

**New Jersey Chapter of the BMW CCA Board Meeting  
June 15, 2011**

Board members present: Larry Engel, Al Drugos, Ross Karlin, Jamie Kavalieros, Mark Mallory, Doug Feigel, Jeff White, Deb Kolar and Dave Allaway. Board members absent: Colin Vozeh, Paul Ngai and Jerry Faber. Others present: Blake Smith, Jon Trudel, Brian Morgan, Barry Stevens, Vic Lucariello, Neil Gambony, Elihu Savad, Ron Acher.

**President**

Larry Engel called the meeting to order at 7:38 PM at Alfonso's in Somerville. Larry moved to waive the reading of the May minutes and Al Drugos seconded (carried unanimously). Larry reported that he is pursuing a BMW corral at NJMP for the GrandAm event. He noted that last year we had a great turnout. There was a discussion of advertiser status, and advertising posts on forums in violation of club policy. Larry thanked the Driving Events committee for a great start to the year.

**Vice President**

On Paul Ngai's behalf, Larry reported that the June 24<sup>th</sup> meeting at BMW NA is scheduled. We have no scheduled meeting for July and, due to proximity to our Summit Point event, it was agreed to skip the July meeting. It is unknown whether we have a meeting for August [see Social Events]. The possibility of a September meeting at BMW of Hunterdon was discussed. Larry will follow-up with Paul.

**Treasurer**

Mark Mallory distributed the income & expense report and balance sheets. We are currently at a \$7,808 year-to-date deficit, but Thunderbolt is expected to be profitable. Larry Fletcher's generous contributions to the charity auction at Thunderbolt were noted. Our next big expense is Summit Point, but we will not be invoiced until after the event.

**Social Events**

Al Drugos requested a poll on the website regarding interest in again having a baseball event as the August meeting. August 24<sup>th</sup> at TD Bank Ballpark was set as a tentative date. Deb Kolar will post this as a forum question.

**Newsletter**

Larry noted the need to reduce newsletter expenses this year, but there was no extended discussion in Jerry's absence.

**Website**

Jeff White reported that he is reasonably satisfied with the transition to MotorsportReg.

**Business Manager**

Doug Feigel reported that he has obtained advertising rate sheets from three neighboring chapters. Doug recommended a slight increase in rates, a slight decrease in issues, and a reduction of the number of advertising options. Doug distributed a proposed rate sheet, with three levels of possible rates. It was agreed that for 2011 we would hold at 11 issues. After lengthy discussion, Doug motioned to change the standard rates based on proposed schedule 'C', for new and renewing advertisers. Al seconded (motion carried unanimously).

**Driving Events**

Jamie Kavalieros reported that the NJMP (Thunderbolt) event exceeded expectations. Jon Trudel is planning be rally master for the Whack Your Turkey Rally. Jamie is planning another New Jersey Gymkhana.

**Driver Schools**

Vic Lucariello reported that there were some comments to the effect that the tech line was too long on the evening before the NJMP (Thunderbolt) event. It was noted that we had an unusually large turnout for evening tech. Vic will endeavor to have more tech workers available for Summit Point. Blake suggested a follow-up e-mail to all attendees thanking them for their participation. Brian will provide photos, and Jeff will provide the event story. Jeff reported that it is too early to gauge Summit Point registration (20 out of 55, so far). Jeff noted that we have purchased additional track time again this year, with no racing school, and this gives us the option of having three student run groups.

**Autocross**

Elihu Savad reported that the next autocross will be on June 26<sup>th</sup>, as part of the E30 SIG-Fest weekend. This will be publicized by E30 SIG. It was noted that we lent our cones to DelVal for their TireRack Street Survival (TSS) school. Elihu has ordered and obtained new wristbands for autocross and TSS. Elihu asked whether the North Lot at PNC Bank Arts Center is now available again. Jamie will follow-up with Drew Karpinski. Larry asked about interest in doing another TSS this year at the same lot. Larry will pursue and Elihu will check possible dates. Ross will follow-up with Port Authority on possible venues.

**New Membership**

Neil Gambony reported that new member letters went out on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Neil reported that BMW NA is still working on the idea of 3 month club memberships for purchasers of CPO cars. Neil will follow-up with John Sullivan on the status of this. Deb Kolar reported that we now have 98 members on our Facebook page. Colin and Deb have been added as administrators. Doug reported that Colin will work with Brent on adding a link.

**Old Business**

Larry reported that John Sullivan is still confident about Lime Rock as a 2013 O'Fest venue. Larry reiterated that we have offered to run the driver school on our terms, and that this has been accepted by National. Neil thanked everyone for their participation in TSS. Vic requested purchase of a brake fluid tester. Larry solicited requests for capital expenditures from everyone, before approving anything as a group. Ross motioned to approve a \$100 charity donation in memory of Andy Korinis' mother, which had been tabled from a previous meeting. Dave seconded (approved unanimously).

**New Business**

Larry noted that it is time to initiate another blast e-mail. Larry reported that Paul has suggested Willie McBrides as a board meeting location. The next meeting was set for July 20<sup>th</sup> at Alphonso's. Ross motioned to adjourn at 9:37 PM. Jeff seconded (carried unanimously).

Respectfully submitted,  
David Allaway, Secretary