

THE ALLEGHENY APEX

*Friends don't let friends miss apexes
and the chapter won't let you miss the news.*



BMW Car Club of America • Allegheny Chapter Newsletter • **SPRING 2018**



The Car that Started it All

Celebrate the 2002

Dust Off Winter!

Chapter Springs into
Season with Fourth
Annual Dust-Off Event

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★ 2018 Voting Positions

★★ New to Position



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The National Office maintains one database of membership information. It is used for USPS mailings, such as the Roundel and chapter newsletter, and for email blasts of the weekly electronic Roundel and chapter blasts of updated information. It is important that your addresses are current. Update your information at www.bmwcca.org.

Follow instructions to create a username and password and log in to your account.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Thanks to the Team

Apex Teamwork Gets Job Done

BY JOHNA SNYDER

The Allegheny Apex Editor

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NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Allegheny Chapter Members Spring into Season of Fun

Club Dusts off Winter and Plans Annual Drives

BY GEORGE SNYDER
Allegheny Chapter President

Hard to believe that is the new year has come and gone we are heading quickly into Spring.

It is almost time to pull out our fun cars and get them ready for the road again. I don't know about you but I am champing at the bit, personally.

Things that have wrapped up and there are a few:

In December we had the calendar reveal out in Murrysville. Thank you to Allen for setting that up and to those members that braved the weather that evening. Gotta love snow falling during rush hour in Pittsburgh.

In January – we held the Post Holiday Party. Another cold night in Pittsburgh for sure but it was great seeing everyone and I hope that everyone enjoyed the food, the drinks and the event.

In February – we had the chapter's Annual meeting. Sadly we said goodbye to some board members but said hello to some new ones as well. Thank you

again to those Board Members who are rolling off (Allen, Brett and Emilio) - I greatly appreciated all the hard work that each of you put into the chapter.

Also I want to welcome our new board members Johna Snyder- Social Chairwoman, Gary Sefcik Vice President and Ron Vivian – Member at Large 2. I look forward to working with the three of you and welcome to the board.

As for things that are upcoming.

In March we are trying a new event – an Escape Room experience. So in the next newsletter we will let you know how it went.

For April and the dust off drive event – we are working to come up with something new as well – seeing that weather still can be dicey in April around the Pittsburgh area.

For May and the Spring drive – Emilio will be our drive master and we will be heading to the Nemacolin Castle and will be having lunch possibly there as well - we are still working on the

details for the lunch portion.

The June event will be held at Vilka Bistro in Bethel Park - details to follow.

That leaves July ...

As if the chapter does not have a big enough event annually in July with the PVGP – this year we are making it even bigger and bringing in OFest to Pittsburgh to coincide with the PVGP.

Jeff Taylor, Brett Sutton, Ron Vivian and Michael Meehan. Please if you have questions please reach out to those four fine gentlemen.

Just like normal – we will need volunteers to help out at park, PIRC and for the individual OFest events. The Chapter's web site will have a link to the volunteer sign up to make it easy.

I urge all the members of the Allegheny Chapter to please volunteer for at least one event. Especially if you have never been to OFest. We want to make sure that everyone knows and understands why the Chapter was voted to be the International Chapter of the Year in 2015 and this is a perfect situation to prove that we still are! So please sign up come out and volunteer!

As the nicer weather approaches – if you have an idea for an event or a place that you think would be a great fit for the chapter please reach out to me or Johna Snyder with your ideas.

Also we are always looking for new and interesting places to drive to and for hosts for events.

CHAPTER EVENTS

DUST-OFF EVENT
SATURDAY, APRIL 21

SPRING DRIVE
SATURDAY, MAY 19

PIG-OUT PARTY
SATURDAY, JUNE 9

So don't be bashful and join in on the fun and help the chapter be better.

That's all for me this issue. Looking forward to seeing you all at the next events and hopefully very very soon – we all can get out there and drive!

EVENT APPAREL

Dress for the Club

The Allegheny Chapter has partnered with **Log Cabin Embroidery** to provide you with a wide selection of club logo apparel. The Log Cabin Embroidery offers a wide selection of shirts, hats and garments that can be customized with our logo.

For detail or order inquiries go to: stitches@logcabin-embroidery.com

**BMW Car Club
of America
Allegheny Chapter**



It is almost time to pull out our fun cars and get them ready for the road again! We are always looking for new and interesting places to drive to and have events.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Club Fuels Annual Event with Pancakes and Cider

Fourth Annual Dust-Off Event Starts with Breakfast

BY AL APEX

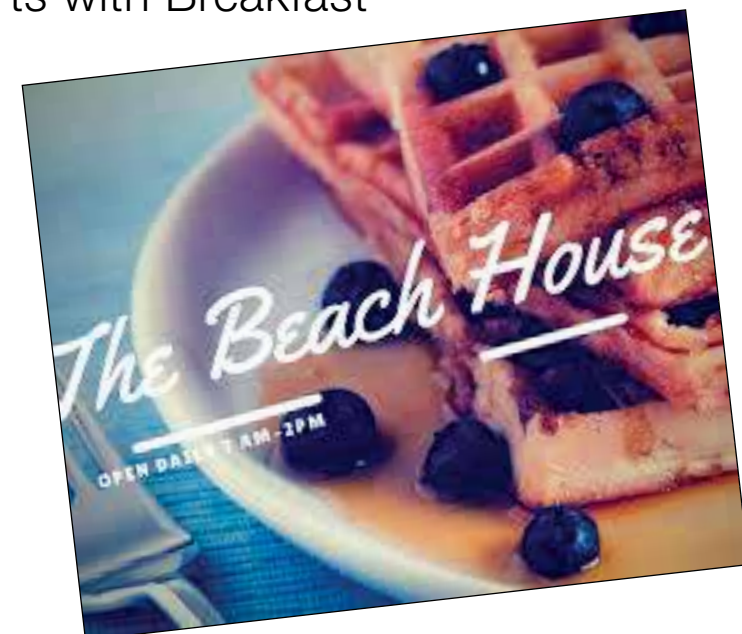
Join us for breakfast on Saturday, April 21st at Beach House Restaurant on PA 88 in Finleyville. The Beach House has no website but can be found on Facebook – The Beach House. They are known for a great breakfast/brunch spot and accept cash only so be sure you bring it.

After pancakes (or your breakfast of choice), we will head down the road a short way to Trax Farms. Inside Trax Farms, is a tasting room for Arsenal Cider House. Arsenal Cider House and Wine Cellar is a U.S. Civil War

thematic winery specializing in small batch, hand crafted hard apple cider, “cider style” fruit/grape wines, & mead.

Daily Rations will be available! In the early days of the Federal Allegheny Arsenal, troops were given three 4 ounce rations of whiskey every day. This was well and fine until they started tripping over themselves. You see, the soldiers figured they could save up the rations and drink them all at once.... this caused problems. Lt. Col. Abram Wooley, who was in charge at that time, felt the need to force the troops to drink their whiskey when given. Now that's our way of problem solving! Our growlers are named “Daily Rations” to commemorate this series of events in our local history.

Trax Farm is a destination itself. In 1814, Jacob Trax and his family left their home in Strasbourg, France, traveled 300 miles up the Rhine River and set sail on a 3-month voyage to America. He brought with him two sons, Louis and Frederick. After arriving in the new country, Louis made his way to Pennsylvania and settled in Pittsburgh. He married Elizabeth Gass on July 4, 1826, the same day the 3rd U.S. President, Thomas Jefferson died. The cou-



ple lived on the Northside, Squirrel Hill and the Bethel Park area. By 1865, they had 15 children and needed a larger home. Louis located a log house built in 1806 situated on 75 acres in the little town of Library in the South Hills, so he bought the place

for \$5,000. That was the beginning of Trax Farms and the family has farmed that property ever since!

In addition to the tasting room of Arsenal, there is the market, bakery, deli, garden shop, antique store and so much more.

DUST-OFF EVENT

SATURDAY,
APRIL 21

THE BEACH
HOUSE
6285 PA-88
FINLEYVILLE, PA

ARSENAL CIDER
HOUSE
528 TRAX RD,
FINLEYVILLE, PA



UPCOMING EVENTS

Chapter to Pig Out

Vilka Bistro to Host Pig Roast

BY AL APEX

Come PIG OUT! The June event for the Allegheny Chapter will be a traditional Pig Roast at Vilka Bistro. The date is set as June 9th.

Vilka Bistro is located

on Rt 88 in Bethel Park in the Millennium Shops. John Curry is the Head Chef and a Pittsburgh native. He is always hungry for new and inspirational ideas. "I like to experiment with new ingredients and bold flavors. I

love using 100% fresh ingredients. Freezers are an absolute 'no-no' in our kitchen" says Chef John - except for when it comes to the ice cream!

There will be a designated space for our event will plenty of front row and overflow parking.



PIG-OUT PARTY

SATURDAY,
JUNE 9
VILKA BISTRO
4607 LIBRARY RD.
BETHEL PARK

O'Fest Comes to Town

2018 Event Set to Celebrate 50th Anniversary of BMW 2002

BY BRETT SUTTON

2018 FEST IN PITTSBURGH! After 5 years of planning, The Allegheny Chapter, in conjunction with The Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix and The Pittsburgh International Race Complex, is pleased to announce that O'fest 2018 will, for the first time, be held in the city of Three Rivers July 5-15. We chose this year because it celebrates to 50th Anniversary of the 2002. In honor, The PVGP has chosen BMW to be the marque for this year's event. For all of the information simply visit the website at www.PVGP.org.

For those of you unfamiliar with this event, the mission of the PVGP is to produce a world-class vintage-racing event in order to raise funds that help provide residential care, treatment and support to individuals

with autism and intellectual and developmental disabilities in the Pittsburgh region. Since 1983 this volunteer-driven event has raised over \$5 million to benefit the Autism Society of Pittsburgh and The Allegheny Valley School.

The Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix remains our country's largest vintage race event and the only one run on actual city streets. Together with the Pittsburgh BMW dealers and the BMW CCA, the Allegheny Chapter raised over \$100,000 for the Grand Prix charities in 2017 alone!

As in years past, Driver registration will be handled on the PVGP.org website. Click on the drivers section drop down and all of the forms and information are there for both race weekends. You must also register on the Club Race website. Bobby Rahal BMW will provide the catering and Driver meeting

facilities in the BMW Paddock. Lunches, T-Shirts, and Trophies will be provided. More info to come as we get closer to July.

The Allegheny Chapter will once again host a BMW car corral. The cost of admission is \$20 dollars at the gate per day. No registration is required. We will be serving box lunches at a cost of \$15 per person. The lunch menu will consist of your choice of a Turkey, Roast Beef, Ham, or Chicken Salad sandwich, Coleslaw, Homemade Chips, and a cookie. All refreshments will be provided by the Allegheny Chapter and BMW CCA Club Racing. Registration for meals can be found on the PVGP website.

This year I reserved the entire South Paddock for camping for the Drivers. There are only 10 spaces and electric hookups available. The spaces must be rented thru Pitt Race. They are

available on a first come first serve basis. There is other room for camping, just no electric.

I am looking at a field of 60 Club Race cars participating this year with that number being the cut-off for the run group. If we can get enough entries, PVGP will have an O'fest fun race for any licensed driver on both weekends. Keep checking back as I will update as more details are scheduled. If you have any questions, email me at bsutton135i@gmail.com. I am looking forward to an awesome Race weekend in July. While you are here, check out O'fest and all of the PVGP events the following week!!!

We are always looking for volunteers for both Club Race weekend and Schenley Park weekend. If interested, contact myself or Ron Vivian at ronvivian@verizon.net.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chapter Buffs Event with Pennsylvania History

Spring Drive Features Castle, Fort and 'Road That Built The Nation'

BY AL APEX

Bowman's Castle, also known as Nemacolin Castle, was built in present-day Brownsville, Pennsylvania, at the western terminus of the Nemacolin's Trail on the east bank of the Monongahela river. It was built around the original trading post, which was built near the site of Fort Burd, the latter built by British colonists during the French and Indian War. Construction on the castle, including addition of a crenellated tower, continued through the Victorian era, when it was considered an engineering marvel. This will be the destination for our Spring Drive.

The Castle is one of several large buildings of the 1850s (In this case, the site holds part of Fort Burd; the well dug by the Fort Burd soldiers) still standing in western Pennsylvania. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Its alternate name, Nemacolin's Castle, was derived from Nemacolin's Trail, named after the Shawnee chief who helped improve and mark the ancient Native American trail through the Alleghenies. It connected the valleys of the Potomac River and the Ohio River drainage ba-

sin on the Monongahela River.

We are set for a noon tour that will cost \$10 and last 45 minutes. There will be two spots for a photo op with the cars and following the tour, we will be having lunch on the front lawn of the castle. Menu and cost is still being worked on.

Also happening on this day is the National Pike Festival. National Pike Festival is an annual celebration of the "Road That Built The Nation". The National Pike opened up the frontier to Americans when it was built in the nineteenth century and today, and like days long past, people can tour it's route today. Every third week in May the road is retraced from Maryland to Illinois as part of the celebration and is traveled by a great-sized wagon train. It should also be noted that much of the old pike has been converted into state roads allowing for car tours.

While a leisurely hitch from Maryland to the Midwest is hardly feasible for many people, a few towns in southwestern Pennsylvania make for fantastic day spots to post up and watch the journeyman come through. Uniontown, Brownsville,

Washington, Addison, Beallsville, Centerville, Claysville, Hopwood, Scenery Hill, and West Alexandria are the main stops. History buffs will enjoy touring the old pike and visiting the old toll houses which still stand. In Brownsville, the Flat Iron building is a museum dedicated to the Pike and worth the trip.

There will be festivities on the grounds of the Castle as well as on main street.

Stayed tuned for more details as they become available.



CASTLE TOUR

SATURDAY,
MAY 19, NOON
BOWMAN'S
CASTLE
\$10 45-MIN TOUR





The National Pike opened up the frontier to Americans when it was built in the nineteenth century.

The National Pike Festival is an annual celebration of the 'Road That Built The Nation'



UPCOMING EVENTS

Chapter Calls for 2002s to Celebrate Anniversary

Group Models Summer Event to Honor 50 Years of BMW Classic

BY JEFF TAYLOR

COME ONE, COME ALL, TO THE 2018 PITTSBURGH VINTAGE GRAND PRIX

If you have a 2002 you won't want to miss this party. The Allegheny Chapter has selected the iconic 2002 as the model of the year and will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of our beloved 2002 while hosting the "Marque of the Year" festivities and BMW CCA Oktoberfest, July 6th through July 15, 2018.

The Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix, in its 36th year, is a ten-day motorsport festival with the purpose to raise awareness and funds for the Autism Society of Pittsburgh and the Allegheny Valley School. Every year the PVGP selects a Marque and this year is ours again. The Allegheny Chapter of the BMW CCA has been a ground breaker in fund raising for these worthwhile charities and have donated over \$250,000. This year our goal is to donate over a \$100,000 and we hope you will help.

Things get started Friday, July 6 and run through July 8 at Pittsburgh International Motorsports Complex where the Allegheny Chapter will

host a Vintage 2002 Race, a National Points BMW CCA Club Race and a car corral all as part of the PVGP Historics at Pitt-Race. All racers will receive lunches, a welcome reception and dinners throughout the weekend. Spectators can reserve designated space in our corral and enjoy lunches in our tent while watching the races from Spectator Hill.

On Monday July 9 a select number of historical BMW's will be on display at the PVGP Shadyside Invitational Car Show. The car show is free and open to spectators and all are encouraged to attend. If you have a vintage BMW with historical significance and would like to be part of this exclusive car show please send a bio and pictures to bmw.event.coordinator@gmail.com by June 1, 2018.

The Waterfront, outside of Pittsburgh host a traditional Car Cruise Tuesday night. With over 650 cars on display you can join them for a \$5.00 donation.

Things start to pick up steam on Wednesday throughout Downtown Pittsburgh where vintage and classic cars will parade through

town and be on display during lunch. The BMW CCA Oktoberfest will also be hosting a Concours in Point State Park. That evening the Tune up Party @ Atria's takes place on the Roberto Clemente Bridge and PNC Park. Hundreds of cars will be on display. The Allegheny Chapter and PVGP will have a designated area for all BMW's to enjoy the revelries.

The Allegheny Chapter and the BMW CCA Oktoberfest host a welcome reception at the Carnegie Science Center on the North Shore, Thursday night from 7:00 to 10:00 pm. River transportation will be provided from Station Square where the Oktoberfest Hotel is located.

Friday, we have our Grand Tour of the Laurel Highlands with the designa-

The 1500 is hardly the car the world remembers as a truly classic BMW. Instead, the 1500 was over-shadowed by its smaller, more nimble, and cheaper counterpart: The '02.

tion, Frank Lloyd Wrights, Fallingwater. This 150-mile tour will take you up into the Allegheny Mountains with guided run groups leaving downtown Pittsburgh at various times in the morning and scheduled tours of this historic landmark that have been arranged with the fine people at Fallingwater (www.fallingwater.org). Lunch will be provided at a Historic Inn nearby.

That evening all are invited to join our traditional parking lot party at our PVGP Hotel, the Doubletree in Greentree. There you can relax, clean your car, meet new and old friends and enjoy the sites and sounds.

All 2002 Racers have an opportunity to join the PVGP Vintage Grand Prix Races, Saturday and Sunday. Here you can go back in time and race on the City streets

of Schenley Parks 2.3-mile, 23 turn road course. Curbs, street lights, manhole covers and haybales, what's there not to like. Oh, did I say over 100,000 spectators. This is a once in a life time opportunity to race with all 2002 race cars other vintage racers. On Friday night, our "Forbes Avenue of Speed" Race Car Parade & Display in nearby Squirrel Hill is a great oppor-

tunity to meet the racers and see the cars up close. Vintage racers will parade through Squirrel Hill and park on Forbes Avenue for a car show.

Our corral gets started early Saturday and Sunday morning on German Hill. With All 2002's proudly displayed and eligible for a chance at the People's Choice awards (Best Roundie, Square and Race Car). We are ex-

pecting over 500 cars and the PVGP Car Show Saturday boast over 2500 vintage, classics and Modern era cars. Our corral on German hill near turn 13 of the race course will include lunch and our famous Bier Garden. On Sunday the Allegheny Chapter is looking to break the Guinness World Record for a make (BMW) & model (2002) in a parade (around the Schenley Park

Road course). We need over 200 "2002's to break this record currently held by the BMW Isetta.

For more information and registration information please visit www.pvgp.org, www.alleghenybmwcca.org, <http://ofest.bmwcca.org/> or email bmw.event.coordina-tor@gmail.com



COVER PHOTO BY: TODD SCHNEIDER

The 2002 celebrates its 50th anniversary this year. In honor, The Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix has chosen BMW to be the marque for this year's event.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

JULY 5 - THURSDAY

BMWCCA Club Race - Test & Tune*- PITT Race

JULY 6 - FRIDAY

PVGP Historic Races at Pittsburgh International Race Complex.

BMW CCA Club Race

BMW Classic Race

Drivers Welcome Reception. Supplied by PVGP

JULY 7 - SATURDAY

PVGP Historic Races at Pittsburgh International Race Complex.

- BMW CCA Club Race

- BMW Classic Race

- Allegheny Chapter Car Corral. Includes preferred parking and a gourmet box lunch.

- PVGP Dinner Party* – Drivers, Crew, Volunteers. PVGP tent by the garages. Supplied by PVGP.

JULY 8 - SUNDAY

PVGP Historic Races at Pittsburgh International Race Complex.

- BMW CCA Club Race

- BMW Classic Race

- Allegheny Chapter Car Corral. Includes preferred parking and a gourmet box lunch.

JULY 9 - MONDAY

Oktoberfest 2018

- Registration – Host Hotel – Sheraton Station Square

- Welcome Reception – Host Hotel – Sheraton Station Square

- TSD Rally meeting – first timers

PVGP - Shadyside Invitational Car Show

JULY 10 - TUESDAY

Oktoberfest 2018

- TSD Rally

- Gymkana

- Gateway Clipper Cruise and Dinner

PVGP – Car Cruise – Homestead Waterfront

JULY 11 - WEDNESDAY

Oktoberfest 2018

- Concours – Point State Park

PVGP

- Parade and Plaza Display

- Heinz Field Car Show and Reception

JULY 12 - THURSDAY

Oktoberfest 2018

- Bridgestone Autocross – PITT Race

- Driver Education – PITT Race

- Michelin Drivers Experience – PITT Race

- Track Side Luncheon – PITT Race

- Carnegie Science Center Dinner Reception

PVGP – Hanger Party

JULY 13 - FRIDAY

Oktoberfest 2018

- Driver Education – PITT Race

- Michelin Drivers Experience – PITT Race

- Car Control Clinic – PITT Race

- Dinner Reception – Grand Concourse Restaurant

PVGP - Grand Tour to Fallingwater with lunch at the Historic Stone House Inn

JULY 14 - SATURDAY

PVGP – Allegheny Chapter Car Corral – German Hill

- Includes preferred parking, refreshments and Lunch

- Vintage BMW Race

- Marque Parade to break the Guinness World Book of Records for a make of car in a Parade.

- Allegheny Chapter Car Show Awards Presentation

Oktoberfest – Awards Banquet – Sheraton Station Square

JULY 15 - SUNDAY

PVGP – Allegheny Chapter Car Corral – German Hill

Includes preferred parking, refreshments and Lunch

Vintage BMW Race



EVENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

HISTORIC RACES AT PITT RACE

Wednesday July 4

- ☐ Paddocks Open
- ☐ BMW Racer Parking

HISTORIC RACES AT PITT RACE

Thursday July 5 - 8:00 am -5:00 pm

- ☐ BMW Racer Parking

HISTORIC RACES AT PITT RACE

Friday July 6 - 8:00 am -5:00 pm

- ☐ BMW Racer Parking
- ☐ Runners

HISTORIC RACES AT PITT RACE

Saturday July 7 - 8:00 am -5:00 pm

- ☐ Corral Parking
- ☐ Runners
- ☐ Corral Registration

HISTORIC RACES AT PITT RACE

Sunday July 8- 8:00 am -5:00 pm

- ☐ Corral Parking
- ☐ Runners
- ☐ Corral Registration

INVITATIONAL CAR SHOW ON WALNUT STREET

Monday July 9 – 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

- ☐ Host Hotel Check in
- ☐ Vendor Hall
- ☐ Tech Talks
- ☐ First Timers
- ☐ TSD Rally Meeting10
- ☐ Fun Rally
- ☐ Welcome Reception
- ☐ PVGP Silent Auction

WATERFRONT CAR CRUISE

Tuesday July 10 – 4:00 pm – 9:00 pm

- ☐ TSD and Fun Rally's
- ☐ Gymkhana
- ☐ Vendor Hall
- ☐ Judges Meeting
- ☐ Boat Cruise

- ☐ PVGP Silent Auction

DOWNTOWN PARADE & CAR DISPLAY

Wednesday July 11 – 10:30 – 2:00 pm

Grand Prix Tune-Up @ Atria's

Wednesday July 12 – 6:00 pm– 9:00 pm

- ☐ Breakfast Vendor Hall
- ☐ Concours in Point State Park
- ☐ Fun Rally
- ☐ Bridge Car Tour??

- ☐ Free Night??

- ☐ PVGP Silent Auction

COUNTRYSIDE TOUR

Thursday July 12 – 10:00 am– 3:00 pm

JET CENTER PARTY

Thursday July 13 – 6:00 am– 11:00 pm

- ☐ HPDE
- ☐ AutoX.....12
- ☐ Michelin Drive and Compare
- ☐ Track Lunch
- ☐ Hot laps/Foundation
- ☐ Karting
- ☐ Blindfolded Driving
- ☐ Science Center

- ☐ PVGP Silent Auction

FORBES AVENUE OF SPEED

RACE CAR PARADE & CAR SHOW

Friday July 13 – 6:35 pm– 9:00 pm

- ☐ Driving Tour to Falling Water
- ☐ HPDE
- ☐ Michelin Hot Laps
- ☐ Car Control Clinic
- ☐ Hot laps/Foundation
- ☐ Vendor Hall
- ☐ Grand Concourse Dinner

- ☐ PVGP Setup
- ☐ PVGP Silent Auction

SCHENLEY PARK CAR SHOWS AND RACE QUALIFYING

Saturday, July 14

- ☐ Closing Banquet-Sheraton
- ☐ PVGP Registration/Gate
- ☐ PVGP Registration Tent
- ☐ PVGP Parking
- ☐ PVGP Set up and Maintenance
- ☐ PVGP Hot Laps
- ☐ PVGP Parade Organization
- ☐ PVGP Car Show Judging/Awards

- ☐ PVGP Silent Auction

SCHENLEY PARK CAR SHOWS AND RACE QUALIFYING

Sunday, July 15

- ☐ PVGP Registration/Gate
- ☐ PVGP Registration Tent
- ☐ PVGP Parking
- ☐ PVGP Set up and Maintenance
- ☐ PVGP Hot Laps

Chapter Members Visit 2018 Chicago Auto Show

M2 race car, M3, M4, M5, M6 convertible, X5M and X6M on Display

BY TEAM WILLIAMS



It's the dead of winter and Team Williams along with team member Bob Zirkle are headed off to the Chicago Auto show. This year BMW had a much more exciting display than last year, which displayed only electrics and hybrids. This year had featured M versions of most models represent-

ed plus the incredible HP4 race bike. Present were the M2 race car, M3, M4, M5, M6 convertible, X5M and the X6M. They did have a topless I8 which was very cool, but noticeably absent was the new 8 series and the awesome M760i. There were other noteworthy vehicles like, the new

Mustang Bullitt, Liquid Silver Ford GT, Alfa Romeo Stelvio and 4C, and lastly the 911GT2 RS. It was a great trip and we met some great people including the fellow that sold Mr. Meehan his iconic black van. Looking forward to doing it again next year.

ROAD TRIP REVIEW



A Huge Thank You for 2018 Pittsburgh Auto Show!

Yet another successful Pittsburgh Auto Show! Mid-February always brings to the Convention Center all that is new. New styling, new features – a one-stop shop for anyone looking for a new ride and plenty to check out if you are a car enthusiast. As with past years, the chapter had a table inside the BMW section of the Convention Center. Our volunteers were present to answer questions

and talk about the club.

A special thank you to all of you that took the time to promote the chapter: Gary Sefcik, Keith Jackson, Michael Terrell, Corey Olytan, Mike Nicolella, Jonathan Webb, Suzana Jurica, Dave Booth, Scott Briggs, Harry Titus, John Sweeney and especially Marianne Meehan who has once again spearheaded the effort.

Chapter Welcomes New Officers at Annual Meeting

Club Announces New Board at 2018 Annual Meeting

BY AL APEX

This year's Annual Meeting was held at Atria's PNC Park. In addition to updates from each of the officers, was an update on O'fest and announcement of the new Board Members.

New to the Board are Vice President, Gary Sefcik, Member at Large #2, Ron Vivian, and Social Committee Chair, Johna Snyder.

Congratulations to everyone elected!!

A special thank you to Tiffany Nolan who served as our Election Secretary this year.

2018 Chapter Board Members

George Snyder President
Gary Sefcik..... Vice President*
Darlene Lipovsek Treasurer
Marianne Meehan Secretary
Rudi Flavin Member at Large #1
Ron Vivian Member at Large #2
Johna Snyder Social Committee Chair*



Chapter Business

BMW CLUB - ALLEGHENY CHAPTER Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2017

	Dec 31, 17
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000 - CASH	
1010 - OPERATING ACCT	3,706.64
1020 - PVGP ACCOUNT	11,500.00
1030 - MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	10,000.51
Total 1000 - CASH	25,207.15
Total Checking/Savings	25,207.15
Total Current Assets	25,207.15
Fixed Assets	
1300 - EQUIPMENT	
1301 - CLUB EQUIPMENT	169.49
Total 1300 - EQUIPMENT	169.49
Total Fixed Assets	169.49
TOTAL ASSETS	25,376.64
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
5000 - EQUITY	
5001 - CLUB EQUITY	27,874.50
Total 5000 - EQUITY	27,874.50
Net Income	-2,497.86
Total Equity	25,376.64
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	25,376.64

BMW CLUB - ALLEGHENY CHAPTER Profit & Loss

January through December 2017

	Jan - Dec 17
Income	
6000 - INCOME	
6001 - MEMBERSHIP DUES	11,846.05
6002 - EVENT INCOME	3,182.00
6003 - CALENDAR SALES	374.85
6004 - ADVERTISING	6,800.00
6005 - PVGP	13,460.00
6006 - AUTOCROSS	940.10
6030 - INTEREST INCOME	2.08
6050 - MISC. INCOME	1,866.25
6000 - INCOME - Other	218.00
Total 6000 - INCOME	38,687.33
Total Income	38,687.33
Expense	
7000 - EXPENSES	
7001 - SUPPLIES	40.93
7002 - POSTAGE	127.81
7003 - MEETING EXPENS...	475.78
7006 - INSURANCE	132.63
7008 - CALENDARS	377.71
7009 - EVENT EXPENSE	5,306.36
7011 - NEWSLETTER	18,836.75
7012 - DONATIONS	4,348.00
7020 - PVGP	7,489.18
7025 - STREET SURVIVAL	2,480.00
7030 - 2018 OCTOBERFEST	133.46
7070 - MSR FEES	226.40
7080 - MISC. EXPENSE	1,222.70
7000 - EXPENSES - Other	7.50
Total 7000 - EXPENSES	41,185.19
Total Expense	41,185.19
Net Income	-2,497.86



NEW MEMBERS

The Allegheny Chapter extends a warm welcome to the following new members:

NOVEMBER 2017

Mark Trew – Pittsburgh
Justin Adams – Pittsburgh
Dayed Saeed – McDonald
Harry Pfender – Pittsburgh
Gene Lucadamo – Canonsburg
Mike Lockman – McMurray
Jan McCoy – Pittsburgh
Chris Fulmyk – Winnipeg, MB

DECEMBER 2017

Christine Boyle – Pittsburgh
Ian Wisbon – Pittsburgh
Tom Uehling – Allison Park
Leon Chiri – Pittsburgh
Robert Rost – Ligonier
Darrell Uhearn – Kelowna, BC
Kris Douglas – North Huntingdon
Scott Angove – Russell

JANUARY 2017

Austin Applegarth – Mars
Kieran Beaver – Pittsburgh
Blake Conley – Valencia
Cam Davis – Presto
Sydney Goldberg – Wexford
Emily Huff – Sarver
William Jeffries – Bradfordwoods
Alysia Keating – Pittsburgh
Bryce McLaughlin – Pittsburgh
Daniel Melucci – Murrysville
David Motkowski – Export
Michael Mucha – Sewickley
Ryan Painer – Coraopolis
Drew Robertson – Cranberry Twp.
Carey Shaffer – Sharon
Matthew Trost – Erie
Jason Brown – Cokeburg
Marty Yockel – Elizabeth
Bharat Reddy Vaka – Pittsburgh



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THE ROAD AHEAD

Chapter Plans Drive Events

Schedule Includes Lowkey Autocross
 with No-Pressure Fun for All Driving Levels

BY CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS,
 DRIVING EVENTS COORDINATOR

It is a new year and we are gearing up for our 2018 driving events. This year due to our commitments at BMW Oktoberfest we will not be doing the autocross series in conjunction with Pitt Race. We will be offering the Intro to Autocross class on May 5. The cost will be \$40 per person and will include one hour of classroom instruction, and two hours of actual autocross runs. Registration check in will start at 8:00am. Classroom instruction will start at

8:30am-9:30am. First car out on course at 9:40am. Pitt Race will also be holding a low key autocross in the afternoon which will be an additional \$40 per person.

We will also be hosting an intermediate autocross course on October 20. The cost will be \$40 per person and will include thirty minutes of classroom instruction, and two and a half hours of actual autocross runs. Registration check in will start at 8:00am. Classroom instruction will start at 8:30am-

9:00am. First car out on course at 9:10am. Pitt Race will be holding its final low key autocross in the afternoon which will be an additional \$40 per person.

Our final event for the year will be BMW street survival. It will be held on October 21 from 8:00am to 4pm. The cost is \$75 per student. Further information about this program can be obtained from our website bmwccalleghenychapter.org

We hope to see more of

you at our performance oriented driving events. If you are not sure about participating in the event, please come out and volunteer to help put on these events. We are always looking for new ideas on how to increase participation in high performance driving events. We will be sending out a driving events survey please take the time to fill it out so we can plan for future events.



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