



THE GASLINE

Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.

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January 2013

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

BMC CLUB MEETING & ACTIVITY

**Tuesday, January 8th, 2013 at the
MID-ATLANTIC GRAND PRIX (Go Kart Track)
4060 N Dupont Hwy, New Castle, Dela.
6:30 P.M. Meeting/ Kart Racing After (optional)**



Chair Chatter – Paul Alderman

Happy New Year! I hope everyone has a safe new year. We are starting off the year with our January Blahs meeting at Mid Atlantic Grand Prix in New Castle. We would like to start the meeting and food about 6:30. MAGP is also having Junior leagues that evening, so there will be some other racers there. We will get our races fit in between their races. The cost for the meeting and food is \$10. The karts will be \$56 for 3 races, payable to MAGP.

See you on the 8th - Ready to Race

Paul

Ed's Note: Even if you don't want to race, come out to the meeting for the food and good company. Then watch our 'heros' slug it out in the karts.

Membership Renewal Time

Club membership renewals are due January 1st and must be renewed by March 1st at the latest.

If none of your personal information has changed, simply mail a check made out to "BMC" to:

BMC
P.O. Box 474
Montchanin, DE 19710-0474

Dues are still just \$15 for a single memberships or \$25 for family memberships.

If your personal information has changed, an Application/Renewal form is included with this Gasline; or download the form from the BMC website, fill-in the updated information, and mail it with your check to the above address.

Autocross Update – Duke Wilford



Greetings for the 2013 season! This is my first Update as the new BMC Autocross Chair, and I want to thank Dave Dabell for the excellent job he's done. Dave has been heading the BMC autocross program for as long as I've been a club member, so I have some pretty big driving shoes to fill. Hot ones, too, since he is a perennial contender for FTD. Thanks, Dave, for all of your efforts on our behalf. Thanks also to all the volunteers who handle registration, tech, timing, and the dozen other tasks that go into a fun event day.

Here are the tentative autocross dates for the 2013 season (all hosted at Keene Elementary School in Glasgow, as of this writing):

Sunday, April 14

Saturday, June 22

Saturday, August 10

Sunday, October 13

In this off-season, I am making it my mission to expand the program by reaching out to other car enthusiasts, and by researching potential new venues. The Keene lot continues to serve us well, but I am eager for a little more space to try some new course designs! I have some leads and some contacts, but if you are aware of anyone who might have a suitable site, or even if you just have suggestions, PLEASE let me know.

My email is wil4ds@gmail.com. I'm looking forward to seeing everybody among the cones this year!

4th of December Meeting Highlights

The December, 2012 meeting was held at Hunters' Den Restaurant and was attended by 28 members and 2 guests. It was chaired by Paul Alderman. The meeting was kept short since it was also our Christmas Party (which I enjoyed).

The following people were elected to the following offices for 2013:

Club Chair - Paul Alderman

Secretary – Jim Martin

Treasurer/Membership – Martha Weldin

Autocross Chair – Duke Wilford

Rally Chair – George Alderman

Gasline Editor – Jim Irons

Property Custodian – Mark & Michelle Schroy

Next Meeting, January 8th at the Mid-Atlantic Grand Prix <http://www.midatlanticgp.com/>. There will be a flat fee for food and we negotiating a fee (\$56?) for a total of 3 races apiece. We will need to sign up before 1/8/13 so that we can reserve the space. We will be sending out a flyer on the details. This will be a lot of fun, please join us.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Secretary Jim Martin

The Checkpoint Line - Dave Teter



Its slow this time of year and not much on the local scene to report – in fact nothing. About 2 months ago I received an invitation to be a member of the SCCA Hall of Fame Selection Committee. I was replacing another (rallye type) person) at the end of his three year appointment. I received a list of 15 names submitted by a Nominating Committee with the request to rank them, and from top five collectively a final selection would be made. The list had many names familiar to me from way back in the 60's or earlier. Names such as Phil Hill, Roger Penske, Dan Guerney, Skip Barber, Carroll Shelby, Bobby Rahal, and so on... I knew all the names but no idea of their specific contributions to SCCA. So I went to our own guru, George Alderman and asked him to help evaluate. I used his wisdom to contribute to the selection and our (his) thoughts were pretty good with the names of Barber, Rahal and another name that neither of us submitted was Andy Porterfield. I can't reveal the top gun until you know it too after the convention in Las Vegas in February.

This year's March Lamb XVI will have the addition of a GPS Class that might bring out someone who would like to be spared some of the chore of staying on time by just "SOP-ing it." GPS Class is offered for the Tour rally only and permits use of the GPS' 'trip average' function. If needed, this class would be combined with Class S with a (yet to be determined) 40% to 60% handicap of raw score.

Dave

I Fixed It



The Hard Drive Garage – By Mark Schroy

...or one hot mess for the holidays!

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year! As I sit down to write, I am reminded of all the cool cars we have seen this year. The Jeepvette was a rolling nightmare:



Ayrton Senna's race car went up for auction:



Someone was trying to sell this Alfa Miata nightmare:



Peugeot put up a LeMans car for sale:



And we lost one of the all-time car greats:



But for me, this year end round up would not be complete without a second look at the WORST CAR OF THE YEAR, the Pontiac based Lambo Aventador crap-er, kit-car.....



Why, yes, this car is still around. Amazingly enough, a week ago I was looking around on Ebay motors and saw it listed AGAIN by the builders. Oddly enough, the price was half of the original asking price of \$45,000. What, did they decide to run a post Black Friday half off all our junk sale? I'm shocked and amazed that it didn't sell the first time. Wait, no I'm not.



A number of other websites wrote articles about the car, but for the most part they were pretty nice about it. I'm betting they were holding their worst lines for their co-workers.

Oddly enough, I can't find Z and M Customs website anymore. I know I saw the car re-listed, but bidding has ended for it. Oh well, all good things blah blah blah..... Enjoy and have a safe and happy New Year!

-M

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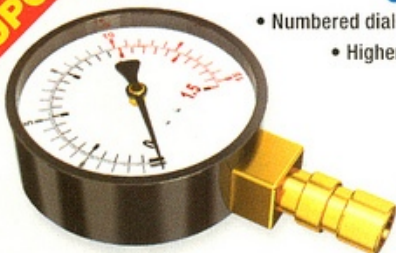
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