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May

BMW Puget Sound Region Car Club display: at Marymount Event Center, Spanaway the month of May.

May 26

Board Meeting: starting time is 6:45 p.m. Mercer Island Library, 4400 88th Avenue Southeast. To RSVP, contact Michelle Miller at wearethemillers@clearwire.net or 253-334-9948.

May 31

Deadline for the July 2011 Zündfolge issue: all submissions must be received by this date. They may be sent to the Zündfolge Editor at lucettalightfoot@msn.com.

June 5

BMW & Burgers: The Club contact is Rick Gulstrom at rick@gmsarch.com. (www.triplexxxrootbeer.com.)

June 11

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

June 18

Focke-Wulf Flying Debut at the Flying Heritage Collection. Come see the flight of a Focke-Wulf Fw 190 A-5 with a 14-cylinder BMW 801 engine. The date is confirmed, but watch the Club website for any last minutes changes.

June 30

Board Meeting: starting time is 6:45 p.m. Mercer Island Library, 4400 88th Avenue Southeast. To RSVP, contact Michelle Miller at wearethemillers@clearwire.net or 253-334-9948.

July 2-3

Central Calif Chapter Hi Performance Driving School, Buttonwillow Raceway: All skill levels invited. \$475. For registration information please visit cccbmwcca.org.

July 5

Deadline for the August 2011 Zündfolge issue: all submissions must be received by this date. Please send to the Zündfolge Editor at lucettalightfoot@msn.com.

July 10

Vintage BMW Rally: starting from the Fairmont Vancouver Hotel in Vancouver, B.C. If you want to see some rare BMWs be there for the start of the rally at 9 a.m.

July 24

Concours d'Elegance: Join us with family and friends for this year's show at Renton's Cedar River Park. BMW Seattle and Griot's Garage will once again be graciously sponsoring this event. Contact Steve Questad for more information at snjq7@hotmail.com or 206-547-2025.

September 23-25

Wine Tour 2011: save the date for this year's wine tour. Read about the Lake Chelan AVA in these pages and look in the next issue of the Zündfolge for registration details.

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BMW Dyno Day and BBQ

June 11

AKA, gear-head get-together, bench-racing session with proof or just all-around good time with car show and food.

At Carb Connection
Saturday, June 11
Begins at 10 a.m.
13611 NE 126th Place ST 240
Kirkland, WA 98034
www.carbconn.com

IT'S YEAR SEVEN for the rubber-meets-the-rollers event. Come out and give your Bimmer a good flogging, see what kinda horsepower your BMW really makes and just have a great time. We had an awesome turn out last year, running over twenty cars. I'm thinking of several new M3s in the Club that it would be nice to see run, as well as some modded E36 and E46 M3s. Anyone have a new 335is? How about a new X5/X6? I know a certain '57 Chev with aluminum heads and a roller cam that runs mid to low 11s I would like to see run.

Alex, John and their guys at Carb Connection in Kirkland are hosting the dyno tech session for our Club at a discounted rate. Saturday, June 11 we will pay only \$75 (normally \$145) to run our cars on their brand new four-wheel-drive dyno. Make up to three runs and get a print out (\$10 to burn a CD) of your car's actual horsepower 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 or not you're going to run your car, join your fellow gearheads in having a great time.

Please RSVP to Jeff Butler via email at jeff@hauryscollision.com
Jeff Butler
Tech Events Coordinator

Focke-Wulf 190 to Make Flying Debut

June 18



Photo by Lucetta Lightfoot.

PAUL ALLEN'S FIRST BMW-engined warplane is in Everett and made its static debut on April 23. A few Club members were there to see this and other planes in the Flying Heritage Collection. The plane has been restored to as-new condition and has the livery worn when it was shot down over Russia towards the end of World War II. The pilot was Paul Ratz and Herr Ratz's name is on the plane with its Luftwaffe markings.

On June 18, Saturday, the plane is scheduled to make its flying debut, weather permitting. How many of you have heard the sound of a 14-cylinder BMW engine? No, I haven't either but I'm looking forward to it.

The Flying Heritage Collection is mostly WWII warbirds. There are American, British, German and Russian planes, but the Collection seems to be most heavily weighted towards German machinery. When you come to visit the FW-190 A-5, be sure you also see the V-1 and the piloted V-1! The Japanese weren't the only ones with suicide missions. There is also a rocket-propelled plane that looks like a cartoon.

My favorite plane in the collection isn't a WWII plane but an earlier one. It's a Curtis Jenny with fabric wings with wood supports and metal stays. And bamboo parts too! It is a really special machine. But there are a lot of really special machines here.

I'm told that Paul has an 80-foot cannon on site but I didn't see it. At eighty feet, this isn't some little Howitzer! I guess Dan Akroyd flew up to Paine Field just to witness the cannon being fired. It made so much noise

that the police got calls from ten miles around. When the police found out it was Paul's canon, they told him not to do it again. Except, "Paul, would you do it once more for us?" And I'm told he did. So if you think the Flying Heritage Collection is just about big toys for big boys, well you're right.

Since the plans for these Fly Days sometimes change at the last moment, please check the Club's website forum under events for the latest information.

Admission to the Collection is \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and military, \$8 for those six to fifteen and free for children under six. You can also buy an annual pass for \$50 which includes two adult guest passes. Watching the Fly Days from the parking lot is free.

David Lightfoot

Driving Directions:

- From I-5 take the 128th St exit (#186).
- Turn west on 128th St, which will become Airport Road at the intersection of 128th and Highway 99.
- Continue on Airport Road and turn left at 112th St SW.
- Turn right onto 30th St W.
- Turn slight left onto 109th St SW and follow signs to the Flying Heritage Collection. Parking is free.



ON THE COVER

This month's cover features Club President, Michelle Miller sampling the delicious black IPA at Big Al Brewing. Many Club members were in attendance for the brewery tour and beer sampling. If you missed the event, watch for a future brewery tour later this year.

Photo by Duane Montagne.



Second Annual Burgers and BMWs

June 5

ALL BMWs, new and old, clean or dirty are welcome. Just show up with your Bimmer. Start time is 10 a.m. Event is free; you pay for your lunch only. Please note the Triple XXX accepts cash or checks only. (ATM on site) Email Rick at rick@gmsarch.com if you have questions.

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BMW Vintage Rally

July 10–23

THIS JULY the BMW Vintage and Classic Car Club of America will hold a two-week rally in British Columbia and Alberta. The start and finish point of the rally will be the Fairmont Hotel in Vancouver.

The participating cars will be pretty spectacular. Pre-war BMWs include a 327, two 327/28s and one 328. Newer cars include a 2002 Cabriolet, 2000CS, several 3.0CS and a 2002 Touring.

Owners and cars are coming from all over North America and a few from Europe. If you want to see all this BMW goodness, you're going to need to go to Vancouver. The best time to see the cars will be Sunday morning as the rally begins.

Start time for the Expedition 2011 Rally is 9 a.m. on July 10, Sunday, from the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver, 900 West Georgia St, Vancouver, BC.

David Lightfoot

For more details about the rally:
www.bmw-z1.de/PDF/Canada-2011.pdf

Pacific Northwest Historics

July 1–3

THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST HISTORICS is one of the premier vintage sportscar races in the Pacific Northwest and is the largest event of its type in the USA. All of the entry fees and any donations go to the uncompensated care fund at Seattle Children's Hospital.

As usual, the car corral provides an opportunity for local car clubs to meet and display their cars. The BMW CCA PSR Club will once again participate in the Car Corral. To participate in our corral, you must register and pay \$30 per day in advance. This fee covers the car and driver and a program. Each additional adult passenger will be charged \$25 at the gate. The BMW corral has always had a waiting list in the past, so sign up early to secure a place.

We'll have a tent in the BMW corral for Club members to visit and to answer questions about the Club for potential members. We are looking for volunteers to help with set up on Saturday and tear down on Sunday or to help out for an hour or so in the BMW tent; if you are interested, please indicate this on the registration form. To register send form below with a check and self-addressed, stamped #10 size envelope. If you have any questions, please contact Lucetta Lightfoot at lucettalightfoot@msn.com or 206-282-2641.

Lucetta Lightfoot

See the May 2011 Zündfolge issue for more details.

2011 Pacific Northwest Historics Registration July 2 or July 3 (choose one day only)

Name _____	
Address _____	
City/State/Zip _____	
Home Phone (____) _____	Work (____) _____
Email _____	
Year/Model/Color of BMW you will be driving _____	
Volunteer to help with the BMW tent? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
☐ Saturday, July 2 at \$30 OR ☐ Sunday, July 3 at \$30 (<i>one day only</i>) \$ _____	

Please make checks payable to BMW CCA Puget Sound Region. Send registration, checks and SASE (self addressed, stamped #10 size envelope) to Lucetta Lightfoot, PO Box 99391, Seattle, WA 98139.



Photo by Lucetta Lightfoot.

10th Annual E30 Picnic Weekend!

June 25 & 26



E30 Tech Session by R3V Limited
Saturday, June 25 1–4 p.m.
Griot's Garage
3333 South 38th St, Tacoma 98409
www.GriotsGarage.com

FEEDBACK WAS POSITIVE from last year so we're again holding an afternoon nuts and bolts E30 Tech Session at Griot's Garage in Tacoma starting at 1 p.m. Griot's Garage are graciously letting us use their R&D area at their brand new facility to get technical with the E30. We'll be covering various topics in one-hour blocks all afternoon. Sponsored by R3V Limited.

E30 PICNIC

Sunday, June 26

10 a.m.–3 p.m.

LeMay Museum at Marymount
325–152nd Street East, Tacoma 98445
www.LeMayMuseum.org

Sunday will be the traditional E30 Show & Shine starting at 10 a.m. The E30 Picnic has evolved into the largest gathering of E30s on Earth. There will be special E30s on display, and plenty of opportunities for all E30 owners to share questions and stories. We are planning on 200 plus 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. A great BBQ spread is being provided by BBQ2U, bring your appetite and a few bucks and they will make you happy.

E30 Picnic Arrival

E30s will enter at the second gate to the Marymount Lawn (follow the signs). All others will enter at the main LeMay entry and park in the LeMay Museum main parking lot.



Photo by Brad Bowen.

Raffle

Thank you to Griot's Garage, BMW Seattle, Auburn Foreign Car, Creative Options and others for the popular raffle donations. Of special interest, Bavarian Autosport and Breyern are donating a beautiful set of 4-lug, 17" wheels with correct E30 offset to the raffle.



Tour the LeMay Museum!

LeMay Museum is offering special discounted tours on Sunday to anyone interested in seeing their amazing car collection. Tickets are \$10 and available at the E30 Information Tent. Guided tours are sixty minutes and will be offered at 11 a.m., Noon, 1 p.m., 3 p.m.

New Registration Format!

Receive a discounted entry fee by registering for the E30 Picnic online at www.MotorsportReg.com. This is the only place this year to register for the E30 Picnic. Early registration opens on May 1 and is \$12. Early registration closes at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 23. You can also register on site the day of the show for \$20, cash only. The Saturday Tech Session is free. Thanks to Auburn Foreign Car and the BMW Club for graciously covering some of the costs for the event.

All Club Members Welcome!

All Club members are welcome to attend the E30 Picnic. There is no cost to visit and view the E30s. Enter and park in the main LeMay Museum parking lot and walk East to find the E30s on the East lawn. Visit www.E30Picnic.com for all the latest information regarding the E30 Picnic.

See you there!

Lance Richert
E30 Picnic Chairman
lance@richertnet.com
425-443-2188

2011 Concours d'Elegance and Display

July 24

Sunday, July 24, 2011 • Cedar River Park, Renton • Sponsored by BMW Seattle and Griot's Garage

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 raffles (time approximate)

BMW Seattle



JOIN US for the 31st annual Concours d'Elegance and Display at Cedar River Park in Renton. The show, along with music, arts and crafts and other family activities will be part of the many activities for the public to enjoy during the Renton River Days Festival annual event. So mark your calendar for Sunday, July 24 and enjoy the fun.

Come out and be part of the history and beauty that make up BMW's heritage. This event is very popular with hundreds of people in attendance and BMWs on display spanning eight decades. This is a special day for all BMW owners to come together and enjoy each other's company and display our cars at their very best.

Feature Car: E90/E92/E93 M3

There will be a special area on the center lawn to either Display or to enter your E90/E92/E93 M3 in their own judged class. So bring out your M3 in whatever condition, and be part of this magnificent line-up.

Classes

There will be two classes to choose from. A judged class, with our famous etched glass trophies awarded to the top three winners. And a non-competitive Display class to show off your pride and joy.

JUDGED CLASS

Want a trophy to line your shelf? Here's your chance. Cars are judge only on cleanliness and condition, not on originality. The judging criteria can be reviewed on the club's website. To participate in the judged classes you must be a member of the BMW CCA, BMW ACA or Canadian BMW CCBC.

Cars are judged in three major areas: exterior, interior (including trunk) and engine bay. The underside of the car is not judged. A three-member team whose independent results are then totaled to determine a score for each judged entry. This process is designed to be as fair and objective as possible. For class competition there are bonus points for mileage which evens out the competition for high versus low mileage cars. The top BMWs from each class, are lined up for a final review by a three-judge team, and the Best in Show Award is determined. 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 show for those who don't wish to compete but want to come and show off their pride and joy. Just clean it up a bit, and you'll be good to go! You'll be parked with others among the judged cars in your class.

All participants will receive a Griot's Garage sample kit, a commemorative 11x17 poster, a cool refrigerator magnet and chance to win raffle prizes during the day.

2011 Annual BMW CCA Concours d'Elegance Registration Sunday, July 24, 2011 — Cedar River Park, Renton

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☐ Display Class – non member \$30 (\$40 after 7/15)

If paying by check, make check payable to BMW CCA Puget Sound Region. Mail completed registration forms to Steve Questad-Concours, 5119 Meridian Ave N, Seattle WA 98103. Mail-in registrations must be received by Thursday, July 21, 2011.



Sponsored by BMW Seattle and Griot's Garage!

A special thanks goes to BMW Seattle for providing the beautiful glass trophies being awarded to those individuals entering the judged class, along with providing fantastic raffle prizes and displaying examples of their newest BMWs.

Griot's Garage will also be in attendance as the Official Car Care Sponsor of the event, while supplying each participant with a special gift. Car Care Experts will be on hand demonstrating their top notch products. Griot's Garage will be presenting the special Preservation Award for the BMW that is best preserved.

Children's Activities

We'll have a special tent with activities for kids including a coloring contest. Not only is the Henry Moses Water Park directly next door, but The Renton River Days Festival will have several other activities nearby for the family to enjoy.

Volunteers Needed!

All the fun of this event requires many volunteers to spend a small amount of time helping out before, during and/or afterwards to make this event a success. Help is needed with administrative, set-up, parking, check-in, judging, helping in the children's tent, clean-up and several other activities. We would love to have you help out with the fun. Please contact Concours Coordinator Steve Questad at 206-380-7276 or s.questad@comcast.net to participate.

REGISTRATION

Registration forms and information are available at www.bmwpugetsound.com or use the preferred method at www.motorsportsreg.com. The registration form from this issue can also be used.

Food Service

The Bistro Box specializing in gourmet street food will be on-hand providing a delicious choice of meals, snacks, and refreshments during the show. If you can't wait until the Concours, you can visit them at www.bistrobox.net.

Cedar River Park Just East of I-405 in Renton 1717 Maple Valley Highway & House Way

DIRECTIONS:

Coming from the South: Take I-405 northbound to Exit #4 (Maple Valley-Enumclaw). This exit will divide, take the first exit to Maple Valley-Enumclaw (South 169). Turn right at the stop sign at the end of the ramp. At the second light, turn right into the park and follow the posted signs.

Coming from the North: Take I-405 southbound to Exit #4 (Renton-Enumclaw). Go through the first stop light and turn left on Maple Valley Highway (South 169). This will take you under I-405. At the second light, turn right into the park and follow the posted signs.

2011 BMW Club Concours d'Elegance Classes

Class #	Class	Models	Years
01 Display Only	Pre-War	All	1928-1941
	Post-War	501, 502, 503, 507, 3200CS	1952-1965
	Old Range	Isetta, 600, 700	1955-1965
02	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
03	Early 3 Series	E21 3 Series	1977-1983
		E30 3 Series	1983-1991
04	Early Big Cars	E12 5 Series	1972-1981
		E28 5 Series	1982-1988
		E26 M1	1978-1981
		E23 7 Series	1977-1987
		E24 6 Series	1976-1989
05	Modern 3 Series	E36 3 Series	1992-1999
		E46 3 Series	1999-2005
06	Modern Big Cars	E34 5 Series	1989-1996
		E32 7 Series	1988-1994
		E31 8 Series	1990-1997
		E39 5 Series	1997-2003
		E38 7 Series	1997-2001
07	Recent Small Cars	E83 X3	2004-current
		E82 E88 1 series	2008-current
		E90/E92/E93	2006-current
08	Recent Big Cars	E60 5 Series	2003-2010
		E65 7 Series	2002-2007
		E53 X5	2004-2007
		E63/E64 6 Series	2005-current
		E70 X5	2007-current
		F01 7 Series	2008-current
		E71 X6	2008-current
		F07 F10 5 Series	2009-current
09	Z Cars	Z3, Z4, Z8 roadsters and coupes	1995-current
10 Featured Car	E90/E92/E93 M3	E90/E92/93 M3	2007-current
11 display only	Mini		2002-current
12 display only	Racecars		All
13 display only	BMW Motorcycles		All



Photos by Dane Martin.

I JOINED THE BMW CCA PSR in 2001, shortly after purchasing a Z3, and started a now decade-long adventure with the Club. In 2003, de-Anna and I attended a wine tour to the Lake Chelan region which, at the time, was home to a very small group of wineries that were experimenting with estate vineyards, but still purchasing a vast majority of their grapes from established regions in the Columbia Valley. It was a hit-or-miss affair with some wines tasting surprisingly well, and others clearly a work in progress; the effect of inexperienced winemakers, new untested vineyards (the earliest planted vines didn't start producing fruit until 2001), or a combination of both. That was the last time I visited Chelan, until now.

Eight years later, Lake Chelan boasts its own American Viticultural Area (AVA). Established in 2009, the AVA designation recognizes the unique micro-climate, casually referred to as the "lake effect" that regulates temperature, and glacier-deposited soil which contains notable quantities of quartz, granite and mica. Currently there are sixteen wineries that call the Lake Chelan AVA home. These wineries, many with years of experience in the Chelan Valley, are starting to produce exceptional wines that are reminiscent of old-world French varietals and blends which are characteristically low alcohol

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As you might imagine in the Chelan Valley, most of the wineries are situated above the water with tasting bars and outdoor patios that offer postcard views of the lake and surrounding mountains.

with lively acidity and an earthy mineral backbone; a refreshing detour from the increasingly bold and extracted wines that winemakers feel they need to produce to satisfy the critics and marketing engines. And while you will find the usual bottlings of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Chardonnay, the real adventure here is Syrah, Malbec, Sangiovese, Viognier, Riesling and various Rhone-style blends, both red and white. You'll even see Pinot Noir on a few winery lists. I didn't think it was possible, but at least one Pinot I tasted was remarkably good!

This year, you won't have to travel to France to experience a "new" wine region. Lake Chelan is just a hop, skip and a jump over the mountains, courtesy of the North Cascades Highway. As

you might imagine in the Chelan Valley, most of the wineries are situated above the water with tasting bars and outdoor patios that offer postcard views of the lake and surrounding mountains.

The date for this year's tour is Friday September 23 to Sunday September 25. On Friday, we will drive the long, scenic route from the Seattle metro area, over the North Cascades Highway, and down to Chelan where we stay two nights at a waterfront hotel in Chelan. For Saturday and Sunday our caravan will travel through the hills for wine tasting and meals, mixed in with some free time to explore the city and its amenities. I'm still working out the dining arrangements, but this year will definitely include a group dinner on Saturday and lunches on both weekend days. We might even squeeze in a dinner on Friday if everything falls into place.

Registration information including costs and the full schedule will be posted to all our media outlets around the beginning of July, including the July *Zündfolge*, bmwpugetsound.com, Facebook, twitter and the email list. If you've attended a recent wine tour, you know that this event fills up fast (last year it took only seven hours). Don't miss out!

Dane Martin



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Sunriver Festival of Cars

September 16–18

Each year, an increasing number of Northwest car enthusiasts gather at Sunriver, Oregon for a pleasant day on the Resort's driving range. We don't hit golf balls; rather, we enjoy each other's company as we ogle the amazing variety of sports and special interest vehicles from manufacturers all over the world. It's truly a multicultural car event, as well as the most fun car show in which you will ever participate.

Yes, we had a little rain last year, but it didn't dampen the spirits of the 250+ participants and 1,000+ spectators. If anything, it brought out the best in them. The photographers focused on raindrops on shiny painted sheet metal, the latte stand did a brisk business, and the Bend Distillery's vintage Airstream trailer martini bar always had a line in front.

This year, the Center Field Display will be Italian cars. We'll pick twenty or so to be featured, and we'll be aiming for a broad display of Italian design from Ferrari,

Lamborghini, Alfa Romeo and others. We expect that the boisterous owners will do their best to color the atmosphere and entertain us all—they're Italian car junkies, after all.

The Festival is for everyone, not just the featured group. We expect at least 150 Porsches, BMWs, Jaguars, Mercedes Benzes, Audis, Corvettes, and a smattering of most everything else.

You can do just the Saturday show if that's all you can fit in, but the best experience comes from doing the full weekend package. We start Friday morning with organized drives from Portland and other areas, stopping for an afternoon refresher at Club Carrera in Bend. Everyone meets up for registration at Sunriver, and we're working on a suitably Italian theme. The show is Saturday, followed by the participant banquet Saturday evening. We know you hate banquets and banquet food, so we make sure the food is good



and the program is entertaining. Sunday starts with a light continental breakfast, and then we're off on the Sunday Dash. The Dash runs about two hours over about 100 miles of Central Oregon's best roads, and ends with a grand finale lunch.

If you've been to the Festival before, hurry up and register. If you haven't been before, then make 2011 your first Festival. It's a low key, fun show. You don't need a

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BMW Car Club Display at Marymount Event Center

OUR CLUB'S CAR DISPLAY during the month of May at the LeMay Family Collection Foundation's Marymount Event Center was a great success. Five cars belonging to fellow Puget Sound Region Club members were on display along with over eighty BMW posters from Lance Richert's vast collection. The cars on display were: 1970 2800CS owned by Kevin Hill, 1974 2002 Turbo owned by Byron Sanborn, 1987 E30 Cabrio owned by Joyce & Jim Anderson, 1991 M3 (Bastos Tribute) owned by Bill Buchanan and 1991 850i owned by Rob Dunn. Much appreciation goes out to the car owners that gave up their cars for a whole month.

In addition to the Car Club display an Educational Lecture "BMW: 95 Years Young" was presented by our very own David Lightfoot. The Educational Guest Lecture was FREE and open to the public and provided a chance to see the BMW exhibit. The lecture was well attended and received.

The LeMay Foundation sets aside space for Puget Sound area car clubs to display their member's cars and promote their club and their activities for an entire month.

Show your Membership card and get 20% off General Admission. This discount is good any time of the year.

All tours are guided and take anywhere from 2 hours to 2 ½ hours to complete.

The Marymount Event Center address is 325 152nd St E, Tacoma (Spanaway), WA 98445. (www.lemaymarymount.org)

Save the Date: June 26, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the E30 Picnic on the east lawn of the Marymount Event Center.

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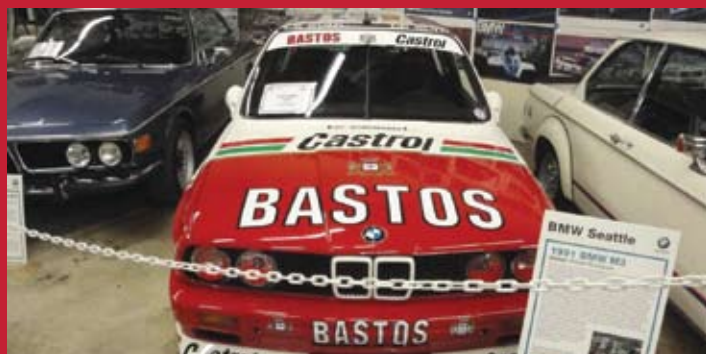
Rob Dunn's 1991 850i.



Joyce and Jim Anderson's 1987 E30 cabrio.



Kevin Hill's 1970 2800cs.



Bill Buchanan's 1991 M3.



Byron Sanborn's 1974 2002 turbo.





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with instructors during the lunch break of the HPDE lappers. Go out for rides on the race track with the instructors after the class. All this in a safe environment at reasonable speeds with experienced instructors to guide the way. Get exposure to high performance driving events in your street car and become a safer driver.

(High Performance Driving Education) event:

Come out and enjoy a day at the track with fellow track junkies. Utilize our talented pool of instructors/driving coaches and drive your car in a safe controlled environment. Take a day off work and live a little.

The Club HPDE & CCC will take place on Friday, June 10, 2011, at Pacific Raceways in Kent. Lunch will be provided. Preregistration is a MUST so get your credit card and mouse clicking finger in gear today! Last day to register is June 3.

Price:
HPDE is \$195
CCC is \$95

See you at the track!

Rick Gulstrom
Track Events Coordinator
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Photo by Rick Gulstrom.

2011 Driving Events Calendar

Other Events Open to CCA Drivers

June

10 Driving School & Car Control Clinic at PR

August

12 Driving School & Car Control Clinic at PR

September

9 Driving School & Car Control Clinic at PR

Other Events open to CCA Drivers

June

10 BSCC Lapping Day at Bremerton

11 PCA School at Pacific Raceways

13 BMW CCBC School at Mission

23 Tri-Club School at Portland

26 BMW CCBC Skills Day at Pitt Meadows

July

2 PCA Skills Day at Bremerton

10 BMW CCBC Car Control Clinic at Pitt Meadows

13 PCA School at Pacific Raceways

18 BMW CCBC School at Mission

25 BMW ACA School at Portland

27 ALFA Evening Lapping at Pacific Raceways

29 BSCC Lapping Day at Bremerton

August

6 PCA Young Driver Skills Day at Bremerton

11 PCA School at Pacific Raceways

15 BMW CCBC School at Mission

29 BMW ACA School at Portland

September

2 BSCC Lapping Day at Bremerton

3 PCA School at Pacific Raceways

11 BMW CCBC Skills Day at Pitt Meadows

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The PRO3 Line

PRO3

Green Flag Racing for 2011!

THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 29–30 marked the start of the regular championship points season for the International Conference of Sports Car Clubs (ICSCC), where PRO3 calls “home.” True to form, the weekend was made all the more exciting because of PRO3. A total of 17 PRO3 cars were on hand to race on Sunday after two days worth of qualifying efforts to find placement on the grid, and although this made for a strong season-opening grid, it was only slightly overshadowed by the PRO3 Novices on Saturday.

The Novices (twenty-eight total) were led by our own Bob Mearns (PRO3 #161) as the new ICSCC License Director. And by all accounts from the Novice group, Bob did a great job with keeping the “newbies” focused and on track—literally and figuratively! Among those new Novice drivers were ten PRO3 drivers. If memory serves correct, that would make for one of the largest number of new PRO3 drivers at any one Novice race within ICSCC. Based on the perma-grins seen around the paddock after the Novice race Saturday evening, you can bet that we will see the majority of these drivers return to action for future events. I expect we will see increasing grid counts among PRO3 this season!

Among those Novice drivers, there was one car driven by a young hot shoe with a familiar last name: Cameron “Cam” Van Lierop. Cam is the son of three-time PRO3 champ, Jeff Van Lierop, and judging from his performance on track behind the wheel of the Country Green grass car, it was obvious that the speed-gene runs deep in this family! Bob Mearns had some fun with the PRO3 Novices and gridded the cars together then inverted the order. This put Cam at the back of the PRO3 Novices where he proceeded to make quick work of the group, making his way to the front of the PRO3 Novice field. Cam will be one



#148 Rick Edwards won the PRO3 race with a new Portland non-chicane track record of 1:22.006.



Dan Rogers in the Tic Tac car finished 2nd in the PRO3 race.



Action in Turn 12.

Photos by Doug Berger.

to watch as he progresses through the Novice program for sure.

There was one particular “Novice” who caught my attention from the registration list, Bruce Feller. Now, to call Bruce a “Novice” does not give the right accounting of exactly who this guy is and why his name might be familiar to you. Bruce has been a part of PRO3 since its earlier beginnings and has plenty of time behind the wheel of PRO3 cars at every one of our north-west tracks. Bruce took some time off over the past couple years to focus on business matters but just cannot seem to keep much of a distance from his PRO3 family! As per ICSCC regulations, to regain his Senior License from two years ago, he must complete an Observation Race where his peers have the opportunity to watch him race and help the License Director make the decision whether or not to advance him back into the grid. Bruce showed he hadn’t lost his racing acumen and proved to be worthy of retaining his spot on the PRO3 grid—right where he belongs. Personally, I’m really excited to see Bruce racing again. He is the consummate PRO3 supporter and has continued to be a fixture track-side at many of the Portland events, even though he was not driving. It’s good to have you back Bruce!

I think Steve Schaffer summed it up best when he reported the action of Sunday’s events to me this way: “Sunday was a great day for racing, right up to the PRO3 race!” Maybe the cobwebs of the winter off-season were too thick that day, or maybe the cosmic racing forces were not with PRO3; regardless of “why,” Group 1 was no picnic for a number of PRO3 cars and drivers. Of the seventeen PRO3 entries, sixteen took the green flag and only eleven finished the race. That’s some heavy attrition for the first race of a season. Among the issues were three mechanicals and a rather unsightly collision at T7 involving three cars.

Dan Gavrila set the field on fire during Saturday afternoon qualifying with a fast lap of 1:21.747, which earned him Pole Position. Unfortunately, during the Group 5 qualifying session Sunday morning, Dan ran into trouble in T12, found the tire wall to driver’s left and made some unplanned cosmetic modifications to his car. The Adare crew set to work and had Dan back on track for the



Sixteen PRO3 cars took the green flag.



#41 Rob Johnson leads a four-car train of PRO3 cars.

afternoon’s PRO3 race. Possibly related to that event, Dan chose to retire early from the PRO3 race due to handling issues with the car.

Jason Vein driving the freshly-rebuilt orange #188 was having an epic duel with Robert Johnston (red, #41) running nose-to-tail for several laps. Jason spun in T7 in front of David Beagle (green #121) who was trapped with no escape route and t-boned Jason’s car. As unfortunate as that was, Martin Berryman (white, #131) was chasing David and ran out of maneuvering room before being able to avoid the melee and ran into the back of David’s car. And just like that, in about two second’s worth of time, PRO3 lost three cars.

Thankfully, the drivers were all okay and the cars can be repaired. It’s just not how anyone wants to start out a full season of racing.

On a much more positive note, the top five finishers for our first race of the 2011 PRO3 season were: Bob Mearns (5th), James Colborn (4th), Jeff Van Lierop (3rd), Dan Rogers (2nd) and the top position on the podium went to D. Rick Edwards driving the TC Motorsports entry that has returned to PRO3 after a couple of years in the Grand AM circuit. Rick thought he would make a strong showing after his absence from Conference and set a new track record for PRO3 at Portland with no chicane, at 1:22.006! Nicely done Rick!

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front of giant cistern and sampled beer just before it was to be kegged on the following Monday. When not learning the ABCs of beer, we were enjoying the fruits of the brewmasters labor while sampling five different beers and catching some rays on the outside deck. Were you planning on coming out for this great event, and were unable to make it? Keep your eye on the *Zündfolge* and our Facebook page for similar event coming later this year.



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Social Event Committee Search

Our Club holds an annual social event in January. It's an opportunity to meet the Club leadership and party with fellow Club members.

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Port Townsend Tour Recap

IN SPITE OF THIS BEING THE COLDEST APRIL ON RECORD, we had a good turnout and a great time on the Port Townsend Tour. Fifteen beautiful BMWs left Federal Way, headed south in search of curvy roads and awesome scenery. We quickly found both. After a very short section of I-5, the route consisted of lightly traveled back roads

leading to our first stop at Twanoh State Park on Hood Canal. Cloudless skies provided some great views of the Olympic Mountains across the Canal. After photos and a short break we headed North on Highway 101 taking another short break at Dosewalips State Park. From there it was a short run to our destination of Port Townsend and lunch

overlooking the water at Fins Coastal Cuisine. This was the end of the official Tour with some members choosing to stay to explore the shops and historic landmarks, with others heading to Fort Worden for views across the Strait of Juan de Fuca. We thank everyone for joining us and hope to see you all on the next tour!

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Sport Driving Tech Session Well Attended

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Photo by Duane Montagne.



Club President, Michelle Miller talked about autocross opportunities.

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Wes Hill shared insight on PRO3 racing.



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Lance Richert introduced the Club's Driving Events Coordinator, Rick Gulstrom, who spoke about the Club's driver educational programs.



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Ross Bentley discussed rally driving.



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Fred Wright spoke about the new track taking shape in Shelton, WA.



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