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Chief Instructor, Jim Viall and Steward, Pete Basiliere coordinate over the radio with NHMS crew during the End of Summer Driving School at NHMS.

Hot laps - supplied by the DEC, and hot chili - supplied by the SEC, made for a deliciously spicy BMW club weekend. Judging from the head count and enthusiasm of pretty much everyone there, it was a perfect way to close out summer and kick-off fall.

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Like Passing a Highway Mile Marker

Here Comes 2016

by: David Harrison, WMC president

Here we are with January coming down the road straight at us! January was actually named after the goddess Janice who had two faces so she could look forward and backward. That is why it is appropriate at this time to glance in the rearview mirror to see where the club was in 2015 and gaze ahead down the road to see where the club will be in 2016.

Although overall membership numbers remained fairly constant over 2015, I was very happy to see that participation and interest in the club overall, rose noticeably! Most of the credit needs to go to the Driving and Social Events Committees, and of course the active, participating club members themselves. It was a banner year!

The DEC started early in April and ran events into November! Like the USPS, our instructors let neither wind, nor rain, nor sleet, keep them from their duties. Love of the track with all the sights, smells, sounds, and excitement enticed the hardcore volunteers to preserver. They managed to disregard the New Hampshire climate and very time consuming preparations. The season final HPDE event at NHMS sold out despite running on Halloween!

The SEC also organized fantastic events the full year too, starting with fresh made maple syrup in March to climbing to the Castle in the Clouds for great leaf peeping in early



autumn, and much in between. New and old members set up and coordinated over a dozen gatherings in all, with the sole purpose of getting some "BMW Nuts" together for fun and camaraderie. -Drives, dinners, car shows, movie & bowling nights and more! There never seemed enough time to plan it all, but they had fun loading up the calendar!

Looking forward, I see the same level of excitement and enthusiasm that the chapter generated in 2015, continuing in 2016. The names may change within the board, and our planning committees, but I'm confident the mission will remain the same. We will keep the passion for BMW alive and share it with anyone who would like to join along for the ride.

Happy NewYear!

David





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Remembering Back...

Banners, a Tent and Countless New Members

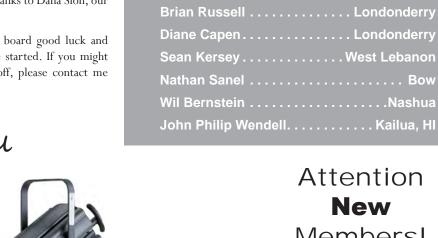
by: Michael Morin, WMC membership chair

hapter elections are again upon us; it's time for us to choose our → chapter board members for 2016. Although we hold elections annually, this year is different in that we actually have multiple people nominated for many of the positions. See pages 8 & 9 for their candidacy statements, then go to the website and vote!

On another note, wanted to share with you that this Profile issue will be my last as your official membership chairman. I have been compiling the membership database since 2009. Since then, I've had the pleasure of greeting every new member who provided an e.mail address, making sure they'd know how to get connected with the chapter. Launched in 2009, our "membership booth" had a strong presence at the annual, but unfortunately now defunct, Northeast Exotics Car Show at Anheuser Busch Brewery, and at the yearly Bavarian Autosport Show & Shine (or "Squeegee") we had fun developing our successful "vendor tent" to promote membership in the club. In addition, we established a vibrant presence on Facebook and Twitter from scratch. Organizing all of these was done by myself almost single-handedly with help thanks to Dana Sion, our current Vice President.

It's been a lot of fun. I wish you and the future board good luck and hope they are able to continue on with what I've started. If you might be interested in taking over where I'm leaving off, please contact me (m.morin@wmc-bmwcca.org) or any board member.

Michael



Member Spotlight

submitted by: David Harrison

Somebody You Should Know

Michael Morin WMC Membership Chair member since 2003

1 member" is a term attributed to anyone in the chapter who regularly gets directly involved to make the club better. Michael Morin is truly an active member. He

has been the Membership Chair long enough to have welcomed probably most of our current members into the club.

A lab technician by night and club volunteer by day, Michael found numerous creative ways to recruit new members and maintain existing ones. He has been proactive in every way looking to recruit BMW fans into our fold. His chapter tent and table have been a fixture at many shows and events, often from dawn to dusk.

Michael's efforts don't stop with his zeal for recruiting however. As an active and contrib-

uting Social Events Committee member over the past number of years, Michael has helped plan, organize and run countless tours, dinners, and other chapter events - only rarely missing a club outing. His chili pot entry even earned him an award this year at the NHMS End of Summer Chili Cook-Off. Michael's ongoing efforts undeniably rank him as an "active member" worthy of appreciation from the entire chapter.

Michael's passion for the club is obvious, but after many years, Michael has decided to step down as Membership Chair. If you might be interested in assuming this position in the club we'd love to hear from you. Contact Michael or any chapter board member for more information or to throw your hat into the ring.

Michael: m.morin@wmc-bmwcca.org

Attention New Members!

Welcome

Tony Coriaty Dover

Jeremy Hopwood..... Francestown

John Snow Swanzey

Jeffrey Wagner.....Exeter

Wayne Whitcomb..... North Hampton

Sandra MannAmherst

Tom Hoey Francestown

Brian Miller Manchester

Stephen HoeferNewmarket

Ken Edwards Manchester

our newest

White Mountain Chapter members

7 e welcome you to the club and invite you to join us at an upcoming chapter meeting. Introduce yourself and dinner will be on us! We'd love to meet you. See the calendar of events on page 12 for more information.

One way to enjoy the benefits of club membership and a way you can make this great club even better is by getting involved. Hopefully we'll see you soon! Whether you drive a BMW or MINI or simply share our passion for them... welcome.



Smuttynose Brewery Tour and Tasting WMC to Take a Pre-Christmas Break

by: Marybeth Francoeur, SEC Chair



on't get stressed this season! Take a break and with us on Sunday, December 13th at 11:00am for a tour and tasting at the Smuttynose Brewery (105 Towle Farm Rd, Hampton).

The tour is free and the tasting is only \$3! Afterwards, we'll enjoy a snack, or light lunch at the brewery's Hayseed farm-style restaurant. All costs are pp & self-pay at event. Please RSVP by Friday, December 11 (mbfrancoeur@comcast.net). Hope you can join us for some merriment. Cheers!

A Winning Combination for Fun DEC + SEC + F1 Boston = 1 AWESOME Event!

by: Chris Hegarty, SEC member



A ttention all you track rats and social butterflies!

Your Social and Driving committees are looking to gauge the interest level in doing a driving and

social event at F1 Boston in February (date to be finalized by mid-December). We need to get some feedback as to your desire to participate in this event. No feedback = no show. Contact me via the SEC staff page at the chapter website as soon as possible if you might be interested.





Envisioning yourself and fellow club members in either of these photos? Contact Chris Hegarty and make it happen!

Cost would be in the \$100 pp range with the potential to add on food & beverage, as well as some time in the billiard room should there be interest. Look for an e.mail in your in-box very soon once we've determined the costs, time and options.

Hack Mechanic Book Signing Open House at Ultimate Bimmer Services

by: David Harrison, president



Ultimate Bimmer Services of Nashua held their first open house with a special book signing event with Rob Siegel (a.k.a. the Hack Mechanic). Roughly thirty people attended and were welcomed by our hosts Heather and Corey Knight who turned their independent garage into a makeshift theater for Rob's presentation.

After a brief reception with coffee and pastries we took our seats in what started out like a AA meeting. "Hi, I'm Rob and I *need* 13 cars. Some running and some not." Right there we should have started an intervention. Fortunately for our speaker most of the men in the audience envied him so we let him go on. And go on he did! Topics covered everything from whether or not Rob is Eric Clapton's twin to how to accommodate storage for more vehicles than the local taxi garage, and of course... how his "better half" came to accept "the things (person) she cannot change".





If you have been reading the Hack Mechanic column over the last 25 years in Roundel you would appreciate the humor and logic in the 410 page Memoirs of a Hack Mechanic. Bentley Publishers is known for their top shelf tech manuals (which were also for sale at the event by longtime employee Maurice). And while Rob's book may seem like a departure for Bentley, Memoirs feeds the same passion in BMW fa-

natics as do their other great books. Many attendees left with a smile and an autographed copy.

So thanks go out to Rob, Heather and Corey, and the WMC Social Events Committee for pulling together this day to remember. The only question is how can we top the event next year?

Cars, Chili & Camaraderie at NHMS End of Season Driving School In the Rear View Mirror

text & photos by: David Thibodeau, DEC Chair



HPDE season finale at NHMS: Deliciously spicy both on and off the track!

Halloween weekend saw more than 130 BMW CCA students and instructors finish their last laps of the season while closing down the asphalt at New Hampshire Motor Speedway for the year. Despite cold temperatures Saturday and damp surfaces on Sunday, the event was fun, educational, and safe for everyone involved — a testament to every student's driving skill, the high level of in-car instruction, and direction "behind the scenes" from the NHMS safety crew and corner workers.

Event sponsors brought along some very special vehicles this time! Tulley BMW had a very cool Austin Yellow M4 for us to check out up close. Concord Motorsport brought their Dinan tuned MINI Cooper. And we are always envious of the magic that Turner Motorsport sprinkles onto their own and their customers' BMWs. 3D Auto Works and Bavarian Autosport were also generous with their support.

Chapter Members owe many thanks to Jim Viall (Chief Instructor), Bruce Bergeron (Registrar), Paul Lillios (Tech Inspection), Pete Basiliere (Control), Doug Brown (Classroom Instruction), Vic Waryas (False Grid), and Dick Cadieux (Steward). More than 30 in-car instructors and volunteers also worked very hard, both days, all day, to keep things running



smoothly and enjoyable for everyone else. Leveraging the *DrivingEvals.com* commenting system, we seriously consider all of your feedback in an effort to continually improve driving events.

We were once again lucky to be chosen as the preferred venue for the an-

nual Social Events Committee's chili cook-off on Saturday night. Roland Beaule, Mike Morin, Dana Scion and Chapter President, David Harrison brought along their culinary entries and set things up for all to enjoy. I was quite pleased to see members also found a way to say thank you with donations to support the New Hampshire Food Bank.

I have received many compliments about the weekend from BMW CCA members, and even our guests from the Porsche Club and other groups.



Have a wonderful holiday season! Relearn those winter driving skills - you will need them soon - and see you in the spring!

Roger's Redliner Diner Rendezvous A Bav Auto Show & Shine of a Different Kind

by: David Harrison, president



The first week in October has traditionally been a time for BMW owners to gather in Portsmouth. Without the mega Show and Shine at Bavarian Autosport this year, some BMW CCA members decided to venture to Portsmouth anyway and met for breakfast at Roger's Redliner Diner. Just down the road from Bav Auto, a baker's dozen of cars from

four states (!) lined up in the parking lot of the classic diner (who's legacy dates back to the '50s).





The impromptu show in the parking lot was followed of course with a stop around the corner at BavAuto for a visit and shopping excursion. This group of "CCA diehards" proved you cannot take away a good time as long as BMW nuts find an excuse to get together!

Castle in the Clouds Touring Rally Royal Excursion for WMC Members

text & photos by: Marybeth Francoeur, SEC Chair

There is no better time to drive to northern New Hampshire than late September / early October when fall is in the air and the leaves paint the perfect picture frame. Castle in the Clouds

in Moultonboro, proved to be a fantastic event for our group. The day was warm and sunny and the gardens were still in full bloom.



Hydrangeas, roses, and perennials were hardy, meticulously weeded, and gloriously blooming, despite the harsh winters they regularly endure.

On September 26th, club members met in Hooksett at the Cinemagic on Route 28. From there we ventured on a two-hour touring rally drive through Hooksett and on through to Moultonboro. Chris Hegarty was kind enough to organize the event and plan the rally route. Kudos on a job well done! The directions were right on and the group meandered through small quaint towns and past the site of the Deerfield Fair.

Upon arriving at the historic Lucknow Castle, we were treated to a trolley ride up to the top of the mountain as well as a very knowledgeable tour guide. The guide brought us through the history of the castle from the time it was built and through its generations of owners with their interesting lives. Following the guided portion, it was a self-guided tour through the many lovely rooms of this castle.

The view from every room was amazing, and we were able to experience the authentic kitchen facilities, complete with period kitchen implements and china on display. Some interesting features of

the castle we learned of, include the plumbing, refrigeration capacity and heating, (especially unique for its time), as well as ornate decorations, a large pipe organ, pool table, and cute little cubby hole hidden room off of the library. Many dossiers were

available to answer any questions that we had. It was interesting to think of the past occupants' lives in this very large, majestically located castle atop a mountain in New Hampshire! From the castle, I could see Gunstock off in the distance, and I believe, Mount Monadnock as well. Just a stellar view!

Later in the afternoon, we arrived at Balmoral Estates Clubhouse. Complete with a fireplace, big screen TV, and disco ball (that we actually turned on!) as well as a nice walkway to the lake and a BBQ grill; it was the perfect meeting spot. For convenience sake, we all brought food to share picnic style. Fried chicken, burgers, sandwiches, and shared snacks were the fare for the day. We stayed for a couple of hours, enjoying the moment, talking and planning future club events that could be as fun as this one was. Sadly though, as enjoyable as the day was, it came time to leave.

A special "thank you" to Chris Hegarty for planning and organizing this terrific event!

the view

was

amazing

White Mountain Chapter Elections 2016 Board Positions up for Change

→ the Chapter's board members for 2016 and the polls are open you'll be finished. now, but closing soon - so don't delay!

home page you'll notice the "election" button in the top right corner. ballot below. An asterisk (な) after a name denotes an in-Have your membership number handy. Then click on the button to cumbent board member.

alling all chapter members in good standing! It's time to elect go to the official online ballot page; within a couple minutes

To help you decide how to cast your vote, you can read the Voting is quick and easy. Simply visit the chapter website and on the candidacy statements from all the individuals on this year's



PRESIDENT



President for the White Mountain Chapter of the BMW CCA. I must have

this position for the club in 2016. In the past I have strived to keep our chapter relevant as I continue to serve all

experience to our group. I have no illusions of navigating the course for the Chapter on my own. The Board, Committees, and general membership are all very capable.

organized and maintain the lines of communication within the chapter as well as with other chapters and the National CCA.

The budget will be established to have us membership to enjoy a top notch newsletter, track events, and social events. I will also be the focal point for compliance with all by laws and practices as dictated by BMW CCA.



A BMW CCA member since 2000, I have vol-unteered for our Chapter the past 9 years, first as Registrar and most

recently as Driving Events
Committee Chair. In these
roles I have helped recruit
attendees, find sponsors, count the pennies,
and operate dozens of the driving events that
are Chapter's primary revenue source every

off-track events enjoyed by many members. I fondly remember attending several national-level BMW CCA Oktoberfests, and in the past have sponsored and helped organize the MINIs on Top gathering at Mt. Washington.

Your consideration of me as President of the White Mountain Chapter would be greatly appreciated. With your vote, I will endeavor to:

- driving events in new and diverse locations
- encourage collegiality and consensus among Chapter volunteers

By day I am a partner in the law firm of Cesari and McKenna focusing on securing and enforcing intellectual property rights. I am well acquainted with what it takes to successfully lead a volunteer organization, having been
President of the 900-member Boston Patent
Law Association, Chair of the Business Plan
Competition at Worcester Polytechnic Institute
(my alma mater), and currently an Officer of

grown children have enjoyed many BMWs and MINIs over the years, now having custody of a much loved Cooper, a Z4, and an X5 diesel.

two or three times our size. As President will keep our Chapter active, solvent - and most of all – fun!



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VICE PRESIDENT



for allowing me to have served as your Vice President. I kindly ask you to allow me to continue

I always place the White Mountain Chapter first above all else while chapter board related activities and events are conducted.

I have been a BMW enthusiast since purchas-

Paul Lillios



with BMWs in the early 1980s, and currently have a 1987 M6 and a 1995 M3. My daily driver is an E39

have participated in countless social events, technical sessions, driving schools and meetings. Our White Mountain Chapter has histori-

Chapter leadership must encourage participation by all BMW enthusiasts, regardless of the diversity of their interests - fun rallies/tours, picnicking, shade tree repair, show and shine, or driving skills. We must also find effective ways to attract and retain new, different, and younger members via social media while continuing to promote "real world" events to them such as Street Survival.

sponsors and encourage growth in membership, while being accountable to you in all of the club operations.



or you can vote in person at the December website as early as possible restaurant of Windham. See the calen- modate our group. dar entry on page 12 for details about the meeting.

You have until December 11th to vote online, Please RSVP for the meeting from the chapter 14th chapter meeting at The Common Man so a large enough room can be booked to accom-



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Roland Beaule *



SECRETARY

retary, and am happy to announce I'm running for another term in 2016.

good job and would like the chance to continue

member and eventually move on to other roles within the club, but in 2016 I would certainly enjoy continuing on as your club's secretary.

I look forward to your support and would appreciate your vote. Thank you for your time

ing my first BMW in 2001. It took me a while to get involved in Chapter activities but when I did, I never stopped. As Vice President I have been very active in the Social Events Committee and have represented the club

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to prospective advertisers, sponsors, and prospective members. If re-elected, I will work to continue our progress in bringing together BMW enthusiasts from across the state and expanding our awareness around our driving events. I have so much I would like to offer the electric in 2016 with your vote.

for a regional automotive supplier with a territory that covers most of New Hampshire. In that role I already know and have worked with, most of the chapter's long-time sponsors for a long time. In prior jobs I was a successful manufacturing plant operations manager, where I was accountable at the highest level for orderly and profitable operation.

In our club, dependable support from the sponsors of our newsletter, website and other activities is absolutely crucial to keeping the chapter strong and financially sound. With that in mind, the White Mountain Chapter would have much to gain from my years of proven work experiences and my vast I have already established, not only with the "inner circle" of the current supporters of our old have circle" of the current supporters of our club, but also with a much broader circle encom-passing many more prospective sponsors as well – prospects just waiting to be tapped into.

I am eager and willing to share my skills and enthusiasm with the club, so your vote for me as the next Vice President of the White Mountain Chapter would be greatly appreciated.

TREASURER



Greetings Fellow WMC Bergeron and I am running for chapter Treasurer. It would be my pleasure to serve you and our club by providing sound leader-

ship, transparent financial reporting and passion to help facilitate successful chapter activities of all kinds. While I participate primarily in driving events, I fully appreciate the other activities the chapter

I have been a BMW CCA member for eight years, a member of the Driving Events Committee for five years, and have been the DEC Registrar the last three years. I am a certified BMW CCA Instructor and have the pleasure

of spending over 20 days each year volunteering at driver safety schools and high per-formance driving schools with both our White Mountain Chapter and the Boston Chapter.

I have successfully managed small and medium sized businesses my entire adult life. This has allowed me to gain experience in all sales, finance, business development, accounting, A/R, Budgets, Financial Statements, Human Resources, CIPs, etc.).

Over the years I have been a member of many Boards of Directors and Trustees, representing many different types of organizations. I enjoy volunteering my time and expertise to help organizations succeed and it would be my pleasure to serve you and our chapter.

Tom Giffen



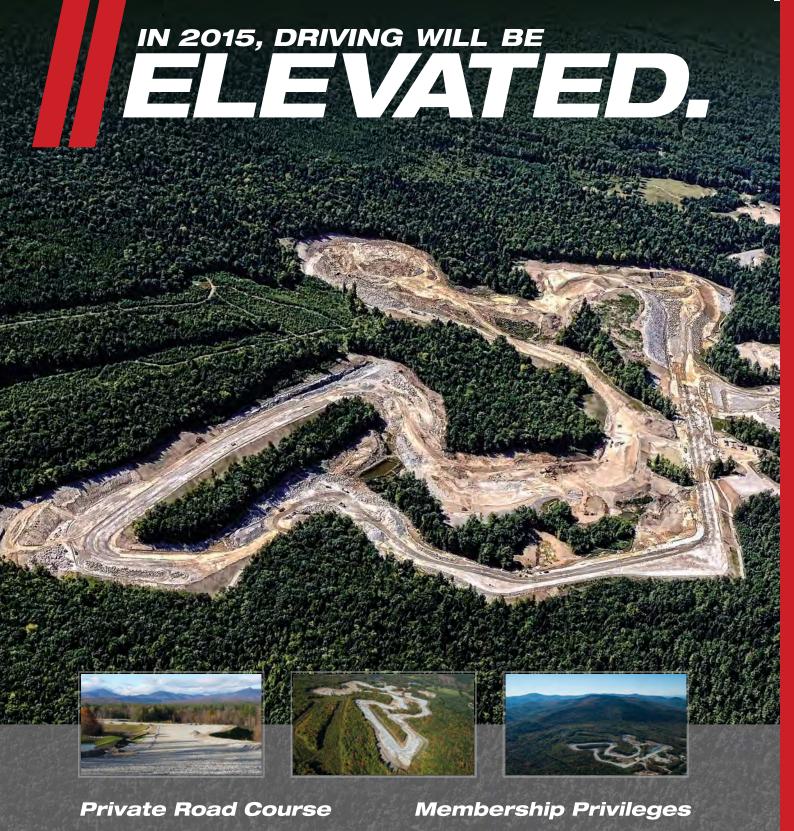
My name is probably not familiar to many of you although I have been a member of the BMW CCA and the White Mountain

Chapter for 15 years, and have enjoyed a number of driving events over the years. I have decided that I should give back to the club, therefore, I am running for the position of Treasurer.

I believe that I am qualified for the position for

I helped ensure that proper disbursement were kept. Second, I am a Certified Public Accountant licensed to practice in New Hampshire, very familiar with the requirements of the position and the responsibilities that the position entails. Third, I have had significant exposure to the finances of a variety of not for profit entities, both as an auditor and also as adjunct faculty at SNHU, where I have taught accounting for governmental and not for profit entities on several occasions.

pleased to accept the duties of treasurer, and humbly request your vote.



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The Epic Florida BMW Adventure That Took Us Back to the Future

by: Thomas Stoll

I twas a dark and misty (not stormy) night. We were driving south on I-95 from New Hampshire towards D.C.. Across the Tappan Zee Bridge we went, with some belongings in tow, towards a destination in the south.

Presently after traversing the New Jersey turnpike, Philadelphia Bridge, Baltimore and Washington bridges etc. we approached Washington D.C.. An exit, then a left and another turn and after registering, we were in line for our train.



After settling in and having a nice dinner, we turned in for the night, the clickety clack of the train on its tracks and the occasional three toots of a train horn sounding in the background.

The next day we were driving to Fort Myers Beach so we stopped at BMW of Ft. Myers where we saw this neat 1960 BMW Isetta.

Continuing on, we passed the marker which announced 200 miles to Key West (and another 90 to Havana though we would need a BMW boat for that).



We continued down Estero Boulevard to Bonita Springs. To see the white sands, we continued to Lovers Key state park where the X5 looked happy beachside.



many memories



After soaking the rays for a bit, we drove to Naples and had lunch at Mel's Diner on old Route 41. See the nice 740 parked out front.



After a nice '50s style lunch we exited Mel's and were stopped in traffic. Quickly we saw a side road, so we took a right and a left to avoid some red lights and then suddenly... there they were... our jaws dropped! I couldn't breathe! Could it be? I blinked my eyes, is it a mirage? Right in front of

us there they stood, an oasis of an even dozen silver Deloreans! Had we been trapped in a time warp? A wormhole back to 1985? Suddenly, we were Marty and his girlfriend Jennifer in the original *Back to the Future*!

Our 2010 X5 probably didn't know what to think since the BTTF movies were before it's time. Pretending to be the Doc, I sat in the

1976 DMC prototype 1, with 741 original miles. I wanted to go 88 mph in the parking lot to see if we could be transported back to 1985 or to 1960 so we could drive a new BMW Isetta!

Following the trip back in time, it was time to head back, but one further detour, back to the beach.

The end of the day saw the sunset over the water. Many memories made.





Stay tuned for further adventures...

Upcoming Eventsand Noteworthy Dates for Your Calendar

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Dates and Times subject to change. Always check the website for most current info.



Sunday December 13th, 2015 11:00am - 11:00am Smuttynose Brewery Tour & Lunch



Join us on December 13, for a tour and tasting at the Smuttynose Brewery, located in, Hampton, NH. Afterwards, we will be enjoying a coffee,

snack, or light lunch at the Hayseed Restaurant (on premises-self pay at event). Questions? Call 603.436.4026. COST: Pay as you go. RSVP

Monday December 14th, 2015 6:30pm - 9:00pm Chapter Membership Dinner and **Vote**

Meet and vote for the candidates for your 2016 chapter leadership. You may vote in person if you have not online. Also enjoy a light dinner and drinks with the winners. This month's meeting location is at The Common Man restaurant of Windham. Questions? Call 603.216.2829. COST: FREE Food and Drink. RSVP

Friday January 1st, 2016 5:00pm **Profile submission deadline**

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February, 2016 (Date & Time TBD) F1 Boston Premier Event



Sounds interesting? See page X for more info.

Friday March 4th, 2016 5:00pm Profile submission deadline

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Sunday March 27th, 2016 8:00am - 9:00am Parker's Maple Barn Breakfast Meet And Greet

Visit one of New Hampshire'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

more on the chapter website!

about chapter calendar:

Registration, RSVP, travel directions, and details for all listed events are on the chapter website

High performance driving schools have special advance requirements.

Contact the advertising manager for ad submis sion deadlines.

Last Chance to Submit Your Best Shot! The 2015 WMC Photo Contest is Wrapping Up

by: Martin Callahan, Profile publication editor

Hope you had the opportunity to get out there with your camera this past year, because the 2015 Take Your Best Shot photo contest is in its final days and will officially end at midnight on December 31st.

As has been announced in the past few editions of *the Profile*, this is the WMC's

first ever season-long photo contest and is open to all club members. Up

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for grabs are some enticing prizes, so if you haven't already entered, you need to act fast!

For all the details and official rules of this contest, see any previous edition of *the Profile* from this year. (If you've already pitched yours, that's ok - they're archived on the chapter website.)

Judging will be done by the Profile's editorial staff, who's decisions are final. Winners will be announced at the January membership meeting and subsequently on the chapter website and in the next Profile.



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Garage Mahal on a Budget The Great White gets a New Home

by: Stanley Chamallas

7 hat does one do when not thinking about the '73 3.0 CS? Last year my wife and I decided to downsize, that's what. Like many others, the empty nest removed our need for the large house on 3 acres of land. Although we looked for homes with a three-car garage to accommodate our daily drivers and my coupe, we found

nothing available without going back to a large house. When we sold our home, I lost my "coupe corral", a standard garage I had built at the back of the property. So the first challenge I encountered was finding winter storage. Well, that proved to be more troublesome than expected! There was virtually nothing even close to the seacoast and what I was finding, would have cost \$150/month or more. In a stroke of luck however, a storage unit opened up just when I needed it, only a mile

from where my new house would be built, but it was not heated nor did it have electricity.

Our new neighborhood in Newmarket was just beginning so we

had a great deal of flexibility. We selected a house and property that is half the square footage of the house we sold and 20% of the yard space. Great in terms of weekly maintenance time but it meant my idea of building another garage was out of the question. However, the attached garage wasn't to be finished with any living space above it and thus a kernel of an idea formed. What if we finished the

garage with the ceiling as high as it could be made? What if I bought a four-post lift for storing the Great White in winter? So we started talking to the builder. Yes, the ceiling could be raised, providing 11'6" of head space, and yes, the motor for the garage door opener could be mounted to the side of the door and yes, the door could scoot along the top of the garage, consuming only a small bit of space. Yes!

I learned through a fellow coupe owner, Chris, who needs



reasonable price. After confirming that the garage floor could take the weight, I placed my order. Things were coming together. But wait, wouldn't it be great to have hot and cold water in the garage? Only \$1000. Hmmm... And wouldn't it be great too, to have heat in the garage? Only \$1200. Hmmm... My wife, God bless her, supported my plans. After all, my coupe corral at the last house cost more than these upgrades

would and these would actually "pay for themselves" in

about three years with the money we'd be saving by not renting a storage unit every winter.

to store his CSL, Z8,

and Glas BMW GT,

of a four-post lift at a

But then came the next big decisionthe floor. Tiles? Plastic panels? Epoxy? ...many choices. In the end I opted for epoxy as it seemed most easy to clean. I had a painter come and do the epoxy floor a week before the lift was to arrive. Floor done, BMW flag on the

wall, framed posters of BMW related events hung. Yes. Then... Nooo!- the floor started peeling! The painter returned and stripped the whole floor to redo it. Truly

a stand-up guy.

The Great White is off at VSR getting some TLC, (new pistons, headers, cam and bigger carburetors). With luck, the car and its new home will be done at the same time!

Makes the grill and garden tools look out of place, doesn't it? -ed.



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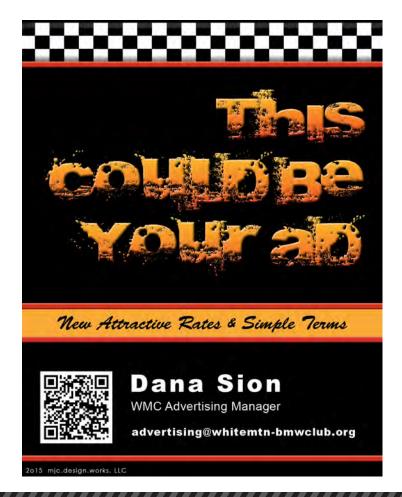
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