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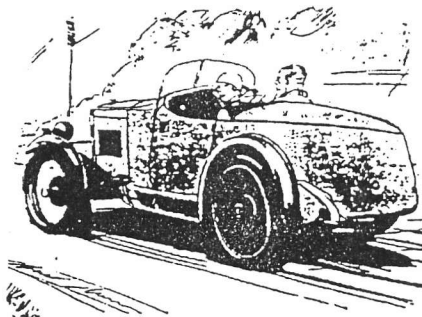
There will be three events in September: the Miner's Day Parade, a run to Antelope Island, and the Mount Nebo Loop run.

Miner's Day Parade. The Miner's Day Parade is **September 1** in Park City. Floyd and Kathy Inman will be organizing this. This will be a traditional parade down Main Street in Park City with a picnic following it. The BMCU has taken part in this parade for the past several years and everyone seems to like it. The editors have never made it to this parade since we always are in Steamboat Springs, but it appears to be a great one. Park City parades work out well since they are downhill and it is normally cool there in the morning. Meet on upper **Main Street or on Swede Alley near Main at 9:30 AM, September 1, in Park City.** For more information call Floyd or Kathy at 645-8460.

Antelope Island. The second event will be a run to Antelope Island. We tried this a year ago in the Spring and it poured rain on us. Hopefully this year will be dry. There will be two meeting places. In Salt Lake we will meet at the **Utah Travel Council parking lot at 9:00 AM on Saturday, September 13.** The Travel Council parking lot can be reached by heading North up State Street until you are forced to turn by the capital building. Turn right, and then right again into the first parking lot you see. Joe Martinez has a route worked out for us near the lake. **If you are coming from the North, you can meet us at Antelope Island toll booth at about 10:00 (be patient).** Since travel times are very confused by the road construction, we may be late arriving at the toll booth. Bring a book, or rebuild your

carburetors, or something. We will tour the island and picnic at one of the sites on the island. The island is a State Park and there is a fee to enter it and use the causeway. For more information contact Joe at 255-8326.

Mt. Nebo. At the end of the month we will do a run over the Mount Nebo Loop to check out the fall colors. We will meet at **River Pointe Plaza, 9000 South Redwood Rd. (1700 West) at 8:30 AM on Saturday September 27.** This is an early start but we need it to do the 200 or so miles on this trip. If you prefer you can drive down to Nehi and stay in the Whitmore Mansion Bed and Breakfast (623-2047 for reservations) or in a motel in Nehi. If you do this make sure you contact the trip leaders, Dan and Sharon Forester at 966-6463, before going, so the group meets you in Nehi. Bring a picnic lunch or buy lunch before you get on the loop road. There are no stores or restaurants on the mountain. Come prepared for cool weather and check out the forecast carefully. We have had snow, rain and fog during this trip in the past, but the fall colors are definitely worth it.. In any weather it is a beautiful drive. For other information contact Sharon and Dan.



The 8/33 M.G. Midget Sports. £175.

The Alpine Loop

The Alpine Loop was a microcosm of driving in Utah in 1997: road construction, fees, and too much traffic. Saturday, August 2, was a grand day, sunny and a bit hot, but no chance of rain. When we arrived the group was small but it grew and after we picked up the folks in Alpine/Highland, we had 34 cars on the road, making it one of the larger Alpine Loop groups. As we discussed the route, we learned several things: everyone believed that the ruts on the I-15 frontage road that caused an accident a few weeks ago had been repaired, the Alpine Store had disappeared and was being replaced by a gas station-mega convenience store, a fee was being collected if you stop in American Fork Canyon or on the Loop road, but not if you were just "passing through," and Provo Canyon hadn't had a land slide for a while, but still had only one lane open. All of this, plus the usual warning about the narrow, twisty Loop road all came up in the meeting.

Traffic was bad on State Street and we were well spread out before the turn onto the Frontage Road. We never saw the ruts and all made our way to the new gas station/convenience store without incident. As we arrived it wasn't clear if it was open, but people were flowing across the street in large numbers under the assumption that it was. Luckily it was, but the gas pumps hadn't been installed. Several of us watched the pump plumbing being pressure tested, while others make a pit stop. The line of cars extended from the corner well up into the houses to the East. Heading off into American Fork Canyon we found the toll booth and Bruce, leading the gaggle, explained to the toll collector what was going on and who then

came out and waved us all though. The canyon seemed cool and we didn't notice any overheating problems. The road is always beautiful and seemed particularly attractive this weekend. We stopped to regroup just before Provo Canyon and several people noticed some very hot brakes, both by odor and by the smoke coming off them. Clearly lower gears should be used during the desert. The one lane section of road in Provo Canyon was about one quarter of a mile above the point where the Loop road enters Provo Canyon, and traffic would back up across the intersection, making it difficult to make the turn. Eventually we all got out and cruised up to Heber.

Denise and Barry Blackett had done an excellent job of obtaining donated items for the raffle. These ranged from key fobs to car covers to posters to \$25. gift certificates. The lunch time raffle raised \$208. This will pay for the newsletter for the next three or more months. The raffle again proved a basic idea about statistics, if you buy a lot of tickets you will win more prizes.

After the raffle, about half the group opted for a short route home and left the main group. The rest of us took the longer route through Francis, Kamas, Oakley and Peoa. We had to drop Park City from the route this year since the Arts Festival was going on and we didn't want to try to even get

near to it. It was good to see some faces and cars we hadn't seen for a while, but we wish we had a few more of the original group take part. Even so, the Tenth Alpine Loop was rousing success. I wonder what the twentieth, will be like?

Cruising the Loop were: Doug & Ilene Wimer, Sheree & Marv Marcus, Steve & MaryAnn Brockbank, Rob, Eryn, Nan, Dana & Natalie Green, Sharon Bailey & Sue Miller, Linda & Nathan Massie, Susan & Jon Hermance, Kevin McCloskey & Jamie Thiypen, Kent & Cindy Jensen, Edwin Barker, John & Liz Green, Arthur Luceno, Chris & Lynn Chandler, Gail Madsen-Clayton & Grant Clayton, Nicholas S. Nichols II, Bruce Schilling, Pete Gerity, Greg Smith, Dan & Sharon Forster, Greg, Ryan, Susan, Julie, Amanda & David Chester, Craig & Rachel Welk, Doug & Thauar Borba, Jeff Porter, John & Sarah Carter, Barry & Denise Blackett, Bill & Julie Van Moorhem, and some more folks who missed the sign up sheet.

We also need to sincerely thank the donors of the raffle prizes: Apple Hydraulics, Bailey's Sinclair, British Car Magazine, CARS-Moss Distributing, Classic Motorbooks, The Eastwood Company, Moss Motors, The Roadster Factory, Special Interest Car Parts, University Motors, and Victoria British. Remember, these companies helped keep your club going, so help them keep going.

The Lucas Calendar

This calendar works about as well as its namesake, so use it with care. Club events have **bold** dates. The others you may find interesting. All events are subject to change.

August 29-September 1. Steamboat Springs Vintage Races and Concours. Bill Van Moorhem-582-9223.

September 1. Miner's Day Parade in Park City. Floyd Inman-645-8460.

September 13. Antelope Island Run. Joe Martinez-255-8326.

September 20-21. Intermountain Vintage Racing Hill Climb at the Utah Winter Sports Park at Bear Hollow. Mark Livingston, 779-0551.

September 21. Senior Citizens Concours d'Elegance at the University of Utah.

September 27. Mount Nebo Run. Dan and Sharon Forester-966-6463

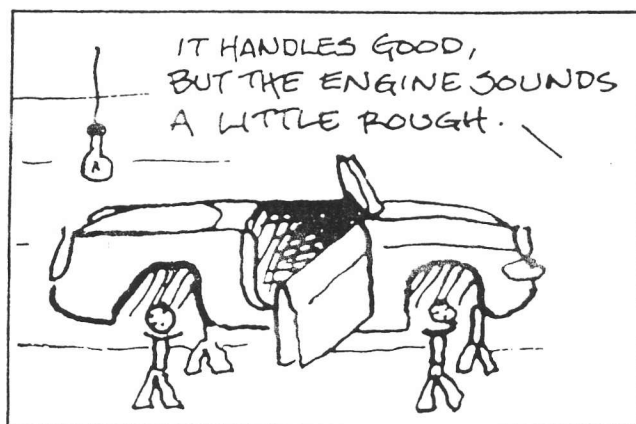
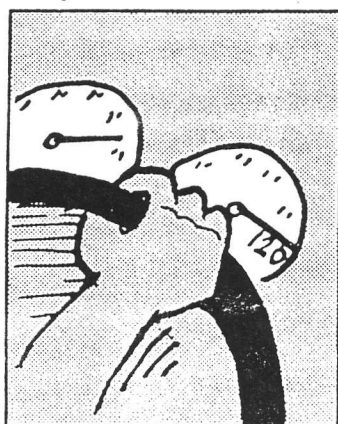
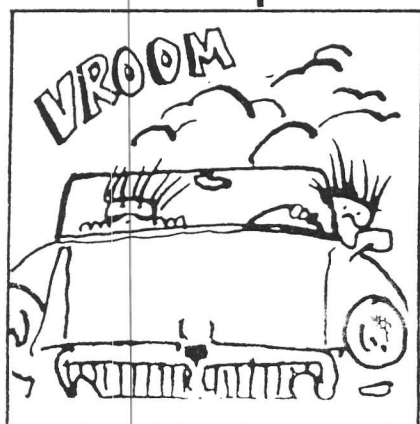
October 18. End of the Season Dinner.

November 15. Tech Session.

January 24. Tech Session.

February 7. Pot Luck Dinner.

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Left Over Parts

In the early days of the BMCU everyone attending an event would introduce themselves and their car to anyone who was attending an event for the first time. This worked great and created a very friendly atmosphere in the club. As the group has grown this has become more difficult, but we would like to encourage everyone to attempt to talk to someone they don't know when you are at event. Let's keep that friendly and open atmosphere working.

Many thanks to Jim "Pugs" Piviroto for copying the August newsletter. We clearly need to work on the method of copying the photos a bit to improve the quality.

Rocky Mountain Raceways and Intermountain Vintage Racing held their first closed course race on August 24. This newsletter is being written before that so we can't give you any summary of the event. They will also be holding a hill climb September 20-21, at the Utah Winter Sports Park at Bear Hollow. This is off the road going from I-80 to Park City. There are signs for the Winter Sports Park. Many of the models of cars we drive on the street were very successfully raced during the '50s, '60s and '70s. It is really neat to see these same cars being raced. Stop in and check out what is going on.

The Park City GoF (Gathering of the Faithful) has come and gone. The event seemed to be very well received, but the attendance was low. There were about 115 registrants, but only between 60 and 70 cars in the show. All the comments we received during the event were very positive. People were impressed both with Utah and with the way the event was organized. Floyd and Doug, co-chairs for the event, would like to thank everyone who helped, those on the committee, those who came up for a day and those who helped in any other way. Next year's GoF will be in Monterey. Several people have expressed interest and plans will start getting worked out in a few months (after we rest from the Park City GoF). All MG owners are welcome to attend, but the focus of the event is T-series and prewar cars. If you would like to be included in the plans for next year, contact the editors. The '99 GoF will be at Whistler Ski Resort near Vancouver, B.C.

We are having problems with the grill badges. As we told you a few months ago, the company that we have had make the grill badges in the past has gone out of business. Marty and Duff have found another company that can make them but the price is higher (about \$25.) and we will have to pay a set-up fee. Marty and Duff will continue to look for other sources and we will keep you informed of the status of the search. If you know of any sources of grill badges give Marty a call (467-0525).

The Senior Citizens Concours d'Elegance will be at the University of Utah (South side of the campus) on September 21. This is by far the best show in the state. Stop by and see what is there.

We need a organizer for the End-of-the-Season Dinner in October. Any Volunteers?

Autojumble

For sale, '61 MGB, with extra engine, transmission, wheels, rear end, windshield, windows and more. Make an offer on the package. Chad Henderson, 621-2499.

For sale, '57 MGA roadster, two year old restoration with ~4000 miles on engine. Wire wheels. Beautiful new OEW paint job. New Moss interior kit. All original except for addition of oil cooler. Rebuilt and sleeved master cylinder. Rebuilt carbs. Numbers match. Runs very good. Top in good shape. Side curtains and a few other parts and books included. Not quite a "10" but comes close. \$13,500. Home phone 408-942-8447.

76 Spitfire - body, frame, title make offer - exhaust for same \$45 also wiring harness - Pugs 486-054

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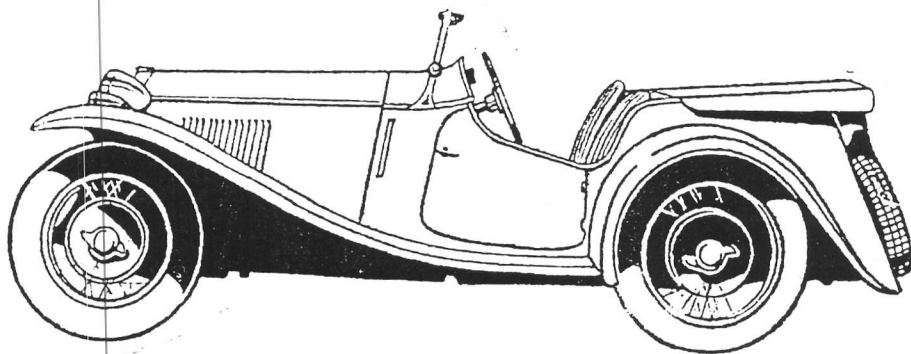
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