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President's Message

The 17th Annual New Orleans British Car Day is almost here! Months of hard work and planning from your dedicated Board of Directors, committee chairs, and volunteers will all come together for one great weekend of fun.

On Friday, March 23, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., we will be hosting a reception for our out-of-town guests at the Hampton Inn-Elmwood. The Hampton Inn is located at 5150 Mounes Street in Harahan. All Club members are invited to come out and help us welcome our guests. The Club will provide red beans and rice, soft drinks and other fare. Any covered dishes or desserts you would like to bring would be greatly appreciated. Cathy G. and her team will be there to process new registrations and distribute packets to those who have pre-registered. We will also have t-shirts and Saturday night Awards Dinner tickets on sale.

Things get started early on Saturday. Pre-registered cars will be allowed on the field at 8:00 a.m. with the registration desk opening at 9:00 a.m. Please note that you must register before you can drive your car on the field.

Besides lots of beautiful cars and old friends, there will be vendors on site, including the Daughters of the British Empire selling their delicious home-made pastries and Jeff Zorn from LBC Company with lots of regalia.

Katrina's aftermath kept us from having the Awards Dinner last year but now it is back. There are only one hundred tickets available and we have already sold one third of them. Besides a delicious meal, we will have great door prizes and personalized trophies. You can guarantee your reservations by purchasing tickets with your car registration or by buying them the day of the show at the BMCNO regalia table.

Laisse Le Bon Temps Rouler!

Keith Vezina

April 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	2	3	4	5	6 <i>Good Friday</i>	7
8 <i>Easter</i>	9	10 B.O.D. Mtg. 7:00pm	11	12	13	14
15 Car Show Ap- preciation Party 12:00-5:00p.m.	16	17	18	19	20	21 Pensacola Show
22	23	24 Membership Mtg. 7:00pm @ The Italian Pie	25	26	27 Final Friday 5-10 p.m. Downtown Covington	28
29	30					

Sunday, March 18 - 4:00p.m. Car Show Goodie Bag Prep Party - Lubriport Labs, 1650 Airline Hwy behind NAPA. Come help us stuff the Lagnaibe Bags and registration packets for the show. Dinner provided for workers.

Tuesday, March 20 - 7:00 p.m. GENERAL MEETING - Italian Pie, 5650 Jefferson Hwy. Note change of date!! Meeting is a week early for car show. Sign up sheet for show volunteers and for dishes for Friday reception.

Friday, March 23 - 5:00-9:00 p.m. 17th Annual British Car Day Reception @ Hampton Inn - Elmwood. Please come and help us welcome our out-of-town guests! Food and soft drinks provided by BMCNO and it's members.

Saturday, March 24 - 17th Annual British Car Day! Delgado City Park Campus. Registration - 9:00 a.m. to noon, Show noon - to 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 10 - 7:00 p.m. Board Meeting - Allen Bradley, 4412 Sedan St, Metairie (504) 888-6887

Sunday, April 15 - 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Car Show Appreciation Party - Kenner Veterans Park, Shelter #1 Williams Blvd. at W. Metairie. Your B.O.D. will be grilling burgers for you. Soft drinks provided; bring your own **antacids** and beer.

Saturday, April 21—15 Annual Pensacola British Car Show (See page 8 for convoy information)

Tuesday, April 24 - 7:00 p.m. GENERAL MEETING - Italian Pie, 5650 Jefferson Hwy. Payment for the crawfish boil is due!"

Sunday, May 6 - Crayfish Boil—Bouge Falaya Park, Covington. **You must pay at April 24th meeting!**

Club Officers – 2007

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Membership Info



Club membership is open to anyone who owns or has owned, drives or is interested in British motor vehicles.

Annual Dues: \$24 per year (July 1st to June 30th).

Dues are prorated for the first year at \$2.00 per month.

Lifetime Membership: \$240

Please pay your dues promptly to avoid missing any issues of the *Morris Gazette*.

Mail renewal checks payable to "BMC-NO" to: Treasurer, PO Box 73213, Metairie, LA 70033

Club Regalia – Contact the Club Treasurer Allen Bradley for information.

License Plate Frame \$5.00 (2 for \$9.00)

Windscreen Transfer \$ 1.00

T-shirt \$10.00



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Minutes, February 27, 2007

The February meeting turnout was excellent – forty-three members & guests were present. Robert and Alice Hughes were back after a long absence. Robert has been a member for 28 years but has been inactive for the last eight years or so. Monte Murray of Folsom joined recently and has a 79 MGB. He is in the middle of a V6 conversion and numerous other upgrades on the car. He plans for it to be a daily driver. Dan Charles joined at the meeting. Dan has a 75 MGB. Fred Duplechin of the Houma area was a guest. He has a collection of “orphan” cars including an 81 DeLorean which is the closest thing he has to a British car.

The Bradleys and Aucoins are back from Jeff Zorn’s 2007 Little British Car Company trip to London and Paris. Susan Bradley promised to write an article on the trip.

Past Event: Karen Murray reported on the Acadiana Cruise. (see article) Keith Vezina thought the Odell Pottery Studio would be a great place to buy Christmas gifts. The Vezinas plan to go back this fall.

Future Events: The Board of Directors and Car Show Committee Chair meeting will be early on March 6th at Cathy Greensfelder’s house. This is the last board meeting before the show. All committee chairs were strongly encouraged to attend.

The New Car Dealers Show will be at the Ernest Morial Convention Center March 9-11. Delgado’s automotive department would like us to bring some cars to display at the show. Several members plan to participate.

Plans for the Goodie Bag Party were discussed.

Everyone was reminded that the next general meeting will be a week early on March 20th because of the car show. The sign up sheet for food for the Friday, March 23rd reception was passed around. The club will be providing a main dish (probably red beans and rice) and soft drinks. The volunteer sheet for the show was passed around. By the end of the meeting there were 50 cars registered for the show. The Car Show Appreciation party is planned for Sunday April 15th. All show volunteers will be treated to burgers at the Kenner Veterans Park.

The Pensacola car show will be April 21st. There will be a convoy on Friday April 20th and possibly another on Saturday.

Member Projects: Cliff Hughes has found a source for 165R15 tires needed by several British cars. They are now being made by two Korean companies, Kumho and Nakang.

Brion Rose recently spent some time replacing a lost title for his 65 MGB. He found out that you can get a replacement LA title for a car over 25 years old without a current title. You need form DPSMV 1799, proof of car club membership, a notarized bill of sale, an inspection by a state trooper (to determine the car isn’t stolen!) and to pay the fees/taxes. Google R.S. 32:707(L) for more information.

Keith Vezina is building a trailer out of the back end of a “dead” MGB. He thinks he has figured out how to get rostyle wheels on a trailer axle without spending a lot of money on adapter plates.

Harold Hunt won the 50/50. It was worth \$33. Vintage 2005 Car Day shirts were won by Harold O’Reilly, Mike Brown’s son John, Karen Murray and Dave Dupree. (Harold noted that he didn’t have that particular shirt. Harold had 9 feet of water in his house - he is one of several members who no longer have any car show shirts except last year’s!)

British Adventure 2007 by Sue Bradley

BMCNO club members Wayne & Joyce Aucoin, Allen Bradley and yours truly toured England and France with the Little British Car Company in February. Places of interest in England were: Kenningston Palace, British Library, Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, St. James Park, Tower of London, Piccadilly Circus, Covent Gardens, British Museum, Harrods, Duxford Imperial War Museum, American Air Museum, Transport Museum and Coventry Cathedral. Night life included not only great food but also the London production of *Wicked* or *Spamalot*. London was toured by walking, tube rides, bus sightseeing, and a great ride on the River Thames.

Allen and Wayne were especially excited about stopping at the MG Owners Club for a visit and shopping. A tour of the workshop/garage provided displays of new and old MG's. We also stopped at the Ace Café where British bikers gathered in the 50's and 60's. Allen and Sue traveled to Norwich (2 hrs each way) to purchase car parts for the Magonette.

The last night in London included a wonderful ride on the London Eye which has a great view at sunset. The group then had a private dinner at the Churchill Cabinet War Room and Museum.

On to Normandy... The bus drives right on a train in England that goes under the English Channel to France in 35 minutes. We had a bus and guided walking tour of all Normandy beaches. It was a moving experience to walk on the very grounds of Allied troop movements from June -August 1944. Our tour guide, a history buff and former member of the French military, gave us a tremendous amount of information filled with passion. It was a very compelling feeling to see the cemetery filled with white crosses and the serene surroundings of the beach.



Allen and Sue Bradley

Wayne & Joyce Aucoin

Another city that we visited was Bayeux where we toured the cathedral which housed the famous Bayeux tapestry. This historic artifact depicts the story of the Battle of Hastings and William of Normandy's conquest of England in 58 scenes (70 yards long). It was commissioned in 1070.

Then it was on to Paris..... What would a tour of Paris be without the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, Louvre, Champs Elysees, Arc de Triomphe, and a cruise on the Seine? Tourists can never leave Paris without a night of wine tasting.



The last day in Paris included a Retro Mobile Car Show at the convention center which showcased racing cars and a Christie's auction of popular vintage cars.

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We loved the monuments, huge buildings, fountains, gorgeous bridges, statues, gold and green colors, cafes, Seine, and the cobble-stoned streets of Montmartre. We will never forget the Concierge, Hotel Invalides (Napoleon's final resting place) gardens, the palaces, and numerous cathedrals of the city. A trip to Paris would not be complete without the wonderful food such as: omelets, crepes, quiches, chocolates, apple tarts, fresh brioche, and pastries for breakfast every morning.

The trip was a lot to see in 13 nights with 53 people, plus bus driver, and guides. Jeff and Jan Zorn, Little British Car Company, do a great job offering these tours at reasonable prices every year. He does advertise in our newsletter and will be at our car show. If you are interested check out his web site www.lbcarco.com and click on gallery for photos of this trip.



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CHEF'S CORNER by Karen Murray



Thanks to Cathy Greensfelder for this month's recipe. This was a tasty dessert that she brought to the BMCNO Christmas party.

Flourless Chocolate Cake

Prep Time : 1hr 30min

Cook Time : 50min

Stand time: 1hr 30min

Flourless chocolate cake topped with a chocolate ganache and three flavors of chocolate shavings sitting in a pool of raspberry puree. Beautiful, worth the time it takes to make!

INGREDIENTS:

For Cake -

- 1/2 pound (2 sticks) butter
- 6-1/2 ounces semisweet chocolate, broken in half Or 1 cup plus 1 TBS and 1 tsp semisweet chocolate chips
- 9 egg yolks
- 1 cup sugar
- 4 egg whites

For Ganache -

- 8 ounces semisweet chocolate, broken in half Or 1 - 1/3 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 3/4 cup heavy cream
- 2 TBSs butter
- 2 TBSs sugar

For Garnishing -

- 3/4 cup toasted almonds
- Semisweet, White, Milk and/or Bittersweet Chocolate Bars (If used bar semisweet chocolate, just use remaining squares.)

For Serving -

- 10 ounce bag frozen raspberries, defrosted
 - powdered sugar
- cocoa powder

PREPARATION:

For Cake

Heat oven to **325** degrees F.

Lightly grease 9-inch springform pan. Line pan bottom with parchment and lightly grease it.

Melt butter and chocolate in double boiler. Allow to come to room temperature.

Beat yolks and sugar with electric mixer for 4 minutes.

Scrape sides and continue beating for 2 more minutes.

Beat egg whites until stiff.

Fold chocolate into yolks.

Fold egg whites into yolk mixture.

Pour into prepared pan. Spread evenly.

Bake for 50 minutes to an hour or until toothpick is clean when removed.

Allow to **cool in pan for 20 minutes**. (Top of cake will sink.)

Invert on serving dish.

Refrigerate at least for 1 hour or overnight.

For ganache

Place chocolate in stainless steel bowl.

Heat cream, butter and sugar over medium-high heat.

Bring to a boil.

Pour over chocolate. Let stand for 5 minutes or so.

Whisk until smooth. Remove cake from refrigerator.

Use a spatula to spread some ganache on sides of cake.

Pour remaining ganache over top of cake. Smooth on top and sides of cake.

Refrigerate for 30 minutes.

For Garnish

Taking a small pointed knife make a few holes in side of cake. Insert almond slices. Continue all around cake until sides are similar to a pinecone.

With a potato peeler, scrape chocolate bars to make chocolate curls. Cover entire cake with curls, alternating with flavors and/or colors.

For Serving -

Process bag of raspberries in food processor.

Add 1/2 to 1 cup of powdered sugar to taste.

Press puree through sieve to remove seeds.

Drizzle some on serving plate. Place cake slice on top.

Sprinkle powdered sugar and cocoa powder over all.

Classifieds

Cars For Sale

1972 Triumph Spitfire. Silver Color. Recently rebuilt engine, brake, clutch and slave cylinder, new tires, hoses, gaskets, etc. Clutch needs some attention. Barely driven and car is in great shape. Should go to someone that appreciates Spitfires and wants to take it to the next level. Asking \$2,750 OBO. Please call Tom @ 985-542-4287. Digital pictures available if interested. (2/07)

1972 Midget that can be refurbished. Good top and appears to be sound. Car ran prior to being stored 6 years ago. The car is partially disassembled. Have some new parts for it. I also have some parts which will fit the rubber bumper cars. Thomas Force 318-446-0316—318-640-2355 (2/07)

1986 Jaguar XJ-SC (Cabriolet). Extremely rare 3.6 liter dohc six cylinder with 5 speed trans. The Cabriolet features removable targa tops, a soft top and hard top (have all). Car is original, rust free, reliable and runs strong. Good leather, carpet and wood. There are few Cabriolets in the states, and almost all are 12 cylinder/auto trans models. A 6 cylinder/5 speed Cabriolet is extremely rare. Asking \$8,500. If interested, ring me at 504-391-3227 (home) or 504-728-4812 (office). Dan Melesurgo (2/07)

1977 Midget which would probably only be good for parts. Thomas Force 318-446-0316—318-640-2355 (2/07)

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Bring written articles to meeting or mail to P.O. Box 73213, Metairie, LA 70033

THE PANHANDLE BRITISH CAR ASSOCIATION presents the Sixteenth Annual Pensacola British Car Show on April 21, 2007, this year held at Admiral Mason Park on Bayfront Parkway in Pensacola, just a few feet from the beautiful waters of the Gulf of Mexico. A lovely vacation or weekend paradise only walking distance to restaurants and shopping.

For early arrivals the **PROTOADS*** will again offer a "Red Beans and Rice" Social from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm Friday, April 20th, at the Best Western hotel. Registration is open Friday night and from 8:00 am to noon on Saturday. (* **P**rocrastinating **T**riumph **O**wners **A**nd **D**riving **S**ociety)

BMCNO Pensacola British Car Show convoy information

Friday convoy leaves the Plaza Mall (Read Blvd & I-10) at 9:00 AM and meets up with our North shore friends at the Mississippi Visitors Center (Stennis Exit - Exit # 2 on I-10) at 9:30 AM.

For Saturday convoy, contact Floyd Friloux.

official entry form

17th Annual British Car Day, Saturday, March 24

Please print

Name		Guest (for name tag)	
Address			
City		State	Zip
Telephone		Email	
Club Affiliations (used to calculate club participation award)			

Cars entered \$25.00 early registration \$30.00 after 3-10-2007

	Year	Make / Model / Type	Entry Fee
1			

\$10.00 each additional car

2			
3			
4			

I plan to attend the Friday night reception with _____ people, total.

Total Fees	\$
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Awards Dinner: Gumbo, chicken breast stuffed with shrimp & andouille, steamed veggies, salad with choice of dressing, rolls, iced tea and bread pudding.

Number of Adults: (\$17.50)	Children: (\$8.00)
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T-Shirts—See front cover for t-shirt design! Size M through XL \$12. size XXL and XXXL \$14

Sm:	Med:	Lg:	XL:	XXL	XXXL
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Swamp Tour Tickets: (\$27) (non-refundable unless tour is cancelled due to lack of participation.)

In consideration of this entry, I waive any and all claims for me and my heirs against the British Motoring Club New Orleans, Delgado College, their officers and any sponsor of this event for injury or illness which may result directly or indirectly from my participation. I also give my permission for use of my name and / or pictures in any broadcast, telecast or any other account of this event.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Make check payable to British Car Day

Mail to: Car Day, P.O. Box 73213, Metairie, LA 70033

Pre-registered cars will be admitted beginning at 8 a.m.

On-Site Registration is from 9 a.m. to Noon.

Voting will be from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Awards Dinner at 6 p.m.

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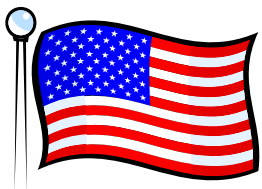
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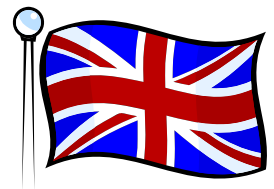


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