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British Marque,

Hey Guys, This is the summer update of the English Motoring Club's activities. If you have any problems posting from this e-mail please let me know.

Thanks again for all your hard work.

Gene Johnston  
 President  
 English Motoring Club of Mississippi

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HOT....HOT.....HOT & WET....WET....WET  
 AAAAAHHHHH summer in the South!

Tech Session III went off without a hitch on Saturday, June 19th at Pat and Barbara Cashman's. Pat has the cornered the market on fan's I think and even life out in the garage area was really bearable.

Pat recently had his Gordon Keeble returned from the paint shop with a beautiful silver coating. He's in the process of sorting out details. It's not long off before the club has a very rare specimen. My history book indicates there were only 80 cars produced in the original batch with 19 in a second with a total of about 90 still in existence.

After milling about for a while efforts were concentrated on improving the running of Pat's Lotus Europa. Richard Engle recently relocated to the Vicksburg area, his past experience is in the Corvette field. While most of the group recessed to air-conditioned area of the shop for food and meeting Richard continued diagnostic efforts and when we emerged he had determined the issue to be two bad plugs! Everyone in the group, ten or so chuckled recalling last years multi hour hairpulling and teeth gnashing over Jake Weaver's TR3 only to decide that the issue was aged plugs and OH YEAH RIGHT. But infact on securing of a fresh set of plugs the little Lotus cranked right up. Pat indicates it hasn't run that well in years. He was so pleased he let several folk's take it out to cruise the hood. It's been many a year since I've shoe horned my 6'2" frame into a Lotus but it's wel worth the effort and man what a ride.

Keith Anderson had brought a new carb synchronizing tool (toy) by and we got a lesson in carb tuning on Pat's TR3 and Jim Enzman's MGB.

The recent purchaser of an MGB Steven Bryant can on the scene with his B and posted this note of his visit with us.

"And here's a great story for you: Saturday afternoon, I was on my way to the parts store to find another fuel filter (i've determined that i need a new tank) and just a few blocks from my home, I spied a beautiful British flag hanging from the open garage door of a friend who has quite an impressive collection of various vintage British cars. Outside the garage was a beautiful early 70's MGB, chrome bumpers glinting in the sunlight. I stopped and made my way inside. My friend greeted me and introduced me to "The English Motoring Club". They asked me to drive my red 78 into the garage and began pouring over it, with their wives in the background joking about "fresh meat." I pointed out several issues that I was having a hard time figuring out. Several issues were solved quickly and simply. I had just bought a carb synchronizing tool, and I mentioned to one of the fellows that I was trying to get the nerve to try it out for the first time. My car is running great and I was afraid I'd screw it up. Keith had just taught the other fellows a lesson on synching using his new German version of a SU sync device. Needless to say, now my car is running perfectly (with the exception of the need of a new gas tank!) A few other questions were met with uncertainty but collectively, we figured things out.

They were extremely hospitable and knowledgeable, and I will look forward to gathering again with them soon. The best part of all was the cool English ale amidst the heat of the garage!"

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We hope that Stevens initial visit with us was not too traumatic and he'll become a member of the EMC soon.

In the summertime when the weather is fine you can go right down .....whew it's hot...

The EMC had a great time at the World of Show and Go Saturday, July 10, it was the coolest show in town.

Eight cars were entered with Al and Debbie Adams taking the coveted "More Cars Than We Know What To Do With" award entering their very nice '74 MGB GT and '60 Bugeye. Ron Stuckey got the long driver award all the way down from Kosciusko MS.

David Crawford brought out his '58 MGA complete with hand crank and pre and post photos. Man what a mod guy way back when.

John Turbeville brought his still great running TR-8, Dennis Loftin his XKE and Barry Schmidt his TR-7/V-6. I drove Ol' Red down and just to add a little spice they let Emilie Cook place her Mercedes Benz in the same line.

The award plaques were very nice and the best thing was that it was nice and cool inside. Photos are now posted on the website. [www.msemc.org](http://www.msemc.org) under Events.



The EMC crew from the 2004 World of Show And Go Jackson Ms.  
Photo courtesy David Crawford.

On July the 17th the EMC gathered for a Summer Party and Tire Kicking at Jake Weaver's place. I guess you could title this as Tech Session III(B). The primary force at this tech session was getting lunch served on time. Pat and Barbara Cashman supplied the burgers and Jake the hospitality. Allen Spragins, Pat and Barbara supplied the rolling stock, Allen in his MGB and Pat and Barbara in their Jag sedan.

After a great lunch the wrenches moved down to the shop with one group backing Jake's Jag 120 out into the drive for a photo op and Jim Enzman and your's truly engaging his TR-6 in a compression check.

Jake's has decided to move head long into the restoration of his the very promising TR-6 after the compression check determined that the engine only needing a head rebuild. We removed the hood so Jake can get the engine out for detailing and re-installing of the engine and transmission.

Well summers half way over and it's been a great first half. The EMC is looking forward to the balance of 2004 and hosting our home show Brits By The River in Vidalia Louisiana on September 25, 2004. Those in the Southeast looking for a kickoff to the 2004 fall tour series please consider visiting us. For more information see our website at [www.msemc.org](http://www.msemc.org).

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**Subj: EMC Jake's Party and Tire Kicking THIS WEEKEND**  
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This weekend is Jake's Weaver's Shake and Bake Party.....no...no...that's not right.... Jake Weaver's Party and Tire Kicking, that's it.

We start at 12:00pm at Jake's and should have the meal out no later than 1:00pm...I promise. We also need to have a meeting on a few issues including Brits By The River.

Time is really getting close on our show. Today I received a couple of inquires including one from as far as Savannah GA so we're really building a head of steam. We'll also be working to get the info to David so he can update the contact info for our show on the website.

I won't list all nearby events coming up as their now on the website under EVENTS and include a link to the associated club shows. I've also posted our monthly gatherings. If there are any that you think should be added please let me know. The events I have listed are those within a 4 to 6 hour drive as that seems to be a reasonable driving range.

Here are the directions to Jake's:

Exit I-20 at Springridge Road, Exit 36.  
 South on Springridge Rd ~ 1.5 miles to McRaven Rd.  
 Right on McRaven Rd ~1.5 miles to Skyline Dr.  
 Left on Skyline Dr ~.5miles to end of street.  
 Jake's Place is on the right. Gray house with 193 on the mail box.

The address is 193 Skyline Dr, Clinton MS

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Telephone number is 601 924 4367 or call me at 601 607 7021.

Hope you can make it.

Happy Motoring

Gene