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## *Twentieth Consecutive Run of the Alpine Loop for the BMCU*

Saturday morning of August 11th was the beginning of a beautiful sunny day, perfect for a drive through the mountains above us.

Since its beginnings in 1988 the Alpine Loop has always been the BMCU's premier drive each summer. This year was the 20th time we got together (I checked twice, even took off my shoes to count!).

A small group started earlier and met at Mimi's Café for a nice breakfast and a chance to chat before meeting up for the drive. I was pleasantly surprised at the huge turn out despite regrets sent by several frequent attendees.

Mike Scoggins volunteered to take us on a "new" route up and over the foothill to

our meeting place in Alpine, and nobody got lost (just a few of us struggled on the steep hill).

Waiting for us in Alpine was a group nearly the size we started with and now we are one huge group! So after a quick pit (potty) stop we got the herd moving -- what a sight! After a nearly flawless (rumor has it that a Bugeye made an unscheduled stop?) run through the loop we arrived in Heber for picnicking and raffle drawings.

This year the Gov and Larry Bishop along with the lovely Paige Vanderniet did the raffling with a huge pile of donations collected by the Bishops, bolstered by the new twist of having "girly" gifts for our supporters who

prefer not to get greasy and turn wrenches -- rounded up by Mary Scoggins and Diane Johnson. Floyd was noticeably upset for not winning the bath salts!

The Gov recognized that there had been a suggestion to make something up for the 20th anniversary, but alas there was not enough time to do so. Thus it is proposed that we start on a design for the 25th anniversary run (T-shirt, dash plaque, hat pin or something) nothing too crazy, but nice. A great day with great folks and some amazing machines!

Attendees: Mitch & Diane Johnson, Patrick Gleason, David Spendlove, Bob Jahnke, Bill Beecher, Jim Stover, Rachel Tso, Martin Van Nood, Jon Zarembo, Larry & Stephanie Farrington, Rick & Gwen Hughes, Susan, Jon & Laura Hermance, Mike & Mary Scoggins, Mike & Becky Chambers, Kevin & Marie Cowan, Brad Parkin, Keith Fuller, Dawn & Kimberly Owens, Larry Bishop, Rob Foye, Tom Temple, Terry Rees, Rudy & Karyn Vanderniet & Family, Steven G. Nelson, Roger & Jill Davis, Clayton & Sharon Merchant, Barry & Denise Blackett, Duff Lawson, Ray Lawson, Chris Dunbeck, John Progress, Floyd & Kathy Inman, Doug & Ilene Wimer, Andrew Frink, Roger Dotson, Rob & Carol McGill, Bob & Pat Markmann, Bob & Valerie Lux, Steve Miller & Mary Rook.

--Mitch Johnson

**Cautious rider  
To her  
Reckless dear  
Let's have less bull  
And lots more steer  
-- Burma-Shave 1951**

## State Street Cruise and Dairy Queen Extravaganza

Well, here it is late in August and the high temp today was 78. And so begins the Utah Countdown to fall that I hear about every year. That means it's time to gather for our yearly trundle south from the state capitol and under the great seagull for a little roadster music and the aroma of 50 weight in the air.

Come join us on Saturday afternoon September 22nd at 5:30 for a 6:00 pm departure for this leisurely jaunt south on State

Street to Joe Chou's Dairy Queen in Sandy. Meet at the Capitol, north east side just south of 500 N. & Capitol Blvd. in the Employees' Lot if available, on the street overlooking Memory Grove Park if not. An end of summer, early evening in town cruise to a drive-in ... what could be finer? "Yes, I'll have fries with that."

-- Paul Jaroch, 801-710-8796



### 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 year's complete schedule and latest information.

[www.britishmotorclub.org/lucas.html](http://www.britishmotorclub.org/lucas.html)

**Sept. 3:** Miners Day Parade, Park City, Floyd Inman, 435-654-7086. See article on p. 6.

**Sept. 22:** State Street Cruise and Dairy Queen Extravaganza, Paul Jaroch 801-710-8796 and Joe Chou. See article on this page.

**Sept. 30:** Fall Colour Tour. Gary Lindstrom, 801-532-1259. See article on this page.

**Oct. 11-13:** Trimphest 2007, Laughlin, NV. Mitch Johnson, 801-547-1087.

**Oct. 27:** End of Season Dinner. Pugs and Diane Piviroto, 801-486-0547.

**Nov. 17:** Tech Session. TBD

**December:** Holiday Get Together. TBD.

**Jan. 12:** Tech Session. TBD.

**Feb.** Annual Meeting and Potluck Dinner. TBD.

but rewarding day, with only 25 freeway miles each way.

It's always a gamble when the Gambol (Oak, that is) will be most colourful, but the end of September is a good bet. Watch your email, or call me, if there are any weather concerns. This time of year can be Indian Summer or Russian Winter in the Uintahs. And don't forget \$3 for the national forest recreation fee, plus warm and rain clothes!

## Fall Colour Tour Sunday, September 30



Mirror Lake

UTC

Creek Junction Sinclair station on the north side of the I-80—US40 junction. Folks originating outside Salt Lake County are welcome to meet us there, about 9:45am Lucas Time.

Next we'll take I-80 to the Wanship exit (155), and take SR32 through Peoa, Oakley, and Marion to Kamas, which will be the provisioning spot for those who didn't bring a picnic lunch from home.

Then we'll turn east onto SR150, the famous Mirror Lake Highway. From Kamas it's 32 scenic miles to Mirror Lake, where there are ample picnic tables near the lake. Along the way we'll traverse Bald Mountain Pass at 10,620 ft. Mirror Lake will be our turn around point, 80 miles from our starting point at Hogle Zoo.

Depending on group size, we may divide into two groups for the return to take advantage of some scenic stops with limited parking on the way back. High on the list are the Bald Mountain Overlook (14 parking spaces), and Upper Provo River Falls (23 spaces). Then we'll retrace our path back to I-80, and home. It stacks up to be a full

The frost will soon be on the pumpkins, so it's time for the BMCU to do our annual Fall Colour Tour. For many years the traditional run has been the Nebo Loop, which is always spectacular. However this summer the Nebo area was struck by wildfires to the extent that we're targeting a different area this year — Mirror Lake in the Uintah mountains.

This is one of the most spectacular drives in Northern Utah, and should be equally beautiful. We'll rendezvous at Hogle Zoo, just east of Foothill Blvd on Emigration Canyon Rd. (Sunnyside Ave.) at 8:30am for a 9am departure.

We'll head up Emigration Canyon to I-80, and then to a rest stop at the Silver





Bob and Bev Wadman's Jaguar Mark II sedan  
Wows 'em at the Ogden Valley Balloon Festival car show

## Ogden Valley Balloon Festival Car Show Saturday August 18

As the old saw goes, be careful what you wish for. Someone wished for cool weather for the Ogden Valley Balloon Festival Car Show, and we got clouds, rain, sun, clouds, rain, sun, ...

In any case, this car show, organized by new club member Roland Held, was small, eclectic, and lots of fun.

Roland is a car carrying member of the Wasatch Mountain Jaguar Register, and owner of Jagzilla, the star of British Field Day, composed of components from Jaguars, Dodges, wheel barrows, Desert Industries cooking utensils, and other items put out to the curb for the annual clean up days in Eden, UT.

Jim Revel made a big splash showing around photos of his new acquisition, a beautiful battleship grey with red 1952 Jaguar XK120 open two seater (roadster, for you Yanks) — see featured car on p. 6.

As might be expected, turn out by WMJR members was solid, but BMCU-ers carried our flag, and a few outsiders showed American iron of various stripes and vintages.

Notable among the latter was an American Bantam car, built in Butler PA in the 1930's. People's Choice winner was a 1950's Plymouth Belvedere very clean and dressed with chrome -- didn't some Detroit car maker comment once "Everyone's favorite color is chrome"?

Attendees from the BMCU and WMJR included Bob and Joan Green, John Progress, Jim and Susan Revel, Tim and Susan Furner, Dan and Judi Schweikert, Mike and Susie Cady, J. and Kay Jennings, Bob and Bev Wadman, Sandy, Roland and Albert Held, John and Liz Green, Duane and LeAnn Allred, Glen and Joy Hawkins, and your obedient scribe.

--Gary Lindstrom

## Autojumble

**For sale:** I've decided that it is time to sell my beloved Tillie. She's a sweet '67 SWB Series 2A Land Rover. If you, or anyone you know, is interested drop me an email. I have photos I can send you and if you are in the market for a great 4WD vehicle you are welcome to come check her out. Hazel McKenna, [hazel.mckenna@gmail.com](mailto:hazel.mckenna@gmail.com).

**For sale:** Movie Star Mags for your MGB. These wheels and tires (205/50/14) were used in the filming of a locally made movie that featured an MGB. They have less than 50 miles on them so are in as new condition. Original cost was \$1200.00. Asking \$600.00 or offers. Please contact Hafdis at 801-949-4073. Photo on <http://www.britishmotorclub.org/sales.html>.

**1970 MG BGT For Sale.** Fully restored in 1997 and garaged since. Excellent running condition, show quality. Overdrive (in 3rd and 4th gear). Beautiful paint, straight body, only surface rust on very few underside places. Interior is clean with excellent seats. Has served as my daily driver. Some non-original modifications were made during restoration: paint color; soft vinyl on the seats isn't original style but of very high quality (most think its leather); Weber carb (original functioning SUs come with sale); larger new headers and manifold; steering wheel; and Minilite wheels. All else is stock. Reason for selling: I need a TR6. \$9,900 or best offer. Call Chuck at 801-910-2263.

**For sale:** MGB aftermarket hardtop, good glass and rear seal, door seals tired, \$125. MGB rubber bumper disc wheel rear axle complete with sway bar, offer. MGB rubber bumper front suspension subframe, clean, offer. 4 synchro non-OD tranny, \$100. Complete '73 GT cloth/vinyl Navy seat set with headrests, offer. Disassembled but complete '65 5-main short block in good shape, offer. 4 usable 60 spoke wire wheels with tires mounted, no loose spokes, offer. Mike, 435-640-0451 [odernheimer@juno.com](mailto:odernheimer@juno.com)

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## Senior Citizens Concours August 25 at Thanksgiving Point

It's been six years since this premier concours event was held *al fresco* as it was for countless years on the University of Utah campus. That venue became unavailable due to retirement of Randy Turpin, VP of Facilities -- who is a car buff himself -- plus calendar change to semesters with an earlier academic year start date, and of course, perpetual construction at our flagship state university.

For several years the organizers tried a multi-day inside event at South Towne Expo Center in Sandy, but this proved to be expensive and unpopular with car owners. So, in this the 36th edition, the organizers decided to take the small risk on weather and hold it at the Electric Park Fairgrounds at Thanksgiving Point.

By all measures it was a big success, with over 350 cars on show, including over 90 Corvettes! In fact, the local Corvette owner's club created a spectacular display called *Corvette Evolution*, which featured a car from every model year in which Corvettes were sold, from 1953 to 2008. Note the qualification on the above statement, since it turns out that no Corvettes were sold in 1983, due to design and production problems. Most impressively, every car in the evolution display was from Utah!

As usual, there was a fine turn out of true classics -- Auburns, Cords, Packards, and

even a Hupmobile and a Kissel speedster owned by BMCUer DeWayne Ashmead, which took a first place.

British cars were well represented, with MGs, Jaguars, Loti (plural of Lotus?), Austin Healeys, a DeLorean, and even a Daimler. Strangely enough no Triumphs were spotted -- a fact offered as a challenge to owners of that marque for next year. The local Ferrari club graced the event with a stop on one of their outings -- no doubt a champagne and caviar run -- but did not compete in the concours.

A special feature this year was a display of military vehicles -- some from the National Guard, and some from private collectors. Especially impressive was Sid Horman's Daimler Fernet, which is a small armored assault vehicle carrying one or two brave soldiers. On its display sheet was the annotation "Special Features: Shoots Guns".

Another crowd pleaser was a 1954 GMC TDM-4515 bus, beautifully restored in Salt Lake Coach Lines livery. BMCUers in attendance doffed their hats for the ambition of the owner to undertake a project of that magnitude (and quixotic -- if that's a word?).

The venue brought memories of Scottish Game shows in past years -- but

mercifully sans bagpipes (spoken by a recovering former pipe band member). The weather was sunny and hot, but with a nice breeze to keep down the heat. Those who brought chairs, umbrellas and sunscreen were grateful they did.

Due to the broad draw for this event, the relevant classes for BMCU members lumped entries into *Foreign 1954 And Earlier*, and *Foreign 1955 and Later*. First place winner in the earlier class was Art Pasker with his spectacular 1950 Jaguar Mark V Drop Head Coupe, while the later class was won by Jack Elder's flawless XK150 Open Two Seater.

Many BMCU members volunteered for the event, especially in the thankless role of judge.

There is a trophy awarded to the car club with the best representation at the event, which BMCU should consider trying for next year (the Corvette club clearly deserved it this year!). Despite the event's name, there are actually two charitable beneficiaries -- the Salt Lake County Senior Citizens Centers, and the Thanksgiving Point Children's Museum. Committee and BMCU member Ron Gunderson explained the change: rather than charging customary fees for use of Electric Park, Thanksgiving Point partnered 50-50 with the event organizers, which greatly reduced costs and risks, e.g., in the case of inclement weather.

Seen in the crowd were John Progress, J. and Kay Jennings, Clayton Merchant, Art Pasker, Mike Cady, Duane Allred, Jim Revel, Mike Lundquist, Keith Gardner, Ron Gunderson, Larry and Mary Bishop, Rob Green, Bob Green, Jack Elder, and your obedient scribe.

--Gary Lindstrom

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# Rotary Teton Hillclimb Grand Targhee Resort September 8-9

The annual Rotary Teton Hillclimb race is held on the access road to the Grand Targhee Resort, located near Alta, Wyoming and Driggs, Idaho. The lodges, pit area, and race headquarters are all located at the top of the course, making Grand Targhee Resort an excellent host facility for the hillclimb race.

The race course is an 8 turn, 2 mile section of full two lane, recently paved, excellent road that climbs 500 feet in elevation, ending near the Grand Targhee Resort with the finish line elevation at approximately 8000 feet. Some corners are protected with guardrails or dirt embankments, but there is significant exposure on the last several corners.

The race will be run with cars in assigned race groups, as the road must be open for local traffic and public access every 30 minutes. Our goal is to accomplish 6 to 8 safe, timed runs for all drivers, depending on weather.

The hillclimb race is open to cars competing in approximately 30 classes, including street cars, open wheel formula cars, production based road race cars, and modified sports cars. Race entry is limited to 60 drivers.

A fun and delicious Saturday night buffet dinner will be available at Grand Targhee Resort. There is no fuel, auto parts, etc. available at the race site. Auto services are available in the town of Driggs, Idaho, approximately ten miles from the resort.

The Rotary Teton Hillclimb is organized and staffed by the Rotary Club of Teton Valley with the assistance of the Eastern Idaho Sports Car Club, and is sanctioned by the Northwest Hillclimb Association. If you have a good time at this event, please let these people know. If you have complaints, let us know so that we can improve the race next year. As always, safety first, and have a great time.

If you are interested in sports cars and/or hillclimbs but do not want to race, please consider becoming a volunteer corner worker and enjoy the weekend watching great cars and racing in the mountains. Corner workers do get the best seats to see the race!

The funds raised by the Rotary Club of Teton Valley will be primarily used to support our scholarship program for deserving high school seniors. Our goal is to enjoy the cars, have fun racing, enjoy the fellowship of the racers and their families and good food in the evenings. What a great way to end the Northwest Hillclimb season, please come and enjoy it with us!

— John Hansford , Event Chairman

Complete information and entry forms can be obtained:

- On <http://www.teton-hillclimb.org>
- By calling John Hansford at 800-320-0527 or 208-456-2560
- By email to [HANS-](mailto:HANS-)

## Autojumble Cont'd from p. 3

**1966 MG:** 100% ORIGINAL chrome bumper Model MGB. No rust. Dark Garnet in color, tan top, red interior. Almost fully restored new carpet and top. Needs work on carburetors. New items: convertible top, king pins, rear end, tires, oil pump, carburetors rebuilt but seals dried out, major tune items, seat/upholstery (autumn leaf color), battery, shock absorber, brakes, front wheels (real wire spoke knock off). All front end bushings-upgraded poly. If interested called 643-9206.

**For sale:** Lime green MG Midget 1500; 4 MGB SU carbs good shape \$75.00; BGT tail light lenses \$5.00 each; early MGB clutch and Flywheel \$50.00; 3 MG steering wheels, 1 is a custom wheel w/ mg center cap \$25.00 each; 1500 SU intake manifold, and exhaust manifold \$75.00; 2 MGB SU manifolds \$50 each; MGB lever arm shocks \$25 each; MGB exhaust manifold. \$25; 1500 Spitfire midget Stromberg carb and manifold, great running shape, with filter \$50.00; MGB GT Weber carb, manifold, and KN \$150.00; early MGB starter \$25. Lane Farka 801-390-9757, [mightymg@hotmail.com](mailto:mightymg@hotmail.com)

**1973 MGB** Owned since 1974. Body work done, no rust, partially in primer (originally red), one dent from a tree branch, broken windscreen. Engine tired but runs. Interior black, racked dash. Asking \$1,500. David Pendell, 801-ART-1706, [davidann@uofu.net](mailto:davidann@uofu.net).

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- By mail at: Rotary Teton Hillclimb, c/o Drawknife Billiards, 516 North Highway 33, Teton, ID 83452.

The Rotary Teton Hillclimb is sanctioned by the Northwest Hillclimb Association, and held under the NHA rules and car classifications.

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## Exchequer Report

As of August 29, 2007

**Balance last report \$2,874.70**

### Income

Alpine Loop Raffle 496.00

### Expenses

Newsletter 76.88

**Ending balance \$3,293.82**



### This Month's Featured Member Car

Jim Revel's 1953 Jaguar XK120 Open Two Seater  
Recently acquired from Gordon Craig of Park City

## Miners Day September 3

*Editor's note: this is an update to the article on this event run in the August newsletter.*

For all BMCU members coming up for the parade: We will once again meet at the top of Main Street around 9:30 to 10:00 AM

This is from the Rotary Club regarding complete day schedule.

*Good morning. The parade is fast approaching. I just wanted you to know that we have received your application. Here is the day's schedule:*

- 7:00am Pancake breakfast in City Park
- 9:00am Funky Five-K Fun Run - City Park to Main Street
- 10:45am Running of the Balls on

### Main Street - Lots of Fun!

- 11:00am Flying of USAF Steadman plane over Park City and Main Street
- 11:15am Main Street Parade - Down Main Street to City Park - we always start late as is tradition living in Park City - Its a great funky parade of locals!!!
- 12:00 noon Motherlode Canyon Band playing in the Park with games for the kids, food and drink
- 1:30pm Mucking and Drilling Event - the finish and the best of the day with actual history and competitions of mucking and drilling with Miners from around the intermountain west - a great event to learn the history of Park City's past!

See you there!

— Floyd Inman

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