

**BMW Car Club
of America
Sierra Chapter**



Coming Events:

- Sep 13-14, Sierra Foothills Wine Tour
- Oct 4, Street Survival
- Oct 9, Meeting/Social, Bill Pearce BMW 6PM
- Nov 13, Meeting/Social, Bill Pearce BMW 6PM
- Dec 11, Annual Holiday Party

Sierra Scene

BMWs + Food + Socializing = Fun!!!

By John Strom

Three great events highlighted the club's summer schedule – the **Family Picnic** on Saturday, July 13th, the **Sierra Buttes Tour/Poker Run** on Saturday, July 26th and the **Pot Luck Dinner** on Thursday, August 14th.

The Family Picnic was held at the Arrowcreek Residents Club and featured lots of great food and socializing.

The Buttes Tour featured beautiful scenery and great driving roads along with a great lunch at Longboards Bar & Grill at Plumas Pines Golf Course.

The Pot Luck was held in lieu of the monthly meeting and social. Sharon and Andy Goodrich were the hosts for the picnic and Buttes Tour. Pat and JoAnn McGoff hosted the pot luck.

I've said that the BMW club is a social organization of great people with a shared interest in the Ultimate Driving Machine. We like to drive our cars and share meals and conversation together. These events sure proved that to be true!



From the President's Desk

As you might remember from the last quarterly newsletter, JoAnn and I went to Munich, Germany to pick up our new 435i convertible. Returning to the BMW Welt to pick up our car was again spectacular. BMW has a VIP lounge filled with food and drink to take up the time while you wait for your designated time to pick up the car. A BMW representative escorts you down a spiral ramp to your car which is on a moving circle to show off all the angles. The rep spends over an hour going over all features of the car and then plugs in a flash drive that has all the European maps for your GPS. Off we drove to Prague for a few days of sightseeing. We then went on to Berlin for a 3-day of tour the city. Our next stop was Leipzig for the night before heading to Frankfurt. We did another two days of sightseeing and then on to Stuttgart where we visited the Porsche and Mercedes museums. Finally we drove back to Munich to drop off our car and head home. We drove about 1,100 miles in two weeks and most of the driving was on the Autobahn. The 435i was very stable and quiet at speeds of up to 120mph and that was with the top down. I think we will return in three years to try it again. What a thrill!

On July 13th, we had our first annual BMWCCA Summer Picnic at the Arrowcreek Recreation Center with over 30 members attending. The facility has swimming pools, tennis courts, spa, indoor and outdoor cooking facilities along with a large lounge and big screen TV for watching the World Cup soccer match. Andy and Sharon Goodrich were our hosts and a big

thanks goes out to both of them for all their hard work. We especially thank Andy who slaved over the grill making hotdogs and hamburgers for everyone. We will continue this event next year since it had such a great turnout. We did have a new member, Charlie Pan, attend the event with his family. It's wonderful to see new faces at these events!

Andy and Sharon Goodrich led another very successful tour of the Sierra Buttes on July 26th. The weather was perfect for the 16 cars that participated. We had a great lunch at the Plumas Pines Golf Course. Ron Rachow was the winner of the Poker Run this year. Looks like another repeat for next year.

The August Potluck meeting was held at our home again this year. We tied the record of 44 members attending. There was plenty of food and drink for everyone. John English brought his popular lasagna which was gone in a heartbeat. Mike Deitel shared some wonderful cheeses and crackers with the group. New members attending were Fred and Karen Watson, Mark Boe, and Corey Hjelmeir.

Our next monthly meeting is September 11th at 6:00 PM. If you haven't attended a meeting lately, come down to Bill Pearce BMW and join us. The meeting normally lasts about 30-45 minutes and then we head out to dinner. This month we are going back to LaVecchia for some great Italian cuisine.

Happy motoring,

Pat McGoff

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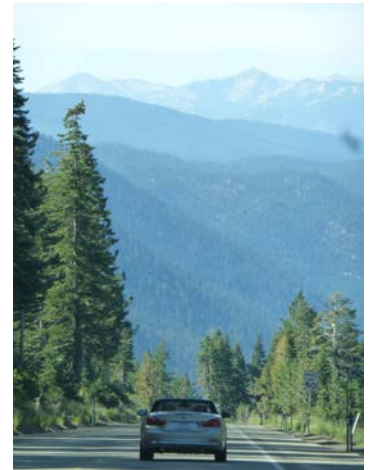
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More photos from our summer events



More pictures from the Pot Luck



Your leadership is needed to keep the club going!

We're looking for club members who would be willing to take leadership positions in our club. Please step up to help keep the Sierra BMW Club active and fun. We need to fill the following positions beginning in January 2015. Ask the current position holders about what's required.

Vice President – assist the president as needed

Secretary – produce minutes of board and general meetings

Newsletter Editor – publish the newsletter four times per year

Webmaster – maintain the club's web site

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