



# THE GASLINE

**Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.**

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May 2014

## BMC CLUB MEETING

*Tuesday, May 6th, 2014 – 6:00 P.M. greet & eat / 7 P.M. Meeting  
The Charcoal Pit at Price's Corner*

### Chair Chatter – Paul Alderman



It must be summer, its racing season.

We just finished our first rally and first autocross of the season, with the PCA/BMC Braille Rally coming up on the 27th. I am writing this as I sit and relax on vacation; what a neat weekend. We were driving around the Massanutten mountain area

exploring, and found a nice little shop in Shenandoah, VA. In this store was a poster for the local short track, and it just so happens to be the same track that local racer, Doug Liberman, races on. What a night of watching USAC midgets, Legends cars, Bandoleros, and Late Models. We were able to cheer on Doug to his second win of the season, in the second race of the year. We also found out he set the new top speed record at the track last weekend. Way to go, Doug!

I had fun the last few weekends also, Jim Martin and I ran the March Lamb Rally to a second place behind seasoned veterans, Willis and George. I messed up on one instruction and that put us in the checkpoint before we

finished the Transit Zone. Arrgh. We still had some really nice legs, scoring 9 points on the classic "black snake" leg that helped make up for my mistake earlier.

Last weekend at the autocross we had an exceptional turnout, and everyone pitched in and helped out. Duke got every one organized, Lizzy did a stellar job on Registration, and Jim Martin, Pat Phalan, Liz Haines, and Jim Irons all helped on scoring. Mark Richmond was one of the favorites to watch in the new vintage class, as you can see all the activity in the TR3 cockpit as he navigated the cones. Nuri Heckrote and Gerry Caseras put on a show in Nuri's MR2; Gerry better watch beating the car owner though. Thanks to all who came and helped make our first autocross very successful. We'll see you at Glasgow on May 17th.

Come on out to our May meeting on the 6th at the Charcoal Pit on Kirkwood Highway. See you there!

*All Revved Up,  
Paul*

### Rally Chair - George Alderman

The next rally will be the Braille Rally on Sunday April 27th. We need drivers as well as checkpoint workers, so give me a call if you can help. George 302-373-2111; Scott 302-545-0951

### A Truckload of Fun



## Secretary's Report - Jim Martin

The April 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 meeting was held at the Charcoal Pit on Kirkwood Highway. The turnout was 24 members, thanks to all that showed up. Your input and support inspire us for all the work that we are putting in. The meeting was called to order by Paul Alderman at 7:20 PM.

**Treasurer's Report** (Willis Weldin) – At the end of March, we had \$5,281.15 in our Club account. Our membership is slowly coming back; we are now 69 members strong.

**Rally Report** (George Alderman) – The March Lamb Rally is on schedule for Saturday, (4/5) and details are on our website. The Annual Braille Rally that we co-host with the Porsche Car Club is set for 4/27 and the details are still being worked out, we need helpers and drivers.

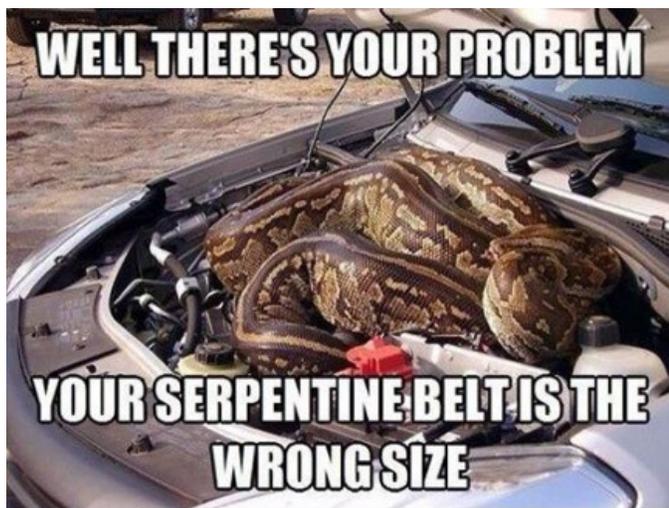
**Autocross Report** (Duke Wilford) – Our 1<sup>st</sup> Autocross of the season is on schedule for April 12<sup>th</sup> at Keene Elementary. The rain date for all events will be the day after unless otherwise noted. We added a new class for sports cars 1978 and older. We have our new timing equipment and can't wait to test it out. Duke had the timing system set up to time those walking into the meeting and had the large time display in the front of the room.

**Property Report** (Mark Schroy) – Due to scheduling conflicts, the video taping of the Club's History had to be moved to April 18<sup>th</sup>. The set up of the Club Store is moving forward, Shawn Dewey is going to forward a high resolution Logo to the Company.

**Gasline Report** (Jim Irons) – Please submit articles to Jim Irons before 4/22 so they can publish in our next newsletter.

Our May Club Meeting (5/6/2014) will be held at the Charcoal Pit on Kirkwood Highway at 6:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.



## An Insider's Report March Lamb 2014

The 2014 March Lamb Rally was held on March 36<sup>th</sup> this year (OK, April 5<sup>th</sup>). The great weather was the lucky result of the traditional date being pushed out a week. A bit windy for those handling papers outside, but a lot better than our Winter season, and Spring's many rainy days. We had a good turnout of 15 entries.

Rallymaster Dave Teter had worked through all of last year to provide what proved to be an interesting and challenging Course Route for the SCCA rallyists. There were traps based on sign content, including spelling, and an 'onto' rule that kept everyone on their toes, checking every road name at every intersection. With the easier Tour Route using the same roads and timing, it was my job to be sure that its set of instructions was dead easy. I included many (parenthetical) helpers for safety and to provide reassurance along the route that teams were on the correct road. Although Dave and I had been over the Course route late last year to have the route 95% complete, by March, I had forgotten the many traps myself.

With the Course version's route following and main road priority rules, suffice it to say that teams were presented with a complicated, but logical, set of decisions to repeatedly make in order to stay on course (the only way to stay on time). The full results are given in this newsletter, and have been officially submitted to SCCA. Thanks to the South Jersey Region for their assistance in sanctioning this event. Course Class E with 10 points and Course Class L with a total of 20 points were followed closely by Tour Class S at 34 total points. E is fully computer equipped with any mileage input, L is limited to any mileage display and manual input, while S is stock odometer only with computation devices and manual input as in L (or GPS devices). BMC added non-SCCA classic SOP, GPS only, and a Novice award. Trophies were awarded accordingly.

I was very pleased with our club members' support of this event. We had a number of spots to fill for the 4 open checkpoints. Thanks to everyone who volunteered to come for the day and help: Grant Banning, Mike Scibek, Scott Claybaugh, Holly Fleming, Jim Irons, Marie Irons, Dave Mitchell, Mac Morgan, Mark Schroy and Phil Worrell. Special mention to Pat Phelan, SCCA Course Safety Steward and Tour pre-check. Also, Mike Kolb, an experienced SCCA rallyist from NJ, who showed up at the start, and ran pre-sweep with me and worked CP # 10. Jim Wakemen and Mark Haas assisted again at the finish with scoring duties. Dave 'Footie' Lafitte, again traveled from Boston to assist with a final Course pre-check run and assist on rally day. Rich Stephani, who had a medical issue a week earlier, and was not available to work a control as usual, is now fully recovered, and 'ready for next year.'

I continue to be in awe of the huge effort and time, work, miles, gas and organization to put on a one day Regional SCCA Rally. Dave Teter and BMC, along with South Jersey SCCA and their Sunday March Lion event are all to be complimented for this accomplishment.

*Wayne Elvin; Pre-Check, Lead Car, Consultant, and Tour Route Marshal*

*Brandywine Motorsport Club & South Jersey Region SCCA  
March Lamb XVII Rally Results – April 5, 2014*

<b>COURSE RALLY</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Class E</b>											
Steve Gaddy / Chris Bean*	0	1	x	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	10
Chuck Larouere / Dave Head	150	0	x	2	15	2	0	2	8	200	379
Mike Thompson / F. Rosevear	1	200	x	1	200	1	3	96	2	1	505
<b>Class L</b>											
Jim Crittenden / Bruce Gezon*	1	7	x	1	3	0	5	1	2	0	20
<b>Class S</b>											
Jim Wakemen / Mark Haas*	148	4	x	200	4	200	4	0	3	0	563
J.Miner / Clyde Heckler	1	2	x	200	200	3	5	0	200	1	612
<i>*Trophy Awarded</i>											
<i>x = Leg 3 discarded for Course Rally</i>											

<b>TOUR RALLY</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Class L</b>											
D. Ninoshuili / D. Horoschak*	1	72	31	2	3	0	3	0	7	1	120
<b>Class S</b>											
Peter Chezick / Frank Bochanski*	2	2	2	2	15	0	2	2	4	3	34
<b>Class GPS</b>											
Willis Weldin/Geo. Alderman*	5	19	26	5	4	40	48	0	7	7	161
Jim Martin/Paul Alderman	13	200	34	34	7	42	9	18	9	16	382
<b>Class SOP</b>											
Ed. Trahan / Rick. VanSant	200	200	200	200	194	200	200	200	63	200	1857
John Seabrook/Leslie Seabrook	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	2000
<b>Class Novice</b>											
David Ameen / Tim Sheldon*	3	82	76	25	84	20	66	62	24	94	536
Kirk Evans / Janet Evans	3	20	200	200	200	200	200	50	23	200	1296
Larry Cordeiro/ Mark Cordeiro	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	2000
<i>*Trophy Awarded</i>											

A huge thanks to all contestants for your support. The 6 cars entered in the more difficult Course Rally did about the same last year, where the winning score was about 14 & average about 300. All are experienced SCCA national competitors. Scoring was done and trophies awarded a little after 6:45 PM. I think all who were able to stay had a nice time telling the war stories of this 'trap' event, as well as the easier Tour version.

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.

*Dave Teter, Rallymaster*

## Autocross Chair – Duke Wilford



Our 2014 autocross season got off to a rousing start. We enjoyed perfect weather and the lot conditions were as good as we get at Keene. Once it was properly set up, the new timing gear functioned flawlessly.

In addition, a record **57** cars took the flag to run with us! This is the largest turnout I can recall in my 6 years with the Club. I'm glad to see the word spreading and the numbers growing.

And what a range of cars it was! Our new class, Classic Street Car, had 4 entries – Larry Waltemire's veteran '73 Porsche 914, Mark Richmond in a 1963 Triumph TR3-B, Lou Spinelli's 1966 Cobra, and Del-Tech was represented by Frank Adkins' baby blue '65 Plymouth Valiant, complete with giant Hurst shifter. This wide ranging group of classic cars battled it out, but Larry's mid-engine German machine took the win over the plucky British roadster and the American heavy metal. We definitely hope to see this class coax more vintage cars out of the garage.

In addition to Frank and Lou, we had a large rookie turnout among the open classes. First-timer Jaimeson Barze brought his built and boosted Merkur XR4Ti, though a mechanical issue sidelined him for his last run. Walt Jones brought his V8-powered, black cherry GMC Sonoma trucklet, and pronounced autocross "more fun than drag racing." Wait till you try it on bigger lot, Walt! Francisco Gomez brought his yellow MR2 Spyder and had an uphill battle in STR against Nuri Heckrotte and Gerry Caceres in Nuri's white MR2 Spyder. 'Big James' Borek tucked himself, helmet and all, into his daily driver Honda Fit and gave it a try in HS against Phil Worrell's cream puff '89 CRX HF. Kirk Evans brought his Scion FR-S – one of 3 in C Street class! The Frisbee Twins seem to be catching on. Novice Herbert Peng's rally special / zompocalypse-prepped Legacy wagon attracted a lot of admirers, despite riding high on offroad tires. Herbert had to leave before the afternoon heat, but we hope to see him and his car again.

Speaking of novices, a number of our first-timers (and a few veterans) were plagued by off-course runs. As one of my ride-along passengers put it, "things are happening a LOT more quickly inside the car than it looks like from outside." We have a number of seasoned autocrossers who will happily ride with anyone to help point the way and offer tips. Rather than get frustrated by off-course runs, ask for a copilot on a few passes until you settle into the flow of the layout!

As usual, the Stock – errrr, I mean "Street" – category had the most entries, followed by Street Touring. There were some interesting old/new pairings in the ranks. Tyler Donnelly brought a big, bad, black 2008 BMW M5. The M's V10 engine had a very distinctive bark on course. Ben Trigg's ST-prepared 1988 M5, 20 years older but also black, held its own against 2 decades of improved technology. In FS, Ross Causey's 1985

"Hepatitis Z" Z28, a \$500 beater pushing 200,000 miles, squared up against Bruce Thorngate's beautiful, bright green 2011 Camaro SS.

Miatas of all generations were represented. The NB triplets of Jonathan Duprey-Kasmire, Jim Irons, and Bob Turner were getting used to their new home in ES. Sam Scott's immaculate smurf blue STS car represented the NA generation, while Ed Trahan's supercharged NC, sloppily piloted by your humble reporter, ran in SSM.

Porsche numbers were down, unfortunately – other than Larry's classic 914, only Tim Sheldon's silver 911 Carrera S battled it out against Mark Loch's black Cayman S in Super Street. Hopefully, the lure of a larger course will attract more P-cars over the summer.

Several drivers shared cars for the ultimate in head-to-head competition. Aaron Thorsgard and Ashley Wright co-drove Ashley's bright red 325xiT, which gets a triple helping of cool points for being 1) bright red, 2) a wagon, and 3) a MANUAL TRANSMISSION. Aaron claimed the FS win, just under a second ahead of Ashley. Gerry Caceres shared Nuri Heckrotte's white MR2 Spyder and the pair drove it to a 1-2 finish in STR.

On their way, Gerry and Nuri were both strong contenders for FTD. Gerry's afternoon runs looked promising as he posted a pair of clean 51s to Nuri's mid 52s. Ed Trahan's MX-5 also snuck into the mid-high 51s raw time, but the driver couldn't stay away from cones. Josh Nash pulled out a clean run in the bottom half of the 52s, but in the end it was perennial fast guy Paul Alderman in the Caterham Super 7 who set the bar pretty low with a blistering, clean 50.490 on his 3rd run. This earned him Fastest Time of Day by just over 1 second, as well as the Super Street class win.

Thanks to registration, timing, and scoring volunteers Lizzy Wilford, Jim Martin, Pat Phelan, and all others who helped out. These folks make our events happen, even when they aren't driving. We appreciate the large number of preregistrations for this event, which helped us prepare cards for many of the cars ahead of time. Please bear with us as we begin the transition from manual registration and scoring to a computer-based system. Although the cards might not go away immediately, we're making changes to simplify the check-in process. We hope to see continued growth.

Don't forget, instead of our usual month off, we are back on May 17th, as well as June, July, and August. Preregistration is open for all events! The May event will be our first in many years hosted at Glasgow High School, as well as the June and July autocrosses. We're looking forward to a new lot and new course designs!

*-Duke "Thanks again, Ed" Wilford  
Autocross Chair*



**BMC AUTOCROSS I RESULTS**  
**Keene School Site - April 12, 2014**



<u>Class #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Class #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Time</u>
SS 68	Paul Alderman	'05 Caterham 7	*50.490	ST 217	Mark Combs	'08 VW Rabbit	53.170
SS 6	Tim Sheldon	'06 Porsche 911	57.600	ST 13	Johnston Jason	'95 Nissan 240SX	54.572
SS 22	Mark Loch	'11 Porsche Cayman S	62.745	ST 28	Ben Trigg	'88 BMW M5	56.297
AS 13	Scott Clapper	'07 Corvette	54.816	ST 777	Julian Hawkins	'9? Subaru Impreza	60.411
BS 3	Tyler Donnelly	'08 BMW M5	54.422	ST 181	Luke Waltemire	'86 BMW 325es	61.136
CS 128	Morgan Krause	'13 Scion FR-S	54.275	STF 7	Marti Williams	'09 Honda Civic	60.752
CS 173	Alex Meramo	'14 Scion FR-S	57.171	STR 89	Gerry Caceres	'03 MR2 Spyder	51.588
CS 61	David Barlow	'99 BMW Z3	68.006	STR 86	Nuri Heckrotte	'03 MR2 Spyder	52.456
CS 5	Gaurav Banerjee	'06 Nissan 350Z	68.879	STR 73	Francisco Gomez	'00 MR2	58.555
CS 72	Kirk Evans	'13 Scion FR-S	70.694	STS 98	Sam Scott	'99 Miata	57.091
DS 71	Tom Cothren	'06 Mini S JCW	53.228	STU 74	John Williams	'02 BMW M3	53.716
DS 53	John Allard	'08 Mini Cooper S	56.771	STU 34	Michael Sparacio	'13 Subaru WRX	53.993
DS 55	Bob Rogers	'13 Mini Cooper S	57.750	STU 41	Michael Katsimbris	'05 WRX STi	54.403
DS 25	Ed Fallon	'12 Subaru WRX	58.010	STU 2	Julian Concha	'04 Mustang GT	57.606
ES 11	Lou Montella	'87 Toyota MR2	54.468	STU 15	Nicholas Gadzinski	'00 Mustang	63.636
ES 144	J. Duprey-Kasmire	'00 Miata	55.074	STU 10	Herbert Peng	'04 Subaru Legacy	79.998
ES 23	Jim Irons	'02 Miata	56.796	STX 88	Alan Silverstein	'13 Subaru BRZ	60.277
ES 63	Robert Turner Jr.	'02 Miata	57.612	BSP 189	Dave Dabell	'0? Audi A4-S	60.020
ES 97	Jim Miller	'97 BMW Z3	DNF	SM 1	Travis Whiteside	'96 Subaru Impreza	58.929
FS 190	Aaron Thorsgard	'06 BMW 325xiT	58.487	SMF 51	Joshua Nash	'95 Honda Civic DX	52.399
FS 90	Ashley Wright	'06 BMW 325xiT	59.304	SMF 27	Alex Cabinian	'09 VW GTI	54.894
FS 77	Ross Causey	'85 Camaro Z28	60.003	SMF 43	Daniel Ritter	'04 Ford Focus	61.725
FS 8	Bruce Thorngate	'11 Camaro SS	64.047	SMF 171	Jaimeson Barze	'85 Merkur XR4Ti	66.270
GS 16	Elizabeth Wilford	'02 Subaru 2.5TS	58.367	SSM 65	Duke Wilford	'10 Mazda MX-5	53.771
GS 4	Hayden Cameron	'07 VW GTI	61.555	EP 555	Nicole O'Neil	'91 Honda Civic	60.300
HS 311	James Borek	'08 Honda Fit	59.154	XP 20	Walt Jones	'94 GMC Sonoma	70.641
HS 33	Phil Worrell	'89 Honda CRX	60.491				
CSC 81	Larry Waltemire	'73 Porsche 914	60.299				
CSC 21	Mark Richmond	'63 Triumph TR3-B	62.452				
CSC 66	Lou Spinelli	'66 Shelby Cobra	62.497				
CSC 44	Frank Adkins	'65 Plymouth Valiant	65.195				

\*FTD (Fastest Time of the Day)

## The Hard Drive Garage

Well, Holy crap! It's amazing when someone takes a truly boring car and actually finds a way to make it unique- in a bizarre way...

It's not every day when I find a car that was NEVER intended to be a truck-type thing. The El Camino is probably the best known example, and Holden has made one for years still. Even Ford continued to make one for the Aussie market. This creation, however, currently resides within our continental borders, albeit the backwoods of West Virginia:



Yes, it's a Toyota Corolla. Yes, it's a hand made 2 door Toyota Corolla. Yes, it looks like a tiny truck bed in the rear. Yes, that's a fake stick on hood scoop.

Yes, this thing is a man-made disaster.....

The FOX vanity plate is an interesting touch. Maybe it's supposed to distract you from the rest of the problem? Ugh. The bodywork doesn't actually look all that bad. It looks like a TALL MR2 from a certain angle. What angle, you may be thinking? The angle of viewing it in a car crusher...

Not only did the seller have a strange vision of a tiny El Camino wannabe with a barely functional truck bed:



He actually decided to install a supercharged 4AGZE JDM motor. Now, I know that sounds like something out of this world, but honestly it's just another Corolla motor-with a factory supercharger installed. Nothing outrageous, but the seller points out the motor swap.

To top it all off, the interior has been modified too. The seats are brown, the carpet, dashboard and door cards are black. Huh? I am thinking it is seat covers, probably faded from years of WV sun. Chances are plenty of beer or moonshine has been spilled on that carpet too!

The new rear wall between the passenger area and the tiny bed has been filled with speakers. Now, I mean filled as in "the only usable space for speakers plus 2 amps".

Now, the price. Oddly enough, the price isn't listed. The seller states to make him an offer.

The only reason I would want to make an offer would be to use it for target practice....Here is the Craigslist ad:

<http://martinsburg.craigslist.org/cto/4378225182.html>

Enjoy!  
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## 2014 Car Events Schedule

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- April** 26 AHS&T Tour to the Whip @ 12 PM  
27 **Braille Rally, Northern DE – BMC & PCA**
- May** 3 Lewes Car Show, Lewis, DE – BCCD  
10 AHS&T Tour to the Wellwood Inn, Charlestown, MD  
17 **BMC Autocross II – Glasgow High School, Glasgow, DE**  
17 Carlisle Import Car Show, Carlisle, PA – AHS&T  
23 University & Whist Club Car Show – Wine & Cheese Wilmington, DE [www.universityandwhistclub.com](http://www.universityandwhistclub.com)  
31 Cars of England Show, Westtown, PA – BCCD - [www.dvtr.org/](http://www.dvtr.org/)
- June** 7 AHS&T Tech Session  
8 British Motorcar Gathering, Hellertown, PA – BCCD [www.keystonemg.com/hellertown.html](http://www.keystonemg.com/hellertown.html)  
14 **BMC Autocross III – Glasgow High School, Glasgow, DE**  
13-15 The Elegance Challenge (Hill Climb), Hershey, PA – [theeleganceathershey.com/event/the-grand-ascent/](http://theeleganceathershey.com/event/the-grand-ascent/)  
15-20 Healey Conclave, The Homestead, Hot Springs, VA  
20 Brits by The Bay – CC Farm Museum, Westminster, MD\  
21-29 The Great Race from Maine to Florida (Millsboro, DE 6/24 Lunch)
- July** 12 Road Trip to Boondocks' Restaurant, Smyrna, DE – AHS&T  
13 British Invade Gettysburg – [www.lancomgclub.com/club\\_events.htm](http://www.lancomgclub.com/club_events.htm)  
19 **BMC Autocross IV – Glasgow High School, Glasgow, DE**
- Aug.** 6-9 Healey Encounter, Bethlehem, PA – AHS&T  
16 **BMC Autocross V – TBA**  
23 Chesapeake City Car Show -
- Sept.** 5-7 **US Vintage Grand Prix, Watkins Glen, NY**  
[www.theglen.com/Tickets-Events/Events/2014/US-Vintage-Grand-Prix.aspx](http://www.theglen.com/Tickets-Events/Events/2014/US-Vintage-Grand-Prix.aspx)  
13 AHS&T Road Trip to St. Michaels, MD  
14 Hagley Car Show – Greenville, DE – [www.hagley.org/hagley-car-show-2014](http://www.hagley.org/hagley-car-show-2014)  
20 Delaware City Car Show, Delaware City, DE – BCCD  
27 Classic & Exotic Car Show, Greenville, DE – PCA  
27 MG on The Rocks [www.mgsofbaltimore.com/](http://www.mgsofbaltimore.com/)
- Oct.** 11 **BMC Autocross VI – TBA**

Cars & Coffee – Every Saturday morning at the Dilworthtown, PA Starbucks - 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 Club of America

