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June 6

Deadline for the July 2006 Zündfolge.

June 11

Fifth Annual E30 Picnic in Issaquah.

Event contact is Lance Richert at lance@richertnet.com.

June 17

Griot's Garage Car Care Tech Session,

Fife. Event contact is Lance Richert at lance@richertnet.com.

June 24

E36/8 Coupe Tech Session 10:00 a.m. to noon at Haury's Collision, 11514 Lake City Way NE. To RSVP or ask questions contact Doug Mill at 425-747-0934 or Y2kmcoupe@aol.com.

June 29

Board Meeting. Starting time is 6:45 p.m. All members are welcome to attend. Contact the Club President to RSVP and for meeting location. *Note: Board meetings are now held on the last Thursday of the month.*

July 1-2

SOVREN Historics at Pacific Raceways.

The Club will participate in the Car Corral during the SOVREN Historics. See the additional information in this Zündfolge issue. The Club contact is Lucetta Lightfoot: lucettalightfoot@msn.com.

July 1

Dyno Event & BBQ Begins at 10:00 a.m. at the Carb Connection 13611 NE 126th Place Suite 240, Kirkland, WA 98034. To RSVP or ask questions contact Jeff Butler at 206-365-1565 or jeff@hauryscollision.com.

July 4

Deadline for the August 2006 Zündfolge.

July 7-9

Portland Historic Races. Please contact de-Anna Martin at de_anna@yahoo.com or 206-274-5274 for more details.

July 23

26th Annual Concours d'Elegance and Heritage Picnic. Sunday, July 23 at Cedar River Park. See promo article and registration form in this Zündfolge issue; details starting on page four.

July 23-28

Oktoberfest, Grand Rapids, MI.

Visit www.bmwcca.org for more information.

July 27

Board Meeting. Starting time is 6:45 p.m. All members are welcome to attend. Contact the Club President to RSVP and for meeting location. *Note: Board meetings are now held on the last Thursday of the month.*

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Updated and Revised 2006 Tour Schedule

BEGINNING IN JUNE I will be taking over as Club Tour Coordinator. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Marty for all he has done for the Club. Marty will assist me and join us when he can. I've been on all but one of his tours over the past couple of years and had a great time. I've also been taking notes and learning some new roads. I will do my best to fill his rather large driving shoes. Some of our 2006 tours will look familiar with a couple of new ones thrown in.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Marty for all he has done for the Club.

June 10 I Am So Pysht!

We'll travel along the Straight of Juan de Fuca on Highway 112, one of Washington's eight Scenic Byways. The highway is lined by jagged cliffs and the magnificent cedar forests of Olympic National Park and offers peek-a-boo views of the Straight of Juan de Fuca and Canada's Vancouver Island. It's also twisty, deserted, and lined with very smooth pavement. It travels through a couple of very small towns one of which is Pysht. I've always wanted to be able to say I'd been there.

Bring a lunch and a blanket, and weather permitting, we will picnic along the shores of Lake Crescent. If that doesn't work we can dine at the

famous Three Crabs Restaurant in Sequim. The return route would be of your choice, either by ferry, or down Highway 16 to Tacoma and around. For those who just can't get enough driving, Highway 101 along Hood Canal to Gig Harbor is very fun. Plan on arriving early enough to board the 8:40 a.m. ferry leaving Edmonds. I would expect it to be rather crowded on a Saturday morning, so be early! We'll gather at the Thriftway in Kingston, on your right just a quarter mile after getting off the ferry. After a short driver's meeting, we will depart at 9:30 a.m. Bring cameras, binoculars, FRS radios if you have them, and a sense of adventure!

July 15 Long Beach, WA

Long Beach is a very scenic location with lots of twisty roads on the way. Plan on an all day trip as it's about three hours each way.

August 27 The Mountain Twisties

This is the return of The Mountain Twisties Tour with a new route. We will endure I-5 for a while then travel up the Columbia River Valley to the beautiful Skamania Lodge for lunch. The roads after that are simply some of the most fun in the state. Think endless second and third gear corners with very little traffic, combined with some nice views of Mt. St. Helens. Start working those forearms now!

October 7 & 8 Hood River Hopfest

Join us for the Second Annual Hood River Hopfest Tour. It was a great time last year with a little bit of something for everyone. Combine a little mountain twisties, Fall colors, great beer, and one of the finest small towns in America. I'm still working on the details for this one, so watch this space. Please email your RSVPs and questions.

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This month's cover photo was taken at Bimmerfest, an annual spring BMW gathering in Santa Barbara, California. Several Club members attended the April 2006 event. To view additional photos and read stories from attendees see page eight.

Photo by Jason Tang.



Concours d'Elegance and BMW Heritage Picnic

Sunday, July 23, 2006
Cedar River Park, Renton
Sponsored by BMW Seattle

JOIN US for the 26th Annual Concours d'Elegance and Heritage Picnic at Cedar River Park in Renton. This year we are pleased to again be included as part of the 23rd Annual Renton River Days community celebration coordinated by the City of Renton. Our big show will be part of many activities for the public to enjoy. Nearby will be music on two stages, arts and crafts booths, food vendors, an art exhibit, and other activities for the whole family. Mark your calendar for Sunday, July 23. We are pleased to have our show back on Sunday! This will allow you to spend Saturday giving your BMW the spa treatment before rolling out to the Concours on Sunday!

This is a special day for Club members to come together and enjoy each other's company as well as display their BMWs at their very best. There will be two classes you can choose from for your BMW—a Judged class, with our famous etched glass trophies awarded to the winners and a non-competitive Display class, where you can roll your BMW out without being judged.

Come see the history and beauty that make up BMW's heritage. This event always is very popular with 300-400 people in attendance. We anticipate close to 200 BMWs on display, spanning seven decades. Be sure to be part of this exciting day. This year we are pleased to welcome the local BMW Motorcycle club. Motorcycle club members will be displaying their BMW motorcycles with us. Expect five decades of motorcycles!

Judged Class

Not sure if you are up for having your BMW judged? We judge only on cleanliness, and not on originality. Review judge forms on the Club's web site. You must be a member of the BMW CCA, BMW ACA or Canadian BMWCCBC to participate in the judged classes.

Cars are judged in three major areas: Exterior, Interior (including trunk) and Engine Bay. The underside of the car is not judged. Each class is judged by a three-member team whose independent results are then totaled to determine a score. This process is designed to be as fair and objective as possible. For class competition we have re-instituted bonus points for mileage, which evens out the competition for high- versus low-mileage cars. Best in Show is determined by taking the top BMW from each class, and lining them up for a final review by a three-judge team. Previous scores are not considered as the judges choose the cleanest, most dazzling BMW on the lawn.

Display Class

The Display Class is a terrific way to take part in the event for those who don't wish to compete but want to come and show off their car. Just wash it, clean the wheels, and you'll be good to go! You'll be parked with the judged cars in your class. All participants will receive a Griot's Garage sample kit, commemorative 11x17 poster, cool refrigerator magnet and chance to win raffle prizes during the day.

Thanks to our Sponsors!

Our event this year is once again being sponsored by a generous donation from BMW Seattle. Next time you are at their dealership, be sure and thank them. BMW Seattle is providing the beautiful glass trophies as well as a new BMW Cruise Bike valued at \$800 for the raffle. Griot's Garage will be in attendance as the official Car Care Sponsor of our event. Griot's Garage will be providing gifts for participants, raffle prizes, and will have representatives on hand demonstrating how to use their products. Griot's Garage will present a special Preservation Award for the BMW that is best preserved without a restoration.

Schedule

- 9:30 a.m.** Begin check in and parking of Judged and Display BMWs
- 11 a.m.** All Judged and Display BMWs checked in
- 11:30 a.m.** Judging begins, all hands off Judged BMWs
Activities for children
Griot's Garage detailing demonstrations
- 2-3 p.m.** Awards and door prizes (time approximate)

26th Annual BMW CCA Concours d'Elegance

Name: _____ BMW CCA #: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

BMW Year/Model: _____ License #: _____

Special Features: _____

Volunteer at the BMW tent? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Comments: _____

☐ Judged Class \$30 (\$40 after 7/17) ☐ Display Class \$20 (\$30 after 7/17)

☐ Display Class, nonmember \$30 (\$40 after 7/17)

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If paying by check make checks payable to BMW CCA Puget Sound Region. Send registration to Lance Richert, Concours, 6240 127th Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA 98006.

Children's Activities

We will have a special tent with activities for kids including a coloring table, and pony rides will be available. Renton River Days will have many other activities for kids nearby.

Featured Car: Z3 Coupe

The featured car this year is the Z3 Coupe. There will be a special class for the Coupes and they will have their own trophies for those entering the judged class. We hope you consider bringing your Z3 Coupe out, in whatever condition it is in. The more the merrier! Dozens of these fabulous cars are anticipated this year.

Volunteers Needed!

This event requires many volunteers to spend part of the day helping make the event a success. We need people to help judge cars, help with check in, coordinate parking the cars, helping in the children's tent, etc. If you would like to help, please contact event chair Lance Richert at 425-644-8009 or Lance@RichertNet.com.

Costs

Costs are the same as last year, see the registration form for specifics. Our Canadian friends may pay 25% less to compensate for the exchange rate. It's our way of saying thanks for coming down. Register early to secure your spot!

Lunch and Snacks

There will be a mobile Thai Food trailer serving lunch. There will also be other snacks and drinks available during the day. Bring some extra cash to keep your hunger at bay!

Cedar River Park

Just East of I-405 in Renton

1717 Maple Valley Hwy & House Way

DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From I-405 South:

- Take Exit 4 (Maple Valley exit). This will take you onto Sunset Boulevard NE.
- Go left at the second signal light (this is Maple Valley Road, Highway 169). Get into the right lane, travel a short distance, and turn right into Cedar River Park.

From I-405 North:

- Take Exit 4A (Renton/Maple Valley exit).
- Turn right at the end of the exit onto Highway 169, Maple Valley Highway. Get into the right lane, travel a short distance, and turn right into Cedar River Park.



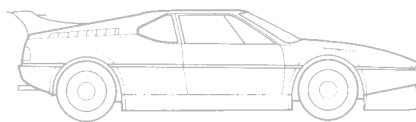
BMW Seattle is donating as a raffle item a BMW Cruise Bike, valued at \$800. The bike's ergonomic, distinctive design delivers a sleek look for leisurely riding.

2006 BMW Club Concours d'Elegance Classes

Class #	Class	Models	Years
01display only	Pre-War	All	1928-1941
02display only	Post-War	501,502,503,507,3200CS	1952-1965
	Old Range	Isetta, 600, 700	1955-1965
03	Vintage Cars	1502, 1602, 1802, 2002	1966-1976
		1500, 1600, 1800, 2000	1962-1972
		E3 2500,2800,Bavaria	1968-1977
		E9 2000CS, 2800CS, 3.0CS	1965-1975
04	Early 3 Series	E21 3 Series, First Generation	1977-1983
		E30 3 Series, Second Generation	1983-1991
05	Early Big Cars	E12 5 Series, First Generation	1972-1981
		E28 5 Series, Second Generation	1982-1988
		E26 M1	1978-1981
		E23 7 Series, First Generation	1977-1987
		E24 6 Series	1976-1989
06	Modern 3 Series	E36 3 Series, Third Generation	1992-1999
07	Current 3 Series	E46 3 Series, Fourth Generation	1999-2005
		E83 X3	2004-current
		E90 3 Series, Fifth Generation	2006-current
08	Modern Big Cars	E34 5 Series, Third Generation	1989-1996
		E32 7 Series, Second Generation	1988-1994
		E31 8 Series	1990-1997
09	Current Big Cars	E39 5 Series, Fourth Generation	1997-2003
		E60 5 Series, Fifth Generation	2003-current
		E38 7 Series, Third Generation	1994-2001
		E65 7 Series, Fourth Generation	2002-current
		E53 X5	2004-current
10	Z Roadsters	E63 6 Series	2005-current
		Z3, Z4, Z8	1995-current
11 display only	Mini		2002-current
12	Z3 Coupes	Z3 Coupes (Featured Car)	1998-2002



MOTOR SPORTS



TWO-DAY DRIVING SCHOOL AT SPOKANE RACEWAY PARK

THE PUGET SOUND REGION will conduct a two-day high performance driving school at Spokane Raceway Park on July 29-30. For those of you who have not driven this track, it provides all the elements necessary to advance your driving skills. The track features one of the longest straights on the west coast, several twisty bits, ample elevation change and some quick transitions.

For several years, the hard-core Puget Sound drivers have been trekking to Spokane to attend BMW CCA Inland Empire's outstanding two-day events. Our good friend Scott Adare and his staff have a format that provides tremendous bang for the buck. As the saying goes "if it ain't broke..." So, when our schedule for 2006 looked thin during the warm weather months we thought, why not take our drivers to Spokane and ask Scott to help us put

together a school using his experience and format combined with our staff?

The rules for this event will follow the normal Puget Sound Region's guidelines. This means a track inspection within thirty days, as well as the BMW CCA rules for convertibles/roadsters, etc. If in doubt, go to the driving schools page of the Club's web page.

The format for the event will vary slightly from what you're used to at Pacific Raceways. We will cap registration at sixty students. There will be four run groups. However, group A will be instructors only. Group B will be for advanced drivers, C for intermediate and D for less experienced/novices. If you are a novice, you must have attended one of our skills training days at Bremerton in order to sign up. As with all of our schools, you can expect an instructor for at least one session each day in the advanced group, and for most of the weekend in the intermediate and novice groups.

The fee for this event is \$375, which includes lunch on Saturday and Sunday and dinner on Saturday night. Registration will open on June 1. The registration form will be available for download on the driving school's web page.

Headquarters for the Puget Sound Region drivers will be the Airway Heights Travelodge, W 4301 Sunset Blvd, and Spokane WA, 99224. Their number is 509-838-1471. Mention that you're with the BMW CCA for a discounted room rate.

Spokane in July should be warm and dry so plan to bring shade, if you have it, and plenty of sunscreen. Oh, and fresh tires and brakes. This event will give you all the track time you and your car can handle.

For a view of the track, go to: www.spokaneracewaypark.com. Double click the aerial photo. The road course runs counter-clockwise.

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2006 Driving Events Calendar

BMW CCA PSR Events:

June

- 7** Advanced Lapping Day with
ProFormance at Pacific Raceways

July

- 29-30** Driving School at Spokane Raceway Park

September

- 9-10** Driving School at Pacific Raceways
with the PCA

November

- 5** Car Control Clinic at Bremerton

Other Events open to CCA Drivers:

June

- 10** PCA Skills Day at Bremerton
12 BMW CCBC School at Mission
15 Alfa Lapping Day at Bremerton
23 BMW ACA Tri-Club School at Portland
23 PCA School at Pacific Raceways
24-25 Inland Empire Chapter School
at Spokane
30 BSCC Lapping Day at Bremerton

July

- 28** Alfa School at Pacific Raceways

August

- 3** PCA School at Pacific Raceways
11 BSCC Lapping Day at Bremerton
12 PCA Women's Skills Day at Bremerton
17 ALFA School at Pacific Raceways
26-27 Golden Gate Chapter School
at Thunderhill

September

- 1** BSCC Lapping Day at Bremerton
2 PCA Skills Day at Bremerton
14 Alfa School at Pacific Raceways
17 BMW CCBC Car Control Clinic at
Pitt Meadows Airport
25 BMW CCBC School at Mission

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Renton Technical College

RTC Offers Summer Auto Detailing Class

THIS SUMMER, Renton Technical College will be offering a comprehensive course designed for the serious hobbyist covering all aspects of auto detailing. The course includes classroom instruction and hands-on training covering professional auto detailing tools and techniques.

Topics include proper washing/prep techniques, understanding paint technology and problem paints, color sanding, paint touchup, scratch and swirl removal/repair, buffing tools and techniques, polishing tools and techniques, paint protection, paint overspray removal, exterior trim and wheel care, interior cleaning and protection including vinyl, leather, and carpets. Students completing this course will be able to perform auto detailing at a high level.

Dennis Noland, who is the instructor, has over thirty years of professional auto detailing experience. For twenty-seven years he was the owner and operator of the Exeter Garage Service Center in downtown Seattle. Part of his suite of automotive services included Exeter Auto Detailing, which has been recognized as "Seattle's Best." Some of you may remember attending detail clinics that Dennis conducted for Club members.

This special summer session of the auto detail class provides thirty-two hours of instruction over four weeks. Class is held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Registration will begin in mid-June and will continue until the first class which will start July 10. The sessions run until August 2. Call Renton Technical College at 425-235-2352 to register or to get more information. The fee for the class is \$193.90 and includes supplies and tools.



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Bimmerfest 2006 Recap

Cam Scott

HELLO TO ALL MY FELLOW “BMW Fans” and Club Members. Where do I start, when doing a recap of this year’s event? From all points, this year was another record-breaking event for Bimmerfest. I spoke with the coordinators and even they were “blown away” by the incredible number of BMWs that not only registered for this year’s event, but the amount of “Drop-In” participants both from near and far.

When this writer asked the director, “How many cars?” the director, with an exasperated voice commented, “I can’t believe how many cars we have this year! They just keep showing up! We ran out of room to park them at 10:30!” Then, his eyes lit up with the glee reminiscent of a child as he replied with the very proud exclamation of “Over 1,700! And we had to turn away at least 200 cars, for we were full!” There is no Army in this world that could have wiped the big grin off that man’s face at that moment.

I can personally attest that the BMW automobile and the fellowship it creates among driving enthusiasts is definitely a special one. People from all walks of life and professions; old and new cars alike. “daily drivers” to all-out performance;

and everything from “projects in the works” to all-out customs were all present and accounted for.

One young man in a particular group from the California constituency had a wreck with his 318ti earlier in the morning. After a quick check of the car determined that it was still drivable, he soldiered on. Talk about a true enthusiast!

Well, for one magical day, we all had the opportunity to walk about the numerous rows of gleaming and not-so-gleaming (yet not any less significant) examples of the great German engineering that we all so dearly enjoy and love. For one day we all shared the enthusiasm of this great event.

There were more than enough activities for everyone. Steve Dinan, the performance guru, was lecturing most of the day. It was great to be able to sit in and listen to the man who has done so much to revolutionize the world of automotive performance. He is to BMW, what Carroll Shelby is to Ford.

If this year is any way even a hint as to what is to come for next year . . . I’m making my hotel reservations now.

I look forward to a great year and will be especially looking forward to next year’s Bimmerfest.



Tom Gorman

BIMMERFEST 2006 was a kick. My wife, Christie, and I met up with twelve Seattle area cars and one motorcycle first thing Wednesday morning. From then on, it was off to the races. Oops, I mean Bimmerfest 2006. We dropped off I-5 in southern Oregon and headed through the hilly and forested back roads to Arcata, CA.

Driving down the Avenue of the Giants in a very spirited manner was one of the highlights of the trip. We proceeded in a southerly direction on many curvy roads through the Napa wine country to Pleasanton, CA. As with the previous evening, we enjoyed the camaraderie of our fellow Bimmer enthusiasts.

Friday we were off to Santa Barbara. Once we arrived at the Ramada Inn, it was car wash and detailing time. There were three hoses going simultaneously and lots of elbow grease being expended.

We cruised over to the Earl Warren fair grounds Saturday morning and found our parking places among a thousand other BMWs. It was fun to see all the modifications people made to their BMWs. The highlight of the festival was a seventy-five minute presentation and Q&A by Steve Dinan—most informative. Now I understand the expense and effort that goes into his “bullet-proof” parts and modification.

Our group headed home by several different routes. We all made it back to the Seattle area in one piece and most importantly, no tickets.

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Steve Larimer and Larry Kangley created a great route down to Arcada, CA, including mountain passes to Pleasanton, a very enjoyable drive. Our group included eleven cars and one BMW motorcycle. We were quite a sight caravanning down the road. But, the Bay Area Bimmers had about 120 cars at Pleasanton for the caravan to Santa Barbara. Now we were rolling! Almost everyone staying at the Ramada Hotel in Santa Barbara were Bimmerfest participants, so the parking lot was full of BMWs, and we had fun just walking out and talking with the drivers.

Saturday morning was so exciting. We drove to the fairgrounds to attend

the event. Last year, about 930 cars attended the event at the BMW dealership, which was totally full. So this year, the event was moved to the fairgrounds, with the idea that the area would have lots of room for all participants. Well, after 1,700 cars arrived, the fairground was full and several hundred BMWs were turned away. Like bees swarming around the hive, you could see BMWs driving around.

Inside, the different types of BMWs (and a dozen Mini Coopers) clustered in groups, so you could walk around and see E34 M5s, E30 M3s, and 6-Series. The inner area was full of customized BMWs. Vendors were out in force, with lots of information and brochures (plus interesting sales staff). The event also included technical presentations by the major vendors. I had the opportunity to hear Steve Dinan discuss the finer points of suspension upgrades, cold air

intakes, and engine modifications. Very impressive.

Saturday and Sunday evenings, we enjoyed dinner with many of our friends from the event. It was a great time to socialize and get to know each other. You never know what kind of opportunity will present itself. For example, one of our dinner guests brought his newly acquired Porsche 997 Turbo Ruff. He pulled out the key and said: "Anyone like to take this for a drive?" Yes! Can you imagine strapping yourself into a Porsche that does 0-60 in 3.6 seconds, stomping on the gas and realizing you are going eighty-five in second gear? And the sound! Magnificent! A random opportunity that happened at Bimmerfest.

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Dyno Event & BBQ

July 1

or Maybe Gear Head Get-together, Bench Racing Session With Proof, or Just All Around Good Time at the Carb Connection

Begins at 10:00 a.m.

IT'S TIME WE GET TOGETHER and see what happens when the rubber meets the rollers for round two. We had a great time flogging our Bimmers last year and checking out just how well those mods really worked. Several of last years participants are warming up for round two with even more (Club pres. Rick Gulstrom's looking to break 300 HP normally aspirated) and yours truly will be bringing his newly acquired and nicely modded E36 M3 for a run. Club members with new E60 M5s or M6s are strongly encouraged to show up.

Alex and the guys at the Carb Connection in Kirkland are hosting the dyno tech session for our Club at a discounted rate. Saturday, July 1st we will pay only \$75 (normally \$145) to run our cars on their dyno jet 248C. Make up to three runs and get a print out (\$10 to burn a CD) of your cars actual horse power at the wheels as well as air fuel ratio.

The Club will be providing the BBQ and refreshments around noon. There is plenty of parking on the back side of the building by the dyno room, so whether you're going to run your car or not, join fellow gearheads in having a great time.

RSVP to Jeff Butler at jeff@hauryscollision.com.

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Pacific Northwest Historics

July 1 & 2

THE BMW CLUB WILL ONCE again participate in the Car Corral. There are still a few spots left in the Car Corral. Come out and join your fellow BMW Club members this year at the 18th Annual Pacific Northwest Historics at Pacific Raceways (PR), July 1-2, 2006.

The Pacific Northwest Historics features many of the world's rarest and most beautiful pre-1970 race cars. All proceeds from the Historics benefit the uncompensated care program at Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center in Seattle.

To participate in the BMW section of the corral, you must register and pay \$25 per day in advance. This \$25 covers the car and driver. Each additional passenger will be charged \$25 at the gate. Children will be charged less than \$25. The BMW corral has always had a wait-

ing list in the past, so sign up early to secure a place for your BMW. You may only sign up for one day.

Again, this year there will be judging of the cars in the corral. Corral cars must arrive and be parked in the corral between 8-10 a.m. each day. Corral participants are invited to take part in a parade lap of PR, during lunch each day. We will have a hospitality tent in the BMW corral to promote and answer questions about the Club. We are looking for Club volunteers to help for an hour or so in the BMW tent. If you are interested in helping the Club please indicate this on the registration form. To register, fill in the Registration Form and send it with a check and SASE. If you have any questions, please contact Lucetta Lightfoot at lucettalightfoot@msn.com.

Pacific Northwest Historics July 1 and 2, 2006 (choose one day only)

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THIS PAST APRIL 22 Jeff Butler and Zac Underwood, Club members and owners of Haury's Lake City Collision, conducted a top notch clinic providing over sixty Club members with valuable information and insights into the complex automobile collision repair business.

Jeff's outstanding presentation gave attendees a far greater appreciation for the many intricacies of automobile

insurance policies and provided valuable information on how the policy holder can best manage the insurance claim process. Jeff also pointed out the many challenges confronting an automobile body repair shop in dealing with issues arising between the policy holder and the policy holder's insurance company.

Jeff demonstrated how professional repairs performed with state-of-the-art Celette dedicated fixture repair equipment can diagnose the severity of damages and facilitate the necessary repairs. The Celette Sevenne System uses rigid fixtures developed from vehicle manufacturer blue prints and is required by BMW, Audi, Porsche, Volkswagen, Volvo, Jaguar, and Mercedes Benz for structural repairs. This system realigns the vehicle on the repair bench and

only applies realignment forces to the damaged area. When replacing structural parts the fixture ensures exact placement of the new components. (www.celette-na.com)

Jeff also discussed the new techniques required to repair aluminum structural components as well as body panels. Haury's is one of the few repair facilities in the Seattle area certified by BMW to perform structural repairs on BMWs possessing aluminum components.

Guest speaker Mark Olsen with Future Forensics, a damage investigation expert, professional witness and independent damage appraiser, discussed utilizing your insurance contract's appraisal clause and diminished value claims.

As the tech session came to a close, Club members were provided with a comprehensive handout covering tips on purchasing automobile insurance, managing insurance claims, third party claim rights, the seven levels of repair available to the auto body shop customer, and a gift certificate for Lombardi's Restaurant.

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The State of My Rolling Stock

I HAVE A COUPLE OF ISSUES with my BMWs: some are large, some are small. Some are serious and looming, while others are just trivial.

My 740iL ("Black Beauty") has a small rock chip in the left headlight lens. I ordered and have in my possession a couple of Bosch glass covers for it. (I figured while I was at it, I might as well replace both covers. When I do something, I do it right).

You cannot buy these from the dealer; they want you to replace the entire headlight assembly at \$1,400 per side, quoting some law concerning sealed light units, and sounding like gibberish to me. So I ordered the replacement glass covers from Germany. I haven't got around to installing them yet, even though I have a good set of instructions on how to do it, (<http://www.cardomain.com/ride/207560/7>). I broke my ankle in three places last December. I have two plates, nine screws and a torn ligament in my knee: when I do something, I do it right.

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My 733i ("Becky") has an air conditioning unit with the personalities of Sybil; I never know who is going to show up. You say, "Oh that can wait, no big deal," but I live on the east side of the big mountains in an irrigated desert, it gets hot here! Becky also has a circuit board behind the dash that needs batteries to make that darn inspection light

stop blinking at me; they want 178 bucks for this thing. Now this one I can live with.

Here is the real problem: my 535is ("Red Rex") is having some problems holding his liquor, ah hum, I mean liquid. He has a bad bladder and he leaks. Now this one I tried to put off last fall by trying that old "stop leak ploy." As the radiator is a sealed unit, except where it leaks, I read where I could put the stop leak in the radiator overflow tank. It would find its way to the radiator and hold its finger in the dike until I could get around to fixing it. Wrong!

People tell me that since I did this I should also replace the heater core too, as the stop leak will eventually clog it up. Remember, when I do things I do them right! I will adhere to this advice even though I drove it very few miles with evil sludge in the system.

What I ended up with is an overflow bottle full of brown sludge. I followed the directions, really, I did. The leak still exists. Well, although Rex has been pampered and taken care of his whole nineteen year life, he still needs some TLC now and again.

So here is my plan: I'm going to replace the radiator, hoses, belts, thermostat, water pump, overflow bottle and, yes, the heater core. Parts are going to run about \$700 and the dealer quoted me around \$700 for labor. Remember, I broke my ankle and am still not getting around very well, so I am considering letting the dealer do it all. I've had Rex

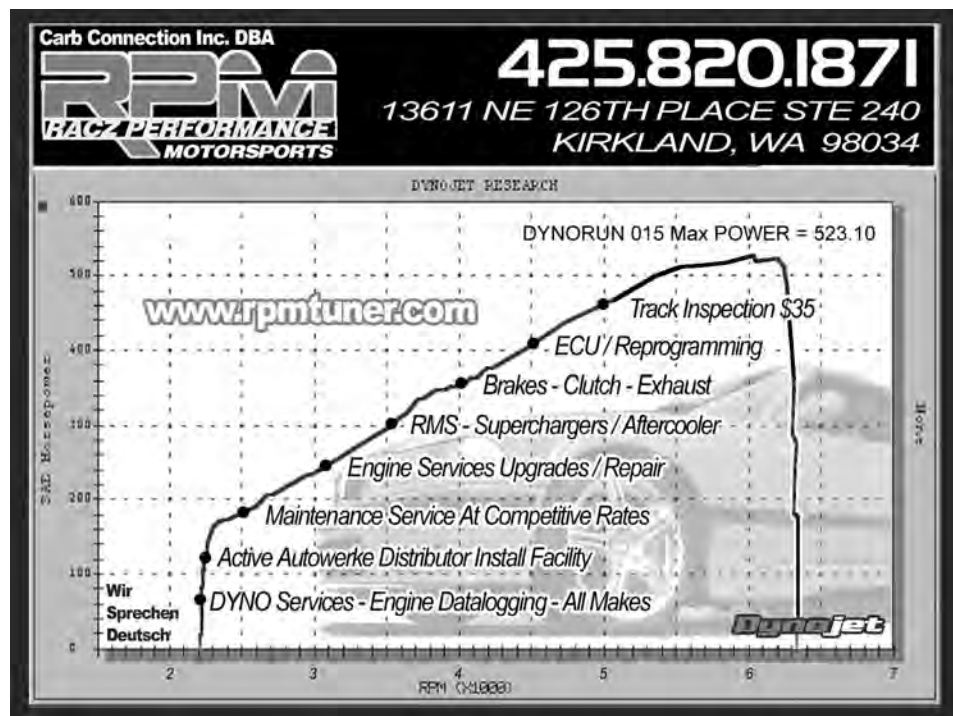
under cover in the garage all winter and am really anxious to drive him; man the smile I get when that Magnaflow exhaust starts breathing.

Now here is the real, real problem. I have been made aware of a black-on-black '98 328is with all the goodies and upgrades done, with only 43k on the odo. I am considering selling Becky and buying the 328. Now here is the real, real, real problem: my wife says she will kill me in my sleep if I continue this train of thought, but you understand, right? I mean come on, how in the world am I going to let this little beauty slip through my fingers?

I have already met the 328 and she desperately wants to be a member of the family. It's like watching one of those "feed the children" ads; there must be something that can be done, right? My daughter is turning fifteen, she needs a car, right? I mean Becky is getting old, she's not as safe as a newer BMW. You would think this line of reasoning would work, but nothing, I am getting no love on this problem. Problem, what problem? "But honey this is an opportunity," still nothing.

Anyway that is the state of my rolling stock. Of course I have real issues in my life, don't we all? I would rather just focus on these. Remember, when I do something I do it right!

Dave Cook
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BC Tour Schedule for 2006

THE BMW CLUB just north of Seattle in Vancouver BC invites Puget Sound Region Club members to the following activities:

- June 3, 2006:** Ladies Tech Session at CG Motorsport in Richmond, BC
- June 12, 2006:** Road Skills Driver Training at Mission (not a lapping or track day)
- June 18, 2006:** Father's Day Fahrt Ins Blaue Day drive
- June 25, 2006:** Fifth Annual German Car Festival hosted by BMW, Mercedes and Porsche clubs. Starts at Cypress Bowl for drive to Waterfront Park where cars are displayed. Prizes and other activities.
- July 9, 2006:** Sixth Annual BMW Car Club of BC Member Day hosted at the BMW Store in Vancouver
- July 16, 2006:** Car Control entry level Driver Training at Pitt Meadows Airport.

Contact member services coordinator Rolf Drommer at events@bmwccbc.org or call 604-671-5843. Check the web site at www.bmwccbc.org.

New Club Logo Decals Available

WE'VE TAKEN the BMW Puget Sound Region Club's colorful logo which appears on the Club's logo clothing and created both a four-inch and six-inch tall decal. These are high quality, suitable for outdoor use. Uses could include a toolbox, helmet, or car window. You choose. Costs are \$1 for the four-inch version and \$2 for the six-inch version. Decals will be for sale at Club events when the other Club logo wear is for sale, or can be ordered by mail. Colorful examples of each size are posted on the Club's bulletin board for viewing, in the *For Sale* section. Contact Lance Richert with questions.

Lance@Richertnet.com

Tour Coordinator Appointment

UNDER PROVISIONS of the Club by-laws the Board of Directors unanimously approved the appointment of Scott Hieronymus to fill the tour coordinator position vacancy created by the resignation of the elected incumbent, Martin Hovenkotter. The board reluctantly accepted Martin's resignation based on health considerations and expressed gratitude for his past service in several key board positions, including treasurer. Scott generously volunteered to perform the tour coordinator duties for the remainder of the term through December 2006. See page three for the updated and revised 2006 tour schedule.

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The NW E30 SIG, along with the BMW Club, is organizing another E30 We'll see you on Sunday, June 11 starting at 11 a.m. in Issaquah. We will have special E30s on display, and plenty of opportunities for all E30 owners to share questions and stories. We are planning on 100+ E30s that day, be sure to be part of the fun! All E30s are invited, from garage queens to daily drivers (like mine!). Extra E30 parts cluttering the garage? Bring the parts and sell them if you wish. Special-E30 themed T-shirts with the famed Mobil 1 race car from 1991 will be available for \$15 each. If you can't make the

event, but would like to get an E30 shirt, contact the event chair for more info.

We are happy to be back at the historical Triple-X Drive-In in Issaquah, WA. The Triple-X has a great burger menu; bring your appetite and a few bucks and they will make you happy. From I-90 take the Front Street Exit, head south and take a left on Gilman

Blvd. The Triple-X will be one block up on the left. Address: 98 NE Gilman Blvd, Issaquah.

Auburn Foreign Car is graciously covering some of the costs for the event and providing raffle prizes. We are asking for a \$5 donation to help cover the additional costs of the event. Griot's Garage and Bavarian Autosport are also providing raffle prizes. It is important for you to RSVP to me so I can better plan for parking and coordination with the Triple-X. I need to know the number of people attending in your car, and what kind of E30 you are bringing (year and type), and your city. See you there!

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E36/8 Coupe Tech Session

June 24

IF YOU OWN a 1999 through 2002 E36/8 Z3 or MZ3 Coupe mark your calendar for Saturday, June 24 at 10:00 a.m. Haury's Jeff Butler, assisted by Club members Doug Mill and Jim Millet, will host a technical session dedicated to the unique, limited production E36/8 series Bimmer. Jeff, Doug, and Jim will share their M Coupe related maintenance experience to include special tools and techniques needed for some advanced maintenance items. Possible topics include cooling system repairs, drive belt and flex disc (guibo) replacement, rear shock mount installation, and front McPherson strut assembly installation. Jeff will cover several rear floor separa-

tion repair procedures as well as bushing alternatives. We may also review some routine maintenance procedures like changing oil and replacing brake pads and rotors. In order to provide adequate observation and coverage of these maintenance procedures, attendance must be limited to NW Coupe Groupe members. Reserve a spot by contacting the Club's E36/8 Z3 and M Coupe Special Interest Group coordinator, Doug Mill, at 425-747-0934 or email to y2kmcoupe@aol.com

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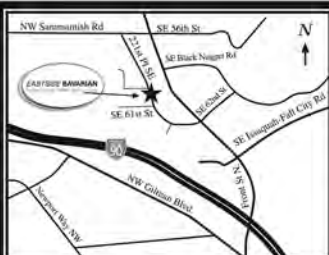


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