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Body Shop 101 by Dave Maxwell

Judging from the turn out at Dave Maxwell's January 15 tech session on rust repair panels, there is a lot of interest among club members on body work for our aging, rot-prone Britmobiles. In response, Dave has agreed to continue this series on Saturday November 19 with a discussion of the next stage in body work, focusing on fillers and preparation for painting. Dave calls this *Body Shop 101* --- for you Vo Tech guys and gals --- and will cover the proper way to mix and apply body fillers, the correct grit of abrasives to use, and the preparation of the surface for primers.

The venue will be the same: the APW Training Center at 157 West Burton Ave. (2360 So.). The session will begin at 10:30 a.m. and should last about two hours. Dave can be reached at 943-4803 (home), 259-1404 (cell), or email to dave@paintguys.com.

Notice:

As you all should know, the annual BMCU Business Meeting will be held in February 2006 where a new Board of Governors will be elected. It is never too early to begin thinking of who you would like to see leading the club in the coming year.

Also, we will begin purging the Autojumble next month. Drop a note if you want your ad to stay.

Fall Colour Tour to Monte Cristo



Great turnout— beautiful colour at the Monte Cristo run

A very good turnout of BMCU members met on Sunday October 2 at the Kaysville Park and Ride for a run up to Monte Cristo on a cold, windy, wintery day to enjoy the beautiful and varied colors of our mountains. Under the threat of rain, a total of 19 cars departed at 10:00 am (after putting most of the tops up) for our ride to Monte Cristo. We were unable to go through Weber canyon to Trappers Loop due to a wide load that had the entire east-bound traffic stopped. So we proceeded thru Ogden to Ogden canyon and on to Huntsville where we met two more brave souls from Brigham City at the Chevron station on highway 39. The bank weather signs in Ogden indicated a temperature in the mid 40's.

By the time we got to the top of

Monte Cristo the temperature had dropped probably into the mid to high 30's. We stopped at the Monte Cristo campground for a bite to eat and warm up at a campfire that some campers were kind enough to share with our group. From there, most people headed back to Huntsville for a late lunch or home to a warm house. It was a great ride with no mechanical problems and the weather did cooperate in that it did not rain.

In attendance were: Bob and Dixie

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Memories!

A GUY WHO DRIVES
A CAR WIDE OPEN
IS NOT THINKIN'
HE'S JUST HOPIN'

Burma Shave

Scary Time at BMCU End of Season Dinner, Saturday October 29



Ng family won for *Most Blatant Adaptation of a Registered Trademark*

This year's End of Season Dinner took a scary turn when it transmogrified into a Halloween Pot Luck Party at the Pivrottos'. BMCU attendees were re-enforced by other friends of Pugs and Diane, who (the friends, that is) were amply represented.

Seen in the crowd (after all, this was a costume party) were Pugs and Diane (of course), Floyd Inman, Mitch and Diane Johnson, Mark and Karen Bradakis, Gary and Sandy Lindstrom, Paul Ng and family, Rose Armstrong and Bill Brinn, and John Foye.

Costumes ranged from the automotive (Count and Countess Lucas "Prince and Princess of Darkness", a muffler and a car bra) to the topical (Scooter Libby), to the traditional (werewolves), to the down right scary, e.g., a hirsute nurse. Prizes were given in eight categories, picked to honor the winning costumes, e.g., the Ng family won for *Most Blatant*

Adaptation of a Registered Trademark. Several of the prizes were inspired by BMCU affinities -- for example, ask Mark Bradakis if the one he got is the best he's ever tasted.

Great food and drink were provided by the hosts and attendees, as well as live music by an impromptu guitar duo. All in all, it was an End of Season Dinner not soon to be forgotten.

Check Out The BMCU Forum

Hey! You folks should check into getting registered onto this forum website. It is small cozy and LOCAL to help us all out with local support. And we all need a little of that sometimes! It's easy, free and just getting started. <http://forums.britishmotorclub.org/>



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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November 19: Tech Session. See Page 1 for details.

January 14, 2006: Tech Session.

February, 2006: Annual Pot Luck and Business Meeting.

New Mexico MG TD and Trailer Stolen

On Sunday night, last (10-16-05), thieves cut through all of the security devices on Charles Beard's trailer and drove off with it in tow. Inside was Charles' 1952 MGTD. The TD is red/red and is in concourse condition. Gorgeous. The trailer is a Haulmark 14 foot, enclosed, white, with a 2 1/2 foot MG sign on the back tailgate door, dual axle.

Please be on the lookout for these items and notify the police asap if you see or suspect anything related to this incident. Please notify all your friends in other car clubs throughout the country and ask them also to be watchful. Charles had the trailer well protected but they managed to drive off with it anyway. Please review your own security and insurance coverage. It is sad that we have to have an incidence like this to remind ourselves how vulnerable is our hobby.

More Pictures from the Halloween Bash



Autojumble

For sale: 1958 Austin Healey Bugeye Sprite. Original condition. Full restoration project already underway. 1098cc motor with good compression. Unibody has good integrity, however some body panels have cosmetic damage. The bonnet is in excellent shape minus a few stress cracks over the wheel wells. New tires and a handful of other new parts available. I have many pictures to email if requested. Asking \$1,900. Please email inquiries to mac@tophatvisio.com or talk to Bob at 801-619-6469.

For sale: white 1980 TR7 convertible, about 91,000 miles. Convertible, with OK top, plus hardtop. Body and interior in good condition; recently rebuilt engine with UK pistons and carbs, plus hotter cam. Feel free to email/call with any questions. Offers considered. Not 100% original, but reasonably close. Call 706-0143, or email to hegg@unabled.com
 1975 MGB \$1000 O.B.O. Good body. Seats, door panels and carpet removed from interior. Front valance and bumpers removed but complete. Car runs but is tired. Good restoration project but I am out of time. Give me a call for more details. Joe, 801-766-1442.

Secure, dry automobile size storage space! \$47.00/month. Approx. 316 West 1050 South SLC. Call Jon at 801-583-5846, jonathan_hernance@atk.com.

Former U-HAUL tow dolly in fine shape. \$399. Can be seen at 316 Brooklyn Ave (3rd West, 1050 So., Cummins Diesel). jonathan_hernance@atk.com, 801-583-5846

1979 MG Midget; new tires, medium blue paint, needs some TLC. Call Dean Anderson at 801-966-6520

For Sale: 74 MG Midget, silver with black stripe. New top, interior, and paint. Converted to Nissan engine, reliable with good gas mileage. Call Clayton at 278-8160.

'77 Triumph Spitfire 1500, 86k miles, new interior, solid body. \$2,500. Call Mike Lundquist 571-2332 work, 673-8679 cell.

74 Triumph Spitfire 85% restored runs great, immaculate interior and dash with Pioneer stereo and speakers, all new suspension and tires new weber down draft carb and water pump, needs new paint contact. Rob Ellsworth at 381-9799.

Wanted: 1978 MG Midget parts car. Need cylinder head but may be interested in other parts or buying entire parts car. Call Jim Thornton 801-201-4985 or email jimt@secten.com.

Great Tip:

Don't Forget the Bounce!

Great Tip....Who woulda thought? The US Postal service sent out a message to all letter carriers to put a sheet of Bounce in their uniform pockets to keep yellow jackets away. The yellow jackets just veer around you.

And all this time you've! just been putting Bounce in the dryer!

It will chase ants away when you lay a sheet near them. It also repels mice. Spread them around foundation areas, or in trailers, cars that are sitting and it keeps mice from entering your vehicle. It takes the odor out of books and photo albums that don't get opened too often. Repels mosquitoes.

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Jahnke, Colin Jahnke and Jessica, Roger Dotson and Jamie Monroe, John and Barbara Progress, Paul and Liz Jaroch, Rob and Mary Foye, Marilyn and Kimmer Downing, Dan Forster, Mike and Sharon Bailey, Paul and Sara Ng, Clayton and Sharon Merchant, Michael and Mary Scoggins, Larry and Margaret Farrington, Patrick Gleason, Mike and Julie Schoonmaker, Jeff and Lyda Anderson, Craig and Brenton Welk, Roger and Jill Davis, and Mark and Karen Bradakis. Sorry if I missed anyone or misspelled their names; it was so cold people had a difficult time signing legibly. It was obvious by the attendance and the weather that a lot of people don't need much of an excuse to drive their LBC's. It was a great way to end our driving season and we all look forward to next year!

— John Progress

Exchequer Report

As of September 26, 2005

Beginning balance
(from last report) **\$2,023.19**

Income:

Contributions	\$ 44.00
Sales	\$ 35.00
Interest	\$.36
	\$ 79.36

Expenses:

Newsletter Expense	\$ 152.00
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Ending balance **\$1,950.55**

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