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Big Crowds

Brandon MS – One of the largest club gatherings so far of 2010 occurred on August 21, 2010 at the garage of David and Joann Bailey's. Twenty-six members and friends of the EMC made the gathering in David's nicely air-conditioned garage. A very long table of food was laid out to feed the hungry masses. It was very hot outside so we limited our activities to tire kicking and the telling of farfetched and flung stories. Everyone got a chance to look at David's ever growing collection which now includes a Healey BJ8 and more Jag's than you can shake a stick at.

John Turbeville made a stab at driving his TR-8 over from Clinton but ran into an over- heating issues. Following a couple of stops along the way he finally threw the towel and called a tow in to return it to his garage in Clinton. John did make the gathering albeit a little late in his chicken cooker, err I mean Benz.



Jim Lynch and Friends at the Bailey's

Photo Courtesy EMC

New member Jim Lynch made it out in his beautiful 1974 MGB GT and allowed a large crowd to poise around it for the photo opt. Michael Dempsey came by in his 2006 Lotus Elise and subsequently has joined the EMC. New members are always great fun.

After a bite to eat everyone joined in the goody bag drop and the hard work was complete. Following a brief meeting the EMC adjured to other cool environments. Thanks everyone for joining the Bailey's 2010 gathering.

Other Exhaust Rattles

Jim Enzman is in the midst of finishing another engine rebuild and he has promised to take it easy on this one. No magic elixirs and a thorough check of all systems prior to driving it hard. Bad news in follow up to John Turbeville's overheating issues. John indicates there's been a mix of oil and water in the engine bay so he's planning his next move with the TR-8. David Bailey along with Jim "The Mastermind" Trunzler are about to start the re-assembly on David's MGA. I don't believe that David and Jim will ever run out of projects!

Over the Labor Day weekend I made a stores run down to Natchez to check on BBTR plans. Thirty miles north of Natchez I sighted a bright red roadster approaching out of the haze of midmorning heat shimmering off The Trace. I flashed my headlights and waived but the red roadster was moving too fast to identify. On my return Royce Boyer verified that he had wandered down to Natchez for a birthday get away and was headed home. In his e-mail he indicated that the Tiger was running GREAAT, recalled the headlight flash and not recognizing my mode of transportation thought I was warning him of a federales patrol. Happy Birthday Royce!

Everything is in-line for Brits by the River 2010. Hard to believe it's on us already. Additional information and registration can be located at <u>www.msemc.org</u>. We've asked for cool dry weather so be prepared for a fun weekend.

While at the web site note that David Crawford has made updates to the Member Gallery area and Wilbert Easom is offering a very restorable MGB in the Classified Ads. Take a look!

New members! As noted recent new member Jim Lynch joined the ranks of the EMC at the Bailey's and we appreciate his bringing the B GT out and hope to see more of him and his ride at upcoming gatherings. Also joining our ranks is Dan Blumenthal, with his '07 Caterham Super Seven and Michael and Melissa Dempsey and their '06 Lotus Elise. Dan made it to the gathering at the Bailey's and joined in spite of our clear tendency to over feed. Welcome to the EMC all.

A special note to those that will be in the Ridgeland Mississippi area on October 22 - 23, 2010. EMC member Mike Marsh has been pulling out all the stops to make the Renaissance Euro Fest Car Show bigger and better in its second year. Promised is a great selection of cars that you'll seldom have to opportunity to see locally. Please put it on your calendar and tell Mike that you saw it in the OSU. The Renaissance Euro Fest is prominently featured in the September – November 2010 Ridgeland Life magazine. Check it out at <u>www.ridgelandms.org</u> That's if for this edition of the OSU. We're all looking for cooler weather and it can't be here too soon for me. Keep an eye on the events calendar and make plans to attend a gathering before the years out!

Happy Motoring

2010 Events Calendar

September 24 – 25, 2010 – EMC Brits By The River / Vidalia LA

Join the EMC along the banks of the Mississippi River for the 2010 Brits By The River. The show is a laid back affair with a party on Friday night including food and a great view of Old Man River so come join us for the hospitality room. On Saturday the show is held in conjunction with the Jim Bowie Festival. <u>Click here</u> to view flyer. Details: John Turbeville (601) 940–5288 Gene Johnston (601) 607–7021

October 9 - 10, 2010 – British Car Club Show / Nashville TN

Nashville British Car Club Show at Nashville's acclaimed Centennial Park and Parthenon. Friday evening reception party for Saturday show participants. Show open to the public for viewing beautiful cars in beautiful surroundings and visiting the Parthenon. Pre-register to save money, to establish car classes and qualify for a major level prize. Get complete info at <u>www.nashvillebritishcarclub.org</u>. Ray McCrary 615-331-0169, <u>1939MGTB@comcast.net</u>.

October 16, 2010 – EMC Tech Session III / Eddiceton MS

Jim and Faye have invited everyone down to the center of everything British for a day of tooling around Jim's garage and some great food. Tools will be provided. Bring a dish and enjoy the afternoon in good company. Jim's always got a project or two and most are car related. Bring a dish, lunch starts at 12:00pm. Details: Jim / Faye Enzman (601) 532–6293

October 22 - 23, 2010 - S. Alabama British Car Festival / Fairhope AL

It's a nice drive down the ribbon of licorice to Fairhope AL so join the caravan to the lovely city by Mobile Bay. The Friday night meet and greet is always fun and the food is fantastic. The show on Saturday is right on the bay with a great array of British Cars. Details: <u>www.sabcc.org</u>

October 23, 2010 – Renaissance Euro Fest Car Show / Ridgeland MS

Last year was the first for this show located state center. The cars were great and the crowds and participants alike all enjoyed it so it's back on the calendar for 2010. Make plans to attend you'll see some cars that you don't get a chance to enjoy every day. Additional details to follow. Details: <u>www.euro-fest.net</u>