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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Neil White



Firstly, I would like to thank Rebecca MacIntyre for all of her work with the Dynamo. She has now stepped down from the role. Thanks also to Steve Hart for filling in for this issue.

Well, here we are again. Spring has almost sprung, meaning rain and snow in the forecast. It's time to get our Little British Cars out of the garage, and find a cheap oil supplier. It also means that planning for the Rallye Glenwood Springs is in full swing. This year is its 65th Anniversary, and I recommend as many of you that can, take part. Reser-

vations are now available for the hotel and Rallye..

There will be other planned events going on throughout the year. Please keep an eye on the web site calendar. If there are any members who would like to suggest/plan an event, please let Vice President Keith Kerr know.

I look forward to seeing you on the road !! You never know when parts are required . . . Safety Fast !

NEIGHBORING STATES HAVE BRITISH CAR CLUBS TOO!

By Steve Hart

For those of us who seldom, if ever, take our Little British Cars outside Colorado, our neighbors to the east, west, and south have very active British car communities. Dave Fain often drove from Denver to participate in the British Automobile Owners Association of Albuquerque's annual Fall Rendezvous. There are also nearby, very active clubs in Wichita, Kansas and Salt Lake City, Utah Tucson and Phoenix have large MG/Triumph and all-British car clubs, many of whose members are "snowbirds" who actively participate in club activities only in the winter months.



And, finally, there is the British Motorcar Club of Southern New Mexico, which has an active membership all year-round. A mere 616 I-25 miles from the Colorado State Capitol, this Las Cruces club stages an annual April event reminiscent of the Rallye Glenwood Springs. For three days the club hosts a tour, car show, banquet, and other events, with the car show being held around the plaza in Old Mesilla. Imagine parking your MG in front of the 1859 Butterfield Stagecoach Station. Or having lunch in the 1840-vintage buildings constituting the La Posta de Mesilla Restaurant. If not this year, plan on it for next year!

REGULAR MEETINGS

Regular Second Wednesday Membership Meetings are held every month **except December**. The business meeting officially starts at **7:00 pm**, but members and guests are encouraged to be there at **6:00 pm**, or earlier (the restaurant gets busy) to order dinner from the menu. Meetings are held at **Mimi's Restaurants**. **We alternate locations from: 14265 W. Colfax in Golden** (across from the Colorado Mills shopping mall. From Interstate 70 take Exit 263, go south on Denver West Parkway, then west on Colfax. Mimi's is on the right (north).), **to 9155 Park Meadows Dr. in Lone Tree** (C470 to Yosemite, then south to Park Meadows Dr. turn left (east).)

UPCOMING EVENTS

April

12 MGCC Monthly Meeting at Mimi's Golden

28-30 25th Annual British Car Days: The British Motorcar Club of Southern New Mexico invites you to participate in their 25th Annual British Car Days on the historic Mesilla Plaza. This 3-day event begins Friday at 3:00 PM and ends Sunday at 5:00 PM, with the Saturday car show on the plaza from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. To register call registrar Mike O'Donnell at 575-680-8333 or e-mail hdmmodonnell@gmail.com.

May

10 MGCC Monthly Meeting at Mimi's Lonetree

June

9-11 Rallye Glenwood Springs: Our 65th Annual Rallye Glenwood Springs, the oldest continually-held time-speed-distance rallye in the United States, will be held Friday – Sunday at the Glenwood Springs Courtyard by Marriot Inn and Suites. The registration form for Rallye Glenwood Springs 2017 is up! Get your registrations in before May 19th to save on registration fees at <https://mgcc.org/rallye-glenwood-springs/registration/>.



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19-23 **GT-42:** Have a NAMGAR "Danish" in Solvang, CA, info: <http://gt42.namgar.com/>.

23-28 **MG2017, San Diego:** Calling all MGB owners! Head to sunny Southern California for MG2017. For info, go to <https://mg2017.namgbr.org/>.

Please check out the calendar on the MGCC web site: mgcc.org

2016 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Photos by John Fraioli

MGCC members gathered at the Homestead Country Club in Lakewood on December 10 for the annual club Christmas Party. Great friends, delicious food, holiday “cheer”, and awards, what more could anyone want from a party? The food and location will keep our group coming back in 2017. And congratulations to Neil White and Dorothy Stone as the newest recipients of the Hazel Marble Award for their contributions to the MGCC-RMC!



FORNEY DUST N' SHINE

By Steve Hart

On Saturday, November 19, a group of MGCC members met at the Forney Museum of Transportation for our annual Dust n' Shine. After a coffee-, juice-, and donut-fueled briefing by Forney employees, we filed into the museum to dust, clean, sweep, and generally "clear the cobwebs," off the Forney's interesting collection of vintage cars, trucks, motorcycles, ambulances, fire engines, and other assorted vehicles. After several hours of "work", most of the group adjourned to the Red Rooster Cafe for a big Mexican-Greek lunch (not normally on one plate, but it might make an interesting combo--green chili-smothered gyro, anyone?).

Maybe next year we can make a day of it with an after-lunch visit with Ted Ax at his new Ax and Allies British-French-Italian repair shop just a block from the cafe! And don't forget that we have a chance to display (store?) our MG's at the Forney Museum next fall if we have sufficient interest from club members. E-mail John Fraioli if you are interested.



MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

From Dick Fritz, our CCCC representative: Gayle Jetchick is planning the June 10th Cruzin Havana show. She has contracted with KBPI and Willie B. to be the official radio station for the event. Willie B. will also be doing his Saturday show live from the Havana Machine site from 9AM to Noon. Cruzin Havana will be from Noon to 6PM this year. A Forney Museum representative spoke about the many opportunities available for clubs at the Forney Museum, including holding meets there as well as club tours. They can also feature Clubs Cars at the museum for a 3 month period. The next display is "Automobiles of Rolls Royce & Bentley" on display March 1st to May 31st.

From Tyler Hicks,-Wright our Webmaster: As you may know, Shelby is the executive director of a nonprofit called Inside the Orchestra, which brings music education to kids all around the Denver metro area. This past year they saw over 22,000 people, 70% of whom are from high-needs areas and paid little or nothing for the concerts. Their headline program, Tiny Tots, has been running for 31 years, so if you've had a child or grandchild in Denver, there's a pretty good chance you may have been to one of their concerts. Their annual fundraising event is on April 6 at the McNichols Building in Civic Plaza. It's looking like it's going to be a great event. (I might be biased, but Shelby did help organize parties for Oprah when she used to live in Chicago, so I don't think I'm the only one that thinks she puts on great events.) The theme is "Be a Kid Again". I would like to invite all of you to attend. Information is on their website: <https://insidetheorchestra.org/isoforadults>. If you have any questions, you can email me at ty@tghw.com.

From the Rocky Mountain Jaguar Club: You won't have to "fly to Nova Scotia to see the total eclipse of the sun" as Carly Simon sang in 1972. The last time one was visible in Denver was in 1918 and the next one won't be here until the year 2293. Hotel rooms are sold out all across the eclipse path in Nebraska and Wyoming for the night of August 21, 2017. The bus trip may be the best way to experience the event and the 400-mile round trip. The cost is \$200 per person, several people can be included on one registration, and a full refund is available up to May 1st (303-886-5641). Register and pay the Tour company at "siriustravel.com" (the Jaguar Club does not take reservations) and find the "2017 Day Trip from Denver". Where it asks for "group" select "RMJC" to ensure that we will all be on the same bus (they will be running 17 buses). For more details: RMJC members Bill Beeson (303-699-8705, bbeeson01@msn.com) and Gordon Kenney (303-766-7826, gkenney22@gmail.com).

Cars and Coffee, 1st Saturday mornings, 7:00—10:00 AM: This event has moved to Lafayette and will be held 1st Saturday mornings at the Flatirons Church parking lot at 355 South Boulder Road. This is not a car show and all types of cars and trucks are welcome to "come and go." The owners are free to "talk cars" to their hearts' content.

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EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

By Rebecca MacIntyre



Spring is rapidly approaching. Cleaning up the cars. I have been assured by the head mechanic the TD will be on the road this summer! Yeah, yeah, I know, I've been hearing that for years, but I have high hopes. Hope everyone's LBC is in fine shape for better weather driving.

I'd like to thank everyone who's sent pictures, articles or suggestions for the newsletter. Now I need something more. I am unable to continue as the editor. Between the job that pays me and writing, that I'm trying to get to pay me, I simply do not have the time to devote to the newsletter that it deserves. So I'm looking for a volunteer. I have one person who has expressed interest, but I'd like to make sure we have an editor.

Many thanks to Steve Hart for producing this issue.



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