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DeWayne Ashmead Collection Overwhelming



A great turnout for our April 9 visit to the DeWayne Ashmead Collection.

A Sunday Drive To Antelope Island

If you haven't joined us for this drive in past years, you'll want to mark your calendar now. If you have taken this drive, you probably already have the day circled. Sunday, May 15th, we'll take the causeway out to Antelope Island for a great club drive. This year we'll try something different: we're driving out on a Sunday, and we'll take a clockwise tour of the island instead of our usual anticlockwise route.

Here's the schedule for the drive:

10:00 am: For those of you in the SLC

area, we'll gather at the state capitol, in the north side parking lot, at 10:00 am on Sunday, May 15. At 10:30, we'll leave the capitol and head north, by way of Victory Road, and onto I-15 NB to Layton, where we'll get off at exit 335 (Antelope Drive). Watch for the brown signs directing you to Antelope Island State Park.

11:00 am: If you live in Davis county, or other parts north of SLC, meet us west of the Burger King on the NW

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A large turn out of BMCUers were given a real treat on April 9th when the club was given a personally guided tour of the Ashmead Sports Car collection by DeWayne himself.

The collection comprises over 50 cars in three categories: show cars, drivers, and "wannabes" — those waiting their turn for DeWayne's expert staff of 3 to restore to one of the first categories.

Of special interest to club members were his nearly new MG TC, and a marvelous Allard race car (see photos on p. 2).

Attending were Gary Lindstrom, Doug Wimer, Floyd Inman, Richard T. Reeder, Barry and Denise Blackett, Brent Anderson, Craig Weed, Steven G. Nelson, David Marks, Larry Farrington, Owen Griesemer, Brian Bacigalupo, Mary and

Armed Forces Car Show May 21st

Members; please don't forget the charity event and car show for Armed Forces Day Saturday May 21st. at Murray Park at 9:00am (Come in thru state street entrance). I believe it will be a \$10 donation per car to the families of the troops overseas (Great cause) There should also be food, rides and a flag field honoring the troops killed in Iraq. I will try and bring two cars. RSVP to rgpi@comcast.net or please just show up.

Memories!

DON'T LOSE YOUR HEAD TO GAIN A MINUTE YOU NEED YOUR HEAD YOUR BRAINS ARE IN IT Burma Shave

The DeWayne Ashmead Collection



The infamous MG TC with only 2,000 original miles.



A marvelous Allard in DeWayne Ashmead's collection



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 15: Antelope Island Run. Yes, this is to be held on a Sunday. Contact Nathan Massie 801-486-2935.

May 21: Armed Forces Day Car Show.

May 28-30: Annual Memorial Day Run to Jackson Hole. See article on p. 4.

June 4: Annual British Field Day, Pioneer Park. Bill Davis, 801-486-5049.

June 11: Utah Highland Games: See story on p. 3.

July 11-15: GoF West 2005. Contact Floyd Inman 435 654-7086

August 20: Alpine Loop Run.

August 26-28: Concours d'Elegance benefiting senior citizens.

September 5: Miner's Day Parade, Park City. Contact Floyd Inman 435-654-7086

September 17: State Street Cruise Night.

September 23-25. 15th Annual Rio Grande Valley Regional Rendezvous British Car Meet. Farmington, NM. Kevin Kittle, 505-345-4207 or www.baoa.org.

October 2: Fall Colour Run to Trial Lake (possibly) Contact Doug Wimer 435-654-2117

October 29: End-Of-Season Dinner

Return to Thanksgiving Point For Highland Games, June 11

Have you ever seen the movie Braveheart? Have you ever had the urge to pick up a telephone pole and see how far you could throw it? Or just park your Britmobile in a beautiful park and go enjoy British foods, maybe even sample some different whiskys? Along with traditional Scottish and Irish dancing groups, Pipe bands galore and of course our very own lovely cars on display for all to see and enjoy.

This years Highland Games should be a real treat to see. We have been invited to return to this years events on Saturday June 11th from 9 AM to 5 PM at Thanksgiving Point in Lehi, Utah. Take the Alpine / Highland (287) west bound exit off I-15 you will see it all from the freeway.

Added besides "free" admission, is anyone who will bring a car for the duration is invited to attend the whisky tasting event on Friday night, also they are invited to attend the Friday night concert, and Saturday night concert for free if they bring their car for the entire day (Saturday).

We will be setting up a BMCU base camp next to our cars (for recruiting and sales). This is a big event, many folks come from out of state and country too. Please join us for a great day of fun and culture, come find your roots! Kilts are welcome! More info on their website. http://www.utahscots.org/games/games.html

Autojumble

Wanted: MGA or early MGB seats Roger Gisseman rgisseman@slco.org, home 278-4767 or work 269-7531.

Europa Webers: I'm trying to get my Europa tuned up correctly. It is not stock, it has a 2.0l DOHC engine, and I'm dealing with a pair of Weber 40mm DCOE's. Right now it goes very lean from about 2000-2800 RPM's. I have been told that I should try different emulsion tubes. The ones I have are F16's and it was suggested that I try F7's or F8's. Does anyone have 4 F7 or F8 emulsion tube that I could borrow to see if that fixes the problem before I spend a lot of money for tubes that 'might' help?

MGB front cross member: I'm looking for one for a chrome bumper model, '62 - '74. Anyone have one they need to get rid of or know where I can find one close by? Jake, 1-801-356-6969, jmv@et.byu.edu.

Make Plans Now for GoF West 2005

GoF West will be held this year in Buellton, California the week of July 11 through 15. If you are planning on going, or if you are thinking about going you should begin making plans now.

Take a look at www.gofwest.com for complete details. Also, feel free to contact Floyd Inman at 435-654-7086. You can contact the event hotel directly at 800-638-8882 or through Marriott Central Reservations. Mention GoF West.

BCMU Polo Shirts

We have restocked our club polo shirts, in anticipation of brisk sales at British Field Day. If you haven't been able to find the size or color you want, there's a good chance we have it now (black or white, small to XL). Multi-X Large is available by special order only.

Early Darwin Award Entry . . .

The following mind-boggling attempt at a crime spree in the State of Washington appeared to be the robber's first and last.

- 1. His target was H&J Leather & Firearms, A gun shop specializing in handguns.
- 2. The shop was full of customers firearms customers.
- 3. To enter the shop, the robber had to step around a marked police patrol car parked at the front door.
- 4. A uniformed officer was standing at the counter, having coffee before work. Upon seeing the officer, the would-be robber announced a hold-up, and fired a few wild shots from a 22 target pistol.

The officer and a clerk promptly returned fire, the police officer with a 9mm Glock 17, the clerk with a .50 Desert Eagle, assisted by several customers who also drew their guns, several of whom also fired. The robber was pronounced dead at the scene by Paramedics.

Crime scene investigators located 47 expended cartridge cases in the shop. The subsequent autopsy revealed 23 gunshot wounds. Ballistics identified rounds from 7 different weapons. No one else was hurt in the exchange of fire. Here we are at the end of March and we already may have the 2005 winner of the Darwin Award. This guy is going to be hard to beat.





Sunday Drive to Antelope Island

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corner of the intersection of Antelope Drive and Main Street in Layton. That's just past the second light west of I-15. If you left the house in a hurry and didn't pack your lunch, this is an opportunity to buy something. There's only one food establishment on the island, so it's best to take a lunch with you.

11:30 am: We'll head out to the island. If you don't meet up with us at the Burger King in Layton, just remember that once you're on Antelope Drive, stay on that road and head west until you reach the Great Salt Lake--you can't miss it.

This year we'll try a bit of a different route around the island: Once we cross the causeway, we'll head past the marina, bear to the left and head over to the Garr Ranch for lunch. There's shade and picnic tables there, and the Ranch is an interesting look into a 100-plus-year-old working ranch with a house, barn, bunkhouse, blacksmith shop, and old equipment.

The drive to and from the ranch is a wonderful, twisty road that's way fun in a little Brit car. Along the way, keep a look out for buffalo, deer, and who knows, maybe even the island's namesake antelope. After lunch, we'll head back toward the main road, then go to Buffalo point, the beaches, and the visitor's center. After we stop at the visitor's center, we'll head home.

What to bring: You'll want to bring a picnic lunch and drinks. Remember to bring \$8 per car (let's see how many people we can cram into our cars!) to cross the causeway to the island-that fee goes to Davis County to pay for the causeway maintenance. Also, it's been known to rain on us, so don't forget your rain jacket just in case!

If you need more information, call Nathan Massie at 801-486-2935, or call the Antelope Island information line at 801-773-2941.

So get that car ready....and see you on Sunday!



This year's Memorial Day Run to Jackson should produce as much beauty as last year's.

Back By Popular Demand: Memorial Day in Jackson

The outing to Jackson WY was so popular and successful two years ago that we are doing it again. Departure will be 8:30am Saturday May 28 from the Kmart lot at the base of Parley's Canyon (2705 Parley's Way), with return to SLC late Monday afternoon May 30. Travel will be by I-80 to Evanston, and then on a spectacular sports car lovin' route through Woodruff and Randolph UT, and Cokeville, Smoot, Afton, and Alpine WY into Jackson.

Activities offered in Jackson include trips into photogenic Grand Teton NP, the town of Jackson Hole (home of the Mangy Moose Saloon), and wining/ dining in Jackson, e.g. at the famous Cowboy Bar, where the stools are saddles and there's reputedly one million bucks laminated in the bar top.

Suggested lodging is at the dog friendly Antler Inn in the town center, 1-800-483-8667. A block of rooms is being held until April 28, under "BMCU" at a \$72/night rate. If you missed that date, by all means try anyway, at the Antler Inn or elsewhere -- it promises to be a great time!

If you have any questions about the trip, contact Larry Farrington at 801-487-6005, or larry.farrington@octanner.com.

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Larry Bishop, Craig Welk, Richard Moklovsky, Ronald Harris, Dan Mullins, Pugs Pivirotto, Merritt Sedgwick, Northrop Grumman, Scott Greenland, Paul and Elizabeth Jaroch, Doug Barneck, Jim Stringfellow, Mike and Sally Pennington, Mike Mostert, Jeff Porter, Gregg Smith, Michael Scoggins, Andrew Frink, Mitch and Greg Johnson, J. and Kay Jennings, John Progess, and from Meadowbrook Restorations: DeWayne Ashmead and Dave Arnold.

What It Means in The Kingdom

Confused by bonnet, spanner, lorry, and other phrases that Brits use casually to baffle their colonial brethren? To the rescue: http://www.effingpot.com/. The American's Guide to Speaking British. Particularly convenient is the Motoring section, containing a wealth of items, including the following.

Articulated lorry - This is a trailer truck. Nothing to do with being well-spoken of course! Usually shortened to artic.

Banger - An old car. Your first car is usually an old banger. Not to be confused with a kind of sausage!

Drunk in charge - In the same way that you have DWI and DUI offences for "driving while intoxicated" and for "driving under the influence", we just have "drunk in charge" (never shortened to DIC for obvious reasons!). All three are best avoided in both countries occifer!

Ford - If you see a sign saying "ford ahead" in England, it is not warning you that an American car is blocking a country lane. It is actually telling you there is a low water crossing ahead.

Hooter - The hooter is the horn on your car. It is also another word for a persons' nose. Therefore, if someone steps out in front of you in the UK, be sure to press the right one!

Jam sandwich - This is a motorway police car. It is called a jam sandwich because if it is white with a bright orange stripe along the side, that's just what it looks like. Obviously it is a bit bigger and has wheels and a couple of uniformed gentlemen inside it, but hey!

Pelican crossing - The black and white bars across the road with a green and red man lighting up to show pedestrians when to walk and when to stay.

Saloon - A non-estate car. You might call it a sedan. Saloon is also one of the bars in a traditional pub.

British Field Day Looking For Volunteers for June 4 Event

The British Field Day Needs You!

It is time for British car and motorcycle enthusiasts to dust off their vehicles and get them running. All British cars and bikes in <u>any</u> condition, restored or in pieces, are welcome. There will be no judging. This is not solely a show of quality restorations. The show is really for any British vehicle you can get there under its own or something else's power.

There will be a short, tight driving course set up again this year on 3rd South between 3rd and 4th West. During the event there will be music, dancing, shoptalk, food, vendors of British paraphernalia, double-decker bus rides, races for the kids and drawings for raffle prizes.

The British Isles Association will be participating in British Field Day again this year. This group furthers cultural

What It Means . . .

Tailback - To see a proper tailback in England - join the M25 at any point on a Friday evening. It means bumper to bumper but on the M25 there is no start or finish - it goes right round London. That's why they call it the "London orbital car park".

Ton - I remember telling my friends at the office that I was stopped doing a "ton twenty" up the M40 at the weekend. We use the word ton to mean one hundred miles an hour. Clearly a "ton twenty" is a hundred and twenty miles and hour. It's a long story but he even let me off! Lucky huh?

Zebra crossing - Similar to the pelican but with flashing orange beacons on either side. If a pedestrian steps onto a pelican crossing, you should stop. Unless you are in London in which case your job is to kill them. awareness of the British Isles. In the process, they encourage camaraderie and enjoyment of British food and entertainment. Some of the events scheduled are performances by "Idlewild" music of the British Isles, an Irish Dance Group performing hard and soft shoe dance, a British Brass Band, some Highland Dancers with, of course, bagpipes, and an English Country Dance with audience participation. The food vendors expected are The London Market, Ben's Cookies ("British" cookies), Leslie's Bakery, Curry-In-A-Hurry, and the Utah Brits Cotton Candy/ SnoCone/Popcorn stand.

Proceeds from this event will be donated to St. Paul's Food Pantry. The Pantry was established in 1985 and currently serves approximately 1,000 people every month with some of life's basic necessities.

We Need Volunteers

We need a few folks who are willing to help with this event. If you are game to volunteer for assisting with set-up on Friday evening, June 3, at 6:30 PM or more set-up and registration Saturday morning, June 4, at 7:30 AM, please contact Bill Davis at 486-5049.

Help support this worthwhile event by getting out your cars and bikes and joining in the fun!

British Field Day Saturday, June 4th, 2005 Pioneer Park 300 South 300 West, SLC



Road Rage in Florida Brings Big Trouble

LAUTERDALE-BY-THE-SEA, Fla. (Apr. 21) -- A man with car trouble is in trouble after shooting five rounds into the hood of his Chrysler "to put my car out of its misery".

John McGivney, 64, shot his 1994 Le-Baron with a .380-caliber semiautomatic, Broward County sheriff's deputies said.

He was arrested Friday on a misdemeanor charge of discharging a firearm in public. He posted \$100 bail Saturday.

MicGivney said the car had been giving him trouble for years and had "outlived its usefulness." He called the shooting "dumb" and worries he will be evicted. But he doesn't regret it.

"I think every guy in the universe has wanted to do it," McGivney told the South Florida Sun-Sentinel. "It was worth every damn minute in jail."

Exchequer Report

As of February 27, 2005:

Beginning balance

(from last report) \$1,450.73

Income:

	\$ 117.48
Interest income	.48
Sales	\$ 70.00
Contributions	\$ 47.00

Expenses:

Jan & Feb newsletter	\$ 213.00
Insurance	\$ 50.00
USPS	\$ 37.00
State of Utah	\$ 7.00
	\$ 307.00

Ending balance \$ 1,261.21

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