

April 2022

# Club Meeting – Tuesday, April 5th. Greet & Eat @ 6:00, Meeting @ 7 Deerhead Hot Dogs, 1233 Churchmans Rd. <u>https://www.dhhotdogs.com</u> Soft drinks available – BYOB - Bring your own beer, wine, etc.

BCCD April Showers Rally - Saturday, April 23

# Club Chair



This month we return to our regularly scheduled Gasline editor, which will no doubt be obvious from the improved quality and delivery of this edition. Thanks for your patience last month. - Duke (Thanks Duke - Jim)

Spring made an early appearance this year, but somehow it managed to avoid both our Rally and Autocross season openers. Our Chairs will give the gory details for each saga. As of this writing it is a breezy 40°F outside... good thing our next events are a little in the future. Sorry for always opening with a weather report, but our Club activities involve lots of standing around outside!

Despite uncooperative conditions, both **Hanna** Alderman and Liz Wilford put on successful, wellattended BMC events to get 2022 under way. People really are eager to get back to playing with cars together, and we're here to make that happen.

In addition, the BMC board is still discussing the Club's participation in the **Coatesville Vintage Grand Prix**. It will be challenging to organize the driving event without the benefit of our two primary volunteers. We still have some of our core team, but we can definitely use one or two additional committed deputies to be involved in the planning process. If you would like to take on a larger role in the CVGP, particularly if you enjoyed marshaling at a previous event, please contact me at <u>BMCchair@gmail.com</u>. It's still early in the year, but we will need to commit and get moving in order to promote the event as widely as possible.

On with the snow show! We hope to see you at lots of our 2022 motorsports events.

Duke "Cold Tires" Wilford, BMC Club Chair

## **Autocross**



A hearty thanks to all who came out for yesterday's 2022 season opener! I

dearly appreciate everyone who braved the wind and cold to help us pull off a great start to the year.

Despite a few blips, overall the day moved very smoothly with a fast and fun course by Eric Simmons. The introduction of annual tech for BMC members seemed to go over well.

Final results are still being tabulated, but provisional times are posted on AXTime Live: http://live.axti.me/results/u4TNIWuwt

Since we got snowed out of a trophy meeting (WTF, weather?), I'll share class winners and FTDs in April's newsletter and my next email blast once everything is finalized.

Preregistration for AX II (May 28) opened today on MSR and already has almost 10 signups! AX I sold out with a waitlist 20 cars deep, so don't wait too much longer. Find it here: http://msreg.com/BMCAXII2022

As always, my inbox is open for questions and feedback. See you again soon! *Liz Wilford, BMC AutoX Chair* 

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## Membership

BMC membership has surpassed the 100 mark, now including 102 members for the year. Remember that becoming a member pays for itself after just a few events so save yourself some money, 93 octane isn't getting any cheaper! Quickly and easily become a member or renew your membership on <u>motorsportsreg.com</u> under the "BMC Membership 2022" event.

--Alex Brooke, BMC Membership Chair

## BMC Meeting Highlights

The March 1, 2022, meeting was held at the Deerhead Hotdogs, Newark DE. The turnout was 12 members and guests. The meeting was called to order 6:52pm by the Club Chair, Duke Wilford. Duke began the meeting by welcoming all to another in-person meeting.

#### **Treasurers Report** (Sandy)

Proposal has been signed for Ripken Stadium at \$3100 per year. Current checkbook is just under \$35K. We have outstanding credits from last year's Coatesville event along with some from years' past. We are expiring all current outstanding credits at year end 2022.

#### Property Report (George Alderman)

Fire extinguishers inspected and up to date.

Editor (Jim Irons – presented by Duke)

Newsletters will be mailed out to all.

**Membership** (Alex Brooke – presented by Duke)

Currently we have 123 active members. Alex has been keeping MSR updated.

Rally (Hanna Alderman – presented by Paul)

A 2008 version of a rally has been revitalized and ready for another use. Due to the changes in the roads formerly used, the course is not the same. Paul took a moment to share some fun stories of past events. Our first event of the year will be held March 12.

#### AutoX Report (Liz Wilford)

Our first event of the year is coming up in two (2) weeks, March 26. 60+/- already signed up. We are still considering establishing annual tech inspections and working out the details. We need agreements in place. We are not quite sure what we are doing about a new timing truck; it may or may not be available now. Some course designs have been received and will be reviewed.

#### **New Business**

2022 Coatesville Grand Prix has been brought to our attention that it has been set for September 17. We need to make sure the event can run safely and professionally with the staff we have on hand. Timed runs may be eliminated to keep event as an exhibition only. Registration open to pre-1975 vehicles.

Meeting adjourned 7:26pm Mopar Mike Trzonkowski, BMC Secretary

### Rally

Hello all!!



March 12th's event was a success despite the weather. Paddy O'Flannel must've called up Mother Nature and asked her to stir up a little more fun for our rallyists.

This was understandably our smallest **Shamrock Showdown**, but fun was still had by all.

A few participants even braved the cold and joined us for a meal at the somewhat enclosed & heated outdoor dining area at MadMac's.

Thankfully, no fingers or toes were lost as a result.

#### 🝀 Shamrock Showdown Results 🍀 :

#### Expert:

- 1. Dante Pesce/Heather Alderman: 145 pts
- 2. Wayne Elvin/Dave Mitchell (in absentia): 140 pts
- 3. Kristan Adkins/Frank Adkins: 125 pts
- 4. George Alderman/Renee O'Leary: 121.5 pts **Novice:**
- 1. Ray Davis/Katie Davis: 155 pts
- 2. Jim Taylor/Sue Hudson: 150 pts
- 3. Anne Mitchell/Kory Mitchell: 145 pts
- 4. Greg Davis/Jenel Davis: 140 pts

BMC has talked about planning a rally that ends with a family picnic this summer. We will most likely need some help in the picnic planning department, email me if you're interested. More information to come in May.

Happy Spring! - Hanna Alderman, BMC Rally Chair

As I previously mentioned, the British Car Club of Delaware has invited BMC to attend their April rally. Here is the information:



#### When: April 23, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm

**Starting Point:** New Castle Conservation District: 2430 Old County Road, Newark, DE 19702

(Summit Bridge Road (896) to Glasgow Avenue: Enter from Old County Road)

First Car Off: 1:45 pm

Mileage: 45 miles

**Rally End:** A Popular Waterview/Waterfront Eatery in Georgetown, MD

Rally Master: Dave Mitchell (443) 309-9303



# Brandywine Motorsport Club 2022 Autocross Series March 26 / May 28 / July 23 / October 8 / Nov. 12 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: <u>www.motorsportreg.com</u> 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 2010 or newer) and seatbelts are required.
- Drivers and Passengers must be at least 16 years old\*. Drivers must 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 or 302-353-7254