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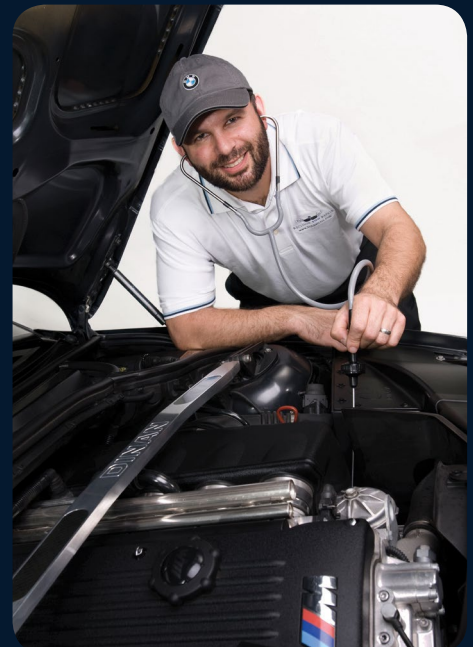


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With the 2014 Bavarian Autosport Show & Shine, Bav Auto celebrated 40 years of doing business sharing their BMW passion.

Conspicuously absent though from the birthday party at this year's show in Portsmouth were the heavy clouds and rain drops. Doubtful anyone minded.

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.

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Hibernation is not an Option

So Get Out and Join Us to Make the Most of this Season

by: David Harrison, WMC president

Do you miss summer and all the great BMW events? Sometimes I find it hard to see the snow globe as half full at this time of year. But since hibernation is not an option, the White Mountain Chapter has come up with ideas to fill the remaining days of the calendar even if wide tires, picnic baskets, and convertibles are tucked away for a long winter's nap.

Before the New Year rolls in we have one more hurrah in December. The chapter is holding a gathering at the Windham Common Man restaurant on Monday the 8th. The occasion is necessitated by the final vote count for officers in the upcoming year. As much as New Hampshireites love elections anyway, we decided to spice up the event to the "merrymaking" level rather than just holding an official function.

Dust off your Santa suit or come as you are. We truly hope to see new and old members (with the optional guest) at this event where you can share a meal and toast to our good fortune while the club picks up the tab. The Social Event Coordinator would like an RSVP for a probable head count. So mark your calendar and let us know you are up for an evening of socializing, prizes, and fun. It will definitely have you placing December into the "half full" category.

**Be merry!
even though
wide tires,
picnic baskets,
and convertibles
are tucked away
for a long
winter's nap**



Come join us inside where it's warm and merry!

And FYI, we are not willing to give up on the 2015 part of the winter season either. Watch for other events or give us ideas for future gatherings of the BMW tribe whether on a small or grand scale.

Hope to see you soon!

David

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Chapter Membership

There's more to life than driving. Or is there?

by: Michael Morin, WMC membership chair

I love driving in the snow. I don't care what kind of vehicle you give me. My '85 Ford Tempo, '92 Olds Cutlas Ciera, '84 325e, '98 328i, '09 Prius, '05 X3 3.0 or my '12 Prius Plug in. Driving was always fun to me. Driving in snow was a challenge but one I love to take. In fact, when I moved to a new place, I would drive around and almost purposely get lost. For those of us who consider driving to be a necessity, I'm sorry. I know you might be required to drive as part of your job. To me, there is nothing more fun than getting of the Interstate and heading to my destination on lesser known roads.

On the membership news front, the White Mountain Chapter has had a gain of 10 members since the last issue of The Profile. We have 576 primary members, 96 associate members and 10 LIFE members for a total of 664 members. Out of those, 645 of our members reside in New Hampshire. Locally speaking, Hillsborough County has 35% of the membership and Rockingham, 32%. Nashua is the city with the highest concentration of members with 52. Bedford is next with 34. Rounding out the top 10 are Manchester, Hollis, Amherst, Concord, Merrimack, Windham, and Dover.

Picking the pine needles out of vents,

Michael

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One more thing

Get your holiday eye candy here!

text and photos by: Michael Morin

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to our newest
White Mountain Chapter members

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Kristian Winroth	*	Center Harbor
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Gordon Keen	*	Cornish, ME
Brian Caple	*	Somersworth
Nick Ciarleglio	*	Hopkinton
Tom Cottill	*	New London
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Mark Gigliotti	*	Londonderry
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Andrew Knight	*	Waterville Valley
Mikayla Long	*	Bedford
Julie Sanders	*	Windham
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Corey Knight	*	Nashua
Scott Hochgraf	*	Bow
Zach Kuster	*	Hopkinton
John Stowell	*	Hollis
Chris Pearson	*	Hooksett

Exciting Events Coming Your Way From Your Friends on the SEC

by: Cassandra Vorisek-Creto, SEC chair

You spoke, e.mailed, and survey answered. We listened, took notes and reviewed it all. The result being some exciting road events coming your way in 2015!

We will start the year with a tech session. To add different flavor and new twist to the historically popular tech sessions we've offered in the past, we will be working with a BMW mechanic who will go through the step-by-step procedure of actually fixing something on a real BMW, not just a prepped demo. This will be a great opportunity for those do-it-yourself mechanics who want to either brush up on skills or learn something new about "wrenching" on a BMW. Keep posted for details.

Parker's Maple Barn has become a club favorite and in 2015 we'll continue the tradition. We will be converging on Parker's in late March, but the date is still to be determined. As in the past, this family fun favorite



will take place on an early Sunday spring morning. Parker's is a very popular place that time of year, and over the years, we have learned that early Sunday morning is the best time to guarantee that we all get to sit and eat together! Keep an eye on the chapter website's calendar for scheduling details.

Back by popular demand: The Back Roads Rally! You asked for them and we are delivering. Our first fun rally of the season won't be so much a traditional WMC Back Roads Rally as it will be more just a fun back road, ...but what a road! A drive up the Mount Washington Auto Road this summer is what we'll be planning. As of now, it looks like the rally will begin in the morning with a light breakfast, to be followed by the exhilarating drive with breath-taking views up and down the mountain. A casual PYO dinner nearby will cap off the event. You won't want to miss this one, so look for forthcoming details!

As always, keep checking our website. Additions and updates happen often. Make sure we have your correct e.mail address as many times last minute updates to events are publicized by e.mail.

It's always a good time when you are driving and socializing with club friends, so from all of us on the SEC, hope to see you soon!

2014 Celebration Year-End ...and election results

On Monday, December 8th, the results of the annual Board election will be announced at the monthly General Membership Meeting. The meeting will be held at The Common Man in Windham, from 6:30pm to 9:00pm.

Join us for light appetizers and dinner and cake for dessert! Meet the newly elected White Mountain Chapter Board members, and enjoy a wintry evening with some wonderful people.

There's NO CHARGE, but to give us and the restaurant staff an idea of how many of us to expect, I encourage you to please RSVP. It's quick and easy at the chapter website where you'll find all the details!

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Show and (FINALLY) Shine 2014 Celebrating Bavarian Autosport's 40th Birthday

text by: Dana Sion, Vice President photos by: Michael Morin, Membership Chair



Bob Sanzo deservedly proud of his spectacular E30.

Wow what a year it was for the amazing Bavarian Autosport Show & Shine show! The weather this year was perfect, all the vehicles in the show were bright and shining in the sun and smiles went from ear to ear on everyone's face. So much going on and so much to see- wonderful planned demos and Q&A sessions with Bavarian Otto (Gordon Arnold), stunning P21S vehicle finish demos right next to our WMC tent, a huge vendor tent leading up to

the amazing free BBQ

lunch served up with beer on tap in very stylish commemorative Show & Shine 2014 glasses. I and other club liaisons manning the White Mountain Chapter booth, which also was representing BMW CCA National, greeted many wonderful folks from all over the U.S. and Canada and shared the joy of belonging to the BMW CCA. Many with whom we had the pleasure of sharing our enthusiasm, joined the club on the spot!

As always, the huge free raffles were a big hit, and we even donated a unique Castrol Syntec official NFL football. This year the Susan G. Komen raffle raised more funds than ever, with all the money going to the great charity to help find a cure for breast cancer and education. The grand prize raffle this year was truly amazing – a trip to Germany! Wow! All this wrapped up with the singing of Happy Birthday, led by Gordon Arnold in honor of Bavarian Autosport's 40th birthday!

Thank you so much to Michael Morin our membership chair who helped me setup the booth early in the morning, David Harrison our president, Walter Wolf, Roland Beale our secretary and wonderful members Carl & Betty Sue Hydren who all helped staff the booth for a full day of fun work at the world headquarters of Bavarian Autosport in Portsmouth, NH.

See ya next year!



▲ photo: Dana Sion



Dana in the booth, putting some shine on the WMC at the Show & Shine

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BMW of Stratham
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by: Pete McDonough photos: BMW of Stratham

I have this need to know how things work, how things come together and how everything happens behind the scenes in order to produce something or deliver a service. I could watch Discovery Channel all day long – seriously, I love that stuff. A few years ago, I happened to be in South Carolina and it was literally impossible for me not to travel to Spartanburg to see the manufacturing operation that breathes life into all X models. It was a fascinating experience and, in my opinion, should be on the bucket list of every BMW enthusiast. Of course, the marque we love is produced not only in Spartanburg but also in nearly two dozen manufacturing facilities around the globe and then made available to us through an extensive dealership network. Domestically, there are 339 dealerships that sell and service the brand and last year helped BMW deliver more vehicles in the US than ever before – 309,280. That’s a whole lot of roundels! Included in this dealership network is BMW of Stratham which operates under the leadership of General Manager Joel Ginsburg. I recently spent some time with Joel to learn more about the Stratham operation and what makes it so successful.

To put the organization in context, BMW of Stratham is part of the IRA Motor Group. IRA sells and services a wide range of makes including BMW, Porsche, Audi, Lexus, Toyota, Scion and Subaru. Additionally, IRA Motor Group belongs to Group One Automotive which has become the 3rd largest dealership group in the country. With 192 franchises, 37 collision centers and operations in London and Brazil, Group One is a publicly traded powerhouse with a market capitalization in excess of \$2 billion (NYSE GPI). Yet despite their attachment to this large corporate organization, BMW of Stratham has somehow managed to create the feel of a small, family-owned operation with whom you want to build a long-term relationship. I’m a case in point. Honestly, Stratham is a bit out of my way but ever since my first purchase there a decade ago, the entire relationship

the feel of a small, family-owned operation with whom you want to build a long-term relationship

just felt different – it felt right. (Jerry McGuire, shut up –you had me at hello... so to speak.) For someone who has owned and managed an automotive service facility, I know what a challenge it can be to achieve the right feel with customers.

So when I asked Joel about the secret sauce, he advised that it really was no secret – but rather just the challenge of getting the organization to consistently practice the principle that IRA taught him when he first started in the business nearly 30 years ago. That simple principle is something we hear all the time - treat people (customers and employees) the way you want to be treated. And in situations where a customer is not happy, be empathetic, put yourself in their shoes and ask, “What’s reasonable?”

As if on cue, one of the employees came to find Joel while we were talking. She apologized for the interruption and explained to Joel that no one was available in service (it was late) and that a customer who’d just picked up her car was hearing a noise that didn’t sound quite right. Joel excused himself from our discussion, met with the customer, heard the noise and knew exactly what was reasonable. “Ma’am, I hear the noise too but I don’t have any technicians still available today. Would it be ok if you kept your loaner overnight, we’ll take a look at your car first thing in the morning and call you with an update?” Problem solved. And what was telling was the fact that Joel – even as the GM – didn’t hesitate for a moment to work the front line and take care of a problem. For anyone who has worked with this type of leader, you know this kind of behavior not only resonates with a team but is also infectious. And this probably helps explain why Stratham has so many long-term, key employees contributing to the success of the organization. To name a few, warranty administrator Diane Lattime has 21 years with Stratham, salesman Scot Murby has 22 years and shop manager Ken Deem has over 31 years!

As we move from this service vignette, it’s an easy segue into a dis-



cussion on BMW's Center of Excellence Award. According to BMW of North America, "This award goes to the top performing BMW dealerships in the U.S. who distinguish themselves through exceptional performance, consistent brand representation and a center-wide dedication to providing an outstanding customer experience." These awards are highly competitive and very difficult to qualify for. They measure the dealership on nearly every conceivable level including sales, service, satisfaction, loyalty and franchise compliance. Under Joel's guidance, BMW of Stratham has been eligible for the award eight times and has won it four times – most recently in 2012. Obviously, a lot of the kudos go to the team at Stratham but Joel also credits their success to their customers. He loves his customers saying that they are friendly, reasonable and great to do business with.

The other thing that I'm fascinated with is the dealership's ability to stay current in the face of constant technological change and product releases. Think back during 2014 and remember how many new products and platforms were released. There was the revised approach to vehicle naming through which all odd numbered series came to designate sedans while even numbered series designated coupes – unless of course they were gran coupes carrying four doors but still retaining the even number designation! But aside from the typical evolutionary styling and naming changes, headlines were made with the release of the born electric i3 and hybrid i8 models. While the i3 has been a little slow to ramp in Stratham, the electric platform will no doubt make up a big part of the brand's future. And taking on electric vehicles for the dealership is akin to executing a new franchise agreement; it's a tremendous amount of work and substantial upfront cost in terms of training and equipment. As

an aside, did you know that BMW is now the official vehicle supplier to the FIA's Formula E series –

the world's first fully electric racing series? And did you know that the i3 has the fastest 0-35 time of ANY BMW vehicle produced? Hoo-ah!

So how does the organization keep up with this constant change? Training – and lots of it. Every discipline within the dealership has specialized

training that they must undertake on a regular basis. Some training is delivered through on-line learning modules but other curriculum is more extensive and requires extended stays at BMW USA's corporate headquarters in NJ. This was the case not only for much of the technical training related to the new electric platform but also for the newly implemented role of Product Genius. Taking a cue from Apple, BMW corporate recognized that their products were not only becoming more technically complex but also that there were more products and configurations to choose from

than ever before. As such, they have created the role of Product Genius to educate consumers and de-mystify the technology that is baked into today's cars. In Stratham, Joel has brought Sara Leblanc on board to fill this critical role. She began earlier this summer and has been a visible presence at the dealership. During a recent service visit, Sara introduced herself to me as I waited in the customer area, explained her role and then proceeded to help me with a blue tooth issue I was having. Beside spontaneous Q & A, Sara also gets involved with Encore Delivery. During this process, she sits with new customers during vehicle delivery in order to give them an overview of their car and any key features. But because most customers are anxious to get on the road and drive, she encourages follow-up "appointments" so she can review the cars features again after new owners have had a chance to get more acquainted with their vehicles. Impressive stuff if you ask me.

So with all the new products and platforms and a product genius to make us tech and product savvy, what else could there be to look forward to in 2015? For starters, we can expect an electric X5, the next generation



Joel on the floor applying the "not-so-secret" sauce.

BMW of Stratham



X5M and X6M and more diesel models. And locally, Joel and team are preparing for a major renovation at their dealership. With a targeted completion date of December 2015, the effort will drastically change the appearance of the showroom with an expansion for additional floor models and a dedicated area for customer interaction with the product genius. This space will be used not only for education but also for clients to custom design their new vehicles.

...Like most changes at Stratham, I can't wait to see it!

BMW CCA Foundation Raffle Win a New M235i or Michelin Tires

by: Andrea Galehouse, BMW CCA Foundation

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Raffle tickets and official contest rules are available at www.bmwccafoundation.org and are \$25 each with discounts available for multiple ticket purchases which can increase your odds of winning. The deadline to purchase tickets is 11:59pm ET on December 31, 2014 and the drawing will be held on or about January 15, 2015.

All proceeds directly benefit the programs of the BMW CCA Foundation, an organization dedicated to the promotion of driving safety and the preservation of history. BMW CCA Foundation programs include the Street Survival® safe teen driving program which teaches teens to survive their most dangerous years on the road; the Library, Archives and Museum Program to preserve BMW history; and the Conservation and Preservation Program to encourage the preservation of automobiles.

Street Survival® is built upon the premise that safe driving is learned by doing. With the help of corporate sponsors Tire Rack, Michelin, BMW NA and Enterprise, the BMW CCA Foundation has offered subsidized car control training to teenagers across the United States since 2003. The program is hands-on and is designed to go beyond the typical high school driver's education course. Street Survival® is unique in that it offers students instruction in their own cars so that they learn the limitations of the car they drive daily.

David Rose Joins the BMW CCA Team New Marketing & Communications Assistant

by: Chris Henney, BMW CCA National Office

David Rose, creator of Hitting Redline, will be assisting us part-time with our marketing efforts through December, and then begin full-time work for the Club in January 2015. Rose, most recognized for his cinematic videos, brings an amazing array of talent to the position. Rose

will assist in creating standalone e-mail messages, creating content for the website, posting to social media, and of course some video projects.

Many of David's videos and stories have been featured on major automotive websites. Most recently, David filmed a video of an M4 hot lap ride at the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix and shared his thoughts on the new M4. The story and video was picked up by Jalopnik and gained quite a bit of attention across the Internet.

Rose will also bring a new perspective to the team as a recent high school graduate. His ideas and experience as a young BMW enthusiast are sure to help the Club target the newest generation of BMW owners.

46th Annual BMW CCA Oktoberfest New Jersey Chapter to Host – September 2015

by: BMW CCA National Office



Jagged peaks and brilliant desert were a stunning backdrop for 2014's Oktoberfest in Colorado, but next up, the club's annual extravaganza flips to the Atlantic seaboard with the New Jersey Chapter at the Stockton Seaview Hotel and the New Jersey Motorsport Park in Absecon.



The 46th Annual Oktoberfest will run from Monday, September 21 through Sunday, September 27, 2015, and will feature many of the events that longtime attendees have become familiar with at previous shows, including the renowned Pirelli Concours and the BMW CCA Foundation golf tournament. Other events like the Pirelli Throwback Thursday dinner and the gymkhana precision driving course will return too along with the Bridgestone Autocross, local area tours and activities in nearby Cape May, tech talks, dinners, and social events—and also returning is the proven member favorite - the German Biergarten.

Track drivers will appreciate access to the high-performance driving world with ample time at the modern and challenging New Jersey Motorsport Park circuits. Oktoberfest will be taking advantage of both tracks offered by NJMP, the first being the 2.25-mile Thunderbolt Raceway—a popular and challenging circuit with a dozen corners, a half-mile straightaway, and 40 acres of paddock space. The second course, NJMP's northern Lightning Raceway circuit, is a fast, 1.9-mile course with 10 exciting corners and numerous elevation changes, as well as a 20-acre paddock. Oktoberfest attendees will be able to take full advantage of NJMP's facilities with four days of High Performance Driver Education clinics and Club Racing, with both circuits reserved by the BMW CCA for the event.

The 2015 Oktoberfest, will again be presented by Michelin and offers something for every club member, whether the turn-of-the-century host hotel, the car shows and driving tours, the meals and social events with fellow members of the BMW enthusiast community, the numerous specialized vendor booths of our sponsors, the four days of intense, track-focused, high-performance driving, or any other surprises that have yet to be announced.

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Monday December 8th, 2014 6:30pm - 9:00pm

Chapter Year-End Celebration

Come join us for festive merriment, camaraderie, and a special dinner in conjunction with the bi-monthly meeting. Election results to be made official. Location: The Common Man restaurant of Windham. COST: FREE Dinner! RSVP

Friday January 2nd, 2015 5:00pm

Profile submission deadline

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Monday January 12th, 2015 6:30pm - 9:00

Chapter Membership Dinner

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



Monday January 26th, 2015 6:30pm - 8:30

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

Monday February 9th, 2015 6:30pm - 9:00

Chapter Membership Dinner

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Monday February 23rd, 2015 6:30pm - 8:30

Social Event Committee Meeting

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Friday March 6th, 2015 5:00pm

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Monday March 23rd, 2015 6:30pm - 8:30

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 Airport Diner in South Manchester COST: FREE Food and Drinks, RSVP

Sunday March 29th, 2015 8:00am - 9:00am

Parker's Maple Barn Breakfast Meet And Greet

Visit one of NH's great spots for local flavor and fun at Parker's Maple Barn. Join us for a fabulous breakfast (pay your own) and we'll take a tour through the sugar house and purchase fresh maple syrup in the gift shop. (Non-members welcome) Parker's Maple Barn, 1316 Brookline Road, Mason, NH. COST: Pay Your Own, RSVP

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Two Much of a Good Thing ...Is a Good Thing

by: Stan Chamallas



Looking back, 2014 was certainly a good year for “the Great White”. My work schedule allowed me to check off another bucket list item, specifically, The Vintage in North Carolina.

The ride from my home in Greenland, New Hampshire to Winston-Salem, North Carolina was uneventful and the coupe ate up the miles with ease. Another E9 enthusiast, Larry Schwartz whom I had met at the 2013 Vintage in Saratoga, invited me to stay at his house in Pennsylvania to break up the drive. Together then, we drove the remaining eight hours the next day, hooking up with a caravan of about ten 2002s near Washington, DC.

The Vintage was terrific with a lot of eye candy! There were 14 E9 coupes from as far away as Maine. We managed to get most of them all parked to-

gether in Old Salem for the show and of course photos. The evenings were spent in the parking lot of the host hotel where I enjoyed meeting old and new friends. Rob Siegel, “The Hack Mechanic”, played guitar and it was a festive atmosphere. In the end, leaving at o-dark-early, Tome Samuelson and I drove back to New Hampshire and Massachusetts in one long shot, only stopping for breakfast, lunch, and a “brief chat” with the VA State Police- (but that’s a story for another time).

Shortly after the Vintage in North Carolina came the Vintage in Saratoga. Again, in a small convoy from New Hampshire we enjoyed a great drive through scenic Vermont landing in New York at the Saratoga Auto Museum. The museum was showcasing a special display celebrating 50 years of the Mustang and it was truly awesome. As for BMWs though, not as many coupes were there as in 2013, but it was still a good turnout for the event. The BMW field was filled with E9 coupes, 2002s, Baur, E24 “sharks”, M6s, M5s and even a spectacular Bertone bodied V8 coupe. A true delight.

With Vintage in Saratoga taking place so close to New Hampshire, I am surprised that more club members don’t make this wonderful drive with their classic Bimmers. Surely not everyone here drives only new BMWs? Maybe together we could coordinate a WMC event to the Vintage in Saratoga in 2015? I know it would be fun! If you’re interested, drop me a line.



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