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President's Message

The trip to the Pensacola Show was a lot of fun this year. The new venue was great and their group had the show running like a finely tuned engine. Not only did the show give us a chance to visit with our friends from the Panhandle and South Alabama clubs, it also gave us an opportunity to spend time with some of our own members from Lake Charles, Lafayette, and Baton Rouge.

Unfortunately, we see some of these members with no more frequency than our Flori-bama friends. We lamented that fact over a few glasses of wine at the Friday night reception and started a discussion on how we can be more inclusive. Our worry is that our more distant members may feel isolated because of geography and we are searching for ideas on how to overcome this.

One of the first things your Board would like to do is establish a Club Coordinator in each of the major cities where we have members. Rick Huber has offered to be the coordinator for the Baton Rouge area. We need a volunteer for the Lafayette area and one for Lake Charles. If you think you may qualify for this high paying position <grin>, give me a call. Strict minimum requirements are that you live in the area and that you are a member of BMCNO.

Our initial thoughts are to have coordinators organize local events and/or meetings for the local members. The frequency and nature of events would be completely at the discretion of the local group.

As things develop, an idea for the future is to have each area organize one event a year where the entire club membership is formally invited. (Of course, members are always welcome at any club event, no matter what area they are from). This one "major" event would be where we all make a concerted effort to attend and we would make sure there are not any conflicts on the club calendar.

Where this leads, I am not exactly sure. Maybe we establish some satellite chapters of BMCNO; maybe we help start new, independent clubs. Either way, I sincerely believe that it will be a positive step in promoting our sport of British motoring.

Keith Vezina

June 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
BRITISH CAR WEEK	BRITISH CAR WEEK	BRITISH CAR WEEK	BRITISH CAR WEEK	BRITISH CAR WEEK	1 Louisville, KY British Bash	2 Louisville, KY British Bash
3 Back to the Beach Festival Kenner, LA 9:00 a.m.	4	5	6	7	8 Heartland MG Regional Show Overlnd Park, KS	9 Madisonville Car Show 9:00 a.m.
10 Taste of Bavaria 9:30 am	11	12 B.O.D. Mtg. 7:00pm	13	14 <i>Flag Day</i>	15	16
17 <i>Father's Day</i>	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 Membership Mtg. 7:00pm @ The Italian Pie	27	28	29 Final Friday 5-10 p.m. Downtown Covington	30

May 28 - June 4 - National British Car Week. Dust them off and drive them all week!

<http://www.britishcarweek.org>

Sunday, June 3 - "Back to the Beach Festival" & Car Show - Williams Blvd. at the Lake in Kenner. Meet at the Kenner Welcome Center (I-10 & Loyola) at 9:00 a.m. and convoy to the show. Entry fee \$25 per person. They park in order of arrival—to get a British section, we have to arrive together!! Bring your sunscreen, chairs and shade umbrella—the club's bringing the canopy. Food and drink available for purchase. Band Schedule - 11:45 am-The Wiseguys, 1:30 pm-The Boogie Men, 3:25 pm-Bobby Cure and the Summertime Blues, 5:20 pm-Bucktown All-Stars, 7:15 pm-Top Cats

Sunday, June 10 - 9:30 a.m. Taste of Bavaria, 14476 Hwy 22, Ponchatoula, LA - Southshore convoy departs the Kenner Welcome Center (I-10 & Loyola) at 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, June 12 - 7:00 p.m. Board Meeting - Wally Friloux. 313 Jade Ct, Madisonville. 985-845-8216. Southshore Car pool leaves back of Lakeside Mall at 6:15p.m.

Tuesday, June 26 - 7:00 p.m. GENERAL MEETING - Italian Pie, 5650 Jefferson Hwy.

Friday, June 29 - 5:00 p.m.-10 p.m. Final Friday Covington, LA - A street party featuring all types of antique cars, including British cars. Four blocks of Columbia St. are closed for a car display. Most restaurants are open and live music at both ends of the street. Call Cliff Hughes (985) 845-8709 or Jim Jones (985) 892-7774

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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

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Minutes, 2007 by Cathy Greensfelder

April 24, 2007 General Meeting Minutes

Attendance was light with only 23 people present. Guests included Alex Roberts, who joined during the meeting, and Sarah Haydel. Alex and Sarah came in Alex's signal red 1994 Jaguar XJS.

Keith Vezina passed out trophies and pictures from past shows. Karen Murray reported that we have only 40 show t-shirts left and would be selling them at the meeting for \$8.

Car Show: Allen Bradley gave the show financial report. There are still a few outstanding expenses but this is close to the final balance. This year the board made a conscious decision to spend some extra money and draw the show balance down. Also, we lost money on the banquet: we sold tickets at our cost and did not sell all the tickets. Reviewing the finances the board determined that we need \$5,000 in the bank to cover expenses for a typical show if we have to cancel or have a rain out. That would cover the club's commitments for the banquet, trophies and t-shirts. The board decided to grant as many \$500 scholarships as possible without drawing the show balance below \$5,000.

Beginning balance:	\$8,177.48
Show Expenses:	-7,663.26
Show Income:	+7,693.50
Net:	\$30.44

Past Events: The car show appreciation BBQ was *cold*. Around twenty-five people braved unseasonably cold temperatures and high wind to come out to Kenner for burgers and chips.

Fifteen cars and twenty-nine people from BMCNO participated in the Panhandle British Car Association car show in Pensacola, FL. Karen & Keith Vezina took the back roads to Pensacola by way of the Dauphine Island ferry. Keith reported that they missed their first ferry by ten minutes. The ferry runs every 90 minutes so they went to lunch. Unfortunately they missed the next ferry by less than five minutes. Not good. There isn't that much to do on the island. Karen Murray reported on the Pensacola show from her perspective as a first-timer. Karen greatly enjoyed lunch and shopping in downtown.

On the way home on Sunday morning, the Vezina's and Hughes accepted an invitation to visit Richard Cunningham's garage in Mobile. The Cunningham's home & garage are on 6 acres of pecan grove. The garage is 2,400 square feet and has air conditioning, 12 foot ceilings and a car lift. It houses Richard's 36 Chevy pickup and collection of Jaguars.

Future Events: Members attending the Final Friday Block Parties in Covington are invited to meet at Cliff Hughes house at 4:30 pm. Plans for the crawfish boil were discussed.

Upcoming car shows around the region were discussed, particularly the Back to the Beach show which will be Sunday June 3rd.

Member Projects: Keven Gambino has a lot of MGB parts for sale, including a wrecked car with a good engine.

Roy Richardson has begun work on his TR8. His wife is now on a first name basis with the UPS guy who delivers the parts. Roy had his gas tank fixed by Crescent Radiator. They soldered the holes and coated the tank for \$100.

Keith Vezina needs a 5 horse single-phase 230 V, capacitor start motor. Robert Philips has acquired a used compressor with a 3 phase motor. They don't have 3-phase power at the Oak Street garage and want to convert the compressor.

Crawfish Boil - Bogue Falaya Park, Covington by Robert C. Rougelot

I knew there was going to be something different and wonderful about this year's crawfish boil; and I was right! It was cooler this year and the crawfish were much bigger. I know that when you're at a crawfish boil and while you're picking through the crawfish pile you say to yourself, "Oohh, there's a big one and I'm going to grab it before someone else gets it!" (I know we get our own separate servings but the thought is still there.) Well this year ALL the crawfish were big, wonderful, and full of flavor. This year we had about 35 people attend the event and the weather was very cooperative.



Through last minute planning and assistance with Cliff Hughes, the club was able to split the cost of the rental of tables and chairs with a law firm that used the Bogue Falaya Pavilion the Saturday before our event. Last year we did the same thing and it's always nice to be more efficient and save money where we can. Although it was unfortunate that the Crawfish boil occurred while the New Orleans Jazzfest was in full swing that Sunday, I think everyone had a wonderful time!

We've already secured our reservation for next year's crawfish boil for May 18th, 2008. I'm looking forward to next year's event and I can't wait to enjoy the company of our fellow club members as we enjoy great weather, scenery, fun chit-chat, and tasty crawdads & desserts.

Many thanks to Keith Vezina, Cliff Hughes, Charlie Ake, Ronnie Palmissano & Karen Murray, Jim Jones, and all those who helped out to make this year's Crawfish Boil a success and definitely one to remember!



15th Annual Pensacola Beach British Car Show

THE PANHANDLE BRITISH CAR ASSOCIATION held it's Fifteenth Annual Pensacola British Car Show on April 21, 2007. This year it was located at the 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.

The following members made the fun trip to the 15th Annual Pensacola Beach British Car Show. Fifteen members entered their cars and 12 came home with trophies.

There are more pictures on pages 7 and 9.

BMCNO Member	Car	Place
Tommy Boudreaux	1978 Triumph Spitfire	2 nd
Allen & Susan Bradley	1970 MGB	2 nd
Sally & Bill Breithoff	1977 MGB	1 st
Anne & Floyd Friloux	1972 Triumph GT6	1 st
Rick & Mary Lynn Huber	1975 MGB V-8	2 nd
Cliff & Linda Hughes	1958 Austin Healey 100-6	2 nd
Mike Lewis	1950 MG Y-Type	2 nd
Jim Lilly	2005 Lotus Elise	2 nd
C. Stuart McKendrick III	2003 Mini Cooper S	--
Roger & Donna Nagy	1961 Austin Seven	3 rd
Harold O'Reilly	1976 Triumph Spitfire	
Ronnie Palmisano & Karen Murray	1976 Triumph TR6	
Blake & Kathy Sonnier	1972 MGB	3 rd
Keith & Karen Vezina	1976 MGB	1 st
Jeff & Jan Zorn	1969 BSA Firebird Motorcycle	2 nd
Cathy & Mark Greensfelder	(no car)	
Roy & Jeannine Richardson	(no car)	



Allen & Susan Bradley



Keith & Karen Vezina



Anne & Floyd Friloux



Mike Lewis

More pictures from the 15th Annual Pensacola Beach British Car Show continued from page 6.



Tommy Boudreaux



Rick & Mary Lynn Huber



Sally & Bill Breithoff



Cliff & Linda Hughes



Jim Lilly



Roger & Donna Nagy



C. Stuart McKendrick III



Harold O'Reilly



Blake Sonnier



Ronnie Palmisano & Karen Murray

CHEF'S CORNER by Karen Murray

Thanks to Roger Nagy for his popular cookie recipe. Everyone "loves" these cookies and begs for take home samples. Just remember that Roger has sworn he makes the cookies different every time using whatever is in the cabinet. Good luck with the baking and bring some to a BMCNO function. Let's compare!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Roger's Chocolate Chip Cookies

2 + ¼ Cups All Purpose Flour
 2 Tsp. Cinnamon
 1 Tsp. Salt
 1 + ½ tbs. Baking Soda
 1/4 C. Oatmeal ground fairly fine(I use a small food processor)
 ½ lb. Butter (at room temp)
 ¾ c. Granulated Sugar
 ¾ c. Brown Sugar (firmly packed)
 2 eggs
 2 tsp.. Vanilla
 ¼ tsp. Lemon Juice
 3 c. Chocolate Chips
 2 c. Chopped Walnuts (if desired)
 Sift together the first 4 ingredients,
 Mix in the ground oatmeal and set

aside.

Cream the Butter and Sugar in a mixer.

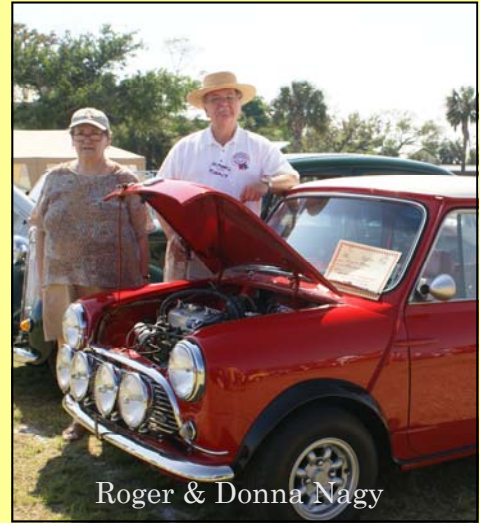
Add the eggs one at a time stopping to scrape down the sides of the bowl.

Add the Vanilla and Lemon Juice.

Add the dry ingredients and mix.

Mix in the Chocolate Chips and Nuts.

Refrigerate at least overnight.



Roger & Donna Nagy

Baking

I generally scoop the cookies into a golf ball size and bake on parchment paper in a 350 Degree oven for about 12 – 13 Minutes. Time will vary depending on your oven , the size of the cookies and if you like them chewy or crispy.

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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)

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

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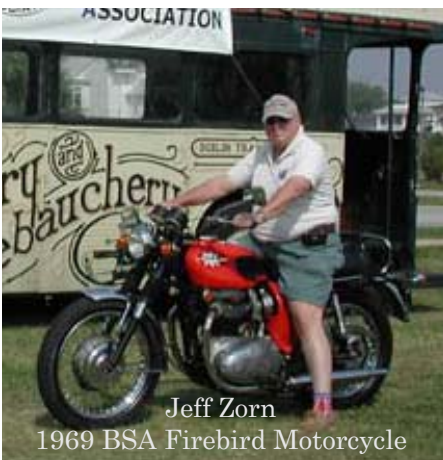


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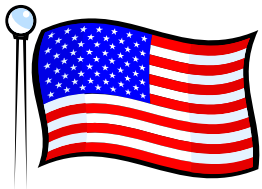
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