



Coming Events:

- Mar 20, Car Museum, West Street Wine Bar
- Apr 8, Meeting/Social, Bill Pearce BMW 6 PM
- Apr 17, Virginia City Drive & Scavenger Hunt
- May 8, Drive to Lake Almanor for Lunch
- May 13, Meeting/Social, Bill Pearce BMW 6 PM
- Jun 5, Annual Charity Show & Shine at Gilson's

Sierra Scene

Exciting Events Planned for 2010

By John Strom

We have a full schedule of events planned for 2010. We will have our **regular club meeting** at Reno BMW at **6 PM the 2nd Thursday each month**, followed by dinner at a nearby restaurant. Here's a rundown of the other planned events:

- *National Automobile Museum Tour and Visit to West Street Wine Bar, March 20*
- *Tech Session, Gilson's Autobody, re-scheduled, date/time TBD*
- *Virginia City Drive & Scavenger Hunt, April 17*
- *Drive to Lake Almanor and BBQ Lunch, May 8*
- *Annual Charity Show & Shine at Gilson's in Reno, June 5*
- *Blackhawk Museum Tour, overnight July 17-18*
- *Sierra Foothills Wine Tour, overnight September 18-19*
- *Annual Christmas Party, Dec 9*

Mark these dates on your calendar and be prepared to have a lot of fun with your BMW friends in 2010!

January-March 2010



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From President Jeff...

Greetings BMW Owners,

I wonder how you all are enjoying the weather this winter? Have you had enough of the snow, rain, fog and clouds yet? Sure, the snow is good for winter sports, but certainly the wind and lack of sunshine make even the best winter sports a little less exciting. Personally I am looking forward to a warm spring; and I admit it, I am just aching to get my M3 back on the road where it belongs. At any rate, hopefully by the time this issue arrives in your mailbox we will have seen a little more sunshine in our area.

Speaking of change, have you heard that **Roundel** is now online? It seems that just a short year ago Satch Carlson (editor in chief of **Roundel**) slightly dismissed the suggestion that **Roundel** should be made available online. Thanks for coming around Satch and **Roundel!** This change means not only that current editions are available online; it also means having access to articles all the way back to 2007, including articles in Tech Talk which come in handy if you are experiencing an issue with your car that you remember reading about in the past.

The new online **Roundel** offers you some unique features and benefits:

- Interactive ads! Click on any ad, and you will be taken directly to that advertiser's website.
- Searchability! Each issue is searchable by key words.
- Back issues! Currently all of 2009, 2008, and 2007 are available for you to view — and search — online. These archived issues are not interactive, but they are searchable.

I encourage you to log on to <http://roundel.imirus.com/members/> and check out **Roundel** online.

Speaking of online information: did you know that our own Washoe County Library System has many auto repair manuals available on their website? All you need is a Washoe County library card/number to log in. This makes for an easy online search regarding issues with a variety of different cars. The inventory of manuals is impressive. Here are some of the details:

Washoe County Library System--Automotive

[Auto Repair Reference Center](#) - Contains information on most major manufacturers of domestic and imported vehicles, with repair information for most vintage makes starting as far back as 1945; best of all, repair procedures are updated periodically. Here's the link:

<http://www.washoecounty.us/library/automotive.html>

Okay, enough about online and technical information. At the January club meeting together we identified events and event dates for an exciting 2010 for club activities. So sit back and enjoy our latest newsletter, then mark your calendar for some great club events in the coming year.

Please be sure to RSVP to the event organizer(s) as they typically need to know who's coming to make plans. Usually a phone call or email will do.

Buckle up, drive safe and don't forget to have fun!

Jeff

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sierrabmwclub.org

Visit the BMW CCA web site at:

bmwcca.org

Visit our new Facebook page; Join In!

Did you know that the Sierra Chapter, BMW CCA has a page on Facebook? It has the latest details about club events, pictures and the opportunity to interact with fellow club members and other BMW fans. Visit it at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/BMW-CCA-Sierra-Chapter>, and then join in the fun by becoming a member. Thanks, Melissa Nicholas, for setting us up!

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Driving NASCAR at Legends!

Photos by Jeff Whitesides



Upcoming Spring Events – Sign up today!

Car Museum, Wine Bar

Saturday, March 20th

- Visit National Automobile Museum with special tour – meet at 10 AM
- Visit West Street Wine Bar afterwards and try one of the nearly 40 wines by the glass
- Lunch at a Greek deli or other area restaurants
- Museum admission \$9, wine/lunch pay as you go
- Contact Mike Dietel at 338-2183

Drive to Virginia City

Saturday, April 17th

- Drive up to Virginia City and participate in a special Virginia City scavenger hunt
- Finish around Noon and enjoy lunch in one of Virginia City's restaurants
- Possible V&T train ride
- Stay tuned to the web site and watch for the email with more details about the event
- Contact John English at 790-4205

Lake Almanor Drive

Saturday, May 8th

- Drive great roads up to beautiful Lake Almanor
- Take advantage of some photo ops along the way
- Barbeque lunch on the deck at the Strom's lake house
- Return to Reno late afternoon
- Cost is \$15 per person
- Limit 20 cars
- Contact John or Alice Strom at 851-3000
- Deadline to sign up Apr 24.

For the latest pictures and news about the club, go to www.sierrabmwclub.org

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