



# THE GASLINE

Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.

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August 2020

*BMC Autocross I, Saturday August 15,  
Ripken Stadium - see flyer*

## Club Chair



July was a big month for BMC! With pandemic guidelines and safety measures in place, we successfully ran our first events of 2020. BMC Autocross held cone court at Ripken Stadium on the 18th, and BMC / FSD Drift burned up lots of tires at Dover Speedway on the 25th. We're putting the motorsports back in BMC!

Our next event – Autocross II on 15 August – is filling up fast. Details and preregistration info are elsewhere in this newsletter. Two more Drift events are scheduled later in the year, and we're hoping for at least one road rally.

Although it will be a bit condensed, our program chairs are doing a great job salvaging our 2020 season. They're also working hard to make sure everyone stays safe and healthy, even though it has meant some changes in procedure. So come on out and enjoy driving with us!

Club meetings are still a bit unresolved, but we will keep everyone posted as details develop. We'd like to get back to in-person meetings, but safety will be the deciding factor. Whether face-to-face or online, we want to hear from you.

*-Duke "Back In Action" Wilford  
BMC Club Chair*

## Rally

Hello all!

✓ ● Jozef and I attended the rescheduled Get the Dust Off Rallye on Sunday, July 12th. This was the rally I had proposed to the group for May - put on by the MGs of Baltimore and the Washington DC area SCCA.

It was a hot day and we were thankful for my air conditioned Nissan! It was also our first official rally together, and minus a little bickering at the beginning, we both had a lot of fun. Car shows, rallies, etc were never Jozef's thing growing up so it's been great seeing him learn to love them like I do.

Lastly, the guys from the MG and Triumph clubs (who attended our March rally) have an interesting proposition for our club. They would like to include us in their Lord Baltimore's Cup competition! More to come next month on what that will look like.

Hope you all are staying healthy and doing well!

*- Hanna Alderman, Rally Chair*

## Treasurer



I realize that hearing about our financial position is boring, so I will keep it short. These are our rough numbers since the beginning of the year. In spite of the virus issues, we have managed to make money at all of our events,

**Rally** – We started the year with our 1<sup>st</sup> Rally on March 14<sup>th</sup>, we had a great turnout.

**Autocross** – Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Event, after numerous delays was held on July 18<sup>th</sup> at Ripkin Stadium. 74 Entrants, Income \$4195, Expenses, \$3829, \$366 net positive

**Drift** – Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Event, after some delays was held on July 25<sup>th</sup> at Dover Downs. 47 Entrants, Income \$5424, Expenses, \$4881, \$543 net positive.

The current BMC Treasury balance is ± \$18,000.

Congrats to all that made our Events a success.

*Jim Martin, BMC Treasurer*

## Autocross



Thanks to everyone who came out on July 18 and made Autox I a huge success! I worried that coming back from a 9-month hiatus during a global pandemic would be quite the challenge, especially with the HOT low-90s temperatures and bright sun all day. But with everyone's help, we ran a very quick, smooth event and got everyone home in time to take a nap before dinner.

The new contactless check-in process proved highly effective. All but a handful of drivers confirmed their information before the day of the event, and everyone was diligent about filling out waivers and signing off on their attendance.

I want to give a special shoutout to master designer **Alex Brooke** for the course, which was tight and fast and a heck of a lot of fun. In the first half, a series of increasingly tight turns leading into a shallow straight across the big drainage ditch made the pitch change almost imperceptible. Things opened up a bit in the latter half with a slalom and a couple sweepers, but the tightly controlled exit meant that only a few stopbox cones went flying.

Next, a huge thank you to all the staff in the morning, under the tent, and in grid who really stepped up to the plate. Their sharp eyes and ears ensured we were able to solve issues efficiently to keep things running without a hitch.

Finally, thanks to all the corner workers, and especially everyone who pitched in an extra hand with setup and breakdown. They are vital to the day, and I appreciated everyone's attention to safety - we didn't have to get the red flags waving once. We couldn't have done it without them!

Registration was in flux until the very last minute, but we still managed to pull 74 total drivers split across 24 classes and about 40/60 member/non-member. Each driver was able to take 6 competition runs, with about 440 total recorded laps - yours truly even managed to squeeze in a fun run in the Club Chair's car.

Congratulations to **Alden Axford Sr.** in the SSM Chevy Corvette Z51 for the fastest raw time of the day at 38.900 - the only driver to slip into the 38s! And congratulations to **Jason Simon**, the top PAX scorer in the DS Subaru WRX STi - he really threw that thing around.

Since social distancing requirements kept us from having a post-event trophy meeting, I want to call out the multi-driver class winners here as well. We're hoping to arrange trophy pickup at the end of the season for all 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place class winners from every event (single-driver classes are not eligible).

SS - **William Cruz** (Tesla 3 Performance)

BS - **Norm Flowers** (Porsche Boxster RS60)

CS - **Beto Castelo** (Mazda MX-5)

DS - **Jason Simon** (Subaru WRX STi)

ES - **David Beyer** (Mazda MX-5 Miata)

FS - **Travis Gross** (Nissan 370Z)

GS - **Andre Downey** (Volkswagen GTI)

HS - **Ben Lamberton** (Volkswagen Rabbit)

CAMC - **Carlton Griggs** (Ford Mustang)

CAMT - **Bernie Duplan** (Chevrolet Monte Carlo SS)

STU - **Alexander Cabinian** (Volkswagen Golf R)

STR - **Craig Marhefka** (Mazda MX-5)

STS - **Alexander Brooke** (Mazda MX-5 Miata)

STH - **Forrest Graeff** (Dodge SRT-4 ACR)

ESP - **Ken Roller** (Mazda Mazdaspeed 6)

SSM - **Alden Axford Sr.** (Chevrolet Corvette Z51)

SM - **Scott Bowers** (Ford Mustang SVO)

SMF - **Doug Griffin** (Honda Civic DX)

DM - **Paul Alderman** (Caterham Super 7)

CSC - **Phil Worrell** (MG Midget)

Full results are published on the club's website: [www.brandywinemotorsportclub.org](http://www.brandywinemotorsportclub.org)

Our next event is Autox II in just a couple weeks on August 15. We've got 83 drivers preregistered already, so grab your spot now before registration closes at 6:00P on August 12: <http://msreg.com/BMCAXII2020>

See you all soon!

*Liz Wilford, Autocross Chair*



## July Meeting Highlights

The July 7, 2020 meeting was held via GoToMeeting. The turnout was 7 members and guests. The meeting was called to order 7:34pm by Club Chair, Duke Wilford. Duke began the meeting by welcoming members and guests to today's first self-isolated online meeting.

### AutoX Report (Liz Wilford)

We are booked for our first AutoX event July 18<sup>th</sup> held at the Ripkin's Stadium, and have the necessary Maryland health department approvals to proceed. Course design will be laid out per a design submitted by Alex B. Anticipating running single heat for each class for five to six runs. We are implementing social distancing measures and procedures. Information and work assignments will be set ahead of the event and emailed to drivers. Run check-in and sign-in will be located at a self-serve table. Hand sanitizer, wipes, and a limited amount of single use pens will be provided. Personal protective masks will be required. We suggest bringing your own pen for paper work and painters tape for car numbers. Unfortunately, there will not be any instructors for ride-a-long's, novice course walk, or loaner helmets. This will be an in-and-out event with no spectators, after event hangout, or trophy hand out. Event results will be posted the day after the event via email blast and online. Trophies will be handed out at the end of the season.

### Membership Report (Beto Castelo)

We obtained two new members. Membership spreadsheet and MSR is being updated regularly. Some complications of entering single and family membership has been encountered, but we are working through it.

### Treasurers Report (Jim Martin)

We have 20k on the books. Discussion on Coatesville Grand Prix and New Garden Airport events this year.

### Property Report (Duke for Dave Mitchell)

Trailer will be inspected prior to first event.

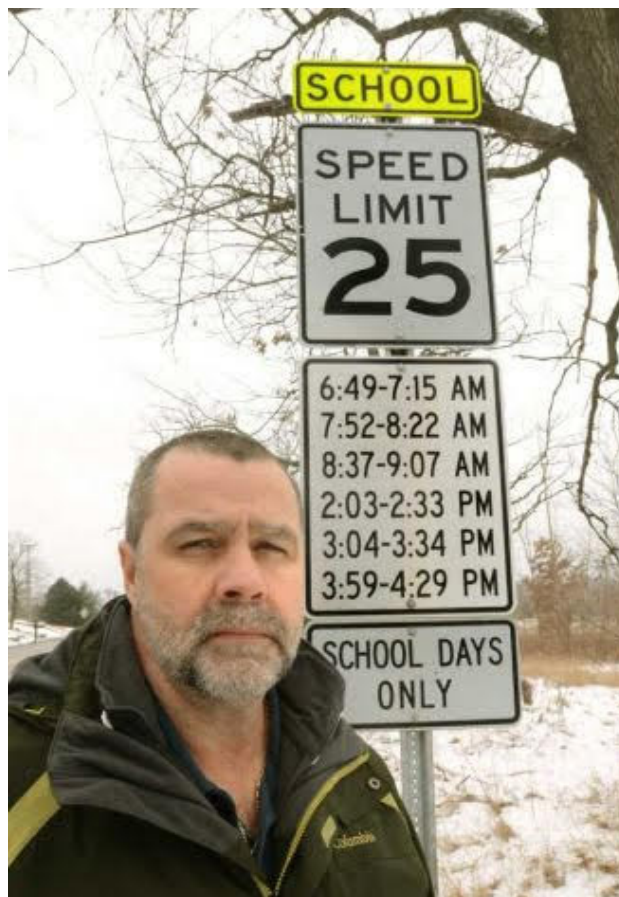
Meeting adjourned 8:33pm.

*Michael Trzonkowski, BMC Secretary*

## 2020 BMC Officers

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<http://msreg.com/BMCMembership2020>



**Brandywine Motorsport Club**  
**Autocross II**  
**Saturday, August 15, 2020**  
**Ripken Stadium**  
**873 Long Dr, Aberdeen, MD 21001**

*Come Autocross in a Friendly, Competitive Environment!*

Setup: 8:30 AM

Registration: 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM First Car Off: 10:30 AM

*There is a 90 Car Entry Limit - Preregistration is strongly encouraged!*

Preregister online at: [www.motorsportreg.com](http://www.motorsportreg.com)

Preregistration closes Wednesday before the event at 6:00p.

Walkups on the event day will incur a \$5 late registration fee.

*Autocross Preregistration Fees:*

Entry – BMC 2020 Member - \$50

Entry – Non-BMC member - \$55 (includes 1-day BMC membership)

*Classes – In addition to typical area autocross classes, we offer:*

Classic Street Car class – mostly-stock street cars 1978 and older.

Classic American Muscle (CAM) class – mostly-stock American Muscle, 1948 up.

*Common Solo Rules and Classifications will generally be followed.*

We reserve the right to modify/interpret these rules to suit the spirit of the competition and safety.

Please take time to research what class your car will be in prior to registration.

- **NO OPEN EXHAUST – Effective muffler required.**

We reserve the right to disqualify a car from competition if it is judged to be too loud.

- **Approved helmet (M or SA 2005 or newer) and seatbelts are required. Loaner helmets will be available.**
- **Drivers must be at least 16\* years old and have a valid driver's license.**
  - \*Parent / Guardian must sign waiver of liability and be in attendance for drivers under 18.
- **Parent / Guardian signatures required for workers and guests under 18.**
- **All contestants, workers, and guests must sign a release and waiver of liability.**
- **Vehicles must pass safety and technical inspection.**
- **No loose or unsecured items in any area. Remove floor mats from cabin.**
- **All cars are welcome to compete except SUVs and other vehicles that present a rollover risk.**

*If you have any questions, please contact the event administrator:*

*Liz Wilford @ [BMCAutox@gmail.com](mailto:BMCAutox@gmail.com) or 302-353-7754*