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June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 BMCNO Annual Crawfish Boil	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Baton Rouge Area Gathering	15 North Shore Area Gathering	16	17 Cars & Coffee 2 St. Anthony's Gar- dens 8:30 am.
18 Happy Father's Day	19	20	21	22	23	24 Acadiana Cruise
25 Gulf Coast Cruise/ Lunch	26	27 General Meeting	28	29	30 Membership dues are DUE!!!	

Sunday, June 4th — 12:00 noon—Annual Crawfish Boil at the Fairview-Riverside State Park located at 119 Fairview Drive in Madisonville, LA 70447. Article on page 8.

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11:00 am—South Shore group: Leaves Morning Call on Severn behind Lakeside Mall. If you want coffee please arrive earlier

Gulf Coast and Acadiana groups please check with your Area Coordinator

Tuesday, June 13th—6:00 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting Cliff Hughes house

Wednesday, June 14th—Baton Rouge Meeting, 7:00 dinner 8:00 meeting, Louis De Angelo's Italian Rest. 7550 Bluebonnet Blvd. Rick Huber Area Coordinator

Thursday, June 15th—North Shore Meeting, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting, Abita Brew Pub, 72011 Holly Street, Abita Springs. Cliff Hughes Area Coordinator

Saturday, June 17, - 8:30 am, Cars and coffee at St. Anthony's Gardens ,Covington, LA 70471 ([MAP](#))

601 Holy Trinity Drive, Covington, LA 70433 Phone: (985) 605-5950

Sunday, June 25, 1:00 pm, Gulf Coast Cruise and Lunch

Tuesday, June 27th—General BMCNO Meeting, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting Italian Pie Restaurant, 5650 Jefferson Hwy., Harahan, LA

Friday, June 30, - MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DUE!!



President's Message by BMCNO President Karen Murray



Many thanks to John Hans and Stacie Hans Banes, his business partner and daughter, for organizing a wonderful tour of the Busted Wrench Museum and Garage. It is a wonderful collection of classic cars. We also enrolled another member from Mississippi.

One prospective member came and was very interested. Read the full article page 11—13.

After Katrina, when BMCNO started discussing the idea of meetings outside of the New Orleans area, it was not only with the idea of keeping existing members who moved but also with the long term idea of each area hosting an event throughout the year. So far all of the areas are established and operating very successfully. Now they have also established yearly events to host for all club members.

Baton Rouge hosts the January cruise and lunch. North Shore has taken over the Crawfish Boil and Memorial Drive. Acadiana was hosting the Funkana and hopefully will bring that back or another event. The Gulf Coast **started hosting a day at Cruisin' the Coast** and this year the Busted Wrench Museum. Last but definitely not least the New Orleans group does the Annual Car Show, BMCNO Anniversary Party, and Christmas party. Not to be left out, the skills of Milton Franklin organizing British Motorcycle cruises for all members has increase our numbers and opened an entirely new area to the club.

This diversity throughout the southern part of the state our club has opened doors and roads that were not thought of or organized before.

We have definitely moved from just New Orleans to a southern statewide organization. I use the word southern because most of the British car owners in the northern section of the state are members of EMC just like the southern British owners in Mississippi are members of BMCNO.

BMCNO has developed and morphed into a diverse club not only in activities but also in geographical locations. Happy 40th Anniversary to a growing and continuously fun club!!!

You should have received your membership renewal letters in the mail. Please take the time to complete and return before June 30th. We have found members with incorrect email addresses, phone numbers, and home addresses. Some of you send in the money without the application. This has caused many, many problems trying to send emails, letters, or posting on websites. Sometimes we do need to contact you **but phone numbers are incorrect. So....please** take the 5 minutes to update the application for the club.

The board is aware that online registration is extremely difficult. We do plan to discontinue the existing program next year. If anyone has suggestions about any other programs we could buy or use for online registrations please contact Mark Greensfelder or me.

Keep sharing our business cards that were mailed to you. If you need more contact your area coordinator or any board member. Our club is growing with your help. As of May 28th we numbered 175 members statewide.

Working on an overnight tour back to Vicksburg at the end of February. The most haunted house in Mississippi has been reopened, Mc Raven Plantation. Any suggestions please call me.

Thanks to a job well done by everybody, Karen



What's happening by BMCNO President Karen Murray



Until we have a new Vice President, I will post all upcoming events and details for BMCNO.

If no volunteers the board has divided the months with each board member and area group in charge of an event. .

If you have any questions or suggestions please feel free to call or email me

I know that summer is a busy time for everyone taking vacations but we do have a great list of activities left for the year and would love to see you there.

Sunday, June 4th — 12 noon BMCNO Annual Crawfish Boil at Fairview-Riverside State Park located at 119 Fairview Dr. in Madisonville, LA 70447. See page 8 for all details. The North Shore spearheaded by Cliff Hughes is in charge of this event.

Saturday, June 17th—8:30 a.m. **Pre Father's Day** gift for the residents of St. Anthony Gardens (a retirement home) in Covington. It will be the weekly Cars & Coffee for the North Shore. The facility will provide coffee and donuts for our members. The residents will have the opportunity to view our beautiful British cars. So please come and bring your British car.

June is also our Membership Renewal time. Our **fiscal year ends June 30th....** So as of July 1st everyone needs to be renewed.

Saturday, July 8th—11:30 am. Calling all ladies!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!The British Tea Room graciously provided scones and toppings for our British Tea at **this year's Annual Car Show. He has also committed** to provide the scones and toppings for the 2018 .

The front 2 rooms have been reserved instead of **one room as last year. So.....in gratitude for the** Tea Rooms generosity please put this on your calendar to attend. I know July is unbearably hot so use **your air conditioned car this year. Let's have a lazy** Saturday lunch at 11:30 a.m. Check out the article on page 9 for details. We are also trying to add a garage tour added to the event. Details on that will follow. This event has been organized by Margaret Friloux and the ladies of the car show British Tea.

Saturday, August 19th—40th Anniversary Party of the British Motoring Club New Orleans. We will have 8 bowling lanes, all the food and drink you could want, door prizes and more surprises. This has been a great success in past years with 40 plus people attending each year. What better way to celebrate our 40th Anniversary then with an indoor JULY event at the famous **Rock 'n' Bowl. So, join the party and let's** make this the best Anniversary Party ever!!!!Check out page 10 for details. This party is organized by the BMCNO board of Directors.

Hope to see all of you this summer !!!!!

Happy June Birthday wishes to the following BMCNO members:



Emile Cloutet

Lee De Ramus

Brian Pangburn

Gordon (Ham) Ramsay

*Calendar at a Glance*

Month	Event	Date	Time	Place	Contact
July 2017	English Tea Room article pg. 9	Sat. 8 th	11:30 a.m.	734 E Rutland St, Covington, LA 70433 Phone: (985) 898-3988	Margaret Friloux & Tea Committee
	Board of Directors	Tues. 11 th		Linda St. Romain	
	Baton Rouge Meeting	Wed. 19 th	7:00 dinner 8:00 meeting	Louis De Angelo's Italian Rest. 7550 Bluebonnet Blvd.	Rick Huber
	North Shore Meeting	Thurs. 20 th	6:00 dinner 7:00 meeting	Abita Brew Pub 72011 Holly Street, Abita Springs	Cliff Hughes
	Acadiana Cruise	Sat. 22 nd			Dave Hayden
	Gulf Coast/MS Meeting	Sun. 23 rd		Meet at Sam's Warehouse parking lot in Gulfport for cruise and lunch.	Gene Gillam / Andy Switzer
	General BMCNO Meeting	Tues. 25 th	6:00 dinner 7:00 meeting	Italian Pie Restaurant, 5650 Jefferson Hwy., Harahan,	Board of Directors
August 2017	Baton Rouge Meeting	Wed. 16 th	7:00 dinner 8:00 meeting	Louis De Angelo's Italian Rest. 7550 Bluebonnet Blvd.	Rick Huber
	North Shore Meeting	Thurs. 17 th	6:00 dinner 7:00 meeting	Abita Brew Pub 72011 Holly Street, Abita Springs	Cliff Hughes
	VTR National Car Show	15 th – 19 th		Princeton, New Jersey Details: www.vtr.org	
	BMCNO Anniversary Party	Sat. 19 th	7:00 p.m.	Rock & Bowl Mid City Lanes see article page 10	Board members
	Acadiana Cruise	Sat. 26 th			Dave Hayden
	Board Barbeque	Sat. 26 th	12 noon	Ronald & Karen's house	Board Members
	Gulf Coast/MS Meeting	Sun. 27 th		Meet at Sam's Warehouse parking lot in Gulfport for cruise and lunch	Gene Gillam / Andy Switzer
	General BMCNO Meeting	Tues. 29 th		Italian Pie Restaurant, 5650 Jefferson Hwy., Harahan,	Board of Directors
Sept.	Board meeting	Tues. 12 th	6:00 – 8:30 .m	Martin St. Romain	Board Members
	BMCNO Event	TBA	TBA	TBA	Cliff Hughes
	Shoals British Car Show	TBA		Florence, AL www.shoalsbritishcars.org	
	Convoy to Natchez	Fri. 15 th		(check newsletter for info)	
	Brits on the Bluffs	Sat. 16 th		(check newsletter for info)	
	Baton Rouge Meeting	Wed. 20 th	7:00 dinner 8:00 meeting	Louis De Angelo's Italian Rest. 7550 Bluebonnet Blvd.	Rick Huber
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	Acadiana Cruise	Sat. 23 rd			Dave Hayden
	Gulf Coast/MS Meeting	Sun. 24 th	1:00 p.m.	Meet at Sam's Warehouse parking lot in Gulfport. Cruise ending in lunch	Gene Gillam / Andy Switzer
	General BMCNO Meeting	Tues. 26 th	6:00 dinner 7:00 meeting	Italian Pie Restaurant, 5650 Jefferson Hwy., Harahan,	BMCNO Board



April South Shore Meeting Minutes by Cathy Greensfelder



Ten members were present for the meeting.

Old Business:

Rick Huber reported on the Baton Rouge group. Another tech session was planned to work on flooded cars. Euro-Fest in Natchez was a lot of fun, as was the Pan-

handle British Car Association (Pensacola) show.

New Business: The office of vice-president is open. Jim Clark had to resign due to work demands. Please consider stepping up. Monthly board meetings are held on the NO South Shore but we have Skype for remote attendees.

Plans for the Busted Wrench cruise to Gulfport and other upcoming events were discussed.

Jim Clark is scheduled to speak on Garage Safety at the May meeting.

Car Show: The bad thing about the show was the weather, with intermittent pouring rain. However, **the good thing was everyone's attitudes.** Everyone made a point of enjoying what they could!

Suggestions for the next show were discussed. (Remember, not all will be adopted.)

Cut down on the number of raffle and auction items. Announcing the winners took a long time. The auction and raffle made roughly \$1,000 but there were a lot of duplicate items.

Post all door prize names and raffle ticket winners rather than announcing them. Ticket holders can come and check for their names.

Some sort of permanent solution for the class letters is needed. The paper class signs either melted or blew off the wooden sandwich boards.

Discontinue the Goody Bag Party. Rather than make it a general club event, have the committee chair arrange a small group of volunteers to stuff the bags and the registrar arrange for a group to create the pre-registration packets.

Do not print photos. Next year we will post the images to the website for download.

Present ribbons for 2nd and 3rd place to save on trophies. Several people objected strenuously but others said they did not want trophies except for 1st place.

Have a prepared description of the Elliott Evans award for the announcer to read and not impose **on the award's sponsor for a description.**

Cut out regalia sales. It is a lot of work to unload merchandize, set up to sell, pack up and reload on the truck, then off-load and store unsold merchandise until the next year. However, regalia sales were around \$1,000.

Cut out the Ladies' Tea. The ladies were against it. It is a lot of work but the folks who do the work enjoy it.

Reports: At the time of the meeting, BMCNO had 170 members. The car show ended with 101 cars registered and 76 on the field.

Projects: Bob Klare recently got to drive his Mini Cooper on the track at NOLA Motorsports. On the 4th session, the tread tore off both front tires and he had to be towed home. Bob confessed to some "aggressive" driving!

The car Rick Huber sold has been picked up and transported to Los Angeles, CA where it is awaiting a shipping container. (They need 4 cars to fill a container.) The new owner in Australia needed a statement that the clutch and brakes had been changed and did not contained asbestos before the car will be allowed leave the US bound for Australia.

50/50: Linda St. Romain won \$5.



Crawfish at Fairview Riverside State Park—Sunday, June 4th



The Annual Crawfish Boil will be held this year at Fairview Riverside State Park, 119 Fairview Drive, two miles east of Madisonville. The Pavilion has been rented, so let's all put Sunday, June 4th on our calendars and make plans to attend.

This year our North Shore members have graciously agreed to spearhead this event.

TIME: Crawfish eating starts at noon

DEADLINE FOR PREPAYMENT: Tuesday, May 30th We will only order crawfish for those who have prepaid. There will be no extra crawfish available.

COST: \$15.00 per member and \$15.00 for one additional guest will get you five pounds of crawfish, including potatoes, and sausage. All others will cost \$20.00 per person.

PAYMENT: Pay at any club meeting no later than May 26th, or mail to British Motoring Club New Orleans, PO Box 73213, Metairie, LA 70003.

Bring whatever you want to drink. If you are 62 years old or above, park entry is free. Under 62, it will cost \$2.00 per person.

We do ask the ladies to provide desserts to share.

The cost of the event is offset by the club, therefore anyone other than your one guest will be charged \$20.00.

CONVOY INFORMATION

11:00 am—Baton Rouge Group; leaves Bass Pro Shop in Denham Springs for the 53 mile ride to Madisonville

11:30 am—North Shore group meet at Riverside State Park to help set up

11:00 am—South Shore group: Leaves Morning Call on Severn behind Lakeside Mall. Please arrive earlier if you want coffee and beignets.

Gulf Coast and Acadiana groups please check with your Area Coordinator Andy Switzer and Gene Gillam.





You are cordially invited
to join the
British Motoring Club
New Orleans
for lunch and tea on
Sat. July 8th at the English Tea
Room and Eatery

When people think of Louisiana, they think of the French settlements. Tim Lantrip has long been aware of the Northshore's English ancestry, and he was raised drinking traditional English tea with his grandmother. Inspired by that personal history, Tim and his wife opened the English Tea Room.

The Union Jack flies from the porch of the bungalow-style cottage in downtown Covington, and a vintage red phone outside as naturally as it would on the streets of London. Inside the English Tea Room, a collection of vintage and new china is perched on open shelves and in cupboards—teacups and saucers, beautiful pots, and silver spoons, though none breathe a stuffy air of formality while standing among cardboard cutouts of Downton Abbey characters and Alice in Wonderland murals. The carefree whimsy of the tradition is not lost on



Tim, as he is an aficionado of the tea ritual performed in the United Kingdom in palatial to perfectly pedestrian settings for ages.



“We don’t do fast food here,” says Tim. He believes in the pause in the day provided by the tea tradition, and he’s acquired quite a company of tea-drinkers and scone-nibblers who would agree with his ideology of slow living. Check out their website englishtearoom.com for menu and tea items.

Convoy info:

South Shore will leave from Morning Call on Severn at 10:30 a.m.

Baton Rouge will meet at Bass Pro Shop for 10:30

North Shore members will meet at the Tea Room for 11:30 p.m.

All others meet at the Tea Room at 11:30 p.m.





Celebrate, Celebrate Dance to the Music at Rock 'n' Bowl - BMCNO 40th Anniversary Party, Saturday August 19th Karen Murray, President



Once again the BMCNO board voted to celebrate the club's Anniversary during one of the hottest months of the year - August.

Again we decided that we don't celebrate our club anniversary enough or at all: SO...with that said the board of directors is happy to invite members to celebrate

the club's anniversary at **Rock 'N' Bowl** on Saturday August 19th.

The party will include the following:

Entrance fee into Rock 'n' Bowl

2 1/2 hours of bowling

Shoe Rental

The following is unlimited until 9:00 p.m.

Draft Beer, Wine, & Soda

Tossed green salad with house vinaigrette

Pepperoni Pizza Tray

Buffalo Wings Tray

Fried Seafood Tray (shrimp & catfish)

Mozzarella Stick Tray

Shrimp Remoulade Tray

We will have a private room with eight (8) adjacent bowling lanes. The club is picking up the cost of the party room and other.

Bowling, food and drinks starts promptly at 7:00 pm and ends at 9:30 pm. The band starts playing at 9:30 pm so plan on getting there no later than 6:45 pm to get your shoes. Bowling, food and drinks for the party ends at 9:30 pm when the bands starts. You may still purchase whatever you want after the party.

The cost will be \$30.00 total per person. This includes bowling, shoe rental, food, beverages, sales tax and gratuities. All money will be collected by August 10th in advance only. You can mail a check to BMCNO or pay at one of the meetings.



If you want anything else to drink besides beer, wine, and soda that will be at your expense to pay the bartender.

Souvenir Rock 'n' Bowl Bowling Pins will be presented to the male and female with the highest bowling score.

The band starts playing at 9:30 p.m. All unlimited food and drinks will completely stop at 9:30. You may still purchase whatever you want after.

I need to inform Rock 'n' Bowl how many people to expect by August 1st. Whatever number I confirm the club will be charged for just like a wedding reception. Please, please confirm with me before August 1st if you will be attending. If you have to cancel let me know before August 1st. Plans do sometimes have to change but I do not want the club to pay \$30.00 for no shows.

This was a great success for the last two years and members have been talking about it. I hope to see many of you at our 40th Anniversary Party on August 19th!





May Baton Rouge Gathering by Rick Huber



Even after Rick messed up with his email reminder about the meeting, at first saying 6, but then correcting it to 7, we had another big turnout on Wednesday May 17th with 18 of us getting together. That number included two new faces. Mike Jastram is a Bentley

owner who met Paul Hornsby at a car event, decided to attend the meeting, and joined the club. Keith Stahns (might have gotten that wrong, hard to read my notes!) is an MGB owner who met Darron Johnston, Pete & Lili's son, who owns Tom Miller's old yellow MGB-GT, in his neighborhood, and he decided to come to the meeting. He'll likely join the club through the web site. It was good to have a couple of new faces and get some more new blood in the club.

Bobby and Rick talked about the Pensacola weekend, both enjoyed the event. Bobby told how he was kidding Mark Greenfelder about getting the Beatles cover band from the show to come play at our show next year. He really had Mark going. Rick talked about the harrowing night time drive through the thunderstorm on the way home with brother Mark following. Don't want to repeat that adventure anytime soon.

Reg talked about the flood recovery work on his MG TD and MGB, with Milton and Rick stopping by to help on April 29th. They got the TD started, but then realized that the oil filter hadn't been tightened a few months ago at a previous Tech Session, and a bunch of it leaked out. They got the ignition switch changed, fuel tank ending unit installed, and carbs cleaned out on the MGB only to determine that the starter solenoid was bad after the flood, so Reg was going to order an-

other one of those and we'll try again.

Bobby and Rick talked about the Bentley Driver's Group tour, with 30 old and new Bentley's shipped in from Australia, South Africa, England, and Europe (at least) all touring the US from New Orleans to Baltimore for 3 weeks. Their first stop out of New Orleans was Satterfields in New Roads where several club members from BMCNO and EMCMS and some other car clubs met them for lunch. Pretty amazing cars, many of them 20's models with minimal creature comforts and automotive technology, but there they are, happily hopping from continent to continent every year driving and enjoying their rides. Big bucks kind of adventure, but hey, if you have them, enjoy them.

We talked about the upcoming events at the Busted Wrench Garage and the Crawfish Boil. A few people planned to attend each event.

Milton talked about the cooling system work he's been doing on his 69 E-Type Coupe and Rick talked about the cooling system work he'll be doing on his 64 Healey. Rick had the grill out of his Healey - wow that gave it quite the sinister look in the parking lot. Tom talked about the carb work he and Rick are doing with his MGB - can't seem to get the leaks with the HIF (bottom float bowl) carbs - exasperating. Time to try some goop. Bob Gullic's two flooded cars are starting to get redone at Peter's. Rick had almost finished stripping/sanding/priming body panels for his recently acquired 62 big Healey, and he's bringing them back to Peter's to start the body work and painting process. Pete is making progress stripping body panels for his recently acquired 62 big Healey, so he and Rick traded some tips and stories.

Another month, another fun night out together at DeAngelo's. Can't beat it.

Cheers, Rick



Busted Wrench Garage Tour by BMCNO Newsletter Editor Ronnie Palmisano



BMCNO members took a leisurely cruise down Highway 90 along the beautiful Mississippi Gulf Coast on Saturday, May 20th to tour The Busted Wrench Garage and Museum in Gulfport, MS

We were invited by John Hans and Stacie Hans Banes, his business partner and daughter, to tour this wonderful collection of classic cars.

We had had a great turnout. Thirty five members showed up to this event. We had members attend from the New Orleans, Baton Rouge, North Shore, and yes, the state of Florida.

We saw rare, exotic, and one-of-a-kind motor ve-

hicles. Classic cars, motorcycles, boats, and bicycles are displayed in a 6,000 square foot exhibit hall. Additionally, the B.W.G. had added an automotive gift shop to satisfy the desires of fellow car buffs to buy nostalgic signs, branded clothing, diecasts, glass-ware, and various collectibles.

Everyone had a great time looking at all of the cars and motorcycles that were displayed on the floor, walls, and ceiling.

After touring the facility, we wound up at the White Cap Seafood Restaurant in Gulfport overlooking the Gulf of Mexico.

After dinner, it was off to home in our little British cars.

A great time was had by all. We saw lots of great cars, met with our fellow club member friends, and had a great meal!





Busted Wrench Garage Tour continued...





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St Patrick's Day Parade - Covington by BMCNO member Carol Benson.

On March 11th, Northshore BMCNO members Carol Benson and Wayne Garness had the honor of driving the Grand Marshal of the annual St Patrick's Day parade, food critic Tom Fitzmorris, on the back of Carol's 1997 Jaguar XK8 convertible. Driving around the streets of Downtown Covington between the five Irish Wolfhounds (actually taller than the Jag!) and the St Paul's Marching Wolves Band on a glorious sunny day was a real treat, with Tom asking the crowd if they knew any good places to eat. The parade went past the English Tea Room where there was a special toast to the Grand Marshal, before disbanding so that Tom could get to his radio broadcast that afternoon. Club members are encouraged to drive their British cars in next years parade.

Couple from Covington adds new flair to city's St. Patrick's Day parade. Story by Ann Benoit, Covington Town Talk columnist.

For Cody and Nick Ludwig, there's more to St. Paddy's Day than just blooming shamrocks. The couple wanted to bring some fresh Irish traditions to downtown Covington's parade.

Cody is the president of the new Covington Celtic Club. A Covington native, Cody is a graduate of St. Scholastica Academy.

Her family lives in Covington where her mom, Susan, taught at St Peter's for 30 years. Before

having her two children, Cody worked in the



Cultural Arts and Events Department of the City of Covington for two years.

In her new role as Covington Celtic Club president, Cody succeeded in bringing a family-friendly St. Patrick's Day to the North Shore. She got plenty of input from Nick, whom she met in high school when he went to St. Paul's. The two went to LSU before getting married and moving to the Lower Garden District.

Living there as well as delving into Nick's family history gave the two plenty of thoughts for the Covington St. Patrick's Day celebration. Nick's great-grandfather John J. Sheahan was the New York City St. Patrick's Day Parade chairman from 1939-1958.

The New York City St. Patrick's Day parade is the oldest, founded by Irish soldiers in the British army in 1762-- 14 years before New York signed the Declaration of Independence.

The Ludwigs learned a lot from looking at Nick's grandfather's scrapbooks.

"We had the privilege of looking through all of his memorabilia and really seeing how awesome of a NYC figure he was. There were parade pamphlets, letters and photos from President Harry Truman, a thank you note from Jacqueline Kennedy from flowers that were sent after JFK's assassination... it was incredible," Cody said. "My mother-in-law Eileen Ludwig's diligence in keeping everything in memory books



St. Patrick's Day parade continued...



Crowds watch the St. Patrick's Day parade in front of the English Tea Room in downtown Covington. Ann Benoit Photo

and labeled helped us to really research for our parade."

Reaching out to first responders is key to the New York parade and something Cody thought would work in Covington.

"That's how I knew things like involving our local fire department at the front of the parade and to make sure I tracked down some Irish wolfhounds, an apparent staple in any legitimate St. Patrick's parade according to the president of the Irish Wolfhound Club of America," she said.

Their vision came together on March 11. The parade started on Columbia Street in front of the Columbia Street Tap Room at noon.

Flag bearers and community leaders Glyn Bailey, Tim Lantrip from the English Tea Room, artist Robert Dutruch and musician Greyhawk Perkins led the parade. Covington Mayor Mike Cooper and the petite bearers announced the parade with a large banner.

Cooper and company were followed by the lilting sounds of Kilts of Many Colors bagpipe marching band from Abita Springs.

Grand Marshal food critic Tom Fitzmorris was next. He had a great time flinging beads from his convertible. Fitzmorris was escorted by a member of the Daughters of the British Empire

and a member of the British Motoring Club of New Orleans.

While British classic cars rolled along, Irish wolfhounds walked in step. The Covington Fire Department marched in kilts and green and orange T-shirts.

Even the St. Paul's Band got into the spirit, attempting an Irish jig while they played. A bevy of beautiful young colleens threw beads from a very green float.

The McElroy Irish Dance Academy, marched in the parade, occasionally stopping long enough to perform an entire dance. The ladies and gentlemen of the Celtic Club presented paper roses, badges and throws to people along the way.

An original entry to the parade was the Covington Bicycle Club that walked or glided the route on decorated bikes. Along the route, parade watchers staked out watching spots at local restaurants like the patio at Meribo and the front of the English Tea Room.

Some lucky Covingtonians like Chelsea Wagner, Claire Minge, Jeri Creson and Michaela Minge even watched the parade from their own or a friend's porch.

The parade ended at Jewel's Cigar & Briar shop at Rutland and New Hampshire, where the block party began.

The St. Kilda Celtic Band began at 1 p.m., followed by Kilts of Many Colors. The Northlake Performing Arts Society performed various Irish songs and folk songs. The Abita Blues Band closed the block party at 5 p.m.

It was so much green fun, I'll be there next year too.

Story by Ann Benoit, Covington Town Talk columnist.

By NOLA.com | The Times-Picayune



BMCNO Membership Application

Print this form to submit your application.

Name: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

Address: _____ Birthday month _____ Day _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail: _____ Occupation: _____

Where did you learn of BMCNO? _____

What other car clubs do you belong? _____

Include information in the Online Web Directory yes____ no____

Please list me as ICE, (In Case of Emergency) willing to render assistance to members who break down in my area. yes____ no____

BRITISH CAR INFORMATION

1st CAR

Make: _____

Model: _____

Year: _____

Body Style: _____

Color: _____

2nd CAR

Make: _____

Model: _____

Year: _____

Body Style: _____

Color: _____

3rd CAR

Make: _____

Model: _____

Year: _____

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All payments need to be accompanied by this completed application form. It is imperative that we have your correct and active email address because this is how all communication is now processed.

"I agree to abide by the rules and regulations as set forth by the Club Officers under The British Motoring Club New Orleans, Inc. [Charter and By-Laws](#)."

Name _____ Date _____



Showcase our British Cars... Opportunity to participate in local charity events with our British Cars by Karen Murray



BMCNO members,

We have been invited to participate in upcoming "You Night" Cancer Charity Events. Please read this page and the next about the organization. If you are interested please contact Karen Murray ASAP.

Below is correspondence between myself and BMCNO member Holley Haag.

"Thank you so much for your interaction with the British Motor Club as a fun way to enhance our "British Invasion" theme for our upcoming events!

Here's a bit about our organization:

You Night was named "Most Glam" event in 2016 by St. Charles Avenue Magazine.

You Night was featured in a national Capital One Commercial viewed by 2 million people.

VIEW THE COMMERCIAL: <https://vimeo.com/199549713>

OUR MISSION AND PROGRAM:: The number of people living beyond a cancer diagnosis is expected to reach 19 million by 2024. The need for survivor care has never been greater. The time to act is now. Since 2013, You Night has helped survivors adapt to - and embrace - their life after cancer. You Night is a year-round program that addresses the emotional and mental issues that women experience after a cancer diagnosis. Over 150 cancer survivors in St. Tammany and New Orleans are now a part of the You Night sisterhood.

You Night creates fun and empowering group experiences for women who are looking for a sisterhood of support. You Night teaches cancer survivors how to overcome the physical and psychological challenges of cancer treatment through teamwork, coaching, and skills training... all while they build strong interpersonal bonds with other survivors. You Night rebuilds self-esteem, appreciation for their own bodies and a joy for living, through structured experiences and sisterhood.

For purposes of having their cars on display, we are wanting to know if they would be interested in displaying them at these three events:

- MUSIC VIDEO SHOOT, APRIL 2ND - Contemporary Arts Center (need 2 cars as "props" for music video shoot). Can ladies sit in car?
- YOU NIGHT NEW ORLEANS, MARDI GRAS WORLD Thursday, July 27th (perhaps 10 cars flanking the entrance to Mardi Gras Worlds' ballroom -- under the canopy entrance?)

YOU NIGHT ST. TAMMANY, CASTINE CENTER MANDEVILLE, Thursday October 26th (perhaps 6 cars flanking the entrance to the Castine Center where guests enter and exit.



Showcase our British cars continued...

DETAILED INFO ABOUT EACH EVENT MENTIONED ABOVE:

EVENT AT MARDI GRAS WORLD, THURSDAY JULY 27th -- Guests will arrive at 5:30 p.m., expecting 600 guests. I would like the cars in place by 3 p.m. If the motor club has any signage, that would be great to advertise who they are. They probably would want a couple of representatives to stand by the cars to answer questions and keep people off or out of the cars? For the cars outside, our runway show starts at 7:30 p.m. so by 8 p.m. those cars can be driven off property

NOTE: If they want to have one car inside at the Step and Repeat, it would be a fun prop for the photo booth. If they have a car inside, we need it delivered on Wednesday, July 26th at 4 p.m. and then left there until the end of the event which ends at 11 p.m. on Thursday, July 27th. If this is too risky to have people posing with the car -- let's eliminate this as a discussion item.

EVENT AT CASTINE CENTER, THURSDAY OCTOBER 26th -- Guests will arrive at 5:30 p.m., expecting 900 guests. I would like the cars in place by 3 p.m. If the motor club has any signage, that would be great to advertise who they are. They probably would want a couple of representatives to stand by the cars to answer questions and keep people off or out of the cars? For the cars outside, our runway show starts at 7:30 p.m. so by 8 p.m. those cars can be driven off property.

NOTE: If they want to have one car inside at the Step and Repeat, it would be a fun prop for the photo booth. If they have a car inside, we need it delivered on Wednesday, October 25th at 4 p.m. and then left there until the end of the event which ends at 11 p.m. on Thursday, October 26th or the morning of Friday, October 27th. If this is too risky to have people posing with the car -- let's eliminate this as a discussion item.

We'd be happy to offer four tickets to the British Motor Club to both events (July 27th and October 26th).

Please let me know if I forgot to add any pertinent info! THANK YOU!

AND -- another thing -- if the representatives standing near the car dress up in "British Inspired" outfits -- better yet! We encourage that!

Lisa McKenzie

Producer

Founder / CEO

You Night Empowerment Events www.younightevents.com

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IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED PLEASE LET ME KNOW ASAP. APRIL 2ND IS FAST APPROACHING.

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Calling all British Motorcycle Owners

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the number of British Mo-
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contact them about partici-
pating in our club. Milton

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Although our Club Resource Library is still growing, the items that we do have are all excellent and available to all members.

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