



# THE GASLINE

**Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.**

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**February 2023**

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

**Coming  
Soon!**

**BMC Shamrock Showdown Rally, March 18**

**BMC Autocross I, March x**

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## Club Chair



Welcome to 2023, BMC members and friends!

First, apologies – I wasn't able to get an off-season party together in a reasonable time frame, so we'll put it off yet another year. Costs were high and enthusiasm seemed low. The delay was my fault; I'll try to get it organized at a better time this year.

One of our lifelong members noted that "BMC just ain't the social club it used to be." I can't argue with that observation. Turnout at monthly meetings has been at historic lows. **How can we improve that?** Should we make getting together socially more often a priority? I'm open to any suggestions! Please email me at **BMCchair@gmail.com**.

On a brighter note, we do have a full slate of events lined up and those seem to enjoy great attendance!

Our season kicks off with the **Shamrock Showdown** road rally. This is usually BMC's season opener and it is our rally headliner. We hope to see good turnout for this one!

The Shamrock Showdown is followed closely by **Autocross I** at Ripken Stadium. We would prefer a little more time between them, but we have to work around the baseball schedule.

To encourage attendance at the rally, I'll make you a twofer deal – **run in both the Shamrock Showdown and Autocross I, and I will refund your rally entry fee.** What's better than free rally time? Event details can be found in the Rally and Autocross columns.

Also, I met with the **Coatesville Vintage Grand Prix** folks recently and we will once again be helping them by promoting and stewarding the event. We're getting an earlier start this year, so I really want to get a lot of interesting cars and motorcycles on course. The CVGP is on **16 September 2023**. A lot of folks volunteered to make the event run more smoothly than ever, and I hope you'll be there this year. It really is a unique and fun event.

These events should all be hitting [www.motorsportreg.com](http://www.motorsportreg.com) in the near future, so keep an eye on their calendar.

Last but not least, we will be having our first general club meeting on Tuesday, 07 February at Deerhead Hot Dogs in Christiana. See you Tuesday, and in 2023!

*Duke "I'll procrastinate later" Wilford*  
*BMC Club Chair*

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## 2023 BMC Officers

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## Autocross

Hey there, long time no talk! Feels good to shake off the rust.

Winter hibernation is over for BMC AutoX and we're gearing up for the 2023 season. I'm happy to announce that we'll be returning to Ripken Stadium for another 5 events this year.

We're still finalizing dates with Ripken, but it's looking like the season will run March to October. I'll send out the official schedule as soon as signatures dry on our contract - keep your eyes peeled over the next week or so.

That means NOW is the time to get your membership sorted out! Active membership is the only way to reserve your car number ahead of the season. Plus, you get tasty extra perks like annual tech inspection and discounts on BMC events!

Register or renew here:

<http://msreg.com/BMCMembership2023>

I'm also putting the call out early for course designers. If you're interested in laying out some race tracks for us this year, shoot me an email at [bmcautox@gmail.com](mailto:bmcautox@gmail.com) with the subject line "2023 Course Design". I'll send you a packet of digital materials including hi-res satellite imagery of the Ripken lot, templates, and tips. First-time and newbie course designers are welcome and even encouraged!

As always, my ears and inbox are open for questions, feedback, suggestions, brownies - whatever you want to send my way.

Looking forward to another year on the track!

*Liz Wilford, BMC Autocross Chair*

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## Rally

Hello all!

I'm not sure about you, but for me January seemed to fly by! It's hard to believe that Spring and the road rally season opener are only 7 weeks away.

Hopefully the weather will cooperate this year and not snow the day of the rally, but I know that those that braved the storm last year still had a fun time.

In keeping with tradition of resurrecting previous rallies, this year we will be running a 2015 Jim Irons' special -- with some updates from our dear leprechaun, Paddy O'Flannel, of course!

Please join us Saturday, March 18, 2023 for **The 4th Annual (Dave Teter Memorial) Shamrock Showdown**.

More details to follow, and look for pre-registration on MSR soon!

*- Hanna Alderman, BMC Rally Master*

## Membership

Hello all from the membership desk! Hopefully, you all are still putting some hours on those cars despite the colder weather!

Sorry if anybody was left hanging over the past few weeks, I was a bit slow on the draw processing renewals this month, but everyone should now be fully updated. At the moment, we have 77 "active" members, but there are 93 members from 2022 that have yet to renew - **so don't forget to renew**. You always think you have tons of time before the season starts, but then you need to get new tires, and daydream about that eBay turbo set-up, and add some more zipties to your intake, and then it's race day before you know it! Make sure you can still enjoy all the membership perks throughout the 2023 season. We have a lot of fun events already on the books and your membership dollars help us plan!

*-- Alex Brooke, Membership Chair*

