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This 'n That

By Charlie Durning

October was a busy month with 2 big events. **Mike Marsh** pulled off another outstanding event this year with his annual Euro Fest, and Southern Alabama British Car Club promoted another fine show in Fairhope, Alabama.

As the year winds down, the EMC activities are slowing down a bit. In November we met at **Bro Gene & Martha's** for a tech session and chili. Look for the photos in this newsletter. In early December we will gather for our annual Christmas party. Details are later in the newsletter. Hope to see you all there.

I was unable to attend this year's **Euro Fest** due to conflicts. Here is a recap from **Mike Marsh** and a list of EMC and friends of EMC winners.

WE BEAT THE RAIN!

Not a drop of rain fell on any of the autos on display at the **9th Annual Renaissance Euro Fest**, held Saturday, October 7th. Although heavy rain was forecast for early afternoon, none fell. We had to move the awards presentation from 4:00 to 1:00 to make sure we could get all back to their cars before the rain had started. We had some cancellation from down south and many had the courtesy to call and let us know. We fully understand that others had plenty on their ¹minds to worry about!

Euro Fest Winners

SPONSOR'S CHOICE

AWARD

Richard Hobbs	1975 Triumph TR6	Paul Moak Volvo "Safety First" Award
Nathan Darby	1979 Porsche 911 RSR Tribute	Porsche of Jackson "Porsche Performance" Award
Clay Johnston	1972 MG MGB	Audi-VW of Jackson "German Engineering" Award

AUSTIN HEALEY

Rick Huber	1964 Austin Healey 3000	Outstanding in Class
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MG

Steven Whitlow	1976 MG Midget 1500	Outstanding in Class
Pat Cashman	1964 Gordon Keeble GK 1	Best of Class

FERRARI

Paul McNeil	2016 Ferrari F12	Best of Class
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SPECIAL INTEREST LESS THAN 25 YEARS OLD CLOSED

Bill Silhan	2007 BMW Z4 Coupe	Best of Class
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SPECIAL INTEREST LESS THAN 25 YEARS OLD OPEN

Joe Speetjens	2017 Morgan M3W	Outstanding in Class
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SPECIAL AWARDS

Dominic La Valla	2010 Ferrari 458 Italia	BEST OF THE FEATURED MARGUE
Jo Ann & David Bailey		THE ED WETTACH "LOVE OF THE AUTOMOBILE" AWARD

SABCC British Car Festival

The SABCC was another weekend well spent. The Baron's Inn in Fairhope is quite an experience. The best part of staying there is lounging in the parking lot and exchanging stories. The Baron's does have a nice view of the bay, but I don't think anyone noticed.

Bro Gene, Martha, Pres John, and VP Steve all met at the Shell station in Florence. As they travelled down Hwy 49 they picked up **Editor Charlie** and then **Bro Clay**. It was a nice day for travel though hot and humid. Though the rest of us sweated it out **Pres John** travelled in comfort while driving his Jag XJ8. I've got to get A/C in my GT.

Lunch was in Mobile where all gobbled down oysters. Not my cup of tea but an experience just the same. After lunch the ride to Fairhope was without incident.

When we arrived at the Baron's **Mike & Alice** were there waiting for us. Also there were our friends from the BMCNO club. That is when the fun began.

Later that day **Terry and Merideth** arrived, as well as **Debbie**. In all 11 from EMC attended with 6 LBC's and 1 big Jag sedan. The best part is we all walked away with something in our hands at the end of the Saturday show.

To break up the return trip we had a little excitement. As we were heading into Mobile the BMCNO folks were stopped and were disassembling the interior of **Cliff Hughes** beautiful big Healey. The problem was no fuel getting to the carbs.

After some fiddling it was determined that there was an obstruction in the fuel line. Somehow a heat shrink butt connector had become lodged in his new fuel pump. **Bro Gene** provided a replacement pump and they were on their way.

The second incident came a few hours later when **VP Steve** experienced the breakage of not 1 but 2 exhaust hangars on his pristine Midget. So we were on the side of the road again with his new polished stainless exhaust system dragging on the road. After a quick fix we were on our way.

Below is a list of EMC and friends of EMC SABCC British Car Festival winners along with some photos from the event.

BIG HEALEY

2ND Place Cliff Hughes

JAG SALOONS 95 AND LATER

First in Class John Turberville

XK8 1997-2015

Cathy Greenfelder

MG MIDGET

First in Class Steven Whitlow

MGB 68-74

3rd Place Clay Johnston

MGB 74 1/2 -7 6

First in Class Keith Vezina

MGBGT

2nd Place Gene Johnston

3rd Place Charles Durning

MODERN MINI

3rd Place Merideth Trovato

2nd Place Jack Kennedy

NEW MILLENNIUM CARS

First in Class Michael Glore

OTHER MAKES PRE 2000

First in Class Bill Silhan

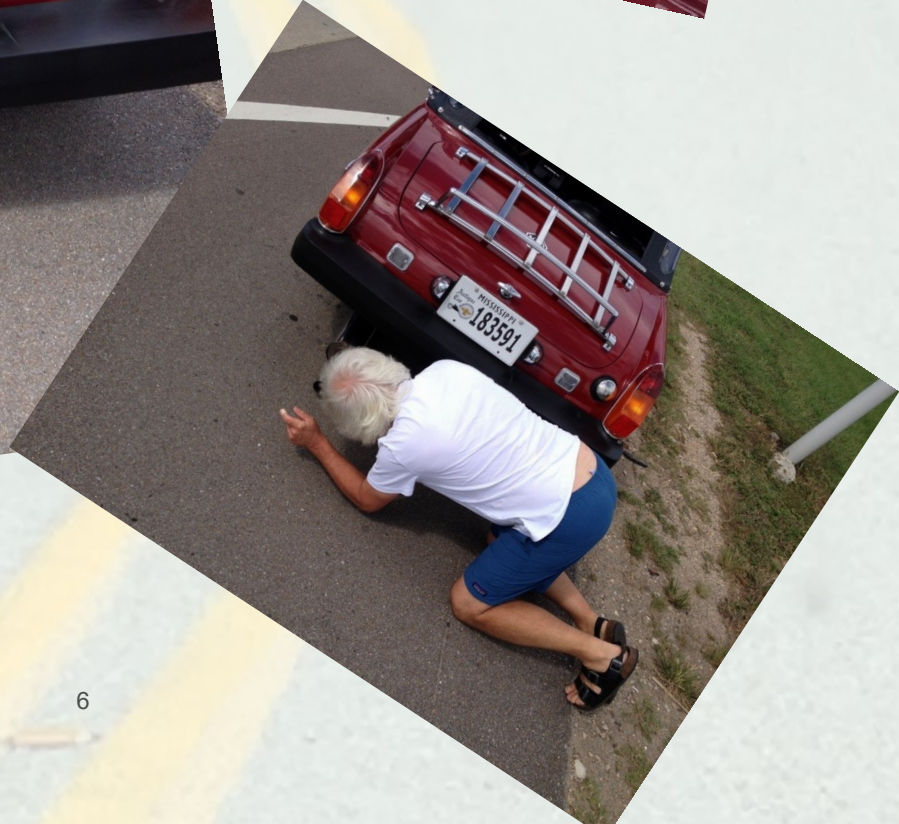
TRIUMPH TR2-TR3

First in Class Burt Ballard

KIDS CHOICE

Second Place Michael Glore—2012 Orange McLaren MP4-12C Coupe





Tech Session at The Johnston's

The November tech day at **Bro Gene & Martha's** house was well attended. Didn't get a head count, but, what I can say is the house was full and spilled out into the garage, patio, and driveway. The big attraction was the food. We always look forward to Martha's chili!

Joe Speetjens arrived in his new Morgan 3 wheeler. **Joe** still hasn't figured out a graceful entry into and exit from the cockpit. Knowing Joe he'll get it figured out.

Pat and Barbara Cashman arrived in their newly refurbished Rover SD1. They did a nice job.

There was no business meeting.







Exhaust Rattles

by Charlie Durning

VP Steve organized an impromptu drive on some roads in Simpson County. Four club members gathered at **Editor Charlie's** house and fun was had by all.

VP Steve is planning another drive in the next few weeks. Stay tuned for details. All are welcome to join!!

Blast from the Past

by Terry & Merideth Trovato



Beautiful automobiles and the beautiful “Dunleith” mansion in Natchez combine for a picturesque scene during a stop on EMC’s Drive Through History in 2015. In the interest of international diplomacy and good will, the EMC hierarchy approved a tongue-in-cheek non-aggression pact with the owners of German, Japanese, and Italian vehicles and allowed them to participate in the fun, with members of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America and the Rolls Royce Owners Club, Southern Delta Region, taking part.



Upcoming Events

English Motoring Club 2017 Calendar

December 2, 2017 – EMC / DSARC Christmas Party / Vicksburg MS - We return to the place that started the 2016 EMC tech sessions. Make plans to join us at Pat and Barbara's to wind down 2017 with the EMCs year end gathering. Details: Pat / Barbara Cashman (601) 638 – 3240.

Reminder: January (date to be determined) will be the annual business meeting and awards luncheon.