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The President's Column

It is January, which brings a new year and a new Board of Directors. This year I have the daunting task of taking over as President for Nick Owen, who is moving up to Regional Vice President. I find myself both worried and excited; worried that Nick is an impossible act to follow and excited to work with all the great people that make up our San Diego Chapter. Enough of new president angst, let's talk about the chapter.

Aside from a new President, we elected four new board members at the December election meeting. Kim Schwartz is taking over from Dan Tackett as Autocross Director – this has been a year-long process with Dan providing guidance to Kim and the rest of the Autocross team. He hands over an excellent program to Kim's very capable hands. Theju Ganesh is taking over for Tom Fota as webmaster. Tom stepped in as webmaster last year and made great strides in improving the look of the website. I'm sure that Theju will continue to improve one of our most important communication platforms. We welcome back Ted Lange as Member-at-Large/Advertising Director. Ted was Advertising Director several years ago and created the marketing materials that we currently use, as well as greatly increasing ad revenue. In a hard-fought battle for three Member-at-Large spots, Jojo Gonzales became our newest Member-at-Large. JoJo has been very active with the club, including running the successful Speedfest Corral last October. I'd like to welcome all the new board members and thank the returning board members for their commitment.

We start the New Year with a Tech Session with our friends at the Porsche Club at the Drive Skills in Oceanside on January 12th. We will get a chance to try out their state-of-the-art driving simulators. Later in the month we move to the real world with our first Autocross of 2013 on January 26th at Qualcomm's West Lot. A little bit further down the road is our March High Performance Driving School at Chuckwalla March 16-17, look for the registration announcement on the website and Facebook.

We have a very special BMW CCA event later this year. For the first time since 2004, Oktoberfest will be hosted on the West Coast. The events will be held August 19-24 in beautiful Monterey. This is the week after the Monterey Historics so we have the opportunity to attend two great events in a two week period. The club will have variety of driving events at Laguna Seca, including Autocross, Car Control Clinics, and a Driving School on the racetrack. There are lots of events for the non track junky as well like Wine Tasting, Fun Rallies, Gymkhana, Photo and Trivia contests and the chance to meet up with BMW club members from all over the country. Mark your calendars and plan your vacation now.

The chapter board meeting is the second Tuesday of every month. It is open to all members and is a great opportunity to meet fellow BMW enthusiasts and get more involved with the chapter. The formal meeting starts at 6:30 but get there at 5:45 for pizza and conversation. I look forward to seeing you all there.

—Jim Patterson

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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.

2012 Calendar of Events

January 8

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

January 12

Tech Session with PCA at Drive Skills,
4145 Avenida De La Plata, Oceanside
9:00 a.m.

January 16

San Diego Chapter – Meet & Greet
at Karl Struss, Sorrento Mesa, 9675
Scranton Rd., San Diego. 5:30 p.m.

January 26

San Diego Chapter – Autocross at
Qualcomm Stadium

February 12

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

March 2

San Diego Chapter – Autocross at
Qualcomm Stadium

March 12

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

March 16 – 17

San Diego Chapter – High Performance
Driving School at Chuckwalla Valley
Raceway; Desert Center, CA



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2013 Board of Directors Elected



Front Row: Don Duncan, Jim Patterson, Kim Dais, Brett Litoff. Back Row: Scott Sansom, Thejusvi Ganesh, Anne Littrell, Kim Schwarz, Jim Lloyd, Andre Pantic, Ted Lange, Lisa Goehring, Dennis Damon, Jojo Gonzalez. Not pictured: Rich Gehring.

*Happy
New Year!*

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

New Club Members Welcome!

Aguilar, Andres
Bolduc, April
Bonelli, Jeff
Curtiss, Linda
Fitzpatrick, Frank
Hungerford, Alain
Longanecker, Chuck
Mulligan, Damon
Pereira, Manny
Piacentini, Niccolo
Shope, Matt

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BMW CCA San Diego Chapter – Board Meeting Minutes for October 9, 2012

Board Members Present:

Nick Owen, Brett Litoff, Tom Fota, Kim Dais, Don Duncan, Dennis Damon, Anne Littrell, Thejusvi Ganesh, Jim Lloyd, Scott Sansom

Members Present:

James Eberhardt, Jose Padilla, Adam Pouliot, Steve Robbins, Rey Abelapdo, Art Northovor, Peter Winokur, Charlie Kaehler, Jason Olliff, Matthew Kogan, Phil Kogan, Nate Risch, Chris Woods, Tim Woods, Seth Hanson, Gordon Anderson, Steve Dais

Secretary's Report – Brett Litoff

The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Don Duncan

We have made some major purchases, including cones for autocross/car control clinics/street survival and driving schools. We need a strategic planning committee set up to plan for more expenditures like this.

President's Report – Nick Owen

There will be a national meeting in Monterey for the 2013 Oktoberfest. Dan Tackett will be attending this meeting in Nicks place.

Vice President's Report – Kim Dais

We currently have 1535 members.

Newsletter Report – Lisa Goehring

Next issue will be the last one of the year. The communications committee met and discussed e-mail service options. They are also looking to establish some social media policies. We are still getting info about printing post cards from National. We are also still waiting for a firm quote from EMG in regards to a color Fahren Affairs.

Webmaster's Report – Tom Fota

The website and facebook are up to date.

Autocross Director's Report – Don Duncan reporting for Dan Tackett

The autocrosses are helping us fund activities. The new cones have been purchased and received.

October 28th is our next autocross

Driving Events Report:

We are submitting the deposit for Chuckwalla.

Social/Advertising Director's Report – Anne Littrell

The Bill Caswell event went well. Scott Sansom stated that Caswell had some great stories. Thank you Neil of Oceanside Motorsport for hosting the event.

The 10/27 tech session with PCA has been CANCELLED. It has been rescheduled for January 12th. Registration for the event will be through Motorsport Reg.

There is a car control clinic on 11/17.

Thejusvi Ganesh stated that we might have some new advertisers starting at the beginning of the year.

Waxmeister's Report – Dennis Damon

The holiday party is 12/9 at the San Diego Automotive Museum. We received a note from San Diego Hospice thanking us for our contribution.

New Business:

Jim Lloyd stated that the next cruise will start at Bad Ass Coffee on 11/11. The cruise will go through Escondido/ Temecula/Rainbow. We are a little concerned that the price of fuel may affect attendance.

Gordon Anderson brought up digitizing the Roundels we currently have. Jim Patterson suggested that we put them in storage.

Nick Owen stated that SoCal Euro is 11/17.

Pacific Region Driving Events Committee elections are coming up

2013 board member elections will be held at the December board meeting

Lisa thanked JoJo Gonzales for manning the Chapter's tent in the Car Club Corral at the Coronado Speed Festival.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm

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2012 Holiday Party

Our annual holiday party was held as it has been for the past 15 years at the San Diego Automotive Museum on Sunday, December 9th. Ninety Seven attended which included, members, guests and children. We set a record this year with Tom Newport not heading up the line for the catered dinner. I out foxed him. But he sure made up for it by winning the 50-50 raffle worth \$425.



We ended the evening with the popular gift exchange with two thefts. That bottle of single malt Scotch sure went fast. The cost for the event is picked up by the club.



Photos: Paul Silver



A special thanks to Tom Newport, Bill Willard, Diane Damon and Paul Silver who pitched to make the evening special.



See you next December 8th - Same Location.

The Wachsmeister



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Joint BMW CCA/PCA Tech Session

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**Saturday, Jan. 12, 2013
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

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DriveSkills will provide refreshments and also introduce their new Motorsports facility located at the above address.

Upcoming Meet & Greet

Shine up your car and come hang out with other club members to share stories, check out cars, and meet some new friends.

Join fellow Club members old and new for Happy Hour at

Karl Strauss, Sorrento Mesa

**Wednesday, January 16
5:30 P.M.**

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Karl Strauss in Sorrento Mesa is a little hard to find. It is located in the San Diego Tech Center. From Scanton Road pull into the San Diego Tech Center's Parking lot. Walk into the Japanese Garden and follow the signs that point you to the restaurant.



KICK-OFF AUTOCROSS

Photo: Lisa Goehring

START THE 2013 SEASON WITH US ON SATURDAY JANUARY 26TH

Register Online at <http://sdbmwcca.motorsportreg.com>

Online Registration will be open from January 5th – 20th

The first 20 non-BMWs to register are guaranteed a spot

Get ready for the Pro Bowl by bowling over a cone or two! It's time to kick off our 2013 Autocross Season on Saturday January 26th in the West Lot. **Since it still gets dark early on Standard Time, we're limited to 80 entries and will hold up to 20 spots for non-BMW drivers who register in advance.** We do run if it's raining—you'll learn more and your tires will wear less! 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 very limited. Our thanks to BMW of South County in El Cajon for renewing their support for our Autocross program for another year. With online registration, local drivers, long-distance travelers and non-BMW competitors can reserve their spot, so don't miss it. You can register between January 5th and 20th. Online registration opens 3 weeks before the event and closes just a few days before. Don't wait until the last minute because it's still first-come, first-served (with no online waiting list) and we only have 80 spots. We'll still offer registration on-site if any openings are left.

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>. Late walk-ups, if you take that chance, can pay with cash or check. 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 are encouraged to participate if space is available. If we still have openings after online registration, we will allow registration on-site on a first-come, first-served basis.

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 with you to the Tech Line.
3. Take 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 **Snell 2005** or later 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.

Car Classifications:

- 4C** ALL 4 cylinder BMW models (except E30 M3)
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- MS** Stock M cars, 1994–present
- 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 Qualcomm Stadium!

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BRAKES

By Kim Schwarz

What's that vibration coming from your brand new BMW when you slam on the brakes? Should you be alarmed? No—if your car is operating properly, you're feeling your anti-lock braking system.

35 of our Chapter members were able to slam on their brakes to feel their ABS in a safe environment on November 17th in the Qualcomm parking lot. Participants brought the car they use every day, ranging from a Ford Focus to a GMC Sonoma and an E30 325i to an E92 M3.

The Clinic focused on gaining control while driving by starting with the right foundation: being alert, adjusting the seat for ideal range of motion and mirrors for maximum information, holding the steering wheel at 9 and 3 for full rotation while minimizing airbag risk, and limiting distractions while driving.



Driving exercises were used to isolate driving skills and simulate emergencies. In a straight-line slalom, drivers practiced hand-eye coordination for smooth steering inputs, then their ride-along Instructor began verbally distracting them to demonstrate how having eyes on the road and hands on the steering wheel still doesn't guarantee full control.

A straight-line braking exercise enabled everyone to feel ABS at work. After a few chances to get comfortable with ABS, participants lined up side-by-side, one car

left the line and the neighboring car left one second later. The first car then, without warning, slammed on the brakes. The trailing car was supposed to then brake just as quickly. When participants saw how far the second car passed the first car, they could see that a one second following distance would have resulted in a rear-end collision.



Photos: Lisa Goehring



In another exercise, participants drove straight ahead reaching 40 mph. In front of them, the single lane split into two and our brave volunteers stood directly in the path of the participant's oncoming car. At the last second, our volunteer would drop a flag toward one of the two split-off lanes. The flag was an obstacle and the participants had to avoid that obstacle by taking the opposite lane. It was expectedly difficult for participants to think of the flag as an obstacle and not a direction from the volunteer.

The last element was a skidpad exercise where participants were able to experience their car's handling at the limit and learn how to manage understeer or oversteer. While it was clear that oversteer was more fun, stadium officials didn't want us having too much fun

We saw a lot of smiles at the end of the Clinic and a number of participants were eager to spend more time in the driver's seat at parking lot events. At least four of our participants came to our December 1st Holidaze



Autocross and two of them left with trophies! We do good work here at SD BMW CCA! We hope to offer this program again next year. Watch your *Fahren Affairs* for details.

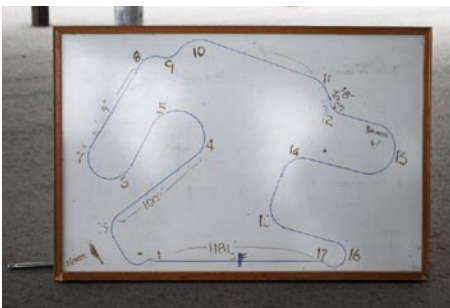
San Diego Chapter **High Performance Driving School**



*Chuckwalla Valley Raceway,
March 16 – 17*

Photos: Lisa Goehring

Hey all you track junkies, it is almost time to visit Chuckwalla for our annual High Performance Driving School! This is the third year that this wonderful track will play host to our club's premier event. For those of you that were there last year, I am sure that this year will be much better than what we all experienced with gale force winds and blowing sand! March should always be the best desert weather time of year! We will be running our school in the traditional clockwise direction. The best part of running this way is the dive down towards the bowl section. This should offer some great photo ops and you will really want to check out the photo shop after your sessions.



There are some new amenities to look forward to at the track as well. First up, and perhaps most important, are the permanent restroom facilities! Also, there are semi-permanent classrooms as well as a PA system to help with the announcements. There is diesel fuel

available as well as three different types of high octane fuel.

For those of you contemplating attending your first driving school, ALL of this will be new to you. If you have never taken your BMW to a track, you owe it to yourself to do so! You will be in your own run group commensurate with your experience. If you are a novice, no need to worry, you will be on track with others just like you! You will be paired up with one instructor on Saturday and another one on Sunday. We do this in order to maximize feedback on your progress. You will enjoy plenty of track time over the weekend.

Once again, the registration price for this year is only \$475. If you sign up on MotorsportsReg prior to March 1st, the price will only be \$425. If you decide to opt out of our traditional Saturday night banquet/ raffle, your pre-March 1st registration cost would only be \$400. The best part is you will still experience same quality instruction and safe driving environment you have grown accustomed to from our Chapter.

This year, our headquarters will be at the Royal Plaza Inn. It is a casual 35-40 minute drive west of the track. It will be a great time to catch up with friends you can carpool back with, or

you can use the time to dream about the fantastic buffet or what you will win in the raffle. Maybe it will be those Toyo Tires or some other BMW goodies from BMW Escondido? The price per night at the hotel with our special rate is \$89.00 per night. The nice thing about this hotel is that it has an adjoining restaurant, Cactus Jack's, that can accommodate us on Saturday night. This means that we will not have to drive anywhere once we get back to our hotel.

Once again, I would like to extend my warmest thanks to both of our long terms sponsors, BMW of Escondido and Toyo Tires.

Please watch for MotorsportsReg updates and any new information regarding this event on our chapter website. We will be opening registration on January 16th.

Please feel free to e-mail me at apexandre@gmail.com or call me at 858-342-5605.

See you there!

Andre Pantic

Driving Events Coordinator

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October 28, 2012

OktoberFAST Autocross

Dan Tackett takes a final spin as Autocross Program Director...



...and leaves some big shoes for Kim Schwarz to fill.

4C – 4 Cylinder BMW

Christopher H	1974	2002	117.478	1st
Derek K	1997	318is	118.203	2nd



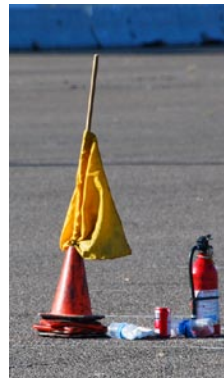
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6S – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Stock

Harry W	2000	Z3-2.8	109.045	1st
John M	2008	328i	109.537	2nd
Alpesh K	2005	330ci	109.594	
Mark S	2009	328i	113.374	
Saif A	2005	330ci	117.31	
Ian W	2006	330i	118.663	
Rey A	2005	325iT	125.779	

TM – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Modified

Robert O	2011	135i	107.466	1st
Jay B	2009	335i	120.266	2nd



MC – Mini Cooper

Grant G	2005	Cooper S	110.893	1st
Phil L	2005	Cooper S	116.543	2nd
Michele N	2007	Cooper S	120.432	3rd
Tamara G	2009	Clubman S	127.414	



G – Gold Class

Peter E	2011	E92 M3	101.611	1st
Andre E	2008	135i	103.891	2nd
Sean T	1992	Miata	108.647	
Satakal K	2012	Jetta	116.764	

MM – M Car Modified

Jason B	2006	M3	102.599	Fast BMW Time of Day
Anish P	1995	M3	104.159	1st
Noel S	1995	M3	104.165	2nd
Calvin B	1995	M3	104.338	3rd
Chad C	2008	M3	104.511	
Roland B	2002	M3	104.534	
Michael Y	2005	M3	104.571	
Ed H	2004	M3	104.841	
Lee E	2001	M roadster	105.278	
Stephen Y	1995	M3	106.109	
Jonathan K	1998	M3	106.779	
Steve P	1999	M Coupe	106.893	
Eddie H	2004	M3	106.99	
David F	1999	M3 Coupe	107.983	
Jojo G	2003	M3	108.729	
Jonathan T	1991	318is	109.05	Novice 2nd
Tim C	2003	M3	109.122	
Gavin F	2002	M3	109.949	
Tom F	2006	Z4 M Roadster	110.434	
Ryan M	2002	M3	111.518	
Elie M	1997	M3	112.168	
John Y	2006	Z4M Coupe	114.568	
Peter K	1997	M3	117.752	



TS – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Stock

Scott S	2011	135i	106.715	1st
Eric H	2011	Z4 sDrive 35i	108.24	2nd
Daniel S	2009	135i	109.868	
Tyler S	2007	335i Sedan	112.275	
Sue F	2011	335is Coupe	113.462	
Kurt M	2010	535i	114.982	

X – Non-BMW

WT W	2004	Miata	101.887	1st
Connor B	1994	Miata	102.364	
Gregory P	1992	300zx	106.662	
Chris T	2008	MX-5	107.613	
Eric B	2005	WRX STI	108.115	
Ken S	2009	Corvette	108.433	
Chris D	2004	MX-5	108.598	
Jason L	2001	Focus	109.674	
Travis H	2013	BRZ	110.387	
Jason S	1990	Miata	112.175	
Will L	2008	Corvette Z06	112.194	
Ken S	1972	240z	112.671	
Mason N	1999	Miata	112.672	
Paul S	2006	S2000	112.968	
Robert J	2012	MX-5	113.15	
Robert Y	2011	GTI Mk VI	115.391	
Austin F	2010	C63	115.747	
Daniel V	2013	FR-S	115.771	
Alcino A	1976	Mustang	116.189	
Gerard L	2012	Genesis C	116.552	
William L	2008	Corvette Z06	117.338	
Marvin W	2011	STI	120.671	



MS – M Car Stock

Jack R	1999	M3	105.984	1st
Patrick F	2008	M3 Sedan	106.09	2nd
Steven W	2009	M3	107.62	3rd
Edward S	2011	M3 Convertible	108.937	4th
Stephen H	2011	M3	109.609	
Jim P	2008	M Coupe	109.881	
Lisa G	1995	M3	109.937	Woman 1st
Shawn F	2011	1M	110.27	
Lance S	2008	M3 Coupe	113.681	
Charlie O	2008	M3 Sedan	114.048	
Eric S	2008	M3	117.614	
Alejandro G	1997	M3	129.469	

6M – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Modified

Patrick S	1993	325 is	108.148	1st
Bennett H	2001	Z3 Coupe	108.455	2nd; Novice 1st
Josh E	1990	325i	109.64	3rd
John J S	1993	325 is	111.978	
Thejusui G	1998	528	114.974	
Tom W	1987	535 IS	115.861	
Mike S	1993	325i	118.727	



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4C – 4 Cylinder BMW

Lindsay D	1997	318i	104.176	1st
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6M – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Modified

Eric C	1989	325is	90.256	1st
Ryan W	1989	325is	91.493	2nd
Thejusvi G	1998	528i	91.958	3rd
Arnold Y	1989	325i	96.113	
William C	1989	325i	97.454	

6S – 6 or 8 Cylinder BMWs Stock

John M	2008	328i Wagon	91.344	1st
Jonathan M	2004	330ci ZHP	91.375	2nd
Harry W	2000	Z3 2.8	92.43	
Alpesh K	2005	330ci	92.786	
Ian W	2005	330i	93.995	
Curtis A	2004	330i	96.054	
Andres A	1995	530i	100.709	
Adam Z	1987	325is Coupe	104.592	



G – Gold Class

Pete E	2011	E92 M3	84.699	1st
Geoff S	2006	Z4 M Coupe	86.994	2nd
Andre E	2008	135i	87.573	
Sean T	1992	Miata	88.818	
Satakal K	2012	Jetta	95.936	

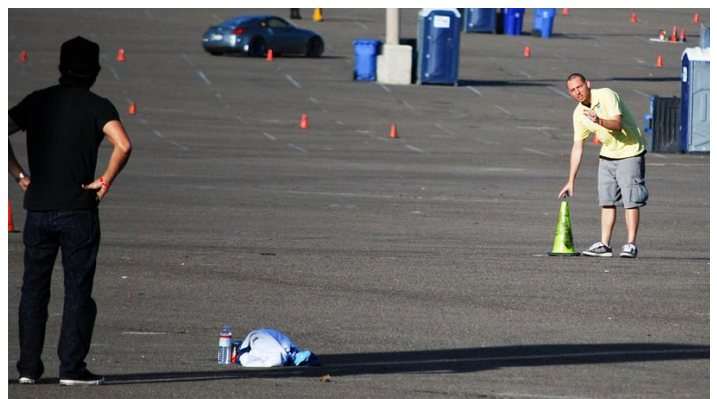
MM – M Car Modified

Winston B	1995	M3	87.536	Fast BMW Time of Day
Michael Y	2005	M3	87.83	1st
Anish P	1995	M3	89.131	2nd
Calvin B	1995	M3	90.036	3rd
Gavin F	1999	M3 Coupe	90.728	
David F	1999	M3	91.382	
JoJo G	2003	M3	91.403	
Ryan M	2002	M3	92.495	
John Y	2006	Z4 M Coupe	92.64	
Josh R	2006	Z4 M Coupe	95.81	
Joel G	2008	M3	97.024	



MC – Mini Cooper

Bryant S	2004	Cooper	92.962	1st
Michele N	2007	Cooper S	97.303	2nd





MS – M Car Stock

Patrick F	2008	M3 Sedan	89.269	1st
Jack R	1999	M3	90.064	2nd
Stephen H	2011	M3	91.199	3rd
Shawn F	2011	1M	91.226	4th
Brendan O	2011	M3	91.536	Novice 1st
Jim P	93	Z4 M Coupe	91.793	
Charlie O	2008	M3 Sedan	91.879	Novice 2nd
Lisa G	1995	M3	93.778	Woman 1st
Derek P	2011	M3	93.892	
Juan C	2011	M3	94.151	
Jackson C	2009	M3	97.896	
Salijo H	2008	M3	107.209	



TM – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Modified

Tom W	2007	335i Coupe	94.386	1st
Jay B	2009	335i	95.583	2nd
Nader E	1988	M3	97.026	



TS – 6/8/12 Cylinder T-Stock

Scott S	1012	135i	90.581	1st
Daniel S	2009	135i	91.042	2nd
Kurt M	2010	535i	94.297	
Jeff B	2012	135i	98.574	



X – Non-BMW

Connor B	1994	Miata	84.714	1st
WT W	2004	Miata	87.417	
Chris T	2008	MX5	89.792	
Gambel N	2003	350Z	91.427	
Gregory P	1992	300ZX	91.471	
Christopher B	2004	350Z	91.611	
Michael K	1996	Miata	91.662	
Travis H	2013	BR2	91.915	
Chris D	2004	MX-5	91.918	
Jason L	2002	Focus SVT	92.576	
Mathiew H	2011	GTI	92.658	
Paul S	2006	S2000	92.982	
Mason N	1999	Miata	93.766	
Robert J	2012	MX-5	93.776	
Ken S	1972	240Z	94.298	
Austin F	2010	C63	94.378	
Daniel V	2013	FR-S	96.987	
Edward F	2000	Corvette	97.537	
Frank F	2007	Civic Si	97.581	
Jason S	1990	Miata	97.772	
Hayden T	2012	GTI	98.997	
Michael B	1986	Corolla GT-S	99.364	
Doug G	2011	G37 Coupe	100.082	
Victor W	2013	FRS	103.324	
Damon M	2013	Veloster	108.138	



Are "All-Season" Tires the Best for the Rain?

By Nate Risch

I love this time of the year, Fall is my favorite season! The air is crisp and not as hot, the days aren't that short yet, and I don't have any issues with my pollen allergies. Now that we are on the topic of seasons, lets discuss all-season tires. What are the 4 seasons? We all learned this in elementary school: Winter, Spring, Summer, and Fall. And the thing to notice here is that RAIN is not a season, the major difference in seasons is the rise and fall of the average temperature.

So what makes a tire all-season? An all-season tire is a 'jack of all trades, master of none', designed to work in a large temperature range that contains conditions such as snow and ice, rain, and even San Diego warm dry days. On the other hand a summer tire is designed to perform best above about 40 degrees. We are lucky here in San Diego with the



portion of the tread. As shown in many comparison tests, this combination provides amazing grip in dry weather and great grip in wet weather.

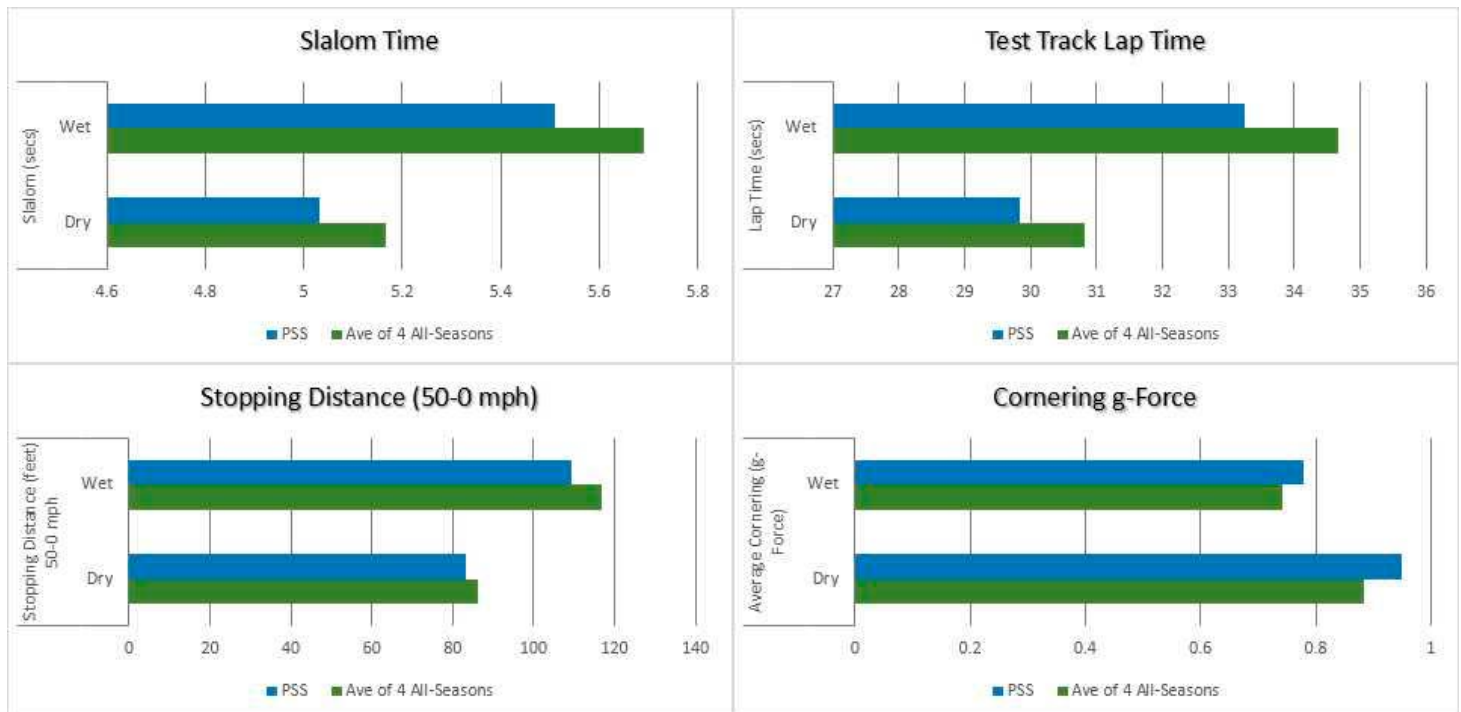
You may have read my article in the June edition of the Fahren Affairs when

average LOW temperature barely dipping below 50 for December and January, but for some reason I still see quite a few people on all-season tires. The reason for this is that they think all-seasons work better in the rain than a summer tire, but recall "rain is not a season", it is a condition.

New performance summer tires like the Michelin Pilot Super Sport (PSS) use multiple compounds of rubber to provide the best traction in many conditions. The PSS has a bi-compound tread that delivers excellent dry traction using a LeMans-inspired compound on the outer shoulder and the latest generation of wet-oriented elastomers on the inner

I shared the story about my trip to Michelin HQ. In that article I talked about a comparison test between the Michelin Pilot Sport A/S+ and the PSS on a small wet oval track with a temperature about 70 degrees. In identically prepped 335i's we raced around this soaked track as fast as we could, and to most everyone's surprise, the PSS was the outright winner! We learned first hand right there that "Rain is a Condition." I would love to repeat that same test with the temp just above freezing to see if the all-season would then shine.

The Tire Rack does a plethora of tire testing, and just this summer



performed a test on ultra-high performance all-season tires and max performance summer tires in dry and wet conditions. On average, the summer tires out-performed the all-season tires in every test in both wet and dry conditions. You can see the results on the chart, or the complete results at the links below.

Ultra-High Performance All-Season Tire Test Results: <http://goo.gl/WThuv>
Max Performance Summer Tire Test Results: <http://goo.gl/zKlhw>

If you haven't jumped to the conclusion already, here you go: With the average low temperatures barely getting below 50 degrees in December and January here in San Diego, you are better off staying with a good set of summer tires year round on your BMW car. You will have similar to slightly better wet performance as an all-season for when we get some coastal rain showers, but with much better dry performance when we go cruising through the east county mountains!

Wet Driving Tips

- Make sure your tires offer the proper amount of tread.
- Slow down before turning, and maintain a consistent speed throughout the turn.
- While turning, don't make any sudden steering wheel movements.
- Only brake in a straight line before the turn, and do so gradually. Do not brake during the turn.
- Increase your following distance from other cars significantly.
- If hydroplaning, do not accelerate or brake suddenly. Keep your foot lightly on the gas and steer the car forwards until your tires regain traction.

This was the first tire tech story of a new series I will be writing for our Fahren Affairs newsletter. This one was quite long, but I feel it is an important topic that needs to be addressed. If you have anything that you would like to see in these tech tips, or if you have any questions about Michelin or BFGoodrich products, please feel free to contact me at Nate.Risch@gmail.com

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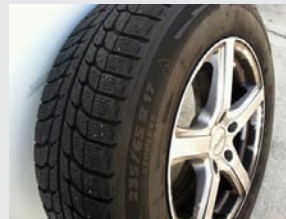
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