

# THE GASLINE

# Brandywine Motorsport Club, Inc.

www.brandywinemotorsportclub.org

July 2017

### No July BMC Club Meeting!

#### BMC Autocross and Drift Events

AutoX II - Saturday, July 8th, Dover Speedway - See flyer AutoX III - Saturday, July 22nd, Dover Speedway - See flyer

> BMC "Back To The 60s" Rally Saturday, July 15th, Greenville DE – See flyer

#### Chair Chatter - Paul Alderman



Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July everyone!

We will have a busy month: an autocross, a rally, and another autocross. Come out and run some events. We would love to have more people come and run a rally. If you have no idea what to do during a rally don't

worry. We would love to help everyone understand.

Some of our rallies have been simple straight-forward tours with clues to follow the course. When you add the TSD (time-speed-distance) elements it gets more challenging. Rally time is calculated in hundredths of a minute (.01). Why? So it can be calculated without having to convert from seconds. Distance is also measured in hundredths (or tenths) of a mile. In a TSD rally, you need to follow the course and follow one or more average speeds.

We are still working on rebuilding our rally program and training drivers and navigators. Your average speed is converted to a Minutes per Mile Factor (e.g., 30 MPH = 2.00 Minutes per mile (60/speed=factor). This number is then multiplied by the mileage traveled to get a time to cover that distance. Easy peasy. Right? Still with me? DON'T PANIC.

We have some Rally School information that was passed along to some a few months ago. If you are interested in that or would like to have a rally program for a meeting let me know, and we will make that happen.

Come and see us at this month's events. Flyers are included in this issue of the Gasline.

See You Soon Paul

#### Rally Report - George Alderman



Our next Rally is coming up on Saturday July 15th, Willis calls it "BACK TO THE 60's ". So I guess that means: Bring your Curta or Stevens or a Slide Rule to calculate with. On second thought, you could just bring a small

hand calculator, to add and multiply, and your GPS to measure mileage. There are 3 " Do It Yourself " checkpoints and 2 " Observed " checkpoints.

We will all get together after the Rally about 4 PM, at the BBC Tavern and Grill in Greenville DE to talk about the rally and give out some trophies. Lets have a good turn out, and if you can't run the rally you can come to the BBC and join your BMC friends. If you are a novice rallyist, Willis tells you how to do the checkpoints in the route instructions, it is not that hard and you can ask questions at the start.

George

#### **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)

#### Club Meeting Report

The 6<sup>th</sup> of June, 2017 meeting was held at 6 Paupers. The turnout was 18 members and guests; the Executive Committee had a quorum. The meeting was called to order by Club Chair, Paul Alderman at 7:03 PM.

<u>Membership Report</u> (Anita Steward) – We currently have 64 members. Due to weather issues, we have been having problems getting more members to renew; thankyou to the members that have renewed. We recognized a new/old member, David Carmen.

<u>Financial Report</u> (Richard Wortmann) – Our total current assets are \$11,790. Our next money generating Event is July 8<sup>th</sup>, we are barely covering our costs, we need a terrific AutoX/Drifting Event.

**Rally Report** (George Alderman) – Our May Day Rally was a great event with 14 cars. We were introduced to a new restaurant, Skipjack, across from the old DuPont Louviers site on Paper Mill Road in Newark, DE. George and Willis are laying out our next rally, Back to the 60's, for 7/15.

<u>AutoX Report</u> (Duke Wilford) – Our 2<sup>nd</sup> AutoX/ Drifting Event is set for July 8th at Dover, immediately followed by our 3<sup>rd</sup> Event on July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

<u>Drift Rally</u> (Matt Burris) – Matt felt Duke said it all, please get the word out.

**<u>Property Report</u>** (Dave Mitchell) - Nothing to report.

<u>Editor</u> (Jim Irons) – Remind everyone that all articles for the next newsletter need to be forwarded to Jim no later than the last Tuesday of each month.

Coatesville Grand Prix, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. See web site for important 7/15 entry registration date: <a href="https://www.coatesvillegrandprix.com">www.coatesvillegrandprix.com</a> They will be at our 8/1 meeting for a question and answer period. This is open to the public.

Since our July meeting falls on July 4<sup>th</sup>, we have canceled the July meeting. The August 1<sup>st</sup> meeting will be held at Skipjack, in Shoppes at Louviers, Newark, DE 19711, <a href="http://skipjacknewark.com">http://skipjacknewark.com</a>

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM. *Jim Martin* 

#### Autocross - Duke Wilford



Hard to believe we're starting the third quarter of 2017 and only have 1 autocross in the can so far! That will be remedied shortly, as July has 2 autocross events – the postponed Autocross / Drift II on 08 July, and also the regularly scheduled Ax/D III on 22

July. And in between is our third road rally of the season – details of that event are elsewhere in this newsletter. July is a busy month for BMC!

Autocross II will feature the long course on the front lot, before taking our turn with the short course for AxIII. Both lots will hopefully be swept by the Speedway crew.

If you preregistered for the May event, your preregistration is still valid for 08 July, and no further action is required on your part except to make sure your car is prepared. If you cannot attend the makeup date, contact me and we will make arrangements with you.

Preregistration for autocross, drift, and rally events is open at www.motorsportreg.com. We also accept walkup registrations for Autocross on the day of the event, with an additional \$5 late registration fee. Rallies, of course, continue to be free!

We now also offer online BMC membership payments, for both new members and renewals. Individual and Family membership packages are available at our usual rates. This is handled through the same website used for event preregistration. Find out more information or sign up now at <a href="http://msreg.com/BMCMembership2017">http://msreg.com/BMCMembership2017</a>. Please allow enough time for us to process your membership before trying to preregister for and event at member rates. Usually we are able to do so within 24 – 48 hours.

Remember, if you have any questions, comments, or large areas of open paving, please feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:BMCautox@gmail.com">BMCautox@gmail.com</a>. You can also post on our Facebook group page or the Club's website. Thanks!

-Duke "Back In Action" Wilford Autocross Chair





# Brandywine Motorsport Club's "Back to the 60s" Road Rally Saturday, July 15th, 2017

This is a traditional TSD rally that harks back to the way rallys were run in the 1960s. There will be just one average speed and mostly Do-It-Yourself checkpoints (with a couple of observed checkpoints included). Route instructions will range from easy to moderately difficult. There will be some "After" instructions, a few "Follow" instructions, and an occasional picture instruction. Mostly it will be an enjoyable drive through the countryside with an element of competition included.

As an additional attraction, we plan to make this rally a primer on how to run a TSD rally. We will include timing instructions telling you how to calculate your checkpoint arrival times within the driving instructions. So if you want to learn more about TSD rallys please plan to attend.

The rally route is in northern Delaware and southeastern Pennsylvania. The course is approximately 50 miles long and will take about 2 hours to complete. All roads are paved although a couple may be bumpy in places.

**Start:** The "Greenville Center" parking lot at Kennett Pike (RT 52) and Buck Rd.

in Greenville, Delaware.

**Time:** Registration will open at 1:00 PM. Cars may leave at 1:30 PM.

Finish: Brandywine Brewing Company, 4019 Kennett Pike, Greenville for trophies and dining

(approximately ½ mile from the start).

**Cost:** All 2017 BMC rallies are free of charge.

Rallymaster: Willis Weldin

To Signup: contact George Alderman at galderman32@comcast.net or 302•373•2111



# **AUTOCROSS**

# II SATURDAY, July 8th, 2017 III SATURDAY, July 22nd, 2017



# **Dover Speedway South Parking Area**

From Route 13, turn east onto Leipsic Road (Rt 88) just south of the Speedway. Follow Leipsic Rd. approximately 1 mile to Finish Line Rd. Turn left onto the Speedway property near the Monster Mile statue and follow on-site directions to the paddock.



Setup 8:00 AM
Registration 9:00 to 10:00 AM
Entry Fee: \$45\*
(BMC Club Members: \$40\*)



NOTE: We Accept All Major Credit and Debit Cards

**Trophies awarded by Class** 

- NO OPEN EXHAUST Effective muffler required.
- Approved helmet, seatbelts, and valid drivers license required.
- Loaner helmets will be available.
- Vehicles must pass safety and technical inspection.
- All contestants, workers, and guests must sign a release and waiver of liability.

#### Minimum age of 18 years for Drivers.

Parent/guardian signatures required for those in attendance under 18.

- All cars are welcome to compete. Common Autocross Rules and Classifications will generally be followed. We reserve the right to modify/interpret these rules to suit the spirit of the competition.
- Classic Street Car Class for generally stock pre-1978 cars.

\*Walkup registrations on the day of the event are subject to a \$5 late registration fee.

#### Preregister online and reserve your car number at:

www.motorsportreg.com

Look at MSR's online calendar or search their site for "BMC" to find our events.

If you have comments or questions, please contact:

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