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#### November 2016 Sun Wed Thu Fri Mon Tue Sat 1 4 Memorial Drive 7 8 11 12 6 Gulf Coast meeting 19 13 14 15 16 17 18 Baton Rouge Area North Shore Area Gathering Gathering 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 Acadiana Thanksgiving Gathering 27 28 29 30 Dec. 3 Annual Christ-**BMCNO General** mas Party Meeting

Tuesday, October 25th - BMCNO General Meeting at Italian Pie Restaurant, 5650 Jefferson Hwy., Harahan, LA. Dinner at 6:00 p.m.- Club meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 5th - Memorial Drive

South Shore - 8:30 a.m. leaving from Morning Call at Severn and  $17^{th}$  St. if you want coffee please arrive earlie-Baton Rouge -8:30 a.m. leaving from Bass Prop

9:30 a.m.—all groups meet at Scooter's in Madisonville

Saturday, November 12th— Gulf Coast/MS Meeting ,Art-walk in Bay St. Louis Baptist Church 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 17th - 6:00 pm - Board of Directors meeting - Mark Ferketish

Wednesday November 16th —Baton Rouge Area Gathering -6:00 dinner—7:00 meeting, Deangelo's at 7550 Bluebonnet Blvd.-Baton Rouge ,

Thursday, November 17th - North Shore Area Gathering—6:00 dinner—7:00 meeting, Abita Brew Pub 72011 Holly Street, Abita

Saturday, November 26th—Acadiana Cruise—check with Dave Hayden for info

Tuesday, November 29th - BMCNO General Meeting at Italian Pie Restaurant, 5650 Jefferson Hwy., Harahan, LA. Dinner at 6:00 p.m.- Club meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Annual Christmas Party
6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.— Ramada Inn - Causeway & I-10 Service Road.
Don't forget covered dish and Second Harvester's donations



## President's Message by Ronnie Palmisano, BMCNO President



Another very exciting year for our club is almost behind us. We had great times together and the year is not over yet.

We had a great turnout for the trip to attend the South Alabama car show. The ride was

nice, and the winter came in for a few days.

Our Memorial Rallye to honor club members who have passed away this year will be held on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. The three members that we lost this year are: Max Benson, Richard Cunningham, and Wayne Pangburn They will be missed by all.

Elections are over and we have a new BMCNO Board for 2017.

President Karen Murray

Vice President Mark Ferketish

Secretary Cathy Greensfelder

Treasurer Mark Greensfelder

Member at Large Jim Clark

Cliff Hughes

Tom McMillan

Linda St. Romain

Martin St. Romain

Chad Wicker

Newsletter Editor Ronald Palmisano

We have again been invited to participate in the Harahan, LA Christmas Parade. Contact Allen Bradley abmgbtr6@bellsouth.net for more details. The parade will be held on December 17<sup>th</sup>. Contact Allen no later than December 10<sup>th</sup> if you want to drive your car in the parade.

As this year winds down, we only have a couple

of things left on the calendar. Our regular monthly meeting will be on November 25th. This is our last meeting of the year.

Our Christmas Party is on Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>. I hope everyone will attend. A lot of time and effort has already gone into planning a really fun party that will have GREAT New Orleans style food served, and also door prizes that Karen purchases throughout the year. You do not want to miss this party. Please bring can goods for a donation to the local food bank, and get a drawing ticket for each can brought in.

The 2017 Board will be introduced and take over the helm at the Christmas party. Please give these 2017 Board Members your support.

We are already hard at work on our 2017 car show and other events for 2017.

It has been my honor to be the President of BMCNO for the past three years. I have worked with great board members that only had the club's success in their mind. I will miss the position, but will continue to support BMCNO as the Club Newsletter Editor, a position that I have held since 2007.

As I close my Presidency, I would like to thank not only the board members but also all of the club members for supporting BMCNO throughout the years. Any club is only as strong as it's weakest member and our club is one of the strongest in the south.

It has been a privilege to represent such great people that are not only club members but also a second family to each other. We are there for each other in good times and bad throughout the years.

Congratulations to the incoming board and may they have continued fun and success.

Cheers,

Ronnie





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## MERRY CHRISTMAS (a little early)

The British Motoring Club of New Orleans (a.k.a. Big Meal Club)

Cordially invites it's members to the

Annual BMCNO Christmas Party

Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Ramada Hotel 3400 South Interstate 10 Service Rd Metairie, Louisiana RSVP: Karen Murray, <u>karenmurray@cox.net</u>

Please join us for GREAT food, good friends, lively conversations, and plenty of surprises for everyone. This year we plan on having more surprises than last and a surprise visitor.

Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish. The club will provide the turkey, ham, water, tea, coffee, and soft drinks. Please bring those delicious holiday dishes that everyone enjoys so much.

Please make every effort to join in this fun filled night.

Donate food items for Second Harvesters Food Bank at the Christmas Party. Some people are in need of assistance this holiday season. You will receive a raffle ticket for every food item contributed with the chance to win great door prizes. The board has collected very nice door prizes to be won at this party. So, let's contribute!



## **What's happening** by Vice- President Karen Murray



Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!

I have had the greatest time these last 3 years as your Vice President!!! I LOVE planning events and watching everyone have a great time. Unfortunately, when I was

getting my college degree the top careers for women were: Secretary, Nurse or Teacher. I am the 4th generation educator in my family. However, I would have loved event planning. Maybe my next life, if possible.

#### Last events of my Vice Presidency.....

Saturday, November 5th — Memorial Drive

In remembrance of Richard Cunningham, Max Benson, and Wayne Pangburn. BMCNO members that we lost this year.

A leisurely drive has been planned on the North Shore starting at Scooters in Madisonville.

From there a nice drive through back roads of Covington and Folsom. Our first stop will be a the Abita Brewery for savory taste of their delicious products and tour. Lunch will follow at the Abita Brew Pub. The day will end at BMCNO member John Baldwin's wonderful garage. Many of our members were able to stop there last year and have asked for a repeat trip.

Saturday, December 3rd. - BMCNO Annual Christmas Party - It's that time of year to start organizing our Annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 3rd. The Ramada Inn, I-10 Service Road, our Car Show Host hotel will be the location for this event. Check out the invitation included for all of the details. Let's start deciding what pot luck dish you will bring. Remember the

club will provide the fried turkeys, baked ham and cold drinks. Please bring you own flavoring for you cold drinks or wine.

The board has voted again to collect food for the **Second's Harvesters Food Bank**. For every food item that you bring in you will receive a raffle ticket for prize drawings. Prizes have been gathered and ready to pass out. Last year we donated 125 pounds of food.

Also, part of the Christmas party will be devoted to presenting the 5 Delgado Community College Automotive student scholarships. Come and meet them.

I am listing January just so everyone can mark their calendars now.

Saturday, January 28th will be the Baton Rouge Cruise. More details will follow but after talking to Milton Franklin, I know this year will be just as much fun if not more than last year.

Our Annual Car Show is scheduled for Saturday, March 25th. Car Show co-chairmen are Jim Clark, Cliff Hughes, Tom McMillan, and Ronald Palmisano. So mark your calendars!!!

Congratulations to the 2017 Board of Directors. I know these people are hardworking and will work toward a better and bigger club. Mark Ferketish will be the new Vice President. He and I have already had a meeting discussing the details involved in that position. I think he will be a great Vice President. If you have any ideas please contact him.

Again, thank you for all of your help and support during my years as Vice President. A club is only what you put into it and with your participation and support everything has been a tremendously fun experience. I will miss my time as Vice President!!!



November	Memorial Rallye	Sat., 5 <sup>th</sup>		Info page 6	Cliff Hughes
	Gulf Coast/MS Meeting  Board meeting  Baton Rouge Meeting  North Shore Meeting  Acadiana Cruise  General BMCNO  Meeting	Sat., 12 <sup>th</sup> Tues., 15 <sup>th</sup> Wed. 16 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 dinner	Second Saturday, Art-walk in Bay St. Louis Baptist Church Mark & Shannon Ferketish Deangelo's at 7550 Bluebonnet BlvdBaton Rouge, LA Abita Brew Pub 72011 Holly Street, Abita Italian Pie Restaurant, 5650 Jefferson Hwy., Harahan, LA	Peter Brauen Ronald Palmisano Rick Huber Cliff Hughes Dave Hayden Board of Directors
December	Annual BMCNO Christmas Party Baton Rouge Meet-	Sat. 3rd. Wed.	6:00 p.m.— 9:00 p.m. 6:00 dinner	6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. See article pg. 5  Deangelo's at 7550 Bluebonnet	Board of Directors
	ing - North Shore Meet- ing	21st. Thurs. 22nd	7:00 meeting 6:00 dinner 7:00 meeting	BlvdBaton Rouge , LA  Abita Brew Pub 72011 Holly  Street, Abita	Rick Huber Cliff Hughes
January (2017)	Gulf Coast/M Meet- ing Board of Directors	Sat. 14th Tues. 17th		Second Saturday, Art-walk in Bay St. Louis Baptist Church TBA	Peter Brauen
	Baton Rouge Meeting		6:00 dinner 7:00 meeting	Deangelo's at 7550 Bluebonnet BlvdBaton Rouge , LA	Rick Huber
	North Shore Meeting  Acadiana/ Cruise		6:00 dinner 7:00 meeting	Abita Brew Pub 72011 Holly Street, Abita	Cliff Hughes  Dave Hayden
	Baton Rouge Cruise	Sat. 28th.		See newsletter for info	Milton Frank- lin / Rick Hu- ber
	General BMCNO Meeting		6:00 dinner 7:00 meeting	Italian Pie Restaurant, 5650 Jefferson Hwy., Harahan, LA	Board of Directors



## South Shore Meeting August 30th Minutes cont'd by Cathy Greensfelder



New Orleans General Meeting Minutes August 30, 2016

Only 20 members and guests were present – typical of the "dog days of summer".

#### Old Business:

Karen Murray reported on the recent Rock n Bowl event. (See article)

Rick Huber reported on the flooding in Baton Rouge. (See article)

To date, over \$1,500 in gift card donations have been donated by other regional car clubs and individuals. BMCNO has donated seven \$100 gift cards. Numerous individuals have provided labor, equipment and meals. None of the seven flooded members have flood insurance and 3 are in their 80's. (See article.). Rick said members were stunned when presented with the gift certificates...

Word is that the by Louisiana law, a car is considered "totaled" when water gets to the carpet. At that point, the electronics are wet and there is no recovering a modern vehicle. So if you buy back the car it will have a salvaged title. However, you can re-title in some other states and lose the "salvage" tag. With the older (precomputer) cars, filling the engine, transmission and differential with diesel will displace enough to water to allow you to bring them back to life.

There was no one present from the North Shore to report.

#### New Business:

Plans for the cruise to the English Tea Room & Eatery in Mandivile were discussed. (See article)

There will be a work session at the Delgado Automotive Dept shop on Sept 10 to begin salvaging flooded cars. A sign-up sheet was passed around.

The English Motoring Club of MS's "Brits on the Bluff" car show in Natchez will be on September 17. Convoys will be leaving on Friday September 16.

Plans for convoys to "Cruisin' the Coast" on Oct 8 were discussed.

The South Alabama British Car Club show will be on October 22, convoys leaving on Friday October 21.

The club will be granting 1 scholarship for \$750 and 4 scholarships for \$500 to Delgado Automotive Department students from the 2016 New Orleans Car Day.

The proposed amendment to the club by-laws was discussed. Currently Chad Wicker, our web-master, is also serving as a Member at Large. Webmaster is a very time consuming job so the amendment was designed to add Web Master to the board without term limits. Keith Vezina pointed out that as an appointed, not elected, office, Web Master was not subject to term limits. Further discussion determined the amendment was not needed. Karen Murray withdrew the amendment.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

We need a nominee for the office of President and three nominees for Members at Large. Members at Large serve to represent the membership and to help with running the club. The By Laws specify one Member at Large per 30 members. At the end of membership renewal, we have 151 members and need 6 Members at Large.



## South Shore Meeting August 30th Minutes cont'd



Nominated and seconded at the meeting were the following:

Vice President – Mark Ferkitish Secretary – Cathy Greensfelder Treasurer – Mark

Greensfelder
Editor – Ronnie Palmisano
Member at Large (3 more needed)
Jim Clark
Tom McMillan
Martin St Romain

#### Projects:

Keith Vezina was working on a client's TR3A that was overheating. He determined it had a bad vacuum advance. After fixing the diaphragm, he determined it was the wrong one for the car. It was advancing the wrong amount. Keith also said the water pump / housing for that car has a very tight clearance. The aftermarket pumps have a large clearance and cause cavitation. You can remove the gasket or even grind down the lips to get the clearance down. Keith recommended using a touch-less IR thermometer to check temp at the top and bottom of the radiator to determine if there is cooling going on. Mike Anderson said also the TR3A probably needs the shroud put back on to improve airflow.

Mike Anderson is trying to determine what type of lubricant goes in the wiper motor gear box of his Geneta. The grease looked like Vaseline. He wondered if is was silicone lube. Floyd Friloux reported that silicon grease was not used outside of NASA until the turn of the century.

#### "How did you catch the LBC disease?

Martin St Romain: Martin and his dad rebuilt cars and his brother-in-law liked Jaguars. They swapped out engines on one and he was hooked.

Cathy Greensfelder: The boy she was dating senior year of high school in 1974 had a new MGB. He taught her to drive a stick shift in it in a plowed, snowy parking lot where the only thing she could hit was a pile of snow! (His roomie had a TR6.)

Mike Anderson: a friend had a Bugeye Sprite and Mike helped rebuild it.

Ronnie Palmisano: As a senior in high school in 1968, an acquaintance had a yellow TR250 that Ronnie thought was "SO COOL!"

50/50: Rick Huber won \$14. Cathy Greensfelder, Dan Melesugo, Keith Vezina and Alan Bradley won assorted prizes.



Pictures from our past!





## South Shore Meeting September 27th Minutes cont'd by Cathy Greensfelder



President Ronnie
Palmisano called the
meeting to order.
Twenty-five members
and guests were present. There were no
new members or
guests however Jimmy
and Barbara Bruno

were present for the first time in a very long time.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Rick Huber reported on the Baton Rouge flood cleanup. See article. New donations have been received from the Red River Triumph club, British Motoring Club of Arkansas, Central Oklahoma Vintage Triumph Register and EMC-Mississippi.

Reg Dunbar has been staying at his flooded home but Barbara Dunbar has been staying in New Orleans for her health and attended the meeting. Barbara reported that they will loose the Astin Martin and Jaguar. It is cost-prohibitive to restore the newer cars with computers. She said that the money has been very much appreciated but also important is the moral boost from the outpouring of support from British car enthusiasts across the South. It's what's kept Reg going.

Wally Friloux reported on the North Shore region. Cars and Coffee continues to be a success on the Northshore and as of 9/24 the gang now has a third location in Mandeville to choose from. Cort M Musgrave (Sr) recently expanded his stable of British vehicles with the addition of an outstanding 2005 Jag XJ8 for his wife Mary Ann and 1957 Morgan (in pieces) for himself.

The English Tea Room event was discussed. The event was very crowded because significantly more people came than our reservation with the restaurant.. (See article)

The EMC-Mississippi show in Natchez was dis-

cussed. Turnout was very light due to predicted 80% chance of thunderstorms. See article.

Tom and Susan McMillan just returned from Colorado (new granddaughter). He visited a car show there and saw a Sunbeam Tiger that was simply gorgeous.

#### **NEW BUSINESSES**

A sign-up sheet for the tech session Saturday Oct 1 at Delgado to work on flooded cars. Professor George Tortorich and the Delgado automotive students will be helping.

Plans for Cruisin' the Coast On Oct 8 were discussed. See calendar

Plans for South Alabama British Car Club show in Fairhope AL were discussed. See calendar.

The annual Memorial Ralley (formerly the E. E. Reynolds) will be on Saturday Nov 5th.in honor of Richard Cunningham, Max Benson and Wayne Pangborn this year. See calendar

Next year's BMCNO Car Day will be co-chaired by Jim Clark, Tom McMillan with Ronnie Palmisano's help.

#### **ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS**

When no one else could be convinced to run, Karen Murray was nominated as president.

President – Karen Murray

Vice President – Mark Ferketish

Secretary – Cathy Greensfelder

Treasurer – Mark Greensfelder

Members at Large – club bylaws call for 1 per 30 members. With 158, we should have 6.

Jim Clark

Tom McMillan

Chad Wicker (also our webmaster, an appointed position)

Martin St Romain

Linda St Romain

Per club bylaws, nominations are now closed. Voting will be at the October meeting.

There was discussion on why we need Members



## South Shore Meeting September 27th Minutes continued...

at Large. Essentially, it is to have people on the board available to run the club. The president, VP, secretary, treasurer, editor and web master all have specific jobs and could not do everything necessary to run the club.

#### PROJECTS:

Tom McMillan attempted to sign up for the paint class at Delgado but ran afoul of the bureaucracy and missed the decline. Done anyone else want to take a paint class next semester? There is no tuition for students over 60 but there are fees and supplies.

Martin St Romain had issues with engine cooling on the way to Natchez. Turns out the thermostat was bad. Gambino's changed it and the car is running fine now.

Rick Huber reported that Bob Guilic is keeping 2 of his 4 flooded cars. Peter Brauen has them. Hagerty took 3 weeks to get out so inspect them and totaled 3 of the 4. Bob has gotten rid of the

MGA and the MG-TD.

Keith Vezina has been working on Mark Ferketish's TR6. There were bad bushings in the rear and the camber was WAY off. He installed the "Good Parts" brand adjustable brackets for the trailing arms. Now he can adjust the camber without taking the rear end apart. Very nice! He installed new brake parts and found one of the new rotors was out of round and had to have it machined. The alternative was to wait for a replacement from Moss.

Karen Murray requested that members look out for cheap teapots and cups for the club to use for the Queen's Tea at the show. The club will store them. We would prefer not to have anyone's personal tea service unless the owner is willing to donate it as it may be broken or lost.

Dan Melasurgo won \$20 in the 50/50 drawing. Linda St Romain won the drawing for the Italian Pie gift certificate.





#### October Meeting Agenda - October 25, 2016

#### **Welcome Guests**

#### **Old Business**

North Shore, Cliff or Wally

Baton Rouge, Rick Huber

Cruisin the Coast – Rick

NOLA Motor Sports - Mark & Jim

Fairhope and other Out of Town Car Shows

Cars and Coffee?? Baton Rouge and North Shore

#### **New Business**

#### 2017 Board of Directors - no opposition

President - Karen Murray

Vice President - Mark Ferketish

Secretary - Cathy Greensfelder

Treasurer - Mark Greensfelder

Member at Large - Jim Clark, Tom McMillian, Cliff Hughes, Linda St. Romain, Mar-

tin St. Romain, Chad Wicker

#### **Calendar of Events**

#### Sat. Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> - Memorial Drive

South Shore - 8:30 a.m. leaving from Morning Call at Severn and 17<sup>th</sup> St. if you want coffee please arrive earlier

Baton Rouge – 8:30 a.m. leaving from Bass Prop

#### Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Annual Christmas Party

6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.— Ramada Inn - Causeway & I-10 Service Road.

Don't forget covered dish and Second Harvester's donations

everyone meets for 9:30 a.m. at Scooters

#### Mark your calendar-

Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> - goody bag stuffing

Friday, March 24th - Welcome reception

Saturday, March 25th Annual Car Show & Queen's Tea Party

#### **Treasurer's Report**

#### **Projects**

#### 50/50 Raffle



## Baton Rouge Gathering by Bobby Spann



Ten of us met at D'Angelo's Restaurant Wednesday night and Tom Miller led the meeting.

Present were: Tom Miller, Bobby Spann, Reg Dunbar, Bob Nicole, John Pearson, Joe Broders, John and Mary

Buckley and Bill & Robbie Avery.

We talked about flooded members – Reg said he lost 4 cars, 2 of which are waiting for the Delgado clean up Tech Session. Robert Phillips has filled the mechanicals with diesel fuel but couldn't get the drain on the differentials undone. Which brought up a discussion on how to make a square wrench out of bar stock to fit the British fitting.

Bill Avery said a few words about his flooding experience, and why he <u>didn't</u> video it! Reg said the outpouring of donations from outer clubs has been incredible. And the work Rick Huber has been and is doing is *outstanding*.

Events: NOLA Races – Joe Broders went to the "Vintage Weekend" on Friday and wasn't impressed. He said most of the cars were late model 'Trans Am' racers. He said there were 2 Yenko Corvair's there however. We talked about Corvair race cars and Tom told us about the "Crown mid-engine V8 Conversions." And the fact that Ralph Nader didn't even have a driver's license when he wrote "Unsafe at any Speed!"

Bobby went to this month's "Cars and Coffee" and although he got there late there were still a number of high end cars there including 2 Maserati's.

Cruising the Coast – Bobby Spann drove over in his 1970 B roadster with his brother and stayed from Wednesday till Sunday. They ran into Jeff Ragusa in his blue MGB, a white MGB from Alabama, a couple of local B's and a Healey kit car. Rick & Alan Bradley did the cruisin' thing with Peter & Melissa in Bay St. Louis on Saturday and had a good time.

Talked about the upcoming Fairhope show, and several people were planning to go.

Projects: Tom's MGB is running good, and he's about to get patch panels welded in the floor. And he is looking for some Miata seats. Hopes to have it at a meeting this year! Bobby said he and Rick put a new top on his MGB this morning and it came out nice.

Tom talked about Bob Riley, who lived on Bedford, 2 blocks from Baton Rouge High School while at LSU. Rick recently brought him and his book "The Art of Race Car Design" up after visiting his uncle, Jack Robertson in Welsh. They were next door neighbors in high school in Lafayette and started buying, modifying, and building cars back then. He talks about Jack in the first chapter of the book. He built a race car with Bill Avery in a garage they rented and went on to be one of the premier race car chassis builders in the world, building cars for Le Mans and Indy! Tom showed us the book he had on the LA native, and Bill Avery added a few insights about the incredible man.

John Buckley had a Viet Nam veteran's hat on, and there was a long discussion about that. So much that we forgot to talk about this month's offering of "Bill Avery's Toolbox" and the tool that Bobby brought.

Bobby



### South Alabama Cars Show, Fairhope, AL.

#### Karen Murray, Vice President



Winter came to visit for a few days on Friday 20th and Saturday 21st in October this year. On Friday, October 20th, 6 cars met up at the Mississippi Welcome Center to journey to Fairhope,

Alabama for the South Alabama Annual Car Show.

Our first stop was Felix's Fish Camp on Battle-ship Parkway in Spanish Fort, Alabama. The food was amazing, scenery picturesque facing the bay and service just like Commander's in New Orleans. Why oh why have we not been stopping there was the question on everyone's lips. I had shrimp and grits just as good if not better than New Orleans restaurants with my choice of a side for only \$9.99. Truly a gourmet delight!!!!! We will be back.

Next it was on to Fairhope to find our new hotel this year, Key West Inn, which was about 5 minutes from the show site. After registration it was antique shopping right next store. What fun!!!

Everyone was very welcoming at the Friday night reception held in the church hall. Food consisted of appetizers, pulled pork, coleslaw, potato salad, and Asian salad. Also were 2 -8'

foot tables of deserts made by the members. Our members had a great time with several winning door prizes.

Show day was amazing and beautiful with great weather. BMCNO had 41 people in attendance, 27 members and 22 cars. Of the 22 cars 11 won prizes. Congratulation to all of the winners. Very impressive was the Best of Show Award that will now be call the Richard Cunningham Award.

We met up with our friends from the English Motoring Club in Mississippi and Gulf Coast Jag Club. These shows are so much fun when you meet friends from other clubs.

The ladies shopped till they dropped. Some of them met up for lunch and had our annual "Show & Tell" of what was bought. Show & Tell is always fun in case we missed something great and wanted to run back to purchase. We all decided to stop at 2 stores for last minute items that we did miss before going to the show for awards.

Dinner was our annual trek to Guido's in Daphne. What can be said that hasn't been said before.

AMAZING, AMAZING, AMAZING. BMCNO had 18 people attend this year and enjoyed every bite of food.

Karen





## South Alabama Cars Show, Fairhope, AL. continued...



Best of Show—1930's  $\,$  MG  $\,$  M-Type Boat Tail Speedster. Purchased England in 1966 and transported to USA



Susan Bradley's door prize





















Service at Felix's Fish Camp





## Flood Recovery by Rick Huber



The initial gutting/ drying was relatively quick for the BMCNO members who flooded, but now after 11 weeks the recovery seems to be dragging out forever. Almost everybody is waiting for something contractors, cabinets, flooring, permits, furni-

ture, appliances, FEMA trailers. After working with 7 club member families for the first month, to my horror I discovered that two other club members also flooded - the two worst - one with 7

feet of water, and the other with water in his house for 3 weeks. Fortunately, the donations from clubs and individual members from all over the southeast have continued to roll in to catch them up. The total is astoundingly just over \$10,000, or a little above \$1,100 per flood survivor family. Those donations mean so much to everybody, we can't thank you enough. Please keep them all in your prayers, there's still a long road ahead before some people are back in their homes and back to normal again, but your help sure has provided encouragement to persevere. We're still working on a way to help get some of the uninsured flooded cars recovered, look for emails for Tech Sessions in the coming weeks.

#### More from Rick!

## Renaissance Euro-Fest by Rick Huber

The 2016 version of the Renaissance Euro-Fest put on by Mike Marsh was another fun and successful event. Rick & Mary Lynne Huber in their Austin-Healey and Marc Zebouni in his Austin Mini made the trip together on the back roads out of Baton Rouge on Friday, September 30. The weather was perfect for top down fun. We arrived in time for the police escorted drive with over 50 classic and exotic cars out to the private collection of the local Ford dealer in what used to be an indoor tennis court. The collection included many significant Ford cars and trucks, but also a Jaguar XK-120 and E-Type and a cute little Fiat Jolly. We returned to Ridgeland for the catered reception at Lee Michaels Fine Jewelry at the Renaissance at Colony Park shopping center. Very nice meet and greet and packet pick up and a chance to talk with many of our friends in the Mississippi club. Covered overnight parking is always available across from the host hotel.



Show day was another gorgeous one - chilly in the morning and perfect in the afternoon. There were over 100 cars registered, and the British ones were the largest group as usual. One of the most fun things to do is to roam around the Renaissance center and find marques, cars, and motorcycles from many European countries tucked away along the walkways and in front of stores and restaurants. In addition to classic (1991 and



older) classes, there are many modern exotics to let your eyes feast upon. The Porsche club brings 20 or 30 cars to park in the "Corral" outside the show. The Rolls and Bentleys always have a strong showing too. Just a really fun day looking at and talking about cars.

Best in Class for the British Open group was the 62 E-Type from the previously mentioned collection, a car that was purchased at the Gooding auction at Amelia Island in 2015 for \$210,000. Club member's Bill Silhan with his 1960 AC Ace and Terry Lopez with his 1967 Austin-Healey 3000 won Outstanding in Class trophies. Best in Class for the British Closed Class went to Marc with his 1971 Mini (see picture). Congratulations to club members for their awards.

All good things must come to an end. Marc drove home after the awards presentation. We went out to dinner with Mary Lynne's cousins, and headed down the Natchez Trace on Sunday morning. Another gorgeous, chilly in the morning, top-down day for the beautiful drive to Natchez, and then back home. Another great show Mike, thanks for the wonderful hospitality.











## NOVEMBER Birthday's by Vice- President Karen Murray



Happy November Birthday wishes to the following BMCNO members:

Darek Guichard
Charles (Mickey) Guidroz,

Roy Johnson

Pete Johnston

Adam Martin

Robert Nicolle

John Pearson

Blake Sonnier

Bobby Spann

Rob Stevenson

Richard (Rick) Taggart

#### "I'm a little Tea Pot lost and scared

Bring me to a forever home"



Please, please, please search for this little tea pot to become part of our Annual Car Show Ladies Tea decorations. All of the decorations that we used last year will not be available again. You could donate a tea pot or just loan for that day to put on show. We do have a secure home for all of the lost teapots and tea cups. Contact Karen Murray at karenmurray@cox.net.







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1979 MGB for sale. Nice car, looks great! Drove well when parked about two years ago. Currently won't start.

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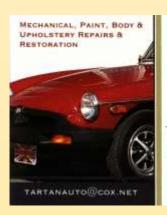
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## Calling all British Motorcycle Owners

It has been suggested that the club work to increase the number of British Motorcycle owners. If anyone knows someone who owns a British Motorcycle please contact them about participating in our club.

Milton Franklin, Baton Rouge, is interested in organizing motorcycle events for owners of British Motorcycles. Harley groups are always cruising the roads so we would like to start British motorcycle cruises. We would also like to increase the number of motorcycles at our Annual Car Show. So...let's start looking for British motorcycles to give our business cards and brochures too. If you need more please contact Milton at <a href="mailto:densalprop@cox.net">densalprop@cox.net</a>.





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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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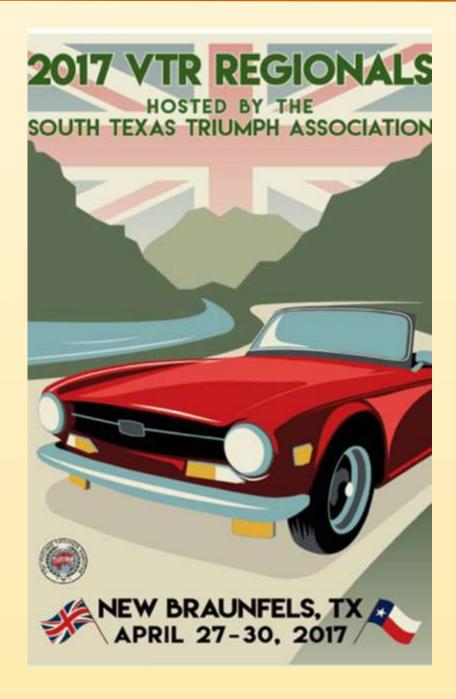
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