Off-Side Undo

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March 27 Set For Tops Down Party

Come join us for our annual celebration of Spring when we gather for the top lowering ceremony which places us on the inviting road into Spring weather.

This year our host is Jake Weaver who will provide his home for our rituals. Plan to arrive with your car's top up on Saturday, March 27 around 2:00 pm.

As we normally do bring a goodie or two to share with other club members. Better yet bring an entire picnic and share with me.

Make your plans now to be at 193 Skyline
Drive in Jackson. Directions to the event are
as follows: From I-20 take theSpringridge
Road exit- go south 1 mile to the railroad
tracks-IMMEDIATELY turn right onto McRaven
Road. Go 1 mile west on McRaven to Skyline
Drive. Go left and proceed to the end where
you should find a gray house on the right
which should be 193 as indicated on the mailbox.

If necessary call Jake at 601-924-4367 and you can get further assistance. This has been one of our most popular and well attended events so really make an effort to be there.

For all members and friends- come on out! You are sure to see old friends and old cars and maybe some new friends with old cars. Anyway, we would sure like to see you and a British car or you and any type car at the Tops Down.

It's possible that our club druid will be there and be available to keep the evil ones away from your car for the up coming spring and club road trips. Make plans now and if possible call someone and see that they come to Tops Down as well.

EMC BUSINESS MEETING HELD JAN 24

The club's annual planning meeting was held at John and Florence Simmer's home on January 24.

Quite a number of events and dates were discussed and some dates were laid out for club members to consider.

In addition, we received a treasurer's report from Alex Wade and found that we are solvent and have enough money to purchase a tent for use at club events. Also, the idea of club wind shield decals was brought up and they are in the production process now. Cost will be minimal and three color quality should result in a good looking decal for club cars.

John Simmers is looking into a drive to Jackson, Louisiana in April. This would require an overnight stop for most members to participate. Many interesting things to do and see much as our St. Francisville trip last year. More details to follow.

A July trip to Baton Rouge is also in the works President Terry Trovato has received an invitation for us to visit the Carriage House Garage run by Fred Fabre. This is a Rolls-Royce and Bentley specialty house but Fred has an unbelieveable collection of British car models, signs parts, and you name it. This collection takes up space in an entire wharehouse and is worth a trip. Probably around July 20 so American or cars with a/c might be in order.

Highland Games will be held in Jackson on August 21. Plans are much the same as in the past. Good event and a prime opportunity to see some good looking legs.

President Terry says we are on for BRITS ON THE BLUFF October 15-17. This has

Steve Collins has agreed to help put on tech sessions for the club. These are always fun and educational. Please try and attend.

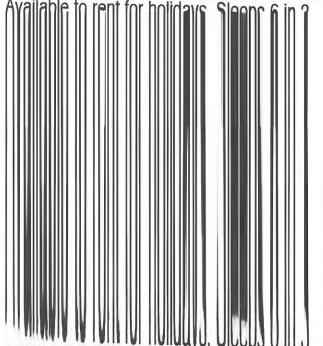
As you can see by the planned schedule we are really making an effort to become more active and include events that will interest members and spouses. We can have fun but only if YOU take part.

Comments? Call Terry or send them to the OffSide Undo. It's your club- use it and enjoy it!

PLANNING A TRIP TO ENGLAND?

Pres. Terry sent this along the other day. From e mail from Graham Holiday in England is the following vacation package.

19th century stone cottage situated in a fishing village on the northeast coast of England.



bedrooms with 2 baths. Brand new kitchen and tastefully furnished. 25 miles from Whitby, 60 miles from York. Included are up to 3 MG roadsters for the duration of your stay. E mail to: ciee@globalnet.co.uk

Sounds like an interesting package. If anyone takes this on how about a report.

NEW UK STAMP RELEASES

From time to time I get press releases about new English stamps and while they are all interesting, some may be of more interest to the club membership.

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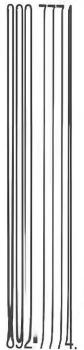


Coming up are several events which I will add detail as soon as possible.

MARCH 20 NEW ORLEANS BRITISH CAR DAY

This is always a good show. It will once again be held at LaFreniere Prk in Metarie. Set up on Friday, March 19 and the show on Saturday the 20th.

No host hotel is noted this year. For info call: Cliff Hughes 504-845-8709 or Jim Jones 504-



PENSACOLA BEACH BASH APRIL 16-17

Usually a small show but a great time to get a little sun and enjoy the beach. Good variety of cars and many good friendly folks.

CHATEAU ELAN BRITISH CAR DAY

Good sized event outside of Atlanta. I don't have a date yet but think it is around the 15th.

I understand that around 300 cars are on display at this first class resort hotel.

More details available later.

FOR SALE SWAP OR TRADE

1972 TR-6

Red with black interior, wires and o/d \$8400 or neat trade. Call Peter Harris 228-831-2650.

1938 Armstrong Siddeley 17hp Town and Country Saloon. Some restoration done. Mrs. Kathy Dundas London Ontario. 519-660-0065.













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"A gentleman does not motor about after dark." -- Joseph Lucas, attrib.



EMC outlines events for 1999

by Terry Trovato

The secret of any club's success is offering programs and events that are memorable and enjoyable. To that end, the EMC officers have outlined the following itinerary for this year:

"New Orleans British Car Day," March 20th. Hosted by the British Motoring Club of New Orleans, our members are again encouraged to participate in this excellent conclave, held at LaFreniere Park in Metairie, La., a suburb of New Orleans.

"Tops Down Party," March 27th. To celebrate the arrival of the spring driving season, members and guests will motor independently with their tops up to the Clinton, Miss., home of Jake Weaver, a noted car collector. Jake will have several of his finest examples of automotive craftsmanship on display for our enjoyment. On cue from Social Chairman Keith Anderson, all members will lower their cars' tops simultaneously, a club tradition, as a salute to the vernal equinox.

"Pensacola Beach Bash," April 17th. We encourage our members' participation in this outstanding event, hosted by Florida's Panhandle British Car Association, to thank this group for graciously supporting our annual "Brits on the Bluff" fall show and competition.

"Jackson (Louisiana) Journey," late April/early May. Similar to the successful "Drive through History" hosted by the club last year, this event will feature a tour of the Mississippi and Louisiana countryside with a stop in historic Jackson, La., known for its antique stores, quaint shops and historic sites.

"British Car Exhibition," late August. This will not be a judged show, but rather a public relations opportunity for us to display our cars at the Scottish Highland Games Competition, Jackson, Miss., and educate the general public about our hobby and its rewards. No registration fee; no awards or prizes.

"Carriage House Confab," late September. Members will motor down the Natchez Trace Parkway and then head toward Baton Rouge, La., for a visit to Fred Fabre's Carriage House Garage. Fred, a Rolls-Royce/Bentley expert and connoisseur, will host the group for a tour of his facility and its cars, and a viewing of his outstanding collection of historic British car regalia and memorability

"Brits on the Bluff," October 15-17. The EMC's pre-



mier event in Natchez, Miss. A judged British car show "on the green" at the corner of State and Broadway, overlooking the Mighty Mississippi, the event coincides with the city's Fall Pilgrimage Tour of antebellum homes and Annual Balloon Race festivities.

"The Tabasco Tour," mid-November. Our cars may run a bit hot but the fiery pepper sauce will be even hotter as members drive to picturesque Avery Island, La., to visit the world famous pepperworks of the Tabasco Company. Also included will be a tour of the Island's magnificent bird sanctuary.

"Annual Christmas Party," mid-December. Our year will come to a close with the club's annual Christmas get-together at a site yet to be determined. Tall tales and good fun will abound.

The English Motoring Club encourages all *British Marque* readers within our Southern geographic area—and beyond—to join us for any of these events. Please call me, Terry Trovato, at (601) 442-8684 for further information.

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