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Ya should'a come on down the weather was fine.

This years Pensacola 12th annual All British Car Show was a great event as it has been in the past. Over 73 cars had pre-registered and that number just continued to grow as Friday nights "Red Beans and Rice social" went on until mid-evening. When I say the place was packed I mean there were a lot of folks at this one. I'm not sure of the final number of entrants but it had to be near 100.

The weather was beautiful, temp in the high seventies, low eighties with a nice breeze all day. One of the big events was the valve cover races, again one of the largest fields I've witnessed with close competition with a large crowd of spectators.

Two of us EMC'er's, Berry Schmidt and I drove our LBC's down. Al and Barbara Adams and Pat and Barbara Cashman trailed theirs down. John Turbeville was there for the festivities

The EMC'er's made a good showing with 4 cars entered and 3 awards. Everyone really enjoyed pursuing Pat and Barbara's Armstrong Siddeley pickup.

Al and Debbie took 1st in class with their bug-eye, Barry and Patti took a 2nd with their TR7 V-6 and Pat and Barbara took 2nd with the Armstrong Siddeley. Multi club members Dave and Menda Hayden took away 2nd in class with their Jag and Bill and Melissa Silhan took 1st with their Morgan.

The show was well organized as usual and the only thing I hated was that it had to end.

There are still a number of events planned in the area before the heat and humidity force us indoors so be sure that you get out and enjoy the gatherings.

On the calendar this month and next are:

April 24 Gasoline Alley at the Natchez Trace Festival (Kosciusko, MS)
 Kosciusko is about an hour and a half to two hour drive up the Trace and we've been invited by new member Ron Stuckey to come up for a visit. Registration is from 8:30 - 12:00pm If there's a sufficient number of LBC's we may get a class if not it'll still be an nice drive. Weather permitting I plan on leaving Ridgeland about 9:00am. Those interested give me a call (601) 607 - 7021.

April 24 British and European Show at Huntsville, AL
 Details: Ben Pender ben-pender@yahoo.com

May 1 Walter Mitty Classic at Road Atlanta

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It's been indicated that there will be about 40 vendors there including Koni and Dayton Wire Wheel. Classic Motorsports Magazine has indicated they will be there with some of their project cars and understand that one of the Lotus 7 makers will assemble a car over there's vintage racing. Dennis, Keith and I are looking forward to the event. Anyone interested give me a call (601) 607 - 7021

the weekend. Plus

May 8 British Cars at Tannehill (Birmingham, AL)
The Birmingham British Motoring Club will be in charge of the LBC portion of the show. The site is a Tannehill State Park at is a great show site. Many folks at the Pensacola show indicated they would be making the trip.
Details: David Lavies ddl@wwisp.com or give me a call (601) 607 - 7021.

May 15 EMC Drive Thru History
This will be The Blues Cruise for 2004
Pat and Barbara have a route laid out that everyone will enjoy. Good excellent sites, great food and music. The plan is that we meet and Barbara indicated that she will keep us on schedule which should allow any persons that want to return home on Saturday afternoon about 3 hours of daylight. Here's a list of the hotels that they've put together for those that wish to stay the night:
Executive Best Western 662-627-9292 \$65.00
Comfort Inn 662-627-5122
Econo Lodge 662-621-1110
Pat, Barabara and I agreed that the Best Western would be the recommended location for the group however options are provided. You'll need to make your own reservations and it's recommended that that be done soon. I'll send out updates as we get closer.

roads,
leave Flora at 8:00am sharp.

May 22 - 30 British Car Week
Get 'em out and drive 'em.
www.britishcarweek.org

Mary Katherine is in the process of sending out dues notices to those how haven't paid so please give us consideration and participation.

If you have any questions or suggestions please let me know.

Happy Motoring

Gene

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Tops Down.....Photos courtesy of Ron Stucky.

You couldn't have asked for better weather for the 2004 edition of the EMC's Tops Down Ceremony.

The group that drove down from Jackson included MG's, Jag's and Triumph's. One Corvette appeared to bask in all the sun and fun of a LBC get together.

By the time we left at approximately 11:00 we had a group of 10 - 12 of England's best.



The photo that's missing here are the 2 MGA's one of which ran into some fuel filter problems...too much to filter I understand. Al and Barbara assisted in getting them headed back home. I understand that they ran into a couple of other LBCs on the way down so were assisted on their way back home.

X (missing photo here)

I was sorry that I didn't get a chance to look under the hoods of the A's being that my 1st LBC ownership consisted of a 1960 MK I. I foresee a tech session real soon.

There were soooo many cars that showed up at Rocky Springs Ron couldn't get them all in a single picture but here are a couple of angles nonetheless.



And this was just a small smattering of the 20 or so that came out.



And at times they seemed like they were multiplying.



We even had folks show up from Louisiana (Dave and Menda long distance award).

The food was great (that's one thing we do right I know) and everyone really had a good time.

About 2:30 after a short meeting we headed on down, at David Bailey's invitation to Port Gibson. Man ain't that a glorious sight....close your eye's and you can hear them driving down a country road.



I want say anything disparaging about the navigators that came a long but some four or so of us got lost. We did

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meet up again after we had taken the full tour of the Port Gibson Heritage Festival.

Although no car judging/awards were given out congratulations to Barbara Cashman. I understand she did receive a ribbon for her quilting.

On the calendar I have the following events:

- April 2 - 4 Slidell Antique Auto Club Spring Tour
Details: Clark Round (985) 863 - 2582
- April 17 Pensacola Beach Bash and All British Car Show
This is a do not miss show but you need to make reservations now.
Details: www.pbca1.com
- April 24 Gasoline Alley at the Natchez Trace Festival at Kosciusko, MS
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Moss Motors British Motoring Magazine indicates this as one of the top 4 classic car events to make during 2004. Dennis Loftin, Keith Anderson and I are planning on making the trip over. Any one else is welcome to join this merry group. Give me a call and I'll get you on the list.
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If you need additional contact information please let me know. You can either call or e-mail.

Oh, one other thing. Please be sure that you get your dues into the club. We've started 2004 off with some great get togethers and we need your help and support.

Stay safe everyone and get that car out...the weather's fine.

Gene