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

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Twenty – Thirteen EMC Kick-Off

Jackson MS – On January 19, 2013 twenty three members of the EMC gathered at Sal and Mookies to celebrate the year past and look ahead to 2013. After everyone perused the menu and placed orders, shared some updates that had occurred since our last gathering in early December and thru the holidays



Steve Whitlow Pleads His Case

Photo Courtesy EMC

President Charlie Durning took to the floor to bring the rowdy crowd under control. The first order of business was a discussion of officers for the upcoming year.

With no voices of decent it was agreed that the EMC would move forward with the leadership in place. Clay Johnston brought us up to date on finances and yours truly gave a look back on 2012 including special thanks to several members that had contributed articles and/or photos to the Off-Side Undo. Tommy and Kathy Hart made a long distance trip to the historic races they attended at Put-in-Bay, South Bass Island, Ohio during early September and brought us up to date on the good times that they had.

Mike Marsh informed every one of plans for the 2013 Euro Fest Renaissance and the activities and planning that is going into the new Euro Fest event scheduled for Towne Center in Baton Rouge Louisiana. We wrapped up the new and old business and covered the 2013 EMC Events Calendar. The upcoming year holds promise of being another great year for the EMC. Check out the 2013 Events Calendar now posted at www.msemc.org.

Next up on the list was the 2012 awards for exemplary actions or conduct in the line of or support of the EMC. John Turbeville presented Donna Durning with the Connecting Award. Yes, it is a large connecting rod of some sort that surfaced last year and is now attached to a plaque. Donna and Charlie were connected, that's wedded to the outsiders, during 2012 and what a connection it's been. She's made a great EMC First Lady. The Big Valve Award went to Ernie Clark for his support of the EMC during the year including his and Mary's representation of the EMC at away shows. I think that with their Jag they were recognized at every show attended during 2012. Great work you two and thanks! The Z-Man for 2012 was awarded to Mike Glore for his overcoming a setback during 2012. Mike is on the mend and look out, he'll be back better than new in 2013. Jim and Faye Enzman presented John Turbeville the Big Piston Award for all of the work that he did in preparation for the 2012 Brits on the Bluff, ensuring that a replacement hotel was located for the event. Charlie presented two awards the J. Thaddeus Toad Award to the writer of this article I think because I'm usually not fully aware of where we're going or why we're going but we're going none-the-less. For his impressive braking during a 2012 Arkansas trip Clay Johnston was awarded the Spectacular Brake Award. By far the most entertaining presenter of the afternoon was Steve Whitlow and for certain Karen's bequeathing of the Eager Beaver Award. Many in the crowd were close runner ups for the award but in the end the Eager Beaver Award went to the individual that was the most energetic during the year, Stephen Turner. Stephen and his dad Kent along with mom, Becky attended many EMC events during the year and it's been great to have someone with a youthful outlook and energy involved in the EMC. Stephen has quite a bit on his plate making his way thru college at Mississippi State. Good luck in the future Stephen we look forward to your involvement with the EMC for years to come.

Oh the Awards!

A note to the EMC by Stephen Tuner

The beaver has settled in at my apartment up here in Starkville. I have attached a photo of what happy motorists were greeting with when I overtook them. The beaver was excited to be able to sit up front and feel the sun on his face, however by the time we arrived he was complaining about my singing and my spirited driving. He has taken up post so whenever you enter the front door of my apartment and look straight ahead all you can see is either his warm, inviting face greeting you in from a hard day at school or menacing scowl warning intruders to turn around. My roommate sure was in for a surprise when he got back from a long weekend. The first words out of his mouth were "What is that!!!!?" After I explained my predicament he was surprised my mom let me bring it up here and not proudly display it around the house. I do have to admit one thing about the beaver, no matter how hard my day has been, I don't think I will be able to look at it and not smile.

Thanks,

Stephen



The Beav Travels Well

Photo by Stephen Turner

Many Triumphs

By Walter Mashburn

This is a late heads up note about Kathy and my attendance at the Vintage Triumph Registers event in Galveston Texas. Ole Blue (our 1960 TR3A) competed in the event and ended up with no trophy, but did



Old Blue at Brits on the Bluff 2012

Photo Courtesy EMC

score high enough to receive a Gold Certificate scoring 378.5 points out of 400. There were three cars that scored higher than us (3rd place was a 380). The best car was 398 out of 400. It was a wonderful week meeting folks from all across the country and abroad. We will miss next year's event due to the location, San Francisco.

Other Exhaust Rattles

Winter LBC repairs are in full gear. Tommy Hart along with Clay and Gene Johnston have been working under the hoods of their cars to ensure that 2013 travels will be uneventful in the mechanical area.

Keith Anderson continues work on his Bugeye rebuild and as retirement approached Keith has that look in his eyes that indicates he's ready to do some full time wrenching at his own pace.

Trey Decell continues work on his B GT conversion. I've seen postings at www.mgexperience.net and I understand he recently made a quick trip to the Pick and Pull down in Mt. Olive for a few fill in parts.

I have received a gross of Moss Motor's 2013 Motoring Challenge forms for members. If you interested in logging a good time in 2013 in notes, photos and scenic adventures let me know and I'll forward you a form. For additional details checkout: www.MossMotoring.com/Challenge. This looks like a great time and thanks Moss for putting it together.

Dues Time

It is time to renew your English Motoring Club of Mississippi membership for calendar year 2013. Dues remain \$25.00 and continue to include your subscription to The British Marque. To ensure that you don't miss issues of the OSU or the British Marque please get your dues in by April 30, 2013. If you need to update your contact information just include a note with your dues.

Please forward your annual dues renewal to:

EMC of MS
c/o Clay Johnston
PO Box 357
Mount Olive, MS 39119

That wraps it up for this edition of the Off Side-Undo. If you are not receiving e-mail updates on EMC activities please e-mail www.jjohnston18@msemc.org

Happy Motoring

The EMC

Calendar of Events

February 16, 2013 – EMC Tech Session I / Eddiceton MS

The EMC starts out 2013 with another visit to Jim and Faye's LBC haven down south. Jim's always got

something going on out in the garage and your assistance is always welcome. Come for the wrenching or come for the food. The party's always fun. Bring a dish and join the wrenching at 11:00am and lunch at 12:00pm. Details: Jim / Faye Enzman (601) 532 - 6293

March 2, 2013 - EMC/DSARC Fun Rally

It's been promised that you won't leave the state during this rally unless you read from right to left. Then just reverse your direction to re-enter the state and have a great time at the ending ceremony. Members of the English Motoring Club and the Deep South Alfa Romeo Club have put together a great event again for 2013. Additional details to follow and entries will be limited to the first 20. [2013 FUN RALLY ENTRY FORM](#) Details: Andy Menapace (601) 857 – 2829

March 16, 2013 – EMC Tops Down - St Patrick's Day

For 2013 the EMC will be out in search of leprechauns in the woods around Rocky Springs. Wear your green or get a pinch and bring a spring in your step because it will be right around the corner. Bring a dish and enjoy. Details: Keith Anderson (601) 829 – 2938

March 22 -23, 2013 – New Orleans British Car Day / New Orleans LA

Get your registration in early for the 23rd annual BMCNO British Car Day. The BMCNO has promised another great show in the Big Easy so have your bags packed and ready to go. Travelers from Jackson area can give me a ring. Watch their website for show details: www.bmcno.org. Travel plans with the EMC: Gene Johnston (601) 201 – 0801