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Late-braking News

by Dave Walker



Leila and I just got back from our chapter's first-ever driving school at Pike's Peak International Raceway in Fountain, Colorado, and we had a simply marvelous time! In spite of the predictions, the weather cooperated sufficiently for everyone to enjoy a mostly-dry track. The magnificent facilities and excellent catering certainly added to the experience, but the main reason the whole event came off so well was the excellent organization and volunteer workers. We all owe a huge debt of gratitude to Gary Mayer, Cliff Lawson, Andrew Jordan, Andy Peavy, Jim and Leslie Jenkins, and Darlene Doran for their skillful and efficient organization and execution of the weekend's activities. And the volunteer staff did a simply fantastic job every step of the way. Thank you to all who helped out, and we'll look forward to doing it again next year!

Last year the RMC held its first-ever chapter Oktoberfest celebration in Winter Park. In case you missed it, just talk to someone who did attend. Everyone had a fantastic weekend—and we also raised \$7500 to donate to the Colorado State Patrol Family Foundation to help support their valuable "Alive at 25" programs. We had such a great time last Fall,

we're going to do it all over again—this time in Vail in July! This year's event is being held in conjunction with the BMW Vintage and Classic Car Club's "Colorado Holiday 2005" event, and it promises to be every bit as much fun as last year, with new and exciting activities along with the change of venue. Once again, the emphasis is on having fun with fellow club members, enjoying gorgeous cars along with the scenery, all while benefiting the Alive at 25 programs. See details in the May MSR as well as this issue. Auf Wiedersehen an Vail!

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by Darlene Doran

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Thanks to all of you!

My genuine appreciation to these members who wrote articles and took photographs for the June issue of the *MSR*: **Eric Mees** for his "Car of the Month" article and photos; **Cliff Lawson** for photos; **Andy Peavy** for coordinating the "Car Control Clinic" and his event review article; **Decker Swann** for her "I Need Your Help" article; **Jonathan Richter** for coordinating the "Paintless Dent Removal Tech Session" and his article; **Autocross Committee** for the "Autocross" article; **Mark Irvin** and **Jamie Schnell** for their "Autocross Thanks"; **Matt Puccio** for his "Bimmerfest 2005" article and photos; **Michael Beyer** for assisting me with the "Annual Rocky Mountain Chapter Charity Celebration" and our article; **Nathan Finneman** for his "Mike Rieger Memorial"; **Dave Stackhouse** and **Dee Raisl** for coordinating the "Concours d'Elegance" and their article; **Alain van der Heide** for coordinating the "Street Survival" and his article; **Goetz Pfafflin** for his "Colorado Holiday" article; **Tim Jones** for coordinating the "Autoworks Colorado Tech Session / Open House" and his article; and **Dave Walker** for his "late-braking news." A BIG thanks to everyone for helping make such a great newsletter once again!

Happy Birthday / Happy Anniversary

Best wishes to all members who have birthdays or anniversaries this month!



BMW Continues to have Great News! Rewards Program Extended

Looking to purchase a new BMW? You're in luck. BMW CCA has extended the Rewards Program through December 31, 2005; all vehicles qualify except the Z8. Check it out in your monthly *Roundel* or the BMW CCA website at <http://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**

Your Help is Needed

NEEDED January 2005 *Roundels*. This issue features the Marathon for vintage BMW's on the East Coast last September. I'd like to get copies for my co-driver and mechanic. The *Roundel* office is out of them — many sent to European participants.

If you are willing to give up your copy, please call Decker Swann 303-343-1775 or deckerswann@earthlink.net so I can arrange to pick them up. Many Thanks!

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, 2005—and fulfilling the other program requirements—can apply for the rebate.

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Car of the Month



Cliff Lawson photo

Eric Mees autocrossing his 1993 325i

Car of the Month is a series in which Club members will have a chance to showcase their pride and joy in the **Motor-Sport Report**. 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.

Our June **Car of the Month** comes to you from Aurora, Colorado belonging to Eric Mees, who writes:

"You've got a rear-end that most guys would kill for!"

When I heard those words I thought, gee, I don't really work out, but ... then I realized the tech at *Bimmer Haus* was talking about my car.

What I think he was referring to was the limited-slip diff in the rear end in my 1993 325i. I thought about trying to convince the guy that that was the primary reason I sought the car out, but in actuality, it was dumb luck that mated me with that specific vehicle.

I have to hand it to the marketing folks at BMW for getting me into one of their cars.

Back in the spring of 2001, my wife was invited to BMW's Ultimate Driving Event — a touring circus of cars, marketing guys and driving instructors. Basically, the half-day event gave participants a brief driving-dynamics class, a small auto-cross-type competition and the chance to drive a few of the company's newest cars.

The event was thankfully free of salesmen, as the cars spoke quite highly of themselves.

I got behind the wheel of a new 530i and a 323i that day, and vowed I would own a BMW at some point.

At the time I was driving a four-door '93 Acura Integra GS, which was about as advanced as any of my previous cars had been and certainly leading-edge for cars of the day. It had four-wheel disc brakes with ABS, alloy wheels and other nice touches, such as a sunroof and wonderfully supportive seats. The engine was rated at 140 hp and had a typically Honda-esque "torque" curve. Overall, for a front-driver, it performed admirably in autocrosses, considering my novice abilities.

But the car's biggest liability related to the newest addition to the family — Zachary Mees, born in 2000. Getting his child safety seat in through the back doors was an act that required contortions the Chinese acrobats are still working to perfect.

At least that was the line I gave my wife after I'd gotten bitten by the Bimmer bug.

So by the end of June 2001, I was ready to start my search. I did some research online at *Edmunds* and *Consumer Reports* and came up with a few requirements: 1) '93 or newer, to get a car with the double VANOS variable valve timing system; 2) a four-door; 3) a manual transmission.

My search took me to a '93 525i, which would have been good, except for the burned oil feature on the main seal.



Car of the Month

There were also two 325i's available at the time — one in the foothills and another at *Murray Motor Imports*. By the time I was done with the test-drive at *Murray*, the other was gone, so my fate was pretty much sealed.

What I came away with was a Kaschmirbeige Metallic (a fancy way to say "a color not terribly unlike gold") '93 325i with 113,000 miles and an automatic transmission. Cost \$12,000 back in the day, which was about on par with what I could afford and with what other E36s were going for.

Not sure if mine had some sort of luxury package or if that was fairly standard for the Bimmers of the day — an acre of leather, heated seats, integrated cell phone (thankfully gone, but scarring from the mounting bracket remains), a/c, sunroof, etc.... But otherwise, it's basically a small sedan, almost identical to the current Honda Civic and smaller than a Nissan Altima.

Oh yeah, and an automatic tranny. How would that work for autocrossing, I wondered.

Doug Bartlett said it best last season, after hearing that the car was indeed a clutchless four-speed (courtesy of The General, methinks):

"An automatic. You beat me in an automatic?" Sorry, Doug.

I interpret the autobox (along with the VANOS system) as giving the car some turbo-like qualities. That is, the car has very little response under 3,000 rpm, and even then, not much more until 4,000. That's when the party begins.

As for autocross, that means I end up having to anticipate where I want acceleration a little bit before I actually get there. The LSD helps keep the car moving mostly forward instead of sideways in those instances where I get on it too quickly.

I generally just leave the tranny in second gear when autocrossing, which actually helps on the fastest parts of courses where other cars that can't go 70 in second might be bumping up against the rev limiter.

On the road, I shift the Bimmer probably more than anyone else in a slushbox. Putting the car in two or three locks the torque converter and gives it different mapping than in "D" allowing it to rev to the red-line, thus using more of the torque band. Overdrive comes into play in Drive, allowing for highway mileage up near the 28 mpg mark.

Regardless, I'm still a clutch-guy at heart. I've had at least one offer to drop in a manual (you know who you are, Mark) and if I don't go for a newer car completely someday, I will likely go that route.

Prior to getting a new transmission, I hope to get some sports springs or even coil-overs installed, but money is the barrier there. I've slowly made a couple of mods to the car — a Conforti chip that boosted both horsepower and



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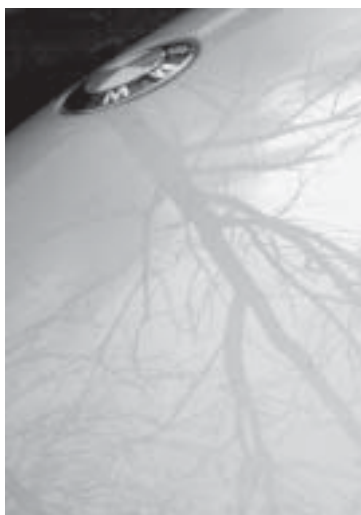
torque by 19 to 208/200 (at sea level, maybe). The chip gave it a noticeable boost under pedal but means the car drinks only 91 octane or better. It also pings on hot days, but it also seems to be slightly more fuel efficient around town, simply because it doesn't have to work as hard at 40 mph. It also has an H&R Springs 28 mm front sway bar, which helps keep the front-end even more planted than before.

Other important add-ons have been the Falken Ziex 512s for all-around performance and Bridgestone WS-50s for the winter (although they weren't on this past winter). I've also got some 16-inch rims that are awaiting tires, most likely the Kumho Ecsta MX's later this summer. ... I doubt I'll go back to race tires so you can rest easy, Doug.

As for repairs and ownership issues, early on there were a few "someone else's problems" moments that stretched back to the previous owner, such as a bad power steering pump and a broken front strut. And of course, all the little electrical problems that *Consumer Reports* warned me about, including several window switches, a couple of rheostats and the ubiquitous "Brake Light Circuit Failure" that OBD-II is so eager to warn us about. And other than standard maintenance, the car has spent very little time in the shop.

Overall, this has been the car I was always waiting for. Approaching 140K, it's running great and I'm eagerly awaiting another autocross season. The car has been averaging 21.8 mpg, and that's primarily city driving. Moreover, there's nothing like having a car that looks like the typical family mobile that can embarrass more than a few production cars out there, on the freeway or in a slalom.

Was I a victim of marketing or did my "champagne taste" finally catch up to me, as my dad always warned it would? Maybe a little of both, but I think mostly I came to the realization that BMWs are "the Ultimate Driving Machine." *MSR*



Sun shining through the trees reflects on the hood

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Mini Korner

Zero to Smile in Under 2 Seconds

My first impressions of the British Mini Cooper were manifested when we visited England a number of times several years ago. The Mini styling was unique, and the function inside was incredible. I drove my wife crazy with a hankering to bring one home with me. But, the original Mini Cooper was only available in the US briefly, so it was the rest of the world that got to fall in love with it, and over the years some 5 million copies were produced.

Several years ago, during the consolidation of some of the world's auto companies, BMW bought Mini Cooper along with several other British automotive icons. The retro rage was on VW redesigns the Beetle, then BMW one ups VW when they bankroll a complete redesign of the Mini Cooper. Anytime and icon is redesigned attention has to be paid not only to embrace all of the many characteristics that made it unique, but also to update it and bring freshness to the design. BMW and Mini Cooper exceeded themselves, and the redesign is now call the Mini Cooper.

The original Mini Cooper was know for its incredible spirited performance in such a small car, the new Mini builds upon that tradition together with its incredible interior space utilization, but with significant safety features now designed in. The new Mini is available in a standard version with a 4 cylinder 115hp engine base price US \$17,000, of the Mini Cooper S with a supercharged 4 cylinder engine developing

163hp base price US \$20,000. Nowhere does the brochure or the instruction manual state it, but the Mini Cooper in either version will do zero to SMILE in under 2 seconds.

Neither my wife nor I have ever driven a vehicle that gets as much attention and sparks so much interest in the states. No matter whether old or young, short or tall, men or women the Mini Cooper sparked more smiles and thumbs up than you can possibly imagine. And almost every time we stopped, when we came out someone would be looking at the car and eager to ask question. At the dealership when I mentioned the response and asked what the Mini demographics were, I was told that there are no Mini demographics, everyone seems to love it.

Both versions of the Mini Cooper are a blast, fast, very fast and although it is small vehicle, it does not feel small. The interior is spacious and the visibility is very open this coming from someone who owns and only typically drives large Suburbans and pickups with very large V8 engines.

The only Mini Cooper dealer in Houston is MOMENTUM an auto group with multiple dealerships grouped as an auto mall. They graciously worked with BMW to supply me with both models to test. They are also the only dealership I know that has their own .6 mile test track adjacent to the dealership.

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demo runs with the customers' choice of vehicles, and all of the incredible handling characteristics of the Mini Cooper were put to the test at very high speeds. The Mini Cooper is truly awesome.

Unlike most American muscle bound vehicles on steroids the Mini Cooper is small and strong, nimble. With sharp and crisp handling. The suspension has been optimized to provide a taught yet very comfortable ride, even when run with flat tires. We specifically ran these tires on a severe washboard 30 mile section of highway north of Houston. The ride was never rough or stiff, and I should know since I am still healing from a broken back from racing offshore in Super Vee.

If the Mini designers had designed the Chevy Suburban it would hold at least 20 people instead of 8. The Mini Cooper has a back seat that can seat 4 adults, but the real beauty is that the front seats will go all the way back to the front of the rear seat if you don't have passengers. My father who is 6'5" has never been in a front seat with so much leg room and he still had plenty of headroom to boot.

The controls for the windows, radio, a/c and heat, door locks, etc., are centrally located and easy to use for either the driver or the passenger. The only complaint I have is the standard location of the speedometer which is so large and easy to read that it would be a dead giveaway if the cop chasing you got close enough. Being in the middle of the dash-


board also allows everyone in the car to know how fast you are going. I would prefer my wife not to know. And since the ride of the Mini Cooper is so smooth and comfortable even at higher speeds (it loves 80 and 90mph), no one should know but the driver. I would opt for the optional navigation system which moves the speedo to the steering column along with the tach. The Mini is currently one of the most popular vehicles in the US and, according to a popular business magazine they also have the highest residual value of all vehicles in the US. Several car and high end product magazines have also rated the Mini cooper in their top 10 best categories. Pound for pound in my book the Mini Cooper is number one in value, when you consider that you can get two standard Mini Coopers and still have cash left over for the price of one Mercury#6 outdrive. Or that the sales tax on a typical Factory II raceboat will almost buy a standard Mini, it is an incredible value. Going one step further unbeknownst to me, one of my friends recently sold his Porsche and bought a tricked out Mini Cooper S and banked the extra \$60K.

I want one. Either model is great, although I love superchargers... Now I just have to pick out one of the very cool colors and then rearrange the garage. The 2003 Mini Cooper is pure spirit, performance, unique style and an incredible value. The Mini Cooper is zero to SMILE in under 2 seconds. *MSR*

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Motorsports Around The World

BMW Team PTG M3s Sweep Road and Track 250 GT Podium; Milner, Marks and Auberlen Score First F1 Air Victory of the Season

MONTEREY, CALIF. – MAY 1, 2005... With well-timed strategy and excellent pit work, BMW Team PTG owner Tom Milner orchestrated a 1-2-3 BMW M3 finish in today's Road and Track 250. Tom Milner, Justin Marks and Bill Auberlen drove the No. 16 BMW Team PTG F1 Air M3 to the top of the podium from the 10th starting position, completing 92 laps in the two-hour-and-forty-five minute contest.

RJ Valentine and Kelly Collins drove the No. 17 BMW Team PTG F1 Air M3 to a second place finish after starting from the pole. Ian James, Chris Gleason and Joey Hand completed the GT sweep in the No. 22 BMW Team PTG M3.

In a race already made difficult by the loss of the No. 21 M3 in a practice crash, smart use of the race's six caution periods allowed BMW Team PTG to cycle Auberlen and Hand through the No. 16 and No. 22 M3s respectively and gain the advantage over a very competitive 28-car GT field.

Starting from the pole Collins took off to an early lead in the No. 17 M3, closely followed by James in the No. 22. Within six laps, Milner made it 1-2-3 BMW Team PTG. Throughout the remaining laps of the race, the eight BMW Team PTG drivers shared three M3s, never staying out of the top-three for more than a few laps.

No stranger to the Laguna Seca podium in past years, BMW Team PTG finished 1-2-3 at the season-ending VISA SportsCar Championships in 1997. Round five of the Rolex Sports Car Series will take place on May 19 - 21 at Le Circuit Mont-Tremblant.

BILL AUBERLEN, DRIVER NO. 16 BMW TEAM PTG F1 AIR M3: "BMW Team PTG may have lost one bullet this weekend (with the loss of the No. 21 M3), but the remaining three were delivered with extreme accuracy. You cannot get any better than a 1-2-3 M3 finish."

JUSTIN MARKS, DRIVER NO. 16 BMW TEAM PTG F1 AIR M3: "A win may have gotten away from us at Fontana so I am very happy to help get this first win for F1 Air. Today was a dominating performance by BMW Team PTG."

TOM MILNER, DRIVER NO. 16 BMW TEAM PTG F1 AIR M3: "I truly enjoyed my stint today, picking off one position every lap. After a disappointing qualifying performance, today, we showed what we could do."

KELLY COLLINS, DRIVER NO. 17 BMW TEAM PTG F1 AIR M3: "There were some real chances being taken out there. On many laps I had to give up three or four seconds to stay out of trouble. Today, I let discretion be the better part of valor and a 1-2-3 M3 finish was the result."

RJ VALENTINE, DRIVER NO. 17 BMW TEAM PTG F1 AIR M3: "This is beyond belief. Kelly did a phenomenal job and carried the day. F1 Air and BMW make great partners."

IAN JAMES, DRIVER NO. 22 BMW TEAM PTG M3: "If the pit strategy had fallen in our favor I think we could have won, but it is always great to be on the podium. A great day for BMW."

CHRIS GLEASON, DRIVER NO. 22 BMW TEAM PTG M3: "I was not in for many laps, but I had to stop as soon as there was another yellow because we had to get Joey in. This is another great moment for BMW and I am proud to be a part of it."

JOEY HAND, DRIVER NO. 22 BMW TEAM PTG M3: "Ian and Chris had already done a great job before I got into the car. I hustled the No. 22 M3 when I could, and, after losing the No. 21 M3 yesterday, am very happy to reach the podium and score some points."

TOM MILNER, OWNER BMW TEAM PTG: "Our pit strategy was perfect today. The team truly deserves the credit. We only had three M3s in the race today, but we still put all eight of our drivers on the podium."

LARRY KOCH, BMW OF NORTH AMERICA MOTORSPORTS MANAGER: "Today's strategy was excellent and our drivers were able to stay out of the way of trouble. With a 1-2-3 M3 finish as a result, we could not be more pleased. Still, we have a long way to go in the Manufacturer Points race. It seems the M3s have become competitive and we look forward to the rest of the season." *MSR*




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Silverstone Test Summary – April 26-28, 2005

The BMW WilliamsF1 Team concluded a three day test at the Silverstone circuit, in the UK, today. Mark Webber, Antonio Pizzonia and the team's newly signed test driver, Nico Rosberg, all shared testing responsibilities. Despite typical British weather conditions of heavy rain, the drivers managed to cover 430 laps over the three days, a combined total of 2,210 kilometers, securing valuable data for forthcoming Grand Prix.

Sam Michael (Technical Director, WilliamsF1):

"This week at Silverstone we worked on set-ups for this track - mechanical and aerodynamic, engine cooling, brake cooling as well as tire testing for Michelin. We also concentrated on electronic set-up for traction control and starts.

Mark and Antonio were helped out this week by Nico Rosberg. Nico was useful straight away with the test program and has already made a direct contribution. As he is now a BMW WilliamsF1 Team driver he will be testing again in the near future."

Mario Theissen (BMW Motorsport Director):

"From BMW's side, our focus at the Silverstone test was on practice starts and further development of the traction control system."



Nico Rosberg:

"I really enjoyed myself this week. It is unbelievable to drive this car. I think I settled into the team well, and they made me feel really welcome. It didn't take me too long to get used to the FW27 and, when I did, I worked through the program quite well. I'm thrilled to have been given this opportunity as it's so interesting to learn about the workings of an F1 car. At the end of the day, I think I set quite competitive times and didn't make any mistakes over the two sessions so I'm really happy and looking forward to the next test." *MSR*

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Upcoming Events

Monthly Chapter Business Meeting

Wednesday, June 1, 2005

The Rocky Mountain Chapter Board of Directors is trying something new! We will be having our monthly business meeting at a local restaurant – we will be traveling north south and west to give **ALL** members a chance to attend without traveling too far. The meeting will start promptly at 7:00 p.m. Should you wish to join us for dinner at your **own cost**, we will be having dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Our second quarter monthly meeting will be located at: **Johnny Carinos Italian Kitchen** – 970-203-9900 – 1455 Rocky Mountain Avenue - Loveland, Colorado – I-25 & Highway 34 (Exit 257B Eisenhower Blvd).

Our third quarter monthly meeting **Wednesday, September 7, 2005** will be located at: **Jarre Creek Ranch Brewery** – 303-688-1945 – 810 New Memphis Court – Castle Rock, Colorado – I-25 & Meadows Parkway (Castle Rock Factory Stores). *MSR*

Paintless Dent Removal Tech Session

by Jonathan Richter

Stander's Collision Works has reserved Saturday, June 18th, 2005 for the Rocky Mountain Chapter BMW CCA for a private paintless dent removal tech session.

When: Saturday, July 16th, 2005
11:00 to 1:00 p.m.

Where: Stander's Collision Works
3900 Norwood Drive
Littleton, Colorado
303-791-1900
½ mile south of C-470,
2 blocks west of Santa Fe



Jonathan Richter, Coordinator 303-940-8756. *MSR*

Autocross Thanks

I would like to thank a few folks who went WAY beyond the call of duty for our event on Saturday. It was a very long, fun day and there was a lot of work that needed to be done. These folks came early, stayed late, and even pulled double duty to make this event run as smooth as possible. This says a lot about the types of personalities that come to this event.

Grant and Carol Barclay – helping with everything and staying late to boot. Michael Feldpusch – double duties as well as announcing backup. Steve Hamilton – double duties, first arrival, course setup and stayed late for take down. Darlene Irvin – for filling in the gap as grid captain, due to a lack of interest by one participant. Reminder: she doesn't even drive in these events, stays up late the night before to make lunches, and helps all day at the event. The AX Committee – what can I say, these people are the best, hands down.

I would like to thank everyone who stayed late and picked up after the event. Dar and I had to leave early so we could get our daughter set for her senior prom. These folks picked up everything, tightened up the trailer and truck and made sure it was safe so we could come back to pick it up later that night. Things were neat and I really appreciate not having to do extra work to store it away. This was a big relief.

Once again, THANKS so much for your extra efforts.

— Mark Irvin, Autocross Chair

That was my first AX and I had a great time and appreciate the effort that went into the event. — Jamie Schnell *MSR*

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Upcoming Event

Rocky Mountain Chapter BMW CCA 2005 Autocross Series Sponsored by Poudre Sports Car

The 2005 Autocross Series sponsored by *Poudre Sports Car* will be at the Denver International Airport (DIA), Mt. Elbert Parking lot, just to the south of the main DIA terminal. 2005 will sure to be another great year for RMC BMW CCA Autocrossing and this is a great opportunity to come out. Don't feel like you must participate from the beginning of the season or in all events – help and advice are available at any event. This one will surely get you going.

These events are open to all BMW CCA members and non-members; drivers must be at least age 16. Beginners, convertibles and roadsters are welcome. Make sure you class your car and register ASAP, so mail or signup at <http://www.rmcbmwcca.org/autocross.htm> today.



Helmet: Each driver is required to wear a helmet. Passengers may generally ride during the morning practice runs and are also required to wear a helmet. Helmets must have a rating of Snell90 or newer.

A limited number of helmets are available for full-day rental at the low cost of \$10 (and your driver's license for collateral).

Cost: \$45.00 per driver (BMW CCA members) – includes lunch.

\$55.00 per driver (non-BMW CCA members)
– includes lunch.

Additional lunches for \$7.00

Walk-up registrants on event day may be subject to an additional \$5.00 late fee.

If you would like to become a BMW CCA member today and pay the Member price for the event, please go to <https://www.bmwcca.org/join/membership.shtml>.

Schedule: Plan to arrive prior to 8:00 a.m. to ensure adequate time for tech inspection.

8:00–8:30 a.m. Check-in/tech inspection & rookie walk (Check-in closes promptly at 8:30)

9:00 a.m. Driver's meeting

9:30 a.m. First car off!!!

You must be checked in with Registration by 8:30 a.m., and attend the Driver's Meeting in order to drive.

For additional information please feel free to give us a call at 303-646-1083, or send general questions to AXInfo@rmcbmwcca.org.

Autocross Registration:

Registration closes at 5:00pm MDT on Wednesday prior to the event (subject to change).

You may signup on the web at <http://www.rmcbmwcca.org/autocross.htm>, to secure your seat now. *MSR*

DETAILS...

Series Dates: Saturday, **June 11**, 2005 (*School*), Sunday, **June 12**, 2005, Saturday, **July 23**, 2005, Saturday, **August 20**, 2005, Saturday, **September 10**, 2005, Series trophies will be given at the Awards Dinner on October 29, 2005

Fall Fun Run: Saturday, October 15, 2005 (no points, just for *fun!*)

Location: Mt. Elbert – Shuttle parking lot – Denver International Airport Area. *Please come prepared for ANY weather and stay hydrated – bring water and extra snacks for yourself, if needed.*

Directions: From I70 or E470 exit to Peña Boulevard east-bound heading towards DIA. Continue east for about 4 miles to Jackson Gap Road (the rental car return exit). Exit at Jackson Gap and turn right (south). Jackson Gap Road will turn to the left (east), and become East 71st Avenue. When you reach Robertsdale Road you will see the lot to the southeast at the intersection of 71st and Robertsdale Road. To get to the entrance, turn right (south) on Robertsdale Road, left (east) on 68th Ave and left (north) again on Valley Head Street. Enter only on the northeast entrance of the lot, the third gate you pass on the east side of the lot

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In Memory of Mike Rieger Autocrosser #16 DS

Johann Michael "Mike" Rieger Jr., 21, a loving son and brother, racing enthusiast, accomplished soccer player and friend to many, passed away in a car accident April 12, 2005, in Loveland.

Mike was born Aug. 10, 1983, in Fort Collins to Michael Rieger Sr. and Nanci (Van Auken) Rieger. He lived in Fort Collins his entire life and graduated from Fort Collins High School in 2002.

Mike loved life and people, as is evident in the countless friends and family members whose lives he touched. He was very passionate about cars, world travel, and spending time with his dog, Bimmer. An exceptional athlete, he played Arsenal Soccer while in elementary, junior high and high school and continued playing soccer as an adult on an indoor open coed league at O.D.'s Sports Crossing. He also enjoyed tennis, swimming, water skiing, ping-pong, Foosball, golf and spending his leisure time in the mountains and at Lake Powell and Horsetooth Reservoir with his family and friends.

Mike was a member of the BMW Car Club of America. In 2002, he began racing with the Sports Car Club of America, leaving several sets of tires on the surface of Colorado's Second Creek Raceway. Recently, he placed first in the SCCA's novice division.

In 2004, with his friend, Mark Baer, Mike established SCR Performance in Loveland, providing quality parts and service for high-performance cars and being involved in numerous racing activities in the Rocky Mountain region.

Mike is survived by his parents, Mike and Nanci Rieger of Fort Collins; his sister, Shannon Marie Rieger of Fort Collins; his paternal grandparents, Jack and Josephine Hibler of Trenton, Ontario, Canada, and Bonita Springs, Fla.; his maternal grandparents, Lew and Lois Van Auken of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Joanne Van Auken of Towson, Md.; a great-grandmother, Catherine Bache of Pueblo; and many aunts, uncles and cousins from around the world. He will be missed by his parents, sister, family, friends and adopted aunt and uncle, Perry and Eva Mullhaupt of Loveland.



"Mike, you were a friend that was willing to help someone go so far — you had the most positive attitude, you always had a smile on your face even in the worst of times. You had such a passion for racing and were an amazing driver. I miss your humorous jokes, I miss that smile that never left your face, I miss that aggressive attitude when it came to winning, yet when off the track that attitude turned into one of the most positive attitudes I have ever experienced. It's heartbreaking to lose one of the best people who was a part of the BMW community and our lives. You will be missed Mike, so very missed...."

Mike you were the ultimate driver and you had the ultimate attitude towards life, you will be missed my friend."

Nathan Finneman

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You will be missed my friend

by Nathan Finneman

News From National

Wynne Smith, Executive Director

Membership Stats as of 4/21/2005

	Full	Associate	Total
	66200	9026	75229
Last month	66399	8965	75364
Last Year	64790	7736	72526

YALE RACHLIN

On February 28 Yale Rachlin sent me a note:

"I'm not publicizing it yet, but you need to know that after two months of stomach pain and back pain, I went to three different specialists. Turns out I have cancer of the pancreas. Little can be done. No surgery possible. Tomorrow I go for chemo and radiation for a while but the future ain't great. I've already written two columns and I want to write about my wonderful life with BMW CCA. I'd like to leave something to thank the Club for all it has meant to me, but at the moment I have no great ideas. Luv ya babe. Please don't send anything or even mention this to anyone at least for a while."

By now most of you know the sad news; Yale Rachlin, Editor Emeritus of *Roundel*, passed away March 23, 2005. For those of you who cherished his friendship as I did, his death has been a terrible blow. For those of you who never had the pleasure of meeting him, there isn't enough room in this memo to share just how wonderful he was. Yale went quickly and I'd like to think that he's someplace where there are no editorial deadlines and he's always hitting every apex perfectly.

The services and internment were a private family-only gathering but there will be a memorial service at his daughter, Meryl's, home May 29th. The June issue of *Roundel* will feature a tribute to the man responsible for the magazine's phenomenal popularity right up until his retirement in 1998. The family has asked that any remembrances be made to a charity of your choice. Since Yale and Bette Rachlin have been so much a part of my life for the past 16 years, I have made a donation to the BMW CCA Foundation's Street Survival Program in Yale's name, because it was Yale who instilled the love of BMWs in both my sons' hearts.

The BMW CCA Board is discussing a specific memorial, possibly a trophy, possibly a scholarship to perpetuate Yale's memory.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR/WEBMASTER CONFERENCE May 13-15, 2005

Last call!!! The BMW CCA Newsletter Editor/Webmaster Conference will be held the weekend of May 13 - 15, 2005 in Atlanta, GA. Join the other 82 chapter volunteers and members of the BMW CCA Board already registered for this worthwhile weekend. If you are planning to attend, please register now by visiting: <http://imisw.bmwcca.org/congress/>

One of the many topics we will be covering will be Website Standards, so please provide your webmasters with any thoughts or URLs you may have that will aid the club in the development of such standards.

D & O COVERAGE FOR CHAPTERS

It's finally in place and documents will be going out to you all shortly. The underwriting process seemed to take an interminable amount of time, but it was well worth it because by bidding the request for coverage out to three different carriers our broker was able to maintain the required coverage levels, but save us an enormous amount of money. When I say 'us' I mean all of us. You will be receiving a copy of the coverage recap and a memo indicating the actual amount your chapter will be charged for the coverage. Some chapters may decide to just go ahead and reimburse the club in one lump sum rather than having incremental amounts debited from rebate checks due to the savings in cost.

BMW NA PERFORMANCE CENTER SUPPORT OF CORRALS

At the Annual Meeting of the BMW CCA Board in March, Larry Koch announced the following rules for the 2005 corral program:

1. BMW NA will determine which Grand Am races will be eligible for corral support.
2. Chapters wishing to host a corral will make a request to the National Office who will pass the request on to the Performance Center. A copy of the request should be sent to the RVP.
3. Performance Center will approve the request and report same to the National Office.
4. The support will be a maximum of \$3,000 per corral. Chapters will be required to submit receipts in order to receive reimbursement.

BMW support for corrals is separate and distinct from the BMW CCA Corral Fund. Support for corrals by BMW CCA must be solicited from your Regional V.P.

The BMW Car Club of America, Inc. is seeking volunteer Ombudsmen.

Club Ombudsman, David E. Dick, has announced his resignation from his position effective immediately. On behalf of the many, many members he has so ably assisted over the past years, I offer our sincere thanks. We must now conduct a search for someone to replace him. The ideal candidate will have a background in Negotiations or Law and the ability to understand a certain amount of technical jargon. The position is strictly on a volunteer basis. If, for some unexplainable reason, this sounds good to you, please contact me at 864 250-0022 or wynne_smith@bmwcca.org

CHAPTER LOGO COMPLIANCE

Another topic of discussion at the Newsletter Editor/Webmaster conference will be Logo compliance. Larry Schettel (Windy City, Breeze) has reviewed all the Chapter logos for compliance with the International Council guidelines. Larry's reviews will be available at the congress and also provided to the Regional Vice Presidents who can then contact the chapters that are not in compliance. In many cases it is a matter of minor issues like the type font, weight of a line or border.

The standards can be found on the club's website or the BMW Club of Canada's website.

News From National

BMW CCA DONATES A PORTION OF MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR STREET SURVIVAL PARTICIPANTS

The BMW CCA Foundation asked whether BMW CCA would donate 50% of cost of a new BMW CCA membership to participants of a Street Survival School, who are not already club members. This would cost CCA \$20 per new member participant. Several considerations were taken into account:

Currently less than 20% of the participants are new, i.e. not members or children of a member that number will likely rise. A sponsor might be found to fund BMW CCA's portion.

A rough estimate of the cost to the club for this donation is \$6,500 - \$8,000 annually.

This would be a cost to the National organization and not charged to any chapter. Chapters will still receive their \$15.30 dues rebates for these memberships.

The Board voted unanimously to approve a subsidy of \$20 to the Foundation to cover 50% of the first year of a new member membership up to a maximum of \$8,000 for FY 2005.

PERMANENT REGIONAL STATUS FOR DESIGNATED EVENTS

There has been a question discussed at several National Board meetings whether the Monterey Historics was previously given permanent Regional status. Keith Wollenberg clearly recalls that it had been, Barbara Adams reviewed the minutes of the past 14 years and could not find any such designation.

At the meeting in March, discussion took place regarding the advisability of designating any event as "permanent" or would "recurring" be a better designation. In regard to the Monterey Historics, it really is a moot point in that the Board will likely continue to support this event in the future. The 2005 event has been granted Regional status.

MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Yes, take a look we lost members again this month. Several months back I asked for ideas from you on how we could do a better job of recruiting, and more importantly, holding on to members. There was a splendid response from many of you with excellent suggestions, most of them indicating that a Membership Incentive Program might be just the ticket.

The idea of a membership incentive program to encourage members to recruit new members as a way to grow the club seems like a winner. So what about these ideas?

If a member recruited a certain number of new members (say 15) within a period of say 6-months, the recruiter would get a 1 year free membership. Appeal to anyone?

Should we make it a tiered program? You'd receive something when you've recruited 15, then 20, then 25 within that 6-month period? A free membership - an I-Pod - BMW goodies?

Would a membership contest [trip to Germany for grand winner, \$500 in BMW goodies to the runner-up(s)] create more interest and action?

Do we want an incentive program or contest or both? What say ye?

Best regards, Wynne

MSR

Do You Need to Change Your Address/Telephone Number Listing with Us?

All address and telephone number changes *must be made through the **NATIONAL OFFICE** in writing — not to the chapter.*

There are 3 ways to send this written notice:

1) Mail it to:

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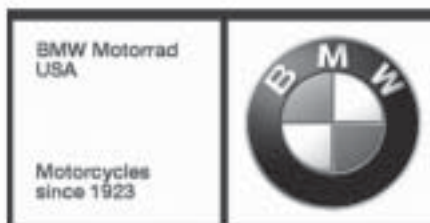


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Upcoming Event

22nd Annual Exotic Sports Car Show and Concours d'Elegance June 5, 2005

by Dave Stackhouse and Dee Raisl

What do you do when an event comes off almost flawless? You do it again!!

The ever-growing list of Denver area exotic car clubs is again coordinating this year's event, scheduled for Sunday, June 5, 2005, at Arapahoe Community College. While the show is open to spectators from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., we want you to help us make this another great showing of the BMW marque. Last year only Porsche surpassed us in the number of cars presented and we hope to take another stab at beating them this year! So give that special Bimmer of yours a good cleaning and join us in supporting Cerebral Palsy of Colorado and all their fantastic programs for kids.

Register your car through the chapter web-site (or mail the attached form as indicated) **by May 19** for the tax deductible fee of \$30. You will receive two adult admissions, and a chance to represent the Rocky Mountain Chapter in one of the largest car shows in Denver. Of course, we'll give

you the opportunity to make a larger contribution to Cerebral Palsy. You can then opt to display your car only, or be judged by fellow club members against cars of similar vintage. Judging will be done above the chassis, no wheel wells or under carriage scoring.

Don't delay. Space is limited, so register today. After May 19th the registration fee increases to \$40 and not only will your car not be identified in the official event program, but we won't be able to enter your car for judging.

Won't you help us make this another successful event, with the largest number of BMWs registered to date? All registration fees, extra donations, and an additional donation by our chapter will go directly to Cerebral Palsy. For additional information contact Sandy Mariani at CP of Colorado at (303) 691-9339 or the chapter coordinators: Dee Raisl or Dave Stackhouse who can be reached at 303-722-0922 and 720-272-3953 respectively. *MSR*

Entry Form: Exotic Sports Car Show and Concours d'Elegance 2005

Name: _____ Car Club: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____ Day

Be a part of the action! Volunteer to help on the day of the event (or in advance, if you prefer).

Availability: _____ A coordinator will contact you.

Your car: Make _____ Year _____ Model _____ Body Style _____ Color _____

Division (Check one): Judged: _____ Display Only _____

Additional information regarding your car to be printed in the program. (Owner's name will not appear in the program):

Registration Fee: \$40.00 Fee: _____

Additional contribution to Cerebral Palsy of Colorado: _____

Total: _____

ENTRY MUST BE INPUT BY MAY 19, 2005 TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM AND FOR YOUR CAR TO BE JUDGED.

Registrations through the RMC BMW CCA web-site are automatically forwarded to Cerebral Palsy of Colorado, and you need not contact them directly. Visa and Master Card accepted.

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If registering by mail, please make your check out to Rocky Mountain Chapter of the BMW Car Club and send it to Dee Raisl at 1647 S. Marion Street, Denver 80212

Upcoming Event



Teen Driving School

by Alain van der Heide, Coordinator

Traditional Driver's Ed teaches traffic signs and sometimes signaling for a lane change. Usually, it's a little weak on the physics of driving. Unfortunately, the first time a new driver hits that patch of black ice or has to swerve to avoid the daydreamer who just blew through a stop sign, that physics thing is going to rear its ugly head. How will our new driver handle it? 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.

Last year, the Rocky Mountain Chapter held their first *Street Survival* school at Bandimere Raceway, which was a huge success. If your child missed it, or wasn't quite old enough, you're in luck. We've scheduled the *Street Survival* course for early summer: It will be held on Saturday, June 25, 2005 at Mt. Elbert lot at DIA (all you autocrossers already know where it is). 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! If you would like to volunteer contact Alain at ajvdh@yahoo.com.

Further information and registration for students will be online at <http://www.bmwccafoundation.org/ss2005/index.asp> (look for the *Street Survival* Schedule or Registration). This event will be publicized and open to non-Club members also. Since we can handle only forty students, keep an eye on the website and sign up as soon as possible. There will be more details in the next issues of the *MotorSport Report*, as well as on the website. Learn more about the *Street Survival* program at <http://streetsurvival.org> and about the Foundation at <http://bmwccafoundation.org>. *MSR*

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Upcoming Event

Autoworks Colorado Tech Session / Open House

by Tim Jones, Coordinator



Autoworks Colorado is pleased to invite the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the BMW Car Club of America to a private open house and tune-up / fluid flush tech session at their super expanded brand spanking new facility.

Come on out Saturday August 6, 2005 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to see the new shop, (only 1/2 mile west of the old location) at 8110 Shaffer Parkway, Suite 100, Littleton —just behind the post office (see map in ad below).

The tech session will focus on E30 and E36 high pressure fuel system cleaning.

BMW CCA members with an E30 with over 110,000 miles should call and sign up in advance to be considered for having their cars included in the session, there will be a minimal charge for parts only 303-932-9990.

The Open House will include refreshments (brats and beer) for BMW club members throughout the day. Meet the

team that knows how to keep your BMW running the best it can. Mark Zalmanek and his team of technicians will be on hand to answer all your questions, or just chew the fat with other BMW enthusiasts. Plenty of free parking is available.

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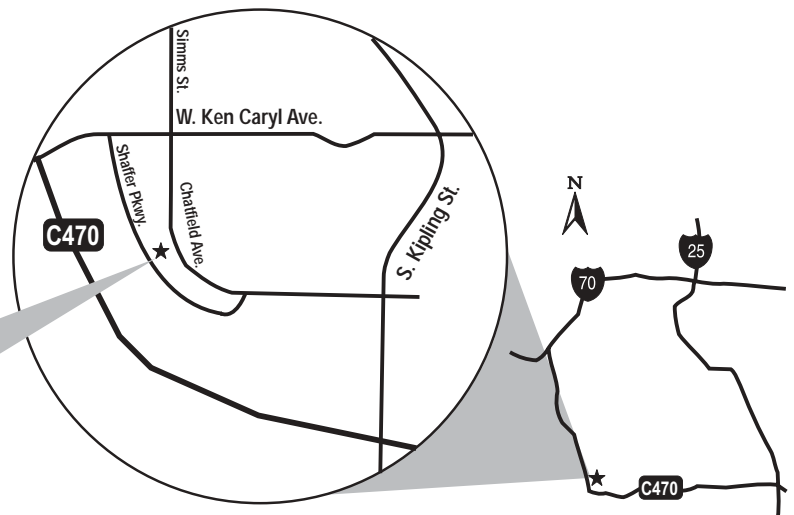
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3 Across America

by Darlene Doran

On Saturday, April 23, 2005 we had an outstanding attendance for the 3 Across America Celebration in the Denver area. There were approximately 125 participants and 80 cars (not everyone drove their BMW). The event was held at Red Rocks Amphitheater—what a great location for this event! The Octagon staff had a continental breakfast for everyone, which consisted of bagels, cream cheese and vegetables, a large selection of muffins and pastries, fresh fruit, coffee, water, juice and lemonade. BMW NA Marketing Planning Manager Bill Pettit introduced the new E90 3 Series with a question and answer session. Mr. Pettit lived in Colorado prior to moving to New Jersey with BMW NA. It has been said that the Rocky Mountain Chapter had the best turnout thus far.

Our evening celebration was held at the Westin Westminster. We had hors d'oeuvres aplenty, which consisted of many types of sushi, egg rolls, chicken skewers, quesadillas, stuffed tartlets, crab cakes and all the cheese, crackers and vegetables you could imagine. All in all, I believe our chapter had a great turnout. Thank you all. ☺

Go to www.3acrossamerica.com, and you will find the following journal entry:



Headed toward Lookout Mountain for our lunch stop at the Buffalo Bill gravesite.

APRIL 23, DENVER, COLORADO – Beautiful weather and the largest crowd of BMWs to date made for a spectacular 3 Across America event near Denver, Colorado. It was held at the Red Rocks Amphitheater in Red Rocks Park. Higher than Niagara Falls and over 300 million years old, it's the only naturally occurring amphitheater in the world and attracts over 750,000 visitors each year.

Among today's attendees was an officer of the BMW Car Club of America, who discovered BMW while in Europe in 1969 and has been a loyal driver ever since. Another BMW enthusiast who came out today was an engineer who was particularly impressed with the fine craftsmanship and design of the all-new 3 Series. He said that, as an engineer, he can truly appreciate just how special BMWs are and how innovative technology keeps BMW ahead of the competition.

Today's scenic drive was among the most beautiful of the 3AA drives to date. The drive started at Red Rocks amid towering sandstone rock monoliths then followed much of the historic Lariat Loop, a 40-mile route in the foothills west of Denver. The Loop connects the communities of Morrison, Evergreen, Lookout Mountain and Golden, and the natural and cultural elements that comprise the area's unique heritage.

Primarily on the mountain roads, the route combined magnificent views with thrilling driving through many hairpin turns and switchbacks. Along the way, it passed canyons, incredible vistas of the Continental Divide and the gravesite of Buffalo Bill. *MSR*



Bill Pettit stands in the background awaiting to speak to us.



Ruth Huseman and Denise Beyer enjoy the continental breakfast



Leaving Red Rocks for our scenic tour

3 Across America



Many new faces in attendance



Bruce Hazard, Michael Beyer and Fred Iacino drink their coffee and enjoy the event



Just a few BMWs



Octagon team at the registration table



Mark Nicholson starts his daughter off very early



Heading out of Red Rocks



David Flora and Jim Bartlett assist Octagon with the 3 Across America banner



David Flora looks at the 3 Series generation display



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Registration Details:

Registration fees cover the cost of all driving events, social functions, Welcome Reception, Banquet and lunch at the Concours Car Show for the entire weekend or the day. Your hotel room is not included, you need to reserve your room directly with The Vail Racquet Club 1-800-428-4840 x3041 (www.vailracquetclub.com) or Vail Marriott Mountain Resort 1-800-648-0720.

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Late registration after June 8th, 2005 add \$25.00 per person
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PLEASE REGISTER EARLY

Questions? Darlene Doran 303-758-4200 or Michael Beyer 303-465-0769

Friday, July 8

Welcome Reception 5-10 PM

Saturday, July 9

Summer Drive 10-2 PM
 Car Clean-up / Tech Session 2-5 PM
 Silent Auction/Cocktails 6 PM
 Banquet 7 PM
 with the BMW Vintage & Classic CCA

Sunday, July 10

Concours Car Show/Lunch 9-1 PM
 with the BMW Vintage & Classic CCA



Fund raising event to benefit the Alive@25 program of the Colorado State Patrol Family Foundation





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July 8-10, 2005

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*A 2-night minimum stay is required. Rates listed above do not include 15.9% tax and service charge. Each unit can accommodate up to two additional people on a sleeper sofa. To make reservations, please contact Christine Wight, Group Sales Manager, at the Vail Racquet Club Townhomes & Condominiums by June 8, 2005. Reservations booked after June 8, 2005 are still eligible for the group rate but will be on a space available basis.

Payment & Cancellation Policies

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Remember to identify yourself as being with the
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Bimmerfest 2005

by Matt Puccio

This year, my wife Kim and I found an opportunity to get back to my hometown, Santa Barbara California, which I hadn't visited for about 20 years, Bimmerfest 2005 was being held there. I've wanted to go back to visit the place of my birth and this BMW event gave me a great excuse to drive the M3 out to California. Getting there was an experience in itself. Since I had my summer high performance tires on, it was a bit hairy getting through some snow near the Eisenhower tunnel. We must have hit bug spawning season in Utah, as the front of my car was absolutely



Matt Puccio's M3

covered in bug guts by the time we arrived. We made it without major problems, and, of course, I brought the detailing kit with me so the car was clean in time for the 'fest!

The event is billed as "Bringing the BMW Community Together" and that describes it well. The sixth annual Bimmerfest took place at the BMW Santa Barbara dealership (which shares space with the Mercedes and Porsche dealers). This BMW celebration isn't associated with the BMW CCA or BMW NA and took place on April 23, 2005. Bimmerfest.com, which is affiliated with the event, had 951 cars registered and 2473 attendees registered online. While it's doubtful that that many cars showed up, at one point the organizers estimated that they had around 400 cars on the lot, and more overflowing into the parking lots of the nearby shopping mall.

...And quite the collection of cars it was! Everything from some fantastic restored (and original condition) CSLs and 2002s, E21s, E28s, and E30s to a host of E36s and E46s, including the most E46 M3s I have ever seen in one place. The lot was filled with classics in original condition, racecars, modded show cars as well as daily drivers and hobby cars.



Over 400,000 original miles on this CSL

Some of the cars of particular note were an original condition CSL with over 400,000 miles on it, a very nice EvoSport Z8, a federalized Techno Violet E34 M5 wagon, Bill Auberlen's Turner Motorsport racecar, Steve Dinan's personal M5, and the Finlay Motorsports Daytona Prototype. Later, on the road

rally, someone brought an E60 M5 and an E90 3 Series along for the ride.



Bill Auberlen's Turner Motorsports racecar

My favorites ranged from the Technik modified Z4 (they removed the roundel blinkers on the front sides—it looks great!) to a beautiful black E30 M3, to a Hamman 645ci (yes, I'm a fan of the new Sixer) and of course the Laguna Seca Blue M3 (wait, that's my car!). I came back with plenty of modification ideas—which my wife is certainly regretting—for my own car after seeing the other E46 M3s.



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In addition to all of the cars, Bimmerfest had a large number of vendors sporting their wares, such as Brembo and EvoSport. After a free BBQ lunch, the organizers had a charity raffle to benefit the Family Service Agency of Santa Barbara. Vendors donated some great prizes, including big brake kits, sets of wheels, tires, and a suspension. My wife and I won a couple of gift certificates, although I need to find someone with a 5 Series who can use one of them!

After the raffle, the staff handed out trophies for Best Classic, Best Modified, Best of Show, and Farthest Traveled. Despite coming almost 1000 miles, we didn't win the last—several others had come from Missouri, Oregon, and Canada, the latter taking that prize.

The final event of the day was the Road Rally. An estimated 250 cars attended the rally, which followed Highway 101 along the coast up into the mountains ("hills" for us Coloradoans), to the 154 past Solvang and back to Santa Barbara. Getting this many cars together into a group is not a trivial task, and a couple of times we created quite a traffic jam. It was really a sight to see that many bimmers driving along together—and apparently the California Highway Patrol thought so too. They managed to pull over and ticket at least two cars. However, for the most part, the drivers kept things under control and the rally went off without a hitch.

All in all, we had a great time. Bimmerfest was an amazing collection of different kinds of cars, products, and people.

During our stopover in Santa Barbara, I got to see the old lot where my grandfather had a car dealership and visit the places where I used to play as a kid. The little Danish town of Solvang is worth checking out, and the twisty mountain roads which are a short drive inland from Santa Barbara, are a joy to drive. If it weren't so far, I'd be going back every year!

(More photos can be seen on my own website, <http://gladius.frozenpiranha.com/bmw.asp>, and on the Bimmerfest.com website, <http://www.bimmerfest.com/forums/forumdisplay.php?f=69>) *MSR*



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REARVIEW MIRROR

THE YEAR IS 1985; the Rear-view Mirror is a look back at the Rocky Mountain Chapter and the happenings of our nation. This column will give newer members a chance to see the goings-on 20 years ago.

- Ronald Regan was president;
- the average price of a gallon of milk was \$1.98, today \$3.29;
- loaf of bread \$.74, today \$3.29;
- the average price of a gallon of gasoline \$1.24, today \$2.40;
- Dow Jones \$1,546.67, today \$10,544.19

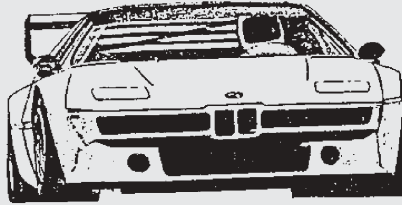
Popular songs:

"Like a Virgin" by Madonna
"We are the World" by U.S.A.
"Money for Nothing" by Dire Straits

Best Movie: "Out of Africa"

Best Actor: William Hurt in "Kiss of the Spiderwoman"

Best Actress: Geraldine Page in "Trip to Bountiful"



1985

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AUTOCROSS

CHALLENGE SERIES

- DATE:** Sunday, July 14, 1985
- PLACE:** Storage Tech Corporation (See Map) Louisville, Colorado
- TIME:** Registration & Tech Inspection 8:30 - 9:30
Driver's Meeting 9:30
First Car off at 10:00
- RUN ORDER:** IM, LII, LI, FL, MODI, MODII, SSIII, SSII, SSI, E, D, C, B, A, Each car driver will have three runs.
- ENTRY FEE:** \$10.00-single \$18.00-couples for members (ACOC, RMEMW, CSU) \$12.00-single \$22.00-couples for non-members
- NOTES:** Rules will be in accordance with the RMACS Rules as amended for 1985.

Trophies will be awarded in accordance with standard RMACS guidelines.

Seatbelts and helmets are mandatory.

All entrants under 18 years of age must have written permission from their parent or guardian. All drivers must sign a release form and show a valid driver's license.

Rocky Mt. BMW Chapter reserves the right to refuse entry to anyone with or without cause.

CAUTION: There are no food concessions or other facilities available so be prepared accordingly.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Contact: Merl Volk 973-4068
Bruce Hazard 779-5718

August Event

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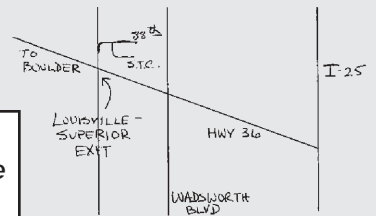


Saturday, August 24, noon til ??

- * Discount tickets at gate... \$7.75 ea. (Children under three, free)
- * Private parking reserved. Ask attendant.
- * Bring your picnic. Club will provide beer.

See you there!! Elitch Gardens, 4620 W. 38th Ave, Denver

Bruce Hazard still attends the autocrosses to this day.



Bruce Hazard and Fred Iacino did you attend the Elitch Gardens Event?



REARVIEW MIRROR

CHALLENGE SERIES AUTOCROSS - MAY 19, 1985



Bruce sits on his lawn chair at the registration table. Have you gotten the gist that Bruce Hazard has been around for sometime?



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The programs purpose, guidelines, and important information to members are available at <http://www.rmcbmw-cca.org/CAMP/MotorsportTeam.htm>



RMC BMW CCA Motorsport Team Membership Levels

Motorsport Fan	\$ 125 contribution
Motorsport Crew	\$ 250 contribution
Motorsport Driver	\$ 500 contribution
Motorsport Crew Chief	\$1000 contribution
Motorsport Sponsor	\$2,500 contribution

Chapter Benefits will be provided 60 days after the RMC BMW CCA Board publishes their intention to commit funds. You may pledge a participation level at any anytime.

How to Participate:

You may mail a check to: RMC BMW CCA
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Ultimate Drive

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Local BMW Dealers 2005 Schedule for The Ultimate Drive – Susan G. Komen


Tuesday, August 2, 2005	Wednesday, August 3, 2005
Winslow BMW	Murray Motor Imports
730 North Circle Drive	900 South Colorado Blvd.
Colorado Springs, CO 80909	Denver, CO 80246

Thursday, August 4, 2005

Co's BMW Center
2849 South College Avenue
Fort Collins, Colorado

If you are interested in participating in the "Ultimate Drive" please call 877-423-7483 and request the car you would like to drive and the dealership.

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Upcoming Events

Colorado Holiday 2005

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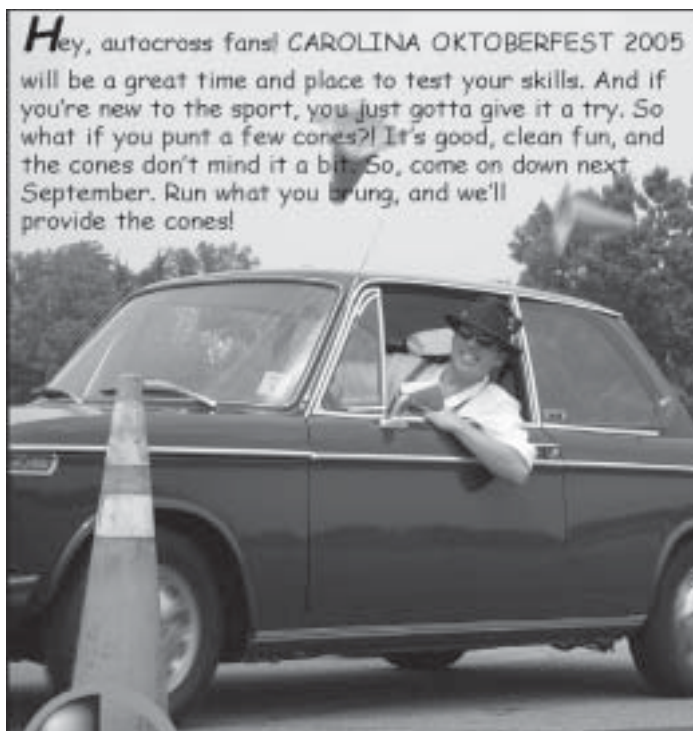
- Start and Finish at the elegant Marriott Mountain Resort in Vail.
- Four fantastic driving days (July 6, 7, 8 & 9) through beautiful mountain areas, with one "northern loop" to Estes Park, and three days in a "southern loop", including Crested Butte, Durango, Mesa Verde National Park with an overnight stop at the fabulous Wyndham Peaks Resort in Telluride.
- Sunday morning, July 10 we will have a "car show" jointly hosted in Vail with the Rocky Mountain Chapter BMW CCA.
- Participation is open to any BMW automobiles (or BMW engined cars) built up to and including 1980. The driver must be a member of the BMW V&CCCA. Participation will be limited to 30 vehicles.
- Cost per person is \$1,500 for double hotel room occupancy and \$1,800 for single occupancy.
- This cost includes overnight accommodations for five nights (July 5 through July 9), breakfast and dinner every night during the Holiday plus a picnic lunch in Vail on Sunday July 10; also included are rally documentation, a Holiday poster and souvenirs.
- Anyone interested in participating in the Colorado Holiday 2005 is requested to return the completed registration form with two postdated checks: Check #1 in the amount



for \$500 per vehicle, dated to **February 28, 2005** and check #2 for the balance dated June 1, 2005. The checks should be made out to the BMW Vintage & Classic Car Club of America (BMW V&CCCA)

- Due to limitations in the available hotel space during the peak tourist season in Colorado registration will be limited to 30 vehicles, and will be handled on a first-come-first-served basis.
- Detailed conditions will be provided in the rally documentation; however it should be understood that the driver must be in the possession of a valid driver's license and must carry bodily injury / property damage liability insurance in the amount of at least \$300,000.
- Questions? Please contact Goetz E. Pfafflin; phone: 303-300-9946; cell: 303-808-9135; fax: 303-757-3234 or e-mail: goetzpfflin@msn.com *MSR*

Hey, autocross fans! CAROLINA OKTOBERFEST 2005 will be a great time and place to test your skills. And if you're new to the sport, you just gotta give it a try. So what if you punt a few cones? It's good, clean fun, and the cones don't mind it a bit. So, come on down next September. Run what you bring, and we'll provide the cones!



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Things that will not change will include our location at Mid America Motorplex, the safest driving facility of its kind in the Midwest, or our great group of driving instructors. We believe we have the cream of the crop from around the country.

So, whether you are an experienced driver or just want to significantly improve your on-road driving skills, you have a fully track modified BMW M3 or a normal everyday economy car "The Longest Day Driving School" is the place to be this June. Open to all licensed drivers 18 years of age or older of all skill levels and we love novice students. All car brands are also more than welcome.

Registration forms are up and available for download on-line at www.bmwusa.com and contact any of your BMW CCA board members for detailed information.



Bimmer Bearings

"SLUDGE"

Oh yes, it's that time again. Time for me to rant about BMW's extended and no service regimen.

Engine Oil

Ever wonder what a BMW motor looks like at 100k when the owner has subscribed to BMW's extended oil change intervals? It ain't pretty!!! A couple of months ago one of my regular clients brought his vehicle in because it had an unusual ticking coming from under the hood. This vehicle, a 1995 740i with 105k on the ticker was approximately 4 quarts low on oil. Four quarts less than it should have. The kicker, no low oil light or any type of service light. All of his oil changes had been done when the oil change light had come on. And all of the service had been done at the dealer up until about 95k miles. After draining the 4 quarts of oil in the pan, we removed the pan and found a 1/4" coating of sludge on all non-moving parts. Including the oil level sender and its tiny opening that allows oil to flow to and from. Apparently the sludge had filled the sender and caused it to stick or constantly read full. My guess is that this motor had little time left in its lifespan. We did catch it soon enough to save it from the inevitable but at a cost that was well beyond what changing the oil more frequently would have cost.

This is not the first engine we have seen sludged up with what would normally be seen as only about half or third of its life used up, and it won't certainly be the last. This used to

only happen to individuals that blatantly ignored manufacturer recommended maintenance programs.

Rather than debate why BMW would lay down a maintenance regimen for your vehicle that is not really legitimate, I will tell you what I have seen and what my opinion is of extended oil changes and lifetime fluids.

Engine oil change intervals should still be 3000-3500 miles for dinosaur oils and no more than 7500 for synthetics. Filters should be replaced at all changes regardless of which oil you are using. If you are pushing on beyond 7500 miles you will need to be sure to trade your vehicle in before it reaches later life. I could now spend the rest of this article why oil change intervals have really not changed from our father's day. There is a lot of excellent technology today but not enough to make a dead engine live again because of a premature death.

The bottom line is this...if don't change your motor oil more frequently than the Manufacturer recommended extended oil change interval and you plan to keep your vehicle for the long haul, you will be spending big bucks in its later days.

Transmission Fluid

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3: They buy a property they would live in rather than examine the market to see what type of house renters desire.

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Bimmer Bearings

feel bad. If you equate "Lifetime" to the same definition as "Warranty" then I think you are as close as you can get to its true definition. So for the remainder of this article we will refer to the OE transmission fluid as "Warranty" fluid. (*Side note: There is a service bulletin; the number escapes me, that tells the dealer that trans fluid should be changed in transmissions at 100k. Which in most cases is too late!*)

Warranty fluids are excellent lubricants. All are synthetics for the time periods they are in your gearboxes and engine they do a great job but they do have defined life spans. For your manual and automatic transmission that defined period is somewhere around 90-120k miles. There are certainly exceptions in either direction but the average would be somewhere in 90-120k range. Considering a new or remanufactured transmission can cost anywhere from about \$3000-\$8000 installed, it just doesn't make sense to buy into BMW's Warranty fluids and negate what used to be regular maintenance.

In our shop we include a transmission service in our "Inspection 2" because we feel it is that important. For pre '99 BMW's Inspection 2's were every 30-40k but with the BMW "all maintenance included with your purchase" plan that was instituted in post '99 vehicles, Inspection 2's come around at every 60k miles and that is too long so we now push a transmission service at every Inspection 1 or 2 after the original 60k miles. The original 60 thousand miles on your transmission with no service is actually ok. At least all of the

oil anilizations we have done show that to be true. My theory is that with all new parts and new oil you get the longest wear out of the original fill. But after 60k these same fluids head down hill fairly quick. And this is why we recommend the first fluid and filter change for the automatic transmission to be at 60k. The second factor that works into this equation is the warranty. Non-CPO BMW's run out of warranty by 60k so BMW certainly doesn't care if their "Warranty" fluid fails or not. On CPO cars the warranty is good up to 100k on major drive train and there is about a 90 percent chance that your tranny will make 100k with its original fill of "Warranty" fluid.

As far as the fluid goes, it really depends on the tranny. BMW uses several different products and all are tied to certain transmission platforms. We have gone to using nothing but OE fluids for all transmissions that are still in warranty or just out of warranty. This is for liability reasons but there are other suitable replacements you can use when servicing your transmission. Just make sure you do your homework, and be thorough in your research before you refill. Just any Dextron won't do!!!

And don't forget, if your vehicle is approaching 100k and you have not yet serviced your transmission, now would be a good time to trade it in. Your transmission is about to exceed its "Lifetime". Drive Hard, Be Safe! *MSR*

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Strong First Quarter for The BMW Group

The BMW Group has made a successful start to 2005 despite difficult market conditions. The car sales volume achieved during the first three months was a new quarterly record. Despite the expenditure incurred to introduce the new BMW 3 Series Sedan and the revised BMW 7 Series, the BMW Group was also able to post a pleasing result for the quarter, once again proving its underlying strength.

At euro 10,357 million, group revenues during the first three months of 2005 were down by 4.1% (first quarter 2004: euro 10,805 million). This reduction was due primarily to model life-cycle factors in the Automobiles segment and to the weakness of the US dollar against the euro. The reported profit was affected adversely by external factors. In particular, significantly higher raw material prices, currency factors and increased competitive pressure all had a negative impact during the first quarter 2005. However, sales volume growth and continuous efficiency improvement measures within the enterprise enabled the BMW Group to compensate these effects to a large extent. Against this background, the BMW Group was able to generate a profit before tax of euro 812 million (-4.6% / first quarter 2004: euro 851 million).

The net profit of euro 519 million was almost at the same high level achieved in the same quarter last year (-0.8% / first quarter 2004: euro 523 million). This equates to earnings of euro 0.77 per share of common and preferred stock (first quarter 2004: euro 0.78). The return on sales, at 7.8%, was stable (first quarter 2004: 7.9%). Cash flow continued to grow dynamically, rising by 12.9% to euro 1,294 million (first quarter 2004: euro 1,146 million).

"The first three months of 2005 support our positive expectations for the full year. Despite adverse external factors and the model change of the Group's strongest-selling model series, our goal of achieving approximately the high earnings level of 2004 remains unchanged", stated Helmut Panke, Chairman of the Board of Management of BMW AG.

Slight increase in workforce

The BMW Group had a worldwide workforce of 106,033 employees at the end of the first quarter 2005, 0.9% more than one year earlier (31 March 2004: 105,123 employees). Compared to 31 December 2004 (105,972 employees), the number of employees was largely unchanged (+0.1%).

Numerous new models in the course of 2005

The BMW Group will again be introducing numerous new

models onto the market during 2005. In addition to the new BMW 3 Series Sedan, which has been available in Europe since 5 March, the revised BMW 7 Series and the high performance BMW M5 and BMW M6 models have gone into production. From spring onwards, the dynamic four-wheel xDrive system will also be available for the first time in a BMW Sedan, namely in the BMW 525xi and 530xi. On top of this, the new BMW 3 Series Touring and the BMW 130i will come onto the market in September. The BMW Group also announced in mid-March that it would continue to broaden the range of vehicles on offer by bringing out two new model series in the coming years.

Automobiles segment: strong sales volume growth

BMW, MINI and Rolls-Royce brand car sales rose during the first quarter 2005 by 8.2% to 292,207 units, the highest level ever achieved by the Group in a first quarter (first quarter 2004: 269,973 units). At 239,387 units, the number of BMW brand cars sold between January and March 2005 surpassed the previous year's equivalent figure by 7.8% (first quarter 2004: 222,067 units). 52,694 MINI brand cars were delivered to customers, an increase of 10.3% (first quarter 2004: 47,766 units). Rolls-Royce Motor Cars handed over 126 Phantoms to customers during the quarter, down by 10.0% (first quarter 2004: 140 Phantoms).

The weakness of the US dollar against the euro, together with model life-cycle induced factors, held down the revenues and earnings performance of the Automobiles segment for the first quarter 2005. Whereas segment revenue increased by 2.2 % to euro 9,954 million (first quarter 2004: euro 9,744 million), segment profit before tax fell by 5.4% to euro 702 million (first quarter 2004: euro 742 million).

Motorcycles: sharp increase in sales volume

The Motorcycles segment has started the financial year 2005 with a sharp increase in sales volume. 21,304 BMW motorcycles were delivered to customers, an increase of 18.8% (first quarter 2004: 17,935 motorcycles). The product offensive initiated in 2004 had a positive effect on segment performance, with the full availability of the K1200 S and R1200 RT contributing to good growth rates.

Segment revenues for the first quarter 2005 rose by 12.8% to euro 318 million (first quarter 2004: euro 282 million). The segment profit before tax increased by 10.7% to euro 31 million (first quarter 2004: euro 28 million).

Financial services business remains on growth course

The Financial Services segment continued to perform well during the first quarter 2005. The overall volume of new contracts signed with retail customers amounted to euro 5,110 million, surpassing the previous year's equivalent figure by 9.6% (first quarter 2004: euro 4,663 million). The proportion of new BMW Group cars financed by the Financial Services segment during the first three months went up from 39.5% to 42.3%.

The segment profit before tax for the first quarter 2005 increased by 13.6% to euro 150 million (first quarter 2004: euro 132 million). *MSR*



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Event Review

Car Control Clinic

by Andy Peavy

This year's Car Control Clinic was attended very well and everyone I talked to had a great time! We had 79 people attend! I don't think we've ever had that many people before. The weather was far nicer to us this year compared to last.

The students learned about weight transfer in the slalom and how that affects the handling of their cars. Braking exercises enabled them to feel how their cars reacted to heavy braking and anti-lock braking action. The curved braking exercise showed them how you still maintain some control under heavy braking.

The students also braved a slow moving line to learn how to steer their car with their right foot on the wet skidpad. This is the most enjoyable exercise because even though you explain this to them in advance, when they actually do it they are truly amazed and you can see it in their faces.

Big thanks to everyone who volunteered to help. We had students come early to help set things up and some stayed after the last session to help gather up hoses and the cones. Thanks to David Walker for chasing down cones that were knocked over. A very special thanks goes out to Kavyo (our Treasurer) and Gary Bohn for watching the gate. Both of these

guys did not participate in the event, but STILL came out and helped! Kudos to them; we can't have most of our events without people like this!

And thanks to all the students for having a safe and fun event. I hope everyone had as much fun as the smiles on their faces indicated.

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If you attended the Car Control Clinic, Saturday, April 9th, 2005 a few items were left behind.

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The All-New BMW 3 Series Sports Wagon

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WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ - APRIL 19, 2005... The all-new BMW 3 Series Sports Wagon will make its public debut at the Frankfurt Motor Show in September 2005. With an exceptional harmony of elegance and athleticism, the Sports Wagon offers flexibility and practicality as well. Available in the US beginning in October 2005, the newest BMW Sports Wagon will continue the highly successful tradition of combining more versatile cargo space with the performance and handling of a sports sedan.

This latest generation sports wagon will initially be available in the U.S. as a 325xi model. Its xDrive all-wheel drive system endows it with remarkable traction and agility. The all-new 3 Series Sport Wagon family will expand in 2006 with the introduction of a rear wheel drive version.

Efficient and sporting

Like the all-new 325i Sedan, the Sports Wagon will be powered by BMW's new, advanced N52 3.0 liter 6-cylinder engine. This dynamic powerplant retains the unique smoothness and sound character of BMW's inline 6-cylinder format while offering more power, greater torque, even more refined delivery of power, and new technology. This includes magnesium/aluminum composite engine construction, and BMW's patented Valvetronic variable valve lift system, which replaces the conventional throttle for more efficient engine breathing and improved responsiveness. The 325i Sports Wagon is equipped with a new, standard six-speed manual gearbox; an optional six-speed STEPTRONIC automatic transmission is available.

Unique and sophisticated design

For the first time, the BMW 3 Series Sports Wagon has been developed as an entirely different and unique car com-

pared to the Sedan. The new Sports Wagon is largely identical to the Sedan from the front all the way to the A-pillar; the rear seat area and luggage compartment blend harmoniously with the overall style of the car's sporting, almost coupe-like silhouette. One distinctive design element is the side window area. The roofline tapers down softly and smoothly to the inclined tailgate, while the shoulder line moves up slightly, the window areas appear small and compact, as in a coupe.

More room than its predecessor

While the new 325xi Sports Wagon maintains the BMW heritage in both styling and performance - powerful, sporting, compact - it is equally impressive in its space and roominess. Length (+1.65"), width (+3.07"), height (+0.35"), and wheelbase (+1.38") are all increased compared to the previous generation Sports Wagon, providing front and rear occupants with additional space and comfort on the road. The split-folding rear seats and large cargo area offer a high degree of flexibility and utility.

Innovative equipment for even greater practical value

The 325xi Sports Wagon is provided with a number of innovative features that not only enhance everyday driving qualities, but the practical benefits of this unique model as well. For example, the luggage compartment cover ensures privacy and automatically rises together with the separately opening rear window in order to facilitate loading. Like the all-new 3 Series Sedans, the Sports Wagon comes with run-flat tires and a Flat Tire Monitor. The lack of a spare tire not only reduces the weight of the car but increases effective cargo capacity, with an additional storage box beneath the floor of the luggage compartment.

The luggage compartment floor section is available with

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two reversing surfaces, with tie-down points on one side to securely fasten heavy objects, and a plastic cover on the other side to be placed on the interior panels and surfaces in the luggage compartment to ensure efficient protection from dirt and scratches. A water-tight folding box beneath the floor of the luggage compartment enables the storing of items such as wet boots or other gear.

BMW's traditional attention to detail is evident with available sunshades on the rear side windows which are unusual in this vehicle category, as are the separate rear seat air vents.

Safety engineering and features: improving on a star performer

New Head Protection System (HPS). The first front-to-rear Head Protection System to be offered in the 3 Series employs a curtain-type system, which takes up less space in the headliner and can remain inflated for several seconds after deployment, especially important in case of rollover.

New seat-mounted front side-impact airbags. The 3 Series is BMW's first to employ seat-mounted side-impact airbags, as opposed to the door-mounted type of the predecessor and other current Series. In their function of protecting occupants' pelvis and thorax regions in side impacts, the seat-mounted airbags are equal to the door-mounted type, but offer greater freedom for the interior designers to achieve their functional and esthetic goals.

Automatic safety-belt tensioners and force limiters front and rear. Long standard on BMW front safety belts, these features now enhance the outboard rear belts' effectiveness as well.

New occupant-detection sensor. BMW has long employed a sophisticated electronic control strategy for managing the deployment of airbags and safety-belt tensioners. This approach to optimal effectiveness of safety systems now becomes even more precise, thanks to a new sensing mat in the front passenger seat. Called OC3, the mat is more highly sophisticated than its predecessor; it measures the weight and analyzes the pressure distribution of the occupant in order to distinguish between an adult and an infant in a child safety seat. The front passenger's airbags will be deactivated, should the driver install a forward-facing infant safety seat.

New features for protecting the driver's feet and knees

Two measures have been taken to reduce the likelihood of injuries to the driver's feet and legs:

- The footrest is designed to crush under the force of the driver's left foot in certain frontal impacts, so that the full impact force is not transmitted to his or her foot and leg.

- The Mastervac (brake master cylinder) is mounted so that as the front end deforms, it rotates, and with it the brake and clutch pedals. The pedals move forward, canceling much of the force transfer to the driver's feet and legs if they are on the pedals.

And for the first time, the 3 Series Sports Wagon offers LATCH attachments on the front passenger's seat as well as the two outboard rear seats for optimum safety with up to three children in the car.

Complete with Panorama Roof for a unique open-air experience

A wide range of creature comforts enhances the versatility of the 3 Series Sports Wagon: the panorama roof, for example, virtually changes this practical touring car into a convertible. Almost two feet longer than a conventional sliding roof, the panorama roof lets in up to 60 per cent more fresh air.

Handling and agility - raising the standard again

The BMW 3 Series Sports Wagon is first and foremost a BMW 3 Series, combining a comfortable ride with sports car handling. It is a very dynamic car on the road, with that recognizable "BMW feel". Near 50-50 weight distribution, all-wheel

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drive, a long wheelbase, and short body overhangs front and rear are simply ideal for outstanding agility and driving safety under any circumstances.

The double-pivot front suspension, newly developed for the 3 Series Sedan, offers an optimum balance of driving dynamics and ride comfort in the Sports Wagon as well. Utilizing extensive aluminum componentry, this innovative suspension design offers superior tracking stability and low unsprung weight. Class-leading agility and dynamic handling, in turn, are ensured by the five-link rear axle in lightweight steel, ensuring precise wheel guidance as well as excellent roll comfort.

Active Steering: Unique in this Class

The optional Active Steering system, a BMW first, offers two significant benefits:

- Widely variable steering ratio; steering-wheel movements for parking maneuvers, U-turns and sharp corners are greatly reduced for amazing agility. With increasing vehicle speed, the steering becomes "slower," favoring stability over agility.

- Vehicle stabilization; in critical situations, Active Steering can intervene to preserve stability. For example, if the driver applies the brakes while driving on a surface with uneven traction (one side of the road slick, the other grippy), Active Steering can recognize the effects of varying traction and steer to compensate.

Latest-Generation DSC

BMW's Dynamic Stability Control (DSC), featured here in its latest generation, helps ensure extraordinary safety on the road. New for 2006 is a wide array of important functions that make driving even safer and more pleasant. They are:

- Brake Fade Compensation. Brake fade occurs as the brakes heat up under hard use; a given degree of deceleration requires more pressure on the brake pedal. As brake temperature rises, Brake Fade Compensation automatically compensates by increasing the hydraulic pressure relative to pedal force.

- Brake Stand-by. When the driver lifts off the accelerator pedal abruptly, DSC recognizes that sharp braking may be about to occur and applies just enough pressure in the brake system to snug up the pads against the rotors. Thus, the short lag time which normally results from bringing the pad to the rotor is dramatically decreased. The reduced stopping or deceleration distance could reduce the likelihood of an accident.

- Brake Drying. Acting on input from the rain sensor (an element of the standard rain-sensing windshield wipers), the pads are periodically brought up to the rotors - just enough to eliminate any film of water between pads and rotors, but not enough to cause a brake application.

- Comfort Stop. Especially with an automatic transmission, unless the driver consciously eases off on the brake pedal, a jerk can occur as the vehicle comes to a stop. Comfort Stop automatically eases off, making for smoother stops.

- Start-off Assistant. Keeps the vehicle from rolling backward when stopped facing uphill. The driver can then start up without doing a ballet with the clutch, brake and accelerator (manual transmission) or doesn't have to hold the accelerator or brakes while stopped on a hill (automatic transmission).

With all these features, the MSRP of the 325xi Sports Wagon is \$34,695. A typically equipped Sports Wagon includes the Premium Package, an automatic transmission, leather upholstery and metallic paint. At \$39,345, a typically equipped 2006 325xi Sports Wagon is only \$200 more than its 2005 counterpart and has substantially more equipment.

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2006 BMW 5 Series 6-Cylinder Models



Product Highlights

General

- Essentially all-new platform introduced in '04; detail evolution for '05, more significant evolution for '06, featuring new Valvetronic engines, all-wheel-drive Sedans and an AWD Sports Wagon
- '06 6-cylinder models begin production in March '05; '06 V-8 model to come later, production beginning in September '05
- Five 6-cylinder models offered, up from two in '05:
 - 525i Sedan, with new N52 3.0-liter inline 6-cylinder engine (215 hp)
 - New 525xi Sedan, same engine as 525i but with xDrive all-wheel drive
 - 530i Sedan, with new N52 3.0-liter inline 6-cylinder engine (255 hp)
 - New 530xi Sedan, same engine as 530i but with xDrive all-wheel drive
 - New 530i Sports Wagon, same engine as 530i/xi Sedans, xDrive, new 5-door body and many specific Sports Wagon features
- All models available with 6-speed manual or automatic transmission; 530i Sedan also available with 6-speed Sequential Manual Gearbox (SMG)
- Base prices including destination charge (all with manual transmission; automatic transmission \$1,275 more):
 - 525i Sedan – \$42,495
 - 525xi Sedan – \$44,695
 - 530i Sedan – \$47,195

530xi Sedan – \$49,395

530xi Sports Wagon – \$51,795

- Built in Germany
- U.S. sales in calendar 2004 – 45,584 (Sedans only)

What's new for 2006 - All 6-cylinder models

- New-generation 6-cylinder (N52) engines, with magnesium/aluminum composite construction, Valvetronic variable valve lift, electric coolant pump and many other innovations
- New final drive ratios, numerically higher to exploit the new engines' greater revving capability
- Servotronic vehicle-speed-sensitive power steering, standard on all models. Engine-speed-sensitive power assist was formerly standard; only the optional Active Steering came with Servotronic assist.
- Optional Active Cruise Control now in 2nd-generation form; improved functions
- Upgraded interior materials for controls and trim elements
 - Climate-control rotary knobs and adjustment tabs on dash air outlets in Ruthenium (galvanic metal-finish material), all models
 - Steering-wheel spoke trim in Soft Finish
 - Handbrake grip in leather
- Optional Navigation System/Voice Command: destination input now by spelling, rather than complete words
- Bluetooth phone interface became standard during '05 model year; now, no further offering of installed cellphones

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530i/xi models

- Xenon Adaptive headlights newly standard

525xi/530xi models

- xDrive all-wheel drive

530xi Sports Wagon

- New 5-door body with many new and specific Sports Wagon features

New engines, 525i/xi and 530i/xi models

- 3.0-liter N52 inline 6-cylinder engines with –
 - New magnesium/aluminum composite construction
 - Dual overhead camshafts (DOHC), 24 valves
 - New Valvetronic variable intake-valve lift
 - Steplessly variable intake- and exhaust-valve timing
 - New electronically controlled engine cooling with electric coolant pump
 - Direct ignition system with knock control

Engine, 525i/xi models

- Single-stage induction system
- 215 hp, 185 lb-ft. torque
- EPA mileage:

525i Sedan – 20 mpg city/30 mpg highway (manual trans) or 21/29 (automatic trans)

525xi Sedan – 20/28 (MT) or 20/27 (AT)

Engine, 530i/xi models

- 3-stage induction system
- 255 hp, 220 lb-ft. torque
- EPA mileage:

530i Sedan – 20/30 (MT), 19/27 (SMG) or 21/29 (AT)

530xi Sedan – 20/28 (MT) or 20/27 (AT)

530xi Sports Wagon – 20/28 (MT) or 20/27 (AT)

Other highlights

All models

- BMW Full Maintenance Program for 4 years/50,000 miles included in base price
- Manual transmissions have self-adjusting clutch for long clutch life
- Aluminum suspension system for outstanding handling and riding comfort (525xi and 530xi models: aluminum rear suspension only)
- Aluminum front-end structure – contributes to weight reduction and optimum front/rear weight distribution
- Vehicle and Key memory allows users to personalize many electronic comfort, convenience and security features
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- interior lights with locked vehicle or upon unlocking
- Leather-covered 3-spoke power tilt/telescopic steering wheel with auto tilt-up for entry/exit, multi-function controls
- BMW Ambiance Lighting: LED lights in roof bathe console area in soft orange light, helping occupants find controls at night; enhanced lighting features included in Premium Package
- 10-way power front seats standard in all models; 12-way power seats in Sport Package, 20-way Comfort seats optional; 4-way power front-seat lumbar support with 525i/xi Premium Package, standard in 530i/xi models
- Memory system for driver's seat, steering wheel and exterior mirrors; 2 positions for each user (captured by Key Memory)
- Auto tilt-down of right exterior mirror for backing up
- 1-touch operation of all side windows and moonroof
- Body structure engineered for excellent occupant protection in full and offset frontal impacts, side impacts and rear impacts
- Front-seat safety belts with automatic tensioners and force limiters
- Front and rear Head Protection System (AHPS II) standard in all models
- Front-seat side-impact airbags standard in all models
- Rear-seat side-impact airbags optional in all models
- Battery Safety Terminal – after a severe impact, severs high-current connection between battery and starter cable



- to help prevent possible short circuit
- Intelligent Safety and Information System (ISIS) for controlling vehicle's safety systems and devices

530i Sedan – additional features over 525i Sedan

- More powerful engine (255 hp vs. 215)
- Sequential Manual Transmission (SMG) available
- Sport Package wheels and tires are 18-in., vs. 17
- Standard Xenon Adaptive headlights
- Standard 4-way power lumbar support on front seats

525xi/530xi Sedans over 525i/530i Sedans

- xDrive – fulltime all-wheel drive system, electronically controlled with variable front/rear torque split and traction control
- Manual transmission of all xi models is heavier-duty Getrag Type H; rear-wheel-drive 525i Sedan has Type I transmission

530xi Sports Wagon over 530xi Sedan

- 5-door Wagon body
- Standard roof rails
- Dual-panel Panorama Moonroof (Sedans have single-panel moonroof)
- Standard split folding rear seats
- Rear-window wiper/washer
- Split tailgate with separately opening rear window (power-operated tailgate with programmable lift height in Premium Package)
- Many special features for versatile cargo-carrying capabilities

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BMW Reports April Sales

Year-to-date Sales Up 3.4%

WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ - MAY 3, 2005... The BMW Group (BMW and MINI brands combined) reported April sales of 25,382 vehicles, a decrease of 5 percent compared to the 26,709 vehicles sold that month in 2004. The BMW Group also reported year-to-date sales of 90,918 vehicles, an increase of 3.4 percent from 87,950 sold in the first four months of 2004.

BMW Brand Reports Sales

BMW of North America, LLC reported a 10 percent decrease in April sales of automobiles and Sports Activity Vehicles, to 21,072 vehicles compared to the 23,419 reported last April. This decrease was due primarily to the successful build-out of the 2005 3 Series sedans, in preparation for the launch of its successor, resulting in lower inventory of these high volume models. The all-new 2006 3 Series sedans will go on sale this Friday, May 6th.

Year-to-date, sales of BMW brand vehicles were slightly higher than last year, for sales of 76,424 vehicles compared to 76,389 vehicles sold in first four months of 2004.

BMW Automobile Sales

BMW's April automobile sales were 14,970 cars versus 18,587 in the same month a year ago, a drop of 20 percent. Year-to-date sales were down 9 percent, to 55,397 automobiles compared to 60,511 in the same period a year ago.

BMW Sports Activity Vehicle Sales

April SAV sales were up 26 percent for 6,102 vehicles, compared to 4,832 vehicles sold in the same month of 2004. Year-to-date, sales of BMW's two SAV models are up 32 percent, to 21,027 vehicles compared to 15,878 for the first four months of 2004.

Certified Pre-owned

BMW also reported its best month ever for Certified Pre-owned BMWs. In April, sales of Certified Pre-owned vehicles

were 6,753, up 11 percent over the 6,102 vehicles sold in the same month last year. Year-to-date, BMW CPO sales were up 3 percent to 23,631 vehicles over 23,064 in the same period a year ago.

MINI Automobiles

Demand for MINI brand automobiles in April was robust. MINI USA reported that April 2005 sales jumped 31 percent, with 4,310 cars compared to 3,290 sold a year ago. Sales of MINI automobiles in the first four months of 2005 are up 25 percent with sales of 14,494 cars over the 11,561 cars reported in 2004. *MSR*

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from Allan Rosshelm of "Lancaster, SC"

"As far as I can tell, that tired rumor was started by a bored highway patrolman who got his kicks watching aluminum foil covered cars come speeding down the road. No, modern law enforcement radar is much too sophisticated to be fooled by a tin foil apron. You can, however, confuse the arresting officer if you wrap your entire body in tin foil and claim to be an alien life form when he pulls you over. Remember to punch two holes for your eyes, and one for your mouth, or you may expire before he gives you the ticket. Practice speaking pig Latin interspersed with chirping noises before trying this, in order to pull off a convincing performance. And good luck!"

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CARS FOR SALE

2005 Mini Cooper S, Electric Blue with white top, 3k miles, white 16" wheels, white mirrors, Electric Blue dash and door panels, Chrono package, clear bra, floor mats and 15% reduction supercharger pulley, all dealer installed. Selling due to purchase of another 2005 Mini Cooper S with limited slip differential option, \$23,500.00. Call Scott 303-946-4299 or CollectorCarsUnltd@totalspeed.net #191605 (7/05)

2002 M5 WBSDE93472CF91172, Sterling Gray w/ Black Napa leather & wood trim, 14K miles, this car is flawless, most desirable color and smoke free. Clear bra (\$1,750), tinted window (\$400), fold down rear seats, navigation, M audio w/ enhanced bass, 6-CD changer, Xenon lamps. Quarterly detail program, never driven in rain/snow, garaged & covered, all records/maintenance, warranty remaining. Love the car, but new one on the way \$58,000. Call Tom 303-531-6874 or tjfochtman@cocal.com #185490 (8/05)

2002 BMW 330i, VIN#WBAEV53462-KM01091, Titanium Silver /Gray leather interior, only 14,000 miles, 5spd, Premium Package, Sport Package, heated seats, xenon headlights, UUC exhaust, under drive pulley, very clean car, asking \$27,500. Call Glenn 303-680-8904 or inastrangeland@yahoo.com #293480 (7/05)



2002 BMW Z3, VIN#4USCN53452-LJ60378, Titanium Silver Metallic/Black Classic Leather, like new only 32,000 miles and new tires. Premium Package which includes power soft top (black, fully lined) and interior maple wood trim, heated seats, mirrors and washer jets, ac, cruise control, premium audio system with CD and upgraded speakers, high-performance multi-channel amplifier and subwoofers. BMW dealer installed upgrades: Dinan stage III software & High flow throttle body, BMW Alarm system with on key controls and Clear Bra, \$24,500. Call Ken at 303-791-8077 or cohammack@netscape.net #302360 (9/05)



2002 MINI Cooper, VIN WMWRC334X2TC37692, Indy blue/white, 24K Miles, premium/sport/cold weather options, meticulously maintained, still under warranty, below blue book at \$16,900. Call Doug 303-694-3158 or dkidd@kidd.cncfamily.com #285501 (7/05)

2001 BMW M5 VIN# WBSDE934X1BZ99697, Dark Blue/Black interior; 24,500 miles, 6-speed, sun roof; new Michelin Pilot Sport tires with less than 3,000 miles; M5 alloy wheels were recently re-polished and clear-coated; car includes all standard M5 features including the BMW GPS Navigation System, and serious driving capability...moving out of country and can't take it with us... available in Colorado Springs \$47,000. Call Bruce 719-684-3651 or 719-226-1125 or bruce.e.ross@adelphia.net #318226 (8/05)

2001 540IA, VIN#WBADN63401GM-70443, Titanium Silver/Black Leather, 17,500 miles, Sport Package, Cold Weather Package, Premium Package, 16 Way Comfort Seats, Automatic Steptronic, Premium Sound System w/DSP, Moon Roof, Xenon Lights, Window Tint, Clear Bra, New Pilot Sport AS Tires. New Vehicle Warranty until 12-08-2004, CPO Warranty until 12-08-2006 or 100,000 Miles. Vehicle in like new condition with no scratches, dents or dings. Non-Smoker, Garage Queen - 4th Car, never driven in snow \$40,000. Call Dean 303-972-2465, 720-840-5421 or dgackle@eazy.net or dgackle@kci.net #309125 (7/05)



2001 BMW M3 CONVERTIBLE VIN#WBSBR93461EX20966, White/Black top/Gray interior, 18k mi, 6spd, cold weather package, ski bag, heated seats, Xenon headlights, 100,000 mile engine warranty. Full warranty until approx 7/26/05. Harmon Kardon premium sound. New Michelin Pilot Sports on rear, clear Masks, only hand washed and waxed,

Garaged, No winter driving, No race track, like new, \$44,850. Call Ron 303-601-8552 or snowrjs@yahoo.com #278922 (9/05)

2001 M-Coupe (s-54 Engine) VIN: WBSGN93441LK60072, Black Sapphire/Black-Imola Red, 8750 miles, TC Kline fully adjustable suspension, remote entry, F/R detector, Rare, fast, nearly perfect \$35,000 firm. Dave toolsbmw@comcast.net #69016 (7/05)



2001 325ci VIN: WBAFN33491JW48598, Titanium Silver/Black leatherette, 28k miles, Sport package, 5spd, moonroof, heated seats, xenons, Dealer maintained/serviced, includes full set of 16" Michelin arctic alpins mounted on OEM type 30 wheels, and also have original window sticker, brochure and orientation video, non-smoker. Some curb rash on 2 of the type 44's, otherwise excellent condition throughout, no accidents, \$23,000 OBO. Call Brady 303-346-5606 or brady.cole@comcast.net #285472 (7/05)



2001 325xi Sportwagon, VIN# WBA-AW33491ET42163, Red/Sand Montana Leather, Myrtle Wood trim, 30K miles, Show room condition, with Factory Warranty and Maintenance, Premium and Cold Weather packages, including power seats w/driver's seat mirror memory system, Self-dimming mirror, xenon headlights w/washers, ski bag, on-board computer, CD player, and moonroof. This beautiful and practical car offers the best of both worlds: Great Safety and Handling with Versatility and Economy. All-Wheel Drive, Traction Control, stability control, front, side, and rear seat airbags provide true four-season capability. The 5-speed Steptronic transmission gives you the choice of fully automatic for a more relaxed rush-hour commute, or manual control when you are in the mood to "do-it-yourself." automatic climate control (with odor control that switches to re-circulate when it detects odors like diesel fumes) assures a comfortable trip no matter what mood you happen to be in. Priced below book \$25,900. Call Bill 970-377-2300 or wskuh38@aol.com #339151 (9/05)

2001 Porsche Boxster S Arctic Silver/Black leather, 12 K miles. This is the car for the practical perfectionist who normally buys new. Every detail attended to from new—leather, plastic, rubber, vinyl, chrome, paint, carpet, wheels, top, and rear window— with Griot's Garage products by Concours experienced single owner. Mechanical maintenance by and beyond the book by Stevinson Imports. All dealer stamps, receipts and full records. Garaged next to 1978 320i, no winters, no smoke, 18" wheels with colored crests, Xenon, headrest crests, design package (painted roll bars, stainless sills, shifter, brake) premium sound and 6-disc changer, clear bra. Highest offer over \$38,000. Call Bob 303-873-1792 or bottewill@comcast.net #116921 (9/05)

1999 M3 VIN#WBSBG9333XEY82866 Imola Red/Gray leather, 104K, excellent condition, always garaged and babied, daily driver, sunroof, 6 disc player, power seats, pass through rear seats. New windshield, fog lights, Blizzaks and Michelin Pilots, 2nd owner, Original Owners Manual and all maintenance records available. Wife's Mini and new M3 in my future, \$18,000 OBO. Call Thom 720-922-8618 or tfreyco@earthlink.net #198246 (8/05)

1998 540i Sport, VIN WBADE5324-WBV93255, Cosmos/Black leather, 6-speed manual, 49k miles, sport package w/10-way sport seats and sport suspension, VG+ ext, excellent interior and mechanically, CarFax clean, excellent emissions, traction control, front/front side/front side curtain airbags, 6-CD changer, sunroof, clear bra, window tint, all paperwork, non-smoker, garaged, babied, \$21,400. Call Jeff 970-686-0318, 970-898-2670 or mr_zone_v@yahoo.com, #313959 (9/05)



1998 M3 4 door WBSGD9320WEE07116, Blue/Off White interior, 135K miles, one owner car, well maintained, must sale - have male teenage driver in household...insurance unaffordable... New tires with extra set of 16" wheels with snow tires, has 6-CD changer, sun roof, modest rear wing; dealer installed with brake lights, Non-smoker, asking \$14,000. Call Robert 303-388-5051 or roberteggert@att.net #74064 (8/05)

1998 M3 WBSBG9325WEY78646 Bright Red/Black, 5-sp, Dinan S-3 package, Vortech supercharger, RMS intercooler, cold air kit, RMS lightened flywheel with performance clutch, front & rear tower braces, Ebach springs & sway bars, Koni shocks, high-flow exhaust, 18" BBS RK with P-Zeros, stainless brake lines, Pagid brake pads, all factory power options, 6-CD changer, moon roof, all paperwork. Perfect condition, non-smoker, garaged \$26,500 OBO. Call Ken 303-680-8518 or nissenhair@aol.com #297709 (9/05)

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1997 M3, VIN# WBSBG932XVEY-73957, Boston Green/ With Gray leather, 5 speed, 93K miles, Coupe, All service done by Tillery Imports, Clear Bra, Toyo Tires, Winter wheels with Nokian Snow tires, ZKW Euro Ellipsoids with Xtec Xenon HID headlights, \$15,900. Call Dan 303-905-9373 or Dan@MountainGaming.com #321286 (9/05)



1996 328iS, DINAN, Black/Black, 108k miles, 17" Hamman wheels, great car, tight engine and transmission, no rattles, everything woks. Excellent choice for autocrossing, Car comes with DINAN carbon fiber cold air intake, DINAN software and catback exhaust. This car is plenty fast with lots of torque, excellent handling and very

comfortable. Hamman wheels have newer (less than 4000 mi) Khumo tires. In addition to all the extras you will get, brand new H & R front and rear sway bars and an x-brace, minor paint chips and blemishes here and there. The interior is in great shape; driver seat has some extra wear, power windows, doors and sunroof \$9,999. Call Reed 303-522-1271 or bmw328isforsale@yahoo.com #336315 (7/05)



1995 M3 NBSBF9325SEH03183 Black/Gray leather, 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 Zimmerman drilled rotors with new PBR pads and SS lines, stock Motorsport wheels (all same width) tires are near new Kuhmo MXs. Extra Motorsport wheels with snows currently mounted. It has a solid local ownership history, all books, records, and service manuals. The car is being sold for one reason, my schedule is such that it will sit in the garage for the next two years while I complete school, and I just can't bear to see that, make offer. Contact Bob mflyfish@adelphia.net #326480 (8/05)

1995 325i VIN # W8ACB3324SFE222 Alpine White with Light Gray leather interior, Sport Package, 5-speed, 6 disc CD changer, sunroof, 75,000 miles. The body and paint are in great condition, average wear on the sport seats. This vehicle is as the factory built it, no modifications or upgrades, never tracked. We've owned it since 1996 - \$ 9,000.00. Call Doug 303-726-8431 or dbxtrm@comcast.net #313550 (9/05)

1992 BMW 850i, VIN# WBAE6231XMCB73353, Blue on Black, Black interior, V12 engine automatic, 78,000 mi, RD rims and original rims, both with new tires, very fine condition. A collectors car, and I hate to part with it but I must, only \$16,500. Call Ean for appointment 303-526-1399 or egas44@aol.com #348630 (9/05)

1991 E34 M5, Black/Black, 126K miles, near perfect. 3M bra, tinted windows, ski bag and heated seats. Performance Upgrade include: Dysylva chip, Dinan stage one suspension maintaining self-leveling and adding adjustable Koni inserts in the front, Racing Dynamics front stress bar, Dinan cam sprockets, brake upgrade - slotted Rotors - Pagid Sport front pads, braided stainless steel brake lines with Teflon Core. Other mods: PIAA Super White High & Low Beams, K&N air filter in the stock housing, Upgraded all speakers and added the infinity bass box in trunk, 3 sets of wheels/tires (all wheels original BMW) including 18" M Parallel, 17" Turbine, 16" Basketweave, "BMW Motorsport" front door handles, Tri-colored threading on the steering wheel, Sport side view mirrors. NEW in past year - Wood trim (\$1300 in parts which replaced the black wood trim with gorgeous walnut), new 18" M Parallel wheels (\$2500), new door seals., Records since -65k miles, Very well maintained inc. Mobil 1 etc, Serviced at Bimmer Haus, \$19,900 of pure driving pleasure. Call Richard 303-908-4373 or richardm@4dv.net #200153 (8/05)



1989 750iL, 165,000 miles, White/Tan leather - excellent condition, euro lights, second owner, 16" BBS RX wheels, Dinan engine chips, Dinan Stage 3 suspension, Dinan transmission chip, all records, always garaged, a beautiful, high performance 750iL in great condition \$8,500. Call Dick 303-526-9856, 303-601-9634 cell, or the3xjet@aol.com #149556 (8/05)

1987 L6, VIN WBAEC8401H0614957, Silver Blue/Off White interior, 53,441 miles, original

owner, beautiful car, always garaged, NO winter driving. Located in Bonnie Brae Area (Denver), \$14,500 OBO. Photos at <http://homepage.mac.com/mclaw/PhotoAlbum4.html> Call Gene 303-884-7450 #344070 (9/05)



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 \$6500 obo. Call Grant 303-757-2823 or gchanna@earthlink.net #24518 (9/05)

1981 733i VIN WBAFF3306B7351122 Ascol Grey/Parchment leather, 5 speed, sunroof, rebuilt engine, new paint and leather, Kenwood CD/speaker system, two sets wheels (originals re-done), Bilsteins, one owner, all records, beautifully maintained. Must see to appreciate \$8,000 OBO. Call Paul 303-635-0200 or paul.anderson8@comcast.net #317976 (8/05)



1979 E21 323i D Mod Club Racer or ITE SCCA, Ireland engineering adjustable suspension. Super Sprint stainless header, custom pistons, 12 1/2/1 compression converted electronic fuel injection \$8500. Call Fred 303-478-8490 for more details. #25874 (8/05)



TIRES & WHEELS

(4) 235 / 45 / R17 - 94Y Continental Conti-Sport-Contact tires with 3,030 miles approx. 8/32" tread depth remaining - \$ 275.00. Call Doug 303-726-8431 or dbxtrm@comcast.net #313550 (9/05)

(4) 7"x 16" wheels BMW style 30 double spoke, part # 85 32 9 409 823, purchased new and used as summer wheels only with Bridgestone Potenza RE 730 - 225 / 50 / ZR tires approx. 4/32" to 6/32" tread depth remaining. Balancing weights have never been attached to the outside of these wheels - \$ 650.00. Call Doug 303-726-8431 or dbxtrm@comcast.net #313550 (9/05)

(4) 17 X 8 Motorsport wheels in good condition, wheels off 1995 M3, will look good on any E36. Tires are still on them but they have minimal to moderate tread left \$300 OBO. Call Bryan 303-220-1132 or bryansieg@aol.com #80232 (9/05)

(2) 19 X 8 1/2 and (2) 19 X 9 1/2 Breyton Magic wheels. All are mildly bent (can't be balanced properly) but repairable. Front wheels have no tires but rears do with about 60 - 70% tread remaining. Had these on my 2000 M5 and they looked great. Free to good home. Call Bryan 303-220-1132 or bryansieg@aol.com #80232 (9/05)

(2) 245/45/ZR18 (front) and (2) 255/40/ZR18 (rear) off M3 Coupe. Fronts have a lot of tread, rears are pretty worn. Pick up in the Denver area only, for more information or additional photos. Contact Mitch drawes28@comcast.net #159445 (8/05)



(4) 13" BBS "Basket weave" wheels, perfect, bead blasted and refinished by Woody's Wheel Works. Mounted w/ Yokohama AVS 225/50 R13, almost perfect, like new with 5K miles. (One has scarring on sidewall). Currently mounted on a 1972tii but are actually 320i wheels, \$500 for the set. Call Brian 303-902-8448 or bwiffin@mac.com #16787 (8/05)

(4) 17x8 BMW RACING DYNAMICS polished wheels used, fit 5-7 Series, retailed new over \$2k, \$900 OBO. Call Adam 719-385-0953 or miinc28@qwest.net #345350 (7/05)



(4) Yokohama ES-100's 225/50/R15, 80 percent tread left, off 325i, \$320.00. Call Ed 303-589-8715 #179550 (7/05)

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(5) 17x7.5 OEM rims off M3, 4 new Yokohama 235/40/17 ZR, fits E36 model, 92-99, asking \$1500 OBO. Call Mark 303-517-5770 #307421 (8/05)

(4) Mille Miglia 5 spoke alloy wheels to fit Bavaria or later 5 series with a 5 bolt 120 mm pattern. Wheel size 16 x 7.5, mounted with Bridgestone Potenza S-02 225/50 ZR16 tires with half tread remaining. Complete with wheel lug nuts and off-set spacers. \$500 takes the lot. Call John 303-702-0044 #17037 (8/05)

(4) 8 x 17 5-120mm BMW M3 Replica's with Continental Conti Extreme Contact P255/45ZR17 radials. Wheels/Tires are 18 months old and not used in winter. Wheels fit any E46 and are in excellent condition, tires have greater than 50% tread left, 1 brand new replaced under warranty, asking \$950 for set. Call Steve 719-533-7614 or 719-686-0158 or steve.dunham@slsl.com #297479 (7/05)

PARTS

Brake parts, E36 front rotors Ate Power Disc (grooved, slotted), both rotors for \$75.00. Hawk HPS Plus front pads, \$50.00. Less than 1000 miles on these parts. These were on car for one month at fall Drivers School. Rear brake pads PBR Metalmasters still in box and shrink wrap. \$25.00 or OBO, I don't own the 1995 325i anymore so help me make shelf space in my garage. Call Steve 303-988-1562 stevejfy@msn.com #165695 (7/05)

Single Axle Aluminum deck trailer, easy load, 6 Ply tires 3500 lbs. capacity, pulls with SUV or small pickup, \$1400 with tie downs. Dave toolsbmw@comcast.net #69016 (7/05)

(2) Bilstein HD front struts, new in the box, never mounted, fits 325ix \$225.00. Call Ed 303-589-8715 #179550 (7/05)

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 \$1200. Call Gary 970-453-5979 or gary.renick@juno.com #316564 (8/05)

MISCELLANEOUS

1995 BMW R1100RSL, Black, 11K miles, ABS, heated grips, factory bags, one owner, excellent condition, always garaged, never damaged, \$5450. Call Ken 970-218-0920 or kenv@webaccess.net. #308703 (9/05)

Mountain bike BMW 18sp men's, folds for storage, excellent condition, \$650.00. Call Robert 303-410-9819 or fellows60@hotmail.com #160519 (9/05)

For Rent: Two bedroom, two bath condo in town of Winter Park, Colorado, 1.5 miles from ski area. Sleeps seven. Newly renovated, on paved road and parking lot. Clubhouse has indoor pool, three hot tubs, sauna and laundry room. Great hiking trails and bike trails out front door. \$135.00 each for multiple nights and \$160.00 for one night. Call Steve 303-988-1562 or stevejfy@msn.com. #165695 (7/05)

For Rent: a week at a condo in Orlando during January - mid April or the last 2 weeks of December 2005. Two bedrooms, 2 baths, sleeps 6. Beautifully and completely furnished—all you bring is food! Within 20 minutes of ALL major attractions. Think Christmas vacation, Daytona 500 or Spring Break! \$700. Call Leslie or Jim 303-671-6131 or colorado924@comcast.net ASAP to get your first-choice week reserved!

WANTED

Needed BMW 2002 for a parts car, doesn't need to be in running condition, some rust is OK and can have some parts missing. I'll remove it for free. You will know that your car lives on; at the race track. Call Andrew Jordan 303-426-6800 #133167 (9/05)

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NEW MEMBER

Aretakis	Nick	Denver	1989	325IX		
Ashton	Steven	Englewood				
Ashton	Derek	Denver				
Black	Michael	Lafayette	2005	M3		
Brown	Lee	Colorado Springs	2002	M3	2001	330xi
Buhs	David	Longmont	1992	525	1995	540
Burns	William	Broomfield	1998	323i		
Caldwell	James	Pueblo				
Christensen	Lynn	Denver				
Crise	Rob	Englewood				
Davis	Jeff	Fort Collins	1995	M3		
Dean	Linda	Castle Rock				
Doane	Marty	Parker	2000	M5		
Dodd	Julie/Valor	Littleton	2005	X3		
Faucett	Michael/Andrea	Fort Collins	2005	330i	2005	X5
Frost	David	Parker				
Goedicke	Paul	Englewood	1991	750iL		
Haywood	Christopher	Denver				
Jacobsen	Dan	Littleton	2000	M5		
Janonis	Brian/Catherine	Fort Collins	2005	Mini		
Johnson	Bill	Parachute	1997	328i	1994	740iL
Kwiatkowski	David	Fort Collins				
Langbauer	Della	Denver				
Mao	Cecilia	Broomfield	1998	323i		
Mascio	Jeffery	Littleton	2002	330i	2003	X5
McConnell	Craig	Arvada	1991	750iL		
McLaughlin	Bill	Larkspur	2002	325Xi		
Mead	Todd	Boulder	2001	325xi		
Miller	John	Denver	1979	320i		
Moen	Reegan/Gail	Littleton				
Muraoka	Mike	Broomfield	2002	530i		
Patel	Jason	Boulder	1996	M3		
Pederson	Michael/Erica	Englewood				
Pontzer	Scott	U S A F Academy	2001	330ci		
Poole	Michael	Fort Collins				
Radice	Dean/Rebekah	Colorado Springs	2005	330ci		
Riley	Jean	Edgewater				
Rydjord	Karl/Ronette	Englewood				
Scaggs	John	Boulder	1985	535i		
Schmoyer	Jeffrey	Colorado Springs				
Seedig	Jason	Denver	1995	M3		
Simpson	Richard	Fort Collins				
Smiley	Al	Denver				
Smith	Michael	Edgewater				
Swensen	Steven	Arvada	2003	530i		
Thighe	Craig	Parker	2001	330i		
Tran	Zung	Erie	2004	330i		
Vinson	Scott	Englewood	1995	325iC	2005	X3
Wilmeth	Brooke	Denver	2000	328i		
Wilson	H. Douglas	Golden	2003	325ci		

Activities Calendar

Note: RMC BMW CCA activities in boldface type

June

- 1 Wed DEADLINE FOR **MSR ADS AND COPY FOR JULY ISSUE**
1 Wed * Business Meeting, Johnny Carinos Italian Kitchen – 970-203-9900
1455 Rocky Mountain Avenue, Loveland, CO – Details Page 12
5 Sun **Concours d'Elegance, Arapahoe Community College**
Dee Raisl and Dave Stackhouse, Coordinators - Details Page 19
11 Sat **RMC Autocross School, Mt. Elbert Parking Lot, DIA, Denver, Colorado**
Sponsored by Poudre Sports Car – Details Page 13
12 Sun **RMC Autocross Series #2, Mt. Elbert Parking Lot, DIA, Denver, Colorado**
Sponsored by Poudre Sports Car – Details Page 13
25 Sat **RMC Street Survival, Mt. Elbert Parking Lot, DIA, Denver, Colorado**
Alain van der Heide, Coordinator – Details Page 20

July

- 1 Fri DEADLINE FOR **MSR ADS AND COPY FOR AUGUST ISSUE**
6 Wed * Business Meeting, Doran's, Centennial, 303-758-4200 for directions
Fri/Sun **Annual Rocky Mountain Chapter Charity Celebration, Vail, Colorado**
8-10 **Darlene Doran and Michael Beyer, Coordinators – Details Page 24-25**
16 Sat **Paintless Dent Removal Tech Session, Stander's Collision Works, 3900 Norwood Drive**
Littleton 303-791-1900, Jonathan Richter, Coordinator – Details Page 12
23 Sun **RMC Autocross Series #3, Mt. Elbert Parking Lot, DIA, Denver, Colorado**
Sponsored by Poudre Sports Car – Details Page 13
Sat/Sun 32nd Annual Vettes on the Rockies, Beaver Run Resort, Breckenridge, CO
23-30 Call Teri Luggner 303-680-4025 or www.LGCACorvette.org

August

- 1 Mon DEADLINE FOR **MSR ADS AND COPY FOR SEPTEMBER ISSUE**
3 Wed * Business Meeting, Bartlett's, Morrison, 303-697-2959 for directions
6 Sat **Autoworks Colorado Tech Session Open House, 8110 Shaffer Parkway**
Tim Jones, Coordinator, 303-972-8488 - Details Page 21
20 Sat **RMC Autocross Series #4, Mt. Elbert Parking Lot, DIA, Denver, Colorado**
Sponsored by Poudre Sports Car – Details Page 13

* All members are invited to attend the Business Meetings, the first Wednesday of each month (with some exceptions), dinner is included except when at a public restaurant, so please **RSVP to the Meeting Host/Hostess** to ensure enough food is available and in case of Cancellations or Changes. Dinner is served at 6:30 and meeting starts promptly at 7 p.m.

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