

SOLD OUT: Texas Hill Country Run - Burnet! Saturday and Sunday, October 9-10, 8:30am



The Lone Star (Austin) Section will be hosting this year's Hill Country Run which promises to be a great weekend overnighter. We will enjoy scenic drives, local flavor meals, wine-tasting and prizes. Our headquarters will be the beautiful Horseshoe Bay Resort near Burnet.

For those who booked reservations, the Fort Worth Section will meet at the Starbucks at 7429 Oakmont Blvd, Fort Worth at 8:30am and caravan to Burnet. Alternatively, you may meet us at 10am at the Valero gas station on the corner of TX-6 (2nd Street) and US-281, Hico, TX.

To refresh your memory on this trip's details, go to our website, www.mbcafortworth.org, click the [Event Calendar](#) button, then select this event.

Our November Fall Drive is Scheduled for Saturday, November 13

This event is still in work. Stay tuned for details coming up soon. In the meantime, please mark your calendars for Saturday, November 13.

Holiday Celebration at River Crest Country Club, Fort Worth, TX, December 11, 6pm



Our 2021 Holiday Party will be at the River Crest Country Club in Fort Worth. The iconic River Crest has been one of Fort Worth's premier country clubs since its inception. Let us jump start the holidays with a night of good food, games, prizes and camaraderie with our fellow MBCA members. The agenda, menu and other details follow below. Space is limited, so sign up as soon as you can. First come, first served.

When: Saturday, December 11, 6pm.

Where: River Crest Country Club, Founders Room, 1501 Western Ave, Fort Worth, TX (817) 738-9221.

Dress: Cocktail, Coat and Tie.

Cost and Signup: Please sign up as early as you can so we can assure enough food, drink and space for everyone. Family and friends of MBCA members are welcome. The cost of this event will be \$75 per person. Cocktails and wine can be ordered at additional cost.

1) To pay online using your credit card:

Go to our website, www.mbcafortworth.org, click the [Event Calendar](#) button, then select this event. Locate the payment button for this event's online write-up, and follow the instructions.

2) To pay with a check:

Register and send your payment as soon as possible. Let DJ know you are coming via return email. Make your check payable to MBCA, and send to DJ de Jesus, 4159 Charron Ln, Ft Worth, TX 76116.

Agenda:

6:00 - COCKTAIL RECEPTION:

Hors d'oeuvres will be served. Cash Bar (cash only) is open.

7:00- DINNER:

Our 3-course dinner will include:

- 1) Winter Blueberry Salad - Winter Blueberries, French Brie, Oranges, Spiced Almonds, Jicama, Feta Cheese Crumbles, Warm White Balsamic Dressing
- 2) Char-Grilled Bacon-Wrapped Filet Mignon and Sea Bass Filet Roasted in Brown Butter and Lemon, Roasted Asparagus, Garlic Mashed Potatoes
- 3) Plated Dessert Trio:
 - * Egg Nog Creme Brulee Spoon - Creamy Egg Nog, Fall Spices, Burnt Sugar Crust
 - * Winter Bread Pudding - Bread Pudding, Vanilla Custard, Dried Fruit, Whiskey Cream, Spiced Caramel Sauce
 - * Pecan Black Bottom Tart - Bourbon Pecan Pie laced with Dark Chocolate, Sugar Pie Shell, Warm Butterscotch Sauce, Vanilla Ice Cream

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Fort Worth Section Meetings at Park Place Fort Worth

The Fort Worth Section board meets at 6:00 pm on the first Wednesday of every month. We encourage attendance, suggestions and exchange of ideas from any MBCA member. The meetings are held at Park Place Motorcars Fort Worth, 5601 S Bryant Irvin Road, Fort Worth.

Park Place

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and Mercedes-Benz of Grapevine invite you to avail of the 10% discount on parts and service and 15% off boutique items offered to MBCA members. Simply show your current MBCA membership card when paying for these items.

Holiday Celebration at River Crest Country Club - Con't

Beverages: Coffee and tea included. Wine and other beverages may be ordered at the cash bar (CASH ONLY, NO CREDIT CARDS) at additional cost.

8:30 to 11:00 - GAME, PRIZES, DANCING, CAMARADERIE.

Directions: From Downtown Fort Worth, head west on I-30. Exit Hulen Street and turn right (north) on Hulen St. Go past Camp Bowie Blvd. Turn right (east) on Crestline Road then left (north) on Western Ave. River Crest Country Club will be on your right.



RIVER CREST



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Pictures of all items can be seen on the [Classifieds](http://www.mbcfortworth.org) page of the Fort Worth Section website, www.mbcfortworth.org.

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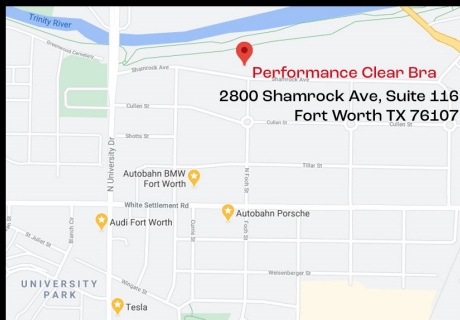
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Prior Event Report - Texas BBQ and Texas Wine, Belton and Valley Mills, TX, July 24, 2021



The caravan en route to Belton.

Twenty-two folks in 13 cars joined us for a Texas BBQ and wine tour. From Fort Worth, we drove to Belton on scenic roads less traveled. Our first destination was Miller's Smokehouse for lunch. Texas Monthly says this is one of the best BBQ joints in the world (but surely they meant Texas?), and Miller's Smokehouse did not disappoint.



On our way to Valley Mills.

After lunch, we took another scenic drive to Valley Mills Vineyard for some Texas wine. The winery was a beautiful venue nestled on a hill overlooking a lush green valley below.

After some socializing with a glass (or so) of wine, we took to our cars for the long drive home.



The group and their cars



Arriving Valley Mills Vineyards.



The vineyard is a beautiful venue.



Hard to beat a Miller's BBQ meal.



At Miller's BBQ.



Wine and friends.

Prior Event Report - Texas Ranger Hall of Fame & Museum, Waco, TX, August 14, 2021



The lineup

Twenty folks in nine cars enjoyed a country drive, a visit to the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum in Waco, and a Mexican lunch.

The Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum is the official historical center of the Texas Ranger service. Here, we followed the exploits of this legendary group of enforcers from the Indian Wars two centuries ago to their mission of law enforcement today. In the museum's amphitheatre, we enjoyed a History Channel presentation of the service's missions, roles, deeds and misdeeds throughout its history, and became familiar with its more famous and colorful members. We also perused the many artifacts in the museum - badges, dioramas, firearms, memorabilia, and other items used by the Texas Rangers throughout the service's long existence.

After our museum visit, we lunched at the original El Conquistador Mexican restaurant, a family-owned establishment which has served hungry Wacoans since the sixties. After lunch, we made our way home on our own.



The group inside the museum.



The iconic Texas Ranger statue and its Lone Star flag near the museum's entrance



History Channel presentation of the service's history.



History of the Colt revolver.



En route to Waco.



At the El Conquistador Mexican Restaurant.



Bonnie & Clyde exhibit.

Prior Event Report - Lunch and Moonshine, Glen Rose & Tolar, TX, September 18, 2021



Yet another way to get to Glen Rose.



We enjoyed driving on this wonderful country road.

Nineteen folks in eleven cars joined us for a great drive, a fine lunch, and whiskey and moonshine-tasting.

Our lunch destination was the Riverhouse Grill in Glen Rose. Elegant but casual, the restaurant occupies a renovated historic home built in the early 1900s. We made our selections from a Prix Fixe menu prepared especially for us. It was a unique luncheon experience in small-town Texas.

After lunch, we made our way to the Sledge Distillery in Tolar for whiskey and moonshine tasting. This was an optional activity but everyone attended. This tiny distillery creates whiskey and moonshine from the original recipes found in the war chest of the owner's father, who made moonshine for his fellow soldiers while stationed in the South Pacific during the Second World War.



The group and their cars.



At Sledge Distillery. Such a happy group.



A historic home houses the Riverhouse Grill.



Found some shade at the distillery.



Cozy seating at the grill.



Ice cream maker - restored Ford tractor churns the cream.

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Fort Worth Section

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