



# THE GASLINE

**Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.**

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**September 2011**

## ***BMC CLUB MEETING***

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

## ***BMC BLAST FROM THE PAST RALLY***

**Sunday, September 25th - See Flyer**

### *Chair Chatter – Paul Alderman*

Rain, Rain, Go Away! Well, If you thought a little rain at the autocross wasn't fun, just wait a couple of weeks for Irene.

Despite a little rain cutting short the autocross, a nice time was had by all. Thanks for all the workers who braved the showers, and all those that helped clean up the course, before and after. A more complete report is later in the Gasline.

Make sure you have Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> marked on your calendar. The *Blast From The Past* rally will be running in the afternoon. Please let Don Butler know you will be running the rally. I would like to have a nice turnout for all the work they have put into this rally.

This month also has many other car-related events, including the BCCD car show on 9/17 in Delaware City, the Hagley Museum car show on 9/18, and the Porsche Club car show at Greenville Crossing on 10/1.

Hope to see you at the BMC meeting on September 6<sup>th</sup> at Matilda's.

*Drying Out,  
Paul*

### *And then there's the Walmart Car Show*



### *Rally Notes – Dave Teter*

Well Folks - I'm pretty much at a loss for words this month. There has been no club activity and I have personally had no competition in the SCCA forum. I can only remind and encourage everyone to support the *BMC Blast From The Past* rally rescheduled for September 25th. Plan to complete and submit your entry at the upcoming meeting on September 6th.

I'm sure that Don and Brandon Butler will welcome your show of support.

### *Autocross Notes – Dave Dabell*

Dave's report is in the Autocross III results page in this Gasline and on the BMC website.



### *2011 BMC Executive Committee*

Club Chair – Paul Alderman

Secretary – Kathe Worrell

Treasurer – Martha Weldin

Autocross Chair– Dave Dabell

Rally Chair – Dave Teter

Gasline Editor – Jim Irons

Property Custodian(s) – Mark & Michelle Schroy

Member-At-Large – George Alderman

## 2 August Meeting Highlights

The August BMC General Meeting, at Matilda's Restaurant, was attended by 22 members and 2 guests.

*Treasury:* Paul Alderman reported for Martha Weldin. The ending treasury balance was \$6,982.68.

*Membership:* Paul Alderman reported for Martha Weldin that club membership is about 70.

*Rally:* Dave Teter reported that the "Blast From The Past" rally was cancelled for lack of sufficient entries. Will be rescheduled for the fall.

*Autocross:* Dave Dabell reported the next autocross at the Glasgow site is on August 13th.

*Gasline:* Jim Irons thanked Mark Schroy for his ongoing columns. Jim also solicited members' car photos for a new section of the Gasline.

*Website:* Heather Alderman noted that the Facebook link is activated. Shawn Dewey asked if members knew of an alternate site host for less than \$10/month.

### Program:

- Shawn Dewey told of his experiences at the recent Grand Am Race. Track temperatures about 150°.
- Paul Alderman showed BMC's rally stop watches and demonstrated an old Curta Calculator used in rallies and told of its invention.
- Jim recommend watching "The Car Show" on Speed channel - Wednesdays at 10 P.M.

*Highlights summarized By Editor Jim Irons based on Meeting Minutes provided by BMC Secretary Kathe Worrell, and Jim's own fuzzy recollections.*

## Members' Wheels - Then & Now



*George Alderman in a Alfa Romeo GTA at the 1966 Marlboro Trans Am Race.*

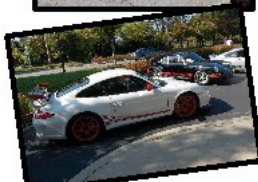
We want *Members' Wheels* to be a regular feature in the Gasline. Send me a photo of your car with some brief details and I'll use it in a future issue. I can clean up photos and resize them as necessary. Just email it to [captjti@verizon.net](mailto:captjti@verizon.net)

*Jim Irons - Gasline Editor*

### Greenville Crossing's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Exotic Car Show & Shopping Event

Please join us for our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Exotic Car Show  
located at One & Two Greenville Crossing!

Pick up a "Shopping Passport" during this event for a chance  
to be entered in a drawing for a Gift Basket with merchandise  
from our Greenville Crossing Stores!!  
(One basket per center - valued at over \$250 EACH!)



**Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> from 10 AM - 3 PM**  
Rain Date - Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Featuring European & Iconic  
Sports Cars from  
1955 to present!

If you are interested in displaying YOUR vehicle, please contact  
[pastpresident2010@delawarepca.org](mailto:pastpresident2010@delawarepca.org)

\*\*Delaware Region - Porsche Club America



Greenville Crossing & Delaware Region - Porsche Club America will donate to  
Boys and Girls Club of Delaware!

For more info: 302.428.1313 or [jksherdan@comcast.net](mailto:jksherdan@comcast.net) (4001 - 4025 Kennett Pike, Greenville, DE 19807)

## The Hard Drive Garage – By Mark Schroy

Okay gang, this month is a VERY strange vehicle. The strangest combination so far...

A person in California decided it was a good idea to combine a 4X4 vehicle and a sports car. Specifically, a 1977 Jeep CJ7 body on a 1984 Corvette.



I know, I know. HUH? Who in their right mind would think of such a creation? Someone with a lot of time on their hands, obviously! The car is a serious frankenstein. The builder registered it as a 1969 Specially Constructed vehicle, body type: CV for convertible. It has a V8 motor from a 2002 Chevy Tahoe, “from the LS1 family of engines.” The trans is out of a late 2000 Camaro. The engine has a custom tune on the ECU to remove the vehicle anti-theft system, plus a gauge cluster from a 2001 Chevy Silverado. I love the interior photo - is it almost done or still in progress?



The CJ7 body was directly welded onto the chassis. The builder even did his own paint, but didn't bother to remove some of the dents before painting it screaming yellow.



Now, from a distance, I can see this as being an interesting vehicle. But, WHY put together such a GM combination just to wrap it in Jeep body? The whole thing just seems silly.

BUT....having said that, someone BOUGHT this monstrosity on eBay for \$3,000. The first sentence in the description is “This auction is for serious bidders only.” REALLY? How can you be a serious bidder on what looks like a rejected clown car?

The laundry list of what is wrong with this vehicle is long, including needing a data port installed to read error codes, a coolant leak from the stock 84 Vette radiator, to the main driveshaft rubbing on the exhaust shield sometimes. Apparently it makes a annoying sound.

I'm not sure which shocks me more - that someone built this, or that someone bought it. Maybe only to drop it off a cliff and put it out of it's misery?!?!?

Here are the links to check out this rolling nightmare:

<http://jalopnik.com/5824207/the-jeepvette-is-what-happens-when-jeep-and-corvette-combine/gallery/1>

[http://cgi.ebay.com/ebaymotors/Custom-Rod-Jeep-body-Corvette-chassis-LS1-Cool-car-/250860540050?pt=US\\_Cars\\_Trucks&hash=item3a68741092](http://cgi.ebay.com/ebaymotors/Custom-Rod-Jeep-body-Corvette-chassis-LS1-Cool-car-/250860540050?pt=US_Cars_Trucks&hash=item3a68741092)

### Fun Car Stuff on TV

- *Top Gear* (Amer.): Sundays @ 10 P.M. History Channel
- *Top Gear* (British): Mondays @ 9 P.M. BBC-America
- *The Car Show*: Wednesdays @ 10 P.M. Speed Channel





## BMC - PCA AUTOCROSS III RESULTS Glasgow Site - August 13, 2011



Class #	Name	Car	Time	Class #	Name	Car	Time
AS 91	Scott Wootten	Porsche 911	56.397	GS 73	Walter Dabell	Ford Mustang	62.598
AS 7	Scott Clapper	Chevy Corvette	57.368	GS 16	Elizabeth Wilford	Subaru Impreza	66.234
AS 1	Matt Douglas	Jeep SRT-8	57.593	GS 18	Jake Waltemire	BMW E30	67.959
AS 21	Guy Douglas	Jeep SRT-8	80.654	GS 61	Paul Eves	Ford Taurus SHO	68.199
				GS 70	Richard Bernard Jr	Volvo 850 T	80.779
BS 8	Larry Waltemire	Porsche Boxster	54.264				
BS 86	Lam Nguyen	Mitsubishi Lancer	60.594	HS 6	Christine Wilbur	VW Jetta TDI	79.899
BS 2	John Kassay	Porsche Boxster	62.165				
BS 12	Fernando Ng	Subaru Impreza	62.341	SS 13	Mal Kroeber III	Caterham S7	52.220
				SS 32	George Alderman	Caterham S7	55.717
CS 51	Will Pyle	Porsche 911	55.581				
CS 34	Michael Sparacio	Nissan 350Z	55.909	SM2 65	Duke Wilford	Maxda MX5	51.445
CS 55	Bob Turner	Mazda Miata	56.746	SM2 89	Dave Dabell	Porsche CaymanS	52.299
CS 11	Hung Dan	Mazda Miata	58.079				
CS 81	Luke Waltemire	Porsche 914	59.962	ASP 68	Paul Alderman	Caterham R500	*49.882
CS 5	Danny Duong	Nissan 350Z	65.928	ASP 255	Ed Rubin	Lotus 255 Cup	58.635
DS 4	Justin Kenaley	BMW 328i	58.657				
DS 43	John Allard	Mini Cooper S	62.948	BSP 9	Eric Easterby	Toyota Supra	62.185
DS 31	Ian Jones	Subaru WRX	67.315				
				DSP 87	Nuri Heckrotte	Nissan 240SX	53.559
ES 33	Phil Worrell	Toyota MR2	55.402	DSP 3	Tyler Walker	BMW 318is	54.643
ES 17	Tom Hamilton	Mazda Miata	57.472	DSP 100	Rick Bernard III	Subaru Impreza	59.942
ES 117	Gina Hamilton	Mazda Miata	58.409				
				GSP 57	Ed Trahan	Mazda Miata	65.806

\* Fastest Time of the Day

### *Autocross Report*

Our August autocross started out well; it was a nice summer day with 37 drivers participating. We had a number of first time autocrossers present that hopefully will be hooked and join us for future events.

While the day started well, as the event progressed dark clouds started moving in. By mid-day, the rain started and it got pretty heavy. While doing autocross in the rain can be fun for the drivers, with the limited amount of run-off room at the school and complaints from wet course workers, we decided to end the event early. Unfortunately, most drivers only got 2 runs. This was disappointing, but looking back over the last 4 years of events, this is the only event where we got rained on. Not too bad when you look at it that way.

Paul Alderman was able to get FTD, but had to resort to a Caterham R500 lightweight to do it. The intermittent problems with the car had been solved and it looked very strong. He had a pretty good margin over 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest Duke Wilford, but I believe if we had more runs it would have been closer.

Congratulations to Porsche drivers Will Pyle, Larry Waltemire, and Scott Wootten for winning C stock, B stock, and A stock. In fact, the only class a Porsche was in that a Porsche driver didn't win was the class I was in! Maybe I should drive my other car next time so I won't embarrass the marque.

Our last event of the 2011 season is scheduled for Sunday, October 16 in Dover. BMC will be awarding the Lofland Memorial Trophy for fastest time of the day. This event is part of PCA Reisentoter Region's autocross series, so we expect several Porsche drivers from RTR to participate. Let's have a good turnout and give them some competition!

*Dave Dabell*  
*Autocross Chair*

*BMC - PCA AUTOCROSS III PHOTOS*





# BMC's Blast from the Past Rally

## Sunday September 25, 2011

A Short, Easy, Non-Trap Rally  
Through Chester County, PA and Cecil County, MD.  
Rally Masters: Brandon & Don Butler



*Originally run as the Spring Warm-up Rally – April 22, 1987  
A Wednesday night rally by Rally Master Randy Lindell*

### Registration and Start:

PARK-N-RIDE lot 1/2 mile north of Exit-1 of I-95 in Newark, DE. at the intersection of DE-896 & DE-4.

### Finish:

Matilda's Restaurant, about 1/4 mile from the start location on DE-896.

### Classes:

**Novice:** Combined driver and navigator experience of 10 rallies or less.

**Experienced:** Combined driver and navigator experience of more than 10 rallies.

Equipment limited to any four-function calculator, any clock, and the car's odometer and speedometer.

### Awards:

First through third in each class, as entries permit.

### Schedule:

Registration Opens at 1:30 PM and Closes at 2:30 PM.

Q & A Meeting starting at 2:15 to 2:30 PM

Rally Starts at 3:00 PM

### To Pre-register:

Email your information to [dlbutler@zoominternet.net](mailto:dlbutler@zoominternet.net) and pay \$10.00 upon arriving at Registration.

General Instructions will be emailed to all competitors whose entry is received by September 20th.

Receipt of General Instructions gives you the rules for the rally.

Otherwise, fill in this form and present at Registration with your payment.

*The entrant warrants: auto insurance policy of not less than \$20000/40000/10000 is in force for the vehicle entered.*

**DRIVER** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAVIGATOR** \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City/St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

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Class: Novice \_\_\_\_ or Experienced \_\_\_\_ Make/Model car entered: \_\_\_\_\_