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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Well, here it is, 2016, and I'm back as president of the chapter. One of the first things for me to do is thank outgoing president Lance Johnson for his participation for having not only been president but as vice president and member at large as well. In addition, I would like to thank Shelia Morin for her most recent presence on the board as a member at large. I would also like to welcome Dave Mucciacciaro as our newest member at large.

I will say that in the upcoming year, there will be some changes. The biggest change will be the reduction in the frequency of publication of the newsletter to once a quarter. This change was decided on by the board as means to provide more events for the chapter while tightening the budget under increasing costs. To most of you, the reduction in the number of issues will go unnoticed.

As the weather gets bette,r the number of activities the chapter will be putting on will likewise increase, so why not come out to one? In addition, we'd appreciate it if we could get your help in running an event as well.

After all, it is your club.

- Willy Wiley

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"Bring More Wax" BMW Show N Shine!

This event will be held on Sunday, May 15, 2016 at Wickham Park in Manchester, CT. The BMW Show n' Shine is free to enter, however, admittance to the park is $7 per car. This is a rain or shine event with the 100th Year Anniversary of BMW as it's theme! Our pavilion (Williams Pavillion) is covered.

Wickham Park is located at 1329 West Middle Turnpike in Manchester, CT and is easily accessible from Interstate 84. Additional information on the park is available at wickhampark.org. Park opens at 9:30AM, and judging ballots will be collected at noon. To help you get ready, you can pick up some very helpful detailing tips at www.detailbest.com.

Following tradition, there will be valuable prizes for class winners, along with a $150 Gift Certificate raffle open to all car entrants provided by Detailbest.com.

RG UK (Raceglaze Ltd.) will also provide a complimentary gift to car entrants. Additionally, Car Pro USA will provide an entrant raffle prize. There's a good chance of more prizes as well. The Detailbest Mini-Store will also be on hand for your convenience.

We ask that all attendees bring a food item, such as an appetizer, side dish, salad or dessert to share. You may bring your own adult beverages. Water and soft drinks will be provided.

Your chapter will be providing burgers and hot dogs with all the fixings!

For event information and sponsorship opportunities, please e-mail Roger Chartier at rchartier@ctvalley.org, or call at (413) 539-4382. If you have a BMW, and you're in the northeast, the Bring More Wax Show n' Shine should be your Ultimate Destination!

To attend, please contact Roger Chartier by Sunday, May 8, 2016, and provide your BMW model you plan to show, and number of guests.

Guests should bring an appetizer or side dish, salad or dessert according to the following"
Last name beginning with:
A-H: Appetizer or Side Dish / I-P: Salad / Q-Z: Dessert

It's OK to attend without showing a car, but 9 out of 10 BMW technicians say you'll have more fun if you enter your car!:-) I tend to believe them, and you should too!

Please note that entry is limited to BMWs only!

Street Survival is Back

After having to cancel our Fall school due to the big storm, we are planning our Spring School with better weather. The school will be held on Saturday, May 14th, at the Consumer Reports Auto Test Facility in Colchester, CT. The cost for students is $75, which is very inexpensive compared to similar commercial programs.

As always, we are looking for volunteers for coaches and staff people. New coaches have to take the program test and work with an experienced coach before working alone. Staff people need no experience, just a willingness to be outside all day and a desire to help a group of kids become better drivers. It will be a long day, roughly 7:30am to 4pm, but definitely worthwhile.

Registration is open by visiting www.streetsurvival.org and finding our school.
-Dave Ortoli

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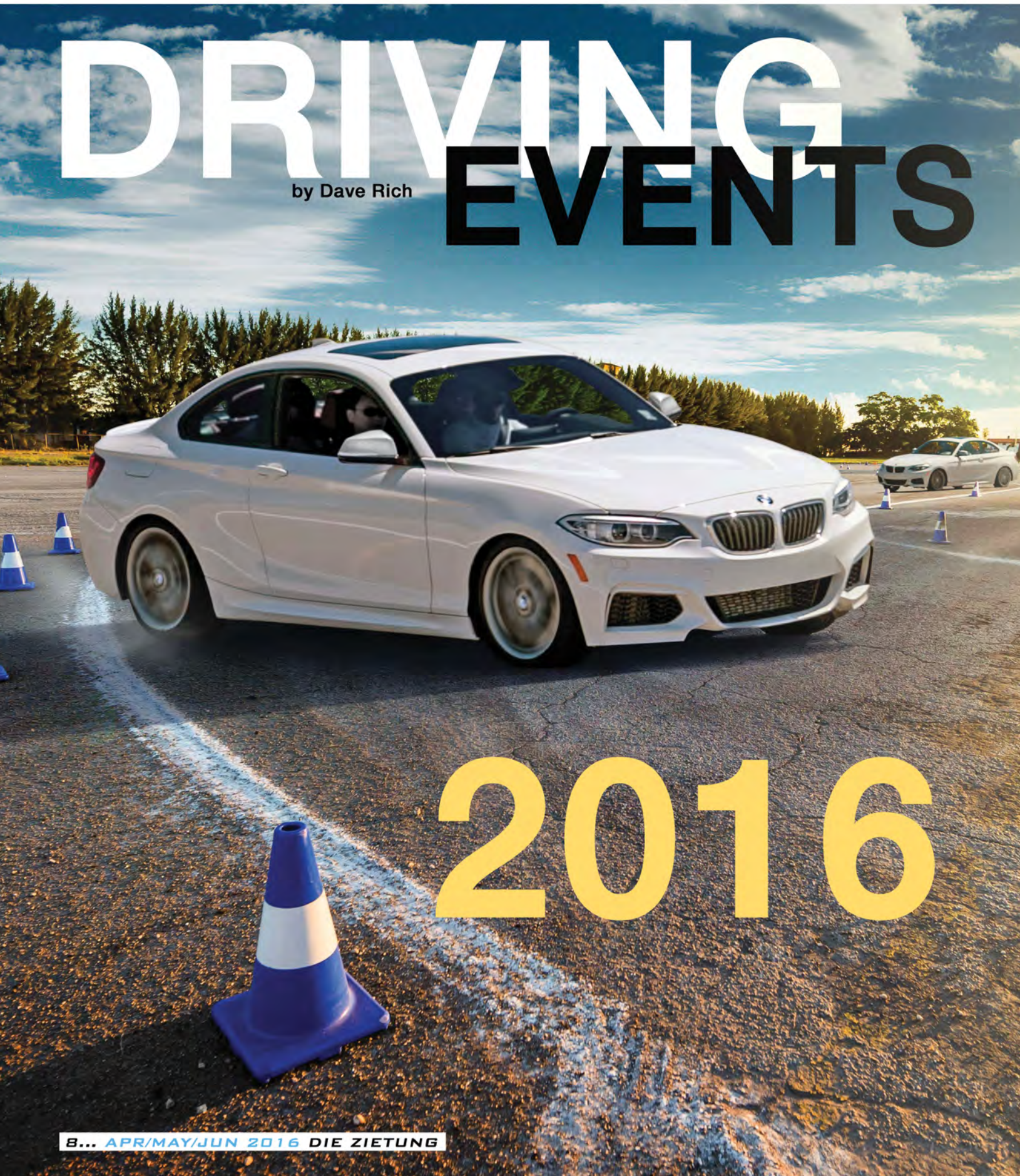
Saturday, May 14th, 2016

DRIVING EVENTS 2016

by Dave Rich



SAVE THE DATES:

- April 15 – Skid Pad / Autocross / Car Control Clinic – Lime Rock Park
- April 16 – Driver's School – Lime Rock Park
- June 24 – Driver's School – Lime Rock Park
- Sept 10 – Driver's School – Lime Rock Park
- October 15/16 – Driver's School – Palmer Motorsports Park

As always, you can sign-up for all our schools on www.MotorSportsReg.com.

We will be trying something new at the June 24th school – rather than the alternating hours schedule we have used in the past when sharing the track with the Lime Rock Driver's Club, we will have the track to ourselves from 1 – 5 in the afternoon. With this, everyone will still have the same amount of track time, but will not have to get up so early, or stay locally the night before. This will also permit a more leisurely registration and tech inspection process along with getting everyone through at least one classroom session before heading out. We are requesting everyone get to the track not later than 10:30.

Both the September and October schools will be co-hosted by the CVC and Patroon Chapters with Patroon taking the lead in September and CVC in October. The folks at Palmer have been quite busy this past winter months, with significant upgrades which will make for an ever improved experience:

- A electric gate now provides 24-hour secure access to the facility.
- Concrete curbing and rumble strips have been added at key corners.
- Raised platforms are now at key corner stations.
- Pave infield roads added to the infield paddock.
- Storm drainage has been improved around the track and paddock.
- Bathrooms and showers completed and operational.
- A large 26-bay garage is available for reservation and use.
- A dining pavilion will offer a wider range of dining and food options.

If you are interested in participating in managing our Driving Events Program, please contact Dave Rich at drich@ctvalley.org or 860-638-9087. We are looking for ideas and options for further improving the driver's school experience for both students and instructors.

LATE BREAKING NEWS!

We have been offered, and accepted, the opportunity for our October School at Palmer to be one of 7 BMW CCA HPDE events in 2016 sponsored by Bridgestone. We are excited to be included in this highly visible nationwide tour. Stay tuned for further details as we work out the details.

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M2 COUPE

After months of spy photos and rumors, the new BMW M2 made its world premiere... When the BMW M235i debuted, it was rejoiced as sort of savior for BMW, as it seemed like BMW was getting back to its roots. A small, rear-wheel drive coupe with a straight-six engine and the option of a six-speed manual. It felt more BMW-y than every other BMW. But it was never a proper M car, it never had the magic the M3s of yore had.

Well, that's about to change, as BMW has now created a proper M version, the M2. The M2 has gone back to basics, but has added a modern twist. It uses a brand-new six-cylinder in-line engine, with M TwinPower Turbo technology and three-liter displacement, develops 272 kW/370 hp w/ peak torque of 465 Nm / 343 lb-ft.

All of that tech and power allows the M2, with the optional M Double Clutch Transmission (M DCT) in place and Launch Control activated, to sprint from rest to 100 km/h (62 mph) in 4.3 seconds (4.5 s with the six-speed manual gearbox). The top speed of the new BMW M2 is electronically limited to 250 km/h (155 mph). If the M Driver's Package – which includes a BMW Driving Experience voucher for a track training course – is specified, this cut-off point doesn't arrive until 270 km/h (168 mph)...

The new BMW M2 is also a looker. This could be BMW's best looking car when it debuts next year. The M2 looks muscular, but not overdone, aggressive but not flashy. It could also be the best proportioned M car since the E46 M3. The fenders flare out a bit, to give the M2 a more muscular stance, but they do so subtly without looking like a boy-racer. It's not overdone, like some say the M3 is, it looks just right and could be BMW's best looking car. BMW says the fenders were extended 55 mm at the front and 80 mm at the rear...

Read the whole article here.
www.bmwblog.com/2015/10/13/bmw-m2-370-horsepower-4-3-seconds-sprint-world-premiere/

Our Annual Dinner

By Danielle Cartolano

Over one hundred club members joined in for our 2016 Annual Dinner and Election Meeting event at The Lodge at Maneeley's in South Windsor, CT. On a warmer night, with much less snow on the ground than last year, it was the perfect time to get together, have a wonderful meal, win a prize and listen to our guest speaker, Jim MacPherson, the Car Doctor. As always, this event is a way to see old friends and make new ones as conversation about everything from cars to current events takes place at each table. This year, there was a raffle for Tire Rack, which one of our driving instructors, Tom Ryan, won twice! All money collected for this prize was donated to ALS, so thank you to everyone who participated! If you weren't lucky enough to win the raffle, everyone took home a door prize of their choosing among a free Driver's School, a night at the Stonington Inn, a dinner on the Essex Train, a golf bag and a variety of gift cards, clothes and car accessories. I personally chose a generator, which came in handy a couple of weeks later when a storm knocked out all of the power in my apartment. Club website manager, Iggy Makarevich, and club Membership Chairman, Joe Robinson, and I used it to power our downed internet connection! A huge highlight of the night was our speaker, Mr. MacPherson, who gave an enlightening talk about how he sees the future of cars, including self-driving vehicles, the idea of sharing cars and what this all means for us. And congratulations to Willy Wiley, our new chapter president! If you missed this year, please join in next time for a lovely experience!

Fall 2015

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MAJOR THANK YOU!

By Roger Chartier

Remember all that fun you had in the doldrums of January at Maneeley's Lodge in South Windsor? The appetizers, dinner, drinks, dessert, old and new friends? And getting to spend an evening with none other than Jim MacPherson, "The Car Doctor," from CBS Connecticut-WTIC Radio? Even though he told us that a certain portion of kids growing up today just aren't really interested in cars, I like to think our members are raising their kids properly, as we do see quite a number of families at club events. And how about all those prizes? What a way to kick off a new year in genuine BMW fan style!

Now, about those prizes, which were valued at over $6,000. It sure was a lot of fun taking something cool home, wasn't it? We want to take a moment to thank our sponsors, who cared enough to make your evening more enjoyable. Remember, our sponsors help support our chapter, are VERY interested in you and really appreciate your business! Please do them a good turn and consider them FIRST when making your purchasing decisions. And tell them you remembered them from the BMW CCA Connecticut Valley Chapter Annual Dinner Meeting. Also, thanks to all of you in helping to raise $1,050 to help fight ALS!

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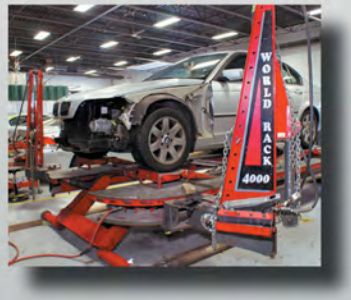

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April 21st – TBD: Ice Cream Social – Host: Danielle

April 22nd - Board Meeting – Host: Joe and Danielle

May 1st – eEuro Parts Car Show and Swap Meet – Windsor (non-CVC event)

May 14th – Street Survival – Colchester, CT – Host: Dave O.

May 15th – BMW 100th Anniversary - Show 'n' Shine – Wickham Park, Manchester – Host: Roger

May 19th – TBD: Ice Cream Social

May 27th - Board Meeting – Host: Wiley's

June 4-5th – Greenwich Concours – Greenwich (non-CVC event)

June 16th – TBD: Ice Cream Social

June 17th - Board Meeting

June 24th – Summer Driver's School – Lime Rock – Host: Dave R.

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