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## November Coastal Cruise

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## 2011 Holiday Party



Driving School: March 17-18

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## The President's Column

Hello all San Diego BMWCCA members!!! Welcome to 2012!!! I hope everyone had a safe holiday season. My name is Nick Owen and I am your returning President for 2012. I would like to introduce our Board of Directors:

Vice President: Kimberly Wright; Treasurer: Don Duncan  
Secretary: Brett Litoff; Newsletter Editor: Lisa Goehring;  
Driving School Coordinator: Andre Pantic; Equipmentmeister: Rich Gehring  
Autocross Director: Dan Tackett; Social Director: Anne Littrell  
Wachsmeister: Dennis Damon; Webmaster: Tom Fota  
Directors-At-Large: Jim Lloyd, Kim Schwarz, Thejusvi Ganesh,  
Scott Samson

Because of the efforts from our Board of Directors and other volunteers, our chapter has a reputation as a fun, friendly and organized group. We are here to serve the interests of our members. Whether you enjoy performance driving events, car shows, tech sessions, or social activities we want to encourage your participation. Please let me know how you feel about the club and its activities. What do you like about the club? What do you think could be improved? I would like to know so that we can do our best to optimize your experience with the club.

Not only does the San Diego Chapter have a wonderfully diverse group of volunteers but we also have supportive vendors and dealerships. Most if not all of our sponsoring dealerships and independent repair shops offer club members exclusive discounts on parts and/or labor.

This month we are having a Tech Session with the Porsche club at Cavallo Motors on January 21<sup>st</sup> from 10 – 1 pm. Cavallo Motorsports is a full service sports car center which specializes in servicing, sales, restoration and racing support for vintage and late model sports cars. We are also having a BMW "X-Factor" Tech Session at BMW of Escondido on January 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. BMW of Escondido will have the X3, X5 and X6 on service lifts to talk about BMWs xdrive all-wheel-drive system. Food, drinks and test drives will be provided. Be sure to check our calendar for upcoming events. It's available online at [www.sdbmwcca.com](http://www.sdbmwcca.com). You can also follow us on Facebook & Twitter!

Our monthly Board Meeting is (The 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month) at Giovanni's Pizza on Clairemont Mesa Blvd. The meeting starts at 6:30pm but I recommend coming around 5:45 for free pizza and socializing with other club members and guests. I would like to extend a personal invitation for you and your friends to come by and check it out.

Cheers,  
Nick

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Please send us your stories, tech. tips, photos, etc. We welcome and encourage any material you think would be informative or interesting to other members. All information should be submitted to the editor directly. Preferred format is e-mail. The deadline for submitting information to the editor is the 15th of each month.

# 2012 Calendar of Events

## December 14

San Diego Chapter – Karting at K1 Speed Carlsbad. 6:30 PM

## January 11

San Diego Chapter – Board Meeting. The board meeting is open to all chapter members

## January 21

San Diego Chapter & Porsche Club – Joint Tech Session at Cavallo Motorsports. 10 a.m. 6010 Avenida Encinas, Carlsbad

## January 26

San Diego Chapter – X-Factor Tech Session. BMW of Escondido, 6:30 p.m.

## February 4

San Diego Chapter – Autocross at Qualcomm Stadium, West Lot.

## February 14

San Diego Chapter – Board Meeting. The board meeting is open to all chapter members

## March 4

San Diego Chapter – Autocross at Qualcomm Stadium, South East Lot.

## March 13

San Diego Chapter – Board Meeting. The board meeting is open to all chapter members

## March 17 – 18

San Diego Chapter – High Performance Driving School at Chuckwalla Valley Raceway

## March 31

San Diego Chapter – Autocross at Qualcomm Stadium, West Lot.

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## New Club Members Welcome!

Aberle, Alfred	
Alford, Michael	
Bareng, Robin	
Biber, Aytac	2011 M3; 1996 Z3
Bittner, Cullan	
Childs, Rick	2004 Z4 2.5i; 2008 535i
Chow, Catherine	
Da Luz, John	1995 M3
DeMent, Julie	
Fox, Steve	
Gagne, Jean-Sebastien	
Glynn, Sidney	
Lu, Hongsheng	
Mueller, Denise	2008 Mini Cooper JCW Cabrio
Naderi, Som	2009 M3; 1998 M3
Patrawala, Zubin	
Patterson, Jay	
Peled, Miko	
Perreira, Justin	
Rose, Douglas	
Shope, Richard	
Steen, Jerry	2006 325i
Thompson, Sean	1997 Z3
Tovey, Matt	1992 e34
Vaughn, Tyler	

### San Diego Chapter Monthly Board Meeting

Giovanni's Italian Restaurant,  
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6:00 P.M. – Pizza & soft drinks

6:30 P.M. – Meeting

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# BMW CCA San Diego Chapter – Board Meeting Minutes for October 11, 2011

## **Board Members Present:**

Nick Owen, Brett Litoff, Lisa Goehring, Andre Pantic, Jim Patterson, Don Duncan, Dan Tackett, Dennis Damon, Jim Lloyd

## **Members Present:**

Steve Robbins, Ed Havrilla, James Eberhardt, Adam Pouliot, Scott Sansom, Gordon Anderson, Peter Winokur, Paul Silver, Kim Schwarz, Chris Woods, Tim Woods, Satakal Khalsa, Seth Hanson, Jimi Udvadia, Rich Gehring, Mike Turpen, Jim Binford, Martin Lipp

## **Secretary's Report:**

The minutes were approved.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Brett Litoff reported for Don Duncan that we continue to collect revenue from advertising.

## **Newsletter Report:**

Lisa Goehring reported that the next newsletter will be our combined November/December issue. Those that are interested in running for elective office may submit their position to the webmaster.

## **Webmaster's Report:**

Jim Patterson announced that he will be out of town for a few weeks. He asked members to e-mail him with any problems they face on the website.

## **Social/Advertising Director's Report:**

Sean reported that all advertisers have been billed.

Jim Lloyd reported that we are doing a coastal cruise on November 6<sup>th</sup> starting at BMW Vista and ending in Mission Beach.

Tom Newport reported that the Winery Tour is October 23<sup>rd</sup>. He also stated that there may be a group drive to the winery.

Kim Schwartz reported that she is looking into doing a Breast Cancer Awareness walk activity and asked if the club was interested in being apart of it. She was asked by the club to get more information about sponsorship and report her findings at the next meeting.

Jim Binford reported that All German Auto will be doing a tech session on November 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **Autocross Director's Report:**

Dan Tackett reported that the September autocross was very successful. Dan reported that he and Lisa looked at a possible Qualcomm replacement. This lot, located in Lake Elsinore, is less expensive but is a considerable distance for most of our members and will only accommodate a course ½ mile in length of a Qualcomm course.

Dan also asked that we consider purchasing a new easy up tent. Dan motioned that we buy a slightly used tent for 200 dollars. The motion carried. Dan also mentioned that we have an autocross on October 30<sup>th</sup>.

Jim Binford reported that the Porsche club would like to invite our Club to their last autocross on December 17<sup>th</sup>, limited to those with previous autocross experience. It was agreed that we would promote it.

## **Driving Events Report:**

Andre Pantic reported that we will be doing the Chuckwalla driving event on the weekend of March 17-18. Andre reported that Brecht is interested in doing an X drive tech session. The proposed date would be January 21<sup>st</sup> for the event.

Lisa Goehring asked about doing a possible second driving event now that we have Chuckwalla. Andre stated that he will look into doing a second one day event.

## **Waxmeister's Report:**

Dennis Damon reported that our Holiday Party is December 11<sup>th</sup> at the Balboa Park Automotive Museum. The date was misprinted in the last Fahren Affairs.

## **New Business:**

Rich Gehring asked that we look into making the equipment position a board position and eliminate a Director at Large. Rich motioned for this and it was seconded. The motioned passed. Rich motioned that we get a truck cover and tire cover for the truck. It was motioned and passed that Rich can spend up to 700 dollars for this equipment.

Steve Robbins congratulated Rich Gehring on his performance at the Coronado Speed Fest.

Nick Owen reported that we may be doing a Dinan Day at Vista BMW.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8pm.



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# All German Auto Tech Session: November 30



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# Tech Session

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Joint BMW & Porsche Clubs  
Tech Session at:

## Cavallo Motorsports

Saturday, January 21

10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

### Cavallo Motorsports

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Cavallo Motorsports is a full service sports car center which specializes in servicing, sales, restoring, restoration and racing support for historic, vintage, and late model sports cars, and has recently added a new mini Cooper support department. This joint Club Tech Session is a fun event to both view numerous brand sports cars for sale and tour the state of art facilities available to support exotic sports cars. A special attraction is the expected availability of a 914-6 GT race track simulator to drive. Food and soft drinks provided.

# Tech Session

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## *X-Factor*

Please join us on

**Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M.**

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See you there!





# Orange and Black Autocross

October 30, 2011

## 6M – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Modified

Ricardo G	2000	328ci	95.886	1st
Anthony V	1991	318is	98.011	2nd
Brian H	1995	318TI	98.592	3rd
Jason O	1991	325i	98.664	
Ryan W	1989	325is	98.849	
Scott H	1995	318TI	99.066	
Giorgio G	1989	325i	101.399	
Chris M	1987	325is	101.645	
Kelli R	1986	325e	101.726	
Patrick S	1993	325is	102.394	
Paul R	1986	325e	102.791	
Robert M	1990	325i	103.083	
John J S	1993	325is	104.062	
Sillon S	1984	327i	104.458	
Randall Pete R	1999	540iT	104.994	
Ian K	1989	325i	106.43	
Kim S	1991	325i	107.304	
John B	1988	325	108.156	
John B	1988	325	109.507	
Serena T	1991	325i	111.671	



## G – Gold Class

Peter E	2011	E92 M3	91.4	1st
Damon M	1995	M3	91.736	
Neil D	1995	M3	91.757	
Joseph H	2006	Cooper S	92.822	
Sean T	1992	Miata	96.948	
Satakak K	1991	325i	101.071	

## 6S – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Stock

Andre E	2006	330i	96.799	1st
Ronald O	2006	330i	97.92	2nd
Tyler S	2003	Z4 3.0	98.808	3rd
Harry W	2000	Z3 2.8	99.533	
Chuck R	2010	328i	100.184	
Jonathan M	2004	330ci ZHP	103.428	
Paul S	2011	335d	103.552	
Joe C	1992	325is	108.071	
Andrew A	2005	330i	108.151	
Randy C	2003	330Ci	109.99	
Michael A	2005	330i	112.263	
Rachel G	1992	325is	113.489	



## MC – Mini Cooper

Bill W	2005	Cooper S	102.392	1st
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### MS – M Car Stock

Tom K	1999	M3	95.435	1st
Jack R	1999	M3	95.806	2nd
Ryan Y	2008	M3	96.203	3rd
Lisa G	1995	M3	97.365	Fastest Female
Satch C	2006	Z4 M roadster	97.886	
Patrick F	2008	M3	97.896	
Vincent C	2009	M3	100.424	
Michael P	2011	M3	101.403	
Beck W	2011	M3	102.932	
Eric S	2008	M3	103.666	
Robin R	1995	M3	125.914	



### TS – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Stock

Chet R	2011	335i	99.197	1st; Novice 2nd
Tim O	2008	335i	102.778	2nd
Omid A	2009	335i	103.408	3rd
Kurt M	2010	535i	105.679	

### TM – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Modified

Robert O	2011	135i	98.91	
Jackson C	2009	335i	103.058	

### X – Non-BMW

R P	1990	Miata	91.955	1st
Ryan P	1992	Miata	95.017	2nd
Eric B	2005	WRX STI	96.003	
Ardy A	2001	S2000	96.219	
Ryan B	2010	Lancer EVO	96.451	
Connor B	1994	Miata	96.473	
Christine N	2007	Cayman S	96.67	
James C	1988	Mustang GT	97.066	
Andrew S	2003	S2000	97.069	
Ken S	2009	Corvette	97.394	
Brandon C	1988	Mustang GT	98.406	
Shane P	2001	S2000	98.902	
Jeremy M	1990	Miata	99.312	
Randy S	2004	Corvette Z06	99.334	
Don A	1990	964/C2	99.383	
WT W	2004	Miata	99.997	
Daniel A	2005	Impreza 2.5 RS	100.031	
Rob C	2008	XKR	102.921	
Austin F	2005	C55 AMG	105.634	
Ken S	1972	240z	106.576	
Eric L	2004	Mazdaspeed MX-5	107.616	
Michael M	2010	RL	109.193	
Vincent I	2006	GTO	111.372	
Randy B	2009	Corvette	111.436	

Photos: Lisa Goehring

### MM – M Car Modified

Michael Y	2005	M3	91.37	Fastest BMW
Jason B	2006	M3	93.094	1st
Ed S	1995	M3	93.992	2nd
Andy D	1995	M3	94.457	3rd; Novice 1st
Jason D	1991	318is	94.58	4th
Roland B	2002	M3	94.818	
Serhan E	2004	M3	95.061	
Ed H	2004	M3Ci	95.875	
Stephen Y	1995	M3	96.395	
Steve P	1999	M coupe	97.557	
Lee E	2001	M roadster	98.788	
Ed P	1997	M3	99.084	
Anish P	1995	M3	101.522	
Ryan M	2002	M3	102.455	
Kyle B	1995	M3	104.97	
Mahmood M	2010	M3	105.795	



# BMW CCA San Diego Chapter – Board Meeting Minutes for November 8, 2011

## Board Members Present:

Nick Owen, Brett Litoff, Lisa Goehring, Andre Pantic, Jim Patterson, Kim Wright, Don Duncan, Dan Tackett, Dennis Damon, Jim Lloyd

## Members Present:

Boots Cuantico, Mike Turpen, Ed Havrilla, Scott Sansom, James Eberhardt, Steve Robbins, Steve Dows, Rich Gehring, Tom Fota, Chris Woods, Tim Woods, Satakal Khalsa, Kim Schwarz, Seth Hanson, Tom Newport, Gordon Anderson,

## Secretary's Report:

The minutes were approved.

## Treasurer's Report:

Don reported that the Oktoberfest was a success and recommended all club members try to attend one. Don reported that our finances are strong.

## Vice President's Report:

Kim reported that we had 38 new members from last month.

## Newsletter Report:

Lisa Goehring reported that the current issue is our last one of the year. Boots Cuantico asked about the length of the new issue, as we may be switching to more color pages in the future.

## Webmaster's Report:

Jim Patterson gave Scott Sansom minor releases from past autocrosses for filing.

## Social/Advertising Director's Report:

Jim Binford reported that we will be doing a joint tech session with the Porsche Club at German Auto on November 30<sup>th</sup>

Nick Owen reported that we are doing a K1 Kart day at 12/14.

Nick also reported that Anne Littrell is looking to do an event in Borrengo Springs.

Dennis Damon complimented Tom Newport on a great wine tour at Shadow Mountain. Yes, you read that right.

Sean Thompson reported that we have more advertisers paying for their advertising.

Jim Lloyd reported that the coastal cruise was a success. Dennis Damon pointed out that this event, as well as the wine tour, was popular with a lot of members that don't come to autocrosses.

Tom Newport reported that about 41 people attended the Winery Tour at Shadow Mountain. Members attending were invited to taste many kinds of wine, ate lunch, and got a tour of the winery.

## Autocross Director's Report:

Dan Tackett reported that the October 30<sup>th</sup> autocross was well attended. We were able to cover our costs and purchase new equipment as a result of the revenue received. Dan also added that we will be purchasing about 10 helmets for loaners at autocross events and that the money has been budgeted throughout the year for this purchase.

Dan also stated that our lot fees for Qualcomm have gone up. Andre motioned that we raise autocross entry 5 dollars to 65 dollars starting in 2012. The motion passed.

Jim Binford reported that on 12/17 there will be a joint BMW/Porsche event at Qualcomm. The Porsche club will be running the event. Anyone attending will be required to have run at least 4 autocrosses due to there being no instructors.

## Driving Events Report:

Andre Pantic reported that there will be an X drive tech session at BMW of Escondido.

Nick Owen reported that there is an LA Chapter driving school at Willow Springs on 12/10-11.

## Waxmeister's Report:

Dennis Damon reported that the Holiday Party is December 11<sup>th</sup>.

## New Business:

Nick Owen reported that BMW of Murrieta is having their Grand Opening on 11/12.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm.

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# 2011 Holiday Party



*A record 125 of our members attended this years annual holiday party, Sunday December, 11th at the San Diego Automotive Museum. The featured marquee was not BMW but was German. We had VW's everywhere. The festivities began at 5:00, dinner at 6:30 and the gift exchange with two thefts concluding at 8:30. The club spent over \$3,500 for the event providing a free evening to all who attended.*

*The big winner of the evening was Scott Sansom who pocketed \$323. from the 50-50 raffle. The remaining \$323. will go to Toys-For-Tots. A special thanks to Tom Newport, Bill Willard, Diane Damon and Paul Silver who pitched in to make the evening special.*

— The WACHSMEISTER



Photos: Paul Silver



# *San Diego Chapter* **High Performance Driving School**

*Chuckwalla Valley Raceway,  
March 17 – 18*

Well I can safely say that this year has flown by quicker than most I have known! I guess that's what being busy does to you! I can't believe it is almost time to visit Chuckwalla for our annual chapter driving school! This is the second year that this wonderful new track will play host to our club's premier event! For those of you that were there last year for our inaugural visit, we will be running the school in the other direction. I personally think that going counterclockwise is even more fun than the way we went last year, if that's possible! Both ways present different sensations and views....Going through the bowl is definitely more exciting and you will really want to check out the photo shop after your sessions!

In addition to going in a new direction, there are some new amenities to look forward to at the track as well. First up, and perhaps most important, are the permanent restroom facilities! Also, there are semi-permanent classrooms as well as a PA system to help with the announcements. There is now diesel fuel available as well as three different types of high octane fuel.

For those of you contemplating attending your first driving school, ALL of this will be new to you! If you have never taken your BMW to a track, you owe it to yourself to do so! You will be in your own run group

commensurate with your experience. If you are a novice, no need to worry, you will be on track with others just like you! You will be paired up with one instructor on Saturday and another one on Sunday. We do this in order to maximize feedback on your progress. You will enjoy plenty of track time over the weekend!

Once again, our cost to you for this year is only \$475. If you sign up on MotorsportsReg prior to March 1st, your price will only be \$425. If you decide to opt out of our traditional Saturday night banquet/raffle, your pre-March 1st registration cost would only be \$400! The best part is you will still experience same quality instruction and safe driving environment you have grown accustomed to from our Chapter.





Once again, our headquarters will be at the Clarion in Indio. It is a casual 35-40 minute drive west of the track. It will be a great time to catch up with friends you can carpool back with, or you can use the time to dream about the fantastic buffet or what you will win in the raffle. Maybe those Toyo Tires or some other BMW goodies from BMW Escondido? Your cost per night at the hotel with our special rate is \$69.00 per night. The Fantasy Suites Resort Casino is another option for you across the street at \$120.00 per night. This would be a great option for those of you who want to bring a spouse and kids to let them hang loose while you are doing the same thing out on track!

Also, this year we will be enjoying a better location for our annual Saturday night dinner/raffle at the Fantasy Suites Resort Casino.



Photos: Lisa Goehring

Once again, I would like to extend my warmest thanks to both of our long terms sponsors, Brecht BMW, (Now BMW Escondido) and Toyo Tires.

Please keep your eyes peeled for MotorsportsReg updates and any new information regarding this event on our chapter website. Please feel free to e-mail me at apexandre@gmail.com or call me at 858-342-5605.

See you there!  
Andre Pantic  
BMW CCA San Diego, Driving Events Coordinator

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# November Coastal Cruise

Of all days for a lovely tour of San Diego coastal and beach cities we had to pick the one day that the rains came. The waiver sign up was on the parking lot adjacent to Vista BMW and Dennis Damon provided coffee and donuts and a table for these refreshments. Fifty-six BMW aficionados and one large black and white dog seemed to enjoy themselves touring from Vista to Oceanside and south down old highway 101. A few cars missed some left and right turns on the trip south. Some BMWs even had trouble moving a little too fast and not following the slower M3 that knew where all the correct turns were. But in general the feeling was that whole trip was fun. It must have been a sight to see over 30

BMWs and one Shelby Mustang traveling down the highway and through the twisty roads of La Jolla. We finished the drive at the Blue Pearl Casual Eatery in Mission Beach.

The club will be planning another cruise or run in February or March. Look for further information in the Fahren Affairs or on the club's website.

If you would like to view the photos from the Coastal Cruise (Nov 6, 2011) go to [sdbmwcca.com](http://sdbmwcca.com) and click on photos.

— Jim Lloyd



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Photo: Dave Corassa



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## Have a story to tell?

If you'd like to share a brief story about your car, an experience you had at an event, what you love about the Club, etc., let us know!

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Online Registration will be open from  
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The first 20 non-BMWs to register are  
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It's time to kick off our 2012 Autocross Season the day before Superbowl! On Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup>, we'll set up a long, wide course in the West Lot and start the year out right. **Since it still gets dark early on Standard Time, we're limited to 80 entries and will hold up to 20 spots for non-BMW drivers who register in advance.** We do run if it's raining—you'll learn more and your tires will wear less! **The helmet standard has changed to require Snell 2005 or 2010 ratings. Check yours now to be sure it's up to date—rentals are very limited.** Our thanks to BMW of South County in El Cajon for renewing their support for our Autocross program for another year. With online registration, local drivers, long-distance travelers and non-BMW competitors can reserve their spot, so don't miss it. You can register between January 14<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. Online registration opens 3 weeks before the event and closes just a few days before. Don't wait until the last minute because it's still first-come, first-served (with no online waiting list) and we only have 80 spots. We'll still offer registration on-site if any openings are left.

The entry fee is \$65, including breakfast items, lunch and beverages. You can pay online if you register

in advance at <http://sdbmwcca.motorsportreg.com>, or register on site with cash or check if you wait. You must be a BMW CCA member to participate, and you can join online at [www.bmwcca.org](http://www.bmwcca.org) in advance. Please print and bring your membership confirmation if you have not yet received your BMW CCA membership card. We check membership of all participants at the gate. Our Chapter autocross policy gives priority to members who are driving BMWs or MINIs. Members driving non-BMWs will be allowed to participate if space is available. If we still have openings after online registration, we will allow registration on-site on a first-come, first-served basis.

**REMEMBER: IF REGISTERED ONLINE, BRING PROOF OF MEMBERSHIP AND ARRIVE BY 7:30 (BEFORE ON-SITE CUT-OFF) TO KEEP YOUR RESERVED SPOT**

**When you arrive:**

1. If you registered online, stop at the gate to sign the waiver and notify the Gate Greeter. Your name will be checked off the pre-registration list. All participants must show their BMW CCA membership card. Those who did not register online will receive a numbered card at the gate in their order of arrival; take it to the Registration table. **There is no guarantee that spots will be available for those who wait to register the day of the event.**
2. Empty all loose items from your car, then go through the Tech Line and have your car inspected. Bring your Tech card and you will receive Tech and helmet stickers.
3. Take Gate card and Tech card to Registration to get checked off for pre-registration or pay your \$65 entry fee. You will receive car numbers to place on your side windows.
4. If you don't have a helmet, you can rent one from the club for \$10.
5. Your entry fee of \$65.00 includes one lunch and unlimited beverages. Additional lunches can be purchased at Registration for \$7 each.

Gates will open at 6:30am; tech and registration will open at 7:00am. Tech will close at 8:20am and no cars will be inspected or allowed to run after this time. There is a **mandatory drivers meeting at 8:30am** and the course opens for runs at 9:00am.

## Car Classifications:

- 4C** ALL 4 cylinder BMW models (except E30 M3)
- 6S** Stock 6 or 8 cylinder BMWs up to 295 stock horsepower
- 6M** Modified 6 or 8 cylinder BMWs up to 295 stock horsepower
- TS** Stock 6-8-12 cylinder BMWs over 295 stock hp, M cars before 1994
- TM** Modified 6-8-12 cylinder BMWs over 295 stock hp, M cars before 1994
- MS** Stock M cars, 1994 - present
- MM** Modified M cars, 1994 - present
- MC** ALL R-class MINI Cooper models
- X** ALL non-BMW or MINI models
- G** Gold Class for all Instructors, opt-in drivers, and cars with slick tires

**Stock classes** permit any size wheel and tire; non-stock shock absorbers, bushings and strut braces; any brake pad material (brakes must be stock-size), any air filter or cold air intake or cat-back exhaust; and naturally-aspirated cars may use aftermarket engine management software. Tires must be 140 treadwear rated or higher in Stock. **ANY other performance modification, including but not limited to springs, “R”-compound tires, and engine software for turbocharged/supercharged cars, puts the car in Modified. Non-DOT tires (i.e. slicks) on any car place it in Gold Class. All cars must be under a 92 dB noise level to be driven at Qualcomm—and we’ll be checking.** Our car classes are kept simple so we can use the honor system.

Women drivers and Novices are classified based upon the car they are driving. We also award a Women’s Class trophy to the woman with the fastest time, and two Novice trophies to the two fastest novices. This means women and novices will be eligible for multiple trophies. For example, a very fast novice could win a novice trophy and a trophy in his car class. Remember, you are only a novice for the first and second time you autocross, and if you win a trophy you are now a ringer, not a novice.

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Dan Tackett at: [tackman@san.rr.com](mailto:tackman@san.rr.com)

**ATTENTION NEWCOMERS:** See the Autocross Tips at [www.sdbmwcca.com](http://www.sdbmwcca.com) to get a better idea of how to prepare for this wonderfully addictive sport for your first time.

See you at Qualcomm Stadium!

## 2012 Helmet Requirements

by Dan Tackett

As of January 1, 2012, all participants in our autocross and driving school events must wear a helmet that meets the Snell Foundation 2005 or 2010 standard. Check your helmet; if it has an older sticker, it is out of date and it’s time to get a new one (online, race shops, motorcycle shops are good sources). All Chapter driving activities are conducted under BMW CCA Minimum Standards to qualify for the Club’s insurance policy. Quoting from the Standards document:

**Example:** If the current standard is Snell 2010, then helmets meeting either Snell 2010 or the prior 2005 standard are always allowed. In addition, Snell 2000 helmets may be used through the grace period until the end of calendar 2011. (Section 3.8)

Helmet materials do deteriorate with age, and they are less able to protect you from a knock on your noggin’ as they get older. We will be checking for a Snell 2005 or 2010 sticker (either M or SA), so we don’t want you to be left out of the events you register for. A limited number of current helmets are available for rental, but we must prioritize offering them to newcomers to driving events. See you out there!



Photos: Lisa Goehring





# Holly-daze Autocross

December 4, 2011



## 4C

John F	1971	2002ti	95.613	1st
Lindsay D	1995	318is	109.516	2nd

## 6M – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Modified

Ricardo G	2000	328ci	91.823	1st
Ryan W	1989	327is	93.894	2nd
Kasra A	1992	325i	97.373	3rd
Tom W	1987	535 IS	98.281	
Matt T	1992	525i	109.294	

## 6S – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Stock

Harry W	2000	Z3-2.8	89.726	1st
Nikolaus K	2011	Z435i	98.367	2nd
randy c	2003	330Cic	101.723	
Ricardo C	2001	330cic	102.124	
Justin P	1990	750iL	103.839	
Joseph D	2007	Z4 3.0	103.848	
Alpesh K	2005	330ci ZHP	104.049	
David W	2002	530i	112.667	

## G – Gold Class

Joseph H	2006	Cooper S	89.839	1st
Brian M	1970	2002ti	94.211	2nd

## MC – Mini Cooper

Charles E	2006	Cooper S	93.273	1st
Bill W	2005	Cooper S	98.233	2nd
Bryant S	2004	MINI	98.695	
Jeff E	2006	Cooper S	99.239	
Grant G	2005	Cooper S	100.858	
Alfred F	2002	mini cooper s	113.124	





### MM – M Car Modified

Name	Year	Model	Time	Place
Lee E	2001	M roadster	88.212	Fast BMW Time Day
Serhan E	2004	M3 Coupe	88.289	1st
Jason B	2006	M3	88.725	2nd
Michael Y	2005	M3	91.723	3rd
Jason D	1991	318is	92.952	
Tom K	1999	Z3 M Coupe	98.124	
Ryan M	2002	M3	99.102	
Jackson R	2004	M3	99.71	
Paul V	1995	M3	107.115	



### TS – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Stock

Giorgio G	1991	850i	95.611	1st
Chet R	2011	335i	96.174	2nd
Ian K	1990	850i	96.214	
Kurt M	2010	535i	98.878	
Zubin P	2011	335i	100.859	
Bob K	2011	Z435i	102.232	
Peter T	1984	M6	106.271	

### X – Non-BMW

Ken S		Corvette	89.955	1st
Eric B	2007	WRX STI	91.013	
Connor B	1994	Miata	91.162	
WT W	2004	Miata	91.279	
JB C	1988	Mustang Gt	92.616	
Ryan B	2010	Lancer EVO	92.686	
James C	1988	Mustang GT	93.541	
Devin K	2003	G35	95.807	
Derrick T	2011	WRX	96.043	
Daniel A	2005	impreza 2.5 RS	99.451	
Ken S	1972	240z	99.812	
Paul S	2002	Boxster S	100.866	
Austin F	2005	C55 AMG	102.369	

### MS – M Car Stock

Steven W	2009	M3	90.692	1st
Shawn F	2011	1M	90.891	2nd
Jack R	1999	M3	92.801	3rd
Patrick F	2008	M3 Sedan	92.97	4th
Edward S	2011	M3 Convertible	93.553	
Lisa G	1995	M3	95.436	Woman 1st
Jojo G	2003	M3	95.933	Novice 2nd
Aytac B	2011	M3	96.258	
Jim P	2008	M Coupe	96.662	
Eric H	2010	Z4 sDrive 35i	96.923	
Stephen H	2011	M3	97.61	
Greg C	2006	M Roadster	98.574	
Ryan Y	2003	M5	101.659	
Henry L	2004	M3	103.583	
Robin R	1995	M3	115.214	

### TM – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Modified

Andre E	2008	135i	92.957	1st
Dan L	1988	M3	94.146	2nd
Robert O	2011	135i	96.232	
Tim O	2008	335i	97.636	
Joseph V	1991	M5	100.646	



Photos: Lisa Goehring

# ZHP Mafia Tech Session

by Boots Cuatico

In this BMW world of car club members, what is well known is the Car Club of America. And we do have BMW subculture registries. Some are already well known that have national and international status like the various special interest groups, modern classics, vintage and classics and the M cars. All of these can be found in the Roundel. However, there are also underworld groups that are lesser well known but are running strong with the youth group. Some are the E30s, E36s and the E46s. They have tentacles reaching all over to SoCalEuro, SoCalE30, R3V Limited and S14 among others.

There is a new small group called the E46 ZHP Mafia. It started out on October 2010 and officially launched nationally on November 2010; founded and operated by Mark Martinez. By the time you read this, the registry is officially recognized by BMW CCA as a Special Interest Group.

The ZHPMafia.com website is friendly and not only open to ZHP owners, but to all E46 owners who are fans and enthusiasts. Where all can contribute or come for a chat and are treated as a person.



Mafia member Gary Madsen hooked up with shop foreman Vince Tinoco, and Service Manager Corey Wheeler and, with the sponsorship of BMW of Vista, a tech session was in the works.

Boy was I lucky. I just got my ZHP just in time for this tech session.

We all started out with a tour of the facility where we all ended up at the service facility. All of our cars were already on the rack. BMW mechanics, under the supervision of Vince, made a thorough walk through of the cars. There were a total of 10 cars plus one X5.







Cars went through a safety check on overall condition. We walked through our individual cars for leaks, drive quality and mechanical condition. Vehicles were scanned and cleared of faults. Whoever had A/C problems, they were treated

to a freon evacuation and a recharge for a small fee of \$20. A dent expert was also on site for anybody needing advice.

After all of this, we were treated to lunch with the famous BMW of Vista hospitality. Each was given a

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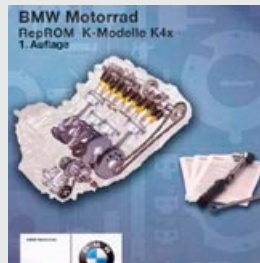
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