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BMW MOA member and Camp GEARS attendee Jessica McConnachie bravely blocks stunt rider Teach McNeil during the 2009 Rally. For more on this year's Rally, turn to page 80. Photo: Dave McConnachie #119954