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ВЕНЛЛД ГНЕ



WINDSCREEN

It is with sadness that I start this article off with news that Sandy Forquer brother Gary Huffacker passed away on Wednesday. As I understood from Doug the family will receive friends on Saturday the 19th from 1-3PM at Companion Funeral Home in Cleveland.

Let me wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. 2015 was a fun year in the Club, and 2016 has the potential to be another GREAT year!

2015 ended with a fantastic Christmas party at the Dondero's. Twenty-seven club members attended. Once we got the presents under the correct tree we finished playing "Dirty Santa." You will have to ask those present about which tree the presents were placed under. Once again we need to thank Cort and Helene for inviting us into their home.

I know it is going to get cold the next few months. But is OK to put a sweater and coat on and drive you LBC and have some fun with your friends. Maybe make a new friend or two.

2016 will start with Gary Higbee leading the New Years Day drive. Gary said he plans to lead the drive to Dawsonville, GA.the "Rallye Around Ooltewah" will be on Saturday, February 13th. Then in March will be the St. Patrick's Day drive. The 'British Fools Bash" will be the last Saturday in March or the first Saturday in April hasted by the Blount British Car Club.

For those who like to attend Car shows plans are already being made. Gil and I are talking about going to New Orleans in March. If you would be interested in going let Gil or me know. The show is March 19 and we will probably leave on 16th. Nothing is in stone yet.

MG 2016 in Louisville, KY 13-17 June. The website has been opened and reservations can be made for hotels rooms. Gil said he has already registered and has a room reservation.

Time for Cool SBCC Fun MIke

SOUTHERN BRITISH CAR. CLUB MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Called to order at 7:30PM on Saturday December 12, 2016 at the Dondero's by President Mike Flood.

The names of those seeking election as club officers was announced. The nominations were:

President	Mike Flood
Vice-President	Ian O'Shea
Secretary	Mike Payne
Treasurer	Barbara Dempsey
Membership	Hank Rippert
Newsletter	Gil DuPre
Show Chairperson	Perky Long

There were no additional nominations from the floor. Motion made, seconded, and passed to accept the nominations by accumulation.

Motion made by Charles Long to adjourn. Seconded and passed.

Perky Long asked about the unfinished business from the November meeting. Mike Flood Called the meeting back to order. Perky Long made a motion to donate \$500 to The Chattanooga Food Bank by the end of the year to receive a matching donation. Motion seconded and passed.

Charles Long made a motion to adjourn. Seconded and passed. Club members adjourned to the dinner and Christmas party.

Submitted by Mike Flood

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Christmas party was a roaring success at the Dondero's home. I didn't take any still photos but did make a movie that was emailed out earlier. Maybe if some one did take photos they will share and I will put in the next issue..

Gil

New Years Day Drive

January 1, 2016 To: Southern British Car Club Members From: Gary & Mary

Re: New Years' Day Drive

Meeting Place: Parking lot of the Towing Museum – 3315 Broad St.-Chattanooga, Tn.

Departure Time: 10:00 A.M.

Destination: Smoke House Restaurant – Monteagle, Tn. <u>http://thesmokehouse.com/</u>

We will be driving up scenic route #41. The drive is a little over 50 miles, one way and should take about an hour and twenty minutes. At the Smokehouse Restaurant, we will be served in a separate room and their menu is quite extensive. You Can Check it out on their website. After lunch, if the group wishes, we can drive through the beautiful Campus of Sewanee : The University of the South.

I would appreciate it if you would please let me know if you are planning on making the trip. Reservations are not necessary however it will help us to make plans. Please remember to bring your radios so that we Can keep in touch as we travel. My contact information is:

Gary Higbee GaryBHigbee@gmail.com Cell # - 423.321.2791

Everyone have a great Christmas and we hope to see you all on New Years Day.

Lane Motor Museum

Earlier this year, Mary & I toured the museum with my son and grandsons. The museum is located on the east side of Nashville, before you get into the downtown area. At any one time, they have about 300 vehicles, all of European linage. Approximately 150 are located on the main floor display area and 150 are in the basement where most of their restoration work takes place. The manager told me that they would gladly arrange a tour of the basement if our club would like to tour the museum. If I remember correctly, they would also offer us special pricing of \$5.00 per member to tour the main floor and \$3.00 to tour the basement. I think touring the museum would make a wonderful event for the club. They are open every day except Christmas and New Year's Day. Here are a few of their vehicles.



This is a 1959 Berkley Sports SE328. The body is fiberglass and it was powered by a 2 stroke motorcycle engine that propelled the front wheels. There were a total of 1,272 produced.of 5,020. This 3 wheel car was an offshoot of the motorcycle business. BSA produced various models from 1907 until WW II.









This is a 1932 MG M Type and a total of 3,235 were produced. This was MG's first high volume Sports Car. The typical M Type was Fabric-Bodied, for light weight, however you could get a steel body for an extra money.



. This BSA (Birmingham Small Arms) TW33-9 Special Sports Car was made from 1930 – 1936 with a total production of 5,020. This 3 wheel car was an offshoot of the motorcycle business. BSA produced various models from 1907 until WW II



This is a 1964 Peel P-50. This car is recognized as the World's Smallest Production Car. It was priced slightly above a Scooter and had few creature comforts. The 50cc engine is only slightly larger than most Weed Whacker Engines. Since the engine came from a Scooter, it did not have the reverse gear. A handle was added to the back of the car, called a Reversing Handle, which allowed for reversing the car. Fact; you can pack 43 of these in a typical 2 car garage



This is the interior of an MG Midget that had previously been raced extensively.

It is easy to spend several hours in the museum and I have to believe that touring the basement, where they do their restorations, would be equally great viewing. They have a gift shop and I am sure we could find a good restaurant close by.

Gary Higbee

ITS TIME TO REGISTER FOR 2016 MEMBERSHIP

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Hank Rippert Director

12 December 2015

Dear Friends,

The MG2016 Registration Website is <u>NOW LIVE</u>!

Please visit WWW.MG2016.COM to begin! There is information on each of the tabs, so I encourage you to visit all of them.

Looking forward to seeing you in Louisville, Kentucky June 13 - 17, 2016!

Kindest regards,

hank

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Jan 1 SBCC annual drive thru the countryside

FEBRUARY Superbowl 50 Feb 7 2016 6 p.m. ET Gather at Gil amd Marge DuPre's home

MARCH MARCH 18-19

British Motoring Club New Orleans 26th Annual British Car Day Saturday, March 19th 2016 Registration form available at our web site: <u>www.bmcno.org</u> Online registration available at BMCNO.ORG Ramada Inn 3400 South. I-10 Service Rd W, Metairie, LA 70001

APRIL

April 15/16- 24th annual Brits on the Bay, Pensacola, Fl. See www.pbca1.com for details and sign up informa-

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tion

<u>May 13—15</u> Springtime in the Smokies in Townsend Tennessee infor later

JUNE June 13-17 MG2016 details at www.mg2016.com

JULY

<u>AUGUST</u>

SEPTEM BER SEPT 15—18 South Eastern MGTR Dillard Ga mgbnut1973@yahoo.com

OCTOBER.

October 18-20 SBCC ANNUAL CARSHOW AT THE CHATTANOOGA, CHOO CHOO

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This green MGB has been fully restored and garaged. Replaced: top, interior, radio with CD player, and tires. 94907miles. Good condition, runs OK but needs a tune-up since it has only been driven less than 20 miles the last 5 years since restoration...only enough to keep it running. \$10000.00 John Collier, Chattanooga, TN 423-553-6684 cell; 850-320-1878; jcollier2@fsu.edu

Spridget parts for sale

Four original wire wheels, which have been sandblasted and primed, Moss Motors No. 454 - 675. Wheels have Firestone tires {P155/80 R13) and tubes. Tires have never been on the ground, but were purchased some years ago. One wheel has one spoke missing and one wheel has two spokes missing. \$200

Automec copper/nickel brake pipe kit, new, Moss Motors No. 184- 038. \$50

Four Austin Healey hubcaps, used, Moss Motors No. 200-340. \$50

Media blaster- slightly used, Harbor Freight No. 688-93. \$75

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New top

1980 Triumph TR7 Roadster Convertible VIN TCT 114769 UCF Engine 1988 cc 5 speed - British Racing Green Project

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