

Regular Meetings are the 3rd Thursday of each month unless otherwise posted.

Feb Mtg. to be held at:
J. Michael's Philly Deli,
3501 Oleander Dr, 763-6466, (across from Independence Mall),
Wilmington, NC



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Presidents Message



As I write this, it is 29 degrees outside, a fact that gives little comfort to our need for driving down an open road with the top down. (oops, J.F. probably did do that today in his MGA....) In preparation for the warmer weather we hope will happen by the time of the chili and gumbo cook-off on Feb 17th, I worked on my TR3A this past weekend. Without a choke, I rely on a long 1/8 copper tube snaked from the glove box into the air filter and into the mouth of the rear SU carb. Into that tube, I apply starter fluid, and then hit the starter button and pray in cold weather. But, this time, the fluid can was empty, so I used WD-40. I read that WD-40 would start a car, but no such luck. I sadly pushed the Triumph back into the garage and noticed the tires squeaking on the smooth

concrete. To me that is a sign that one wheel wants to go right while the other is going left. Wheel alignment required, in other words. Yet more things on the list that already is getting long with a broken generator bracket, leaky oil pan, leaky transmission, and Lucas wiring issues. Ah, well, the fun of little British car ownership. See you at the monthly meeting, which will be held at:

J. Michael's Philly Deli – Hanover Center

3501 Oleander Dr, 763-6466, (across from Independence Mall), Wilmington, NC.

Dave Sorenson, Tom Roberson and Jack Corbell researched several places to meet and selected J Michael's as the place to go this month. We welcome your comments and suggestions. Finding a place where we can all be comfortable, with our varied tastes in food and our need to speak and get good service, has been a Quixotic adventure. As always, we will meet at 6pm to eat and the meeting will start at 7pm. Remember that Bob Moore has a program lined up and we have business items to discuss and most importantly, we have Tom and Susan's activity calendar presentation to savor.

Jack

ON Saturday, February 17 2007 THE CHILI COOK-OFF is scheduled at Poplar Grove Plantation starting at 4:00 PM.



Bring your concoction of chili or gumbo for "judging" by BMCCF members. Or if you wish, bring a dessert. Don't forget to bring your favorite beverages!!



A prize will be awarded for the "Best" Gumbo and Chili.

John and Joanne Foster will be hosting the event.

PLEASE RSVP by Thursday 2-15-07 by e-mailing to: fosterhousejj@bellsouth.net or by calling **910.270.7050.**

BMCCF ACTIVITES CALENDAR

2007

REMINDER

If you are planning on attending a club event that requires and R.S.V.P., please remember to do so by the date requested. It makes it a whole lot easier to plan

FEBRUARY 2007

- 15th Monthly Meeting , J. Michael's Philly Deli, 3501 Oleander, Across from Independence Mall
- 17th Chili/Gumbo Cook-Off at Poplar Grove Plantation, 10200 US Hwy 17 N, Scott's Hill, 5:00PM – till? Bring some chili!!!!
Contact John & Joann Foster for details
fosterhouseji@bellsouth.net or 910-270-7050
- 19th President's Day

MARCH 2007

- 9th / 10th Sun Coast Cruiser's Parade & Show: Fort Fisher Recreation Center
- 15th Monthly Meeting Venue tba
- 17th St Patrick's Day & Edinburgh Pub Day @ Tom & Susan Roberson's home, 2905 Harvard Dr. 4pm – till?
For details: xke1964@ec.rr.com or 910-342-0832
- 31st NCMGCC Coastal Tour with BMCCF, See April 1st.

APRIL 2007

- 1st Joint event with the North Carolina MG Car Club, Annual Coastal Tour to Little Washington & Bath NC, March 31st – April 1st,
For Details; www.ncmgcarclub.org/upcoming.html
Or Debbie Hawkins, 919-676-8888
- 1st Palm Sunday
- 3rd Passover Begins
- 6th Good Friday
- 8th Easter
- 11th NC Azalea Festival Week, Wilmington ,
www.ncazaleafestival.org
- 19th Monthly Meeting Venue tba
- 21st The Gathering at Shelton Vinyards, Dobson NC.
www.triumphclub.org/
- 21st Rims on the River Car Show, Downtown Wilmington
www.dbawilmington.com/rims_on_river.html
- 21st Pleasure Island Chowder Off, www.pleasureisland.org
- 22nd Colonial British Car show Williamsburg, VA
www.cvbccva.com/7.html
- 28th AACA Annual Car Show, Independence Mall

MAY 2007

- 5TH Joint Outing with the Charleston British Car Club, Details TBA
- 11th Townsend, TN.-20th Annual British Car and Bike Gathering, information and registration forms, contact Mack Sneed at blountbritishcars@comcast.net Jim Watson at spridget@charter.net or 865-599-4305
- 13th Mother's Day
- 17th Monthly Meeting Venue tba
- 19th Time/Distance Ralley, Details TBA
- 19th 11th Annual Triangle British Classic Car Show, Brierdale Shopping Center, Raleigh
Watch; www.ncmgcarclub.org/upcoming.html
For details
- 19th Armed Forces Day
- 18th Annual Greek Festival, Wilmington
- 26th British Car week, Check it out at
www.britishcarweek.org/bcw2007.html
- 26th Memorial Day Weekend

JUNE 2007

- 9th VIR Gold Cup Races Weekend, Milton, VA. BMCCF Group Travel outing
www.virclub.com
- 14th Flag Day
- 17th Father's Day
- 21st Monthly Meeting Venue tba
- 21st First Day of Summer

JULY 2007

- 4th Independence Day
- 7th Poplar Grove Classy Chassis Car Show & Country Flea Market; www.poplargrove.com
- 19th Monthly Meeting Venue tba
- 27th Blues Festival Weekend, Wilmington area
www.capefearblues.org

AUGUST 2007

- 4th Leland Under the Lights Car Show, most likely date
- 16th Monthly Meeting Venue tba

SEPTEMBER 2007

- TBA Atlanta British Car fayre, Norcross, Georgia more details soon
- 1st Labor Day Weekend
- 8th Art & Antique Festival (Most Likely)
Downtown Wilmington
- 12th Rosh Hashanah Begins
- 20th Monthly Meeting Venue tba
- 21st Yom Kippur Begins
- 23rd First day of autumn

OCTOBER 2007

- 5th Riverfest weekend Wilmington
www.wilmingtonriverfest.com
- 8th Columbus Day
- 13th Pleasure Island Seafood & Jazz Festival
www.pleasureisland.com
- 18th Monthly Meeting Venue tba
- 19th Euro Auto Show weekend at the BMW Plant in Spartanburg, SC
- Austin Healey featured marque
<http://www.euroautofestival.com/registration.aspx>
- 20th Octoberfest weekend, Mayfaire Center, Wilmington
- 21st Lighthouse International Beer Festival
Hugh Macrea Park, Wilmington
- 27th Port City Mo-Par car & truck show at Battleship Park
- 28th Charleston British Car Club Show, BMCCF Club
Weekend Event with the goal of winning "Most cars entered from a visiting club Award" Details TBA from Tom & Susan Roberson

NOVEMBER 2007

- 3rd BMCCF Brits at the Battleship Show
Watch www.bmccf.org for details or contact Edie Cutler at ladyirish@aol.com or 910-799-2753
- 6th Election Day
- 15th Monthly Meeting Venue tba

DECEMBER 2007

- No Club Meeting this Month
- 4th Hanukkah Begins
- 25th Christmas Day
- 31st New Years Eve

BMCCF Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Chip Cooper	2/13
Brad Cullen	2/1
Warren Eaton	2/15
Bob Moore	2/7
Belvidere Hodnett	2/19
Betty Michaliga	2/23

Anniversaries

Dennis & Betty Michaliga	2/23
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Note: If you didn't see your birthday or anniversary date posted on the appropriate month, we probably don't have it listed in the membership database. Contact Dale Masters at (910) 270-7762 or dcllmasters@earthlink.net to update, if you wish.

January 13, 2007 Kick-Off Meeting Minutes Fox and Hound



- (57) members and (1) guest were present
- Tom Roberson discussed upcoming activities this year and encouraged members to participate.
- Prez Jack Corbell, introduced the rest of the 2007 club officers: Sec'y Lynn Wilson, Treas. Terry Smith, VP & Car show chair person Edie Cutler, Historian & Event chair people Tom & Susan Roberson, Newsletter & Webmaster Dale Masters,
- Terry Smith reported:
 1. \$1,798.99 in the treasury.
 2. 40 paid members thus far.
 3. He is accepting orders for namebadges (both magnetic and pin-type).
 4. Discussed several brochures he brought regarding information for 35+ year old vehicles in the area of seatbelts, license plates and safety inspections. Members encouraged to take copies.
 5. Members reminded that the 2007 dues (\$20) are due and being collected.
- Jack Corbell welcomed members to 2007; he stated he welcomed the many new ideas received from members.
- Jack presented an icebreaker activity; members and guests participated.
- Tom and Susan Roberson were thanked for all their hard work.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Wilson

Secretary

BMCCF Gourmet Corner

Here is a recipe for a nice comfortable dish to enjoy on a cold, rainy February day. Submitted by Linda Masters
If you have a favorite recipe to share, please send it in.

Hearty winter soup

- 1 lb. ground beef, chicken or turkey
- 1 c. chopped onions
- 4 c. hot water
- 1 c. each cut-up carrots; celery or potatoes; pasta or rice
- 2 tsp. salt
- ¼ tsp. pepper
- 1 tsp. meat extract or 2 bouillon cubes
- 1 bay leaf & pinch of basil
- 6 whole fresh tomatoes or 1 qt. canned tomatoes



brown meat slowly in hot fat in heavy kettle. add onions & cook 5 minutes. loosen meat from bottom of kettle. add remaining ingredients except tomatoes : bring to a boil cover & cook 20 minutes. add the tomatoes simmer 10

minutes more.
serves 6.

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badges, Caps, Shirts, etc.**

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BMCCF NAME TAGS

Official BMCCF nametags are required at all events or when
you are representing the club.

Originally ordered name tags are now available from Terry
Smith (910) 686-0785 \$5.50 Pin Clasp
\$8.00 Magnet Clasp

MG Good Stuff For Sale

1973 BGT, new tires, needs a paint job and interior
1971 BGT engine out, parts car

1970 B engine out, just bought new floor pans and
other panels from Moss

Have the 2 engines on mounts

A whole shed of parts

I can provide as many pictures as needed via email

Asking \$ 5000.00

Bought a 54 TF and 60 A, need the room according to
my wife

Bob Moore
910-616-7045

1967 BJ8 Austin Healey

I am selling my 1967 Healey if anyone is interested.
This car is British Racing Green and is a BJ8 model,
which is the most desirable model with roll-up
windows and wooden dash. It is truly a great auto.
The reason I am selling is because I am restoring
another Healey which I recently purchased. I am
asking \$32,500 which is very reasonable for a late
model Healey in great condition. If interested please
call:

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interior in good condition.

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Contact Chip Cooper 910 329-0722 for more info and
pictures or email chipgroup@aol.com.

1980 MGB

Running condition that I would like to sell. I think
that it would make an excellent restoration project for
someone who would be interested in that sort of
thing. It is in good condition with a lot of new parts.

I can be reached at 910-471-3384

1960 Austin Healey BT7

Lengthy restoration completed by "VON'S" during
2003-2004

for more info and pictures

Contact Paul Stella @

(910) 538-5335

(UN) CLASSIFIED ADS (Cont'd)

For Sale,

4 used Michelin red line tires, 185-15 for TR-6. 40% tread left.
\$200.

Call Wayne Bennett at 270-4880.

For Sale,

- 15" 60 spoke painted wire wheel that's excellent, with a good tread tire (a bit weathered on the side wall)
- Hein Warner 11/2 ton Hydraulic floor jack.
Make me an offer

Ed Hartz 793-0990

January Kick-Off Meeting Ice Breaker
Jack C.

The BMCCF January Kick-Off Meeting utilized an unusual method to get fellow members up and around the room talking and socializing. Before the meeting, 31 members volunteered to reveal an interesting, but little-known, fact about themselves. Then those 31 entertainers and the other 50 members attending were given a set time limit to match the clues with the person. The frenetic interviews that followed were governed by the rule that only a "yes" or "no" answer could be given to any of the many inquiries. For example, questions like these were asked, "Were you a Ukrainian Folk Band Member?", or "Was your grandmother the first NYC Policewoman?", or "Were you the 1989 State Swimming Champion?", or "Did you escort astronauts in Nigeria?" Needless to say, the time limit came too quickly for everyone to get all 31 answers correct. The two winners were announced who matched the most people to their sometimes strange clues: Dorothy Wilson and Joanne Foster took home the grand prizes. Congratulations!

We hope you enjoyed the contest.

Jack had his camera flashing people at the kick-off meeting and here are some of the results. A great time was had by all.....





HOT NEWS

Snail Mail Revisited

Not that many years ago, the US Mail was the only way to get club information to BMCCF members. Now, club newsletters and event announcements come only by email. We want your opinion about our club offering a mailing option to those members who want to receive these items by US Mail. We'll add this topic to our next meeting for a short discussion. We know it will add time and cost to the tune of at least \$10 per year for each membership that wants it. For those who love the convenience of the Internet, they can keep on enjoying the world-wide-web delivery as it is now. For those who feel like throwing their computer out of the window sometimes, you could still be an informed and active BMCCF member if the club adopts such a service. Your opinion is asked for.

Guest Speakers Sought

Bob Moore has agreed to be the 2007 monthly meeting program chairman. Bob will be coordinating the planning for a short but informative presentation or program occasionally during the year, or as interesting topics come up. Please send in your comments and ideas for presentation topics. We could have either guests to the club or regular members to speak to us. Car related topics are expected as well as history and inside look at some of the places we are driving to this year.

Quote from Bob

“ Your ideas and suggestions will be appreciated. Our mutual interests are very broad and encompassing of the sports car genre, I’m sure we can find a wealth of topics.....”

We look forward to Bob’s first program at the Feb 15th monthly meeting. Anyone with ideas, suggestions, or an urge to volunteer for that meeting or any other meeting during 2007 should contact Bob.

Door Prizes Offered at Monthly Meetings !

Starting with the Feb 15th meeting and for all 2007 meetings, a door prize or prizes will be awarded to a lucky member in attendance. Here are the rules: Members at the meeting will get one door prize ticket stub for each occurrence of the BMCCF name or logo on their person. For example, an official club name-tag or badge = 1 ticket, BMCCF hat = 1 ticket, Club shirt or jacket = 1 ticket. No limit on tickets, so wear 10 club regalia items and get 10 chances to win. We have already received donations to cover the February meeting prizes. If you have a friendly local merchant who wants to donate a small gift or certificate for a door prize, then bring them with you to the meeting and give them to Club Secretary Lynn Wilson. Lynn may save them for a future meeting if we get enough. Good luck and get your hat, shirt, name-tag, etc, etc, dusted off and ready to wear!!!

Club Regalia Sponsor Announced

BMCCF announces that Creative Ads has been selected to be the Club Regalia Sponsor. Hats, tee shirts, etc, or order forms will be displayed at as many meetings and events as possible. Show your club spirit at all club activities and around town in general. Chris Moore and Trudy Williamson of Creative Ads have displayed some of their items in this newsletter. You can place your orders directly with them. For large events like the Battleship Show in November, the club will be buying and distributing the regalia to registrants as before.

Car Badges Available for Purchase

A limited number of car badges are available for purchase from Terry Smith. These are great quality and are already displayed on many club cars. Enameled and colorful, they will show off the BMCCF name proudly on your antique car. See Terry at the next club meeting. Hurry, they are going fast.

Member of the Year

A proposal will be brought up for discussion at the next meeting for the awarding of a “Member of the Year” title. The award, proposed to be announced at the January 2008 kickoff meeting, will go to the person who exhibits the best qualities of being a BMCCF member. We can discuss the basis upon which the points for scoring will be counted to decide the winner. They could be: attendance at meetings and events, sponsoring a club outing, bringing in a new member, etc, with different quantity of points for each item. Bring your suggestions to the next meeting or send them to Lynn Wilson.

BMCCF BYLAWS

At the October and November monthly meetings, the idea of adopting Club Bylaws was discussed. John Foster accepted the role of Chairman of the Bylaws Committee. John has worked hard and formed a rough draft that reads well. His first committee meeting was held January 25 at Quiznos Restaurant in Ogden. Attending were Edie Cutler, Jack Corbell and Terry Smith. The draft was reviewed and edited. John will produce a first draft and he plans to present it to the general membership for review in a month or two. Bylaws will give our club a firm basis for operation and clear guidance on procedural issues. It will be the tool that guides our elections, the treasury, membership, and makes the club consistent in its dealings with all. It will also aid future club officers in their transition into office. Attached to the Bylaws proposal will be the suggestion that BMCCF elect Board Members to serve two years and provide general guidance for the club.

Look forward to receiving more information about this interesting new aspect of our growing club

Auto Tires Without Air
funny, odd, but true
January 6, 2007

Here is the newest development in automobile tires designed and manufactured by Michelin. These tires are airless and Michelin plans to sell them soon. Here is the concept:

