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Palouse Falls Drive

Gear up for the next Inland Empire BMW drive. Come and join the fun as we make a run to Palouse Falls Saturday Sept 13. Lets try something different,... this event is a—"pack and share" lunch buffet.

The club will provide cold drinks and an ice chest for your buffet dishes, so let's have a Bimmer picnic. Yes we will be torturing you with the usual trivia test and I would hope some talented soul will rise to the challenge of Greg Ward our reigning triv champion.

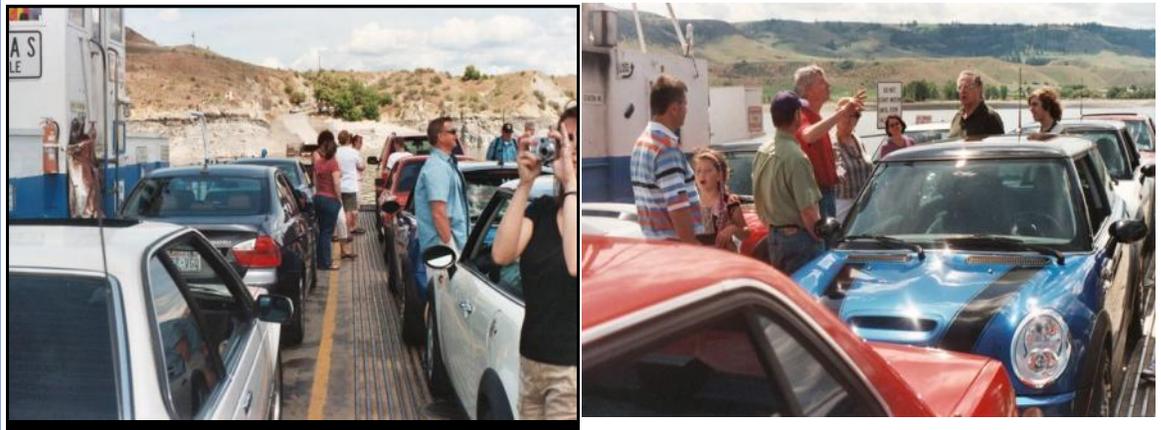
Let's meet at the Trading Post grocery store in Cheney WA at 9 am, when we will explore our way south west on some new old roads making a path to the falls and picnic area below the falls at Lyons ferry. After a relaxing lunch buffet we will follow the road to Dayton and then take in the scenery along our path back to Spokane by way of central ferry. There will be lots of beautiful small towns and farm country to enjoy, So mark your calendars.

Send me a note if you are interested and I will try to coordinate basic areas of a lunch menu. This could be fun- so join in. All car enthusiasts are welcome to join.

For Q&A and sign up please contact Chris Brown at AddAxx4@mac.com or 509-326-3365.

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Driving School

The last driving school of the season will be held on October 4th and 5th. Contact Scott Adare at sadare@aol.com or 509-466-6731 for details.

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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 4-5, 2008

Spokane Raceway Park

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Club Drives

Sept 13, 2008—Palouse Fall Run

Annual Banquet

Jan 2009—Stay tuned. Location and time TBA

Autosports Northwest Autocross

<http://www.autosportsnorthwest.org>

President's Corner

Hi everyone,

We finally were able to hold our first high performance driving school of the year on July 26th and 27th! The March school was one big sledding party and very little driving. Our June school date had to be delayed due to the property transfer of the track to Spokane County. The July school was well attended. I want to thank all the students, instructors, and volunteers who contributed to make the school a rousing success. As I said, Spokane County now officially owns the track and we are excited about the changes and improvements that will be coming in the future. I look forward to seeing our "diamond in the rough" track achieve its' potential. Our next driving school will be October 4th and 5th.



Chris Brown organized another successful one day drive earlier this year which was well attended by our members and those from the local Mini club. Great job Chris! Chris will be having another one day drive later this year. He has also planned the Show & Shine gathering scheduled for August 20th. I hope many of you will be able to attend.

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Our club elections will be held later this year. If you are interested in participating as a board member, please contact myself or any of the board members for more information. Everyone enjoy our remaining days of summer. If given the opportunity, share a random act of kindness with someone. It's amazing how good it makes you and someone else feel.

Ken Groves
President
Inland Empire Chapter BMW CCA



River Dance Drive

Under perfect skies, the River Dance Drive began, the bandleader held the morning meeting going over routine guidelines and with roll call over, our first steps started coffee in hand.

Meeting car to road, we troubadours pulled onto Hwy 2 heading west. The considerable dance troupe of sixteen assorted BMW's, Mini's, a Nissan, Mustang and one Miata rounded out the dance troupe. In $\frac{3}{4}$ time, toes on the right pedal, we made our way to the first rest stop for stretching legs and coffee removal. Cameras pulled from glove compartments it was a chance to say howdy to car friends, coming from as far away as Seattle, Yakima and Colville to be entertained by our folk dance. Pictures taken, each of us were ready to continue onward passing through the small towns on Hwy 2 until we took a northward turn at Wilbur. Where a quick roadside break for cameras to capture our collection of participants as we added Mario and Monica to join the dance team haling from Yakima.

After a quick trivia question and gift derived from the "treasure trunk" of Chris Brown's 325i, we saddled up and continued the dance. This next stretch of road has only one fault for car enthusiasts, and that is it is far too short! This stretch drops from the Wilbur plateau down to the riverside twisting through magical canyons making for great driving and beautiful scenery. The troop had been slowed by a lumbering pickup truck, which cheerfully pulled over and let the more able and eager pass by unscathed. Our entire crew enjoyed the engaging scenery as we descended through the rocky cliffs to the waters edge. The Martha II ferry paddled slowly towards the group from the opposite shore with relaxed precision. Upon docking, the deck hands waved and built with tetrus precision, the complete collection of dancers were wedded onto Martha's ample deck. Aided only by nearly

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.

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- 1/4 page ad \$25.00 per issue, \$100.00 per year
- 1/2 page ad \$50.00 per issue, \$200.00 per year
- full page ad \$75.00 per issue, \$300.00 per year

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stackable Mini Coopers, it was truly a sight to see, from the Piersons' new 325i to Bryan Woodbury's race prepped Miata to John Coopers beautiful white 635csi. Each car seemed happy to be safely aboard. The ferry shoved off - onward to the Colville Indian reservation and the north bank. The dance troupe held close quarters as we proceeded to step through the small town of Keller and taking a right turn eastward over the mountains to Twin Lakes.

The topography rose upward as mid morning turned to mid day. More exciting twisty roads were held for our mountain waltz and without misstep, the dance class made their way towards lunch when an impromptu repair project delayed the group for a muffler repair on Daryl's green 318,

The entire group used the time to stretch their legs and aid the roadside repair, rendering pliers and coat hangers and



various other trunk issued repair devices, With the muffler hanger repaired. Our team renewed its positions behind the wheel to enjoy forest laden views and Twin Lakes in the background. The mountain gave way to the valley and the troubadours descended to the Log Cabin Resort restaurant. The restaurant resting under tall fir trees, seemed to be an old friend and proved to be a good new friend, the food was fast, plentiful, affordable and tasty. The usual trivia test was handed out to the mostly eager dancers, the 2 trivia titans from past drives went toe to toe, Monica (BMW 540) vs Greg (Mini Cooper) as they conjured and guessed their way to the last question. The big trunk treasure prize was taken by Greg for having the most correct answers. He eagerly awaits his next challenger....is it true Mini Coopers make you smarter Greg?

The lunch bills paid, tips given for excellent service, legs stretched, the dance class was collected together and hoofed onward to the Gifford Ferry for the return float to the main land, A mire nod to the town of Inchelium. At the dock the group found the ferry firmly affixed to the opposite shore, Creating a half hour wait with sun shine pounding, our thoughts switched to ICE CREAM. The ferry did come to rendezvous with our dance group at long last we crossed without a miss-step. Small talk abated as the sunshine seemed to ratchet up even more for the 5 minute crossing. At this point, we bid farewell to our friend, Edie and her green Mini Cooper as she spun happily northward to home in Colville. The balance of the group found an efficient path south for a delightful romp with lake Roosevelt to our right now heading into the hamlet of Hunters. A good spot for desert, the group waited and waited as ice cream confections were delivered ever..so..slowly to persons one at a time giving credence to the old adage, time slows down in a small town. Our bellies full of sweets and no time for naps, we turned quick steps southeast into the hills for plenty of interesting twisty bits ultimately landing in Springdale.

We then adjusted our wheels due south along some nice straights dropping us into the dusty crossroads known as Ford.

From Ford, the coordinated crew fell back into the trees and made a left, With Long lake for the last leg of this dance into Spokane proper. There were no formal goodbyes made but as entertaining twisty single lane roads turned into boring two lane pavement, the mode shifted from free style to fox trot as I slowed on the right, most of the group passed heading into the City's grid, each waving and tossing smiles for a day well spent.

Taking time to dance now and then is good for the soul, thanks to everyone who came out and those that wanted to but life had other paths for them to take. We shall see you all on September 13th for the Palouse Falls run. Till then, happy travels.

Chris Brown



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My BMW

We want to continue our section where we feature one of our members and their BMW. We have a questionnaire to fill out asking numerous questions about your car. We will need a complete bio on the car, pictures, where you got it, how long you've had it, why is it special to you, favorite place to drive it, where you would like to drive it, things of that nature.

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: edi-tor@iebmv.org.

