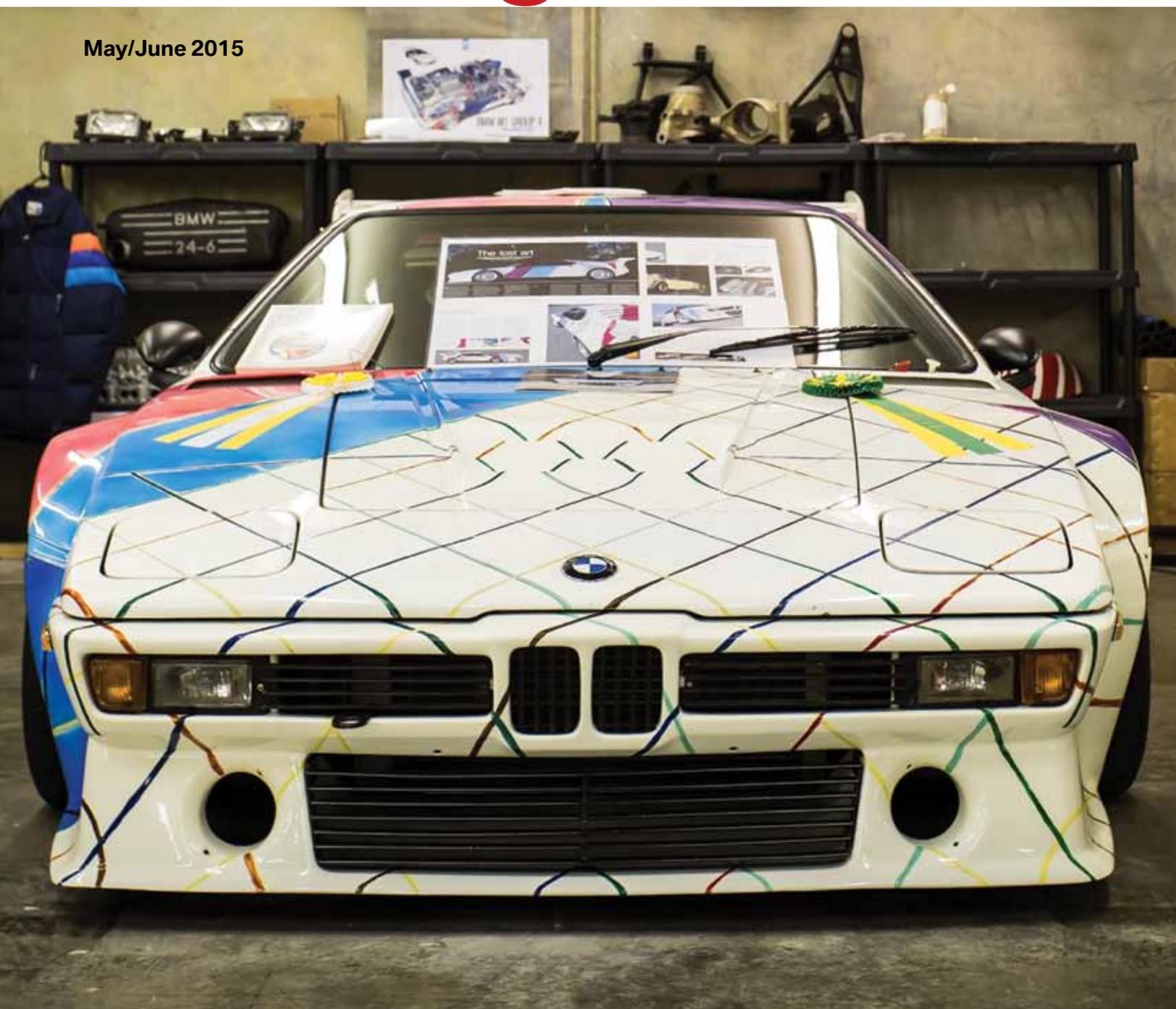




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KALENDER

May 20, Wednesday

Board Meeting. All members welcome. RSVP to president@bmwpugetsound.com.

May 29, Friday

Track Day at Pacific Raceway. We open the track season with both a Car Control Clinic and High Performance Driving School.

May 30, 31, Saturday and Sunday

Columbia River Gorge Tour. Ed Walker leads this overnight adventure.

May 31, Sunday

Burgers & BMWs at the Triple X Drive-In in Issaquah.

June 2, Tuesday

Deadline for the July/August 2015 *Zündfolge*.

June 13, Saturday

Dyno Day at Carb Connection.

Our annual horsepower-fest with burgers on the side.

June 24, Wednesday

Board Meeting. All members welcome. RSVP to president@bmwpugetsound.com.

June 26, Friday

Our second Track Day at Pacific Raceway with both a Car Control Clinic and High Performance Driving School. E30 drivers can make a three-day celebration of it.

June 27-28, Saturday, Sunday

14th Annual E30 Picnic Weekend. The largest E30 show in the world on Sunday!

July 3-5, Friday-Sunday

Vintage Races at Pacific Raceway.

We will have a corral on but you'll have to check online for details.

July 25, Saturday

Gathering of the Heritage. A new location, the Sculpture Park on Mercer Island.

July 26, Sunday

Deutsch Marque Show und Shine

featuring BMW, Mercedes, Audi and Porsche, held at Renton River Days.

September 19, Saturday

M Car Day at Griot's Garage. The 9th

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President's Column

SPRING IS FINALLY IN THE AIR and it's time to get our BMWs out of the garage and ready to drive. By the time you read this article, we will have had the first tour of the season, the Whidbey Island Loop Tour led by Ed Walker. Not far in the future, our first Car Control Clinic and High Performance Drivers' Education will take place at Pacific Raceways on May 29. Plan to be there!

Both of us—Steve Libby, president and Ed Walker, vice president—attended the annual BMW CCA National Congress in Dallas, Texas on March 13–15. Over 67 chapters from around the country, including Puerto Rico, gathered to discuss business, share experiences and learn how to make our own chapters better.

Our overall impression from listening to leadership from the other chapters: Puget Sound Region Chapter is doing a very good job. Some of the chapters' leadership commented on low member participation, difficulty publishing a newsletter and board stagnation. Fortunately, these kinds of problems do not plague the Puget Sound Chapter!

We can also report that our chapter's magazine, *Zündfolge*, is the envy of many chapters around the country. Nationally, chapter newsletters will be given the

option of converting to a digital format for cost reasons and inability to provide sufficient content. The main reason Puget Sound is the exception is its ability to provide interesting content in its existing dual electronic/hard copy format. Simply put, our *Zündfolge* provides stories and events our members want to read about, either electronically or something to hold in your hands. But we're not standing still; the chapter will continue to evaluate better ways to provide local content in a format most accessible to you, our members.

Due in part to our thriving economy and population density, we don't suffer from low member participation in our events. But knowing that good economic times are cyclical, we have to continue to be on our game providing events and member services you will enthusiastically attend year after year. So please tell us when we hold events you love, and tell your friends, too. But also tell us when we can do better, or roll up your sleeves and help plan events. Planning and improving driving events for all members is loads of fun!

The last major item that came up at National was one we are addressing on our board. It's easy to keep relying on the same folks on the board to keep putting on great events year after year.

In other words, it's easy to stagnate. But we are actively thinking and doing something about successor planning, like any board should. But to do it, we need members like you to first take an active role in improving our events. Not all of us aspire to board membership, but the board needs active members to turn to when vacancies arise over time. Nobody on the board is irreplaceable, and indeed we as a representative body need to respond and reflect to the change, diversity, and vitality in our region. Please consider board membership as a way to serve and improve our chapter.

The Puget Sound Region Chapter continues to thrive because of your continued support by attending events and keeping your membership current. Your board of directors is comprised of dedicated volunteers who strive to provide the most value for your membership dues. Like you, we all love everything BMW!

We both would very much like to hear from you. Email us with your comments, criticisms, and compliments on how we are doing.

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Dyno Day

Saturday, June 13

COME OUT AND STRUT YOUR BIMMER'S STUFF at the annual Dyno Day! Find out how many horses are really under that hood, and then celebrate with some tasty BBQ. Last year's top honors finally went to a BMW, so bring yours out and keep the dynasty going!

Alex and the guys at the Carb Connection in Kirkland are hosting the dyno tech session for our Club at a discounted rate. Saturday, June 13 we will pay only \$75 dollars (normally \$145) to run our cars on their dyno jet 248 4wd dyno. Make up to three runs and get a

printout of your car's actual horsepower and torque at the wheels as well as air/fuel ratio. Bring a flash drive and take your results home to brag about!

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 putting your engine to the test, or just listening to the symphony of revving engines, come join us for Dyno Day!

Jeff Butler
Tech Session Coordinator



ON THE COVER:
Peter Gleeson's M1 Procar was commissioned by Peter Gregg and painted by Frank Stella.
Photo by Christian Bouchez.



Tour to the Columbia River Gorge at Stevenson!

Saturday, May 30
Sunday, May 31



Photos by Christiane Helbig.

JOIN FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS May 30 and 31 for a Gorge visit to another beautiful little town on the Columbia River bordering Oregon. This is a new take on one of our favorite destinations with something for everyone. Great roads, world-class scenery, a fun destination, but best of all is the chance to socialize with all the great people who participate in the BMW driving experience.

Day One: Saturday, May 30

(Note a change in the tour starting point.)

Day one will be the drivers' day, full of new areas to explore and plenty of curves. We'll leave from BMW NW in Tacoma. Please be at 4011 20th St E., Tacoma by 8:00 am; follow the signs to the designated parking area. In addition to the regular drivers' meeting describing the route and signing waivers, our BMW NW dealer host will provide light refreshments. We plan to leave at 8:30 sharp and drive south to Olympia then west for the Washington coast, stopping for lunch by the ocean or in historic Astoria, OR. We'll head back east and will catch a little traffic in Portland.

Soon we will get back to the Washington side and stop briefly in Camas prior to our final stretch into Stevenson. We'll pull into Stevenson mid-afternoon, which will conclude the Club-sponsored driving portion of the tour.

After checking into the Skamania Lodge you'll have a couple of options. If you haven't exercised your driving skills adequately you may want to continue east to explore more of the spectacular Columbia Gorge scenery. Others can either visit Stevenson or go across the river to Cascade Locks

to grab a brew. We will be on our own for dinner. The lodge has a great menu selection and there are other restaurant choices in town or Cascade Locks. You may want to schedule a massage or just relax at the lodge.

Day Two: Sunday, May 31

Day two will begin with breakfast at the hotel. We are still working out the details for this day. Multnomah Falls is on the Oregon side and is the second highest year round waterfall in the U.S. Plus I know there are wineries in the area. Plan on arriving home Sunday afternoon on a route of your choosing.

We have made arrangements with the Skamania Lodge: www.skamania.com. Twenty-four rooms are being held through April 15 at a rate of \$159 plus a \$20 resort fee, and taxes. If you book after that date you'll be charged the

best available rate. Rather than booking online the lodge suggests you call their reservation number, 800-221-7117 and select the "group booking" option. Give the agent group code 1XU60S.

We will check into other available hotels in case you cannot commit by April 15. When you RSVP, I will give you more current information on room availability in the area. We will meet in a business park parking lot near the Olympia Red Lion Inn (2300 Evergreen Park Drive, Olympia 98502) at 8:00 am for a short drivers' meeting, after which we will depart at 8:30 sharp.

RSVP and direct any questions to tours@bmwpugetsound.com. Check for updates in the Club Events section at www.bmwpugetsound.com and Around the Sound e-newsletters.

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Burgers and BMWs at the Triple X Drive-In

Sunday, May 31

YOUR PUGET SOUND REGION BMW CAR CLUB will hold the sixth annual Burgers and BMWs gathering at the Issaquah Triple X Root Beer Drive-In on Sunday, May 31. This event has become enormously popular during the past five years. We now routinely have over 200 Bimmers. How cool is that!

You can wander among a variety of Bimmers old, new, stock, modified, but most importantly, share your enthusiasm with fellow Bimmerphiles. All BMWs, new and old, clean or dirty are welcome. The event officially begins at 10:00 am. However, as some of you may have witnessed last year, Bimmers started showing up very early to get prime parking stops. We will have instructors in yellow shirts directing traffic and parking cars. Last year we shoe-horned cars in every available space. The event will run until the last BMW leaves for home.

No Club membership is required; just show up with your Bimmer. Tell your BMW friends to come and enjoy the show. Cost: nada, nothing; unless, of course you want something to eat from the menu of the Triple X Drive-in. Remember, they only take cash! Check their website at www.triplexrootbeer.com.

We will be asking for donations for Life Enrichments in Issaquah, a charity we support. This is a great cause and helps out a special set of folks.

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June 27–28



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E30 Picnic

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Sunday will be the traditional E30
Show & Shine starting at 10:00 am.
The E30 Picnic has evolved into the
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We are planning on 200+ E30s that
day, so be sure to be part of the fun!
All E30s are invited, from garage
queens to daily drivers (like mine!).

Owen Craft, creator and director of
the Internet sensation “Respect Your
Elders” documentary about the E30
will be our guest of honor.

Register Early and Save!

Receive a discounted entry fee by
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—the only place to register for the

E30 Picnic. Cost is \$12 for BMW Club
members, \$15 for non-members. Early
registration closes at 6:00 pm on Thurs-
day, June 25. You can register on site the
day of the show for \$20, cash only.

All Club Members Welcome!

There is no cost to visit and view the
E30s. See www.E30Picnic.com for all
the latest information. See you there!

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Annual Event: Gathering of the Heritage

July 25–26

Hello Fellow Club Members!

After a fairly mild winter, the sun is starting to show its face a bit more these days, which means a lot of Club events are about to occur! There are only a few more months until our 35th Annual BMW Gathering of the Heritage event. As mentioned in our last issue of *Zündfolge*, we are making the Gathering of the Heritage an entire weekend event! Saturday will host our more exclusive Concours d'Elegance event, followed by the more casual Display event on Sunday. On Sunday, we'll be joined by the Mercedes, Audi and Porsche clubs. See the related article on this Deutsche Marque Show and Shine.

Details are falling into place nicely for both events, so please continue to check the Club website, as well as the Around the Sound emails for continual updates as we get closer.

Concours d'Elegance Event

The judged Concours d'Elegance will be held on Saturday, July 25 at the Sculpture Park on Mercer Island.

Here is the schedule for the day:

9:30 am

Begin check in and parking
Day-of-event registration opens

10:00 am

Day-of-event registration closes
All judged BMWs checked in

11:00 am

Hands off all judged BMWs /
Judging begins

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Food truck open for service

2:00 pm

Awards ceremony
(Photography by Bouchez Photography)

3:00 pm

Driving tour begins (optional)

Classes

Judged classes will be aligned with the BMW CCA National standards:

- Vintage/Classic Isetta, pre-war, 501, 502, 503, 507, 700, 1600-2000 4-door, 1600-2002, 2000 C/CS, E3 Sedans (Bavaria, 3.0S), E9 Coupes (2800 CS, 3.0 CS), E21 3 Series, and E 12 5 Series.
- Second Generation E30 3 Series, E28 5 Series, E24 6 Series, E23 7 Series and M1.
- Third Generation E36 3 Series, E34 5 Series, E32 7 Series and E31 8 Series.
- Fourth Generation E46 3 Series, E39 5 Series and E38 7 Series.
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Awards

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Cars will be judged only on condition and cleanliness, not on originality. 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 considered. A three-member team will have their independent results 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. Taking the top BMW from each class, and lining them up for a final review by a three-judge team determines the Best in Show Award. Previous scores are not considered as the judges choose the cleanest, most dazzling BMW on the lawn.

Cost/Registration

Entry cost for pre-registered judged cars will be \$60 per car, with day-of-registration being \$80 per car. Due to field/venue limitations, there will be no Display component, meaning all attendees not entering their car to be judged will need to park in the adjacent Park-N-Ride structure.

Included in the registration fee will be an event poster, magnet and program. Spectators will be able to purchase these items as well at the event.

Registration for this event will open on May 1, and will be strictly handled via www.motorsportsreg.com. Again, registration only pertains to those folks entering their cars to be judged. Spectators parking in the nearby structure need not register, simply show up and enjoy! Online registration will close at the end-of-day on Wednesday, July 22. After that deadline, if you still want



Photo by Brent Roberts

your car to be judged, you will have to register at the show at the day-of-event pricing mentioned above.

Featured Car

The Featured Car this year is the wonderful BMW i8. A local Club member has agreed to bring his to the show, and put it on display, so that folks can see one up close if you haven't already.

Sponsors

Our biggest event sponsor, BMW Seattle, is excited for the venue change and will be in attendance, as always, with some of the latest BMW models. We also met with Hagerty recently, who is on board for another year!

Tour After the Event

Again, you just spent countless hours preparing your car for judging. After the event is over, why not embark on a Club tour before heading home? Shortly after the awards ceremony, our Tour Director, Ed Walker, will lead interested Concours participants, as well as interested attendees who parked nearby, on a tour around Mercer Island. This allows us to actually enjoy our cars in their true "Ultimate Driving Machine" element.

Display Event

The Audi, BMW, Mercedes and Porsche clubs are coming together for a first ever Deutsche Marque Show und Shine car show. This epic gathering will be part of Renton River Days at Cedar River Park on July 26. Please see the separate article on this first-year event.

Volunteers Welcomed

This two-day event requires many volunteers to spend a small amount of time helping out before, during and/or afterwards to make these events fun and successful. Help is needed with administrative, set-up, parking, check-in, judging, clean-up and several other activities. We would love your assistance. Please contact Gathering of the Heritage Coordinator Brandon J. Kelly at brandon@COUPE9.com.

In the meantime, stay tuned for more details in our next issue of *Zündfolge*, as well as on our chapter's website, and in the Around the Sound e-blasts.

Thank you!

Brandon J. Kelly
Gathering of the Heritage Coordinator

SOVREN Pacific Northwest Historics Race Weekend

July 3-5

BMW FANS, RACING FANS, AND BMW RACING FANS! Join the Club at Pacific Raceways over the 4th of July weekend for the Pacific Northwest Historics vintage races. For 2015, SOVREN will feature a salute to racing BMWs. There will be historic BMW racecars as well as rare street cars on display. The Puget Sound Chapter will host a car corral reserved near the straight away for optimum viewing. During the lunch break for the racers, we will be allowed several parade laps around the Pacific Raceway road course. This is always a popular event at the Historic races and the grid fills quickly.

This year SOVREN celebrates BMW as the featured marque, so all local BMW Puget Sound members show up in force. Added to the event will be the featured PRO3 races with an anticipated grid of over 40 cars! This is a unique opportunity to watch some real wheel-to-wheel racing!



Photo by Marshall Autry.

PRO3 will once again be a featured special race group during the Pacific Northwest Historics.

As of *Zündfolge* press time, we do not have ticket information. We will post this information on the Club website and in Around the Sound emails when we have it. Please contact president@bmwpugetsetsound.com if you have questions.

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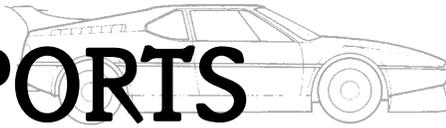
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Pacific Raceways

May 29, Friday HPDE and CCC
June 26, Friday HPDE and CCC
July 17, Friday HPDE and CCC
August 14, Friday HPDE and CCC

The Ridge

September 13, Sunday HPDE only

The first four events are at Pacific Raceway in Kent. These days include both a Car Control Clinic and a High Performance Driving School. These are separate events. You must attend one Car Control Clinic before you will be allowed to register for a High Performance Driving School. The September Sunday event is at The Ridge in Shelton. There is no Car Control Clinic offered at The Ridge.

Why should I attend a Car Control Clinic and then a HPDE?

The Car Control Clinic is in a big parking lot. It includes emergency braking, slalom, skid pad and autocross. It is a lot of fun and the speeds aren't too high. The High Performance Driving School is on the racetrack. You have an instructor at all times and it is controlled, not racing. But the speeds are high.



To attend the Car Control Clinic, you must be a member, register and pay, get your car inspected for safety by a shop and then show up. After the Car Control Clinic is done, you have the opportunity to ride with an Instructor around the racetrack. You can then decide whether you want to attend a High Performance Driving School. The Car Control Clinic is something everyone should do. The High Performance Driving School is not for everyone and not for the faint of heart.

What if I do not have a BMW?

You don't need to own a BMW. If you have a Mini, great, as it is made by BMW and we have plenty of them at the track. We see all kinds of cars on the track, but most are performance cars of some type. If you have an X1, X3, X5 or X6, bring it out. You will have a blast.

How do I prepare my car for the track events, especially HPDE?

Car preparation is all about safety. You need to have your car inspected by a certified shop. The forms can be found on the website with suggested shops that

specialize in BMWs and track inspection. High performance driving does involve heavy braking at times and puts strain on suspension and wear on tires. You need to ensure that your tires are in good shape. Consider purchasing a good tire pressure gauge and monitor the pressure of your tires during the day. You will be amazed at how much the pressure increases as the tires heat (remember your physics lectures?).

Driver preparation is as important as car preparation. Read as much as you can from a local driving coach, such as Ross Bentley. Make sure your helmet is up to date. Helmets are not required for CCC, but are for HPDE.

So, let's get the car and driver ready for the coming season. Your instructors are ready to provide the coaching you want to become a performance driver. Who knows, maybe one day you will be wearing a yellow shirt and sitting in the right seat!

See you on the track!

Steve Libby, President and Instructor

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And now a word from our sponsors...

APRIL IS ONE OF THE MORE ANTICIPATED MONTHS IN A RACER'S WORLD. It's the month that officially marks the start of the new race season! IRDC had the official kick-off event with the Spring Enduro on April 19 at The Ridge in Shelton and Cascade Sports Car Club continues ICSCC tradition with the Rose City Opener in Portland on May 2 (okay, technically that's "May" but only due to how the calendar worked out this year). Right now, you can bet good money there are a whole pile of racers who are just now realizing that the first events are sneaking up on them rather quickly and a glance at their PRO3 calendar on the wall tells them there are scant few weekends remaining before they need to have their car ready!

That is an important fact here when you're talking about a bunch of folks who wrench on their own cars and have limited time and resources available to get ready for the season. And, racers are generally terrible at start-of-year procrastination. Or, maybe we're just really good at procrastinating? Either

way, UPS is being kept busy here in the northwest delivering tires, BMW parts, and safety gear from our suppliers to our racers. It's a bit like Christmas morning when you come home to find a pile of boxes outside the garage! (Surprising it's a lot like Christmas—after when the credit card bill comes too, but that's a column topic better left unwritten.)

Lance Richert recently announced our 2015 contingency sponsors for PRO3. Nearly every company that has been a part of the growth of PRO3 over the years has returned to continue its support of the class, and we added a new one!

Haggerty Classic Car Insurance

Haggerty Classic Car approached us in 2014 at the SOVREN Historics through Starke Shelby, BMW CCA member and local Haggerty agent, and proposed a special PRO3 insurance policy for our cars. Turns out that the earlier PRO3 cars now qualify as "classic" status in the world of car insurance, and Starke suggested that we speak with Haggerty about it. (For that matter, some of our drivers qualify for "classic status," am I right, Jim Cissell?) Fast-forward to now

and we have worked out a sponsorship program with Haggerty. We run their decal on the cars, they write an incredibly, affordable fire/theft/damage policy for our cars and provide PRO3 with \$2,000 worth of gas cards to be given away throughout the season through our race-end raffles.

The Haggerty policy is really great and surprisingly budget-friendly. Even for a bunch of skin-flint racer types like PRO3! Every season, we hear of trailers being stolen or broken into. We are most vulnerable while on the road overnighting at sketchy hotels in darkened back alleys. It would be nice to know that you're covered in the event of loss or damage to your well-prepped PRO3 car. Your typical insurance policy values your PRO3 car at about \$2,500, if you're lucky. Haggerty is an agreed-to policy amount that you set and agree to from the start, so you're covered for the actual value in the event of loss. Get in touch with Starke Shelby at starke@nwinsctr-mi.com or 206-230-0203 and he will hook you up. This is the ONLY way to get the PRO3 rates!

BMW Northwest

BMW Northwest in Tacoma is once again stepping up to be our series title sponsor. General Manager Chris Busch has gone so far as to build a PRO3 car and become a participant and is one novice race away from merging with the main grid. We're pleased to have the dealership involved on both levels!

Toyo Tires

Toyo Tires is the largest supplier of race tires for club racing across the country and again, for PRO3. Contrary to popular belief, PRO3 is not a "spec class" as we only spec one part on our cars: the tires. Toyo RR or RA1 tires must be used to be rules-compliant. Our relationship with Toyo spans the entire life of PRO3 and we appreciate their continued support. More Toyo Tire Bucks will be available this year than any other year!

Bimmerworld

Bimmerworld has also signed up for its seventh year of support. I still think it's pretty cool that James Clay and Bimmerworld, an east coast company, has taken such an interest in our class out here in the Pacific Northwest. We love the association and continue to benefit from it for parts as well as from experience racing with pro drivers! Watch for James and company to make another appearance out here this season.

425 Motorsports

425 Motorsports, our local racer supply shop, will continue as a PRO3 supporter as well. Located conveniently in east Bellevue, they typically have the safety gear on hand that you need last minute (check the date on your belts lately?) And if they aren't convenient to you, they are a phone call away and are very competitive price-wise. Be sure to swing on in to say "hello" and shop around!

Griot's Garage

Griot's Garage in Tacoma is another long-standing supporter of PRO3 and will also return in 2015. Many of you have already toured the Tacoma facility and know that this is the place to go for all of your detailing needs, including some really cool garage accessories to help you get organized. Griot's is another locally-owned company that has been a huge supporter of our BMW CCA as well as PRO3 and their support is appreciated.

ProFormance Racing School

ProFormance Racing School at Pacific Raceways offers a true gateway to racing, and racing in PRO3 specifically. Our racers benefit from a reduced-fee for track time at ProFormance events which is valuable test and tune time. Got a friend interested in high performance driving? ProFormance has its own PRO3 car available to drive! Contact Don Kitch, Jr. for more info.

It's another full season of racing for us including an invite back to the SOVREN Historics over the 4th of July weekend. There will be ample opportunities to come spectate and if you want to get really close to the action, there are always opportunities to help at the events. The turn stations need your attendance! Come on out, with experience or not, and we will put you to "work"! (It's the greatest seat in the house and they call it "work"?). If you are interested in participating, but not sure where to go, reach out to me at my email below or if you have a friend who is a driver, ask them! They will get you in touch with the right people.

See you at the track, sooner than you think!

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Deutsch-Marque Show und Shine

Sunday, July 26

THE AUDI, BMW, MERCEDES AND PORSCHE CLUBS are coming together for a first ever Show und Shine car show. This epic gathering will be part of Renton River Days at Cedar River Park on July 26.

This is a really simple event: Wash your car, clean the wheels, and you are ready for the lawn. We anticipate an amazing eclectic display of Deutsch Schonheiten (German Beauties) spanning seven decades. To fill out these decades we encourage those with Deutsch Schonheitens from the '50s, '60s and '70s to register early to secure your spot!

Space is limited to just over 300 cars total with each of the four clubs pre-registering their own members on their MotorsportReg website. Registration will open on MotorsportReg on May 1. Due to space limitations we do not anticipate being able to park any members cars on the lawn who are not pre-registered. If you miss pre-registration, however, there is plenty of additional parking in the regular parking lot.

Cost for the Show und Shine is \$10 with the event raising money for the local Renton Lions Club who have been doing good work for the local community for over 75 years.

We'll start parking cars by marque at 10:00 am. There will be a couple of food trucks on site. After lunch we'll have a short presentation and announcements and wrap up around 2:00 pm.

Besides the Deutsch-Marque Show und Shine, Renton River Days offer many activities for the whole family.

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M Car Day

Saturday, September 19



Saturday, September 19
10:30 am – 2:00 pm
Griot's Garage, Tacoma, WA

LAST YEAR'S M CAR DAY WAS A LOT OF FUN, so we're doing it again! Please mark Saturday, September 19 on your calendar for a very special day of camaraderie to celebrate all things rated M. Our hosts will be Griot's Garage at their facility in Tacoma. Last year saw 195 M Cars

in attendance! This will be the eighth annual M Car Day to celebrate all of the wonderful BMW M Cars that have thrilled us over the years.

This event is FREE! For planning, we ask that you RSVP and include this information about yourself:

Name / Year and type of M Car /
Number of guests / City

Please roll in between 10:30 and 11:00 am so we can direct you to the appropriate section to park your M car. We will park the M Cars by E and F chassis types, so owners can compare notes on common maintenance issues and modifications. We'll also have a section for regular BMWs that have had M Power engine transplants. So S52 E30s and S14 2002s are welcome!

Here is a rough agenda for the day:

- Griot's Garage will provide each M Car owner in attendance with a free Car Care Product sample at registration. There will also be discounts in the store, so bring your shopping list.

- Around 11:00 am a Griot's Garage car care specialist will pick a lucky car from the attendees for a car care demo in their garage.
- We'll have a couple of tasty food trucks on site for lunch. Bring cash and your appetite. Yum!
- After lunch, we'll have the always popular raffle for some great prizes!

Club members without an M Car are also welcomed to attend the event to enjoy the day. There will be additional parking for non-M BMWs. The event will run until about 2:00 pm.

Special thanks to BMW Northwest, Griot's Garage and Haury's Lake City Collision for their continued support of this event!

RSVP by email to Lance Richert at Lance@Richertnet.com.

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A Visit to the Gleeson Collection

ON FEBRUARY 21 the chapter visited Peter Gleeson's spectacular car collection. While not exclusively BMW, it is mostly BMWs and has become one of the best BMW collections in the world. Peter is always buying and selling, so every time we visit there are new cars to see. One recent addition was a Z4 that raced successfully in Japan for several years. Another was a very rare Autenrieth-bodied 502 from the mid-1950s. Peter

has also added the only E30 M3 Evo convertible the factory ever built. It's not often that BMW builds a one-off. Another new BMW was the racing 635 campaigned in Australia by Jim Richards and looking handsome in John Player Special black and gold livery.

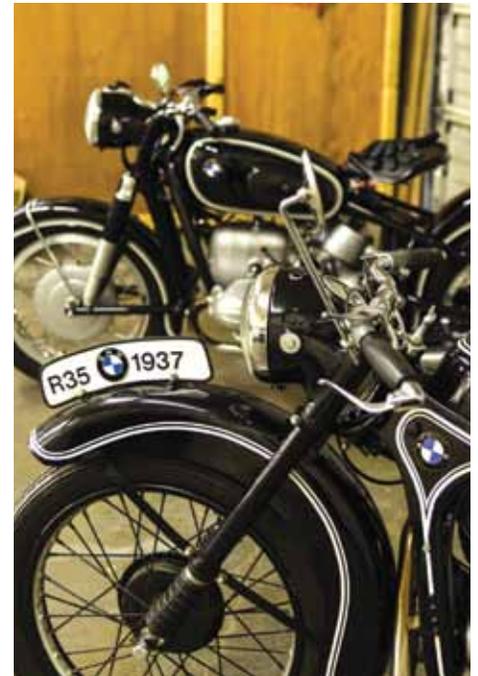
Thank you, Peter, for sharing your incredible cars and enthusiasm with the 130 or so members and guests in attendance. *David Lightfoot*



This Abate speedboat sports 507 running gear and trim.



This is what an original M1 engine looks like.



Sprinkled amongst the Bimmers were a few Beemers.

Photos by Christian Bourchez.



Peter Gleeson, in beard, shares his knowledge and enthusiasm with rapt Club members.



A red Z1 keeps company with the only E30 M3 Evo convertible ever built.



Without kidney grills, it is hard to recognize this Autenrieth 502 as a BMW.



Raced for many years in Japan, this Z4 has amazing provenance.

Driving in the Real World: Responses to Reader Comments from Last Issue

by Mi Ae Lipe

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MY LAST ARTICLE ON HIGHWAY CONGESTION inspired a few of you to write in. I want to thank you enormously for your comments, suggestions, and compliments—I am glad to see that you are enjoying my articles, and hopefully you are finding them stimulating and thought-provoking.

One excellent suggestion was for WSDOT to occasionally post driving tips like “Don’t gawk at accidents” or “Maintain safe following distances” on their electronic variable message signs (VMS). I contacted the Washington Traffic Safety Commission and was told that VMSes are used very selectively because it’s been found that if they are on too much of the time, motorists actually start ignoring them.

Currently they’re used only to alert the public of emergencies, collisions, construction events, and enforcement patrols related to DUI, seatbelt, and distracted driving. It’s a great suggestion, though, and I do think more should be done to plant thoughts with the public at large, whether it’s PSAs, articles like these, driver ed training, social media, newspaper columns, and other means.

I’d also like to address other comments regarding following distances. It was suggested that a three-second following distance on dry pavement and six seconds in wet conditions was too

long, given that one could brake safely within 110 to 130 feet from 60 mph and that the vehicle ahead would itself presumably be traveling further before completely stopping. It was also suggested that such a generous following distance would reduce traffic flow by 50 to 75 percent from normal flows.

However, this assumes that (1) you would see and react to the incident ahead of you in 1.6 seconds or less, (2) you could brake safely from 60 mph, and (3) a vehicle ahead would continue to travel some distance before it stops, so in theory there would be extra braking time.

I spoke with Eddie Wren, president of Advanced Drivers of America (www.advanceddrivers.com) about this and he provided the following:

“... Assuming a reasonably good coefficient of friction of about 0.75 ... and that the average driver can safely decelerate an automobile or light truck with reasonably good tires [from a speed of 60 mph] at the rate of about 15 feet per second ... a driver could stop the described vehicle in a total of 6.87 seconds (including [just] a one-second delay for driver reaction) and the total stopping distance would be 302.28 feet...”

Source: www.csgnetwork.com/stopdistinfo.html

But Eddie adds that a wealth of research shows that typical, unalerted driver reaction time ranges from 1.33 to 1.5 seconds (from the time the hazard comes into sight until full application of the brakes takes place), not just the one second indicated above, and that this additional time adds between 29 to 44 feet to the stopping distance, thus giving a total of 331 to 364 feet overall stopping distance from 60 mph on a clean, dry road surface.

He also advises that maximum safety in driving is not about whether the vehicle ahead generally has to slow down and stop, because there are plenty of incidents in which the lead vehicle hits an effectively static, solid object, such as a large vehicle that pulls across its path from a side road, a vehicle in which the driver has hit a guardrail or a broken-down car and then spun sideways across the road, a fallen tree or fallen truckload, or—on undivided roads or divided roads with no median guardrail—a vehicle coming the other way in a head-on collision. Consequently, only allowing for incidents where the vehicle ahead slows down progressively could one day actually cost the following driver his or her life.

Finally, Eddie comments that only a very small proportion of drivers will ever have the opportunity to be taught proper advanced driving (as in research-based and global best practice-based training aimed solely at maximum safety), and therefore only a very small proportion of drivers will ever use the wise three-, six-, or twelve-second following distances. These drivers, however, will not only make themselves dramatically safer by using this approach but also provide space cushions that can be useful in helping groups of vehicles slow down without completely stopping—thus improving traffic flow or, on some occasions, even preventing multi-vehicle collisions. (Inter alia, see Leonard Evans’s book, *Traffic Safety*.)

The bottom line is that the real world is quite unpredictable. It may very well take you at least one or even

two seconds to realize that a problem is forming ahead—what if you happen to be looking in your rearview mirror or fiddling with your radio at that crucial moment? It also assumes that you have top-notch tires, excellent brakes, and optimal pavement conditions at all times. More importantly, the scenario does not take into account the abilities and attention levels—or lack thereof—of other motorists and their vehicles. Remember that others behind you may not react as quickly or their cars may not be as technically capable. We should never assume—or rely on—anything, including thinner safety margins.

Also, we may not realize it, but how we drive really does affect others; humans naturally mimic one another, almost unconsciously. If someone drives faster or follows more closely, the more likely that others will observe that and think it's okay to do the same. While maintaining greater following distances

may seem counterintuitive to easing traffic congestion, it fosters a spatial porousness in which other motorists can maneuver around one another without the need for a chain-reaction slowdown—the biggest root cause of congestion.

Last but not least, to clarify, merging late means not merging early on freeway onramps where double lanes are merging into a single lane before joining up with the main line, or before the end of a long single ramp. If you try to merge too early, you potentially block your lane's available space while you're waiting for someone to let you in the next lane over. Thus a pocket of empty space builds in front of you while traffic gets backed up behind, causing a double spatial whammy.

Thank you so much for writing. I really enjoy hearing from you—let's keep the conversation going! I welcome any and all of your comments. Also

feel free to write in about traffic safety questions you may have, or let me know of any particular topics you'd like me to cover in future articles. You can email me at miae@whatnowdesign.com.

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BMW Spec E46 Debuts in the Pacific Northwest

By James Colborn

IN JANUARY 2014, Dan Rogers and James Colborn were talking about racing. This happens about three or four times a week but this conversation was different. It was a ‘what’s next’ dialogue for two PRO3 alums who were looking for a Club racing experience that would emulate the vehicles and driving dynamics of the Continental Tire Racing Series (CTSC) cars they’d both run for the past few years.

Dan enthusiastically mentioned a class that he’d heard about via James Clay (BimmerWorld President and prolific pro driver). The class was a well-baked concept based upon the BMW E46 chassis and was called Spec E46.

About Spec E46

The brainchild of two East Coast racers, Jason Tower and Evan Levine, the Spec

E46 class is based upon the 2001 to 2005 BMW E46 330 chassis. Designed to be a true spec class, the rulebook allows for enough race modification for the cars to put in lap times that are a second or two slower than a current CTSC ST car but at the same time ensure race expenditure is curbed, the cars remain super competitive and competitors have all but no opportunity to interpret the regulations in different ways.

As a new spec class, Spec E46 has the opportunity to do something that very few classes get to do; be a universal class across all sanctioning race bodies. At the time of writing this piece, one year after inception, Spec E46 is now an official class (either full or provisional) in ICSCC, BMW CCA, NASA and SCCA.

2014: The Inaugural Year for Spec E46 in the Pacific Northwest

In late January, Colborn and Rogers pulled the trigger and commissioned a shared Spec E46 build from BimmerWorld. At the same time, the duo began promoting the class heavily in the Pacific Northwest—oddly the home turf for an Alaskan and a New Yorker to generate interest in additional builds. Almost immediately Grip Racing jumped on the opportunity, building a car in record time to setup a regional Spec E46 battle and the class’s inaugural race (not only in the Pacific Northwest but in the entire United States) at the Six Hour Enduro at The Ridge Motorsports Park in Shelton.

A good showing was needed to boost interest in the class but expectations weren’t as high as the results that the



cars delivered. The BimmerWorld #82 Spec E46 was entered into the L1 class along with the Grip Racing entry #95. The goal was a class win. After a hard fought battle with Grip Racing, the BimmerWorld #82 took the overall race victory. Grip Racing finished second overall. Spec E46 had arrived in the Pacific Northwest and arrived with a bang!

Throughout 2014 announcements of Spec E46 builds echoed across the Internet and into the paddocks of many race organizations. No more so than the

Pacific Northwest, where the interest was incredibly strong. By the time the season finale—the Festival of Endurance at Portland International Raceway—there were five competitive Spec E46s in the race. Entries from Advanced Auto Fabrication (AAF), Grip Racing, BimmerWorld (supported by AAF), Strictly BMW and John Wymore all competed for Spec E46 honors in the two-hour and eight-hour races. To compound the success of the series, Spec E46 finished first, second, third, fourth in the E1 class and took the second through fifth positions in the eight hour race overall.

To end the year, three Pacific Northwest Spec E46s were taken to the 25 Hours of Thunderhill with Grip Racing finishing on the podium of the E1 class and Spec E46 cars from other regions taking two of the three podium spots in class.

Back to current times and the Pacific Northwest is preparing for double figure entries into the ICSCC (provisional) Spec E46 class this race season. Colborn and Rogers have separated with Colborn commissioning his own Spec E46, which is one of three chassis being built by Advanced Auto Fabrication. This adds to additional cars being built by Grip Racing. Lowe Group Racing are working on their first Spec E46. A number of independent builds are also happening.

The motivations of all drivers differ but the chance of being something early on is a draw for many. In asking some of the drivers building the following were a few of the responses:

“SpecE46 is a solid concept—a modern car, a good rules set that will constrain costs, and a nationally consistent class—and it’s in a BMW. What’s not to like?”

Dan Rogers

“I was initially drawn to how close these cars are to more professional race series vehicles. Learning to drive with ABS and power assisted steering would create a set of skills I could take to CSTC racing. While these are still a big driver for me, the fact that these cars are really enjoyable to drive and the racing is so competitive, I can’t see this class being anything but amazing to be a part of.”

James Colborn

“The class has grown beyond our wildest expectations due to a lot of faith from drivers building cars, many before the class was adopted in any manner. PNW drivers and teams have embraced SpecE46 faster than any other group, which has given me an opportunity to drive more with this group in the last year. Ultimately, that is one of the great strengths of the class—with a universal car build, there are an abundance of opportunities to share cars with someone from another region or make a pilgrimage to race and know you will be on equal footing with cars built elsewhere.”

James Clay

“You don’t get a chance to be at the beginning of a spec racing class and this one has a few benefits for me personally. A national series to allow equal racing in tracks outside the PNW, changing my abilities with a faster car and an attractive endurance chassis to build a team of drivers who would be more likely to want to run a cup car or CTSC type ride.”

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Ultimate Driving Experience to Visit Emerald Downs July 25–August 2



BMW is launching the Ultimate Driving Experience, a nationwide tour that will offer dynamic behind-the-wheel driving programs through ten events in nine markets for a total of 90 event days. A popular component of The Ultimate Driving Experience will be the Teen Driving School, which is an extension of the BMW Teen Driving School curriculum taught at the BMW Performance Center in Spartanburg, SC. The Ultimate Driving Experience will visit the Seattle, area at Emerald Downs from July 25 through August 2. All programs, with the exception of the Teen Driving School, are for those 21 years of age and over with a valid driver's license.

The Teen Driving School is a fully interactive, two-hour teen driving course featuring the BMW X1 and 228i that will be offered at no cost. The Teen Driving School will provide an introduction to driving theory and improving driving skills through classroom instruction, driver awareness activities and

hands-on driving exercises. A main focus during the Teen Driving School will be creating awareness about the consequences of distracted driving with special emphasis on texting while driving and how it affects not only teens but everyone who drives a vehicle. Eligible drivers under the age of 21 with a valid learner's permit or driver's license can register for the school.

The Ultimate Driving Experience will feature over 90 BMW vehicles, from BMW i to BMW M. Attendees will have access to a truly immersive experience including:

- Dynamic Drive Experiences are professionally guided demonstrations of the BMW 535i Sedan and X5 xDrive50i that include Hill Descent Control, which is a BMW electronic function that allows for safe descent and proper vehicle balance on uneven surfaces, and Skid Pad, showcasing vehicle control on wet surfaces;

- Street Drives that allow for 20-minute self-guided test drives per vehicle of a range of BMW vehicles including the BMW 2 Series, 4 Series, 6 Series, X Models and the all-electric BMW i3;
- Autocross, a 2-hour challenging, closed-course driving program featuring the BMW 3 Series, 4 Series and X4, that pairs attendees with BMW's Professional Driving Instructors for a dynamic experience that highlights advanced driving theories, defensive driving techniques and

culminates in a pulse-pounding laps around the track;

- Car Control Clinic, a full-day driving school that allows drivers to get behind the wheel of the powerful M4, M3 and M235i for an adrenaline-filled day of driving with individual instruction from BMW-certified Professional Drivers. Drivers will develop a sharper understanding of BMW's responsive handling and performance while learning advanced driving theory. The Car Control Clinic is offered for a fee of \$750.
- Additionally, The Ultimate Driving Experience will feature a main pavilion with interactive displays.

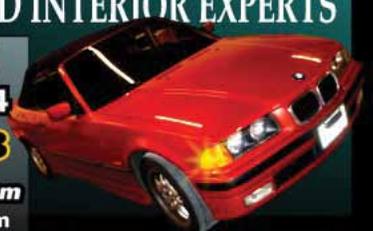
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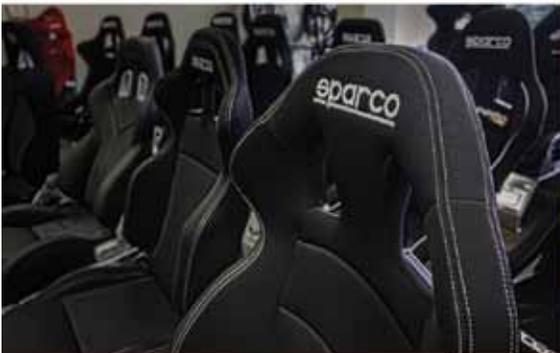
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