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Rides of March Autocross

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BMW CCA Chapter Congress—Texas Style

Photo: Thejusvi Ganesh

Board Members, along with Louis Goldsman, CCA Treasurer, sample some Texas BBQ after attending the Chapter and Driving Events Congress.

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The President's Column

Hello all San Diego BMWCCA members!!! Welcome to the month of April! You know, the funny thing about April (pun intended) is that April 1st is April Fool's day. For some of us who participate in April Fool's Day, it can be one of those days that you won't forget because of how bad someone got you! A few years ago, it was just another day at work. No one was playing jokes on each other and the day seemed to carry on without incident. Early in the afternoon I had received a call from an unknown number that I ignored and went back to work. Later on, I checked my voicemail and it was a message from someone interested in buying my E36 M3. Funny thing, my car was not for sale and I had not put it up for sale, so I ignored the message and thought it was a fluke. I returned to work only to have my cell phone ring almost every half hour with people interested in buying my M3. I finally picked up one of the calls and the person said they were inquiring about my M3 for sale. I replied, "My M3 is not for sale, you must be mistaken or have the wrong number." After a very brief exchange of information, I realized friends of mine had put my car up for sale on Craigslist for \$5,000 with my cell phone number. Can you say April Fool's?

Last month the San Diego chapter participated in a new event put on by local BMW enthusiast called Rooftop Luxury. Event organizers Abe Daher and Adam Pouliot thought of a way to host an exclusive event that would be held on top of a parking structure in La Jolla. After many logistical decisions and support from local vendors in the automotive community, a date was picked and the BMW CCA showed up in force. With over 200 cars present and over 400 people in attendance, the show was a hit! From car makes such as Lamborghini, Porsche, BMW, Audi and Mercedes, the Euro car scene was well represented and the event made an impression on everyone that attended. I'm looking forward to participating in the next one coming soon! Stay Tuned!!!

April is starting out great! We just finished our annual 2-day driving school at Chuckwalla Raceway and a 2-day Autocross at the Q. Later in the month we are having our first Rally of the year, the Desert and Mountain Cruise is on April 22nd and will be leaving Bad Ass coffee at 10:00 AM. Be there or be square! Have you seen the new F30 3-series yet? Don't worry! BMW South County will be hosting an F30 Introduction on Thursday April 26th at 6:00PM. BMW South County will have staff on hand to show and talk about the new F30 and all of the technological goodies that BMW has implemented on the new 3! Food and test drives will be available, please be sure to RSVP to Cornelia.cornelia.steinberg@bmwsouthcounty.com

I encourage all of you to attend our monthly board meeting (the 2nd 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.

—Nick Owen

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2012 Calendar of Events

April 1

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

April 1

San Diego Chapter – Tire Rack Teen Street Survival, Qualcomm Stadium, West Lot.

April 10

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

April 13

Central California Chapter – High Performance Driving School at Buttonwillow Raceway

April 20 – 22

MFest VI – in Las Vegas; info: MFestForum.com

April 22

San Diego Chapter – S.D. Mountain and Desert Tour. Meet at Bad Ass Coffee, 9:30 A.M.

April 26

San Diego Chapter – 2012 3-Series Tech Session. BMW South County, 875 El Cajon Blvd, El Cajon, CA. 6:00 P.M

May 4

Los Angeles Chapter – High Performance Driving School, Auto Club Speedway, Fontana, CA

May 5

San Diego Chapter – Palm Springs Follies. Palm Springs, CA

May 6

Detail Car Clinic hosted by James Eberhardt

May 8

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

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May 12

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

May 19

Bimmerfest – Rose Bowl; Pasadena, CA. Info: Bimmerfest.com

May 20

San Diego Chapter – Jack Cavanaugh Memorial Car Show, Clean Car Contest, and Charity Auction; Spanish Landing Park



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New Club Members Welcome!

Acharya, Kaustav	
Anderson, William	
Banner, Logan	
Bruschi, Giancarlo	
Esayian, Nick	2006 M5; 2008 335Ci
Henderson, Christopher	
Hettchen, Jack	
Hipschman, Alexander	
Housley, Jason	
Hunter, Chuck	
Kirtley, Travis	
Kwon, Yong	
Lillibridge, Richard	
Llave, Bernard	
McPartlan, John	
Meng, Jack	
Mitchell, Sean	1998 740i
Mohammad, Ejaz	
Ong, Brendan	
Powell, Jonathon	
Rowe, David	
Sherfield, Derrick	
Soliman, Percival	
Watson, Brandon	2003 325i; 1989 325i
Weiss, Carl	
Wester, Gregory	2006 325i
Younes, Bachir	

San Diego Chapter Monthly Board Meeting

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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 February 14, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm

Board Members Present:

Nick Owen, Brett Litoff, Lisa Goehring, Andre Pantic, Tom Fota, Rich Gehring, Don Duncan, Dan Tackett, Dennis Damon, Anne Littrell, Thejusvi Ganesh, Jim Lloyd

Members Present:

Gordon Anderson, Jose Padilla, Peter Winokur, Ed Havrilla, James Eberhardt, Steve Robbins, Jim Patterson, Boots Cuantico, Maurice Caske, Lindsay Draime, Tom Newport, Mike Gundler, Helen Grundler, John F. Kim, Noah Thistle, Ed Clausen, Brandon Watson, Jojo Gonzales, Paul Silver, Jim Binford, Seth Hanson, Gloria Caskey, Russell Moneau

Secretaries Report:

The minutes were approved.

President's Report:

Nick Owen reported that part of the SoCal Euro group will be having an event at a parking structure near Donovan's in La Jolla. The event will be held March 7th and our club has been offered booth space. Dennis Damon offered to man our booth there.

Treasurer's Report:

Don Duncan reported that our taxes are done and will be filed. The return was approved by the board. Our total income was down due to a large deposit at Chuckwalla and having less income from advertising.

Tom Fota asked that we publish our monthly and yearly financial statement.

Vice President's Report:

Nick Owen reported for Kim Wright that we had 21 new members.

Webmaster's Report:

Tom Fota reported that we now have a new host for the website. Tom also reported that he is looking into having advertisers on the site with banner ads.

Newsletter Report:

Lisa Goehring reported that the deadline is the 17th of the month for new content in the newsletter. She also stated that she's waiting for National approval for our new club logo.

Autocross Director's Report:

Dan Tackett reported that we will be adding the BMW of South County logo to the website. Dan stated that the next autocross will be March 4th and will be in the Southeast Lot. Dan also reported that the helmet order year issue is being resolved.

Driving Events Report:

Andre Pantic reported that March 1st is the deadline for the cheaper rates for Chuckwalla.

Social Director's Report:

Anne Littrell reported that there is a Meet and Greet at Karl Straus on March 21st.

Tom Newport volunteered to do a Palm Springs Follies event, possibly on May 5th. He also discussed doing a dinner cruise on the bay.

Advertising Directors Report:

Thejusvi Ganesh reported that we are continuing to receive payments from advertising. Thejusvi stated he is following up on some leads for new advertisers.

Waxmeister's Report:

Dennis Damon reported he is trying to form a relationship with Encinitas BMW and BMW of Vista. In addition, Dennis stated that BMW of Escondido will be supporting our Clean Car Contest and Car Show again this year.

New Business:

Gordon Anderson stated that Street Survival is April 1st.

Jim Lloyd reported that there is an East County cruise on April 29th.

Nick Owen reported that the F30 tech session will be held on April 26th at South County BMW.

The board approved for Thejusvi Ganesh to go to Congress next week.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38pm.

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Contact Tom Newport via email (ptnewport@gotsky.com) to get further details and to make a commitment as soon as possible.

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Events, Social Media/Web Tips and Recruitment and Retention. The sessions repeated themselves 3 times throughout the day so everyone took turns going to different sessions and hearing about what other chapters are doing and if they are working for them. Later in the day we had a General Session with case studies and

I was a part of the Recruitment and Retention Session. We talked about ways to recruit new members and what is more effective than other ways. We found that the most effective way at recruiting a new member is from word of mouth. Some chapters struggle with their local dealership involvement and rely on local independent shops for support. Other chapters have trouble catering to their members because of geographic locations and demands for certain events. Luckily for the club, we are good at recruiting. We have the ability to over recruit if that makes any sense. But the one problem we face, like most businesses in this country, the ability to retain a member or customer. We as a club are constantly thinking of ways we can increase our retention rate so that members will want to renew their membership. With just over 59,000 total members nationwide, we are still down a few thousand members from just a few years ago. Some of it is due to members forgetting to renew their membership. Some of it is from members selling their BMW and no longer participating in club events. And some of it is from members not finding the benefit or value from the club that they may have originally thought.

Overall Chapter Congress is about getting your board members amongst other board members to converse and share ideas as to how things work for them and their chapter. Every chapter is different and they are all catering to their members the best they can. Our chapter here in San Diego is lucky to be just the right size, in the right place, with the right people in charge to keep things going!

— Nick Owen



Marylind Munson (second from left) joins San Diego Chapter Board Members for a quick photo op between sessions.

was the Driving Events Congress. With the San Diego Chapter in full representation, we flew out to Dallas, Texas to see how we can be a more efficient chapter.

With Dan Tackett and Andre Pantic handling the Driving Events Committee, the rest of us had a lot of ground to cover with the Chapter Congress. We had 4 sessions to cover, one of them being the Treasurer's session which all of us proudly volunteered our Treasurer Don Duncan to handle. Considering we have no idea what a 507-3 Section 56 9er form is, Don was the perfect person to attend that session. With the remaining 3 sessions to cover, we divided ourselves up so we can attend all of them. Between Myself, Tom Fota, Thejusvi Ganesh, Brett Litoff, Anne Littrell and Lisa Goehring we had to cover BMW CCA IT and

scenarios on conflict resolution and how to handle situations that occur among chapter members and officers. I can say this was rather effective at making us think about whom we elect to be in charge and their personalities that tend to come into play when running an organization.



Steve Johnson, BMW CCA Executive Vice President; another San Diegan!

Photos: Thejusvi Ganesh

San Diego Chapter Descends on CCA Chapter Congress

When we got word a few months ago that BMW CCA had scheduled a Chapter Congress this year, I was thrilled—hoping this year would see a return of the Newsletter Editor & Webmaster Conference, which last occurred in 2008. Alas, that was not to be; CCA has moved away from more specialized annual Congresses and is now combining a whole range of topics into one event held every two or three years. But no matter—this would still be a great event! The Congress brings chapter leaders together from all over the country to share news on the state of the Club, provide informational sessions on various topics, create networking opportunities, and share ideas and tips to help chapters with our Club's core mission: enhancing the ownership experience.

Our chapter is fortunate to have so many Board Members who are interested in getting involved, picking up new ideas, sharing what we do in San Diego, and discovering new ways to improve our club. With nine board members, we had one of, if not the largest, delegations at the Congress! A considerable acknowledgement is due to our folks who used their personal airline miles and made their own travel arrangements in order that more of us could all attend—thank you Anne,

Don, Thejusvi, and Tom, and the rest of our board for making all of this come together!

The opening night session provided great opportunities to learn about the state of our club, including member recruitment and retention, and how important membership is to our IRS tax status. The general session covering Merchandise and Printing was of particular interest to me. It was presented by Wendie Martin, president of Enthusiast Media Group, which handles the printing of *Roundel*. They may be able to offer us a way to enhance our newsletter production and I'll continue more dialogue with them in the months ahead. EMG also offers hosting of online chapter merchandise stores—something many of us have wanted to do for some time now. Once we get the approval of our chapter logo redesign, we can actually move forward with some new products to augment our club members experience.

A session covering Social Media and how to incorporate these new tools in engaging members provided a lot of very valuable and relevant information. The Recruitment and Retention session gave some good insight into ways other chapters engage their members and keep

them coming back. Our board has a lot of new ideas to consider for our chapter during the coming year!



Matt Russell shared his passion for the M Brand with congress attendees.

The special guest speaker during Saturday night's dinner was Matt Russell, BMWNA ///M Brand Manager, who regaled the crowd with tales of all things "M." Sadly, no sneak peeks were revealed or test drives offered. Maybe next time?

The Chapter Congress is a tremendously valuable experience for chapter leaders and an important event for BMW CCA. There is a lot of desire at the chapter level for more opportunities for this kind of information sharing and interaction. National will be considering the possibility of hosting regional congresses in the years between the national-level events.

In the meantime, our chapter has a great group of people on our board looking at ways to move our chapter forward. And if you have an interesting idea we might consider, let one of us know!

Lisa Goehring
Editor, *Fahren Affairs*



Wendie Martin, of Enthusiast Media Group, enjoys dinner with San Diego board members.

Photos: Thejusvi Ganesh



Photo: Tom Fota

Going to Congress...

What is Congress? What to expect? Judging from the published agenda, Congress will be a weekend of seminars and breakout groups discussing all things BMW CCA related. It is this and so much more. There are over 275 fellow BMW CCA members from all over the country including Puerto Rico in attendance. A few familiar faces from Oktoberfest but most are unfamiliar—new friends to be made. Starting with the van ride to the hotel from the airport the exchange of ideas began. You have FOUR high performance driving events a year and only charge \$200? How is that possible? Ah, track rental is much less expensive than on the west coast. New member discount for first event? Now there is an interesting idea, perhaps something the San Diego chapter might want to do to encourage member participation.

We were welcomed by Frank Patek, Executive Director. BMW CCA is the largest single marque car club with over 70,000 single and associate members. Club Treasurer, Louis Goldsman, stressed that we are a social club with the common interest of BMW's. In order to retain our non-profit tax status, membership is required to participate in BMW CCA events.

Topics covered in the breakout sessions had something for all of our chapter attendees. Dan Tackett and Andre Pantic went to Driving Events Congress. Our treasurer, Don Duncan, had sessions with Louis Goldsman on all things finance and tax related. The Social Media and Web Tips and BMW CCA IT seminars were of interest to our Webmeister, Tom Fota, as well as Lisa Goehring and me. Merchandise and Printing presented new and interesting ways to market our Chapter and print and distribute our newsletter.

The breakout sessions on Membership Recruitment and Retention had many good ideas. Chapter events planned with topics that promote a wide range of membership interest both on and off the track. Events that are fun, friendly, informal and informative. This exchange of ideas will make for improvements to our club for a better experience for you the Club member.

—Anne Littrell

2012 Driving Events Congress

by Dan Tackett

We all know that Congress has a very low approval rating, somewhere barely above getting a root canal. But our Chapter recently saw Congress in action, and it earned 100% approval from us. Well, it was the BMW CCA Congress, held every 3 years to bring members from around the country in one place to share ideas for best practices.

I attended the Driving Events Committee (DEC) Congress as Chief Driving Instructor and Autocross Director. Track and autocross events must be conducted with liability insurance, which protects the Club and staff/instructors and relies upon ALL participants signing a waiver. We ensure compliance with wristbands issued when the waiver is signed. Online registration enables us to present the waiver text to every participant as they sign up. Another requirement, due to IRS rules for our non-profit status, is that ALL paying participants in our driving events MUST be BMW CCA members, and we'll be checking. We got an update on the National Instructor Training School, which I attended years ago, a thorough program we've tried to adapt to the Pacific Region.

Some new ideas were presented for advanced HPDE drivers. Our Region has been evolving an A+ skill level at Schools, and some of the ideas for on-track exercises and classroom discussion have already been introduced at our Chuckwalla event. Racer Ross Bentley, author of "Speed Secrets" and a mentor to many young racers, presented many great ideas for improving our driving school classroom curriculum. He was quite inspiring and a major "get" for BMW CCA. Some ideas were already implemented at Chuckwalla just 3 weeks after the Congress, but there is a lot more to consider.

While Andre Pantic went to a Region discussion, I attended a simultaneous seminar on autocross course design. Having designed courses for – ahem – over 25 years, I was still fascinated by the detail and calculations that can go into an SCCA-style course. My take-away is that we are SO-O lucky to have one of the largest parking lots in the Western US as our home site. That makes our unique format possible, a hybrid between traditional technical courses and a racetrack course. Speaking with other autocross directors, it became clear that we have freedoms that they don't. A typical autocross is less than ½ mile long (vs. 1¼ mile for us), just 15' wide (we're 25'), marked with very few cones (making the course hard to follow for novices) and 2-3 cars on course at a time (we do 4-7, enabling us to do 1100-1200 runs in a day). They rarely provide Instructors and get 3-6 runs per day (vs. 11-12 runs per driver for us). So let's enjoy Qualcomm to the fullest while we have the lot; some day it will be gone...



Mother May I? Autocross

Power before Flowers on Saturday May 12th

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Online Registration will be open from April 21 – May 8th

The first 20 non-BMWs to register are guaranteed a spot

Yes you may! On the day before Mother's Day, yes you may enjoy the life your mom gave you by using your car to its fullest on Qualcomm's 200,000 sq. ft. West Lot. Yes you may ...play for a day, and still have time to pay tribute on the moms in your midst on their special day. And some moms will be helmeting up with us on Saturday. If this is your first autocross of the year, remember **the helmet standard changed in January to require Snell 2005 or 2010 ratings. Check yours to be sure it's up to date—rentals are limited.** We truly appreciate BMW of South County in El Cajon for their hearty support of our Autocross program. 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 April 21st - May 8th. 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 our 100 spots sometimes fill up in advance. 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 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

Photo: Lisa Goehring

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

Car Classifications:

- 4C** ALL 4 cylinder BMW models (except E30 M3)
- 6S** Stock 6 or 8 cylinder BMWs up to 295 factory horsepower
- 6M** Modified 6 or 8 cylinder BMWs up to 295 factory horsepower
- TS** Stock 6-8-12 cylinder BMWs over 295 factory hp, M cars before 1994
- TM** Modified 6-8-12 cylinder BMWs over 295 factory 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 (non-DOT) 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? Ask at:
sd-autocross@sdbmwcca.com

ATTENTION NEWCOMERS: See the Autocross Tips at 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!

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San Diego County Mountain and Desert Tour Sunday, April 22

The first cruise of 2012 will be a tour through the back county to the desert and back. We will be experiencing some spirited driving through the east county and down to the desert and back up the Banner Grade to Julian and to the ending point in Ramona. There are some great curvy roads that will excite you and your personal driving machine. Maybe the desert flowers will be blooming for the enjoyment of everyone.

Again we will be meeting at Bad Ass Coffee and starting the tour from there. We will have lunch in Borrego Springs and drive up to the Volcan Mountains on Highway 78 and end in the city of Ramona. At the junction of highways 67 and 78 drivers can go toward San Diego or go west to interstate highways 15 or 5.

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Rides of March Autocross

4C – 4 Cylinder BMW

Christopher H	1974	2002	84.905	1st
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6S – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Stock

Dennis H	2001	330 Ci	72.386	1st
Harry W	2000	Z3-2.8	75.814	2nd
Chuck H	2003	Z4 3.0	76.169	
Chuck R	2010	328i	76.319	
Joseph D	2007	Z4 3.0si	77.225	
Alpesh K	2005	330ci ZHP	78.641	
Michael D	1999	328i	80.804	



6M – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Modified

Jason O	1991	325i	73.564	1st
Joe C	2002	330i	75.048	2nd
Patrick S	1993	325 is	75.655	3rd
John J S	1993	325 is	75.75	
Thejusi G	2007	528i	78.694	

MC – Mini Cooper

Karen C	2005	Cooper S	74.708	1st
Bill W	2005	Cooper S	75.141	2nd
Fred B	2005	Cooper S	75.904	3rd
Grant G	2005	Cooper S	76.514	
Denise M	2008	Cooper JCW Conv	77.379	





TS – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Stock

Tyler S	2007	335i	77.048	1st
Zubin P	2011	335i	77.763	2nd
Alexander H	2008	335i	79.74	

TM – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Modified

Andre E	2008	135i	69.647	1st
Andrew A	2008	135i	72.503	2nd
Robert O	2011	135i	74.662	
Ronald O	2011	135i	75.784	
Edward K	1988	E30 m3	87.903	

MM – M Car Modified

Mauricio M	1999	M3	69.448	Fast BMW Time of Day
Roland B	2002	M3	69.55	1st
Serhan E	2004	M3 Coupe	69.741	2nd
Jason B	2006	M3	70.104	3rd
Michael Y	2005	M3	70.214	
Anish P	1995	M3	73.245	
Ryan M	2002	M3	73.976	
William P	1998	M3 Sedan	74.466	Novice 2nd
Josh B	2002	M3	74.965	



X – Non-BMW

WT W	2004	Miata	70.09	1st
Eric B	2005	WRX STI	71.696	
James C	1988	Mustang GT	73.405	
JB C	1988	Mustang GT	73.441	
Jeremy M	1990	Miata	74.769	
Logan B	2011	WRX STi	74.805	
Rich M	2006	Elise	76.071	
Jodie S	2010	Z06	76.489	
Dennis D	1975	280Z	77.648	
Ken S	1972	240z	77.969	
Lisa M	2006	Elise	78.471	
David R	2005	IS300	79.042	
Paul S	2002	Boxster S	79.161	

G – Gold Class

Peter E	2011	M3	68.757	1st
Ryan P	1990	Miata	69.741	2nd
Nick O	2011	M3	70.898	
Sean T	1990	Miata	73.749	
Satakal K	1991	325i	76.152	

MS – M Car Stock

Satch C	2006	Z4 M roadster	72.221	1st
Shawn F	2011	1M	72.639	2nd
Jack R	1999	M3	72.694	3rd
Cullan B	2011	M3	72.814	4th; Novice 1st
Lisa G	1995	M3	73.96	Woman 1st
Eric H	2011	Z4 sDrive 35i	74.82	
Stuart C	2011	M3	76.294	
Stephen A	2012	M3	76.312	
Derek P	2011	M3	76.466	
Stephen H	2011	M3	76.469	
James P	2008	M Coupe	76.583	
Ken S	2006	M6	78.016	
Jojo G	2003	M3	79.112	
Dick M	2007	Z4 M Roadster	79.676	

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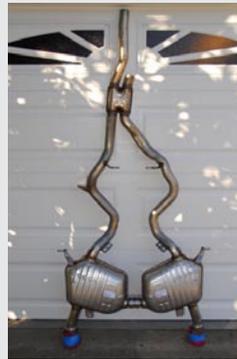


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