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Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.

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June 2021

BMC Club Meeting

The Green Turtle Sports Bar & Grille, 425 Stanton Christiana Rd., Newark, DE 19713

Tuesday, June 1st - Greet & Eat @ 6:30, Meeting @ 7

BMC Rally 2 Valley

Saturday, June 19th

Club Chair



Although recent weather has been nearly perfect, unfortunately BMC's activities aren't able to move ahead at full throttle. As mentioned last month, our **Autocross** program is currently on hiatus due to temporary loss of our venue.

The **Rally** program has stepped into the breach, with the second running of our Rally To The Valley scheduled for what would have been an autocross date – 19 June. That is coming up soon, so please preregister if you are interested. This was a fun route with an enjoyable destination for a get-together afterwards. It's an outdoor venue, so even though COVID restrictions have been partially lifted, there is plenty of room for social distancing. Details are elsewhere in this newsletter.

Treasurer Jim Martin continues to work with organizers of the **Coatesville Vintage Grand Prix**, assisted by long time members Bob Turner and Dave Back. This is a significant opportunity for the Club, and if you are interested in participating, please come to our June meeting to hear the latest and offer your input.

Our next general Club meeting is the first Tuesday (in fact, the first day) of June. Meetings are open to anyone. Please bring a mask – Delaware has recently relaxed occupancy limits for restaurants and mask requirements for vaccinated individuals, but venues may still have their own restrictions.

I know everybody was hoping 2021 would be easier than 2020. That isn't shaping up to be the case, but we'll motor on through it. See everybody out there!

*-Duke "Still In The Garage" Wilford
BMC Club Chair*

Rally



Hello all!

**Road Rally is excited to announce:
Rally 2 Valley – Saturday, June 19th**

This is the official rerunning of our 2019 excursion clue rally to Valley Forge National Park! We figured it was advantageous to offer the event on the same day as the cancelled June AutoX.

Join us on a Q&A excursion rally set on fun/twisty roads in northern Delaware and southeastern Pennsylvania. The course is approximately 60 miles long and will take about 2 to 2-1/2 hours to complete. All roads are paved although some may be bumpy in places.

The rally ends at Valley Forge National Park near King of Prussia, PA. We encourage you to bring your family with you as we will enjoy a picnic at the park following the event. BMC will provide some individually sealed snacks and drinks but will not be providing the meal this time. We recommended that you bring your own lawn chairs and/or blankets as we may not be able to secure picnic tables grouped together due to summer busyness and/or NPS-imposed social distancing.

Tentative plan in case of rain is to go to Infinito's Pizza in Phoenixville.

Classes include: novice, expert, & "ran this before" for those who ran this in 2019.

Cost is \$5/member & \$10/non-member.

Only driver and navigator need to register.

No attendance limit, just sign up ahead of time. We already have one team signed up!

More details & to register, visit:

www.msreg.com/rally2valley or email me at BMC RallyMaster@gmail.com

Hope to see you there!

- Hanna Alderman, BMC Rally Master

Autocross



First and foremost, I want to thank everyone for your support and understanding in the aftermath of cancelling AutoX I and AutoX II. While it wasn't really our call, your patience while we figure out how to move forward has been deeply appreciated. And especially huge thanks to everyone who suggested alternate venues!

At this time, all requested credits, refunds, and rollovers have been processed. Anyone who registered and paid for AutoX I still has until June 15 to request a full refund or rollover to a later event. If you don't respond by that deadline, you will receive an automatic credit for your registration price toward any future BMC event.

Now, in extremely good news, it looks like Ripken Stadium will be available again earlier than we feared! I've been informed that the mass vaccinations will move offsite after June 22, meaning we can definitely salvage our August 7 and September 11 dates. We also had a tentative rain date for October 23 which I have asked to convert to an official event, and I'm working with Ripken management to determine whether there's any way to make this a regular 4-event season.

We also picked up a couple good leads for other venues during our hiatus. As Duke hinted above, the Coatesville Vintage Grand Prix staff have offered us some interesting options, including a potential autocross at the Chester County Airport. While we may not be able to get under contract with any other locations for 2021, I'd love to see BMC diversify our venues in 2022 and maybe even get back to 6 events per year.

Keep your ears peeled for further updates on our 2021 season, coming shortly! And make sure to update your helmets!

Liz Wilford, Autocross Chair



A Fun Link

About 10 years ago, Shell Oil did a cool commercial featuring Ferrari Formula1 cars from years back when they sounded SO great. Here's the YouTube link:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1_kwxzU4wL4

Jim Irons, BMC Editor

May BMC Meeting Highlights

Back in-person! The May 4, 2021 meeting was held outside on the deck at the Greene Turtle Restaurant, Christiana DE. The turnout was 11 members and guests. The meeting was called to order at 7:18pm by the Club Chair, Duke Wilford. Duke began the meeting by welcoming all to another in-person meeting enjoying time together while maintaining enough social distance and safety measures. We are at a crossroad and open to other locations to meet.

Membership Report (Beto Castelo – by Duke)

We have 110 +/- active memberships. The question was raised if we should consider generating an automatic membership for people entering first event.

Property (presented by Duke)

We have property.

AutoX Report (Liz Wilford – presented by Duke)

Announced that AutoX 1 & 2 have been canceled due to Covid-19 vaccination centers on site. We have rent paid for Ripkin location. Registered drivers are receiving credit for canceled events. We are currently checking out other lots. One 10min south of Ripkin at a Regal Cinema, Cecil County College, and a location in New Jersey.

Rally Report (Hanna Alderman)

The Alderman's shared stories of a Road Rally they participated in recently. Existing events are being modified for future use. We are looking for input from others on generating a Rally event. Duke mentioned if it is possible to increase the number of Rally events to fill in the void of the lost AutoX events.

New Business

Bob Turner and Jim Martin were excited to inform the club that Coatesville Grand Prix will be held in 2021. They elaborated on details of the upcoming event, and how Coatesville voted unanimously to give BMC the things it needs to host a great weekend event. Cruise night Friday, re-designed AutoX course Saturday, and another potential event Sunday. Focus will be on safety and fun. Will be looking for 40-60 volunteers to work event. More details to follow in upcoming meetings.

Meeting adjourned 8:20pm

Mopar Mike Trzonkowski, BMC Secretary

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BMC Rally II - Rally 2 Valley

June 19, 2021

*A Tour Rally to Valley Forge National Park
The Official 2021 Re-Running*

The rally route is set on fun / twisty roads in northern Delaware and southeastern Pennsylvania. The course is approximately 60 miles long and will take about 2 to 2-1/2 hours to complete. All roads are paved although some may be bumpy in places.

Start Location: Greenville Center, Wilmington, Delaware, 19807 - intersection of Kennett Pike (Rt 52) and Buck Road. Meet at the "Greenville Center" sign for check-in.

On-site Check-in: 11:30a - PLEASE NOTE MORNING START

First Car Off: 12:00p + Car Number thereafter

Finish Location: The rally ends at Wayne's Woods Picnic Area in the Valley Forge National Park. There is a large picnic area with a nice view of the Washington Memorial Arch that we used last time. However, it is summer so it may be rather busy.

Due to safety concerns (and unclear NPS guidelines), we will not be grilling like last time. We ask that you bring a picnic lunch for you [and your family]. BMC will provide some individually sealed chips, drinks, etc. BMC will also provide some lawn games, but feel free to bring your own. You will also want to bring lawn chairs/blankets.

BMC has a sizeable canopy in case of light rain. If weather is poor, there is a tentative backup plan to eat at Infinito's Pizza in Phoenixville.

Classes: *Tour*: This rally is a **Tour** format with **no TSD requirements, just clues and questions. Drive the rally route at your leisure and enjoy the scenic roads.**

Teams will be placed into one of two categories:

- **Novice or Expert Classes**

Based on if you have participated in more or less than 5 rallies.

Please denote during registration which class you think you should be in based on past rallying experience (or lack thereof).

- **“Ran This Before” Class**

Based on if you ran the BMC event Rally to the Valley in October 2019.

Please place yourself into this category if you ran this event in 2019 (even if you think you won't remember the route). The route will vary slightly as there are no foreseen detours this time.

Cost: *BMC members*: \$5 per person / *Non-members*: \$10 per person

RSVP: Please RSVP so we can have enough route instructions at the event.

Preregister/Prepay at www.msreg.com/rally2valley , or RSVP directly with Rallymaster Hanna Alderman at BMC RallyMaster@gmail.com and pay on site.

Registration ends June 18, 2021 11:59 AM EDT



British Car Club of Delaware Annual Fall Show



September 11, 2021

9:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Austin Healey is our Featured Marque

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