



Triangle Section

President's Message

Hello Triangle Section

We are continuing to reduce cost for the newsletter publication and have gone away from the more costly template to a generic template that allows us to format and produce the newsletter ourselves without the need to hire outside contractors. Please bear with us as we struggle to find the right look and feel. Also, if anyone of our members has experience in producing a newsletter, please contact me. As you can tell, I sure could use your help.

We kicked off the year with a well attended February Tech Session held at A Better Wrench in Chapel Hill. Owner Max Scroggs hosted the Section and put together a complete lineup of experts in automotive care. Members had a chance to ask questions and watch as dents were removed and headlights were polished.

In April, Larry and Cindy Murray put together a lunch and sightseeing cruise in Wilmington. Unfortunately, it was the same weekend as the massive tornados that blanketed the entire state. Even with the dicey weather, attendees all managed to have a good time.

Be looking for a Road Rally in June, followed by a Durham Bulls game in July and the annual event at Shelton Vineyards in August. I am sure all the events will be fun! Please watch for a Constant Contact email with details of the upcoming events and reminders of business meetings.

Your leadership team will continue to enhance the way we conduct the Section's activities and your comments are always welcomed.

As always, I know your time is valuable and I continue to promise business meetings will follow an agenda, start and end on time. Please consider attending. It is, after all, your club!

Regards,
Terry



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Sightseeing and Lunch Cruise

Wow, did we picked the wrong weekend! Eleven members of the Triangle Section gathered in Wilmington for a lunch cruise aboard the Henrietta III. The weather service had warnings issued for severe conditions all day, with high winds and possible tornados.

Attendance was initially booked for 22. The Section prepaid for members and collected the ticket price at the dock, but because of the storms, half of the group chose to stay secured at home.

We boarded at 11:45 A.M. and prepared ourselves for a bumpy ride. The announcement was made that we were ready to shove off, when a large gust of wind broke the mooring lines and the captain decided to cancel the trip. We were told we would be given a full refund for our tickets.

To add insult to injury, when we went to redeem our tickets, we were told that only the people that were onboard would receive the rebate. That left half of our tickets without refund.

Not to be denied an outing by the weather, we all decided to find a river front restaurant and have a nice lunch. We ended up at a great seafood establishment and had a grand time.

Unfortunately, there were several tornados throughout the state during the day, causing extensive damage and injuries. None of the Section members suffered damages and we all felt very lucky.

Larry and Cindy Murray should be complemented on the valiant effort of organizing and managing an event under extremely difficult conditions.

Well done!



Henrietta III Wilmington, NC

Q2 - 2011 Calendar of Events

- May 10th Business Meeting – The Cutting Board, 2699 Ramada Road, Burlington, NC. Dinner at 6:00p.m., Meeting starts at 7:00p.m.
- June 11th Road Rally - Rally master Fred Hayes will lead us through a fun and challenging road trip over the beautiful NC countryside beginning at Fearington Village. First car departs at 1:30 p.m.

Next Business Meeting

- July 12th – Business Meeting - Crazy Fire Mongolian Grill, 7201 Old Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh, NC (south of I-540 & Capital Blvd). Telephone (919) 876-2222 (919) 876-2222. 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (Dinner at 6:00 for those wishing to eat.)

Tech Session – A Better Wrench

On February 26th, the Triangle Section was once again hosted by A Better Wrench in Chapel Hill, NC for a Tech Session. A group of 20 members of the Triangle Section met to hear discussions on wheel straightening, headlight polishing, dent removal, and overall maintenance of Mercedes-Benz.

Owner Max Scroggs did a great job lining up experts to share their knowledge and demonstrate how each specialty service is done.

Thanks again Max!



Special Event

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Pictures of the 2010 Shelton Vineyards Tour and Car Show.

Oldest M-B Bob Beckmann



Best of Show-Fred Hayes



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