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Running to Antelope Island May 8

Our British cars crossed the water once to get here. On Saturday, May 8, they can cross the water again--this time to Antelope Island.

This is a wonderful early summer drive. It's the Utah version of a coastline highway trip: tooling along the causeway to get to the Island, in a pack of Brit cars, a little salt spray in the air, seagulls flying over the water...Ok, maybe coastline is a bit of a stretch, but you have to admit that not every landlocked state has salt water and seagulls.

Now, there's two ways to hook up with the group for this drive. Even your not-so-trusty Lucas compass can keep you from finding your way: If you're driving north to the island, say, from the Salt Lake City area, meet at the State Capitol building, in the north side parking lot, at 10:00 am Saturday, May 8th. At 10:30 we'll head north up I-15 toward the Island. If you're driving south, such as from Ogden or surrounding areas, don't meet us at the Capitol building. Instead, meet us at the Burger King in Layton, on Main Street and Antelope Drive (that's the northwest corner of the second intersection west of I-15 on Ante-

lope Drive). Meet us there at about 11:00 am. At 11:30, we'll head out to the Island.

Our plan is to get to the Island at noon, get a couple of the covered pavilions, and eat lunch. From there, we'll drive up to Buffalo Point, then back toward the marina and onto the road that will take us to the Garr Ranch. The road to the ranch, along the eastern shore of the Island, is a blast to drive. You'd think someone had our cars in mind when they built it.

Besides you, someone to enjoy the drive with you, and your Brit car, you'll need to bring a picnic lunch and \$8 to pay the per-car fee to cross the causeway (that's how Davis county pays for the causeway upkeep). How many people you pack into your car to get your money's worth is up to you. And you may want to bring a rain jacket, just in case--if tradition holds, there'll be a few drops along the way. You can buy food on the island at the small buffalo burger stand at Buffalo Point.. However, I don't know when they open for the season, so I'd suggest you either pack a

lunch or get something while we're gathering up at the Layton Burger King stop.

If you don't meet up and travel with the group, here's how to get to the Island: take I-15 to Layton, then take exit #335 (look for the brown signs directing you to Antelope Island State Park). Exit 335 is Antelope Drive. Take Antelope Drive west until you reach the causeway. Look for us in the pavilions on the west side, overlooking the beaches.

Questions? Call Nathan Massie at 801-486-2935. Mark this event on your calendar, and get the car ready now!

Highland Games Saturday, June 12

The BMCU will participate for the first time this year in the *Utah Highland Games*, the 30th annual of which will be held at Thanksgiving Point's Electric Park, Friday and Saturday June 11-12. Our role will be a car show on Saturday. A trophy will be awarded to the people's choice favourite car.

There is a \$10 admission fee, which will be waived for BMCU members showing cars. Full details and rendezvous information will be provided in the June newsletter. Meanwhile, additional info can be obtained by visiting <http://www.utahscots.org/games2004.htm>, or contacting Caol Ritchie at 801-891-6796 or caol@utahscots.org.

Why not plan on tossing a caber, piping a tune, dancing a highland, or scarfing some scones? Should be a grand time!

Bumper Sticker Of The Month

A little lemon and seltzer will remove those pesky ink stains after you've been fingerprinted.

-Martha Stewart



Be The First Kid On Your Block To Wear The Smart New BMCU Polo Shirt

Yes indeed, the long awaited new generation BMCU polo shirts are now available! These are high quality, 100% cotton by Port Authority, in white or black, with the BMCU logo over your heart (sob!), and tasteful checkered flag detailing on the collar and cuffs. Truly in fashion for all BMCU gatherings, and elsewhere!

These are only \$35 each, and are available in all sizes from Small to multi-X Large. Contact Gary Lindstrom, 801-532-1259 home, 801-606-2837 fax, gary@cs.utah.edu, to place an order (specify color and size).

Is this the best model you could
find?

Poker, Smoker, Let's Play 21!

Due to the large turn out, the April 25 Poker Run turned into a 'round the town 21 game. At the start in Liberty Park, contestants were given two cards in a sealed envelope and a quiz involving British cars and movie actors. The procession then followed organizer Stewart Nichols like ducks after their Momma 'round the town to selected classic car restoration garages and collections, where worthy vehicles were either on display or undergoing loving care (read: rust-economies).

After a victory was declared on the tour, contestants retired to the Pub in Trolley Square, where an award was given for the best

21 hand (16 total), and papers were corrected for the British car and actor quiz. No winner was declared for the latter, but rumor has it that Kay Jennings showed vast knowledge in this area.

Participants included Stewart and Nikki Nichols, Jon and Susan Hermance, Rich Goodman, Gary and Margaux Lindstrom, Todd and Connie Pixton, Larry and Margaret Farrington, Mike and Susan Bailey, Bill Van Moorhem, J. and Kay Jennings, John and Barbara Progress, Larry and Mary Bishop, Dan Kasha, and Rob Green. Apologies as always to folks we



Memorial Day Weekend Run

This year for the Memorial Day weekend we have decided to go east since it is the only direction we haven't gone in the past. That's right folks -- we are heading to the dinosaur capital of the world, Vernal Utah. Our headquarters will be the Weston Plaza Hotel, 435-789-9550. A block of rooms is being held under the name of the British Motor Club of Utah. Make your reservations using your own credit card prior to May 10, to reserve your room. The Weston offers an indoor pool, hot tub, continental breakfast and a restaurant. This promises to be very relaxing after a day in the car.

We'll meet in the upper parking lot of Hogle Zoo on Saturday May 29th, at 9:30 am and depart by 10 am. Depending on whether or not we have club members joining us from the north or south will determine any stops prior to hitting hwy 40. This will be a leisurely drive with plenty of time for sightseeing along the way. Vernal is a relatively short drive from Salt Lake and therefore we should arrive early enough to take in some of the local sights. These include the Utah Field House of Natural History, or a drive out to Dinosaur National Monument and quarry or the Ouray Wildlife Refuge just south of town.

Sunday will include a drive north to Flaming Gorge reservoir. We will go through

Dutch John and then go over to Manila and depending on road conditions the Sheep Creek Loop. This scenic byway will take most of the day with stops for sightseeing and lunch. There is also a shorter drive to the Jones Hole hatchery, which can be done on either Saturday or Sunday. The hatchery supplies trout to Utah and surrounding states.

Monday morning we will return to the Wasatch Front by way of highway 40 and should be able to arrive in Park City in time for lunch, shopping and perhaps a ride on the Alpine Slide! If you haven't done the slide it will definitely bring out the kid in you. Again, please call and make your own reservations and then contact Pugs and Diane at 801-486-0547 to let them know you will be joining us.



The Lucas Calendar



This calendar works about as well as its namesake, so use it with care. All events are subject to change. Check our web site for the latest information.
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May 8: Antelope Island Run. Nathan Massie (801-486-2935) and Mitch Johnson. See lead story, this issue.

May 29-31: Memorial Day Run to Vernal. Pugs Pivrotto (801-486-0547). See article on this page.

June 5: British Field Day. Don't miss this or you'll be sorry. It will be at Pioneer Park again this year. Details in the June issue.

June 12: Utah Highland Games. See article on page 1 of this issue.

June 19: Run to Fairview. Gary Lindstrom.

June 26 (tentative): British Car Rendezvous and BBQ. Ardell Brown.

July 12-16: GoF West 2004, Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia, Canada. Contact Floyd Inman (435) 645-8460 or FloydInman@earthlink.net for further information.

July 24: Pioneer Day Parade. Bill Davis.

August 7: Heber Valley Parade in Heber. Doug and Ilene Wimer.

August 21: Alpine Loop Run. The event that started the BMCU, and a club favorite. Larry and Mary Bishop. We need another person to help organize this event.



BMCU Members Enjoy Recent Tinker Day

Coffee, Tinker and More With the Bishops April 10, 2004

The day was cool and gusty, but the sun shone and there was a good turn out for the Coffee Klatch and Tinker Day hosted by Larry, Mary and Suzanne Bishop.

Rendezvous was at the Jitterbug Coffee Shop on Seventh East, where caffeine and accompaniments were administered as folks arrived. The new BMCU polo shirts (see page 1 article) were unveiled and promptly sold out.

The crowd then moved up Seventh East to the Bishops home and shop, near Liberty Park. The hosts dispensed lots of advice and tips

based on their extensive experience in cost effective collector car restoration. To our surprise and delight, tasty nut bread and even baked ham sandwiches were laid on and enthusiastically enjoyed by the participants, who included Gary Lindstrom, Dale Bourrls, Pugs Pivrotto, Al Belt, Mitch, Mike and Greg Johnson, Jon Hermance, Rob Foyle, Ray Agutter, Will Holoman, Wade Ashby, Rik and Jane Sanders, Dan Kasha, Dow Shirley, Rick Goodman, Barry and Denise Blackett, Brent Anderson, Dennis Hoagland, and, of course Larry, Mary and Suzanne Bishop.

BMCU AT THE CONCOURS D ELEGANCE? August 27-29, South Towne Expo Center

What a concept — car clubs at the 33rd annual premier benefit ! 100 % of the proceeds go to local senior citizen centers. If you believe in the cause, then I hope you will support the car show.

This year the organizers are promoting the involvement of all car clubs. Let people get to know the club and the members. Socialize with other clubs.

the South Towne Center has better parking and security. No car show is perfect but we are trying every year to make this the best. Please help us with support and ideas.

Even if your car is not a "Concours" car, the public enjoys seeing all types of cars. Our mission is to raise money for the elderly and provide as many cars as possible for the public enjoyment.

I know it's not at the University any more but

The cost is \$15.00 for display only and \$25.00

Autojumble

MK3 ('65-'66) Austin Healy Sprite. Complete rolling chassis minus engine and tranny (complete exhaust still installed). Exterior complete including lights, bumpers and windshield/windows. Seats and instruments missing but dash still installed. VERY GOOD body including floors and rockers. Quality conversion by previous owner to '73-'74 style round arch rear fenders. Great starting point for restoration without much if any welding or body work or could be made reasonable driver just by replacing missing parts. No title. Too many projects but want to find it a good home. Much too nice and complete to part out. \$300 or offer. (435) 649-0106 home. (435)640-0451 cell or e-mail at Oderheimer@juno.com.

Wanted - one wheel for a Bugeye Sprite. There are two versions, welded and riveted. I need a riveted one. Call Bill at 801 484 2858 evenings or 486 5049 days.

1972 MGB, chrome bumper. Ambitious project or parts car. Runs but needs major body work. Unmolested motor compartment. New fuel tank. \$750 or best offer. Also, 1977 MGB parts car. Fair body, no interior. 90K on engine, was running when parked. Could be restored. \$400 or best offer. Contact Bob Wagner, 455-4400 or wagner@aros.net.

'56 Bentley S1 saloon. Beautiful condition, new paint, wood, carpet. Black with silver roof. \$20,000. Records back to original owner. Joseph Feaster, home 801-731-0517, cell 801-390-3039.



for judged cars. We are encouraging display only cars.

- Award for most cars in a car club.
- Award for best car club display.

Please feel free to contact me for more information or Ardell Brown to obtain entry forms. Ron Gunderson rgpi@comcast.net or Ardell Brown at 572-6336

Sandy Independence Day Parade -- BMCU Organizer Needed

BMCU has received an invitation to participate in the Sandy City Independence Day Parade Saturday evening, July 3. The route is a loop running north from/to Mervyns in South Towne Mall.

We currently have only a tentatively scheduled event in July, (Pioneer Day). We can add this one if we have someone willing to organize and lead our participation. Volunteers should contact Gary Lindstrom -- see this issue's masthead for contact info.

QUESTION ON THE MONTH

What is a "710"?



Exchequer Report

As of April 20, 2004:

Beginning balance (from last report)

1,969.13

Income:

Members' contributions \$ 254.00

Interest income \$.30

2,223.43

Expenses

Printing & Mailing \$ 114.00

Shirts \$ 189.12

\$ 303.12

Ending balance \$1,920.31

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