



THE GASLINE

Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.

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May 2012

BMC CLUB MEETING

**Tuesday, May 1st, 2012 @ Stewart's Brewing Company,
Rtes 7 & 40, Bear, Dela. – 6:30 P.M. greet & eat / 7 P.M. Meeting**

BMC Stay On Course Rally – Sunday, May 20th (see flyer)

BMC 60th Anniversary Rally & Picnic – Saturday, June 9th (see flyer)

Chair Chatter – Paul Alderman

Cones, curbs, and rain, not a nice combination. It seems that the April event schedule did not go as planned. We just got dried out from this weekend and now we can resume our car-related activities.

For the road racing fans, Shawn Dewey will be running the “Devil in the Dark” race in Millville NJ this weekend April 28th.

The “Stay on Course” rally is scheduled for May 20th.

The next event will be our 60th Anniversary Rally/Picnic on Saturday June 9th. If you know of any previous (not ‘old’) members of the club, please contact George Alderman. We would like to see them come out for our Anniversary.

See the flyers for more details on both events. Hope to see you at the May 1st meeting at Stewarts Brewing Co. in Bear.

*Keeping Dry
PJA*

Autocross Update – Dave Dabell

Preparation for the April autocross had an interesting wrinkle this year. I dropped by the site a couple weeks ahead of time to discover that a large red circle had been painted on the lot. The circle was 32 feet in diameter with a stripe 5 feet wide. I don’t know what it is used for, but it did a great job of obstructing the start line. Since I didn’t want our cars driving over the stripe, the course layout was modified to move the start line closer to the lot entry.



Unfortunately, we didn’t get a chance to try out the modified course because of rain - lots of it. The event was cancelled due to the large coastal storm that hit the day of the autocross. I looked into scheduling a make up date in May, but it is booked up. So, our next event will be on Saturday, June 23, as previously scheduled. The rain-out brings up another advantage to pre-registering for an event. It puts you on an email list for any news related to the upcoming event.

Let’s hope we have better luck with the weather in June!

Dave Dabell – Autocross Chair

Smart Tank?



Rally Round – Don Butler

No report.

Don Butler, BMC Rally Chair

Editor’s Note: The Fun Rally scheduled for April 29 has been postponed until May 20. A flyer is on page 6 in this issue.

3rd of April Meeting Highlights

The April, 2012 meeting was held at Stewart's Brewing Company and was attended by 14 members. It was chaired by George Alderman in Paul's absence.

Treasurer's Report – At the end of March, we had \$7,685.11

Membership - 61 paid members.

Rally Report –

Dave Teter reported on the March Lamb Rally. The attendance was down from last year's 30 cars to 20 cars this year. Concern was expressed about the falling attendance at the Rally and the fact that we need to turn it around. Dave thanked everyone who had helped out on the event.

Scott Clabaugh provided an update on the Braille Rally. It had to be postponed until the Fall, due to scheduling issues at the Delaware Association of the Blind. As soon as a revised date is set, everyone will be notified.

Don Butler provided detail for our next rally. It will be broken into 2 days so more people can be introduced to Rallying. It is set for **April 29th** (Fun I – Stay on Course) and **May 20th** (Fun II – Stay on Time) Rally. You will not win a Trophy until you complete the 2nd day. More information will be forthcoming by mid April.

We are also planning our 60th Anniversary Fun Rally and Picnic for June 9th. George Alderman is heading up this event.

Autocross Report –

Our 1st event is now scheduled for **4/22/2012**. The location will be the **Glasgow site**. So far about 6 people have pre-registered. You can go to http://delawarepca.net/Autocross_II.php to download more information or contact Dave Dabell or George Alderman. We lost our Dover Site and are working on locating another site. If anyone has contacts/ideas, please let us know

New Business - Upcoming Birthdays – George Alderman 4/29.

Bob Turner talked about Street Survival Teen Driving School, www.streetsurvival.org; the next one is scheduled for September. They are looking for volunteers; please contact Bob turnerbob6@gmail.com for more information.

Next Meeting, May 1st at Stewart's Brewery. Please attend, we missed you.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Secretary Jim Martin

The Checkpoint Line - Dave Teter



Elsewhere in this Gasline, you will find the results and award photos for March Lamb XV. I had hoped against all hope that the event date being a week later would give respite from our usual (for years) windy, chilly weather. Alas, not to be as we were blessed with the usual spectrum of weather but NO RAIN.

We suffered a 1/3 drop in entries - not good and barely acceptable in view of the time, energy & resources consumed. The entry for the Course Rally remained steady (6-8) but the Tour Rally entry field declined from fewer BMC members and local friends of BMC.

The usual fierce competition continued on the Course Rally with long-time member Jim Crittenden & Bruce Gezon gathering 1st Overall and 1st in Class L. They were Overall to the Class E (Equipped) team winners of Chuck Larouerie (Pittsburgh) and Bob Morseburg (Seattle). Both teams were repeat winners of last year. The Tour Rally also had repeat winners of John Emmons and Lois Van Vleet who bettered their score of last year (7) with a blazing 6!!!

In our local SOP Class, Martha Weldin and Marilyn Alderman came out on top. Jim and Marie Irons missed a sign on leg #2 and may have otherwise prevailed. George Alderman and Willis Weldin continue to develop a technique in using the GPS and moved to compete in SCCA Class S (where calculators and open odometers are allowed). Note in the results that they were reasonably competitive with the exception of one bad leg :-((a mistake). Similarly, Paul Alderman and Phil Worrell, using an old Curta calculator, moved from SOP to SCCA Class L placing 1st!! (we've asked them to return their trophy to club inventory)

I would be remiss not to mention Wayne Elvin and his linchpin status in propelling March Lamb and our other rally events; the March Lamb simply does not happen without him. Likewise filling in the nooks and crannies are Marilyn and Martha, Jim and Marie Irons, Kevin and Lisa Cresswell, Pat Phalan, Grant Banning, Jim Martin, and other old friends Rich Stephani, Mike Scibeck, Holly Fleming, Matt Reyne,. And last, but not least, Dave Laffitte (Footie).

My own rally year is varied as I plan to compete in Great Race for 10 days from Michigan through Canada and around the Great Lakes through New York and Ohio and back to Dearborn, Mich. for the finish. I will do at least one more Great Race style event and then work in several SCCA Tour and Course rallies as time allows. My partner has a new WRX!!!

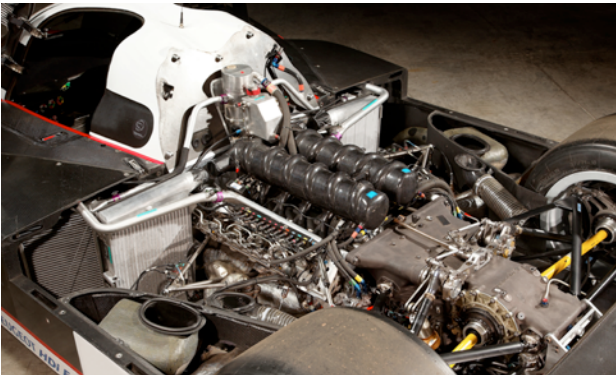
Dave

The Hard Drive Garage – By Mark Schroy

Well, this month's feature is another auction. It's a newer car than Ayrton Senna's F1 car from last month, but significantly more advanced. Not as much of a pedigree, but another ride out of my price range.



It's a 2007 Peugeot 908 V-12 Le Mans car. It's provenance is very nice for any race car being sold - 1st overall at Monza, Silverstone, and Spa. It was entered in the 2009 Le Mans race by the Works-Peugeot factory team. The specs on the car are pretty impressive too: a diesel 5.5-litre twin-turbocharged dual overhead camshaft V12 engine with a six-speed sequential manual paddle-shift gearbox, independent front and rear double-wishbone suspension, and four-wheel hydraulic ventilated disc brakes. In it's current state of tune, it's knocking out 700 hp and 885 lb-ft of torque.



Now, the price for this beauty is projected to bring between 2.4 - 2.8M USD. For that money, you could buy a 1,000 hp Bugatti Veyron and have money left over for gas and speeding tickets. BUT, since the Peugeot only weighs a touch over 2,000 lbs, it should perform better than the lead weight (over 2 tons) Veyron.



Now, for a bit of bad news. RM Auctions has stated on their website the following disclaimer:

"Starting and running this vehicle calls for specific equipment, third-party software licenses and skills. The seller commits to providing the necessary technical support for a period of three years. This service will be provided at Peugeot Sport's normal rates for technical support."

Ouch. So, if I want to DRIVE the car, it'll cost A LOT extra. What happens if all I want to do is park it and make vroomvroomvroom noises? Something tells me the "normal rates for technical support" from Peugeot are a bit higher than the dealer rates for my Hyundai. Oh well. Guess I am out of the running for this one too.

One more picture for the road....



The reason why this car is for sale is simple - Peugeot didn't want to spend the money on racing anymore. The endurance racing program ended in January of last year, before the 2011 Le Mans, citing "financial reasons." Sounds like Peugeot Sport couldn't afford their own "technical support."

If you want to check out more info on the car, head over to www.rmauctions.com and look for Lot 382 in the Monaco auction. It'll be sold May 11-12, just in time for Mother's Day. Now that is a great way to let mom know you really appreciate her sacrifice!

Mark

*Brandywine Motorsport Club & South Jersey Region SCCA
March Lamb XV Rally Results – March 31, 2012*

COURSE RALLY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Class E											
Chuck Larouere/Bob Morseburg*	1	1	0	200	1	0	2	1	145	0	351
Steve Gaddy/Chris Bean	0	200	200	2	200	1	1	0	1	200	805
Mike Thompson/J. Johannes	0	200	200	200	0	2	200	120	0	200	1122
Class L											
Jim Crittenden/Bruce Gezon*	1	4	29	15	200	1	1	0	0	4	255
Class S											
Jim Wakemen/Mark Haas	3	200	9	10	200	4	1	8	0	100	535
Jim Miner/Clyde Heckler	1	142	89	100	152	5	2	6	0	200	697
Len Casper/Nancy Parr	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	2000

**Trophy Awarded (Photos next page)*

Course Rally - All are experienced SCCA national competitors; a huge thanks for their support. The Course rally was somewhat more difficult; the 7 cars entered did worse than last year's March Lamb, where the winning score was about 14 and averaged about 300. I think all who were able to stay had a nice time telling the war stories of this 'trap' event.

TOUR RALLY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Class E											
Lois Van Vleet/John Emmons*	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	6
Ron Ferris/John Sears	1	0	2	1	3	1	1	0	1	0	10
Dave Head/Ginny Bergey	1	200	0	1	4	2	1	7	24	2	242
Class L											
Phil Worrell/Paul Alderman	101	189	12	4	149	20	75	20	0	29	599
Class S											
Peter Chezick/Frank Bochanski*	1	4	1	2	4	2	3	1	0	1	19
Willis Weldin/George Alderman	2	12	17	3	200	6	4	5	0	10	259
Class SOP											
Martha Weldin/Marilyn Alderman*	41	16	8	5	110	30	2	150	1	41	404
Jim Irons/Marie Irons	6	200	17	33	39	23	8	16	17	61	420
Class Novice											
Jennifer Bergevin/Dan DiFlavis*	8	16	4	41	14	20	49	25	13	4	194
Lauren Rogers/Greg Rogers	180	3	181	42	200	110	14	32	43	61	866
Dan McIntosh/Theresa Richmond	200	170	187	200	200	200	58	200	200	23	1638

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Tour Rally - A huge thanks for your support. Tour Classes E & L had seasoned SCCA competitors, as the scores show. Only two cars started in SOP Class since Phil and Paul moved to Class L and George & Willis moved to Class S. The first car came into the finish about 5 o'clock and scoring done and awarded trophies a little after 6:30 PM. I think all who were able to stay had a nice time telling their stories of the day's adventure. It took the SCCA national entry group as well as the more local group of Class SOP & Novice entries to make this event a success.

To All - The usual and enormous thanks to all workers and participants. We ALL know that without both ingredients we don't go far in our sport. An expanded write-up appears in this BMC GASLINE newsletter.

Workers - Jim Irons Registration. Marilyn Alderman, Martha Weldin, Marie Irons Desk Registration. Wayne Elvin Prechecker, Lead Car, Checkpoint#10. Dave Laffitte Lead Car & Checkpoint #10. Holly Fleming, Matt Reyne, Rich Stephani, & Jim Martin Checkpoints # 5 & #6 & #7. Grant Banning, Kevin & Lisa Cresswell Checkpoint#2 & #8. Pat Phalan was official Safety Precheck.

Rallymaster Dave Teter

2012 Events - Updated 04.04.12

BMC Secretary Jim Martin has compiled this list of BMC and other car club's events for 2012. This list will be updated as events are added or changed.

April, 2012

- 28th – Marshall's Steam Museum – Yorklyn, DE - PCA
- 29th – Spring Fling Rally – Southampton, PA – NJR/SCCA
- 29th – Hershey Swap Meet

May, 2012

- 5th – Lewes Car Show – Lewes, DE – BCCD
- 12th – Whip Tavern Tour – Coatesville, PA – AHS&T
- 19th – Carlisle Import Show Tour – Avondale, PA – AHS&T
- 20th – Fun I Stay on Course Rally – Lantana Square, Hockessin, DE – BMC**

June, 2012

- 2nd - Cars of England – Westtown, Pa – Jaguar and Triumph Clubs
- 9th - BMC 60th Anniversary Rally & Picnic @ Stone Barn – BMC/BCCD/AHS&T**
- 17th – Fun II Stay on Time Rally – Lantana Square, Hockessin, DE – BMC**
- 23rd – Autocross – Glasgow, DE – BMC/PCA**

July, 2012

- 14th – Fun Rally to A Pub – TBA- AHS&T

August, 2012

- 11th – Autocross – Glasgow, DE – BMC/PCA**

September, 2012

- 8th – Eastern Shore Crab Feast Tour - MD – AHS&T
- 15th – Delaware City Car Show – Delaware City, DE - BCCD
- 16th – Hagley Car Show – Greenville, DE – Hagley
- 22nd – DE Custom Car Expo – Chase Center – Wilmington, DE
- 29th – Greenville Car Show – Greenville, DE - PCA

October, 2012

- 7th – AHS&T Club Picnic – Elkton, MD – AHS&T
- 14th – Autocross – TBD – BMC/PCA**

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 America

PCA – Delaware Porsche Car Club of America

Fun Rallies I & II – Stay on Course, then Stay on Time

Sunday May 20th & June 17th



Hockessin, DE -----→Port Deposit, MD

Presented by Brandywine Motorsport Club (BMC)

(www.brandywinemotorsportclub.org)

Do you enjoy driving your car? Do you like to drive on back country roads? Do you like to meet people? Do you hate driving in traffic? Then this is for you. You will need a driver and a navigator (any 2 people and any kind of car qualify).

We want to introduce more people to the fun of Rallying, so we laid out a route through Northern Delaware, Southern Chester / Lancaster Counties and finished it up in Port Deposit, MD. These will be easy tour rallies, so the route instructions are very straight-forward.

You will run the rallies twice. On Fun I, on May 20th, enjoy the scenery and just stay on course. On Fun II, June 17th, staying on time at assigned average speeds will be your goal.

Both rallies begin at the M&T Bank (former Wilmington Trust) parking lot in Lantana Square Shopping Center (www.lantanasquare.com) in Hockessin, DE and finish at The Susky River Grille (www.suskyrivergrille.com) in Port Deposit, MD. Each rally Registration will open at 1 PM; the 1st car will be off at 2 PM.

Running both rallies will only cost you \$10. Trophies will be awarded at the end of the Fun II Rally. You must run the Fun I Rally in order to enter Fun II.

If you are interested, please contact the Rally Master, Don Butler (dlbutler@zoominternet.net) for registration information. Please join us for a great time and drive and enjoy the view of the Susquehanna River. Keep in mind, even if you get lost, you only need to find Port Deposit, MD to relax.



Brandywine Motorsport Club

in conjunction with

The British Car Club of Delaware



Invites you to help us celebrate

BMC's 60th Year at the

BMC 60th Anniversary Rally and Picnic

The rally route will be fun and easy to follow. It includes mileages at most turns and safe average speeds to keep you moving along the less traveled roads until you reach the finish at The Stone Barn restaurant where our **Indoor Picnic** will be held.

When: Saturday, June 9, 2012
Registration opens at 12 noon
1st car off at 1:01PM

Start Location: Brandywine Springs Park
Faulkland Rd (Rt 34) and Newport Gap Pike (Rt 41)

Finish & Picnic: The Stone Barn (www.thestonebarn.com)
550 Upland Rd (for GPS use 100 Stone Barn Dr)
Kennett Square PA 19348
610-3472414



Entry Fee: \$15/car for Rally plus \$20/person for Picnic (tax and tip included)

Note:

If you choose to not run the rally, please join us at the Stone Barn about 4:30 P.M. for the Picnic (only \$20/ person). The Stone Barn is a 'BYOB' restaurant, only non-alcoholic refreshments served. Beer available courtesy of BMC. Please Park by the tennis courts, come up stone steps in back door – look for the BMC sign

To Register:

We will need a head count by Wednesday June 6, 2012.

Questions? Contact George Alderman at galderman32@comcast.net or 302-373-2111.

Please send check made payable to BMC to George Alderman, 805 Ramsey Rd, Hockessin, DE 19707-9351

General instructions for the rally will be provided by email.

Driver_____

Navigator_____

Email_____

Email_____

Club Affil: BMC BCCD AHS&T None

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Car (year, make, model, color)_____

____ I/we will Rally and Picnic

____ I/we will ONLY picnic

Check Amount \$_____