



September 2013

## British Car Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania



### Watkin's Glen Grand Prix Festival 2013



# BCGNEPA NEWS

Every year a little known event takes place in Watkins's Glen NY on the first weekend after labor day. It the Watkins's Glen Grand Prix Festival. Many of our members know about the event and do attend but truly, if you haven't spent the Friday especially enjoying this, you are truly missing out. Regular's like Ken and Debbie Ely, Durl Edwards and Sarah Carr, Dave Hemmler almost always can be seen walking the streets checking out everything from the morning tech inspections at Smalley's garage, to the awesome concourse car show at the entrance to the Watkins's Glen Trail, to the numerous bars and restaurants that cater to car enthusiast's. Friday the entire town of Watkins's Glen comes alive with Motor car activity. The close down the entire main street and local wineries sponsor Tour's that follow the old race tracks original path. It was on one

of these tours last year that Ken and Debbie got hit head on. Thankfully neither was critically injured except Ken's beloved TR3. With the NEW 3, they were back at it again this year, enjoying the tour and the atmosphere. Simultaneously, there are vintage racing event's happening up at the international speedway. On Saturday there is an great car show where the participants are allowed to do 3 laps around the track! This is where you'll find Professor Jon Valentine holding classes. Jon makes a total weekend out of the event. **Next year's marque is MG.** Get signed up now for the tour de marque.



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## Namgar News

- ⇒ Carol had mentioned that they had an amazing turn out ( around 208 cars) for the rendezvous that was held in Richmond, VA Sept. 12-15.
- ⇒ Bill Shamonsky had taken home both 1st and 3rd place down in Richmond. **Congratulations Bill!!**

## Winterizing your car

By: Professor Jon Valentine

- Fill the fuel tank or at least 3/4 full.
- Change the oil and filter right before putting away the vehicle. The clean oil will reduce the risk of harmful contaminants working away at your engine during hibernation — and you'll be ready to go in spring.
- Check the antifreeze
- Add air to the tires
- Start the car at least 2 times during the winter and let the car warm up completely, to make sure the water vapor is completely out of the exhaust.



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## September 26th Meeting Minutes:

The September 26th meeting was held at J J Bridjes in Clarkes Summit We started the meeting at 7:00pm.

Attending Members:  
 Present at the September meeting were: Norm Bourcier, Bill & Carol Shamonsky, Jon Valentine, Joel Goldman, Lorraine Harmanos, Harry & Nancy Ware, Ken & Debbie Ely, Mike MacDowell, Veronica & Bruce Decker, David Jones, Sarah Carr, Jeff and Gayle Decker, Jim Tricarico, Russ Cramer, Dave Koehler, Ron Rosser, Ken Cooney, Garvin & LuAnn Bixler, Wayne Brelsford, Robert Drago, Rebecca Kelly.

### Treasurer's Report:

Joel reported that we were still receiving bills for the picnic and we didn't have an accurate account balance. But not to worry we are ok.

### Remember:

**IN JOEL WE TRUST!**



## TIDBITS...

- ⇒ **October 17th Meeting is at Bo-Brothers in Wyoming 6 PM Bullshit and Beer. 7:30 Meeting**
- ⇒ FrostBite Tour—October 27th "WebSite"
- ⇒ Holiday Party --- February 22nd
- ⇒ Nominations of Officers are this month and sadly this will be Joel's last Month.
- ⇒ Ed is recovering from neck surgery and will be at the next meeting.