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**PREZ SEZ** by Dave Rosato

We do a lot of **club drives**, but we have never really discussed implied etiquette. Some of our drives are only 10 or 20 miles and some are like our **Blue Ridge Mountain drives** going over 1,000 miles. In any case, we drive together for many reasons. The obvious is to start together and end together at a destination. Several years ago, with the help of **Mt Pleasant Radio**, the club purchased four walkie talkies. We may buy more. We use them on drives so the lead person can maintain contact with the last car and a couple cars in the middle of the group. The lead car will use them to notify of a turn coming up. Unlike pretty much all of SC, our club excluded, everyone in the group should use their turn indicators to let the ones behind them know of a turn coming up. The others will use the walkie talkies to notify the rest if a car is having problems. In addition to having a group of cars go from A to B, we go as a group to make sure all in the group stay together and help any who have car problems. It is the responsibility of every driver, especially the last car, to make sure no one is lost in the group, maybe by missing a turn or by pulling over with car problems. Each driver in the group should always keep an eye on the car in front of them and behind them. If the group doesn't have walkie talkies, then flashing headlights should be used to notify the car in front of them of a problem. If a car in the group has issues and needs to pull over, the entire group must stop to assist. Like with the **Marines**, our motto should be, **No Man Left Behind**.

Our **Tech Sessions** continue. We had an early evening Tech Session to do the final assembly of **Teddy's Spitfire transmission**. Teddy is working at **Charleston Import Auto** for the summer. Unfortunately, a week after putting the transmission back into the car, he was rear ended at a stop light. The truck behind him finally stopped after sliding over his trunk for nearly a foot. Teddy was able to drive it home as well as bring it to **Ale & Octane**.

I get emails quite often asking for places to take their car to have repair work done. It's nice to see what is available in the area. On **Saturday July 8th**, we are going to check out **FeNIX**. From what I'm

told, they have a pretty complete shop working on classic cars of all kinds. We will get to see their facility first hand.

**Frank Neill** and I took a drive in his **C8 Corvette** to test out the route for the **rally on Saturday August 12th**. The rally will start at **Waterfront Park** in **Mt Pleasant** and end at **The Ponds Farmhouse** in **Summerville**. **Pat** and **Ken Kreuzer** have done a great job in planning this event. **Bakers BBQ** will be supplying the food. Frank and I had lunch there, excellent. The club will be picking up the tab for the picnic at the Farmhouse. Please **RSVP to Millie Horton ASAP** so we have enough food and drinks. We will give out prizes at the picnic to the winners of the rally.



We have a **Tech Session** at my place this **Wednesday, July 5th** starting at 9am. Amongst other things, we'll be installing an **electric fan** in a **MG Midget** and **MGA**. The past few days have been in the low 90's. That doesn't stop me from taking my **MGA** out. I added a **shroud** around the stock motor driven fan and an **electric fan** in front of the stock radiator. The **MGA** on a normal day runs at about **175°F**. On days like today, low 90's, it runs about **180°F** when moving. I sat in some long traffic getting off Johns Island. With the electric fan on, the temperature never went over **185°F**. I hear a lot about overheating LBC's. Without a **fan shroud**, especially on a **MGTD**, the engine driven fan is extremely ineffective. If you don't have one, you should look into adding a shroud. If you have room in front of the radiator, adding an electric fan isn't a difficult task.

**PREZ SEZ** *(continued)*

There is nothing like having **the right tool for the job**. But I find myself cutting corners, not wanting to spend a couple hundred bucks for a tool I'll use once. In talking with others at the **Tech Sessions**, there was a lot of interest in being able to **share tools**. We also realized that lots of us have many **car parts** we'll probably never use. So, we have **two new pages on our website**.

They are **Car Parts**,



and **Tools to Borrow**.



The two new web pages can only be accessed after logging into the **Members Only Page**. There is a summary of the features at this [link](#) so I won't spend any time here going over it.

Please take a look at it before you buy a tool or a car part. If you have things to offer, you can enter them on the website. 🇬🇧

**Safety Fast and Keep Cool,**  
**Dave**

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**VP'S CORNER** by Bob Simons

**W**ell, while it seems that in the process of acquiring a **British machine**, most folks get at least the concept of **Whitworth vs metric** and **inch-pattern**. Recently I was reminded that there is another piece of kit that newcomers need to be aware of and that is the **Pozidrive**, Britain's answer to the **Phillips head screw**.

From the internet, "While a **Phillips screwdriver** has slightly tapered flanks, a pointed tip, and rounded corners, a **Pozidrive screwdriver** has parallel flanks, a blunt tip, and additional smaller ribs at 45° to the main slots. Pozidriv and Phillips appear broadly interchangeable, but may cause damage if incorrectly used. Pozidriv screwdrivers will jam fit into Phillips screws, but when tightened they may slip or tear out the Phillips screw head. Conversely, while Phillips screwdrivers will loosely fit and turn Pozidriv screws, they will cam out if enough torque is applied, potentially damaging the screw head or screwdriver." In other words, using the wrong drive bit in the fastener will bugger it up.

What this means today is that you'll probably encounter both. On the same car, in similar locations. Thanks to WW II standardization, the pitch on threaded fasteners is frequently the same, for example 10/32. However, the head of the fastener, whether round, flat or oval, will be whatever was available over the course of however many years of repairs, maintenance and 'refreshing'.

The good news is that pozidrive heads are easily identifiable by the small lines inscribed between the cross slots, assuming good vision, lighting and a lack of rust. Absent the ideal conditions, damaged slots (in this country) indicate pozidrive. Even in a damaged and rusted head, trial fit of each design will usually provide a clear indication of which to use. Using the correct one can be the difference between working a stuck fastener free and something more complicated. 🇬🇧

**See you on the Road!**  
**Bob**



## BCCC JUNE 2023 MEETING

by Ken Smith

The **Rutledge Cab Company** hosted our sixth meeting of 2023 on **June 10th**, which was attended by **43 members**.

**Dave** commenced the meeting by utilizing the headphone speakers to address everyone. He provided a concise update on the success of the **Blue Ridge Mountain Drive**, which saw the participation of **9 cars and 17 individuals**. Fortunately, the weather cooperated, contributing to an enjoyable event. Dave inquired if anyone was interested in organizing a drive during the fall season.

Subsequently, Dave presented a summary of the recent **Tech Sessions**. On **June 2nd**, the attendees worked on wiring **Al Weston's MGA** and **Frank Neil's Austin Healey**, and they also re-torqued the head bolts on **Gary's MGA**. On **June 8th**, they successfully completed **Teddy's transmission** assembly.

The meeting continued with a report on the progress of planning for **British Car Day**, scheduled for **October 21st**. Registration was set to open in the afternoon. Dave proceeded to share a list of pricing for

the weekend's events. A special thanks was extended to **Scott Bluestein** for arranging the **River Dogs food truck**, which will include a visit from **Charlie, the River Dog's mascot**. The club is in need of items for the **Silent Auction** as well as the **Goodie Bags**.

Upcoming events were then discussed:

**July 8th:** A visit to **FeNIX Garage** is scheduled for Saturday, July 8th at 9:30 am. They specialize in working on various types of collector cars and will provide coffee and donuts. Following the tour, our **Monthly meeting** will take place. Please **RSVP to Millie** if you plan to attend.

**August 12th:** **Pat** and **Ken Kreuser** have organized a cookout at **The Ponds Farmhouse**. Before the cookout, there will be a **rally from Mt. Pleasant to The Ponds**, which will also include our **Monthly meeting**. The event will proceed regardless of the weather, as there is a covered open area and A/C in the farmhouse.

**October 14th:** **Cars at Kiawah River**. Registration for





## BCCC JUNE 2023 MEETING

(continued)

this new venue, capable of accommodating approximately **220 cars**, opened on **May 1st**. It is advised not to delay registration, as 14 cars have already signed up.

Before concluding the meeting, Dave announced



that the **Club Grill Badges** and **MG Centenary Grille Badges** were all received. The MG Badges have been sold out, but the Club Badges are still available for purchase at \$35.00. 🇬🇧

**Ken Smith** (subbing for Secretary Irene Breland)



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For July

Jeffrey Adams	4	Gary Perrault	12	Michael Carnell	24
Donna Killius	4	Edward Hancock	14	Michael Connolly	24
Renee Jamison	5	Bill Unger	14	Shanon Nickles	24
Ronald Neumunz	7	Cindy Dailey	16	Paul Palmer	26
Elizabeth Pohle	7	Linda Ramstadt	18	Eleanor Harris	27
Phil Sumner	8	Andy Beall	21	Jamie Donaldson	28
Kimberly Caristi	8	Laura Shinall	21	Lon Herman	28
Summer Neill	10	Drew Seay	22	Steve Killius	28
Mac Strang	11	Jennifer Bailey	22	Jeffrey Dunlap	29
Gene Carter	12	Jeannette Wisniewski	23		



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Sunday, June 25, 2023







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## 38th ANNUAL British Car Day SATURDAY OCT 21 2023

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of Charleston*



## THE 38TH ANNUAL BRITISH CAR DAY

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 21, 2023**

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**CELEBRATING 100 YEARS**



**BCD HISTORIC DISPLAY**

Our British Car Day attracts British cars and their owners from Florida to Ohio. The show is on a grassed field surrounded by Live Oak trees. The show attracts cars from a 1909 Rolls-Royce Silver Ghost to a 2018 McLaren 720S along with Triumphs, MGs, Austin Healeys, Aston Martins, Jaguars, Bentleys and British motorcycles. This year we are celebrating 100 years of MG with a special **Historic Display of MG cars**. In addition, we are planning a very special Welcome Reception the day before the show, so come early!

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- Company name & logo listed as Premier Sponsor on all promotional materials, including email and web promotions
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- Signage recognition as Silver Sponsor at event
- Exposure through ads in other British Car Club publications

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- Full-page Color Ad in BCCC Windscreen for one month
- Signage recognition as Sponsor of special Friday Reception
- Exposure through ads in other British Car Club publications

#### **SPECIAL FRIDAY PRE-EVENT RECEPTION DAY**



For those exhibitors who arrive on Thursday, we have a full Friday of events planned. Friday will start at 10am with a meet up at the reception venue. We'll then take a drive through some of the most scenic parts of Charleston. Starting at 1pm you can go to a traditional English tea. The Evening Welcome Reception runs from 5pm - 9pm. 🇬🇧

For Sponsorship Application Form or for more information, please contact

Gary Brown at [gary@britishcarclubcharleston.com](mailto:gary@britishcarclubcharleston.com).





**COVER CAR STORY**

1952 MG TD

by Carl Smith

**M**y appreciation and interest in motor cars began in the early 1950s. Back then it was customary to present the new models for the year in the Fall. Car dealers would create an almost carnival-like festive occasion with huge spotlights, free refreshments and little items relating to the new models. I would have been about ten years old when my friends and I would show up at these events for free goodies. I am sure the dealers did not appreciate us being there because we obviously would not be buying a new car. When I was 12, I recall seeing the new 1953 Corvette in the showroom and thinking how neat it was.

My interest in foreign cars began later, about 1955 or 56. My brother Raymond was 5 years older than me and loved to buy cars, keep them for a while, and then buy something else. He ordered a 57 Volkswagen, and after paying a deposit, had to wait in line 6 months or so for his name to come up to receive his car. There were no options and no choice of color. You took what they had or went back to the end of the line. He sold the VW and bought a 57 Triumph TR3 smallmouth. What a fun car to drive. Fortunately for me, my brother was kind and generous and allowed me to use his cars on dates. All I had to do was wash and wax the car. Next, he ordered a 58 Volvo PV444. In 1958, there were but a handful of Volvo dealers in the United States, so I think he ordered it from a dealer in New York. I eventually acquired this car and drove it while in college. It survived many fraternity





**COVER CAR STORY** *(continued)*

## 1952 MG TD

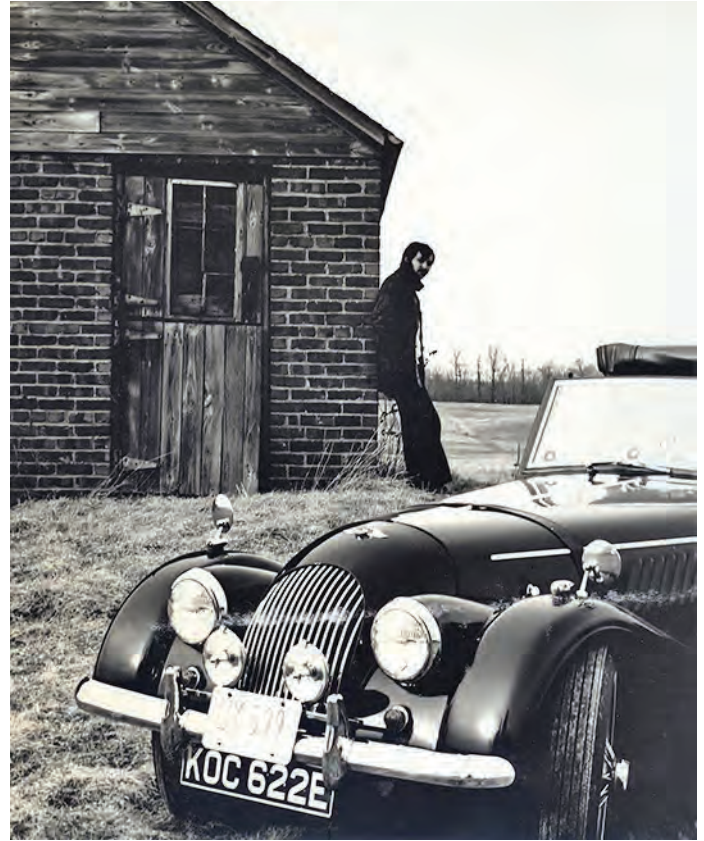
parties, long trips, abuse, and it was one of my all-time favorite motor cars. Back then, old men would ask me if it was “one of those made over jobs.” It did look like a small 48 Ford or Mercury. The next car my brother purchased was a 1960 Porsche 1600 Normal. What I remember most about this car was how tight and responsive it was. It too was a fun car to drive.

In 1966, while I still had the Volvo, I purchased a used 1952 MG TD. It was grey with a red grill and red leather seats. It was a pretty good “12-footer,” but had some mechanical issues. I would place a can under the engine to collect the oil and pour it back in the engine before driving off. A friend and I rebuilt the engine, adding a new cam shaft. The engine repairs helped some, but there was a flaw in the design of the motor block where the drive shaft would wear against the block causing an oil leak until Moss Motors came up with a fix. However, as any owner of a “T series” can attest, that was something you just had to live with.



**Doing something to my first MG TD in the 1960s.**

In 1967, a fraternity brother and I each ordered a Morgan Plus 4 through a travel agency in New York. I ordered a Drophead Coupe in BRG with tan leather interior, and he ordered a Drophead Coupe in black. Our plan was to pick up the cars at the factory



**Morgan Drophead Coupe.**

in England, drive through Europe, and ship them home. Unfortunately, I had to cancel my order, but my friend did what we had planned. The late 1960s and early 1970s came along, and the VW Microbus was the cool vehicle to own, so I sold the Volvo and the MG and bought a 1972 VW Microbus. I built cabinets and a bed into it. My young wife Stephanie, our Siamese cat, and I drove to Canada and then back through New England, stopping in Provincetown before heading South to our family cabin on the Cacapon River near the border of Virginia and West Virginia. While driving through Maryland, we caught the tail end of a hurricane with enough wind to blow the paint off the luggage carrier on top. We left the cabin after a few days and headed for Smithville, Tennessee, home to my family since 1807. On the way, we made a detour to Charleston and decided after a day's visit it was the place where we wanted to live.

In 1974, my brother was in Columbia, South Carolina on business, and he drove to our home on Sullivan's Island to visit for the evening. The next morning, he boarded a flight from Charleston to Washington, DC that tragically crashed in Charlotte,



**COVER CAR STORY** *(continued)*

## 1952 MG TD

North Carolina. My sister-in-law was kind and generous and gave me his 1962 Mercedes Benz 220s that had to be shipped from Tacoma, Washington. It was the final connection between foreign motor cars and my brother. I had it painted with black lacquer paint and the bumpers re-chromed. Unfortunately, I discovered the frame was badly rusted and would have been very expensive to repair, and I had to sell it.

Since the Mercedes, I have owned two BMWs, a Volvo, and three Jeep SUVs. When my last Jeep was totaled in a wreck, I purchased a used 2014 Land Rover LR2, and contrary to what I have heard, only annual maintenance has been necessary in the 6 years I have owned it.

In 2015, I really wanted a new Morgan Plus 4 Roadster. Unfortunately, due to restrictions they could not be imported to the United States; however, I've heard there is a way to import them now.

I then saw an ad for a 1952 MG TD (shown below) located on Kiawah Island and purchased it. It was black with a black grill, black wheels, a plywood dash, and black vinyl seats. There were a few minor mechanical items that needed to be repaired, but it was drivable. I had it towed to European Auto where the suspension was replaced, brakes were corrected where needed, and the light and badge bar were



1952 MG TD at purchase on Kiawah Island.

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British Car Day 2022 show field.



installed. Bob Simons replaced the wood dash with the correct original material in tan to match the new tan leather seats. He also put in new carpet and door panels. I painted the grill to match the seats, painted the wheels silver, replaced all the rubber gaskets around the exterior lights and mirrors, and removed a leaking gas tank, had it relined, and painted. I purchased a new replica steering wheel to replace the existing aftermarket one and replaced the old exhaust system with a new stainless-steel system. The car runs well with the usual oil leaks. The previous owner was a former mayor of Kiawah and brought the car with him from New York, where it had been partially restored. Unfortunately, he was ill when I purchased the car and I do not know when the car was restored or the engine was rebuilt, so I



**COVER CAR STORY** *(continued)*

## 1952 MG TD

hesitate to drive it for long distances.

It was an honor to be awarded Second in Class in the "T" series, as there are always many fine entries in this class, and it was a pleasant surprise to be awarded Best Presentation in last year's show. I think it is fun to come up with a presentation that reflects the time and age of the motor car. Last year my theme was the English game of Cricket. I found an antique Cricket bat and ball on eBay and a pattern for a vintage Cricket cap online. Fortunately, Stephanie was able to create the authentic cap. I wore all white for my outfit, including a Cricket sweater and white shoes. Stephanie prepared cucumber, cream cheese, and dill sandwiches, served with Queen Catherine tea on my Fraser Tartan for the day's outing. It will be a challenge to come up with a new idea for this year's show. I am always impressed



Accepting award for Best Presentation at BCD 2022.

with the depth and quality of motor cars represented at our Annual Car Show, and I look forward to participating for many years to come. 🇬🇧

**Safety Fast,  
Carl Smith**

BCD 2022 Best Presentation award Queen Katherine Tea and Cucumber sandwiches.



# TENTH ANNUAL BRITFEST

Saturday, October 7, 2023 / The Market Common, Myrtle Beach, SC



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**On Behalf of the Entire Grand Strand British Car Club, We Welcome You to Our Annual Car Show at The Market Common!** In addition to all of the beautiful British cars, we will have a shady hospitality tent. Food trucks will offer a variety of cuisines for your purchasing selection. Only 2 blocks away is The Market Common which boasts shops, restaurants and a cinema so your weekend will be packed with fun for everyone! Please, register early and plan to stay the weekend to soak up all of the fun!

**The Grand Strand British Car Club's Myrtle Beach Britfest** will be held at The Market Common on the empty paved lot (behind the King Street Grille) bounded by Johnson and Hendrick Ave, and Iris and Hackler St. located just off Farrow Pkwy between Highway 17 Business and Highway 17 By-Pass.



## Driving on Highway 17 Business:

Turn west onto Farrow Pkwy, proceed 0.7 mile, turn right onto Johnson Ave.

## Driving on Highway 17 By-Pass:

Exit onto Farrow Pkwy, proceed east 2.7 miles, turn left on Johnson Ave.

**Dash Plaques** will be given to all early registration entrants and will be available for some late and "day-of" registrations.

**Award Plaques or Trophies** will be presented to winners in each Class with at least one entrant. Special Awards will be presented for "My Favorite British Car", "Best Picnic Presentation", and for this year, a **Special Recognition for the 100th Anniversary of MG Sports Cars!**

**English Tea** with "Best Hat" competition will take place under one of the shady hospitality tents during the show.

**A Welcome Reception** will be held Friday night from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the Tupelo Honey Cafe, 3042 Howard Ave. located in The Market Common (heavy hors d'oeuvres and cash bar).

**Recommended Accommodations** Special room rate information for DoubleTree Resort by Hilton Myrtle Beach Oceanfront will be listed on the GSBCC website as it becomes available.



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# TENTH ANNUAL BRITFEST REGISTRATION

**Saturday, October 7, 2023 / The Market Common, Myrtle Beach, SC**

## CAR CLASS NUMBERS:

- 01 Austin Healey 100 / 3000
- 02 Austin Healey Sprite / MG Midget
- 03 Austin Healey Bugeye Sprite
- 04 Aston Martin
- 05 Bentley / Rolls Royce
- 06 Jaguar SS, XK120 / 140 / 150
- 07 Jaguar E-type
- 08 Jaguar & Daimler Early Saloons (thru 1970)
- 09 Jaguar & Daimler XJ6/12/R (1968-1997)
- 10 Jaguar XJS, XJR (1976-1997)
- 11 Jaguar XK8, XK, XKR (1997-2015)
- 12 Jaguar Sedans, Estates, SUV's (1998-)
- 13 Jaguar F-type (2012-)
- 14 Lotus
- 15 MG A
- 16 MG B / C (chrome bumper)
- 17 MG B (rubber bumper)
- 18 MG B GT / C GT
- 19 MG T Series and Other
- 20 Mini (original) & variants

- 21 MINI (BMW)
- 22 Morgan
- 23 Land and Range Rover
- 24 Sunbeam
- 25 Triumph TR 2/3/3A/3B
- 26 Triumph TR 4/4A/5/250
- 27 Triumph TR 6
- 28 Triumph TR 7/8
- 29 Triumph Spitfire & GT6
- 30 Triumph Stag & Other
- 31 TVR
- 32 British Special Interest (not listed elsewhere)
- 33 \* British Motorcycles
- 34 \* British Replicas
- 35 \* Non-British Import of Special Interest

\* = Classes not eligible for "My Favorite British Car"

**NOTE:** Entrant selects class designations of cars on this form. However, GSBCC has the right to eliminate, combine, or add classes, and to reassign entries to other classes if deemed necessary by the Judging Committee. Award Plaques or Trophies will be presented to winners in each Class with at least one entrant.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE ... print clearly as you would like to see it on a trophy)  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
Club Affiliations: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry 1** Class #: \_\_\_\_\_ \$30 early -or- \$35 late

Year/Make/Model/Color

**Entry 2** Class #: \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 each additional car

Year/Make/Model/Color

**Registrations before Sep. 1:** \$30 first car entered + \$15 each additional car entered.

**Late Registrations postmarked on or after Sep. 1:**

\$35 first car entered + \$15 each additional car entered.

(Registration includes 1 day Special Club Membership for Non-Members.)

**T-Shirt Order / \$21.80 each (inc. Sales Tax)**

# of Medium \_\_\_\_\_

# of Large \_\_\_\_\_

# of X Large \_\_\_\_\_

# of XX Large \_\_\_\_\_

**Total # of T-Shirts:** \_\_\_\_\_

**x \$21.80 each = \$** \_\_\_\_\_



**Friday Night Reception at Tupelo Honey:**

Your reservation for the reception must be received by Sep. 21.

**# attending** \_\_\_\_\_

**x \$20 per person = \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Above Fees: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

(Sorry, no refunds can be made.)

## Friday Evening Reception:

**4:00 – 6:00 pm** Tupelo Honey in The Market Common

## Saturday Events Agenda:

**9:00 am** Show Field Opens to Parking

**11:00 am – 12:00 noon** English Tea

**11:00 am** Late Registration Closes and Voting Begins

**1:30 pm** Popular Voting Ends

**2:30 pm** Awards Presentation, Raffles, Etc.

**Off-Road Trailer Parking** available next to show field.

## RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

All registrants grant permission to the Grand Strand British Car Club, Inc. (the "GSBCC") to publish photos and videos of the registrant and registrant's vehicle(s) in print or electronic media including the GSBCC newsletter, promotional materials, website, Youtube channel, FaceBook page or other social media. Registrant is also aware of the hazards inherent with motor vehicle events, and specifically releases and indemnifies the GSBCC, its Board of Directors, Officers, organizers of events, and volunteers, collectively and separately from any liability for personal injury or property damage incurred by registrant or registrant's guests while participating in this event. The undersigned has read and voluntarily signs this release and waiver of liability and indemnity and further agrees that no oral representations, statements, or inducements apart from the foregoing have been made.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Ethan Harris, MB Britfest Registrar

931 Callant Dr., Little River, SC 29566

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**For more information, contact:** Warren Bender, MB Britfest Show Chairman  
VP@GrandStrandBritishCarClub.com



## GALLABRAE SCOTTISH GAMES AND THE GREAT SCOT BRITISH CAR SHOW 2023

Saturday, May 27, 2023

**T**he **Great Scot British Car Show** at **Furman University in Greenville, SC**, held in conjunction with the **Greenville Scottish Games**, was not the rain-out predicted by the weather forecasters.

People from all over the **Carolinas, Georgia** and **Tennessee** braved the forecast and traveled to be a part of the Scottish Games and British Car Show that was sponsored by the **Southeastern British Motorcar Owners Club of Spartanburg, SC**. Although the skies were mildly overcast, the enthusiasm of the "Bravehearts" in attendance, kept the gloomy skies at bay.

**Great Scot Car Show** attendance was predictability lower than expected. Many LBC owners rightfully chose

to drive another day rather than risk a weather-related incident. However, at my last count, 36 owners took a chance on the weatherman being wrong and their bet paid off... the rain held off until the abbreviated, car show was over. **Sam Maw, SBMOC's Car Show Director**, did a good job in moving the days schedule along to take advantage of the descent weather we were enjoying. Sam deserves our appreciation for making this event possible and memorable.

Nine **Jaguars** led the field for most cars present. A variety of **XK's** and **XJ's** provided a distinctive representation. A comparable number of **MG's** made it to the show field too, with a nice showing of **B's**,





**GALLABRAE SCOTTISH GAMES AND THE GREAT SCOT BRITISH CAR SHOW 2023**

Saturday, May 27, 2023

**C's**, **GT's**, and a **Magnette**. Seven **Triumphs** were on display in **TR3**, **4**, **6**, and **Spitfire** configurations. A half-dozen **Mini's** showed up, most represented the modern Mini, and one still sitting on 10" wheels. **Sunbeams** came to the Games today too, represented by one **Tiger** and 4 **Alpines**, one a **GT** and three modified **V6's**. One lonely **Lotus Elise** brought in its fair share of admirers as there was always a crowd surrounding it. Thirty-36 cars came to the Games and all 36 were winners. Congratulations.

**Richard Fritz***WizzzBANG Motors**SAOCA, TE/AE, BCCC, GSBBC, and BCCMC*



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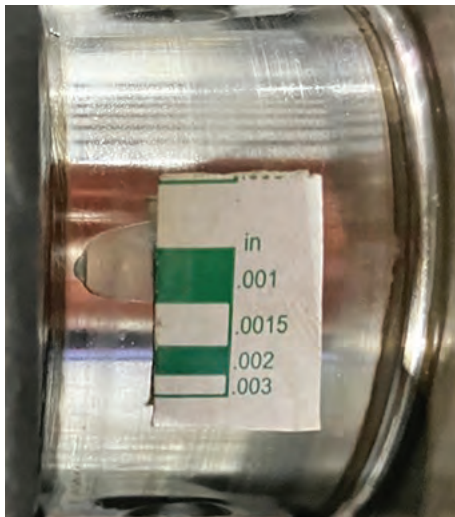
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## LBC TECH by Frank Wissman

## Andy Beale's Austin-Healey 1275 Update

We had an informal tech session **Friday, June 16th** to install the crankshaft and pistons in **Andy Beale's Austin-Healey 1275 engine**. As usual, Andy had all the parts staged on the bench and ready to go. We started off dry fitting the crank and new bearings and...rats – 2 out of 3 main bearings had **smaller clearances** than the minimum of **0.001"**. The Plastigage shown below shows we are definitely under the minimum, as the wider the Plastigage, the thinner the bearing clearance:



On a Friday afternoon, there just aren't too many options, but at least we had one shot. I marked all the bearing shells and made a sketch of their location. Next, I swapped bearings by location and remeasured. The too tight bearing was now between **0.001" and 0.0015"**, great, the other tight bearing was pretty much at the limit, and the one that was

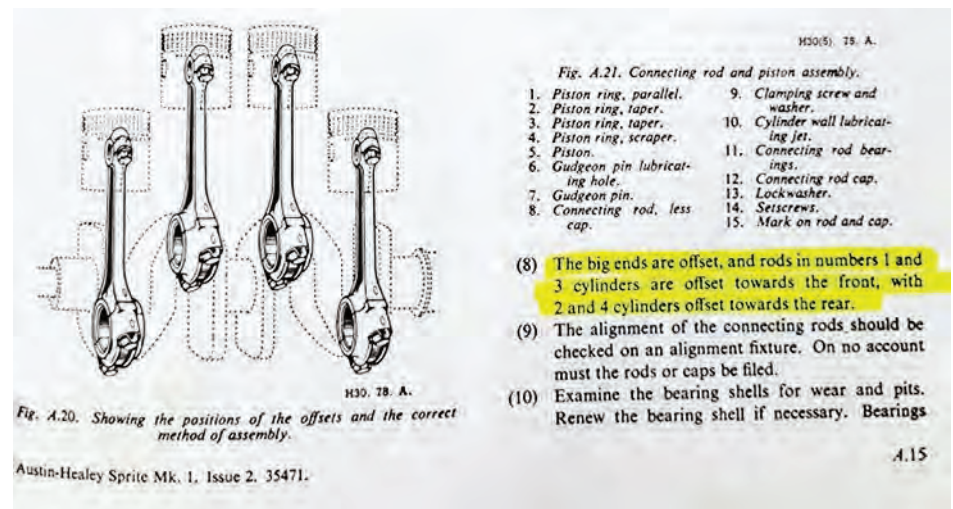
always in spec stayed in spec, so we went with this configuration.

Next was fitting the pistons. There is an offset in the connecting rods, I didn't know about this before – see the write up in the *Jan 2023 Windscreen* on page 20. The manual Andy has highlights this feature, I hope other people can use this illustration (shown below):

The piston installation was straightforward, but it took a few tries to get the 2nd piston in.

That's when Andy showed me an effective technique if the oil ring hangs up. I've always tapped the center, and only the center of the piston to drive them in. Andy tapped around the perimeter, and it went in without removing and re-tightening the ring compressor. Wish I knew that a long time ago – thanks! We quickly got all 4 pistons inserted and called it a session.

A nice afternoon – the rotating assembly is done. 🇬🇧





## LBC TECH by Dave Rosato

## Automatic Turn Signals

I've always liked mechanical things. This is what attracts me to older cars. The turn signals on my **MGA** are one of them. If you tap on the turn signal on my **2021 BMW**, the directional will blink three times and turn off. Well, my **65-year-old MGA** has the **same feature**, and **doesn't use a computer** to do it. The entire operation is done within the turn signal switch. Mine wasn't working as good as it should so I took it apart. (I really just wanted to see how it worked.) Three screws and outer housing comes off. Another three screws and the rest of the assembly comes apart. As I anticipated, it is just a spring-damper, similar to the suspension in our cars. The damper in our cars is the shock absorbers. They work by pumping oil between two chambers. Between the chambers is an orifice which restricts the flow of the oil, creating a resistance. The resistance in the case of the turn signal is created by a **leather seal** around the piston and a small orifice, **shown at right**. The piston is normally inside the **Bakelite housing**. If you move the piston up and down, air leaks through the small orifice, in and out of the cavity created by the piston. Between the strength of the spring and the leak rate of air through the small orifice, this determines how fast the piston returns. You should be able to push the piston down, with the spring in place, and plug the small orifice with your finger and let go of the piston and it should remain in place. Holding the piston,

Piston



Spring



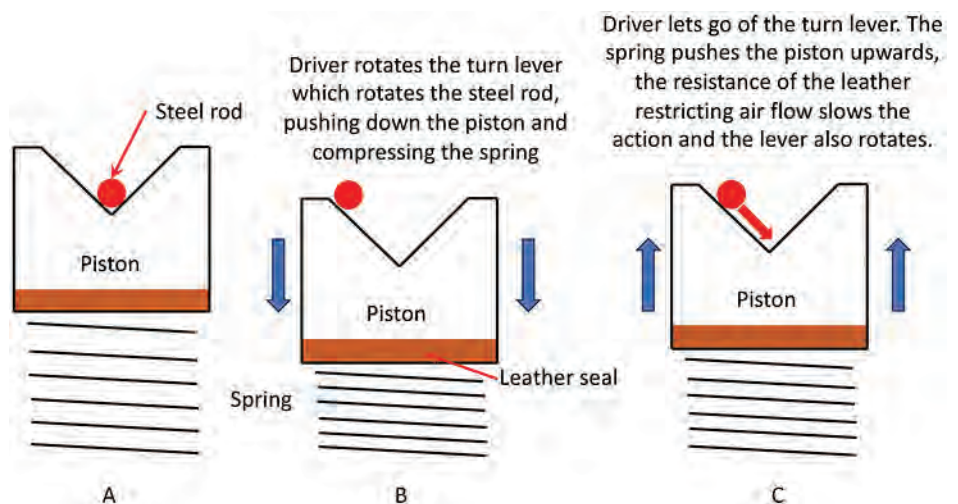
Bakelite Housing



now remove your finger from the small orifice and the piston should pop out. If the piston moves while blocking the orifice, then the leather seal is not sealing properly. I applied a clear silicon grease to the inner walls of the Bakelite housing and the surfaces of the leather seal. This did a great job.

When you turn the lever one way or the other, a **steel rod** on the back side rotates as well.

The normal position of the steel rod, piston and spring are shown below in Figure A. When the driver rotates the turn lever, the steel rod





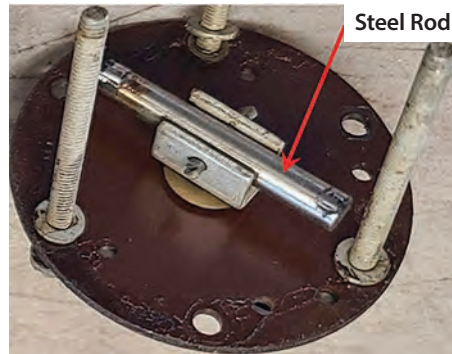
## LBC TECH by Dave Rosato

### Automatic Turn Signals (continued)

rotates, pushing down the piston and compressing the spring. This is shown in **Figure B**. When the driver lets go of the turn lever, the spring pushes the piston upwards, the resistance of the orifice restricting air flow slows the action and the lever rotates back to the original position. The time it takes to do this is typically **2 or 3 blinks** of the turn signal.

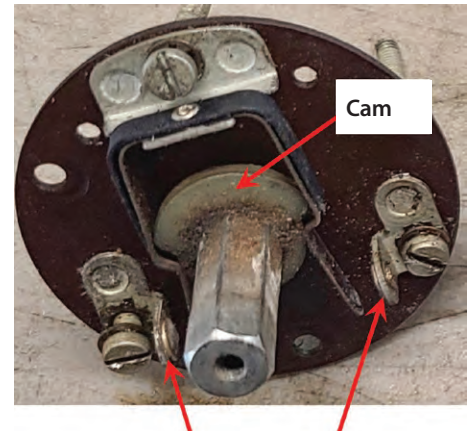
The **electrical contacts** are shown at the far right. When the turn lever is rotated, the cam rotates pushing the electrical contact on the spring

Steel Rod on the Backside



steel into the electrical post making electrical contact for the left or right directional lights. If your mechanism works properly, but the directional lights do not come on, these electrical contacts may need to be

Electrical Contacts



Left/Right Electrical Contacts

cleaned. Electrically, this is about the only thing that can go wrong with the switch. 🇺🇸

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**JULY 2023**

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15 9am – 11am <i>Sea Islands Cars and Coffee</i>
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