**

BMW CCA chapters that conducted charitable or public service activities in 2013 may request matching funds in 2014. Please note that eligible activities include not only fund-raising events, but other activities in which the chapter provided service involvement and assistance to a worthwhile cause or community activity, including donations to registered charities. This packet contains the application form and instructions. Please limit your submissions to the information on the application form.

In addition to qualifying for the Charity Matching Funds Program, a special opportunity exists for donations made between August and December 2013. A donor has stepped forth in the Foundation's capital campaign to match all donations made by BMW CCA members and Chapters, up to a total of \$250,000. Therefore your chapter's donation will not only go to a very worthy cause, it can more than double with the Charity Matching Funds program and the Matching Grant.

Applications must be received at the BMW CCA National Office, Attn: Lindsey Branston, no later than April 15, 2014. They will be checked for completeness.

Download the [Charity Matching Funds Application](#).

View the [2012 Charity Matching Funds Program Results](#).



## 2014 REGIONAL EVENTS NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

If some of your chapter's events are missing from the National Calendar, please add those events at least one week prior to your region's next event newsletter release date.

We will deploy the newsletter to every member of your region. Chapters are required to have all event dates, descriptions, and links submitted to the National Events Calendar one week prior to the actual email send date. Every region will have four of these email Newsletters per year. Events not entered into the National Calendar will not be included in the email.

To see an example of a Regional Events Email Newsletter [click here](#).

### How To Enter Your Chapter's Events

To enter events for inclusion in the e-mail newsletter, events app, National Calendar, and *Roundel*, please follow the link below. This link will bring you to a page with instructions after you login.

[Enter Chapter Events Now >>](#)

[Official 2014 Schedule](#)

**North Atlantic**

Q1: Calendar Entry Deadline: Jan. 23 | Email Send Date: Jan. 30  
 Q2: Calendar Entry Deadline: April 24 | Email Send Date: May 1  
 Q3: Calendar Entry Deadline: July 3 | Email Send Date: July 10  
 Q4: Calendar Entry Deadline: Oct. 23 | Email Send Date: Oct. 30

**North Central Region**

Q1: Calendar Entry Deadline: Jan. 30 | Email Send Date: Feb. 6  
 Q2: Calendar Entry Deadline: May 1 | Email Send Date: May 8  
 Q3: Calendar Entry Deadline: July 10 | Email Send Date: July 17  
 Q4: Calendar Entry Deadline: Oct. 30 | Email Send Date: Nov. 6

**Pacific Region**

Q1: Calendar Entry Deadline: Feb. 6 | Email Send Date: Feb. 13  
 Q2: Calendar Entry Deadline: May 8 | Email Send Date: May 15  
 Q3: Calendar Entry Deadline: July 17 | Email Send Date: July 24  
 Q4: Calendar Entry Deadline: Nov. 6 | Email Send Date: Nov. 13

**South Atlantic Region**

Q1: Calendar Entry Deadline: Feb. 13 | Email Send Date: Feb. 20  
 Q2: Calendar Entry Deadline: May 15 | Email Send Date: May 22  
 Q3: Calendar Entry Deadline: July 24 | Email Send Date: July 31  
 Q4: Calendar Entry Deadline: Nov. 13 | Email Send Date: Nov. 20

**South Central Region**

Q1: Calendar Entry Deadline: Feb. 20 | Email Send Date: Feb. 27  
 Q2: Calendar Entry Deadline: May 22 | Email Send Date: May 29  
 Q3: Calendar Entry Deadline: July 31 | Email Send Date: Aug. 7  
 Q4: Calendar Entry Deadline: Nov. 20 | Email Send Date: Nov. 27

All the best,

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