



THE GASLINE

Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.

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December 2016



BMC Holiday Dinner Party & Meeting **Tuesday, December 6, 2016**

University & Whist Club, 805 N. Broom St., Wilmington, Dela.
R.S.V.P. Required By December 1st. – See enclosed flyer.

Chair Chatter – Paul Alderman



Thankfulness.

As I reflect on things I am thankful for, I want to say thanks to all the members, new and old (well not old, but not new), for all the time and effort you put into our club this year. We have continued to break recent

records in memberships and event attendance. We have had another successful autocross season. We met new friends through First State Drift, and our rally program has continued to grow. We had many more participants than we expected for Turkey Trot II, so some had to give up their seats for others to sit and eat. Thanks to all who attended. It looks like the tour-type rally with questions is the way to proceed for the near future.

So we finish up the year with our Christmas/Holiday party for the next meeting. I hope to see you there. Send in your money to confirm your spot and help us plan for the final meeting of the year.

Hope to see you there on the 6th.

Happy Thanksgiving,
PJA

Rally - George Alderman



Thanks to Dave Mitchell and Jim Martin the 2016 rally season ended on a high note, with a large turnout of entrants, and some nice roads to drive on and a great place to end the rally and enjoy getting together for something to eat. Since there was no timing and only a few questions to answer. There were no score sheets turned in and since no one could be scored, we all won by having a great time. Keep tuned to the BMC Gasline for upcoming rallies next year.

Membership - Anita Steward

Who's excited for our Holiday Party???

Deadline is December 1, 2016 ~ no at-door sales.

**Paying by check? Mail to BMC, PO Box 5517,
Newark, DE 19714**

**Paying by credit card? Contact Anita Steward
(302) 690-5457 or neats1102@yahoo.com**

Turkey Trot II Rally

Thanks to all who took advantage of a splendid fall afternoon to participate in Turkey Trot Two. There were 21 vehicles and 48 participants. Good roads, rolling Amish speed controls, sun-lit foliage treats, as well as opportunity to mingle with many folks from other clubs at the restaurant afterward.

Thanks to Jim Martin for his help with his tour mapping as well as being Checkpoint Ambassador, also to Jim Irons for his help with the flyer artwork and promotion.

Hope to see more of you taking advantage of an excuse to "get out of the house" next time.

Dave Mitchell

BMC Online

- **BMC Website:** www.brandywinemotorsportclub.org
- **BMC Facebook Page:** Brandywine Motorsport Club
- **BMC YouTube Page:** Brandywine Motorsport Club (autocross videos submitted by members and friends)

Autocross Report – Duke Wilford



Although it's been roadster weather until very recently, the sudden cold snap has put the lock on autocross thoughts for now. It's never too early to plan for next year, but the old brain cells get sluggish and mostly want to hibernate. Get those autocross tires out of the shed and into the basement!

Like last year, we will have Awards of Awe-Inspiring Autocross Accomplishment™ for all class champions and our PAX driver of the year. Each winner who attends our BMC holiday party – during our normal December Club meeting time slot – will receive a personalized, heirloom-quality certificate suitable for framing or just tacking to your shop wall. Holiday party details are elsewhere in this newsletter, and the RSVP deadline is December 1st, so please sign up now. Members and nonmembers are welcome to attend.

Over the past few years we've enjoyed a lot of growth and modernization of the autocross program. Attendance numbers are starting to level out at a comfortable size, and we have brought our equipment into the modern age, but we plan to continue improving the program. Our preliminary Drift event was a success and we hope to expand our involvement with that group. We're always investigating and negotiating for access to new venues, so feel free to send any suggestions or contacts. Stay tuned for news over the off season.

I definitely want to hear suggestions on how to improve our events. We made a few operational changes last year, based on your suggestions, and we will keep working to make events run more smoothly and enjoyably. If you have comments, questions, or would like to be more involved, please feel free to email me at BMCautox@gmail.com with any questions or comments. Thanks!

*-Duke "Winter Tires" Wilford
Autocross Chair*

BMC Autocross Class & PAX Standings At:
<http://www.brandywinemotorsportclub.org>

Club Meeting Report

The 1st of November, 2016 meeting was held at Café Napoli. The turnout was 17 members; the Executive Committee had a quorum. The meeting was called to order by Club Chair, Paul Alderman at 7:07 PM.

Membership Report (Anita Steward) - We now have 139 members, a new record. The BMC Christmas Party was discussed. We are returning to the University & Whist Club on Tuesday, December 6th. The costs will be \$25/Club member & \$40/non-member. George Alderman needs a head count ASAP. Please pay in advance.

Treasurer's Report (Richard Wortmann) – Richard stated that the club is in good financial shape (\$17,016). As a Club, we need to identify a minimum amount of money that we need to carry in our account to cover emergencies, etc. We also need to contact K&K insurance to get event insurance (George Alderman) and Duke was going to contact another insurance company for competitive pricing.

AutoX Report (Duke Wilford) – He does not see any major AutoX expenses for the season. Over the winter we agreed by vote to replace all of our older tables with new ones and do the same with the "Big" traffic cones and get some new smaller ones. We also need input from The Drift Club in terms of equipment needs (radios & anything else).

Rally Report (George Alderman) – Dave Mitchell (Rally Master) talked about his upcoming Turkey Trot II Rally scheduled for Saturday November 12th at 2 PM and provided some highlights. Flyer was in November newsletter.

Property Report (Dave Mitchell) – Dave is working on organizing the Club Trailer.

Editor (Jim Irons) – Did not remind everyone that all articles for the next newsletter need to be forwarded to him no later than the last Tuesday of each month.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Jim Martin, Secretary

Property - Dave Mitchell

Season's Greetings Everyone! Thanks to all of you who helped make the club events so successful this calendar year as well as previous years. As you know there are a myriad of components that go into a well planned and executed motoring event. Over the next two to three months I will endeavor to enhance the versatility and utility of our club's "Autocross to Go" Vehicle. Short of creating a Tartis, my goal is to create a systematic plan for packaging and deployment of the various components.

I truly would appreciate any and all ideas and or suggestions from any of our members that they feel would enhance efficiency and or ease of use. A lot of thoughtful insight has gone into outfitting our club with reliable modern electronics necessary to attract the crowds that we do, so it's time to turn attention to the "Pack Horse" prior to the start of next season.

Dave M.



BMC Holiday Dinner Party

Tuesday, December 6th, 2016

University And Whist Club

805 North Broom St., Wilmington DE 19806

On-Site & Street Parking

Attire: Dressy Casual & Up

Cocktails 6 P.M. (Cash Bar)

Buffet Dinner 7 P.M.

Soup / Salad

Chicken Breast Provencale / Broiled Salmon / Roast Pork Loin

Potato / Vegetable / Rolls / Dessert Pastries

BMC Single Memberships: \$25.00

BMC Family Memberships: \$25.00 per person

Non-Member Guests: \$40.00 per person

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Anita Steward (302) 690-5457 or neats1102@yahoo.com

Questions: George Alderman (302) 373-2111

Reservations must be received by December 1st!

No at-door sales will be accepted.

BMC Member(s) _____ @ \$25.00

Guests _____ @ \$40.00

Guest Email (If not with BMC member) _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____