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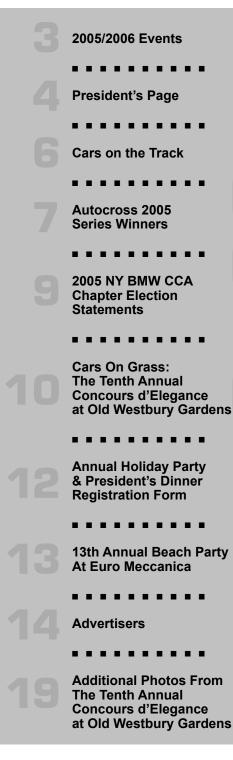
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On The Cover Wayne Jackson's pristine Bimmer Sportwagon.

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NEW YORK CHAPTER EVENTS 2005/2006 CALENDAR

November

December

lrd	Annual Holiday Party & President's Dinner,
	7:00 PM at the Marriott Hotel at
	LaGuardia Airport

January

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11th Chapter Board Meeting.

February

8th	Chapter Board Meeting.
18th	13th Annual Beach Party and Chapter
	Meeting at Euro Meccanica.

March

8th	Chapter Board Meeting.
18th	AAA Driver Improvement Program,
	AAA HQ, Garden City.



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⁹th Chapter Board Meeting, 7:00 PM Paparazzi Restaurant, Westbury NY



From the Chapter President

Anthony Howell



I would like to congratulate one of our Chapter members George J. Dixon III (known as GJ to his friends) for winning first place at the SCCA National Solo II Autocross in Kansas. The N.Y. Chapter Autocross Program is producing some very good national competitors. Also, at our recent O'Fest 2005, the NY Chapter was very well represented at the Autocross event. I took second place in my class, driving a 2001 E46 330Ci and our Vice President and Autocross Chairman, Andre Noel, took third place in his class in his 1989 E30 M3.

The 2005 Autocross Season for the NY Chapter concluded on October 1st. I would like to thank those of you that came out to Juring the entire season. The Season Trophies will be presented at the

compete and volunteer during the entire season. The Season Trophies will be presented at the Annual Holiday Party in December. We would like to see all participants attend this dinner to congratulate those that won trophies. You can find the Season Results in this newsletter and on the NY BMWCCA website.

Finally, I would like to extend my appreciation for another successful year to the Board members, volunteers and sponsors. By the time you receive this newsletter, it will be your last chance for the year to attend an event. We've saved the best for last. Our Annual Holiday Party and President's Dinner is being held on December 3rd, 2005 and we are graciously extending an invitation to all of our New York Chapter members as well as their family and friends to join us at this celebratory event. It will be held at the Marriott Hotel located by LaGuardia Airport off the Grand Central Parkway. Come out and socialize with your fellow members and enthusiasts. Thanks to our generous sponsors, the door prizes will be plentiful. We will also have gifts for young children whose parents RSVP early. Happy Holidays!

Regards, Anthony Howell President New York Chapter BMW CCA

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Cars on the Track By Mike Allen

The Club's Annual Watkins Glen Drivers School, hosted jointly by the Patroon and New York Chapters of the BMW CCA, took place on Sunday, June 19th thru Tuesday June 21st 2005. Mother Nature was yet again on our side with fantastic sunny weather and no rain whatsoever. This event provides an instructed and controlled venue for drivers to experience their cars' high-speed capabilities in a closed, supervised environment. There was not only hands-on instructional track training but also classroom sessions to solidify the practical aspect of the school. All of a sudden, terms such as "trail braking", "heel and toeing", "double clutching" and "track out" take on a different meaning.



This year's event consisted of 60 drivers with cars ranging from spec Miatas, the obligatory packs of E30 and E36 M3's, and examples of the current 3 and 5 Series models. There were even a couple Audis, Porsches, and a NASCAR racing truck representing good ol' American V8 power. As in the past, driver classifications included novice, intermediate, experienced, advanced, and a few "hot shoe" solo drivers. Reclassification took place at the event subsequent to initial runs with the instructors.

The New York Long Island contingency met on the Sunday morning near the Throgs Neck Bridge with an on-time





departure of 8am for the annual caravan up to Watkins Glen, New York for the event. Yes, it was Father's Day and for the fathers in our convoy, this was their gift. The 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ hour trip was somewhat nostalgic with a group of 5 E30 M3's leading the pack, loaded down with spare parts, tools, track tires and general necessities. I am happy to say that we all behaved ourselves on this drive and no traffic tickets were issued.

Tech Inspection was held on Sunday evening at the newly refurbished Falls Motel, a venue that turned out to be the focal point for impromptu get-togethers as well as group consumption of liquid refreshments and meals for the event. Of course, one cannot forget the Seneca Lodge, which also proved to be a welcoming watering hole for many.

Each day's activities were comprised of four 20-minute instructional track sessions where focus was directed towards track safety, driving style, high-speed vehicle dynamics and overall awareness of one's surroundings. Between these practical sessions, there were mandatory classroom meetings to review safety procedures, relate individuals' experiences, and focus on more advanced driving techniques. These breaks also provided valuable time go over the mechanicals of your car (tire condition, fluids, etc.).





Safety was the number one priority. I am happy to report yet again we had a very successful event with no major mechanical failure or "off-track excursions".

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Frantz Lilavois who is stepping down from the post of Drivers School Registrar. Frantz, in collaboration with the Patroon Chapter, has been instrumental in hosting this extremely well organized event for the past 3 years and we all wish him the best in his future endeavors and we hope to continue to enjoy his friendship. For those of you who missed this year's get together keep an eye out for information on next year's school, which is already in its planning stages and is anticipated to be just as successful as past events.





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Autocross 2005 Series Winners

By Andre Noel - Autocross Chairman

To all my hot shoe friends, sadly, the New York Chapter 2005 Autocross Season has come to an end. Happily, we can be proud that the 8 events were very successful, safe and fun. This past season, we made some changes to two of the classes and added a new class. These changes were implemented in order to increase participation of CCA members for the season. The changes worked out well. There was a notable increase in the number of members autocrossing their cars. For next season, some of the changes we're planning include setting up new car classification rules to balance out the fields of cars in the different classes as well as starting a permanent car numbering system. There will be more details in upcoming newsletters, but for now, start thinking of your favorite number between 1 and 399!

So to all the hot shoes, winter is knocking on the door. It will soon be time to think about next season, to save a few pennies for the hottest go fast parts and rethink car setup. Congratulations to all the winners this season! The awards will be given out at the Annual Holiday Party and President's Dinner on December 3rd, 2005. Happy Holidays to all and to all -I hope to see you at the Holiday Party.

Finally, to the Autocross Staff – thanks once again for all of your help this year. Your assistance ensured we had another successful Autocross season.

No cones = Fast time. \blacksquare

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AAA Class

- 1. Stefano Gaudio
- 2. Jesse Pelikan
- 3. Mike Allen

AA Class

- 1. James Siegel
 - 2. Mike Marvuglio
 - 3. Victor Yim

A Class

- 1. Steve Hollins
- 2. John Latham
- 3. Drew Casciano

B Class

- 1. Boris Piskoun
- 2. Linton Peixoto

C Class

1. Tony DeGrasse

E Class

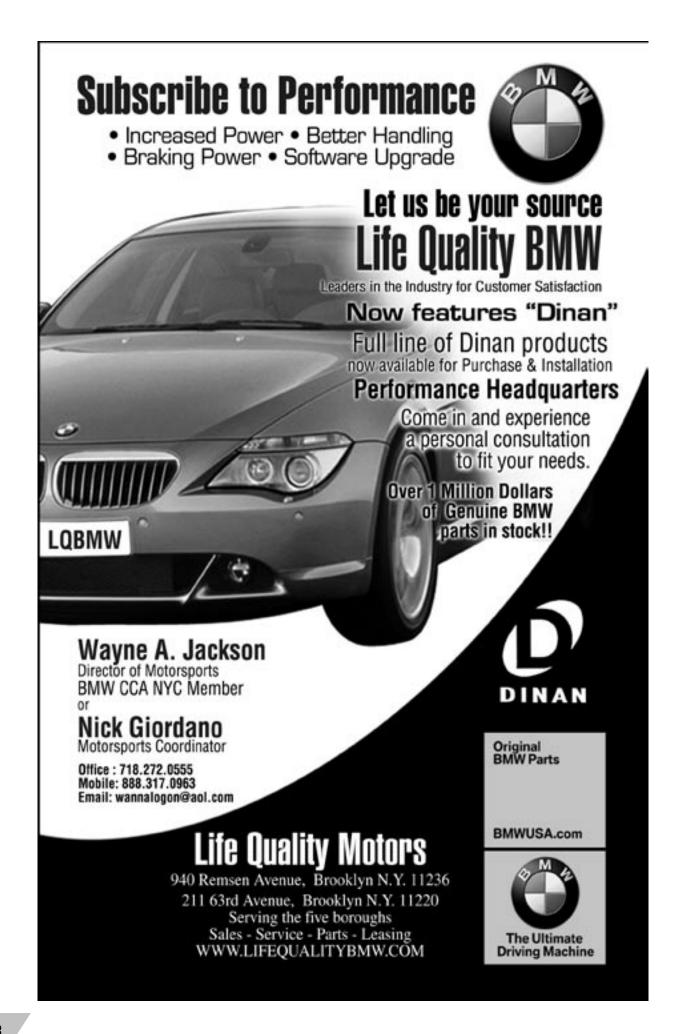
- 1. Steve Levy
- 2. Michael Cox
- 3. Gregory Tchabovsky

F Class

- 1. Kevin Lau
- 2. Billy Hsu
- 3. Tony Howell

H Class

1. Aaron Shea





2005 NY BMW CCA CHAPTER ELECTION STATEMENTS

Steve Bernstein - Running For President



My name is Steven Bernstein (CCA #83901) and I am currently serving the NY Board as Secretary. I would like to continue my service to the Board as President for 2006. I have been a CCA member for many years (since 1989), and a dual NY/Boston member since moving home to NYC in 1992. I have worked with the Board behind the scenes for much of that time, contributing most recently as proofreader and writer for Die Zugspitze as well as instructor at autocross events. I wish to be your President because I have the time and energy to devote to this club, and I believe I work very well with the current Board of friendly volunteers. I have always tried to remember our Founder's reminder: "It's the people, not the cars" and will never lose sight of the fact that the strength of the club is based entirely on the ability to motivate and encourage members to have fun and get involved. I also wish to use the resources of the NY BMW CCA to collaborate with and raise money for worthy charities.

> Steve Bernstein Secretary, New York BMW CCA



Demetrios Mirissis - Running For Vice-President

I am announcing my interest in running for the 2006 NY BMW CCA position of Vice President. I have been a member in good standing for over a decade. Through my company, I have sponsored the Club Newsletter, Holiday Party and Autocross/ Driver School Program. Through my affiliation with BMW, I have supplied items for raffles at autocross events, and holiday parties. I am also a certified national driving instructor. If elected, I feel my position as Director of Motorsports at Habberstad BMW will have a positive impact on the Chapter.

Phil Danza of Grafik Dezine, the clubs editor, has endorsed my decision to run for Vice President. If I am elected, I promise to assist the members in getting the most from the NY BMW CCA.

Thank you for your attention,

Demetrios Mirissis Director of Motorsports Habberstad BMW



Andre Noel - Running For Vice-President

I have served as the Vice President of the New York Chapter for the last two years and would like to continue in that role. I have worked side by side with the current President Anthony Howell to make this a better Chapter. We have improved the look of the Newsletter, and have worked to have social events for members and their families and friends. I have chaired the Chapter Autocross Program for 4 years with continued success. I also seek out BMW dealerships in the tri-state area to negotiate discounts for the members. I wish to work with the new President and the Board to continue the advancement of the Chapter.

> Andre Noel Vice President, New York BMW CCA



Cars On Grass: The Tenth Annual Concours d'Elegance at Old Westbury Gardens

By Matt Brod / Photos by Phil Danza & Steve Bernstein

The dew was still on the grass as the first pristine example of Munich's finest rolled onto the Great Lawn at Old Westbury Gardens. In all, 39 BMWs spanning 40 years of production entered into the judged portion of the event. There were just as many in the "Featured Marque" corral, a special parking area for BMWs not entered in the show. In all I would say there were about 100 spectacular Bimmers displayed on the Great Lawn. The show came off without a hitch. Beautiful cars, perfect weather and a great group of volunteers made this event another smashing success to mark the tenth anniversary of this increasingly popular event. To all the volunteers, judges and support staff thank you for all









your hard work – and a special thanks to Steve Fischthal and Steve Geraci, Concours Co-Chairmen who worked tirelessly to ensure the event's success.

On a side note, Porsche was also present in force, with a really cool 911 European police car taking People's Choice (I crossed lines and voted for that one, it was just that cool).

Also in attendance was a small field of Aston Martins. Ferrari owners also came down to display some really nice Italian iron as well.

Additional Concours photos on page 19!

The New York Chapter of the BMW CCA would like to thank Life Quality BMW of Brooklyn and Wayne A. Jackson, Director of Motorsports, for their Sponsorship and Support of the Tenth Annual Concours d'Elegance 2005.



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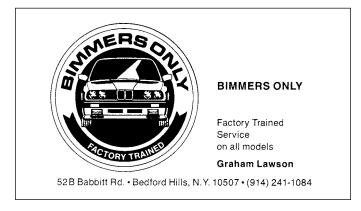
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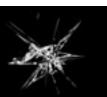
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