

NEWS FROM NATIONAL

FROM: Wynne Smith, Executive Director

TO: BMW CCA National and Service Officers,

Chapter Presidents, Newsletter Editors

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MEMBERSHIP STATS as 6/22/2004

	Full	Associate	<u>Total</u>
Current Membership	67,769	8,679	76,4 48
Last Month's Membership	67,644	8,590	76,234
Monthly Net Gain (Loss)	125	89	214
Monthly % Change	0.18%	1.04%	0.28%
Last Year's Membership	64,862	7,822	72,684
Annual Net Gain (Loss)	2,907	857	3,764
Annual % Change	4.48%	10.96%	5.18%
New Members, 06/04	1,204		
Renewals, 06/04	61.0%		
Roundels Mailed	68,650		

OKTOBERFEST 2004

It's not too late to register for what promises to be a week filled with sunshine, great food, great friends and a lot of BMW activities. Don't miss out on the only west coast Oktoberfest in last 11 years. http://www.bmwcca.org/Oktoberfest2004/index.shtml

RAFFLE 2004

As of this moment we have printed tickets for 8.83 cars, we will be printing again at the end of this week and based on the number of purchases I believe we'll have close to 10+ cars sold. The raffle ends June 30th so if you haven't sent your check yet – run – do not walk to the post office!

RFP for WEB DESIGN

We are in the process of updating and integrating the club's website with the database. We will be bringing the day-to-day upkeep and maintenance in-house but recognizing our limitations are seeking assistance with the design of the site. Please urge anyone with the background and experience to guide us to please respond to the Request for Proposal that will be posted to the www.bmwcca.org website shortly.

TECHFEST MIDWEST

Thanks to the Hoosier Chapter of the BMW CCA for accepting the torch and hosting next year's TechFest. The weekend has not been pinned down yet, but will likely be in March. With the Hoosiers at the helm this event is sure to be an excellent continuation of the TechFest tradition.

BMW VINTAGE AND CLASSIC MARATHON UPDATE

At the last Board Meeting, Reid Douglas made a motion that the BMW CCA make \$3000 of the 2004 budgeted corral funds available to the chapters of the North Atlantic Region to defray the costs of the hospitality events associated with the 2004 BMW Vintage Marathon. BMW CCA North Atlantic Region Chapters will hold five different events along the route of this rally. An allocation of \$3000 could be broken out to support each event with \$500 except for the Hershey, PA stop, which could receive \$1000. The event begins at BMW NA headquarters in Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey just before Labor Day and ends at the BMW plant in Greer, S.C. September 18 – where a meeting of the International Council of BMW Clubs will be taking place. Watch for the teaser article in *Roundel* in July.

DISCOUNTED CAR RENTALS

Please let your chapter members, especially the newer members know that they can receive a discount from Hertz or Avis as a benefit of their membership in the BMW CCA. Please spread the word through your newsletters and at chapter meetings. Like anything else, the more business we generate, the better our discounts will be. The information is printed on the Club Services page of the *Roundel* each month, but here it is anyway:

AVIS 800-831-2847, corporate number AWD #L358190 HERTZ 800-654-3131, corporate number CPD-ID #289425

UPDATED INCIDENT REPORTING FORM

Enclosed with this report is the newly approved Driving Event Incident Reporting form. Please toss the old ones out and begin using this henceforth. It is available in the *Files* section of the Presidents and Driving Events digests, and I am happy to email it to anyone who asks. This form was developed by the Driving Events Committee and approved by the Risk Management Committee and the BMW CCA National Board.

OUR NEWEST CHAPTER

Please join us in welcoming the newly formed Green Mountain Chapter to the BMW CCA. Approved pending receipt of proof of a bank account opened under their not-for-profit status; the chapter covers the entire state of Vermont. Sean Horton and John Holscheider presented their request to establish the chapter in Vermont at the Board meeting in Mt. Tremblant. They've already had an organizational meeting, obtained 21 names on a petition, filled the pro tem positions, and started talking with the local BMW dealer about mutual support and cooperation. There are currently 120 BMW CCA members in Vermont, mostly unassigned. The bylaws are not developed yet, but the chapter volunteers have 60 days after the charter is issued to provide bylaws for national approval.

RE-CHARTERING CHAPTERS

Many of the chapter files at National do not contain original charter documents for the chapters, and many, if not most chapters do not possess a charter document. So that we have a common and current chartering baseline and documents on file to support all our chapters' existence, we will re-issue charters to our chapters. These will not be new charters, but rather, replacements. Scott Blazey will draft the charter certificates and cover letters. These will be sent to each chapter along with the most current BMW CCA bylaws. Each chapter will be asked to acknowledge receipt of the charter and provide BMW CCA with the most recent version of their bylaws.