

BRITISH MOTOR CLUB OF UTAH

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UPCOMING EVENTS

The next event will be the **St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 17**. Meet at South Temple and Main at **9:00 am**. If you don't see us ask at the registration desk there. The St. Patrick's day parade is a low-key, fun event. You certainly do not need a concours quality car to be in the parade. Balloons, Irish flags, green and white crepe paper on the cars are appropriate and we will bring some. To help everybody get the car out and running we will be holding a **Tinker Day on the Saturday before the parade, March 10, at Bill and Julie's, 1322 South 1400 East**. Come by between 8:00 and 5:00 for advice, help, hindrance, tools or just to kick tires and talk.

A run to Provo for the annual car season kick-off breakfast will be the April event. This breakfast is hosted by the rod and custom club in Provo and is one of the biggest gatherings of cars in the state. There will be few British cars if you don't go. Lets let people know we exist. The exact date is still unknown but it is generally on a sunday and we have to get there early, about 9:00, if we want a good place to park and to not have to wait an hour in line for breakfast. Cost about \$5.00 / person. More information next month.

A tentative schedule for the year was worked out at the potluck, see the calender.

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN

Other clubs have dues, but we have post cards. **IF YOU WANT TO CONTINUE RECEIVING THE NEWSLETTER YOU MUST RETURN THE ENCLOSED POST CARD**. This allows us to remove people from the mailing list who have moved, sold their car or just don't care. Since the newsletter is our major expense we can keep the cost down this way. Either mail it in or put it in the newsletter donation can at the March event.

OH! I ATE TOO MUCH

Twenty one people attended to the Pot-Luck in February with food for about sixty. It was a great evening with good conversation, a video of the '89 Alpine loop run made by Pete and Lilian's son Brent, videos on the Cobra and GT-40, slides of past Morgan Club's events and of the Steamboat Springs Vintage Races. Duff brought a beautiful prototype grill badge with the club emblem on it. He has located a source for these and the information on getting one (or more) and the club patches or shirts is in a separate article. We discussed the schedule for the year and produced a tentative list of events. This is given in the calender. Mark has been in contact with the Council of Motorsports Clubs and the club is now registered with them. This should allow us to obtain insurance from them for our events. Mark is also working with the SCCA and

Hill Air Force Base Sports Car Club about our taking part, as a group, in one of their Autocrosses. Duff will be keeping in contact with the Healey Club concerning their Healey days, which we will use as a club event, if that is okay with them.

We discussed dues but there was no clear consensus concerning them. Our major cost is the newsletter. As long as we have donations of a Xerox machine, envelopes, mailing labels and postage does not rise, costs are low, about \$3.-\$4. a year per person on the mailing list. If we have to buy what we are now getting donated, the cost will easily double, to about \$8. a year. If we are going to get insurance for some events, print the membership list, etc. costs will further increase. I personally believe that the minimum dues would be \$10. a year, if we were to collect them, and a more reasonable figure is \$12. to \$15. a year. At the moment our income is adequate but I estimate that less than half of the people on the mailing list are supporting the rest. There are costs in collecting dues, record keeping, etc. that we avoid with the donation scheme, however. At present we will continue the donation approach.

Attending were Mark, Steve, Mary Ann, Pete, Lilian, Dell, Donni, Anne, Denise, Barry, Grant, Jayne, Rich, Shirley, Duff, Don, Pat, Kees, Becky, Julie and me. I suspect all suffered from overeating.

REGALIA - PATCHES, SHIRTS AND BADGES --Duff Lawson

With the summer of '90 approaching quickly, it's time to start placing orders for club regalia. Heidi, at Creative Expressions, will be doing the club patches and shirts again this year. For those of you who have not seen the patch design, the upper half has a British flag background with a foreground of the sun rising behind the Wasatch Mountains. On the bottom half are the words "British Motor Club of Utah" in red Old English print on a blue background. It measures approximately 3 1/8" wide by 2 1/2" high.

The club has to order at least ten of these patches at a time to get a price of \$6.00 each. To order yours send your name and address along with the \$6.00 each to Rich Holder, 3722 South 8235 West, Magna, UT 84044, 250-4928 or see him at an event. Rich will be ordering these when he receives about ten orders. The price will be \$7.00 if you do not order in advance.

Shirts (or what ever you choose) can have the club patch embroidered on them on an individual basis by Heidi at Creative Expressions, 4140 South 5th West, Murray, 269-1282. This can be done either on your shirt (knit shirts work well) or she can order a shirt for you. The embroidery work is \$5.00. Please feel free to stop by her office whenever you like and identify yourself as a club member.

Caution: When the embroidery is done directly on a shirt, there is no border and the machine can not do the dark blue background. Therefore, if you are considering a shirt any color then dark blue, you should probably buy a patch and sew it on the shirt yourself. I mean - who ever heard of the Union Jack on a field of pink??!

Additionally this year we will also have a car grill badge available. This is a beautifully enameled badge with the same design, colors and size as the patch. The price is \$17.00. To order please send a check to Duff Lawson, 2401 East 3000 South, SLC,

UT 84109, 487-5192 or see him at an event. The cut-off date for the first order will be March 31, 1990. Delivery will take approximately 8 weeks.

THE LUCAS CALENDER

This calender works about as well as its namesake, so use it with care. Club events are in bold type. All events are subject to change.

- March 10** **Tinker Day at Bill and Julie's, 1322 South 1400 East, 582-9223, stop in between 8:00 and 5:00. Time to get the car out for next weekend.**
- March 17** **St. Patrick's Day Parade. Meet at 9:00 at South Temple and Main in SLC. Contact Bill or Julie, 582-9223 for info.**
- March 25** Autocross, Hill AFB. Contact mjb, 364-3251, for info.
- April 1** Autocross State Fairgrounds parking lot, 11:00. This is a good one to go to as there is no question of getting in. Contact mjb, 364-3251.
- April ?** **Breakfast in Provo.**
- May ?** **Rally with the Vintage Motor Car Club of America.**
- June 16** **Run to East Canyon, Pineview Reservoir and Odgen Canyon.**
- July 14** **3rd Annual Alpine Loop Run and Potluck Picnic.**
- July 21-22** 21st Golden Spike Empire Vintage Car Club show and swap meet. Show on 7/22 only. Contact Bob Van der Spek 399-9735
- July 30 - Aug. 3** GOF-West (Gathering of the Faithful, for MG T-type and pre-war car owners) Portland, OR (I have yet to receive any more information.)
- Aug. 1-5** Vintage Triumph Register Annual Convention, Boulder, CO. Contact mjb, 364-3251, for info or call (303) 690-6864.
- Aug. ?** ***Healey Days or Eureka run and parade.**
- Aug 31- Sept 3** Vintage Racing at Steamboat Springs. Several members will likely be going over to spectate. If you like British cars this is an event you shouldn't miss. Contact Bill or Julie (582-9223 (H) or 581-7687 (W)) for info.
- Sept. 15** **Poker Run in SLC.**
- Oct. 13** **Dinner in Park City.**
- Nov. 17** **Technical Session.**

TIDBITS

Where are all you literary giants? In the past we have had great stories contributed by TC Annie, Kees and the Fire Marshal concerning their life with British Cars. I don't believe that any of you are owning British cars without something unusual happening, be it funny, sad, infuriating or educational. How about writing it up to share with us all through the newsletter? Just get it to Mark, Julie or me.

We have had contact with Salt Lake British Parts and Osborn's Vintage Jag Works recently. The two companies are associated, with Salt Lake British selling parts for all British cars and the Jag Works in the business of restoring Jag's. The parts business has new and used parts and orders from Victoria British and others. Both are located at 24 West 5th Avenue (4880 South) in Murray, 263-2088 for parts.

I was up at Foreign Motor Salvage (the junk yard on Chicago St. just off Beck St.) a week or so ago. He had several Midgets, a few B's, some TR's, part of an E-type Jag and who knows what else. Most were fairly stripped, but I found what I needed, maybe you will too.

Several people at the Potluck were interested in a copy of the Alpine Loop video. Brent, Pete and Lilian's son, can make you a copy for \$25. Call him at 942-1430.

Last month we sent out seventy six copies of the newsletter. Thanks to Kees for allowing us to use his xerox machine and the donation of envelopes the only cost was postage, \$17.75.

New members in February: Sandy Brewer, she has a '69 MGB-GT; John Bruce, John's '76 TR-7 has a burned up wiring harness and he needs some help installing a new one; Chris Snow, he has a '78 Spitfire.

REPORT FROM THE EXCHEQUER:

Balance as of 1/29/90	\$178.94
February newsletter cost	17.75
February donations	88.75
Potluck dinner costs	45.00
Balance as of 2/28/90	204.94

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