

# The FLasher

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The vehicles are supported by extensive archival photos and stories, and an audio tour is available for download to mobile phones. If you can't make it to the show, a virtual tour is available online at [www.bmwccafoundation.org](http://www.bmwccafoundation.org).

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# Pole Position by President Emeritus Bobbi Treen

## Abschied!

After 30 years of being active in the chapter, wearing many "hats", an officer, serving as Treasurer and President since the early 90's, of Everglades Chapter, I am "retiring". Just so you know, there is no 401K, there is no gold watch, there is nothing but my own satisfaction of knowing, that I did my best. I will serve as a President-at-Large – consultant and offer guidance. My decision started over the past few years and was a long thought-out process to conclude that it was time to have someone else take the wheel. I am tired, and you can not safely drive somewhere tired. I could list many reasons, but I will not; simply put I served my time. I do not wish to seek re-election or a different elected position on the board. I thank our officers, past and present and our membership for putting your faith in me. It was memorable, fun, stressful, entertaining, mind-boggling at times and very much a learning experience. Above all of that, I have acquired the friendships, I will have for a lifetime. This is my last "planned" article for the FLasher newsletter. Sigh....

Congratulations to Rennie Bryant, your new Chapter President...



## NOW onto some OTHER Interesting Topics

WE do hope that all of you are staying safe. Some of our members and their families (that we know of) have had the COVID (and recovered), others are not so fortunate. It has been a terrible year for so many dealing with or having the COVID, cancer and/or other terminal illnesses. The stress levels are off the charts.

We have members that volunteer every now and again, and we have those that volunteer and continue to volunteer, to serve and drive the chapter to better things. No one – not as an officer or volunteer or any of us, are paid for 'volunteering' our time and skills. To keep your chapter alive, state chartered and in compliance – it takes our dedicated volunteers. We can only recognize them and be grateful. I thank each of you that have volunteered your time. Thank you. And we still need you and you and you. AND we need more of you.

GET YOUR HARPS out – time to play HARP ON THIS: There are many "tasks" that need to be taken care of, not necessarily by an elected officer. If you have the time to offer to the chapter – please reach out. Keep in mind just because someone is doing "a job" doesn't mean that they want to continue to do it. As an example, you may not want to, nor have the time to oversee the FLasher /Editor but submitting pictures and an article can be completed by anyone. SERIOUSLY it is your newsletter – YOUR name needs to be in there, YOUR picture and adventures. Have you posted photos on our chapter social media? WE would like to have them in the Flasher and/or our EMAIL blasts (we cannot copy (steal) them). Send them to our Editor, Michael Posner for the Flasher. I have been providing the articles and pictures for BimmerLife regional newsletter - I will no longer be the one submitting to the Editor of BimmerLife. I have turned over the task of submitting the chapter information, articles, and pictures for the BimmerLife to Michael Posner. Thank you, Michael.

As soon as it is safe to do any events, we will plan them. Like everything else – there will be major changes in how we organize and execute the day. Basically, how we "handle" things, literally. Perhaps, most likely, the picnic will be a bring your own fork event. WE could call it the BYO-BFFF event... Bring Your Own Beverage, Food and Fork and facemask. ANYTHING that is planned – facemasks must be worn and social distance. NO Hugging.

Our TRSS program is on hold until Third Quarter 2021. Our team of instructors are all waiting (patiently) for the go ahead for the in-car instruction to take place. The program was revised and revised again, to accommodate the participants in a safe environment. But it wasn't working as there were too many risks to be completely safe. The age target for TRSS is 16-21 – Students that are at the bottom of the vaccine priority list. All we can do is continue to do what we have been doing - waiting, being patient and protecting ourselves. BEING safe and staying safe.

The chapter has 1961 members as of Dec 31, 2020. There are 1692 primary members and 269 (BMW) associates. We have 26 LIFE members. Our numbers are down but membership has declined across the BMW CCA (-10,000). One of the reasons for the decline is the members that signed up with a dealership under the purchase a three-year BMW CCA Membership and get a rebate from BMW NA... without waiting a year program – and now - the three years is up. Unless they renew – membership overall, will continue to decline. The rebate program was exceedingly popular.

I will still be around – just not so much. As the clock ticks, and I hand over the President's gavel to Rennie, I wish you all a safe and happy New Year and the best of everything wonderful for you and your families. Keep the shiny side.

Frohes neues jahr!

## Editor's Take by Michael J Posner

Well that was a pretty lousy 2020 in the BMW club world and the real world. Hopefully 2021 will be better, with the vaccine rollout slowly occurring.



On the car front I am consolidating my cars by selling my 2007 Porsche 911 and my 2016 BMW 650i. The Porsche has already been shipped to the new buyer and the BMW will go up for auction on January 5 on the website carsandbids.com which is a competitor to the Bring a Trailer website (carsandbids.com/listings/3gOPq6M8). Cars and Bids was started by Youtube Car Star Doug DeMuro, a writer for Autotrader. His reviews (youtube.com/channel/UCsqjHFMB\_JYTaEnf\_vmTNqg) are homespun in many ways, sort of an everyman take on regular and exotic cars. He generates millions of viewers and has

made a career on youtube. He currently has twelve video reviews of BMW vehicles, from an Isetta to the latest M440i.

It will be the 1st time I am without a BMW for many years but I will eventually reacquire something in the BMW family. I replaced both cars with a 2012 Porsche 911 which I am enjoying very much. I still intend to remain active with the BMWCCA and will continue to produce the FLasher unless someone else wishes to take same over.

The online auction process has been interesting. They required me to take over 100 photos of my BMW from every conceivable angle, both interior and exterior. They also wanted detailed information about the car, it's service history, it's Carfax, the minor rear accident and all the modifications that I made. I am going with a reserve auction which means that the car will not sell unless it reaches a certain fixed price. The cost of the auction was \$89 and each buyer must pay a buyer's premium to purchase the vehicle.



I have only tried this once before with my 1990 BMW 325i which was posted on the website Bring a Trailer (bringatrailer.com/listing/1990-bmw-325i-18). The reserve was set at \$15,000 but the auction only went to \$14,000 so the car did not get sold. Eventually I sold the car six months later for \$15,000. The auction can be a bit nerve-racking as people do not seem to want to bid until near the end of the auction. In that way it is very similar to eBay.

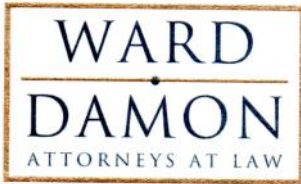
If the 650 I does not sell I will probably take the car to Carmax. My return to the BMW fold will likely be an older BMW. I really like the BMW E30 convertibles except for the fact that I could never find a comfortable driving position due to the lack of tilting and telescoping steering wheel. Because I am tall, I have to sit further back for my legs, but then I cannot comfortably reach the steering wheel unless I sit closer, which is uncomfortable. There are solutions to drop the steering wheel about an inch but nothing that I am aware of that would allow the steering wheel to extend further out and maintain a semblance of originality.

I have also always liked the 8 series supercars from the 90s but fear the fragility of the V12s which is the only way to get a 6 speed manual unless you do a conversion on the lesser 840i. I have also always liked the BMW 650 GS Dakar motorcycles from the early 80s so that is always an option. Unfortunately there is not many places in Palm Beach County for off-road motorcycle riding.

I will end on a Halloween note. Look at this mask on the new BMW 4 series. Scary!



Have a great 2021! - Michael J Posner



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- Get to hang out with fellow BMW enthusiasts
- Three monthly social meetings at a location near you!
- *Roundel* Magazine
- *The FLasher*
- Street Survival (the more teens learn to drive, the safer we all are)
- The National Website (free classified postings)
- Club Road Trips
- 15% discount on purchases at many BMW Dealers (parts not cars/repairs)
- The new car rebate. I have pocketed \$1,500 so far on two new BMW purchases: ([www.bmwcca.org/vehicle\\_rebate](http://www.bmwcca.org/vehicle_rebate))
- The Annual Picnic/Car Show
- The Annual Christmas Party
- The network of support from other clubs.

What does this all cost you ask? Hundreds? More? No, the annual dues are only \$58. So next time you wondered why you were a member, or were thinking of not renewing your membership, keep in mind all the benefits that are available.

**MONTHLY MEETING**

**Everglades Chapter monthly Social Membership meetings are held on the First, Second and Third Tuesday of each month from 7:00-10:00 p.m.**  
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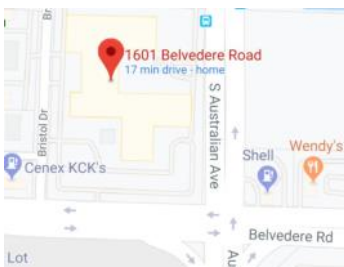
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**Second Tuesday Meeting**

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**Third Tuesday Meeting**

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Maria has assisted with planning and organizing many of our picnics and holiday parties (for several years). Maria and her family come early to help set up – and stay to clean up. She also assists with the planning of the TRSS events and ALL the stuff happens before, during, and after. And she is a certified instructor for TRSS. It takes many volunteers to make the chapter run smoothly and Maria has helped us with that in an outstanding way. I could not think of a better way to thank Maria then to nominate her for the recognition she deserves. I personally thank her from the bottom of my heart.

It is always a great feeling when one is recognized



for their hard work and dedication, whether it is from your employer, your spouse or from the social club you are a member of. AS for our social club, we have the annual Recognition Program each year to honor a member of BMW CCA. This program is set up for the chapter members to nominate other chapter members – it is all completed online. A narrative is required for your nominee. Each of the regions has a shot at each of the categories recognized. A few of the categories are: Outstanding Chapter Volunteer, Outstanding Chapter officer; Outstanding CCA Supporter – Independent Business; Outstanding Chapter Charitable Contributions: Financial and several more outstanding categories.



# President's Message - Rennie Bryant

Hello to all Everglades Chapter Members and Friends. I am Rennie Bryant your new chapter president. The first thing I would like to do is formally thank Bobbi Treen for her years of dedication and service to this chapter and the BMW CCA overall.

A lot of you know me but some do not, so here is a brief history. I joined the club back in 1974. I had a 1968 BMW 1600 at the time. I modified that car and started learning more and more about BMWs and how to work on them. Soon I was repairing other people's cars too. Then my partner at the time and I started Redline Imported Parts. This grew from a one bay shop to now three buildings with seven bays and ten employees. The name has changed to Redline Bimmer Performance, Inc. along the way.

We ran a GTU car in IMSA from 1983 to 1991. First a 2002 then a tube frame 325-E30. Running in the Sebring 12 hour, Miami Grand Prix, Palm Beach Grand Prix, and others around the country and even Costa Rica. I was in the first BMW CCA Club race at what was then Moroso. I ran a series of cars in that series as well as SCCA and ARL. I am now the Pace car driver for Florida Region SCCA.

All this time I have been an Everglades Chapter Member. Back to when it was Palm Tree Chapter. It has been a fun and worthwhile experience. I look forward to serving as your president. I want to let everyone know that my phone is always on, my email is read every day. Questions, problems, suggestions, or just call and say Hi.

Thanks, hope to see you  
as soon as we can.  
Rennie Bryant

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## VOTING is open for election of South Atlantic Region Vice President

An email dated January 4, 2021 (from BMW CCA: subject is Vote now: BMW Car Club of America –

2021 Annual Election) has been sent to the membership. Each email has a secure link and a unique code for you to cast your ballot. If you have any questions (concerning ballot or voting) - the email has a link to the National office. IF you don't have the email - contact the National Office.

Two nominations:

Dwayne Mosely – current SAR-VP

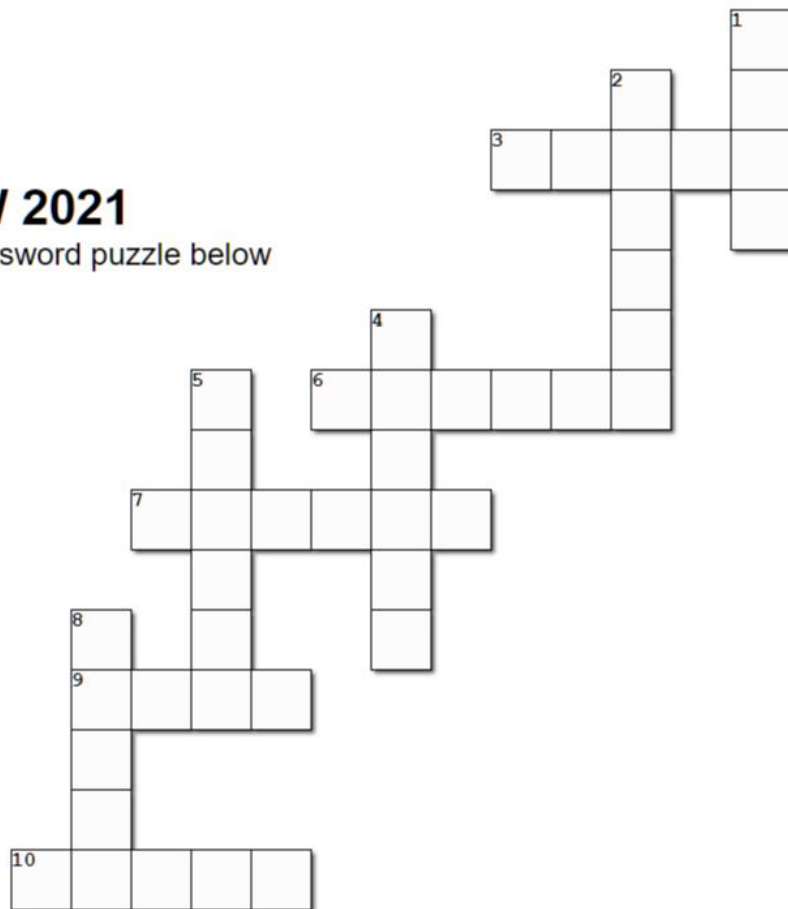
Simone Harrison (President) of Peachtree Chapter

The voting page has their picture with a link. Please read their bio's. Be sure to vote.

The voting deadline is February 15, 2021, 5:00 pm (EST).

### BMW 2021

Complete the crossword puzzle below



#### **Across**

- 3. Past President
- 6. Car
- 7. best engine type
- 9. BMW New Grill Design
- 10. 2020 Disaster

#### **Down**

- 1. Hoffmeister
- 2. Motorcycle
- 4. Type of Grills
- 5. book or lost transmission
- 8. What all BMW have now