

Wyres & Tyres

March 2002

Issue 3

British Sports Car Club, LTD Memphis, Tennessee



MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!

BSCC Events:

Watch this space as plans develop!

Tentative Program Schedule:

March	Painting (Jim Styles)
April	Trim/Interior
May	Racing—How to Prepare: Glenn Sipe
June	Meguiar's Wax
July	Tom Bedenbaugh
August	The Great American Race

Other Events:

May 4: Brits by the Shore Car Show; Clarion Resort, Hot Springs AR, 9a to 1p (more info on pg. 3)

Don't forget your dues! Send dues to

British Sports Car Club

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Germantown, TN 38183-0134

Check Out the New Website!!

Secretary Joe Reed has been working on some ideas for a website for the club. He's set up a preliminary draft of the site on his own website. Check it out at

<http://www.joecartpath.com/BSCC/>

Ah, for the love of British Cars !!!!

Jaguar Marque Event for March!

Get ready for a fun run to Bozo's BBQ in Mason, TN, on Saturday, March 23. We'll meet at the K-Mart parking lot at Summer and White Station at 11:30 am, then caravan to Oak School in Bartlett for a special parking lot obstacle course and driving school, then on to Bozo's for lunch. Bring your toolboxes!

February's Program

Rodney Teeters of Memphis Plating Works on Madison Avenue was our guest speaker for our February meeting. Rodney started with the basics, first take apart what you want plated and bring in only those parts. He said he has had people bring in picture frames with the glass and picture still in the frame.

He went on to explain about the strip tanks, etc., but got cut off with questions. Some were very technical, but the main point was to take it apart and bring it in for a price. Memphis Plating Works must do all the steps and you will not save money by trying to eliminate any part of the process. Several people asked about prices. Rodney gave an example of a VW bumper which might cost about \$125. I asked how much of the \$125 was a result of EPA and he looked at me and laughed. My guess was \$120—he did not disagree! After the meeting, he looked at my TR6 and gave me a "guestimate" of \$250 for the rear bumper and \$200 for the front.

Be sure you check the condition of the metal. On many old cars the back side has been eaten away and when the old chrome is stripped off, there is nothing left to plate. Building up a rusted bumper can be done, but it is expensive.

Rodney is very well known and respected by members of the club. People asked about the status of their jobs Rodney has in progress, and he shared some stories about jobs he had undertaken in the past.

Thanks, Rodney, for sharing your time and expertise with the BSCC!

—Dana Henking

Club Calendar

Board Meeting is scheduled on Thursday, March 14 @ 6:30 p.m. at the Side Car Café, 2194 Whitten Rd. (next to Bumpus Harley Davidson).

General Membership Meeting is Monday, March 18, 2002 @ 6:30 p.m. for dinner with meeting to follow at 7 in Colleta's Italian Restaurant, on Appling Way at Hwy 64.

BSCC and the Variety Club have a casual get-together every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Come to the Variety Club for just good ole fashioned fun & conversation.

2002 Board Members

President:	Jenny Pangle	230-7912
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2002 Car Show

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Monthly Club Meeting: Don't miss this opportunity to visit with your fellow members !! Any ideas for upcoming membership meeting programs or suggestions for improvements, contact Vice President - Dana Henking at 854-5778 or any board member..

New Member Profile

Welcome to Architect Phil Rose, son of Publicity Chairman and Bugeye driver, Sylvia Rose. Phil can be seen below proudly posing with his 1970 Austin Mini Cooper S. Phil bought the car, sight unseen, from someone in England, and had it shipped to Jacksonville, Florida.

Phil's braver than a lot of us: he bought a one-way airline ticket to Jacksonville, picked up the car, and drove it back to Memphis. He didn't leave everything to chance, however, once he got to Jacksonville, he bought two screwdrivers and a pair of pliers, just in case.

Phil's previous cars include a couple of Austin Americas, a Fiat 128 and a Mazda RX-7.



New Member Phil Rose and his '70 Austin Mini Cooper S

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ROD KNOCKS AND OIL LEAKS

Caveat Emptor!!

Nothing beats looking at a car advertised as "like new" and finding it actually looks like two wildcats got loose in the interior. Below are a few common phrases in used car ads and what they really mean.

"Needs nothing" means "I like it the way it is, but of course I am easily pleased".

"Over \$— spent in past year" means "I am tired of throwing money down this rat hole, now it can be your turn".

"Turns heads" means "people turn away to barf when they see this coming".

"Rare optional —" means "Original owner ordered options no one wanted then or now".

"Rare color combination" means "Original owner had no taste".

"Complete cosmetic restoration" means "I just invested in a can of Simonize and a bottle of Armorall".

"Partial restoration" means "Couldn't spring for the Armorall".

"Spares included" means "You can also have the worn out parts I took off the car".

"Recent complete mechanical overhaul" means "I just added a name brand ring and seal sealer (mechanic in a can) to the oil".

"No rust" means "Bondo does not rust".

"Some rust" means "Iron oxide lovers dream".

"Never driven in rain" means "Refuses to run in damp weather and the wipers don't work".

"Never driven at night" means "Lights don't work either".

"Drive it home" means "be sure to bring a cell phone and your AAA membership card when you pick this one up."

(From the Jaguar Internet Lovers Resource Website, by way of Judy Ostner)

Gossip:

Rumor has it that Dana Henking, Vice President of the *British Sports Car Club*, has bought a Porsche 911, and is offering his Triumph TR6 for sale. What's wrong with this picture?

Brits by the Shore All British Car Show:

The British Motoring Club of Arkansas is sponsoring this show on Saturday, May 4 from 9a 'til 1p. It will be held at the Clarion Resort in Hot Springs, AR (1-800 432-5145). Contact Lee Cowling for more information about reservations and costs (501 372-8182, or copperheadcables@alltel.net).



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Subscriptions (Become a Member \$25.00/year)

Name & Spouse Name

Address

City State & Zip

Phone (Home & Work)

Cars owned (Make, Model)

Year/Condition

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WANTS AND GOTS

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Wants:

Any Mini Cooper Jon Brody 373-8954

MGB 1 ro-style rim Norman Adcox 278-0407

Complete rear end assembly for early XKE Jag or

Front and rear hubs, knock offs, etc. Glenn Sipe 755-1977 or 754-5589

Midget 1275 cc engine Chuck Lessman 757-4049

Straight, rust free body shell for rubber bumper Midget wanted. (or more complete car, no motor or interior needed). Paul Svoboda 618-588-3041 (IL)

Gots:

4 spin off caps (Hub) XKE Jag Wally Simpson 754-8718

Four MGB and A \$6100. Takes all 4 - complete 2 good cars. 2 part cars. David Royce 662-393-0045 (h) or 901-299-3161 (cell)

3 MGB wire wheels Joe Reed 372-2389

Interior TR-7 Hurricane 266-1094

1975 TR6, original, no rust, runs great. \$6000. Dana Henking 854-5778 h, 682-0400 w (sprechen Sie Deutsch?)

Morris Minor Convertible (off frame resto) re-engined with Alum Buick V8. This car is neat and fast — MGB engines, trans, Jag knock off, C Jag cam covers—Glenn Sipe 755-1977 or 754-5589