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newsletter of the
white mountain chapter BMW CCA



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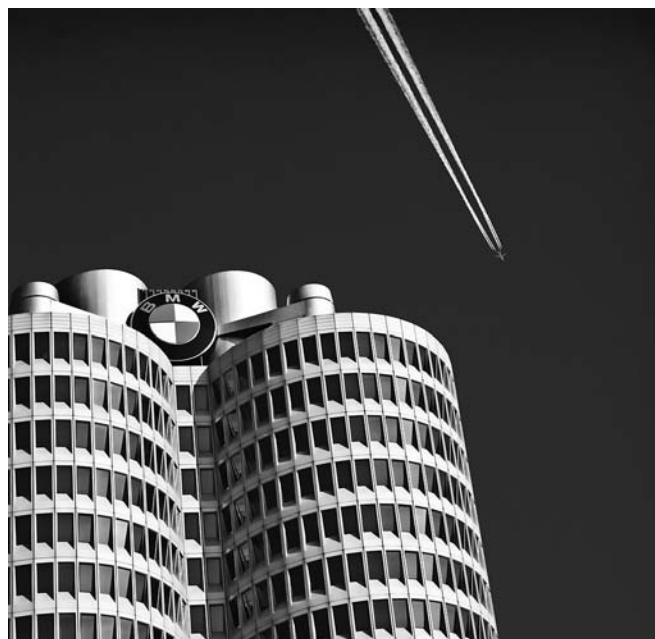
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The BMW World Headquarters tower (22 stories, 331 ft.) has been a signature landmark of Munich, Germany for over 40 years. Built between 1968 and 1972 it was completed just in time for 1972 Summer Olympics which took place in the expansive Olympic park directly across the street.

Along with the adjacent BMW Museum, BMW Welt and factory, it's a definite "must see" for any fan of the marque while in Germany.

about the Profile:

The Profile is published every two months. Club members are encouraged to submit BMW and/or club related articles and photos for publication. **No submission is too short, really. Even if it's just a paragraph or two, send it in!** Longer features are certainly welcome as well. All submissions must be digital, and all images must be submitted at their highest available resolution.

Submission deadlines are always the first Friday of the month prior to the newsletter issue (i.e. deadline is in May for the June/July issue). Send all submissions or questions to the copy collection editor. For information on advertising in *the Profile*, contact the newsletter advertising manager.

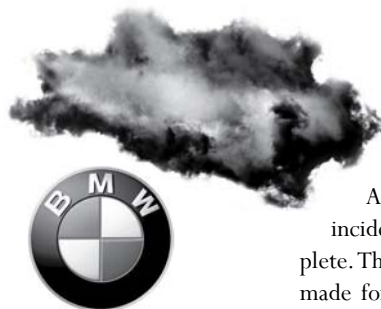
We are All Ambassadors of BMW

...Like it or Not

by: David Harrison , WMC president

As the new chapter president I am sending out a plea to all BMW owners to help enhance the public image of the ourselves and the club. Every few weeks there seems to be local news coverage of a BMW used in a sometimes reckless and often illegal manner. The media loves to point out when BMW owners behave badly.

You know the type of story I'm talking about. In January a local man was charged after a state trooper clocked him going 130 mph on the 55 mph limited Everett Turnpike. The news article goes on to mention the 65 year old man was in a 2008 BMW 1-Series heading north. The early morning encounter ended in the arrest of the



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driver and prime fodder for the Union Leader.

Another local TV story mentions a multicar incident where the investigation was still incomplete. The damage was extensive to all vehicles and made for great footage on the evening news. No names of the drivers were mentioned or who may have started the incident. The only concrete facts given to accompany the scene was the location (somewhere in MA) and that one of the cars was a BMW. The coverage was not balanced but I was not surprised.

The media in general loves to report a "Bimmer" story as it tends to enforce the dark cloud stereotype of heavy footed and dangerous racer boy yahoos. Club members know better, but the general public does not. That is why I ask members and nonmembers alike to show our better side. Whether it's being extra courteous to other traffic, or simply not terrorizing the rest of the driving world, please consider that we are ambassadors of the CCA and BMW. And as a bonus, the accident you prevent keeps you and your beloved BMW in one piece and off the evening news.

Drive Safely,

David

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Chapter Membership

Don't be a stick in the mud

by: Michael Morin, WMC membership chair

Did you say free? Yes, you can get a free light dinner and drink if you come to our monthly business meetings. Come share your ideas, stories and get the latest Chapter news and updates before it goes to print. Who turns away free food? Keep updated with us for our next meetings.

Your membership has good company. New Hampshire has 602 members. There are an additional 34 members outside the state. Nine of our members have purchased a LIFE membership and 89 are associate members. In NH, 66% of our membership resides in the Rockingham-Hillsborough county area.

With the numbers out of the way, I want to remind you all that your email address is very important to your membership. Approximately 120 members have not updated electronic contact information. If you change internet service providers, your email address needs to be changed with the organization. We regularly get bounced emails whenever we send out event updates. Help us make the works more efficient for us.

Browsing the new BMW Lifestyles catalog,

Michael



Welcome!
to our newest
White Mountain Chapter members

Justin Gatchek	*	Amherst
Brenda Gibson	*	Hollis
Peggy Brenner	*	Milford
James Reagan	*	Derry
Stephen Kalenik	2000 528i 2000 740li 1995 M3	Hollis
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Saturday, May 11th, 2013 - 8:30am
New Hampshire Motor Speedway
Cost: \$75.00

See page 13 or the chapter website for more information.

Expand Your BMW Passion See What the Social Events Committee Is Offering You!

Love BMWs? Like making new friends and sharing good times with old ones? Then enjoy the company of other like minded people who enjoy not only a good time, but all things BMW.

If you haven't recently, you really should attend an upcoming SEC meeting and see what the SEC is all about. -And dinner will be on the club! It can't get much better than that. Dates for 2013 meetings and other events are posted on the chapter calendar - see page 13 and the chapter website.

Due to declining interest, the SEC has decided to temporarily suspend the regularly scheduled Drive & Dines. If you'd like to see them back on the calendar, or if you have ideas for other events that other club members might be interested in, let the SEC know! Fresh ideas, interest and inspiration are always very welcome. Drop in at any SEC dinner meeting or contact Casandra, the SEC chair at:

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Your Humble Tow Fitting (Part 2) Feedback about a First Hand Experience

by: David Harrison

In the March issue I wrote an article for the *Profile* titled "Your Humble BMW Tow Fitting." When I received a letter from chapter member Doug Rader I was thrilled to get some additional information and confirmation that someone actually reads my writings.

Doug wrote:

If you have your BMW pulled up onto a rollback tow truck by the front OEM tow fitting, after which the operator attaches a cable or strap to an attachment point in the rear, followed by his re-engaging his front-mounted winch so as to pull both attachments tight to secure the vehicle while it's being moved to its new location, the front tow fitting may well be pulled from its bumper. This occurred with my car last September at Watkins Glen, whereupon the rollback operator & his attendants said practically in unison "This always happens with these cars."

In addition, the rear tow fitting on my car was detached from its mooring in the rear bumper support while merely being pulled away from the wall at pit-in at NHMS last year. I wasn't there to see it, so I'm not sure if there was unusual vigor being applied at the time, as there was at Watkins Glen



with the pull-both-cables-tight approach to securing the car. NHMS, of course, uses rollbacks, too.

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if you have
Darryl & Darryl
trying to yank
your BMW
sideways out
of a ditch.**

I don't know if these occurrences were due to the way cars are towed at race tracks or not, but the mounting of these hooks has been reinforced to reduce the chances of them being pulled free again. However towing is accomplished on the street is hopefully gentler on these two attachment points.

Sincerely,
Doug Rader
Lyndeborough, NH

Thanks for the feedback Doug. After contacting a local BMW mechanic I learned that the tow fittings are actually well designed. They are not the weak link. Bumpers, bumper covers, or the struts for the bumpers come apart before the fitting can. Nothing is indestructible especially if you have towing brothers Darryl & Darryl trying to yank your BMW sideways out of a ditch. Straps to the more sturdy parts of the car are recommended for tie downs or hard pulling. Otherwise, tow fittings are still the recommended means of carefully moving a vehicle.





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So you think you have a photo worthy of being a centerfold? Let's see it! Submit your own photos for consideration to the copy collection editor. -ed.

Camera Shots Poster 1972 BMW Turbo

original photo by: Johann Wrede
post processing and design by: Martin Callahan



Photographed at the BMW Museum in Munich Germany.

The E25 Turbo concept car, commonly referred to as "The Turbo" was built by BMW as a celebration for the 1972 Munich Summer Olympics. Designed by famed Paul Bracq, it was based on a modified 2002 chassis with mid-mounted engine and sported gullwing doors. The Turbo featured, a turbocharged version of the engine from the BMW 2002, foam filled front and rear sections to absorb impact, side impact beams, a braking distance monitor utilizing radar, and a futuristic cockpit. The car produced 276 hp at 7100 rpm and reached 62 mph (100km/h) from a standstill in 6.6 seconds. Top speed was 155 mph.

Although only two Turbos were ever built, BMW later used the Turbo's design themes on the M1 (1978–1981), the 8-Series (1989–1999), the Z1 (1989–1991) and the M1 Homage Concept (2008).

pull-out poster on following pages



1972 BMW Turbo

J O H A N N W R E D E



2013 MINI Roadster Raffle Benefit for New Hampshire Children's Museum

by: David Harrison, president



MINI of Bedford



When is a White Mountain Chapter event not a BMW event? Answer: When it is a MINI event! Such was the case on March 8th at the MINI of Bedford dealership where a 2013 Cooper S roadster convertible was the prize. The second annual car raffle was held to benefit the Children's Museum of New Hampshire and your WMC was thrilled to be involved.

Founded in 1983 in Portsmouth, the Children's Museum of New Hampshire relocated to Dover in 2008. It offers a blend of art, science and cultural experiences for families. At the heart of their mission is a commitment to offering access to all children and families by minimizing barriers that prevent fair and meaningful educational and cultural opportunities. Since its inception, the Museum has served over 2 million people from New Hampshire and beyond.

In case you missed the notice in 2000, MINIs are now built and owned by BMW. The BMW Car Club of America does not discriminate between members who drive BMWs, MINIs, or in some instances, both. So when the museum asked us to spread the word of the raffle, we were only too glad to help in any way we could and be present at the drawing in Bedford. They even let the WMC President, yours truly, pull the winning ticket

from the 656 possible entrants. The lucky winner was Heather Dovholuk from Dover. Not a bad return on her \$100 donation.

Thanks to all chapter members who played a part in making the raffle the success it was. A final thank you goes out to MINI of Bedford for their support. NH has been waiting for a dealership and in 2012 we finally scored a local site. The club and the community are delighted to have MINI of Bedford as neighbors. Next year the WMC will look forward to being involved again. Look for the 2014 raffle notice and get your chance to be the next winner.



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Maintaining Your Fuel Vapor Recovery System Some Easy Tips For Trouble Free Performance

by: Otto (a.k.a. Gordon Arnold), courtesy Bavarian Autosport

Government-mandated emissions standards were put in place in the early '70s. Since then, automobiles (including our BMWs and MINIs) have been subject to ever more stringent requirements regarding substances that are released to the atmosphere. While exhaust emissions have gotten the majority of the attention, there are indeed other emissions which have also come under scrutiny and control. The most important of these is the evaporative fumes from the raw (or unburned) gasoline.

Almost all vehicles on the road today have a raw fuel, vapor recovery system. The fuel tank on your BMW or MINI needs to vent as the fuel is drawn out and used in the engine. If there were no provision for venting, a vacuum would develop in the tank and soon the fuel pump would not be able to draw the fuel out and deliver it to the engine. In the old days (before the government mandates), car manufacturers handled this with a simple vent tube from the tank to the outside air. Unfortunately, this allowed raw fuel vapors to go directly into the atmosphere. To prevent this, BMW fuel systems now employ a closed venting system that, in the end, burns the collected fuel vapors in the engine. For the system to work, it must be properly maintained.

As with the various other systems on our BMWs and MINIs, the vapor recovery system requires maintenance. All passenger vehicles 1996 and later have rather elaborate systems which include such things as pressure and leak sensors and valves that are monitored by the On Board Diagnostic (OBD) system. The basic system, found on almost all BMWs

and MINIs, consists of the fuel filler cap (gas cap), fuel and vapor separation tank, charcoal canister, purge valve and the associated rubber tubing connecting the system together. Later models include pressure sensors and self testing systems that can detect leakage in the vapor recovery system.

In the vapor recovery system, the gas cap seals the fuel system, the charcoal canister receives and stores the raw fuel vapors, and the purge valve (in the line between the canister and the intake manifold) controls the flow of vapors from the canister to the engine for burning.

The Gas Cap

A faulty gas cap – one that does not close properly, has a missing or damaged seal, etc. – will allow vapors to escape to the atmosphere and will compromise the vapor recovery system. But it can also cause a fuel smell, poor emissions and fuel economy, and possible damage to the fuel pump and pressure regulator.



The Charcoal Canister

Over time, the charcoal canister will become saturated by the fuel vapors and will no longer be able to contain the vapors and fumes. If you have raw fuel smells but can detect no fuel leaks, you may indeed have a saturated charcoal canister. The canister can also become clogged, or plugged, by over-filling the fuel tank. If you (or the prior owner) had been in the habit of filling the fuel right up to the top of the filler neck instead of stopping when the nozzle first clicks off, raw fuel can enter the vapor recovery system and saturate the charcoal. If this happens, the canister must be replaced. A saturated canister not only causes noxious fuel smells and poor fuel economy but, left for a longer period, can cause damage to the fuel pump and fuel pressure regulator.



The Purge Valve

Also known as the Fuel Tank Vent Valve or Breather Valve, this valve controls the venting of the stored vapors (in the canister) to the engine (via the intake manifold). Upon command from the Engine Control Unit (ECU), the valve opens and the vapors are drawn into the engine to be burned along with the standard fuel and air mixture. A faulty purge valve that stays open all the time can effectively cause a vacuum leak. If it remains closed all the time, it can cause pressure in the venting system and/or the same symptoms as a saturated charcoal canister.



When to Replace Vapor Recovery System Components



Gas Cap - Replace it if it does not snug down tight to the filler neck or if the seal is dry and hard, cracked, or missing.



Charcoal Canister - Replace the charcoal canister if your BMW or MINI is older than 10 years, has more than 150,000 miles – or if you suspect the fuel tank was ever over-filled. Also, if you smell gas but cannot find any leaks, the canister is a good bet.



Purge Valve - Replace the purge valve if it is not functioning properly (see the appropriate manual for diagnostic procedures) or if an engine fault code points to it.



Connecting Hoses - Finally, inspect the vacuum and vent hoses for looseness or cracks, which will cause vacuum leaks. Replace if necessary.

John Sullivan Wins NA RVP Election Re-Elected Over Scott Stowell by 29 Votes



John Sullivan,
North Atlantic Region
Vice President

When voting closed on Thursday, February 28, incumbent North Atlantic Region Vice President John Sullivan had 444 votes, while Scott Stowell had 415 votes. The Club would like to thank both candidates for their dedication and spirit of volunteerism, and also congratulate Sullivan on his victory in the election. Without our volunteer leadership, we would not be the Club we are today!

North Atlantic Region members voted by using the paper ballot cards mailed with their January Roundel; additional paper ballots were available from the National Office.

Members had to be in good standing as of December 15, 2012, to vote in the election. Voting opened on Wednesday, January 2, 2013, and closed Thursday, February 28, 2013, at noon Eastern Standard Time.

VSCCA 2013 Vintage Rallye Tour Experience the Birkshires Like Never Before

by: Ed Hyman, VSCCA Rallye Master



Considered by many to be the most 'bang for the buck' in vintage touring, this landmark event is once again taking place the weekend after Father's Day, June 21-23. This annual VSCCA Vintage Rallye Tour is one of the few driving events where you'll find plenty of time to sight see, relax and really get to know other participants. This year the VSCCA cordially invites members of the BMW club to join in as well.



If you have a vintage sports car and are interested in experiencing an event you'll certainly not soon forget, contact tour coordinator Ed Hyman (edhyman@charter.net or 860-355-1804 - late evenings best). He'll be happy to share more information with you and answer any questions you might have.

Don't miss this opportunity to see some amazing cars and meet some great people who share the vintage passion!

Oktoberfest 2013 Monterey, California, August 19-24



Registration for the 44th Annual Oktoberfest in Monterey, California, August 19-24, is now open. The host hotel will be the Hyatt Regency in Monterey—and the track, of course, is the world-famous Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca. Yes, finally you, too, will drive the Cork-screw!

Please Note: You must complete the Oktoberfest registration process before you are able to reserve rooms in the Club's room-block at the Hyatt Regency Monterey. In your confirmation e.mail you will be given a special phone number to call in order to make your hotel reservation. Follow the link below to register now.



Martin Callahan

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Monday April 22nd, 2013 8:00am - 5:00pm

Cabin Fever Driving School

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Monday April 29th, 2013 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Social Event Committee Meeting

Join the Social Events Committee in planning for up-coming events. New committee members are

always welcome. Meeting location is The Common Man of Windham. COST: FREE Food and Drinks. RSVP

Friday May 3rd, 2013 5:00pm

Profile submission deadline

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Saturday May 11th, 2013 8:30am - 5:00pm

Tire Rack Street Survival School

Do you want to make your teen a safer and smarter driver? Then give them Street Survival(tm) skills! This BMW Foundation sponsored event helps, students 21 years old and under, learn skills beyond plain old Driver's Ed. Held in the parking lot at New Hampshire Motor Speedway (NHMS). Questions? Contact (603) 594-0788 Ext.1. COST: \$75. Registration TBD

Monday May 13th, 2013 6:30pm - 9:00pm

Chapter Business/Membership Meeting

Come join us for engaging conversation, camaraderie, and a free light dinner and drinks at our monthly meeting. This month's meeting location is at The Common Man restaurant of Windham. COST: FREE Food and Drinks. RSVP



Vintage Passion in the Berkshires.

Friday June 21st - Sunday June 23rd, 2013

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*more on the **chapter website!***

about chapter calendar:

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