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UPCOMING EVENTS

RMC QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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rocky mountain line

by Mike Beyer

"C'mon, it'll be fun!"



Hopefully you've had a chance to see the long list of events that are planned for 2006 in last months *MSR*, and have penciled in your favorites on your calendar. If you haven't done so yet, please take a look. There seems to be something to suit everyone, from autocrosses to tech sessions, dinners to driving schools, new member nights to driving tours and more still. Pick the ones that you like most and join us, won't you? There's always room for new ideas, so if you have an event in mind you think others may enjoy, contact anyone on the Board. We'd love to help you get started.

Speaking of new member nights, I hope our newest members were able to attend the Video Night/New Member Welcome on February 21st. If you missed it, don't worry – there's another one on March 14th in Fort Collins. It's a great way to get acquainted with the club. Hey, it's free food and soft drinks. It can't be all bad, can it? Check the *MSR* for all the details.

Don't forget about the BMW CCA national membership drive, details page 22. Great prizes are in store for those indi-

viduals who round up new members, and the chapters benefit too. If you know someone who might like to join, tell them now. The contest runs through July 15th, but you know how time can slip away. Watch the *MSR*, or go to www.BMWCCA.org and follow the link to "BMW CCA Membership Drive" for more information.

Back home at the RMC, we'll continue to hold our quarterly Membership meetings at public venues. Join us in March, June and September at Old Chicago for (again!) free food and soft drinks. What's your job? Bring your ideas and a willingness to pitch in to make the RMC events successful and delightful. Of course, you're always welcome at the monthly Business meetings as well. The calendar in the *MSR* lists all the dates, times and locations. C'mon, it'll be fun!

Next month, look for our RMC Secretary, Jim Bartlett, to fill this space with "Splinters from the Board". Each quarter this year you'll hear from one of the elected board members for a little different twist on the happenings in the RMC and beyond.

Until next time, happy motoring! Mike *MSR*

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Ponderings by the Editor

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Special Thank you

I want to thank **Leslie Jenkins** for all of her assistance with proof reading articles for me. Thanks Leslie ☺ You are a great help to me ☺

Thanks to all of you!

My genuine appreciation to these members who wrote articles and took photographs for the **March** issue of the *MSR*: **All Participants** for their "Car of the Month" articles and photos, which are now candidates for "Car of the Year"; **Mark Quevli** for his "Car of the Month" article and photos; **Paul Schultz** for coordinating the "Annual Ice Gymkhana", his event review and **Bill Chambers** for photos; **Janet Kiyota** for coordinating the "Meet & Greet New Members Video Night South"; **Dan Goodman** for his "Autocross" article; **Alain van der Heide** and **Darlene Doran** for coordinating two "Street Survival Schools" this year and their article; **Gary Odehnal** for coordinating the "Meet & Greet New Members Video Night North" and his article; **Heather Martinez** for coordinating the "Detailers Paradise Tech Session / Open House" and her article; **Dave Stackhouse** and **Dee Raisl** for coordinating "23rd Annual Concours d'Elegance"; and **Mike Beyer** for his "*rocky mountain line*." A BIG thanks to everyone for helping make such a great newsletter once again!

Apology

My sincere apology goes to **John Graham** for the misplacement of his byline in his "Which is the Car for you" article. ☺

Happy Birthday / Happy Anniversary

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



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ADDRESS / UPDATE CHANGES

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- Mail
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Greenville, SC 29601
- Fax 864-250-0038

Email addresses will also be included on the website and in the *MSR*, **unless specifically requested otherwise**.

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, 2006; 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 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, 2006—and fulfilling the other program requirements—can apply for the rebate.

Looking for Event Coordinators!!

We are searching for Event Coordinators for upcoming 2006 events. If you would like to help out, please contact me either by email msreditor@rmcbmwcca.org or telephone 303-758-4200.

Thank You Advertisers!!

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Expectations of an Event Coordinator

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

Car of the Month



Mark's modified 1995 M3

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 March **Car of the Month** comes to you from Westminster, Colorado and belongs to Mark Quevli, Mark writes:

Craving a BMW

The craving for a BMW started in 1991 when I was living in Sebring, Florida, working for Skip Barber Racing. We used the current year 325i for car control exercises. We also used it for event promotionals such as the Grand Prix of Miami. Since leaving Skip Barber, I have always wanted a BMW. The problem back then was the little green piece of paper, or should I say not enough of them.

Finally, in 1996, I was able to purchase my first BMW, and of course it had to be the car that started it all, the 325i. I drove my 325i for 159K miles and decided to change to the 5 series.

Being pleased with my decisions, my best friend Doug had to throw a wrench in things by taking me back to the track. Of course it took a lot of arm twisting when he asked if I wanted to take his car (an M3) on the track. It was that day I realized I had been depriving myself of everything I loved and grew up on.

That sleepless night with cars still racing in my head, I knew I was on a new mission to find the right car. It was not a question of what make or model, it was more what year, color and options. I knew it would be an M3. My search would be more difficult than I thought. My criteria were: a 1995 model, Dakar Yellow, low mileage, no wrecks, well taken care of, and, of course, the best possible price. The price was important because I was going to put \$10 to \$12K into the car right away. It took a lot of time and patience before I found the right one. The gentleman was very nice considering I was asking something for nothing of him. Needless to say the sale did not happen that day. It took about 3 months of negotiating to make the deal happen. So I ended up with a 1995 Dakar Yellow M3 with everything I set out to get.



Momo wheels

I then went to Cal Parker and Greg Weis of **Autosport Werks** in Broomfield to talk about what I wanted to do with the car. Cal has taken care of all of my BMWs. Being a former mechanic, I have great respect for and trust in these two guys. We spent hours ordering parts and figuring out the best set-up for the car. I took the M3 home to drive for a few weeks while waiting for parts to arrive.

The modifications I made to the car were: H&R coil over suspension, Stop Tech big brakes, Pagid orange brake pads, Dinan Sway bars, Dinan strut and shock tower mounts, X-Brace,

Car of the Month

adjustable camber plates, front brake ducts, Dinan throttle body, Dinan cold air intake, Dinan high flow mass meter, Dinan chip, Dinan exhaust, Schroth clip-in belts, Momo wheels (18x8 powder coated black) with Dunlop 235/40R18 super sport race tires. The M3's handling and braking is unbelievable. The only thing I think it needs is a little more power. The car will be going back to **Autosport Werks** this winter for a new supercharger.

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OFFICIAL BALLOT

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

This is the Official "Mail-In - to the PO Box or Fax 303-758-1841" Ballot to vote for the "Car of the Year". You may also go to our website at www.rmcbmwcca.org to vote. **Voting Closes March 31, 2006.** Please check the box for the car that gets your vote. Keep your pictures and descriptions as this series will continue starting with the March Car of the Month. Ballots and Car of the Month articles should be sent to: Darlene Doran, RMC BMW CCA, PO Box 370128, Denver, CO 80237

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International Celebrities at MINI United

Well-known personalities from A for Aaltonen to Z for Zanardi come together for the Special Guest Race

MUNICH/MISANO ADRIATICO, IT. 17 very special fans of the MINI brand will line up at the start for a Special Guest Race on Sunday, 30th October as part of MINI United at the "Circuito Santa Monica". The following will be taking the wheel in technically identical MINI Cooper S with John Cooper Works Tuning Kit: Rauno Aaltonen (Finland), who won the Monte Carlo Rally in the Mini Cooper in 1967, the ex-Formula 1 driver Marc Surer (Switzerland), Paolo Barilla (Italy) and Christian Danner (Germany) and the Italian musician Max Gazzè. The rock bass player, known in Germany among other things for his collaboration with Herbert Grönemeyer and Stephan Eicher ("Taxi Europa"), is an enthusiastic hobby racing driver and MINI enthusiast.

Alex Zanardi, the former Formula 1 driver and several times winner of the CART World Series, will be entering his first race in a MINI Cooper S. Since he lost both legs in a racing accident in 2001, a MINI has been specially adapted to meet his needs. He now successfully drives a BMW 320i in the Touring Car World Cup and is already Italian touring car

champion this year. "I watched two MINI CHALLENGE races at the Touring Car World Cup in Oschersleben," says Zanardi. "I was amazed how relaxed things are in this series and how high the technical standards of these vehicles is. I got in one of the MINI CHALLENGE cars and immediately thought: this would be just the thing for me."

Marc Surer and Christian Danner have some experience with the racing version of the MINI Cooper S. Both have been guest participants in the German MINI CHALLENGE in the past. Danner won the race held at the Belgian Grand Prix in Spa-Francorchamps in 2004. Surer achieved the top time in training at the Belgian Formula 1 race last September, and in the previous year he finished in fifth position.

Alexander Burgstaller (Munich) has even more experience in handling the 154 kW (220 bhp) MINI Cooper S. The former touring car professional was the first champion in the history of the German MINI CHALLENGE in the 2004 season. He has once again entered the club sport series in 2005 and also acts as the official MINI CHALLENGE ambassador, providing professional advice to the novices among his driver colleagues.

MINI United Special Guest Race participants

Rauno Aaltonen (SF) Winner of Monte Carlo Rally in 1967 in the Mini Cooper

Paolo Barilla (I) Former Formula 1 driver, Vice President Barilla

Markus Barth (D) Motorcycle racing rider, BMW Power Cup
Alexander Burgstaller (D) Champion of German MINI CHALLENGE 2004, *MINI CHALLENGE ambassador*

Christian Danner (D) Former Formula 1 driver, TV journalist
Grant Denyer (AUS) Racing driver, V8 Supercar Series, TV journalist

Tony Dron (GB) Former touring car driver, journalist
Max Gazzè (I) Musician

Claudia Hürtgen (D) Winner of the German Touring Car Challenge in 2003 and German Production Car Championship in 2004, test driver for the German

MINI CHALLENGE

Stéphane Lemeret (B) Racing driver, journalist

James Loukes (GB) Participant in John Cooper Challenge UK

MINI Plant Oxford Team

Stéphane Mertens (B) Motorcycle racing rider, former Moto GP rider, winner of BMW Boxer Cup Belgium

Harald Schmidt (D) Winner of young talent sighting


Martin Steyn (RSA) Racing driver, South African MINI Production Car Championship

Marc Surer (CH) Former Formula 1 driver, TV journalist


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More Power, Less Weight: MINI Cooper S with John Cooper Works GP Kit

The MINI Special Edition produces around 218 hp. Official presentation at MINI United meeting in Misano

MUNICH/MISANO ADRIATICO, IT. The exclusive MINI Cooper S with John Cooper Works GP Kit will serve as a real treat for the particularly sports-minded MINI fan. The special edition featuring a boost in power output to around 160 kW (218 bhp) and a noticeable reduction in weight will be produced as a limited edition of 2,000 units. Its performance will clearly surpass that of the most powerful ex-works MINI to date, the MINI Cooper S with John Cooper Works Kit.

The MINI Cooper S with John Cooper Works GP Kit was first presented to the public during MINI United, the official MINI annual meeting and international seasonal finale of all MINI club sport series being held in Misano/Italy from 28th to 30th October. The MINI Cooper S with John Cooper Works GP Kit is expected to be available in Europe from July 2006, the price tag in Germany being around 30,000 Euros.

Exclusive racing technology made for the road.

While developing the MINI Cooper S with John Cooper Works GP Kit, engineers focused predominantly on even greater agility and high driving stability. Modifications to the intercooler as well as engine tuning measures have boosted power output of the free-revving 1.6-litre supercharged power unit to around 160 kW (218 bhp).

In order that such power and the high maximum torque of 180 foot-pounds are transferred securely to the road, this limited special edition features a limited slip differential as standard. Dynamic Stability Control DSC is available as an option. High-performance brakes by John Cooper Works featuring red-lacquered brake calipers on the front wheels ensure optimum stopping power. Additional standard equipment by John Cooper Works includes a sports suspension and an awesome sound generated by the specially constructed Tuning Kit. An additional new highlight are the weight-reduced 18-inch alloy wheels specially designed for the MINI Cooper S with John Cooper Works GP Kit.

In order to reduce weight even further, engineers made extensive modifications to the technology and bodywork of this special edition. The standard longitudinal control arms on the rear axle now come in an aluminum version. Due to bodywork modifications and the omission of parts of the damping material, the air conditioning unit (optionally available at no extra charge) and the rear seats, weight has been additionally reduced by around 88 pounds. This value substantially enhances motoring performance and cornering ability, transferring the MINI CHALLENGE racing feeling to the tarmac.

Revised aerodynamics and exclusive body colors.

The MINI Cooper S with John Cooper Works GP Kit features a thoroughly revised aerodynamics package. Front and rear aprons, the now wing-shaped rear spoiler, the even further lowered side sills and the underbody paneling have all been redesigned. This has resulted in a distinctly reduced drag coef-

ficient and enhanced down force on the front and rear axles.

The MINI Cooper S with John Cooper Works GP Kit is immediately recognizable by its exclusive grey-blue metallic body color combined with a roof painted in Pure Silver. The air scoops on the bonnet and in the front apron also come in Pure Silver. Likewise, the exterior mirrors feature a contrasting color - fiery Chili Red.

Purist interior design.

In keeping with true racing car tradition, the interior of the MINI Cooper S with John Cooper Works GP Kit was intentionally designed to keep a low profile. Nonetheless, standard equipment still includes Recaro sports seats, Radio Boost with CD and a multifunction sports steering wheel.

Editor's Note: The following Press Information is specific to European markets. Information regarding US-specific model details will be released at a later date. *MSR*

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Motorsports Around The World

The Canadian Factor In The Formula BMW USA Championship

WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ - January 25, 2006... Canadian race car drivers have made an impact on the world of motorsport. Not only famous names as Jacques Villeneuve with the BMW Sauber F1 Team are competing in the top leagues of racing, but also the next generation of young Canadian racers continues to succeed in one the world's leading entry-level classes in Formula racing, the Formula BMW USA championship.

Formula BMW USA can look back on two sensational seasons in which talented young Canadians made a substantial contribution to the success of the championship.

In its first season junior driver James Hinchcliffe (18) of Oakville, Ontario won the 2004 Formula BMW USA Rookie of the Year title. "Being a Canadian racing in Formula BMW USA was fantastic," Hinchcliffe stated. "Obviously there are far more Americans in the series so it was nice to be one of the few to represent Canada and bring some success." In 2005 the youngster raced in the Star Mazda Series finishing third in the Overall Championship.

The Champ Car Atlantic Championship is all new for Hinchcliffe in 2006 and he takes stock of his previous successes, "Formula BMW USA was such a good springboard into professional motorsport because we were put in front of the right people to be noticed. Considering Canada's relatively small population, it produces a very high number of racing talents. Every year another driver from Canada finds success. I am glad that I was one of them and look forward to seeing what Canadians can do in the motorsport scene in the coming years."

In its second year, the Formula BMW USA championship announced three Canadian scholarship recipients out of six: Kevin Lacroix (16) of Saint-Eustache, Quebec; Robert Wickens (16) of Toronto, Ontario; and Adrien Herbets (16) of Coquitlam, British Columbia. The young Canadian guns competed very successfully in 2005: Lacroix won the runner-up title, followed by Wickens finishing third in the Overall and Rookie point standings.

Additionally, Robert Wickens won the invitational Formula BMW race at the Race of Champions in Paris, France and competed in the inaugural Formula BMW World Final in Bahrain. At the Bahrain International Circuit the youngster showed impressive speed in four days of competition. Despite having to start from the back of the field, he passed 21 competitors in the World Final race to finish sixth.

Afterwards he was offered the chance to become the first Canadian ever to join the Red Bull Junior Team. "Being the first Canadian to be a part of the Red Bull Junior Team really means a lot to me," stated Robert. "Canada has a lot of really talented up-and-coming drivers and for me to be chosen is a real honor. I hope to make Canada proud!"

Wickens will return to the Formula BMW USA championship in 2006 as a Formula BMW Scholarship recipient and member of the Red Bull Junior Team. "I think that Formula BMW is the best development series for young racers coming out of karting," said Wickens. "With its Education and Coaching Program it is the only series in the world that actually helps to develop the best racers possible. I'm sure I will

use what I have learned from this program for many years to come."

With the decision to sign Canadian Jacques Villeneuve to the new BMW Sauber F1 Team, BMW selected one of the truly eminent representatives in the world of motorsport. The reasons why Canada produces such good open-wheel race car drivers is difficult to explain for the passionate Formula One pilot, "I am not sure, but perhaps it's because of growing up always doing motocross, skiing and that stuff. Since I was five years old I was racing cars, and then I had no other choice, but to make sure I would be good enough to be successful."

Regarding the success of the Canadians in the Formula BMW USA championship Villeneuve stated, "I don't know them personally, but it's good that there is a series that can allow younger people to start racing, to get out of go-karts and to move to the next level. There is not just one road to success. There are many different roads and you have to take the opportunities where they are."

The road many young Canadian racers are taking is Formula BMW USA and they are finding that their natural talent combined with one of the world's most unique entry-level open wheel racing championships is fast making them hot properties as they climb the world motorsports ladder.

Background:

Formula BMW is the world's leading entry-level class in Formula racing. In 2006 the series will be held in Germany, the UK, Asia and the USA. Up-and-coming drivers as young as 15-years old are given the opportunity of entering motor racing with the high-tech, standard FBO2 race car.

The FBO2 race car has been seen on the grid since 2002 and has set standards particularly on the safety technology front. The single-seater is powered by a 140 bhp BMW engine, reaching speeds up to 140 mph and exceeds the FIA safety requirements for its class. BMW Motorsport has developed the FORS (Formula Rescue Race Seat) especially for Formula BMW. The HANS (Head and Neck Support) safety system is also mandatory.

In 2006, Formula BMW will occur five times as a support series to Formula One races. All of the international series offer a multifaceted Education and Coaching Program as well as sponsorship for promising racing talents. The best-known alumni are Formula One drivers Ralf Schumacher, Christian Klien and Nico Rosberg.

BMW Motorsport Director, Mario Theissen, "Formula BMW offers talented young drivers more than just a car. In the Education and Coaching Program we have designed specially for them, they learn everything they need to know to hold their own in the world of motor racing. Formula BMW has become one of the top entry-level classes for Formula racing worldwide."

On December 13 to 16, 2005 the Bahrain International Circuit hosted the first Formula BMW World Final. Young racing drivers from the four regional Formula BMW series competed against each other. The winner Marco Holzer will get a test drive with the BMW Sauber F1 Team. *MSR*

Motorsports Around The World

Bill Auberlen, Joey Hand and Justin Marks Named As BMW Team PTG M3 Drivers for 2006 American Le Mans Series Team Completes Successful Winter Test

WOODCLIFF LAKE, N J - January 26, 2006... BMW of North America, LLC and BMW Team PTG jointly announced today that Bill Auberlen, Joey Hand and Justin Marks have been contracted to drive for BMW Team PTG in the 2006 American Le Mans Series. A fourth team driver and additional drivers for the longer races will be named at a later date.

All three drove for the team last season and posted victories in a BMW Team PTG M3. 50 days remain until the season-opening 12 Hours of Sebring where BMW Team PTG will mark its first full season of ALMS competition since 2001. BMW Team PTG has scored two GT class wins at the 12 Hours of Sebring in 1997 and 1998.

The team recently concluded this week's three day Winter Test at Sebring International Raceway with very good results. Completing more than 425 laps around the 3.7-mile circuit over the three days, the team tested more than 50 sets of Yokohama tires as the two companies renewed the relationship that began in 1995 and has seen many victories since. Bill Auberlen, driving the No. 21 M3, set the second fastest GT2 time of the test, recording a 2:03.335 minute lap.

Auberlen begins his 10th season driving for BMW, having made his first start with BMW Team PTG in 1996. A native Californian, Auberlen currently resides in Redondo Beach, Calif., but one could say that he is most at home in a BMW M3. The most successful North American BMW M3 driver, he has been part of more than 50% of the team's 53 sports car racing victories, recording 27 wins in a BMW Team PTG M3 - including the Rolex 24 at Daytona and the 12 Hours of Sebring in both 1997 and 1998.

Auberlen said, "My best years in racing have been with BMW in the American Le Mans Series, and I'm absolutely thrilled to go back with BMW Team PTG and my teammates to compete at the highest level of sports-car racing."

Joey Hand, of Sacramento, Calif., begins his third season with BMW Team PTG. Winning four races last year; Hand was the top-finishing (fourth) BMW Team PTG driver in Rolex

Sports Car Series GT Driver Points. A top karter and open-wheel racer, Hand first came to the attention of PTG boss Tom Milner in 2000 in a BMW test with BMW Team PTG after capturing the 1999 Formula Mazda Pro Series Championship. Hand spent three years in the Toyota Atlantic Championship before joining BMW Team PTG in 2004.

Hand said, "I'm very happy to be back with BMW again this season. It is all-new for me to race a GT car in the ALMS and I am really looking forward to it. In ALMS trim the M3 truly looks the business and it feels like the entire team is ready for this new challenge."

Justin Marks, of Sacramento, Calif., has driven for BMW Team PTG since 2003.

He tallied three Rolex Series GT class wins last season, including sharing PTG's record 50th sports car racing victory with Hand at the Paul Revere 250 in July. An excellent qualifier, Marks scored three consecutive poles in the middle of last season as BMW Team PTG raced to seven wins in 13 races entered.

Marks said, "Since beginning my sports car racing career in 2001 one of my goals was to race in the ALMS. To be able to do it in a BMW Team PTG M3 makes it even sweeter."

In anticipation of needing additional drivers for the season's two endurance races, the season-opening 12 Hours of Sebring in March and the Petit Le Mans in September, BMW Team PTG gave two young drivers an opportunity to test during the Winter Test. Martin Jensen, (26), of Denmark and Graham Rahal, (17), of Columbus, Ohio, each spent time in the cars. 2005 BMW Team PTG driver Ian James was also on hand and drove a number of laps.

Background: 2006 marks the 11th season of competition for BMW M3s of BMW Team PTG. In 10 seasons BMW Team PTG has won a total of 53 races in both sprint and endurance racing series and 14 sports car racing championships. In 2005, BMW Team PTG won 7 of 13 Rolex Sports Car Series races entered. *MSR*

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Upcoming Events

Rocky Mountain Chapter Quarterly Chapter Membership Meeting

Wednesday, March 1, 2006

We will be having our RMC quarterly membership meeting at Old Chicago Pizza – we will be traveling north and south to give **ALL** members a chance to attend without traveling too far. The meeting will start promptly at 7:00 p.m. **Please feel free to join us for dinner at 6:30 p.m.** Our **first** quarter membership meeting will be located at: **Old Chicago Pizza**, 303-753-0824 – 1280 South Colorado Blvd., Denver, Colorado – I-25 & Colorado Blvd., approximately 1 mile north of I-25 on Colorado Blvd. **PLEASE RSVP to Darlene Doran 303-758-4200.**

Our **second** quarter membership meeting **Wednesday, June 7, 2006** will be located at: **Old Chicago Pizza**, 303-252-1113, 3909 East 120th Ave., Denver, Colorado – I-25 & 120th Ave., approximately 1 mile east of I-25 on 120th Ave.

Our **third** quarter membership meeting **Wednesday, September 6, 2006** will be located at: **Old Chicago Pizza**, 303-753-0824, 1280 South Colorado Blvd., Denver, Colorado – I-25 & Colorado Blvd., approximately 1 mile north of I-25 on Colorado Blvd. *MSR*

Meet & Greet New Members Pizza Video Night NORTH

by Gary Odehnal

Come join the BMW gang for the annual "Meet and Greet New Members" Video Night NORTH. The event will be headquartered for the evening at Woody's Wood-Fired Pizza on **Tuesday, March 14, 2006** beginning at 6:00 pm. This **FREE** event will give both new and veteran members an opportunity to talk about their *favorite* car and the slate of upcoming events for the club. Attendees are encouraged to bring any car/race videos or DVDs to share (call Gary to make arrangements) with the group.

Woody's Wood-Fired Pizza is located at 518 West Laurel Street, Fort Collins, Colorado 970-482-7100. **Please RSVP to Gary Odehnal (970) 219-9821. We look forward to seeing you there!!**

Directions: I-25 north to Mulberry Street (exit 269B) west on Mulberry to College - south on College to 1st right onto W Laurel Street. *MSR*



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Upcoming Events

Detailers Paradise Detailing Tech Session & Open House

by Heather Martinez, Coordinator

Detailers Paradise is pleased to invite the Rocky Mountain BMW Club to a Detailing Tech Session and Open House on **Saturday, March 11, 2006** from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This fun and educational event will be held at our retail store and training center at 1745 South Broadway in Denver (located just a few blocks north of Evans and just 1 mile south of I-25).

The Detailing Tech Session will focus on paint care and machine polishing. It will begin promptly at 10:15 AM and will be 95% hands-on. Learn about the pros and cons of the super-soft BMW paint and how to take good care of it. At the start of the tech session, participants can request coverage of additional detailing topics of interest if desired. We will also be available throughout the entire event to help you find solutions to your toughest detailing problems.... paint imperfections, leather conditioning, convertible top care, tire & wheel cleaning, metal polishing and more.

We will offer **special sale prices** on an assortment of products and tools, including a Club-only discount on all in-stock Piloti "Spyder" driving shoes! (go to: www.piloti.com for more info on the Piloti "Spyder" style) A large assortment of food and beverages will be available for Club members throughout the day. Stop by to learn, shop, and socialize! Racing and other car DVDs will run constantly in the entertainment area of our store for your viewing enjoyment. Free and safe parking is always available in our large parking lot. Please join us for this fun event!

For more information and/or to register for the Detailing Tech Session, please contact Heather Martinez at 303-722-5107 or at heather@detailersparadise.com. Pre-registration is requested for the tech session portion of the event. We look forward to seeing everyone there! MSR

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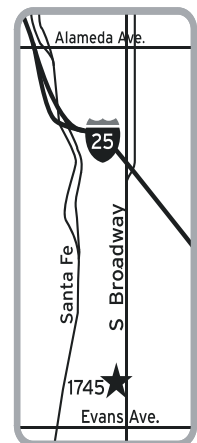
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2006 Autocross

Autocross Adopts a Charity



This season the Autocross committee has elected to adopt a charity as part of our on-going commitment of "giving back to the community". We're excited to announce the MaxFund, a no kill animal shelter, is this year's recipient. Please see the related article about the MaxFund for more information about the shelter. Thank you in advance for your support. *MSR*

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The MaxFund Story



Max was hit by a car. In shock, and with two broken legs, he was left by the side of the road. A young woman felt pity and took him to the local veterinarian. But after 10 days there was no one to take care of his extensive, and expensive, orthopedic surgeries. Dr. Bill Suro owned a vet hospital at that time, with his wife, Nanci Suro as hospital manager. They decided to accept Max with all his problems.

Despite all the pain and discomfort from multiple surgeries and a long period of physical therapy and rehabilitation, Max never lost his amazing attitude. He quickly became a favorite of staff and clients alike. A fish bowl was placed on the front desk for donations towards Max's hospital bill. The sign on the fish bowl said "The Max Fund."

After five surgeries and eight weeks of hospitalization, Max was discharged and adopted by one of his veterinarians, John Joseph, DVM.

The happy ending to Max's story was the happy beginning of the MaxFund. The money left over from the generous donations for Max was the initial start-up money for the MaxFund, an organization dedicated to injured animals (like Max) with no known owners. Injured animals are sometimes euthanized before their owners can find them and take responsibility for the animal's treatment. Some injured animals are abandoned or are strays without an owner. MaxFund animals receive the medical care they need and are either reunited with their original owners or adopted into new families. Thanks to the MaxFund, they truly have a "second leash on life!"

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2006 Autocross

Rocky Mountain Chapter BMW CCA

2006 Autocross Warm-Up & Points Series Event #1

The 2006 Autocross season will open up with a fun, warm-up event at the Denver International Airport (DIA), Mt. Elbert Parking lot. The spring warm-up event is a great opportunity to come out, and run your car for fun with no pressure of competition. This one will surely get you going.

We are extremely happy to have **CO's BMW Center** as our title sponsor this year! If you are not sure if your BMW will be up to snuff on the autocross course, call Kevin Bell and his Service staff prior to this event. By appointment, they will do a Tech Inspection, the same list as required for the BMW Driving Schools, for FREE! See the back cover of the *MSR* for more information on CO's.

Also, mark your calendar for the first point's series event slated for April 8th. Come experience fun runs in the morning and competition runs in the afternoon.

Autocross events are open to all BMW CCA members. Beginners, convertibles and roadsters are welcome. See our website for sign up, car classification, and season number information at <http://www.rmcbmwcca.org/autocross.htm>. Please come prepared for any weather, and bring lots of water and sunscreen.

DETAILS...

Dates: Saturday, **March 25, 2006** – Spring Warm-Up;
Saturday, **April 8, 2006** – Points Series Event #1

Location: Mt. Elbert – Shuttle parking lots – Denver International Airport Area

Directions: See http://www.rmcbmwcca.org/AutoX/Venue_Info.htm for information on how to access the DIA Mt. Elbert lot.

Please be courteous driving to and from the event. The area is heavily secured, and we are there at the option of airport management. Traffic enforcement also patrols the area.

Cost: \$45.00 per driver (CCA members) – includes lunch. Additional lunches \$7.50

Schedule: Plan to arrive prior to 7:30 a.m. to ensure adequate time for tech inspection.

7:00-8:30 a.m. Check-in/tech inspection & rookie walk
(Check-in closes 8:30)

9:00 a.m. Driver's meeting

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

Noonish Lunch Break

12:45-1:00 First car off Afternoon Runs! *MSR*

Autocross Registration: You may sign up on the web at <http://www.rmcbmwcca.org/autocross.htm>, to secure your seat now. Events have limited entry, so sign up early!



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by Alain van der Heide & Darlene Doran, Coordinators

Street Survival Teen Driving School

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.

The Rocky Mountain Chapter has held several Street Survival schools which have been a huge success. If your child missed it, or wasn't quite old enough, you're in luck. We've scheduled a Street Survival course for the spring and fall. The spring school will be held on **Saturday, April 29, 2006** at Arapahoe Park in Aurora (the lot where the Car Control Clinic is held). The program is open to anyone from age 15½ to 19, with a learner's permit or a full license. Parents are welcome to watch – or even better, to help run the event! Further information, and registration for both students and volunteers, will be online at <http://www.rmcbmwcca.org> (look for the Street Survival logo). 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. If your child is too young to attend the April date, we'll be holding a second event **Saturday, September 30, 2006** at the same location.

There will be more details in the next issues of the *Motor-Sport 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

by Dave Stackhouse and Dee Raisl, Coordinators

23rd Annual Exotic Sports Car Show and Concours d'Elegance June 4, 2006

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 4, 2006, at Arapahoe Community College 5900 South Santa Fe Drive in Littleton, Colorado. 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. 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 our chapter web-site and each member who registers will receive two tickets for lunch, by **May 15** 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 con-

tribution 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.

"Register your car through our chapter web-site and each member who registers will receive two tickets for lunch."

Don't delay. Space is limited, so register today. After May 15th the registration fee increases to \$50 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 registrations, 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*



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REARVIEW MIRROR

The year is 1986; the **Rearview 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; Horse Ferdinand wins the Kentucky Derby receiving \$609,400; Montreal beats Calgary to win the Stanley Cup; Boxer Tim Witherspoon defeats Tony Tubbs. Best Selling Books published - Oliver Saks' "The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat"; Kenneth Jackson's "The Crabgrass Frontier"; and Tom Clancy's "Red Storm Rising".

ACTIVITIES

REVIEW

WINTER GYMKHANA REPORT

The ice and weather cooperated with us and we had a very enjoyable (and safe) gymkhana. Twenty drivers in 17 vehicles took turns driving around various courses on the lake in Georgetown. Several members of the Alpha club joined us for a light breakfast, the Gymkhana on the 16 inch thick ice and a buffet dinner afterwards at the Alpine Inn in Georgetown. In the morning we practiced accelerating, braking and turning and had the opportunity to do some spins. (Next year we'll add some 180 degree or 360 degree spins as part of the regular course to help us learn how to better control our vehicles if we happen to get out of shape.)

In the afternoon we ran some timed runs around an interesting course which included an "N" shaped section requiring drivers to stop, backup through a gate and then go forward through the next gate. This course also included a required loop around a pylon and several "S-shaped" sections. Each driver made five runs; three were timed. First place trophies were awarded to the drivers with fastest times on one of the runs in three categories based on tire type: Class A--studded, Class B--M&S, Class C--regular street tires. Thanks go to the Service Department of GEBHARDT BMW in Boulder for donating Roundels for the trophies!

Congratulations to the following winners in the 1986 Rocky Mountain BMW Winter Gymkhana:

CLASS A	IRA GUTHRIE	325e
CLASS B	CHUCK CORDINA	530i
CLASS C	RAY LARUE	535i

Congratulations also to the Alpha Sports Sedans drivers Bill Hardy for Class A (non-BMW) and Fast Time of Day and to Dan Fritz for Class B (non-BMW). Complete results are given on a separate page in this issue.

We hope to make this an annual event. See you next year!

WINTER GYMKHANA OFFICIAL RESULTS

A report on the Gymkhana held February 22, 1986 is included elsewhere in this issue. Following are the official times from the best of three timed runs.

CLASS A--BMW (Studded)

1. Ira Guthrie 1:30:08
2. Dave McHenry 1:33:47
3. Steve Williams 1:35:12
4. Brock O'Kelley 1:35:59
5. Gordon Haines 1:35:80
6. Fred Iacino 1:40:87
7. Bev Williams 1:42:55
8. Laura O'Kelley 1:42:75
9. Robert McHenry 1:48:67
10. Bev Haines(Volvo)1:52:47

CLASS A--ALPHA

1. Bill Hardy 1:27:19

CLASS B--BMW (M&S)

1. Chuck Cordina 1:44:43
2. Beth Birza 1:52:11

CLASS B--ALPHA

1. Dan Fritz 1:34:07
2. Celeste Fritz 1:44:81
3. Darrel Welch DQ

Class C--BMW (regular tires)

1. Ray LaRue 1:48:37
2. Bruce Hazard 1:51:07
3. Mike Slouka 1:51:21
4. Mary LaRue 1:52:23



Photos by Brock O'Kelley

See this year's Ice Gymkhana results on page 24.



REARVIEW MIRROR

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

If you have been reading the *ROUNDEL* lately you are aware of the Membership Drive to increase Chapter growth. This growth will enable the Club to expand services to the local chapters as well as increase the membership of the Chapters which will benefit the local events.

To encourage everyone to participate in the Membership Drive, an amazing incentive program is being offered.

INDIVIDUAL INCENTIVES

- GRAND PRIZE - Trip for 2 to Munich via Lufthansa Airlines, 8 day stay at the Munich Sheraton Hotel, Passport Radar Detector & a set of Escort Equipment Luggage. To be awarded to the BMWCCA member signing up a new member during the contest period, the winner will be selected in a random drawing.
- 1ST PRIZE - Trip for 2 to Munich via Lufthansa Airlines, 8 day stay at the Munich Sheraton Hotel. To be awarded to the BMWCCA member signing up the greatest number of new members during the contest period.
- 2ND PRIZE - Complete set of BFGoodrich CompT/A tires. To be awarded to the BMWCCA member signing up the second highest number of new members during the contest period.
- 3RD PRIZE - Complete set of Bilstein shock absorbers. To be awarded to the BMWCCA member signing up the third highest number of new members during the contest period.
- 4TH PRIZE - Set of Bosch Halogen Rallye Lights. To be awarded to the BMWCCA member signing up the fourth highest number of new members during the contest period.

CHAPTER INCENTIVES

- A BOSE sound system to the Chapter that exceeds their goal by the greatest percentage.
- A set of BFGoodrich tires AND a set of Bilstein shock absorbers to the Chapter with the largest gain in its size group. Each Chapter member will also receive a container of fuel additive from Amoco.
- T-Shirts, grill badges and other Club regalia to each chapter meeting its goal
- An Escort Radar Detector to the chapter with the greatest overall growth.

How do you participate you ask? Its real simple. On the application form in the back of the *ROUNDEL* and the *MOTORSPORT REPORT* you will notice a REFERED BY: space in the upper right hand corner. Complete this information, the membership number is very important, and give the application form to a prospective member. Every application with this information will be entered in the drawing in the national office. A copy is also sent to the Rocky Mt. Chapter for use in a drawing for any prizes that the Chapter wins.

The membership drive runs from June 1, 1986 to November 30 1986. So be sure participate. Be selfish if you wish and win the big prizes. Whatever your incentive to participate, everyone wins. For more details on the Membership Drive see the June issue of the *ROUNDEL*, pages 70,72.

*This year's Membership Drive
Details on page 22.*

News From National

Wynne Smith, Executive Director

Membership Stats as of 1/23/2005

	Full	Associate	Total
Last month	65820	9316	75136
Last Year	65800	9286	75086
	66428	8765	75193

BMW CCA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

So far **530** members have signed up **708** new members! Keep up the good work!

Watch the www.bmwcca.org website for updates to the prize list – and if you need applications or membership drive business cards to help you recruit – just email: jennifer.skatzes@bmwcca.org

ZF AUGMENTS PUBLIC SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM!

Watch your email in-box for a press release concerning ZF's enhancement of the already outstanding Public Service Awards Program.

DEC CONGRESS –DALLAS-JANUARY 20-22, 2006

Yesterday I returned from the Driving Events Congress in Dallas, TX. This year's conference was IMO the most unique and valuable conference the club has hosted to date. To give credit where credit is due – the Driving Events Committee organized two days of amazing sessions that kept everyone in attendance engaged and offered as much a two-way dialog as you can imagine. Speakers such as Richard Brekus of BMW North America, Dr. John Melvin of TanDelta Safety, Tony Funicello, Tom Strahs, the list goes on and on. This conference broke previous attendance records, with more than 140 people from more than 55 BMW CCA Chapters. An incredible success for a program that is becoming more and more important as a way for the BMW CCA to interact with the driving events community. We were even able to share a couple of hours with PTG Driver (and Sacramento Valley member), Joey Hand. Absolutely wonderful.

I have posted a list of attendees and their email addresses to the DEC digest in the FILES section – For those of you on the list, please correct/update the email info in case it is incorrect or outdated.

2006 MOTORSPORTS INSURANCE RATES – have gone up 8%. This is a slight reflection on our loss and incident rate due to our first fatality, and also based on the rise in how many events have been put on in the 2004 and 2005 season.

Cost for certificates **per event** will be as follows 2/1/2006 – 1/31/2007:

Club Race \$ 1,650 **CR/Driving School \$ 1,550**
Driving School \$ 1,400 **Autocross/CCC \$ 275**
Tours/Rallies/Concours \$ 150

ADDITIONAL INSURED STATUS with respect to MOTORSPORT LIABILITY COVERAGE – There continues to be some confusion regarding who and what may be added as an additional insured to the certificates issued for events by Wisenberg. Please be sure everyone in your chapter involved with obtaining coverage for events understands that any participant that signs a waiver is covered as an additional insured. **However**, if the individual has a "business", that business can't be added as an additional insured to our policy. Often chapters are then asked to "indemnify" such a business, but if we ever had a claim, this would not be looked upon favorably by the carrier. Be sure your corner workers, instructor trainers, driving instructors, etc. sign the waivers at each event. Be sure to **READ** contracts carefully and thoroughly so that you are not agreeing to indemnify the business of a paid participant. If you have questions or need help with reviewing contracts submitted to you – please call me or your regional D.E.C. representative.

DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

How many of you are aware of the fact that each of the Regional Vice Presidents has \$500 in discretionary funds that may be used to assist chapters each quarter? Per the Operations Manual:

Subject to approval of each year's budget, Regional Vice Presidents each have \$500 per quarter or \$2,000 per year of discretionary funds at their disposal to spend for the betterment of the BMW CCA and primarily to aid chapters. If a Regional Vice President is a candidate for office in the upcoming national election, then the maximum discretionary allowance is \$500 in the first quarter. Each Regional Vice President is responsible at the subsequent Board meeting to report the purpose and amount of all discretionary funds disbursed since the previous meeting.

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The BMW Car Club of America - and our North Central Chapters - invite you to join us for Oktoberfest, July 23-28, 2006 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Bring the whole family. We guarantee they'll have a great time! This year's O'Fest featured model is the BMW 6 Series. Register soon at www.bmwcca.org.

Amway Grand Hotel, 187 Monrow NW, Grand Rapids, MI, 800-253-3590, BMW CCA roomblock \$99/night and mention code BMW0723 to reserve your room.

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For all the discussions, send an email message to rmc-bmwcca-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

If you'd rather see only the official event announcements and calendar reminders, instead, send an email message to rmc-bmwcca-announce-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

News From National

Discretionary funds support the changing and emerging needs of chapters. They are the most flexible type of fund. Discretionary funds were put into the budget so that Regional Vice Presidents could provide monetary assistance to chapters in a variety of circumstances. The discretionary fund's purpose and use should be clear. The Board of Directors intend that the monies in the fund are to be used solely at the discretion of the RVP for purposes consistent with the club's mission — funds to assist chapters with financial and communal needs that may be necessary to be met in a confidential manner, or whose needs would bring a benefit unable to be met through other means. For instance, funds to help chapters with smaller treasuries purchase software or equipment to assist in the production of Newsletters or Websites; funds to help chapters augment corral funds for approved corrals; funds to assist rebuilding a chapter after a catastrophic event — such as Katrina.

Please understand that with respect to the custody and management of discretionary funds, the Regional Vice Presidents recognize that these funds should be used to supplement membership dues rebates to the end that a chapter may improve and increase its functions, may extend its areas of service to serve more of its members in remote areas of the chapter, and to become more useful to a greater number of chapter members.

An RVP cannot have money placed into the discretionary fund budget and then use the fund for personal needs. So, the discretionary fund should not be used by the RVP to attend a chapter event or travel out of region or to host a party; but the funds can be used by the RVP to help chapters to send additional attendees to National Conferences — a definite benefit to the chapter. The funds are generally earmarked for smaller chapters with smaller treasuries to help in maintaining the chapter's minimum standards or (as indicated above) to assist in providing more chapter volunteers with opportunities to expand their knowledge and experience. It is a little exasperating to see distributions made to chapters with treasuries of more than \$50 – 75,000 to augment corral funds, when other chapters in the same region can't afford to send a volunteer to a \$149/day seminar to learn to use a program that will streamline a chapter function.

A reasonable test of appropriateness for expenditure should include the following questions:

1. Is this expenditure demonstrably in the best interest of the region/chapter?
2. Is this expenditure clearly for the purpose of meeting club objectives and not for any political gain or benefit of any volunteer?
3. Will this expenditure be justifiable under the scrutiny of a membership concerned with disparity in funding from one chapter to another?
4. Would you be proud to have your name associated with this expenditure if reported on the front page of a chapter Newsletter or on the National website?

It seems as though over the past few years we've lost sight of what the funds are to be used for and we've seen discretionary funds channeled repeatedly into only one or two chapters within a region; rather than provided to chapters that have genuine needs. This is likely due to some chapters knowing the funds are available, while many do not.

If you have questions about the availability of funds for your chapter, please contact your Regional V.P. for more information and details on distribution. Because the funds are discretionary, your RVP has the final say as to what chapters will qualify for what amount — but you'll never qualify if you don't ask.

BMW CCA ELECTIONS

The January issue of Roundel contains your ballots — **your mailing label to affix to the ballots** and the detailed information on the proposed bylaws change. **PLEASE DO NOT THROW YOUR LABEL AWAY — you will need it to vote.**

All ballots must be received by February 11, 2006. The results will be posted February 13th.

GATEWAY TECH

More and more vendors and presenters are signing up each day. Special presentations by BMW CCA Club Racing, Wisenberg Motorsports, BMW CCA Foundation Street Survival and many others. Don't miss this 25th Anniversary technological bash. Will Boris Said be reprising his performance at Oktoberfest 2005? Indeed he will. This will be a great place to visit with members of the BMW CCA Board; and rumor has it there may be a gathering of Roundelians for a staff meeting!

BMW CCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL MEETING

Held this year at Gateway Tech — St. Charles, MO March 25 and 26. For details or to observe, please call the National Office. 864 250-0022. *MSR*

Best regards, Wynne

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2005-06 Membership Drive

The BMW CCA Membership Drive is from September 1, 2005 to July 15, 2006.

This membership drive is open to three categories: 1) current BMW CCA members, 2) current BMW CCA members who work for a BMW dealer or independent BMW shop, and 3) BMW CCA chapters. To be eligible, **BMW CCA members must be paid members**. There are reward incentives for all categories. BMW CCA members have equal opportunities to receive the membership extension rewards. Lifetime members may designate their extra months of membership earned to be added to the membership of a friend or family member.

In addition to ongoing incentive rewards category 1 and 2 will be eligible for drawings for a variety of additional prizes at the end of the membership drive. These drawings will take place at Oktoberfest 2006. Winners need not be present at Oktoberfest to win. The prize list will be published on the www.bmwcca.org web site as prizes are added.

A **new membership is defined as** a membership (associates do not count a membership) that has never before belonged to BMW CCA, or a previous member **whose membership lapsed at least six months prior to the date of the new membership**.

All new member applications must be received by the National Office no later than July 15, 2006. If referred by a current BMW CCA member, a **new member application**

must contain the name and BMW CCA member number of the referring member in order for the referring member to receive credit and the new membership cannot be **canceled within three months** after joining.

New members can join by 1) calling BMW CCA 1-800-978-9292 to submit their application and credit card information over the telephone; 2) visiting the www.bmwcca.org web site and submitting an application online; or 3) mailing a membership application to the National Office. The referring member's name and member number must be provided at the time the call is made.

Membership applications/BMW CCA brochures are available from the National Office by calling (864) 250-0022 and questions may be directed to the Executive Director, Wynne Smith, by e-mail to wynnesmith@bmwcca.org or the above telephone number.

Category 1. Current BMW CCA Members (not employed by a BMW dealer or independent BMW shop): For each new member, referring members will receive a one-month extension of their existing BMW CCA membership, and one ticket in the prize drawing. There is no limit to the number of extensions a member may receive based on new member referrals.

Category 2. Current BMW CCA Members employed by a BMW dealer or independent BMW shop: For each new member, referring members will receive a one-month extension of their existing BMW CCA membership, and one ticket in the prize drawing.

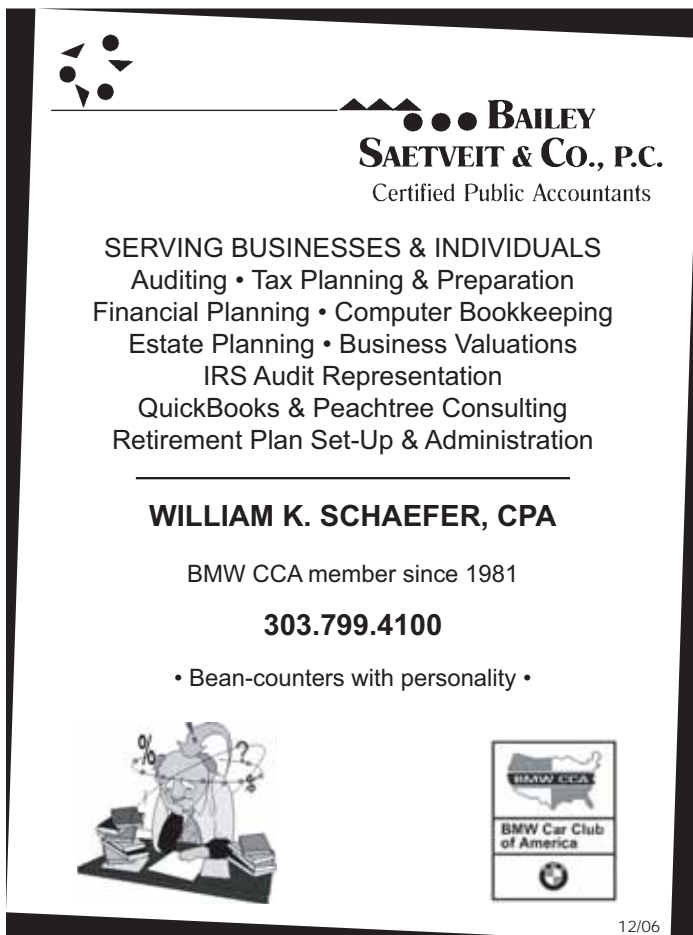
In addition to the prize drawings, grand prizes will be given for the three BMW members who refer the most members.

Memberships purchased by **dealers** for their customers are not eligible for the one month extension reward or tickets for the prize drawings. This exclusion is in effect even if a current BMW CCA member is listed on the application as a referrer.

Category 3. Chapters: Chapters are eligible for rewards (must be in good standing) based on an overall increase in their total membership and their renewal rate.

The top three chapters in percentage of new members will each receive their choice of two registrations for Oktoberfest 2007 or TechFest 2007.


The top ten chapters in percentage of new members and renewal rates will be officially recognized in *Roundel* Magazine. *MSR*



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2006 Ice Gymkhana Review

by Paul Schultz, Coordinator



Our annual ice event was held on Saturday, January 21, 2006 at Georgetown Lake. Conditions at Georgetown were treacherous with a snow covered lake. The challenge was for the drivers to use their skills to find the most traction and the quickest way through the course. Some had difficulty getting around at all. 4WD vehicles had to be timed first to make the course even navigable. The results are to the right. Special Thanks to Carol and Grant Barclay for set-up and scoring. *MSR*



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Final Results – January 21, 2006

Car #	Driver	Car Model	Time
Class: 'B' RWD Non-Studded			
1	Chuck Remus	323	2:21
2	Rex Misken	525	2:25
3	Rick Remus	323	2:47
4	Peter Fry	M3	2:49
5	Dan Cory	M3	----
6	Robert Cory	M3	----
7	Nate Finneman	325	----
Class: 'C' 4WD Studded			
	Grant Barclay	Subaru	1:39
	Carol Barclay	Subaru	1:48
	Josh Gee	Subaru	1:58
Class: 'D' 4WD Non-Studded			
1	Jim Gill	Audi	1:48
2	Gregg Ten Eyck	X5	1:50
3	Dan Simon	Audi	1:51
4	Dan Buxbaum	Subaru	1:56
5	Rob Smith	Xi	1:57
6	Otto Palmer	X5	2:00
7	Bill McLaughlin	Xi	2:01
8	Ailsa Ten Eyck	X5	2:02
9	Eugene Yen	Audi	2:05
10	Mark McAvoy	X3	2:09
11	Bill Chambers	Audi	----
12	Robert Welch	Audi	----
Class: 'E' Other			
1	Alan Webb	Mini	2:10
2	Andrew Webb	Mini	2:13
3	Katharine Misken	Volvo	2:23
4	Dave Spector	Ford	2:24



2006 Ice Gymkhana Review



Ice Gymkhana Thanks

A very big thanks Paul Schultz (and his sons Ted and Tom) for organizing the Ice Gymkhana event at Georgetown on Saturday. Carol and I had such a good time, sliding around on the ice was a really fun day. I think the chief of weather did a great job, a nice crusty covering of snow on the ice, brilliant sunshine and just a little wind. Chief of traffic on the I-70 could use some help.

Where else can you get sun burnt at 9000 feet in January while enjoying the great company of fellow BMW enthusiasts?

It was really neat watching the AWD systems do their thing in the X3 and X5. I was impressed with the Mini setting the standard for 2WD even though they seemed to surf over much of the snow.

Thank you Paul, we will be back next year.

Best regards Grant and Carol Barclay



The Two-Wheel BMW

BMW Motorrad at the EICMA A firework display of new models

MUNICH. In addition to the previously announced F 800 S, a completely newly developed sports bike for the medium category, BMW Motorrad will also be showing three more models at the EICMA (Expositione Internazionale Ciclo Motociclo Accessorio). Alongside the touring-oriented sister model of the F 800 S, the F 800 ST, the new sports flat-twin R 1200 S (see BMW 1200 S press folder copy) and the sporty long-distance touring bike K 1200 GT will also be on show in Milan from November 16th – 20th.

BMW K 1200 GT

Die K 1200 GT is the successor to the existing K 1200 GT and is based on the innovative engine technology of the K 1200 S and K 1200 R. The second generation of the GT offers top-class driving dynamics, a key feature here being the fact that the engine is designed for particularly high torque. This makes for supreme performance figures and maximum agility: the performance of the sports touring bike will be over 110 kW/150 bhp.

Likewise, the chassis components leave nothing to be desired. The K 1200 GT has the same technical basis as the K 1200 S and offers customers Duolever front wheel control, the Paralever for rear wheel control and the electrically adjustable suspension strut (ESA) as an optional extra. The GT deserves the name "Gran Turismo" like no other. Its standard features include an adjustable seat and handlebars. The windshield can be electronically adjusted to suit individual preferences. Other equipment features are the pannier system and the BMW Motorrad Integral ABS in the part integral version. BMW Motorrad also provides a tailor-made range of special equipment and accessories.

The new K 1200 GT offers perfect wind and weather protection and is the optimum riding machine for tours and long distances. Nevertheless it is surprisingly narrow and very elegant in appearance.

BMW F 800 ST

The F 800 ST, the new medium category sports touring bike, also has touring-oriented equipment. Unlike the sporty F 800 S there is full trim, a high windshield, an aluminium luggage bridge as standard. The raised handlebars of the F 800 ST ensure an ergonomically favourable seating position. This model's comfort defines new standards in the medium category and means it is predestined for lengthy trips - either singly or with a pillion passenger.



The dry weight of the F 800 ST is under 190 kg, with a road-ready (DIN empty) weight below 210 kg. The two F models only differ in these technical specifications.

The newly designed 2-cylinder in-line engine, developed in collaboration with Bombardier-Rotax GmbH as a 4-valve unit, is also installed in the F 800 ST. A top performance figure above 60 kW (more than 80 bhp) and the corresponding



revving capacity ensure that more ambitious sporty requirements are fulfilled. The high compression ratio of 12:1 and a combustion chamber design based on the new K engine mean that combustion is effective and low in emissions, as well as ensuring reduced fuel consumption.

The already well-established toothed belt drive (F 650 CS) has been chosen as the rear wheel drive for the new model series. Being maintenance friendly, smooth-running and light, it provides the optimum in terms of durability, efficiency, space requirements and weight in this performance class. A closed-loop three-way catalytic converter, state-of-the-art digital engine electronics and optional ABS are of course available too.

All models will be available in Germany from spring 2006; prices have not yet been fixed.

Pushing Into The Mid-Range: The new BMW F 800 S twin-cylinder

MUNICH. With its completely new mid-range sports bikes, BMW Motorrad is ringing in the next round of its model offensive. In the first half of 2006, the F 800 will be the fourth model series to come off the Berlin assembly lines and it is sure to stir up the middle class. The F 800 S is an 800-cc twin which offers lots of character, an excellent suspension and typical BMW properties.

The athletic F 800 S sports bike has a dry weight of under 419 lbs. (approx. 441 lbs. ready-to-ride) and is the first model of the new and separate model series. The precise suspension is designed for high directional and cornering stability as well as optimum handling. The clas-



The Two-Wheel BMW

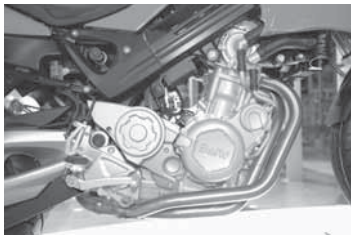
sic BMW qualities such as safety, compliance with the highest environmental standards, ergonomic seating position and comfort also for the passenger define the new standard in the mid-range bike. A closed-loop three-way catalytic converter, state-of-the-art digital engine electronics and optional ABS are also a matter of course for this motorcycle.



With regard to the drive-line, BMW Motorrad is continuing with the innovation introduced on the F 650 CS and makes use of the low-maintenance and quiet-running belt-drive. It is lighter than shaft drive and represents the optimum combination of weight, space requirements, efficiency and service life in this performance class.



The engine is also a completely new design. It was developed in cooperation with Bombardier-Rotax GmbH. It is manufactured in the Austrian Rotax plant and is delivered to the Berlin production line ready-for-assembly. The first two-cylinder inline engine in the history of BMW Motorrad features a four-valve design. High 12:1 compression and a combustion chamber designed similarly to the one used in the new K-engine ensure effective and low-emission combustion,



as well as efficient fuel consumption which will be considerably lower than that of the competition. Mass compensation for the crankshaft balances unwanted vibrations without foregoing the vigorous characteristics associated with two-cylinder engines. The compact engine unit with integrated 6-speed gearbox has been designed for balanced power delivery and uncomplicated riding pleasure. A peak output exceeding 80 bhp with respective torque will also satisfy a sports-rider's needs.

The new BMW F 800 S will be presented to the international press and then the public for the first time at the EICMA Motor Show in Milan on 15 November 2005. The price has not yet been set.

BMW K 1200 S Shakes Bonneville Salt Flats Setting World Land Speed Record

WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ - November 8, 2005... A 2006 production model BMW K 1200 S has set a world land speed record in the 1000 - 1350 cc stock, partially streamlined, naturally aspirated motorcycle class at Utah's famed Bonneville Salt Flats. The motorcycle, piloted by 56-year-old Andy Sills, of San Francisco, CA, reached an average speed of 173.57 mph and top speed of 176.789 mph after two runs on the

vast, White Plains, where hundreds of land speed records have been set and broken since the early 1900s in a variety of automobile and motorcycle classes.

"It was a rare opportunity for me and BMW," commented Sills, an avid BMW enthusiast, who, collectively, has amassed more than 300,000 miles on four BMW motorcycles within the last seven years. Sills went on to say, "The best part is that our record on the stock BMW K 1200 S matched to the mile, the historic last record run of 173.68 mph by Ernst Henne on a specially equipped streamlined BMW! He must have been watching over us."



Sills, who began making his mark on the Bonneville Salt Flats four years ago and who holds the world 80cc and 100cc motorcycle streamliner records, also clocked a record speed of 169 mph, riding the K 1200 S two-up with passenger Erin Hunter. The pair received a standing ovation from a cheering crowd of fellow competitors as they made their way into the pits.

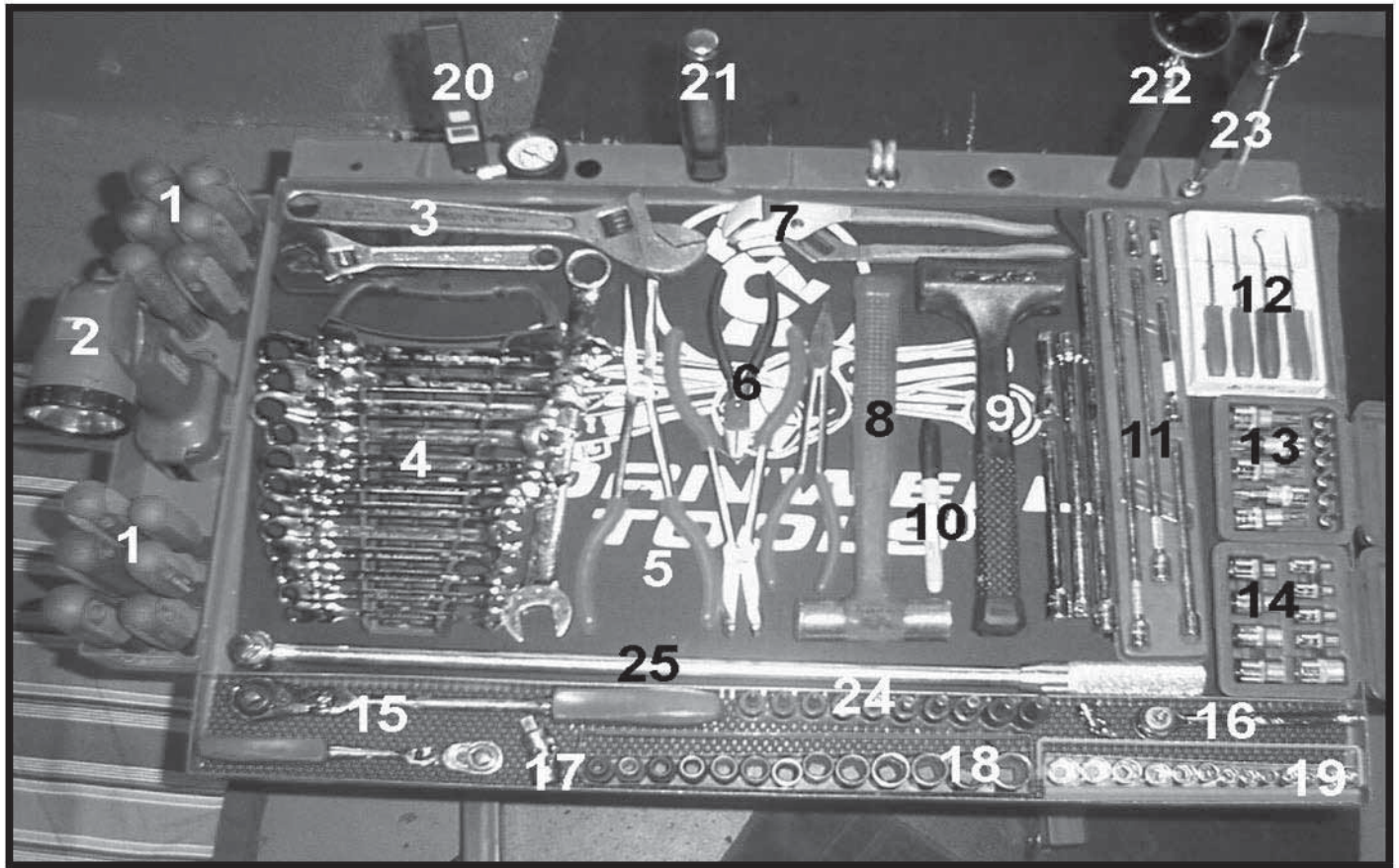
The records, which were ratified on October 25, 2005, were set September 8, 2005 according to rules set forth by the Federation Internationale de Motocyclisme (FIM), the century-old, Swiss-based governing body for five motorcycling disciplines (road racing, motocross, trial, enduro and track racing).

Another record at Bonneville was achieved by Brian Parriott and San Jose BMW, fielding the BMW K 1200 R Power Cup bike, setting an AMA speed record for unstreamlined motorcycles in the 1300cc class at an average of 164.480 mph and top speed of 167.331mph. San Jose BMW is also no stranger to Bonneville, having previously set the 1000cc world record with their infamous R 100 "Wrecking Ball".

The new BMW K 1200 S is the most powerful motorcycle ever produced by BMW Motorrad. A 167 horsepower engine delivers performance of 0 to 60 mph in 2.8 seconds. Yet, its unbridled engine power is effortlessly controlled by a newly designed six-speed gearbox and an all-new front suspension system, called the Duolever - another first-ever innovation found on the K 1200 S, delivering comfort, nimble control and an unprecedented capability for speed. The BMW K 1200 S has been available for sale through authorized BMW Motorrad retailers as of May of this year. *MSR*

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Tool Basics for the Weekend Warrior!



Most of you probably don't know that I was a DIY and a club member long before I opened Lone Star Bavarian. I purchased my first BMW back in 1991, when I was still in college. My interest for BMW, or should I say my interest for turning wrenches was sparked after that purchase. You see my first Bimmer was a 1977 630CSI that was turbocharged. I was convinced to buy this car by a dealer friend, whose dealership was in a very small town in Louisiana. He had taken this Franken-bimmer in on trade for partial payment on an I-Roc Z28 Camaro and he knew his chances of reselling it to anyone in backwoods Louisiana were slim. There aren't too many bubbas small town Louisianan that wants a hopped up BMW from the past. So he gave me what I thought was a good deal at the time (I could afford it) and off I went, back to Baton Rouge in my ridiculous purchase.

My epiphany came when I dropped the "Shark" off to get an estimate for front end suspension work and that estimate was for more than I paid for the dino-six. It was at that very moment that I realized I would have to learn to fix it myself, sell it or somehow learn to enjoy walking. I chose to dive into BMW repair, since selling it still would still be a daunting task in Baton Rouge (the big city)! Although I did have some yahoo want to trade me a T-Bucket, hot-rod for it. I passed. With that said, Mr. T-Bucket called me a month later to let me know he had sold it for \$12k, which was considerably more than I paid for the 6er. What the heck did I know, I was 22 and I just couldn't imagine what I was going to do with a convert-

ible T-Bucket in Louisiana. It rains and it rains a lot. I guess I wasn't real shrewd in car sales at that time. And besides, I liked the 6er, it was unique.

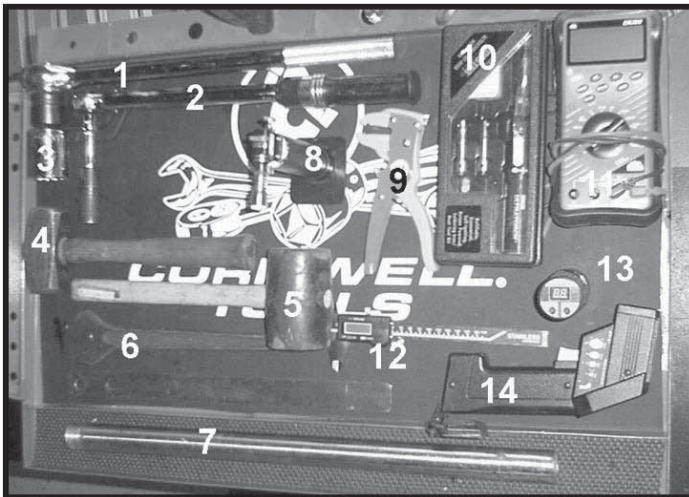
Then as now, there are a few basic tools that you will need to work on your modern, not so modern and for some of you "historic" BMW's. I am only covering the basics because as special tools go, I could go on for days and those really are based on what model and year you own. It also depends on just what you are willing to tackle in your driveway (for some of you, you will need to substitute "what your wife will tolerate" here). Here is the list. It is not complete but rather a great foundation to build from.

Pictured in Photo 1:

1. A complete set of screwdrivers, flat head and Phillips.
2. A good flashlight/drop-light.
3. Adjustable wrench, a couple of sizes.
4. Metric Box End/Open End Wrench set, 8mm-22mm.
5. A Needle Nose Pliers Assortment
6. Wire cutters
7. Water pump pliers
8. Brass Hammer
9. Dead blow hammer
10. Sharpie or Black Magic Marker
11. Assortment of 1/4" and 3/8" extensions.
12. Set of Automotive Piks
13. Set of Metric Torx
14. Set of Inverted Metric Torx

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15. 3/8" socket drivers, fixed and adjustable heads.
16. 1/4" socket driver (fixed only is fine)
17. 1/4" and 3/8" wobble attachments
18. 3/8" socket set, 8mm - 22mm
19. 1/4" socket set 4mm - 15mm
20. Tire gauge
21. Good quality pry-bar
22. Telescoping Mirror (for finding leaks and tools and parts you drop)
23. Telescoping Magnet (for grabbing un-reachable parts and tools you drop)
24. Set of Metric Allen Sockets
25. Large Break-over Bar



Pictured in Photo 2:

1. Heavy Duty Socket Wrench or Break-Over Bar.
2. Good quality Ft. Lbs and inch lbs torque wrench. Ft. lbs is more important.
3. 36 mm socket for oil filter canister top removal
4. Small Heavy Duty Maul
5. Rubber mallet
6. Fan clutch tools for your model
7. Cheater pipe for use with heavy duty break-over bar.
8. Sm. Quick Ignite Propane Torch
9. Wire strippers
10. Soldering Iron, either propane or electric
11. Good quality multi-meter.
12. Slide Caliper
13. Code Reader (the best you can afford, Peake is what I recommend)
14. Infrared Pyrometer.

Pictured in Photo 3:

A good set of jack stands. Two of these will suffice for most jobs but you will need four for some of the more involved jobs. You will also need a good quality floor jack to get your vehicle up on those jack stands.

As I stated before, this is a list of items to build on. You will find that there are other items that will make some jobs easier but for the most part you will be able to accomplish most tasks with this list of tools. And as you move from the amateur category into the more novice DIY category you will add more specialty items to your inventory. Some will be BMW

specific and others won't. I find the following items to be very useful but not needed.

1. A set of half moon box end wrenches.
2. A set of wobble sockets both 1/4" and 3/8". These are very pricey if you are to buy good quality.

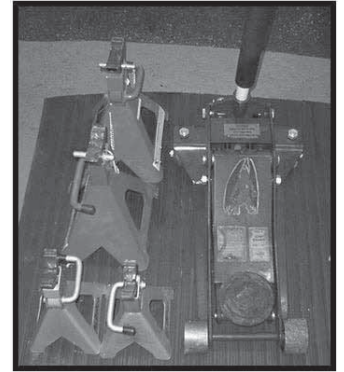
Of course air tools and compressor are of great help but I caution the use of these until you have become comfortable with turning wrenches manually. I did not buy any air tools until I actually opened Lone Star and I still don't like them but they sure do speed up certain jobs.

Finally the best tool you have, you already own. The BMW CCA is by far one of the best tools/resources you have and there are many sponsors and members that are readily available and willing to help and direct. I suggest that you develop a strong relationship with a couple of shops, techs and technical advisors. Remember these guys have jobs and usually are very busy so be judicious in how much time you take from them. Back in the day I would never use the same reference person twice in a row since I did not want to wear out my welcome. Often times, especially when I was tackling a big job that needed advanced direction, I would tip or pay the advisor/tech for his time. This way I knew that when I needed them again they would welcome my questions and not feel as bothered.

One other tool that I am assuming most of you have is your computer. There are many sites dedicated to shade tree repair such as bimmerforums.com and www.roadfly.org. In addition there is also www.bmw-tis.com that has most of the information you need to do most repairs. This site is a pay site and does require some searching, especially if you are not familiar with it and BMW's way of categorizing the material contained within. This site is aimed at the seasoned BMW techs so don't expect to log on and find Bentley styled instructions.

Most of all remember to budget a lot more time than you need to accomplish what ever it is you are trying to accomplish and do your homework ahead of time. And remember being a DIY can be fun and should be. Good luck and don't be afraid to ask for help! *MSR*

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Taking Better Pictures of Cars

Next to our families and friends, we car enthusiasts probably like to take lots of pictures of our cars. As an amateur photographer, I'll share in this article some of the tips and tricks and things I think about when photographing cars. Don't worry... you won't need high-end equipment or an assistant or even a studio to take advantage of the ideas here. I won't even get into f-stops or shutter speeds and other things that make most people's eyes glaze over.

All you need is a camera and these few things to think about. You will be surprised at what you can do with a basic digital point-and-shoot camera!

Setting

When possible, pick a good location to take a picture of a car. Taking a shot in your driveway or in a parking lot is common, but nothing special.



Figure 1: The setting for the shot is important.

Go out for a drive and pull over to the side of the road and take a shot against a field with some cows in the distance, or near a dilapidated barn, or in front of a quaint store, or with industrial inventory in the background (spools of cable, piles of bricks, mountains of crushed stone). Sometimes a shot is simple and right there in front of you like the stretch 7 Series parked outside a Harvard University dorm room in Figure 1: a stately car in front of a stately building.

Reduce Clutter and Simplify

Like Homer Simpson, your worst enemy is your own brain. It's too good at filtering out things you don't want to see—things that will show up with brutal honesty in the photo: telephone poles growing out of the top of a car, mottled reflections off the hood or windshield, ugly front license plates or transponder devices, or... other people's cars.

Figure 2 shows a truly awful picture of a Mustang. The car itself is nice and in good condition but look at the rest of the photo: windshield wiper up, other cars and buildings in the background, pools of water with unwanted reflections.

When looking through the viewfinder of your camera or at the LCD screen, look at the car but also look at everything else. Do you want that in your photo? (The only thing, you might argue, worth adding to a photo of a car to improve it would be a model. Then you really have to question if it still



Figure 2: Clutter detracts from the car.

is a picture of a car if there is a scantily-clad, smokin' hottie in the same photo.)

Composition

Most pictures of cars are shot from a perspective about 5-6 feet from the ground. Try crouching down and taking a low shot, or try elevating yourself on a retaining wall or stairs for a higher shot. Take a different angle than the standard three-quarters front or rear shot.



Figure 3: A different composition can emphasize different parts of the car.

Figure 3 was taken sitting on the ground, close to the front grille, and from dead center. This low perspective is a little different since it exaggerates the front grille and bumper instead of the hood.

A common rule of thumb in photography is the "rule of thirds." Draw two imaginary lines vertically and two horizontally, breaking up what you see in the viewfinder into thirds in both directions. Place something "interesting" at the intersection of this tic-tac-toe board or on the lines themselves.

For instance, in taking a picture of a landscape, don't center the horizon. Place the horizon at the top imaginary horizontal line to emphasize whatever is in front, or place the horizon at the bottom imaginary horizontal line to emphasize the sky.

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Figure 4: The rule of thirds can help to position the subject matter into three parts: car, shrubs, trees.

The shot in Figure 4 is broken up roughly into three sections: the car and pavement at the bottom, the bright autumn leaves in the middle, and the sky and the green tree at the top.

Try to look for contrast, not just in the typical sense of dark and light, but also in extremes of just about anything else: a bright colored car against a dark background, a high-tech car in front of a bunch of rocks, a car with sumptuous bodywork in front of something angular.

Notice how the torch red Corvette with its flowing body lines is contrasted in texture against the sharp, hard lines

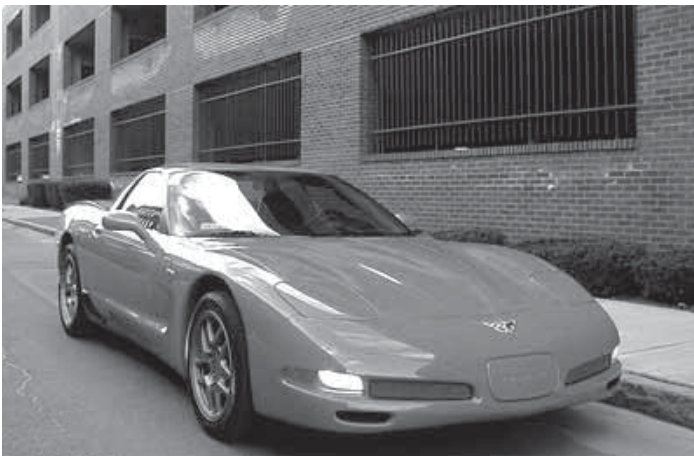


Figure 5: Contrasting the car with the background can add emphasis.

of the building in Figure 5. The perspective of the building also exaggerates the length of the car, giving it the illusion of looking like the rocket sled it is.

Light

Light is everything in photography, really. However, most often when you want to take a picture, it is on a "nice day" with bright sun and nary a cloud in the sky. Under these conditions it is very difficult to take a good picture because of the excessive contrast of the bright sun and dark shadows.

Try taking some photos on overcast days, like in Figure 3 again. Notice how even the light is—how even and smooth the reflection is off the hood.

Compare that to the picture of the same Corvette on a bright day in the shade of some trees in Figure 6. Notice the uneven reflections due to the sun and shade of the trees on the hood. Remember the effect of clutter? Notice also how the guardrail tends to visually slice the car through the windows. Great car...not so great picture.

Two of the best times to photograph are when the light



Figure 6: The reflections of the bright sky and dark trees really lessen the visual impact of the bodywork on this Corvette.

is even and soft and colorful, are at sunrise and sunset. The early morning light really brings out the color of the leaves in Figure 4.

The late afternoon sun casts an orange glow onto the trees and livens up the color in Figure 7. Notice also how the race cars are roughly at the bottom third of the picture, and they are almost spaced in thirds horizontally.



Figure 7: The low, soft light near sunset can really bring alive the colors in a photograph.

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Speed

Ah, yes, speed. Cars would not be nearly as much fun or interesting if they weren't capable of it. How do you capture "speed" in a photograph, which (ironically) captures a very short slice of life? You can purposely blur the photograph.

It is unfortunate that a lot of people use the "sports" setting on their cameras, a setting that freezes motion. Freezing the action loses that sense of speed.



Figure 8: The sense of speed is lost with the sports mode on many cameras. Is this car moving at 100 mph, 20 mph, or is it parked?

The car in Figure 8 is traveling at a good clip on the race-track, but because the motion is frozen, this could have been a picture of a car on a 10 mph parade lap, or even parked on the track (for a special photo shoot).



Figure 9: The techniques of panning and pre-focusing can convey speed by purposely blurring the photo.

Look what happens in Figure 9 if you use something other than the "sports" mode. Blurry photographs are generally bad, but it's the blur that adds the spice here. The blurred fencing, the blurred wheels, the blurred line on the pavement all better convey the speed of the race car.

One trick in accomplishing this is called "panning," in which you move the camera with the car, instead of keeping the camera still and pushing the shutter button when the car comes into view. Follow the car and push the shutter while the

car and the camera are moving. Follow through, as in baseball or golf or tennis: keep the camera moving and following the car even after you have pushed the shutter. Make it one, long, smooth motion. The car will mostly be in the center of the viewfinder as the rest of the world goes zooming by. This can be accomplished with an ordinary camera. (Disclaimer: no SLR cameras were used in the taking of Figure 9!)

Another trick is defeating the annoying delay of point-and-shoot cameras. This is the delay between when you push the shutter button and the picture is actually taken, the time that the camera needs to auto-focus.

Point the camera at a place you want to capture the motion of the car, and press the shutter button halfway down, thus forcing the camera to auto-focus. Then, with the shutter still halfway down, pan it back to the approaching car; follow it to the predetermined location, then press the shutter button down all the way when the car reaches that point. (Remember to follow through.) Since the camera is pre-focused, the car will be in focus when you, not the camera, are ready for it.

The Digital Realm

For better or for worse, digital photography is the future. It does take away some of the art of taking photographs, but for most people it affords many more conveniences.

You'd be hard pressed to find a better example of the phrase "instant gratification" than looking at the LCD display to see what you just shot. "Film" is free and reusable: download the pictures and erase the memory card, or delete that bad picture right then and there. (Some are worth keeping to critique though!) And, there is always image manipulation software to adjust, crop, enhance, or otherwise fix mistakes.

Recap

When photographing cars you can improve your pictures by thinking of a few things before you snap that shot you want to show off on your desk at work: look for a good place to shoot, look at other things in the shot besides the car, look for interesting perspectives or interesting contrasts, shoot when the light is favorable, and try some techniques to capture motion and speed.

As with most things in life... practice, practice, practice. With reusable media and instant gratification, digital photography makes practice really easy.

Keep driving. Keep shooting. And, good luck.

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In Memoriam

It is with the deepest sadness that we announce the passing of BMW CCA member and club racer David MacPherson, following an incident on Friday, October 28, 2005 during a BMW CCA club race at New Hampshire International Speedway.



David MacPherson

After examining the incident scene and numerous in-car videos, it appeared that this was a single-car, single-driver incident. During the race, following a restart after a full-course yellow, Car #124 took an unusually low line next to the pit wall going into Turn 1 at New Hampshire International Speedway. It then proceeded across the track, impacting the outside wall, which was equipped with a safer barrier. After the initial impact, Car #124 continued along the wall until it stopped. Emergency service personnel and race and track officials responded to the site immediately. After extraction from the car, Dave was taken immediately to hospital. He was not wearing a head and neck restraint at the time of the incident. We have no additional or definitive medical information. Medical information is reserved for Dave's family and we request that their privacy be respected.

We thank the entire BMW CCA Club Racing and BMW CCA communities for the support they have given and continue to give Dave's family throughout this tragedy.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, a donation be made in the name of David MacPherson to the Danville Area Humane Society, c/o Paulette Dean, 1000 South Boston Road, Danville, VA 24540. *MSR*

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 But most of all, I would like to thank you for your friendship and support during this very difficult time.
 Thank you again for your kind donation.
 Sincerely,
 Russ Macpherson
 and family

If Not a BMW, Then What?

I have been accused of being too much of a BMW junkie, even to the point of being accused of not being able to admit that there are other great cars in the world besides BMWs or at the very least from Germany. Well, in an attempt to show that I do indeed keep abreast of what is out there, here is my list of notable non-BMWs in various market segments. Keep in mind that I have not always been a BMW-phile. Some of us are just slow learners.

Sports Sedan: So much competition in this class of cars. Notable makers include Lexus, Infiniti and Audi. However, the Acura TL with the S package is quite an impressive car. I have always thought that Honda was the Japanese company that really came close to "getting it." This car is a winner for sure.

Luxury Sedan: In the luxury cruiser category Mercedes was once the world standard, bar none, no contest. I think they are on a comeback now that they have gotten over the financial drain (read mistake) of buying Chrysler. However, the Lexus LS 430 is the car in this class and it is easy to see why. Unflappable reliability, supreme comfort, a sound system second to none, and all at a very reasonable price. Now, if it only had some soul.

Coupe: Unlike the sedan class there are very few notables that match up or even come close to their BMW counterparts. Therefore by way of slight default, as well as being a capable entry in its own right, both in the coupe and sedan category...

the winner is the Infiniti G-35. Expect the next generation to be even better.

Performance bang for the buck: This was without a doubt my most difficult category to make a call. At one time, not too long ago, it was a war against the Ford Mustang GT and its many performance derivatives and the Chevrolet Corvette. Two of our countries favorites for sure, but something strange has happened to both that eliminated them from serious consideration. The Mustang, the car I grew up loving and working on has gone retro and downscale. When I saw that they went back to the low-tech solid-axle rear suspension, even in the upcoming high-performance models I had to say Nein! Certainly a good car for the money, but a solid axle in 2005? Oh, General Motors? Once the 800 lb. gorilla of the auto industry and now just a shadow of itself. May you rest in peace. The Corvette has now officially become a limited production play thing for the so-called engineers at General Motors. Nothing wrong with that, except instead of costing a few thousand dollars more than the Mustang, prices range from the high 40's to near \$70k? Yes, the new Z-06 puts out some great numbers, but have you looked at the depreciation schedules for recent Corvettes? This might well be the most expensive sports car in the world to own when it is all said and done. I'm sorry, I will not join the bandwagon on this one. This is a CHEVROLET folks, a \$70k friggin' Chevrolet? My recent experience in a C6 Corvette was so disappointing from a quality standpoint that I cannot put it into words, and at those prices

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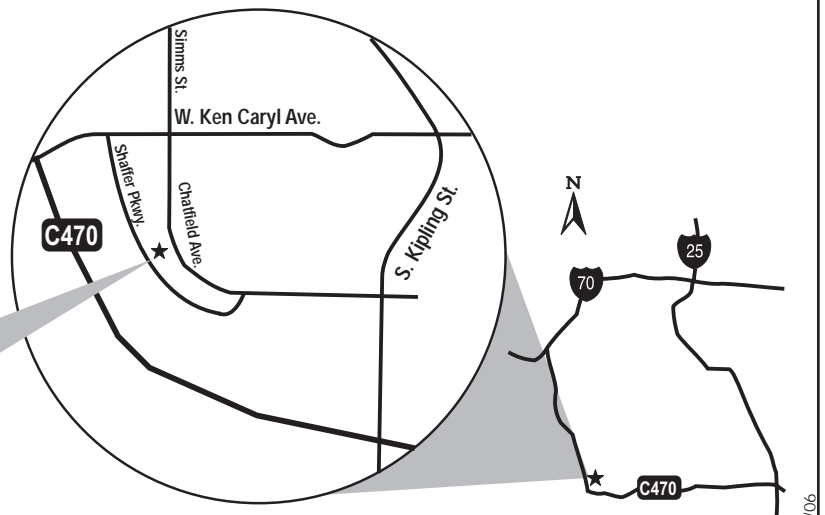
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if the thing gave free rides to the moon and back it wouldn't be worthy of that price. So, without further ranting, the clear winner in this category is again, Japanese. See a trend here? The Subaru WRX STI is without doubt the super deal in a performance car. I'm not wild about the styling, but take one for a drive sometime. Check that sticker? Enough said.

Fun Car: Okay I said no BMWs and officially it is not, but this, unlike the previous category, was oh so easy. The Mini Cooper S! What a car, cute, quick, high level of quality, great craftsmanship, unbelievably roomy despite its size. A completely loaded S model for the mid-20's and the highest resale value percentage of any car sold in America, making it the one and only NEW car I would recommend to buy. What's not to like?

Pickup Truck: I'm safe in this category, as BMW does not make a pickup. I have done more time in pickups than I care to remember, but there is only one pickup truck, if you really need a truck, and unfortunately we all do from time to time. The Ford F series is the hands down winner in every category from luxury daily driver to trailer hauling hulkster. Finally, a domestic winner! But wait, there's some extremely formidable competition from Japan and soon from Korea. This will very soon be a hard fought battle for a winner. Place your bets?

SUV: Sorry, I don't do SUVs, EVER!

Minivan: Read above.

Sports Car: Of all the categories covered, isn't this the one that really matters? I mean, do we fantasize about driving a

sedan when there is a sports car in our dream car garage? Again, we can talk about Ferraris on the high price end and the Miata on the low. We can compare claimed Nurburing lap times and horsepower to weight ratios until we are blue in the face. All said and done there is really only one sports car built by a company that until recently had never built anything else (read big mistake). From James Dean to Tom Cruise who said it correctly, "There is no substitute..." Porsche and notably the newest 911 Carrera rein supreme as a no-holes-barred sports car. Looking for a great luxury ride or a trick navigation system? This is not your car. Looking for something to drive to work and back and take to the track on the same day for some very quick laps (also, read M3)? The Porsche 911 and all its many derivatives win. The sports car in 1956 and in 2006. *MSR*

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BMW 3 Series

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Product Highlights

General

- BMW's most accessible, best-selling Series, now in its 5th generation
- Initial models were **325i Sedan** and **330i Sedan**, both 4-door sedans with rear-wheel drive
- As of fall '05, three all-wheel-drive models are added: **325xi Sedan**, **325xi Sports Wagon** and **330xi Sedan**
- All models powered by an all-new generation of BMW's turbine-smooth, high-performing "straight six" engines
- Built in Germany; production of U.S. Sedan models began on March 1, 2005. Production of all-wheel-drive models began on September 1, 2005.

Engines

- All-new 6-cylinder engines; new generation called N52
- Magnesium/aluminum composite construction of engine block
- Valvetronic variable valve lift; eliminates conventional throttle, improves power, torque and fuel efficiency
- Electric coolant pump, volume-controlled oil pump are further innovations
- Both U.S. models have 3.0-liter displacement

325i Sedan

- 215 hp @ 6250 rpm, 185 lb.-ft. torque @ 2750 rpm
- Single-stage induction system

330i Sedan

- 255 hp @ 6600 rpm, 220 lb.-ft. torque @ 2750 rpm
- 3-stage induction system

Transmissions

- 6-speed manual standard, 6-speed automatic optional on all models

- New-type differentials standard throughout Series (rear and, on AWD models, also front differential)

Chassis features

- All-new chassis/body structure
- New double-pivot strut-type front suspension system (325i/330i RWD models: extensive aluminum components)
- New 5-link rear suspension system
- 4-wheel ventilated disc brakes with increased dimensions
- New-generation Dynamic Stability Control, with many new braking functions
- Available Active Steering (RWD models only); varies steering ratio according to vehicle speed and other factors
- Run-flat tires standard across the board
- Standard wheels and tires:
 - 325i/xi models – 16-in. wheels with all-season tires
 - 330i/xi models – 17-in. wheels with all-season tires
- Flat Tire Monitor standard on all models

Exterior design & function

- All-new body designs
- Moderately increased exterior dimensions
- Xenon Adaptive headlights standard on 330i/xi models, optional on 325i/xi models
- Ground lighting in door handles
- Adaptive Brake Lights

Ergonomics, luxury & convenience

- New Dynamic Cruise Control standard; can apply brakes lightly if necessary to maintain set speed (new capability)
- Available Active Cruise Control; assists driver in maintaining following distance
- Increased interior and cargo space

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- Leather-wrapped tilt/telescopic steering wheel with multi-function controls
- Manually adjustable front seats standard in 325i/xi models; power seats optional in 325i/xi, standard in 330i/xi models. Include memory for driver's seat and exterior mirrors, automatic tilt-down of right-hand exterior mirror for reversing
- Sport seats with power-adjustable backrest width included in all Sport Package
- Automatic climate control with separate left/right temperature settings, automatic recirculation control, mist control, temperature- and volume-controlled rear air outlets, micro-filter ventilation and other features
- Climate-controlled console storage compartment
- 2-way (tilt/slide) power moonroof standard on Sedans, dual-panel Panorama moonroof standard on Sports Wagon
- Leatherette upholstery standard, leather available in Premium Package or as stand-alone option
- Burl Walnut interior trim standard; Poplar Natural or Aluminum trim available at no extra cost
- 10-speaker audio system standard in 325i/xi models, 13-speaker Logic7 system optional in 325i/xi, standard in 330i/xi models. Either system has two subwoofers and is MP3 CD-capable (including ID3 tag display of artist and song information)
- Sirius Satellite Radio newly available as factory option



Safety & security

- New front- and rear-seat Head Protection System
- Automatic safety-belt tensioners and force limiters newly standard at rear outboard seating positions (were already standard on front seats)
- BMW Assist, BMW's system of in-car telematics and customer services, available in Premium Package or as stand-alone option

Factory options, complete listing

Packages

- Premium Package:
 - Leather upholstery

- Auto-dimming interior and exterior mirrors
- Power-fold exterior mirrors
- Digital compass
- BMW Universal Transceiver (3-function garage-door opener)
- 4-way power lumbar support on front seats
- BMW Assist
- Power front seats with Driver Memory System and auto tilt-down of right exterior mirror for backing up (325i/xi models only; standard 330i/xi)
- Sport Package:
 - 325i and 330i Sedans –
 - Sport suspension
 - Specific wheels and tires:
 - 325i Sedan – 17-in., differentiated front/rear sizes, performance tires
 - 330i Sedan – 18-in., differentiated front/rear sizes, performance tires
 - Sport steering wheel and front seats
 - 325xi Sedan and Sports Wagon, 330xi Sedan –
 - Specific 17-in. wheels, same size front/rear, all-season tires
 - Sport steering wheel and front seats
- Cold Weather Package:
 - All models –
 - Heated front seats
 - Ski bag
 - Sedans – split folding rear seats
 - 325i and 330i Sedans only – headlight cleaning system (standard on 325xi and 330xi models)

Stand-alone options

- 6-speed STEPTRONIC automatic transmission
- Active Cruise Control
- Active Steering (325i/330i Sedans only)
- Sport wheels and tires (stand-alone option on AWD models only, otherwise included in Sport Package)
- Park Distance Control
- Xenon Adaptive headlights with auto-leveling (standard 330i/xi, optional 325i/xi models)
- Comfort Access
- Leather upholstery
- Alternate interior trims
- Power front seats (standard 330i/xi, optional 325i/xi models)
- Heated front seats
- Split folding rear seats and ski bag (Sedans only)
- BMW On-board Navigation System and iDrive control concept with Voice Command
- Sirius Satellite Radio
- Logic7 sound system (standard 330i/xi, optional 325i/xi models)
- Power rear-window and manual rear side-window sunshades (Sedans)
- Manual rear side-window sunshades (Sports Wagon)
- BMW Assist
- Metallic Paint *MSR*

BMW Group Revenues for 2005 Rise to New High Level

Revenues up by 5.2% to euro 46,656 million/ Earnings forecast confirmed/
Sales volume expected to increase again in 2006

MUNICH. The BMW Group has grown faster than the market as a whole and faster than all relevant competitors in the financial year 2005 and has achieved new record figures for sales volume and revenues. Group revenues rose by 5.2% to euro 46,656 million (2004: euro 44,335 million). Revenues of the Automobile segment increased by 7.8% to euro 45,861 million (2004: euro 42,544 million). The Motorcycles segment recorded revenues of euro 1,223 million (+18.9%; 2004: euro 1,029 million). Revenues of the Financial Services segment increased by 14.4% to euro 9,408 million (2004: euro 8,226 million).

With 1,327,992 BMW, MINI and Rolls-Royce brand cars sold in 2005, the BMW Group beat the sales volume record set in the previous year by 9.9% (2004: 1,208,732 cars).

Earnings forecast 2005

In the light of this positive performance, Helmut Panke, Chairman of BMW AG's Board of Management, confirms the earnings forecast for 2005: "The adverse external factors - unfavorable exchange rates, high raw material prices and intense competition - which we reported from the very begin-

ning of the year have been largely offset by increased sales volume and internal efficiency improvement measures. For the financial year 2005, we will therefore achieve approximately the previous year's high earnings level."

Sales volume outlook for 2006

The BMW Group will continue to pursue its successful product initiative in the future. Thanks to the strong range of brands and products, further growth potential is forecast for the current year: "We expect the BMW Group to remain on growth course in the financial year 2006. Our aim is to increase sales volume yet again and once again set a new record", Panke stated.

Capital expenditure remains at a high level

Capital expenditure in 2005, at euro 3,993 million, remained at a high level, decreasing by 8.1% (2004: euro 4,347 million). Capitalized development costs recognized as assets in accordance with IAS increased to euro 1,396 million (+24.5%; 2004: euro 1,121 million). A total of euro 2,597 million (-19.5%; 2004: euro 3,226 million) was invested in property, plant and equipment and in intangible assets.

Workforce remains constant

At the end of 2005, the BMW Group had a worldwide workforce of 105,798 employees, similar to the high level one year earlier (-0.2%; 31 December 2004: 105,972 employees). The number of trainee positions, at 4,464, remained the same as at the end of the previous year.

Production volume increased

As a result of the higher level of sales volume, the BMW Group also achieved new record figures in production volume terms: in total, 1,323,119 BMW, MINI and Rolls-Royce brand cars were manufactured, an increase of 5.8% (2004: 1,250,345 units). More than 50,000 BMW 3 Series cars were manufactured at the new Leipzig plant between March 2005, when series production commenced, and the end of the year.

Automobiles: all brands achieve new sales volume highs

The sales volume of all brands reached record levels in 2005. The BMW Group is therefore the most successful supplier of premium cars in the world. With its core model series (the 3, 5 and 7 Series), the BMW brand was the frontrunner in 2005 in each of the relevant segments.

1,126,768 BMW brand cars were sold in 2005, surpassing the previous year's level (1,023,583) by 10.1%. "This growth reflects the strength of the BMW brand product portfolio and highlights the underlying strength of our worldwide sales organization", commented Mr. Panke. With a total of 149,493 units sold, the BMW 1 Series enjoyed extremely high demand in its first full year of production (2004: 39,247 units). The BMW Group's best-selling car, with 229,932 units sold, was the new 3 Series Limousine, which was introduced onto the market in March 2005 and accounted for 17% of

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the total sales volume for 2005. In total, 434,342 units of the BMW 3 Series were sold worldwide in 2005. This means that the previous year's sales volume was almost matched (-3.4%; 2004: 449,732 units) despite the model changes of the two best-selling models, the 3 Series Limousine and the 3 Series Touring. With 228,389 units sold in 2005, the BMW 5 Series also came close to achieving the previous year's high level (-0.5%; 2004: 229,598 units). The number of BMW 6 Series cars sold rose by 10.9% to 23,340 units, well above the previous year's level (2004: 21,040 units). In the luxury class, a total of 50,062 BMW 7 Series cars were delivered to customers (2004: 47,689 units), an increase of 5.0%.

The BMW X3 recorded strong growth: the number of Sports Activity Vehicles delivered rose by 20.0% to 110,719 (2004: 92,248) units. The BMW X5, in its sixth year since market launch, also remained much sought after, and with 101,537 vehicles sold, almost achieved the previous year's high level (-3.3%/104,988 units). In total, almost 535,000 BMW X5 vehicles have been sold since market launch in December 1999. The sales volume of the Z4 in 2005, at 28,808 units, was below the previous year's level (-25.1%; 38,483 units). The BMW Group presented the revised model of this Roadster in January at the Detroit Auto Show. The new Z4 Coupé will come onto the market at the middle of 2006.

For the first time, more than 200,000 MINI brand cars were sold in a single year, with the number of cars delivered increasing by 8.7% to 200,428 (2004: 184,357) units. The

product mix of the closed version of the MINI and of the MINI Convertible increased in value again compared to the previous year. The brand's top model, the MINI Cooper S, recorded the most pronounced growth, with sales volume rising by 25.8% to 56,916 (2004: 45,246) units or 28.4% of the total sales volume of the MINI. The MINI Cooper remained the most popular model with a sales volume of 89,079 units (+1.4%; 2004: 87,875 units) or 44.4% of the total sales volume of the MINI. 54,433 or 27.2% of customers opted for the starter model, Mini One (+6.2%; 2004: 51,236 units).

The Rolls-Royce brand confirmed its position at the top of the absolute luxury class. 796 Phantoms were delivered to customers, slightly more than the 792 sold in the previous year.

Motorcycles sales volume also increases significantly

The Motorcycles segment was also able to achieve growth on the back of its new models: the sales volume for the full year rose by 5.6% to 97,474 (2004: 92,266) units.

Financial Services still on growth course

The BMW Group expanded its activities in the Financial Services segment and remained on growth course in 2005. The volume of new retail customer contracts rose by 13.2% to euro 23,507 million, and hence reached a new record level (2004: euro 20,759 million). At 41.1%, the proportion of new BMW and MINI cars financed by the Financial Services segment in 2005 was marginally lower than in the previous year (2004: 42.0%). *MSR*

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BMW News

BMW Group Begins New Year with Strong Sales

**BMW Reports Best January on Record with Increase of 12%;
MINI Brand Sales also Reports Best January Ever**

WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ - February 1, 2006... The BMW Group (BMW and MINI brands combined) reported sales of 22,218 vehicles in January 2006, an increase of 12 percent over the 19,764 vehicles reported in January 2005.

BMW Brand Sales

BMW reported sales of 19,274 automobiles and Sports Activity Vehicles (SAVs), up 14 percent compared to the 16,847 vehicles reported the same month last year. It was the strongest January on record, despite low inventories that follow the annual holiday closures at most of BMW's production plants. BMW's plant in Spartanburg, S.C. reopened January 9th following an extended construction closure while a new single-line production system was installed.

BMW Automobile Sales

BMW's monthly automobile sales were up 23 percent, to 15,455 versus 12,611 in January 2005.

BMW Sports Activity Vehicle Sales

Sales of BMW's Sports Activity Vehicles decreased 10 percent in January 2006. BMW reported sales of 3,819 vehicles compared to 4,236 vehicles sold in the same month of 2005.

Certified Pre-owned

BMW reported a 21 percent increase in sales of Certified Pre-Owned vehicles sold in January 2006, for 5,761 vehicles compared to 4,745 vehicles in 2005.

MINI Brand

MINI USA reported sales of 2,944 vehicles in January 2006, up slightly from the 2,917 sold in January 2005 for the best January since the brand went on sale in the U.S. in 2002. *MSR*



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2006 Events

2006 Tentative Calendar of Events

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

- Jan 4 Business Meeting – **Doran's**
- 21 Ice Gymkhana – **Paul Schultz**
- 20-22 DEC Congress Conference – **Dallas, TX**
- Feb 1 Business Meeting – **Jenkins's**
- 21 Video Night South – **Janet Kiyota**
- Mar 1 Membership Meeting – **Public Restaurant**
- 11 Detailers Paradise Tech Session – **Heather Martinez**
- 14 Video Night North – **Gary Odehnal**
- 23-26 Gateway Tech 25th Anniversary
- 25 Spring Autocross – **Autocross Committee**
- Apr 5 Business Meeting – **Kavyo's**
- 8 Autocross Series #1 - **Autocross Committee**
- 15 Bimmer Haus Brake Tech Session – **Bob Tunnell**
- 29 Street Survival – **Alain van der Heide / Darlene Doran**
- 30 Car Control Clinic - **Andy Peavy**
- May 3 Business Meeting – **Beyer's**
- 6 Autocross School- **Autocross Committee**
- 7 Autocross Series #2 - **Autocross Committee**
- 13 Tech Inspection – **Dave Stackhouse**
- 20 Spring Drive - **Gary Odehnal**

- Jun 3 Autocross Series #3– **Autocross Committee**
- 4 Concours d' Elegance – **Dave Stackhouse/Dee Raisl**
- 7 Membership Meeting – **Public Restaurant**
- 17-18 Late Spring Driving School - Pueblo – **Driving Events Committee**
- Late Spring Driving School Dinner – **Darlene Doran**
- July 8 Autocross Series #4– **Autocross Committee**
- 12 Business Meeting – **Volk's**
- 23-28 Oktoberfest Grand Rapids, MI
- Aug 2 Business Meeting – **Walker's**
- 12 5 & 6 Series Tech Session – **Peter Richards**
- 13 Autocross Series #5– **Autocross Committee**
- 27 Bike Tour – **Walker**
- Sept 6 Membership Meeting – **Public Restaurant**
- 9 Autocross Driver's Championship - **Autocross Committee**
- 15-17 Oktoberfest – **Darlene Doran**
- 16 Fall Drive – **Doug Bartlett**
- 23 Tech Inspection – **Dave Stackhouse**
- 30 Street Survival – **Alain van der Heide / Darlene Doran**
- Oct 1 Car Control Clinic – **Andy Peavy**
- 4 Business Meeting – **Bartlett's**
- 7 Fall Driving School Pueblo – **Driving Events Committee**
- Nov 4 Fall Dinner/Elections & Autocross Awards – **Darlene Doran**
- 11 Planning/Business Meeting – **Warner's**
- Dec 3 Holiday Party – **Leslie Jenkins**
- 6 Business Meeting -

Event Coordinators needed for events

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

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Survey

Share Your Ideas & Suggestions

Send your ideas to any chapter board member, post them on the Yahoo!Groups discussion list, or complete the simple on-line survey or fax to Darlene Doran 303.758.1841. We want to hear from our membership!

Use the scale below to tell us your interest level in each type of activity.

- 1 – No Preference 2 – Participant – have more
 3 – Participant – have fewer 4 – Volunteer to help
 5 – No interest at all

High Performance Driving School	1	2	3	4	5
Autocross	1	2	3	4	5
Car Control Clinic	1	2	3	4	5
Organized Scenic Drives & Tours	1	2	3	4	5
Gymkhana	1	2	3	4	5
Ice Gymkhana (Georgetown Lake)	1	2	3	4	5
Rallies	1	2	3	4	5
Dinners & Parties	1	2	3	4	5
Picnics	1	2	3	4	5
Informal Get-Togethers i.e. Bimmer Burger Nights)	1	2	3	4	5
Concours (clean car shows)	1	2	3	4	5
Tech Sessions	1	2	3	4	5
Charity Fund Raisers	1	2	3	4	5
Hiking, Biking, Skiing (non-driving activities)	1	2	3	4	5
Car Museum Tours	1	2	3	4	5
Street Survival (Teen Safe Driving Schools)	1	2	3	4	5

What would you suggest to make the club more interesting and valuable to you? Or expand upon the activity interests shown above.

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Welcome NEW Members!

We would like to give a warm Rocky Mountain welcome to our **new** members this month. Remember our membership is the life line of our Club and we invite you to join us at our upcoming events and monthly Club meetings. Our membership is currently **1861** members, which includes our associate membership of **261** and we continue to grow. We hope to see you at our many events planned for this year. We look forward to your ideas and participation.

NEW MEMBER				REFERRED
Adcock Eric/Kiran	Littleton	2001 M3	2003 330xi	
Brundage Stacia/Aaron	Aurora			
Crystal Todd	Colo. Spgs.	2004 645ci		
Halverson David	Aspen	2002 X5 4.4		
Hayes Jonathan	Eastlake	1998 328i		
Hayutin David	Centennial			
Horowitz Larry	Littleton	1995 M3		Stephen A. Kohn
Matthews Ralph	Aurora			
McCabe James	Littleton			Jeffrey Ambrose
Melchior Nathaniel	Castle Rock	2003 330xi	1983 533i	Daniel Melchior
Misken Katharine	Boulder			Daniel Rex Misken
Mozer Erwin	Centennial			Jim Gorman
Muck Gary	Thornton	1999 323i	2001 325ci	
Parker Keith	Colo. Spgs.	1976 2002	1980 329i	
Pollard Ron	Englewood	1998 M3		
Sirmons Wayne	Denver	2005 X3		Greg Green
Sturm Bob	Denver	2004 645ci		Chris Callahan
Szabo Marc	Erie	2001 325xi		
Valdez Phil	Pueblo	1997 Z3		
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Caution: it has been brought to our attention that there has been at least one attempt to scam a club member as a result of an ad placed here. If someone offers to send you a cashier's check for more than the purchase price of your advertised item, in exchange for you sending them the item and a check for the price difference, immediately stop all communications with that individual. This is becoming an all-to-common scam using bogus cashier's checks. Hopefully this warning will protect our members and steer scam artists to go somewhere else!

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2002 M3, VIN#WBSBL934X2JR16659

RARE COLOR: Jet Black/Imola Red Interior, 29,000 miles, SMG Transmission, Power Seats, Premium Sound System w/DSP, Sunroof, Xenon Lights, Window Tint, 19" BBS Wheels, Borla Exhaust, K&N Air Filter, Car Cover, Excellent Shape., vehicle in like new condition, Non-Smoker, Always Garaged and All Service Records, asking \$44,000. Call Tyler 303-778-1688, 303-883-2569 or tswan at coloradoclothing dot com - more pictures upon request. #326456 (4/06)



2002 M3 Convertible, WBSBR93422EX24417, Imola Red, 6-speed, 28,000 miles, all maintenance records. Never in snow: good to excellent condition \$37,500 OBO. Call Rich 970-226-1140 or richannhar at aol dot com #297397 (6/06)

2002 325xi Wagon WBAEP3342PE91403

Steel Blue/Natural brown, birch trim, 41,200 miles, manual transmission. Navigation, Sport, Premium and Winter package. Harmon Kardon sound, 6CD changer, Bi-xenon lights, Homelink, Alloy spare, OEM rear shades and trunk mat. One owner, AZ car, garaged, nonsmoker, all records. Warranty through 7/06 or 50k miles. Photos at bmw325xit.blogspot.com/ \$24,500. Call Andrew 602-510-8314 or bmw325xit at cox dot net #198868 (6/06)



2001 740iL VIN#WBAGH83421DP30827

Anthractic Gray/Gray interior, 33k miles, Sport package, heated front seats, six disc changer, navigation system, integrated cell phone, one owner car, optional: second set of wheels 18" Fikse five spoke powder coated black, and custom sound system that far outperforms DSP. These items cost extra and will be removed if not wanted \$36,000. Call Andrew 303-726-0695 or gersters at mywdo dot com #99686 (3/06)



2001 540iA, VIN#WBADN63401GM70443

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2000 M5 VIN# WBSDE9342YBZ95881, LaManz Blue/Black-grey leather, 48k miles, sport package/loaded, enthusiast owned, \$35,000 OBO. Call Sandy 720-283-1355 or sandy1102 at comcast dot net #338910 (5/06)

1999 540i, WBADN6342X6M63454, Silver/Gray leather, 27k mi. 6 CD changer, premium sound, heated seats, traction control, clear bra, lightly tinted windows, side airbags, original owner, garaged, non-smoker, all service records (dealer serviced) \$29,900. Call Roger 303-757-5350 or rdmaurer at comcast dot net #12199 (3/06)

1998 323iC Convertible VIN# WBABJ7320WEA15847 Morea Green metallic/Tan leather, Black top, 5 speed manual, sport package, 135k miles, 6-CD changer, heated seats, manual top, fogs, wind deflector arm rest, new tires, snows w/ steel wheels. Dealer maintained, excellent condition, one owner \$10,500. Call Briant 303-924-1670, eve 303-485-9087 or osprey0320 at yahoo dot com #146799 (4/06)

1998 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo, VIN 1J4G75612WC268870, Red /G cloth interior, 5.2L V8, 111K miles, factory CD, fog lights, PW, PL, keyless entry, cruise, tilt. Very clean and well maintained \$6400. Call Mike 303-910-3578 or mikebeyer01 at msn dot com #101258 (5/06)

SOLD

1997 M3 WBSBG9323VEY76036 Dakar Yellow w/ Black, 5-sp, 143,000 miles still very sound, Six CD changer, recently replaced-steering rack & pump, radiator, water pump, full Koni coilover susp. New M3 ordered \$11000. Cal Michael 303-526-0252 or michaelrwhitney at msn dot com #66077 (4/06)



1997 328i, VIN#WBACD3322VAV21316 5 speed, Avus Blue Metallic/light Gray Leather interior, 39,700 miles., original wheels with Michelin MVX tires, non smoker, always garaged, almost perfect shape, all dealer service records \$10,900. I just took delivery of a 2006 325. Call Dick 303-494-7244 or rgrubb at computer dot org. #272724 (5/06)

1992 325ic, Maroon/Gray interior, with hard top, auto, 90K, asking \$10,900. Call Rex 303-797-9145 or rex at miskengroup dot com #352128 (6/06)

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1987 M6 VIN WBAEE140XH 2560239 Red/Lotus, 104,000 miles, 2nd owner, Colorado car. Sold and serviced by Schomp BMW. Many current updates, no excuses mechanically. Call Bob 303-771-6508 or bobkat4 at qwest dot net #175888 (4/06)

1983 633csi VIN WBAEB8409D6995788, Gray/Burgundy, automatic, 176500 miles, sunroof, power windows, leather interior is in excellent condition with exception of cracked dash pad, all accessories in working condition, new rear rotors and pads, body in very good condition service records from 10/91 thru 1/01 [Murray Motors] car looks and drives great \$4500 OBO. Call Dan 303-909-1733 or tower1 at msn dot com #329837 (6/06)

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(4) 16" BMW Alloy Basket Weave rims with Cooper Lifeliner Touring SLE 235/60 tires, full tread on tires, rated for 70,000 miles. Good shape. From '98 740i, got as spare set of tires/rims when I purchased the car \$400/set. Call Paul 303-452-8364 or imagesnow at comcast dot net #356706 (6/06)

(4) Bayern Mesh chromed finish wheels, 17 X 8, hub-centric for E-39 5-series, mounted with Pirelli P-Zero Nero high-performance all-season tires (Z-rated, M+S). Wheels & tires both in new condition, driven less than 200 miles. Purchased in November for \$1,790 from Discount Tire Online. Best reasonable offer for wheels or wheel/tire combination. Call Mike 719-278-2335 during business hours or m.mcguinn at pphd dot com #178427 (6/06)



(4) ASAAR1 wheels- no scratches, only 1 year old off 528i with Conti Sport Contacts (ultra high performance). Call Paris 303-200-4255 or paris at collectiveview dot com #310772 (5/06)

(4) Miglia 1000 Wheels - Near perfect No dings, 2-18x9 / 275-35-18 Hoosier R3503, at least two drivers schools remaining, 2-18x8 / 245-40-18 Need replacing. Fit E-46 M-3, Z Coupe or Roadster with spacers, Tires and wheels \$1000.00 and Spacers & fasteners \$25.00. Call Dave Tooley 303-799-1648 or toolsbmw at comcast dot net #69016 (5/06)



(4) 16"x8" BMW basket weave wheels off my e34 M5: (Specifics are BMW/Fundo #1182277, 8JX16H2, IS23 (23mm offset), very nice shape, \$250 or \$450 with the Blizzaks on them, (4) Michelin Pilot XGT Z4, 225/55 ZR 17, 75% tread left, \$800 new, \$350m (4) Blizzak MZ-01, 225/55 16 50-75% tread left, \$250. Call Richard 303-814-1767 #200153 (4/06)



Spikes Spider Winter Traction System-excellent condition, will fit bolt pattern on E-28 or E-34 using 14 inch rims, carrying case included, New \$330, sell for \$100. Call Ed 303-989-6216 or ejswab at msn dot com #5538 (4/06)



(4) M double spoke 68 cast alloy wheels, 245/45R17 954Q Yokohama Guardex F721 hi performance winter tires, 90% tread no curb rash \$1200. Call Cal 720 771-4386 or plum2 at msn dot com #195786 (3/06)

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(4) M Double Spoke (Styling 68 M) cast alloy wheels, part of OEM performance package, 2003 330ci. No curb rash or winter driving. 17x7.5 fronts with fair tread Conti-Sport-Contact. 17x8.5 rears are toast \$1,000 firm. Call Jim 719-339-3815 or jklein at divineredeemer dot net #309859 (5/06)

(2) Falken Azenis RT615 245x45-17 just about new, only driven 5 miles since mounted, \$240 for both. Call Rob 719-930-9645 or robcsprings at yahoo dot com #343907 (5/06)

17" Kinesis alloy wheels for E46 & M3 with Kuhmo track tires 275/40 and 245/45, very light and "as new" condition, original price \$895 sell for \$425 with tires. Call Roger 303-757-5350 or rdmaurer at comcast dot net #12199 (3/06)

PARTS

E39 5-Series/M5 all-weather rubber mats (front and rear sets), used good condition, no tears \$50. Call Ronnie 720-280-6118 or ronnie dot renaldi at gmail dot com #277502 (6/06)

(2) Bosch F00C2G2032 MAF sensors for '99 M5 E48M NEW \$200. Call Ronnie 720-280-6118 or ronnie dot renaldi at gmail dot com #277502 (6/06)

SOLD

E39 M5 OEM parts: springs & shocks, headlight set with HID/xenon ballast and bulbs, taillights; headers and X-pipe; lower front grill. All Used - still good condition, best offer, willing to separate. Call Ronnie 720-280-6118 or ronnie dot renaldi at gmail dot com #277502 (6/06)

Dinan Stage 1 Suspension System for E46 M3, Performance Spring Set with Koni Adjustable Struts and Shocks (adjustable rebound dampening), used approx 3000 miles ONLY! \$1000. Call Ronnie 720-280-6118 or ronnie dot renaldi at gmail dot com #277502 (6/06)

E46 330 Conforti Shark Injector engine performance software, dyno tested to provide safe increase in power and throttle response. Removes top speed limiter. Easy install, saves factory software and can be reversed anytime \$200. Conforti cold air intake for e46 330i, perfect addition to software and great intake sound, \$200. Call Keith 303-678-3105 or dkslankard at yahoo dot com #275737 (6/06)

M10(4cyl) RACE ENGINE - 2466cc (95x87mm), McHenry M3 bottom end with 1.8 head, Schrick 336 degree cam, oversize ex valves, racing valve springs & hardware, includes E30 oil pan narrowed to fit 2002 or E21, recently freshened, located in Kansas City MO. Asking \$6000. Call Bob 303-682-2577 or rebawn at aol dot com #75703 (6/06)

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2002 MISC. STUFF - Round taillights complete \$25 each, Round taillight lenses \$15 each, Square taillights (74) complete \$15 each, Front turn lamps (74) \$10 each, Footbox \$50. Call Bob 303-682-2577 or rebawn at aol dot com #75703 (6/06)

E36 '97 M3 Parts - \$250 takes all or will sell separate. M3 original suspension - shocks and springs, w/ 19,600 miles \$125, brand new H&R lowering springs in original box \$125, brand new Hawk Racing blue compound front disc pads \$35, brand new PBR front brake pads \$20, used K&N Filter w/recharge kit \$25, front license plate trim mount \$15, brand new oil filter \$10, brand new wiper blades \$10, used BMW wheel touch up paint kit \$5, Call Chris 303-818-6625 or chris_segura_ccci at yahoo dot com #152862 (5/06)

Z4 3.0L Dinan Performance Parts - Available 1 March (car going off lease): High Flow Intake Assy \$225, Ram-Air Intake Duct \$225, Stage I Suspension (springs and shocks) \$1125, Camber Plates \$190, H&R Sway Bar Set \$325, or get the Complete Package for only \$1850. Would prefer to sell as a package, but will part out if necessary. Contact Arnle at arnicoleman at adelphia dot net #194803 (5/06)

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330ci E-46 parts, due to Dinan upgrades: OEM Muffler 4,000 miles- \$100; OEM Airbox, 12,000 miles -\$50; OEM Sport package shocks, springs, 12,000 miles - \$250; H&R Sport Springs, 12,000 miles - \$150 Call Jim 719-339-3815 or jklein at divineredeemer dot net #309859 (5/06)

325iX Automatic Transmission. Can't tell you much, former owner described it as "a good tranny" and I'm no mechanic! \$Make Offer. Call Michael 303-598-3468 or michael at kearns dot net #320094 (5/06)

E30 OEM Recaro Driver's Sport Seat (Heated). These seats are getting harder and harder to find, especially the HEATED seats! Black leather driver's seat. This one needs some recovering, but would make a great addition to your car \$Make Offer. Call Michael 303-598-3468 or michael at kearns dot net #320094 (5/06)

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WANTED to buy stock 16 inch Mini Cooper wheels. Call Mike 303-810-0245 or mcritchley2537 at msn dot com #305162 (6/06)

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March

- 1 Wed DEADLINE FOR *MSR* ADS AND COPY FOR APRIL ISSUE
- 1 Wed * Membership Meeting, Old Chicago Pizza, Denver, 303-753-0824, 1280 South Colorado Blvd. – approximately I-25 & Colorado 1 mile north on Colorado – Details Page 12
- 11 Sat Detailers Paradise Tech Session / Open House 303-722-5107
Heather Martinez, Coordinator – Details Page 13
- 14 Tues Meet, Eat & Greet New Members Video Night NORTH - Woody's Wood-Fired Pizza
Gary Odehnal, Coordinator 970-219-9821 – Details Page 12
- 25 Sat RMC Spring Warm-Up Fun Event – Mt. Elbert Parking Lot, DIA, Denver, Colorado
Sponsored by Co's BMW Center – Details Page 15
- 23-26 Gateway Tech 25th Anniversary – St. Louis, MO

April

- 1 Sat DEADLINE FOR *MSR* ADS AND COPY FOR MAY ISSUE
- 5 Wed * Business Meeting, Kavyo's, Aurora, 303-364-5424 for directions
- 8 Sat RMC Autocross Point Series #1 – Mt. Elbert Parking Lot, DIA, Denver, Colorado
Sponsored by Co's BMW Center – Details Page 15
- 15 Sat Bimmer Haus Performance Brake Tech Session, 7233 W. 116th Place, #A, Broomfield
Bob Tunnell, Coordinator 720-566-0521
- 22-23 Sin City Chapter Driving School, Las Vegas Motor Speedway – www.sincitybmwcarclub.com
- 29 Sat RMC Street Survival, Arapahoe Park Racetrack, Arapahoe, Colorado
Alain van der Heide / Darlene Doran, Coordinators – Details Page 16
- 30 Sun Car Control Clinic, Arapahoe Park Racetrack, Aurora, Colorado
Andy Peavy, Coordinator

May

- 1 Mon DEADLINE FOR *MSR* ADS AND COPY FOR JUNE ISSUE
- 3 Wed * Business Meeting, Beyer's, Westminster, 303-465-0769 for directions
- 6 Sat RMC Autocross School – Mt. Elbert Parking Lot, DIA, Denver, Colorado
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- 7 Sun RMC Autocross Point Series #2 – Mt. Elbert Parking Lot, DIA, Denver, Colorado
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- 13 Sat Late Spring Driving School Tech Inspection, Dave Stackhouse, Coordinator 720-566-0521
- 20 Sat Annual RMC Spring Drive, Gary Odehnal, Coordinator 970-219-9821 – Details April issue

* 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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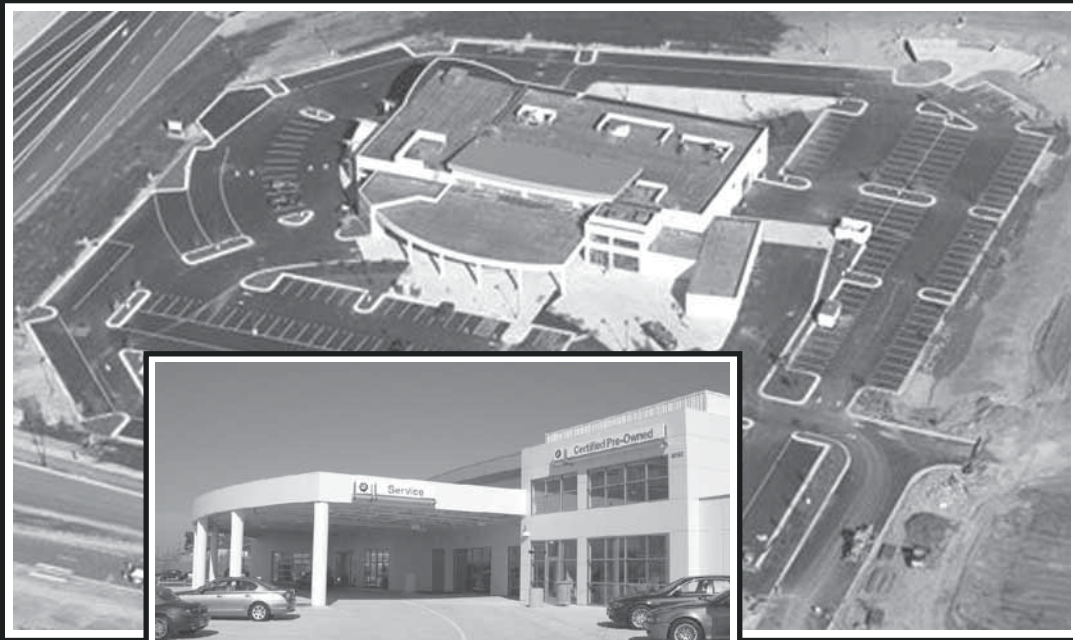
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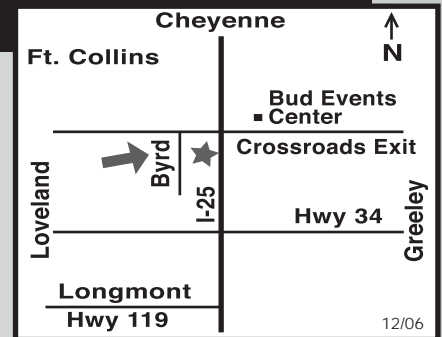


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