Crescent Beach Concours d'Elegance

Saturday, September 1, 2018 ~ Andrew and Henry attended the prestigious Crescent Beach Concours at Blackie Spit Park in South Surrey. Although our E31's were not on the show field, it was enjoyable to check out the truly amazing vehicles that were on display.

Entrants are by invitation only with a maximum of 80 automobiles selected for judging. Many vehicles on the concours grounds are often rare and seldom seen by the public. The 2018 event benefited the BC Children's Hospital Foundation.

The Best in Show award went to a 1931 Pierce Arrow 8 Dual Windscreen Phaeton. A 1964 Ferrari 250 GT Berlinetta Lusso, that took a first place in the Post War European Sports Cars to 1973 class, was the car that both Andrew and Henry would most like to drive home.

Best of Show - 1931 Pierce Arrow 8 Dual Windscreen Phaeton.

Andrew and Henry at the Concours.

Signage on location in Surrey, BC.

Interior - 1964 Ferrari 250 GT Berlinetta Lusso.

1964 Ferrari 250 GT Berlinetta Lusso (blue, left) – The car Henry and Andrew most wanted to drive home.

Nixon Automotive - Open House

Saturday, September 8, 2018 ~ Most Lower Mainland Vancouver 8 Series owners know Nixon Automotive and owners Ryan and Mike, who provide BMW only service and repair. I've been using their shop since I moved to Vancouver in 2003. They are always friendly and very knowledgeable about BMW's, particularly E31 BMW's. You will not find a vehicle repair shop that is more professional looking with a spotlessly clean service area. The attention to detail of their repair shop carries over into the work they perform on BMW's.

The open house was in conjunction with a BMW Car Club of British Columbia event and, along with BC 8's folks in attendance, was a nice turnout of BMW enthusiasts and BMW's. One of the open house attractions was the BMW i3 that Nixon use as a shop vehicle to ferry customers and pickup parts. BC 8's Dietmar and Andrew seemed especially fascinated with this vehicle. Also on display in the shop area was Mike's E60 V10 M5, rated at 507HP and the 7 speed SMG II transmission. Mike is the second owner. It is truly an amazing car with just 34,000 kms on the clock. It's for sale – contact Mike at Nixon for more information. Trivia: this M5, like our E31's, was assembled at the Dingolfing BMW plant in Germany.

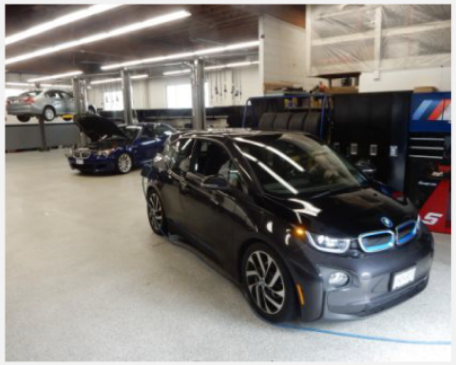
BC 8's folks attending included: Tom (Wuffer), Henry, Andrew, Dietmar, John D., Alex, and Glen.

Dietmar and Andrew checking out the i3 interior.

Some 8's at the event.

Wuffer gets upfront parking at Nixon's !

Andrew, Tom, and John next to Tom's E31.



Nixon's service area with the i3 (black, foreground) and the E60 M5 (blue, background).

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2018 September Events

- Drive - We're waiting for confirmation and event details from Classic Adventures and their **Sea to Sky Highway Thanksgiving Run**, usually held on Thanksgiving Day morning- this year Monday October 8th. This is a free event and participants are asked to bring a non-perishable food donation for the Squamish Food Bank. This driving event is open to our E31's and pre 1979 cars as well as 80's and 90's vehicles of distinction. As soon as more event information is available, we will forward this to everyone. Please check your inbox often.