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New Member Picnic Saturday, October 3

Shine up your Bimmer, or your whatever, and come have fun at the Hoosier Chapter Annual New Member Picnic! The shelter at Lilly Lake in Eagle Creek Park, on Indy's northwest side will be the site of this year's fun.

Members that joined since last October will be honored guests, but all members are invited.

Older members must bring a side dish or dessert, new members just bring yourselves.

The only cost is the five dollars per vehicle to get in the park. Lunch will be from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There will be door prizes for the new members. Bring the family! Hope to see you there!

Check out the latest event details at:
www.hoosierbmw.com

HOOSIER TRACKS



The 1st Annual Ohio River Tour

Article by Mert Zorlu
Photography by Don Andersen

August 1, 2009, started out as a beautiful morning and turned out to be an unforgettable day. Fifteen BMWs and one red Corvette lined up in the parking lot of a Shell gas station just off exit IN 46 of I 65 for a cruise towards the Ohio River. The group consisted of veteran car club members, along with many new faces. A beautiful, blue, 2010 Z4 graced us with its presence.

The main theme for the Ohio River Tour was the idea of enjoyable driving. The road and the scenery, instead of the destination, were the main focus of

this trip. However, visiting the Rocky Point Waterfront Grille for lunch and the Blue Heron Vineyard for some wine tasting were incredible stops to enjoy along the way.

Because of many new faces, I wasn't sure about the driving pace, so I started at a moderate speed cruising down the winding roads of IN 58. As the trip progressed and everyone one became more comfortable with their surroundings, I scooted along a little faster. Having driven these roads three times prior to our tour, I realized keeping a quick tempo through the twisting and hilly roads of this trip required skillful driving with both hands on the steering wheel and eyes up. With the pace quickened a bit, this had now become a pleasurable event where everyone could safely test their driving skills.

Our first stop, Rocky Point Waterfront Grille, with our pre-ordered lunch waiting for us, was classic. The food was enjoyable and the style of the restaurant

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was tranquil. It had a decent size shaded deck with a breeze blowing from the Ohio River, making everyone want to sit there all day long sipping on their drinks. However, the show must go on. We headed to the Blue Heron Winery at the top of the hill, two minutes from the restaurant, to taste some wine and enjoy their unforgettable view of Ohio River. We sampled red, sweet red and white wines, as well as, an incredible tasting red that was in stainless steel containers and not for sale yet. Again, this was one of those places where you want to just sit on the deck and enjoy the breeze and view until the sun sets. We moved on to my favorite part of the drive on IN 66 and IN 62. These roads are pure perfection.

Continuing on IN 62, we reached our group picture destination, which is the highest point of the hill overlooking the river and mountains. What a view! The last leg of the tour was on IN 58, where you wish you could do nothing but enjoy the drive all day long!

I call this tour the "1st Annual Ohio River Tour" and hope to see the same great participation in 2010. The date? The first Saturday of August every year.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Larry Clarino
Chapter President/Hoosier BMW CCA



Boy, time sure flies! It's been almost nine months since I took over the presidency of our chapter from Mike Lingenfelter. As you all know, while Mike is still on our chapter's board of directors, he is also the BMW CCA's North Central Region vice president. Mike has already made his mark at the national level by instituting some very new and innovative programs for increasing communications within our region and with national.

Perhaps the most vital philosophy Mike has and something I strongly share with him, is the need to keep new blood in the pipeline of our club. We have a strong and very vibrant chapter. We are financially solid. We are active. We are growing.

To keep that growth up we need to bring not only new members into the club, we need to recruit current members to take a more active role. Be it to chair an

event or two, or to run for a board of directors or officer position, we can only benefit from the active participation of more members.

On the activities level we'll team you with a mentor to help with all aspects of whatever event you are planning. It can be something we have done before like a tour or a dinner, or an entirely new event concept. There are no bad ideas. One of the things about a club as large as ours, there will always be others that share your interest no matter how general or arcane. We need a mix of driving, social, and tech events, to appeal to the broad scope of our membership.

On the management level it is very rewarding to be involved with the decision making of a group like this and there is a fair amount of it to do. If you are at all interested in getting involved, let me know. We do have a couple of members that have already expressed an interest in the Board of Directors and major chairmanships. We are always on the lookout for more new blood. Elections come up in late fall, officially at our annual meeting, so if you would like to toss your hat into the ring, please let me know. This year our annual meeting will be on December 12, 2009 at Indianapolis Country Club.

Elsewhere in this issue is our upcoming calendar. While we try to be complete and accurate, be sure to regularly check the club website for changes and updates. The address is: www.hoosierbmw.com.

Of course, the best way to keep up with your club is to attend our regular meetings on the first Wednesday of the month. We generally meet at the Brickyard Crossing on Sixteenth Street, at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway at 6:30 p.m. In July, our guest was Steve "Yogi" Behr, race driver, inventor, and all around character. Steve was a winner of one of the actual Cannonball Runs in the seventies and had us laughing out loud at the — "real stories" — of that goofy "race."

Several times a year we do meet on-location, like our February meeting at Sarah Fisher Racing's Indy Car race shop and May's meeting at Dreyer and Reinbold BMW store. We have more fun location meetings in the works.

We can assure you we have some exciting and unusual events in the planning stages. A few members have asked for more tech events for the gearheads among us and we are working on that. Likewise, with the fall comes a more social direction with dinners and fun get-togethers. They can be fun, pretty easy to organize, and great way to get your feet wet as a new event chairperson. Think about it.

So for now, I want to thank all of you and say "Get involved, it's easy! Give us a call!"

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- September:**
- 2nd** Membership meeting at Brickyard Crossing. 6:30 p.m.
 - 14th** Social meet at Brockway (Carmel). 6:00 p.m.
 - 19th** Autocross at Bush Stadium — 9:30 a.m. Be on site 30 minutes prior to start for registration.
 - 28th-Oct. 4th** Oktoberfest at Road Atlanta — 40th Anniversary.
- October:**
- 3rd** New Member Picnic — annual event at Eagle Creek Park (Indianapolis). 11:00 a.m.
 - 7th** Membership meeting at Brickyard Crossing. 6:30 p.m.
 - 14th** Social meet at Brockway (Carmel). 6:00 p.m.
 - 18th** Tire Rack Street Survival at North Central High School.*
- November:**
- 4th** Membership meeting at Brickyard Crossing. 6:30 p.m.
 - 7th** Tech session at VDS Racing Engines, Danville, Ind. 10:00 a.m., limit of 35 people — see web site for more info*.
 - 18th** Social meet at Brockway (Carmel). 6:00 p.m.
 - 21st** Movie night at Tri-Phase in Carmel. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., food at 6:30, movie starts at 7-7:30.

*Visit www.hoosierbmw.com for updates, additions and last-minute changes.

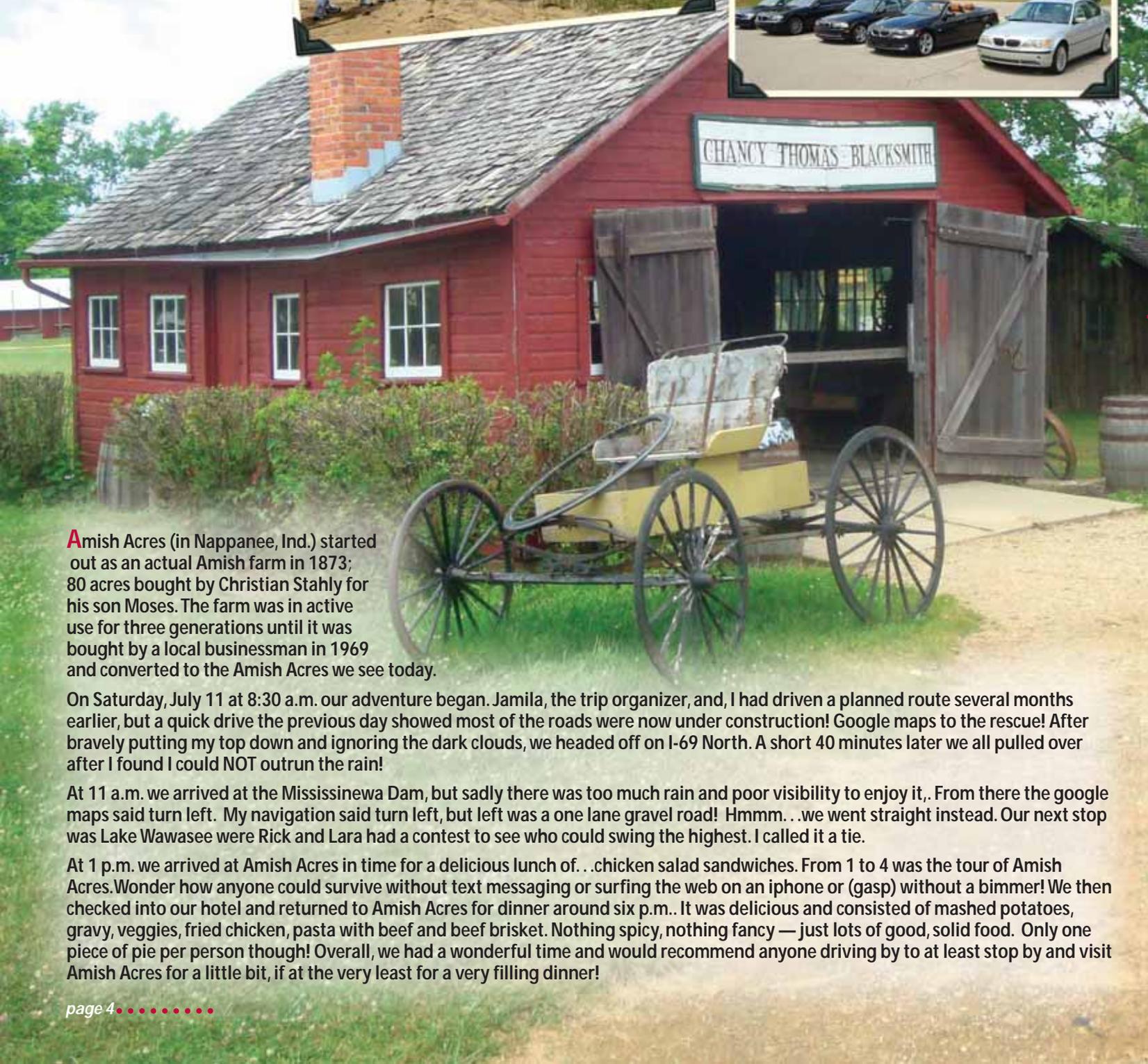
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

<p>BEARSCH, TODD Bloomington, IN 01/330 Ci</p> <p>BELLOMY, EDWARD Indianapolis, IN 06/X5i</p> <p>BEWLEY, SAM Zionsville, IN</p> <p>BRACKEN, SAMMIE Plainfield, IN</p> <p>CALDERON, NICHOLAS Carmel, IN</p> <p>CARLSGAARD, STEPHEN Zionsville, IN</p> <p>CHEESEBOUROUGH, NICOLE Zionsville, IN 08/X3</p> <p>CLARK, JOHN Carmel, IN 85/635 csi</p> <p>CLARK, KATYE Frankfort, IN</p> <p>CURL, MICHAEL Carmel, IN</p> <p>DALTON, ANDREW Fishers, IN</p> <p>DAWSON, KATHY Indianapolis, IN 80/320ir</p> <p>DIAL, ELLEN Indianapolis, IN 06/330ci</p> <p>DONAHUE, JAMES Indianapolis, IN 07/M5</p> <p>EDWARDS, WAYNE Sheridan, IN 00/M5</p> <p>ELLIS, MARK Pendleton, IN 06//M Roadster</p> <p>EMMERSON, KAITLIN Indianapolis, IN</p> <p>FIX, MARK Indianapolis, IN 03/325i</p> <p>GERDOM, ALEX Carmel, IN</p> <p>GIVEN, SCOTT Carmel, IN</p> <p>HOGAN, WILLIAM West Lafayette, IN 05/Z4</p> <p>HOKANSON, KAYLIN Indianapolis, IN</p> <p>JACKSON, COURTLAND Zionsville, IN</p> <p>JENKINS, STEVEN Indianapolis, IN 98/328ic</p>	<p>JOHNSON, ADAM Zionsville, IN</p> <p>KASTNER, ALLISON Zionsville, IN</p> <p>LOVE, RON Anderson, IN</p> <p>MARR, CHARLES Indianapolis, IN</p> <p>MCMORROW, JULIE Indianapolis, IN 06/Z4</p> <p>OLIVER, BRAD Carmel, IN 02/745Li</p> <p>PENDERGRAFT, CHRISTOPHER Fishers, IN</p> <p>PERKINS, BRYAN Fishers, IN 84 533i</p> <p>POWELL, TOBY Indianapolis, IN 02/E46 M3</p> <p>ROACH, PETER Indianapolis, IN 08/535Xi</p> <p>ROESCHLEIN, MATTHEW Indianapolis, IN</p> <p>RUBLE, KEVIN Noblesville, IN 98/M3 Sedan</p> <p>SALO, DAMON Muncie, IN 95/540i M-Sport 6</p> <p>SANTUCCI, CARLY Carmel, IN</p> <p>SCHMIDT, KYRA Zionsville, IN</p> <p>SCHOOLER, DARIA Columbus, IN 09/X6 35i</p> <p>SHIELDS, RICHARD Muncie, IN 07/750Li</p> <p>SOBAT, WARREN Indianapolis, IN 88/528e</p> <p>STARK, KEITH Indianapolis, IN 00/740i</p> <p>STEINMETZ, CHRIS Indianapolis, IN</p> <p>VALENCIA, LUIS Indianapolis, IN 06/M3</p> <p>YALE, KENNETH Indianapolis, IN 06/M5</p> <p>YOUNT, MEGAN Indianapolis, IN</p> <p>ZILM, TOM Fishers, IN 82/320is</p>
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Amish Acres Road Trip

Article and
photography by
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A Amish Acres (in Nappanee, Ind.) started out as an actual Amish farm in 1873; 80 acres bought by Christian Stahly for his son Moses. The farm was in active use for three generations until it was bought by a local businessman in 1969 and converted to the Amish Acres we see today.

On Saturday, July 11 at 8:30 a.m. our adventure began. Jamila, the trip organizer, and, I had driven a planned route several months earlier, but a quick drive the previous day showed most of the roads were now under construction! Google maps to the rescue! After bravely putting my top down and ignoring the dark clouds, we headed off on I-69 North. A short 40 minutes later we all pulled over after I found I could NOT outrun the rain!

At 11 a.m. we arrived at the Mississinewa Dam, but sadly there was too much rain and poor visibility to enjoy it. From there the google maps said turn left. My navigation said turn left, but left was a one lane gravel road! Hmmm. . .we went straight instead. Our next stop was Lake Wawasee were Rick and Lara had a contest to see who could swing the highest. I called it a tie.

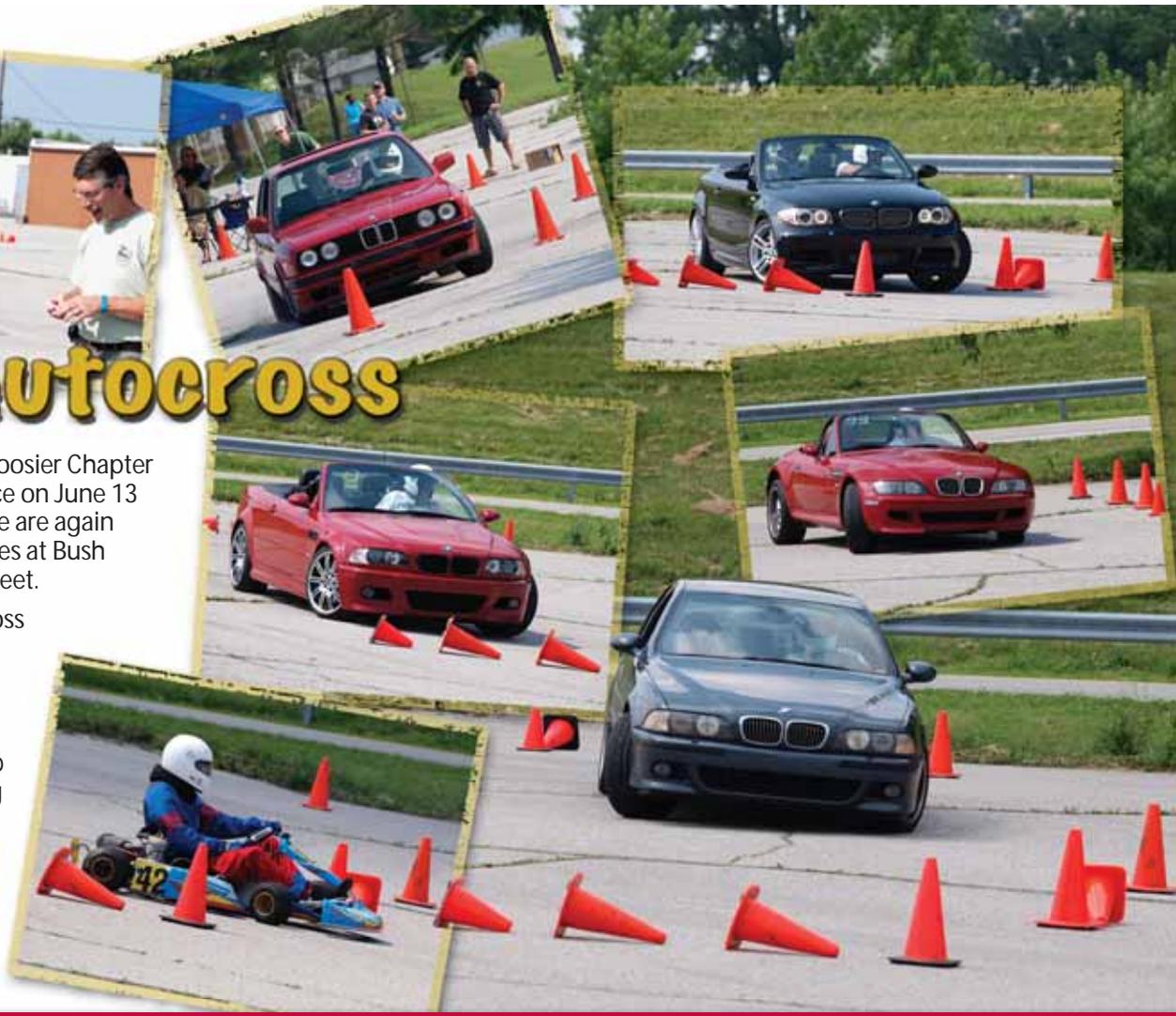
At 1 p.m. we arrived at Amish Acres in time for a delicious lunch of. . .chicken salad sandwiches. From 1 to 4 was the tour of Amish Acres. Wonder how anyone could survive without text messaging or surfing the web on an iphone or (gasp) without a bimmer! We then checked into our hotel and returned to Amish Acres for dinner around six p.m.. It was delicious and consisted of mashed potatoes, gravy, veggies, fried chicken, pasta with beef and beef brisket. Nothing spicy, nothing fancy — just lots of good, solid food. Only one piece of pie per person though! Overall, we had a wonderful time and would recommend anyone driving by to at least stop by and visit Amish Acres for a little bit, if at the very least for a very filling dinner!

June Autocross

The first of two of three Hoosier Chapter autocross events took place on June 13 and August 15 this year. We are again running this year's festivities at Bush Stadium on Indy's 16th Street.

A big thank you to autocross chairman Chris Dunlap, along with driving events chair Jerry Reamer and membership chair Tami Reamer, for staging superb days of traffic cone tossing fun.

The chapter will host one more event on September 19. Come down and join in on the fun.



TECH TIPS



Cold Air Intake Systems

Article by Wayne R. Dempsey

There is a lot of talk that cold air intake (CAI) systems can free up hidden horsepower in our cars. On some BMW models, a properly engineered cold air intake kit can effectively cool the intake charge entering into the cylinders, decreasing the likelihood of engine detonation and, in theory, since cooler air is denser it has more oxygen

molecules for combustion, and as a result should correspond to an increase in horsepower.

The stock BMW E36 intake system is already a cold air intake system. It pulls air from the outside and insulates



it from heat generated by the engine. The stock system is restrictive, though, making the air work its way around in order to enter the engine. After market intakes try to accomplish one primary goal: to better inject colder air directly into the intake system with fewer restrictions.

Just how much horsepower can you expect to gain? It all depends on your particular BMW model and which kit

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K&N Typhoon Cold Air Intake





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you use. A poorly designed kit used with an after market air filter may actually create more restrictions in the intake and cause a decrease in horsepower. In addition, an intake system that leaks because it was poorly installed will also decrease performance. One thing that most people agree on is that a CAI will give you more engine growl at higher revs, something us Tim Allen-type guys can appreciate.

The bottom line is that a performance intake system is typically an expensive aftermarket add-on that may increase your horsepower only slightly. Some kits cost over \$500, which translates into a very high dollar-per-horsepower ratio. Some other kits are less expensive and incorporate reusable aftermarket filters that may work less efficiently than the stock ones though there can be costs savings in the long run by eliminating the need to replace them so often.

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Our chapter conducted another Tire Rack Street Survival Teen driving school in May at Zionsville HS.

Under the leadership of Andy and Stephanie Simmonson and with the help of over forty volunteers, another thirty teens are now safer on the road. The Hoosier Chapter wants to thank former race driver and TV personality Scott Goodyear for stopping by to speak with kids and parents. Scott is now a national spokesperson for TRSS.

To expand the number of volunteers, we reached out to both the Indy Region of the SCCA and the local PCA chapter for help. In order to grow the TRSS program in the future, we need to tap the expertise other clubs can bring to the table.

We plan on doing another school in the fall of this year and we are doing planning work for next years, schools. Please consider getting involved with this life-saving program.

Thanks to all that helped and do consider helping with future Tire Rack Street Survival Teen driving schools. We do need your help. For more information on Tire Rack Street Survival, contact any Hoosier Chapter board or take a look at the TRSS web site: www.streetsurvival.org.

LOGO WEAR

The Hoosier Chapter has logo gear available. Shirts, jackets, caps, cases, backpacks and other items can be ordered from Stitches 2 at great prices. You can also bring your own things to them and they will embroider our club logo on what ever you want. Cost is about \$10 for the embroidery. Call them at 317-272-3444 or visit them at 1414 Main Street, Speedway, IN.



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If you are not getting regular email updates of Hoosier BMW Club events, be sure to go to the Hoosier website, www.hoosierbmw.com and sign up. Just click on the link, E-Mail Updates and fill out the form to subscribe.

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