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Club members are encouraged to submit articles for publication.

March 25

Deadline for the May 2008 *Zündfolge* issue, all submissions must be received by this date. Send to the *Zündfolge* Editor at lucettalightfoot@msn.com.

March 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.

March 29

Safety Gear Tech Session, 10 a.m. to noon at Speed Ware Motor Sports located at 7509 159th Place NE Redmond, WA 98052. RSVP to Jeff at jeff@hauryscollision.com.

April 12

Haury's Collision Tech Session, 10 a.m. to noon at Haury's Collision located at 11514 Lake City Way NE. To RSVP or ask questions contact Jeff at jeff@hauryscollision.com or 206-365-1565.

April 19

All Members Meeting, at Café Veloce in Kirkland at 1 p.m. See article in this issue for details. Free hors d'oeuvres and gas card raffle. RSVP to bimbill@comcast.net.

April 24

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.

May 6

Deadline for the June 2008 *Zündfolge* issue, all submissions must be received by this date. Send to the *Zündfolge* Editor at lucettalightfoot@msn.com.

May 18

BMW Seattle 135i & M3 roll out from 12:30 to 3 p.m. at 714 East Pike Street. To RSVP contact Jeff at jeff@hauryscollision.com or 206-365-1565.

May 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.

June 3

Deadline for the July 2007 *Zündfolge* issue, all submissions must be received by this date. Send to the *Zündfolge* Editor at lucettalightfoot@msn.com.

July 5-6

Historic Races at Pacific Raceways. Look for more information in the May 2008 *Zündfolge*.

July 13

LeMay Car Museum Tour: Join fellow Club members on a tour of the fantabulous LeMay Car Collection (www.lemaymuseum.org). A collection of over 300 cars, trucks and motorcycles. Stay tuned for details in the next issue of the *Zündfolge*. Contact Mike Ellis at ss337@comcast.net.

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Collision/Body Repair and Consumer Rights Tech Session April 12

HAURY'S LAKE CITY COLLISION SERVICE

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BMW CLUB MEMBERS Jeff Butler and Zac Underwood, owners of Haury's Lake City Collision, are hosting their annual collision repair and auto insurance tech session. Haury's Lake City Collision is a BMW enthusiast owned and operated repair facility, working directly for the consumer's best interest. Welcome are BMW owners and enthusiasts who want to know how to protect themselves when involved in an accident and receive high quality repairs to their vehicle regardless of what an insurance company says.

The program kicks off at 10 a.m. with a tour of their modern state-of-the-art collision repair facility. See the latest technology in collision repair and refinishing equipment. Topics will include; OEM certified refinish technology and a demonstration of the Celette frame repair jig system. Attendees this year will receive a free accident kit and a \$10 gift card to Lombardi's Neighborhood Italian restaurants.

Following the tour will be the consumer rights presentation by Jeff Butler, President of Haury's Lake City Collision; he will share his knowledge and expertise dealing with insurance companies and his passion for consumer rights.

Jeff will be joined by guest speaker Attorney Rich Milham. Rich is an accident/injury attorney with twenty-five years experience who is also responsible for Risk Management on the BMW CCA PSR Board of Directors. Topics will include:

- Consumer rights and state law: what insurers won't tell you.
- Insurance policy language you need to know.
- What happens to the value of your car after an accident?
- Your rights when involved in an accident with an insured third party.
- How to protect yourself from fraud at the scene of an accident.
- Why you should be well informed and involved in the repair process.
- How to assert your rights with your insurance company.
- Why you should select a consumer advocate repair shop.
- Learn about the appraisal clause in your insurance policy.
- Tips on purchasing insurance.

Mark Saturday, April 12, on your calendar and join us at Haury's Lake City Collision, 11514 Lake City Way, from 10 a.m. to noon. Coffee and snacks will be served so arrive early. Find out more about Haury's at www.hauryscollision.com. RSVP to Jeff at jeff@hauryscollision.com or 206-365-1565.

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All Members Meeting

April 19

FREE FOOD AND FREE GAS! Okay, now that we have your attention, read on.



As you read in last month's *Zündfolge*, the Club will be hosting a general meeting on April 19 at Café Veloce in Kirkland. This annual event has been called, variously, the All Members Meeting, the New Members Meeting and the Member Appreciation Meeting and it is indeed all of those. It is designed to provide a relaxed, unstructured gathering for new members or existing members to meet the Club's board of directors and some of the other "regulars" who plan and produce the various events and activities that take place each year. If you have been a member for a while and have wondered if any of our activities would be for you, this is a good way to find out.

What would it be like to take an organized tour through our beautiful state in your BMW? What exactly is a Concours d'Elegance? What about taking my car to one of our car control clinics or driving schools? Will I be racing (No!)? These and any other

So, leave the lawn mower in the garage and come out and meet your fellow Club members.

questions you have will be answered at this event. The Club's Board of Directors and various committee chairs will be there to talk about what they do and how it benefits you as members. As you can imagine, with over three thousand members and dozens of annual events, this is a very diverse club that tries to offer many options for social contact as well as enjoyment of your BMW.

The Café Veloce restaurant is in Kirkland near the Totem Lake Shopping Center. The address is 12514 120th Ave NE, Kirkland, WA 98034. We will begin at 1 p.m. and will wrap up no later than 3. Last month we told you that menu service would be available for those who want a late lunch. In addition, the Club will provide hors d'oeuvres and soft drinks free of charge. Add to that a raffle for four \$50 gas cards and how can you say no? So, leave the lawn mower in the garage and come out and meet your

fellow Club members. We have a very large and diverse membership so the chances are no matter what your interest is, there will be someone there who shares it.

We look forward to seeing you there. While not essential, an RSVP helps us plan. Please send to bimbill@comcast.net. You can check the Club website for any last minute updates.

Bill Spornitz

Directions to Café Veloce

12514 120th Ave NE, Kirkland

Café Veloce is located in the Totem Lake mall area just north of Kirkland and just south of the Bothell/Woodinville I-5 exits.

Heading north on I-405

Take exit 20B (NE 124th St) and then take the ramp to Totem Lake Blvd. You will go through the traffic light to 120th Ave and we are off to the right next to Underhills Furniture.

Heading south on I-405

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Come see the 1 Series at BMW Seattle on May 18, 2008. Event details on page seven.

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Richard Griot's Ultimate Garage

May 3

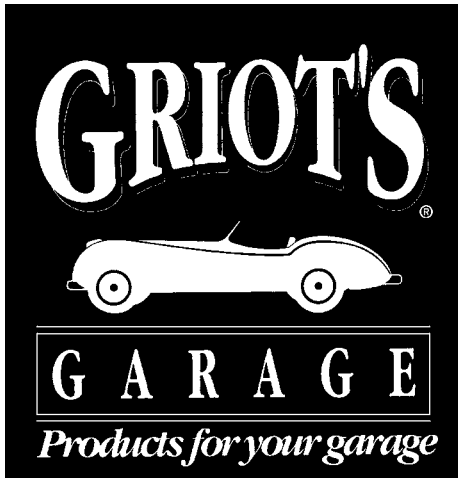
EVERY CAR NUT dreams of owning their own ultimate garage, well organized and functional, with all the necessary tools to work on their ultimate driving machine. Many of you have already taken the opportunity to visit the Griot's Garage store in Tacoma, WA. Now

is your chance to see their line of high quality garage organization items and products in a residential garage setting. Whether you have a two-car garage or 20,000 sq ft garage for twenty-five cars, May 3, 2008 is your opportunity to see the "Ultimate" Griot's Garage and get ideas for building your own.

The Ultimate Garage tour will start at Griot's Garage Corporate Headquarters (3500-A 20th St. East) in Tacoma (Fife) at 10 a.m. There will be coffee and snacks available while we are waiting for everyone to show up. From Griot's Garage, we will car pool with four per car to Richard Griot's garage. In addition to Richard's garage, Mark

and Mike (both from Griot's) have extended an invitation to tour their garages. Carpools will leave promptly at 10:30 a.m. and arrive back at Griot's around 2:30-3 p.m. Lunch will be provided, so bring your appetite.

Please email your RSVP to Rick Gulstrom at rick@gmsarch.com or call 425-644-1446. Space is limited (maximum of forty people—first-come-first served). Presently twenty have responded. If you have already responded but cannot attend, please email Rick Gulstrom as soon as possible as this is a exclusive opportunity to see the coolest "Griot's Garage" in town.



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MOTOR SPORTS



WE ARE NOW IN THE BUSY PART of the high-performance driving season. On March 1 we had our Car Control Clinic at Bremerton Raceway with almost sixty students in attendance. By the time you read this, we will have had our first High Performance Driving School at Pacific Raceways.

We have two more coming up in short order: April 11, Friday, and May 1, Thursday. All of our remaining events will be on weekdays as weekend dates at Pacific just aren't available to us. Are weekdays a problem? Dr. David says call in sick!

Remember, registration for all events is handled through www.Motor-sportsReg.com. Make sure you open an account there.

Car Control Clinics Added

We're going to try something different. We've had a lot of demand for the Car Control Clinics. Not all that demand was fulfilled in March. So we're going to add some more Car Control Clinics.

Here's the plan: We are going to experiment with running Car Control Clinics at Pacific Raceway on a portion of the paved paddock. These Car Control Clinics will be run concurrently with the High Performance Driving School happening on the track.

At the April 11 event, we will run a pilot program limited to ten students.

Drill stations will include most of the exercises we run at Bremerton: slalom, braking, collision avoidance and autocross. An added bonus of having the Clinic and the Driving School at the same site on the same day is the opportunity for CCC students to experience the full track. We're going to take CCC students for low speed "parade laps" of the full track during the lunch break when the track is otherwise not in use. At the end of the day, the CCC instructors will give rides to their students to provide further exposure to the full track. By the end of the event, the CCC students will know whether they want to take the next step to the big track.

The cost of the Car Control Clinics at Pacific Raceway will be \$75 per person. The CCCs will be on MotorsportsReg as separate events from the High Performance Driving Schools. Make sure you sign up for the right event.

If this pilot program works as expected, we will hold a CCC concurrent with each of the remaining High Performance Driving Schools this year. Also, each one will be expanded to accommodate twenty students. This will provide ample opportunities to get introduced to this wonderful sport. How else can you enjoy your BMW in the manner it was intended?

David Lightfoot

*Driving Events Coordinator
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2008 Driving Events Calendar

BMW CCA PSR Events

April

11 Driving School and Car Control Clinic at Pacific Raceways

May

1 Driving School at Pacific Raceways

July

11 Driving School at Pacific Raceways

September

25 Driving School at Pacific Raceways

Other Events Open to CCA Drivers

April

4-6 Sin City Chapter School in Las Vegas

20 BMW CCBC Car Control Clinic at Pitt Meadows

24 ALFA School at Pacific Raceways

28 BMW ACA School in Portland

May

15 PCA School at Pacific Raceways

19 BMW ACA School in Portland

23 Alfa Lapping Day in Bremerton

24 PCA Car Control Clinic in Bremerton

25 BMW CCBC Car Control Clinic at Pitt Meadows

27 BMW CCBC School at Mission

31-6/1 LA Chapter School at Willow Springs

June

18 ALFA School at Pacific Raceways

20 BSCC Lapping Day in Bremerton

20 Tri-Club Day in Portland

21-22 Inland Empire Chapter School in Spokane

22 BMW CCBC Car Control Clinic at Pitt Meadows

26 PCA School at Pacific Raceways

July

18 BSCC Lapping Day in Bremerton

22 BMW CCBC School at Mission

23 ALFA School at Pacific Raceways

26 PCA Car Control Clinic in Bremerton

31 PCA School at Pacific Raceways

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BMW Seattle Technical Review and Test Drive of the new 135i and M3

May 18

Sunday, May 18, BMW Seattle (714 East Pike St., Seattle) will host an exclusive event for the BMW Club featuring the roll out of the 135i and 135i cabriolet as well as the long awaited M3.

The have set aside the entire service department for us to view the new cars. One of their master BMW technicians will be on hand to discuss the technical aspects of the new cars and answer questions.

After the technical review, BMW Seattle will make the cars available for brief test drives. Look for a future update to this event on the Club website and the May *Zündfolge*.

Circle Sunday, May 18 on your calendar and join us at BMW Seattle for an informative tech session from 12:30 to 3 p.m. Coffee and snacks will be served so arrive early. Find out more about BMW Seattle at www.bmwseattle.com.

Please RSVP to Jeff Butler at jeff@hauryscollision.com

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Tour to VRI Proves Popular

OUR TOUR TO THE VEHICLE RESEARCH INSTITUTE at Western Washington University in Bellingham was popular. Scott Hieronymus rallied the troops at the Northgate parking lot on the morning of February 16. We toured up Interstate 5 to Marysville and then headed towards Puget Sound. Scott put together a great drive up through Stanwood, the Skagit Valley and finally Chuckanut Drive to Bellingham.

Once at the VRI, other members from points north joined us. All in all, we had about eighty in attendance. Because of the number of people, groups of about twenty rotated through four



Photo by Paul Melrose.

stations and watched presentations given by students and Professor Eric Leonhardt, head of the VRI.

One station showed a General Motors EV1, one of the few in the world that runs. GM took all these

pioneering electric vehicles back from their lessees and crushed most of them. A few universities got cars that had been disabled. VRI has theirs running again.

Another presentation was for VRI's entry into the Mini Baja competition held by

the Society of Automotive Engineers for universities all over North America. Still another project the students are working on is a methane-powered car. They even refine their own methane that would otherwise become a greenhouse gas. Skagit County has plenty of methane producers. Yes, they will be able to fuel 20,000 cars a year with cow manure!

I think everyone came away really impressed by the work of the faculty and students at the VRI. Club President Lynne Eskil presented Eric Leonhardt with a \$500 check from the CCA Puget Sound Region chapter to aid VRI's continued success.

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Club members learning about the Baja cars.



A past student and now a VRI volunteer shares his EV1 knowledge.



The charging receptacle of the General Motors EV1.



No flame surfacing on the General Motors EV1.



A Club member's son was happy to sit in a VRI Viking Formula car.



A VRI student speaking about the Baja cars.



Professor Eric Leonhardt.



Part of VRI's methane refinery.



The EV1 engine.



A VRI methane powered vehicle.



Many of VRI's projects were on the grounds outside of the workshops.

Sunriver Festival of Cars

September 12-14

Bigger, Better, Yet Still the Same

The Sunriver Festival of Cars is set to debut this September, and Northwest car enthusiasts should be sure to be there.

During its 12-year history, the Sunriver Exotic Car Show has become a must-do annual event for an increasing number of car enthusiasts. Lately, we've averaged 115 cars on display in the Sunriver Village courtyard, and about 170 persons at the banquet. Spectators have crowded the show every year, leading to shoulder-to-shoulder conditions during the middle of the day.

Clearly, the event has outgrown its venue, and it is time to take it to a higher level. Not to mention, the show site is slated for redevelopment and we have to move.

New Name and Place

So we're changing a few things. First off, we've changed the name of the event to the Sunriver Festival of Cars. "Exotic" was a bit hokey, and it didn't really fit, since most of our cars come from a wide range of marques and enthusiast-oriented models. And the coup de grace—this



year the show will be held on the Sunriver Resort driving range, which offers a beautiful setting and a virtually unlimited capacity for participants and spectators.

Our Unique Atmosphere

Over the last twelve years, the event has developed a unique atmosphere of being relaxed and fun, with participants being able to get to know other like-minded enthusiasts who may travel in other car hobby circles during the year. No other car event has been able to do this, and we are going to keep the tradition alive.

Every component of the Festival will be geared toward assuring that

the atmosphere remains the same for the participants. Organization and management will maintain a light touch. Every element will be designed to keep competitive energies in check, allowing just enough to make things interesting but still keeping it fun. We'll make sure that participants from different groups interact with each other in our own little form of multicultural diversity, although good natured ribbing is always appropriate.

We appreciate that our atmosphere is the key element of the event, and it is what keeps participants coming back. Even though the event will be bigger, we will strive to keep the larger size from changing the overall atmosphere. We are very confident that we can pull this off quite well.

Friday Reception

It all starts with the Friday evening reception, a low-key affair to welcome the participants as they go through final registration procedures. It will be a nice party, and will give all an opportunity to meet and interact with each other.

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The Saturday Car Show

We expect strong participation from the Ferrari, Porsche, Jaguar, Mercedes, BMW, and Lamborghini clubs, and we will look for other interesting special interest cars. Classics, hot rods and muscle cars are not encouraged.

We are aiming for 200-300 special interest vehicles for the show. The larger number of cars will require that we group them by marque, a change in our tradition. But this will allow us to select a featured marque or model each year for a front-and-center featured display.

This year's featured display will be Supercars – cars that were among the fastest and most desirable of their time. We've already lined up a McLaren F1, Enzo, Carrera GT, Ford GT, Alfa 6C 1750, and several Lamborghinis. We are confident that we will also have a Ferrari F40, Mercedes 300 Gullwing and Roadster, BMW M1, Porsche Turbo, and many more similar examples. This will be a unique opportunity to see a select group of highly desirable supercars, all together in one place.

Judging will retain our, shall we say, unique, tongue-in-cheek style. No need to stock up on Q-tips. We have Keith Martin, publisher of Sports Car Market, on board as our show announcer. In the afternoon we will select one example of each model represented at the show, to be driven through a reviewing stand as Keith identifies the car and owner, and tells the spectators about the general history and characteristics of the model. It will be just like a guided tour of the show, only people will be sitting in the stands while the show comes to them.

The show will have a festival atmosphere. We will have live music, numerous vendors selling both automotive and lifestyle products, a new line of Sunriver Festival of Cars clothing and event merchandise, a variety of food vendors, a wine tasting pavilion and a beer garden. Each car club will be allowed to set up a membership booth. We will have a hospitality tent for participants, with refreshments provided throughout the day.

Sunday Dash

The Sunday Dash will be limited to 65 cars. The field will gather at a selected site in Sunriver at 9 am, and leave at about 10 am for an approximately two-hour drive over scenic roads, ending at about noon at a park site and a hosted lunch. This has been a very popular event in the past, with growing participation each year.

Details

Registration for the weekend is \$200, which includes one car and participant welcome package, and the Friday reception, show hospitality, Saturday night banquet, Sunday Dash (space limited), and Sunday lunch for two people. Register early to avoid late registration fees and to assure a spot in the Sunday Dash.

For lodging information contact Sunriver Resort at 800-801-8765 or www.sunriver-resort.com. Mention the Festival for special offers.

To register, or for more information, go to www.sunriverfestivalofcars.com. Or, you can contact John Draneas at 503-638-0396 or Draneas@msn.com.



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Tri Cities Wine Tour

May 17 & 18

I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING: WASN'T MAY 17 SUPPOSED TO BE THE OCEAN SHORES TOUR? My unnatural tsunami fears have led to a change in plans. Several hundred miles east, and at least a few hundred feet above sea level, lie the Tri Cities.

Join fellow Club members on a Tour of Yakima Valley and Tri Cities wineries. Dane and de-Anna Martin have stepped in to help with the wineries and logistics; I will handle the route. You know that means little time spent on freeways, and maximum time spent on backroads for the trip over the mountains. Once there, we'll focus on a small handful of more than 500 wineries that have propelled Washington State into a premier producer of some of the greatest wines in the world.

We will be visiting wineries mostly in Prosser and Benton City, but the weekend will be flexible enough for you to wander west to explore on your own if you desire. Prosser has well-established wineries such as Hogue, Snoqualmie and Kestrel, as well as lesser known boutiques that you've likely never tried, like Airfield, Chinook and Alexandria Nicole. In Benton City we will visit premier wineries such as Fidelitas, Kiona and

Hedges. Benton City is also host to the Red Mountain appellation. Red Mountain's Klipsun Vineyard and Ciel du Cheval Vineyard contribute to world class Washington wines from Quilceda Creek, Mark Ryan, Long Shadows, Col Solare, Betz and more.

Overnight accommodations will be at the Hampton Inn in Richland. A block of rooms has been saved for us, but you will need to contact the hotel directly for reservations. To get the discounted rate, call 1-509-943-4400 and tell them you are with the

Puget Sound Region BMW Club. King or double queen city view rooms are \$104, river view rooms are \$114. We are still working out the details for dinner.

Plan on meeting at 8 a.m. in the parking lot of the Seatac Mall, on 320th in Federal Way. To get there, take exit 143 off of I-5, and go west for a few blocks. The mall will be on your left. After a short drivers meeting, we will depart at 8:30 sharp. Bring a picnic lunch, just make sure it will survive a four hour drive over the

mountains! We'll find a lawn to have lunch on, prior to an afternoon of tasting. Some wineries may charge a tasting fee, so bring a small amount of cash.

One needs to be either a BMW CCA member in good standing, or if you are a newbie, you are allowed one run with the Club prior to joining. Check the Club Events section of our website at bmwpugetsound.com as we get closer for any updates. Email RSVPs and questions to Scott Hieronymus at tour@bmwpugetsound.com.



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We are the closest CCA chapter to the Vancouver, BC area. There is a very active BMW Club in Vancouver, BC and they invite CCA members to participate on their events. Below are some of their upcoming events and a short description. Contact the BMW Car Club of British Columbia at events@bmwccbc.org or visit www.bmwccbc.org.

April 12, 2008

Vintage Car Collection Tour

We've discovered a wonderful local vintage and old cars collection, and will take this day to go explore it. Entry cost to view is expected to be \$10 [owner donates proceed to charity].

April 20, 2008

Driving Skills Challenge Day [Autocross style event]

A full day of 'dancing with cones' and of Skills practicing and challenge fun for BMW Car Club of BC members and other car enthusiasts who have previously taken a Car Control session. This is basically a full day of skills practice on a slalom course with Driving Unlimited

instructors on hand to cover important basic safety skills and provide feedback and coaching. Driving Skills Day Course includes a catered on site lunch, fully qualified professional instruction by Driving Unlimited, full day session limited to 36 participants. The course fee is \$115. Register and pay via Karelo for April 20 School. Last day to sign up is April 5, 2008.

May 18, 2008

Harrison Fun Run

The event that started it all! Join us for our Birthday Celebrations! BMW Car Club of BC celebrates the start of our eleventh year of events with our Annual Harrison Fun Run. Join us for the scenic drive to Harrison followed by lunch and the opportunity to socialize.

May 25, 2008

Driver Training Car Control

A full day of Car Control Skills. Our first level Driving School course brings together the fundamentals of confident, safe driving designed to allow you to explore the limits of vehicle control.

This course is taught by Driving Unlimited and covers important basic safety skills followed by the opportunity to practice them. The Car Control Course includes a catered on site lunch, fully qualified professional instruction by Driving Unlimited, full day session limited to 24 participants. The course fee is \$190. Additional information on Driver Training is on the Schools page at www.bmwccbc.org. Register and pay via Karelo for May 25 School. Last day to sign up is May 10, 2008.

May 27

Driver Training Road Skills

Road Skills Course includes a catered on site lunch, fully qualified professional instruction by Driving Unlimited, full day session limited to 24 Participants. The course fee is \$330—Early Sign up \$300. Requires completion of a Car Control Session to participate. Additional info on Driver Training is on the Schools page at www.bmwccbc.org. Register and pay for May 27 Road Skills via Karelo. Register before April 12 to save \$30.

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Auction Proceeds Provide Hope for Children's Home Society of Washington

BMW CCA PUGET SOUND REGION CLUB MEMBERS raised a total of \$16,700 for Children's Home Society of Washington at their annual banquet. The total included \$13,000 in auction proceeds, \$2,500 from banquet sponsor Haury's Lake City Collision and \$1,200 from a special race car calendar donation campaign led by Club member Lance Richert and the PRO3 E30 Racer group.

The funds will support Cobb Center for Youth and Interim Care at Children's Home society of Washington. The programs at these facilities serve seriously emotionally disturbed children, many of whom have been physically, sexually, or emotionally abused by people they love and once trusted. Staff work closely with the children and their families to piece together fractured childhoods and build parenting skills so that families can be reunited. A broad range of services is provided for children who are not able to return to their parents: family foster care, specialized group care, treatment foster care and permanent foster-adoptive families. CHSW would like to especially acknowledge Club members Stacie

and Don Becker for their long-time support and for sponsoring them during this event.



From left to right: Trish Knox, Development Project Coordinator; Richard Corella, Board of Trustees; Mary Jo Stojak, BMW CCA PSR Banquet Coordinator; and Lynne D. Eskil, BMW CCA PSR President.

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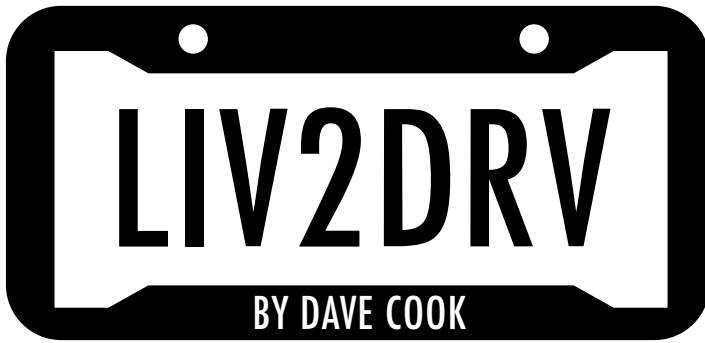


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Even though they developed the first hydrogen-fueled car, BMW has been slow to get into the hybrid vehicle game.

An automotive hybrid drive is the combination of a combustion and electric engine. BMW has avoided the temptation to create a car using today's hybrid technology, opting instead for their EfficientDynamics department to develop a more real world and sustainable technology they call "ActiveHybrid."

ActiveHybrid is coming soon to a theatre near you. It will be better, faster and stronger than current hybrid technology. Here are some facts about ActiveHybrid.

BMW's ActiveHybrid delivers fast torque and better fuel economy. The combination of electric and internal combustion engines delivers peak torque at zero rpm, with a flat torque curve all the way to the top end of the rev range.

According to BMW's website, "BMW ActiveHybrid represents all future BMW hybrid technologies and plays a major role in BMW EfficientDynamics. The aim of BMW ActiveHybrid is twenty percent less fuel consumption and emissions.

"For BMW, the term hybrid represents the intelligent management of energy flows within the vehicle. Based on a modular hybrid drive system, optimally chosen hybrid components are integrated, tailored to the vehicle type. BMW ActiveHybrid is not just one single drive train, but a modular system that can be adapted to suit a variety of needs. This allows it (to) be applied to different types of BMW vehicles without diluting their different characters. The key components are: an internal combustion engine, a transmission unit featuring one or two electric motors, the batteries, power electronics and the electronic control system.

"Thanks to BMW Efficient Dynamics technologies, our internal combustion engines are more economical than ever before. That's no reason for us to rest on (our) laurels though. In fact, we've already moved on to the next phase of fuel consumption and emissions reduction: BMW ActiveHybrid. Hybrid represents the intelligent management of energy flows within the vehicle. The strengths of electric motors, such as the ability to deliver maximum torque from zero rpm, make them the ideal partner for the sporty and efficient BMW petrol engines.

less fuel to achieve the same level of performance because, in tandem, the two power units can always operate at maximum efficiency.

"In addition, the electric motors act as generators. When the driver comes off the throttle or brakes, the motors convert the kinetic energy into electricity, which then charges the batteries and can be used when next accelerating."

(From BMW's website)

We don't generally buy BMWs for their economy, but they can be pretty efficient. I got 25.2 mpg last week in my 740i on my way to Spokane.

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I have driven my 740 all over creation for 53,000 plus miles over the span of six years and have consistently gotten 19.9 mpg with a mix of city, highway and spirited driving. With the size of the car and the big V8, I think it is very extraordinary.

I look forward to BMW's hybrid innovations as well as their torquey and powerful diesels coming soon to our shores. It is not easy being green but BMW is going to make it a little more tolerable.

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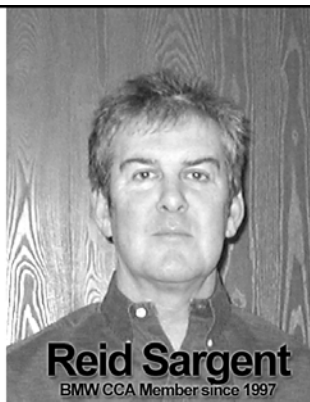
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