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Car(s) of the Quarter: Spokane Festival of Speed Car Corral Concours Event Winners

This quarter, our Car of the Quarter is shared by four automobiles. At the recent Spokane Festival of Speed aka the Sovren Races, the IEBMW CCA sponsored a Car Corral and Concours Event. We had over 20 entries and the winners are honored here. Winning 3rd Place and a Griot's Garage prize worth \$50, was Karen Setzel for her 2008 540i. Second Place and a Griot's Garage prize worth \$80, went to Sean Sweeney for his 2011 Subaru WRX STI. Our Grand Prize and \$150 of Griot's products went to Gary Stenzel for his immaculate, fully restored, E30 M3. The People's Choice Award, \$40 of Griot's products and a BMW golf bag donated by Camp BMW, was awarded to Scott Reed for his newly purchased 2008 M5. Congratulations to our winners and thank you to all for your participation!



Spokane Festival of Speed aka: Sovren Races

Our IEBMW tent was the first ever shared with Camp BMW of Spokane and was co-sponsored by Precision Pointe Detail.

Ralph Shepard of Camp BMW was on hand all weekend to answer questions about the two new cars that flanked our tent. Camp BMW also generously donated a few BMW logo items to give to our Car Corral participants and winners.

Historical videos and entertaining BMW mini movies were looped on the tents big screen entertainment center.



Mid day parade laps and German sausages from the grill were enjoyed by our CC participants.



President's Corner



**Summer 2012,
Time for Bi-Annual
Board Nominations**

Well, the summer may or may not get here but we are going to lead the way in style, umbrellas on board -just in case. We have lots of activities on the group calendar so take a gander and note the date changes.

SCR will be hopping all of July with the Grand Prix and Chump Car races. Send our track volunteer coordinator Ken Groves an email if you would like to have some fun at the track. We will have many members running hard at the Chump car races, always great fun, to root & watch and we will be joining the Portland group in the Palouse for a show & tell scenery tour July 21.

In August, look for our annual tech/detail session at European Auto Haus and the Billings Montana All Euro Car Show (see article for details). We have a lot of great members in MT and hope they bring their toys out to share. In September there is our Wheatland junking day and the All German Car Meet and Greet in Odessa WA at their O-Fest. They knock themselves out, with Oompah bands, Beer tents and Yummy

pastry made the old fashioned way by ladies who know what they are doing.

Most importantly, on October 6/7 we will be having our annual High Performance Driving School, this is a perfect way to say goodbye to summer (if it ever gets here). So please contact me or check out our web site for connections to the school, or questions you may have about any of the activities we have going on.

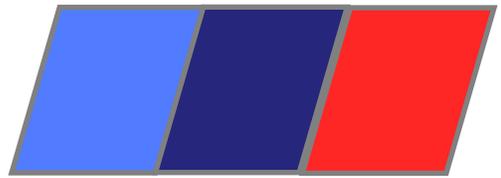
You know it's funny, in the 1950's Americans belonged to an average of 7 clubs or groups, I think people had more fun back then. So come out- meet some new people, have some new fun and take some pictures for your Facebook page. Gas prices are dropping a bit- let's get out there and have some fun rain-or shine.

Election year is here...

Lastly we have an open nomination in this newsletter for any member in good standing to get involved with the club, send your suggestions to our mail box and the December elections will determine the club board members.

See you soon!

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Billings, MT: All European Car Show, August 25th

The All Euro Car Show is scheduled for Saturday, August 25th on the campus of Rocky Mountain College in Billings, MT. The show will run from 10:00 to 2:00 with registration open around 8:30 am. The BMW will be the featured marquee this year. Cars of any year, condition or make are welcomed. The only stipulation is that the cars are made in Europe or have a European pedigree.

Following the event the Absorakee

Chapter of the Porsche Club will sponsor and host a social get together for those who would like some fun, food, and good ol' car talk. Arrangements are still being worked out.

On Sunday, if there is interest, a driving tour of Beartooth Pass is on the schedule. Listed as one of the most scenic highways in the US, it is guaranteed to top off a great weekend.

We have arranged for some hotel rooms at the Big Horn Resort for those interested. Rates are \$99.00 per night. Their address is: 1801 Majestic Lane, Billings, MT 59102 and the phone is: 406-839-9300. Just mention the Porsche Club to get the preferred rate.

Let me know if you are planning to make the trip over.

Safe travels and have a wonderful summer.

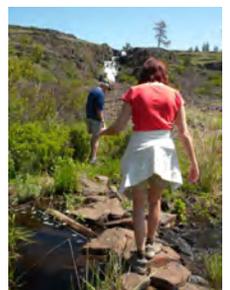
-Greg Kohn kohn_greg@yahoo.com



Season Opener: Hog Falls Hike

Our annual spring opener to the driving season was date here. The weather cooperated in unusual fashion, typical we are clad in wind breakers and warm shirts NOT this year! This year we were greeted by the warm arms of mother nature with a sunny

bright disposition- and a dead cow. The annual spring opener is always a surprise as there is always something new to see around the corner. An easy walk, mother greeted us with sunny sky's and little wind. (Hog Falls, continued on Page 4)



IEBMW CCA Member Tom Stebbins sent us these photos from his travels in Europe!

A couple of typical cars here in Garmisch Partartenkirchen where I have been living since March, and a picture of the village. Who would expect to see a SLS AMG (\$210k+) in a village like this? And an X6, saw a Lotus Elise go by this morning but the roving eye reporter was not quite quick enough.



Here is a lucky couple picking up their M5 from the factory. Notice it is their M5 "Limousine"!! What a limo indeed!



How about a M1 Sandwich?
1972, 1978 and 2008 in the middle.

And here is where the folks enter to go to work to build us our beautiful BMW's



Nelson, BC Tour 2012

At the Saturday morning pre-drive meeting, we sat in our cars wondering, with rain pouring from above; wondering if the trip will be worth the effort. It was time to leave our morning mooring and with the wind in our faces, we launched. Just three in this fleet, we set sail northward to Canada, that friendly foreign land. Tillers and sails trimmed we explorers hoped for a sun break or two we were on our watery voyage.

We were heading for Nelson, British Columbia. if you haven't been to Nelson before we recommend it for it's variety of shops and restaurants, beautiful turn of the century architecture and great lake side views. We naturally took the scenic roads, enjoying the river and Boundary dam on our course north. On the way up



we stopped at two waterfalls in full swell with run off water. First was Crystal falls just off the Tiger Hwy. Intermission was made for a delicious Mexican meal

each as we "skipped" the 30 dollar parking fee.

The border police were friendly and quite curious as they went thoroughly through each of our cars, wondering why we would come north on such a gray day. After passing invasive muster we were again under way just an hour from Nelson. Once in town we made a reconnaissance tour and scoped out places of interest. Our home port was Best Western, a newly remodeled hotel full of old world charm rooms but complete with flat screens and internet. After a



exploring finding shops of interest and later meeting at a dynamite off Main St. restaurant by the name of Bibos, an amazing dinner ensued, each declaring the soggy drive was well worth the effort. After the third course we were ready to

break we each went

search out a tasty dessert, finding the prize just a few doors away, a bounty of treats were reviewed and a few delectable choices

were made, crowning off the evening.

The next morning the weather Gods were more favorable, sporting sun breaks and by mid day we bathed in full sun. From Nelson we made our way to Balfour and the BC ferry, The Osprey, great fun sailing for real across the lake. We lucked out and were given good parking spots on the ferry making the exit easy to rally to the front of the line as our tiny group left the pedestrian drivers far behind. The sun continued to prevail as we made the great 50 miles of twisties disappear emerging at the Port Hill guard station where we were granted reentry to the USA. An uneventful jaunt to Sandpoint, a snack stop and good byes were made, as Fred and Michelle set sail for Missoula, Aaron & Lisa headed due south to Cda and Bonnie and I made a short trip to Spokane via Hwy 2, all as the rain returned. Rain.. It didn't matter, it was a good drive with good friends, great cars and a few good laughs.



-Chris Brown

in Colville, a welcome detour from the never ending rain. After lunch we motored away, continuing our way north, this junket found Douglas Falls a quick look for



Lighthouse for the Blind Rally & Car Show

What an unusual car show! I'd never thought about cars this way. Can a beautiful car really be judged without actually laying eyes on it, or even seeing a photograph of it? Yes.

I was treated to a memorable experience on June 9th when I attended an unusual event at the Northwest Lighthouse for the Blind in Spokane. The Lighthouse Rally and Car Show was conducted completely without sight. Really? Composed of two parts, stage one was rally where the sightless navigator used a braille tablet to provide pre-recorded directions to the sighted driver. The blind navigator used his or her sense of feel to detect the subtle movements of car and provide timely directions to the driver to keep the car on

the right course as driver and assistant navigated the road course through north Spokane.

Stage Two was a car show where the cars used in the rally were judged for fit, finish, beauty and SOUND by sightless judges. Donning jeweler's gloves, each of the several judges carefully caressed the body lines of each car, stopping to "doubletake" locations of particular sensory interest. Several of the blind judges were actually able to guess the colors of several of the vehicles based on the features of their lines!

Somehow, the world of these sightless men and women was fuller than the world of the sighted. Amazing!

-Tom Sparks



Hog Falls

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Six cars showed up for the breakfast and rendezvous at Hog Falls. Everyone had smiles as we rounded the hill and the falls appeared in full glory. These giant stair step falls are very interesting because at the base there is a pool where the water disappears under the rocks and reappears again on the lake side. A few more adventurous folks hiked to the top of the falls to discover those views and a dead cow, now just bones and leather. This annual kick off hike is a great way to welcome the spring with friends, if you haven't made it out for it- we hope to see you next year.

-Chris Brown

Upcoming Events

View Event List in Detail at www.iebmw.org

July 13-15: Spokane Gran Prix

July 21: Palouse Hills Group Drive with Rattlesnake Chapter (Last Group Drive of the Season); Contact Chris Brown addaxx4@mac.com

July 21-22: Chump Car 24hr Endurance Race, Spokane County Raceway (SCR) Anyone interested in working this race, please contact Ken Groves @ 509 671.6301 or bogusbob@surf1.ws

July 28: Maryhill Loop Tour (Portland Chapter)

July 27-29: Sun Valley Road Rally, www.SunValleyRoadRally.com, info@sunvalleyroadrally.com

July 29: Puget Sound Concours

August 4-5: Autocross @ Deer Park Airport, www.autosportsnorthwest.org

August 18: Tech Session @ European Auto Haus

August 25: Billings Car Show * See article, Contact Greg Kohn: kohn_greg@yahoo.com

August 25-26: Autocross @ Deer Park Airport, www.autosportsnorthwest.org

September 1: Wheatland Junking, Contact Chris Brown addaxx4@mac.com

September 7: FATT, Spokane County Raceway (SCR), www.adaremotorsports.com

September 15: All German Car Meet, Odessa, WA

September 29-30: Autocross @ Deer Park Airport, www.autosportsnorthwest.org

October 5: FATT, SCR www.adaremotorsports.com

October 6-7: Performance Driving School, SCR, www.adaremotorsports.com or log on to www.iebmw.org and follow the instructions. \$425 Tuition includes 2 days of Instruction, lunch both days and Meet and Greet Banquet Sat night. Open to all Licensed drivers 18 and over regardless of membership or type of vehicle, Some restrictions apply, all are welcome but space is limited so act now Before the long winter kicks in. See you at the track!!

CLASSIFIED AD: FOR RENT: a week at a condo in Orlando January-mid April, 2013 or the last 2 weeks of December, 2013. Two bedrooms, 2 baths, sleeps 6. Completely furnished- all you bring is food! Within 20 minutes of ALL major attractions.

Think Christmas vacation, New Years, Daytona 500, 12 Hours of Sebring or Spring Break! \$700. Call Leslie or Jim at 303-671-6131 or email colorado924@comcast.net ASAP to get your first-choice week reserved!!



Tips from the Pros: Waxing and Sealing

For those of you who have been following the Tips From the Pro's Article, we have provided the remainder of the Waxing and Sealing portion in it's entirety. Please refer to our web-site at www.iebmw.org for the article from start to finish.

The following information is provided free of charge. The recommendations of the writer are based on a wide experience with automobile detailing and use of Griot's Garage Detailing Products. The writer assumes no responsibility for your use of this information. Griot's Garage Detailing Products are available from Precision Pointe Detailing Service, www.precision-pointe.com, (208) 691-7929.

WAXING AND SEALING PAINT

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Step 3: Application of Paint Sealant. Use a random orbital machine and a flexible waxing pad to apply paint sealant. I recommend the Griot's Garage 6" Red Foam Wax Pad (Griot's Garage Product #10628). The flexible pad absorbs excess sealant to help to prevent overuse. Procedurally, here is how to apply sealant: 1) Apply approximately a 25-cent-piece-amount of Paint Sealant to the 6" red pad and spread it out on the pad. Priming is not necessary. Set the Griot's Garage Professional Random Orbital Machine to Speed 3 or 4 (settings go from 1-6), place the pad on the painted surface BEFORE turning it on (unless you want to wear the sealant!), then turn the machine on and begin a cross-hatch pattern, going "up and down" first, "side to side" next, then "up and down" once again, finishing with "side to side," moving the machine about 5" each second. You have now sealed each of the 576 square inches (2'x 2' square) four times. 3) Wipe the sealant haze from the paint. The haze from Griot's Garage Paint Sealant can be removed immediately without diminishing its effectiveness. I recommend Griot's Garage Polish Removal Cloths in sets of 3 (Griot's Garage Product #11115). Use Griot's Garage Paint

Sealant to seal all of your vehicle's paint, wheels, stainless steel, and chrome.

Step 4: Application of Griot's Garage One-Step Sealant.

Griot's Garage One-Step Sealant contains a very mild abrasive, which breaks down over a few minutes of use. It is used to provide a light "buffing" action to paint at the same time the sealant protects the paint. One-Step Sealant is often used after an initial application of Paint Sealant to revitalize a previously-sealed-paint's appearance. Like Paint Sealant, use a random orbital machine, but apply One-Step Sealant with a 6" dense foam pad as mentioned under the section about polishing. The small amount of polish in the One-Step Sealant needs to be pressed against the paint as with polishing. Procedurally, here is how to apply One-Step Sealant:

1) Apply approximately a 25-cent-piece-amount of Paint Sealant to the 6" red pad and spread it out on the pad. Priming is not necessary. Set the Griot's Garage Professional Random Orbital Machine to Speed 4 or 5 (settings go from 1-6), place the pad on the painted surface BEFORE turning it on (unless you want to wear the sealant!), then turn the machine on and begin a cross-hatch pattern, going "up and down" first, "side to side" next, then "up and down" once again, finishing with "side to side," moving the machine about 5" each second. You have now buffed and sealed each of the 576 square inches (2'x 2' square) four times. 3) Wipe the sealant haze from the paint. The haze from Griot's Garage One-Step Sealant can be removed immediately without diminishing its effectiveness. I recommend Griot's Garage Polish Removal Cloths in sets of 3 (Griot's Garage Product #11115).

Step 5: Application of Best of Show Wax.

Procedurally, here is how to apply Best of Show Wax: 1) IMPORTANT: Apply only a nickel-sized -amount of Best of Show Wax to a 6" red wax pad and spread it out on the pad. Priming is not necessary. It takes very little wax to cov-

er a 2' x 2' area. Set the Griot's Garage Professional Random Orbital Machine to Speed 3 or 4 (settings go from 1-6), place the pad on the painted surface BEFORE turning it on (unless you want to wear the sealant!), then turn the machine on and begin a cross-hatch pattern, going "up and down" first, "side to side" next, etc., moving the machine about 5" each second. IMPORTANT: Continue to burnish in the wax until you are barely able to see the haze. Don't stop until the haze is barely visible. You have now properly waxed each of the 576 square inches (2'x 2' square). 2) DO NOT WIPE THE WAX HAZE OFF THE PAINT. Carnauba wax, especially 40% carnauba wax, must cure completely to be most effective. I recommend waxing the entire vehicle and then returning to remove the haze. Wait at least 30 minutes before haze removal if you are in a hurry. You can tell when wax is not cured by running your finger across the wax. If the wax smears, it is not cured. 3) After the wax is cured, wipe the haze from the paint with a micro fiber wax removal cloth. I recommend Griot's Garage Wax Removal Cloths in sets of 3 (Griot's Garage Product #11116). Enjoy the best shine in the business!

How can you tell if you have used too much Best of Show Wax? If the wax haze is hard to remove by normal hand buffing, you have used too much. Don't panic! Rather than "scrubbing the wax haze real hard" to remove it, which will induce small scratches to your paint, spray a light mist of Griot's Garage Spray on Wax (Griot's Garage Product #11098), or even water to the stubborn spot (the liquid re-emulsifies the water-based wax), then wipe it clean with the micro fiber wax removal cloth. Buff the finish up to a brilliant shine!

Tom will be available at our Tech/Detail Session held on August 18th at European Auto Haus in Spokane, WA to answer any questions and to go over these procedures in person. Please see our next Newsletter for Part 1 of Engine Detailing.