

# Wyes & Tyres

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## Upcoming Events

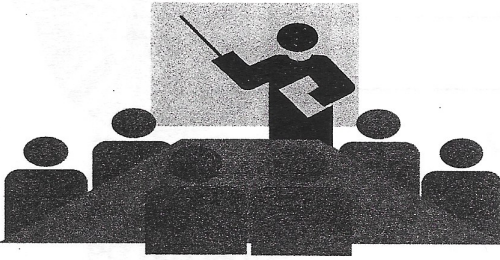
Sunday, February 6th ...Super Bowl Party  
February 26th or 27th (tentative).....  
Triumph Marque Event: Poker Run  
March 26th (tentative).....  
Jaguar Marque Event:  
Return visit to the Rolling J Ranch  
April 23<sup>rd</sup> or 24th (tentative).....  
MG Marque Event: April Fool's Rally  
May 22nd (tentative).....  
Austin Healey Marque Event:  
Indy 500 Fish Fry  
June 25<sup>th</sup> or 26th (tentative).....  
To be announced  
July 24th (tentative).....  
Empire Marque Event: Road Trip  
to the Tupelo Auto Museum  
August 20th or 21st (tentative).....  
Motorcycle Marque Event: Garage Crawl  
September 10th & 11<sup>th</sup> .....  
The Germantown Festival Show & Shine  
September 30th & October 1st (tentative)  
The 22nd Annual Memphis British  
Car & Motorcycle Fest  
November 13th (tentative).....  
Car Show Rally Replay

## From the Editor.....

It is a fresh new year, and exciting things are in store for the BSCC Members. We as a group, will continue to work together to make our Car Club bigger and better. On behalf of all Club Members, I would like to tell all the 2004 Board Members and Marque Leaders, *BRAVO*, job well done. Also to the their spouses, a "big" thank you for all the help that you have given to our Club. I am encouraging any and all Members to help bring new Members into our organization. (There are quite a few British Cars purchased each year in the Memphis area. New and Used!) We would love to have all owners in our Club. I also am asking for you to *please* send anything that you would like to have shared with the other members, to me, so I can make sure that it gets into the newsletter for everyone to enjoy. Have fun this year and always be safe!

Carole Zelten

## Calendar Club



### Monthly Club Meeting

Our monthly club membership meeting is held the third Monday of each month. We meet at Colletta's Italian Restaurant on Appling Rd and Hwy 64. The meeting starts at 6:30 P.M. Everyone is encouraged to attend. January's meeting will be held on January 17, 2005.

### **Just for your information:**

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

## 2005 Board Members

### Officers

President .....Jenny Pangle  
Vice President.....Larry Kiehna  
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Triump.....Robin Balton  
Jaguar.....Jim Ostner  
Empire.....Ken Zelten  
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Motorcycle.....Leo Goff

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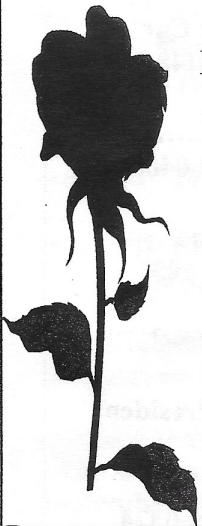
## The Lighter Side

A salesman, and engineer, and a technician are driving in a car when, just outside of town, they get a flat tire. The three of them get out of the car and scratch their heads.

The salesman says, "Maybe I should walk into town and get us a new tire. I know that I can bargain with the man at the parts store and get us a great deal."

The engineer stops him, saying, "No, before you do that, we'll have to do some computations, figuring the grade of the road, the asphalt temperature, and the average rate of speed we will be traveling to know what kind of tire you should buy."

The technician laughs and shakes his head. "No, no, no! What's wrong with you guys? Hell, we have a spare tire in the trunk – now all we have to do is start swapping tires until we find the flat one!"



### Monthly BSCC Ladies Luncheon

*The ladies meet on the last Wednesday of the month, usually at a different restaurant each time. Attendance is open to all club members (even the guys!) and friends.*

Questions or comments?  
Call Sharon Duke (901) 324-0909,  
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## Tech-niques

### 1<sup>st</sup> Gear – Shift or Crunch

**Until the late 1960s, most British cars had no synchronizer on first gear. This usually means a lot of loud (expensive!) noises as the driver tries to shift from neutral to first gear after a stop. When sitting at a traffic light, your foot off the clutch, the transmission in neutral, the tendency, when the light turns green, is to depress the clutch pedal and quickly move the shift lever into first gear. Unless you wait several seconds between the time you depress the clutch and the time you move the shift lever, to allow the transmission gears to stop rotating, you will cause those loud and eventually expensive noises.**

**There is a way to prevent both the gear noises from your car and the impatient horn from the chap behind you. Assuming the your second gear synchronizer in good condition, shift as follows:**

- **Depress the clutch**
- **Just touch second gear**
- **Then shift into first and drive away**

**It takes a little practice to master this technique, but it's not hard at all and you will soon find yourself off and running, silently in all respects.**

*The British Sports Car Club, LTD., was formed in Memphis, Tennessee, in 1982 as an organization devoted to the preservation, restoration and enjoyment of British cars.*



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**WANTS and GOTS !**

**WANT:**

**91' & 97' BSCC Dash Plaques from Car Show..... Ewing Haley / 755-4486**

**TR6 for restoration..... Chris Hauer / 662-449-0466**

**Help with diagnosis of 53' MG engine problems.....Marty Deull / 848-6030**

**Need Tool Roll ...Jim Grove / 731-668-8270**

**Float Fixer.....Jenny Pangle / President**

**GOT:**

**72' MGB Short Block.....850-0324**

**TR-6 parts..suspension parts, head w/ valves & springs, transmission parts..... Fred Godwin .....544-4231**