



# THE GASLINE

**Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.**

[www.brandywinemotorsportclub.org](http://www.brandywinemotorsportclub.org)

**September 2012**

## **BMC CLUB MEETING**

**Tuesday, September 4th, 2012 @ Stewart's Brewing Company  
Rtes 7 & 40, Bear, Dela. – 6:30 P.M. greet & eat / 7 P.M. Meeting**

## **SEPTEMBER IS CAR SHOW MONTH!**

- 1<sup>st</sup> VA Car Show – Veterans Hospital, Elsmere, DE**
- 15<sup>th</sup> British Car Club Show – Delaware City, DE**
- 16<sup>th</sup> Hagley Car Show – Hagley Museum, Greenville, DE**
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Delaware Custom Car Expo – Chase Center, Wilmington, DE**
- 29<sup>th</sup> Greenville Crossing Car Show – Greenville, DE**

### **Chair Chatter – Paul Alderman**

Well it looks like summer is over. Labor Day is next Monday and our meeting will be the following day, Sept 4th. We have a few car related events coming up in the next few weeks. Those BMC members who are also in the British Car Club of Delaware will be down in Delaware City on Sept 15th, for their annual car show. Come on down and see some British cars. The following day, Sunday the 16th, will be the Hagley Car Show, which is one of the Premier Shows in the area. They will highlight Pickup Trucks this year. If you have not been to Hagley Museum, even the drive into the parking area is worth the trip. The next weekend, the 22nd and 23rd, is a Vintage Sports Car event at New Jersey Motorsport Park in Millville NJ. This would be a nice low-key event for those that enjoy Vintage Sports Car Racing. The PCA-Delaware club's Greenville Car Show is Saturday the 29th, at the Greenville Shopping Center. This event is put on by our friends in the Porsche Club of DE and highlights German (of course), Italian, British and other exotics. Come out and support this fundraiser for the Boys and Girls Club of Delaware.

Hope to see you at the next meeting at Stewart's Brewing Co. on the 4th. Come out and enjoy some food and fellowship.

*See You Then,  
Paul*

### **Rally Round – Don Butler**

Nothing new to report for rallies. If anyone would like to be a Rally Master please let me know; no experience needed.  
*Don*

### **The Checkpoint Line - Dave Teter**



Just another story – hardly rally related, but occurring while doing some 'rally' work. My March Lamb XVI instructions are in pencil draft form, but would they work? I launched about 10 A.M. to measure mileage and check instruction accuracy. Instructions worked fairly well (with multiple changes), but about ½ hr into the 4 hr trek I noticed 'Gee – this clutch pedal feels funny!' Another ½ hour and the pedal would not return to full retract as I had to stick my toe under the pedal and pop it back up. This continued for awhile as I could discern as I could detect loss of effective pedal travel. I quit the measurement run /check about 5 miles from the end and only a mile from my house. I went home and checked the fluids and all that was OK but with now there was only about 1 inch of effective clutch pedal/travel. I nursed the car about 3 miles to my local repair shop. His quick look says probably it's the slave cylinder. Car is left behind, they take me home. Part is ordered and I'm back in the car next day at about 1 PM. (Yes – just a routine car experience, but related to rally as I was working on the March Lamb.)

*Dave*

## 7th of August Meeting Highlights

The August, 2012 meeting was held at Stewart's Brewing Company and was attended by 15 members. It was chaired by Paul Alderman.

**Treasurer's Report** – At the end of June, we had \$7,318.

**Membership** - 72 paid members. We only have about 15 members show up for the monthly meetings.

### Rally Report –

Scott Clabaugh announced that the delayed Braille Rally will be held on Sunday, October 28.

No other rallies are scheduled at the moment.

### Autocross Report –

Our next Autocross is scheduled for August 11<sup>th</sup> at our Glasgow site; hope for dry weather.

Our Fall Autocross IV is tentatively set for a large lot at the civilian area in Dover Airbase on October 13<sup>th</sup>. As soon as it is firmed up, we will let everyone know.

### Gasline Report –

Jim Irons said that articles are due August 28<sup>th</sup>. Please submit articles/& pictures to Jim Irons [captjiti@verizon.net](mailto:captjiti@verizon.net)

### Website Report –

We are now keeping the site up to date. If anyone has pictures or articles to include, contact Jim Martin @ [jjpmartymar@aol.com](mailto:jjpmartymar@aol.com).

**Property** – No changes reported.

**New Business** – If anyone would like to have speakers at our meetings, please contact Paul Alderman.

**Next Meeting, September 4th at the Stewart's**

**Brewery.** Please attend, we missed you.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

*Secretary Jim Martin*



## Autocross Update –

### Dave Dabell

Dave's report is included with the results from Autocross III in this Gasline.

*Ed. Note: Autocross IV is tentatively set for a large lot at Dover Airbase on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Look for full information in the next Gasline and on the BMC website.*

## Racing on TV

Check out [www.tyracer.com](http://www.tyracer.com) for a complete breakdown of TV racing coverage.

## 2012 Local Events Calendar

### September

1<sup>st</sup> – VA Car Show – Elsmere, DE at 10 AM

8<sup>th</sup> – Eastern Shore Crab Feast Tour - AHS&T

15<sup>th</sup> – British Car Club Show – Delaware City, DE

16<sup>th</sup> – Hagley Museum Car Show – Greenville, DE

22<sup>nd</sup> – Delaware Custom Car Expo – Chase Center, Wilmington, DE

29<sup>th</sup> – Greenville Car Show – Greenville, DE - PCA

29<sup>th</sup> – MG's on the Rocks –Hartford County, MD

### October

7<sup>th</sup> – Classics at Brantwyn – Wilmington, DE

7<sup>th</sup> – AHS&T Club Picnic – Elkton, MD

13<sup>th</sup> – BMC/PCA Autocross – Dover, DE

28<sup>th</sup> – BMC/PCA Braille Rally

AHS&T – Austin Healey Sports & Touring Club

BMC – Brandywine Motorsport Club

BCCD – British Car Club of Delaware

NJR/SCCA – New Jersey Region, Sports Car Club of Am.

PCA – Delaware Region, Porsche Club of America

## Florida Crash Testing



## The Hard Drive Garage – By Mark Schroy

### or...how did we end up here?

Greetings everyone! We made it back in one piece. From where, you ask? Here's a little hint:



Yes, folks, the Delaware contingent of the Schroy clan went to India! My wife's baby brother decided to get married to a lovely India-born, America-raised woman, and her family wanted to do a traditional wedding. Across the world, no less!

We left on July 28th from JFK on a 13 hour flight for Dubai, then on to a 4 hour flight to Delhi, arriving there July 30th. We ended up 9½ hours ahead!

After a day trip to see the Taj Mahal – I'll bring pictures to the next meeting – we jumped on a plane Tuesday for the second leg of the trip. We flew into Chennai, which is a city twice the size of Baltimore, with a population 3 times the size of Baltimore, 1.6 million people. We took a drive from Chennai to Naidupeta, which really gave us a sense of how the traffic laws work-or lack thereof!



Cars and motorcycles everywhere! Everyone blowing their horns, but not in anger. They were using their horns more than using their turn signals. The lines on the road? More general guidelines, really. For example, on a 2-lane highway, if you caught up to a car or truck in front of you, you tapped your horn to let them know you were going to pass them as a courtesy, instead of surprising them and blowing by. Taxis were usually overflowing, even buses had people riding on the roof. It was a common sight to see more than one person on a motorcycle; at one point we saw a whole family of 5 on a motorcycle – Dad driving, toddler on the gas tank, 2 more kids behind Dad, and Mom riding side saddle at the rear. No bull\$#!%

Even seeing the architecture was amazing. Every building was concrete and brick. Some houses were mud and thatched roofs, but nothing was really built out of lumber. A number of roadside stands were concrete vendors with piles of sand and stone and such. You told the owner how much you needed and where. He would deliver, usually using ox carts. It was your job to get it mixed and poured on site. Even all the fenceposts we saw were cut out of granite. There really wasn't much of a lumber commodity, even though there was a sawmill in Naidupeta that we could hear from time to time.

The town we stayed in for the rest of our trip was a nice, quiet place. We didn't hear sirens the whole time we were there. We found out from the bride's family that we were the first group of Americans to visit the town. That explained why everyone made an effort to come by the house and look at us.

The bride's family made us feel right at home. The wedding was amazing to be a part of and watch. I took over 2,000 pictures of the whole trip, and my pictures will be in the official wedding album. I have posted a number of my pictures online on my Flickr site at:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/65584945@N03/>

This is just a taste of our trip for our newsletter. I will bring a slideshow for the next meeting, and our family will answer any questions you have about our trip. Check out my website for more pictures!

*Till next month!*

*The International Schroy Family*





## BMC - PCA AUTOCROSS III RESULTS Glasgow Site - AUGUST 11, 2012



Class #	Name	Car	Time	Class #	Name	Car	Time
AS 13	Scott Clapper	Chevy Corvette	51.036	GS 38	Jake Waltemire	BMW 325	52.521
BS 3	Dave Redmond	Porsche Boxster	51.733	GS 16	Elizabeth Wilford	Subaru Impreza	53.898
BS 32	George Alderman	Porsche Boxster	52.171	GS 73	Walt Dabell	Ford Mustang	54.695
CS 34	Michael Sparacio	Nissan 350Z	49.283	GS 83	Jen Dabell	Toyota Camry	65.195
CS 8	Larry Waltemire	Porsche 914	52.748	HS 88	Christine Wilbur	VW Jetta TDI	58.672
CS 10	Danny Duong	Nissan 350Z	53.099	SS 22	Mark Loch	Porsche CaymanS	50.707
CS 23	Jim Irons	Mazda Miata	53.536	SS 2	Chuck Kittl	Chevy Corvette	51.657
CS 78	Gourau Baneege	Nissan 350Z	56.039	BSP 89	Dave Dabell	Porsche CaymanS	*46.589
DS 43	John Allard	Mini Cooper S	51.833	BSP 68	Paul Alderman	Porsche CaymanS	47.533
DS 100	Rick Bernard	Subaru WRX	54.843	DSP 6	Matt Collins	VW Rabbit	51.059
DS 31	Ian Jones	Subaru WRX	55.001	DSP 85	Mike DiMaio	Dodge Omni GLH	51.231
ES 11	Nick Gurnas	Mazda Miata	54.060	SSM 65	Duke Wilford	Maxda MX5	46.972
ES 111	Chris Malone	Mazda Miata	56.406	SMF 51	Joshua Nash	Honda Civic	51.158
FS 35	Bobby Helsel III	Ford Mustang	52.606				
FS 15	Nicholas Gadeinski	Ford Mustang	52.854				
FS 17	Chris Munshi	Infinity G37x	53.579				

\* Fastest Time of the Day

### *Autocross III Report*

The weather cooperated with us for the August autocross. While it did get pretty hot, (especially while waiting in the car) it stayed dry. The weather also seemed to please the geese, who left many gifts for us on the course. Many thanks to our sweeping crew, who moved the gifts off the course. Otherwise, mud + snow tires may have been required!

Duke designed an oval-shaped course this time rather than the previous figure 8 pattern. The return leg from the far end of the course was very quick, so you can see the times were quicker than last time. We had a moderate turnout, which let us all get in 6 official runs.

This was an unusual event since it was the first time since I've been running them that a Caterham 7 was not in attendance. Both Paul and George downgraded to Porsches for this event. They both complained that they were no longer able to reach out of the car and reset any cones they knocked down before anyone could notice. George and Dave Redmond shared a Boxster in B stock. With so much experience in one car, it scared everyone else out of the class and they had B stock to themselves. While George adapted quickly to the car, he couldn't make up for the experience of the older owner of the car. When asked how he did, George replied "the old guy beat me!" It was a similar story in BSP with Paul and I sharing my Cayman S. Paul was nice enough to not beat me in my own car, although with his times dropping each run I think it may have happened if we had done a couple more runs.

As always, thanks to our volunteers who made it happen.

*Dave Dabell – Autocross Chair*

# Greenville Crossing Annual European & Exotic Car Show

September 29th from 10am to 3pm

Pre-registration is required via

[GreenvilleCrossingCarShow2012@comcast.net](mailto:GreenvilleCrossingCarShow2012@comcast.net)

no charge  
to show car



vote for best  
of show

