

# Das Kummer

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## Presidentially Speaking

The publishing deadline for this edition of Das Kummer is such that I am writing to you on an early February day guessing whether it will be warm by the time you read this. I can only hope that after a very cold January and February we will all be enjoying an early Virginia Spring. Maybe something in the low eighties so we can roll down windows and open sunroofs without turning on the heater. Regardless, our calendar of events will be heating up in March. The Virginia Beach fun rally will return again this year on March 20<sup>th</sup>. A new route and starting point are featured so check the calendar for details.

We also have a dinner scheduled on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at Roger Brown's in Portsmouth. A great place that is a lot of fun. The owner is Football Hall of Famer Roger Brown. Give it a try. Our last Portsmouth event was the German Festival in 2002 so this will be our return to Portsmouth event.

To round out the schedule for the next two months there is a tech session at Courthouse Imports in Virginia Beach on April 24<sup>th</sup>. So, whether you want to do a little driving or eating or sticking your head under a hood we have an event for you.

If you haven't stopped by Checkered Flag you should do so. They have some great full size toy cars on the lot right now. The new facility looks great and provides a lot more room for service. Plus there is a temperature controlled drive up area for you to drop your car. The service loaner and rental fleet has been expanded as well. All in all a great improvement over the crowded facility at Lynnhaven. The new facility is located across from Haynes Furniture on Virginia Beach Blvd.

By the time you read this Cheshire and I will have moved to a new home in Virginia Beach. I am finding that moving can be an opportunity to learn a lot about yourself. Looking at some of the things I have acquired over the years has proved quite revealing.

For one thing I have far less car junk than I thought and much less than most of you would probably imagine. It seems I manage to get rid of almost everything related to a particular car when the car goes. Although, I did find a locking gas cap with key from my 1970 Pontiac Firebird. A great reminder of the gas crisis of the mid-70s.

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## Quarterly Chapter Dinner - April 3

Mark your calendar and reserve your spot now! Our second quarter 2004 Chapter Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at Roger Brown's Restaurant in Portsmouth. Roger Brown's is located at 316 High Street near the intersection with County Street. Parking is available on High Street and on County Street. For those of you who have attended the now defunct Portsmouth Oktoberfest event, park in the same lots you used for the Oktoberfest. The phone number for Roger Brown's is 757-399-5377.

We will have a separate area of the restaurant for our group. Separate checks will be provided. Roger Brown's features a variety of entrees and massive desserts. Entrée prices are \$10 to \$20 in most cases. We will sit down for dinner at 7p.m. Please arrive any time between 6:30 and 7:00.

The restaurant requires a final headcount by Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Bob or Cheshire Eveleigh at [cheshire@pinn.net](mailto:cheshire@pinn.net) or 757-491-0955 or 651-0575 as soon as possible to reserve your spot. See you there!

## Events on the Horizon...

- March 20** - Rally starting at Lynnhaven Mall, Va. Beach
- April 3** - Club quarterly dinner/meeting at Roger Brown's in Downtown Portsmouth.
- April 24** - Tech Session at Courthouse Imports
- May 22** - Autocross School at Pungo Airfield.

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## NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS:

Your articles and photos are very welcomed by us. To be included in an issue the materials must be received by the 10th of the month preceding the date of next issue. To spice up the newsletter we always need photos of chapter events. We may also use them on the chapter website. Send your contributions to [Editor@tidewaterbmwcca.org](mailto:Editor@tidewaterbmwcca.org). Thanks

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## *Tidewater Chapter BMW CCA 2004 Calendar of Events*

[www.tidewaterbmwcca.org](http://www.tidewaterbmwcca.org)

### **2004 Club Event Goals:**

Provide BMW owners and their families with a wide variety of events, encourage greater participation by spouses and young drivers and schedule "fun" events to relax and unwind from the daily pace at work.

### **Notes:**

Events listed in regular type are Tidewater Chapter events. Events in italics are held by other organizations but members of our Chapter regularly participate in these events. For members interested in High Performance Driving Events (HPDE), racing and additional autocrossing opportunities, please see the "Track Junkies" section of our Web Site – [www.tidewaterbmwcca.org](http://www.tidewaterbmwcca.org).

### **Charitable Events Committee:**

Volunteers wanted to fill out our Charitable Events Committee. This Committee is identifying charitable events that we can make a regular activity of our Chapter. We have several volunteers but need more. For more information contact Bob Eveleigh at [president@tidewaterbmwcca.org](mailto:president@tidewaterbmwcca.org).

**March**    *5-7 (Saturday – Monday) – Tarheel Chapter BMW CCA high performance driving school at Virginia International Raceway. See [www.tarheelbmwcca.org](http://www.tarheelbmwcca.org) for event information*

**20 (Saturday) – FUN RALLY.** Virginia Beach area fun rally [no skills required]! Expect a relaxing drive on the back roads of Virginia Beach, etc, followed by a group lunch. Starting at 10:00 AM from Lynnhaven Mall [Chi Chi's]. [See article elsewhere in this issue]. Contact Joe Bivins at [joebivins@aol.com](mailto:joebivins@aol.com), 481.7338, or Gary Wickstrand at [mgwickstrand@wans.net](mailto:mgwickstrand@wans.net), 496.1089

**21 (Sunday) - Tidewater Sports Car Club (TSCC, <http://www.tidewatersportscar.com>) Autocross at Fentress Airfield, 9AM-3PM. Check the TSCC website for final information. Advance registration of participants and guests is required to gain admittance to the base. Contact Bob Brochu at [z3brochu@cox.net](mailto:z3brochu@cox.net) or 430-8124 for more information. Autocross also on April 18.**

**April**    **3 (Saturday) - Club quarterly dinner/meeting at Roger Brown's in Downtown Portsmouth. If you haven't been to football's great Roger Brown's place you need to go. There is plenty of parking near the restaurant on High Street in Portsmouth. Starting at 6:30 p.m. Contact Bob/Cheshire Eveleigh, [cheshire@pinn.net](mailto:cheshire@pinn.net), 491-0955.**

**24 (Saturday) - Tech Session at Courthouse Imports. Contact Tech Session Coordinators or Bob Parsons for more information.**

**May**    **14-16 (Saturday – Monday) – PCA First Settlers Region VIR high performance driving school. See <http://vista.pca.org/fst/> for event information**

**14-15 (Saturday – Sunday) – TECH FEST EAST hosted by the National Capital Chapter in Wash, D.C.**

**22 (Saturday) - Chapter Autocross Skills Clinic at Pungo Airfield in Virginia Beach. Advance registration required. See March/April Newsletter for details. Clinic starts at 8a.m. Contact Bob Brochu at [z3brochu@cox.net](mailto:z3brochu@cox.net), 430-8124. The chapter website will provide directions, sign-up forms and the latest info on this event.**

## Autocross School - May 22

If you've joined us at Langley Speedway for one or more of the safety and performance driving schools, you know how much fun they are. Now take those skills you've learned to another level by attending our Autocross School on May 22 at the Pungo Airfield.

What is an autocross? These are competitive timed events that are a low-speed (less than 60 mph) precision-driving event, which is run on a course consisting of safety cones. The idea is to drive fast without hitting the cones, and the course designer tries to make that task interesting." You compete alone on the course and the cars are handicapped by type and preparation level.

The school will teach both the driving skills used in autocross and the some of the strategy and mental preparation as well. Some of the skills and drill we'll be working on are: Slalom offset and skidpad, Braking and acceleration, Basic course safety, Ocular driving, Proper seating and hand position, Basic car tech preparation. Some of the strategy and mental preparation skills we'll explore: Course walking, analysis and memorization, Basic 'line' analysis, Scoring and PAX.

You may know that many of our members and instructors participate in our local autocrosses. Come join them! The school application will be available on the website and also in the May newsletter.

## BMW NA Announces 2004 Membership Rewards Program

If you have been a BMW CCA member for at least one year you will be eligible for owner loyalty rebates on new and certified pre-owned (CPO) BMWs. Rebates range from \$500 to \$1,500. Most models qualify for rebates in 2004. Read the official terms and conditions before buying or leasing your BMW. The terms and conditions may be found at [www.bmwcca.org](http://www.bmwcca.org). Click on BMW CCA Services then Membership Rewards Program for terms of the program. The check request form is available by clicking on BMW CCA Services then Membership Rewards Check Request . Print out the check request form and file it before the deadline. Or look for an advertisement for this program in the *Roundel*.

## Presidentially Speaking...continued from cover

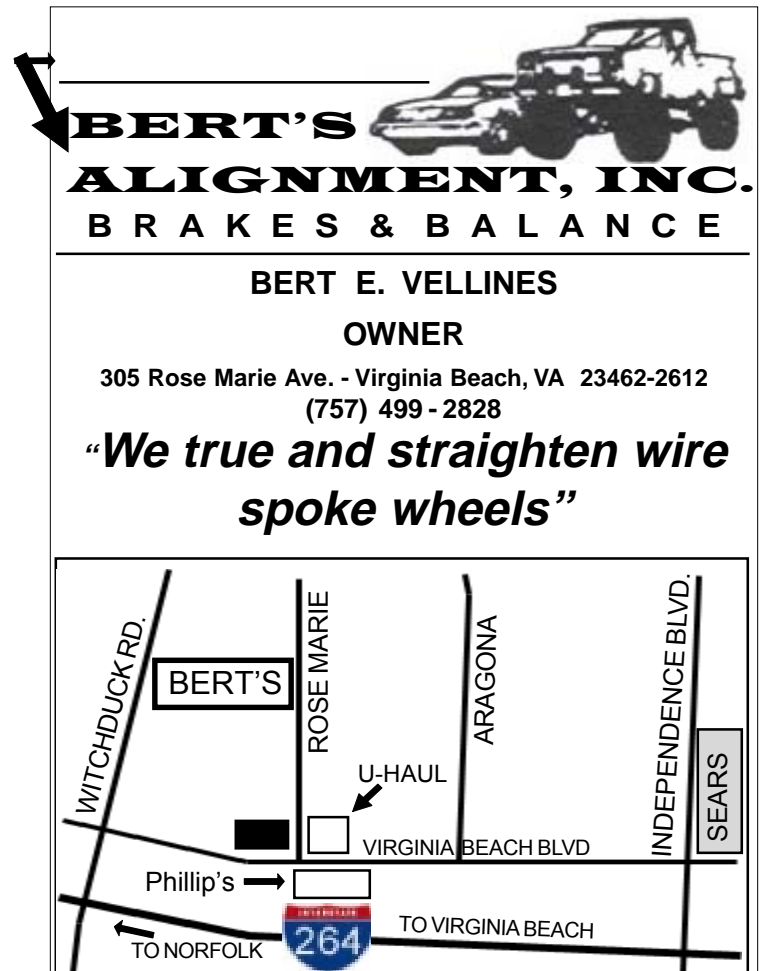
As I recall gas prices doubled from about 30 cents a gallon. Now that gas is \$1.70 plus I am tossing out the cap. Thank goodness gas mileage has gone up considerably from the 12mpg the Firebird would deliver if nursed properly.

More rooting around produced a few boxes of very old toys. And, gee, there are lots of CARS in them: small, medium and large. Most are the worse for wear with lots of good play time on them. Oddly there are no BMWs but there are more than a few 70's era muscle cars, a volkswagen police car and a Mercedes race car transporter. It seems that although I have fewer toy cars now, they are far more costly than these early childhood models. All the same, they all bring a smile to my face. It's getting warmer...get out and DRIVE.

We would like to welcome three new sponsors of the newsletter. Please support Bap Geon parts, Bert's Alignment Center and Courthouse Imports.

Until we meet again....

Bob Eveleigh



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## It's a Mod World..

By Robert J. Avery

One good mod leads to another... (Part 3)

The saga of the silver 540i 6-speed continues... In our previous issues, we had turned the car's personality from the sophisticated leather and burled wood luxury sedan "Dr. Jekyll", to the tire-burning torque of "Mr. Hyde" via a series of modifications including: cold air intake, performance software, performance exhaust, and a differential gear ratio change. While it would be fun to burn the rubber off the 235/17 Dunlops on the stock 17 inch style 19 wheels, I had realized that new wheels and tires would be required to get the power to the pavement.

The Internet has made the automotive hobby much easier. I surfed to [tirerack.com](http://tirerack.com) and pulled up their wheel and tire configuration program. After typing in year, make, model, and color; I had a picture on the computer screen of a car that looked exactly like mine. I then virtually "tried on" several wheel styles and sizes to see which look I wanted to give the car. After selecting the wheels and putting them in my virtual shopping cart, I selected the tires and proceeded to the checkout. A few days later they arrived.

Here's what I chose... and why I chose it. In order to have a staggered size setup, I chose two 18"x8.5" for the front, and two 18"x9.5" for the rear. This would permit me to use a similar stagger to the M5. I chose the Breyton Magic style because I liked the clean and classic 15 spoke design. I know that I could have gone more radical with a 19" or even a 20" wheel, but with the lousy roads in some parts of Tidewater Virginia I thought 18" would be a better choice. What I was after was the maximum rear tire width in order to better control the wheel spin issue.

For tires I chose 245/40YR18 for the front and 275/35YR18 for the rear. I chose Bridgestone Potenza Pole Position S03s because of their highest overall rating for combined wet/dry performance; that YR speed rating means that the tires could handle the potential 175+ MPH top speeds for which the car was certainly now capable; and that steamroller 275 tread width would maximize rear grip and eliminate the tail-happiness of the "skinny" 235s.

"Perfect", right? Ah... but therein lies the "rub". Remember our maxim of one mod leading to another? We will discover in our next essay why the 275 tires would lead to two new modifications to the car. I would



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again remind you to keep the shiny side up, but winter road grime may be obscuring that shiny side for now.

## Vintage Car Gathering

Pre-1980 are gathering at the Vineyard in Lewisville, N.C. on May 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. This will be a special event for the 2002 (E10) series cars with the Virginia, NC and other Regional 2002 Cult groups. Activities include wine tasting, swap meet, show and shine, live music, lunch, and fun in the sun, contact is Scott Study at [stur1809@bellsouth.net](mailto:stur1809@bellsouth.net) or local chapter member Steve Waddell at [swlw88@earthlink.net](mailto:swlw88@earthlink.net) or call 539-1305.

## Here's to our Armed Forces!

As you go about your daily task please take a moment to think about all the members of our Armed Forces who are on deployment and about their families who remain here. We have a number of Chapter members who have quietly gone on deployment in the last few months. If you are a spouse or significant other of a Chapter member feel free to come to any Chapter event. We will welcome you with open arms!

# WELCOME TO OUR NEW CCA MEMBERS

Name	Car	Year	Name	Car	Year	Name	Car	Year
Altema, Rudy	M3	1995	Fermil, Anthony	325i	2004	Munday, Michael	540iA	1997
Anduze, Eric	M3	2003	Fermil, Lisa			Nelson, Marta	330i	2001
Anin, Saleh	540i	1997	Govind, Suresh	325Xi	2001	Olson, Pete	325	1987
Barnes, Jack	528i	1998	Haigler, Rodney	750iL	1996	Pelham, Nathaniel		
Barringer, James			Hanna, Judy	540i	1995	Pelham, Stephanie	325i	1994
Beckham, Beverly	528i	2000	Hanson, Brett	X5	2003	Robinson, Loraine	X5	2004
Bonner, James			Hawkins, Jamal			Rodriguez, Paul	745Li	2003
Burke, John	530i	2004	Hernandez, Tony	535i	1985	Rowland, Terry	740iL	1998
Burns, Joseph			Hill, Steve	325is	1992	Sellers, Jimmie		
Canada, Perry	525i	1992	Hodson, Scott	325ic	1995	Sinesi, Mark		
Cashore, A.			Hogge, Ryan			Skinner, Robert	325i	2001
Catlett, Charles	330i	2001	Jain, M.	530i	1995	Stephens, Frank	330i	2002
Catlett, Nancy			Jensen, Brian	528i	1998	Stricklan, Robert	325iT	2002
Cave, Betsy			Jones, James	M Coupe	2000	Taylor, Gregory		Teer,
Cave, Patrick	325Cic	2004	Kahng, Seun	530i	2004	Brian	530i	2003
Chores, Healthy			Kaine, Sue	325M	1986	Teer, Tammy		
Cizerle, Kirk			Karides, James	X5	2003	Tiemco,	X5	2004
Cizerle, Shelley			Leigh, Mark			Vaughn, Michael		
Crawford, Archie			Lowe, Charles	325iS	1987	Velasquez, Eflen	X5	2003
Crawford, Jacqueline	528i	1999	Lust, Joseph	545i	2004	Vicars, Michael	740iL	1997
Day, Bradford	2002	1974	Lyon, Charles	M3	2004	Watson, Alexander	323iS	1998
DeLoatch, Sandra	528i	1997	Malik, Pramod	740i	1998	Whitmore, Donna	525i	2004
Dew, David	530i	2004	Markey, Peter			Wilt, Aaron		
DiCroce, D.	325i	2003	Martinovich, Donald	740iL	1999	Wilt, Giovanna		
Drummond, Thomas	528i	1997	McMullan, Lani	M3	1995	Yildirimtuk, Serkan	330Ci	2004
			Mollnow, Kurt	325i	2003	Yun, Hyejin	325i	2004

## Tech Fest East in D.C. this May

The National Capitol Chapter has agreed to host Tech Fest East May 13<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> in Reston, Virginia. For many years the BMW CCA's National Tech event has been hosted in St. Louis. This year the event moves much closer to us so we should take advantage if you can. Additional information on the event is available at [www.bmwcca.org/techfesteast](http://www.bmwcca.org/techfesteast). Our chapter website will also have a link to the website. The list of sponsors and presentations are: Active Autowerke, Bentley Publishers, BMW, Car Care Specialties, Club Racing, Jim Conforti, Eurosport, Ground Control, HMS, Ray Korman, Leatherique, Pete McHenry, Memphis Motorwerks, Maximillian, Mobile Tradition, Performance Friction, Road Race Tech, Terry Sayther, Mike Self, Tech Service Advisors.



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# Spring Fun Rally in Va Beach Planned for March 20

By Joe Bivins

We have planned a great way to enjoy a nice spring day—by having you and your “partner for the day” drive the back roads of Virginia Beach, etc., in your favorite car! The rally [different from last year’s route] will take you through some surprisingly curvy roads in the area..... and, to top it off, the rally will end at a nice restaurant for a late lunch—with prizes for both the apt and the inept. This will be a “fun” rally with No timing involved. You just follow directions, and answer a few questions along the way. The roads are guaranteed to be fun, and the questions will at least be “interesting”. We will have “Bail Out” envelopes for all, so if you do get lost you can still get to lunch with everyone. The event is free. You pay for your own lunch

COME AND ENJOY A SUMMER DAY WITH US!

**Mark your calendar for Saturday, March 20th.** Be at **Lynnhaven Mall** [in the Chi Chi’s parking lot that faces Lynnhaven Parkway] at 9:50AM for a 10:00 start. Everyone should be at our selected restaurant by 12:30 or so to start enjoying lunch. Please contact Joe Bivins at [joebivins@aol.com](mailto:joebivins@aol.com), 481 7338, or Gary Wickstrand at [mgwickstrand@wans.net](mailto:mgwickstrand@wans.net), 757 496 1089 to let us know who is attending. We need to prepare the right number of event packages and provide a lunch count to the restaurant in advance.

If you participated in last year’s Virginia Beach Rally or Peninsula Rally, the format for this event is similar. If you have never done a rally before they are fun and not difficult. Here is some more information [provided by Bob Eveleigh in a previous newsletter]:

*What is a rally?* It is a fun and scenic drive through the countryside with a set starting point, set route and set destination. Only the event organizer knows the route. As a participant you need to follow a set of directions given to you the morning of the event. This is a fun event not a timed event. The directions will lead you to the destination point for lunch.

*What if I get hopelessly lost?* This may happen so you will be given a ‘bail out’ package at the beginning of the event. The bail out package contains a map with the route to follow and information on the restaurant. You will also have the organizer’s cell phone number in case you need additional help.

*What else do I need to know about the event?* You need a navigator. The driver drives and keeps track of the mileage traveled while the navigator calls out the directions and looks for answers to the clues. What clues? Oh, I forget to mention the clues. On the instruction sheet there will be clues and questions asked along certain points on the route. You must read the clue and find the answer to the question. At the end of the route you will turn in your directions with the total number of miles you traveled and your answers to the questions.

*Is there anything else?* Gas tank mostly full, a bottle of water, cell phone and pocket change are all good things to have on hand. Also make sure your car is in roadworthy condition as always.



## Annual Banquet Report

by Curt Kiser

Once again we had a wonderful banquet this year. We had a record turnout and I want to figure out why that is so we can duplicate it for other events.

At this time I don’t have any pictures of the banquet so if you were there, and you have pictures please send them in to the Editor at [editor@tidewaterbmwcca.org](mailto:editor@tidewaterbmwcca.org).

Thank you to all the sponsors that contributed to the prize pool. And a big thank you to Gary and crew, you guys are the best.

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## Help....I have a Teen Driver in the house!

by Curt Kiser

By now many of you have experienced your first teen driver in the house. My wife Tedi and I are just going through it now with our son Colin. It has been an enlightening event to say the least because all the years he was sitting in the back seat he was observing and adopting our driving habits. OH NO....THIS COULD BE A BAD THING FOR US!

The best thing that we have going for us is that Colin is a solid guy with a good head on his shoulders. His approach during the learners permit stage was very slow and deliberate about operating the car with safety in mind. We were very pleased to see this go-slow aspect but every now and again he would almost miss a stop sign or so. Hey, it's easy to do and he was new to paying attention to driving. His response would sometimes be of denial or to even argue about goofing up.....typical teenager stuff. But those incidents were few and with our guidance he doesn't do that anymore.

To help boost his confidence with learning a clutch I put him in the M5. Your heard correct, Colin, myself, the M5 and a parking lot. It may sound crazy but the clutch and engine is so strong he almost couldn't stall it. Of course Colin LOVED IT and quickly got the hang of it. In no time we were driving on the street and he was very respectful of the car, the power, and the privilege. All good lessons that translated over to driving the 84' 325e and Tedi's 96' 328i. And he has a preference of driving the stick shift over the automatic transmission because of the feedback from the car.

After he was driving for a few months we could see his street safety kick in, application of common sense and a rising comfort level for Tedi and I. It sounds like a setup for disappointment to me so I'm holding my breath. In the mean time I chuckle when he points out the 'goofy drivers'.

So these days Colin is driving a small pickup truck of his choice. We figure that the BMW will come along later when he is ready for it.

As for driving schools we'll get him into the Street Survival school and then the chapter car control events. He will WANT to drive the M5 but I figure the 325e will be more his size for now.

## BMW CCA Foundation Moving HQ

Press Release

The BMW Car Club of America Foundation (BMW CCA Foundation) Trustees today announced that the Foundation will consolidate its base of operations from Boston, Mass. to Greenville, S.C. This move seeks to locate offices in a more appropriate space for various Foundation activities, consolidating managerial and administrative duties, and thereby improving operational efficiencies and reducing overhead. The team that will oversee the transition consists of Foundation Chairman Reid Douglas, Secretary Leo Newland, and well-known vintage BMW expert Don Dethlefsen.

"It has always been our goal to establish a permanent base in Greenville because of the proximity to BMW Manufacturing and the Foundation's sister organization, The BMW Car Club of America." according to Chairman Douglas. "The support we have received, the relationships we have built, and the momentum we have developed over the last two years now provide us with the opportunity to make that transition."

Mr. Dethlefsen outlined a few of the significant accomplishments of the Foundation in 2003, including:

- Expanding the Foundation website to allow for online registration of Street Survival Teen Driving programs as well as sponsorship contributions;
- Successfully conducting eight Street Survival Teen Driving Schools across the U.S. including one at the Michelin test facility in South Carolina;
- Developing sponsorship relationships with BMW of North America, LLC; Liberty Mutual; ZF Group North American Operations; Michelin; and The Tire Rack;
- Achieving a non-profit IRS status;
- Starting a collection of significant BMW-related archival and resource materials;
- Initiating in-depth discussions with McPherson College in Kansas about automotive restoration internships and related educational grants;
- Establishing a working relationship with BMW AG Mobile Traditions - Historic Archives;
- Creating an on-going Foundation award at the BMW Vintage Festival at Lime Rock Park, as well as at other significant enthusiast events in the U.S.

In anticipation of a busy 2004, the Foundation will also seek to better define both the scope and role of existing Trustees and examine the potential expansion of the Board in an effort to broaden its professional base and breadth of contacts, as well as enhance on-going Foundation fund raising efforts.



# CLASSIFIED ADS

**Classified Ads are for Tidewater chapter members only...see ad rules on page 15. Ads for the newsletter and/or website can be emailed to:**

**Editor@tidewaterbmwcca.org**

## CARS FOR SALE

**1998 BMW 323i Cabriolet** - Dinan Signature Vehicle S, Avus blue with 2-tone gray leather interior, below 46,000 miles. Dinan carbon fiber cold air intake, Dinan stage II engine software, Dinan front shock tower brace, Dinan - full carbon fiber engine, fuel rail, and fan shroud covers, Dinan custom floor mats, Dinan badging and Dinan signature vehicle serial # plate, 17" Moda R6 wheels with Dunlop SP-9000 used approx 3K miles, Automatic transmission, Power windows, locks, Heated seats, Harmon-Kardon premium sound system, 6 disk CD changer in trunk, Active and passive anti-theft, Keyless entry, Power convertible top, Set of 4 OEM 15" 15 spoke factory wheels with Michelins included, Original air intake and engine cover parts included, garaged, non-smoker, and has been dealer maintained. The CPO warranty has approx 6 months and 4000 miles remaining. Asking \$21,000. I thought I would offer this car to fellow BMWCCA enthusiasts before putting it for sale on the open market. Contact Bob Avery if interested - 757-340-2662 - or e-mail... [rjavery@cox.net](mailto:rjavery@cox.net) Pictures links may be seen on the chapter website classified ad. (Entered 26 Feb. 04)

**1976 Malaga 2002** \$1100 obo. It's rusty and worn but runs and has lots of new and solid parts. Located in Charlottesville, VA. The good: great like new Recaro-like (read: not Recaros) cloth seats with electric lumbar, new stock header pipe, Alpina-style 320 rims w/ good rubber, 4-spd tranny is good, new distributor and coil, crane cams elec. ignition, radiator in good shape, all electrics and gauges work, good glass all around, Weber 32/36 carb. Extensive receipts and records for the past 8 years. The bad: engine will need piston rings, needs new front and rear window seals, shock towers getting the cancer and rust is in all the usual places. I also have a set of nearly-new R-1 racing seats that could go with the '76, but that would up the asking price. Pictures at [hand\\_rail@yahoo.com](mailto:hand_rail@yahoo.com) Brad Day 434.963.2537 (Entered 25 Feb. 04)

**1971 BMW Bavaria** - I am the second owner and have had the car for approximately 5 years. The car is in excellent shape, runs very well, and has the original interior. It has approximately 130,000 miles and is located in Virginia Beach. If any of you know a collector or is interested in the car yourself, please contact me at [tabbpearson@netzero.net](mailto:tabbpearson@netzero.net) W. Tabb Pearson 757-491-3881 (Entered 25 Feb. 04)

**1991 318iS** - Alpine White, tan vinyl. Many high quality mods (M3 springs, Shrick cams & much more). The new owner (since April) of my '91 has told me that the car is for sale. A job transfer & the need for 4-wheel drive force the sale. I was the second owner & babied the car for 9 years. It has been garaged all its life & has had only 1,500 miles put on it since April. Contact me if you are interested & I will forward a complete description & a detailed service history (serviced either by me or Atlantic). A great little car. Jim Craig at [craigs3@erols.com](mailto:craigs3@erols.com) or call 703-331-3779 (Entered 4 Feb. 04)

**BMW 320 RACE CAR** SCCA E-Production class. Well sorted & clean car. Pro built & tuned 2 ltr motor, Carillo rods, balanced & polished crank, Schrick style cam, Stahl ceramic coated headers, Weisco 12.5:1 pistons, Webber carbs, Canton rebuildable oil filter and fuel filters, Accusump system, custom trap door oil pan, Electromotive crank fired ignition, all Aeroquipe fittings and stainless braided lines, Tilton peddles, masters cylinders, and 5.5" double plate clutch, custom CNC lightweight aluminum flywheel, custom Ron Davis radiator w/ internal oil cooler, SPA electric fan, Quife unit diff w/ Alpina cover, ATL fuel cell, fully adjustable custom front/ rear suspension, coil overs, Bilstein shocks, H&R springs, full custom cage, fiberglass hood & deck, lightened body, Lexsan side/ rear glass, OMP fire system, Momo steering wheel and race seat, all VDO gauges, plenty of spares. Call for complete list. Need to sell quickly to make room for a new GT-3 car! \$18,500 OBO. 757-333-7504 or [drbushey@ccim.net](mailto:drbushey@ccim.net) (Entered 31 Dec. 03)

**1998 528i** VIN WBADD6329WBW32074 Artic Silver Metallic/Gray Leather, 56k miles, Sport Package, CD Changer, Garaged, 3rd Owner, New Tires, Excellent Condition. \$24,475, obo, [SellVIN.com/32074](http://SellVIN.com/32074) (VA) David Hancock 757-286-5704 (Entered 26 Dec. 03) Also selling:

**1990 525i** VIN WBAHC2314LGB22575 Sterling Silver/Black Leather, 215k miles, In Dash CD, Garaged, 2nd Owner, 5 New Tires, Excellent Condition, perfect Leather \$7,375 [SellVIN.com/22575](http://SellVIN.com/22575) (VA) David Hancock 757-286-5704 (Entered 26 Dec. 03)

**2002 540i Sport 6-speed** - Call Al Bristow at 804-771-3794 during the day and 804-360-9410 in the evening for details. (Entered 26 Dec. 03)

**2003 530i** Alpine White with cream interior 530i. Only 2,900 miles. Sports package, premium package, cold weather package, Steptronic shift, 6 disc changer, Xenon headlights, adjustable thigh support, tinted 35% all the way around, has Commodore protective coating. MSRP 49,400. Retail 46,400. Blackbook (dealer trade) 41,500. My price 44,000 FIRM. I'm the one and only owner. Has been garage kept. Contact Dave Sohn at [gbuasdmg61@cox.net](mailto:gbuasdmg61@cox.net) or call at 872-9525. (Entered 20 Dec. 03)

## PARTS FOR SALE

**2004 330ci Sport Package wheels & tires** - Wheels are M double spoke 68, 7.5 X17 and 8.5 X17; tires are Dunlop SP Sport 8080, 225/45ZR17 and 245/40ZR17; factory mounted and balanced. Perfect condition. \$2,200. Contact Joe Lo Prete 757-412-0071. (Entered 26 Dec. 03)

**Dunlop SP 9000 tires** - size 245/45/18. Three of the tires are brand new, one has minor tread wear (85-95% remaining & a small nail repair). Call Jeremy at 757-435-8573. (Entered Nov. 03)  
**325e Parts** - Dismantling a 1987 325e, has approximately 146,000 mi. Parting out due to electrical problems. Call me for more info. Jay Neal at 757-289-6341 or email to [jneal@hrmci.com](mailto:jneal@hrmci.com). Also dismantling a 1984 733i, Still have some parts left. (Entered 12 Dec. 03)

**Lots of E36 & M3 parts** must go - 5 Yokohama A032H (R compound) 235x40x17 tires mounted on 5 Kosei 17x8.5 wheels - brand new heat cycled set, never used \$1700, 1 M3 front set Performance Friction 01 pads - never used \$190, 1 M3 rear set Performance Friction 97 pads - never used \$150, 1 M3 rear set BMW OEM rotors - never used \$120, 1 M3 front set Frozen Euro 2-piece rotors - slightly used and cleaned by Diversified Cryogenics \$300, 1 E36 Noah car cover - brand new \$150, 1 set Turner M3 Sway Bars (27mm front/24mm rear)- less than one year old \$300, 1 Conforti CAI - new \$300. All are sold as is and I will entertain offers. Please call Doug Rauch (757) 573-7361 or email to [dlr265-email@yahoo.com](mailto:dlr265-email@yahoo.com) (Entered 19 Oct. 03)

**325 Series car cover by BMW.** VG condition. Paid 200.00, sell for \$65.00. Email Tim Barry at [timothy.barry@ams.com](mailto:timothy.barry@ams.com) or phone at 533-5006 work, 363-9348 home, 575-7960 cell. (Entered 19 Oct. 03)

**E30 M3 wheels & tires** (4 ea) Kosei K1 wheels 15x8J with heat-cycled, full tread Kumho Victoracers 225/50-ZR15 for E30 M3. I only drove around the block with them, never tracked. \$900 obo. These are \$1100+ new from Tirerack.com. Also have (4 ea) Mille Miglia MM11 5-spoke wheels 16x7.5J Good condition but have a few scratches. \$300 obo Contact David Russell at [itb242@cox.net](mailto:itb242@cox.net) or 757.692.0555 (Entered 5 Oct 03)

**2000 323i ORIGINAL SPORT PACKAGE BMW WHEELS & DUNLOP SP5000 TIRES:** 2000 E46, 16x7, five spoke pattern, 5 bolt pattern. Complete set of 4 wheels with mounted SP 5000 Tires 225/50-16, no dings or dents. Used only 20,000 miles, excellent condition. Asking \$800.00/OBO For the items above please call Zachary Pullins at (757) 495-1388 or , if no answer please leave a message. Reason for sale is a wheel and tire upgrade to 18". (Entered 2 Sept. 03)

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- Remote Starter Switch
- Clutch Alignment Tool
- Pilot Bearing Puller
- Fan Clutch Wrench & Bar
- Electric Impact Wrench
- Lockstrip Tool
- 17mm Trans. Drain Socket
- Advance Timing light
- **Brake Bleed System** - <<VERY USEFUL
- Freon Leak Detector
- Coil Spring Compressors

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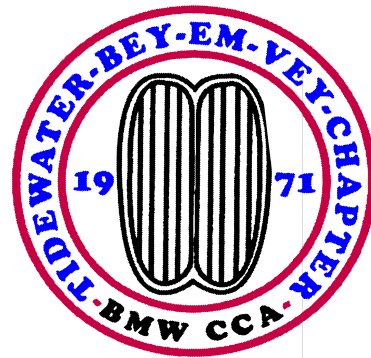
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