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THE OFF - SIDE UNDO

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The Wind and Rain....etc.

Two area shows ended the Spring 2006 show season for the EMC. Both came with their share of weather adversity however everyone had a great time. A little weather couldn't keep these hardy souls at bay.

On the eve of April 28, 2006 the Panhandle British Car Association kicked off their event with their annual greeting of a red beans and rice social. As it has been in the past the event was well attended with good food and grog was offered up for all takers.

Overnight a rather brisk 25 - 30 mph wind picked up and along with it, it deposited a lot of sand in places you would never imagine on your little British car. On Saturday morning the wind took liberties with the bonneted on Mike Cook's MGB V-8 extracting it from the car and depositing it unceremoniously on the ground...thank goodness right side up with minimal damage. Bonnet replaced it along with ninety one others of British heritage took to the beach for a day of wind blowing and sand blasting. Everyone had a great time visiting and contemplating kite flying at the Fourteenth Annual Pensacola Brits Beach Bash.

From the EMC Pat and Barbara Cashman flew high with a first in class with their 1953 Triumph Mayflower. Bill and Melissa Silhan anchored a second place in their 1964 Austin Mini Wagon. An additional first was secured with my 1973 MGB GT.

A little rain on the way home on Sunday wash off most of the remaining sand.

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For additional info on the club and the 2006 show visit www.pbca.com .

On May 12 - 13 the Birmingham British Motoring Club rounded up an excellent group of British autos along with area German, Italian and even Swedish and French cars for the 2006 Sports Cars at Tannehill Show.

For this show the weather person decided that a little blowing rain would be the test. I'm happy to say that from my understanding everyone made it thru safe and sound, losing no parts that I've been made aware of.

The drizzle ended about noon for everyone's pleasure and the visit and car ware was fine.

EMC'er that managed to float thru? Pat and Barbara bought out their 1956 XK 140 and blue ribbon in class as I did with the old trusty '73 B GT. David and Menda Hayden brought over their recently acquired 1988 Lotus Esprit and garnered a second in class.

Despite the rain the BBMC put on a great show in 2006 with everyone enjoying the gonzo announcing of fellow MGB'er Ruben Greenwood.



Dave and Menda Hayden 1988 Lotus Esprit

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Well that's it for the local 2006 spring show's hope that everyone enjoyed it as much as I did it's been a great

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