



2013 Runoff Autocross



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The President's Column

It seems like a few weeks ago that I was writing my first president's column, but looking at the calendar I realize that we are half way through the year already. Half-way points are good spots to recall what we have accomplished and see if we are on track. I'm happy with our driving events: the club put on 4 Autocrosses including our top driver runoff, a driving school/club race at Chuckwalla and karting at K1. We had 4 tech sessions, three of them joint events with the Porsche club. I'd like to see us do more tech sessions in the second half of the year. For social/fun events we have had three meet and greets and two cruises. I was particularly proud of our Teen Street Survival and Clean Car and Charity Auction which are events we put on to give back to the community. For Teen Street Survival, we taught a large group of teen drivers to be safer on the road with practical lessons that will be with them for the rest of their driving careers. The Clean Car Charity auction was a rousing success, we were able to raise and donate \$3000 to United Ostomy through the auction and entry fees of the participants. How did all this happen? I'd like to claim it was due to my wonderful leadership skills, but as with all great organizations the success comes from the workers not the leaders. So I want to thank everybody that have made the first 6 months of the year a rousing success.

So what do we do for the second half of the year? The biggest event is the national O'fest in Monterey in August. The San Diego chapter will be putting on the Autocross. We are planning a great event that will show a record O'fest crowd our usual San Diego excellence. We have four more Autocrosses at Qualcomm on the calendar. For social events we have Shakespeare in the Park this month as well as meet and greets around the county. I expect one or two cruises and maybe a rally to keep our weekend drivers happy. We only have one tech session planned at BMW of Escondido, if you have ideas about tech sessions that you would like to attend let me know. We will finish off the year with our Holiday Party at the San Diego Automotive Museum and immediately start planning for 2014.

Our next board meeting is August 13th at 6:30. We welcome new members, come by and see what we are planning. The formal meeting starts at 6:30, but get there at 5:45 for pizza, soda and conversation with fellow BMW fans. All members (and prospective) members are welcome. Hope to see you there.

— Jim



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Please send us your stories, tech. tips, photos, etc. We welcome and encourage any material you think would be informative or interesting to other members. All information should be submitted to the editor directly. Preferred format is e-mail. The deadline for submitting information to the editor is the 15th of each month.

2013 Calendar of Events

August 10

San Diego Chapter – Autocross,
Qualcomm Stadium, West Lot

August 10

San Diego Chapter – Shakespeare at the
Old Globe: A Midsummer Night's Dream

August 13

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

August 16 – 18

BMW CCA Regional Event – Monterey
Weekend: Legends of the Autobahn, and
Festorics at Laguna Seca; Monterey, CA

August 19 – 24

BMW CCA National Event – 44th Annual
Oktoberfest, Monterey, CA

September 10

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

September 12

San Diego Chapter – Test Drive Night at
BMW of Escondido

October 5

San Diego Chapter – Autocross,
Qualcomm Stadium, South East Lot

October 8

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

November 9

San Diego Chapter – Autocross,
Qualcomm Stadium, West Lot

November 12

San Diego Chapter – Board Meeting.
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New Club Members Welcome!

Christopher Amato	
Dane Bedel	1997 E39 540i/6
Conner Betten	
Stuart Blumer	
Daisy Boscan	
David Efurd	
Mark Francis	2004 X5; 1973 2002
Lei Gao	
Jeff Gerken	
Marianne Gregorio	
Bill Kellerman	
Neil Martin	
Brian McCarver	
Kevin McNeil	2006 M3 ZCP
Sean Mitchell	
Christian Montoya	
James Nierman	2008 328i
wDoug Patotzka	1990 M3; 1991 318is
Ethan Strader	
Rob Thurmond	
Jennifer Tokatyan	
David Trueman	
Daniel Wang	
William Wood	
Scott Young	

San Diego Chapter Monthly Board Meeting

Giovanni's Italian Restaurant,
9353 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.

6:00 P.M. – Pizza & soft drinks

6:30 P.M. – Board Meeting

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BMW CCA San Diego Chapter – Board Meeting Minutes for June 11, 2012

Board Members Present:

Jim Patterson, Brett Litoff, Lisa Goehring, Thejusvi Ganesh, Rich Gehring, Don Duncan, Kim Schwarz, Dennis Damon, Scott Sansom, JoJo Gonzales, Jim Lloyd

Members Present:

Steve Robbins, Paul Silver, Peter Winokur, Matthew Kogan, Nick Owen, Jim Binford, Charlie Kaehler, Jose Padilla, Marty Poirier, Andrew Franklin, Joel Weinberger, Robert Springer, Brandon Watson, Dan Tackett, Ed Havrilla, Gordon Anderson

Secretary's Report – Brett Litoff

The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Don Duncan

Our balance sheets are improving but our driving school at Chuckwalla was run at a loss. We will be looking at the cost of the hotel and other factors to minimize the cost to the club at next years driving school. Gordon Anderson stated that it cost the club about 900 dollars to put on the Street Survival after all costs/donations were taken into count.

Dennis Damon stated that he would like all board members to see an expense report for all major events.

Regional VP Update – Nick Owen

Over 800 people have registered for Oktoberfest. The LA Chapter is doing a school July 13/14th.

Waxmeister Report – Dennis Damon

Gordon Anderson presented the 3rd place winner a trophy from the Clean Car Contest. There was discussion about raising the registration fee for the Clean Car Contest from 10 dollars to 15. Dennis motioned that we donate 3,000 dollars to United Ostomy and it carried. There was discussion about increasing the amount of cars/judges at the Clean Car Contest and changing the date so it does not conflict with Bimmerfest.

Newsletter Report – Lisa Goehring

The June issue will be showing up later this month. Lisa has been getting estimates for color issues that are less than the current printer. Nick Owen stated that some chapters do bi-monthly color newsletters. The financial planning committee will be discussing doing this.

Advertising – Don Duncan for Ted Lange

Oceanside motorsports will be advertising in the Newsletter.

Autocross Report – Kim Schwarz

We will be running the autocross at Oktoberfest. The run off autocross will be run on 6/22 and Midnight Motorsports will be providing the mystery car.

Equipmentmeister – Rich Gehring

The trailer will need to be picked up for the 6/22 autocross.

Webmaster Report – Thejusvi Ganesh

The website and facebook are up to date. There was discussion about what dealers are posting on facebook. Jim Patterson discussed having a disclaimer at the bottom of the page saying what our club policies are on social media.

Social Events – Jim Patterson for Ann Littrell

The Vista Strawberry Festival was successful. Jim thanked JoJo for making vehicle signs. Lisa Goehring passed out dash plaques for participants.

Scott Sansom stated that Andre Eisenbach did a great job at the Data Acquisition event at Black Forest.

6/19 - Tech Session at Discount Tire. It will be a joint event with PCA.

6/26 - Meet and Great at Ignite

7/18 – Classic Car Night in Encinitas. Parking, brats, and beer at Charlie's Foreign Car.

7/28 – Possible cruise set up by Sean Thompson starting at BMW of El Cajon.

Cruise – Jim Lloyd

We had 42 cars and 57 people attend the event. Thanks to BMW of Escondido for sponsoring the event.

The next cruise will be 9/29 starting at BMW of El Cajon.

Rich Gehring stated that BMW of Escondido would like to hold a test drive session for club members on an upcoming Thursday.

Other Business

Jim Patterson stated that we should look at the PCA events, including their frequent rallies and cruises. They also do more tech sessions with both dealerships and independent shops. Jim Binford suggested more informal car show events, like a cars and coffee. Matt stated that Porsche Club as more sponsors at more of their events.

Gordon Anderson stated that there would be two Street Survival schools this year, one by BMWCCA and one by SCCA. PCA will not be running one because of legal problems with their national organization. Jim Binford stated that PCA could volunteer and do most of the work if BMWCCA did the insurance coverage and ran the event in BMWCCA's name. Gordon offered to present this to PCA at one of their board meetings.

Brice from Mossy BMW stated that they would like to sponsor more activities with our club.

JoJo suggested that we could have a sponsor at Speedfest.

Nick Owen stated that BMW of Murrietta would like to do an open house event in the future.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49pm

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Register early and don't be late to our early OktoberFAST!

Our sincerest thanks to BMW of El Cajon for their continued support of our Autocross Program!

Note: We do run if it's raining—you'll learn more and your tires will wear less—so if you see some unusual drops of water falling from the sky, grab your raingear and head to the Q! Also, the helmet standard has changed to require Snell 2005 or 2010 ratings. Check yours now to be sure it's up to date—rentals are limited.

The entry fee is \$65, including breakfast items, lunch and beverages. You can pay online if you register in advance at <http://sdbmwcca.motorsportreg.com>, or with cash or check if you wait to register onsite. You must be a BMW CCA member to participate, and you can join

online at www.bmwcca.org in advance. Please print and bring your membership confirmation if you have not yet received your BMW CCA membership card. We check membership of all participants at the gate. Our Chapter autocross policy gives priority to members who are driving BMWs or MINIs. Members driving non-BMWs will be allowed to participate if space is available.

REMEMBER: IF REGISTERED ONLINE, BRING PROOF OF MEMBERSHIP AND ARRIVE BY 7:30 (BEFORE ON-SITE CUT-OFF) TO KEEP YOUR RESERVED SPOT

When you arrive:

1. If you registered online, stop at the gate to sign the waiver and notify the Gate Greeter. Your name will be checked off the pre-registration list. All participants must show their BMW CCA membership card. Those who did not register online will receive a numbered card at the gate in their order of arrival; take it to the Registration table. There is no guarantee that spots will be available for those who wait to register the day of the event.
2. Empty all loose items from your car, then go through the Tech Line and have your car inspected. Bring your Tech card and you will receive Tech and helmet stickers.

3. Take Gate card and Tech card to Registration to get checked off for pre-registration or pay your \$65 entry fee. You will receive car numbers to place on your side windows.
4. If you don't have a helmet, you can rent one from the club for \$10.
5. Your entry fee of \$65.00 includes one lunch and unlimited beverages. Additional lunches can be purchased at Registration for \$7 each.

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

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- MM** Modified M cars, 1994-present
- MC** ALL R-class MINI Cooper models
- X** ALL non-BMW or MINI models
- G** Gold Class for all Instructors, opt-in drivers, and cars with slick tires

Stock classes permit any size wheel and tire; non-stock shock absorbers, bushings and strut braces; any brake pad material (brakes must be stock-size), any air filter or cold air intake or cat-back exhaust; and naturally-aspirated cars may use aftermarket engine management software. Tires must be 140 treadwear rated or higher in Stock. ANY other performance modification, including but not limited to springs, "R"-compound tires, and engine software for turbocharged/supercharged cars, puts the car in Modified. Non-DOT tires (i.e. slicks) on any car place it in Gold Class. All cars must be under a 92 dB noise level to be driven at Qualcomm—and we'll be checking. Our car classes are kept simple so we can use the honor system.

Women drivers and Novices are classified based upon the car they are driving. We also award a Women's Class trophy to the woman with the fastest time, and two Novice trophies to the two fastest novices. This means women and novices will be eligible for multiple trophies. For example, a very fast novice could win a novice trophy and a trophy in his car class. Remember, you are only a novice for the first and second time you autocross, and if you win a trophy you are now a ringer, not a novice.

QUESTIONS? Contact Jim Patterson at: sd-autocross@sdbmwcca.com.

ATTENTION NEWCOMERS: See the Autocross Tips at www.sdbmwcca.com to get a better idea of how to prepare for this wonderfully addictive sport for your first time.

See you at the Q!



And coming up in October...

Brats in the Lot Autocross on Saturday, October 5th!



Online Registration will be open from Sept 14th – Oct 1st
Register Online at <http://sdbmwcca.motorsportreg.com>

October is a special time of year for those Bavarians who make our Motors Work. We'll celebrate by running 'em to the redline and enjoying an Oktoberfest bratwurst barbecue for lunch. We'll be in the **Southeast Lot** and since we had such a positive response to our last autocross in the SE lot, you won't want to miss this one!

Our sincerest thanks to **BMW of El Cajon** for bringin' the brats and for their continued support of our Autocross Program!



2013 Runoff Autocross

June 22, 2013

4C – 4 Cylinder BMW

Shawn Q.	1973	2002	80.878	1st
Natalie F.	1998	318 ti	105.85	



G – Gold Class

Ryan P.	1990	Miata	72.227	1st
Andre E.	2008	135i	73.43	2nd
Sean T.	1992	Miata	74.123	
Joseph H.	2006	Cooper S	74.679	
Bob B.	1976	911	75.665	
Steve K.	2013	Active Hybrid 3	79.088	
Satakal K.	2000	323lt	79.294	

6M – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Modified

Kaustav A.	1993	325i	75.197	1st
Ryan W.	1989	327is	77.632	2nd
Patrick S.	1993	325 is	77.874	3rd
John J S.	1993	325 is	78.178	
Ryan C.	2001	330i	80.346	
Chris M.	1987	325is	80.387	
Josh E.	1990	325i	80.81	
Jason O.	1987	325is	80.9	
Alexander T.	2004	330i	82.144	
Thejusui G.	1998	528i	84.271	
Matthew I.	1993	325is	85.032	
Mike B.	2010	128i	85.563	
Brian H.	1991	325i	86.489	
Zyad H.	1988	325e	86.531	
Vinu J.	2006	330i	86.809	



6S – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Stock

John M.	2008	328i Wagon	76.692	1st
Kristen A.	2004	330ci ZHP	78.064	2nd
Harry W.	2000	Z3-2.8	79.262	3rd
Gerard L.	2011	328i	81.258	
Somer G.	2011	328i	81.439	
Michael G.	2011	328i	81.59	
Paul S.	2011	335d	85.778	
Walter G.	1991	325i	85.878	
Rene N.	2001	325i	86.207	
Tim C.	1995	325is	88.427	
Nicole S.	2001	325i	92.491	

MC – Mini Cooper

Frederick B.	2005	Cooper S	75.905	1st
Charles E.	2006	Cooper S	77.797	2nd
Grant G.	2005	Cooper S	77.92	3rd
Ron E.	2005	Cooper S	78.017	
Charlie V.	2005	Cooper S	78.019	
Bryant S.	2004	Cooper	79.757	
Michele N.	2007	Cooper S	80.791	
Annette N.	2003	Cooper S	82.468	





TM – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Modified

Tom W.	2007	335i Coupe	77.285	1st
Dan L.	1988	M3	78.692	2nd
Lindsey A.	2010	135i	78.832	
Jay B.	2009	335i	86.219	

TS – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Stock

Scott S.	2012	135i	78.011	1st
Sue F.	2011	335is Coupe	79.194	2nd
Kurt M.	2010	535i	79.823	
Chris K.	2013	Act Hy 3	80.496	
Austin F.	2013	135	82.755	
George L.	2011	335is	83.98	
Michael L.	2013	335i Sedan	86.164	

MM – M Car Modified

Anish P.	1995	M3	72.494	1st ; Fast BMW Time of the Day
Serhan E.	2004	M3 Coupe	72.527	2nd
Roland B.	2002	M3	73.736	3rd
David F.	1999	M3	73.762	
Andy D.	1995	E36 M3	74.057	
Michael Y.	2005	M3	74.84	
Jason B.	2006	M3	74.903	
Winston B.	1995	M3	75.259	
Ed S.	1995	M3	75.468	
Eddie H.	2004	M3	76.318	
Brendan O.	2011	E90 M3 ZCP	76.783	
Elie M.	1997	M3	76.841	
Lisa G.	1995	M3	77.942	
Tom F.	2006	Z4 M Roadster	78.881	
Ramin M.	1999	M3	79.02	
Rich G.	2001	M3	79.024	
Ryan M.	2002	M3	79.228	
Sean G.	2001	M3	80.441	
Justin N.	1999	E36 M3	82.087	
Matthew P.	2005	M3 Coupe	82.819	
Bert B.	1999	M3	84.362	



X – Non-BMW

WT W.	2004	Miata	72.763	1st
Shane P.	2000	s2000	73.332	2nd
Mathieu H.	2011	GTI	76.214	3rd
Gregory P.	1993	Miata	76.266	
Robert J.	2012	MX-5	76.325	
Isabella B.	1984	944	76.627	Woman 1st; Novice 1st
Mike C.	2004	R32	76.74	Novice 2nd
Jodie S.	2009	Z06 corvette	77.793	
Rod L.	1995	miata	78.035	
Ron C.	2011	Shelby GT 500	78.169	
Jason L.	2002	Focus SVT	78.793	
Ken S.	0	Corvette	79.087	
Michael B.	2013	FRS	79.609	
Garrett C.	2000	Civic	80.778	
Robert Y.	2011	GTI Mk VI	81.152	
Chris M.	2004	Miata	81.58	
Jason S.	1990	Miata	82.028	
Joel W.	1990	Miata	82.103	
Fred C.	1994	Miata	84.455	
David D.	2013	A5	86.673	
Angus W.	2012	Elantra	90.716	
John F.	1988	CRX	90.983	

MS – M Car Stock

Clint B.	2012	M3	73.848	1st
Gavin F.	2002	M3	74.421	2nd
Arman C.	2005	M3 ZCP	75.706	3rd
Charlie O.	2008	M3 Sedan	76.181	4th
Patrick F.	2008	M3 Sedan	76.221	
Shawn F.	2011	1M	76.353	
Edward S.	2011	M3	77.888	
Omid A.	2011	M3	78.563	
Steve Y.	1995	M3	78.978	
James P.	2008	M Coupe	79.492	
Connie P.	2008	M Coupe	80.779	
Stephen H.	2011	M3	81.396	
Kevin E.	2004	M3	82.069	
Sean F.	2008	M3 Sedan	84.87	

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Rug Cunningham

Our Runoff Autocross and the spirit of competition that it represents are dedicated to the memory of Rug Cunningham, an avid collector, racer and genuine enthusiast of performance cars, especially those carrying the BMW marque. Rug and his father, Allen, opened Cunningham BMW in 1975. Rug understood what it meant to own and drive a luxury performance car and he also wanted his buyers to understand. He wanted his customers to feel the same appreciation for their BMWs that he did his. Rug was the dealer whom customers wanted to deal with. He didn't sell over sticker price and wouldn't sell you things you didn't need. He wanted your repeat business and would work to earn it. Not only was he an ethical businessman, but a savvy one too. He recognized the marketplace for the 740i Sport and the E36 M3, and was instrumental in persuading BMW to bring those cars to the States.

From work to play, Rug lived his dreams. His racing career ranged from SCCA events, where he was a five-time regional champion, to racing vintage cars like his famous #988 CSL—a car built by BMW Motorsport for IMSA Racing and driven by the likes of Sam Posey and Hans Stuck. Rug was able to marry his passion for vintage racing with his dedication to the military by co-founding the Coronado Speed Festival that many of our Chapter members enjoy every year.



Source: bringatrailer.com

A Golf Tournament at Qualcomm By Kim Schwarz

It must be the event that all of our autocrossers are waiting for each year! We had nearly a record number of drivers between our participants and staffers on June 22nd for our sixth annual Runoff Autocross. Drivers were a bit more serious and focused than usual on this day. So what was so important about this particular event? What garnered the huge turnout and had our autocrossers even more engaged than usual? The Rug Cunningham Memorial Trophy! This perpetual trophy resides at BMW of El Cajon and honors a man admired as an extraordinarily influential member of our Chapter, our local community and the BMW community.



Source: Roundel

Rug and his dealership supported the CCA and particularly our SD Chapter. That support continues today as his former dealership, now BMW of El Cajon, sponsors our autocross program. For our Runoff Autocross, Cornelia Steinberg and Brandon Watson from BMW EC brought us special treats: brats for our bellies and candy for our eyes—a Frozen Blue 2013 M3. Yowzers!

The Runoff Autocross

At a typical autocross, we have two sets of four practice runs, followed by three timed runs. We then award trophies for each car class with classes being defined by parameters such as the type of car, motor, modifications and so on. Ahh... but this is the Runoff Autocross, and it's different.

When you have wide variety of cars with a wide range of performance, how can you really tell who is the best driver? This particular event attempts to answer that question by taking the first place finishers from each of the nine classes and putting them behind the wheel of the same car for two laps. To go a step further, we pick a car that we hope will be equally unfamiliar to each driver and we do not reveal the car until the first place finishers are announced.

At our Runoff Autocross we have only one set of practice runs before our timed runs. With only one set of practice runs, The pressure is really on the participants to make the most of those four laps. They have to learn the course and perfect it with half the number of laps as usual. So, who made the most of their practice and timed laps? Our first place winners from each class were Shawn Quinn (4C), Kaustav Acharya (6M), John McPartlan (6S), Frederick Beltran (MC), Anish Patel (MM), Clint Boyd (MS), Tom Wang (TM), Scott Sansom (TS) and William Wong (X). After the announcement of our first place winners, we

revealed this year's Runoff Car—a beautiful 2012 Golf R in Rising Blue provided to us by Ian Middleton, owner of Midnight Oil Motors. Seth Scally of MOM was on hand to help familiarize our winners with the Golf R before they started their two timed laps.



Photo: Lisa Goehring

And so it began... well, sorta. The Golf R might have pattered a couple times before it really moved, but the sputters of the stalls were soon replaced with the familiar whirling sounds of a turbo motor. Our drivers quickly found that if they wanted their name on the trophy, they needed to keep that turbo wound up. Any lag would cost too much time. For the drivers who were accustomed to their RWD rotating them through corners, the AWD of the Golf proved challenging. And the stock tires tested drivers who rely on sticky rubber to keep them pointed in the right direction. The Golf R offered our finalists many unusual and unfamiliar variables—it was the perfect Runoff car!



Photo: Paul Silver



Photo: Lisa Goehring

Usually we announce times as drivers cross the finish, but as I mentioned earlier, this is the Runoff Autocross... and it's different. Times were kept secret until the event was finished and the trailer was loaded. Imagine the anticipation! It must have been frustrating for the finalists to wait for not only their runs, but all the fun runs too. All



Photo: Lisa Goehring

of the participants who weren't in the Golf were in their own cars doing fun runs. So painful... all that waiting and waiting... trying to think about something else... reliving each lap... waiting and... OK, you get the point.

In the Golf R, the person who managed to make the most of his short drive on course was... John McPartlan!



Brandon Watson presents the Rug Cunningham Memorial Trophy to John McPartlan.

What's more, he did it 1.7 seconds faster than his competitors! And apparently, John wasn't at a handicap because he was in an unfamiliar car. John's time was on par with his time in his own car. (OK, don't get teed off, I'll stop with the lame golf puns. I know I'm no Tackman.) John's time in the Runoff car differed by only 6/100ths of a second from his time in his own car! If you've been to any of our recent events, you might have seen John's white E91 wagon blazing around the lot; John proves that autocross cars don't need to be small, light and super tight to be quick and nimble—they just need the right driver. (I had to get one more in before I close.)



Photo: Jojo Gonzales



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With his win, John will get his name on the Rug Cunningham Memorial Trophy and he will also get a special trophy for his display case at home. Unbeknownst to him at the time, John also won a spot on our Autocross staff. (It was in the fine print, I swear! All winners must become staff or instructors.) Congratulations to all of our finalists and congratulations, John, on your many wins!



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TIRE TECH TALK

A few months back in our March Motorsports Month Newsletter I discussed some typical adjustments that can be made to your tire's air pressures to slightly help your car's handling. But how do you know if what you're changing is a change in the correct direction...? The best way to tell if your changes to tire pressure and suspension setup are working is by collecting tire data and writing it down in a log book to analyze.

Tire temperatures should be taken with a probe pyrometer as this gets down into the tire; an infrared thermometer will give you a decent idea, but is only measuring the surface of the tire which can cool down quickly. Also, taking readings before the tires have reached stable operating conditions is not recommended and may lead you in the wrong direction. After a hot lap session, temperatures should be taken at three points across the tire; start at the inside shoulder of the tire, move to the center, then finish at the outer shoulder.

Readings on the outboard sections of the tire should be taken about 1.5" from the shoulder. Taking temperatures too close to the shoulder will give an inaccurate reading. Due to heat dissipation, time plays a critical role in collecting accurate data, thus a friend comes in really handy as it should be done right after a hot lap. It is recommended that you begin with the outside rear tire and acquire all tread temperatures first, followed by the hot pressure readings. Below is an example of the minimum data you should collect from each run.



A tire's prime operating temperature is in the 160 - 220°F range. In most cases, when a car is set with the proper camber and pressure settings, the outside shoulder temperatures should be about 10°F lower than the inside shoulder temperatures, and the center temperatures should be similar to slightly cooler than the inside temperatures. If the center temp is the coolest, the pressure may be too low, and if it's the hottest, then the pressure may be too high. Since a stock BMW needs more negative camber when driven hard, if the outside temperature is similar or hotter than the inside temp, than more negative camber may be needed.

Reading a tire temperature log is kind of a science and takes some time to learn how to read. If you would like more information, please feel free to track me down at any of our club events.

—Nate Risch

Run Data Acquisition Sheet

Car Number <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	Session <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	Ambient Temp. <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	Day/Time <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
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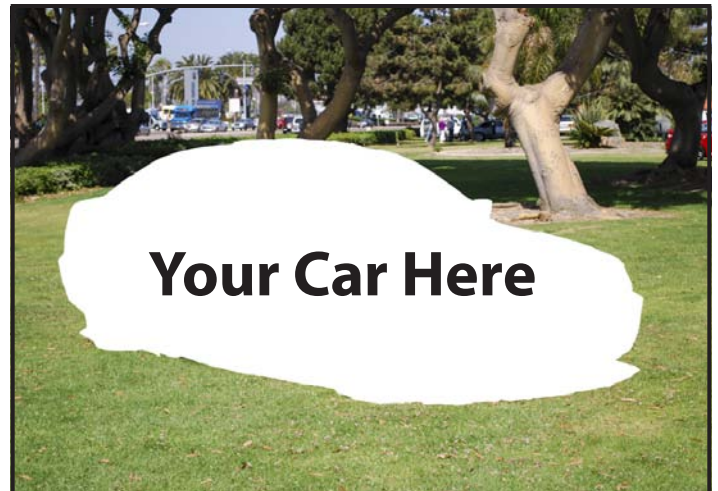
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