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FIRST B M C U DRIVING EVENT FOR 2011

"THE 127TH ANNUAL GRANTSVILLE OLD FOLKS SOCIABLE" CAR SHOW

THIS SATURDAY—MARCH 19TH

The first driving event of the 2011 BMCU calendar will be March 19th. This is the second time that the club will participate in this the 127th Annual Grantsville Old Folks Sociable.

Registration is free again this year and begins at 9:00 A.M. at the Grantsville High School located at 155 Cowboy Drive, Grantsville, UT. The show runs from 11 A.M. to 4 P.M. There will be Dash Plaques, Raffle Drawings, Sponsor Choice Awards and of course music and food.

Those who participated in the event last year will remember that there was a Poker Rally. That's not happening this year, instead...

there will be a parade lap at Miller Motorsports Park. I have to caution, this is only tentative because details were still being worked out when I spoke to one of the organizers, but that is the plan!

Bonus!

If you haven't had the opportunity to drive your LBC on this race track, here may be your best chance. It's a real kick in the a** even if you can't go as fast as you would like to!

You can contact me if I have missed some details but there is no actual event sponsor this year.

This is just a show up by what ever route you choose and someone will direct you

to a parking space, type of event.

Obviously weather is a significant factor for an event this early in the year.

I will send out an update when there are two days to go. Ultimately, of course, the choice is yours, at what point for you does it stop being fun to drive your British car?

Cross your fingers everybody—this is an event that will be a lot of fun to attend, if the weather goes our way. See you there.

GGDuff

*See page 4 for directions to Grantsville H.S.

Last year's Grantsville Sociable Car Show...

...some of the LBC contingent!



Minutes of the February 2011 BMCU Planning Dinner.

The meeting at the new venue, the Columbus Center, was called to order by the Governor General Duff Lawson. The first order of business involved revoluting by the current board members/club officers to continue those functions for the next year. The reelection was held without objection. Duff brought up the need for a BMCU Historian. A search is underway.

Marty Van Nood provided the Exchequer report. The club reserve is down a bit from last year; approximately \$400 while inventory of regalia is up. It was mentioned we could always use more contributions. The report was accepted.

A related discussion followed regarding prices for regalia such as badges, shirts etc. Factors discussed included pros and cons of pricing in terms of: profit vs. at cost to members; rounding to dollar value to reduce problems of making change, etc. It was decided to "leave it alone" and continue with the

current pricing approach.

A discussion of website links and endorsements was held.

It was decided there would be no endorsements of products or services on the BMCU website. The general feeling of the members present reiterated the importance of privacy and freedom from spam and related email junk.

A discussion was held on desirability/possibility of allowing the BMCU email to carry attachments and photos. Drew Frink and Mark Bradakis will investigate the options. These options will include getting the club newsletter directly with email rather than having to download from the website. Duff led the event planning/calendar discussion. A Lucas Calendar will be finalized and will be available shortly. The first club event will be March 19th at the 127th Grantsville Old Folks Sociable Car Show in Grantsville, UT. Details will be forth coming.

This year there will be a mix

of traditional driving events as well as some new ones – stay tuned.

The meeting was adjourned.

Those in attendance were: Marty VanNood, Paul Jaroch, David Christensen, Ron Christensen, Mitch and Diane Johnson, Clayton and Sharon Merchant, Rich Weyland and Emma, Don and Necia Christensen, Rob Norcross, Bob and Sharon Gatenby, Terry and Lien Rees, Roger and Jill Davis, Marie and Kevin Cowan, Duff Lawson Chris Dumbek Andrew Frink, Barry Engstrum, Mark Bradakis, and Rob Foye.



The Columbus Center. Located at 2531 South and 400 East in South Salt Lake City



**See Paul Jaroch for the best BMCU Regalia
You do want to look your best in your LBC!**

Other news possibly of interest to British motor car owners...

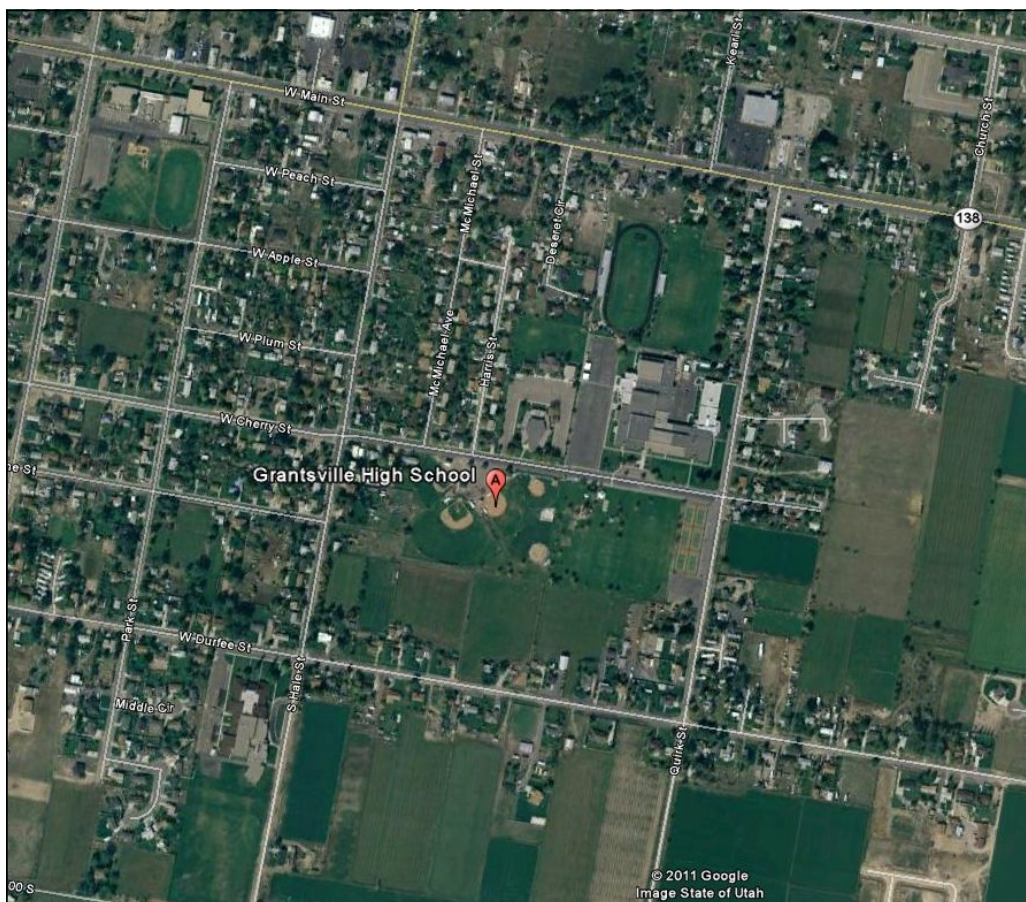
The Union Jack news (www.ujnews.com) recently headlined “Check the Mailbox: Royal Wedding Invites Posted.” I did, I wasn’t. That frees up Friday, April 29th for a drive. I wish Prince William and Kate all the best.

Other UJ car news, “TVs *Top Gear* Causes Outrage.” Apparently the hosts of the BBC car show made statements the Mexican ambassador to GB found offensive. The *Top Gear* hosts regularly insult everyone and everything, including each other. BBC America will not air the controversial comments.

The “Great British Cars” section by Car Man Phil noted two important anniversaries this year. First the “Spirit of Ecstasy” is 100 years old. A centenary celebration along the Thames took place in which over a hundred Rolls Royce’s joined in a celebratory drive to commemorate Eleanor, the goddess/hood ornament known as the Spirit of Ecstasy. So if you have a 100 year old Rolls Royce, or even a newer one, happy anniversary from all of us.

Second, 2011 is the 50th anniversary of the introduction of the Jaguar E-Type. Happy anniversary to E-Types as well. I’d like to have either or both in my driveway.

Other news, the Home Office confirmed that pubs in England and Wales will be able to stay open longer for the Royal wedding.



Grantsville Car Show

Grantsville H.S.
Can be reached off
HWY 138 in Grants-
ville (Main St).

Apparently Cowboy
Dr. and Cherry St. are
essentially the same
in that area.

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Lucas Calendar

March 19: Grantsville Car Show

Updated Calendar with confirmed dates to be issued shortly.

The **British Motor Club of Utah** welcomes anyone who owns or is a fan of classic British cars and trucks. Membership is free. If you are not a member and would like to join, go to our Contact page and let us know!

<http://britishmotorclub.org>

If you would like to attend any of our events, you must adhere to the following rules:

1. Show Up!
2. Have fun!

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