



# Das Kummert

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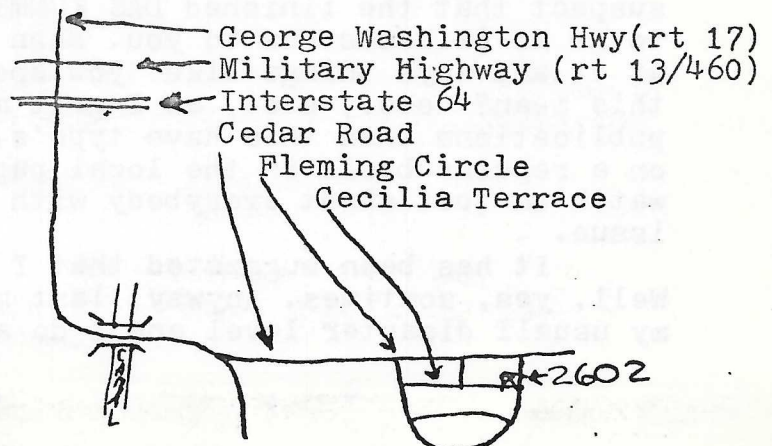
## ACTIVITIES COLUMN

JULY 10 Board Meeting at Clyde Hill's house at 1344 Armistead Bridge Road in Norfolk. For Directions call Clyde at 623-4404.

JULY 14, TECH SESSION, on a Saturday at Jimmy Wollcot's Sister's place at 311 34th Street in Virginia Beach near the waterfront. 311 is the 4th house east of Pacific Av on the North side of the Street, just North of Laskin Rd. The usual \$2 per car Tech Session charge will be collected. 12 noon

JULY 25 DINNER MEETING at the Cork 'N Cleaver on Military Highway at Military Circle across from Peaches. Cork 'N Cleaver is a good steak house with a nice salad bar and a warm atmosphere. Because we are going as a group they will add a 15% service charge to each check, so don't leave any additional tip. This will be on a Wednesday at 8 pm.

AUGUST 5 TECH SESSION, this time on a Sunday at Walter Broadnax's house at 2602 Cecilia Circle in Chesapeake. It will start at 12 noon, and the usual \$2 per car Tech Session charge will be collected.



Tech Session directions continued- If your coming from Va Beach or Hampton get on the interstate, head for Suffolk but get off at Gearge Washington highway (rt 17) and head south. If you have any trouble call Walter at 487-3946.

AUGUST 19 1st ANNUAL PUNGO PARADE GIMMICK RALLY which will end up at a very nice restaurant where we will have our monthly Dinner Meeting, so wear something finer than cutoffs and tank tops. It will start at 3pm in front of the Janaf Cinema at Janaf Shopping center with the first car off at 3:30. If you have never done anything like this before don't let the word Rally scare you off. The directions will be kept straitforward and the scoring will be mainly on your ability to answer whatever foolish questions are asked about what you see along the way. Be sure to bring enough money for the restaurant that should be in the price range of most of the places that we go to for dinner meetings. SO THAT EVERYTHING CAN GO SMOOTHLY CALL ME, DAVE PRITCHARD (466-7182) A WEEK IN ADVANCE IF YOU ARE GOING. Brian Missig will be planning this with me, and there will be no charge for the rally itself. Call me if you have any questions.

#### PRESIDENTS COLUMN

I'm disappointed in you-YES YOU! With but one exception, you all skipped the brunch at the Cascades in Williamsburg. This event took time planning- we had a room reserved for 25 people, we bought insurance to cover the planned caravan on the way up, and we timed to make it accessible to all. I've never been so embarassed or ashamed when I told the lady at the Cascades that our paty of 25 was really going to be 6, including two small childern. I'm really flabergasted since our previous similar event at the Kingsmill restaurant was such a succes. The Cascades was better.

Its hard to run a club like this. The members have such diverse interests that finding events to please all tastes isn't easy. This is why we publish board meetings and encourage any member to come. We need feedback from you in order to know what to plan. If you are not satisfied with what we are doing, tell us - just don't go on strike.

Rusty

#### A WORD ABOUT THE JUNE DAS KUMMET TYPO EXTRAVAGANZA

Here I am again with my Cornet Cartridge 12 listening to old Dr. John records finding my way through another issue which will not be as lengthy as some of the others this year because I'm late starting this one. I'll try to have a bigee for you next month. Some of you may suspect that the finished DAS KUMMET sometimes comes as much as a surprise to me as it comes new to you. When I get it back from Richard, Carol looks at it and says things like "you spelled Ralph's name wrong" or "What does this mean?" etc., etc., as I grit my teeth. Of course more sophisticated publications than this have typo's, you see retractions and corrections on a regular basis in the local papers. The New Yorker keeps a vigilant watch on just about everybody with it's little notes at the end of each issue.

It has been suggested that I drink to much while I type perhaps. Well, yes, somtimes. Anyway, last month's Activities column rose above my usuall disaster level and I do apoligize for it . I enjoy doing the

newsletter and I wanted to take this occasion to say so. It keeps me off the streets and gives me a close working relationship with your Board members. You might have noticed how willingly I stopped the dirty jokes that raised such a fuss not too long ago, much to my regret. I do, in fact have some new material, but you'll have to catch me at the next party or whatever (its been a while since we've had a party, hasn't it?) if you want to hear them.

Say, while I'm at it, I haven't had much new material, legitimate that is, from most of you in quite a while. DAS KUMMET tech tips that you contribute are frequently published in other newsletters and do good for more than just the local membership. Something that you've done to your car and have been pleased with will very likely please BMWCCA members accross the nation. It all starts here. I remain, y. h. o. b. s.,

Dave Pritchard

BMW OWNERSHIP COSTS this is supposed to have first appeared in a 1972  
ROUNDEL

MAY

1- 8	Expenses for old car while shopping foreign car lots	\$	22.00
8	Flowers to wife to introduce subject of bargain BMW		9.50
9	Dinner for wife to lure her by dealer to see 2002		18.00
19	Late evening at Crystal Pistol after arguement		7.00
10	New hairdo for wire after demonstration ride in 2002 sunroof		12.00
11	Bought BMW 2002 with sunroof		8,174.23
11	Bought babuska for wife so hair wouldn't blow		.99
12	After dramatic scene, traded babuska for air conditioning		420.00
13	Friend who claimed to be an expert demonstrated speed shifting. New 2nd gear		96.00
14	Wife bought sweater to match car		35.00
18	Raced Porche on way to work. Speeding citation		25.00
19	Wife bought slacks to go with sweater that matched car		45.00
20	Removed emission crap. Raced Porche 914 on way to work. Speeding citation and engine modifications		87.50
21	Neighbors five year old drew crayon picture on vynil upholstery. Vinyl cleaner		1.79
22	Settled out of court for clobbering neighbors son		100.00
23	Wife bought shoes to go with slacks which went with sweater which matched car		26.95
24	Expert friend showed me how to adjust valves. replaced four burned valves		164.20
25	Evening at Crystal Pistol after arguement resulting from wife's returning hand bag bought to go with shoes which went with slacks which went with sweater which matched car		11.00
26	BMWCCA membership, grille badges, jacket patch, ROUNDEL binders, etc.		38.00
27	Raced Porche 914 on way to work. Had twin Webbers and manifold installed		791.00

JUNE

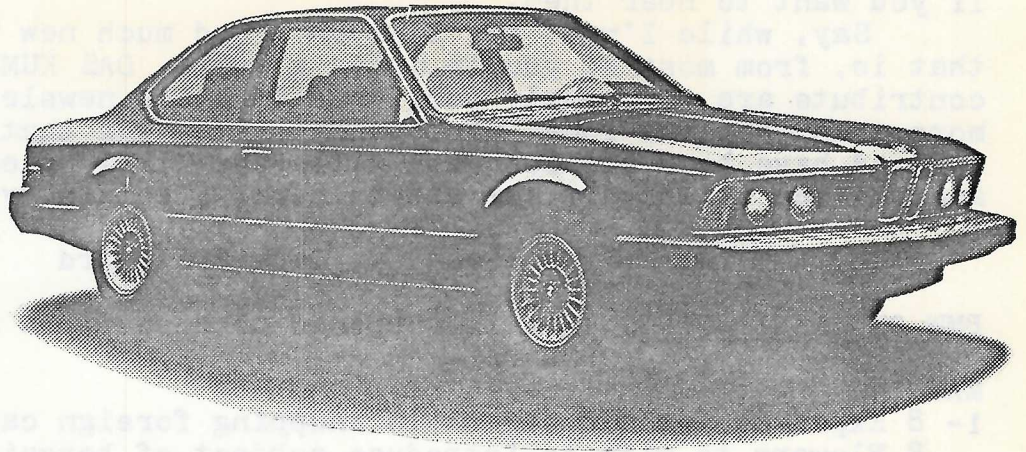
1	Added up all figures so far, told wife she'd have to economize. Evening at Crystal Pistol		16.00
19	Expert friend demonstrated proper cornering technique. Replaced two right tires and wheels		175.00
30	Taught wife to drive BMW, new clutch		154.00

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## JULY

2 Gave Wife another driving lesson. Evening at  
Crystal Pistol 8.00

## AUGUST

1 Wife raced with Porche 914. Speeding citation 25.00  
2 2002 expenses while shopping for new 530i .45  
9 New 530i 11,177.44  
9 Evening at Crystal Pistol before going home 6.00

TOTAL \$21,651.05

530i RATTLE FIX from Patroon Chapter

Of interest to 530i owners, the next time you are checking out your auto, take a phillips head screwdriver to the screws underneath the door handles on the outside of the doors. These screws are tucked underneath the pull, but can be easily reached. I discovered two of mine were loose.

After months of persistant checking for an evasive rattle which seemed near the window I was about to give up. Rear seat bottoms and back had been removed, rear shelf carpet had been removed. but without success. Finally it was traced to the outlet at the rear of the headliner above the rear window which exhausts air from the vehicle.

I was unable to obtain a service manual which shows the air exhaust outlet, but apparently it is affixed with either a press type fastener or metal rivets. This unit was loose and rattled from road vibrationer but The fix was to force some sheet cardboard(just a narrow strip such as from men's shirts have when packed) between the metal parts to act as an insulator.

### 320i COMMENTS from FLUSTERNDE BOMBE of the Golden Gate Chapter

I've noticed on most 3201's that the area where the tailpipe joins the muffler, the paint is completely gone, exposing the weld to the environment. Wyman Tong had his tailpipe rust off at 14k miles, and since the outlet of the muffler is above the painted rear surface on the car, the hot exhaust quickly burns a spot in the paint. Try some cheap flat black or grey paint and touch up as required. The break, if it occurs, is such that there is nothing left to weld a new tailpipe to. A new muffler and tailpipe assembly costs about \$90.00

### CHECK YOUR OIL MISTER? from Badger Bimmers

We'd heard about it, but never knew how to get it done: A complete spectrometric analysis of your used oil. Now Gulf has sent me a folder about their new "Motorcheck" service. They send you a kit which includes a jar and a mailer. You return it to them and receive back a complete analysis which tells you exactly what's happening in your car, including cylinder wear, coolant leaks, faulty combustion, carburetor adjustments, etc. They do this by finding levels of contamination of such things as carbon, copper, tin, silicon, boron, sodium, nickel, iron and aluminum, the presence of any which is an indication of specific problems. Send check (or Gulf Charge number) for \$7.95 (\$14.95 for two) to Motorcheck, P.O.Box 4033, Atlanta, Ga. 30303.

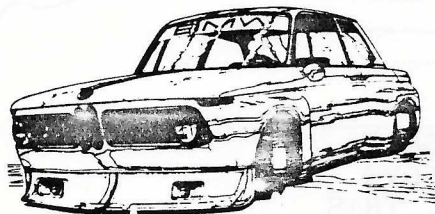
### Tii DISTRIBUTOR ON 320i from Iowa Chapter

Full mechanical distributors (008) work well on the 320i, you will have to plug two vacuum lines. Plug the one from the vacuum diaphragm on the old distributor and the one on the vacuum diaphragm nearest the battery. Acceleration is improved and the car will run a little cooler. Don't forget to reset timing (at 2200 rpm, Tech Ed.).

### BAVARIA CLOCK REPLACEMENT From BOSTON CHAPTER

My 1972 Bavaria was among the majority of Bavarias which I have seen in that the VDO-KIENZLE clock was nonoperative.

After being awe-struck at the price for a BMW replacement part, I searched for alternatives. For \$19.88 (sale price) I purchased a "SPARKOMATIC" LED-1 digital quartz clock. I merely had to file approximately 1/8" from the bottom of the Sparkomatic mounting bracket for it to slide perfectly into the existing Bavaria cutout. Filing a notch on either side of the Sparkomatic bracket allowed the stock Bavaria clock faceplate to fit over the new clock for a factory installed appearance.



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