BRITISH MOTORING CLUB P.O. BOX 73213 METAIRIE, LA. 70033





**OCTOBER 1993** 

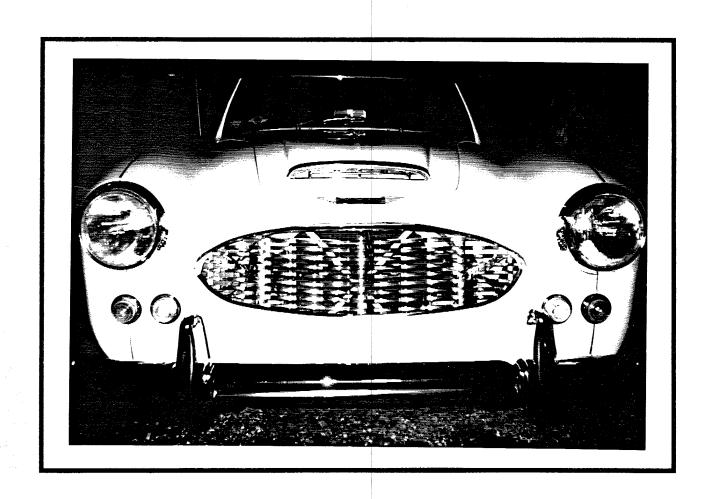
The Official Newsletter Of The British Motoring Club, New Orleans.

Alden J. Bienvenu Jr.

Rt. 2 Box 943G1 Reserve,

La. 70084

**Dues Due: Charter Member** 





# November 1993 BRITISH MOTORING CLUB EVENTS



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	8:30pm China Rose 9ocial	3	4	5	JACKBON, MB. CAR SHOW
7	8	9	10	11	12	13  ** 12:00pm  ** E. E.  Reynolds  Rattye
14	15	7:00pm OFFICER'S MEETING Shoney's Elmwood	17	18	19	20 British Pub Night- Hellenic Center
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	7:30pm GENERAL MEETING				

# OFFICERS FOR 1993

CORT MOSGRAVE, PRESIDENT	004-354-3633
FRAZER RICE, VICE PRESIDENT	504-736-0452
WAYNE AUCOIN, TREASURER/CORRESPONDING SECRETARY	504-469-9083
CLIFF HUGHES, SECRETARY/NEWSLETTER EDITOR	504-845-8709
PETER BRAUEN, MEMBER AT LARGE	601-467-0519
MIKE BROWN, MEMBER AT LARGE	504-785-8245
JIM JONES, MEMBER AT LARGE/NEWSLETTER COMPOSER	504-651-2937
KEITH VEZINA, MEMBER AT LARGE	504-443-5056

### **CAR CLUB REGALIA**

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

*	BMCNO T-SHIRT	\$ 7.00
*	BMCNO GOLF SHIRT	\$15.00
*	BMCNO WINDSCREEN TRANSFER	\$ 1.00
*	BMCNO JACKET PATCHES	\$ N/A
*	BMCNO BASEBALL CAP	<b>\$</b> 12.00



GET THESE ITEMS WHILE THEY LAST! THEY ARE ORDERED IN LIMITED QUANTITIES AND WHEN THEY ARE GONE, THEY ARE GONE! CONTACT WAYNE AUCOIN AT 504-469-9083 OR AT GENERAL MEETING.

# B CAR CLUB DUES B

Car club dues are \$30.00 for the first year of membership and \$25.00 a year thereafter. Correspondence membership is available for those members who live out of town and is \$15.00 a year. If you are unsure if you owe dues or not, check the mailing label on your current newsletter. It has the date that your membership dues will expire. If your dues are due, send them in now before you miss out on your next newsletter!

# **NEW MEMBERS**

Tim Greenlay 3412 9th Street Metairie, La. 70002 504-455-2159. Maury Drummond 2100 Sawmill Road #17-101 River Ridge, La. 70123 504-734-1589.

# E EDITOR'S NOTE

Articles, comments, tech tips, etc. from club members are welcome and will be printed in the newsletter subjected to the editor's approval. Submissions must be received by the middle of each month in order to be printed in that month's newsletter. Please become a part of the newsletter. As a member of the club, it is after all your newsletter! Mail you submissions to: Jim Jones, 235 Concord Dr., Laplace, La. 70068.

# MINUTES of the MEETING SEPT. 28TH 1993

Meeting called to order at Russell's Short Stop #1 at 7:30pm by Cort Musgrave. Cort discussed the Lake Charles car show, the BMCNO car day proposal to the Jaguar Club, and the availability or the lack available of the older tire sizes. Cort's son, named Cort also, is a distributor for many hard to get electrical bits for British cars and gave a presentation. Anne Friloux was nominated for Treasurer/Corresponding Secretary. Chip Laussade, Bill Breithoff and Ed Helsing were nominated for Member at Large. Times and dates for leaving to go to the Fairhope, Ala. show were discussed. An update for the BMCNO Car Day was given by Cliff Hughes.

# 🗞 BRITISH CARS & SPARES 🗞

Ads will be run only once, unless a request is received each month

FOR SALE Parts for '57 Morris Minor - motor, transmission, drive shaft, rear end & front suspension.

Russell 504-466-4895.

FOR SALE Special Interest Car Parts has new complete TR6 steering racks for only \$189.00!

Call 1-800-556-5600 if you need one!

FOR SALE '78 MGB - new top - needs some work - make offer.

Janice Parrish - 504-482-4749.

FOR SALE Two '59 MGA's - One complete, one less engine & transmission, wire wheels, \$1800 for both.

'70 MGB - No engine, \$600.

'70 Triumph GT6 - 50K original miles, complete, runs, needs restoration & TCL, \$800.

'63 Triumph TR4 - Rebuilt engine, wire wheels, new interior except seats, needs body / paint, \$1800.

John Boudreaux 504-687-9346 Leave message.

FOR SALE '56 MGA BRG, motor & trans out of car, no rust, needs interior, \$3,000-call Wayne 504-504-469-9083.

# **A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Our next general meeting is October 26th at Russell's Short Stop #1. The club election for officers will be held during this meeting. This is your chance to vote for the people you want to run your club. Please try to attend.

# EVENT DETAILS

#### October 23rd

✓ Swap Meet will be held this year at Frazer & Beverly Rice's house located at 244 Central Ave., Jefferson, La. 70121. The Rice's house is positioned between Jefferson Highway and River Road. Start time is 9:00am on Saturday 23rd. Those bits & pieces you have just laying around your house can be someone's treasure! October 26th

✓ General Meeting will be held at Russell's Short Stop #1 located at 119 Transcontinental, Metairie, La. starting at 7:00 pm. Votes for election of club officers will be taken. Nominations will be accepted up to and at the meeting. Arrive early and enjoy a meal before the meeting starts!

#### November 6th

✓ The English Motoring Club Car Day is held in Jackson, Mississippi in conjunction with the Scottish Highland Games at the Jim Buck Ross Agriculture and Forestry / National Agriculture Aviation Museum. Hospitality night will be held at the host hotel on Friday, November 5th at 6:00 pm. Sounds to me as if there is going to be lots of things to do and see at this event! There is also food and entertainment! The event is held on Saturday, November 6th and the gates open at 9:00 am and close at 5:00pm. Cars must be on site at 9:00 am. Saturday in order to avoid the Scottish parade. You can get on site earlier because club members will be there setting things up for the show. Cars can be parked on site Friday before the show in a fenced and guarded area, but you must contact John Simmers prior to the show. Awards will be presented on the show site. The host hotel is the Quality Inn 4641 I-55 North, Phone: 601-982-1044. However the host hotel is now booked. Call Shirley Quarles 601-939-8220 for other accommodations. Registration is \$20.00 for the first car and \$15.00 for each additional car. For more information call John or Susan Simmers at 601-638-0968. A club convoy will leave from the parking lot of the Pickadilly Cafeteria on Veterans Blvd. on Saturday, November 6th at 7:00 am.

#### November 13th

✓ The E. E. Reynolds Rallye is an annual event held as a memorial to one of the club's original members. This year's event will be organized by Guy Foster and held at Lakeside Shopping Center in Metairie. Start time is 12:00 noon. Each year's winner gets the privilege to hold the next year's rallye!

#### November 16th

✓ The Officer's Meeting will held at Shoney's Elmwood on South Clearview Pwky at 7:00 pm. Both newly elected officers and outgoing officers are expected to attend to affect a smooth transition.

#### November 20th

✓ British Pub Night - The club will attend this event and a convoy will leave from the parking lot of the shopping center at Robert E. Lee and West End Blvd. in New Orleans at 7:00pm. This event is held at the Hellenic Center, 1200 Robert E. Lee and there is a entrance fee. This event is held by the Daughters of the British Empire each year and the proceeds are donated to the Mountbatten House.

#### **November 30th**

✓ General Meeting 7:00pm held at Russell's Short Stop #1, 119 Transcontinental, Metairie, La.

#### December 14th

✓ Officer's Meeting - No information available at this time.

#### December 17th

✓ The Annual Club Christmas Party is a social event to be held this year at Frazer & Beverly Rice's house located at 244 Central Avenue in Jefferson, La. between River Road & Jefferson Highway. A good time is always to be had at these events! You'll get to see club members dressed up in something other than British car tee shirts. Hopefully the weather will even be cool ( just a chance it'll get cold! ).

#### January 15th

✓ Tech Session will be held by Fred Fabre, a renowned lecturer in the British automotive field and club member, Fred will distribute cards to be filled in by club members so that they may suggest which subject might be covered.

### April 9th, 1994.

✓ 4th Annual British Motoring Club of New Orleans Car Day! April 9th, 1994 at Lafreniere Park, Metairie, La. Host hotel Holiday Inn at I-10 Veterans Blvd. exit, Metairie, La. We are looking forward to 200 British cars at our event this coming year!

## ! UPDATE BRITISH CAR DAY!

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Holiday Inn Veterans for the Car day. But you must act early for they will go fast!

### ★ SOUTH ALABAMA BRITISH CAR DAY REPORT ★

It was a beautiful day for a drive. Six cars left for Fairhope, Al. on Friday, October 1st. One car had trouble on the way. Cliff Hughes' MGA had a faulty rotor in the distributor. spare was available for a quick on the road fix. The Baron's motel was the overnight choice for most members and by sunset as other cars arrived we all but filled the motel. The show reception was well attended. Later that evening we all had a gathering in the motel's parking lot. Wayne **Aucoin's Austin Healey** had to have the battery replaced.



Saturday morning we all went to Julwin's for breakfast and then to the event on the bay. A 136 cars were in attendance at the Car Day, including two MGC-GTs. Our club had the greatest number of cars entered in the show. Seventeen in all and we beat out the Montgomery club by two cars!

Our club did real well in the awards presented:

1st in Class Wayne Aucoin, '57 Austin Healey - Bill Breithoff, '80 Triumph TR8 -

Mike Glore, '91 Lotus Elan - Ed Helsing, '67 MG Midget - Jim Jones, '69 MGC-GT - Mike

Lewis, '50 MG Y-type.

2nd in Class Delvin Price, '59 MGA. - Keith Vezina, '76 MGB.

3rd in Class Cliff Hughes, '60 MGA.

Senior Class Roger Gibson, '80 MGB-LE. 3rd in Class.

Other Louisiana Winners:

1st in Class VonDullen, '47 MG TC - Mardi-Gras T's.

3rd in Class Doug Day, '85 Jaguar XJ-6 - Jim Forsyth, '52 MG TD - Mardi-Gras T's.

### **☆ AUSTIN HEALEY TECH TIPS ☆**

If your Austin Healey 100/6 or 3000 vibrates at high speed it may not be a major problem. It may be that the drive shaft yokes need to be repositioned. Mark both yokes to record their original positions on the drive shaft. Remove the shaft for inspection. If the flanges at the gearbox end and at the rear axle end are not worn and fit snug and the U-joints are in good shape, reconnect the shaft in this matter: turn the flanges a 180 Degrees in relation to each other. Reinstall the drive shaft. If you still have trouble, try to cure the problem with the use of a hose clamp. Place the hose clamp around the drive shaft and tighten it down. The turn buckle will act as a counter balance. Experiment with moving the clamp radially on the shaft and then reposition it front to rear until the vibration is immunized. This will usually will cure the vibration problem. If it vibration continues, then you may need a new shaft, yoke(s) or U-joint(s).

When mating the transmission to the overdrive you may have trouble getting the flanges to flush together. Do not force them together as damage will occur! Don't forget to place the transmission in top gear. It may take a number tries in order get the two flushed up. Remember the overdrive is to be placed in a vice with the hole up and transmission lower into it. Try as many times as necessary.

British cars came from all directions to eat breakfast in the Barvarian style. In groups and in singles cars came from south and north of Lake Pontchartrain and west from the state of Mississippi to attend this popular event! We could not park all together so an accurate count is not But off hand I available. would say that at least 20 British cars were there. We had to wait awhile to eat because of the number of us coming in all at once. But it was well worth the wait. We iust had more time to talk cars and stuff. Only one car had to have a prior repair corrected in the parking lot! This has become a regular event for the club. Do not miss it next year!



# GEORGE GETS OVERDRIVE



I invited myself to George Barton's house to assist him and Peter Brauen in the installation of an overdrive/transmission in George's rubber bumper MGB GT.

George had a lot of other new parts and we wound up installing most of them in the car. Almost every time Peter would tell George that another part was needed he would say "I got it!" and reach in to his magic box and retrieve it. The exception was the motor mount brackets. They were both cracked and had been welded before! A quick call to Mike De La Certa produced a brand new set! What luck, thanks Mike.

We all worked hard and in one day's time changed the front main seal, the rear main seal, both motor mounts & their brackets, cleaned and painted the engine, had the flywheel resurfaced by NAPA, installed a new clutch pressure plate, disc & throwout bearing, new overdrive wiring harness, transmission mounts and the front universal joint! George's magic parts box just about ran dry that day!

George still had an exhaust problem to repair in order to be able to drive the GT to the Fairhope show. But he got it repaired in time ( thanks again to Mike who supplied a used manifold with study already removed ) and George really enjoyed his overdrive on the way to the show!

#### **CAR DAY RESPONSIBILITIES & DUTIES**

- A. RECEPTION COMMITTEE

  1. ORGANIZE RECEPTION AT HOTEL
  - 2. HOSPITALITY ACTIVITIES
    - a) SET TIMES AND BUDGET
    - b) FURNITURE ARRANGEMENTS
      c) CONFIRMATIONS IN WRITING
    - d) FOOD VOLUNTEERS
    - e) BORROW TRAYS & UTENSIL
    - f) CLEAN UP
  - 3. BANQUET
    - a) CATERING ARRANGEMENTS b) PURCHASE SUPPLIES
- B. SITE COMMITTEE

  - 1. LAYOUT & ACCESS 2. SIGNS & BANNERS 3. TENT CONTRACT
- C. GRAPHICS & FORMS
  - 1. REGISTRATION FORMS
    - 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS-FORMS
      3. POSTERS AS REQUIRED-DESIGN
- D. AWARDS & TEE SHIRTS- DASH PLAQUES
  - 1. ARTWORK-CONCEPTS 2. VENDORS

    - 3. PRELIMINARY SAMPLES
    - 4. APPROVAL 5. CONTRACTS

    - 6. PICK UP-STORAGE-DELIVERY
    - 7. TROPHY ASSEMBLY
    - 8. HATS?
- E. MASTER OF CEREMONIES
  - 1. TROPHY PRESENTATION
  - 2. DOOR PRIZE PRESENTATION

- G. MAJOR SPONSORSHIP
  - 1. CORPORATE
  - 2. MAJOR
  - 3. SECONDARY
  - 4. LOGOS, BANNERS, GIVEAWAYS
  - 5. FOLLOW UP WITH LETTERS
  - 6. DOOR PRIZES
    7. FUND RAISING
- G. FINANCE COMMITTEE
  - 1. COLLECTION
    - 2. BUDGETING
    - 3. INTERACTION WITH OTHER COMMITTEES
  - 4. DISBURSEMENTS
- H. PROMOTION

  - 1. MEDIA 2. PUBLICATIONS
  - 3. ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - 4. POSTERS 5. MAILERS
- I. JUDGING
  - 1. PEOPLES CHOICE VS. POINTS
  - 2. CLASSES
- J. REGISTRATION
- - 1. UPDATE FORM
  - 2. COORDINATION WITH HOSPITALITY & SITE COMMITTEE

  - 3. PACKET STUFFING
  - 4. HOTEL SET UP
  - 5. SITE REGISTRATION 6. PORCH ACTIVITIES
    - a) FOR SALE BOARD
    - b) GOODY BAGS
    - c) WHAT'S IT BOARD
    - d) PASYSTEM
    - e) SPONSOR SIGNS & BANNERS







# HAMILTON'S AUTO SALVAGE

BATON ROUGE, LA. 70806

**ERIC HAMILTON** 

(504) 383-5801

#### TONY MORTILLARO

#### WESTERN BATTERY & ELECTRIC CO...

New and Rebuilt Batteries, Starters Generators and Alternators Automotive and Marine "Experience and know-how counts"

524 So. Claiborne Ave. New Orleans, La. 70112 523-8225 523-3577

3221 25th Street Metairie, La. 70001 833-8856





# Gambino's Foreign Cars

4422 AIRLINE HIGHWAY METAIRIE, LOUISIANA 70001

TRIUMPH

834-8297 Kevin Gambino



NENO'S Body & Paint Shop, Inc.

Bill Rowell 835-6679

3626 Robertson Metairie, La. 70001

NGK . BOSCH . LUCAS GIRLING . ATE Foreign Car Parts & Performance Accessories

> IMPORT PART CENTER 835-8526

> > CHUCK SLACK Manager . .

TOURIST

3443 TCHOUPITOULAS STREET

TROPHY

GARAGE. INC.

891-3979

**NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70115** 

Elliot Evans

Owner

2727 N. Causeway Blvd. Metairie, LA 70002

