



The Road Benz

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Wichita Section

President's Corner

Lee Elrick Jr., Section President



Well the fall driving season is rapidly approaching and I'm really looking forward to the remaining events this year.

We had a great membership meeting at Firebirds in August with around 20 members and guests attending. It was wonderful to see everyone, catch up with everyone's summer activities, and start planning our next events.

And speaking of next events, there are quite a few coming up. In September we will be attending the Sonnenblumen German Car Show in Salina. This is always a fun car event and you'll be amazed at all the different German vehicles there. In October we have a wine tasting planned at Grace Hill Winery in Whitewater. Finally in November we have another event planned at the dealership.

Check out this letter for all the event details and mark your calendar. Looking forward to seeing you at our next gathering...happy driving!

Up Coming Events

September 21st: Cars and Coffee meet up in Wichita

September 28th: Sonnenblumen German Car Show in Salina

October 19th: Wine Tasting at Grace Hill Winery

November: Event at the Dealership

January: Membership meeting and lunch



Past Event Report**Membership Meeting and Lunch, August 24th**

Around 20 club members and guests attended our section membership meeting and lunch at the Firebirds Wood Fire Grill restaurant. The section president, Lee Elrick, gave a summary of the year's events and outlined some upcoming activities for the rest of year. The membership chair, Kirk Filbey, provided some news on section membership...our section is growing! Everyone enjoyed an excellent lunch and got caught up on various summer activities. It was great to see everyone and we are all looking forward to the upcoming fall activities.



Upcoming Events!**Cars and Coffee**When: **Saturday, September 21st, 8AM to 11AM**Where: **The Alley Indoor Entertainment, 11413 E. 13th St N, Wichita KS 67206**

This is an informal gathering of cars that occurs during the third Saturday of every month. This free event kicks off at 8 in the morning and there's complimentary coffee and donuts. Our club has never attended this event so let's see if we can get a big contingent there!

For those of you interested in going as a group (there's better chance that we can all park together), plan on meeting at the Super Target (10800 E. 21st N, Wichita KS 67206) parking lot right off of 21st street at around 7:30. We'll depart as a group from the lot at 7:45 and head to the

event. If you want to attend the event later in the morning, that's fine as well; you can pop in and out of the event as your schedule permits.

You can RSVP for this event at mbca.wichita@aol.com or by leaving a message at (530) 848-3396. Hope to see you there!

Sonnenblumen German Car ShowWhen: **Saturday, September 28th, 10AM to 3PM**Where: **Oakdale Park, Salina KS**

This is always a fun event with all sorts of vehicles showing up, plus you've never seen so many Bugs in one place. It doesn't matter if you have a new or old car, it just needs to be German!

For those of you interested in convoying up to the event, we will meet at the back parking lot of the Cracker Barrel restaurant (on 61st Street in Park City, just off exit 14 on I-235). We will depart from this location at around 8:45. For those of you living north of Wichita, you can join up with the group as we make our way to Salina. If you have other plans first thing in the morning, please don't hesitate to come to the show a little later. The entry fee to the show is \$10 per car but the club will cover that cost. You can RSVP for this event at mbca.wichita@aol.com or by leaving a message at (530) 848-3396. Please do so no later than Thursday, September 26th so we can get a head count for the event planners.



Mercedes-Benz Club of America – Wichita Section**Wine Tasting**

When: **Saturday, October 19th, 12PM to 2PM**

Where: **Grace Hill Winery, Whitewater KS**

Here's an opportunity to try out some great Kansas wine. We'll meet up at Stearman Field Bar and Grill in Benton. Come up early and grab a late breakfast! We will depart from Stearman Field at 11:15 and head to the winery. We are scheduled for a tour and tasting at the winery from 12PM to 2PM.

You can RSVP for this event at mbca.wichita@aol.com or by leaving a message at (530) 848-3396. Please do so no later than Thursday, October 17th so we can get a head count for the winery.

**Dealership Event**

When: **November**

Where: **Mercedes-Benz Dealership, Wichita KS**

Details are still being put together for this event. Stay tuned for more information...



The Benz Bazaar

For Sale: Heavy duty car cover by California Cover. \$75. Will fit any W111 body style, was previously on a 280SE. Inquire at (316) 619-6922

Free Sun Visors: 2 driver side sun visors for a W126 (I think). They are gray and one has a pillar mounting piece. If interested please contact Kirk at rkfilbey@gmail.com



Wanted: 1970's era Becker car radio, such as the Europa, Europa II, Grand Prix, or Mexico models. If you have one that is in pretty good shape and you are interested in selling it, please contact Kirk at rkfilbey@gmail.com .



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2020 Mercedes-Benz GLE
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2nd Prize
2020 Mercedes-Benz GLC
MSRP: \$44,500



3rd Prize
2020 German Trip
MSRP: \$10,500



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If purchasing by credit or debit card you may call 800.637.2260
(Mon-Thurs 9am - 4:30pm; Fri 9am - 4pm Mountain Time)
or fax this completed Order Form to 719.633.9033
Make your check/money order payable to: MBCA, International Stars Section
Mail to: Raffle, 1967 Lelary Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80909

No limit to the number of tickets you can buy. At least one phone number is required.

MBCA Member # _____

Member Name _____

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City, State, Zip _____

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Ticket Quantity ____ x \$50 each = Total Due \$ _____

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Check # _____ Money Order # _____

Credit or Debit Card*

*(MUST complete credit/debit card information on reverse side)



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OFFICIAL RULES. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

1. You must be 18 years of age or older and a current Member of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America (MBCA) to purchase tickets. You must be a current Member at the time of the drawing to be eligible to win.
2. Credit and debit cards accepted. U.S. Members only may pay by check/money order in U.S. funds. Checks must be exclusively for the payment of the ticket(s) and not include other purchases or renewal payments.
3. Void where prohibited by law.
4. An Official Order form, or copy thereof, must be used to purchase tickets when ordering by mail. Order forms have been mailed to members and are also available upon request from the National Business Office (NBO) or at www.mbca.org. Mail order form requests to: Raffle, 1907 Lelaray Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80909.
5. Ticket orders must be received no later than December 4, 2019. Ticket orders and checks arriving after December 4, 2019 will be returned to sender.
6. All ticket sales are final at the time of purchase. There are no refunds.
7. Tickets will only be issued in the name of the Primary Member listed in the MBCA membership files and does not include Associate Members. Prizes will be awarded on the same basis. Winning tickets cannot be assigned, transferred or sold. Membership must be current at the time of purchasing a ticket(s) and at the time of the drawing.
8. Paid staff, contractors of MBCA and The Star[®] magazine, their immediate families and household members may not participate in the Raffle.
9. Odds of winning will be based on the number of tickets sold.
10. Prize winners must complete a form from the NBO and return it within 45 days of the mailing of written notification of winning.
11. The drawing will be held and certified at 444 Church Street, Flint, MI 48502 at 10:30 a.m. EST on December 12, 2019. Any MBCA member may attend the drawing; attendance is not required to win. Results will be posted at www.mbca.org.
12. The raffle is sponsored by MBCA, International Stars Section and ticket requests are subject to its acceptance. This Raffle is licensed under the laws of the State of Michigan. License Number R55182.
13. A minimum of 4,450 tickets MUST BE SOLD to award prizes. 1st prize will receive \$56,200 less 25% tax-withholdings; 2nd place will receive \$44,500 less 25% tax-withholdings; 3rd place will receive \$10,500 less 25% tax-withholdings. The 1st and 2nd prize winners will shop for their vehicle at the dealership of their choice. The 3rd prize will receive a check that may be applied towards the registration of a 2020 German trip. If fewer than 4,450 tickets are sold, 1st prize will receive 50% of one-half (50%) of the gross raffle ticket sales; 2nd prize will receive 40% of one-half (50%) of the gross raffle ticket sales; and 3rd prize will receive 10% of one-half (50%) of the gross raffle ticket sales - less Federal withholding of 25%, or at least \$5,000 (less withholding), whichever is greater. The 50% 1st prize, 40% 2nd prize, and 10% 3rd prize will be paid directly to the winner. If the winner is a Michigan resident there will be an additional withholding of 4.25%.
14. 1st and 2nd prize winners will select the vehicle of their choice at the Dealership designated (see rule #13). Any expenses incurred to take possession of the vehicle, which exceed the 1st and 2nd prize payment check awarded to the Dealer, will be the sole responsibility of the 1st and 2nd prize winner. The winner will be responsible for all licensing, registration, taxes, fees, duties, insurance and other costs as well as transportation to and from the Dealership.
15. The withholding deposited on behalf of the winner may not be all of the taxes owed depending upon the winner's tax bracket. The gross amount of the prize will be added to the winner's income for the tax year of 2019.
16. If fewer than 4,450 Raffle tickets are sold, MBCA will substitute one-half (50%) of the gross sales revenue from the entries sold as of the time of the entry deadline as the Prize, in lieu of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prize (see Rule #13).
17. Acceptance of a prize constitutes permission for MBCA to use the winner's name, Section affiliation, likeness and photograph in any MBCA publicity worldwide in all media including the internet without additional compensation.
18. By participating in the Raffle, participants agree to be bound by these Official Rules.



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Mercedes-Benz Club of America – Wichita Section

Membership Report

Our section membership stands at 394 members! We had yet another tremendous increase in new and renewing members over the last few months. Here's a warm welcome to all our new members and a hearty thanks to all of our renewing members. Thank you so much!

As always, please continue to promote our club with other Mercedes owners so we can increase our numbers. If you meet someone who has specific questions about our club, please direct them to contact us at MBCA.Wichita@aol.com.

For our current members, please don't forget to renew your membership so you don't miss out on future events.

Thank you all for your sustained membership and support of the club!

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Bad day for the Valkyrie! My 450SEL needed some extra help getting home. Oh well, he'll be back to fight another day. –The Editor

