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January 30 Baton Rouge Historic Cruise.

February 28 EE Reynolds Rallye

February 28 Middendorf's Restaurant Run

## President's Message

Happy New Year from your new reluctant President.

The Board and I are off to a fast start preparing lots of events for the coming year. Since our club has been split into smaller groups around the SE area of the state, and we have picked up many new members, we don't get the whole group together too often. Many of our newer members have not had the opportunity to meet everyone.

Our car show in March and Christmas party in December are two good opportunities, and we encourage everyone to participate. Our satellite groups are planning more events in their areas, along with our core group favorites, such as crawfish boil and Uncar show, gives everyone a chance to participate. Do not hesitate to join in with events in other areas to fully enjoy your club.

February will be busy for most of us with Super Bowl and Mardi Gras, but we have some fun events planned. Besides meetings in Baton Rouge and Abita Springs, on Sunday the 28th we have the rescheduled Reynolds Ralley in the morning and Middendorf's in the afternoon. You can make one or all.

Of course, plans are progressing for our BRITISH CAR DAY in March. Everyone is encouraged to take part. You can work as little as one hour helping parking or counting ballots. A few of our members have already put in many hours and will work almost the whole day at the show or the Reception. Please volunteer.

Harold O'Reilly



BMCNO 2010 British Car Day T Shirts will be available for sale at the Tuesday, January 26 - 7:00 p.m General Meeting

Time to sign up for car show committees.!

	February 2010						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1	<b>2</b> Groundhog Day	3	4	5	6	
7 Super Bowl	8	9 B.O.D. Mtg. 7:00pm Baton Rouge Area Gathering 7:00pm	10	11	12	13	
14 St. Valentine's Day	<b>15</b> President's Day	<b>16</b> Mardi Gras	17 Ash Wednesday	18 Northshore Area Gathering 7:00 p.m.	19	20	
21	22	23 Membership Mtg. 7:00pm @ The Ital- ian Pie	24	25	26	27 Lafayette Area Cruise	
28 EE Reynolds Ral- lye 10:00a.m. & Middendorf's 1:00p.m.							

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Tuesday, February 9 - 7:00 p.m. Board/Car Show Committee Meeting - Harold O'Reilly - Location TBA

Tuesday, February 9 - Baton Rouge Area Gathering - dinner 6:00 p.m., meeting 7:00 p.m. - Cafe Americain, 7521 Jefferson Hwy, Baton Rouge

Thursday, February 18 - 7:00 p.m. - Northshore Area Gathering - Abita Brew Pub

Tuesday, February 23 - 7:00 p.m GENERAL MEETING - Only one month till the 2010 British Car Day!! Sign up to help out NOW! Most jobs require only a hour or two of your time and it will make the show better and the job easier with more people helping.

Saturday, February 27 - Lafayette Area Cruise - For more information, contact Dave Hayden at dandmhayden@cox.net

Sunday, February 28 - EE Reynolds Rallye - Southshore convoy leaves Causeway toll plaza at 9:00 a.m. and will meet at 10:00a.m. in Madisonville at the Speak Easy Too, 410 Covington St (Hwy. 21). Then on to **Middendorf's Restaurant.** 

**Sunday, February 28 - Middendorf's Restaurant** on I-55 in Manchac for **1:00 p.m.** lunch . Please RSVP to Karen Murray if you plan to attend. Karen.murray@cox.net or 504-236-7509.

#### Club Officers - 2010

Board of Directors								
President:	Harold O'Reilly	504-289-6982	president@bmcno.org					
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North shore Area Coordinator	Cliff Hughes	985-845-8709	hugh8709@bellsouth.net					

**Membership Info-**Club membership is open to anyone who owns or has owned, drives or is interested in British motor vehicles.

Annual Dues: \$24 per year (July 1st to June 30th).

Dues are prorated for the first year at \$2.00 per month.

Lifetime Membership: \$240

Please pay your dues promptly to avoid missing any issues of the *Morris Gazette*. Mail renewal checks payable to "BMC-NO" to: Treasurer, PO Box 73213, Metairie, LA 70033

Club Regalia - Contact the Club Treasurer Allen Bradley for information.

License Plate Frame \$5.00 (2 for \$9.00) Windscreen Transfer \$1.00 T-shirt \$10.00

**Newsletter Submissions -** Electronic article submissions are greatly preferred. Email to ronniep@cox.net, bring to meeting, or mail to P.O. Box 73213, Metairie, LA 70033



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## **General Meeting Minutes**

The November meeting attendance was low due to the Holidays and no minutes were taken.

#### 2009 Christmas Party by Karen Murray

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

f If you didn't make it to the BMCNO Christmas party, you missed a great time. The party was held again at the Bocce' club. The room provides ice, kitchen, tables and chairs and most of all plenty room to socialize with everyone. We had a total of 53 participants with very little food left. Wonderful people and great food were abundant. NO one left hungry.

Scholarships of \$500.00 each were presented to 5 young men in the Automotive Program at Delgado Community College.

The club also recognized Mr. Joe Cruthirds, Delgado Community College Automotive chairman, on his retirement. Joe has been a wonderful partner for BMCNO. He will certainly be missed but

definitely not forgotten.

Outgoing Board of Directors. President Keith Vezina, Members at Large – Wally Friloux and Robert Rouglet, and Secretary – Pete Weber, were recognize for their hard work with an engraved bottle of wine. The bottle read "In appreciation of your dedicated service and commitment to British Motor Club- New Orleans" with their office and dates served.

The Board of Directors decided to recognize and outstanding member from each satellite for their contributions to the club above and bevond their duties. After much discussion the award was titled "Mr. Good Spanner". This was borrowed from Jim Jones when he was the newsletter editor. The first recipients of the Good Spanner" Award as voted on by the Board of Directors,

excluding Keith, were:

North Shore - Jim Jones

South Shore - Keith Vezina

Baton Rouge -Rick Huber

Lafayette - Dave Hayden

Many thanks to our "Mr. Good Spanners" for your love and continued support of British Motoring. Ladies remember that it could also be called "Ms. Good Spanner".

The 2010 Board of Directors were then announced.

The evening closed with everyone choosing a gift from the Christmas tree, socializing, and of course playing Bocce'. It was good to see the students from Delgado playing Bocce'.

Mark your calendar for this year's Christmas party.

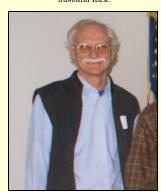
(See party pictures on page 5)



Keith Vezina



Mary Lynn Huber accepting for her husband Rick



Joe Cruthirds





2009 Board Members

# 2009 Christmas Party by Karen Murray



#### CHEF'S CORNER by Karen Murray

It's that time of year to start planning what "wonderful" dish you are going to share with our guests at the Car Show reception on Friday, March 19th. Let's pull out the recipe books and tantalize our guests with exceptional New Orleans cooking.

A sign up sheet will be distributed

at the January and February meetings or you can email me at Karen.muray@cox.net. Don't forget the mouthwatering appetizers, casseroles, main dishes, and of course the deserts!!!!!!!!

We want our guest to walk away knowing that better food could not be bought in local restaurants.

Last year the food was amazing and getting to visit with everyone was great. For many of the wives who do not attend meeting this is the a great time to socialize with everyone. SO......pull out the books, cook up a storm, and come on down for the Friday night social.

Thanks and good eating.

### **Baton Rouge Gathering by Rick Huber**

We had our gathering on December 8th, with 15 of us in attendance.

Wayne Pangburn had the club badges, and those of us who had ordered them and others who bought them got to take them home as Christmas presents. They look absolutely great, and will be a nice feature to our cars at the show in March.

Mary Lynne talked about the Christmas party since she was the only one from the BR area that attended.

We reviewed the schedule of events for the BR hosted drive/museum stop on January 30. Danny Varnado will be heading up that event, with Tom Miller and perhaps a few others helping.

Our guest speaker for the evening was Ted Milligan, a long time British car shop owner, mechanic. Bill Avery says he learned more from Ted than from all the official marque schools that he attended combined. Ted started working on Jaguar's in 1958 at Allied Motors here in Baton Rouge, and knows the workings of these cars as well as anvone. Ted brought several articles of interest from his workshop days. He had a 1962 Mercedes Benz factory production card, a 5 x 7 that showed all the models and prices (by shipping destination) for that year. They were officially imported and sold through Studebaker, which was the contact information on the card. He

also passed around a wooden spark plug holder, one you put the plugs in upside down and inspect the electrode. The first one was quite plain, but the second one was one Ted made for Fred Fabre, shaped like a Rolls Royce, with the 8 holes in the hood. A couple other things were home made tools that he developed, like a little fork to set the tension on Lucas fuel pump points, and an upper timing chain tension adjusting tool he made for 6 cylinder Jaguar engines. It was quite interesting hearing Ted and Bill tell tales of the old days when they were first getting into these cars in the late 50s.

Thanks Ted and Bill for sharing your experiences with us!

## Proposed 2010 Event Agenda by Karen Murray

#### Happy New Year!!!!!

As Vice President it is my duty to act as Activities Director and Chairman of all Club Committees.

With the help of a member survey, several new activities are on the agenda for this year. Some of the activities may include: a poker run, Baton Rouge tours, Liberty theater weekend, guest speakers, how to tips and games at membership meetings.

We are also working with our

satellite representatives (Baton Rouge, Lafayette, and Mandeville) to develop events in their areas.

Of course, we cannot forget our Annual Car Show or Friday night reception which is the talk of the south.

If you have any suggestions on events or guest speakers please do not hesitate to call 236-7509 or email Karen.murray@cox.net. Let's make this a fun and interesting year!!!

# BMNCO Calendar at a Glance......

This article will be included every month to help book dates in your calendar for future events. This calendar in no way should be used to take the place of the monthly published calendar in the newsletter.

Please check newsletters for accurate and updated info regarding all events. The object of this is to help you plan future commitments.

(see calendar on page 7)

BMC	NO -	Proposed 2010 Agenda continued from page 6					
Month	Date	Event (Please check current newsletters and email announcements for accurate and updated info regarding all events.)					
January	26	General membership meeting - 7:00 p.m. Italian Pie, 5650 Jefferson Hwy. Scholarship presentation					
	27 <sup>th</sup>	Lafayette Area Cruise - For more information, contact Dave Hayden at dandmhayden@cox.net					
	30	Baton Rouge Historic Cruise. Southshore convoy leaves Kenner Visitor's Center (I-10 @ Loyola) at 8:00 a.m. We meet with others from B.R. at The Cajun Village, corner of Hwy 22 and 70 (I-10 Exit Hwy 22 Sorrento, go west) at 9:00 a.m. for coffee/beignets. Depart at 9:30 on Hwy 22 to Sorrento, French Settlement, and then Port Vincent. Northshore convoy leaves from behind the Texaco Station (I-12 @ Hwy. 21) at 9:00 a.m. and meets up with us in Port Vincent at Fred's on the Amite River at 10:00 a.m. We then head on to the Rural Life Museum (\$5 or \$6 per person) on Hwy 42. We will then go to Superior Grill on Government Street for lunch at 12:30. At 2:00, we'll go downtown on Government St. to tour the capital area, and then stop at the Louisiana State Museum (Free). Alternatively, if it's getting too late for the out of towners, they can head home from Superior Grill.					
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	23 <sup>rd</sup>	General membership meeting - 7:00 p.m. Italian Pie, 5650 Jefferson Hwy. One week early because of Mardi Gras.					
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	11th	Northshore Area Gathering - Abita Brew Pub - 7:00 p.m					
	13 <sup>th</sup>	Car Show Goodie Bag Prep Party - 4:00 p.m 546 Hickory Ave, Harahan, LA. Come help us stuff the Lagnaipe Bags and registration packets for the show. Dinner provided for workers.					
March	16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>GENERAL MEETING</b> 7:00 p.m. Note change of date!! Meeting is a week early for car show. Sign up sheet for show volunteers and for dishes for Friday reception.					
	19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>20th Annual British Car Day Reception</b> 6:00-9:00 p.m. @ Hampton Inn - Elmwood. Please come and help us welcome our out-of-town guests! Food and soft drinks provided by BMCNO and it's members.					
	<b>20</b> <sup>th</sup>	20th Annual British Car Day! Delgado Comm. College, New Orleans. Registration 9 am – noon, Judging (popular choice) 12:30 – 2:00 p.m., Awards 4:00 p.m.					
	27 <sup>th</sup>	Lafayette Area Cruise - For more information, contact Dave Hayden at dandmhayden@cox.net					
	TBA	Car Day Appreciation Party - More Info Soon					
	13 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Directors Meeting 7:00 p.m Location TBA					
	17 <sup>th</sup>	18th Annual "Brits on the Bay" Pensacola British Car Show. More info on Friday Convoy coming soon.					
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April	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Northshore Area Gathering - Abita Brew Pub - 7:00 pm					
7.6711	<b>23</b> rd	Columbia St. Block Party, 5-10 p.m. Covington, LA. A street party featuring all types of antique cars, including British cars. Four blocks of Columbia St. are closed for a car display. Most restaurants are open and live music at both ends of the street. Call Cliff Hughes 985-845-8709 for info.					
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May	TBA	BMCNO Crawfish Boil - More Info Soon					
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#### WE NEED YOUR HELP AGAIN THIS YEAR!!

As a result of the continuing difficult financial times, some companies and organizations are cutting back on past sponsorships and donations they once made to worthy causes like our Club's ANNUAL British Car Day. Because of this, it's most important that we now double our efforts in locating individuals and companies who would be able to help our car show this year.

We ask that you contact your employers, business associates, friends, neighbors and companies that you normally deal with, such as auto parts and supply houses, auto insurance companies, etc. and ask them to consider:

- \* Sponsoring a Car Class or two during this year's Car Show. (This can be done with as little as a \$50 cash donation for a car class of their choice.)
- \* Donating merchandise, products or coupons for "door prizes" or "goodie-bags". (These donated items don't have to be either expensive or elaborate.)
- \* Donating cash in any amount less than \$50 for the general operating expenses of the Car Show.
- \* Displaying their auto related, merchandise or products on the show field at Delgado.

Paretti Imports and The Little British Car Co. are two companies who have done this in the past with excellent results.

All sponsorships and donations will be gratefully accepted and recognized during both the Car Show and on our Club's Web Site. As in past years, proceeds will go to the BMCNO Delgado Auto Dept. Scholarship Fund. Please pass along your recruited contacts to our Sponsor, Donor & Vendor Chairman Wally Friloux at: twofrilouxs@bellsouth.net or #985-845-8216.

Thank you for your help with this most important project.

Wally Friloux



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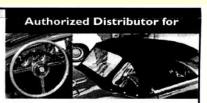
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## 2010 British Car Day Entry Form

## official entry form

# 20<sup>th</sup> Annual New Orleans British Car Day

Saturday, March 20th, 2010 New Orleans, Louisiana

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n consideration of this entry, I waive any and all claims for me and my heirs against the British Motoring Club - New Orleans, Delgado College, their officers and any sponsor of this event for injury or illness which may result directly or indirectly from my par- icipation. I also give my permission for use of my name and / or pictures in any broadcast, telecast or any other account of this event.									
Signa	ignature:Date:								
Make check payable to: "British Car Day" Mail to: Car Day, P.O. Box 73213, Metairie, LA 70033									
_	Field opens at 9:00 am Saturday, March 20 <sup>th</sup> 2010								

Field opens at 9:00 am Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> 2010 Registration and line up from 9 am to Noon. Voting from 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm Awards at approximately 4:00 pm

For more information visit our web site: http://www.bmcno.org

Or call: Harold O'Reilly: (504) 289-6982 Or call: Karen Murray (504) 236-7509

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