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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

We are well into the second half of the year with a well attended tech session hosted by Dick Walsh and a well attended and even productive dinner meeting. As many of you know, before each dinner meeting I try to call as many members as I can to remind them of the event and to get an idea of how many people are coming so I can give the restaurant an advance notice of how many to expect. Without this information its a chancy thing to organize. While there is, of course, some leeway in the number of people that show up, as close a count as it is possible to get makes for a happy Innkeeper and a pleaseant evening. I am going through all of this because there are many phone numbers, particularly of the newer members that I don't have. So IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED A CALL FROM ME ALL YEAR LONG AND YOU LIVE WITHIN THE NORFOLK, VA. BEACH, CHESAPEAKE, AND PORTSMOUTH CALLING AREA, GIVE ME YOUR PHONE NUMBER. We don't, dispite constant promises from National, get this information on a regular basis.

I had originally thought that people woul'n't want another dinner meeting in November one month before the Christmas Party but everyone heartily disagreed with me when I said this at the last meeting, so there will be another one in November, the location of which is yet to be decided.

I talked to Mr. Lewis, the parts manager for BMW at Meekins yesterday and he said that he would try to come to the September meeting to discuss a parts discount for club members. We once had such an arrangement, but for various reasons, it disappeared, very possibly because I didn't pursue the matter to see what could be done. At any rate, it looks like we may be able to start anew.

I have also heard that there was a fire at the hotel in D.C. that the O'Fest was to be held at and as yet I don't know if there is to be any change in plans or not. All of you that are planning to attend may want to get in touch with me in the near future to see if I have heard of any changes.

Dave Pritchard

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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PARTS

Don't forget about the Club Parts Store. We have all tune up items in stock for both 4 and 6 cylinder cars and we can order other items for delivery within a weeks time.

Check with Rusty Barton for prices and availability of the item you need. Remember, our prices cannot be beat!

Activities

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Club Information</u>
Sept 5	Auto-X CPS	PSCC No info.
6	Auto-X	PSCC No info.
12	Tech Session	BMW See below.
12	Rally CPS	AMSC No info.
19	Auto-X	BFMC No info.
21	Meeting	BMW Janaf Library, 8PM
26	Rally	CRM

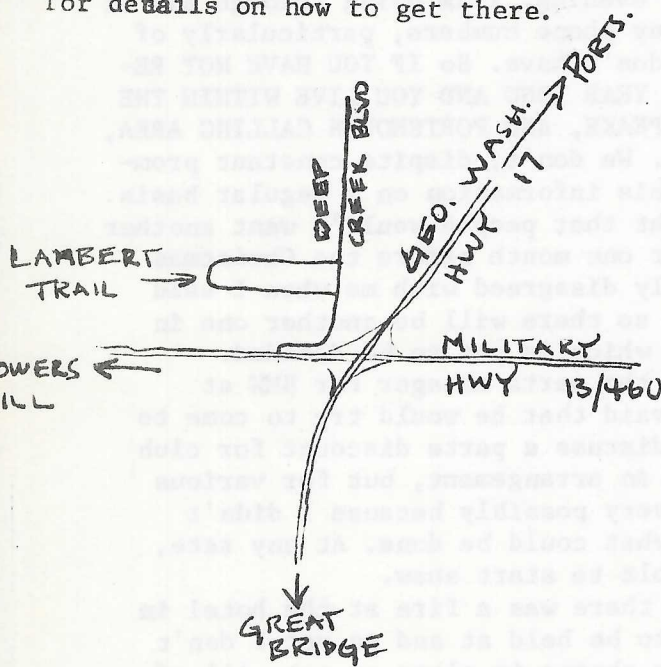
TECH TIP

Cheap (!) Belt
by Jim Craig

TECH SESSION

This month's tech session will be held on Sunday, the 12th, at noon. Our host will be new member Bob Wayne. Bob will be in his new home by then, located at 2821 Lambert Trail, Chesapeake. Bob's phone number is 487-6103. See the map below for details on how to get there.

Surely by now one of your BMW's Autoflug inertial real belts has crapped out. The spring probably broke and if you've bought a new belt for \$70.00+, you're broke too. There is a cheaper alternative - your friendly Volvo dealer of all places. The rear seat belt for a Volvo 145 Wagon ('72 on) is an Autoflug and will fit 4 cyl. BMW models with only a few modifications to the bracket (hammer and chisel mods). If you don't mind a Volvo symbol on the metal buckle, the \$54.95 price is quite attractive I'll have a matched set as soon as the other BMW belt breaks.



EDITORS NOTE

It doesn't take a genius to notice that this is the lousiest das Kummer of the year, due mainly to its short length. The reason is simple - money. It costs us \$30. to \$40. to have a four page (front and back) newsletter printed. When you add postage (about \$13.00 a month) on top of that, you can see that this is an expensive proposition.

I would welcome any suggestions any of you might have to overcome this financial problem. We have thought of going to a bi-monthly issue among other things. Let me know if you have any ideas.

Rusty Barton

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