



# BMW Z CLUB

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## November 06, 2024, Meeting Minutes

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Greetings Fellow Zer's!

- 5:00 PM: Approximately 40 members enjoyed a wonderful dinner at Los Magueyes Wildwood. Join us next time, it's a great way to meet your fellow Club members!
- 7:00 PM: The meeting was called to order followed by our National Anthem.
- Congratulations to our fabulous Club on winning the participation award at BMW of Ocala's yearly community party in October.

### **Membership Report** (Karin Bornstein)

- The membership stands at 288 members representing 158 cars.
- Executive Board Member Doug Waidelich has taken over planning our monthly pre-meeting dinners.
- On October 16<sup>th</sup> the Membership Committee hosted a New Members Reception to introduce newbies to the Club and all it offers, including a website tutorial. Many thanks to Steve & Rita Westerlund for hosting a great evening!
- The **First Potluck of 2025 has been moved to our February 5<sup>th</sup>** meeting.
- If you know of any member in ill health or suffering a loss in their family, please let us know so we can reach out to offer support.
- Note: You can purchase new t-shirts and door signs at our monthly meetings. We also have Club business cards available.

### **Treasurers Report** (Doug Waidelich)

- New Club Treasurer Doug Waidelich gave a brief overview of the Clubs accounts: Checking and Savings accounts with Wells Fargo, and PayPal.
- Our operating funds are held in the checking account. Our charitable giving funds are held in the savings account. PayPal is the mechanism we use to collect payment for drives/events.
- The Checking Account stands at \$11,514.03 (funds awaiting disbursement to Holiday Party & Ireland Trip vendors)
- The Charitable Funds Account stands at \$1228.10.

### **Program Coordination Report** (Mark Simon)

#### **Past Drives and Events**

#### **September 8-17th, 2024: Z's on the Seas**

- Trip Organizers: Karin Bornstein & Sandra Eldred
- 44 members enjoyed a fun & fabulous 9-day trip, featuring 2 days in Old Quebec City followed by a 7-day cruise on the NCL Joy winding through the Canadian Maritime culminating in NY city.

#### **September 26th, 2024: Airboat Adventure with lunch at Peck's Old Cove**

- Cancelled due to inclement weather.

#### **September 28th, 2024: Cars Around the Square (Brownwood)**

- Many thanks to Drive Captains Ed Evenski & Steve Mott
- One of six car clubs showcased in Brownwood, 23 of our Z's were on display and enjoyed lots of attention from the large Villager crowd in attendance. "We love your Club" was the comment The Villages Events Director used to describe our lively, dedicated, fun-loving Club!

### **October 2nd, 2024: BMW of Ocala Dinner**

- Drive Captain: Ken Bornstein
- One of the highlight events of the year, BMW of Ocala treated 120 of us to a wonderful buffet dinner, music, trivia, and many great prizes.

### **October 7th, 2024: Lunch Drive to Lake Eustis Waterfront Grill**

- Cancelled due to inclement weather.

### **October 30th, 2024: BMW Z Club Road Rally**

- Many thanks to Drive Captains Phil & Alice Priemer for putting a wonderful rally together.
- This year's theme: locate as many US Flags as possible (over 200) along the route.

### **Future Drives and Events**

#### **November 20th, 2024: Stetson Mansion with Lunch at Deland Airport Restaurant**

- Drive Captains: Douglas Waidelich & Steve Mott
- This very popular drive to see Stetson Mansion decorated for the Holidays has **SOLD OUT!**

#### **December 6th, 2024: PJ's & Book Drive with Lunch at O'Keefe's Restaurant, Tavares**

- Drive Captains: Sandra & Bill Eldred
- In partnership with the Girl Scout of America Silver Trefoil's, this will be our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual drive to support underserved children in Sumter, Marion and Lake Counties. Last year our members donated over 200 PJ's and books, so let's do this or better this year!
- **SIGN UP** at: [www.villagesbmwzclub.com](http://www.villagesbmwzclub.com)

#### **December 12th, 2024: Holiday Party**

- Organizers: Karin Bornstein & Lorraine Kenny
- **NEW Location:** Lake Miona Recreation Center
- Dinner: Pasta Fare
- Music: The Jay Rubin Band
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#### **January 15th, 2025: Three Sisters Springs with Lunch at Stumpknockers on the Square, Inverness**

- Drive Captains: Gerry Odenbach and Herb Hofmann
- Join the 40 members already signed up for this drive to see a breathtaking Florida ecosystem.
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#### **February 15th, 2025: Don Garlits Museum of Drag Racing with Lunch at The Back Porch Restaurant**

- Drive Captain: Doug Waidelich.
- Join us for a tour of over 300 race cars and the personal memorabilia of Don Garlits.
- **SIGN UP** at: [www.villagesbmwzclub.com](http://www.villagesbmwzclub.com)

#### **February 28th, 2025: Z's Around Lake Sumter Square – SAVE THE DATE**

- Drive Captain: Ed Evenski
- Always a great way to showcase our cars and Club. SIGN UP coming soon!

#### **March 19th, 2025: Z Fun Fest – SAVE THE DATE**

- Drive Captains: The Z Fun Fest Committee
- Sign Up coming soon.

#### **April 23rd-24th, 2025: Trip to Vero Beach to see the musical *Beautiful* with dinner at the Ocean Grill**

- Drive Captains: Mark & Phyllis Simon
- This very popular overnight trip has **SOLD OUT** for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row.

#### **May 19th-23rd, 2025: Tail of the Dragon– SAVE THE DATE**

- Drive Captain: Ken Bornstein
- We are bringing back this Club favorite 5-day road trip to Tail of the Dragon. **See preliminary details and show your interest at:** [www.villagesbmwzclub.com](http://www.villagesbmwzclub.com)

#### **July 20th- 30th, 2025: The BMW Z Club Explores the Emerald Isle (Ireland)**

- Trip Organizers: Sandra Eldred, Karin Bornstein, Ken Bornstein.
- 50 members are signed up for this 10-day luxury motorcoach tour of the backroads of Ireland where we will see all the beauty and hospitality the Emerald Isle provides.
- This very popular trip has **SOLD OUT.**

Many thanks to this month's speaker, **Kaden Alvarez of Exclusive Car Care**, a mobile car detailing specialist. Kaden's work can be seen on his website at: <https://www.morehandetails.com/> or call him at 352-362-2830. Note: He is offering a discount to our Club members.

**NOTE:** Please visit our website ([www.villagesbmwzclub.com](http://www.villagesbmwzclub.com)) to view information and sign up to any of our events. Just a reminder to wear your logo gear on rides, and to put your window stickers on your cars. If you see a Z without a window sticker add one of our business cards under the windshield. It may just mean another new member!  
**See the Membership Committee for logo wear, window stickers, business cards and door signs.**

**Logo apparel is available from the following merchants:**

***Custom Apparel*** in the Southern Trace Plaza on 466.

***Company Apparel*** in Leesburg.

***Gotta Get Your Name On*** in Spanish Springs.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sandra Eldred, Secretary