



Wyres & Tyres

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF BRITISH CAR ENTHUSIASTS

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - MONDAY MAY 15 at 7PM at
LEONARD'S LEAN RIBS on FOX PLAZA DRIVE

THE APRIL MEETING

Was held on April 17. Our own Glenn Sipe made this month's presentation. Glenn, an SVRA (that's Sportscar Vintage Racing Association) member and racer of national reknown, related the history of SVRA and showed a video on last January's event on Grand Bahama Island; the Bahama Speed Week Vintage Races. Glenn says this event is a real happening, and is THE place to be if you follow vintage racing. He also solicited membership in SVRA; it's \$30.00 per year for non racers; \$50.00 if you want to tear up the track. Anyway, all members receive a bi-monthly color magazine that's worth the membership fee.

THE COTTON CARNIVAL GRAND CARNIVAL PARADE

Was held on April 21, and BSCC, taking its rightful place in society, provided cars to parade some of the City and Carnival bigwigs. Midst all this hoopla and gala was our crew of krewes: George and Bette Callow, Lamar and Nina McQuirter, Jon Brody, Jack and Janey Reynolds, Hiram and Carolyn Shepard, Charlie and Doris Roberts, and Barry Coker (wife Linda had been under surgeon's knife; get well soon!) & Grant Bales.

This is yet another example of high visibility for our club, and we thank all the guys and gals for their time and effort.

THE ANNUAL SOUTHAVEN CAR SHOW

Was held on April 22, and was well represented by BSCC. This event has traditionally been a street rod stronghold, but a foreign class was added this year. BSCC quickly jumped on this with 13 entries, and walked away with both awards presented in the class. Hiram Shepard took first place with his E type, and George Pettech garnered second with his Morgan 3 wheeler.

Serving as a show official and PA announcer was our Randy "Mr. Microphone" Balough, pattering like a pro DJ. But, he gave the club many good plugs so we forgive him, especially since he donated some door prizes. So did Charlie Roberts. Last, but not least, thanks to Jimmy Jones (a big wheel organiser of the event) for his fine efforts in this charitable show.

MG ROAD RUN AND PICNIC

Took place on April 23. Meeting at Southland Mall, some 40 folks played follow the marquee leader Bill Branson on a scenic route to Sardis Lake, where a big feed was furnished by the club. All this added up to some big time fun.

Anybody at the April meeting remember when Jack Reynolds asked whether this would be a high speed run, cause if it wasn't he'd drive his TD? The answer was nah, only about 45mph. Folks, he showed up in his MGB, so we now know what constitutes a high speed run for MG "T" series!

Jon "Dr. Tuneup" Brody did a diagnosis on Charlie Roberts' XK150 and held an impromptu tech session (for all who would listen or could'nt get away) on fine tuning SU carbs. Charlie said the car ran beautifully coming home, and those riding behind him said he did a darn fine job of fogging mosquitoes.

THE VICKSBURG EMPIRE TROPHY RUN

Was held on May 6 and 7. George and Bette Callow were our only participants (in George's MGA), but how many cars does it take to win the trophy? Yep, he dusted off all competition and won the trophy outright. This event, sponsored by the Jackson club, is always a fun time never lacking in good ole Mississippi hospitality. Hope we can make a better showing next year.

This report was received just before press time, and is a little sketchy; maybe we can give a more complete report next issue.

TAKE ME TO YOUR LEADER

Elwood P. Suggins is one of the characters created by comedian Jonathan Winters. In one of Winters' skits some space aliens have landed, encountered Suggins all alone, and asked him to take them to his leader. Well, he didn't, and they departed without their presence being discovered. Suggins later related this meeting, and was asked why in the world he failed to honor their request. He didn't take them because, he said, "I didn't know who my leader wuz".

In case you have misplaced your list of 1989 officers and don't want to be put in Elwood P. Suggins' shoes, here is another copy.

BRITISH SPORTS CAR CLUB, LTD.

OFFICERS FOR 1989

PRESIDENT - George Callow
1629 Eastmorland
Memphis, TN 38104
(901) 274-4412

VICE PRESIDENT - Hiram Shepard
7870 Cross Ridge Dr.
Germantown, TN. 38138
(901) 754-0538

TREASURER - Jack Reynolds
8377 Dogwood Rd.
Germantown, TN 38138
(901) 754-9889

RECORDING SECRETARY - Janey Reynolds
8377 Dogwood Rd.
Germantown, TN 38138
(901) 754-9889

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY - Janis Anderson
1398 Agnes Pl.
Memphis, TN 38104
(901) 274-2952

HISTORIAN - George Petech
8970 Hillman Way
Memphis, TN 38134
(901) 377-7607

MG MARQUE LEADER - Bill Branson
6914 Foxhedge
Memphis, TN 38115
(901) 794-0034

JAGUAR MARQUE LEADER - Jon Brody
1285 Stage Ave.
Memphis, TN 38127
(901) 353-9654

AUSTIN HEALEY MARQUE LEADER -
Jim Hofer
1705 Autumn
Memphis, TN 38112
(901) 278-1565

TRIUMPH MARQUE LEADER - David Wilcox
5266 Lexington Ave.
Memphis, TN 38119
(901) 685-7174

EMPIRE MARQUE LEADER -
Charles Roberts
5425 Finchwood
Memphis, TN 38115
(901) 368-5090

MOTORCYCLE MARQUE LEADER -
Leo Goff
4258 Tutwiler
Memphis, TN 38122
(901) 685-6423

SVRA RACES AT THE MEMPHIS MOTORSPORTS PARK

This should get to you in time as a final reminder of the vintage races on Saturday and Sunday, May 13 and 14. We hope our worker participation will help make this event a successful one. Come on out, bring your car to display, and take it for a few turns around the track.

WANTS AND GOTS

WANTED: Intake manifold for 1969 series II Jag. Jerry Duncan 756-3883

WANTED: 1973-1976 TR6 for \$2000 to \$2700. Mike Wallace 526 Hawkins Rd. Clarksville TN 37040
615 552-2044

WANTED: MGB GT in good condition. Chip Hanback 755-6771

GOTS: Again, apparently everybody ain't got no gots; don't wants nobody to gets what they gots.

Dash Plaques, those" thin flat plates of metal carved or orinamented" used " to commemorate, to honor the memory of, to celebrate" a special event. Webster's can tell you what they are, but not what to do with them. For some reason the dash of a car does not seem like the best place to display them, even thou thats where the name would indicate they should go. Not only would you soon run out of room (I'm up to 10 of them)but how would all those different shapes, sizes, & colors work together aesthetcally. You could also be distracted and misread your gages, if any of them really work. Putting them in a drawer isn't good, out of sight out of mind. Its great to get a lasting memento that can rekindle memories of past events. If some one would just come up with a good way to display them.(Here are a few that might rekindle some of your memories.)

George Carlson

