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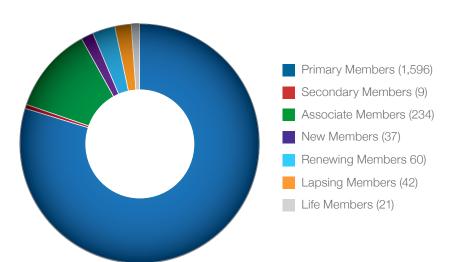
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#### RMC BMW CCA MONTHLY **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

AS OF APRIL 30, 2018



New Members	Referred By
Richard Ferreri	David Jobusch
Logan Grimshaw	Gerald S. Grimshaw
Rob Pincus	Jedd Vertman
Ben Lieber	Morgan Rae Whaley
Marilyn Zabilski	Jim Zabilski
Charles Zabilski	Jim Zabilski
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Somsany Phakonekham	Matt Johnson
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Rob Neubauer	Jonathan Taylor
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Kerry Jacobs	Frank Robert Jacobs
Michael Gilles	Brian Bowden
Donald Kelly	Donald Kelly
Ben Nathan	David Green
Vaibhav Kapoor	Kevin Concialdi



#### THE MOTORSPORT **REPORT IS GOING GREEN!**

Beginning with the 2019 Winter Edition, the Rocky Mountain Chapter BMW CCA's quarterly newsletter, Motorsport Report, will be distributed electronically. A paperless newsletter allows us to communicate information to our members in a more efficient manner, as well as to decrease printing and postage costs. Printed copies will still be available at select area businesses and will also be mailed to those members that request a paper copy.

Additional information about this transition will be available in the coming months!

#### **2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

GET UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION ON UPCOMING DRIVING, SOCIAL EVENTS, AND REGISTRATION ON OUR WEBSITE AT: http://rmcbmwcca.org/events All dates and event locations are subject to change.

#### **JULY**

July 7 - Co's BMW **Center Bimmerfest** 4150 Byrd Drive Loveland, CO 80538

July 9-15 - 49th Annual Oktoberfest (National) Pittsburgh, PA

July 11 - Bimmer Burger Night Meet: Centennial

Sonic Drive-In – 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. 11237 E Arapahoe Road Centennial, CO 80112

July 14 - Autocross #4 Front Range Airport E 30th Avenue, Watkins, CO 80137

July 25 - Bimmer Burger Night Meet: Littleton Sonic Drive-In - 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 7561 Shaffer Parkway Littleton, CO 80127

#### **AUGUST**

August 4 - Autocross #5 Front Range Airport E 30th Avenue, Watkins, CO 80137

August 15 - Bimmer Burger Night Meet: Centennial Sonic Drive-In - 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

11237 E Arapahoe Road Centennial, CO 80112

August 22 - Bimmer Burger Night Meet: Loveland

Sonic Drive-In - 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 2305 E 13th Street Loveland, CO 80537

August 24 - CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS to the Motorsport Report 2018 Fall Edition

August 24 – 26 Drive 4 Corners

Purgatory Resort 1 Skier Place Durango, CO 81301

August 25 - Autocross #6

- Double Header Liniger Emergency Vehicle Operation Center (EVOC) 8500 N Moore Road Littleton, CO 80125

#### SEPTEMBER

September 8 - Fall Driving School/TT Pueblo Motorsports Park 3733 N Pueblo Boulevard Pueblo, CO 81008

September 12 - Quarterly **Board Meeting** 

Location TBD - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

September 15 - Aspen Snowmass Car Show

Town Park Snowmass Village, CO 81654

Woody Creek, CO 81656

September 16 - "Friends of Andrew Jordan" Woody Creek Lapping Day Aspen Motorsports Park 550 Raceway Road

September 19 - Bimmer Burger Night Meet: Loveland

Sonic Drive-In - 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 2305 E 13th Street

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September 22 - Autocross #7 Liniger Emergency Vehicle Operation Center (EVOC) 8500 N Moore Road Littleton, CO 80125

#### **OCTOBER**

October 7 - Tire Rack Street Survival - Sponsored by Co's **BMW Center** 

The Ranch Events Complex 5280 Arena Circle, Loveland, CO 80538

October 13 - Autocross #8 Front Range Airport E 30th Avenue, Watkins, CO 80137

#### **NOVEMBER**

November 10 - Planning Meeting Mountain Shadows Condominiums - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 2 Adams Street Denver, CO 80206



#### RMC CHAPTER ELECTIONS

OPEN POSITIONS: SECRETARY AND TREASURER

Participating in the RMC BMW elections is incredibly rewarding and offers our members the opportunity to share their ideas about the future of the organization. Many who have participated in the past have commented that it was a great way to learn more about themselves as leaders and to give back to our local RMC chapter.



The open positions for the 2018 elections are Secretary and Treasurer and will each serve a two-year term. Both positions are vital to the daily operation of the club.

Any individual interested in becoming a candidate for either position must submit their intent via email to president@rmcbmwcca.org no later than 10:00 PM, FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 2018. This information should include a photo of yourself and a short candidate statement outlining your background and ideas - no longer than 1/2 page.

ONLINE voting will begin on Saturday, November 1 and will end at 10:00 pm on Friday, November 30. Voting will be done via MotorsportReg at http://www.motorsportreg.com.

Announcement of the election results will be communicated via email by the club, as well as any member activity taking place after the completion of the election. Results will also be published on the club website at http://www.rmcbmwccca.org and in the quarterly newsletter, Motorsport Report.

#### **DRIVE 4 CORNERS 2018**

BY: TOM SCHULTZ







Drive 4 Corners 2018, the 8th annual BMW driving adventure and social gathering is only a month away! If you haven't already, the time to start making plans is now. With the intention of creating a BMW community in the Rocky Mountain region, the social event, Drive 4 Corners, incorporates a weekend destination at the base of Purgatory Resort with a chance for participants to escape the summer heat and connect with other BMW enthusiasts.

What is Drive 4 Corners, you ask? It is an annual informal gathering of BMW enthusiasts focused on a road-trip adventure in the Rocky Mountains. It gets you out of the heat of the summer to a scenic mountain destination. D4C aims to connect BMW enthusiasts from across the nation and provide a friendly event and weekend getaway, no matter what BMW they drive.

Participants drive hundreds of miles to connect up with others, some arriving from over 1000 miles away to see old friends and meet new ones.

Date: Friday, August 24-26, 2018

Location: Purgatory Resort - 1 Skier Place, Durango, CO 81301

For the 8th annual gathering, D4C will take place at Purgatory Resort in north Durango, CO. This resort operates a ski destination in the winter as well as a summer getaway destination in the summer. This location was selected with hopes to improve the lodging and accommodations for all D4C participants as well as providing access to scenic mountain roads in the near vicinity.

US 550 north through the historic town of Silverton up to Ouray, CO is known as the Million Dollar Highway and is a unique road worth driving. It is a two-lane road dubbed the San Juan Skyway and Scenic Byway with multiple 10,000-ft passes. This route will serve as our Saturday extended drive with a lunch stop in Ouray, CO to explore the unique shops and restaurants the town has to offer.

Event registration price remains at \$80 per vehicle (early bird pricing), however we have reduced lodging costs for 2018. The property includes individual hotel style rooms at a great rate, as well as group style suites that promote more of a community atmosphere.

As always, the D4C team will organize a fun-filled weekend focused around the BMWs we love to drive, and all of the great friends we have made in the process of owning these machines. Come on out for 2018 and enjoy this 'driving-destination' weekend and make some new friends! We can't wait to see what new great people and unique BMWs arrive for 2018 and we hope you choose to join us this August!

Go directly to Registration! www.drive4corners.com. Send questions to: info@drive4corners.com ■

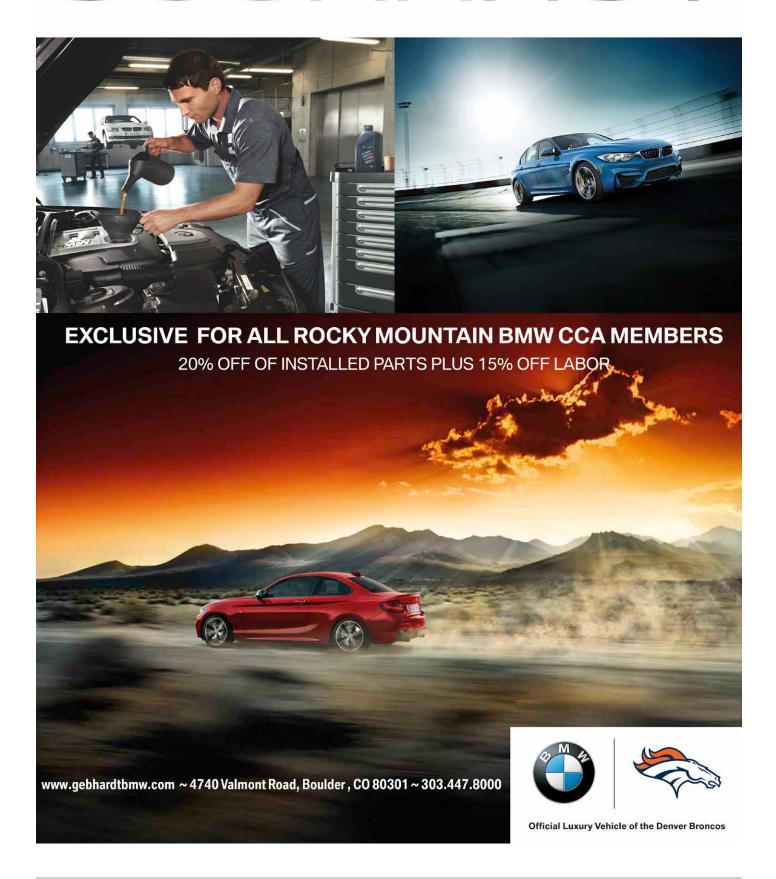






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### GEBHARDT



#### SHELL FILL-UP FRIDAY WINNER:

#### **ALISON HOPKINS**

BY: CHRIS HENNECY, COLUMNIST BIMMERLIFE ©2018 BIMMERLIFE™

Congratulations to Rocky Mountain Chapter member Alison Hopkins, who was this week's Shell Fill Up Friday winner! And Alison employed a very creative technique to save even more with Fuel Rewards! (Look for the M2 on the other side of the pump.)





Alison says that she loves the savings offered through the Fuel Rewards program. "I was a long-time FR member before they partnered up with the BMW CCA," she says. "Shell also occasionally offers additional discounts to T-Mobile customers, so I've been able to double up on discounts lately. I love that they let you 'stack' savings like that. I will go out of my way-although I rarely have to-for a Shell station over any other."

Asked about her favorite part of being a member of the BMW CCA, Alison says, "Hands down, the people. I've made some great friends through the BMW CCA, at driving schools, gymkhanas, autocross events, and 'Bimmer Burger Nights.'"

As always, thank you, Alison, for your support of the club and participation in Fill-Up Friday!

#### Want to win a \$25 Shell Gift Card?

Every Friday, Shell and the BMW CCA will be awarding a BMW CCA member a \$25 Shell V-Power NiTRO+ gift card. For a chance to win, all you have to do is post a picture to Instagram of your car being fueled up at Shell with the hastags #fillupfriday, #bmwccashell, #fuelrewards, and #shell\_ontheroad. We'll announce the winner on Instagram and BimmerLife every Friday. Good luck, everyone!

#### THE Z SERIES CAR CLUB OF AMERICA

BY: JON MOORHEAD

The Z Series Car Club of America (ZSCCA) is a Special Interest Group of BMW CCA dedicated to the enjoyment of all Z-Series BMWs. The Hi RockeeZ group is active in Colorado. Find us on Facebook or visit us at: www.zscca.org.







Photos obtained from https://www.bmwcca.org/content/z-series.

#### TSD RALLY - A REVIEW, MAY 12, 2018

BY: JUDY BALICE

Murphy's 1st law of a time-speed-distance (TSD) rally is that any beautiful scenery will be hidden by weather...and it was. The rain stopped just in time for us to enjoy the snowcapped peaks that were in the clouds. We even drove in a cloud for part of the drive.

Murphy's 2nd law of a TSD rally is that anything that can possibly change, might. Bradley's gas station became Candy's, but the teams figured it out.

The roads in the Evergreen area, researched by Jean Riley, were beautiful to drive with gorgeous homes all along the route. Nobody got lost because the route instructions were more informative than expected.

#### The 1st place winners in each class were:

Novice: Driver Naveen Viswanath and Team Navigators of Kai and Sam Viswanath and Janet Kiyota

Intermediate: Steve and Cathy Hamilton

Expert: Charles Cordina and Robert Yester









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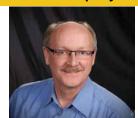
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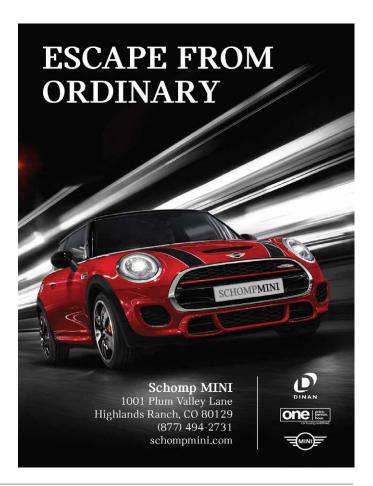


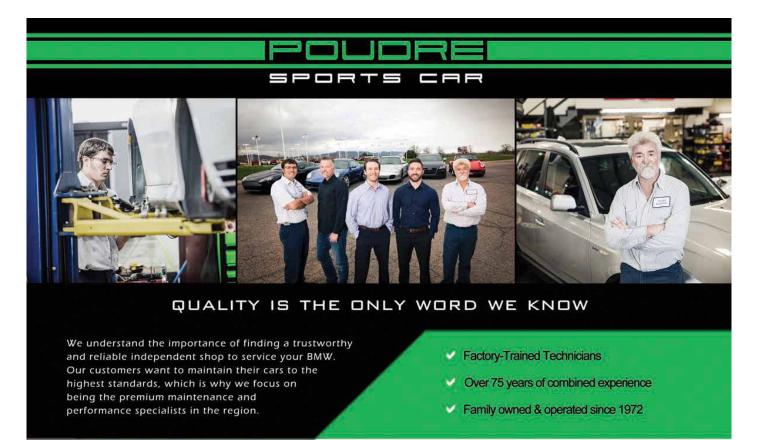
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#### TIRE RACK STREET SURVIVAL -

**OCTOBER 7, 2018** THE RANCH EVENTS COMPLEX 5280 ARENA CIRCLE, LOVELAND, CO 80538

BY: EUGENE YEN



When your teen driver attends a Street Survival school, we teach them to control their car in unpredictable situations based on its handling limits. They master the application of driving physics, learn how to make good driving decisions, and react more quickly. They become more aware and learn how to anticipate actions of other drivers.

RMC BMW CCA had a very successful Tire Rack Street Survival (TRSS) school last year and thanks to repeat sponsorship from Co's BMW, we will be holding our 2018 TRSS school in Loveland on October 7, 2018 at The Ranch Events Complex (Larimer County Fairgrounds).

Check our website at http://rmcbmwcca.org/event/tire-rack-street-survival-the-ranch-larimercounty-fairgrounds-in-loveland-2/ for registration information as the event gets closer.

#### In addition to looking for students, we are also looking for the following:

1. Coaches: We need at least 30 coaches. You don't need to be a DE instructor, but you should at least have the skills to run in an advanced DE run group or a few years of autocrossing experience, as well as the ability to calmly communicate succinctly from the passenger seat. In addition, all coaches are required to register with the Street Survival program and take an online training module: http://streetsurvival.org/schools/ become-a-coach/

Please send a completion certificate to Eugene (contact information below) at the end of the test. Coaches who did the training last year (we have you in our records) do not have to take it again, though we recommend repeating it as a refresher

2. Registration and Event Volunteers: We need six people to help with registration on the day of the event and assist throughout the day with logistics.

If you are interested in volunteering or coaching, please contact Eugene Yen, the event coordinator: eugenekyen@gmail.com or call 720-201-5198, or Allyn Bandell at Allyn.bandell@ gmail.com or 303-435-6645.

Please forward to others might be interested in being a student, volunteer, or coach! ■

#### TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF SHARRON MYERS

BY: SANDY PARKS

Sharron Myers, an active member and past Editor of the Rocky Mountain Chapter BMW CCA newsletter, passed away on Mother's Day. She was my Mom. Mom's life wasn't easy. In fact, it was quite hard, but a few things brought her great joy. She loved me, Brooks and Dunn, the Green Bay Packers, and her BMWs.



Mom was born in Ward, South Dakota in 1938. We moved to Denver in 1969, where she worked as the Executive Secretary for the Denver Branch of Anheuser Busch until her retirement in the 90s. It was a wonderful career.

For some people, a car is just a car. But for my Mom, her BMWs were her babies (after me, of course). So much of her life revolved around those cars, driving to work with Brooks and Dunn, driving home from the Rockies ball game, her BMW family of friends, BMW driving schools, ice gymkhanas on Georgetown Lake, and weekend car washes. One of my great memories of Mom was being her navigator at one of the Denver road rallies; we came in second, but we sure had fun.

Although Mom's final years were anything but peaceful, hopefully these words from one of her favorite songs by Elvis, is what she's feeling today: "There will be peace in the valley for me, Oh Lord, I pray. There'll be no sadness, no sorrow, no trouble, trouble I see. There will be peace in the valley, for me, for me."

Notes of condolence can be sent to her daughter, Sandy, at 112 Halfmoon Trail, Melrose, FL 32666. ■





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## THE MOTORING CLASSIC AT ASPEN SNOWMASS SEPTEMBER 13 – 17, 2018

SNOWMASS VILLAGE, COLORADO

BY: ANDREW JORDAN

The 2017 Snowmass event was so much fun and the 2018 event is scheduled to be even bigger and better. The extended weekend is filled with a variety of activities, most of which are free.





Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing will again take center stage. This year there will be two days of racing in the streets of Snowmass. The races take place on Sunday and Monday, September 16th and 17th. Spectators will have excellent, close-up views of the vintage race cars climbing the winding streets of Snowmass. There are a bunch of BMW 2002s entered, so please support your favorite brand. There is no cost to spectators to watch the races. Other events include local car rallies, cheese and wine tasting, social evenings and dinners at some of the fine restaurants, a large car show, and lapping at Woody Creek.

Participation in the car show is free, but requires registration. You can register at: http://rmcbmwcca.org/event/snowmass-motoring-classic/

There will be an interesting assortment of BMWs to view and discuss. The RMVR race cars also join the show. They arrive in spectacular fashion with a police escort. There is discounted accommodation available. The links to local hotels and condominiums are listed on the chapter's web pages. Be sure to take advantage of this.

The lapping at Woody Creek on Sunday is not a RMCBMWCCA-sponsored chapter event. The run group is called, "Friends of Andrew Jordan." The track is never open to the public, so the opportunity to drive the course is a rarity. To register for open lapping at Woody Creek, please contact Andrew Jordan at andrew@jordanpressurewashers.com.

The Morgan Adams Foundation is the beneficiary of the charity fundraising and will be hosting several social events throughout the long weekend. The Foundation excels itself in the fight against kids' cancer.

Join us for a fun-filled weekend before the first winter snow arrives.

For a complete list of events, visit: http://rmcbmwcca.org/event/snowmass-motoring-classic/. ■

Photos provided by Andrew Jordan.

#### PHILES' FORUM

BY: VIC LUCARIELLO

Hello bimmerphiles! In this sojourn into the Philes' Forum chronicles, I have a follow up to my last column together with a new item on brake fluid.

Last time out in the NJ Chapter Spring 2017 Bulletin, I wrote about using Dexron III-type automatic transmission fluid [ATF] vs Pentosin CHF 11.S fluid in your Bimmer's power steering (you should be able to download the Spring 2017 Bulletin from the NJ Chapter website). I advised that if your Bimmer uses Dexron fluid, you should not change the system over to CH 11.S or mix the fluids. Since I wrote that, additional information has been forthcoming.

After reading the Spring 2017 Philes', bimmerphile Sal Puleio, inveterate owner of Rennsport Motor Works in Hackensack, contacted me and sent a copy of a BMW service information bulletin, or SIB (in the auto-repair industry, these bulletins are generically known as TSBs, but BMW has their own name for them). The SIB in question does corroborate what I had previously written (and what was confirmed by Matt Kimple at Bridgewater BMW), "The mixing of CHF and......ATF is NOT permitted," (emphasis mine).

However, the SIB goes on to state that if a power steering system is to be converted from Dexron III to Pentosin CH 11.S, "...the system must be drained as completely as possible."

Sal and I discussed this, and we concur in recommending that if a power steering system is to receive a fluid conversion, simply draining the system "completely" is not the best way to go. We recommend that the system be drained (hoses disconnected) then filled with the new fluid (ah... hoses reconnected), then the vehicle started and warmed up, with the steering moved from lock-to-lock (fully right, then fully left) a number of times. Then drain the system again and refill with the new fluid after changing the fluid reservoir.

Why would you want to change your steering fluid type? Glad you asked. In specific cases, such as certain E46s (3-Series in production from 1998 – 2006) with power steering noise under certain operating conditions, it may be beneficial to convert from the original Dexron III to Pentosin CH 11.S. According to several sources, CH 11.S has about half the viscosity (measured at 40°C/104°F) of Dexron III. Viscosity can be roughly defined as resistance to flow. However, converting an old system to a less-viscous fluid may foment leakage, so be advised of this as well. If you effect such a conversion, the new reservoir will probably already be marked indicating that CH 11.S should be used. If it is not marked, be sure to source or make a label for it.

Much thanks to Sal for taking the time to look up and send me the SIB and for consulting with me on this topic. Rennsport is located on Berlews Court in Hackensack (phone number 201-489-5577). Sal has been taking care of NJ Chapter-member Bimmers since 1981, and he has professional automobile technician experience preceding that. Legend has it that Sal advised Henry Ford on the type of transmission to use in the Model T (or was that Henry Ford II and the Edsel?), but that, folks, was before my time.

While we are on the subject of fluids, here is an update on my continued testing of brake fluid boiling points. In commissioning my new shop here in Colorado, I finally unearthed the Chapter's brake fluid tester.

For those who do not remember my previous articles on the subject, the DOT 3 and DOT 4 brake fluids found in most vehicles today (including the DOT 4 low viscosity fluid in recent Bimmers) are hygroscopic, meaning that they have an affinity for moisture. Atmospheric moisture gains access to the brake fluid via the master cylinder cap vent, the seals on the caliper pistons, and, some say, via osmosis through the brake hoses.

The effect of this moisture is two-fold: it foments corrosion of the brake system components and it reduces the boiling point of the brake fluid. Since brakes get hot in operation, if this heat causes the brake fluid to boil, partial or complete loss of braking will occur. BMW and some other manufacturers recommend periodic replacement of brake fluid, while some other manufacturers inexplicably do not.

It has been my conclusion, particularly after observing vehicles being driven by driving-illiterate folks negotiate the approximately 8-mile descent of Wolf Creek Pass (they drag their brakes almost continuously as opposed to using them as briefly as possible and then letting them cool between applications) that it is pretty hard to boil your brake fluid on the street, even if you try like these folks are doing (of course, it's a different story on the track).

An example of this hit too close to home when my daughter visited last month (thankfully, she does know how to use her brakes properly). While she was here, I renewed the front-disc brake pads in her '01 Jeep Cherokee, and in doing so took brake fluid samples from both front calipers. The boiling point



of this unknown age fluid tested at only 370°F! Typical parts-store DOT 3 brake fluid tests at maybe 500°F out of the can, while premium DOT 4 fluids like Ate Type 200 test at around 570°F. Some of the boutique (read: expensive) fluids purport boiling points of 600°F or more, but that is fodder for a future Philes' Forum. The Cherokee has negotiated Wolf Creek Pass a number of times with this brake fluid (see photo), so my conclusion seems justified.

After checking Amy's brake fluid, I asked her how her brakes had felt coming through Wolf Creek Pass. She said they were fine.

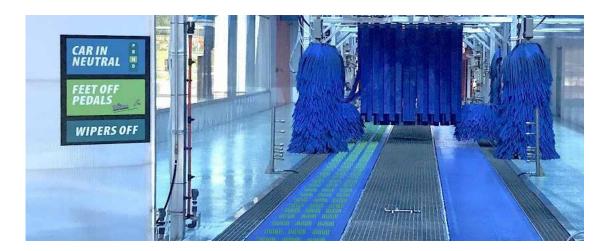
That's all for now, bimmerphiles. See you next time.

Anyone wishing to contribute to Philes' Forum can contact me at vic.sr@njbmwcca.org. I'm interested in tech tips, repair/maintenance questions, repair horror stories, emissionsinspection sagas, product evaluations, etc.

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#### THE WASH DAY BLUES

BY: TIM JONES



You can do away with the wash day blues. There's a better way to get your car clean and it is at the Living Water Express Car Wash in Littleton. You may not want to take your M Car (or classic) through a car wash with brushes and strips of what looks like chamois. But your daily BMW driver will shine all the time using this car wash system.

Their claim is, "This state-of-the-art car wash equipment will clean the dirtiest cars and pickups in two minutes flat! That minimizes your wait times and gets you back on the road in a sparklingly clean vehicle faster."

I took one of our X3s over to give it a try. It is fast, but did leave lingering dirt on the lower tailgate (and around the license plate), but otherwise the car was pretty clean...not concourse clean however. A pesky area is always the front wheels; mine had small amounts of brake dust residue left behind. I spent about five minutes to detail those few spots with a damp cloth and now the X3 looks great. And if washed every day or so, I am sure those spots will stay clean.

The Living Water Xpress Car Wash offers monthly and yearly passes. This means you can get your car washed as many times as you like, unlimited! The vacuum system is free to use, so you're not chasing quarters like some lesser car wash places. I like that.

If you want to have your car clean all the time, this is the way to go. It is fast and if you are a FastPass member, you will go through their exclusive FastPass-members-only lane. For example, if you get there and there are three cars in line ahead of you, it will only take six minutes before you get in the wash cycle; that is so much faster than a do-it-yourself or the ones at the gas stations.

I examined my X3 after the wash and I was satisfied. Please remember that this X3 gets really dirty driving on the mountain roads to the cabin, which is gravel and quite dusty. Plus the dew in the morning turns the dust into mud, which is difficult to just hose off. In the future, I may consider a FastPass membership.

I met one of the crew (Nick B.) and he was friendly and showed me how their new software on the large purchase station screen works (it may be a little tricky at first, but once you study it for a minute it becomes clear), entering the discount code, and selecting one of the three levels of car wash (Basic, Super, or Ultimate). Or if you want to purchase the FastPass, go to the office. If you purchase the FastPass, you'll receive an RFID sticker to place on your windshield (NOTE: you cannot transfer between vehicles, so if you have more than one car you will need to purchase additional FastPass member windshield stickers).

The yearly FastPass may seem pricey at first, but if you wash one car at a do-it-yourself or gas station auto washes, you will spend (on average) \$9.00 per wash. At once per week (unheard of?) you will spend \$468.00 per year. That's considerably more than a year FastPass at \$330.00 per year, and that is unlimited Ultimate Wash FastPass.

By the way, they also have a dog wash facility there to get Fido nice and clean.

They are located at 6646 S Wadsworth Blvd, Littleton, CO 80123 (northeast corner of Wadsworth & Coal Mine) or on the web at http://www.livingwatercarwash.com/. Sign up for email discounts and coupon reguests. Hours are Monday Saturday, 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (closed on Sundays).



#### FALL PERFORMANCE DRIVING SCHOOL

BY: ANDREW JORDAN







Our Fall Driving School will be held at Pueblo Motorsports Park on September 8, 2018. It is a one-day only performance driving school, so be sure to register early. It fills up very quickly.

Please watch our Chapter web pages, and click on 'Driving School' to be kept up-to-date with the opening of registration and other information. There will be email blasts closer to the event, so please watch out for them.

The Pueblo track is a great learning and teaching track. It has a little bit for everyone. The track was repayed a few years ago and now it is very tire friendly. Overall, it is a very safe track and very forgiving of driving mistakes. You drive at your own comfort level with a qualified BMW club instructor next to you in the passenger seat. The instructor will guide you through the course and explain 'the line,' braking points, the apex, and looking ahead. Everyone leaves with a big grin on their faces at the end of the day.

If you want to simply check things out and see what it is like, then there is nothing better than to volunteer. You can work a corner. Inexperienced corner workers are paired with experienced workers. You can learn a lot about the line from watching up close, how others do it.

You can drive any make of car. It does not have to be a BMW. However, no pickups or convertibles are allowed. And only a selected few SUVs are eligible. All drivers must be BMW club members.

See you there. Andrew Jordan, Chairman, Performance Driving Schools ■

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