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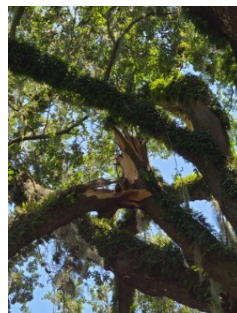
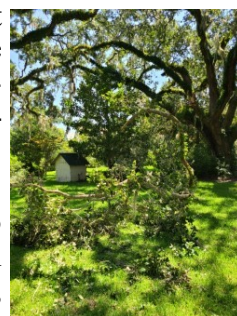
It's been a very humid and wet month, not conducive for driving the LBC's with the top down. I did take advantage of a short somewhat cool morning and rolled the Mercedes on the rotisserie out of the garage and gave the entire car a coating of sandable primer. I'm at the finish stages of the body work.

About a month ago I got a call from Patrick Lane. He took the Spitfire out for a drive and when he got home the engine started acting up. After shutting it off, it wouldn't start again. He suggested a blown head gasket. So I suggested he trailer it over and we'd take a look at it. He bought a gasket set for the engine. When he brought it over, I thought I'd check the compression before pulling the head, just to confirm. I pulled all the plugs and put the gauge in number 4. Patrick cranked the engine. I immediately got showered with an oil/water mix coming out from the open spark plug holes. That confirmed a blown head gasket. We removed the carb and exhaust then the head bolts. We lifted the head and sure enough, #4 cylinder was full of water. It was interesting in that the top of the #4 piston was clean as new from being washed with hot water. We cleaned up the head and top of the block then put the engine back together with the new head gasket. We adjusted the valves and started the engine. After getting the sparkplug wires in the correct locations, it started up. Patrick drove about a mile down the street. When he came back there was a lot of water vapor coming out of the exhaust. Optimistically I suggested to take it out again to, hopefully, burn off the water that was in the exhaust system. Well when he got back the water vapor was gone. Patrick did notice what sounded like a clicking valve. I suggested to take it home and drive it a bit then bring it back and we'll retorque the head and readjust the valves. Well a couple weeks later Patrick did come over. We retorqued the head bolts and checked the valve clearances. All looked pretty good. The noise turned out to be a leak at the exhaust gasket near the #4 cylinder. When I looked at the old gasket we replaced a couple weeks earlier, it showed signs of a leak as well. We determined that the exhaust manifold at #4 wasn't seating and tightening the manifold bolts wouldn't take care of it. So this will be for another time.

Sorry to everyone for the late notice of the last Monthly Meeting/drive to McClellanville. The weather was nice and made for a nice drive. We all brought something to munch on and chairs. We had a little excitement when, as I was talking, straight in front of me about 50 feet away, we heard a large cracking sound and a huge branch of one of the huge Live Oaks broke and fell to the ground. It was quite startling. There was hardly any wind, it was just it's time. Irene has highlights of the meeting later in the Windscreen.

We have a BBQ coming up on September 13th. We'll keep things safe. We'll send out details shortly. We will have the Monthly Meeting at the BBQ. For those who can't make it, maybe we can Zoom the BBQ. Let me know if this is of interest.

Be safe and Safety Fast,
Dave



VP's Corner

By Bob Simons

Well,

All work and no play makes Bob a dull boy, and right now I'd make a butter knife look dangerous. One of the things that has opened back up with Covid precautions is the Census. Though temporary and part-time, it is intense! Thus the Norton remains assembled and not running, the TD is under wraps as is Maria's B. It's kind of like being French, except I've taken the opposite of a vacation for the month...

Fortunately a routine is setting in, and the weather should be getting a bit cooler, maybe even dryer. Not that it would take a big change in either factor to make getting out more enjoyable. As a club we are trying to provide reasons to do so. Despite having to cancel British Car Day, other events are in the works, and we hope you can participate. Do I smell barbeque...?

See you on the road!

36th Annual British Car Day

It was a difficult decision, but the board of directors have decided to cancel British Car Day due to COVID-19. It was scheduled for October 24th. The decision was made primarily for the safety of our members, the participants and spectators. We recently took a survey and many indicated that they would not be attending due to the virus. We had already determined that the Friday evening reception was not possible due to the virus. We will continue our virtual Monthly Meetings on Zoom, hope to see you there. We are considering having a less formal event on October 24th, one in which we can be safe. We will keep you updated on this. Please keep an eye on our website for posts of short drives by other members.



BCCC Drive to McClellanville—8/8/2020



Traditional Scotch eggs**Author:** Toni Simpson

Recipe type: Appetiser, Starter

Prep time: 25 mins Cook time: 15 mins Total time: 40 mins

Serves: 6 portions

Traditional Scotch eggs, rolled in sausage meat and breadcrumbs then deep fried; delicious finger food for any Jubilee street party.

Ingredients

- 6 large hard boiled eggs, cooled
- 450g sausage meat
- 200g plain flour (seasoned with salt and black pepper)
- 200g breadcrumbs
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 2 tbsp finely chopped fresh parsley
- 2 tbsp finely chopped fresh chives
- ½ tsp dried thyme
- Vegetable oil (for deep frying)
- Black pepper (freshly ground)
- Salt

Instructions

1. Peel the hard boiled eggs and set aside.
2. Add the parsley, thyme, chives, some salt and black pepper to the sausage meat and mix in a bowl.
3. Divide the sausage meat mixture into 6 equal portions and flatten them out into ovals.
4. Roll each boiled egg in the seasoned flour and then wrap each one in a sausage meat oval, making sure to totally cover the egg and smoothing out any bumps.
5. Coat each sausage-covered egg in beaten egg and roll into the breadcrumbs, covering completely.
6. Heat the oil in a deep frying pan. You'll know it's hot enough when you drop a breadcrumb into it and it sizzles strongly.
7. Place each Scotch egg into the hot oil very carefully and deep-fry for around 8 minutes or until golden brown and completely cooked.
8. When cooked, carefully remove the eggs from the oil with a slotted spoon and leave to drain on paper towel.
9. Can be served warm or cold.

Recipe by A dish for all seasons at
<http://recipes.hellomagazine.com/seasonal/20120617/traditional-scotch-eggs/>



BCCC August 2020 Meeting

By Irene Breland

The August meeting took place on 8-08-2020 and was attended by 15 members. Instead of the Zoom format, club members were encouraged to meet at Kohls in Mt Pleasant for a drive to Millie's friend's property in McCellanville for a meeting under the oaks. MGs won the award for best attendance with 2 Bs, 2As, a TC and a Midget. Other British marques in attendance included, Mini Cooper, Jaguar, Aston Martin, Audi (well it was a beautiful example of a German sports car), Sunbeam and Morgan.

After casual discussions and lunch Dave opened the meeting. BCD, sadly, is cancelled due to COVID-19 concerns for a large event in an uncontrolled environment. The BBQ in Sept is still scheduled. Details for the event will be on the website. Pit Masters Dennis and Richie won't disappoint. The Holiday party is also cancelled. Options, for a rally and meet at Dave and Lynn's, are still being discussed.

Dave discussed email Wray rec'd from Hilton Head asking club for a donation. BoD decided it best to let members decide if they wanted to contribute and send those donations all together to HHI.

Additional discussions on thanking our hosts for a safe place to gather and work on the poster art followed.

Members cleaned up and packed cars for drive back to town.

FYI.....drive up was very nice. Temps were pleasant and traffic light. A caravan of British cars always puts smiles on faces. We were very socially distanced and safe.



Don Longenecker volunteering at a garage in North Charleston. "More fun than working in an office". He's helping with a frame off restoration of a '71 Chevelle along with working on his Bugeye Sprite.

A brief history of car manufacturing in Britain

by Andrew Segal, November 2017

When it comes to the manufacturing of motor vehicles, it's fair to say the Brits have a rich heritage. Having designed and built some of the most iconic cars ever driven, the U.K. can rightly lay claim to a seat at the table of car industry pioneers. Ever since the late 1900s, innovations and technology that have helped shape the motor industry to become what it is today have originated from the British Isles. Rolls Royce, Aston Martin, Bentley, Jaguar and Mini are just a few of the household names to have originated from this part of the world and continue to this day as brands people aspire to own.

So what have the key moments been and which individuals should we be thanking for the evolution of the motor car in Britain? Our timeline below guides you through the past 100 plus years.

1896 - John Henry Knight of Farnham, Surrey builds a four-wheeled petrol engine car. George and Frederick Lanchester build a similar vehicle in Birmingham.

1904 - Henry Royce builds his first car, a two-cylinder model. Later that year he meets aviator C.S. Rolls who agrees to sell the car in his London Showroom. They become Rolls-Royce limited in 1906.

1910 - Scottish manufacturer Argyll makes the first production car with four wheel brakes.

1919 - W.O. Bentley forms Bentley Motors limited in Cricklewood, London. The first 3-litre Bentley is delivered in 1921, the first British car described by engine capacity and not horsepower.

1922 - Jaguar Cars was founded as the Swallow Sidecar Company, who made motorcycle sidecars. The company changed names to Jaguar Cars in 1945.

1927 - William Morris takes control of Wolseley, one of the British motor industries oldest names. It joins MG to become part of Morris Motors in 1935.

1933 - Morris introduces semaphore arm direction indicators

1946 - Triumph Motor Company introduce the 1800, the first British car with column gear change.

1948 - Jaguar introduce the XK 120, the fastest production car ever made with a top speed of 120mph.

Rover launches the Land Rover inspired by the wartime Jeep.

Morris launched the Minor which becomes a bestseller and remains in production to 1971.

1959 - The Mini is launched by the British Motor Corporation.

1967 - Rover, the last large scale independent car producer in the UK, is taken over by Leyland Motor Corporation.

1968 - Leyland Motors and British Motor Corporation merge to form British Leyland Motor Corporation (BLMC).

1975 - BLMC is nationalised and becomes British Leyland Limited.

1986 - British Leyland becomes Rover Group with only the Rover and MG brands surviving.

1994 - British Aerospace, who acquired Rover in 1988, sells it to BMW.

1998 - Designed by racing car engineer Gordon Murray, the McLaren F1 becomes the world's fastest production car.

2008 - The Jaguar and Land Rover brands are sold by Ford to Indian company Tata Motors.

In 2016, the British motor industry is in excellent shape despite most of the major British brands being owned by overseas companies. This is helped in no small part by some of the biggest names in the car industry having plants in the U.K., including Honda, Nissan and Toyota. In fact, 2015 was a stellar year as regards to production, with close to 1.6 million vehicles being built, over 75% of which were exported overseas. This production figure was a 10-year high, highlighting the major part Britain is still playing in the car industry worldwide.

A few automobile facts

- The average British driver will spend around 99 days of their life stuck in traffic
- 75% of all cars produced by Rolls Royce are still on the road
- The first ever car accident occurred in 1891

- The largest speeding fine ever produced was €1,000,000
This was levelled at a man in Sweden, who was clocked doing 180mph. In Sweden, speeding fines are proportionate to the amount someone earns.

- The world record for removing and replacing a car engine is 42 seconds
This record was set by mechanics working on a Ford Escort on 21 November, 1985.

- The odds of dying in a car accident are around 1 in 5,000
Compare that to the odds of dying in a plane crash (1 in 11 million), and driving sounds pretty dangerous!

- The man who invented cruise control was blind
His name was Ralph Teetor, and he was inspired to invent cruise control by his lawyer, who was apparently a very poor driver.

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By Millie Horton

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AND MANY MOOOOORE...



Upcoming Events

See the BCCC website for details



Sunday September 13th

BBQ at Dennis Wunch's, food being cooked by Dennis Wunch and Richie Hartley.

The BCCC is invited to a BBQ picnic on the 13th of September at Dennis & Tina's Garage in Ravenel. Dennis will smoke Briskets and Richie will smoke pork ribs and chicken. Feel free to bring A side dish to go along with the meat, meat, and meat. Bring your chairs and your preferred drink. Please RSVP to [Dave Rosato](#) so we can get an idea of how much social distancing to allow provide for. We plan on eating around 3 pm. The address is 6269 Hwy 165, Ravenel.

Tony Girlardo's wire wheels to the TR250 after sandblasting and coating with epoxy.



September 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 BBBQ at Dennis's 6269 Hwy 165 Ravenel	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			



Don Longenecker priming parts for his 1960 Austin Healey Bugeye Sprite at Dave's carport behind the garage.



Share with the club what you are doing on your LBC. Send pictures and a description to [Dave](#).