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President's Message:

Dear Minuteman Section Members,

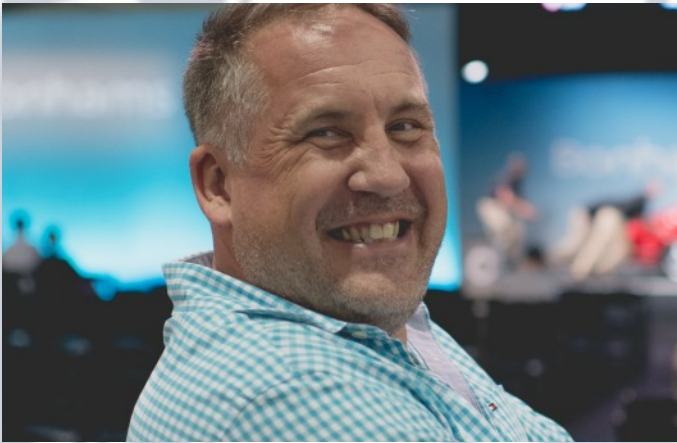
Summer has come and gone, it seems the operative word for summer was "quick". Thank you to our Vice-President Barry O'Neill for putting together our Summer Polo Event in Newport. Car week in Monterey, Ca. was full of interesting Mercedes-Benzs and our section was well represented.

Fall in New England though is certainly one of my favorite seasons, not just for Oktoberfest beer and cider donuts, but for two of our longest running events, Germanfest at the Larz Anderson and Faberrallye. This year our Treasurer Ernie Fancy and his better half Bonnie have planned a great weekend in Western Massachusetts and Southern Vermont for us. Faberallye XLI is the weekend of October 19th and for the first time it includes the participation of three sections: Minuteman, Northern New England Stars, and Hudson Mohawk, so you won't want to miss it!

I know some of you are snow birds, but if you are not and are going to brave the weather like the rest of us, please don't forget to have your Mercedes-Benz checked for winter driving. Be safe out there and I hope to see you all at our various events.

Ed Owen - President

Mercedes Benz Club America, Minuteman Section



The Editor's Desk

Summer was once again too short, but it was a hot one! Fall is already starting out cool, but I'm sure we still have plenty of warm days ahead. SO get out there, enjoy the fall weather, foliage drives, and last days of the top down because winter is coming. According to the Farmer's Almanac, this winter won't be as cold as others, but it will be wet. "Winter will be milder than normal, on average, with above-normal precipitation and near-normal snowfall. The coldest periods will occur from late December into mid-January and late January into early February and in mid- to late February. The snowiest periods will be in early January, early to mid-February, mid-March, and early April."

Some members are reaching out stating that they are not receiving the quarterly newsletters. We're working on finding out why, but check your email spam folders as a first step. Secondly, log into your member account at MBCA.org to make sure that your correct email is in their system and update it if not. Please forward the newsletter to fellow members who may not be receiving them or direct them to follow us on Facebook, where all of the newsletters are being uploaded as well.

Sincerely,
Court Brannen



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Minuteman Section Events from this Summer

July

Newport Polo 2018

Saturday July 28th was the date of our Newport Polo tailgate party.

About 20 members shared in the fun of the Newport Polo Match vs. Palm Beach at the Newport International Polo Ground in Portsmouth Rhode Island.

We had a tent that shaded our catered picnic and it was BYOB, so members planned accordingly and we had a wonderful time!

Location: Newport International Polo Grounds 250 Linden Lane, Portsmouth, RI 02871

Time: July 28, 2018 5:00 PM, gates opened at 1 PM and we started setting up around 1:30 PM

Event Page: <http://www.nptpolo.com/?e=event&eventId=29270>



Minuteman Section Events from this Summer

Germanfest/Mercedes Day

Sunday, September 16th, 2018

Larz Anderson Auto Museum

15 Newton St.

Brookline, MA 02445

The three-pointed star of Mercedes-Benz has been synonymous with success and luxury now for decades. A significant number of these fine examples of the premium automobiles from this legendary marque's amazingly long history showed up on Sunday September 16th. Judging took a little longer than expected with the number of Mercedes-Benzes that showed up, but the weather presented us with another brilliant end of summer day. Sponsored by MBCA – Minuteman Chapter.



GERMANFEST/MERCEDES DAY WINNERS

<u>Class/Award</u>	<u>Entrant Name</u>	<u>Model</u>
Best of Show	SL Tech; Gernold Nisius	1970 280 SL
Best of Classic Street	Pete Newman	1982 380 SL
Best of Modern Street	Will Telford	2004 CLK 500
Best of Vintage Street	Fred Roses	1969 280 SL
Judges Trophy	Malcolm Lee	1991 500 SEC

Class #1

First Place John Harrington 2011 CLK 350
Second Place Robert Nathaniel 2005 CL 65

Class #2

First Place Perry Clough 1989 560 SEL
Second Place Jack Flynn 1991 300 SE
Third Place Demetri Seretakis 1985 300 D

Class #3

First Place Ken Howse 2013 SL 63
Second Place Cliff & Deb Skillin 2009 SL 63
Third Place Richard Olken 2002 SLK 320

Class #4

First Place Jaap Overgaag 1992 300 GD
Second Place Jaap Overgaag 1983 300 GD

Class #5

First Place Keith Morgan 1967 300 SEL
Second Place Anders Corbet 1974 240 D

Class #6

First Place Scott Polivy 1967 250 SL

Class #7

First Place Denton Owen 1985 380 SL
Second Place Scott Sanders 1988 560 SEL
Third Place Madelyn Yucht 1986 560 SL

Class #8

First Place Bruce Kline 1955 190 SL
Second Place Myron Belfer 1958 220S

Class #9

First Place Oneed Maninipour 2019 AMG GTR

Class #10

First Place Robert Weiss 1967 250 SE

Class 12

First Place Philip Morgan 1987 560 SEC
Second Place EAS; Ed Owen 1986 190 E Evo
Third Place Chris Lipscomb 1973 450 SLC

Farberallye XLI

October 19-21, 2018

Hancock, MA

Faberallye XLI will held on the weekend of October 19 at Jiminy Peak Mountain Resort in Hancock, Mass. Also at Jiminy Peak are Hiking trails, Alpine super slide, and The Mountain Coaster to name a few. Come early and enjoy the resort. This year's rallye is a tri-section event with Hudson Mohawk, Northern New England Stars, and hosted by the Minuteman section. We are happy to have the Hudson Mohawk section joining us this year and at future Farberallyes. There will be a time and distance rallye, and quiz rallye. Prizes will be awarded for both. Please plan beforehand the rallye in which you would like to participate.

Reservations should be made individually with the hotel's reservations department at (413) 738-5500, Opt 2.

If you have a problem with making the reservation, please contract Rena Bittar at (413) 7385500, ext 3010.

Friday evening is the reception and Saturday is the rallye and banquet. Sunday at 10 AM we will be having a guided tour of Hancock Shaker Village.

Fridays reception (6 PM-9 PM) is hosted by Mercedes Benz of Springfield. Served Hor d' Oeuvre, Carving station, and Jiminy Peak's Welcome Special. You don't want to miss the reception, so arrive in time for it.

Rallye fee \$110 per person. Includes two full breakfast, Banquet meal, and rallye cost. The Buffet includes Hendricks Stuffed Chicken and Sliced Top Round Beef.

If you have any questions. Email or call at fancyer@cox.net , Home: 413-391-1887, Cell: 508-377-8286
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Hancock Shaker Village tour

10AM Sunday, approximately 90 minutes. _____



Car Week in Monterey - August 19th - 26th

Car Week in Monterey this year was August 19th through the 26th and for this car guy there certainly was plenty to see. The schedule of events my friends and I were planning on attending was daunting: Historics Reunion at Laguna Seca, Legions of the Autobahn, the Concours on the Avenue, the Concours D'Lemons, Exotics on Cannery Row, the Mecum Auction, the Russo and Steele Auction, the Bonhams auction, The Gooding auction, the RM/Sotheby's Auction, and of course the Pebble Beach Concours.

Believe it or not we made to all of them. Our favorite Marque was well represented and we had a little luck and came home with a 1959 Mercedes-Benz 190SL and a one owner 1985 Mercedes-Benz 380SE. Here are some of our favorites from the week.

- Ed Owen



Car Week in Monterey Continued



goldRush Rally

"Ten Years, Ten Cities, Ten Days." It doesn't sound like such a daunting task but here I was, on the third day about 40 min outside of Pittsburgh and I wasn't sure what day, or even what time it was; my brain felt like it had just come out of the spin cycle and somewhere along the way, the concept of time was lost. For months leading up to this event, I sat on weekly status calls, assembling routes that would snake us cross country, calling hundreds of different venues to find 1 or 2 that might offer participants an unforgettable moment... I knew what was coming and somehow I still wasn't prepared for it.

goldRush Rally is the premier road rally on this side of the globe. It's the modern day real life Cannon Ball Run. The cars and their drivers in eccentric costumes greeted by fans and past participants in every city. In short, this is a very exclusive club and the initiated get a taste of the rock star experience, nothing but the best. Some of the more prominent participants include professional Athletes, founders of famous tech startups and retail stores, and even a pair of Nigerian Princes (maybe not actually but that was the running joke).

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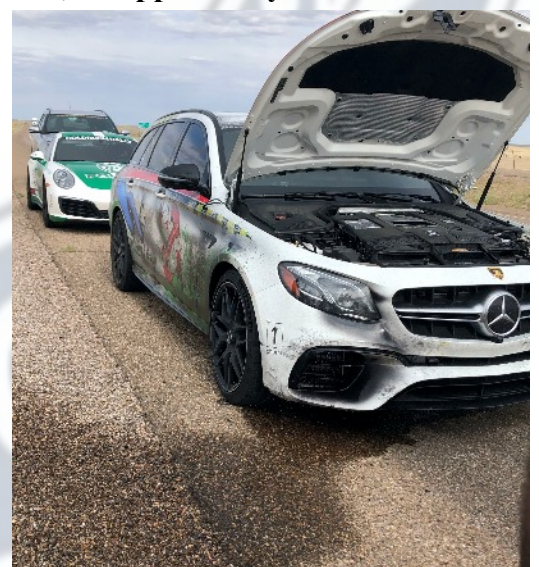
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With the start of the event days away, we hit the ground running and seemed to continually pick up the pace. As far as production goes after 10 years, the staff has worked out a system: All hands on deck for registration, and then every day another group leap frogs the participants to make sure events, restaurants, hotels are expecting participants as they arrive. The days leading up to the rally are filled with checking supplies, routes, schedules, contact lists and then double, triple and quadruple checking what has already been checked. Then, just as you feel you need to go through and check everything again, it's the night before registration day and the cars begin arriving...

When the cars arrive, it is as if time freezes. Participants gather, photographers gather, strangers on the street gather, and everyone watches the Gulf colored Porsche, Lucky Charms themed Ferrari or the Marlboro liveried McLaren get unloaded from the giant enclosed car hauler. Idling as they come off the transport only to greet on lookers with a stab of the throttle and a crackle and pop out of the exhaust. One car remains, a Mercedes star peeking through an access panel... The car dubbed "The Unicorn" in all her glory. A one of 25, and in fact production number 1 Mercedes CLK GTR Super Sport, powered by the same 7.3 liter AMG built V12 that powered the legendary Pagani Zonda. This is the car dreams are made of, and it's leading our pack to New York City where we spend our second night. This isn't just some group of exotic cars out for a Sunday drive...

Over the next ten days, we cover approximately 4,100 miles starting in Boston, and then traveling to New York, Pittsburgh, Detroit, St. Louis, Memphis, Dallas, Albuquerque, Scottsdale and finish in Las Vegas. It's like listening to your favorite album on repeat while driving with friends... Track 1: Morning Meeting and Police Escort; Track 2: Lunch; Track 3: Car show or track event; Track 4: Dinner; Track 5: Night Club. We managed to host a car show in Boston, go skeet shooting in Pittsburgh, a 30 mile presidential police escort, track day in Detroit, an opportunity to Kiss the
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goldRush Rally continued.....

bricks at Indianapolis Motor Speedway before heading to St. Louis, a private tour of the St. Louis Arch before heading to Memphis for a bbq at BB Kings, a car show in Dallas, a tour of the International UFO Museum in Roswell, a day of drag racing in Albuquerque and a complete closure of the Las Vegas strip en route to our final hotel after visiting the Shelby Museum for our awards banquet.

The experience, although filled with excitement, is a true test of one's resolve. Even the most prepared drivers and best cars have a hard time completing the challenge. A 2017 E63 Wagon wrapped to look like Ecto 1 from Ghostbusters caught a rock through its radiator, rendering the car dead. In another example, a participant bought himself a Porsche GT3 from a Pittsburgh area dealer when his Aventador SV experienced some issues. The physical and mental stress that comes from traversing the country in such fashion makes one question their love for a hobby. It was only when we arrived in Las Vegas that I knew what day it was and only because we finish in Vegas on Sunday. Then people go home on Monday, but it wasn't until the following day when I slept some 13hours straight that I regained the concept of time. It was also that same day that I could not wait to start planning our 2019 adventure. The initiation was complete!

By Peter Ladas



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3. **Void where prohibited by law.**
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11. Grand Prize winner must complete a form from the NBO and return it within 45 days of the mailing of written notification of winning.
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