



# Bits and Spares

For The British Motoring Enthusiast

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September 2007



## Fox and Hound Run 2007

Sunday August 19th was a wonderful day for the middle of August. It was hot, but not as hot as it had been. And the length of the run combined with the delightful accommodations at OZ made for a memorable event. There was plenty of everything. The discussions of the hunt kept all engaged for a time and the scavenger hunt within OZ was fun for all participants!!



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I went to a ? mansion. And it had a huge swimming pool. And it had a humongous flat screen TV. And it had a pool table. And it had a waterfall. It was fun! By Nathan Redd, Age 6



# Prez Sez

We have waited for it all year and it is almost here. That's right, fall is on the way. It is top down, car show, drive the LBC everyday and most importantly club officer election time. This is the time for all of you to think about what you can do to make your club even better and which office that you would like to run for. These positions are very important but do not require a lot of time and there is always help available if you need it. For the past few years there has only been one candidate running per office. We have approximately 100 members and about half of those are regulars at the meetings and events. Why can't we have more candidates for these positions? This is the best and most active club that I have ever been a member of but it needs help to continue to grow. So please consider running for an office and help ensure that the BMCA continues to be the best and strongest club in Arkansas. We need to have the ballot of candidates by the October meeting so that it can be included in the newsletter as the elections are held at the November meeting. Contact me or any of the officers and let us know which office you want to run for.

Charles

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## BMCA Club Shirts & Regalia

If you ordered a new BMCA Shirt and did not get it at the meeting on Tuesday night, it can be picked up at McLeod's. All pre-ordered shirts should be ready by this weekend.

Judy Ross has other BMCA regalia for sale. See her at any meeting or club event to get yours.

Fall Show Time is Here  
See pages 5, 6 & 7

## 'Bits & Spares'

is published the first Saturday after every monthly meeting. The meeting is normally the first Tuesday of each month. **Deadline** for articles and submissions is the day of the meeting.

## Secretaries Minutes - September 4, 2007

Boy! What a great turn-out we had, 35 members and 3 guests. Michael & Lisa Ross had their 2 children, Trent and Jordan. Mr. Jack Brashear had a friend, Martin Jansen, visiting from Toronto, Canada. We had a new member to join us, Cheryl Jones with an MGB. It was great to see Brad Hughes again. The minutes were read and approved. Lisa Hutchison read the treasury report with an ending balance of \$1935.55.

Because of illness, Lon & Michelle Smith were not present, so Ronnie McLeod reported in Lon's behalf on the MG marque event. We had a Fox & Hound trip. The hounds left the parking lot at 1430 & Shackelford in 3 minute intervals HOT on the fox's trail. If you followed the clues correctly, you should have found your way to Wayne and Paulette Richie's "little" log cabin in the woods. There - we had a sort of scavenger hunt for British words at different locations through-out the house and grounds. We had about 15 cars joins in on the festivities. John Peckham found the fox and won the prize.

Brenda Collins reported if anyone still wants to order a club shirt to please contact Ron or Vera McLeod. They will do one more printing before Fayetteville. Bob Ross said he will have grille badges this weekend and again at Fayetteville if anyone wishes to pick up their prepaid orders or if anyone would like to buy one now, cost \$30.00.

Judy Ross announced because the chosen caterer for our Christmas party on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, burned down, she had to make reservations with Catfish City. The tickets will be a little higher than what was forecasted earlier. The menu will remain the same. Adult tickets are now \$16, children 4-12 are \$10, under 3 free. Starting November 1, the adult tickets will go up to \$20. Children's will remain at \$10. She also requested suggestions for trophies for certain outstanding members, and donations for door prizes. For any other suggestions or questions, contact Judy Ross or Ronnie McLeod.

Gary Bolin reminded everyone that this Saturday, Sept 8<sup>th</sup>, some of us will be showing off our LBC's at the Men's Health Fair at the Arkansas Urology Campus. No fee and free hotdogs and drinks. Come by and visit. Remember your koozie.

Steve Jones, AH marque leader gave out directions for our trip to Fayetteville. We will depart from the Kroger parking lot on Chenal Parkway at 9am on Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. If you didn't get a set of directions, I'm sure he will have some copies that morning. On the way back Sunday, we will be stopping at Tracy and Melinda's for lunch.

Camden is having a car show on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>. Marty and Cecilia Davoran request we plan on coming by. If you let them know how many will be in the party, BarBQue will be served.

For our October event, Bob Harris is planning the trip to the Euro Fest at Memphis. It is Oct 4-6. Look for the flyer in the newsletter.

November is election month for officers. The ballot will have to be ready by the October newsletter so we all have time to vote before the scheduled November meeting.

November 10<sup>th</sup>, a trip to visit Moe and Jeanine in Texarkana is planned. It will be an overnigher with several stops on the way, and a couple more on the way home. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

Ronnie did a tech talk in Jim Peckham's absence. He got Steve Jones' tranny rebuilt and it runs. He re-did my tranny last week - it's like a dream. He had some problems with a gas tank that Barry Harrison bought for his white Bug-eye Sprite on E-bay. After filling it up, it would run ½ way down the road and be empty, but it wasn't leaking. He got another tank and it is now running fine. Look for it in Fayetteville.

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Doug & Gayle Nelson - # 40 is on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Jack Brashear and his wife Mary Sue are having their 41<sup>st</sup> on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Brad and Barbara Beuch will be celebrating # 16 or 17 on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Lon Smith and Wayne Richie were both born on Sept. 11 (different years).

Gots & Goofs: Brad Beuch got his daughter married off on the 30<sup>th</sup> of July. On the way home he goofed up his Ford by hitting a bridge embankment doing 75mph, breaking his ankle and heel. The Wheelers have an addition - their children, Keith & Stephanie, gave birth to a 3 lb 2.7 ounce baby boy named Joshua. Michael Ross has blue paint on his car. Since I went crazy with the buffer on my SixBits, she now has a new deep purple ensemble.

Door prize: A selection of British regalia was won by Brad Beuch.

## BMCA to See a Little Bit of Texas

The Triumph Marque has planned a trip to Texarkana, TX to see Moe & Jeanine Bokaie by way of Fordyce, Camden to see the Hortons and Magnolia to find Waldo before going to Brenda Collins mom's house at Lewisville. Eat at the Fish House in Garland and then to Moe & Jeanine's house in Texarkana, TX. (Make sure your passport is up to date so you can get back into Arkansas)

This will happen on Saturday Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>. Spend the night and come back on Sunday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. More information to come, or for those who don't want to wait, call Jim Peckham at 501.539.3306 or Ron McLeod at 501.851.2640.

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## October Empire Marque Event

This October we will be going to The First annual Eurofest in Memphis. This will be a gathering of the Brits, the Italians, & the Germans and should be different. The show will be October 5th and 6th, on the grounds of Youth Villages (site of the past three shows). The host hotel is the Hampton Inn at 2935 North Germantown Parkway, (901) 382-2050.

The Memphis Club is going to try to expand from exclusively British to all European classic cars - instead of a British Car & Cycle Fest, it will be a Euro-Fest. While incorporating other nations & marques, they plan to continue the British car & cycle fest; essentially multiple car shows occurring at the same time & place. Our judging for the British cars will continue. The hospitality will continue. The banquet will continue. The door prizes will continue.

Included with the British Sports Car Club will be: the Mercedes Club, the Italian Club, the Lotus Club, and the BMW Club. We have also invited members of the 'Exotic Italian (Ferrari, Lamborghini, etc.) Club, the Volkswagen Club, and the Mini-acs.

The Euro Auto Fest is finalized for Friday October 5th hospitality event on the Youth Villages campus about 7:00pm. The Car show will start at Youth Villages about 9:00 Saturday with the usual Concours judging for British and some at large judging for the other European makes. There will be door prizes and item auctions on Saturday afternoon as well as the Concours and non British awards Saturday afternoon. The Best of show British awards will be given at the Saturday evening banquet at Collettas. The non British categories are being finalized this month.

Need to reserve your rooms now. We will need to decide what group will meet at Prothro Junction on Fri & what group will go up on Sat morning. Exact times & places will be worked out later.

Judy and I (Wheeler) will be going over fairly early on Friday. I would be willing to lead a group leaving Prothro not later than 10 AM. Planned on I-40 all the way, but will consider US 70.

# rpMGroup



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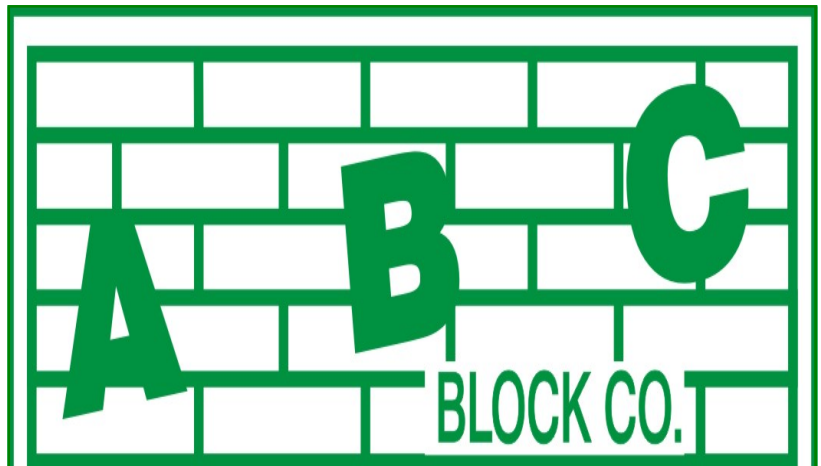
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**The Route is Set Rock Hard on Paper  
for the September 14, 2007 Trip to  
The British Iron "Ozark Cruise"**

We will depart from the Kroger parking lot on Chenal Parkway in Little Rock at 9:00 am on the morning of Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2007.

I will lead the way as we go west on Chenal to Kanis Road where we will turn left and head west for about 25 miles to the big city of Paron. There we will head north on AR Hwy 9 for 8 miles or so when we will arrive at the notorious Williams Jct. From there we will continue north on AR Hwy 9 looking for our first rest stop which will be in Perryville, AR. There are several places to stop - if we don't all go to the same place it will not take so long. When you are done with your stop, come to the grocery store parking lot to reassemble.

Now that everyone feels better we will have our first door prize drawing. The winner of the door prize will take the lead and lead us north on Hwy 9 for about 10 miles to Morrilton, AR. Then we will go west on US Hwy 64 through Morrilton and another 25 miles or so to Russellville, AR. Our leader will take us to the WORLD FAMOUS WHATABURGER. If we are on schedule it should be about 11:30 am. There we will enjoy the local fare before the second door prize drawing.

You guessed it, the winner is our new leader for the next leg of our journey. Our new leader will take us north on AR Hwy 7 for about 8 miles to Dover, AR where he/she should go north on AR Hwy 164 about 22 miles through Hagarville, where he/she will pick up AR Road 123 where we go south or west for 2 or 3 miles then go west on 292 about 5 miles to the city of Ludwig, AR. At Ludwig we will turn north on AR Hwy 21 for 20 miles through the Ozark National Forest where we will go west on AR 16 for another 28 miles to AR Hwy 23 north for another 20 or so miles to Huntsville, AR. I am sure that we will all be ready for yet another rest break, so our leader will pick out a suitable spot to stop. Before we get started again, we will draw for the third door prize which will establish a new leader.

This leader, for the last leg, only has to find his/her way to US Hwy 412 West and take us 30 miles to our final destination at the Holiday Inn Convention Center of Northwest Arkansas at the corner of US 412 and I-540. We will draw for the fourth and final door prize, and the new leader will take us to the watering hole as we will definitely need to wet our whistles.

If all goes as planned, we should arrive at the Holiday Inn between 5:30 and 6:00 pm. This time frame does allow for 2 minor breakdowns. More than that will change our ETA but we WILL get there by Hook or Trailer!

We will have people joining us on the way so keep your eyes peeled for LBC's that are waiting to fall in line as we pass through their part of the country. If you are one who will be joining in, let Steve Jones or Ron McLeod know so someone will keep a 'special' eye out for you.

This trip will be a real blast. We are looking forward to having more cars than any other visiting club.

There are some things that you just have to do so let's ...  
GEEETHERRRDONE!!!!

Steven Jones, AH Marque Leader

# 2007 MEMPHIS EURO FEST!

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Don't miss the inaugural Memphis Euro Fest on October 4th - 6th! The Euro Fest will be held on the beautiful, wooded grounds of the Youth Villages/Boys Town facility at 7410 Memphis-Arlington Road in Bartlett. This location has hosted the British Car Club's annual show for the past several years, and will provide a perfect site for the first ever Memphis Euro Fest. Even if you are not a club member, bring your classic British or European car to the event and join the fun—and maybe take home a trophy! You are guaranteed to have a great time!

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**Thursday October 4, 2007**  
 7:00 - 9:00 PM: Early registration and chili buffet at the Hampton Inn  
**Friday, October 5, 2007**  
 7:00 - 10:00 PM: Hospitality Dinner and Early Registration under the stars in the Main Tent at Youth Villages/Memphis Boys Town  
**Saturday, October 6, 2007**  
 8:00 - 10:00 AM: Registration at Youth Villages/Memphis Boys Town  
 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM: Judging, and the Car Show is open to the public.  
 3:00 PM: Awards presentation  
 3:30 - 5:00 PM: Fun Rallye - starting at Memphis Boys Town  
 6:00 PM: Awards Banquet and charity auction at Coletta's Italian Restaurant, located at 2850 Appling Road in Bartlett (see map below)

## Memphis Euro Fest Host Hotel

**Hampton Inn & Suites - Wolfchase Galleria**  
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 Be sure to ask for the "Memphis Euro Fest" Rate!!



## Directions from I-40

**To the Hampton Inn & Suites:**  
 Take Exit 18 (Germantown Road) and proceed north. The 3rd traffic light is Highway 64. After you pass Highway 64, the Hampton Inn & Suites will be on your left.

**To Memphis Boys Town:**  
 Take Exit 15 (Appling Road) and proceed north. The 2nd traffic light is Highway 64. After passing Highway 64, the name of the street changes to Brother Blvd. After a sweeping right-hand curve, you'll come to a 4-way stop. Turn left here, and you'll be back on Appling Road. Follow Appling across Highway 70 until it ends at Memphis-Arlington Road. Turn left, and Boys Town will be immediately on your right.

**To return to the hotel, go east on Memphis-Arlington, past Hwy 70, then right on Germantown Road**

# 2007 MEMPHIS EURO FEST REGISTRATION



**EARLY REGISTRATION IS APPRECIATED! (No registration will be accepted after 10:00 AM on October 6th)**

Please detach and complete this form and send it, along with a check or money order (in U.S. funds) payable to The British Sports Car Club of Memphis this address:  
 The British Sports Car Club of Memphis  
 P.O. Box 38234  
 Germantown, TN 38183-0134

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 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Miles traveled to the Euro Fest: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

## CARS TO BE REGISTERED

Year	Make	Model	Series (coupe/roadster)	Color
One:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Two:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Three:	_____	_____	_____	_____

## REGISTRATION AND BANQUET FEES

Registration fee: First Car (Also includes both the Thursday evening pre-registration buffet and the Friday evening Hospitality Dinner)	\$40.00	\$
Additional fee: Each subsequent car	\$10.00	\$
Saturday Awards Banquet - per person (cash bar not included):	\$20.00	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>

Please staple check or money order to this form...payable to the British Sports Car Club of Memphis...  
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## WAIVER

I am aware of the hazards inherent with motor vehicle events and specifically release and do indemnify the organizers, supporting sponsors, Memphis Boys Town, Youth Villages and the various participating car clubs collectively and separately, from any and all liability from personal injury or property damage incurred by me or my guests while participating in the 2007 Memphis Euro Fest.  
 I understand that the organizers of Memphis Euro Fest reserve the right to revoke my registration and retain my registration fee should I engage in reckless, dangerous and/or unsafe behavior.  
 I have read, understand, and agree to this release.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Your signature on the above line will be required before your registration can be processed.

## **BMCA Monthly Meeting Tuesday October 2, 2007**

The meeting will be at **Western Sizzlin** in Benton, near Wal-Mart off I-30 beginning at **7:30 PM**. Bring the family, there is a variety of food, plenty of space in the meeting room, lots of parking & good company. Come a little early and enjoy a meal, stay a little late to kick the tyres of all the British cars in the parking lot and visit with your fellow BMCA'ers.

### **Calendar of Events**

**Fri - Sat Sept 14 & 15** - 2007 Brits in the Ozarks. See Pg. 6

**Sun Sept 16** - British Car Show in St Louis, MO [www.stlouismgclub.com](http://www.stlouismgclub.com)

**Fri - Sun Sept 21 - 23** - Indy British Motor Days Take a lap around the speedway [www.ibcu.org](http://www.ibcu.org)

**Sat Sept 29** - Camden Barn Sale & Antique & Classic Car Show [www.BPWBarnSale.org](http://www.BPWBarnSale.org)

**Fri - Sat Oct 5 & 6** - Memphis Car Show - New format this year - See Empire article pg 5

**Fri - Sun Oct 26 - 28** - Southern British Car Day - Chattanooga, TN [agmlig@aol.com](mailto:agmlig@aol.com)

**Sat - Sun Nov 11 & 12** - BMCA'ers in Texas - see pg 4 for more info.

**Sat Dec 8** - BMCA Christmas Party - Marque your calendar now!!!

*Do you know of an upcoming event? Send the information to [bmcanewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:bmcanewsletter@gmail.com)*



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