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The Banquet Ice Bar

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All membership applications, renewals and address changes should be sent to:

BMW CCA National Office, 640 South Main Street, Suite 201, Greenville, SC 29601  
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# President's Column

The Banquet has come and gone and was quite a success. The success of the event was due to the diligence of our social chairperson Al Drugos, who had made all the arrangements for the Grand Colonial Restaurant, the entertainment, the registration of club members, and the NJ BMW ice sculpture.

I must also give credit for part of its success to where it is due, and that goes to Dave Finch and his Dealer Liaison team of Paul Ngai and Art Busch. The team was responsible for seeking donations of door prizes from NJ BMW dealers and they came through with flying colors.

Many thanks are extended to Hunterdon BMW, JMK BMW, Flemington BMW, Morristown BMW, Open Road BMW, Paul Miller BMW, and Prestige BMW for their generosity. Also big contributors were Turner Motorsports, UUC Motorwerks, and the CCA National office that sent a big box of goodies. This was the first Banquet where everyone in attendance had received a prize.

Driving Events Chairperson Bob Isbistki literally gave the white glove treatment to the Club's Championship Series

winner James Kavalieros and 2nd place Larry Engel's awards. Third place Mike Marvuglio was unable to attend. I should have won the prize for traveling the least distance to the Grand Colonial, I live less than 2 miles from there.

Registration for the April 8-9 Shenandoah school is now on-line through the website, something that we have been trying to accomplish for some time. Not only will this make the process easier for the registrar, but also for the participants. Eventually all of the Club's functions should be available for on-line registration, we're taking them on one at a time.

The next club meeting in March at the Deutscher Club will be by our own Elihu Savad and his autocross committee. Should be interesting, the top three finishers in the Club Championship Series went to autocrossers. In April, we will be visiting Morristown Mini, another dealership of the Ryan Group.

Maybe I'll bring my brother's Mini, which was made in 1964.

Neil Gambony

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## Welcome New Members

Ahmed Altaai  
Joseph Billups  
Edith Billups  
Brandon Blumber  
John Bochicchio  
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Shivam Parikh  
Sheldon Pincus  
William Rivera  
Christopher Struve  
William Takeuchi  
David Tamburelli  
Alfred Teo  
John Troisi  
Ronald Williams  
Nicole Williams

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## NJ Chapter Calendar

### April, 2006

#### Saturday/Sunday, April 8,9

Driver School on Shenandoah circuit at Summit Point.

#### Sunday, April 9

Autocross at PNC Art Center. See website for details.

#### Wednesday, April 19

Monthly meeting at Morristown BMW. Stay tuned.

#### Wednesday, April 21

Driver School at Lime Rock Park.

### May, 2006

#### Sunday, May 7

Autocross at PNC Art Center. See website for details.

#### Wednesday, May 17

Monthly membership meeting at the Deutscher club. Mike Lenhardt presentation on BMW scale models.

### June, 2006

#### Wednesday, June xx

Monthly membership meeting. Site to be determined. Stay tuned; several BMW dealerships are looking to host our meeting.



# Philes' Forum

by Vic Lucariello

Hello Bimmerphiles! Amazingly, the 2006 NJ Chapter driver-school season begins in a few weeks. So this month's column is devoted to preparing your Bimmer for one of our schools.

I still wish to receive copies of your DMV emissions-inspection reports. You can either mail a photocopy of your report [preferred], or simply e-mail the test data. [Include your name, too, if you want to be famous and be mentioned in Philes' Forum!] If you e-mail, please include both the test results and the pass/fail criterion for each pollutant along with your model and year, transmission type, and mileage. If you know at what mileages your oxygen sensor and spark plugs were last replaced, include them as well. Please indicate what, if any, modifications have been made to your motor [aftermarket chip, intake, exhaust, etc.] and your exact model number [e.g., 328i, not 3-Series].

It is generally acknowledged that driver-school use can stress your vehicle more than everyday use. Although BMWs, especially some of the older models, hold up quite well under track conditions, any vehicle needs to be in tip-top shape prior to venturing onto a racetrack. This is why we require driver-school participants to have their cars inspected by a qualified individual as part of the driver-school preparation process. To facilitate this inspection, we provide a form that allows participants to document the inspection they [or their designee] perform prior to the driver school. Although the official title of the form is "**Pre-Event Safety-Inspection Report**", it is [sometimes unpopularly] called our "**Tech Form**". You can download a copy of the Tech Form from the NJ Chapter Website.

A proper pre-driver-school inspection is an on-jackstands, wheels-off affair that would take me an hour to perform in the ideal working conditions of my shop. And this is without doing any repairs. Add, say, another hour to do a brake-fluid change/flush. What I am emphasizing here is that getting your car ready for a driver school is a significant effort.

Moreover, if you read the fine print [courtesy of my **very** favorite attorney, Cathy LaMarca Gibson, who happens to be a great driver, instructor, and tech worker as well] on Page 2 of the Tech Form, by signing the form you are acknowledging that the car has in fact received a proper pre-event inspection. You are also acknowledging that you are responsible for the condition of the car you drive to, at, and from the event. Pretty serious stuff, this.

Here are some common car prep/inspection mistakes made by first-time [and unfortunately, not-so-first-time] driver-school participants:

- Some folks mistakenly think that what we do at the track on the day of the event constitutes a vehicle inspection. This could not be farther from the truth. We spend maybe 2 minutes performing a cursory look at selected vehicles. We look for obvious things such as loose or missing oil-filler or radiator caps, bald or mismatched tires, or a loose exhaust system. We also look for matching aftermarket seatbelts and seats, a passenger-door mirror, and the absence of aftermarket window tinting. We also ask when your brake fluid was last changed [See below].

- Some folks think that because their car is newly purchased, the brake fluid does not need to be changed for a driver school. Our

requirement is that the brake fluid be less than 6 months old. This means that if you have a new car, and its production date [located on a sticker on the driver-door pillar] is 6 months or more prior to the driver school date, you need to have the brake fluid changed as part of your pre-event preparation.

- Some folks [and even some shops] confuse 'bleeding the brakes' with 'changing the brake fluid'. A proper brake-fluid change requires that at least a liter [a bit more than a quart] of fresh brake fluid be run through the system. A pressure- or vacuum-bleeder works beautifully for this.

- Although it is perfectly acceptable for a participant to perform her/his own pre-event inspection, some folks choose to have someone else [paid or not] do it. This, too, is perfectly acceptable. Two important points to remember are:

1. Regardless of who does the inspection, it is the participant who must sign the Tech Form.
2. Regardless of who does the inspection, the participant must ensure that the inspector is qualified to perform the inspection. One qualification criterion is that the inspector be very familiar with the car make and model.

Some folks forget to have their co-driver indicate her/his information on the Tech Form and sign it.

OK, enough of that for now. If you have any questions feel free to e-mail me.



Photo #1 Burst Brake Line

Photo by: Vic Lucariello, Sr.

One of the items on the Tech Form is that you check all your brake lines and hoses for cracks or deterioration. The flexible 'rubber' hoses that connect, for example, a front-brake caliper to its metal brake line are pretty easy to examine. However, the metal lines, which run seemingly all around on an ABS-equipped Bimmer, require patient, careful examination.

Recently, I looked at a 1985 325e E30 ['84-'91 3-Series] that had experienced a sudden brake failure while under mild braking. The brake master-cylinder reservoir was found to be empty. When I refilled it and stepped on the brake a couple times, brake fluid was observed squirting from a burst brake line under the car. See Photo #1.

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**(Philes' Forum - continued from page 4)**

Of the three metal lines shown in the photo, the two larger ones are fuel lines. The smaller line, the rear-brake line tucked neatly up against the sound-deadening material, had evidently corroded over time and finally burst. This could have been catastrophic if it occurred on the racetrack.

Repairing the failed brake line was inexpensive albeit quite time consuming. Pre-bent brake-line steel tubing for specific applications is not generally available, so far as I know. Rather, straight lengths of steel tubing [in this case 3/16-inch OD, or 5-mm] must be carefully cut and fitted to match the failed piece. The tubing lengths come with both ends already flared and fitted with tube nuts.

In this case, we chose to begin at the outlet of the brake-proportioning valve [and obviate the need for a splice] and install a new piece of tubing about 5-ft. [1.5-meter] long. Specialty tools required for this job are a tubing bender, a tubing cutter, and a metric [AKA 'ISO' or 'bubble'] flaring tool. You will find that a fabric tape measure makes estimating the required length of new tubing much easier.



Photo #2 New Tubing Being Formed

Photo by: Vic Lucariello, Sr.

Photo #2 depicts the new tubing as it was being formed to match the failed line. The new tubing is shown connected to the removed proportioning valve. A lot of patience is required to bend the new tubing. I always buy a second piece of tubing to have on hand...just in case. Photo #3 shows the new tubing and the re-installed proportioning valve, while #4 is of the new tubing as it bends around the driver footwell in the area where the old tubing had failed.



Photo #3 New Proportioning Valve

Photo by: Vic Lucariello, Sr.

tubing connector was used. This type of connection requires a



Photo #4 New Tubing Installed

Photo by: Vic Lucariello, Sr.

straight section of tubing, so plan accordingly. This shot also shows that the fuel lines in this area may need some attention as well!

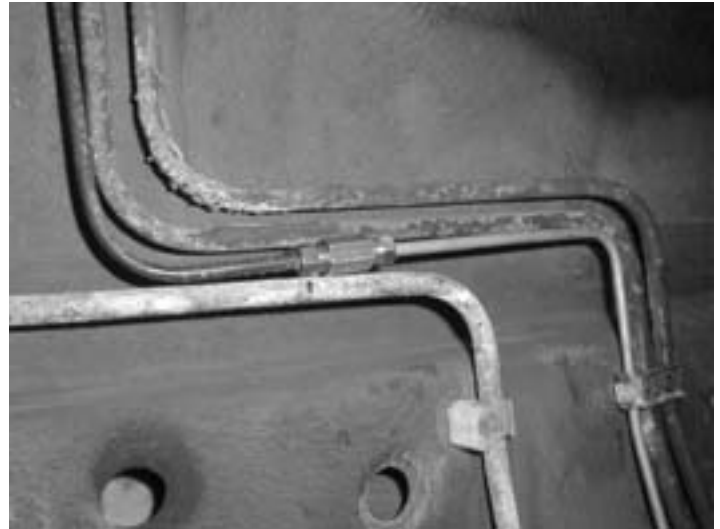


Photo #5 Spliced New Tubing

Photo by: Vic Lucariello, Sr.

We also installed a new brake-master cylinder while we were at it. This is probably a real good idea on any 20+-year-old vehicle, whether it is track driven or not.

That's all for now, Bimmerphiles! See you next time.

Anyone wishing to contribute to Philes' Forum should contact me at vic.sr@njbmwcca.org. I'm interested in tech tips, repair /maintenance questions and/or tips, repair horror stories, emissions inspection sagas, product evaluations, etc.

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F i n a l l y ,  
Photo #5 shows how we spliced the new tubing into the existing tubing in the area under the driver seat. The existing tubing was flared, and a flare-type

# Preparing For Your Driver School Experience

By Thom Rossi

You've decided to take advantage of the driver schools (DS) organized by our BMW CCA chapter: GREAT! You'll find that you will be very welcomed by veteran participants, instructors and other novice drivers. And you'll also find that your experience will be greatly enhanced with a little preparation. With our first event of the year just a few weeks away (yipee!!), this is a good time to start thinking about what you'll need to pack to make the weekend all the more enjoyable.

**Safety gear:** be sure your helmet is up to date and meets the latest requirements as published on our chapter web site.

**Tools:** For the most part, the only maintenance you will need to do at the track is to adjust your tire pressures and make sure your lug bolts remain properly torqued (assuming of course that your car has been properly teched and prepared). Still, our cars are under a great deal of added stress during a DS, so it's a good idea to be prepared for simple repair work. Bring a basic tool kit with a metric socket set and wrenches. Add a torque wrench, a 3" extension, a breaker bar, a deep well socket for the lug bolts (17mm on BMW), and a metric Allen wrench set. Bring a good tire pressure gauge - preferably the round dial type with a with

a bleed-off valve. Nice-to-haves include: portable floor jack, jack stands, wheel chocks, and an air tank.

**Parts and doo dads:** Bring a spare set of brake pads. If you have an old set of belts, hoses or other parts, I'd bring those, too. Also be sure to bring: motor oil, a fresh can of brake fluid, windex, paper towels, duct tape, plastic zip ties, and a quart of ATF.

**Food and beverages:** snack availability at most tracks is limited, so it's a good idea to bring along a cooler with a few snacks and lots of water. Dehydration is a problem on the track, as it leads to fatigue and sluggish thinking. So don't skimp on the water.

**Weather gear:** it's a good idea to bring a plastic tarp to protect all of your gear from the elements. Remember that you're going to be spending 8-10 hours a day outside, so be prepared for seasonal weather and for rain. Bring some sun screen. A foldable camp chair usually comes in handy, too.

Most of this stuff can be packed into a tool box and a plastic bin or two. Here's a hint: a good way to make quick friends at the track is to be the student with the best equipped tool box! I hope this simple check list helps you prepare for and enjoy your DS experience. We all look forward to seeing you at the track.

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## Banquet

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President Neil Gambony gives speech thanking his campaign donors.

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# Board Meeting Minutes

NJ BMW CCA Board Meeting Minutes - February 8, 2006

**Members Present:** Al Drugos, Neil Gambony, John Csuri, Jerry Faber, Ross Karlin, Bob Isbitski, Warren Brown, Brian Morgan, Bob Conway, Deborah Kolar. **Others Present:** Blake Smith, Paul Ngai, Elihu Savad, David Finch, Joe Murray. **Members Absent:** Mark Derienzo

At 7:44 pm the meeting was called to order by President Neil Gambony at the Alphonso's Restaurant in Somerville. The reading of the January minutes was waived.

## Officers' Reports:

**President Neil Gambony** reported that insurance rates have increased approximately 15%.

**Vice President Brian Morgan** Ross Karlin will present his experiences running the Targa Newfoundland at the next membership meeting. Dave McIntyre will be out of the country and will not be able to attend. Elihu will bring a screen. Brian will contact Klaus at the Deutscher Club, but will then be out of the country, so Neil will follow-up with Klaus prior to the meeting. March 15th will be a meeting at the Deutscher Club on the chapter's Autocross program. The April 19th meeting will be at the Morristown BMW Mini facility. This could be a tech session, but Brian is open to other suggestions for this meeting. May 17th at Deutscher Club will feature BMW model cars. Neil will find out if there are tickets available for this year's NY Auto Show.

**NJ Bulletin Editor Jerry Faber** stated that articles are due the first of each month. There will be eleven issues, with a combined November/December issue. Thom Rossi's excellent article will be included in the upcoming issue.

**Treasurer Warren Brown** distributed the current profit/loss statement. We received \$2500 from National for 2005 Instructor Training and ITS (Thanks, Ross!). The Deutscher Club dues are \$50 per year. Neil and Blake will join.

**Member-at-Large and Driving School Chair John Csuri** informed the Board that the driver's school application is now available. This year we will allow Spec Miatas with SCCA log books at driver's schools. We will open registration for all 2006 schools immediately. The online registration system will be available soon. There will be camping at both the Lime Rock Park and Summit Point combined drivers schools and races. The Wake Robin Inn in Connecticut will again offer discounts. We are penciled in for a banquet there. David Finch reported that we have 8 registrations for the Summit Point Advanced Drivers School. There is no longer a mandate for getting 85% of revenue from chapter members.

**Member-at-Large Ross Karlin** reported that this year Summit Point will be a premier race. We may want to consider funding a charitable contribution in conjunction with this event.

**Autocross Chair Elihu Savad** The first Autocross of the season is April 9th at the PNC Arts Center. There will be a \$250 cancellation fee if we don't give 12 hours notice to PNC. We are waiting for the concert schedule before we can get all of our dates. We may be able to use the South Lot. Open question - are there cars left overnight in commuter lot. June 25 & September 24th are penciled in for the Patriot Stadium lot. Elihu is looking into software to replace the current paper system. Online registration for autocrosses is not a priority, but may be a possibility. The Autocross equipment is needed for the Street Survival for Teens school. Neil volunteered to transport the trailer. David Finch said that dealers would like to put up a tent, distribute brochures and display a few cars at our Autocrosses. PNC currently won't allow dealerships.

**Driving Events Chair Bob Isbitski** sent out the new membership letters. Bob requested and received the go-ahead to give NJ BMW CCA stickers to everyone at the banquet. Bob will provide a Bulletin article on Street Survival and open registration for the May 21st school. This year Street Survival is now open to licensed drivers 16 to 21 years old. Joe Murray recommended that the classroom session be modified to address the needs of this target audience and offered to spearhead the effort. Ross will send Joe contact email addresses and Joe will follow-up. Bob Conway offered to assist Joe.

**Social Chair Al Drugos** Over sixty members have signed up for the February 10th banquet at the Grand Colonial. All arrangements are made. Bring your cameras. Door prizes have been contributed by numerous dealerships. David requested that all items have a dealership sticker. There will be soda, coffee and tea provided with a cash Bar for alcoholic items.

**Blake Smith, Chief Instructor** has made arrangements for the Instructor Seminar. Eighty instructors have already signed up. Ross arranged for \$2500 in sponsorship from the DEC.

**Dealer Liaison David Finch** reported that dealer reaction has been very positive. Morristown has committed to a full page ad in the NJ Bulletin. They are interested in sponsoring Autocrosses. One idea was to start and end a rally at a dealership.

**Member-at-Large Bob Conway** Bob Isbitski will contact Jeff Corson about adding DelVal Chapter event dates to the NJ BMW CCA website. Ross would like to have web links for major race sponsors and will follow-up with Bob, David and Paul regarding how to address this.

## Announcements:

David congratulated Jerry on last month's Bulletin.

## New Business:

John Csuri reported on the DEC Conference. A safety specialist recommended that Hans devices be used with a cage and proper harness. Other suggestions included a right side (center of car) net, driving with the helmet visor either closed or removed, and using 6 point, not 5 point harnesses. Rich Brekus gave a well-received talk on car technology. Other topics included ethics, risk management, Safety Schools and Street Survival. Ross gave a presentation on combining a driver's school and club race as a joint event.

Joe Murray and Trip Lee would like to run a motorcycle tour ending near the Finch Farm. David will give Joe some suggestions for restaurants in the area. There may be a nominal charge to cover insurance and Joe will work with Bob to get insurance. Joe will provide a write-up for the Bulletin and website.

Paul Ngai proposed that Beverly Hills Auto Clinic do a weekend event on dent repair. We may have a sign-up on the web, since their facility is limited. We have a new advertiser - Metroworks.

We need new poll questions for the website. Bob Conway will contact Dennis Krug regarding taking ownership of the poll.

## Future Board Meetings:

The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, March 8th, at Alphonso's.

Brian Morgan motioned to adjourn, Bob Isbitski seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Submitted by Deborah Kolar, Secretary



# 2006 New Jersey Chapter BMW CCA Driver School Application

## How to Apply

Apply online at our chapter website  
www.njbmwcca.org

OR

This form may be used to apply for one event at a time. For multiple events you must print and fill out a separate form for each event.

A separate application is required for each student.

Submit the completed form, a copy of your membership card or Roundel label, and your check (made out to the NJ Chapter BMW CCA) to the event registrar listed for your event.

Applications may not be postmarked before the listed application period mail-in date. Use only regular first-class, stamped mail.

Check ONE event per application:

**Date: April 8-9 (Sat-Sun) Shenandoah Circuit at Summit Point**

Event: Driver School  
Cost: \$350 per student  
Event Chair: John Csuri  
Event Registrar: Jeff White  
Mail-in date: 2/6/06  
 Open to all students

**Date: April 21 (Fri) Lime Rock Park**

Event: Driver School  
Cost: \$275 per student  
Event Chair: John Csuri  
Event Registrar: Jeff White  
Mail-in date: 2/6/06  
 Open to all students

**Date: June 12-13 (Mon-Tues) Lime Rock Park**

Event: Club Race/Driver School  
Cost: \$525 per student  
Driver School Chair: John Csuri  
Driver School Registrar: Jeff White  
Mail-in date: 3/27/06  
 Open to all students CAMPING AVAILABLE

**Date: June 19-20 (Mon-Tues) Summit Point**  
Event: Advanced Driver School/ Instructor Training  
Cost: \$350 per student  
Event Chair: David Finch(ADS)/Blake Smith(ITS)  
Event Registrar: David Finch(ADS)/Blake Smith(ITS)  
**REGISTER NOW!**  
 Open to students with documented Summit Point experience

**Date: August 5-6 (Sat-Sun) Summit Point**

Event: Club Race/Driver School  
Cost: \$400 per student  
Event Chair: John Csuri  
Event Registrar: Jeff White  
Mail-in date: 6/5/06  
 Open to all students CAMPING AVAILABLE

**Date: September 25 (Mon) Lime Rock Park**

Event: Driver School  
Cost: \$275 per student  
Event Chair: John Csuri  
Event Registrar: Jeff White  
Mail-in date: 7/10/06  
 Open to all students

## DRIVER INFORMATION (please print legibly)

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## PREVIOUS DRIVER SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

In the past two years, how many driver schools have you attended at this track? \_\_\_\_\_

In the past two years, how many driver schools have you attended at other tracks? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all track experience, including professional schools. If known, include track, date, club affiliation, and level (novice, intermediate, advanced, instructor). Please use a separate sheet if required. \_\_\_\_\_

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Car Year, Make & Model \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

List major modifications (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

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## The Fine Print – Please Read Carefully

- **Cancellation Policy** - There is a \$25 cancellation fee up until seven days (one week) before the event. After that there are no refunds for cancellation. If an event is cancelled due to inclement weather, fees will be refunded minus a \$25 charge to cover our track deposit.
- Participants must be at least 18 years old with a valid driver's license.
- Long sleeve shirts and long pants required. Cotton or other natural fiber fabric is recommended.
- Snell 95 (or later) approved helmet is required. Neck collar or other neck protection recommended.
- After-market window tinting is not allowed unless inspected and approved by us, at least one week prior to the event. Please call for details.
- No convertible/open top cars, SUVs/SAVs or purpose-built (tubeframe, etc) racecars. A Spec Miata or similarly equipped vehicle is acceptable provided it has an SCCA approved full roll cage and bolted-on hard top.
- Equal driver/passenger seats and seatbelts, and passenger-side mirrors are required in ALL student cars.
- All cars must be muffled. Sound limit: 81 dB(a) at Lime Rock Park, 103 dB(a) at Summit Point.
- It is not possible for two students of the same level (run group) to share a car.
- For advanced schools, driving experience will be verified!



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## BMW's For Sale:

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## Beemers for Bimmers

Whenever I hear people call my BMW automobile a "beemer" it sounds like fingernails on a blackboard. Everybody knows that a BMW automobile is a "bimmer". A beemer is a BMW motorcycle!

Well, to promote this clarification the NJ Chapter is hosting a tour for all you two wheel riding member of the CCA. It will cover about 100 miles of northern New Jersey countryside, beginning at the Rockaway Townsquare mall and ending at a local restaurant near the Finches farm in Asbury. Appropriately the route is, for the most part, a rerun of the "Last Car to Beemerville" rally from several years ago put together by Trip Lee.

The group will meet at the Acme market ( Starbucks inside) in the Townsquare mall off Route 80 in Rockaway NJ around 9:30 AM and will go off in groups of 6-8 bikes at a time. One-

up or two-up are all welcome. There will be a \$10 registration fee per bike (to cover club event insurance). May 21st is the scheduled date with June 4th as the rain date. Email any question to joem52002@hotmail.com

Name  
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Send your check for \$10 made payable to NJ BMW CCA along with this form to:

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Rockaway, NJ 07866

# At the Banquet



Photos by Paul Ngai



Al Drugos, aka Big Al, tries out his stand-up routine (yes, he's still standing).



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