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OCTOBER – LAST RUN 2012! **MIRROR LAKE RUN IN THE UINTAS** **SUNDAY OCTOBER 7 (14TH RAIN DATE) 2012**

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS ONE OF OUR FEW SUNDAY DRIVES, to give some of our members who work on Saturday a chance to join in.

We'll meet at Hogle Zoo (end of the parking lot nearest the mouth of Emigration Canyon) at 9:00 am for a 9:30 departure through Emigration Canyon, proceeding East on I-80 we will have a secondary rendezvous at Silver Creek Junction exit 146 (after you exit go left over I-80) at a Sinclair Gas station around 10:00, leaving at 10:30.

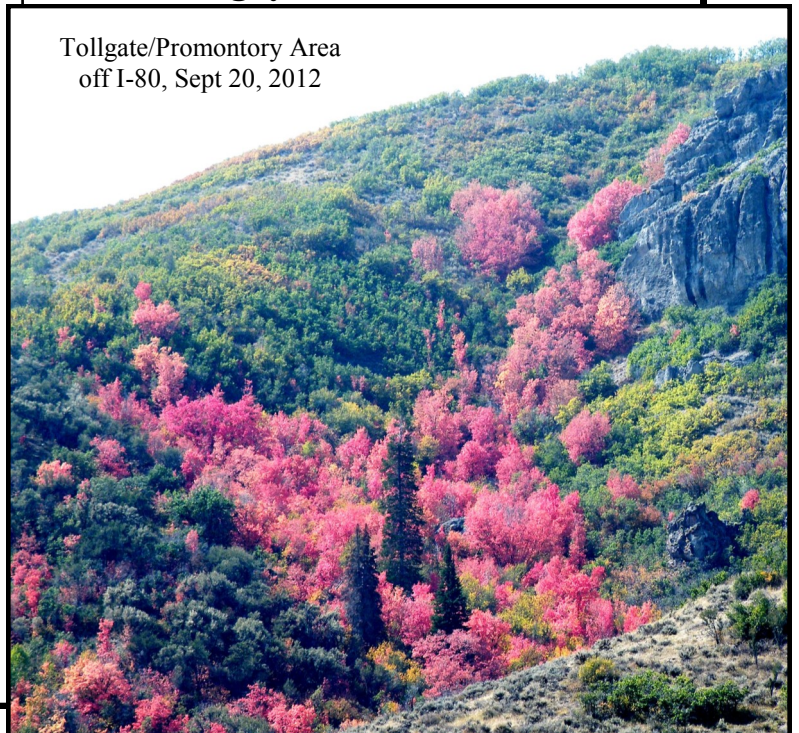
Proceeding on Highway 40 towards Heber we will turn off on SR-248 into Kamas where we'll pick up SR-150 to head up over the pass. decided on a picnic lunch for the Fall Color tour next weekend. Each car will need to pay to enter the area -- \$3 per car (\$1.50 for some seniors, some folks with a senior pass may be free). Bring exact change, as the fee booth isn't always manned and we may need to use the self-service envelopes.

I found us a nice picnic spot in Soapstone Basin. Very pretty spot, but we will need to bring chairs/blankets for eating as there are no picnic tables (restrooms are available). I always like a nice picnic.

http://www.fs.fed.us/wcnf/unit/kamas/mirror_lake_rec_demo.shtml

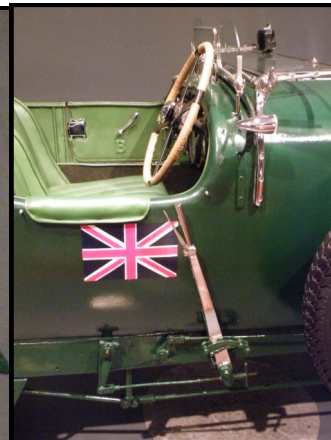
**-Drew Frink
BMCU web guy**

**Tollgate/Promontory Area
off I-80, Sept 20, 2012**





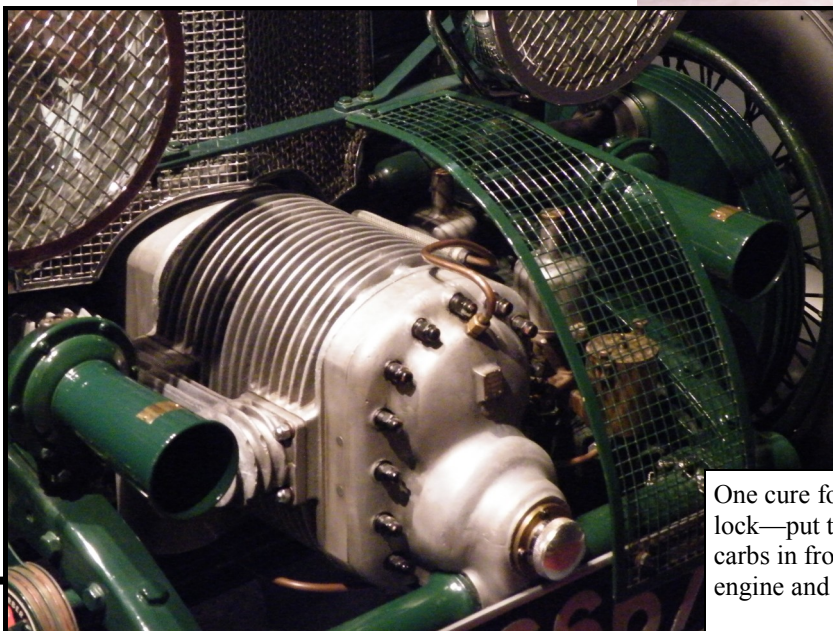
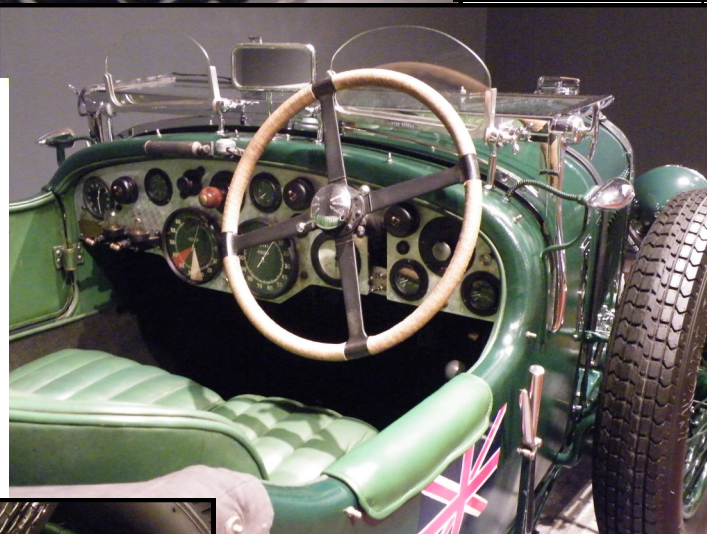
I hope everyone had a chance to see the Speed exhibit. I kept procrastinating and went the last day.



The number of the early non-British cars with RHD was amazing.

1931 4½-Litre "Blower" Bentley

ENGINE TYPE	4.5-liter SOHC Supercharged in-line 4-cylinder
HORSEPOWER	182 hp @ 3,900 rpm
TRANSMISSION	4-speed manual close-ratio
TOP SPEED	138 mph
WHEELBASE	130 inches
SUSPENSION	Front: solid axle, semi-elliptic leaf springs Rear: solid axle, semi-elliptic leaf springs
WEIGHT	3,810 lbs
COACHWORK	An original "Blower" Bentley, with a Gurney-Nutting drophead coupe body, this car was accurately rebodied as a Birkin Team "Blower" Le Mans Tourer.
NOTES	W.O. Bentley preferred larger displacement engines for endurance racing. He didn't approve of the "Blower" models, which were independently financed by a wealthy Lady patron.

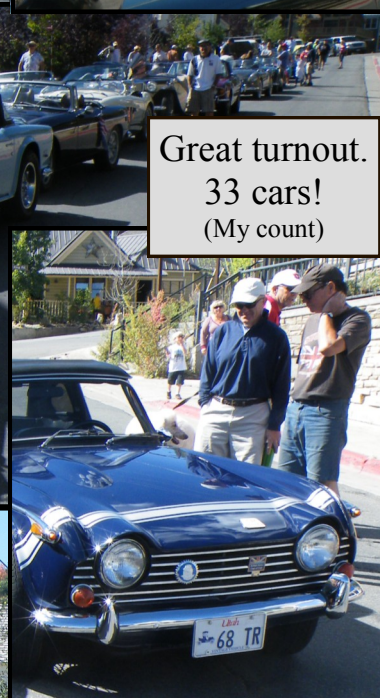


One cure for vapor lock—put those carbs in front of the engine and radiator!





Great turnout.
33 cars!
(My count)



Jag and Stag



Biplane flyover

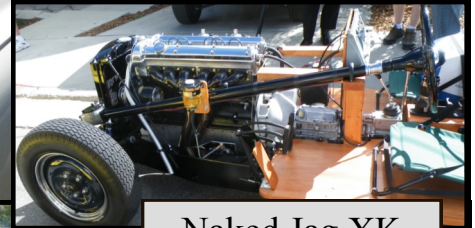




Plenty of reserved parking at the Park



British car show



Crowds at the Park



Naked Jag XK



Post-parade



Jerry of MGTD fame organized the Mt. Nebo Loop drive September 15th. There were but four cars: Rich's TR250, Roger's MGB, Jerry's MGTD, and my Elise. There were eight people all together.

We traveled south on Redwood Rd through Saratoga Springs, then past Camp Williams and west of Utah Lake on to Elberta. We headed eastward to Goshen, then south to Nephi. Headed north along these roads were many dozens and perhaps a few hundred cyclists. We stopped in Nephi briefly at Reeds Drive Inn, then headed up Salt Creek Road to the Nebo Loop Road. A few cows were jay-walking, but were hardly a nuisance. There were many cattlemen along the way hauling trailers up to fetch the cows to bring them down to lower range for the winter.

We stopped again at Payson Lakes and ate picnic lunches around a table and talked about little British cars, car shows, travel, old times, wildlife, and my wife's grandmother's recipe book that she prepared for her extended family.

After a very pleasant lunch, we descended to Payson where we waved our good-byes and parted paths. The weather was lovely, the company was friendly and interesting, the cars ran well despite a small problem with Jerry's TD that went away as mysteriously as it came, and the scenery was spectacular.

It was a great event and all who missed it should be kicking themselves for missing out.

Write-up and Photos
by Bruce Oblad



The **National Highway Traffic Safety Administration** published the 2010 final theft data in the Federal Register September 21, 2012. This covers thefts of model year 2010 passenger motor vehicles that occurred in calendar year 2010. The rate is the number stolen per 1000 vehicles of that model produced.

The Dodge Charger far and away led the pack with 6.04 stolen per 1000 produced.

“**British cars**” were down the list with **Jaguar Land Rover XK/XKR** showing up at 82nd on the list of 225 at a rate of 0.909 (2 stolen of 2,198 produced).

One **Bentley Continental** of the 1,249 produced was stolen for a rate of 0.80.

None of the **Rolls Royce**, **Lotus Elise**, or **Aston Martins** produced that year were stolen. Fortunately the one Maybach 57 produced was not stolen. Try to sell that on KSL.



Anybody can write an article, take some pictures, start a discussion forum, ask a question, or.....

Email your stuff to me, the editor, at robbfoye@gmail.com.
Let's hear from all you Lois Lanes, Jimmy Olsens, even Clark Kents.

PS. If you wear the outfit, please turn off the webcam. Thanks.

Lucas Calendar

May 5, 2012: Visit Dr. Hoopes' TS1LO, the first Triumph sports car.

May 19, 2012: Annual Antelope Island Run

May 26—27, 2012: Annual Memorial Day Drive, Moab, UT

June 9, 2012: Economy Run, Salt Lake City

June 16, 2012: British Field Day, Liberty Park, Salt Lake City

July 15, 2012: Trappers Loop Run, UT

August 4, 2012: Twice over the Oquirrh, Tooele, UT

August 18, 2012: Alpine Loop,

September 3, 2012: Miners' Day Parade, Park City, UT

October 7 (14th rain date): Mirror Lake Run, UT

November 10, 2012: End of Season Dinner, Bohemian Restaurant

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://BMCUTAH.org>

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

1. Show Up!
2. Have fun!

Please send ideas, suggestions, comments, articles, and/or photos for the BMCU Newsletter to robbfoye@gmail.com

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Remember the “End of Season Dinner”
Saturday, November 10, 2012
At the Bohemian Restaurant