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**Club members are encouraged to submit articles for publication.**

## 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. They may be sent to the *Zündfolge* Editor at [lucettalightfoot@msn.com](mailto:lucettalightfoot@msn.com).

## June 7-8

**7th Annual E30 Picnic Weekend.** See promotional article for locations and times.

## June 21

**Griot's Garage Car Care Tech Session.** 10:00 a.m., Fife. See article for additional information.

## June 26

**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.

## July 1

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## July 5-6

### Historic Races at Pacific Raceways.

Look for more information in this *Zündfolge* issue.

## July 13

**LeMay Car Museum Tour:** Join fellow Club members on a tour of the fabulous LeMay Car Collection ([www.lemaymuseum.org](http://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](mailto:ss337@comcast.net).

## July 31

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## August 5

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## August 24

**M Car Day.** 10:30 a.m. at Griot's Garage in Fife.

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# 7th Annual E30 Picnic Weekend!

June 7 & 8

THIS YEAR the E30 Picnic is growing into a two day event!

## **SATURDAY, JUNE 7: E30 Tech Session**

With so many people coming from out of state, we thought it would be good to provide more to do. So we're holding an afternoon nuts and bolts E30 Tech Session at Griot's Garage in Fife starting at 1 p.m. Griot's Garage is graciously letting us use their R&D facility to get technical with the E30. We'll be covering timing belts, brakes, track prep, paint care, turbos, etc. in one-hour blocks all afternoon.

## **SUNDAY, JUNE 8: E30 Show & Shine**

Sunday will continue to be the traditional E30 Show & Shine starting at 11 a.m. The E30 Picnic has evolved into the largest gathering of E30s in the USA. There will be special E30s on display, and plenty of opportunities for all E30 owners to share questions and stories. We are planning on 150 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. We are happy to be back at the historical Triple-X Drive-In in Issaquah, WA. The Triple-X has a great burger menu; bring your appetite and a few bucks and they will make you happy.



Auburn Foreign Car and the BMW Club are graciously covering some of the costs for the event. We are asking for a \$7 donation for Sunday to help cover the additional costs that day. Saturday at Griot's Garage is free. It is important for you to RSVP to me so I can better plan for parking and coordination with Griot's Garage and Triple-X. I need to know which days you'll be attending, the number of people attending in your car, and what kind of E30 you are bringing (year and type), and your city. See you there! Visit [www.E30Picnic.com](http://www.E30Picnic.com) for the latest picnic information.

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# Griot's Garage Car Care Tech Session

June 21

10 a.m. til Noon

JOIN YOUR FELLOW BMW Club members at a pre-Concours car care tech session at Griot's Garage on Saturday, June 21 from 10 a.m. til noon. Please join us for one of the more popular events of the year! For those planning to enter their BMWs in the judged category at the Concours d'Elegance in July, our hosts will present special tips and tricks to help you score maximum points!

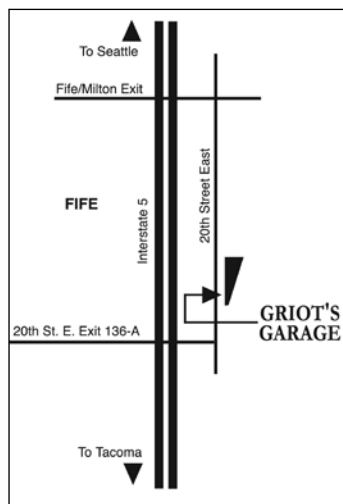
Griot's Garage recently completed construction on a new Car Care School and Research and Development garage. They also enlarged their retail store and now carry all of their car care products in-house. Everything is now located at their corporate headquarters in Fife, one-half mile west of BMW Northwest. Griot's Garage will provide a free Car Care Product sample to all those attending, plus breakfast eats and coffee. Don't miss this fun and informative tech session.

*Note:* products may be purchased at their retail store between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m and attendees will receive 10% off any items purchased on this day only in their store. A great way to stock up for the year!

This event is free, but for planning purposes, please RSVP by email to me at [Lance@Richertnet.com](mailto:Lance@Richertnet.com). Guests are welcome.

*Lance Richert*

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## DRIVING DIRECTIONS

### From Seattle:

- Motor south on I-5 and take the Fife/Milton exit.
- Turn left at the light and go over the freeway.
- Turn right at the next light onto 20th Street E.
- Continue west about 3/4-mile and turn left into their parking lot.

### From Olympia:

- Motor north on I-5 to the 20th Street E. exit, number 136-A. The offramp will take you right.
- At the T-Intersection, turn left on to 20th Street East. Continue east about 1/4-mile and turn right into their parking lot.



What has 676 wheels, 338 kidneys and 169 BMWs? The 2007 E30 Picnic held at the Triple-X Root Beer Drive In! This month's cover image was taken from the top of the Issaquah Fire Department Ladder Truck at the 2007 E30 Picnic. To find out about the 2008 E30 event please see the details on page three.

Photo by Club member Curtis Creager.

# Time to Rally!

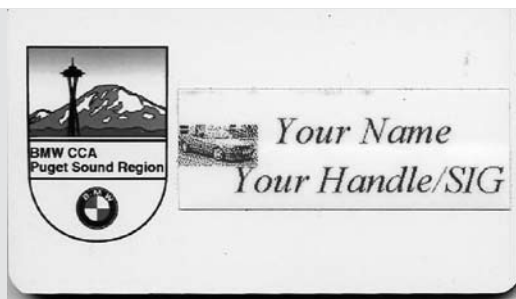
June 13

Just another reminder for the Northwest Rally road rally on Friday evening, June 13, 2008. BMW Club members will be rallying with the other local rally enthusiasts on the NWRC June Friday Niter Rally. A special BMW class will be created for the participating BMW Club members.

The rally will begin at the Eastgate Park-n-Ride in Bellevue (next to Bellevue Community College). Directions to the park-n-ride can be found at [www.nwrally.com](http://www.nwrally.com). The rally will be approximately sixty miles in length and will last approximately three hours. The rally will be a touring type of event, without any course following "traps." Trophies will be awarded to the podium placing BMW Club members. Rally registration opens at 6:30 p.m., with the first rally car out at 7:31 p.m. The rally entry fee \$15.

There are no limits on the number of BMW Club teams participating in this event. For planning purposes however (e.g., how many sets of route instructions are needed), please contact John Humphrey at [bakirroo@earthlink.net](mailto:bakirroo@earthlink.net) to pre-register your attendance. And, for all you procrastinators out there, you are welcome as well. Just show-up at the park-n-ride, and join the fun.

If you have any questions, or need any additional information, please contact John Humphrey at [bakirroo@earthlink.net](mailto:bakirroo@earthlink.net). See the May *Zündfolge* issue for more information.



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# Sunrise/Chinook Pass Tour

June 29

JOIN FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS for a tour to scenic Sunrise, perched on the side of the largest dormant volcano in Washington. At an elevation of 6,400 feet, Sunrise is the highest point to which you can drive in Mount Rainier National Park. I'm not sure who will be wheezing more, me, or my normally-aspirated E36. This route will clearly favor those cars with forced induction. On clear days, this elevation allows spectacular views of Emmons Glacier, and many other peaks in the Cascade Range.

**I'm not sure who will be wheezing more, me, or my normally-aspirated E36.**

Back in February when your intrepid Tour Director laid plans for a tour up the side of Mount Rainier, June 29 seemed like a sure bet. What with global warming and all, that snow couldn't last forever, could it? As of this writing, the tentative opening date for the road to Sunrise is June 28. If the road is not open, our alternate route will be over Chinook pass, and down Highway 410, one of my favorite roads in the state.

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 coffee, donuts and a drivers meeting, we will depart at 8:30.



Photo by Scott Hieronymus.

Bring a blanket and a picnic lunch, FRS radios if you have them, binoculars, cameras, and as always, a sense of adventure! For clothing, think layers. Those without an annual National Park Pass will need to bring \$15 per car for entry to the Park. Hikers may want to stay behind to explore the many trails (likely snow covered) in the area.

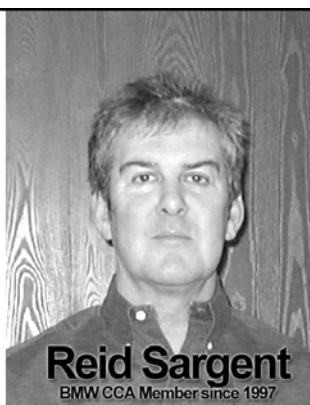
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# Pacific Northwest Historics

July 5 & 6

THE BMW CLUB will once again participate in the Car Corral. There are still spaces in the BMW Car Corral. Come out and join your fellow BMW Club members this year at the 220th Annual Pacific Northwest Historics at Pacific Raceways (PR), July 5-6, 2008.

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

To participate in the BMW section of the corral, you must register and pay \$25 per day in advance. This \$25 covers the car and driver. Each additional passenger will be charged \$25 at the gate. Reduced price tickets are available for children. The BMW corral has always had a waiting list in the past, so sign up

early to secure a place for your BMW. You may only sign up for one day.

Corral cars must arrive and be parked in the corral between 8-10 a.m. each day. Corral participants are invited to take part in a parade lap of PR, during lunch each day. We will have a hospitality tent in the BMW corral to promote and answer questions about the Club. We are looking for Club volunteers to help for an hour or so in the BMW tent. If you are interested in helping the Club please indicate this on the registration form. *To register, fill in the Registration Form and send it with a check and a legal size self-addressed stamped envelope.* If you have any questions, please contact Lucetta Lightfoot at [lucettalightfoot@msn.com](mailto:lucettalightfoot@msn.com). Also, see the May 2008 *Zündfolge* issue for more information.



## 2008 Pacific Northwest Historics—July 5 or July 6 (choose one day only)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Year/Model/Color of BMW you will be driving \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer at the BMW tent? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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# LeMay Car Museum Tour

July 13



## AMERICA'S CAR MUSEUM

A REMINDER for you to join fellow Club members in a tour of the world's largest private collection of cars, trucks and automotive memorabilia.

The tour will comprise a two-part presentation. First up is a two-hour guided tour of approximately 350 vehicles at the Marymount facility (*cost is \$10 per person*).

Following a short lunch break (*pack a lunch*), a rare guided tour of approximately 300 vehicles takes place at the LeMay private residence (*for an additional cost of \$15 per person*).

Bus transportation from Marymount to the LeMay residence will be provided. No private vehicles at the LeMay private residence please.

The LeMay Car Museum is located in Spanaway just south of Tacoma near Pacific Lutheran University and a short distance from Home Depot..

For more information call the LeMay Car Museum at 253-536-2885 or visit [www.lemaymuseum.org](http://www.lemaymuseum.org).

Please RSVP to Mike Ellis at [ss337@comcast.net](mailto:ss337@comcast.net).

LeMay Car Museum  
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# Concours d'Elegance

July 27

Sunday, July 27, 2008  
Cedar River Park, Renton  
Sponsored by BMW Seattle

FOR MANY AUTO ENTHUSIASTS, the event of the summer is our own Concours d'Elegance, held again this year at Cedar River Park in Renton. As part of the annual Renton River Days community celebration, coordinated by the City of Renton and sponsored by IKEA, our big show will be part of the many activities for the public to enjoy, with music, arts and crafts booths, food vendors, an art exhibit, and other activities for the whole family.

## Featured Car is the Convertible!

That's right, this summer we pay our respects to the Sun Gods with what used to be advertised as the "Ultimate Tanning Machine." Any model convertible (cabriolets and roadsters) is welcome and encouraged to come out and spend the day at the park topless (weather permitting, of course). Old and new, we

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| Schedule | <b>9:30 a.m.</b>  | Begin check in and parking of Judged and Display BMWs   |
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|          | <b>11:30 a.m.</b> | Judging begins, hands off all Judged BMWs<br>Activities for children<br>Griot's Garage detailing demonstrations |
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would like to see a variety of models and options to show off how they worship the sun in Munich.

## Thanks to our Sponsors!

Credit goes to BMW Seattle for once again helping sponsor the event. Next time you are at the dealership, be sure to thank them. BMW Seattle is providing the beautiful trophies as well as items for the raffle! Griot's Garage will also be in attendance as the official Car Care Sponsor of our event. Griot's Garage will be providing gifts for participants, raffle prizes, and will have representatives on hand demonstrating how to use their products. Griot's Garage will present a special Preservation Award for the BMW that is best preserved without a restoration.

## Children's Activities

We will have a special tent with activities for kids including a coloring table, and we've been told the pony rides will be back this year, and located nearby. Renton River Days will have many other activities for kids as well, all within a very short walk or stroller ride.

## Volunteers Needed!

This event requires many volunteers to spend part of the day helping make the event a success. We need people to help judge cars, help with check in, coordinate parking the cars, helping in the children's tent, etc. If you would like to help, contact event coordinator Ken Hill at 425-785-4080 or [khill178@earthlink.net](mailto:khill178@earthlink.net).

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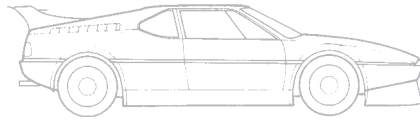
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AFTER THREE Pacific Raceways events in quick succession, we've got a little pause in the track events calendar. Our most recent track event was May 1. It went well with both a Car Control Clinic (CCC) and a High Performance Driving School (HPDS). The weather gods smiled on us and we had a great group of people participating.

The CCC was again led by Chris Mason, who has done a terrific job as we reinvent this at our new site. Members love the opportunity to learn a bit more about their cars in a safe, controlled setting. Plus, doing the CCC at Pacific Raceways has allowed participants to get a look at the road-racing course and decide whether moving up to a HPDS is for them. I'm the first to admit that the big track isn't for everyone. But the Car Control Clinics are for everyone. Everyone who drives should take a CCC or similar training. Ours are particularly fun because of the chance to see the big track. It's a thrill not many ever experience.

The exercises in the CCC include slalom, emergency braking, collision avoidance, skid pad, autocross and parade laps of the big track. There is also a "classroom" talk before the in-car exercises begin to give you the theory. After the completion of the CCC, you'll get a chance to ride along for hot laps of the big track with one of the instructors. It is quite a day.

We will have two more CCCs this year, concurrent with our High Performance Driving Schools at Pacific Raceways. These will be on July 11 and September 25. These are both Fridays.

The High Performance Driving Schools are the next step after a CCC. These aren't racing schools, but they are on the racetrack and you will go fast. For the HPDS, we assign everyone to one of four speed groups. This is done to minimize the speed differentials within each group. Each group gets four driving sessions on-track. At all times, we keep an instructor in the right seat. Passing is carefully controlled. Passing is only done in three designated areas,

and with the cooperation of all drivers involved. These are schools and instruction is what we're doing here. It's just that the instruction is about driving very fast on a racetrack!

## Reminders

Convertibles are allowed for the CCC but not for HPDS. Helmets are not worn for the CCC but must be worn for the HPDS. If you don't have a helmet, we have loaners. For either CCC or HPDS, your car must get a tech inspection by a shop. This must be done within thirty days of the event. The form can be downloaded from the Club's website ([www.bmwpugetsound.com](http://www.bmwpugetsound.com)).

Registration for all events is handled through [www.MotorsportsReg.com](http://www.MotorsportsReg.com). Make sure that you open an account there, and register for the right event because the CCC and HPDS will share the same date and location.

**Our venue is tied up with racing. Imagine that, racing at a racetrack!**

## Racing Anyone?

One of the reasons for the break in our track events schedule is the advent of the racing season. Our venue is tied up with racing. Imagine that, racing at a racetrack! One of the forms of racing at Pacific Raceways is road racing by production-based cars. This includes PRO3, the class for old BMW E30s. There are now over thirty of these cars locally. You should come out and see for yourself what this is all about. The track that you drove on in a CCC or HPDS will be filled with over fifty racers who definitely don't have an instructor in the right seat. And these folks pass wherever they want!

*David Lightfoot*  
Driving Events Coordinator  
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## 2008 Driving Events Calendar

### BMW CCA PSR Events

- July**  
**11** Driving School at Pacific Raceways  
**September**  
**25** Driving School at Pacific Raceways

### Other Events Open to CCA Drivers

- 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 Skills Day in Bremerton  
**31** PCA School at Pacific Raceways  
**August**  
**21** ALFA Lapping Day in Bremerton  
**25** BMW ACA School in Portland  
**29** BSCC Lapping Day in Bremerton  
**30** PCA Skills Day in Bremerton  
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## Heritage as Inspiration: BMW M1 Homage

To mark the 30th anniversary of the BMW M1 super sports car, BMW Group Design is presenting a homage to this legendary model as part of the Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este 2008. The BMW M1 designed by Giorgio Giugiaro was a car of superlatives and a highly emotive vehicle that was uncompromisingly primed for the race track. Spawning this development was the BMW Turbo by Paul Bracq, a revolutionary concept car which, in addition to its groundbreaking functional design, also boasted a raft of technical innovations. It is from these two unique vehicles that the BMW M1 Homage takes its cue—a design study that pays tribute to its forerunner models and an embodiment of the competence, creativity and potential of the BMW Group Design team.

**“For BMW, heritage is always also a living heritage. Drawing inspiration from your own past and thereby reinventing yourself—that is exactly what the BMW M1 Homage demonstrates in impressive style.”**

*Dr Klaus Draeger,  
BMW Group Board Member,  
Development*

A particular forte of BMW Group Design is to draw on its own powerful history and actively feed this into the design of the future. The BMW M1 Homage is a design study in the tradition of a BMW Turbo that represents a contemporary take on the BMW M1 and the mid-engine concept. This tribute exhibits an emotional design that showcases technology and integrates it into the overall aesthetics of the vehicle.

The Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este provides the perfect backdrop for the BMW M1 Homage. Here automotive beauties from the past meet the concept

cars and design studies of the future. It is in this dynamic field of tension between past and present that the BMW Group Design team affords insights into its own perspective on a historically inspired automotive future.

### Homage to the BMW M1.

**“For a company as for a product, it is important to be aware of one's roots. In the spirit of Giugiaro and Bracq, the BMW M1 Homage unites the BMW values of design and technology in a highly emotional and exciting interpretation.”**

*Christopher E. Bangle,  
Director Design BMW Group*

The BMW M1 was an utterly uncompromising super sports car oozing passion; its forerunner, the BMW Turbo by Paul Bracq, displayed innovative technical solutions that found their expression

in emotional design. It is precisely this blend—of technology and design, rationality and passion—that the BMW M1 Homage embodies. It presents an exciting and authentic interpretation of the BMW M1 and the mid-engine concept from a present-day perspective, and the legacy of the BMW M1 Homage is obvious at first glance. Unquestioningly it takes up the graphic play of the hallmark BMW M1 colours black and orange and interprets them anew. The Liquid Orange paintwork exclusively developed for the BMW M1 Homage cites the classic BMW M1 colour, yet surprises with its powerfully iridescent play of colour and brilliant depth. It shapes the extrovert surface language and strikingly highlights the eloquent interplay of convex and concave surfaces.

Mention the BMW M1, and another feature that immediately springs to mind is the characteristic twin logo at the rear, on the right and left edge above the tail lights. For BMW, this particular arrangement of its emblems has always signalled a mid-engined model. In the development stage of the BMW M1 this dual emblem was the first styling element to be approved even before the initial sketches were drawn. Likewise, it was confirmed from the outset that the BMW M1 Homage would feature the same twin badges.

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# BMW M1 Homage



## Heritage as Inspiration: BMW M1 Homage *Continued from Page 11*

Other specific styling cues taken from the BMW M1 are the air vents in the bonnet and the louvres on the rear windscreen, as well as the black cutline dividing the roofline from the rear section of the body. Overall, the exterior dimensions of the BMW M1 Homage are in keeping with those of the BMW M1; only the extended wheelbase indicates a larger passenger cell.

### Emotional design at the flashpoint between tradition and modernism.

The BMW M1 Homage takes long familiar elements from the BMW Design repertoire, reinterprets them and couches them in a new context. Its design brings together past and present, expanding the observer's perception through new design solutions that find their expression in typical BMW style. If the contrasting colours were a dominant design theme for the BMW M1, this contrast is perpetuated in the BMW M1 Homage through its surface styling.

Familiar elements, such as the trademark proportions, are combined with new and exciting lines, surfaces and details to create an up-to-date interpretation of the BMW M1, which remains to this day an extraordinary car.

Shunning the strong wedge shape of other mid-engine cars, the BMW M1 Homage consciously opts for BMW's characteristic proportions. A relatively long engine compartment, a clearly defined transition into the A-pillar and a stretched window line featuring the "Hofmeister" kink instantly give it away as a bona fide BMW. The horizontal flow of lines lowers the car's visual centre of gravity and lends it an air of sovereignty.

Though the BMW M1 already boasted extremely harmonious and sporty proportions, its surface design was not yet an explicit styling issue and was dominated by high-contrast graphic themes. Today, however, next to the car's proportions, it is primarily the unusual surface styling that determines



the strong recognition value of a BMW model. For some years now, all BMW vehicles have exhibited a striking and unique design language. The sculpting of the surfaces demands substantial experience and craftsmanship at the highest level. Only through the combination of craft skills, state-of-the-art technology and a sure sense of the personality of each BMW can designers and modellers achieve the overall sculptural effect that lends a BMW its unique character. The BMW M1 Homage systematically melds the proportions and graphic themes of the BMW M1 with the surface language of the new BMW look—a combination

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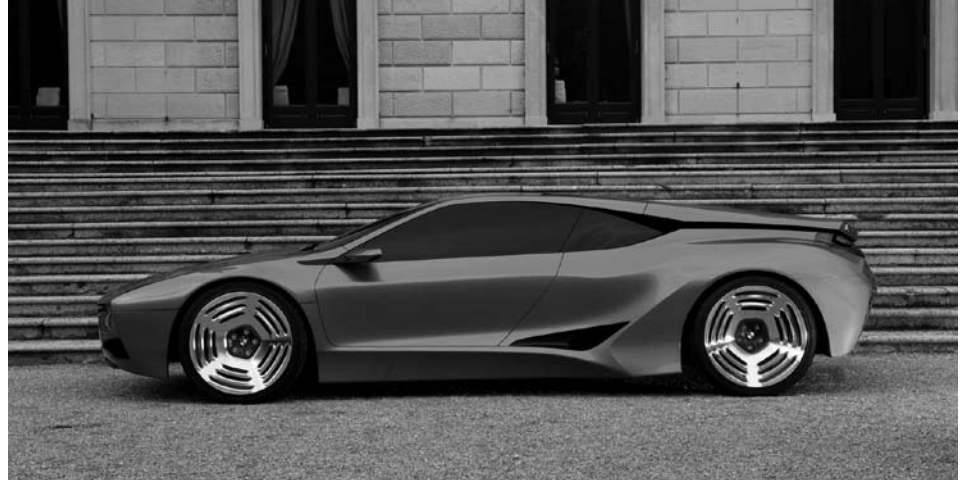
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that imbues the vehicle with an exciting, sporty and authentic emotionality.

The front-end styling of the BMW M1 Homage adopts many of the graphic design themes of the BMW M1: the contrast between the black, recessed surfaces and the car colour, the small, squat kidney grille and the “invisible” headlamps. And yet the front of the BMW M1 Homage is an absolute novelty for BMW. Each element assumes a function: the hallmark twin kidney, for example, is not only a distinguishing feature of the BMW brand but combines aerodynamic, cooling-air routing and safety solutions. The design of the headlamps, meanwhile, is a new iteration of the retractable headlights of the BMW M1. Like the lamps on the historic model, those on the BMW M1 Homage are only visible when switched on. When not in use they are discreetly integrated into the front-end design and “disappear” into the recessed black cutline, almost like pop-up headlights.

Along the side of the car all the lines, surfaces and details lead the eye from the front end along the stretched engine compartment and clearly defined A-pillars before converging at the centre of the vehicle. Two expressive lines are drawn from the front along the flanks of the vehicle towards the engine compartment area. The flow of lines begins in a straight, disciplined fashion at the front end, lowering the optical centre of gravity of the BMW M1 Homage and highlighting its low-slung stance. From the middle of the car, however, the lines



break up. The power of the design is focused precisely where the power of the vehicle also lies—at the engine. Strong, sensuous sweeping lines accentuate the car's mid-engine concept, the design emphasising the mechanics behind it, the engineering skills and the engine expertise of the BMW Group.

The roofline of the BMW M1 Homage is flatly tapered, extending into and around the rear. In so doing it draws a continuous line and forms a link between the two sides of the car. It is on this line, above the tail lights, that the hallmark twin BMW logo can also be found.

#### **“Engineering is beautiful—let's show it!”**

The overall design is driven by functionality and each detail has its purpose. Aspects such as aerodynamics, cooling-air routing and safety lend the BMW M1 Homage technical substance and make it a genuine BMW. A telling symbol of this is the kidney grille design of the BMW M1 Homage, fulfilling as it does several functions at the same time. The

twin kidney isn't just a signature BMW feature, it is also part of the car's honed aerodynamics: it guides the air to the engine cooling as well as constituting the front section of a crash box, similar to the monocoque chassis of a Formula One race car.

Inspired by aircraft design, the car as a whole also boasts sophisticated air ducting through the body. For example, the cooling-air routing for the engine is positioned below the roofline, in the black recessed cutline along the side of the vehicle behind the window graphic. Small flaps and openings guide the air stream into the engine compartment to ensure an adequate supply of cooling air.

#### **Vision and inspiration.**

**“The BMW M1 Homage clearly manifests the creativity and potential of the BMW Design team. A project such as this is a valuable source of inspiration for our day-to-day work.”**

*Adrian van Hooydonk,  
Director Design BMW Automobiles*

The BMW M1 Homage holds great significance for the BMW Group Design team, its genesis epitomising both a living tradition and an innovative future. This vehicle is designed as a source of inspiration; it sets out to challenge us to question and rethink what we see around us. The BMW M1 Homage pays eloquent tribute to the BMW Turbo and the BMW M1, which in their design were well ahead of their time. Originally slated as “merely” a design study or small series, their influence remains very palpable today—30 years on.

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# Haury's Collision Repair/Consumer Rights Tech Session Recap



Jeff Butler (left) and Rich Milham (right) share their vast knowledge at the tech clinic.

Jeff Butler and Zac Underwood, BMW Club members and owners of Haury's Collision, and Rich Milham, BMW CCA PSR Risk Management Advisor conducted a top-notch clinic on automobile collision repair and insurance claims. Jeff and Rich's outstanding presentations highlighted the many challenges confronting consumers today when having their vehicle repaired after a collision, mediating issues arising between the consumer and the insurance company and handling injury claims. Very informative handouts as well as accident kits and gift cards for Lombardi's Italian Restaurant were provided to all attendees.

Several Club-member BMWs recently repaired by Haury's were on display (including Bill Buchanan's really cool E30 M3 race car replica). Club members shared stories highlighting the importance of the information covered at the tech session.

## Some of the topics covered:

- Celette dedicated fixture structural repair equipment. The Celette Sevenne System uses rigid fixtures developed from vehicle manufacturer blue prints and is required by BMW, Audi, Porsche, Volkswagen, Volvo, Jaguar, and Mercedes Benz for structural repairs. This system realigns the vehicle on the repair bench and only applies realignment forces to the damaged area. When replacing structural parts, the fixture ensures exact placement of the new components. (More info at [www.celette-na.com](http://www.celette-na.com).)
- True Point Sonic electronic measuring system. What is the difference between universal measuring/realignment systems and Celette?

- Color matching using Glasurit's color match system.

## Some highlights covered during the consumer rights seminar:

- Why and how you should choose a BMW-approved repair shop and protecting your warranty.
- Specific steps on how to successfully manage an insurance claim.
- Why you should never have oral conversations with an insurance claims adjuster. Get everything in writing to protect yourself.
- A written guide on insurance policy language to avoid and other tips on purchasing policies.

- Recommended insurance companies, based on their more favorable policy language and better claims handling practices.
- When another person hits your car, tort law, not insurance law governs their insurance carrier. You have no rights against their carrier.
- Driving school damage to your car? May be covered or not: it depends on your policy language.
- Diminished Value: what is it and when are you owed.

Although not covered during the tech session, I understand that Haury's is one of only two repair facilities in Seattle approved by BMW to perform structural repairs on BMWs with aluminum structure (like the E60 5 and 6 series and new X5).

Thanks again to Club members Jeff Butler, Zac Underwood and Rich Milham for being such generous hosts and dedicated Club supporters.

For questions regarding the topics covered or help with a claim, contact Jeff Butler at 206-365-1565 ([jeff@hauryscollision.com](mailto:jeff@hauryscollision.com)) or Rich Milham, Attorney at Law at 253-851-5924 ([rjmilhamincps@aol.com](mailto:rjmilhamincps@aol.com)).

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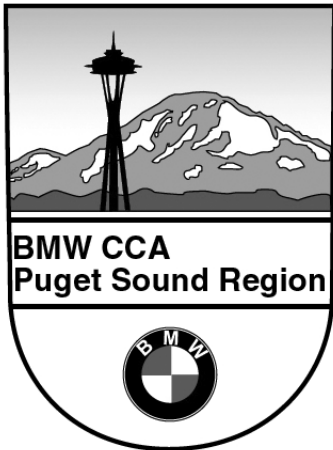
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# All Members Meeting Recap



IF APRIL SHOWERS bring May flowers, what does April snow bring? In the Club's case, a nice turnout for our annual All Members Meeting. The event was held at Café Veloce in Kirkland and although the snow was more of a threat than a reality, it nevertheless meant the yard work wasn't an alternative. Fifty-five Club members and guests enjoyed delicious antipasto, appetizer pizzas and other assorted goodies and had a chance to mix and mingle.

The idea behind this meeting was to encourage new members, and those who

hadn't yet attended one of our events, to come out and meet the board and fellow members and get a "feel" for our Club and those who put on our events. Various members of the Board of Directors as well as Event Chairs explained what they do and how it helps this Club function.

Throughout the event, there was a periodic drawing for one of four fifty-dollar gas cards provided by the Club. An additional nice surprise was a fifty-dollar gift certificate donated by Café Veloce.

This was our first time holding this event at Café

Veloce and we're sure it won't be our last. The restaurant is not normally open on Saturday afternoons but Liz, Nick and the staff graciously opened their doors early and provided delicious food and excellent service. Now if we could just get a BMW motorcycle to join all those sexy Italian café racers on display, the setting would be complete.

Thanks to all those who attended and those who helped make this a fun and successful event.

*Bill Spornitz*

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# Speedware Tech Session and Shop Tour Event Recap



SATURDAY, MARCH 29 was the Speedware safety gear event. Club members were treated to coffee and pastries along with a brief presentation of the safety gear required to attend this year's schools and other driving events. We covered helmets, gloves, shoes, driving suits and other items at Speedware's 6,000 square foot retail showroom. As the nation's leading distributor and stocking dealer of brands including ARAI, Sparco, Recaro, Alpinestars and Oakley, Speedware has access to sources and distribution channels that few other retailers can boast. As a bonus to Club members, Speedware provided handouts and 10% discount coupons for the Month of April.

After the safety gear portion of the event, we drove over to their 25,000 sq foot service center for a tour. All I can say is "Wow," what a cool place. Speedware does custom fabrication work, roll cages, restoration work computerized alignments and corner balancing as well as general repair and tire and wheel service. Under construction were some of the coolest '69 Camaros you have ever seen, as well as a few Club member's BMWs.

Thanks to the Speedware staff for a great tech session and hospitality towards our Club. Find out more about Speedware Motorsports at [www.speedwaremotorsports.com](http://www.speedwaremotorsports.com).

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## Stop Automobile Snobbery

By and large most BMW drivers are snobs. I am not talking about you or me. If you are one of the people I am speaking of, I highly doubt you would be reading this magazine article.

When I'm trundling down the road in my 535is and a newer BMW comes along, the driver generally ignores me. Sometimes I get a look, but it's not a friendly one. You know the look I am speaking of. It goes something like this: "My car costs more than yours and is newer than yours, therefore I am better than you."

And when I'm trundling down the highway in my 740 and an older or "lesser-badged" Bimmer comes along, the driver generally avoids eye contact because he thinks that I'm thinking I'm better than him.

This is what I refer to as automobile snobbery. Of course it is not limited to BMWs. I'm just more attuned to it. Now, every once in a while, a fellow BMW driver will give a nod or even a

thumbs up to my 535is. I practice this behavior as much as possible because it helps to denounce BMW snobbery and automobile bigotry. You just know when another bimmer gives you the nod that you're now dealing with an enthusiast, not a snob.

Do you remember the Volkswagen Phaeton? When the VW Phaeton came out, I told a friend of mine that it would never make it in America. I told him that Americans are not going to pay \$70,000 for a car with a VW on the trunk lid. Ultimately I was correct. I am not saying anything negative about the Phaeton; my understanding is that it is a very nice car. This only goes to illustrate the automobile snobbery that exists among us.

Now let's reverse engineer this situation and remember a magnificent little car called the BMW 318ti. This was a great car; it handled nicely, got great mileage and proved to be a durable little tyke. It sold like moldy bread here in the U.S., while selling like hot cakes in Europe.

So what was the problem? Some say it was because it was a hatchback. In actuality it was a victim of automobile snobbery. People did not want to drive a small or entry level BMW for fear that they would be judged by their peers as being a poseur. Again I am not talking about us. We don't drive a BMW because

of the badge or roundel; we drive it because it is simply the "Ultimate Driving Machine."

My fear is that BMW's new 1 series is going to be misunderstood by the masses. People may view it as a lowly entry level BMW when in fact it's an answer to our prayers by the BMW gods. The lunatic enthusiast fringe will embrace it; now I am talking about us!

I was skeptical of this car in pictures. I thought the beltline looked sloppy. Then I saw one in the metal flesh. The 135i is sweeet, the stance is perfect, the tires look just right and it is one mean little machine. We will love this car; it is small, it is sleek, it is fast and it is beautiful and after all, it's a BMW.

So when you hear people talking about the new little poseur BMW, sit them down and explain the facts. Together we can make a change, so give that guy in another BMW the nod, hold up that thumb. Accept the desire and the right we as BMW drivers have to express our passions with small and large BMWs alike; together we can stomp automobile snobbery!!

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## The Point By—A Month of 'Firsts'

IT IS FINALLY HERE! The 2008 International Conference of Sports Car Clubs (ICSCC) racing season has officially begun. The off-season has been a long seven months for sure, with a whole lot of bench racing happening between us silly racer-types. So much in fact, that many of us, true to form, procrastinated on that race car project we promised to do "right after the last race." Yeah, right! The season seems to creep up on you like a bad pair of underwear. And your's truly is no different. It was a few late nights under, around, and in the car trying to finish up a few projects to get through tech.

This month carries with it a bunch of 'firsts' worth mentioning. The first race of the 2008 season is now in the books at Portland International Raceways, which also was the first Conference race on the new pavement. To say that new pavement is "smooth" is an understatement at best—very sticky as well. If you have a chance to check it out during the summer, I highly recommend doing so. Let's face it, Portland had the nicest racetrack here in the Northwest, and they repaved it! Pacific Raceways could sure use some of that lovin' ... but I digress.

A few new PRO3 cars made their debuts on track as well, including the West Werks E30 driven by Ian 'Hot Shoe' Alexander; David Beagle completed his second car build of the green machine and it looks great! (Or it did ... that turn 7 is going to eat a few more cars until the line gets figured out there.) Thankfully, we'll see Beagle's car again in Seattle. Scott Adare built a real beauty of a car for Novice driver Michael Shulman, which we should be seeing in the PRO3 grid later this season as well.

All in all, it was a great way to begin the 2008 racing season. In PRO3, Andrew Newell of Strictly BMW took the checkered from the Pole; Caelin Gabriel surprised everyone with a very strong second place finish, and Kevin Doyle, running his first of many PRO3 races this season secured third place on the podium. Way to go guys! This is going to be one tough PRO3 season, based on the results of this first race. There was a scant five second spread between the fastest laps of the leader and last position; pretty close racing considering there were eighteen cars that ran the race. Just further proof that as this series continues, car and driver development will progressively improve until the last possible thousandth of a second can be wrung out of these cars.

We'll see you at the track.

*Michael Olsen drives the Spirit Halloween Superstores PRO3 car #130 in local Conference racing. (rickshaw\_racing@yahoo.com)*

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May 31

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Turning our tillers west, we will travel along Highway 2 toward Reardon and beyond. We will be taking planned rest stops and regrouping along the way. Our compass heading changes in Wilbur when we round north onto State Route 21. Now entering the fun zone, we make our way downhill into the canyons, driving some phenomenal twists and turns as we scout our way to the river. Crossing onto the Colville Indian Reservation is accomplished aboard the Martha II, the free state ferry. After beaching on the north side of the lake, we will proceed with breathtaking scenery in every window to the settlement of Keller. Then proceeding between driving past unspoiled mountains, streams and lakes to enjoy a relaxing no-host lunch at The Log Cabin restaurant (Hartman's) on spectacular Twin Lakes, known for huge

mouth-watering hamburgers and fish features. You will want to have your appetite in tow. We will entertain ourselves with the (always fun and unusual, sometimes dreaded) trivia test, but trivia winners receive prizes!

After lunch we return to the pavement towards Inchelium and the Gifford ferry for a quick hop to the mainland. Steering south into historic Hunters, we continue east to the town of Springdale for a pit stop for ice cream bars. Next we head off the beaten path to Ford, returning to Spokane along the always-fun Long Lake road #231.

The River Dance Drive promises to be great fun for all and maybe there will be time for some afternoon refreshment at one of the resort taverns along Long Lake. Hope to see members, friends and car clubbies out for the tour, so mark your calendars today for Fun.

All car enthusiasts are welcome to join.

Contact Chris Brown if you have questions or to sign up at 509-326-3365 or AddAxx4@mac.com.



# 2008

## 4-Hour Enduro Winners



**Yellow was the color of choice for the class winners for this year's 4 Hours of Pacific Racways. (from left to right) The team of Steve Adams & Eric Krause were first in P1 and overall winners in an their E36 M3. The team of Ted Anthony Jr. & Ian Alexander were third overall and P2 class winners in their E30. The team of Pat Boyle & Mike Helton were 2nd overall and 2nd in P1 in their E36 M3.**

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