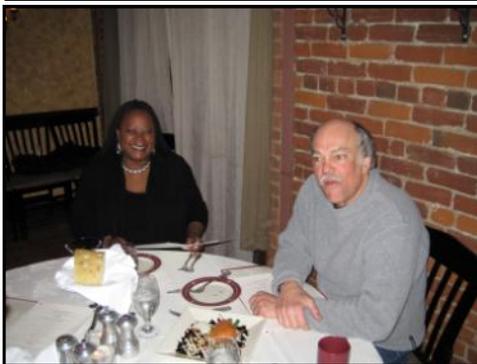




**Special points of interest:**

- Board Members
- Full schedule of events
- Driving Event Information

## Annual Banquet



## Driving School Update

There will be no spring driving school due to track improvements and no summer school as a result of scheduling conflicts. The fall driving school is still scheduled for October 24th and 25th. Contact Scott Adare at (509) 466-6731 or by email at sadare@aol.com.

## River Dance Drive

Don't miss out, Second annual River Dance Drive May 30. We will be meeting as last year at the S/W corner of the Airway heights Wal-Mart at 900am. This course takes us over some great driving roads and we will see some beautiful sights. We will see View points over looking the Columbia river and many more are waiting for members and friends. Also we will take a little boat excursion over Late Roosevelt (twice) on the free state ferries to the Colville Indian reservation. A no host lunch at the Twin lakes log cabin lodge restaurant cafe and a return to Spokane after an ice cream break in Hunters. Hope to see you out to kick off the summer driving season. don't forget you cameras.



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### Monthly Member Meeting

2nd Tuesday of the month, 6pm, at Mr. Wok's on the Newport highway at the "Y". Members are encouraged to attend. A short business meeting will also be conducted. Occasionally a meeting may be skipped or location changed. Please contact a board member before each meeting.

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## Calendar of Events

### High Performance Driving Schools

October 23, 2009—Experienced Driver Lap Day

October 24/25, 2009—Driving School

Spokane County Motorsports Park

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### Club Drives and Other Events

May 30, 2009—River Dance Drive

July 11, 2009—Show and Shine Pizza

September 10, 2009—Steptoe Butte Climb

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## President's Corner

Remember your first time? I do.

It was an sunny morning at rush hour in Bothell WA, my best friend's father decided to surprise and delight me and let me drive his new lime green Mazda 808. A piston powered car that was for the day very frisky and fun to drive. (I found this true later on solo drives) The ink was hardly dry on my learners permit, and I was, at fifteen and a half, ready to be the next Jackie Stewart.

We hopped and lurched forward on the down sloping driveway. I thought to my self that this extra pedal was not so bad. The next stop sign was dealt again with little problem as I learned the mystery of the three pedals, traffic was light then. Getting on the freeway was the first glimmer of knowledge that –hey this could be fun! Chuck my friend's father, who often took me under his wing was the model of patience and seemed to be enjoying passing on the secrets of the clutch to me.

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## Classified Ads

### Preserve BMW CCA History

The Club Archive is looking for Oktoberfest or chapter event trophies, shirts, pins, posters, wineglasses, dash plaques, grill badges, programs or anything else. Anything from the club's past for the Archive/Museum. Do you have extra items you would consider donating? Contact Michael at (864) 250-0022 or [mmitchell@roundel.org](mailto:mmitchell@roundel.org).

### Wanted E46 M3

Contact Greg Madson, President of the Big Sky Region Porsche Club, 406-453-6816.

### Free Colgan Bra

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### Free 325ix Wheels

4 15" 1989 325ix wire-wheel design alloy wheels. Jack Schmitz, [jackinspokane@mac.com](mailto:jackinspokane@mac.com)

### West Coast Concours

After weeks of planning the Central California Chapter is announcing their intentions to host a major West coast regional concours event. The BMW CCA West Coast Summer Concours will be held on Friday, August 14, 2009 at Rancho Canada Golf Course in Carmel Valley, CA.

This event will kick-off the annual Monterey Festorics weekend, which is co-hosted by the Golden Gate Chapter. After much debate and with feedback from many BMW owners a decision was made to find suitable 'patch on green' in the Monterey area and host our own event. We are fortunate to have acquired a wonderful location at Rancho Canada Golf Course.

The site will allow for a formal concours field as well as a BMW parking corral. We will have combined space for 200 cars. We are also incorporating a vendor area and may include a silent auction for a local charity. The site will be perfect for a lunch-time picnic and attendees are encouraged to make plans to bring a picnic lunch, spread you blanket and enjoy the day. There are plans in the works to have box lunches available on site. We will be announcing news to that end via our chapter's website.

### For Sale 1990 325i Convertible

Warm Weather Princess. White w/newer black convertible top, blue leather interior. 5 speed, short shift, working computer, 160k miles, recent water pump/timing chain upgraded, A/C locking diff. everything works. Not concours, but very nice \$5,000 obo buying a Z4 and need the room in garage. Contact Chris B. at [AddAxx4@mac.com](mailto:AddAxx4@mac.com)



Cost of the event will be \$50 per car. Plans are underway for registration through which you can sign up for the event and order lunches and event shirts.

Log on to the chapter website, [www.cccbwmcca.org](http://www.cccbwmcca.org) for additional information and updates. Registration will open soon.

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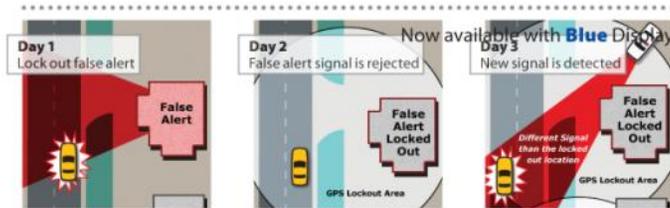
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It was not long before we were deep in traffic and found our selves at the main intersection where a traffic light timed and controlled the multi lanes intersecting a congested intersection including dog leg lanes and several retail driveways adding to the mix. I was hobbled by the yellow then red light.

Making as much perspiration as any tall skinny kid could, we waited for the light to change, all the while Chuck's thoughtful words encouraged me. The light turned green, I immediately flubbed the pedal work and killed the engine. The cars in the congested lane next to us whooshed by and I could, in the rear view mirror, see the poor devils behind me. None of whom were happy, turning the key lurched the car forward, nose now in the intersection. 10 congested lanes converging to this point all eyes seemed to be looking at me. I suggested we switch pilots to Chuck, he would have none of it. The light rotation returned to me, dreading it- the light turned green. I focused on the clutch cajoling it to the surface and making quiet pacts with God, God Please make it work.

Again the car died forgetting to bring the gas peddle into the mix, we sat. The now annoyed vehicles locked into my lane by the numskull at the head of the line angrily gazed and honked horns (a rare occurrence in Seattle in those days) Chucked laughed out load, and gave me some very specific instructions for my third try when the green light came around to again give me a another chance.

Sweating now, I was told to hold the wheel with both hands, leave the car in first gear and floor the gas peddle when we went green. I did so, "Now let the clutch out!" I followed the command and the car laid rubber through the intersection. I held on and steered correctly for my first red line appearance.

We made our way to my drop off point. I had learned so much that morning way beyond the operation of the extra paddle.

And so it will be, helping IE BMW as president, with fits and starts, I will have to learn what I need to know and bring what I offer to the club. My sincere thanks for the members who thoughtfully filled in they're voting ballots and returned them. I will always remember Chuck's lessons learned that morning about doing something new- for the first time.

Show your best side.

Thank you.

Chris Brown, President



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It will be fun and interesting to learn about some of the cars that are right here under our noses. I know there are some unique specimens near by.

So, if you would like to share your BMW with us, contact Larry Simmons at (208) 265-7888 or email me at: [editor@iebmw.org](mailto:editor@iebmw.org).

