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This 'n That

By Charlie Durning

Mark your calendars for Brits on the Bluff September 16 & 17. It promises to be a good time of conversation and kicking tires. Terry Trovato has been working hard in promoting BotB locally. Thanks Terry for your hard work.

Euro-Fest is October 1, 2016. Mike Marsh has attracted an amazing collection of unusual cars. It will be a day well spent.

<http://www.euro-fest.net/ridgeland/>



Denham Springs flood.

Rick Huber of BMCNO has agreed to be the contract person for the recovery. As near as I know 7 families were affected by flood waters. The damage is still being assessed and recovery is under way. Not all the families affected had flood insurance since they were outside of flood zones. Bro Gene will let us know when there is a request for work crews. Several cars were damaged. Conversations have started with the Delgado college automotive program about restoration help.

Exhaust Rattles

By Charlie Durning

VP Steve now has the engine in his Midget restoration. There is light at the end of the tunnel.

Editor Charlie rebushed the front suspension in Editoret Donna's Morris Minor as well as added an antiroll bar. The car is transformed. Charlie is also working on a MGB rescue that was saved from the crusher.

Pres John continues work on his TR6 restoration. He's working on a 4 wheel disc brake conversion. He just received the custom rear caliper brackets.

Pres John and Tech Guru Keith joined Bro. Clay and VP Steve at Charlie and Donna Durning's house. They are shown here pressing bushings into John's TR6 rear control arms.



Adventures in Midget Engine Installation

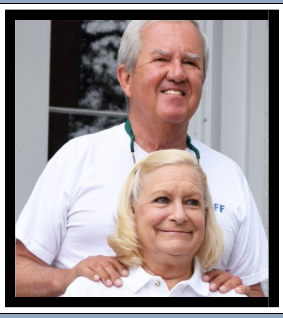


Bro Clay and Editor Charlie made it to the **ASCS/USCS sprint car shoot out** at Jackson Motor Speedway. The competition was close and exciting.



Blast from the Past

By Terry and Merideth Trovato



Bond...James Bond.

Bill and Melissa Silhan proudly pose with their Brits on the Bluff Best of Show Trophy, which was captured by their 1967 Aston Martin DB6 in 2002. Bill and Melissa have won Best of Show on numerous occasions at our annual event because of their outstanding examples of Her Majesty's English Motoring History.



Bailey's August Meeting



David and Joann Bailey

The meeting at the David and Joann Bailey's air conditioned garage was a pleasant way to spend the middle of the day. As folks gathered and the food was laid out the conversation got better. At the stroke of noon David got the attention of all, thanked us for attending and declared food line open. After we had a chance to fill our bellies, Pres John conducted a short business meeting. Guests were welcomed, announcements for upcoming events and final discussions about Brits on the Bluff. At the end of the meeting we all gathered to fill the goodie bags.

Pres John got wind that David had found a project Jag XJSC. So we had to go and inspect this rare find. Frankly I had never seen one before. It will be a full restoration and I know David will get it done.

Here are some pictures from the day. Thank you to David and Joann for your hospitality!





More pics from the Baileys'



Thanks David & Joann!



Second ‘Queen’s Luncheon’ Planned During Brits on the Bluff

As a usual thing, at a British car show the gentlemen enjoy whiling away the hours discussing such obscure subjects as the history of Skinner’s Union and their intricate S.U. carburetors, while the ladies are stuck on their lawn chairs with, unfortunately, not a whole lot to do.

Merideth Trovato has decided it is time to rectify the situation by creating an annual Brits on the Bluff Queen’s Luncheon the day of the show. Arrangements have been made for a private dining room at Natchez’ Cotton Alley Cafe, located an easy walk just a few blocks from the show site. It will commence at 12 noon sharp so that we can all get back in time for awards.

Regrettably, Her Majesty may not be able to attend, but to be sure she will properly honored and represented, with the restaurant proudly displaying the Queen’s “Royal Standard” flag that day, which signifies that she is on the premises—at least in spirit on this occasion. This flag is also the new official EMC ladies flag.

All EMC Ladies and Female Guests at the show are invited to attend this fun event; if interested please email Merideth Trovato at merter@bellsouth.net. We will need a close as we can get headcount so that Cotton Alley will be ready for us. Hope everyone can participate (that means you Lurline!).

James Fox-Smith, the Editor of Country Roads Magazine, published in St. Francisville, Louisiana, just published a story about “Jamie’s Healey” and yours truly. The author plugs Brits on the Bluff at the end of the article. Click on link below.

<http://www.countryroadsmagazine.com/culture/history/natchez-car-buff-restores-austin-healey>



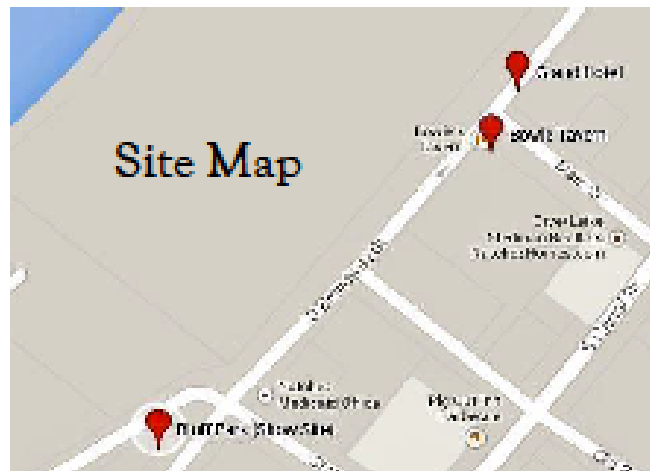
Brits on the Bluff Sept. 16-17, 2016 Natchez, Mississippi

The English Motoring Club of Mississippi proudly announces its annual all-marque car show and celebration to be held in Historic Natchez, Mississippi, the weekend of September 16th and 17th.

Bowie's Tavern - Welcome Reception: Friday evening, 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Join us at "Bowie's Tavern," an 1852 Cotton Warehouse converted to an "antique pub." It is located at 100 Main Street at Broadway (across the street from the Grand Hotel and just up from the show site), and offers tasty appetizers, specialty pizzas, salads, sandwiches and a full bar.

Natchez Bluff Park - Show: Saturday 10 a.m. - At 303 South Broadway Street, just a few blocks from the Grand Hotel, located on a magnificent 200-foot bluff containing shade trees and picnic tables. Awards presentation 3 p.m.

Overnight Accommodations - A block of rooms has been reserved at the Natchez Grand Hotel, located at 111 Broadway Street. The EMC has negotiated rates from \$119 to \$169 plus fees and taxes per night. See natchezgrandhotel.com for hotel information, call 866-488-0898 or 601-446-9994 for reservations, and be sure to reference "English Motoring Club of MS" for the group rates.



One never knows who might show up for Brits on the Bluff.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City St, Zip: _____

Best Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Car Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____ Color: _____

In consideration of this entry, I waive any and all claims for myself and my heirs against the English Motoring Club, their officers and any sponsors of this event for injury or illness which may result directly or indirectly from my participation. I give my permission for use of my name and/or picture in any published or broadcast account of this event.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please enclose check in the amount of \$25 per car (\$10 for additional cars) payable to English Motoring Club and mail to: EMC MS, 498 Old Hwy. 49 N, Mount Olive, MS 39119.

*‘Brits on The Bluff’ Saturday to salute
English Reign in Natchez 1763 - 1779*

By Terry and Merideth Trovato

To salute Great Britain’s role in the growth and history of Natchez from 1763 to 1779, Mississippi's English Motoring Club will host a British car show at the Natchez city park on Broadway adjacent to the mansion “Rosalie” from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. this Saturday September 17th. Outstanding examples of vintage British vehicles, including MGs, Triumphs, Austin-Healeys and Jaguars, among others, are expected to be on display.

“With the city in the midst of its Tricentennial Celebration this is a perfect tie-in for our annual British car show,” explains Terry Trovato, Natchez resident and a past-president of the club.

“It’s interesting to note that by a Royal Proclamation issued in 1763, England created a new colony called British West Florida which included Natchez,” Trovato points out. “Subsequently, England sent a detachment of British Grenadiers to occupy and improve Fort Rosalie, which they renamed Fort Panmure, and in 1776 the British laid out one of our City’s most famous areas, the ‘Under The Hill’ district, by constructing 10 log houses and two frame houses below the Bluff, with two mercantile houses in operation at the Landing.”

The car show is free and open to the public.

From the Passenger Seat

By Donna Durning



One of our new members, Caroline Van Lake submitted this delicious recipe. Many of you probably sampled it at the Bailey's in August. It was a big hit! Thank you for the submission, Caroline!

Captain Rodney's Cheese Bake

- 1- 8 oz. block cream cheese, softened
- ½ cup mayo
- 1 cup grated cheddar cheese (or a little more)
- 2 chopped green onions
- 6 Ritz crackers, crushed
- 8 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled
- ½ cup Captain Rodney's Boucan glaze



Caroline Van Lake

Mix mayo, cream cheese, cheddar, and onions and place in a greased quiche pan. Top with crackers and bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes. Top with bacon and glaze. Return to the oven for a few more minutes. Serve with crackers or crostini.



Contact Me

If you have an idea or an article for "From the Passenger Seat", please let me know. I'd love to feature yours!

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Upcoming Events

September 16 - 17, 2016 – EMC Brits on the Bluff / Natchez MS – Hang out on the bluffs overlooking the Mississippi River starting with our Friday night party and spend Saturday with us under the oaks at City Park. There will be lots to do on your visit with us. Click [HERE](#) for BOTB Information & Registration. *NOTE: Be sure that you reserve your room early. The hotel will start releasing un-reserved rooms approximately 30 days in advance of the show weekend. Details: John Turbeville (601) 940 – 5288, Gene Johnston (601) 201 – 0801.

October 1, 2016 – Renaissance Euro Fest Car Show / Ridgeland MS - The 2015 Renaissance Car Fest was one to remember. Lots of participation from EMC members as well as friends from surrounding clubs will be the order again for 2016. When posted get your entry in early and make plans to attend. You'll see cars that you don't get a chance to enjoy often and in the surroundings of the Renaissance it's just magnificent. Details: www.euro-fest.net.

October 3 – 7, 2016 – North American Triumph Challenge / Pottsboro TX - Bigger in Texas, better in a Triumph is their call out to join other lovers of everything in the land of Triumph for 2016. Make plans early. Details: www.vtr2016.org

October (check for date), 2016 - Brits at the Parthenon / Nashville TN - If you're looking for a nice drive up the Natchez Trace there's no better reason than to attend the Nashville British Car Clubs Annual Show. Lot's to do including taking in the Lane Museum of Cars while in town. A reception is held on Friday evening and the shows on Saturday. Details: www.nashvillebritishcarclub.org

October 21 - 22, 2016 – South Alabama British Car Festival / Fairhope AL - It's a nice drive down to Fairhope AL so join the caravan to the lovely city by Mobile Bay. The Friday night meet and greet is always fun and the food is fantastic. The 2014 show was a high water mark for the EMC's final travel and show each year. Although moved to a new location the 2014 show remained within easy walking distance of all that downtown Fairhope has to offer. The show organizers put on a well organized show so make plans to attend. Details: www.sabcc.org. Travel plans with the EMC: Gene Johnston (601) 201 – 0801.

November 5, 2016 – EMC Tech Session / Ridgeland MS - We'll have the chili on the stove and a wrench ready for stirring. We'll put together a project or two or perhaps take one apart. Hope you can make the final tech session of 2016. The garage opens early and lunch starts at 12:00pm. Details: Gene / Martha Johnston (601) 607 – 7021.

December 3, 2016– 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 2016 with the EMCs year end gathering. Again in 2016 we will be sharing the table with the Deep South Alfa Romeo Club so bring a dish and join what's become a great gathering. The party starts as 2:00pm. Details: Pat / Barbara Cashman (601) 638 – 3240.