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Remaining 2023 Upcoming Events



November 18th BMCNO Rally- Meeting place is Backroad Mercantile, 77495 Highway 21, Covington, La. First car out at 9:00 a.m. Lunch is available to purchase on your own. Bring a clipboard, pen, and co-pilot. RSVP Wally Waguespack allowing him to bring the appropriate materials. Email Wally Waguespack, wwag@att.net. Don't be late. The last Rally everyone really enjoyed themselves, so don't miss out on this fun!!!!

December 9th, 2023. Harahan Christmas Parade. Starts at 12:00 PM at Oasis Truck Stop, 6025 Jefferson Highway, and Disbands after turning onto Folsom Avenue. See flyer in this newsletter on page 29.

December 9th, 2023 BMCNO Christmas Party –This year's Club Christmas party will be held at the home of Allen and Susan Bradley after the Harahan Christmas Parade. In the past, members would bring food and desserts, and the club would provide gumbo, turkey, soft drinks, and more to the club provided hotel meeting room. For the first time ever, the BMCNO Board generously approved approximately \$1000.00 or more to cater the event. The menu will include 8 pizzas, 100 finger sandwiches, jambalaya, 100 chicken strips, potato salad, and salad. We will have cookies, candy, and two King Cakes for dessert. Soft drinks, lemonade, hot tea, ice tea, coffee, and ice will be provided. We will also have a server. All of this wonderful food and drink will make for a great and festive Club Christmas party!

**Monthly meetings and Cars and Coffee****Monthly Area Club Meetings****South Shore**

Last Tuesday of month, Dinner 6:00, Meeting 7:00 Original Italian Pie, Harahan

***The last Tuesday in October is Halloween therefore the meeting has been moved to Tuesday, October 24th.

NorthShore	Date	Time	Location	Address
Every Third Wednesday,	Dinner at 6 p.m.	Meeting starts at 7 p.m.,	Coscino's Italian Grill	
1809 N Causeway Blvd, Mandeville, LA 70471				

Baton Rouge	Date	Time	Location	Address
2nd Tuesday 6:00 supper, 7:00 meeting,	Cafe American,	Jefferson @Lobdell,	Baton Rouge.	

**Monthly Cars and Coffee—Breakfast Meetings**

South Shore	Date	Time	Location	Address
Third Saturday of every month	8:00 am	Chateau Coffee Café	139 Allen Toussaint Blvd, New Orleans	
Bob Gordon	504-486-7927	www.Racerflash.com		

NorthShore	Date	Time	Location	Address
Saturday's at 8 a.m.,	Liz's Where Y'at Diner	2500 Florida St,	Mandeville, LA 70448	

Baton Rouge	Date	Time	Location	Address
7am every Saturday,	the Warehouse Restaurant,	S Choctaw,	Baton Rouge.	



Cars and Coffee New Orleans by Chris Landry



Sunday October 15th at O' Reilly Auto Parts located at the 7941 Airline Drive in Metairie BMCNO Members Bob Gordon, Bryan Scuddari, Jack Kennedy, & Chris Landry brought out their Little British Cars.

This inaugural Cars and Coffee event for this O'Reilly location had over 40+ vehicles gathered with a myriad of vehicles ranging from nitromethane dragsters, muscle cars, trucks, motorcycles, and some modern super cars as well.

Goodie bags with stickers, drink Koozie, pocket screwdriver, and key chain were given to each vehicle that participated and a raffle with a parade of prizes with tools and auto supplies was held with BMCNO member Chris Landry winning a 2 Ton Jack and set of jack stands.

O' Reilly's plans to make this a monthly free event with the November 2023 gathering TBD.





Baton Rouge Happenings by Rick Huber and Bobby Spann

Here's something more from the Roving Reporter for BR from last month.

Plenty going on in Baton Rouge this last month.

A bunch of us had just gotten back from a great weekend in Natchez for the Brits on the Bluff show, Rick joined a few other BMCNO members who volunteered to drive cars for the inaugural Barrett-Jackson New Orleans auction (see Rick's article about that), several of us headed over to Cruisin the Coast for the annual festivities there,

Rick, Danny, Mickey Guidroz, and Milton went to Ridgeland for Mike Marsh's Euro-Fest which was fun, Danny came home with an Outstanding in Class prize with his TR6, and Mickey the same for one of his motorcycles, and the weather was picture perfect.

Then another large bunch of us headed over to Fairhope for a great show the South Alabama Club put on (see Bobby's article about that). In addition to all that, we had about 20 of us (including a surprise visit from Karen, Ronnie, and Audrey) for our monthly meeting at Cafe Americain.

While we weren't out of town or for those of us who didn't go out of town for one or more of the weekend events, we had our regular breakfasts at The Warehouse on Saturday mornings.

Finally, our Spridget Owner's Group achieved a milestone in our 1st Midget restoration project when we got the engine, which has been dormant for I'm guessing 20 or more years, started and running. Whoo hoo, what fun!

So ends the busiest month on the little British car enthusiast calendar for this year, we sure

were blessed with great weather, and we sure did have a great time doing all those things together.

Cheers, Rick Huber



BMCNO - BR Loo Lid changes hands

The "changing of the Loo Lid" happened Tuesday night at Cafe' American. Bobby passed it to Michele Savoy for she and Chris having to buy a new battery (and ultimately get a new alternator as well) after the ice cream social. But I currently hold the record of 1 1/2 YEARS of possession!

People, check the age of your battery, and tires!

Roving Reporter





From the North Shore by Benny Stiegler

Our Northshore October meeting included a review of events from the past month, and we looked at what's up the rest of the year. Since it's BMCNO board election time, we also enjoyed seeing snippets from past newsletters about club members being nominated and elected. In February of 1992, Cort Musgrave was welcomed to our club along with his Elva and Land Rover. Eight months later he was elected as the next club president! We also talked about the history of MG sports cars from Old Number One in 1925 up to the new (Chinese, not British) MG all electric Cyberster sports car. Anyone in the market for that one?



At our BMCNO Northshore meeting, septuagenarian and nonagenarian club members Bill and Wayne show off their incredible heads of hair.

Covington's Final Friday Columbia Street Block Party on September 29th was well attended by BMCNO members, including Allen and Sue Bradley with their 1971 TR6 all the way from Harahan, Toby Pittman from Pearl River in his 2009 Jaguar XJ Super V8 Portfolio Jag, and new member Preston Marx attracted a crowd with his recently delivered 1974 Jensen Healey. And it was fun to watch party attendees trying out our LBCs for size!



Final Friday

NOTHING FANCY OR UNUSUAL happened the morning of October 14th at BMCNO Northshore Cars and Coffee at Liz's in Mandeville. Just a parking lot full of British cars with their drivers eventually inside discussing what car club people



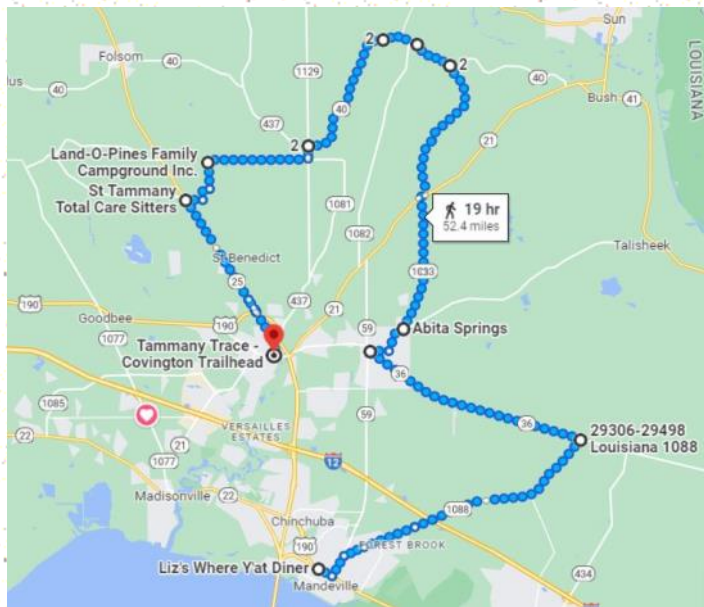
discuss. That continued afterward in the parking lot. Then, as required on a beautiful day, a drive through the countryside of St. Tammany just magically happened. First west, then north, then east, then north again, then east, etc. Join us next time! We do it just about every Saturday.

BMCNO CARS AND COFFEE PRIME NUMBERS DAY

Nineteen friends in thirteen British cars gathered for our October 7th Cars and Coffee at Liz's in Mandeville on this first fall weather 61 degrees morning of the year. Some became refamiliarized with socks and jackets. After breakfast and hanging out in the parking lot, seven cars went on a 53

***Fron the North Shore by Benny Stiegler continued.....***

mile roads-to-find-out route. Pit stops were made along the way at the Abita Springs Trailhead and Land-O-Pines Campground before coming to a final rest stop at the Tammany Trace Covington Trailhead, where our 2024 British Motoring Festival will be held on March 23rd. As usual, a splendid time was had by all!



Thanks to club members Chris Landry and Bob Gordon, among others, for contributing to our BMCNO Facebook Group page. Anyone who joins the group may post. Just go to Facebook.com and search British Motoring Club New Orleans group, and then if you haven't already, request to join the group. Here's one of the latest posts from Chris:

Inaugural Cars and Coffee @ O'Reilly Auto Parts in Metairie. They actually have coffee at this one!



Jack Kennedy and Unknown person

Jack Kennedy came out with his 1952 TD too. — with Bob Gordon and Bryan Scuderi at O'Reilly Auto Parts.



Final Friday



1st annual (hopefully) Barrett-Jackson New Orleans Classic Car Auction**From Rick Huber**

Several of us BMCNO members volunteered to be drivers for the Auction at the end of September. I think we all had a great time driving a huge variety of cars. There were only a few little British cars - Sunbeam Tiger, AH Sprite, E-Type but an older Rolls, and a mix of old and new Bentleys, Jags, Aston-Martins, Minis, Land Rovers, Loti. My interest was 60s and 70s muscle cars like Mustangs, GTOs, Corvettes, Cudas, Chargers, etc. I got to drive many of those but one stood out and comes with a pretty amazing story too.

**1953 AUSTIN A40 SOMERSET CONVERTIBLE**

That was what I thought to be a 66 Chevelle SS396 when I picked up the key bag to drive it across the auction block on Friday. The bag just said Chevelle SS, but I was pretty sure it was the 396. After I drove it over to the staging area and got out to wait, a man started talking to me about the car. Turns out he worked in the shop that restored it in North Carolina in the late 90s. He had about 40 pictures of the car from the restoration that he showed me. He asked how it ran, I said it was a challenge to start, had to give it lots of gas to get it to fire. He said yes, that carbureted 427 engine took lots of gas

to start.

I said wait, they didn't build a 66 Chevelle with a 427 engine. He said no, this one was ordered without an engine by a dealer in North Carolina for a particular customer who wanted a bigger engine. After ordering the car, the dealership ordered a 427 engine ostensibly as a replacement for another car, and then installed it in the Chevelle for the owner. We've heard of that being done, like with the COPO Camaros or the Austin-Healey 100 Ms that were upgraded at the dealerships, so why not with the Chevelle? So the restorer said that he and the 2nd and current owner of the car were going to be interviewed by Mike Joy of the History Channel when the car was on the block because it was such a rare car and interesting story. He asked me if I thought it would bring \$120,000, what he and the owner were hoping for, I said I didn't really know (although I thought no way - maybe on Saturday, but not Friday).

So I drove it across the block, was right there while Mike Joy was interviewing the restorer and the owner. Then when pushed to the edge of the block, it hammered for \$83,000, or a \$91,300 selling price with the 10% buyer's

**2004 BENTLEY CONTINENTAL GT**

**Barrett-Jackson New Orleans Classic Car Auction continued...****1965 SUNBEAM TIGER CONVERTIBLE**

fee. Turns out that was the 2nd highest sale of the day on Friday. Quite a disappointment for the seller I'm sure. Next time he'll probably pay the premi-

**2013 MCLAREN MP4-12C**

um to sell on Saturday, where there were dozens of sales over \$100k, and a restomod 58 Corvette that

**2020 ASTON MARTIN DB11**

sold for \$660k, but that's another story. So I drove the Chevelle back to its parking place and thought my story was finished.

The next morning I pulled into the employees parking lot, and there was the Chevelle. I rolled down my window and asked the driver if he was the new owner. He said he was, so I got out to talk to him. It turns out that he was the car's original owner who had talked the dealership in North Carolina into putting the 427 in it for him. He drag raced it in the 60s and 70s, and said nothing could beat him. After its racing days were over, he kept it in his 20 car barn with a bunch of other muscle and collector cars he owned, then had it restored in the late 90s. He kept it as a show car until 2015 when the 2nd owner had to have it and brought \$70,000 in cash. He regretted selling it ever since. When he heard that the 2nd owner was selling it no reserve at Barrett Jackson NO, he decided he was going to get it back, so he flew down and did just that. What a story!

Such an unforgettable experience driving all those cars. If they come back next year, I highly recommend you volunteer to drive.

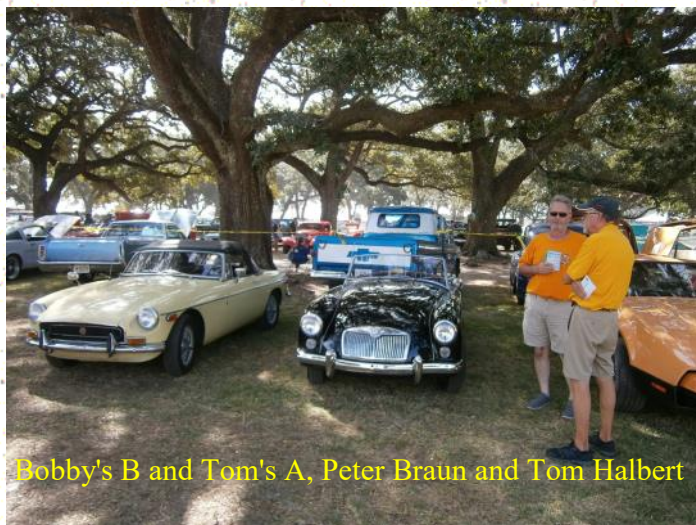
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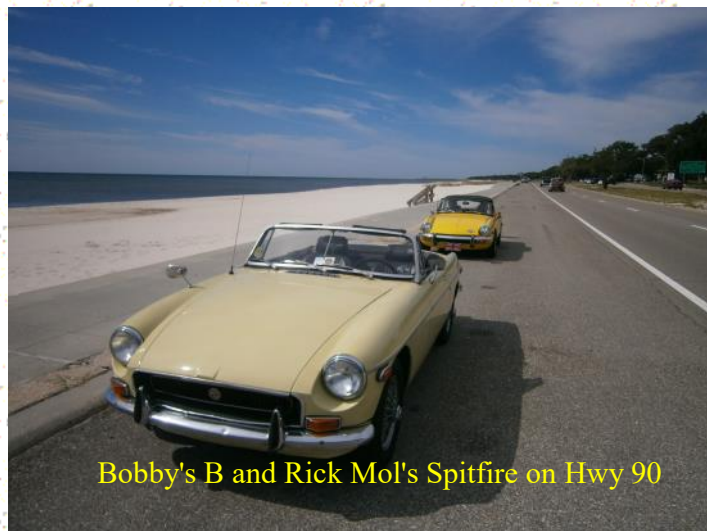
**1980 JAGUAR XJ6**



Cruisin the Coast by Bobby Spann, The Roving Reporter



Bobby's B and Tom's A, Peter Braun and Tom Halbert



Bobby's B and Rick Mol's Spitfire on Hwy 90

This year's Cruisin the Coast was GREAT. I spotted several little British Cars while driving from Ocean Springs to Bay St Louis and back. And again, and again! Wednesday, I drove the MGB on I-12 and met Tom Halbert at the Shell in BSL. They have a 100% pump and let me tell you if you only have around 66 horsepower, that extra 5-10% of power really comes in handy! We cruised to "Cruise Central and registered, and hung out with Peter Braun. Then I went and checked out the Biloxi Block Party.

Thursday, I met Tom and Nancy in BSL and we checked out the cars then ate at 'the Buttercup.' Saw a fine XK120 and E-type power parked on the corner and gave the guy a "save the date" card for our show next year. Then I hit Pass Christian and Edgewater Mall before returning to the Beau Rivage for the night.

Friday my friend Brian came down from TN and rode

with me to the swap meet at the Coliseum, where I bought another MGB! Well, it was a 1/64 scale Johnny Lightning, but still... We met Rick and Nathan Mol in their bright yellow Spitfire at The SHED for lunch, then went and checked out Ocean Springs. Packed as usual but I talked with several people interested in MGBs and gave out 3 BMCNO business cards! Friday night was the Beach Boys concert, and I was reminded... the Jag actually made it through 'Dead Man's Curve!'

Saturday, I tried to do BSL again but there was not a parking place in the whole town! Ahhh. Saturday traffic was bad right around Biloxi as the traffic lights there are NOT synchronized! Sunday there was an exodus of people heading to Louisiana and Texas in RV's and pulling trailers... with perfectly good cars on them?

The Roving Reporter



Some FINE Jaguars in BSL.



A Hillman Husky



Fairhope by Bobby Spann, The Roving Reporter

Fairhope Alabama was one of the best shows yet, even though they didn't have the Bellingrath Girls this year...

All-you-can eat Friday supper, door prizes + \$500 cash giveaways, a beautiful day Saturday... Arh, Arh, Arh!

A record 154 cars on the field, close to 50 MGB's and the 250,000th MGB-GT ever made! A few of our club members won awards and Danny was runner up for the valve cover races on their new track. My vote for coolest couple goes to Jack and Audrey Kennedy who drove their 1957 MG to the show from New Orleans!



Me, Randy, and the Huber brothers cruised to the MS welcome center Friday and met up with North and South Shore members, but they all decided to cruise the coast. Wally & Lulu and Darrell and Margaret pulled in just as the 4 of us were leaving for Mobile, where we joined Danny & Dana, their neighbors Jimmy & Louann and my brother Benny and his wife Pat for lunch at Wintzell's Oyster House. Fantastic!!!

Saturday night the Hubers joined the Bradley's at a French restaurant while D&D, Randy and me



went to Agave's Mexican restaurant on Hwy 98. It was GREAT and we had a blast! Couple of mechanical glitches over the weekend in a couple of BR cars but we got them sorted in short order. Damn we're good!

Sunday morning Randy & I hooked up with the Bradley's, Hughes and Steigler's for a nice smooth trip home. At 62 miles an hour! then Randy and I stopped at Don's in Hammond and pigged out once again. See a theme here?

We missed the rest of you guys!!!

Roving Reporter



Fairhope continued





Fairhope continued



Racing in my Heritage by Robbie Robertson

One of the advantages of age is the ability to look back to see how culture, family, experiences, education and God given talent has influenced what has happened in one's life. I was born into a Scottish immigrant family where my Dad also Robbie, Granddad, Scottie and Uncle Alfie became horseman. They raced thoroughbreds between New England and Miami. So, from an early age I was involved in racing competitions.

This background influenced my choice to race British Sports Cars.



We traveled to the various horse tracks in sedans, woody wagons and I thought that was all there was to drive until I saw a Fuller Brush Catalog featuring Phil Hill driving a Ferrari two-seater sports car. Wow, this opened my eyes. I had to have a sports car. That happened when my girlfriend Marian and I purchased a 1961 Austin Healey 3000. I couldn't afford to pay her

back, so I married her. We traded the 1961 in for a 1967 Austin Healey 3000 Mk3 to celebrate me graduating from college.

We visited the 1969 SCCA Runoffs in Daytona and I wanted to do Club Racing. At this time, I joined the SCCA and am now a Lifetime Member.

After moving back to South Florida, I attended the SCCA Races at PBIR, Palm Beach International Raceway in West Palm Beach. I met George Prenza after he blew the engine in his Austin Healey Sprite, F Production. He said he would sell it for \$800.00 including the trailer. He needed to spend more time with his family.

I fixed the reason the engine had blown and entered a Driver School in January 1973. I graduated with top scores and began racing Regional Races.

I began improving the car to make it faster and handle better. I modified the radiator from a 4psi to a 14psi radiator which helped cool the Austin engine. I added 5 1/2" American Mags that improved the handling. The 1 1/4" SU carbs worked okay except in right hand turns when the floats would hang up and flood the Austin engine. I would have to turn the fuel pump off in right hand turns. After blowing a rear brake wheel cylinder, I changed the single master cylinder to a dual master cylinder system. After getting an oil leak at the stock oil filter I replaced it with a remote oil filter.



Racing in my Heritage by Robbie Robertson continued.....

So, by 1975, I had improved the Austin Healey Sprite to a point where we won the 1975 Florida Region F-Production Championship.



I continued to improve the car but had to change the

brand to an MG Midget so that it could be updated with features like the rounded rear wheels openings, open up the grill area like on the rubber bumper Midgets and switching to 1 ½ " MGA SU carburetors.

This enabled us to win another F Production Championship in 1979.

I raced for a few more years until the money raised by rebuilding British Sports Cars started going toward Family needs.

I have fond memories of racing and appreciate all that I learned about mechanical things and myself while doing something I loved very much.



Milton Franklin

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 Franklin at densalprop@cox.net.

***Proposed ammendments to the BMCNO Bylaws by Ronnie Palmisano*****Proposed AMENDMENTS TO THE British Motoring Club New Orleans BY LAWS by Ronnie Palmisano**

According to the Bylaws: Any member in good standing, by written petition submitted to the Secretary, may propose an amendment to the By-Laws. Upon such proposal being made, the proposed amendment must be published in the next two newsletters. A copy shall be made available to each member at the next two general membership meetings and any regional meetings. Members may vote for or against said proposal, whether by ballot or by show of hands, at the general membership meeting and any regional meetings following the second publication of said proposal. If a majority of the members present and voting (including members present and voting at any regional meetings and properly executed absentee ballots) decide in favor of the proposal, the amendment shall be approved and adopted. Upon approval, notice shall be sent to each member of the Club and shall immediately become effective and binding upon all the members of the Club.

I, Ronnie Palmisano propose the following amendments to our current by-laws. **Each proposed amendment is to be voted on separately.**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 8c Each of the three Club locations will have representation at each location by 2 Members-at-Large. The Club locations are Baton Rouge, New Orleans, and St Tammany (North Shore) It is the duty of the Members-at-Large to represent the general club membership at Board meetings. Members-at-Large may be assigned duties as needed by the Executive Committee. (Replaces Section 8c -Additional directors (herein referred to as members-at-large) shall be elected for every thirty (30) members in good standing. When the average number of members exceeds thirty per each member-at-large, another member-at-large shall be added to the Board of Directors at the next scheduled election of Directors).

A member running to be on the Club's Executive board must be:

Current Member At Large.

or

Have been in the club for at least 12 months. (New Proposed Bylaw).

BMCNO Board members are the only people allowed to attend Board Meetings. This includes all Executive Board members and Members at Large. (New Proposed Bylaw).

All Board of Directors meetings weather on Skype, by other electronic means, in person, or in any other way are to be recorded and made available BMCNO Website for viewing by members only. (New Proposed Bylaw).

Meeting minutes are to be taken at each of the 3 club locations and published in the next Club Newsletter, or on the Club website.



Proposed ammendments to ByLaws by Ronnie Palmisano

During Club activities and other events, members shall:

Conduct themselves in a manner that promotes cooperation among members.

Respect each other's opinions during meetings and allow each member the opportunity to present his/her views.

Refrain from making personal attacks and leave personal disputes outside of The Club's activities.

Conduct themselves in a manner which promotes a favorable public opinion of The Club and its activities/events. [\(New Proposed Bylaw\)](#).

Board of Directors: All Executive and Member at Large positions shall hold office for one year, with the limitation of three (3) consecutive terms in any one position. [\(Replaces Section 8-2 of current Bylaws. The exception to the term limitation being that of the office of Editor\)](#).

BMCNO Board meetings are to be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order, or Roberts Rules. [\(New Proposed Bylaw\)](#). See pages 30 and 31 for more information.

Membership Termination 6b If a member cannot adhere to the rules of the Club and it is felt that a member's actions or activities harm the Club, its members or reputation, that member may be excused from the Club by a majority vote of the Board. [\(Replaces paragraph 6b.\)](#)

Dissolution. In the event that the club is dissolved any remaining assets after all obligations are met shall be distributed to any non-profit organization qualified to receive such contribution as agreed upon by the Board. [\(New Proposed Bylaw\)](#).

Voting: All Elections will be held by electronic means through internet and or smartphone. A special provision for using special paper ballots may be provided if necessary for those members who request them. Special Paper ballots to be generated by voting software. If a paper ballot is used, then it must be turned in to the designated recipient, appointed by the board, inside a sealed envelope. [\(New Proposed Bylaw using web such as Election Buddy or other\)](#).

Voting Results: Election results will be published with the number ballots cast at each location, listing number of ballots for each candidate. [\(New Proposed Bylaw\)](#).

Policies and practices of the Club shall support and uphold city, parish, state and federal laws, and ensure that Club events are designed within those laws. [\(New Proposed Bylaw\)](#).

Authority: All corporate powers and management duties shall be vested in and controlled by the



Board. The Board will meet monthly or more often as needed to conduct all business necessary for club management. The Board members will each have a single vote on all matters pertaining to the club. No obligations, debts or other liability shall be incurred on behalf of the club by any member or Board member without the specific prior approval of a majority of the Board.

(Replaces Section 4, constitution) Except as expressly authorized, no member of the Club shall have any power to contract on behalf of, or pledge the credit of the Club. No member shall have the right of action against the Club arising out of relations subsisting between the Club and any member.

Remove Section 3-b Student Members from our current Bylaws. (b) Student Members: Student membership shall be open to persons not yet eighteen (18) years of age. The written permission of one or both parents or guardians is required before elected into membership. Student members shall be entitled to the same benefits and subject to the same regulations as Full Members.

By submitting a club application, you agree to abide by the laws set forth by the Club in the By-Laws. (Replaces Section 5b) By choosing to join the Club, all new members must sign a statement agreeing to abide by the laws set forth by the Club in the By-Laws.

Any corporate action or resolution, other than the amendment of the Articles of Incorporation or the amendment of the By-Laws, may be taken or passed by affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the entire club membership. (Replaces Section 9b. Any corporate action or resolution, other than the amendment of the Articles of Incorporation or the amendment of the By-Laws, may be taken or passed by affirmative vote of a majority of the members present.

Change Section 9c A quorum of the entire membership is required for amendment of the Articles of Incorporation, amendment of the By-Laws and for the election of Board officers. A quorum will exist when 25% of the entire membership has voted. (Replaces Section 9c A quorum at a general membership meeting is required for amendment of the Articles of Incorporation, amendment of the By-Laws and election of officers. A quorum at a general membership meeting will exist when 20% of the membership is present or represented by properly executed absentee ballots in possession of the club secretary or his/her designee).

AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS Section 10. Members may vote for or against said proposal by ballot using the current method of voting, and not by using show of hands. Replaces Members may vote for or against said proposal, whether by ballot or by show of hands.



BMCNO Current Bylaws

1. The Club shall be called **British Motoring Club New Orleans**, in these rules referred to as “the Club.”
2. The objectives of the Club are: (a) To promote the sport and pastime of motoring in all its branches, and in particular, to further the interest of ownership and driving of British motor vehicles. (b) To encourage the preservation, ownership, and operation of British motor vehicles; to act as a source of technical information; to provide and regulate events and exhibitions for British motor vehicles and their owners, and to offer prizes and awards in respect thereof; and to encourage careful and skillful driving on the public highways. (c) To extend to owners and drivers of British motor vehicles and their friends, and to all persons interested in motoring sports the hospitality, privileges and conveniences enjoyed in connection with the Club.
3. **ELIGIBILITY** Any person who is or has been the owner of a British motor vehicle, or who is in sympathy with the objectives of the Club, shall be eligible for membership. Membership shall be open to all irrespective of age, race, sex, creed or national origin. The classes of membership shall be: (a) Full Members; membership shall be open to all persons who own or regularly drive a British motor vehicle or are interested in British motor vehicles. (b) Student Members: Student membership shall be open to persons not yet eighteen (18) years of age. The written permission of one or both parents or guardians is required before elected into membership. Student members shall be entitled to the same benefits and subject to the same regulations as Full Members. (c) Life Members: Life membership shall be open to persons who qualify as Full Members. Life Members shall be subject to the same regulations and entitled to the same benefits as full members. Dues for Life Membership shall be a one-time fee of ten times the Full Member annual renewal rate.
4. **CONSTITUTION** Except as expressly authorized, no member of the Club shall have any power to contract on behalf of, or pledge the credit of the Club. No member shall have the right of action against the Club arising out of relations subsisting between the Club and any member.
5. **ADMISSION** The election of candidates for membership of the Club shall be effected in this manner: (a) The Membership Committee, consisting of the officers of the Club, shall review membership applications at the Officer’s Meeting and elect or reject the applicants by majority vote. If rejected, the applicant’s dues will be refunded fully. (b) By choosing to join the Club, all new members must sign a statement agreeing to abide by the laws set forth by the Club in the By-Laws.
6. **MEMBERSHIP TERMINATION** (a) Membership will automatically lapse for nonpayment of dues at due date. (b) Any member may be suspended for infraction of the Club rules by vote of a majority of the Board of Directors or for other causes if a majority of the Board of Directors shall deem such suspension to be in the best interest of the Club. Upon such suspension, the member shall be so informed in writing and shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard. Any member suspended as provided above may be presented at the next General Meeting for expulsion and shall be expelled if a majority of the members present vote to expel said member. The vote shall be by secret ballot. (c) Any member may resign by directing a letter of resignation to the Treasurer. The resignation shall be effective upon receipt, only provided all indebtedness to the Club has been paid. (d) Any and all disciplinary actions for infractions of the Club rules shall be decided solely by the Board



of Directors. (e) Dues will not be prorated for termination of membership, whether voluntary or involuntary.

7. **DURATION OF MEMBERSHIP** The term of membership shall run from July 1 to June 30 and must be renewed before the end of the term. Dues will be decided by the Board of Directors.

8. **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** (a) Authority: All of the corporate powers of this corporation and the management of its affairs shall be vested in and controlled by the Board of Directors. (b) Election and Term: Directors shall be elected annually by the members at a General Meeting of the club in the last quarter of each calendar year. Nominations for officers must be received by the Secretary four weeks prior to the General Meeting at which the election is to be held. Such directors shall assume office at the January officers' meeting and shall hold office for one year, with the limitation of three (3) consecutive terms in any one position. The exception to the term limitation being that of the office of Editor. In the event a director's position becomes vacant, the Board of Directors shall appoint a replacement officer until the next General meeting at which the club shall elect a replacement director. (c) Number of Directors: The Board of Directors shall consist of five members, who shall also serve as the President, Vice-President, Newsletter Editor, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Club. Additional directors (herein referred to as members-at-large) shall be elected for every thirty (30) members in good standing. When the average number of members exceeds thirty per each member-at-large, another member-at-large shall be added to the Board of Directors at the next scheduled election of Directors. (d) Duties President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the members and officers and shall perform the duties usually pertaining to this office. The President will serve as the Chief Executive Officer of the Club and as Chairman of the Board of Directors. Special meetings may be called only by the President's authority. Vice President: It shall be the duty of the Vice President to act as Activities Director and Chairman of all Club Committees. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall preside at meetings of the members and officers. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall, subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be made by the officers, have custody of all monies, debts, and obligations belonging to the Club. All money of the Club shall be received and deposited into the Club account by the Treasurer. All debts of the Club shall be paid by the Treasurer. Any contracts, checking drafts, notes, or other orders for payment of money shall be co-signed in the name of the Club by the President and the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be prepared to report on the financial status of the Club at every meeting. Secretary: The secretary shall keep records of all minutes and notes. The Secretary shall keep an updated roll of all Club members. The Secretary shall prepare the ballot for election of officers and process absentee ballots. Newsletter Editor: The Newsletter Editor shall publish a club newsletter as set forth elsewhere in these by-laws. Members-at-Large: It shall be the duty of the Members-at-Large to represent the general club membership at all meetings. Members-at-Large may be assigned certain duties by a majority of the officers. (e) No obligations, debts, or other liability shall be incurred on behalf of the Club by any board member without the specific prior approval of a majority of the directors.

9. **MEETINGS** (a) General membership meetings shall be held once a month. Any changes in the meeting place or time shall be voted on by the Board and published in the newsletter the month preceding the change. (b) Any corporate action or resolution, other than the amendment of the Articles of Incorporation or the amendment of the By-Laws, may be taken or passed by affirmative vote of a majority of the members present. (c) A quorum at a general membership meeting is required for amendment of the Articles of Incorporation, amendment of the By-Laws and election of officers. A quorum at a general membership meeting will exist when 20% of the membership is present or represented by properly executed absentee ballots in possession of the club secretary or his/her designee. (d) The Board may appoint regional coordinators to conduct regional



meetings for the convenience of members living outside the New Orleans area. For the purposes of voting for amendments to the by-laws, amendments to Articles of Incorporation and election of officers, members present and voting at a designated regional meeting shall be considered present and voting at the General Membership meeting and shall contribute towards forming a quorum. Regional meetings at which such a vote will be taken must be prior to the General Meeting at which the vote is to be taken. The date and time of any Regional Meetings at which a vote will be taken shall be published the month before the General meeting at which the vote will be taken. (e) The Officer's Meeting shall be held two weeks before the General Meeting. The date, time and place will be decided by a simple majority of the officers. (f) A quorum at the Officer's Meeting will exist with seventy-five percent (75%) of the officers.

10. AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS Any member in good standing, by written petition submitted to the Secretary, may propose an amendment to the By-Laws. Upon such proposal being made, the proposed amendment must be published in the next two newsletters. A copy shall be made available to each member at the next two general membership meetings and any regional meetings. Members may vote for or against said proposal, whether by ballot or by show of hands, at the general membership meeting and any regional meetings following the second publication of said proposal. If a majority of the members present and voting (including members present and voting at any regional meetings and properly executed absentee ballots) decide in favor of the proposal, the amendment shall be approved and adopted. Upon approval, notice shall be sent to each member of the Club and shall immediately become effective and binding upon all the members of the Club.

11. ABSENTEE VOTING Absentee ballots must be submitted to the Secretary no later than 48 hours before the General Meeting at which any election or vote is scheduled to take place. Valid absentee ballots in possession of the Secretary or his or her designee at a General Meeting shall count towards a quorum when voting on amendment of the Articles of Incorporation, amendment of the By-Laws and election of officers.

12. NEWSLETTER A newsletter shall be published once a month before the General Club membership meeting.

13. ACTIVITIES All events are required to follow the recognized rules and procedures that apply to that event at time of execution. Any illegal or unsafe act is prohibited.

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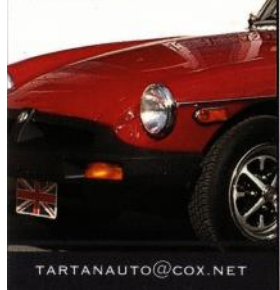
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BMCNO Membership Application

Print this form to submit your application.

Name: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home 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

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Model: _____

Year: _____

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Membership - \$25 per year due July 1st.

Payable as follows:

- ⇒ **Check** payable to "British Motoring Club New Orleans (BMCNO)" and return to:
British Motoring Club New Orleans, P.O. Box 73213 , Metairie, LA 70033
- ⇒ **PayPal** - www.clubregistration.net (click on British Motoring Club at this web site)
- ⇒ **Cash or Check** at any monthly meeting.

*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 _____



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Roberts Rules of Order – Simplified

Guiding Principles:

- Everyone has the right to participate in discussion if they wish, before anyone may speak a second time.
- Everyone has the right to know what is going on at all times. Only urgent matters may interrupt a speaker.
- Only one thing (motion) can be discussed at a time.

A **motion** is the topic under discussion (e.g., "I move that we add a coffee break to this meeting"). After being recognized by the president of the board, any member can introduce a motion when no other motion is on the table. A motion requires a second to be considered. If there is no second, the matter is not considered. Each motion must be disposed of (passed, defeated, tabled, referred to committee, or postponed indefinitely).

How to do things:

You want to bring up a new idea before the group.

After recognition by the president of the board, present your motion. A second is required for the motion to go to the floor for discussion, or consideration.

You want to change some of the wording in a motion under discussion.

After recognition by the president of the board, move to amend by

- adding words,
- striking words or
- striking and inserting words.

You like the idea of a motion being discussed, but you need to reword it beyond simple word changes.

Move to substitute your motion for the original motion. If it is seconded, discussion will continue on both motions and eventually the body will vote on which motion they prefer.

You want more study and/or investigation given to the idea being discussed.

Move to refer to a committee. Try to be specific as to the charge to the committee.

You want more time personally to study the proposal being discussed.

Move to postpone to a definite time or date.

You are tired of the current discussion.

Move to limit debate to a set period of time or to a set number of speakers. Requires a 2/3rds vote.

You have heard enough discussion.

Move to close the debate. Also referred to as calling the question. This cuts off discussion and brings the assembly to a vote on the pending question only. Requires a 2/3rds vote.

You want to postpone a motion until some later time.

Move to table the motion. The motion may be taken from the table after 1 item of business has been conducted. If the motion is not taken from the table by the end of the next meeting, it is dead. To kill a motion at the time it is tabled requires a 2/3rds vote. A majority is required to table a motion without killing it.



You believe the discussion has drifted away from the agenda and want to bring it back.
"Call for orders of the day."

You want to take a short break.
Move to recess for a set period of time.

You want to end the meeting.
Move to adjourn.

You are unsure the president of the board announced the results of a vote correctly.
Without being recognized, call for a "division of the house." A roll call vote will then be taken.

You are confused about a procedure being used and want clarification.
Without recognition, call for "Point of Information" or "Point of Parliamentary Inquiry." The president of the board will ask you to state your question and will attempt to clarify the situation.

You have changed your mind about something that was voted on earlier in the meeting for which you were on the winning side.
Move to reconsider. If the majority agrees, the motion comes back on the floor as though the vote had not occurred.

You want to change an action voted on at an earlier meeting.
Move to rescind. If previous written notice is given, a simple majority is required. If no notice is given, a 2/3^{rds} vote is required.

Unanimous Consent:

If a matter is considered relatively minor or opposition is not expected, a call for unanimous consent may be requested. If the request is made by others, the president of the board will repeat the request and then pause for objections. If none are heard, the motion passes.

- **You may INTERRUPT a speaker for these reasons only:**
 - to get information about business –point of information to get information about rules– parliamentary inquiry
 - if you can't hear, safety reasons, comfort, etc. –question of privilege
 - if you see a breach of the rules –point of order
 - if you disagree with the president of the board's ruling –appeal
 - if you disagree with a call for Unanimous Consent –object

Quick Reference					
	Must Be Seconded	Open for Discussion	Can be Amended	Vote Count Required to Pass	May Be Reconsidered or Rescinded
Main Motion	√	√	√	Majority	√
Amend Motion	√	√		Majority	√
Kill a Motion	√			Majority	√
Limit Debate	√		√	2/3 ^{rds}	√
Close Discussion	√			2/3 ^{rds}	√
Recess	√		√	Majority	
Adjourn (End meeting)	√			Majority	
Refer to Committee	√	√	√	Majority	√
Postpone to a later time	√	√	√	Majority	√
Table	√			Majority	
Postpone Indefinitely	√	√	√	Majority	√