



THE GASLINE

Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

BMC CLUB MEETING

**Tuesday, January 4th 2011 @ Matilda's Restaurant, Rte 896, Newark, Dela.
6:30 P.M. dinner / 7 P.M. Meeting**

Chair Chatter

Happy New Year!!!

I hope everyone had a good Christmas. I'm looking forward to more activities for the club this year. We have increased our membership and are working on more ways to reach out to other potential members. I cannot do it alone; I can only help put the club in the right direction. This is where I need everyone's help. I would like everyone to think about a way to make the club better. I am open to all ideas. What can we do to get more attendance at the club meetings? Can you think of a potential speaker for a meeting? What else can we do? Please feel free to contact me if you have any input. I want this club to be responsive to the membership and everyone have a part in its growth. I hope to see you out for the first meeting of 2011 on Tuesday, January 4th at Matilda's in Newark. Hope to see you there.

Paul Alderman

Have Too Much Holiday Candy?



Autocross Update

Our tentative Autocross dates for 2011 are:

Sunday	April 17	Dover Site
Saturday	June 25	Glasgow Site
Saturday	August 13	Glasgow Site
Sunday	October 16	Dover Site

These are the same weekends and locations as our 2010 schedule.

Best wishes to everyone in 2011 !!

Dave Dabell, Autocross Chair

BMC Meeting Highlights 7 December 2010

The BMC General Meeting and Holiday Party was held at Matilda's Restaurant.

The BMC Treasury balance on 11/30/10 was \$6,271.93
After a delicious buffet to celebrate the Holidays, Paul Alderman held a very brief meeting to formally introduce and elect the 2011 BMC Executive Committee:

Respectfully Submitted by Jim Irons for Kathe Worrell, Secretary.

2011 BMC Executive Committee

Club Chair – Paul Alderman

Secretary – Kathe Worrell

Treasurer – Sandy Kroeber

Autocross Chair– Dave Dabell

Rally Chair – Dave Teter

Gasline Editor – Jim Irons

Property Custodian(s) – Mark & Michelle Schroy

Member-At-Large – George Alderman

Rally Notes – Dave Teter

The next paragraph is carried over from my last month's article....

...OK *Target*, this is War!!! I proceeded to purchase a WMD – Weapon of Mouse Destruction. I find a standard looking, spring-actuated killer trap of the brand name TOMCAT. It looks just like the types I remember except the pedal actuator is quite broad and of inferior design as to sensitivity to weight actuation. How do I know this was a bad design you ask? Well I loaded the trap and placed it near the fridge. A while later, I see movement at the trap and actually watch *Target* approach the bait and eat it ALL right off the trip pedal! Whoa!! The Weapon of Mouse Destruction (WMD) failed!!

So, picking up where I left off...after eyewitnessing *Target* pillaging the TOMCAT trap, I thought I'd try again and carefully adjust the lever-pedal setting to 'hair-trigger' sensitivity. After several painful pinched fingers and several '@#%&*' and '(&*^%#\$', etc., to accompany the intricate setting, the TOMCAT was reentered into the war that night and baited with with a small morsel of Thanksgiving turkey.

Alas, the next morning the TOMCAT is once again raped, pillaged, and unsprung, with the turkey bait gone!!!

Not one to concede, I recall someone said to use peanut butter as bait. So with a glob of JIF and more mashed fingers, the TOMCAT is set to go again. But the next morning it's 'same-o, same-o.' The TOMCAT is

unsprung and most of the JIF is gone! Obviously the perceived Weapon of Mouse Destruction is not gonna do the job. Next, a trip to the True-Value, and less than a minute brings me to the WMD aisle. Immediately I espy a familiar sight, a pre-Star-Wars design which looks like the traps I recall from childhood in the 1940s. It is a VICTOR brand with a big red letter 'V' imprinted on the wooden base. It has a simple brass pedal actuator and hair trigger setting. Just 85 cents later, I'm on the way home with the old fashion WMD.

I set the new WMD that evening and waited as I watched TV. As before, I noticed that flitting motion across the floor and a few moments later, Bang!!! WMD VICTOR strikes. Bait is intact but one *Target* is history.

Well - where there is one there probably is another (particularly when I think back to the tiny 'nubbin' in my desk drawer.). VICTOR is reloaded again...and about 20 minutes later Bang!!! - another surgical strike!

And so ends a successful campaign, and to the VICTOR go the spoils. Thanks for for 'rallying' your interest to reach the end of this story.

That last sentence contains the word 'rallying' of which there is little to report in the next month or so. I may go to Tucson in late February and after that is our March Lamb scheduled for March 26. BMC needs the support of members to compete in the special class of SOP. I hope everyone had a nice holiday season.

Dave Teter

