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President's Column

It's spring and I can tell because I saw the signs for it. The NY Auto Show, the arrival of new brake pads, the e-mails looking to share hotel rooms for driving schools, and the filling out of the Pre-Event Safety Inspection Report. What a spring it's going to be.

The driving season has begun and those of you who hesitated missed out on some great track events. The Shenandoah Circuit at the Summit Point Motorsports Complex has finally come into its own uniqueness. The Bill Scott Racing folks that operate the track have taken feedback from the clubs using the track to fine tune some of the problems that had existed when it first opened. It's also worth mentioning that features of the facility have been completed such as the classroom and the bathrooms, which include showers. As I write this, the Café should be finished. There's even a gas pump right there so you don't have run to the big track to fill up. Just be prepared to spend a small fortune.

Now the one thing that Bill Scott's people couldn't help with was the weather. Saturday it rained all day long. It would have been better if I had my iX instead of the iS, but I wouldn't have been able to slide it around as much, especially on the skid pad. I actually like the track being slippery; it was a better opportunity for me to learn than 2 days of a dry track. I think another reason I liked the rain was it gave me the opportunity to get the point-by from some of the cars with more horsepower, like M3's and Dennis Krug's Camaro. I certainly didn't have the same feeling of euphoria on Sunday when it was dry and I had to point them by, but I did enjoy hearing the sound of Dennis' V-8 as he thundered by.

On Saturday the instructor run group was cut short to have a car towed in that went off track when it was raining, but the real tragedy of the weekend was Dave Finch breaking the crankshaft of his M3 powered E30. Ouch. Those are two expensive paperweights. I'm fortunate to be a member of this club where members assist others where they can. This was something I read about when I joined the club years ago. The tradition continues today, it's just with different people. Whether you need a gas cap or have your car towed home, it can happen.

On to Lime Rock Park. The weather was much more cooperative than at Shenandoah. In less than two weeks you had to go from using your seat heaters and defrosters to using your A/C. I only wish I had remembered to bring sun block.

The NJ BMW Chapter has been using Lime Rock Park for 30 + years now. It's a great track to use for a driving school because it gives you more time to work on your line through the corners, it takes just a little over a minute to get around the course, maybe less if you have a Ferrari. Yes, we allow all makes of cars at our schools.

Autocrossing is off to great start. The first event was in April and the next one is scheduled for early May. Also scheduled for May is the Street Survival School for teenage drivers, this year being sponsored by the Open Road Automotive Group. The school is now full of participants, and we didn't even advertise it. Our goal is to have another school later in the year, possibly in the fall.

Thanks to Open Road's Morristown Mini for hosting the Club's April Membership meeting. We were treated to a great meal, fabulous door prizes, and their courteous staff. Also, thanks to all our club members who attended making it a success for Morristown Mini.

This month's meeting on the 17th will be at the Deutscher Club in Clark with Mike Lenhardt of Mini-Bimmers. Mike makes miniature models specializing in BMWs. There is more information about the meeting and directions to the Deutscher Club on our website.

Congratulations are in order to NJBMW CCA Board Member at Large Mark Derienzo and his wife Cathy who took delivery of their newest bundle of joy, Aidan John, on April 6. There should be plenty of good E90's around when Aidan is old enough to attend the Street Survival School.

Neil Gambony

New Members

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Manny Bastart
Eileen Bastart
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Floyd Bishop
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Morristown Mini Goes All Out For Jersey Chapter

On April 19 the NJ Chapter met at Morristown Mini. No two Minis are alike, so every one of them in the showroom, in the shop, and in the parking lot was distinctive. One in particular was a very special hot-rod Mini brought by a member. It appeared to have started as a Cooper Works car, but the owner had installed almost every trick bit, from airbox to pulley to suspension. I wish I knew whose it was! If the owner reads this, tell us about your car and we'll run more information on it in a future issue.

The entire team at Morristown Mini, part of the Open Road family of dealerships, put on a great show for us, with lots of food, very special door prizes, a chance to spend time working with a detailer, and, of course, many opportunities to gawk at Minis in the shop and the showroom.

Brian Morgan

Online Event

Registration is Live!

We are pleased to announce that we now offer an online registration system for driver school registration. We encourage you to use online registration for driver school registration to ensure accurate data transfer and to simplify our school management. We expect to see the majority of applicants register online, and plan to offer only this alternative in the future. For this reason, let's get started!

Step 1 - Set-up / Update your account

First, if you haven't already, set-up an online account. Go to the website (www.njbmwcca.org) to create your personal "My NJBMWCCA" account - it's free, quick and easy.

Then log-in to your profile and be sure that your address, contact phone numbers and, MOST IMPORTANTLY, that your e-mail address is correct.

Next, enter your vehicle information into your account. You can enter multiple cars, and be sure to enter the one(s) that you will be using in our drivers schools.

That's it - Done! Now you are ready to register for an event.

Step 2 - Register for a drivers school!

Click on a drivers school event in the "Upcoming Events" or "Schedule" section. To register, click the "Register Now" link. This will bring you to the registration page where you will choose the car you will bring and event dates. Verify that all information is correct and check the box, then select "Register." You will then be sent a confirming email that details the registration information. Follow the instructions on this email, and you're registered!

What about my driving school history?

If you are a previous NJBMWCCA Driver's School participant or an Instructor, your driver school history will shortly be added to your profile. As the system is brought up we will match current registrants with our past database then transfer historical data to the new database.

Thanks in advance for participating in the on-line registration system. We recognize that no system is perfect in its first iteration and will be working to improve functionality in response to your suggestions. Please see our website for more information on the system.

We'll see you at the track!

Bob Conway



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NJ Chapter Driver Schools Off to a Great Start

By Thom Rossi

After a too-long off season, our driving schools are up and running again! It's time once again to renew acquaintances with friends from past schools, see what people have done to their cars over the winter, and shake the dust and cobwebs off the equipment and the brains of us drivers.

The club's first school of the season was held on April 9th and 10th at the Shenandoah track in West Virginia. The Shenandoah track is the newest of three circuits on the Summit Point property. The track is highly technical with many tightly packed turns, elevation changes, off-camber sections of the road surface and two straights. All of these challenges present an excellent opportunity to learn and polish your skills as a driver, and I probably learned more about car control in my two days at that track last Spring than I have at any other single driver school. This year, Mother Nature did her best to slow everyone down with lots of rain on Saturday, but our intrepid students and instructors nonetheless made great use of their time. Sometimes low traction conditions can be more educational than a dry track by virtue of allowing one to explore driving limits at much lower speeds. However, a wet track is also more unforgiving of errors and the appearance of a clear sky on Sunday along with a dry track surface was more than welcome by all.

On April 21st, the chapter's second event of the season, and the first which I was able to attend, was held at Lime Rock Park in Connecticut. This is our chapter's "home" track.

The location is beautiful and the track has a rich motor sports history. The layout is just over 1.5 miles long and some of the significant features include a decreasing radius turn named Big Bend at the end of the front straight, a tricky uphill section into a short Back Straight and a fast down hill right hand turn back onto the main Straight. Lime Rock veterans noticed a few changes including a chicane before the uphill (which we didn't use) and a little track widening here and there which some of us (like me) did use, and an improved surface on the driving line. The school was well attended with students divided into novice, intermediate and advanced groups. This system makes the school fun and safe for drivers of all experience levels. As usual the instruction was excellent. My main objective for the day was to prepare myself for the club race to be held there in June. If all goes according to plan, that race will be my rookie event with the BMW CCA Club Racing program. I was fortunate to be paired with an experienced racer who provided outstanding instruction. I was also able to meet and make friends with other racers who will be competing in the same class. In keeping with the spirit of camaraderie at our DS's, these folks were generous with valuable tips on car set up and other aspects of preparing for the club racing program. To top it off, the weather was perfect, making the day all the more enjoyable. A nice dinner with friends who arrived the evening before the event rounded out the social aspects of the school.

Our next DS is on June 12th - 13th at Lime Rock. We hope to see you there!

Maxi Crowd at Morristown Mini



Photos By Paul Ngai

Beemers for Bimmers - Date Change - June 3rd

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). June 3rd is the scheduled date with no rain date. Email any question to joem52002@hotmail.com

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

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Teen Survival Driving School May 21st

The NJ Chapter is proud to conduct our third Teen Survival School event at the Raritan Expo Center in Raritan, NJ May 21, 2006. The event starts at 9:00am, so plan to be there by 8:30am to go through local registration. The event is open to 16-21 year old licensed drivers or drivers who hold a NJ Permit. To register go to www.bmwccafoundation.org. The fee is \$60.00.

The event is sponsored by Open Road BMW, Morristown BMW & Mini, and Denville BMW, all members of the Ryan Automotive Group. Students will receive class room instruction as well as in car instruction with an instructor. The School offers a driving venue on a closed course that teach-

es panic braking and crash avoidance skills. A closed lot will be wet down by the local fire department; students learn skills to get the car loose in a skid and learn to save it.

A picnic will be provided to all students, parents, and instructors at lunch. Our local registrar is David Hirschhorn, dhirsch50@hotmail.com. Contact David for additional information.

The event should conclude by 3:00p to 3:30p. The event is open to the Public. There are a limited number of spaces, so register early.

Teen Survival School Directions

Address: 97 Sunfield Avenue, Edison, NJ - PHONE # 732-417-1400

From NJ Turnpike: Take New Jersey Turnpike to exit #10 right after tolls for Route. 514 West go to first Jug Handle for Raritan Center follow signs for Expo Hall.

From Garden State Parkway driving Northbound: use Exit # 127 and follow signs to I-287 and watch for Route 514 WEST exit, get on Route 514 West and watch for jughandle entrance to Raritan Center on your right.

From Garden State Parkway driving Southbound: use Exit # 129 and follow signs for I-287 and watch for Route 514 West exit. Get on Route 514 West and watch for jughandle entrance to Raritan Center on your right. Follow signs to Expo Center located at END of Raritan Center Parkway.

From Route 1 heading North from New Brunswick/Princeton/Trenton: watch for Route 440/NJ Turnpike Exit about 5 miles North of the Raritan River. Get on Route 440 and keep right and get off immediately after the NJ Turnpike Exit onto Route 514 West. (2nd exit). Follow signs into Raritan Center.

- 1) Name of BMW CCA chapter hosting the TSS school. "NJBMWCCA"
- 2) Date of school. "May 21st 2006"
- 3) Scheduled start time of TSS school. "9:00 AM"
- 4) Scheduled end time of TSS school. "4:00 PM"
- 5) Name of event location, "Raritan Expo Center"
- 6) Street address of event location. "97 Sunfield Ave"
- 7) Event location city, state and zip code. "EdisonNJ08802"
- 8) Name of local school registrar. "David Hirschhorn"
- 9) E-Mail address of local school registrar: dhirsch50@hotmail.com"

Price for the school is \$60.00 and includes lunch.

For further information go to: www.streetsurvival.org

2006 Autocross Season Takes Off

Our April 9 season-opening autocross took place in bright but chilly sunshine, with nearly 60 drivers participating. Due to problems with the timing equipment, the event was run as a non-champ series event, and nobody seemed to mind at all.

In addition to our usual volunteer duties, we now added stopwatch timing of each car. This gave us a good sense of the order of finish, if not down to 3 decimal places. Many thanks to all who helped. "These were the souls who timed men's tries."

If you have checked out some of the fine photos posted on the gallery, you can see some of the interesting participants. We had an Elise, a Cobra, and a Ford 350GT, each one redder than the other.

Our new classification system took a little longer to register, but this should go better the next time. Please remember to download a registration form and fill it out before arriving; it will really help everyone get more runs.

Our next event is May 7 in the north lot, and June 4 will be in the south lot. Please check the website for updates and changes in scheduling.

The autocross school is presently looking for a date convenient to all, and we hope to post one soon.

Elihu Savad

Club Race / Driver School June 12-13

The 11th Annual Club Race at Lime Rock Park will take place on June 12 -13 in conjunction with the NJ Chapter's Driving School. Lime Rock Park is known as the " Road-Racing Center of the East" and is located in the foothills of the Berkshire Mountains on the western side of Connecticut. Just driving to the "Park" is an enjoyable experience. This event is open to all club members as spectators.

If tradition stays true to form, there should be approximately 50 club racers divided into two groups, which should allow for plenty of action on both Monday and Tuesday. Monday will have a practice and qualifying session in the morning with a race for each group in the afternoon. The results of Monday's race will determine the starting positions of Tuesday's afternoon feature race with warm-up sessions in the morning for both groups. Racers wishing to register for the event can do so through the BMW CCA National website.

This year's Driving School at Lime Rock Park will be open to new students as well as students with previous experience. If you have never attended one of our driving schools, not to worry, you will be assigned a mentor who will be able to answer any questions that you may have either beforehand or at the event.

Registration for the Driving School is now available on-line through the NJBMW CCA website. There are instructions listed under the Event. On-line registration should make it easier for you and our new registrar Jeff White. Or you can still register the old-fashioned way via the U.S. Mail. Just complete the form in this newsletter and mail it in.

All school participants and club racers will be treated once again to a dinner Monday night at the Wake Robin Inn, our host hotel. Last year there were 200 people in attendance.

Since 1998 this event has benefited the Westlake School located in Westfield NJ. The Westlake School is for students with multiple disabilities. Through the effort of Club Race Chairman Ross Karlin, last year the chapter raised \$7500 dollars from this event for the school. The donation is used to fund summer programs for students who are unable to afford them otherwise. A small group of students from the school will be fortunate enough to attend the race and even get a slow speed ride on the track. A lifelong memory indeed.

If you're planning on attending as a spectator, bring a chair and plenty of sun block.

Neil Gambony

Summit Point Advance ITS School

There still is lots of room available for this driver school. This is the premier Driver School for the NJ Chapter; there is plenty, and I mean plenty, of track time. Two run groups + ITS. Contact David Finch at Optilight@mindspring.com. Dates: June 19-20.

David Finch



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NJ Chapter Calendar

May, 2006

Sunday, May 7

Autocross at PNC Arts Center. See website for details.

Wednesday, May 17

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

Sunday, May 21

Street Survival School at Raritan Expo Center. Media coverage. See inside for details.

June, 2006

Sunday, June 4

Autocross at PNC Arts Center.

Friday, June 9

Monthly membership meeting at BMW NA corporate offices in Woodcliff Lake. Gather at 6pm. Meeting at 7pm.

Monday-Tuesday, June 12, 13

Club Race/Driver School at Lime Rock.

Monday-Tuesday, June 19, 20

Summit Point Advanced Driver School.

Sunday, June 25

Autocross at Commerce Bank Ballpark in Bridgewater.

July, 2006

Wednesday, July 19

Monthly membership meeting at Circle BMW in Shrewsbury. Details of the program will follow.

August, 2006

Wednesday, July 19

Monthly membership meeting at the Deutscher club. David Haueter will share his experiences as an automotive and racing writer and photographer.

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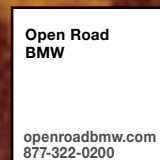


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