

# Das Kummert

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JAN 20th at the  
WINDSOR LAKE APT. CLUBHOUSE AT THE  
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IN  
VIRGINIA BEACH

## ACTIVITIES

January 15 Tech Session at Brian Missigs nominal refreshment charge of \$2 per car. Starts at 12 noon call Brian at 340-2154 for details.

January 20 meeting at 7:30 January fest party at 8:00 at Windsor Lake Apartment clubhouse at the end of Marina Lake Drive in Va. Beach



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## PRESIDENTS COLUMN

The new year is finally upon us and I have great expectations that it will be the best year ever for the club. Already the new officers are actively planning a year of differnt activities for us to enjoy. Things should get off to a great start with the party on the 20th. This will be a Lively event with lots of food drink, music and interesting people from all sports car clubs in the area-Don't miss it!

Don't forget that as part of our new direction this year, we will no longer meet every third tuesday at the Janaf Library-it's dul, dull, dull! We will have a differnt activity every month in addition to the traditional Tech Sessions so keep your eyes peeled for info about each months activities in "Das Kummet".

Hope you all have a Merry Christmas and I wish you a most happy, prosperous and enjoyable New Year.

Rusty

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor;

One would assume the purpose of the Club newsletter is to inform members of technical information and social events. It is not, one would assume, to amuse or degrade.

Reference is made to the "joke" which appeared in last month's "Das Kummet". It did not amuse, nor was it a joke. It was repugnant, offensive and insulting to women and the handicapped.

In the future when the editor does not have enough articles to complete the newsletter, let us hope he can be more tastful in his choice of material.

Sincerely,  
Thelma Markham Craig

To date, most of the response to BULSHIT has been favorable and has brought a wealth of fresh material to my attention. For instance, did you hear the one about Lucky Pierre and the Golden Cows? It seems that----

Ed.

## FOR SALE

1972 2002 good condition factory air that needs repair, \$2,000 Tom Trail  
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BMW VRS. GRANADA or Boy, did I learn a lesson!

by Janis Barton

Recently I have seen on TV commercials in which Granada's are compared to Mercedes. I have never driven a Mercedes, but I do constantly drive a '72 Bavaria, and often a '72 Tii. Tonight I drove a '77 Granada. Except for the exterior, I do not see any resemblance to any "quality" car.

I tried backing out of the driveway, only to step on the brake, as I do on my clutch, -almost went through the windshield. My mistake! However, in all fairness to myself- I could not see the rear of the car, to judge distance in backing- even while lifting myself off the seat and looking backward. Their mistake!

Driving alone I crossed two railroad tracks- the first driving approx. 20 mph- bumpy as hell! The second tracks, I hit driving 40mph- I do not slow down for tracks in my BMW and take them quite comfortably. The 40 mph trip bumped my head on the ceiling, and the car bumped and swerved all over the lane. Their mistake!

Granted, I am used to a stiff handling car- even though my Bavaria has stock suspension. It is sheer pleasure to drive stifly, with arms streched straight in front of myself. It is a pleasure shifting gears, and especially haveing the car respond to the slightest turn of the steering wheel. It is not a pleasure driving with arms bunched up against my ribs; bouncing along the road, never knowing which way you will bounce with the next bump. It is not a pleasure digging alternate elbows in to ribs if you have to move too fast!

It all boils down to this extreme radical thought- "Out, out damn spot" with automatic transmissions and slow steering. They lend themselves to lazy driving habits , non awareness of the road and other drivers, and disrespect for life- perhaps your own. When someone is driving a plush American car and is putting you in danger by their own overstuffed comfort and non-awareness-- is that not disrespect for your own life?

I learned a valuable lesson tonight. For 5 years, I have been surrounded by BMW's, literature on BMW's, a BMW parts store, and a fanatical BMW owner for a husband. I accepted all of it, while thinking "BMW's are just another car and Rusty is nuts". Tonight, I became "nuts" too.

Granada has one feature that does beat BMW-heater. I turned on the heater and it was so strong it blew the leaves all over the inside of the car. If BMW can do that I'll never own another make of car!

### BULLSHIT

An attractive young lady had the habit of coming into the same bar every night, ordering Shlitz again and again until, after going past her limit she would pass out unconious at the bar. The bartender had a room in the back with a couch and, taking pity on her would carry her back to it and let her rest until sometime the next morning or day she would wake up, get up and leave. One night he could stand the temptation no longer and he took advantage of her in the back room. She got up the next morning and didn't say a thing, just left as usual. The next night after she had passed out he took some friends back there with him, and they all partook of her charms. The next night she came in and ordered a Budwiser. "I thought you always drank Shlitz" said the bartender.

"Well I can't any more" she answered " for some reason it makes my pussy sore".

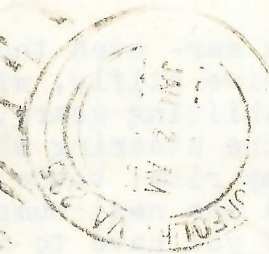
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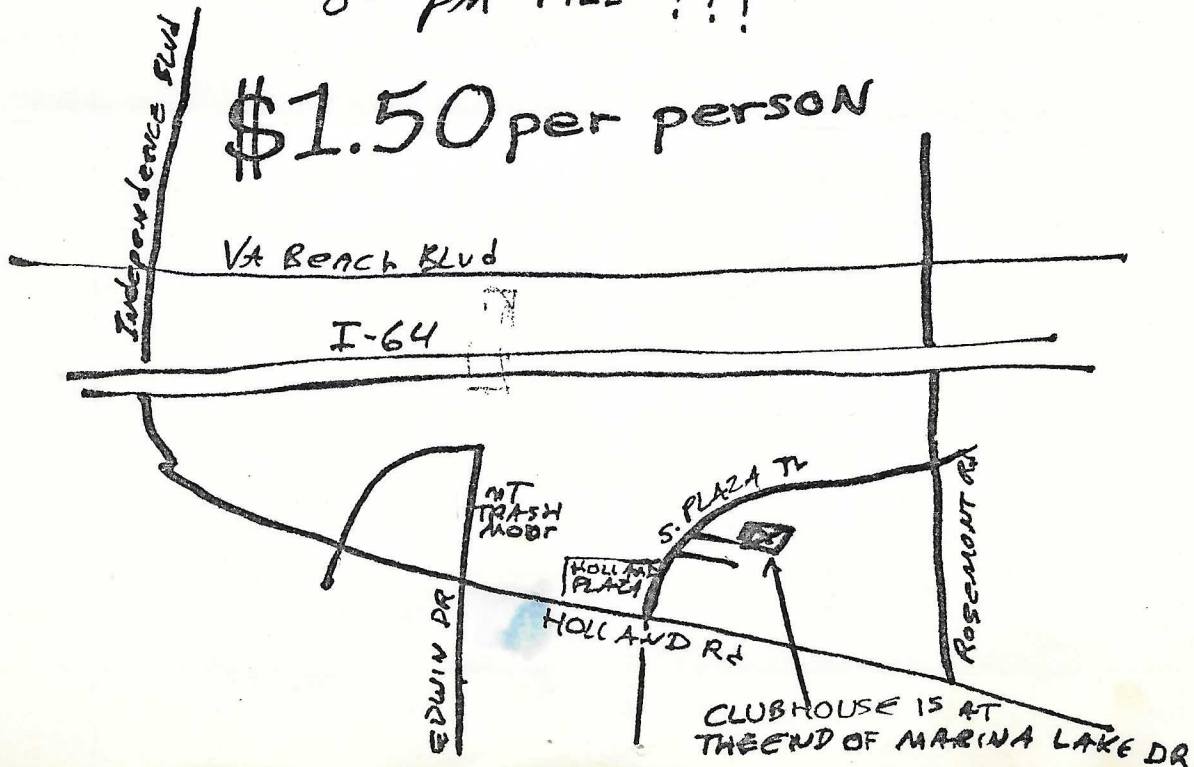
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