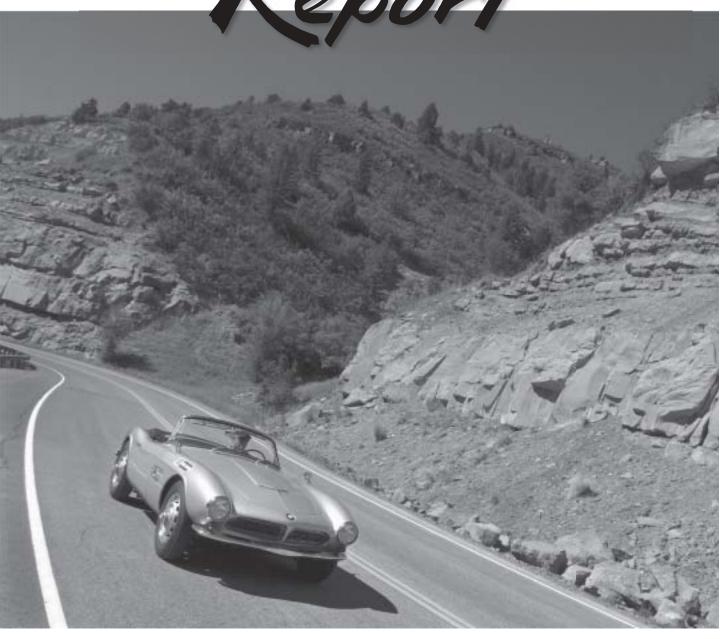


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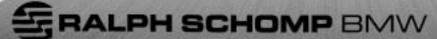
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Tom Davidson driving through Red Rocks Canyon. Photo by N. Warren Winter.

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# Late-braking News by Dave Walker

# **Performance Art**



ave you seen the new Six? All that I've seen so far is photos and descriptions, but from what I've seen and read, it's a refreshing change from the strange, almost macabre, design statements embodied in the latest Seven- and Five-series designs. Certainly there are similarities to these predecessors, but somehow the Gestalt that was so sorely lacking in those two models has been rediscovered—in

Spaten (spades). To put it simply, this design succeeds. From the pictures I've seen, the best exterior angle is a high-threequarters' view from the front, but I feel all the right vibes from almost any perspective. On the inside, while I still rile at the contrived (and destined-for-obsolescence) video display in the central dash, perhaps the singularly greatest design element on the entire vehicle is the eloquently sculpted console, smoothly arcing forwards across the midline from the driver's seat towards the passenger foot well. The graceful curve is reminiscent of a sail or, perhaps, a finely-crafted musical instrument. In fact, the stylist who devised this signature statement is a violinist from Minnesota! Who says Midwesterners are flat-earth disciples by birthright?

And the music doesn't stop there. All reports are that the dynamic aspects of this latest *über-coupe* are class-leading. In other words, nothing less than one would expect from the Ultimate Driving Machine. The awesome throttle-less 4.4 liter V-8, originally introduced in the latest Seven, is unleashed now with the long-awaited mating to a 6-speed manual (or sequential-manual or automatic, if you prefer) gearbox. I'll reserve judgment, however, on the Ultimate Drivability of the Active Steering system, which not only offers variable boost but also variable ratio. Rather than take the word of any mere journalist (or club officer and pundit, for that matter), tis better to sample the goods in person, nicht wahr? We hope to make an announcement soon of a very special introduction to the new six-series coupe, just for RMC chapter members, so that you can decide for yourself whether the new Six is worth taking out that second mortgage for or not. Watch for it in an upcoming MotorSport Report.

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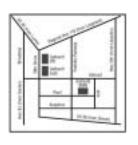
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# Ponderings by the Editor by Darlene Doran

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nother year has come and gone. Hopefully, we can get back to our daily routines. I hope everyone had a safe and Happy Holiday Season.

# Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

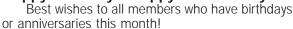
My genuine appreciation to these members who wrote articles and took photographs for the February issue of the MSR: All Participants for their Car of the Month articles and photos,

which now are candidates for CAR OF THE YEAR; Janet Kiyota and Darlene Doran for coordinating the "Fall Dinner/Elections" & Autocross Awards", their article and photos: Leslie Jenkins for coordinating the "Holiday Party" her article and photos; Rich Krebs and Darlene Doran for their "Holiday Party" photos; Fred Iacino for his "Candidate Statement for South Central Region Vice President" and photo; Warren Winter for his "Vail to Vail in a 507" article and photos; Phil Couch for his "Our Overseas Correspondent - What to Pretend You Are Deployed" article and photos from Iraq; Janet Kiyota for coordinating the "Meet & Greet New Members Pizza/Video Night South" and her article; Gary Odehnal for coordinating the "Meet & Greet New Members Pizza/Video Night North"; Andy Peavy for coordinating the "Car Control Clinic" and his article: Mark Doran and Michael Bever for coordinating the "Rocky Mountain Chapter Oktoberfest" and their article; Bob and Lauri Sutterfield for coordinating the "Street Survival" and their article; Michael Beyer for his "Meet the New Bee" article; Andrew Jordan for his "Corner Workers" article; Christian Hawley for her "Never Say Never" article; and Dave Walker for his "late-braking news." A BIG thanks to everyone for helping make such a great newsletter once again!

# **Expectations of an Event Coordinator**

- Attendance of the Business Meetings 2 to 3 months prior to the event, and 1 meeting after to follow up
- Write an article announcing your event 2 to 3 months prior, so that we can get published in the MotorSport Report; where, what, when, etc.
- Take photos at the event, try to get the names of the participants.
- Try to get others' impressions of the event, possibly get them to write an article, or you need to write a review of the event.
- There are benefits payment of fee/meal for yourself and one other.
- Meeting lots of really great people!

# Happy Birthday / Happy Anniversary





# Good News! Rewards Program Extended

Looking to purchase a new BMW? You're in luck. BMW CCA has extended the Rewards Program through December 31, 2004; all vehicles qualify except the Z8. Check it out in your monthly *Roundel* or the BMW CCA website at <a href="http://">http://</a> www.bmwcca.org/services/svcfset.shtml The basic guidelines remain the same - one must be a member in good standing of the BMW CCA for at least one year continuously prior to purchasing your vehicle (please do not contact BMW CCA about back dating memberships, they will not wavier on this issue), and one must file the documentation within 60 days of taking delivery of the vehicle. We have not received the updated forms yet, but understand that BMW NA has also included the Z4 in the program. Anyone purchasing a Z4 after January 1, 2004—and fulfilling the other program requirements—can apply for the rebate.

# Looking for Event Coordinators!!

We are searching for Event Coordinators for upcoming 2004 events. If you would like to help out, please contact me either by email <a href="msreditor@rmcbmwcca.org">msreditor@rmcbmwcca.org</a> or telephone 303-758-4200.

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# The Rocky Mountain Chapter is talkin' online!

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For all the discussions, send an email message to

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If you'd rather see only the official event announcements and calendar reminders, instead, send an email message to

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# News From National Wynne Smith, Executive Director

DATE: December 18, 2003

Membership Stats as of 12/18/2003

|            | Full           | Associate    | Total          |  |
|------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--|
| Last month | 66667<br>66267 | 8237<br>7998 | 74904<br>74265 |  |
| Last Year  | 63660          | 7348         | 71008          |  |

# **TECH FEST EAST!**

May 13-16, 2004

in beautiful Reston, Virginia

(suburban DC, close to Dulles Airport)

We'll be staying at the Hyatt Regency Reston right at Reston Town Center Tentative Schedule:

Thursday, May 13: Welcome Reception; Vendor Set-up;

Registration

Friday, May 14: Vendor Displays; Workshops; Training

Sessions; Banquet with Guest Speaker

Saturday, May 15: Vendor Displays; Workshops; Training

Sessions; Banquet with Special Guest

Speaker

Sunday, May 16: We haven't locked this down but a

group of us may be driving westward toward PTG for a tour and other activi-

ties...

Watch Roundel for more information and registration details!

# **OKTOBERFEST 2004**

Beginning with a 4th of July family picnic on the grounds of the Huntington Ritz-Carlton complete with fireworks, Oktoberfest activities will fill the days with driving activities and social events. Not to be overlooked is the largest Vendor Exhibit Hall in our 34 year history of the BMW CCA Oktoberfest as we take over the entire Exhibition Building at the Pasadena Conference Center.

Our headquarters hotel for Oktoberfest 2004 will be the Hilton Pasadena. Our satellite housing facilities will include the Huntington Ritz-Carlton, the Pasadena Westin, and the Sheraton Pasadena. The dates are July 4th through the 9th of 2004. Watch the ROUNDEL for detailed event registration information. Please call or email with any questions: 864-250-0022 or BMWCCLUB@aol.com

# **MORE FORMS**

We have posted the updated chapter forms to the www.bmwcca.org website. Hard copies are enclosed with this mailing.

January 31 is the first deadline when we'll need your Chapter Comp Listing Request and Chapter Label Request forms. The next big date will be February 15th when we'll need all of your Charity Matching Funds Requests. Charity Matching Funds can now be filed on the same form with the 2004 ZF Public Service Awards. Winners of the ZF public Service Awards will be announced at Oktoberfest 2004.

You can fill these forms out online by visiting http:// www.bmwcca.org/forms/formsfset.shtml

#### MEETING WITH BMW NA

Mark Jon Calabrese, President; Steve Olsen, Chairman of Club Racing and I traveled to Woodcliff Lake, NJ last week to meet with Larry Koch, Hernando Carvajol and Richard Brekus.

The primary reason for our visit was to reconnect and refocus our relationship with BMW NA - we know it's become murky over the past few years and we'd like to work to resolve that. We began by making a clear statement concerning our relationship with the Foundation that everyone agreed with - basically - the Foundation is soliciting funds from BMW's gifts and donations pocket, and we're soliciting help from their sales/marketing pockets. We discussed and made a list of the many ways BMW NA works with the club:

Membership Reward Program

1.3 million will be rebated to BMW CCA members in 2003!

Sponsorship for corrals Sponsorship for Oktoberfest Sponsorship of Club Racing

Glove-box app redesign and printing Guest speakers at chapter events

Banners Door prizes

Support at Vintage events - Lime Rock, Monterey

And discussed areas where we'd like renewed assistance: Instructor Training Funds

Television (Speed) coverage of BMW CCA Club Racing.

Attendance at Board Meetings Attendance at Chapter Congress

Friends of BMW

All in all the meeting went very well. We will meet with them again in May, 2004 with a view towards 2005 and will be submitting a proposal to them this week as a follow-up to this year's meeting.

# **BOARD MEETING JANUARY, 2004**

The first quarter 2004 meeting of the BMW CCA Board of Directors will be held in Phoenix, Arizona. If there are topics you'd like your Regional Vice President to present, please contact him to make sure your topic appears on the agenda. As always, those of you wishing to observe the open sessions of any board meeting are welcome to do so. Please call the national office 864-250-0022 to let us know you'd like to attend, or send me an email: wynne\_smith@roundel.org.

# Address/Telephone Changes

All address and telephone number changes must be made through the National Office in writing — NOT TO THE CHAP-

**TER**. There are three ways written notice may be made:

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Email it — http://www.bmwcca.org/services/svcfset.shtml





# MINI Korner

# MINIs Built to Order Drive Strong Demand, Strong Sales - Individualization Key to Success

Woodcliff Lake, NJ - October 21, 2003 ... Over 95 percent of all MINIs reaching the U.S. market in the month of September were pre-sold before ever reaching the dealer lot and out of all MINIs sold last month, 85% were uniquely ordered by the customer before the car was even assembled.

Clearly MINI owners' demand for custom-built cars has made for strong sales of the MINI Cooper and MINI Cooper S. Within the first nine months of 2003, sales achieved 25,720 units, doubling the number of cars sold to over 50,000 units since the brand's launch 19 months ago.

"Our MINI brand philosophy emphasizes fun and individuality and we recognize the customer's desire to create his or her own unique MINI," said Jack Pitney, General Manager of MINI USA. "As such, we have been very successful, making it easy for customers to specify their new MINI with a plethora of standard and optional equipment - even accessory items."

Where other manufacturers limit the way customers can specify their cars, MINI offers all options 'a-la-cart', giving customers total freedom to build the car with the options they want. Popular options are also grouped into three convenient "Combo" packages for ease of ordering. Additionally, customers can choose from MINI's complete line of dealer-installed accessories at the time the car is ordered, giving them the

opportunity to include the cost into their financing.

"We find that many MINI customers enter the showroom already knowing what they want," says MINI Product Manager, Kevin Philips. "Our website lets them research MINI and create their own dream-car", he adds. The popular "build-yourown" feature on the MINI USA website (www.miniusa.com) lets customers specify and price their ideal MINI - including all dealer accessories - in advance of visiting their local dealer.

There is an additional incentive to pre-ordering: Customers do not have to wait long for their special order to arrive from the factory. MINI has streamlined the ordering process to provide "priority build" status to retail customers' special ordered cars, putting the orders at the head of the line. The average wait-time for delivery to a U.S. customer who orders his or her car from the factory is only an average of 2.5 to 3 months - another reason why MINI customers choose to order what they want.

The day's supply for MINI in September was the lowest since its launch at just 4.5 vehicles for September. In addition to customer demand, it is worth noting that these low levels are also affected by production limitations due to the changeover for the 2004 model year.







# Car of the Year



#### **MARCH**

Candy Wall's '99 M3 Silver/gray leather, suspension bar and air filter.



# **APRIL**

Victor Minovich's '92 318i sedan White/black, RD sway bar, Bilstein suspension, tower camber/caster, drilled rotors, chrome wheels, stainless steel/teflon brake lines, chip, K&N, limited slip differential.



#### MAY

Dave Walker and Leila Vale's '95 Red/black M-Sport, Jim Conforti engine software, high-flow induction tube/intake manifold, larger 850i front brakes, UUC short-shifter, and a Quaife 3.15:1 differential.



# JUNE

Mitch Seward's '97 Silver, Dinan software and intake, Bilstein, H&R, UUC short shifter, Rob Knob, stainless Borla exhaust, European M3 2-piece rotors, stainless brake lines and SSR Integral wheels (8x17 front and 9x17 rear).



# JULY - 2002'S CAR OF THE YEAR

Jud Spencer's rare '94 850CSi, #63 of 216 special M editions. Mauritius Blue/two-tone gray leather. 380hp 5.4-liter V-12, 6spd, 4-wheel speed sensitive steering and all the M goodies.



#### AUGUST

Traci Iverson's '94 318is White/gray cloth interior, Jim C chip, chrome exhaust tip, UUC adjustable clutch stop, UUC height adjustable short shifter, clear lights, H&R, Koni's, intake with K & N filter, and 16" OZ Monte Carlo's.



# **SEPTEMBER**

Craig Eslinger's 'O1 330Ci Steel Gray, 18" BBS CH, Dinan free flow exhaust, high flow intake system, engine/transmission software and the high flow throttle body.



#### **OCTOBER**

Steve and Dee Dee Diamond's 1989 BMW Z1, Red Convertible/black with electric doors.





# Car of the Year



# **NOVEMBER**

Swami Kavyo's '87 635csi, Dolphin gray over black leather, M-contour wheels, Conforti chip, BMP strut brace, Nology wires and a homemade cold air induction system.



#### **DECEMBER**

Greg East's '96 328i E36i, Red with tan interior, sport package, 17" wheels, RD anti-roll bars, UUC short shift knob w/

tranny reinforcers, x-brace, H&R, Koni's, M3 steering wheel and exhaust, stainless brake lines and clear corners.

# OFFICIAL BALLOT

#### From Car of the Month to "Car of the Year"

This is the Official "Mail-In or Fax" Ballot to vote for the "Car of the Year." You may also go to our website at <a href="https://www.rmcbmwcca.org">www.rmcbmwcca.org</a> to vote. Please check the box for the car that gets your vote. Keep your pictures and descriptions as this series will continue starting with the March Car of the Month. Ballots and Car of the Months articles should be sent to: Darlene Doran, RMC BMW CCA. PO Box 370128. Denver. CO 80237

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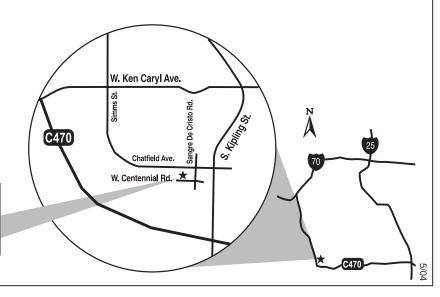
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points sprint races open to all entrants. There will be a fourth sprint race open only to the 2003 season's top three finishers in each class from each region for head-to-head competition, limited to the first 75 paid entrants.

In addition to the usual list of contingency prizes generously donated by our national sponsors for the entire field, there will be some very special prizes for participants in the NA Race of Champions. More details will be revealed in the weeks ahead.

If you finish in the top three positions in points in your class in your region, please make plans to attend and compete in this very special event. Even if you are not eligible for the Race of Champions, the three double point's races accumulate to your home region and make this a very attractive venue to get an early jump in the 2004 season points.

Information concerning the track, accommodations and other local area information can be found at the Texas World Speedway website, <u>www.TexasWorldSpeedway.com</u>

The location of next year's event will be in the region, other than South Central, that has the greatest number of racers who participate.

NORTH AMERICAN RACE OF CHAMPIONS March 19-20-21 Texas World Speedway 2.9 Mile, 15 turn former CanAm course Hosted by the Houston Chapter Steve Olsen National Chairman BMW CCA Club Racing

As the National Chairman and the Marketing Committee Chairman of BMW CCA Club Racing, we'd like to announce a new grassroots-level sponsorship program for Club Racing, the "Friends of Club Racing" program.

As you probably know, our Club Racing program receives no direct monetary support from BMW CCA and, except for our self-sufficient licensing program, is entirely supported by sponsor funding. Therefore our sponsor relationships are critical to the continued success of BMW CCA Club Racing and we enthusiastically encourage you to support our national sponsors.

Many club racers and others who are interested in the BMW CCA Club Racing program have also expressed a desire to support the program on an individual basis. The "Friends of Club Racing" program was developed to provide an avenue for fulfillment of that support. "Friends of Club Racing" provides two basic classes of participation, one for individuals and one for small commercial ventures.

BMW CCA Club Racing has a diversified national sponsorship program, but many businesses are simply not able to participate at the currently available entry level. The "Friends



of Club Racing" program provides for a new level of participation as a commercial sponsor until such time as a full sponsorship is achievable. We encourage each of you to promote the program with small businesses with which you are familiar. Participation is not limited to racing oriented businesses. For example, this is a perfect entry-level opportunity for people offering professional ser-

vices, such as realtors, stockbrokers, doctors and attorneys. Business membership is limited to the \$500 level.

And, of course, we encourage everyone who wishes to demonstrate support for the program to participate on an individual basis. There are three different levels available for individuals. As a grassroots racing organization, your personal support is important to our long-term success.

For more information see <a href="http://www.bmwcca.org/racing/">http://www.bmwcca.org/racing/</a> join.shtml or go to the Club Racing site and follow the "Friends of Club Racing" link.

We encourage you to join us in actively supporting the BMW CCA Club Racing program through this unique opportunity by becoming a Charter Member.

Steve Steve Olsen National Chairman Friends of Club Racing Member #001

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# Motorsports Around The World

# The BMW WilliamsF1 Team Unveils New FW26

Valencia - January 7, 2004 ... In the bright Spanish sunshine, Juan Pablo Montoya and Ralf Schumacher complete the maiden laps of the team's new challenger for the 2004 Formula One World Championship, the WilliamsF1 BMW FW26. The radical new design of the FW26 attracted widespread commentary for its new nose design and front wing geometry.

Juan Pablo Montoya recorded 14 laps altogether on the 4.005-kilometer circuit at Valencia, before handing over the car to teammate, Ralf Schumacher. The German completed a total of 3 laps.

# Juan Pablo Montoya:

"My first impression of the FW26 is very good. The car doesn't feel a lot different from last year's, which is a very good start and I think we have an excellent potential car. I felt comfortable right away and could push the car from the outset, so thanks to the team for having built a very promising car."

"In spite of the restrictions imposed by the new rules, which give you less drag and make the car more difficult under braking, everything feels just right. The dusty track conditions were not 100% ideal today and we only completed six hard laps, so I don't want to sound too optimistic, but there isn't a single area that doesn't work. I am very, very pleased; I think this car has got a good future."



#### Ralf Schumacher:

"It is always positive if the first day runs according to plan and I can say that the car feels good, perhaps similar to the FW25. I really have high expectations of the radical approach taken to this new car."

"Of course, the roll out on launch day does not tell us much about the true performance of a new car and I only completed three laps. Basically it is all about installation laps and system checks, so it is far too early to make serious comments about the FW26."

The team will continue testing January 7th-13th in Jerez (Marc Gené all days except the 10th, Juan Pablo 7th-10th, Ralf Schumacher 10th-13th).

# Have a cigar!

# We're proud to announce another addition to our family.

The best team of BMW technicians in the Rockies just got even stronger with the addition of Mark Hutto as the new Service Writer & Shop Manager at Bimmer Haus.

You may already know Mark from a previous tour of duty at Bimmer Werks in Boulder and Broomfield. But you may not know that over the years Mark could also be found tuning everything from GT-40s, Cobras, and Ferraris to Lear jets and helicopters... or even guitars and amps for the Doobie Brothers and Huey Lewis and the News.

But now he's returned to his roots – and we've got him!

Don't worry, Jim Leithauser hasn't gotten away. He's back doing what he loves best – workin' on cars and overseeing our fabrication and high performance prep work.

So next time you're in the area come in and meet Mark. The cigars are on the house.

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# Meet the New Bee

# SCR Candidate

# Michael Beyer, Vice President

ello, my name is Michael Beyer, and it's my privilege to serve as the Rocky Mountain Chapter Vice President. I'm looking forward to working with the Board and helping to continue guiding a club that provides you with the activities and resources to enjoy our Ultimate Driving Machines – now and in the years ahead. My thanks go to Rick Viehdorfer and Alan Warner for their hard work over the last two years and making it easy for me to step in.



Michael Beyer

It's been a lot of fun participating in events over the past several years, such as tech sessions, social events, autocrosses, driving schools and a few national Oktoberfest celebrations. These and many others have given me the opportunity to make new friends and enjoy my different BMW's in ways I could not have done without many of you or the club. This year again, the calendar is full of activities with something for everyone. Come out and have some fun. You'll enjoy yourself and make some new friends too.

I appreciate the support you've shown by electing me Vice President. I'll do my best to return the favor. See you

# "Car of the Month"

"Car of the Month" is a series in which Club members will have a chance to showcase their pride and joy in the MSR. Our membership will see the variety of BMWs and the level of personalization that makes each car unique.

Each month throughout the year we will feature a "Car of the Month". Any car owned by a Chapter member is eligible. Just send several photos (they will be returned to you) of your car, along with a written description about the vehicle. But wait, there's more, in the February issue you will find a ballot to choose from the 10 Cars of the Month, and a Car of the Year will be announced in a future issue.

# Fred Jacino

# Candidate for South Central Regional Vice President

fter serving for the last two years as South Central Regional Vice President, I hope I'm no longer a stranger to most of you reading this! Looking back, it's been an exciting and interesting period.

In the next two years, where do I see the club headed and what do I want to accomplish? As an entirely volunteer organization, it's essential to make the job of everyone involved with planning, coordinating, and executing the many tasks



Fred lacino

involved with running the club not just tolerable, but gratifying; with each individual not just a cog in the machine, but part of a team, all pulling together and sharing a common goal and esprit de corps. I hope I've done that adequately in the past and can do it even better in the future. As our membership continues to grow, we can expect further improvements in the website, more—and more varied—events to cater to the wants and needs of a diversified membership, a continued strong program of autocrossing and driver's school events; and club racing. My charge as South Central Regional Vice President of the club is to ensure your contribution is recognized, put to maximum benefit, and returns to you in equal measure that which you have given. In this regard, I'm merely returning the favor—and would appreciate your support for another two years to continue our progress.

I want to toot the horn of Fred Iacino as our South Central Regional Vice President.

"Fred lacino has capably served as South Central Regional Vice President these past two years. This position represents just the most recent of 20+ years of dedicated service to BMW CCA, including organizing four national Oktoberfest events and multiple roles at the local level with Rocky Mountain Chapter. Fred's approach is always pragmatic and practical, and his straightforward attitude is refreshing as well as friendly. I wholeheartedly support Fred's re-election and ask you to do the same."

Dave Walker, President of the Rocky Mountain Chapter.

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# Upcoming Events

# **Car Control Clinic**

Saturday, April 10, 2004

The Rocky Mountain Chapter is having a Car Control Clinic

Saturday, April 10th, from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM at **Arapahoe Park Racetrack**, 26000 East Quincy Avenue
Aurora, CO (1.9 miles east of E-470 on Quincy).

<a href="http://www.wembleyco.com/arapahoe\_park.shtml">http://www.wembleyco.com/arapahoe\_park.shtml</a>

If you are planning to drive in the

**Rocky Mountain Chapter Spring Driving School**, this is a **mandatory** event, unless you have previously completed the course.

Clinic exercises are designed to familiarize students with the handling and braking fundamentals of their cars. Exercises planned include slalom, braking and skid pad. Anyone with a driver's license is invited to attend the Car Control Clinic, even if you don't want to attend Driving School.

A helmet is not required.

#### Convertible drivers are welcome!

The cost is \$35 if you are not registered for the **Rocky Mountain Chapter Spring Driving School**,

and can be paid at the Clinic on a walk-in basis if you have not previously registered.

Registration for the Car Control Clinic can be accomplished on the Rocky Mountain Chapter website:

www.rmcbmwcca.org

Click on Rocky Mountain Chapter Spring Driving School

Questions can be emailed to Andy Peavy apeavy@rmcbmwcca.org

# YOUR HELP IS NEEDED BMW Car Club History Collection Museum

Preserving the CCA history The Club Archive is looking for Oktoberfest or Chapter events trophies, shirts, pins, posters, wine glasses, dash plaques, grill badges, programs, or anything else. Anything from the club's past for the Archive/Museum. Do you have extra items you would consider donating? Michael: 864 250-0022; mmitchell@roundel.org. (SC)



# Meet, Eat and Greet at Pizza and Video Night!!

by Janet Kiyota, Coordinator

oston's Gourmet Pizza plays host on Tuesday, February 17, 2004 to the first of two Pizza and Video Nights welcoming new members to the Rocky Mountain Chapter of BMW CCA. This free event is a terrific time to mingle with current members while enjoying a buffet of pizza, salad and other unique food stuffs. Our technical crew will be shuffling videos so bring your favorite "car" video along with a hardy appetite. We look forward to seeing you at 6:30 PM for a short cocktail hour followed by the buffet at 7:00 PM.

Boston's Gourmet Pizza is located at 19340 Cottonwood Drive; close to the intersection of C-470 and Parker Road (It is a chance to drive a LOT faster while on C-470...). Their phone number is 303-841-2240. Need directions?? Call Janet Kiyota at 303-282-0303 or 303-619-4309.

PS - A very SPECIAL announcement is waiting for those in attendance!





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# Upcoming Event

# Prepare to AutoCross

This year the Rocky Mountain Chapter has scheduled 10 autocrosses and one autocross school. Eight of these events will be sponsored by Bimmer Haus Performance, as a Series. This means if you participate in at least six of the eight "Series" events, you will be eligible for year-end trophies in your class. We are very proud to have Bimmer Haus Performance sponsor this Series. One of the year's events will be an autocross school, which will be limited to 40 drivers. The other two events, this year, will be winter events and will be held during the first quarter.

# Winter Events

If you have not participated in one of our Autocrosses and feel a bit apprehensive, we would encourage you to come out to our winter events and get to know the sport. The winter series events will be run very similar to the Series events, but there will be no competition for trophies. You will really enjoy getting out and preparing for the season, as well as the camaraderie. Each day of runs will allow you to get familiar with an autocross course and allow you to get a bit more comfortable with the sport. Instructors will be available to ride along with you, if you would like a few helpful hints.

# **School Event**

This event is scheduled for July 24<sup>th</sup> at Coors Field, B lot. If you are interested in getting some classroom time, as well as driving on a smaller course with instructors, this will be your opportunity. This event will be limited to 40, BMW CCA member, drivers. The idea behind the school is to teach



Lauri Sutterfield shows us how it's done.

students what some of the keys to Autocrossing are and how to prepare to compete. There will be NO COMPETITION, just a fun filled day of learning. Lunch will be provided.

#### **Series Events**

These are events that you may qualify to earn trophies for each event, in each class. Participants that have competed in at least six "Series" events will qualify for year-end trophies. An outline explaining the points awarded for the series will be posted online sometime within the first quarter of 2004. The same procedures will follow as last year's events. The morning runs will allow you to get familiar with the course and get a bit more comfortable with the days event. We will break for

# Schedule:

| Date                | Location           | Address   | Event            |  |
|---------------------|--------------------|---|------------------|--|
| 2/28/04<br>Saturday | Bandimere Speedway | 3051 South Rooney Road Morrison, Colorado Upper Parking Lot | Winter Warm-up   |  |
| 3/20/04<br>Saturday | Bandimere Speedway | 3051 South Rooney Road Morrison, Colorado Upper Parking Lot | Winter Warm-up   |  |
| 5/8/04<br>Saturday  | Coors Field        | 2001 Blake Street – Lot B, Denver, Colorado                 | Point Series #1  |  |
| 5/23/04<br>Sunday   | Coors Field        | 2001 Blake Street – Lot B, Denver, Colorado                 | Point Series #2  |  |
| 6/12/04<br>Saturday | Coors Field        | 2001 Blake Street – Lot B, Denver, Colorado                 | Point Series #3  |  |
| 6/26/04<br>Saturday | Coors Field        | 2001 Blake Street – Lot B, Denver, Colorado                 | Point Series #4  |  |
| 7/24/04<br>Saturday | Coors Field        | 2001 Blake Street – Lot B, Denver, Colorado                 | Autocross School |  |
| 7/25/04<br>Sunday   | Coors Field        | 2001 Blake Street – Lot B, Denver, Colorado                 | Point Series #5  |  |
| 8/21/04<br>Saturday | World Arena        | Colorado Springs  | Point Series #6  |  |
| 10/9/04<br>Saturday | Coors Field        | 2001 Blake Street – Lot B, Denver, Colorado                 | Point Series #7  |  |
| 10/??/04            | Bandimere Speedway | 3051 South Rooney Road Morrison, Colorado Upper Parking Lot | Point Series #8  |  |
| 11/13/04            | TBA                | Fall Dinner/Autocross awards/elections                      | Awards           |  |





# Upcoming Event

lunches, which will be provided. We will then begin the afternoon with competition for event-day trophies. You will want to stick around afterwards, to grab your trophy, if you won in your class, and to draw for door prizes.

# Prepare yourself for these events

- 1. Plan to show up early and check in upon arriving Get your grid assignment, pay if you owe, and pick up your lunch and drawing tickets. There is always a tent setup to house all administrative functions; this will be the spot to take care of all event business. Please do not go to the trailer to ask questions. The trailer personnel are usually very busy getting setup and planning a safe day.
- 2. Make sure your vehicle is cleaned out and ready for tech inspection and get your car number put on as soon as you
- Get your car to grid as soon as possible. Tech inspection is done in grid.
- Participants are responsible for their own belongings. If you bring valuables, please have someone watch them, while you work or run. RMC BMW CCA is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- 5. No racing, fast driving, or showing off in the pit, staging or grid areas. Save your fast skills for the course. Anyone found burning out or driving fast in the pits or grid area will be asked to leave the event without refund. There are no exceptions! Safety is our primary goal at any RMC BMW CCA event.
- 6. Spectators are allowed but cannot be in the "hot" areas.
- 7. Every registered driver will have a work assignment if they are not driving or resting.
- Bring water. Even if it is not hot out, you will dehydrate quickly. Some water will be provided.

You may go online at www.rmcbmwcca.org to register, class your vehicle and request a season number or simply obtain more information. If you do not request a number, one will be assigned to you. The number you pick will follow for future Autocrosses through the year. A note to previous participants: You will need to re-class your vehicle, as a few system changes have been made since last year.

These events are open to all BMW CCA members and their families. Non-members will be put on a waitlist. We will begin filling spots for non-members 3 days prior to the event. Registration for all events will close 3 days prior to the event. Registrations that are received after the cap has been reached, 100 for series and winter events and 40 for the school, will be put on the waitlist. In the event there are noshows for any event, we will use the waitlist or all walk-up's to fill those spots.

Beginners are welcome, as well as convertibles and roadsters. Helmets, rated Snell 90 or newer are required. The club also has a few loaners available. All drivers must have a valid driver's license and be at least 16 years of age.

Although Autocrossing is a safe sport, it is a timed event. As such some insurance policies may not cover your vehicle or harm that could result from participating. We recommend that you check with your insurance carrier to get more information.

# **Autocross Registration:**

All up-to-date information on the autocrosses is located on our website: <a href="http://www.rmcbmwcca.org/autocross.htm">http://www.rmcbmwcca.org/autocross.htm</a>, This page also features car classification forms and signups for all events. To obtain more general information about Autocross preparation, we recommend you refer to the Tire Rack's document: <a href="http://www.tirerack.com/features/solo2/handbook.htm">http://www.tirerack.com/features/solo2/handbook.htm</a>

I would like to thank the autocross committee for all of their hard work putting on these Autocross events:

Mark Irvin **Autocross Chairperson** Doug Gordon Co-Chairperson Arnie Coleman Chief of Safety

Jeff Sherrard Timing and Scoring & Chief of Course

Chief of Registration <u>Dawn Putaturo</u>

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# Event Review

# by Darlene Doran & Janet Kiyota, Coordinators

# Fall Dinner/Elections & Autocross Awards

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e had an outstanding attendance at the Fall Dinner Elections and Autocross Awards. We had one hundred twenty-three present for the wonderful family style dinner at Maggiano's Little Italy. The dinner consisted of Bruschetta, Chopped and Italian salads, Four Cheese Ravioli, Alfredo Pesto, Rigatoni "D", Lasagna with meat sauce, J. Cammarrari's Roasted Chicken Vesuvio and Chicken Piccatta and our desserts were N.Y. Style Cheesecake and Apple Crostada (both to die for). That is correct NO chocolate, if you were present you understood why no chocolate was

Congratulations to our new Officers for 2004-2005: Dave Walker for his second term as President and Michael Beyer as Vice President.

available.

Dave Walker, our President, awarded appreciations gifts to:

Dee Raisl - BMW key fob & E36 Cabrio model Alan Warner - 2002 Christmas Ornament

Frank Delmonte - BMW CCA silk necktie, \$50 Tire Rack gift certificate

Swami Kavyo - Tire Rack duffel bag Bob Sutterfield - E36 M3 GTR model

Doug Bartlett—BMW CCA pen

Darlene Doran - Tallgrass Spa gift certificate for massage/

manicure and BMW F1 ear plugs Mark Doran - BMW CCA sweater

Leslie Jenkins - Susan Komen "Ultimate Drive" T-shirt and

Jim Jenkins - BMW CCA pen

Gary Mayer - BMW CCA silk necktie

Cliff Lawson - BMW CCA silk necktie

Andrew Jordan - Williams F1 flag

Dawn Putaturo - Volunteer of the Year Award- BMW PTG Team polo shirt

Autocross Committee -2 BMW folding director's chairs



Alan Warner talks to Fred lacino as Gary Mayer and President Walker listen.

# President's Award for 2003



Dave Walker

Presented to Doug Gordon (in absentia) for his dedicated club service as web master through mid-2003. Doug was instrumental in developing the web site for the Rocky Mountain Chapter-hosted Oktoberfest 2002, including merchandise sales. Among many other details, this was our first foray into the exciting world of e-commerce and Doug's adept HTML-writing skills were pivotal in keeping the wheels turning smoothly. Now that Doug's a

family man, it seems appropriate to give him a BMW Memory Wristwatch with built-in 128 MB USB flash memory, since his new responsibilities will surely tax both his time and mental capacity! From the entire RMC BMW CCA family we wish you heartfelt thanks, and all the best in your newest career.

Thank you very much BMW NA for the following door prizes: (2) O'fest 2002 wine glasses, (2) O'fest 2001 wine glasses, BMW Necktie, Zymol kit, Z4 Black hat, Kids T-shirt, M5 Mouse pad, (2) Sheets BMW CCA Stickers, Team PTG 25 years coffee mug, Team PTG Refrigerator magnet, (2) Hire DVD's, Bag miscellaneous pins/buttons/key chains, E36 M3 Poster, 850 Stick Pin, BMW CCA pens, (5) Celebrating the 2002 posters, BMW Williams Flag, 2002 Christmas Ornament, BMW Key Chain, (4) BMW Williams F1 team 2001 booklets, BMW 3er Cabrio model--1:87 scale.

Thanks also to our helpful friends in the parts department at **Gebhardt BMW** in Boulder for their assistance with procuring several of the gifts and for donating ½-dozen of "The Hire" DVDs given out as door prizes.

A big thanks to Mark Richter at Yokohama Tires and Matt Edmonds at Tire Rack for the wonderful door prizes they provided our chapter.

Thanks to Darlene Doran and Janet Kiyota for coordinating the Fall Dinner for our chapter at Maggiano's Little Italy; Darlene Doran and Janet Kiyota for checking people in, handing out ballots, door prize tick-



Aren't we cute?

ets, and counting ballots. Darlene Doran and Leslie Jenkins for managing our raffle drawing and handing out door prizes. Thank you all who provided items for Food Bank of the Rockies to share with those less fortunate.







# Event Review





Bob and Patty Tunnell



Doug Bartlett sips his coffee



Enjoying the speakers



Michael Feldpusch and Barry Norman having a good time.



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# Street Survival

# by Bob and Lauri Sutterfield, Coordinators

# Street Survival Teen Driving School

We read all too often in the Post about an area teenager who was out with some friends, lost control of the car, and rolled it into a ditch, with disastrous and mournful consequences. Traditional Driver's Ed teaches traffic signs and sometimes signaling for a lane change. For the tough situations that can cause the car to flip if not handled correctly, we just hope they'll last long enough to gain some experience and judgment. Adult members of the Rocky Mountain Chapter have the opportunity to participate in our excellent Performance Driving Schools, but how will our under-18 kids learn the driving skills they need?

The BMW CCA Foundation has created a one-day school to teach teens how to handle their cars safely. It's called Street Survival, to reflect its purpose: keeping our kids alive in their everyday driving on the streets and highways. It takes students from any starting point, to knowing how to handle their cars in any situation they can encounter. Teens use the same cars they drive every day, so the skills are applicable immediately. It could save them on the trip home after the event.

Street Survival is coming for the first time to the Denver area on Saturday March 13 2004. At press time the location

is undecided, either Bandimere's west lot or a large lot in Aurora. The program is open to anyone from age 15½ to 19, with a learner's permit or a full license. Parents are welcome to watch – or even better, to help run the event! Further information, and registration for both students and volunteers, will be online at <a href="http://rmcbmwcca.org">http://rmcbmwcca.org</a>. This event will be publicized and open to non-Club members. Since we can handle only forty students, keep an eye on the website and sign up as soon as possible.

Contact the local organizers at <a href="mailto:Bob@XC.Org">Bob@XC.Org</a> and <a href="mailto:LSut@comcast.net">LSut@comcast.net</a> or at 303-743-8109. Learn more about the Street Survival program at <a href="http://streetsurvival.org">http://streetsurvival.org</a> and about the Foundation at <a href="http://bmwccafoundation.org">http://streetsurvival.org</a> and about the Foundation at <a href="http://bmwccafoundation.org">http://streetsurvival.org</a> and

# ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER LIBRARY

The Rocky Mountain Chapter has a complete library available to its members of Roundel and our Motor-Sport Report. If you would like to sign out specific issues, please contact Darlene Doran 303-758-4200 or <a href="mailto:msecurity">msreditor@rmcbmwcca.org</a>





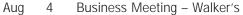
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# Upcoming Events

# 2004 Tentative Calendar of Events

ome of these dates are tentative, and as we arrange the events, many of them will change. Please continue to look at the activities calendar in the MotorSport Report for any changes that may occur. Please go to the website for a survey on how much interest we have for certain events – do we want more driving events, Video Nights, tech sessions etc. We hope to see you at some of these events.

- Jan 7 Business Meeting Walker's
  - 17 Ice Gymkhana Paul Schultz
- Feb 4 Business Meeting Sutterfield's
  - 17 Video Night South– Janet Kiyota
    - 28 Winter Autocross (Bandimere) Autocross Committee
- Mar 3 Business Meeting Raisl's
  - 3-7 Denver Auto Show Joe Lawrence
  - 13 Street Survival Bob/Lauri Sutterfield
  - 16 Video Night North Gary Odehnal
  - 20 Winter Autocross (Bandimere) Autocross Committee
- Apr 3 Bimmer Haus Brake Tech Session Mark Hutto
  - 7 Business Meeting Kavyo's
  - 10 Car Control Clinic Andy Peavy
  - 10 Tech Inspection Andrew Jordan
  - 24 Sonic Bimmer Burger Night Bob Sutterfield
- May 1& 2 Spring Driving School Gary Mayer
  - 1 Spring Driving School Dinner Leslie / Darlene
  - 5 Business Meeting Beyer's
  - 8 Autocross (Coors) Committee
  - 15 Spring Drive Gary Odehnal
  - 21-23 Presidents, VP, Treasurer Conference Keystone
  - 23 Autocross (Coors) Committee
- Jun 2 Business Meeting Doran's
  - 6 Concours d' Elegance Dave Stackhouse/Dee Raisl
  - 12 Autocross (Coors) Committee
  - 19/20 Formula One Race -
    - 26 Autocross (Coors) Committee
- July 4-9 Oktoberfest Pasadena, CA
  - 14 Business Meeting Jenkins's
  - 24 Autocross/School (Coors) Committee
  - 25 Autocross (Coors) Committee



- 21 Autocross (World Arena) Committee
- 28 Bike Tour Walker
- ?? Charity Event Breast Cancer Walk Janet Kivota
- Sept 1 Business Meeting Beyer's
  - 10-12 BMW Club Race
    - 11 Tech Inspection Andrew Jordan
  - 25 Fall Driving School Pueblo Gary Mayer
- Oct 2-3 Rocky Mountain Oktoberfest Mark Doran/ Michael Bever
  - 6 Business Meeting Jenkins's
  - 9 Autocross (Coors) Committee
  - ?? Autocross (Bandimere) Committee
- Nov 7 Planning/Business Meeting Alan Warner
  - 13 Fall Dinner/Elections & Autocross Awards Darlene Doran
- Dec 1 Business Meeting Doran's
  - 4 Holiday Party Leslie Jenkins

Event Coordinators needed for events

Thanks to all who attended the Planning Meeting to help arrange these great events! We had a great food, camaraderie and a great turnout!

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# Event Review

# by Leslie Jenkins, Coordinator

# Holiday Party/"Dirty Grab"/Food Drive Review

n December 6th, we ended the years' activities with our annual Holiday Party at member Ed Padalinski's Gateway to the Rockies. Seventy-eight members and guests had a wonderful dinner which included roasted pork tenderloin, pasta primavera, tequila lime chicken, various sides, Sacher Torte and an abundant supply of cheesecakes.

First Lady has that look as she speaks to the President.

After dinner, President Dave Walker explained the gift exchange; then it was on to the real reason for the fun and festivities...the Dirty Grab!!!

When unwrapped, the gifts included assorted car models, car books, gift certificates, gourmet food items, several chocolate items, car cleaning paraphernalia, wine, mugs, //M clock, key chain, caps, 3-series car cover, BMW Christmas tree ornament, BMW pen, valve stem caps, black tire gel, brake

fluid, DVD and candy. Bob and Patty Tunnell grabbed the RMC rubber chicken from its original owner, stating several mem-

bers had said it brings good luck. We could use all the luck we can get in the upcoming race season. ©

Attending members and their guests were: Kathy Ambrose; Karen and Kevin Andrew; Judy Balice: Jim and Michelle Bartlett; Dottie Bellinger and Patrick Leone: De-



Thom & Elaine Frey and Kevin & Karen Andrew enjoy themselves.

nise and Mike Beyer; Corrin Cambell; Branston and Angela DiBriel; Darlene and Mark Doran; Diana and James Emerson; Dave Esler and Sandy Cudlip; Zoe and Jim Flint; Elaine and Thom Frey: Mark and Mila Glodava: Kris and Tony Gonzalz: Paula, Jennifer and John Googins; Bruce Hazard; Fred Iacino; Jack Janney and Linda Kelly; Leslie and Jim Jenkins; Tim and Beth Jones; Andrew Jordan and Debra Dutrow; LeeAnne Jordan and Ricky Castro; JJ Wilson and Swami Kavyo; Nancy and Rich Krebs; Bryan and Lisa Lancelot; Jeff and Carlo Lane; Matt Langbauer and Kirk Bremer; Ken and Trina Martinez;



Fred pays tribute to Dave, Michael and Kavyo on their job as RMC Officers.

Gary Mayer; Barry Norman; Gary Odehnal and Candy Wall; Robyn and Pete Peterson: Dee Raisl and Dave Stackhouse: Peter and Alison Richards: Ann and Bill Schaefer; Lori Schmidt: Lisa and Paul Schultz; Cory and Ailsa ten Eyck; Patty and Bob Tunnell: William Turnham: Leila Vale and Dave Walker; Bev

and Steve Williams.

Many members brought donations for the Food Bank of the Rockies. Thank you very much for being so caring and giving to those who are in need. Many thanks to Darlene Doran who helped me with registration that evening.

The poinsettias used as centerpieces at each table went to the person with the highest draw number. See what you missed by not going to the party? Be sure to circle December 4th on your 2004 calendar—the date of \_ Darlene Doran & Leslie Jenkins the next Holiday Party-and



RMC BMW Christmas Bunnies

plan to be there. You have been alerted!!



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# Event Review

\* New member attendees



\* Tony Gonzalez, Zoe & Jim Flint



\* Jeff Lane



Lori Schmidt opens her grab.



\* Ken & Trina Martinez



Left: Steve Williams with his new Roundel light



Left: Candy Wall in her "HO HO HO" hat





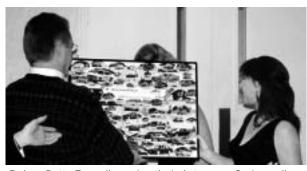
\* Angela & Branston DiBriel



Fred gets his head scratched by Steve.



Andrew gives his speech



Bob & Patty Tunnell receive their Autocross Series collage



Jim Jenkins, Steve Williams and Paul Schultz all came dressed alike



Okay leave some food for the rest of us



Bev Williams with her MINI







# First Driving School by Christian Hawley

# **Never Say Never**

Throughout my life I've held tightly to a list of "NEVERS." Here are just a few:

I will never have to escape from quicksand; I will never be involved in a bull fight; I will never leap from a moving car going more than 50 miles an hour, and I will never drive on a race track.

Well, never say never!

I won't go into the details about how I got my car (a '91 535i). Suffice to say, I'm not a car person, and originally joined the club only for the discount it offered at Bimmer Haus (oh, and that cool sticker). I had no other interest, nor did I plan to participate in any events. I was just a girl— a girl with a big, fast green car. I digress.

I had read about the driving school and while I was intrigued, I was doubtful I could actually do it. I have a long history of not being a great driver. Plus, making it to Pueblo seemed to entail quite a lot. For one thing, I'd have to get all the crap out of my car (since it's bigger than my apartment, I use the trunk as winter clothing storage), and where in God's name would I get a helmet?

It didn't help that NONE of my friends, family, etc. could believe I was doing this. I was met with blank stares of confusion and then, well, generally sheer horror from anyone who has ever ridden as a passenger in my car. My parents promptly requested that I up my life insurance (okay, I had some driving issues as a teenager). After some peer pressure (Mike Richmond) and some encouragement (Fred Iacino) in a moment of braveness, I went online and enrolled. I figured the car would not pass tech inspection, so I'd still look like

I was pretty anxious the day of the tech inspection — all the new, shiny M-3's were a little overwhelming next to my older, slightly faded car. Yet, no one seemed to care. I was thrilled to see women drivers (Candy Wall and Mim Duncan) who were both very positive and encouraging. However, as predicted, I failed the tech inspection. Dave Stackhouse can be a bit too picky at times.

After a couple of trips back to Broomfield and a set of new tires (who said they don't automatically recommend new tires?), I was ready to go — well, at least the car was. I took the day off from work to "prep" for the event. I'm not sure how others get ready for driving school, but this driver prepped by removing miscellaneous pharmaceuticals from the glove compartment and drinking.

Saturday morning came. It was cold and dark in Pueblo. A long line of BMWs awaited me on a dirt road. Never having been to a driving school, I assumed this was some kind of ritual and there would be a chant or group hug in the tradition of Wal-Mart. I was concerned. Little did I know we were merely locked out of the "racing grounds". I hung in there until the safety lecture, however, which was peppered with such catchy phrases as "off road experience," "spin out," and my favorite, "rollover." I'm standing out in the freezing cold (freezing my tail end off because when they said take everything out of the car, I took it a little too literally) thinking what the heck am I doing here? This isn't good. I have to drive this car to work Monday, and if anything happens to it I'll be replacing it with a 1981 Geo Metro. I should just go shopping in Castle Rock...

While listening to Mr. Andrew Jordan lecture, I boiled down my plan for the day into three key points: 1. Stay on track; 2. Don't get black flagged; and 3. Master the motion to pass, so I can go home with the shiny Courteous Driver Award.

If you haven't been to driving school before, all C and D class drivers have an instructor drive with their car the first two laps. It was great to have someone who knew what they're doing driving my car. I just kept reminding myself—this is my car! It was going so fast. The instructors made it look so easy. After the instructor finishes, the student drives the next two laps. Let me tell you, it looked a lot easier from the right side of the car.

Quite honestly, I remember very little of my first two laps- it was all a blur, and not because I was driving that fast. I may have broke 35 mph, but I doubt it. All my instructors were fabulous, and I mean really over-the-top fabulous. Some of their most supportive quotes were:

"What word in "brush the cone" is confusing to you?" "Really, this car can go faster than 55, I promise, I have one."

"Did you bring any tools, I mean other than paper towels?" "No the head set needs to go inside the helmet?"

"Your other right..."

Each track session was followed by a classroom session. In one classroom session everyone went on and on about how hard turn 7 was — and I sat there thinking, where in the hell is turn 7? I could only remember turn 1 and 10 — the rest were just a blur of cones...turn 7, did, however, turn out to be my most hated turn.

I learned a lot. I had a wonderful time. I was challenged both mentally and physically. It wasn't so much the driving school. It was the "experience" of driving school. Everyone was truly nice, helpful and supportive — participants, spectators and volunteers alike. Maybe it was because I was blissfully incompetent, but all my paddock neighbors pitched in to get the car ready: inflated tires, deflated tires, checked the oil, etc. I felt like I had my own pit crew. I wanted to take them home (okay, they were really cute too).

I think I got better as the day went on. I heard I was nominated for "Most Improved Driver," which was cruelly snatched from my hand by my friend Mike Richmond in his shiny, red 2002 and left me in the dust on track session.

Maybe next year. A girl can dream, right?











t's an amazing sight. 75 of the world's most collectable cars gliding gracefully through 1000 miles of Colorado's most spectacular back highways and roads. It's an amazing sound — a pack of 8 Ferrari's carving through a desert canyon. But alas we are not here for the Ferraris, Bugattis, Jaguars, Porsches, Bocars, Alfa Romeos, Bentleys or Mercedes. Our journey centers around a very svelte, silver BMW 507, its journey through Colorado and it's more than one year of restoration to be ready for the 15th Annual Colorado Grand.

The Colorado Grand was started 15 years ago by noted auto enthusiast and collector Robert Sutherland. He and several enthusiastic friends decided to pattern the Colorado Grand after the traditional Italian Mille Miglia. This was to become the first noncompetitive Mille Miglia based event to be staged in North America. Dedicated to the running of some of the most spectacular collector cars in the world through some of the most incredible roads in the world, the Colorado Grand continues to flourish in 2003. This exclusive car lover's event raises funds to benefit, among others, the Colorado State Patrol Widows & Orphans Fund. The cars are screened by an eligibility committee to meet the criteria of being a race car or sports car of particular distinction and also being 1960 model year or older. They accept only 75 cars each year. Drivers aren't given the course route until they are ready to set out. They are simply told where and when to gather. The Colorado State Patrol provides 8 motorcycle escorts for the duration of the drive, some of which are beemers donated by BMW NA. These bikes will be used, in part, to escort these exotic beauties from Vail to Vail in 4 days.

On to the preparation of Tom and Debby Davidson's silver 1957 BMW 507 grand touring car. Tom had always seen the

507 as "one of those 50's icon cars" and so a couple years ago contacted Bruce Trenery at Fantasy Junction in Berkeley, California. Bruce then, at Tom's urging, began searching the world for Tom's 507. After about 3 months of searching a 507 was located in London, England. However, the pictures made it look better than it really was. Once the car was in their possession it became clear there was one obstacle to making the 507's body glow. 23 pounds of paint had been slathered on her over the decades and would have to be stripped tediously before her beauty would truly be revealed. Tom had the perfect man in mind for the restoration of his 507. Skip Shirley. Skip immediately discovered the obvious. That finding original parts for a 55 year old car of which there were only, maybe, 275 or so, ever made, wouldn't be too easy. There were characters he contacted who told him they had this part or that only to not ship said part. Soon after Skip would find these outfits online seeking the same parts they told him they had for him. Many parts had to be custom made as no original parts were available anywhere at any price. Skip spent the next year or so massaging the 507 back to health and happiness. By the time restoration was complete Tom's bill for the restoration work would top \$100,000.

Tom and Skip took the 507 on her maiden voyage last year. According to Skip, "...we completed the Gauthier Classic last October. That was the original shake down of the 507 since we completed the restoration. So it was easy to get ready for the Colorado Grand. We always do a complete servicing for each event. The more homework we do on the cars, the better the chances of the car completing the tour." Following that experience Skip had a few ideas for how to set up the 507 for the Colorado Grand. "I set the timing forward

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2004 February approximately 2-3 degrees advanced. I changed the jetting in both 32 NDIX carbs to smaller jets. Removed the wheels and inspected "nut & bolted" the entire bottom of the car. One of the most important things that need to be done with Rudge wheels is always checking the tightening sequence of the spinners. I always make a mark with a laundry marker

"Sharpie" from the wheel nut spinner to the wheel to be able to visually check any looseness along the tour."

Skip had the opportunity to drive the 507 on parts of the Colorado Grand and had this to say about the experience. "This car is very nimble, very positive and light steering, along with the syncros & different 1st & 2nd gear that we installed, it was a pleasure to shift up or down through the gears." Following the excursion Skip has plans to increase driver safety in 507. "The 507 came with a touring tank that is on and in front of the rear axle for better weight distribution



Tom Davidson spent a year and a pile of cash preparing a 507 for the Colorado Grand

and is just over 27 gallons. I'm going to put, because of it's location, a fuel cell made with the original tank and will only be detectable from the outside by removing the gas cap for extra safety before the next event. Those companies now have the ability to completely hide with no exterior visual detractions."

Day 1: Starting in Vail on Tuesday they slithered northwest to Steamboat Springs and then south to the Aspen/Snowmass region. Taking Independence Pass (Colorado 82) in either direction is an amazing experience. Countless 14,000+ foot mountain peaks capped with early snow. Red rocks capped with trees of green and gold only found in Colorado. Not to

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Day 2: Aspen to Salida to Purgatory using Highway 82, US 24, Highway 285, Highway 160 and US 550 over the continental divide. through the White River and San Isabel National Forests, across desert plains and around ragged red cliffs. Following the lunch stop in Salida a pack of about 8 Ferrari's snuck ahead of the Colorado State Patrol escort (an honest mistake I'm sure and)

and set a course for some serious high speed, high plains, running to Purgatory.

Day 3: Oh damn, we have to drive from Purgatory to Telluride. Short hop you might think if it weren't for all those dreaded tight turns and ridiculously beautiful scenery. Alas this 101 mile leg of the tour will take several hours to complete. Again, damn it all! Tom wasn't shy about his appreciation for this leg of the Grand. "The best part of the trip was near Ralph Lauren's ranch. It's just an absolutely gorgeous piece of highway. There were stretches where you could really get out an exercise the car." It was on these stretches where a particular journalist following a 1955 Mercedes Gullwing at about 100mph got passed by a boisterous late 50's Ferrari at who knows how fast. It was really neat. I kid you not.

Day 4: The final leg of the Grand. One starts the day wondering, given that tomorrow is Saturday, why we can't drive another day in addition to today. Of course that then begs the guestion of since the day after that is Sunday, why not extend this mechanical and mountainous "lovefest" through that great day of rest(lessness.)? Lest I digress, we have a route to drive. From Telluride we weaved, dashed, and sprinted generally northeast to Paonia for lunch — and then along Colorado 133 to Colorado 82 to Interstate 70. Normally one thinks of interstate driving as relatively mundane. Not terribly scenic. Drive I-70 through the Glenwood Canyon and then take another assessment of your feelings on interstate driving. This is one of the most expensive stretches of interstate to manufacture in the United States at \$26.5M per mile. And it's easy to see why. Construction workers had to commission what has to be one of man's largest uses of dynamite ever. They blasted through mountains revealing a virtual gallery of red rock wonder stretching up and out enveloping your vision with a natural warmth and enormity that is typically unimaginable. The rest of I-70 into Vail is smooth sailing on roads that bend nicely allowing one to run at 90 or 100 mph with relative ease. Large snow capped mountains anchored by desert-like red rock hills covered in tumbleweeds and the like. Clouds, especially in the morning, seem to almost hug or gently sleep upon the mountaintops.

At the end of the line it's hard to keep from referring back to the previous "logic" driven desire to keep the drive alive. Tomorrow is Saturday and the day after that Sunday. Why

are we stopping again? Bear in mind that it's going to be a hard sell convincing me of any sound reason for cutting this adventure short.

So what's a guy to do who should happen to own a 507 or any other car of its collectable ilk? Tom sums it up thusly.

"You really have 4 choices as I see it with a vintage car. 1- You can race it. 2- You can lock it up in a garage, have your friends over and show it off. 3- You can show it. 4- Touring it. Personally for me, touring is the most fun."





# Dear Uncle Manny

# What is Oktoberfest?

Dear Uncle Manny,

What is Oktoberfest and why is it being held in July? (July 5 through the 9, to be exact) *Curiously, Inquiring Mind* 

Dear Inquiring,

Oktoberfest is the premier, once-a-year National BMW CCA gathering for all club members. It's a big party, a family reunion, and a can't-miss club event. It's called Oktoberfest in honor of our Germanic connection, but it's not always in October. Holding it in July this year during summer vacation means children can join their parents for a fun-filled family vacation week. And Monday, July 5, is a holiday for most people, so they will save a vacation day. *Uncle Manny* 

Dear Uncle Manny,

I've never attended Oktoberfest. What can I expect? I'm not really into competitive driving. Apprehensively, Nervous Nelly

Dear Nelly,

Oktoberfest is about so much more than driving. It's also about sharing and friends. You are part of a huge family (BMW CCA), many of whom you've never met. If you've attended your local chapter event, you already know that it's as much about the people as it is about the cars. Everyone in this group has a common bond and you'll be amazed at

how much fun it is to meet them all. So what if you aren't all that excited about driving; how about shopping, museum hopping, nightlife, architecture, history, sharing stories, noshing, trading tips and watching others drive? *Uncle Manny* 

Dear Uncle Manny,

California is a long way away. I'm not sure I want to drive that far. Should I wait until one is held closer to me? What would you do? *Just Call Me Fanny Fatigue* 

Dear Fanny,

What about planes or trains? Or try caravanning with others from your area. As far as waiting for another year, why would you want to do that? What if everybody only went to the Oktoberfest's held close to them? How boring. How will you ever meet other club members? How can you have a family reunion if part of the family stays home? What if your chapter hosts Oktoberfest and only locals came? What if this Oktoberfest is the biggest and best one yet? Do you want to take a chance on missing it? This is your chance to see lots of this country AND do all BMW fun things. Don't miss out. *Uncle Manny* 

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# TechFest

# **TechFest East Primer**

riginally established in 1981, Gateway Tech was an annual gathering hosted by the St. Louis BMW Club for those BMW enthusiasts who want to delve just a little deeper into the technology behind their Ultimate Driving Machine ©. Every year for the past 21 years, the faithful took over a St. Louis hotel and filled it with BMW cars, gadgets, and gear heads for three straight days including tech sessions, social gatherings, a showroom/vendor area, and a BMW CCA Club Race.

Beginning with 2003, the event has gone mobile, with a different chapter being asked to host the event each year, probably alternating between the east and west coasts. The Los Angeles chapter was honored in 2003 with being the host chapter for the first event being held outside of St. Louis and now the National Capital Chapter welcomes you to the Mid-Atlantic region in 2004 at the Hyatt Reston Town Center, Reston, Virginia May 13-16, 2004. Watch for more details.

Tech Sessions: The Tech Sessions are classroom-style presentations and lectures that are offered on a variety of topics such as suspension tuning, engine technology, wheel/ tire science, detailing, serious modifications, competitive motorsport, and many others. The sessions typically run for about an hour each. Each session is strategically scheduled

to make sure everyone gets a chance to sit in on the sessions they want to see.

Vendor Hall: The Vendor Hall will be filled with tables and booths where a variety of companies will be displaying their after-market products for your viewing pleasure. In addition the vendors will have technical experts on hand discussing and demonstrating their products and answering your questions. Everything from springs, engines, short-shift kits, detailing products, lubricating products, specialized brake components, and more will be on display. Some of the vendors may have interactive demos such as a short-shift attached to a transmission to give you a sort of "try before you buy" aspect.

The Vendor Hall is open all day on Friday and Saturday and Sunday morning. You DO NOT have to be a registered TechFest attendee to view the vendor area. So if you're in area and you're not sure you're interested in the whole event, you can still come down and get a look at some great stuff!

Socializing: What gathering would be complete without the opportunity for attendees to meet each other informally, grab some food and discuss the day's events, tech sessions, favorite mods, and of course, tell tall tales of track prowess or their latest adventures on the open road.



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Leslie Jenkins with Nancy O'Connor dropping off food for Food Bank of the Rockies





# What is the Pacific SharkFest?

n annual get together of random people from all walks of life with only one requirement. Love the six series BMW (it helps if you own one and can bring it to the annual meet).

Just a heads up, plans are in the works for Pacific Shark-Fest 2004.

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# Blocking Car Thieves - Start With The Key

ar-theft prevention systems are becoming big business as the prices of autos skyrocket to levels baby boomers used to pay for homes.

Car owners spent \$227 million for electronic anti-theft systems, such as keyless entry and vehicle tracking systems in 2001, compared with \$142 million in 1995, according to the Consumer Electronics Association.

If you want to keep those expensive wheels, start with the basics: When you stop your car, take the key out of the ignition and lock the doors. Not everyone does. The New Haven, Conn., Police Department says nearly one in five stolen vehicles is left unlocked with the key in the ignition.

# Use a layered approach

Police and security experts recommend a layered approach to preventing car theft — that is, use more than one anti-theft method to defeat the thieves. How much you want to spend depends on how much you think it's worth keeping crooks away from that expensive car. Anti-theft devices range from under \$50 to several hundred dollars.

No single device is foolproof, say the experts.

"Nothing, zero, zilch can absolutely stop the professional car thief," said Rob Painter, an independent auto theft investigator and author of the book, "Auto Theft: Let the Truth Be Known."

"You are trying to slow them down. "Gone in 60 seconds." as the movie says. I can have a car in 20 seconds and so can a lot of car thieves."

#### Not like in the movies

Most of the car-theft techniques you see in movies — such as reaching under the dash to hot-wire the ignition — are behind the times, said Painter. "Hot-wiring went out in 1969 with the locked steering column," he said. "Most of the stuff they show on the screen is 30 years behind."

# Active or passive

Car anti-theft devices come in two forms — active and passive. Active anti-theft devices include devices such as The Club that lock down the steering wheel. If you have to do something to arm it, it's called active. Passive systems are those that automatically arms themselves each time the vehicle is shut off, the ignition key removed or a door is shut. Insurance companies tend to give higher discounts for passive systems.

The more layers car thieves have to go through, the more likely it is they'll move on to another car, say experts. Painter says that he can remove The Club within a few seconds by cutting the steering wheel, which is much weaker than the lock. He recalls one case in which the car thief removed The Club then physically beat the female car owner with it.

Manufacturer-equipped anti-theft systems should not be used alone, warns Painter.

"The bad thing about a manufacturer's system is that if a thief finds a way to defeat the anti-theft device on, say, one Ford 150, he can defeat the devices on all Ford 150s anywhere in the country."

# LoJack and OnStar

Tracking devices also exist, such as the LoJack, which emits a radio signal that police can use to zero in on a car's location after it has been stolen. Another is the OnStar program which often comes with high-end cars. They are still not foolproof because the OnStar system can be jammed and the LoJack's signal is only good for police picking up the signal in a limited area of about 40 miles. Police love the LoJack because in some cases, they've followed the LoJack signal to auto chop shops or dumping spots for other stolen cars.

Painter and other experts like adding after-market systems to cars because they are often better hidden and the diversity of the products makes it difficult for the car thief to know them all.

The person who installs an after-market anti-theft system is as important as the system itself, warns Matt Swanston, staff director of communications for the Consumer Electronics Association. "Be certain that the installer is certified by Mobile Electronics Certified Professionals," Swanston says. "You don't want to have Uncle Henry install a system you bought at some auto parts store.

As anti-theft devices become more sophisticated, the bad guys find ways to defeat them. The brawn of a tow truck is an increasingly popular weapon in the thief's arsenal.

There are also systems that sound an alarm, and — as anyone who has ever been in a large, crowded parking lot knows — they often can emit false alarms. What's more, a wailing car alarm system rarely attracts attention anymore.

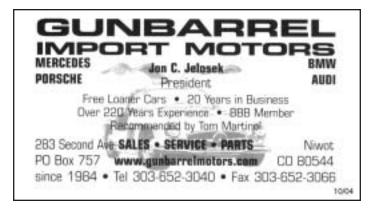
Some people have their car alarm systems trigger a pager. It might not be enough to stop the theft, but will be enough for owners to notify police promptly.

# Common sense comes first

Meanwhile, remember these common-sense tips:

- Take out the key and lock your car.
- Park it in a locked garage at night, if possible. More than half of auto thefts occur in residential areas.
- Park in attended lots. Autos are five times more likely to be stolen from an unattended lot than from the street or an attended lot. More than half the cars are stolen at night.

Rod Gibson is a freelance writer based in Georgia.







# Our Overseas Correspondent

# by Phil Couch

# Want to Pretend You Are Deployed?



Phil stands in an Iraqi tank fighting position.

Here is a list of things you can do right in the "comfort" of your own home to give you that deployed feeling.

- 1. Sleep on a cot in the garage.
- 2. Replace the garage door with a curtain.
- 3. Two hours after you go to sleep, have your wife or girlfriend whip open thecurtain, shine a flashlight in your eyes and mumble, "Sorry, wrong cot."
- 4. Renovate your bathroom. Hang a green plastic sheet down from the middle of your bathtub and move the showerhead down to chest level. Keep four inches of soapy cold water on the floor. Stop cleaning the toilet and pee everywhere but in the toilet itself. Leave two to three sheets of toilet paper. Or for best effect, remove it altogether. For a more realistic deployed bathroom experience, stop using your bathroom and use a neighbor's. Choose a neighbor who lives at least a quarter mile away.
- When you take showers, wear flip-flops and keep the lights off.
- Every time there is a thunderstorm, go sit in a wobbly rocking chair and dump dirt on your head.
- 7. Put lube oil in your humidifier instead of water and set it on "HIGH" for that tactical generator smell.
- 8. Don't watch TV except for movies in the middle of the night. Have your family vote on which movie to watch and then show a different one.
- 9. Leave a lawnmower running in your living room 24 hours a day for proper noise level.
- 10. 10. Have the paperboy give you a haircut.
- 11. Once a week, blow compressed air up through your chimney making sure the wind carries the soot across and on to your neighbor's house. Laugh at him when he curses you.
- 12. Buy a trash compactor and only use it once a week. Store up garbage in the other side of your bathtub.

- 13. Wake up every night at midnight and have a peanut butter and jelly sandwich on a saltine cracker.
- 14. Make up your family menu a week ahead of time without looking in your food cabinets or refrigerator. Then serve some kind of meat in an unidentifiable sauce poured over noodles. Do this for every meal.
- 15. Set your alarm clock to go off at random times during the night. When it goes off, jump out of bed and get to the shower as fast as you can. Simulate there is no hot water by running out into your yard and breaking out the garden hose.
- 16. Once a month, take every major appliance completely apart and put it back together again.
- 17. Use 18 scoops of coffee per pot and allow it to sit for five or six hours before drinking.
- 18. Invite at least 185 people you don't really like because of their strange hygiene habits to come and visit for a couple of months. Exchange clothes with them.
- 19. Have a fluorescent lamp installed on the bottom of your coffee table and lie under it to read books.
- 20. Raise the thresholds and lower the top sills of your front and back doors so that you either trip over the threshold or hit your head on the sill every time you pass through one of them.
- 21. Keep a roll of toilet paper on your nightstand and bring it to the bathroom with you along with your gun and a flashlight.
- 22. Go to the bathroom when you just have to pass gas, "just in case" Every time.
- 23. Announce to your family that they have mail, have them report to you as you stand outside your open garage door after supper and then say, "Sorry, it's for the other Smith."
- 24. Wash only 15 items of laundry per week. Roll up the semiwet clean clothes in a ball. Place them in a cloth sack in the corner of the garage where the cat pees. After a week, unroll them and without ironing or removing the mildew, proudly wear them to professional meetings and family gatherings. Pretend you don't know what you look or smell like. Enthusiastically repeat the process for another week.
- 25. Go to the worst crime-infested place you can find, go heavily armed, wearing a flak jacket and a Kevlar helmet. Set up shop in a tent in a vacant lot. Announce to the residents that you are there to help them.
- Eat a single M&M every Sunday and convince yourself it's for Malaria.
- 27. Demand each family member be limited to 10 minutes per week for a morale phone call. Enforce this with your teenage daughter.
- 28. Shoot a few bullet holes in the walls of your home for proper ambiance.
- 29. Sandbag the floor of your car to protect from mine blasts and fragmentation.
- 30. While traveling down roads in your car, stop at each over-





- pass and culvert and inspect it for remotely detonated explosives before proceeding.
- 31. Fire off 50 cherry bombs simultaneously in your driveway at 3:00 a.m. When startled neighbors appear, tell them all is well, you are just registering mortars. Tell them plastic will make an acceptable substitute for their shattered windows.
- 32. Drink your milk and sodas warm.
- 33. Spread gravel throughout your house and yard.
- 34. Make your children clear their Super Soakers in a clearing barrel you placed outside the front door before they come in.
- 35. Make your family dig a survivability position with overhead cover in the backyard. Complain that the 4x4s are not 8 inches on center and make them rebuild it.
- Continuously ask your spouse to allow you to go buy an M-Gator.
- 37. When your 5-year-old asks for a stick of gum, have him find the exact stick and flavor he wants on the Internet and print out the web page. Type a Form 9 and staple the web page to the back. Submit the paperwork to your spouse for processing. After two weeks, give your son the gum.
- 38. Wait for the coldest/ hottest day of the year and announce to your family that there will be no heat/air conditioning that day so you can perform much needed maintenance on the heater/air conditioner. Tell them you are doing this so they won't get cold/ hot.

40. Just when you think you're ready to resume a normal life, order yourself to repeat this process for another six months to simulate the next deployment you've been ordered to support.



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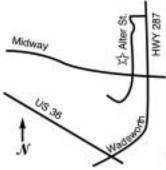


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# BMW News

# BMW Group Sales for 2003 Topple All Previous Records Year-to-date Sales Up Jump 8 Percent

Woodcliff Lake, NJ - January 5, 2004 ... The BMW Group (BMW and MINI brands combined) ended its best year ever with robust twelve-month sales gain of 8 percent, reporting 276,869 vehicles over the 256,622 reported in 2002. It was the twelfth straight year that BMW posted sales increases. Sales for December were off 5 percent, at 24,915 vehicles compared to sales of 26,252 in December 2002.

#### BMW Brand Also Has Best Year

BMW of North America, LLC reported annual sales of 240,589 automobiles and Sports Activity Vehicles, up 4 percent over the 232,032 vehicles sold in the same period last year. The company also reported sales of 20,910 vehicles, down 9 percent from the 22,974 recorded in the same month in 2002.

"We experienced exceptional performance in several models. Sales of the 5 Series models reached nearly 47,000 (46,964), an increase of 15 percent over the previous best year in 2002. The all-new 5 Series went on sale in late September to strong consumer reception. Sales of the BMW 7 Series continue to outperform expectations, with more than 20,000 (20,473) automobiles in 2003," said Ed Robinson, Executive Vice President - Operations for BMW of North America, LLC. "BMW continued to capture 40 percent of the premium roadster market in 2003; more than 20,000 (20,324) Z4 models were sold."

# BMW Automobile Sales

BMW reported sales of 200,144 automobiles compared to the 189,290 cars sold in 2002, an increase of 6 percent. The company also reported December automobile sales of 16,054, down 15 percent from the 18,949 cars sold in the same month a year ago.

# BMW Sports Activity Vehicle Sales

For the month of December, the company reported sales

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of 4,856 BMW X5 Sports Activity Vehicles, up 20 percent over the 4,025 vehicles reported last year.

Year-to-date, sales of BMW's X5 Sports Activity Vehicles were off 4.7 percent, to 40,715 vehicles from the 42,742 reported in 2002.

# BMW Certified Pre-owned Vehicles Sales

Sales of BMW CPO vehicles set new records, too, as the company reported 65,693 vehicles in 2003, an increase of 8.4 percent above the 60,160 vehicles sold last year. For December, CPO sales were up 4.5 percent to 5,526 compared to 5,289 sold in the same month in 2002.

# MINI Brand

MINI sales in the U.S. continue to surpass expectations. Year-to-date, the company reported sales of 19,592 MINI Coopers and 16,418 MINI Cooper S' for combined sales of 36,010. The company reported sales of 1,969 MINI Coopers and 2,036 MINI Cooper S' during the month of December for a total of 4,005 cars sold, making it a record month for MINI. Two ships of cars arrived earlier than expected and in time to ship to dealers for delivery to customers by the end of 2003. The MINI brand has been on sale in the U.S. since March 22, 2002.



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# BMW News

# **BMW Pricing Changes for 2004**

Woodcliff Lake, NJ, December 23, 2003... BMW of North America, LLC, reveals its new pricing for the 2004 calendar year. Effective January 1, 2004, the manufacturer's suggested retail price will increase by 1.2% for all BMW vehicles except the recently-introduced X3 2.5i and X3 3.0i Sports Activity Vehicles. Despite the changes in MSRP, pricing for available options and packages will remain the same.

| Model    |                 | Base MSRP |  |  |  |  |
|----------|-----------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| 3 Series |                 |           |  |  |  |  |
| 325i     | Sedan           | \$28,795  |  |  |  |  |
| 325xi    | Sedan           | \$30,545  |  |  |  |  |
| 325i     | Sports Wagon    | \$31,495  |  |  |  |  |
| 325xi    | Sports Wagon    | \$33,245  |  |  |  |  |
| 325Ci    | Coupe           | \$31,195  |  |  |  |  |
| 325Ci    | Convertible     | \$38,495  |  |  |  |  |
| 330i     | Sedan           | \$35,895  |  |  |  |  |
| 330xi    | Sedan           | \$37,645  |  |  |  |  |
| 330Ci    | Coupe           | \$37,495  |  |  |  |  |
| 330Ci    | Convertible     | \$44,795  |  |  |  |  |
| Х3       |                 |           |  |  |  |  |
| 2.5i     | Sports Activity | \$30,995  |  |  |  |  |
| 3.0i     | Sports Activity | \$36,995  |  |  |  |  |

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| M3       |                          |                      |  |  |
|----------|--------------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| M3       | Coupe                    | \$47,795             |  |  |
| M3       | Convertible              | \$56,295             |  |  |
| Z4       | Roadster<br>2.5i<br>3.0i | \$34,295<br>\$41,595 |  |  |
| 5 Serie  | es                       |                      |  |  |
| 525i     | Sedan                    | \$40,495             |  |  |
| 530i     | Sedan                    | \$45,595             |  |  |
| 545i     | Automatic Sedan          | \$55,695             |  |  |
| 545i     | 6-speed Sedan            | \$58,995             |  |  |
| X5       |                          |                      |  |  |
| 3.0i     | Sports Activity          | \$41,495             |  |  |
| 4.4i     | Sports Activity          | \$52,795             |  |  |
| 7 Series |                          |                      |  |  |
| 745i     | Sedan                    | \$69,995             |  |  |
| 745Li    | Sedan                    | \$73,995             |  |  |
| 760Li    | Sedan                    | \$117,895            |  |  |
|          |                          |                      |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup> Includes \$695 destination

# MINI Pricing Changes for 2004

Woodcliff Lake, NJ - December 23, 2003... While MINI has only made minor pricing changes since its launch, the base price of the supercharged MINI Cooper S will increase by \$450, effective January 1st 2004 to coincide with the beginning of January production.

The manufacturer's suggested retail price for the MINI Cooper will remain unchanged, maintaining its competitive price point of \$16,999, including destination. The new MSRP for the MINI Cooper S will be \$20,449, including destination. Pricing for available options and packages across the entire MINI range will remain the same.

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2001 330Ci, VIN# WBABN534X1JU20430, Alpine White/Gray Leather, 29,343 miles, Sport Package, M double-spoke alloy wheels, performance tires, 10-way adjustable front sport seats with 4-way power front lumbar support, moonroof, Myrtle wood trim, Xenon Headlamps AM/FM CD Player Harman-Kardon Sound System, still under warranty \$31,250. Call Peggy 303-430-0124 or <a href="mailto:severstrujillo@msn.com">severstrujillo@msn.com</a> #164238 (5/04)



2000MRoadster,VINWBSCK9345YLC90090, Imola Red/Black Leather/Black Soft Top, 37,800 miles Removable factory HARD TOP, heated seats, CD, traction control, factory M-Sport wheels. Good rubber. Dealer serviced. Synthetic oil at half service indicator intervals, all receipts. UUC short shifter kit, Strong Strut shock tower brace and K&N filter.

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2000 BMW 323i, VIN#WBAAM3347YKC68679 Titanium Silver, Black Leather,



19 Itlanium Silver, Black Leatner, 33,000 miles, 5 spd, sport package, Harman Kardon Sound System, clear-bra on hood, walnut wood trim, non-smoker, garaged. Will include two OEM full bras (one in box), headlight protective covers, factory warranty \$23,000 obo. <a href="https://homepage.mac.com/cc.wedding/BMW/">https://homepage.mac.com/cc.wedding/BMW/</a> Call Chris 720.235.7667 or <a href="mailto:c.m.hammock@att.net">c.m.hammock@att.net</a> #308919 (3/04)

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1999 M3 Silver/Gray, 28,000 original miles, suspension bar, air filter, excellent condition, \$30,599. Call Candy 970-223-0584 or <a href="mailto:candy@frii.com">candy@frii.com</a> #290361 (5/04)

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1998 M3 COUPE, VIN# WBSBG9323WEY78175, 44,000 miles, Red with gray



two tone leather, 6-CD HK sound system, 5-sp, Sunroof, Power Sport seats, Michelin Pilot Sports on ///M 5-Spoke alloy wheels, Trip Computer, ASC, Clear corners, M3 floor mats, near perfect condition, garaged and pampered, \$29,000. Call Brian 970-206-0684 or serndipty6@aol.com #309430 (5/04)

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1997 540i VIN WBADE5328VBV92186 Aspen silver/grey leather, 24k miles, one owner, 6-spd, premium audio, fold down rear seats, 6-disc CD, All books and records, oil change every 3k, always garaged day and night. Never winter driven, impeccable condition \$32,000. Call Gary 303-322-7303 or <a href="mailto:cobongk@ecentral.com">cobongk@ecentral.com</a> #75293 (3/04)

1997 528i, Silver/gray leather, 85K miles, 5sp., 16 way heated comfort seats with adj. lumbar support, sun roof, 6-CD, MM11 16" wheels plus std. wheels with snows, one owner, always garaged, non-smoker, complete records, a gem \$14,500. Call Fred 303-697-5750 or <a href="mailto:hadorro@msn.com">hadorro@msn.com</a> #124396 (5/04)



1995 M3 black/gray leather 102k, sunroof, (formerly owned by Cliff Lawson). This wonderful car has been correctly and carefully upgraded to enhance its exceptional stock performance. It boasts a euro intake (HFM) and airbox, Conforti chip. Suspension Turner camber plates, double adjustable Koni's in Front and Single adjustables in the rear. Eibach Sport springs, new

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1992 725iL, White/Tan interior, 115K, auto, wood trim, leather, sunroof, computer, very good condition, hydraulic self leveling replaced with Bilstein shocks and springs, Stock with many new parts including drive shaft, heater valves, thermostat and idle sensor, AC works great, car is originally from Dallas and has no rust and no road rash, interior and exterior are clean, Yokohama AVS with original wheels, extra set of steel wheels & wheel covers. Runs and looks great, \$7,500 OBO. Call Pete 303-697-0623 or p\_zeeb@hotmail.com #145992 (5/04)

1990 535i E34 Dark Metallic Gray w/black leather interior, heated seats, sedan, 5-speed, short shift, snow tires on steel wheels, Michelin tires on BBS wheels, original chip and Dinan Chip, tinted glass, ski pouch, excellent maintenance records - new camshaft oiler bar and banjo bolts, valve adjustment every 15,000 miles, cooling system, brakes, fluid changes, FM/CD, Piaa Lights - extras 150,000 well maintained miles \$7,250 OBO dependable and fun! Call 719-495-4010 or Farrell@cmsd.k12.co.us #111393 (5/04)

1988 735i, Silver/gray, rare 5 sp., 16" alloys, \$6,900 OBO. Call Robert 303-722-8406 #119538 (3/04)

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1986 635csi Red/Black interior, auto, power windows and locks, sunroof, air conditioning, runs and looks fantastic \$5900. Pictures are available. Call Cisco 719-232-3825, 719-264-8528 or <a href="mailto:ciscotwo@yahoo.com">ciscotwo@yahoo.com</a> #155125 (3/04)

1984 323i TC BAUR convertible VIN WBAAA310X09291911, Graphite/Black interior, 115K miles, European model, gray market import, 5-speed, new shocks and struts, new rear drums and pads; runs and looks great; needs new top and driver's seat upholstery \$8500 obo. Call Grant 303-757-2823 or <a href="mailto:gchanna@earthlink.net">gchanna@earthlink.net</a> #24518 (2/04)

1983 533i Maroon/Black, 196K miles, 5 spd, \$2,800 OBO. Call Robert 303-722-8406 #119538 (3/04)

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1982 323i Ascot gray/ grey epa papers 120,000 miles, 25,000 miles on Dinan engine rebuild, Dinan stage four suspension, power steering, close ratio gear box, short shift kit, 15" wheels new tires, religiously maintained, euro bumpers, BBS front spoiler excellent condition, factory Recaro, owned by Dinan family for 10 years \$9500 obo. Call Travis 970-846-6799 or <a href="mailto:bernzing@mail.com">benzing@mail.com</a> #123969 (3/04)

1977 320, ex-IMSA GTU car, fully restored and updated where possible, dry sumped 2.5L M3 S-14 engine, close ratio 5-spd, quick change diff w/13 gear sets, 2 sets BBS wheels w/slicks and rains, as seen on p73 of Sept '02 Roundel, fiberglass hood, rear deck, doors, and large flared fenders, \$28K. Contact Rick <a href="mailto:bmw320@prodigy.net">bmw320@prodigy.net</a> + photo at <a href="mailto:http://f1.pg.photos.yahoo.com/bmw320@prodigy.net">http://f1.pg.photos.yahoo.com/bmw320@prodigy.net</a> #68856 (3/04)



1973 2002Tii, VIN 2763366, Maroon/Tan, alloys and new fuel pump. Needs fuel injection pump rebuilt. Straight but rusty, great restoration project, complete \$1,000.00 OBO. Call Bob 303-747-0224 #311125 (5/04)

1968 1602 rolling shell with drive train, has mounted fiberglass Zender fender flairs, fiberglass hood, and trunk lid, would make excellent race car project \$800 obo. Call Brent 719-576-4315 or <a href="mailto:blgroundzero@aol.com">blgroundzero@aol.com</a> #70480 (3/04)



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#### TIRES & WHEELS

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(4) AT Italia 17x7.5 wheels offset 41 off E36. Style Very similar to the BBS RS-GT, Silver w/polished lip, NO curb rash. Currently mounted with Yokohoma AVS Sports 225-45-17. 2 tires are in "OK" condition, 2 shot, \$450 plus s/h. Contact Larry Kutch L@juno.com #313267 (5/04)

(5) 16x8 factory alloy wheels off 1992 850, excellent condition, will fit all 7 series, 5 & 6 series 1995 & newer; 3 series 1992 & newer with spacers; all 8 series. New \$580 each; will sell \$200 each or all for \$800. Call Mark 303-781-0827 (2/04)

(4) 15x6 wheels from 1994 E36, very good condition, \$60 each or \$200 for all. Call John 303-571-1997 or jeller@megroup.com #166277 (5/04)



(4) Blizzak 225/55R16 MZ-01 with M-5 wheels off a 2000 528, 7/32" tread remaining, wheels in new condition, \$480. Call Larry 303-674-1941 or <a href="mailto:HayesL@JM.com">HayesL@JM.com</a> (2/04)

FREE! (2) 255/40/17 Bridgestone RE 730's from my Z3. Worn to indicator bars on one side, good for driving school or another 3-5000 summer miles use. Call Barry 303 548-1562 or <a href="mailto:barrynor@msn.com">barrynor@msn.com</a> #141518 (5/04)

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(4) Yokohoma YK-420 225/55/16, 9/32 tread left, \$200 OBO. Call Bob 720-870-2417 #30340 (3/04)

(4) Black Panasport aluminum type wheels with polished lip 13x5.5 good condition \$200. (4) Cosmic aluminum wheels 13x6 fair-good condition \$300. Both sets have 4x100 bolt pattern. Call Brent 719-576-4315 or <a href="mailto:blgroundzero@aol.com">blgroundzero@aol.com</a> #70480 (3/04)

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(4) TRX wheels off 1985 535I \$75; (4) Pirelli studded snows on steel wheels + wheel covers from same car, used only 2k miles - \$200; (4) alloy wheels and tires (used less than 2k miles) from 2002 Cadillac Escalade - \$600. Call Gary 303- 322-7303 or <a href="mailto:cobongk@ecentral.com">cobongk@ecentral.com</a> #75293 (3/04)



(4) OEM BMW X5 snow tires/wheels (style 56, standard wheel on European X5s) with Michelin Pilot Alpin, almost full tread depth left, used for 5000 miles, \$850 (dealer price new \$1600). Call Stephan 719-531-9221 or <u>Stephan.Verhoeven@USAFA.af.mil</u> #300969 (3/04)

(4) 16" Mille Miglia five spoke wheels for E39 (540i), perfect condition with Blizzak 225/70/R15 less than 300 miles. Any and All offers considered. Call Rocky 970.476.7990 or <a href="mailto:rchristopher@christopher-kendall.com">rchristopher@christopher-kendall.com</a> #116582 (2/04)

(4) 16" Mille Miglia alloy wheels gently used on 2001 325ci. No longer have car, so must sell wheels. \$600 obo. Call Bill 720-308-3025 or <a href="wicrawford@arrow.com">wicrawford@arrow.com</a> #47365 (2/04)

(4) Mille Miglia 1000 wheels w/ Dunlop M2 snow tires. Both have about 1,000 miles of use, tires shows very little wear, wheels are as new, fit E36 3 series. Call Dan 719-550-2131 or 303-697-9558 eves <a href="mailto:danielm4211@netzero.net">danielm4211@netzero.net</a> #99623 (2/04)

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(4) Hakkapeliitta Hak 1's, 175/70-13, studded, and mounted on 320i turbine style alloys with new center caps. Will fit 320 and 2002. One pair used two seasons, other pair used only one season! Lots of miles left \$500.00. Call Rob 303-424-6964 or rcoe@rink.com. #43896 (2/04)

(4) Blizzak WS-50, 205/65-15 snow tires on steel rims, low miles, off 525i (E34), \$290. Call Keith 303-252-7126 or <a href="https://www.rmico.com">www.rmico.com</a> #135371 (2/04)

E36 BMW Motorsport wheels (17" x 7.5"), 10 spoke, from 95 M3-Style L in Bavarian Autosport catalog. Varying condition from good to new \$800 for the set of 6. Call Brian 970.689.6310 or <a href="mailto:bbowd01@yahoo.com">bbowd01@yahoo.com</a>, #1180128 (5/04)

(5) P255/70R-16 (fits SUV) less than 10,000 miles on 4, spare never used. These are Firestone tires and when the big scare occurred, my wife had the tires replace on our new Explorer. The tires are not the recalled items; they were not manufactured at the plant with the problem nor are they the size of the recall. Firestone and Ford over reacted, \$300.00 OBO. Call Thom 303-549-1018 or tfreyco@earthlink.net #198246 (5/04)

(4) Bridgestone 225/45R17 winter Radial WT-05, used 1 season, lots of rubber left, fits 3-series & Z-3's, \$50 each. Call Robert 303-400-1081 days, 303-646-5338 eves or rmb.bob@ix.netcom.com #184828 (2/04)







# Classifieds

# **PARTS**



Active Autowerke E36 Gen 3 High Flow Exhaust fits: 1992 -1995 325i, 1996 - 1998 328i, and 1995 - 1999 M3. Used for 14 months--has some minor nicks, but overall in excellent condition. Paid \$649 new, selling \$400 firm. Call Tyler 719-282-338 or tyler@m3mania.com #199984 (5/04)

Front brake rotors OEM & pads PBR Metal masters for E36, both NIB, \$85 for both. Call John 303-571-1997 or jeller@megroup.com #166277 (5/04)

E-36 M3 Exhaust, this original exhaust was removed at 15k miles and is in great shape, \$150, located in Colorado Springs and available for viewing before committing to buy. Call James or Dorothea 719-201-6323 / 719-591-4162 or <a href="mailto:m3incorp@adelphia.net">m3incorp@adelphia.net</a> #134937 (5/04)

E36/Z3 Brake parts: Ate Power Disk Rotors, Hawk HP + brake pads for front, used fall drivers school only \$150.00 for both or \$75.00 each OBO, PBR Metal Master rear pads \$30.00 OBO, still in box and shrink wrap. Call Steve 303-750-5533 or steveify@msn.com #165695 (5/04)

2002 performance parts, Zender rear spoiler \$50, 4 into 1 header \$50, dual Weber 40 DCOE side draft carbs with manifold, linkage, and individual filters for each stack complete \$700. Also lots of misc. parts from the parting of three 2002's, all prices negotiable. Call Brent 719-576-4315 or <a href="mailto:blgcommutatero@aol.com">blgcoundzero@aol.com</a> #70480 (3/04)

E36 hard top, black in color, few scratches but otherwise good condition, will fit 94 to 99 3 series convertible \$600.00. Call Steve 970- 668-5080 or <a href="mailto:beehouse@colorado.net">beehouse@colorado.net</a> #120233 (3/04)

E46 hard top, titanium silver with storage rack and cover, with integrated rear window defroster and rear seat lights, like new, cost new \$2595, selling for \$1600. Call Gary 970-453-5979 or <a href="mailto:gary.renick@juno.com">gary.renick@juno.com</a> #316564 (3/04)

Corbeau GTB seat. used 1 month in perfect condition list is \$425; Hamann Replica front bumper for E36 used and in descent condition, painted black; Gen V DDE kit comes with everything needed rigs used 3 months everything else new, list \$275 make offer on these items. Call Lucas 970-988-5455 or <a href="mailto:behmerm3@yahoo.com">behmerm3@yahoo.com</a> # 309066 (2/04)

Thule roof rack with locks, fits thin gutters, was on a '92 525i (E34), will fit any regular gutters too, \$75 OBO. Call Keith 303-252-7126 or keithl@rmico.com #135371 (2/04)

Stop! with a set of Performance Friction 97 Race Compound front brake pads for E36&E46 M3/E32 735i/40i 87-95- E34 525i 89-93- 530i 94-95 535i 88-93 540i. Barely used at 1 school-over 95% pad still left. \$115 (includes shipping). Compare to new at \$170. Brian at 970.689.6310 or <a href="mailto:bbowd01@yahoo.com">bbowd01@yahoo.com</a> #145879 (5/04)

1600 to M3 call me for your needs. Call Robert 303-722-8406 or web site @ Bimmerswap.com #119538 (5/04)

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

Roundels 23 years of back issues 1980-2003; except for 1/80; 9/88; 6/98 and 11/03, complete lot only \$150, plus shipping. Call Harvey 303-757-4185 #18724 (5/04)

MIG Welder: Hobart 135 Handler, includes cart, almost brand new, runs on 115VAC – very convenient and produces great welds, the BMW of welders, \$410 obo (970) 206 9594, e30V8@comcast.net, #115671 (5/04)

#### WANTED

(2) Rear 8.5x17" 10 spoke factory wheels for an E-36 M-3. Years I believe from 1996 thru 1999 or any 8.5x17 wheel. Cosmetic condition not important. Just needs to be straight! Need for track use! Call Ken 303-680-8518 or <a href="Missenhair@AOL.com">Nissenhair@AOL.com</a> #297709 (5/04)

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# Wilkommen

We would like to give a warm welcome to our new members and to those who have moved into our Rocky Mountain Chapter, BMW CCA. We invite you to join us at our upcoming events and monthly Club meetings. We hope to see you at our many events planned for this year. We look forward to your ideas and participation.

#### **NEW MEMBER**

| Ablowitz    | Todd/Heidi      | Littleton        | 2002  | 330Ci         |      |       |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------|-------|---------------|------|-------|
| Agnew       | Shon            | Aurora           | 2002  | 330i          | 4000 | 000'  |
| Ashburn     | Scott           | Aurora           | 1988  | M6            | 1983 |       |
| Barnett     | Steven          | Johnstown        | 1984  | 633           |      | 740iL |
| Bosch       | Karl            | Denver           | 1973  | 2002Tii       | 1998 | 740iL |
| Calabria    | Michael         | Centennial       | 2004  | 330Xi         |      |       |
| Caldwell    | Norm            | Denver           |       |               |      |       |
| Christensen | Jim             | Littleton        | 1997  | 528i          | 1989 | 325iS |
| Cohen       | Bob/Becky       | Parker           |       |               |      |       |
| Craighead   | Wade            | Boulder          |       |               |      |       |
| Di Iulio    | Tom             | Highlands Ranch  | 2001  | 740i          |      |       |
| Elmore      | Mark            | Loveland         | 2001  | 740iL         |      |       |
| Entwistle   | Tom             | Lone Tree        | 2000  | 740iA         |      |       |
| Farber      | Sheila          | Littleton        |       |               |      |       |
| Fonseca     | Brian           | Denver           | 1980  | 633CSi        | 1987 |       |
| Franks      | Ronald/Jason    | Littleton        | 2001  | 740iL         | 1997 |       |
| Garland     | Gordon          | Denver           | 2002  | X5            | 2000 | 328   |
| Gonzalez    | Kris/Tony       | Arvada           | 2001  | 325Xi         |      |       |
| Gorman      | Jim             | Centennial       | 1996  | 328i          |      |       |
| Gray        | Jennifer        | Boulder          | 1998  | 318Ti         |      |       |
| Hecox       | Andrew          | Aurora           |       |               |      |       |
| Hikida      | Ronald          | Denver           |       |               |      |       |
| Hoelscher   | Dale            | Aurora           | 328iS |               |      |       |
| Hrkman      | Nathan          | Boulder          | 1995  | M3            |      |       |
| Hughes      | Brian           | Fort Collins     | 1983  | 533i          |      |       |
| Jones       | Lane            | Colorado Springs | 1988  | E30 325e      |      |       |
| Jui         | John            | Littleton        | 1999  | 540i          |      |       |
| Lawrence    | Joe             | Lafayette        | 2003  | 330xi         |      |       |
| Lawrie      | Michael         | Denver           | 1976  | 2002          |      |       |
| Look        | James           | Boulder          | 1997  | 540i          | 1991 | 325Xi |
| McCarthy    | David           | Centennial       | 2003  | 745Li         |      |       |
| Miller      | Phil/Chad       | Denver           | 2003  | Mini Cooper S | 1991 | 750iL |
| Mosher      | Kendall/Jody    | Fort Collins     | 2003  | M3            | 2003 | 325i  |
| Novak       | Chad/Sandy      | Littleton        | 2003  | 330i PP       |      |       |
| Sellers     | Mark            | Colorado Springs | 2003  | 325i          |      |       |
| Smith       | Philip          | Arvada           | 2003  | Z4            |      |       |
| Smith       | Kelly           | Wellington       |       |               |      |       |
| Sprigg      | Davie           | Castle Rock      | 1996  | 328i          |      |       |
| Stewart     | Jim             | Loveland         | 1990  | 750il         |      |       |
| Streetman   | Martin/Jennifer | Broomfield       | 2003  | Z4            |      |       |
| Tehrani     | Justin          | Broomfield       | 1998  | 323iC         |      |       |
| Thaut       | Al/Lane         | Monument         | 2001  | 330Cic        |      |       |
| Van Etten   | Gary            | Boulder          | 1991  | 850i          |      |       |
| Warden      | Steven          | Denver           | 2003  | 525i          | 1995 | 318ti |
|             |                 |                  |       |               |      |       |



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# Activities Calendar

Note: RMC BMW CCA activities in boldface type

# February

1 Sun DEADLINE FOR *MSR* ADS AND COPY FOR MARCH ISSUE

4 Wed \* Business Meeting, Sutterfield's, Aurora, 303-743-8109 for directions

17 Tue Meet & Greet New Members Pizza/Video Night South, Boston's Gourmet Pizza

Janet Kiyota, Coordinator, 303-282-0303 - Details Page 13

28 Sat Winter Autocross Warm-up, Bandimere Speedway, Morrison Colorado

Autocross Committee, Details Page 14

# March

1 Mon DEADLINE FOR MSR ADS AND COPY FOR APRIL ISSUE

\* Business Meeting, Raisl's, Denver, 303-364-4450 for directions
 3 thru 7
 Denver Auto Show, Colorado Convention Center, 700 14th Street, Denver

13 Sat Street Survival, Bandimere Speedway, Morrison Colorado

Bob/Lauri Sutterfield, Coordinators, 303-743-8109, Details Page 18

16 Tue Meet & Greet New Members Pizza/Video Night North

Gary Odehnal, Coordinator, 970-590-6455, Details March issue

20 Sat Winter Autocross, Bandimere Speedway, Morrison Colorado

Autocross Committee, Details Page 14

April

24 Sat

1 Thur DEADLINE FOR MSR ADS AND COPY FOR MAY ISSUE

3 Sat Bimmer Haus Performance Brake Tech Session, 7233 W. 116th Place, #A, Broomfield

Mark Hutto, Coordinator, 720-566-0521, Details to come

7 Wed \* Business Meeting, Kavyo's, Aurora, 303- 364-5424 for directions

10 Sat Car Control Clinic & Tech Inspection, Arapahoe Park Racetrack

Andy Peavy & Andrew Jordan, Coordinators, Details Page 13
Sonic Bimmer Burger Night, Sonic Burger, Highway 86, Elizabeth, CO

Bob Sutterfield, Coordinator, 303-743-8109, Details to come

\*All members are urged to attend the Business Meetings, held the first Wednesday of each month (with some exceptions). IF YOU ARE COMING, PLEASE CALL THE MEETING HOST/HOSTESS TO ENSURE ENOUGH FOOD, AND IN CASE OF CANCELLATIONS OR CHANGES

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