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“A gentleman does not motor about after dark” Joseph Lucas

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South Bound

Braxton, Miss. – Twelve steeds with drivers and passengers gathered on the warm tarmac of the Richland Wal Mart on July 20, 2013 for the EMC’s annual trek south to Mike and Alice Gore’s Braxton Mississippi residence for our sixth EMC gathering of 2013. Recent additions to the club Rick Greene arrived in his Nash Metropolitan and Keith Turner in his MGA 1600 was present for the drive down.



Keith Turner’s MGA 1600

Photo Courtesy EMC

Rick indicated that he had concerns regarding the reliability of the Metropolitan’s clutch which was an off again, on again proposition, a leaking slave cylinder is the indicated likely issue. Although not exactly the most spirited steed it did keep up at the back of the queue. On the command to go Keith Anderson led us south on Hwy 49 making a right into Florence, passing the store fronts and old city hall then making a left onto Cemetery Street, the sounds of excited British engines reverberating like we were headed out of Tertre Rouge. As we accelerated out into the country side traveling south on South Church Street Keith

opened up his E-Type, why you'd have thought he was traveling full tilt down the Mulsanne. I kept checking my mirrors and yes, Rick and the Metropolitan were a ways back but Rick with his foot down, I'm sure was hanging on. In Harrisville we all made the hard left turn on to Star Braxton Road and accelerated, no four wheel drifts here. We made good traction and turned toward the east and sped off as if leaving Arnage heading for the Porsche Curves and the Ford Chicanes. In Braxton as we neared the end of the drive we took a moment to waive to the thundering crowds as Keith led us thru the maze of twist and turns of the downtown area of Braxton. We whizzed by hay bales and light poles as we crossed to the old wooden bridge to the finish on Cox Road. Everyone arrived without incident and had a great time on the back roads. I think heard the Metropolitan gasping for a bit of air when pulling to a stop at the finish.



Keith Anderson's E-Type led a great drive

Photo Courtesy EMC

Before lunch was served a total of thirty eight club members were in attendance at this year's Lotus gathering. I believe that's a recent record for attendance for an EMC gathering. The occasion was of course to take in Mike and Alice's getaway place and everyone from past visitor to newbie enjoyed taking in the barn. When the dinner bell rang Alice had arranged a true Chicago style hot dog lunch and along with the other goodies provided everyone was full of vim and vigor as we discussed plans for the upcoming, September 20 – 21, 2013 Brits on the Bluff hosted by the English Motoring Club. Thanks everyone for attending this EMC event and your involvement in making plans for our upcoming show. The last gathering pre-Brits on the Bluff is scheduled for the Bailey's on August 17 in Brandon. We hope that you can make it.

Three Guys named John on a Road Trip

By John Turbeville

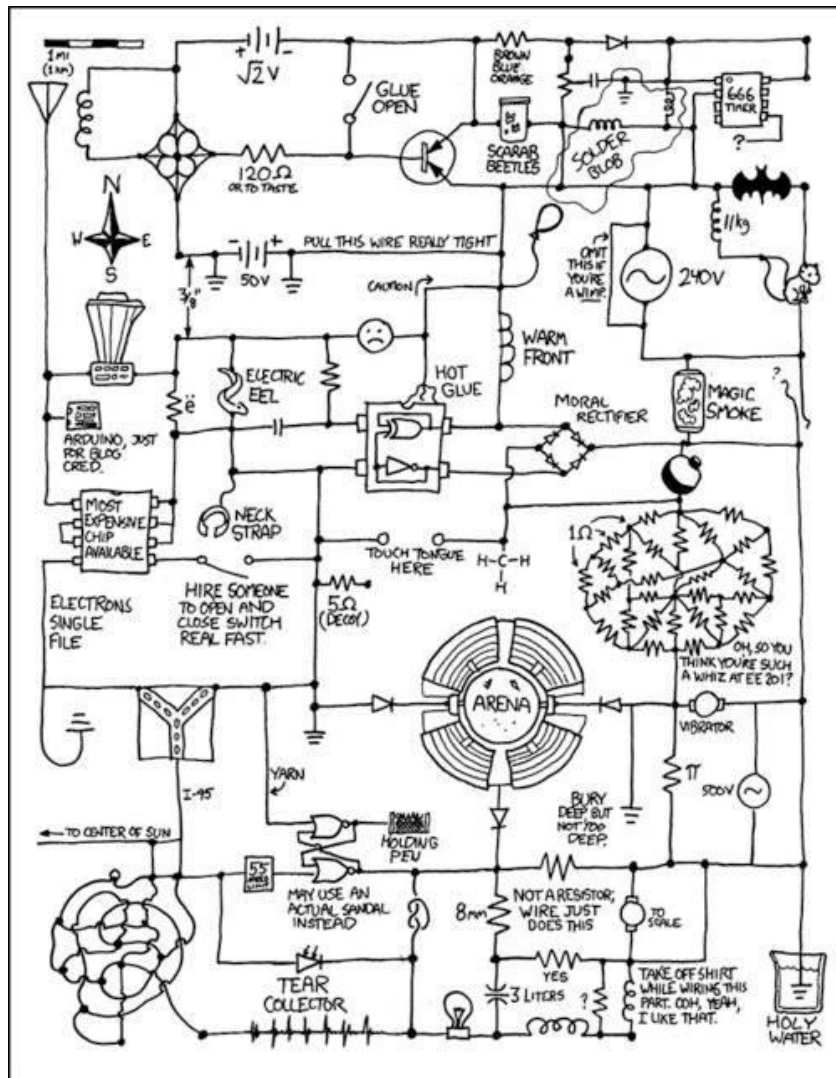
While the EMC'ers gathered in beautiful Braxton on July 20th three John's let by Vice - President John Turbeville made an excursion to see the Cars of Yesterdays in Metairie Louisiana. Here's a snippet of their adventures:

John reports that he and two friends named John – Dr. John Burriss and John Tindall- attended the New Orleans British Car Club’s July event at the Henry Shane’s Cars of Yesteryears. This private collection of over 100 cars offers many unique and beautifully restored cars from America, Britain, Germany, Czech, Italy, and Japan. Lunch was at Martin’s Wine Cellar and from there the 3 Johns visited the WWII Museum. The day was filled with lots of conversation as the other Johns were former coworkers of each other at MS Dept. of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks. The day trip to New Orleans had only one mishap in Brookhaven involving a diesel filter change that normally takes 10 minutes. This one took 2 hours and involved a new battery from AutoZone. What’s a road trip without some snafu to talk about?

Other Exhaust Rattles

Keith and Bryan Anderson have accumulated a new member for their garage party a Healey 100-4. Although the car has been a non-runner since the mid to late 70’s Keith indicates he’s been able to turn the engine over by hand. This one will be a future project as per Keith since retirement he’s developed quite a list of to dos ahead of this one. He also indicates that some of those to dos are his verses Pat’s.

Mike Glor indicates that he’s tracing down a few electrical gremlins on his Elan and has been following this schematic which he’s having a bit of trouble interpreting. If you can assist Mike please contact him at BR-549.



That's it for this edition of the Off-Side Undo. Hope that you'll join us for further adventures in 2013.

Happy Motoring

The EMC

EMC upcoming events

August 17, 2013 – EMC Tech Session II / Brandon MS

David and Jo Ann have added a few square feet and we're all looking forward to see what is filling the space during our visit. David has always got lots going on in his garage and it's always of interest. This will be the pre-Brits on the Bluffs gathering so bring along a dish and enjoy the fun. Lunch starts as 12:00pm. Details: David / Jo Ann Bailey (601) 992 – 8566

September 20 - 21, 2013 – EMC Brits on the Bluff / Natchez MS

We had such a good time returning to Natchez the last 2 years that we could resist the invitation to return. We're looking for a great turnout for The EMC's 2013 show. We hope that friends from near and far will join us. Event brochure along with the entry form is located here; [BotB 2013](#). For questions or additional details contact; John Turbeville (601) 940 – 5288, Gene Johnston (601) 201 – 0801

October 5, 2013 – Renaissance Euro Fest Car Show / Ridgeland MS

The 2012 Renaissance Car Fest was one to remember. Lots of participation from EMC members as well as friends from surrounding clubs will be the order again for 2013. When posted get your entry in early and make plans to attend. You'll see cars that you don't get a chance to enjoy often and in the surroundings of the Renaissance it's just magnificent. Details: www.euro-fest.net