

# BMW Club Bulletin

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## UPCOMING EVENT

### *Crow & Gate Drive & Dinner*

*Saturday May 15, 2004  
Starting at 1:00 --  
Town & Country Mall*



What a way to start off the club's social calendar! A drive through the scenic Cowichan Valley followed by a dinner at one of the nicest English pubs on the island. You won't want to miss this annual event!

This wonderful little pub is located in Cedar, just south of Nanaimo but to get there our drive will take us through Cowichan Station, Glenora and some lovely backcountry roads behind Duncan.

And since we don't want anyone to get lost we'll make sure that route maps will be available at the rendezvous locations.

The Crow & Gate has a place in BC history as being the first neighbourhood pub in BC. Its ambience is that of a true English pub with pegged beam and plaster construction, a massive fireplace, a great selection of English beers... and since this event is on a Saturday...an English Roast Beef Dinner (please note that other menu items are available). Seating is available both indoors and outside in a grassy picnic area (weather permitting)

There will be the traditional rendezvous points for members to join up at. Those of you from Victoria will be leaving from "Moxie's" in the Town and Country shopping centre at 1:00 PM. The first stop on the road will be at the Malahat Mountain Inn at around 1:30 pm. Our drive will take us towards north towards Duncan, where we'll exit onto Koksilah Road towards Cowichan Station and the wine region of Glenora.

We will then head in towards Duncan and our next rendezvous point, downtown Duncan's municipal parking lot at about 2:30 PM, before heading towards Sahltam and exploring the back roads and little communities west of Duncan. Time permitting we'll drive through Crofton and Chemainus before arriving at the pub for about 4:30.



Please note that this is a very popular club event and the pub can be quite busy, especially if the weather is nice. We ask that you please confirm your participation by no later than the monthly club meeting on May 11th as we

need to inform the pub as to the number of people for meals. For more information on the Crow & Gate Pub check out their web site at <http://www.shift.to/crowandgate/>

**Look forward to seeing you!**  
Crow & Gate Event Organizer,  
Frank Van der Have.

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### *Driving Tip of the Month*

Always wear your seat belt. Make sure all passengers buckle up, too; and never include more people in the car than you have seatbelts.

*The Club Bulletin is produced monthly by the BMW Club of Canada, Vancouver Island.*

*We welcome your comments, suggestions and contributions. Many contributions will be made available on our website if they are too involved for this publication.*

*Thank You.*

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## **DRIVING EVENT @ WESTERN SPEEDWAY**

**APRIL 19<sup>th</sup> – 1:00 to 8:00**

*Hello Folks!*

*This will be a full day event and there will be up to four instructors from Driving Unlimited.*

*For those of you who have participated in the past, you will know that the Driving Unlimited team is par excellence. You will receive both group and one-on-one instruction and leave, in short, a better and more confident driver.*

*We encourage you to tell friends and relatives about the event.*

***It makes the roads safer for all of us !***

**Call Roger Harmston for details: 250.744.8942**

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2004**

- April 19<sup>th</sup> Western Speed Way - Driving School, Skills Program
- April 24<sup>th</sup> Boundary Bay - Driving School, Advanced exercises and a full day of auto-crossing, fine-tuning driving skills
- April 26<sup>th</sup> Mission, Track - Driving School, Skills Program
- May 11<sup>th</sup> Island MotorSport Tech Meeting
- May 15<sup>th</sup> Crow & Gate Drive and Dinner
- July 17<sup>th</sup> Botanical Beach Family Picnic Drive
- August 8<sup>th</sup> Cowichan Valley Car Picnic
- German Car Club Picnic (TBD – date unknown)
- September 26<sup>th</sup> Vancouver Island Wine Tour
- October Oktoberfest Celebration with Seattle BMW Club (TBD – date confirmation pending)
- November BMW Family Bowling Night (TBD – date confirmation pending)
- December Christmas Toy Run with Mustang Car Club (TBD – date confirmation pending)
- December BMW Christmas Dessert Party (TBD – date confirmation pending)

***Other Tech Meetings are in the process of being scheduled; stay tuned for updates.***



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