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Here's the EMC's Off-Side Undo for the April '07 issue.

Please let me know if you have any difficulties, I'll attempt again.

Thanks

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THE OFF-SIDE UNDO*March 18, 2007***Men In Green Ha Ha Ho Ho He He**

The EMC began our Tech Sessions on February 17, 2007. Our merry little band of wrench twisters magically appeared at the home of Jim and Faye Enzman's down in the land of Eddiceton to assist with the re-install of the power unit into their MGB - GT.

Fourteen members made the date. Douglas Thomas made the gathering in his '65 Austin Healey 3000. Glad you made it over Doug, everyone really enjoyed your company and the chance to see your Healey.

Jim almost sweep the floor , leaving a little of the magic dust (blasting sand) around to ensure that there were no knuckle bustings or limbs lost. When transmission cross member replacement time came Mike Glore and I crawled under the car for the full dusting in to install the cross member. We completed our task in very short order.

Doug McAdam's worked some miracles on the normally recalcitrant cross member. I'll never even think about replacing a B cross member without the modifications for ease of installation nuts on the transmission mount. I've been made cross on more than one occasion laying on my back looking up in all sorts of contortions wondering how much they paid the factory employee that assembled the cross member. MG must have had a shift or two of Leprechauns for this job at the factory.

Food of course was a great draw for everyone and the amount and quality of same didn't disappoint.

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Men At Work / Tech Session I '07

Photo courtesy of The EMC

If you look real close you can see the men in green in the photo. If you can't, you'll need to pull out your favorite shade of green pin or marker and color in the photo from left to right, Mike Glore, Jim Trunzler, Dennis Loftin, Doug McAdams, Ron Stuckey and Doug Thomas.

On March 17, 2007 The EMC held our usual Tops Down Celebration in combination with the St. Patrick's Day gathering at the home of Pat and Barbara Cashman's in Vicksburg. Pat and Barbara put on a great spread of food and drink for their neighbors and the EMC.

Club members Richard Poole and Bruce Richards arrived in great style with Richard in his 1965 Land Rover Dormobile and Bruce in his very very nice 1965 Sunbeam Tiger.

Under orders of Keith Anderson those present raised a toast to the Vernal Equinox and EMC's move into spring. With the command given canvas tops were lowered and spring was officially recognized as underway.

As a special guest Pat and Barbara invited the Leprechaun of Central Mississippi to the celebration to look over the LBC's present and make recommendations for upkeep and maintenance for the upcoming year and to ensure there were no foolish nor flighty members amongst the EMC.

Several members of the club were determined to be trusted by the little fella and given the opportunity to visit his ancient treasure. I'm not sure if he passed out a gold or silver shillings to make his escape. I suppose we'll find out during upcoming gatherings.



The wee-little one inspecting under the hood of one MGB

belonging to Norm Scheffner. Photo courtesy of The EMC

On March 18, Keith Anderson, Dennis Loftin and I met at the home of Dan and Terri Ewert for a cookout and gathering with the kids from The Baptist Children's Home in Clinton MS.

Dan is an originating member in good standing with the Primo's Early Breakfast Car Club and organized the gathering of cars from several local car clubs to share the auto experience with these kids. Goodie bags were provided for the kids, they got to sit in several different marques pressing the go pedal and listening to the engine roar. The kids, all of us really enjoyed the experience.



Twenty-three cars at Dan and Terri Ewerts

Photo courtesy of The EMC

Thanks for the invite Dan and Terri, the EMC really enjoyed participating.

Here's the listing from the EMC's Events Calendar located at www.msemc.org .

APRIL 20-21, 2007 - Brits on the Bay / Pensacola FL

The Panhandle British Car Association has announced that their 2007 show will be held at The Admiral Mason Park. The host hotel and Friday night social will still be held at the Pensacola Beach Best Western. The new venue should be a blast for all attendees so keep this date on your calendar. Keep an eye on their web site for further information.

Details: www.pbca1.com

MAY 18-19, 2007 - Sports Cars at Buck Creek / Helena AL

The Birmingham British Car Club has also made a move for 2007 to the hamlet of Helena AL. Folks that have missed this show in past years have really missed a great weekend and the new location looks like a win-win for everyone. This is another date to post to your calendar. Keep an eye on their web site for further information.

Details: www.birminghambmc.org

MAY 26, 2007 - EMC Drive Thru History / Location to be determined

EMC's Drive Thru History has been a great way to get the top down and that far away look in your eyes as we travel the highways and byways of the state. The Mapmeister his self Ron along with ceremony chair lady Haven have pointed the compass toward the west along the Mississippi River with anticipated stops in and around the Vicksburg area. Look forward to a great drive and overnight stay.

Details: Ron and Haven Stuckey (662) 290 - 0765

That's the update for this month. Hope everyone has a great spring and summer and be sure to get the tin horse out of the garage.

Happy Motoring

Gene Johnston

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