

# *The Morris Gazette*

*Official Newsletter of British Motoring Club New Orleans*  
*March 2024 Edition*



## ***British Motoring Club***

## ***Middendorf's Run***







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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Colin McCormick**



This past month we had an incredible turnout for our annual trek to Middendorf's in Manchac. By my count we had over 30 cars and about 75 diners. The staff took excellent care of us as usual; and said they will be glad to see us again any time.

I was finally able to contact the staff of the automotive program at Northshore Technical Community College, and they are eagerly awaiting our visit on Tuesday, March 12th. While this was set up by the Northshore group, all members are encouraged to join us.

We are excited to be in the final preparations for our British Motoring Festival in downtown Covington on March 23rd. If you do not have a car ready to enter the show, please support the show in the form of a sponsorship. We use those funds to pay for the show site, trophies, security and all the other elements that comprise an event of this quality and size.

Car show entry and sponsorships can now be done online on our website thanks to the hard work of several dedicated volunteers. The website also is your source for print-and-mail-it-in forms if you prefer to communicate that way. Printable forms are also in this newsletter.

Speaking of volunteers, there is always room for more volunteers at the show. More volunteers means shorter shifts for each job. Please contact our car show chairman, Cliff Hughes, at 985-966-0492 if you haven't yet volunteered to help.

I am wrenching and polishing the Alpine in preparation, and I look forward to seeing all of you there.

Colin McCormick  
BMCNO President



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## **Message from Cliff Hughes, British Motoring Festival Chairman**



Sixteen days and counting. Thanks to all club members for registering their LBCs early for our show in Covington on March 23rd. Pre-registrations hit a milestone this week at 91. With your help, our sponsorships are back on track from years ago, with many coming in. Volunteers needed to make this a successful show are in place, with some slots still available. Please help us with volunteering on show day, if you have not already. We are wrapping up a few loose ends during the time remaining and expect to have a great show. Please don't hesitate to call or email us with any questions or ideas that you may have.





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**Get in touch with your  
BMCNO board members  
anytime by phone call,  
text, email or in person.**





## ***BMCNO Upcoming Events***

We have a heap of happenings this month in addition to our weekly Cars and Coffee gatherings and monthly meetings. All of your car club pals would love to see you at some or all of these events, especially at this month's British Motoring Festival. Here's what's happening.

—Greg Roussel

### ***Automotive Technical School Visit Tuesday,***

***March 12th*** We've managed to schedule a visit at 10 a.m. with the automotive classes at Northshore Technical Community College in Hammond to share our British cars and knowledge with the students. They will have many questions, so it's a terrific way to generate interest in our hobby with future auto repair professionals. We are still working to schedule visits in the New Orleans and Baton Rouge areas. Stay tuned.



### ***St. Anthony's Gardens on Thursday, March 14th.***

The retirement home will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day with a party and a parade around the parking lot at 2 p.m. We will be driving our cars past everyone lining the driveway and throwing beads and trinkets. The residents always enjoy looking at and talking to us about our cars.

### ***Covington St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday,***

***March 16th.*** It's the Covington Celtic Club's 6th annual parade, and we're joining the fun again this year. We line up at 11 a.m. and the parade starts at noon. Dress the part and decorate your car. You're guaranteed to receive many nice comments and adoration from the crowd. There's a big block party at the end. Contact Benny Stiegler or Colin McCormick to join in.



Save the Date!

### **British Motoring Festival**

#### **Covington Trailhead**

**March 23, 2024**



**British Motoring Festival**, our club's 32nd annual show, is **Saturday, March 23rd** at the **Tammany Trace Covington Trailhead and Firehouse Events Center**. Many club members have already pre-registered and ordered a car show t-shirt. Please do that if you haven't yet. We'll have a Friday night reception at the Firehouse 6 p.m. the night before our show, and then you can walk down the street to Covington's Columbia Street Block Party. Contact any board member if you haven't yet volunteered to help. Show information and registration is on our website at <https://www.bmcno.org/> and on pages 24-31.





## MORE BMCNO Upcoming Events

Third Annual  
**JACKSON, LOUISIANA CAR SHOW**  
Cars-Art-Crafts Food & Music

**APRIL 6, 2024**  
**8AM-2PM**  
**3312 COLLEGE STREET**  
Behind the Old Hickory Railroad  
Model Train Museum



**Jackson, Louisiana Car Show on Saturday, April 6th** featuring arts and crafts, music, food, one of a kind awards, the Old Hickory Railroad Depot and the Model Train Museum. About 25 miles north of Baton Rouge on the western edge of East Feliciana Parish, the show benefits the Jackson Food Bank. Find more information and pre-register at <https://www.historicjacksonla.com/>.

**Natchez Concours d'Elegance** coming up on April 20th, is open to all European cars and motorcycles 20 years and older and all Classic Car Club of America eligible vehicles. Hosted by Natchez' local Brit Richard Branyan and the Rolls-Royce Owner's Club. Register now and find information at <https://natchezconcours.com/>.



**Brits on the Bay in Pensacola**, also on April 20th. Many of our members participate in this All British car show in Pensacola's Seville Square just a few feet from the Gulf of Mexico. It will be the Panhandle British Car Association's 29th show. You can find more information and register now at <https://www.pbca1.com>.



**BMCNO Crawfish Boil**, another one of our club's long traditions, will be on Cinco de Mayo this year, Sunday, May 5th, at Fontainebleau State Park in Mandeville. And maybe we'll have crawfish! If not, Colin says "some type of marine protein." We know it will be another fun drive in your British car from wherever you are, and it's expected to be the usual large turnout. We'll get more information to you as the date gets a little closer.







## ***Monthly Club Meetings***

### **Baton Rouge**

2nd Tuesday of the month

Dinner at 6, Meeting starts at 7 p.m.

Cafe American, 7521 Jefferson Hwy at Lobdell, BR

### **Northshore**

3rd Wednesday of the month

Dinner at 6, Meeting starts at 7 p.m.

Coscino's Italian Grill, 1809 N Causeway, Mandeville

### **South Shore**

Usually the Last Tuesday of the month

March Meeting on Tuesday, March 19th

Dinner at 6, Meeting starts at 7 p.m.

Original Italian Pie, 5650 Jefferson Hwy, Harahan



## ***BMCNO Cars and Coffee***

### **South Shore**

First and third Saturday of every month 8 a.m. Chateau Coffee Café, 139 Allen Toussaint Blvd, N.O.

### **NorthShore**

Every Saturday at 8 a.m., Liz's Where Y'at Diner 2500 Florida St, Mandeville

### **Baton Rouge**

Every Saturday at 7 a.m., The Warehouse Restaurant, 12328 S Choctaw Dr, Baton Rouge







## March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 N.O, NS & BR Cars & Coffee
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Cars & Coffee BR & NS
10	11	12 BR Meeting	13	14	15	16 NS BR and N.O. Cars & Coffee Covington St. Patty Parade
17	18	19 Harahan Meeting	20 Mandeville Meeting	21	22 Friday Meet and Greet at Fire- house Events Cntr.	23 BMCNO British Motoring Festival
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 Cars & Coffee BR & NS
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## April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 N.O, NS & BR Cars & Coffee Jackson Show
7	8	9 BR Meeting	10	11	12	13 Cars & Coffee BR & NS
14	15	16	17 Mandeville Meeting	18	19	20 NS BR and N.O. Cars & Coffee Natchez and Pensicola Shows
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 Cars & Coffee BR & NS
28	29	30 Harahan Meeting				





## February Monthly Meetings

In addition to unraveling the world's problems, conversations during our February Harahan, Baton Rouge and Mandeville meetings centered around our shared British car experiences, maintenance tips and British Motoring Club happenings, particularly our British Motoring Festival on March 23rd. The well attended meetings were led by BR Coordinator Rick Huber, NS Coordinator Benny Stiegler, and in Harahan by N.O. Coordinator Allen Bradley.



The Baton Rouge meeting Fat Tuesday at Cafe' American was a full house. The "Four Horsemen" drove their LBCs, as usual, to try and get interest going for those who don't normally get their cars out. Club member Rick Mol gave us an interesting talk on British vs. American fuses and the limits of small gauge wiring in our British vehicles, too.

The last of the charts I warned you about..

### British Lucas Fuse ~

Fast Blow Dual Rating ~

50 amp	25/50 amp
35 amp	17/35 amp
30 amp	15/30 amp
25 amp	12/25 amp
20 amp	10/20 amp
15 amp	7.5/15 amp
10 amp	5/10 amp
5 amp	2.5 / 5 amp
2amp	1 / 2 amp

### American BUSS-Littlefuse Fuse

Continuous (AGC-SFE)

25 amp
17 amp 20 amp
15 amp
12 amp 15 amp
10 amp
8 amp
5 amp
3 amp
1 amp

Note: As if the above was not confusing enough, there are 2 types of US fuses, AGC "All Glass Construction" (General Purpose) and SFE "Society of Fuse Engineers" (Automotive Use).

In Mandeville February 21st, we talked a lot about our upcoming car show, and everyone took a moment to speak about their life's background and cars. It's interesting that our members come from so many different places and careers, and we've all ended up together over our love of little British cars. And a lot was said about how we have a special club with terrific members. Then, in the spirit of camaraderie, we sang Kumbaya. Well, maybe some of us just thought about singing. The big Northshore news is that Joel Rutter got a new kidney! We all wish him well.



In Harahan, the discussion centered around our car show in Covington, and several members talked about car projects. Allen had a presentation, but couldn't get his iPad to connect to the new projector. Next time.







## *March 2nd Cars and Coffee and More*

Eight British Motoring Club members gathered for breakfast this morning and then were joined by even more BMCNO members at the Tulane Formula Racing Car Show. We lined up our British cars and were joined by Ferraris, Porsches, and a great assortment of other beautiful cars. The rain mostly spared us! —Dan Allegre



Saturday, March 2nd Roger Jeffrey and Chris Landry pulled in Top 100 awards at the Devine Mercy Men's Club Cook Off & Car Show. Way to go!





*More Tulane Formula Racing Car Show. Photos from Jim Clark*







## March 2nd Northshore and Baton Rouge

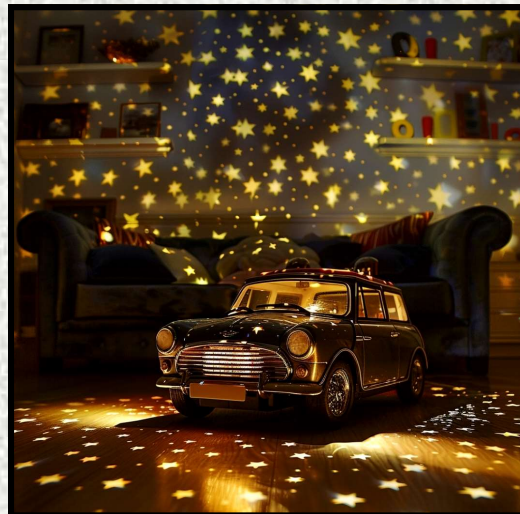
With a lingering threat of rain there were fewer cars with the tops down. Five of us did a drive after breakfast to Lacombe, and then along the north side of Big Branch National Wildlife Refuge on Paquet Road to St. Genevieve Church on Bayou Liberty in Slidell. No wipers were needed! Danny Varnado in our Baton Rouge group reported a dozen members at their breakfast. Danny also sent us the report below on his Swiss Cheesy Rider.



## DANNY'S RUST BUCKET

by Danny Varnado

With a few exceptions, we're normally not the type to name our cars. But upon acquiring a '68 Austin Mini parts car, we made an exception. We immediately named it RB for "Rust Bucket." After stripping the body, we decided to change the name to "Cheesy Rider," actually "Swiss Cheesy Rider" based on the amount of rust holes that were revealed during the stripping process. While pondering what to do with the body, we decided that it might be best to just donate it to the LASC Planetarium to be used as a star projector!







## ***February 25th 2024 Middendorf's Run***

On Sunday, February 25th, we made the "Middendorf's Run," as our club has done for about the last 30 years or so. Combine the tradition of a great drive from Baton Rouge, New Orleans, St. Tammany and everywhere in between, and the allure of a historic restaurant on the Lake Maurepas end of Pass Manchac, then add a day of perfect weather and you end up with a great turnout. Unofficial count was over 70 friends in over 30 cool British cars. Let's plan to do it again next year!







## *Middendorf's Run cont'd*





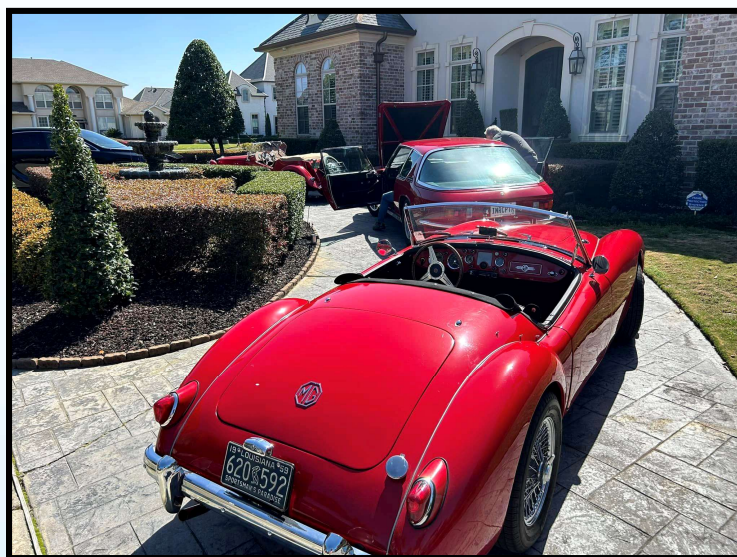


## ***BMCNO Tech Session***

***by Bob Gordon***



Thanks to Richard and Brenda Gaudry for hosting a Club Tech Session February 24th at their beautiful home in Kenner! Their garage is amazing, with two lifts and three bays. They also provided a nice jambalaya and salad lunch for everyone. Oil changes, suspension checks and other maintenance performed. Keith even got to polish his MGB.







—More Tech Session - Photos by Jim Clark







## ***Northshore Cars and Coffee*** ***by Benny Stiegler***



February 24th was a beautiful sunny morning, and that prompted a full parking lot of our cars in front of Liz's in Mandeville. After breakfast and checking out our motors, a group of us hit the road for a cruise up to Talisheek, then winding our way west to Abita Springs where one lucky kid got to try out Colin's Alpine.

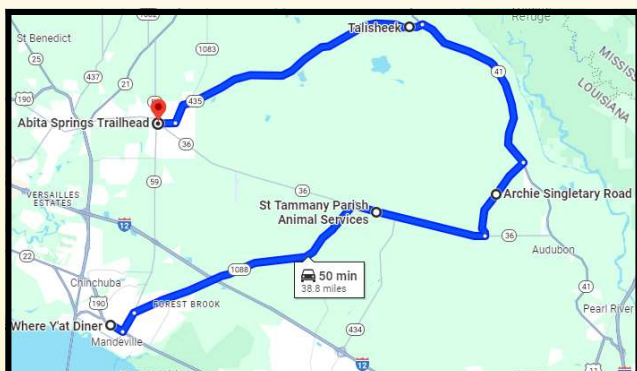






## Northshore Cars and Coffee

February 24th cont'd



## BLAST FROM THE PAST

From our March 2004 Morris Gazette Newsletter

Middendorf's in January drew 43 people but only a few British cars, even though the rain stopped just as the South Shore convoy left Kenner. Keith Vezina's MGB had a close encounter with a truck door in Middendorf's parking lot and was back in the paint shop two days later with a bad ding in the driver's door. There's something about fresh paint that just seems to attract that.





# BMCNO Cars and Coffee

## BR Breakfast 2-17-24

Hey all - The breakfast this morning at the Warehouse Restaurant in Baton Rouge was great... but COLD! We had about a dozen members show up with 5 LBCs braving the English weather. But there wasn't any rain, and my heater worked brilliantly, so I was happy! Unless I missed someone, the attendees included myself, Danny V, Randy, Charlie, Darrell, Danny B, the Kellys, the Savoyes and the Landrys.



Afterward I took Bergeron, Charlie and the Landrys across the street to Tom Sala's shop where we put Debra's Midget up on his 2-post lift to check the rear and transmission fluids. The rear plug was broken, however, and we couldn't get the male plug out of the 4-speed without destroying it. He will order new plugs before trying again.

*Roving Reporter*

## Northshore Cars and Coffee 2-17-24

BMCNO members filled the seats for Cars and Coffee in Mandeville this morning, but just one British car (a Jaguar sedan) out in the miserable, wet, windy and chilly weather. New member Bruce Balough talked about the TR4A Robert Boudreaux in Thibodaux (no kidding) had for sale. Bruce bought it! After breakfast we stood outside for only a few minutes before heading back to our cozy homes.

*Meandering Muckraker*





## ***Broken – Down B Brakes***

*by Chris Savoy*



During our Springfield cruise in mid-January, Michele's MGB lost brake pedal.

We managed to make it home safely with skilled downshifting and a keen eye on the e-brake lever. After parking the car at our temporary storage area, I quickly determined the master cylinder had failed. I prefer to rebuild rather than replace, so I ordered a seal kit. I thoroughly cleaned the unit, all of its internals, and honed the cylinder. I bench bled the master and attempted to re-install it on the car. That's where the job took a bad turn.



One of the flare fittings on the car had been cross-threaded. How it was not leaking I don't know. The threads were too damaged to re-use, and upon further inspection, I discovered the corresponding threads in the master were damaged as well. So much for good intentions. I ordered a replacement master and was able to fit it to the car with little trouble. I also replaced the entire line that had the bad flare nut. Luckily, that happened to be the driver's front line; the shortest line in the car.



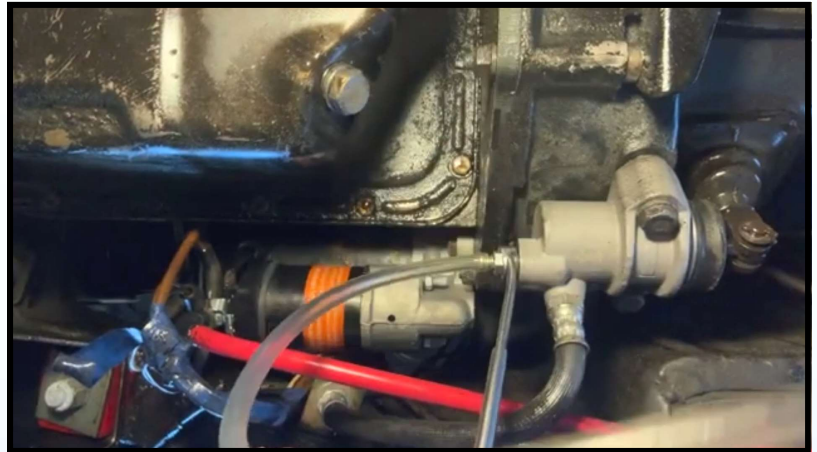
After installing the new master cylinder and brake line, I drove the car to a location where I could raise all four corners for bleeding. This is where I ran into more issues. The brakes would not bleed out completely, and my attempt at replacing hydraulic clutch fluid was equally challenging. The clutch slave would absolutely not bleed.

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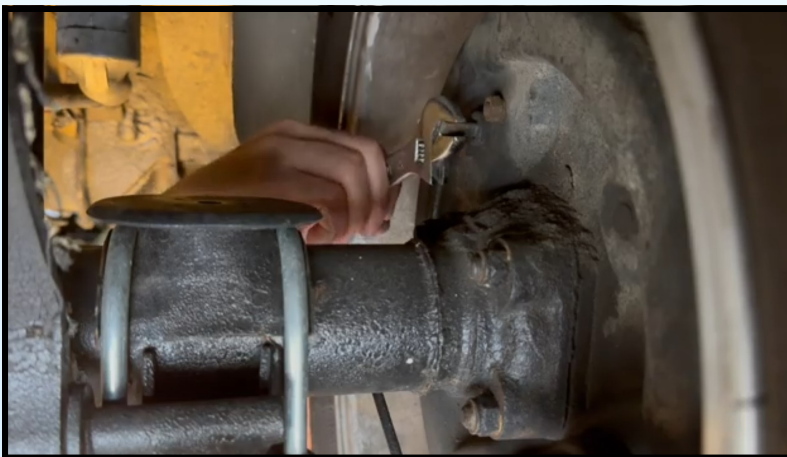


## *Broken – Down B Brakes cont'd*

A conversation with Keith Vezina, one of our skilled club mechanics, led me down the path to completion. Keith advised me to unscrew the nylon brake pressure switch (mounted under the master) 3-1/2 turns before attempting to bleed the system; and that the drums should be adjusted properly before beginning the procedure. I followed his advice, and purchased a vac-bleeder for the job. Our brake pedal returned with little fuss. Keith also advised that clutch slaves are coming from Moss with the bleeder screws in the wrong hole. We decided my clutch slave would need replacing, as well as the pushrod and clevis pin. The slave arrived with the bleeder screw in the wrong hole as predicted, and that was remedied. I bled the slave off the mounts with it hanging by the soft line, as advised by Keith.



**Clutch slaves are coming from Moss with the bleeder screws in the wrong hole.**



Since I had the car off the ground, I took the opportunity to grease all under-chassis fittings and adjust the brakes. We drove to car 130 miles to Middendorf's and back without any issues!

This was a challenging job for me that was not as straightforward as other masters I have worked on. My advice is: check the threads before rebuilding, purchase a vac-bleeder, and check to make sure the clutch slave on your B is properly set up!

If you would like to see a video of the work, check out the video called "Master of Disaster" on my YouTube channel, Southern Roads. Follow this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ul2WbOe-PCU&t=25s>

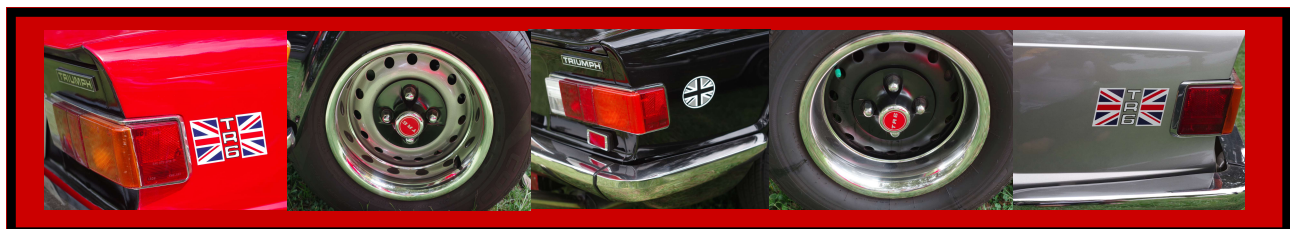






## ***MORE BMCNO CARS AND COFFEE!!***

**In Mandeville** on February 10th, a crowd of British Motoring Club members gathered for our own early morning car show with 16 cool little British cars filling the parking lot. Three came as Drive Your Triumph Day participants and, with a nice enough day for a tops-down drive, we shot some photos to post for the occasion. Wild Bill Lacher came in his TR3, Lenny Daring Dunn in his TR6 and Spitty Stiegler in the Spitfire. Bill McQuade sent photos of his two TR6es. He's hoping to have both ready for our British Motoring Festival in Covington on March 23rd. You can see hundreds more Drive Your Triumph Day photos from around the world by following the links on page 24.







## MORE 2/10 CARS AND COFFEE







# DYTD

## Drive Your Triumph Day



Dear Fellow Triumph & Standard Owners,

Thank you to everyone who participated in Drive Your Triumph Day 2024. It's amazing to see Triumphs and Standards being driven and celebrated all over the world, all on the same day.

Once again it's great to see several group club drives around the world, from Australia to South Africa, Oklahoma to Canada, US and the UK, which is fantastic. Thank you to those who planned and hosted those drives.

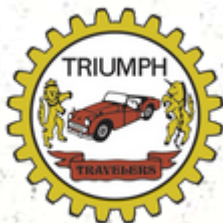
I've posted the photos to Facebook - Drive Your Triumph Day. The downside is you can't see the file name which has all the data about the owner, car and location: But you can see the photos if you have a Facebook account: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100090853480071>

In addition the photos are also posted on the Triumph Travelers Sports Car Club website where you can see the file name which includes the owners name, model and year of car, city, state and country. <https://triumphtravelers.org/DYTD/photos.php>. Please be patient as some photos don't load very fast. Click on the link above. On the landing page click on the image of Sir John Black and you'll see albums for both 2024 & 2023 DYTD photos.

So get your favorite beverage, sit back and click through the photos from all over the world. Next year DYTD 2025, February 10th, is on a Sunday. Mark it on your calendar now.

Best Wishes,

Rye Livingston  
Activities Chairman  
Triumph Travelers Sports Car Club  
1960 Triumph TR3A  
[DriveYourTriumphDay@gmail.com](mailto:DriveYourTriumphDay@gmail.com)







Save the  
Date!

# British Motoring Festival

## Covington Trailhead

March 23, 2024



**See the Covington Trailhead  
and surrounding streets filled  
with sports cars, antiques and  
other cool British vehicles!**

**Free and open to the public**



**Best public viewing 10 to 3**

**Valve cover races 1 p.m.**



**Awards ceremony 2:30**



## British Motoring Club New Orleans

**Vehicle registration and more information at [bmcno.org](http://bmcno.org)**

**Friday night reception March 22nd 6 p.m.**

**at the Firehouse 432 N Theard St., Covington**





***Thank You 2024 British Motoring Festival Sponsors  
as of March 6, 2024***

- A Friend of BMCNO
- Allan & Babs Maxwell
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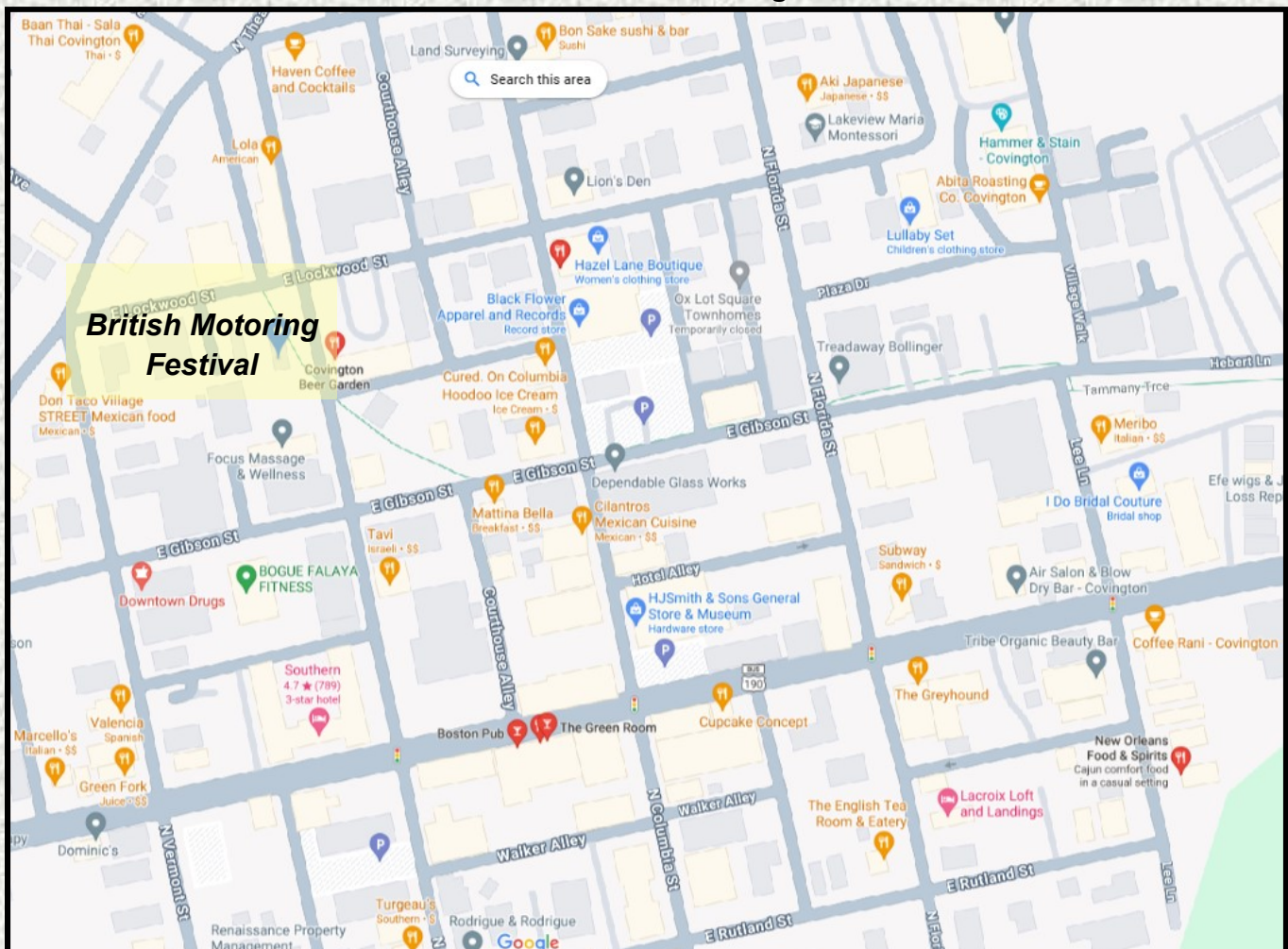


## ***THANK YOU British Motoring Festival Donors as of March 6th 2024***

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- Acquistapace's Covington Supermarket
- Advanced Auto Covington
- Anonymous
- Auto Zone Hwy 190
- Benny & Lilly Stiegler
- British Marque Car Club
- Cilantro's Mexican Cuisine, Covington
- Cliff and Linda Hughes
- English Tea Room & Eatery Covington
- Firestone, Highway 21 Covington
- Flashtech Lighting
- Gnarly Barley Brewing Company, Hammond
- Griot's Garage
- IMAGES Salon, Hammond
- Kristen and Ray Thames
- Larry's Hardware, Covington
- Mandeville Ace Hardware
- Mattina Bella Restaurant, Covington
- Midpoint Feed & Seed, Covington
- Money Hill Golf and Country Club
- O'Reilly Auto Parts, Covington
- Pelican Point Car Wash Corporate
- R and M Children's Books
- Saison 73
- Skooter's Grill, Madisonville
- Take 5 Oil Change #078 Covington
- Tartan Automotive
- Theo's Neighborhood Pizza, Covington
- Uno Dos Tacos , Covington

## ***Restaurants Near British Motoring Festival***

***Dine in or take out during the show.***

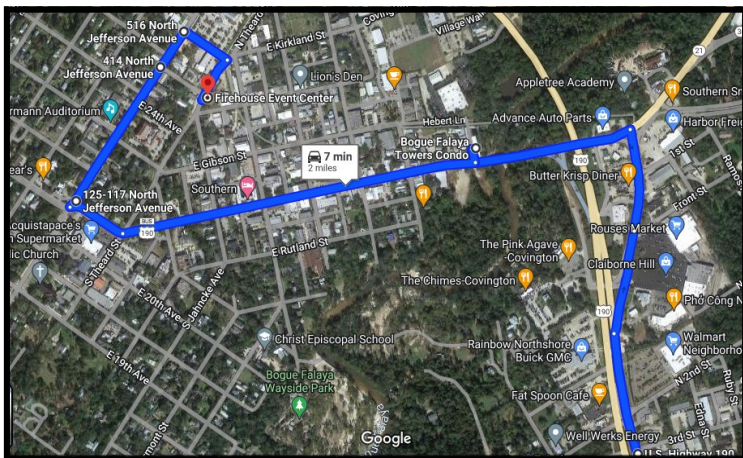
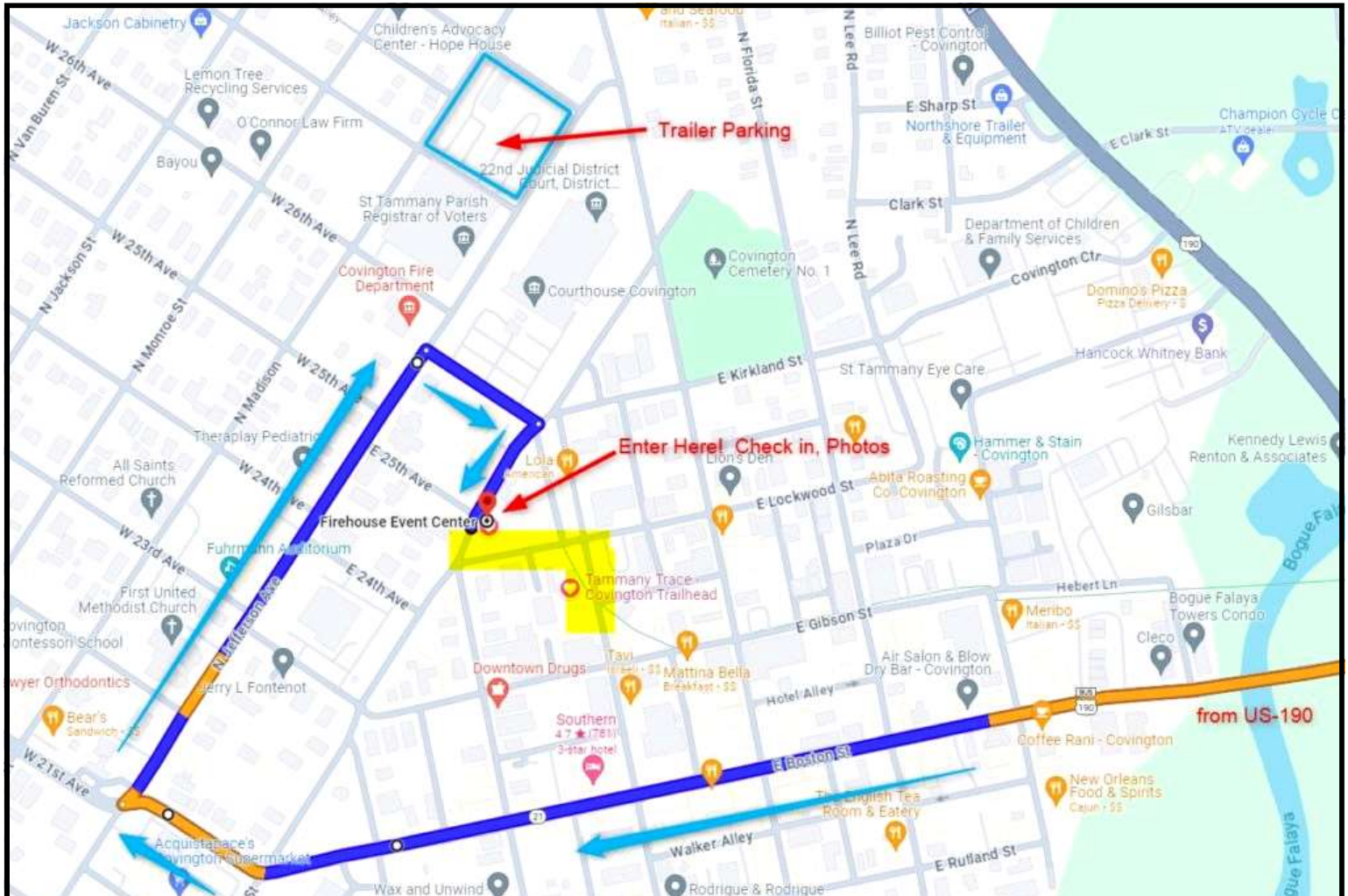






## *Driving Directions to Enter Your Car*

This map shows directions to enter your car in our British Motoring Festival if you're travelling north on Highway 190 from Mandeville.



**Stay to the right by the Chevron station.**

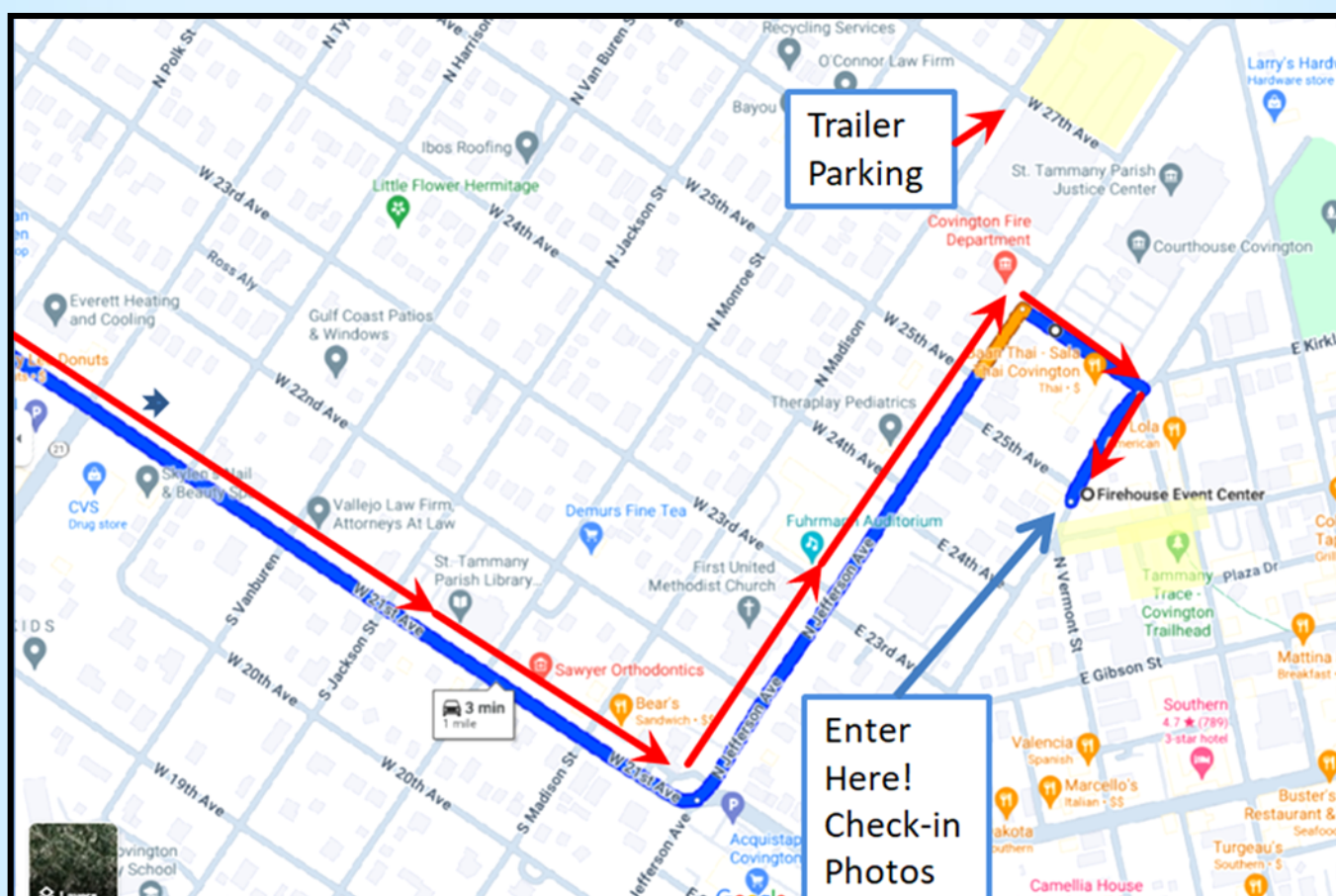




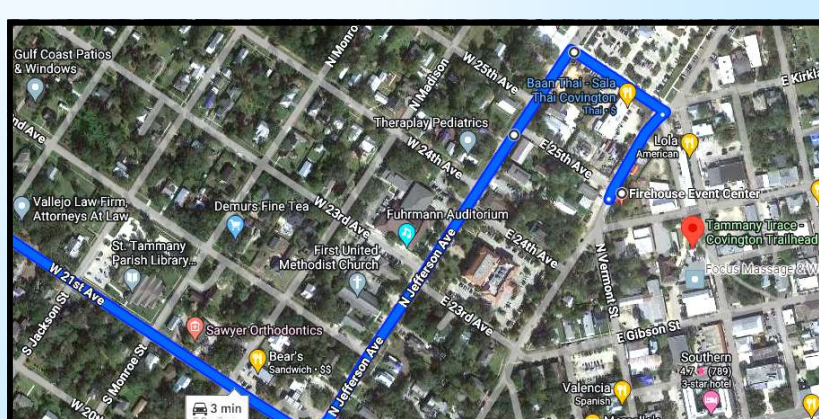
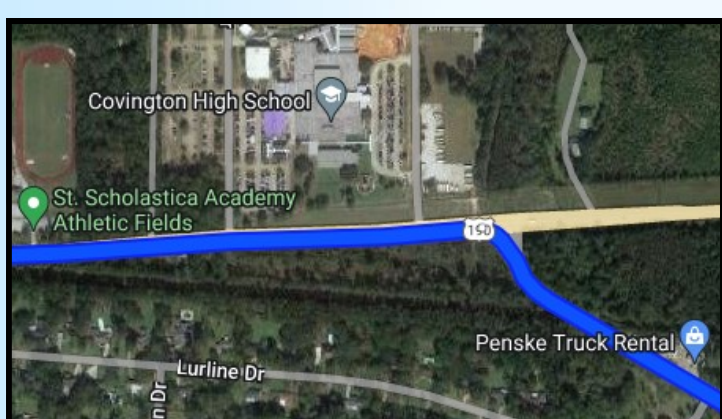


## ***Driving Directions to Enter Your Car***

This map shows driving directions to enter your car in our British Motoring Festival if you're travelling from the west on Highway 190, or I-12 to Highway 21, or south of Covington. From 190 you can take a right on Business 190 immediately past Covington High School and go all the way to Jefferson.



Coming from South Tyler down West 21<sup>st</sup>  
At Jefferson go left at the circle onto Jefferson  
Right on E. 26<sup>th</sup> Turn on N. Theard toward the water tower.







## British Motoring Festival Official Entry Form

British Motoring Club New Orleans' 32nd Annual Show Saturday, March 23rd, 2024

Tammany Trace Covington Trailhead and Firehouse Events Center

432 N Theard, Covington Friday night reception 6 p.m. at the Firehouse

Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Cell Phone	Email	
Club Affiliations		

1 Car / Motorcycle entered \$30.00 early registration \$35.00 after 3-14-2024

	Year	Make / Model / Type / color	Entry Fee
1			

More than one car - \$40.00 for 2 or more cars. After 3-14-2024, 2 or more cars \$45.00

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3			
4			

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Number of Shirts						___ x \$20 =	\$
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE (Registration and Shirts)							\$

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You may pay by Credit Card and register at [bmcno.org](http://bmcno.org).

Make check payable to British Motoring Club New Orleans Car Show or BMCNO Car Show.

Mail BEFORE MARCH 12 to: Car Show P.O. Box 73213 Metairie, LA 70033

In consideration of this entry, I waive any and all claims for me and my heirs against British Motoring Club New Orleans, their officers and any sponsor of this event for injury or illness which may result directly or indirectly from my participation. I also give my permission for use of my name and / or pictures in any broadcast, telecast or any other account of this event.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicles enter the field from the Firehouse Event Center, 432 N Theard St, Covington 9 a.m. until noon

Registration and more online at <https://www.bmcno.org>





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## 2024 British Motoring Festival SPONSOR FORM

Thank you for considering sponsorship of our 32nd annual show, March 23, 2024 at the Tammany Trace Covington Trailhead and Firehouse Events Center. The Trailhead and surrounding streets will be filled with British cars and bikes of all kinds. British Motoring Festival is free and open to the public.

For your sponsorship or door prize contribution you will receive:

- publicity in our British Motoring Festival program
- publicity at the show site
- publicity at the awards ceremony
- publicity on our club's web site
- publicity in the BMCNO newsletter

Sponsorships also accepted on our website at [bmcno.org/sponsors](https://www.bmcno.org/sponsors).

### **Class Sponsor: \$35, \$50, \$75, \$100 or more**

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NAME as you want it to appear in the program: \_\_\_\_\_

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Contact Name & Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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**DOOR PRIZE DONATION:** We thank you for contributing items for our club to use as door prizes and offer to you the same publicity as Class Sponsors. Please list the items below..

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Name of BMCNO Member who contacted you: \_\_\_\_\_

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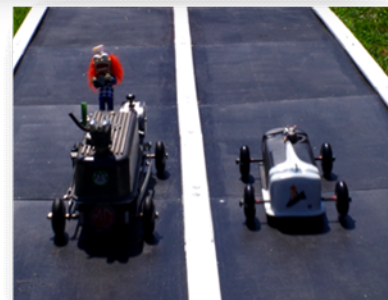
Build a Valve Cover Race Car and run it down the track at our British Motoring Festival at the Tammany Trace Covington Trailhead. Join the fun on March 23rd!



## British Motoring Club of New Orleans Valve Cover Raceway

### BMCNO Race Rules

- The Valve Cover Race Cars:
  - No engines or propulsion.
  - No moving weights.
  - Wheel can be attached to the car in any manner, but must not extend beyond the front of the valve cover.
  - Nothing can extend beyond the front of the valve cover.
  - Cars shall be based on an actual rocker cover from a British automobile engine.
  - Cars must have four wheels, each no more than six inches in diameter.
  - Wheel must have a non-metallic surface contacting the track.
- Critical Dimensions:
  - 30-inch maximum overall car length.
  - 15-inch maximum overall car width.
  - 10-inch maximum overall car height.
  - 10 pounds maximum weight by official scales.
  - The front of the car should have a contact point approximately 2 ½" high.



### Track Dimensions

- The Course:
  - The course shall consist of a launch incline ten feet long, followed by a level run of sixteen feet – all plywood surfaces.
  - The launch incline shall be divided into two lanes, each 18 inches wide. The incline shall be about three feet high at the rearmost part.
  - The official "Starting Line" is two feet from the rear edge of the incline.



### Running the Race

- The Races:
  - Double elimination brackets in heats of two cars each. (Each pair will race in each lane – 2 out of 3 if a tie)
  - Cars will advance in "winners" and "losers" brackets, and the final race will be between those two top cars.
  - NOTE: The starting gate is 3.5 inches tall. Racers should have a surface flush with the front of their car approximately 2 ½ to 3" high to contact this metal tab.
  - Individual starting via push buttons by each racer, following an electronic "Christmas Tree" lighting system.
  - The finish line shall be marked sixteen feet from the front edge of the launch incline.







# Cleanup on Aisle A

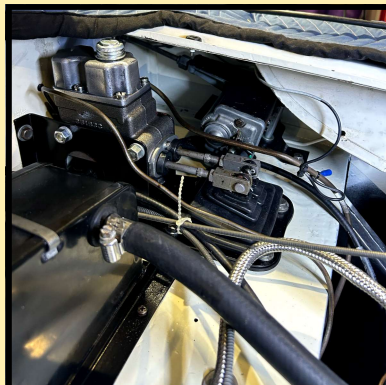
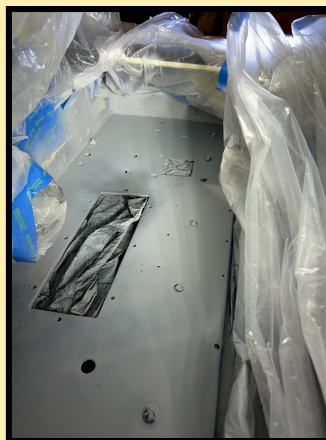
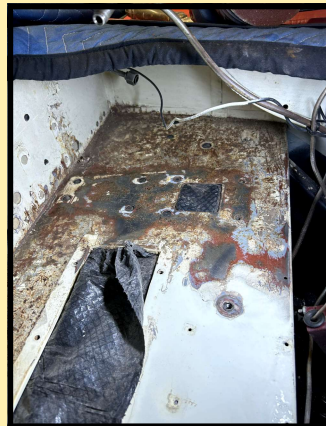
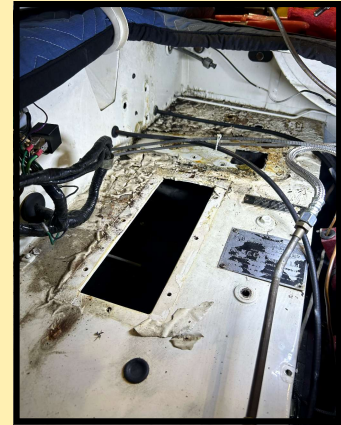
by Bob Gordon

My master cylinder had been leaking since I bought my '62 MGA almost two years ago. The brakes worked fine, so I was not in a rush to change it since it didn't seem like a simple replacement. I ordered the parts and decided to tackle the job about 4 weeks ago. The more parts I removed, the more paint damage I found from the corrosive brake fluid!



I ended up having to remove the heater, master cylinder and brackets, the pedals and wiper motor, and then a multitude of wires and cables. Next, scrape and sand the damaged areas, apply POR15 rust repair, and prime and paint the whole firewall shelf and all affected brackets. Finally I flushed the entire brake and clutch system with denatured alcohol and added DOT 5 fluid, which doesn't damage paint in case of any future leaks!

So what started off as a simple project turned into almost four part-time weeks! But it looks and operates better than ever, and feels great to have restored another part of my LBC by myself.



## Flash

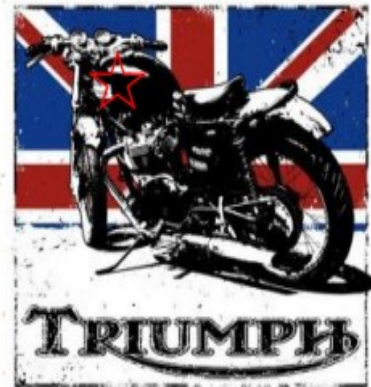






Milton Franklin

## *Calling all British Motorcycle Owners*



We've been working with others to increase the number of British Motorcycle owners. If you or anyone knows someone who owns a British Motorcycle please contact them about participating in our club. Milton Franklin, Baton Rouge, would like to organize 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...Continue to look for British motorcycles to tell them about our club, and give out our business cards or direct them to our website. If you need more please contact Milton Franklin at [densalprop@cox.net](mailto:densalprop@cox.net).







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**Friday, April 12**

**5:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

**2031 Ronald Reagan Hwy Covington, LA 70433**

**Everyone is invited to view vehicles,  
socialize, and participate in all activities**

**Music | Food | Activities | 50/50 Raffle | Prizes**

A Cruise-In is a casual gathering of people who like to show their cool vehicles to people who like to look at them. If you have a cool vehicle, drive your ride in and park without a fee to show it. Then, socialize with other cool vehicle owners and visitors who come to view your rides.





## *All Car Club Picnic*

Hosted By: New Orleans Model A's



Date: April 13, 2024

Place: Wally Pontiff Playground, 1521 Palm St, Metairie, LA 70001  
Shelter # 5 (Same Spot as Previous Year)



Time: 11:00am – 3:00pm Rain or Shine (Food served at Noon)

Menu: Hot Dogs and Chili, Hamburgers, Beans, Chips, Soft Drinks and Bottled Water



Bring:

- Show Off Your Vintage Car
- Chairs
- Desserts to Share with Group



## **50/50 Raffle picked at 2:30pm**



Hopefully No Rain

Affiliated Clubs: New Orleans A's, Ford Performance Association, The Horseless Carriage Club of New Orleans, Early Ford V-8's, St. Bernard Antique Auto Club, and Acadian Thunderbird Club

Cost: \$150 per Car Club Donation

Make Payable To: New Orleans A's

Attention: Bobby Burwell  
1460 Henry Clay Avenue  
New Orleans, LA 70118

Individuals Donation Accepted



Contact Information for the Event: Bobby Burwell @ 504-400-4205





# VTR South Central Regionals 2024

A Confluence of Triumphs



## South Central VTR 2024 Regional May 30—June 1 2024



Your host: the St Louis Triumph Owners Association

Preparations are underway for the 2024 South Central region VTR convention. Mail-in and online registration forms are available now at [www.sltoa.org/vtr24info.htm](http://www.sltoa.org/vtr24info.htm)

### Events

A variety of driving and enthusiast events are planned for the convention, such as:

- ◆ Breakfast and dinner runs
- ◆ Self-guided drives such as "The Confluence Tour"
- ◆ "Gearhead Drive" to local collectible/special interest auto dealerships
- ◆ Winery tour
- ◆ Poker Run
- ◆ Daily tech sessions
- ◆ Time/Speed/Distance Rally (Self-guided, using the Richta Rally App)
- ◆ Autocross
- ◆ Le Mans Start

### Host Hotel/Triumph Central



#### The Sheraton Westport Chalet

191 Westport Plaza Drive,

St Louis, MO

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<https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/stlsi-sheraton-westport-chalet-hotel-st-louis/overview/>

When you call, mention the Vintage Triumph Register for the \$139 rate.





## Fastest British Cars of the 1960s

10. Austin Healey MK III (1964-67) 123mph
9. Daimler SP250 Dart V8 (1959-64) 127mph
8. AC Ace (1953-63) 130mph
7. Jaguar XK150S (1959-60) 135mph
6. Jensen Interceptor (1969-71) 137mph
5. Aston Martin DB5 (1963-65) 145mph
4. TVR Griffith 400 (1963-64) 146mph
3. Jaguar E-Type S1 (1961-68) 153mph
2. Aston Martin DB4 GT Zagato (1960-63) 154mph
1. Jaguar XJ13 (1966) 175mph



Read more at Hotcars Ranking The Fastest British Sports Cars From The 60s

And at Motortrend Retro Drive: 1966 Jaguar XJ13

<https://www.hotcars.com/fastest-british-sports-cars-from-the-60s/#austin-healey-mk-iii-1964-67---123mph>

<https://www.motortrend.com/vehicle-genres/1966-jaguar-xj13-review-photos-video/>

## Poetry Corner

### *Interruption*

by Tom Bonner

The yellow MGB started in neutral to write a letter to its Jeep cousin, hoping they would share a garage, but shifting to first gear ended its transmission.

### British Motoring Festival

#### Covington Trailhead

March 23, 2024



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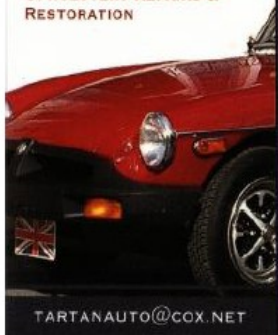




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## BMCNO Membership Application

*Print this form to submit your application.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday Month Only: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

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				
<i>Make</i>	<i>Model</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Color</i>	<i>Body Style</i>

**Membership - \$30 Per Year due July 1st**

**Payable as follows:**

- ⇒ On Line: <https://www.bmcno.org/join-bmcno/>
- ⇒ Check payable to "British Motoring Club New Orleans (BMCNO)" and return to:  
British Motoring Club New Orleans, P.O. Box 73213 , Metairie, LA 70033
- ⇒ 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 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 \_\_\_\_\_