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#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Tidewater Chapter: 1,470 as of October 2006 National Membership: 75,958 as of October 2006

#### **ADDRESS CHANGES**

Address changes can be made on the BMWCCA National website (www. bmwcca.org) by logging in with your name and 6 digit member number. From there, click on the 'Member Services' link on the top of the page; then click on the 'Change of Address' link.

Or write to: ROUNDEL BMW CCA 640 South Main Street - Suite 201 Greenville, SC 29601

All changes done through the National office will update both your National and Tidewater Chapter address information. If you are a member of our Yahoo Group, DasKummet@yahoogroups.com, please also remember to update your profile.

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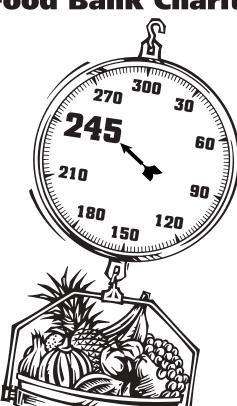
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# **Food Bank Charity Drive 2006**



We took in 80 lbs. of food product at the Oyster roast to bring our year-to-date total up to 245 lbs.

Again thanks to all who are helping us to reach our goal.

**Bob Parsons** 

## **Club TOOLBOX**

The following tools are available for members use. A deposit may be required and will be refunded upon return of the tool in working condition.

- Service Light Resetting Tools VERY USEFUL
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Ladies Stretch T-shirts	\$22	(pullover & v-neck)	\$35
Polo short sleeves		BMW CCA Map Grille Badges	\$16
Men's - old logo (white)	<sup>\$</sup> 18	Hats - new logo	<sup>\$</sup> 15
Men's - new logo	\$20	Chapter Logo Decals	\$4
Ladies (lavender and tan)	\$25	License Plate frames (NEW!)	\$4
Men's Deluxe - new logo	\$30	Various BMW CCA Decals	CALL!
Windshirts (logo front only)	\$35		

Contact Bob Parsons at (757) 587-7423 or activities@tidewaterbmwcca.org

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# FREE E-mail News & Reminder Service

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You can subscribe by sending an email to: dasKummet-subscribe@yahoogroups.com AND

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Please provide your name and address so we know that you are a chapter member. You will receive a confirmation and a "Welcome" message when you are added to the list. The CALENDAR automatic reminder feature is very helpful for planning and keeps you informed of event time, dates and changes. For assistance just email Bob Eveleigh at **webmeister@tidewaterbmwcca.org** or call (757) 491-0955.



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Non-commercial classified ads are free to chapter members. Ads will run in three published issues and then may only be continued in subsequent issues only by contacting the Newsletter Editor. Ads submitted are limited to 200 words per ad including name, address, phone number and email address if available. Items offered for sale must be the personal property of the submitting member or family and not of a business.

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#### **CARS FOR SALE:**

**1997 328is Sport Package** - Silver w/ Grey Interior. Auto, Sunroof, Mobil 1 synthetic. Excellent condition, Service Just Preformed. 121k \$7950. Call John Magyar@757-340-1989 or email to jonmag33@cs.com (Entered 9 Oct. 06)

2003 540i SPORT - New cost \$62000, yours for \$32000. Beautiful, powerful, great drive, 65000 miles. 6speed with every option, inc. Angel eye headlights, Silver with black interior. Call Kempton 804-782-7040 or email: jks001@hotmail.com (Entered 27 Sept. 06)

2003 M3 Coupe - Carbon Black, Grey interior, Meticulously cared for, No track/kids/smoke, Handwashed, Garaged, 2 sets of wheels, Sport&Stock mufflers, HK sound, Xenons, Leather, Upgraded brakes, oil changed every 5k, New BMW struts. You will NOT find a better cared for vehicle - ask my girlfriend! Contact Aaron Marlow aamarlow@yahoo.com 757-630-3376 (entered 20 Sept 06)

1993 M5 - Very Clean - 187,000.00 miles, Pearl White w/ light Gray leather, garage kept. \$14,900. Contact Ben Rolfes at 757-718-2389 or email at ben@equitymax4u.com (entered 6 Sept 06)

**1987 635 CSiA** - 230,000 miles, automatic, rear AC, Red over black, fair condition, new Bilsteins, some rust at rear wheels, aftermarket 15" wheels with proper spacers, \$3000, contact Willie at wfwright2@aol.com or cell 757.477.3928 (leave message) (entered 9 Aug 06)

1998 BMW M3 Coupe - 5 spd, 67K mi, Red w/ Tan and Black Leather, Suspension Control, ABS, H/K 6 CD Sound System, Sunroof, Power Everything, Dinan Stage 3 Engine upgrade, Strut Brace, UUC Short Shifter, Freeflow Exhaust, Brembo Cross Drilled Brakes, Rear Spoiler, Euro Light Package & more Extra Clean, \$19,000. Michael Caveny at 240-274-9880 or mmcaveny@yahoo.com (entered 6 June 06)

1999 Titanium Silver M3 - 42,000 miles, immaculate condition, like brand new condition, meticulously maintained, all records including bill of sale, original window sticker and service records, oil changed every 2-3,000 miles using Mobil 1 synthetic, Dinan cold air intake, mass airflow sensor, throttle body, computer upgrade and stainless steel exhaust, clean Carfax, never raced or tracked, selling due to the M3 not being driven routinely.

Asking \$22,000 Call Michael at 443-260-3357 or mrchaikel@yahoo.com (entered 6 June 06)

1994 BMW 325i - Excellent condition, black with tan leather, auto, sunroof, CD player. All service records. 110,000 miles. \$4,999. Call Krista Wenzel at 643-6316. krista. wenzel@langley.af.mil (Entered 8 June 06)

1999 BMW Z3 Roadster - 2.8 Dark Green, Convertible with 10K miles. LIKE NEW. All leather, 4 wheel ABS, 5 speed manual transmission. Dual airbags, power windows, power steering, heated seats, air conditioning with CD player and premium sound system. Rides like a dream. \$21,500 REDUCED to \$18,500 Contact Jeff Newton 757-934-3946 or email j.newton1@charter.net (entered 25 January 06)

2004 BMW 530i Titanium Silver - Sport, Premium & Cold Weather Packages, Xenon headlamps, BMW Integrated Phone, Red Rear Reflectors, Tinted Windows, All Weather Floormats and BMW Trunk Liner. 18.5k miles, \$43.5k \$41.5 OBO, Factory Run Flats only have 200 miles on them, Hartge Classic 19" with Pirelli P-Zero's currently installed + \$2k if buyer wants them. Contact Eduardo Gonzales at gonzales96@cox.net or 757.679.3670 (modified 25 Jan 06)

**2004 BMW 330Ci** - sport package, M wheels, 6 speed, navigation, rare mystic blue, black leather, 22000 miles, moonroof, HK 6 cd, alarm, garage kept, all power, all documents, no smoke/track/damage, meticulously cared for, like new, REDUCED to \$32,000. Contact Jeff Bleh at 757-635-1465 cell or 757-482-1866 home. (entered 10 October 05..modified April 06)

#### **MOTORCYCLE FOR SALE:**

1992 BMW R100RS Motorcycle - VIN WB104660XN6247655 1000 cc, 4 stroke, 2 cylinder touring bike in excellent condition, blue and silver with tank cover, hard saddle bags, radar detector, Corbin seat, full fairing, engine guards, ABS, and 22,800 pampered miles. \$8,995 \$6,995 or B/O Call Glenn Martin at home 757-479-0456 or cell 757-619-3692 (modified March 06)

#### PARTS FOR SALE:

**4 BMW Wheels**--5 spoke MM 17x8x40et. Set of 4 for E36 and most other models. Put the same size wheels on your M3, etc. Pic available. Call Kempton 804-782-7040 or email: jks001@hotmail.com (Entered 27 Sept. 06)

**E46 Wheels** - Four OEM 17" Type 44 Wheels from 2001 E46 with Sport Package. Good condition with some curb rash. Roundel center caps in great condition. Tires currently

mounted need replacement. \$320.00 Contact Mark Wilcox at mark.wilcox@jfcom. mil or (757) 966-5796 or cell (757) 376-7417. (Entered 9 Aug. 06)

**E30 wheels** - 10 spoke , 5 lug, 15", 318ti factory alloy wheels (4), fits 3 Series 92 - 99, VGC, \$45/ea, \$125 for all four. Contact Nat Weeks @ (757) 898-1129 from 7 - 9PM, leave a message if not home, or email to kiyokoweeks@hotmail.com (Entered 9 Aug. 06)

Car covers (two) - One new-in-box and one that was used in the garage only to cover my ///M5. Both will fit a 3 or a 5 series. Call or email Curt Kiser at 410-4321 or webmeister@ti dewaterbmwcca.org (Entered 29 July 06)

**17" TSW Edg rims w/tires** New condition, About 50 miles on rims and tires. 4x100 bolt pattern. Ultra high-performance summer Federal tires. \$500 contact Eric Wilson at 488-7523 or erw14@cox.net (Entered 8 June 06)

Tires for sale - Two Michelin Pilot Sport A/S tires, size 235/50-18. Treadwear-400, Traction-AA, Temperature-A. LOTS of tread remaining, 7/32" on centerline and 5/32" on the inside and outside edges (10/32" when new). \$200 for the pair. Contact Jake Brodersen at patandjake@cox.net or 875-9797 (Entered 11 May 06)

Tires for Sale - Four nearly new Continental Ecoplus ContiContact 225/55 R 16 tires with 5,000 miles. All for \$280. Specs are 360 Treadwear with "A" Traction and "A" Temperature. Photos on request. Contact Hugh Youmans at 757-867-5566 or youmansm@att.net (Modified 11 May 06)

**E30 Rear Bumper** (3 each) - Two came off late-model E30s (plastic bumpers) and the other one is off a 1984 euro 325e (small metal bumper). The chrome on the euro bumper is going to have to be refinished to look perfect. Asking \$75 each. Contact Jaeson Dandalides at (757) 338-1120 or dandalides.2@osu.edu (entered 7 February 06)

**3 series rear lip spoiler** - I got this for my 330i but never installed it, painted Silver. \$100. Call Eduardo Gonzales at 757 679-3670 or email to gonzales96@cox.net (entered 25 January 06)

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It is <u>imperative</u> the you notify the Editor when your ad changes, need to be removed, or needs to be renewed (**three issue period enforced**). Thank You!

## Safety & Performance Drivers School

From 8:00 am to 4:00 pm at Langley Speedway
Bland Blvd, Newport News, Virginia http://www.langley-speedway.com/
Date: **11 November 2006** 

## **Driving School Requirements**

- Current BMW CCA member
- Valid drivers license
- Safe vehicle (must Pass Tech Inspection-form required)
- Valid vehicle registration and insurance
- DOT/SNELL 2000 or newer rated helmet
- No Vans, SUVs or Trucks

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**Registration:** Make checks payable to <u>BEY EM VEY Corp</u>. School will <u>be held rain or shine</u>. No refunds.

Contact Ed DeLanis at 757-496-8720 or by email: treasurer@tidewaterbmwcca.org

Send completed registration forms with full payment of \$40.00 each to:

Driving School c/o Ed DeLanis 2260 Creeks Edge Drive Virginia Beach, VA 23451-6842

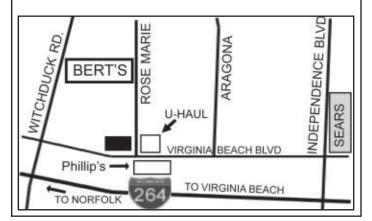
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# 9th Annual Manteo — Island Drive to the Weeping Radish Restaurant & Brewery

**By: Bob Parsons** 

The Tidewater Chapter of the BMW CCA will make its annual pilgrimage to the Weeping Radish Restaurant on Saturday Dec 9, 2006.

We will have two meeting points at 9:00 am, with a departure for the Outer Banks at 9:15 am

Group 1 (Chesapeake) will meet at Deep Creek Methodist Church parking lot in Deep Creek. From I-64 take Exit 296B, south. Go approximately 2 miles and the church will be on your left and across the street from the Citgo/7-11. Look for Bob Parsons and his Inka orange 2002.

Group 2 (Virginia Beach) will meet at McDonalds

Restaurant on Princess Anne Road across the street from the Virginia Beach Courthouse and Municipal Center. Ed DeLanis will lead this group. Ed will be in his pristine white E34.

The two groups will meet at the North Carolina rest stop in Coinjock for a short break and then proceed together to Manteo and the Weeping Radish Restaurant.

This will be the last event of the year; and we are very close to achieving our goal of donating 300 lbs. of food to the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia. Please remember to bring a few items of food for the cause.

RSVP for this event at either location to Bob Parsons at activities@tidewatebmwcca.org or call him at 757.587.7423

Note that event start times and locations are subject to change, so it's important to RSVP to 'stay in the loop'.

# **Chapter Elections for 2007**

Bob Parsons is resigning his position as Membership Chair and the Chapter is seeking one or two persons to fill this position. The responsibilities of this position are spelled out below. It is recommended that there be a primary Membership Chair and an alternate to work with the Chair and serve in the Chair's absence.

#### 7.6.4 Membership Chairperson

Each month, a membership report is sent to the chapter from the National Office. It can be a paper printout, or electronic file, or both. In many chapters, the Membership Chairperson is a dedicated evangelist who will go out of the way to recruit new members, leave membership brochures on BMW windshields, and keep dealers and shops supplied with brochures. Some of the more routine, but still vitally important duties of this position include:

- Monitor chapter membership activity, renewals rates, and reasons why members don't renew.
- Develop and supervise programs and activities to increase membership.
- Assess the satisfaction of members with the chapter.
- Contact members who are about to lapse to ensure that they realize their membership is due to expire.
- Call or send a welcome letter to new members, inviting them to upcoming events.

Additional responsibilities for 2007 will include traveling to Valley Forge, PA in April for a National Conference to be attended by the President, Treasurer and Membership Chair. This event is sponsored by both the National Office and the local Chapter and is of no expense to the persons in these positions.

# The Patina Digest — "Parts are (not) Parts"

**Steve Waddell** 

As an owner of five "higher-mileage" cars which have 342,000, 245,000, 207,000, 205,000 and 171,000 miles I've come to think of cars in a different light. In my opinion older cars can be as dependable as newer ones with a little effort – well okay, more than a little effort. I

think I speak for a lot of us when I say we really like our cars and can't seem to part with them. I also think that Rule #1 to having reliable cars is to replace any and every part right away if it is acting funny and doesn't want to be a team player. That way our cars remain "new" to a certain degree.

Rule #2 is never trick yourself into thinking that a newly acquired used part is like new, or even "good" for that matter. A good non-serviceable part like a piece of glass or trim or maybe a wheel

might be okay after a little work. Don't forget that a good used part is probably just as old as the failed part you just took off your car and therefore ready to fail at any second. Here's how I know. A few years back, just two days before the Mid-Atlantik 2002 fest I did my preflight check and noticed the right rear wheel was wobbly. Not just a little bit; I'm talking 1 1/2" to 2" of movement. I thought, how did that sneak up on me? And better yet, why didn't it fly apart? Well, gee, that was a "good" swing arm with "good" bearings just 2 years prior, yet was a twenty-year-old part. I had gotten a great deal on the car since it had a chewed-up hub and swing arm. (The two living room lamps my wife bought cost more.) After towing the car home I found a used assembly, slapped it on and took off. I was a happy 02er heading for disaster.

Next is Rule #3: always use OEM parts. In the past I've used non-OEM parts and have paid for it. Here's a list of premature failures: wheel cylinders, clutch master cylinder, clutch disk, heater fan motor, heater valve, radiator hose (blew after 8,000 miles), fuel line (dry rotted and leaked after one year) and an alternator that caught on fire as soon as I started the engine. (I should mention that I did have an OEM slave cylinder that failed after one year, but the company replaced it. That was the only time I've had a problem with an OEM part.)

And is it just me, or are about 30% of the parts you get not for your car once you get them home? Oh sorry, back to original parts, which should always be used because the re-breakdown (caused by cheap parts) will most likely happen just before or during that trip you've been waiting for all year. And you might have to walk home in the rain, at night, in 35 degrees, with no money or phone, lost in the middle of nowhere. Don't make me say I told you so.

Author's note: I should add Rule #4: Always listen to your spouse when they try to tell you about that funny feeling they had or the noise they heard when driving one of the vehicles. Also, it was suggested that I add the following disclaimer: No more than two of the author's six cars are ever in safe running condition at any one time. (It's probably obvious that I've come up with this rule system by continuous - okay, sometimes repetitive - trial-and-error...)

Enjoy the ride.

Steve Waddell



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5th Annual Oktoberfest

at Checkered Flag **BMW** 

By: Bob Parsons

Saturday the 14th was a beautiful day for 60 of the Ultimate Drivers taking advantage of Checkered Flag BMW's Oktoberfest.

The donuts were Now and the coffee was Hot to start the day.

We saw some new faces and cars this year that covered every model from Roy Hudgins new, 2007 525 to Lawerie Smith's 1970 model 2000. Everyone took advantage of Checkered Flags master technicians inspections of their Ultimate

Driving Machine. Tim Lyke, Steve Waddell, Chess Harris, Rusty Ferrell and Bob Parsons brought their

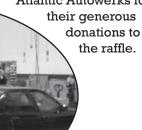
> Neu Classe 2002's, the car that started the whole BMW renaissance of the Ultimate Driving Machine.

Thanks to Famous Uncle Al and his famous long hot dogs and bratwurst.

Many thanks go to Dave Stevens, Manager of the Parts Department, and Jim Huber, Service and Parts Director for setting up this event.

Thanks again to Dave Stevens for donating some very nice BMW Lifestyle products for the raffle. Two very fortunate people no longer have an excuse for not knowing what time it is.

Thanks to Sullivan's Warf Restaurant, The Funny Bone Comedy Club and Atlantic Autowerks for





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to the right side of the cockpit. A conventional throttle is missing. To accelerate the car, Zanardi will use the shifting paddle on the left rear side of the steering wheel, which has been modified for this purpose. The paddle travel was increased considerably, in order to allow the right throttle percentage and smooth acceleration.

Between 1991 and 1999 Zanardi contested 41 Formula One Grands Prix. In addition, he won the US CART series in 1997 and 1998. On 19<sup>th</sup> November in Macau, Zanardi wants to help BMW to defend the Manufacturers' title in the WTCC.

#### Accreditations:

Media attendees can register for the DELL Formula BMW World Final at:www.sportssystems.com/media. formulabmwworldfinal

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# Whoops! Will the real July Rally winners please stand up?

Rick and Bev George were incorrectly as listed last month as finishing second-place in July's River Run Rally. Please join us in congratulating the winners of the July rally, Bev and Rick George. Not only did the Georges win, they answered all questions correctly and achieved the exact mileage!





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Is your Ultimate Driving Machine missing The Ultimate Driver? Here's a good start to get those skills to really enjoy your BMW. Check out the November 11 Driving School at our new location, Langley Speedway, in Newport News.

The driving school is designed for the novice or anyone who wants experience pushing their car past the limits of the normal everyday driving events. The focus of the school is improving your skills so you will be better prepared to face emergencies on the open road.

On the skid-pad, you can safely experience traction loss and learn how to recover control. It's a real confidence builder. The other drills such as slalom and lane change teach you to 'look ahead' and avoid an accident.

You will learn what ABS is and how it works; driving the car and keeping under control through extreme

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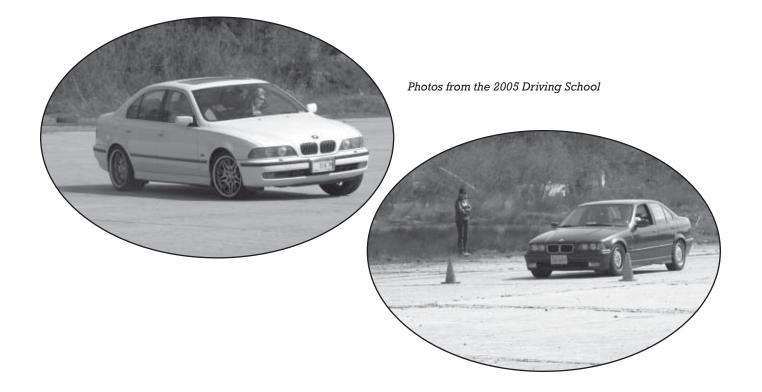
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   these are available on the website:
   www.tidewaterbmwcca.org. Click on the Driving Events link in the left column.
- Cleaned-out, tech-inspected car.
   Check with your mechanic they probably provide this service. If not, many of our advertisers provide this service.
- Extra air in tires You should fill up your tires the day before – 2-4 pounds above recommended pressures.
- Rain Gear, hat, sunscreen, and garbage bags (in case of rain to cover any removed 'cargo') as April weather is unpredictable in Tidewater.
- Water and any snacks you might want. Water is important – it's easy to get dehydrated.

conditions. Most people rarely use their ABS system in everyday driving, but here you can activate your car's ABS and learn how to use it to control the car in an emergency – a real confidence builder. Students are surprised at how quickly their cars can brake; even in the wet (we run the school rain or shine).

In the afternoon we put it all together. This is a fun and full day with enough track time to wear you out; you'll get plenty of seat time. Of course, experienced drivers, autocrossers, and road race drivers are also welcome! We thrive off of their expertise and knowledge to make us all better drivers.

Don't miss this school – the next one isn't until 2007!





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# 3rd Annual Oyster & Pig Roast

By: Bob Parsons

Saturday the 7th was an awful day to have an outdoor event such as the pig and oyster roast. Hearty for some but dreadful for the rest of us. 10th View Street was flooded and I couldn't get out of my driveway, a nice day to stay at home and watch the storm waters recede.

Now Sunday the 15th was the day to have and Oyster and Pig Roast. The weather was absolutely perfect as was Dana and John's back yard. With the changes made since last year the setting was perfect and all who attended enjoyed a wonderful fall day. The variety of side dishes brought by our members was the best ever. Thanks to everyone who contributed.

This year the Tidewater Chapter sponsored the entire event with the stipulation that attending members donate 2 or more cans of non-perishable food per person to benefit our main charity, The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia. The total amount of food donated was 80 lbs., which was pretty good taking the low attendance figure into account.

The low turnout Sunday was attributed to the postponement of the event due to the Nor'easter the past Saturday. For the devout that meant more oysters. Thanks to Glenn Martin and Rob Jay who took up shucking duties around the grill. They may have had ulterior motives having to continually sample the product to make sure it was edible for the rest of the crowd. Thanks also go out to Gary Wickstrand who handled carving duties with John.

Many thanks to John and Dana Redding for opening up their beautiful home and being such gracious hosts for this the 3rd Annual Oyster and Pig Roast.

# **President's Corner**

## By: Bill Oates

The end of the year is rapidly approaching and I feel as if we still have many things yet to do. One of those tasks would be recruiting more people to help us organize the many things necessary for the club to function.

The first issue is in the area of our rallies. We need someone to step forward and help us run any rallies we wish to undertake on the Southside. That would be at least one a season. The people who have been organizing this effort would like to take a break for a while. We are not asking for a lot of time but if we can get more people to donate five to six hours a month that would be very helpful. The more people we can recruit the less burnout from members we will have.

We are also in need of more folk to work with our driving school committee. It is becoming increasingly more difficult to put all the pieces together year after year, when our same small core of people is getting smaller.

Elections are again coming up and we will have several vacancies to fill. Anyone who would like to serve on the Board of Director's please contact me. We are a large organization and we need your help.

Whenever you maintain a membership in an organization sooner or later someone is going to ask you step up and take a more active role within that group. Please consider that someone has just touched you on the shoulder and is saying "please help us out". That what I am doing now, we need more help on our committees, so please help us out.

# 2006 FIA World Touring Car Championship (WTCC)

Alessandro Zanardi tests for the BMW Sauber F1 Team in Valencia.

Munich, 30th October 2006. Alessandro Zanardi (ITA) makes his return to the cockpit of a Formula One car. On the occasion of the DELL Formula BMW World Final, the 40-year-old will take to the track at the wheel of a modified BMW Sauber F1.06 at Valencia from 24th to 26th November. By driving for the BMW Sauber F1 Team, Zanardi will enter motor racing's history books once more: He will be the first person who has his legs amputated to test an F1 machine. In 2001, he lost both his legs in an accident at the German Lausitzring. As a BMW Team Italy-Spain driver, he celebrated an impressive comeback racing touring cars and has won two rounds of the FIA World Touring Car Championship (WTCC) to date.

Zanardi said: "First of all I would like to say thank you to BMW for this opportunity. That's just amazing for me. Of course, I know that I won't get a contract with the Formula One team. However, having the chance to drive an F1 racer again is just incredible. Formula One is all about development speed. Therefore, I'm really excited to see what has changed since my last Grand Prix in 1999. I can call myself a very happy man, as I turned my passion into my profession. Despite having been a race driver for quite a while now, I still feel the fire burning in me.

Formula One is - and will always be - the pinnacle of motor racing. I can hardly wait for the moment, when the V8 engine is started."

BMW Motorsport Director Mario Theissen commented: "Alessandro Zanardi is a truly impressive character. With an unprecedented show of will and dedication, he fought his way back into motor racing and now proves in the WTCC that he is able to win races at the highest level. It was rather a joke when he asked me at the beginning of the year, if he could do an F1 test with us. We will give him this chance now, the engineers made it possible. I cannot wait to watch his reaction after the test."

Zanardi will conduct the Formula One drives in a BMW Sauber F1.06 that differs in many ways to the car that is used by the BMW Sauber F1 Team drivers. The car features a special brake pedal, which has been moved

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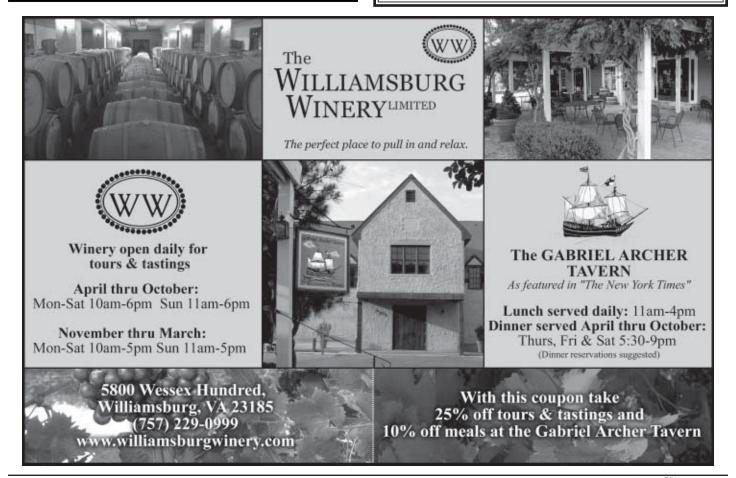


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# **Calendar of Events**

We have events for most every interest in motor sports. If you don't see something you like, contact a Chapter Officer with suggestions for new events or use the Feedback Form on our web site. Our goal is simple - 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.

Listed below are chapter events scheduled for the next few months. These include events (shown in italics) held by other organizations that our members regularly attend and may be of interest to you. For members interested in High Performance Driving Events (HPDE), racing and additional autocross opportunities, please see the "Track Junkies" section of our Web Site - www.tidewaterbmwcca.org

#### November

4 (Saturday) - Club quarterly general membership meeting and dinner at Dynasty International Super Buffet, 5725 Northampton Blvd. Va Beach 363-7787 Starting at 6:30 p.m. RSVP to Bob Parsons at 757-587-7423 or Activities@tidewa terbmwcca.org before October 31. Look for more info and maps on the chapter website.

11 (Saturday) - Driving Skills Clinic # 2 at Langley Speedway in Newport News, Contact Ed DeLanis at Treasurer@tidewaterbmwcca.org or 757-496-8720. Check pages 6 and 7 or the Driving Events page on the web site for details & registration form.

23 - Thanksgiving Day

#### **December**

9 (Saturday) – 8th Annual Manteo Island and Weeping Radish Brewery Drive. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Meet up in Va. Beach or Chesapeake then enjoy a leisurely drive down to the Outer Banks and then on to the Radish in time for a traditional German lunch. POC is Bob Parsons at Activities@tidewaterbmwcca.org 757-587-7423.

The Charitable Events Committee is supporting the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia for 2006. You can support this effort by bringing canned goods to any Chapter event. Bob Parsons is heading up the Committee. For more information or to volunteer to help the Committee, please contact Bob Parsons activities@tidewaterbmwcca.org

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The issue's Feature Car, 1986 325, belongs to Jim Herley. The car is shown auto-crossing at Little Creek's ACU-4 ramp. The car features Avon Type R tires on U-Pick (junkyard) wheels, Koni adjustable shocks, Dyno-max muffler, urethane bushings and K&N Filter.

Jim notes that his goal is to stay at least .001 seconds behind the multitude of Mini Cooper S cars, also competing in G-stock class. He also thanks chapter members Atlantic Autowerks, Tom Bleh, Curtis Staples, Peter Florance and Terry Baker for their help in prepping the car since its 2005 purchase.

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Dial-up Frenzy as Customers Vie To Be Among The First Fifty Callers

Woodcliff Lake, NJ - October 18, 2006... The holidays are coming early for 50 Neiman Marcus customers who managed to place their calls into BMW to order the new 2007 BMW M6 Convertible that was featured in this year's Neiman Marcus Christmas Book, as it went on sale today at 12 PM, EDT.

As the clock struck noon, the 1-866-303-2696 phone lines were completely lit up with buyers who wanted to be sure they were among the first in the U.S. to own the just-introduced Limited Edition M6. The Convertible sold out in a mere one minute, thirty-two seconds.