

Prez Sez

By Wray Lemke

It's the Labor Day weekend and with it comes the start of the hurricane season as Dorian makes its presence known. We'll have to see how this one comes out.

The Hilton Head event is looking for volunteers to work the weekend of the Car Club Showcase and Concours. If you'd like to attend the weekend for free and enjoy not only the amazing array of automobiles and related art but also seeing the show from the inside then volunteering to help put the show on is the way to go. Please go to their website and check it out. https://www.hhiconcours.com/volunteers.html

Planning for the BCD 2019 is well underway with most of the large missions taken care of. We do need our own volunteers to help with the show, setting up, taking down and helping with the grand Friday night reception on the Spirit of Charleston. Looking at the registration list it appears we'll have a grand show, with more cars than ever from out of town pre-registered. This year we'll be giving out a new special award, the President's Choice. One thing for sure, it will not be given to the most perfect car at the show, that's what Best of Show is for. I'm not sure what the criteria for that award will be, I will probably end up figuring it out the day of the show.

If you haven't registered yet please do, the earlier you register the better the show. Remember, we want you to bring your car to the show, no matter what it is. It doesn't have to be a show car, every car has its own story and personality.

Diane has selected a nice venue for the Club Christmas party, Burton's Grille in Mt. Pleasant. Easy to get to, good food, ground floor, plenty of parking. We've had club meetings there in the past. We're really fortunate to have Diane once again volunteering to coordinate our Christmas Party.

On the "works in progress" front, I've been wanting to fix the steering wheel in the Magnette. For years I've had to look at the big cracks in the steering wheel and try to ignore them, intending to do something, someday. I recently decided to grasp that nettle firmly and fix the wheel. I bought the Eastwood repair kit, because I trust their products. It included epoxy, prep spray and adhesive promoter spray. One reason for putting of this repair is the amount of work it takes just getting the steering wheel off. The turn signal and horn wires go down through the steering column and out the steering rack. To get to the nut that holds the steering wheel on you have to pull the turn signal/horn ring assembly all the way out of the steering column, which means cutting those wires. Once you've "withdrawn" that whole assembly with its "stator tube" then you can easily remove the steering wheel.

Until next time, Safety Fast! Wray



Well,

I was driving over the James Island connector and I saw a laden pickup truck towing a trailer with an MGBGT on board heading the other way. My first though was" Hey, someone has a nice restoration project started". Then I thought "I hope it's not going to scrap". It went past too quickly to make a guess either way. I hope to see it again, but worry that I may not, and that bugs me.

I harp on recruiting for a reason; modern Americans have lots of options competing for their entertainment. In my generation everyone got their drivers license as soon as they were able. Now many do not get a drivers license at all, much less learn to drive a stick - or regard a car as anything more than an appliance. Fortunately there is something we can do to bring enlightenment to these unfortunate souls.

Our 35th annual show this October is shaping up nicely with a fair amount of 'folks from off" signing up. One of the food trucks had to cancel, but a replacement is in the works. Please clear your calendars for the 25th and 26th, as we will need folks to help with setting up and running the show, as well as tearing it down Saturday afternoon. Dave has a list of tasks that you can sign up for later in this issue. Don't forget to register your vehicle too!

Bob

BCCC Regalia directly from Lands End

By Millie Horton

You can now order regalia with the BCCC logo on it directly from Lands End. Here is a link to our store.



https://business.landsend.com/store/bccc/

They offer a huge variety of items including men's and women's clothing, hats and promotions products like cups, bags and coolers.

We will have some sample items in the Silent Auction at British Car Day.



Upcoming Events

See the BCCC website for details



Saturday, September 14th, Monthly Meeting, 8-9:30am, Marina Variety Store Restaurant, 17 Lockwood Dr. Charleston

Saturday September 21th, Sea Islands Cars and Coffee, 9-11am, Freshfields Village, 165 Village Green Ln, Kiawah Island

Saturday, September 28th, MG's on the Green, 9am-3pm, Crossroads Church, 220 George W Liles Pkwy, Concord, NC

Saturday, October 5th, Britfest 2019, 9am-3pm, The Market Common, 4017 Deville St, Myrtle Beach, SC

The Seventh Annual BRITFEST

Saturday October 5th



We are looking to organize a caravan to BRITFEST. We will meet at Mt Pleasant Towne Center in front of Pier 1. Registration is from 9-11am and it's about a two hour drive. So we will plan on taking off at 8am. Please contact Dave Rosato if you plan to go.

The Grand Strand British Car Club's invites you to come and enjoy a British car extravaganza and celebrate Octoberfest in the balmy warmth of autumn at the beach. A Friday night reception will be held at Nacho Hippo, and special guest hotel rates at DoubleTree Resort by Hilton Myrtle Beach Oceanfront have been arranged. More information and a registration is at https://grandstrandbritishcarclub.com/myrtle-beach-britfest/



35th Annual British Car Day

By Dave Rosato

Our 35th Annual British Car Day is only two months away. We have 46 cars registered so far and 83 attending the Friday evening Welcome reception. The Silent Auction is a significant factor in making this event financially viable. So if you have anything you would like to donate to the auction, please do so ASAP. Bring the items to the next Monthly Meeting or contact one of the board members.



We also rely on help from our members. We have already received many volunteering to help. If there is something on the list below that you would like to help with, please let me know.

Print registration placards

2. Dash plaques

3. Put out signs to venue (Friday)

4. Fill bags prior to reception

5. Field setup Friday (12-3pm) (3-5 people)

6. Welcome reception coordination

7. Give out registration bags at reception

8. Check-in at the reception

9. Regalia Sales

10. Field setup Saturday (7am-9am) (3-5 people)

11. Help direct cars (9-11am) (3-5 people)

12. Registration (2 people)

13. Trophy/ribbon display set-up

14. Silent auction, monitor during the day

15. Silent Auction, take payments at end of day

16. Take pictures during the day

17. Take pictures of cars as they enter

18.50/50 ticket sales.

19. Tally votes 20.MC, announce awards

21. Club Welcome/Info Tent

22. Water bottles in coolers with ice

23. Field teardown at 3pm (as many as possible)

24. Write and send out thank you letters

Dave Rosato Bob Simons

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Your registration to the car show includes two people attending the reception. The reception is 6:30 to 9:30. It will be a harbor cruise on the Spirit of Charleston. The boat is docked on the walkway to the USS Yorktown. There will be food and a cash bar with beer and wine starting at 6:30. From 7:30 to 9:00 we will cruise around the Charleston harbor. Please note that parking at Patriots Point is \$5.

The way registration is going, we may hit the boat limit. So don't miss out and register now!





MOTOR CITY, USA

By Millie Horton

The RROC National Meet in Troy, Michigan near Detroit (July 22-29) provided an array of education and entertainment. My companions on this trip included BCCC's John Nuss and Jeff Trepel. RROC members and 190 PMCs (proper motor cars) adorned the show field for all to feast their eyes on. Cars had come from as far away as England and as close as the suburbs of Detroit. The McClay family's 1927 R-R Phantom I won the Wilmington Trust Legacy Award for having been in the family for 92 years!

During the week, I visited the Frank Lloyd Wright's Dorothy Turkel house, the GM Heritage Center (saw @ 200 of GM's 700 heritage cars), the Henry Ford Museum, and Meadow Brook Hall, built in the 1920s by Matilda Dodge at a cost of \$4M! Additionally, John Nuss, Jeff Trepel, and I signed up to ride in Roy Margenau's 1935 R-R Phantom II for the Ride in Your Dream Car breakfast run. We were surely in the lap of luxury!

Seminars and tech sessions provided a wealth of education. Various committee meetings of the RROC and RRF (Rolls-Royce Foundation) took place. As a new member of the RRF Board, I found there was much to learn. Vendors in the registration area provided tempting wares from the car badges to hard-to-find tools for your car's tool tray, badged clothing, silent auction wares, and collector R-R and Bentley books.

A fantastic Motown band and a big dance floor at the closing banquet rounded out the week. The following day, we were treated to the Concours D'Elegance of America at St. John's in Plymouth, Michigan, about 45 miles away, which delighted us with some most unusual cars including a 1930 Citroen II Berline that had been adapted to run on coal due to petrol shortages in wartime France. A special group of our RROC cars was among the exhibitors also.

A funny side note: our goodie bags at the RROC Meet included a solid chocolate R-R car. John Nuss decided to bring his back in his carry-on luggage only to stopped by airport security, concerned about the "solid mass" buried deep inside! I ate mine down to the firewall and escaped scrutiny!





Heavy Duty Car Ramps

By Lowell Wakker

I have to start this reading with a caveat and a warning. I am going to tell about a pair of car ramps. Needless to say, with safety as the most important aspect of our care and rebuilding of our cars, absolutely nothing is worth an injury.

Having said that (and if you need to reread that paragraph, please do) I wish to tell about my solution to getting my very heavy cars far enough off the ground so I can safely and comfortably slide underneath. Earlier I mentioned injury... try death if things go badly. Okay, I'm done with the scare.

I researched car ramps online for a long time. Some looked fine and were reasonably priced. But then I read the reviews from those who had purchased that very ramp set. There were too many examples of ramps breaking under load and similar fearful experiences. As the owner of a 6,000 pound car and two 4400 pound cars, I'm not going to risk it.

I think I remember an example of ramps made of wood in a long-ago magazine article. But having had an engineering background, I felt my design idea was the best for my needs. If you'll take note of the photos provided, the ramp up and the platform at the top are well reinforced. In an effort to overdo this, I built in outriggers on the outside of each ramp for added stability. The total cost included 12 economy 2X4's, 3 feet of 2X6, a bunch of 2-1/2 inch sheet rock screws and 6 -3" lag screws (around \$35+). It was very helpful to own a miter saw for crosscuts.

I will not get into detail about the design of the ramps, but I will send out, upon request, a very complete set of drawings, materials list, cutting plan and construction procedure. I will provide all the information I can think of detailing how I built the ramps and why I designed them as I did.

To be balanced, many folks place their faith in jack stands. I have two sets and use them all the time. But take a look at the two photos of ramped vs. jacks stand car postures. I needed enough space to slide under the car and tighten exhaust manifold nuts. The results were difficult on jack stands, much easier on ramps. I do much of my work in a stone covered driveway, not a flat concrete floor. If it sounds like I'm trying to sell you on this idea, I apologize. That is not my intent. I wanted to explain why I took the time to build these very beefy ramps. And yes, they're heavy.







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Crossroads Church 220 George W. Liles Pkwy, Concord, NC 28027

Please join us for our 31th annual event. Founded in 1989, MGs on the Green is a wholesome family activity that brings together the cars and owners of MG and other classic British Marques. Enthusiasts and admirers are invited to join the relaxed gathering to enjoy the cars on display and fellowship. Event awards will be given to individual cars as selected by invited judges and event participants. We welcome all types of British motorcars to participate in this 'No Fee Event'. Our ever popular (and entertaining) raffle of donated car related items, services as well as items of general interest will conclude our day out. Tickets for raffle available for purchase at the event.

Food: Hot dogs and drinks will be available for sale at the event – all proceeds to go to Crossroads Church for their community outreach programs. Outdoor shelter available for shade and shelter – Participants, spectators and guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs.

Pre-registration is not required but recommended and appreciated to help facilitate Metrolina MG Club event planning.

Please fill-in the attached Pre-Registration Form below and mail to the address shown.

DATE: Saturday, September 28, 2019 TIME: Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. rain or shine



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Love those hood ornaments at the RROC National Meet



