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EMC 2005 KICKOFF

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Fellow EMC'ers.

Hope that everyone had a very Merry Christmas and your New Year has started off as warm and sunny as ours. It looks like the weather may finally turn to winter but we've got some events to keep those wintertime blues away.

We're working on getting the '05 Calendar over to David Crawford for posting on the web site but until we do I wanted to bring everyone up to speed on a couple of things right around the corner.

January 15

Archestratus Restaurant / Clinton MS

We order form the menu here. No cooking and no pots & pans to wash. Start the new year with us for lunch and fun stuff.

We'll get started at 12:00pm.

Details Gene / Martha Johnston (601) 607 7021

February 12

Gene Ponder's Automobile Museum / Marshall TX
This event has just come up on the radar. If you missed the
visit in 2002 this is your chance. I've seen the photos of the
2002 trip and I'm making my plans to attend now. We'll be
traveling with members of the Ferrari Club of Louisiana.

I'll bring the 2002 photos to the January 15th meeting.

The following is the info that Pat & Barbara have supplied to me.

FEB. 12, 2005. Enzo¹s birthday tour to Gene Ponder¹s collection Marshall, Texas. We will meet at the I-20 welcome center at the Mississippi river at Vicksburg at 8am on Feb 12, 2005. This will be a 3 hour interstate cruise to Marshal, Texas which is about 20 miles west of Shreveport. Gene has over 100 cars with several Ferraris, Bugattis, pre-war M.G.²s, a mock up of the Cavallino restaurant, lots of eye candy and a very interesting story behind each of the cars. We will shoot for an 11am arrival time in Marshall, for those people who will not want to meet us in Vicksburg. The tour will take about 2 hours and then we will have a light lunch and visit to the Marshall Pottery. This is intended to be a mid-winter, bad weather, get out of the house event. It will feature 6 hours of interstate pounding so it will not be mandatory to bring your ³fun² car,Š ³drivers² will be welcome. Normal museum rules will applyŠlook all you want but please don¹t touch the cars, Gene or one of his staff will be happy to open the cars or fill you in on any details. Please leave the dogs and children at home and be very careful of purses, belt buckles, jewelry and Cameras around the cars. Things will go a lot smoother if everyone shows up at the same time. No problem with photos, bring lots of film.

This is Pat's summary for the EMC'er's.

I talked to Parker and the trip is on for Saturday February 12 at 8:00a.m.. We will meet and leave from the I-20 Vicksburg welcome center at the river bridges. No kids allowed but bring your cameras. We will see the cars and eat in Marshall. Let me know when you think you know how many will come so I can tell Parker.

Pat

PLEASE E-MAIL OR CALL ME IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING BY FEB 1, 2005! DETAILS: GENE JOHNSTON (601) 607-7021 www.arboangler@aol.com

The following is an update on Ron and Haven Stuckeys arrangements for the May 21 Drive Thru History:

Hello Gene.

Just a word from EMC Kosciusko (in the middle of it all). Haven & I took a run at the "May Tour" in the "B" yesterday to gather info on mileage & a rough time line. We will get all the data together for the Jan. 15 meeting. We pretty much have the first half done but more research is required in Meridian. Oh pity, another excuse to run the "B". We hope everyone had a good holiday season and look forward to seeing you on the 15th. Later, Ron

As you can tell their not letting the cobwebs collect under their MG over the winter so look for an exciting tour of the midlands.

IT'S EARLY.....I KNOW

We ended 2004 with 63 members on the EMC books.

I'm really pleased that we've held our own in 2004 and have even shown some growth.

I hope that you'll continue your support and involvement in 2005 and perhaps bring along some new friends.

We look forward to seeing you in 2005.

Membership forms can be printed from the web site www.msemc.org

Happy Motoring Gene Johnston Saturday we had the 1st 2005 event for the EMC.

Eighteen hardy souls showed up for our kick-off lunch at Archestratus.

The food and conversation was great as usual.

If I'm not mistaken 5 showed up in the proper auto with Ronnie and Haven Stuckey getting the high mileage award for driving their B down from Kosciusko.

We discussed our trip to Gene Ponder's Museum in Marshall TX and everyone is really looking forward to that trip on the 12th of February. By my count we have about 16 folks signed up. If your interested, please let me know so I can update the count to Pat and Barbara. For further info please give me a call.

THIS WILL BE THE ROAD TRIP YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS!

Next up is TECH SESSION 1 for 2005 down at Eddiceton...the LBC center of MS.

Ron and Haven updated us on progress for the 2005 Drive Thru History and it's looking like another great one. We'll start at the Natchez Trace Welcome Center in Ridgeland, head to Kosciusko where you'll find out what a chicken catcher really is then head down to Meridian to drop in on the Singing Brakeman Museum and other sites. Ron and Haven have some really kinky roads laid out for your enjoyment.

I spoke to David Crawford over the weekend and he'll get the web site calendar updated soon. In the meantime I have included a copy of the 2005 calendar so everyone can start making plans. I've also attached a copy for those that prefer.

As other events of interest are forwarded to me I'll get the word out via e-mail so stay tuned.

2005 Membership in the EMC will come with all sorts of prizes and surprises so re-up now. Membership info is available at www.msemc.org

Happy Motoring

Gene Johnston EMC

PS. I'm taking my computer down for a couple of weeks beginning today. If you need to reach me please call (601) 607-7021 or (601) 952 - 2653.

2005 ENGLISH MOTORING CLUB CALENDAR

January 15, 2005 Archestratus Restaurant / Clinton MS

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We'll get started at 12:00pm.

Details: Gene / Martha Johnston (601) 607 - 7021

February 12, 2005 Gene Ponder Museum / Marshall TX
This is a repeat trip of the 2002 trip. If you missed
the that trip here's another chance. An excellent
way to beat the winter blues. Over 100 autos some very
rare examples. You don't want to miss this one.
Details: Gene / Martha Johnston (601) 607 - 7021

February 19, 2005 Tech Session I / Eddiceton MS

We'll kickoff the 2005 tech sessions with a return visit to Jim and Fay Enzman's down at the hub of LBC'dom. Bring Something for the pot luck lunch and join us for hours of fun, Meditation and busted knuckles. Lunch begins at 12:00pm.

Details: Jim / Faye Enzman (601) 532-6293

March 18-19, 2005 New Orleans British Car Day / New Orleans LA

Details: www.bmcno.org

March 26, 2005 Tops Down / Rocky Springs MS
Our world famous picnic that draws crowds from
miles around. This year we'll continue the tradition with
A pot luck picnic and the lowering of the tops.
Lunch begins at 12:00pm.
Details: Keith / Pat Anderson (601) 829 - 2573

April 15-16, 2005 Pensacola Beach Bash All British Car Show / Pensacola Beach FL

Details: www.pbca1.com

May 13-14, 2005 Sports Cars at Tannehill / Birmingham AL

Details: www.birminghambmc.org

May 21, 2005 EMC Drive Thru History / The Mid-MS Tour

For those that missed the Delta Cruise in 2004 Ron and

Haven are have scheduled a great tour thru the middle grounds of the state with several interesting and fun stops along the way. Initial plans take us in the direction of Kosciusko then south toward Meridian for an overnight stay. Join us for much fun and frolic as we check out new and interesting sites in the Magnolia State. Details: Ron / Haven Stuckey (662) 290 - 0765

June 18, 2005 EMC Mid - Summers Picnic / Clinton MS
The food, fun and fellowship was great last year. We
Didn't break any furniture so Jake's invited us back again.
We'll work up a great cookout with all the fixings so bring
yourself out for the good time.
Lunch begins at 12:00pm.

Details: Gene / Martha Johnston (601) 607 - 7021

July 9, 2005 World of Show and Go / Jackson MS

(pending verification)

Held in the Jackson Trade Mart everyone has enjoyed this get together....it's held indoors under the lights and out of the heat. Info should be forthcoming.

Details: Gene / Martha Johnston (601) 607 - 7021

July 16, 2005 Open Date / will forward updates to club members

Details: Gene / Martha Johnston (601) 607 - 7021

August 20, 2005 Tech Session II / Vicksburg MS

Pat and Barbara Cashman will open the garage to all interested

in the maintenance and well being of LBC's. Bring a dish for the pot luck lunch and get a little grease under your nails.

Lunch begins at 12:00pm.

Details: Pat / Barbara Cashman (601) 638 - 3240

September 23-24, 2005 Brits by the River 2005 / Vidalia LA

Yep, they invited us back promising it'll be better than ever.

Our 9th annual gathering in the river region will be associated again in 2005 with the Jim Bowie Festival so dust off the old burner and bring it out. Additional info to follow.

Details: John Turbeville (601) 922 - 2110

October 1, 2005 Memphis British Car & Motorcycle Fest / Memphis TN

Details: www.memphisbritishcars.org

October 6 - 9, 2005 VTR Triumphest / San Diego CA

www.vtr.org

October 15, 2005 Tech Session III / Brandon MS

Well Barry and Pattie were so impressed with our work last year

They invited us back again in 2005. This will be another table clearing event no doubt so bring a dish to keep the table cloth down. Barry's resto MGB will be the focus again so bring a wrench.

Lunch begins at 12:00pm.

Details: Barry / Pattie Schmidt (601) 992 - 9196

October 22, 2005 Brits and the Renaissance Faire / Florence AL

Details: www.shoalsbritishcars.org

October 29, 2005 British Car Festival / Fairhope AL

Details: www.sabcc.org

November 19, 2005 Tech Session IV / Eddiceton MS

If anything's left after our spring visit hopefully Jim and Faye Will give us one more chance in 2005. Bring the vittles ma & pa We'll have a good cook down and some car repair to boot.

Lunch begins at 12:00pm.

Details: Jim / Fay Enzman (601) 532 - 6293

December 3, 2005 Annual EMC Christmas Party / Vicksburg MS 2005 will close out with our final get together. Bring something Good and it will certainly be returned to you many times over.

Lunch begins at 1:00pm

Details: Pat / Barbara Cashman (601) 638 - 3240