



THE GASLINE

Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.

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September 2019

BMC Club Meeting

Michaels Grille & Pizza Pub, 1000 Churchman's Rd., Newark, Dela. 19713

Tuesday, September 3rd - Greet & Eat @ 6-ish, Meeting @ 7-ish

Guest Speaker: Brett Lunger, 1970s Formula 1 Race Driver

BMC Autocross III - Lofland Memorial Cup

Saturday, September 14th - Ripken Stadium, Aberdeen, MD

BMC Rally & Picnic

Saturday, October 19th - Valley Forge Park

Chair Chatter – Paul Alderman



Well only a few more weeks and it will officially be Fall. Hanna and I have been working on a Rally to Valley Forge Park and a Picnic after. The route is set, but we are still working on clues and questions. The rally will only have questions to answer, there will be no TSD timing. We can also provide directions, if needed, for those that would like to come to the picnic only.

We also have ex-Formula One driver Brett Lunger coming to our next meeting. Brett would like to have an informal question and answer time while everyone eats. Come on out and think of your questions. The last time Brett attended our meeting, he spoke about the movie *Rush* and some of his time in Formula 1. This is the long awaited part 2.

We had the Drift event in Dover and our next event will be the Lofland Memorial Autocross at Ripken Stadium. More details at the meeting; see you there.

Paul

Rally Chair – George Alderman



Save the Date of Saturday October 19th for our next Rally/ Picnic. Paul and Hanna Alderman are working on a Rally that will end at Valley Forge Park, where we will have a picnic.

We hope you will join us to enjoy a fun rally route, the historical park, and the picnic. Complete details coming in the October Gasline.

George

Upcoming Events:

September 14th: Lofland Autocross @ Ripken Stadium

September 21st: Coatesville Grand Prix – Coatesville PA

October 12th: Autocross 4 @ Ripken Stadium (Tentative)

October 19th: Fall Rally/Picnic to Valley Forge Park

**The 4th Annual
Coatesville Invitational
Vintage Grand Prix**

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Over 50 Historic and Vintage Motor Vehicles
Free Admission - Car Club Parking
Food, Drink and Entertainment for the Whole Family!
Activities Start 8:30 AM at 3rd and Lincoln Highway
Visit: coatesvillinvintagegrandprix.com

Autocross Chair – Duke Wilford



Since it has been several months since BMC's last autocross, there is not much to report in this issue. SCCA Solo II Nationals are happening next week, so we wish good luck to any of our friends who are heading out to Lincoln, Nebraska!

BMC's next autocross is just 2 weeks away – 14 September at Ripken Stadium in Aberdeen, MD. This is our annual Lofland Memorial Cup event, named in honor of a historic BMC member and autocross enthusiast. The Cup is inscribed with the name of the driver posting the fastest raw time of the day at the Club's last regularly-scheduled event each year.

Our 2017 Lofland winner was **Ken Houseal**, a frequent driver with BMC autocross. The 2018 season was interrupted, so no trophy was awarded. Local hotshoe **Elias Roman**, also one of our regulars, has thrown down his challenge for 2019. Our new venue has attracted some other national-level drivers, so this year could get interesting!

New this year, we have the recently-rediscovered Lofland PAX Cup as well. This trophy turned up in George Alderman's garage this spring. For 2019 and beyond, we will make a slight break with tradition and award this to our 2019 Driver Of The Year, who is the top PAX-indexed driver of the season.

All preregistrations for the canceled event roll over to the September date. If you were preregistered for July, there is nothing else you need to do but show up.

We currently have 57 cars registered as of this writing. Signups are still open at <http://msreg.com/BMCaxIII2019> and will close Thursday, 12 September, at 6:00p.

Depending on turnout and enthusiasm at the September event, we are considering a makeup autocross date on 12 October at Ripken. We'll keep everyone informed as this event develops, but if you would definitely be interested in an October makeup event, please email me at BMCautox@gmail.com and let me know.

BMC is also providing flaggers and race support staff for the annual Coatesville Vintage Grand Prix on 21 September. If you have worked the course at an autocross, you can do this as well! It's a great chance to see a wide variety of interesting historic race cars in action. You can volunteer to help out at <http://msreg.com/BMC-CGP2019>. There is no cost to you. Lunch and a souvenir event tee-shirt will be provided for all workers!

-Duke "Report To The Tent" Wilford



August Meeting Highlights

The August 6, 2019 meeting was held at Michael's Restaurant Newark, DE. The turnout was 22 members and guests. The meeting was called to order by Club Chair Paul Alderman at 7:18pm.

Membership Report (Anita Spinelli)

We welcomed new 3 members who introduced themselves and their rides.

Treasurers Report (Richard Wortmann)

We have money.

Rally Report (George Alderman)

We are planning a trip August 10th to Simeone Museum. A carpool will depart at 9:30am and museum opens at 10:00am. We will meet with David Hobbs who will be talking about his book, joined by Will Buxton.

Paul and Hanna Alderman are working on a fun rally to Valley Forge National Park, planned for October with date to be determined. Mike Trzonkowski has a few additional rallies in the works for future dates.

AutoX Report (Duke Wilford)

Our July 20th registration has rolled over to September 14th at Ripken Stadium. We are working with Ripken to schedule a make-up event October 12th.

Drift Report (Jimmy Brown & Justin Sieminski)

August 24th event at Dover Speedway..

New Business

Jim Martin is looking to find drivers and 35 members to volunteer for Coatesville Grand Prix event September 21st. We are compartmentalizing work job/tasks. Three per corner: observer, flagger, and relief. Crew in the pit and paddock. Coca Cola slow down, eclectic cars, BMC parking, and other perks.

Meeting adjourned 8:25pm.

Michael Trzonkowski

