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

Feb. Meeting to br held at the Bluewater Grill at Wrightsville Beach – Feb 21<sup>st</sup> 6:00pm for food, meeting @ 7:00pm



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# THE HUB

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# From The Prez:

Greetings to Fellow Club Members,

Our kickoff part was a great success and we appreciate your participation. Trying now to get my feet on the ground and learn your faces and names as well as how the club functions. Cookie Cooper has stepped forward to fill the secretary's position. Thanks Cookie. NOW, we need a willing individual to head up the Car Show as soon as possible. I laid out a number of potential club activities in my email, if you see one that grabs your interest, please let me know right away. (Ed. Note: A copy of Bob's e-mail is printed in this issue ) The USS North Carolina had a scheduling conflict on our show date, see the schedule for the new date. Have a good one!

Bob

# From The Editor

I won't be saying much this month. I'm sporting a bulky plaster cast on my left ring finger. It forces me to type with two fingers and hit adjacent keys, creating words that you've never seen before.

These are the cold winter days that cause disinterest in riding around in a drafty old sports car. But yesterday, I got a dose of revitalization and took the Mog out for a spin. Hearing the familiar "blat" of the engine revving up past 4,000 rpm and the smell of the leather, wood, grease and gasoline happily reminded me of days gone by. I also realized that I could get that thrill every time the Mog and I were together on the road. I wish that experience for all of you who are keeping the LBC faith and lets get crazy with it this year.

Don't forget. **Dues are Due.** Check out the form at the end of this issue and send in your \$20 along with an updated membership form.

Dale

# 2008 BMCCF



# Don't forget to mark the date on your things to do list: **MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2008**

We will be meeting at the Masters Garage at 10:00 AM for a check on a Morris Minor restoration and have a cup of coffee and a donut. From there we will be making several stops at BMCCF members shops to check on automotive projects they are up to.

We will be winding up at AutoWorks where Carl Wilson will show us around his excellent facility. Pizza and soft drinks will be provided and those not participating on the tour can meet us there.

Please RSVP to dale masters ASAP dcllmasters@earthlink.net 270-7762

# 2008 BMCCF GUMBO & CHILI COOK-OFF

February 16, 2008 at 6:30 PM is the scheduled date/time for the BMCCF 2008 Chili & Gumbo Cook-off !! Bring a pot of chili, gumbo or a dessert to share. If desired, bring your favorite alcoholic beverage. Pop, coffee and water will be provided free by the BMCCF Club.

The Foster's will be hosting the event in the heated barn at Poplar Grove Plantation, 2 miles north of Porters Neck Road and Rte 17 North.

If you are interested ,come early as Joanne will be giving a guided tour through the Poplar Grove Manor House Plantation STARTING PROMPTLY at 4:30. Cost of the tour is \$5.00 per person ! These proceeds directly benefit Poplar Grove Plantation.

Directions from Wilmington:

Take I-40 to the new by-pass, I -140. Take exit 416B heading towards Jacksonville and Topsail Island. From exit 416B, it is 7.5 miles to Poplar Grove on the RIGHT side of Rte. 17N.

Turn right into the Plantation House driveway and follow the driveway to the large barn with the BMCCF Club Banner. There is ample parking.



### BMCCF ACTIVITES CALENDAR 2008 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 2008**

16<sup>th</sup> Chili/Gumbo Cook-Off at Poplar Grove Plantation, 10200 US Hwy 17 N, Scott's Hill, 6:30PM – till? Bring some chili!!!!! Contact John & Joann Foster for details <u>fosterhousejj@bellsouth.net</u> or 910-270-7050 18<sup>th</sup> President's Day 21<sup>st</sup> Monthly Meeting

#### **MARCH 2008**

2<sup>nd</sup> Garage Tour, D. Masters <u>dcllmasters@earthlink.net</u> 13<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> Scavenger hunt, Pam & Edie <u>LADYIRISH@aol.com</u> 17<sup>th</sup> ST Pat's Day 20<sup>th</sup> VIR Historic Race weekend, Tentative 23<sup>rd</sup> Easter

#### **APRIL 2008**

4<sup>th</sup> NCMGCC Coastal tour to Okracoke <u>ddhawkins@yahoo.com</u>
<u>www.ncmgcc.org</u>
10<sup>th</sup> SVRA Weekend, Roebling Road, Savannah
13<sup>th</sup> Spring Tune up Clinic details tba
17<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting
18th The Gathering Weekend @ Shelton Vinyards, TCOC
<u>www.triumphclub.org/</u>
19<sup>th</sup> Rims on the River Car Show, Downtown Wilmington
<u>rimsontheriver@hotmail.coml</u>
20th Colonial British Car show Williamsburg, VA
<u>www.wmbgbrit.com</u>
tba AACA Annual Car Show, Independence Mall

Joint Outing with the Charleston British Car Club, Details TBA 1<sup>st</sup> "The Mitty" Weekend, Road Atlanta, Tentative 15<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> Import / Kit Swap Weekend, Carlisle, Pa 17<sup>th</sup> 12th Annual Triangle British Classic Car Show, The Factory, Wake Forest, NC Watch; www.nemgcarclub.org For details

25<sup>th</sup> Time/Distance Ralley, Details TBA

- 24<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Weekend
- 31<sup>st</sup> British Car week, Check it out at www.britishcarweek.org

#### **JUNE 2008**

12th HSR Historic races @ Watkins Glen

19<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting Venue tba

21<sup>st</sup> Drive back tour details tha

#### **JULY 2008**

4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day 5<sup>th</sup> Poplar Grove Classy Chassis Car Show & Country Flea Market; www.poplargrove.com 17th Monthly Meeting Venue tba

#### AUGUST 2008

Leland Under the Lights Car Show, most likely date 14h Monthly Meeting Venue tba 24<sup>th</sup> Southport Ferry outing

#### SEPTEMBER 2008

TBA Atlanta British Car fayre, Norcross, Georgia more details soon 1<sup>st</sup> Labor Day 18<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting Venue tba 25<sup>th</sup> VIR Weekend

#### OCTOBER 2008

4<sup>th</sup> BMCCF Brits at the Battleship Show Watch www.<u>bmccf.org</u> for details Riverfest weekend Wilmington <u>www.wilmingtonriverfest.com</u> 16<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting Venue tba tba Euro Auto Show weekend at the BMW Plant in Spartanburg, SC Cars of Sweden featured marque <u>http://www.euroautofestival.com</u> tba Octoberfest weekend, Mayfaire Center, Wilimington tba Charleston British Car Club Show, BMCCF Club Weekend Event

#### **NOVEMBER 2008**

1<sup>st</sup> Election Day 13<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting Venue tba 27<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving

#### **DECEMBER 2008**

No Club Meeting this Month 25th Christmas Day

# (UN) CLASSIFIED ADS

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#### **BMCCF Regalia**

Contact Trudy Williamson at: (910) 371-3222 for ordering instructions.

Emb. S/S Denim Shirt		\$20.00
Emb. L/S Denim Shirt	\$23.00	
Emb. White Golf Shirt	\$20.00	
Emb. Hat, Union Jack		\$12.00
Emb. Hat, BMCCF Logo	\$12.00	
Screen Print Ash Sweatsh	\$20.00	
BMCCF T shirt S/S		\$12.00
BMCCF T Shirt L?S		\$12.00
(T Shirts in White or Vega	as Gold)	
BMCCF Cloisonné Pin	\$ 5.00	
BMCCF Grill Badge		\$35.00

#### **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

#### For Sale 1980 Triumph TR-7 Roadster

Roadster, Black with Black interior, Repaired rusted floor panels, Cleaned, checked, painted suspension –front & rear Engine – Bored .020", Shaved head .005", New pistons, rings, rod bearings, main bearings, seals, water pump and thermostat, Rebuilt carbs, New throttle and speedo cables, Cleaned and sealed fuel tank, Installed new fuel gauge sending unit, Rebuilt clutch master and slave cylinders Rebuilt rear brake wheel cylinders, Rebuilt brake master cylinder, New front and rear brake hoses, Extra five-speed transmission included, New paint, New interior with custom leather seats, New radio, New tires All electrical components disassembled, cleaned and reassembled with dielectric grease, Excellent top **\$7.000.00** 

Contact Wayne Bennett @ (910) 270-4880 Email <u>wdbennett2@charter.net</u>

Pictures available on request

#### **1960 Austin Healey BT7**

Lengthy restoration completed by "VON'S" during 2003-2004 for more info and pictures **Contact Paul Stella @** (910) 538-5335

#### **For Sale**

#### 1969 TRIUMPH TR-6 - Ser. No. CC31222

1959 TR-6 with factory hard top and soft top 7800 miles on rebuilt engine with new block Rebuilt transmission – non overdrive Rebuilt rear hubs with new half shafts New differential and rear suspension bushings 6 year old paint – British Racing Green Black leather interior New redline tires on wire wheels New front wheel bearings and brake rotors Have receipts Garage kept \$15,000 Contact Wayne Bennett: 910-270-4880 e-mail wdbennett2@charter.net

Pictures available on request

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Free Advice to BMCCF Members

### 2008 Dues are Due

#### Still only \$20.00 / Year

The Deadline for payment of dues is March 1, 2008 If not received by then, your name will be removed from the roster and mailing list. Please fill out the membership form provided on the last page and send, along with check, to:

### John Foster

2514 Country Club Dr. Hampstead, NC 28443

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NEW OR RENEWAL:			
CARS OWNED/YEAR:			
OCCUPATION:			
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MAIL APPLICATION WITH CHECK PAYABLE TO BMCCF to:			
John Foster, 2514 Country Club Road, Hampstead, NC 28443			

# **MEMBERS AND THEIR CARS**

## John Adams' 1958 MGA

The car was given a complete, nut and bolt, body off frame restoration about 10 years ago and after a few shows was stored in a heated barn, covered, and only driven on sunny warm days. It accumulated 8600 miles during that time. I purchased it, trailer'd it to Wilmington and have put another 100 miles on it in the year and a half since I've owned it. It is a terrific driver as it has a completely rebuilt MGB engine, transmission and oil cooler in it; been converted to a single 12 volt battery and spin off oil filter. Otherwise, it's completely original.

I will follow with some photos of my BRG '72 MGB which I have owned for 34 years as soon as the weather warms up some.

### Thanks, John Adams



# MISCELLENEOUS STUFF

# Club Happenings:

BMCCF won the Participants Award from the British Car Club of Charleston at their annual show. They sent along a very nice glass award, which Tom and Susan are the guardians. They also sent club pins to all of our members who were there. Tom will give out at Kick Off party.

At the 24th Annual Holiday Flotilla at Wrightsville Beach, we were the host car club for their first car show at the Festival in the Park on Saturday. Pam and Edie were guests of the Flotilla at the Friday Night Party at the Blockade Runner and at the Awards Ceremony Sunday at Bluewater. About 30 cars showed up of many makes and models. Our club made out very well! 1st Place-Tom Roberson-XKE 2nd Place-Dave Thetson-Corvette 3rd Place-David Brown-Healey People's Choice-Edie Cutler-MGTD

It is rumored that we picked up at least two new members at Festival in the Park.

That's all for now!! Edie

## Technical

Being in the auto business for over 30 years I saw some problems in the 80's when I worked at a VW dealer. When ethanol or methanol was added to the fuel mixture the NEW VW's had problems with idle, misfires on acceleration, and engine knock (ping) on acceleration.

VW sent the dealers a test kit (test tubes, fuel separating additives, etc.) to determine the amount of ethanol or methanol in the fuel. The easy answer was to run the highest octane's or even add. "Lead" additives at times to clean the fuel systems.

Our old cars ran on "Leaded fuels" so buy some lead additive, at carquest, napa, autozone, etc., and add a couple of cap full to a low tank, top off with regular gas. Start the car, she might smoke a bit. Let idle to warm up and then give her a couple of good high rev's. You will see some nice Black smoke from exhaust, this is cleaning all the carbon build up on valves, carb, etc. And will spare you the cost of removing such parts just to clean or reset jets in the carb. etc. You also do this every 3rd or 4th tank full, it cleans all the methanol, ethanol's that will be added in the future.

Hope this helps and any questions please feel free to ask and HAPPY NEW YEARS

Steve Dieter 79 "B" 52 "TD" NCMGCC copied from an e-mail

# To All BMCCF Club Members

I have finally managed to put together the group and hopefully to make it work for club email. I would appreciated feed back as to those I may have missed.

I will try not to inundate you with mailings, but there are several items that I need membership participation. We all have a common interest in Brit cars, however it may be from different perspectives. As we need your participation to make this a successful year, please consider where your interest lies and pitch in. We need the position on VP/Car Show coordinator and club Secretary filled as soon as possible.

There are some very successful events on our calendar already, some have a coordinator and some don't. Let's run them up the flagpole and see how much interest we can generate.

Feb 17 Chili Cook-Off@ Popular Grove- John & Joanne Foster
Mar 2 Garage Tour-Dale Masters
Mar 17 Pub Day-Tom & Susan Robinson
Marl 31 Overnight to Washington Bath with the NC MG Club?
Apr 21 The Gathering@ Shelton Vineyards, Dobson, NC?
May 5 Joint Outing with Charleston British Car Club?
May 19 Time /Distance Rally?
June 9-11 VIR Gold Cup Historic Races?
Oct 4 Our Car Show????
Oct 28 Charleston British Car Show- Tom & Susan Robinson

There are potentially other events you may want. as well, Sport Car Club of America- 4 auto-cross events in Wilmington "Drive Back from anywhere" Other historic races within reasonable driving distance( VIR, Road Atlanta, Roebling Road) Charitable events(ie. Lake Waccamaw Boys & Girls Home) If you need to set up a club group email, I can help. Bob Moore Cell: 910-616-7045