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## --Holiday Dinner--

Sunbelt BMWCCA and OK Mini invite you to the yearly Christmas dinner and party on **Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 5-9 pm**. This year we will be gathering at **Mugsy's Grubhouse** in Yale Oklahoma. This location is about a 75 minute drive from Oklahoma City and about 45 minutes from Tulsa. We have reserved their back room which will seat up to approximately 80 people. Dinner will be able to be ordered off the menu for everyone which includes quite a tasty list of entrees and desserts. Bring your appetite as their portions are large (Menu linked at the bottom).

Planned for the evening is a not so friendly thievery of presents during Dirty Santa. The suggested gift range is \$20-\$25. We do have some extra surprises in store but you will have to attend to participate

(psssst.....those that RSVP by 11/24 and attend will get an extra ticket).  
The drive is best suited to take at your leisure and enjoy getting there.

Address: 215 W Chicago Ave, Yale, OK 74085

Menu: <http://mugsysgrubhouse.com/pdf/Mugsys-Grubhouse-Menu-101917.pdf>

RSVP: [sunbeltbmw@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sunbeltbmw@sbcglobal.net)

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**-- Articles of Interest --**

### **The 25<sup>th</sup> Choctaw Oktoberfest**

By Steve Jackson

As most of you know, with the sudden and unexpected closure of Old Germany Restaurant, Oktoberfest was also cancelled. But, with the arrival of a new investor both were saved. Knowing that many of you look forward to this event every year, and would be looking for information about the dates and time, we announced that it would not be happening, only to find out shortly afterward that it was back on. Even with the short notice, we maxed out the show area with both Sunbelt and the VW club having about 20 cars. Overall attendance at the show was down some, but the beer was still great!

As always, entering the Oktoberfest German Car Show included admission to Oktoberfest and a commemorative t-shirt, plus parking right at the entrance. What a deal, and on top of that all the entry fees were donated to disaster relief.

The VW club handled registration and judging this go around (our turn next year). They came up with some very unique trophies, which were handmade beer steins with a Choctaw Oktoberfest logo. The award categories were decided on the fly, and we ended up with Best Modern BMW (winner was not present at awards), Best Classic BMW (Mark Muscaro, 1988 M6), and Most Race Ready (Steve Jackson, 1998 M3, I said they made them up) for the BMW side.

We had a discussion with the VW club and Mike Turek about making some changes for next year. We will likely schedule the show for about three hours, either starting later or moving the trophies up to midafternoon rather than the current 5pm or so. You can still show up early, or hang around as long as you like afterward, but you won't have to hang out for 5 hours to participate in the show.

Prost, Ya'll



Anna and Marc Muscaro (left side) – Classic BMW winners







## **Hallett Report**

By Ryan Breeding

Hallett Motor Raceway yet again did not disappoint those that attended “No Excuses 11, High Performance Drivers Education.” Even though there was rain during some of the sessions, participants were able to test their mettle during dry, damp, and wet conditions.

For those that have not been lucky enough to meet the limits of their vehicle in wet conditions in a safe and controllable environment we would strongly encourage this experience and not shy away from it. Knowing how to put down full acceleration, braking, and steering forces at the limit of traction makes one that much of a better driver.

This weekend also included club racing between chapters and afforded those that watched quite a spectacle. While those attending the driver’s event didn’t get to race we did get to see multiple chase formats in wet and dry conditions that were entertaining.

Next year will likely have a scheduled date of the first weekend in November so plan ahead now. You won't regret attending and will be a better driver in the end.

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### **Tech Tip:**

By Steve Jackson

Don't use metal valve stem caps, such as the older BMW M or Roundel caps, on cars with tire pressure monitoring systems. The TPMS stems are aluminum and metal caps can result in dissimilar metal corrosion, leading to either the cap being stuck to the stem, or the stem essentially disintegrating. In either case you end up buying an expensive TPMS sensor.

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### **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

Please follow us on the following social media sites for late breaking information:

Facebook [www.facebook.com/Sunbelt-Chapter-BMW-CCA-248758539734/](https://www.facebook.com/Sunbelt-Chapter-BMW-CCA-248758539734/)

Website [www.bmwcca.org/content/sunbelt-chapter](http://www.bmwcca.org/content/sunbelt-chapter)

MeetUp [www.meetup.com/en-AU/SunbeltBMWCCA/members](https://www.meetup.com/en-AU/SunbeltBMWCCA/members)

### **Mark Your Calendar:**

November 3      Cars & Coffee

November 21      Monthly club meeting **(cancelled)**

December 1      Cars & Coffee

December 1      Holiday Dinner

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| December 19 | Monthly club meeting |
| January 5   | Cars & Coffee        |
| January 16  | Monthly club meeting |

### **>>>>Monthly Meetings<<<<**

Our monthly club meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month. We will be meeting at the Rib Crib, 1821 South Douglas, Midwest City, OK. Our monthly meetings are informal and open to all members.

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