

JANUARY 1990

## OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF BRITISH CAR ENTHUSIASTS

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MONDAY JANUARY 15 AT LEONARD'S LEAN RIBS ON FOX PLAZA DRIVE - 7PM

## THE DECEMBER MEETING

Well, there WAS no December meeting, so be sure to get on out to the January meeting and greet the new order of club officers.

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Just the other day I was talking to club treasurer Jack Reynolds, and he said "tell 'em to pay up or I'll break their kneecaps". What gentle Jack was trying to say is that it's time to pay our 1990 dues. Bring ole Jack a check at the January meeting or drop one in the mail. Dues are still \$20.00; associate \$10.00.

## LOCAL BOY GOES BIG TIME

Lamar McQuirter has one-upped us all. The dude has acquired an Aston Martin Lagonda, vintage 1984 (does everyone realize how few of these things are in the U.S.?). Mr. McQuirter (formerly just plain Lamar) will hopefully steer this portable palace to the January meeting for all to admire.

TIME AND PLACE

A TRAVELLING TECH SESSION! This will be the MG January marque event held on Saturday, January 20th, and will be held at three different shops and will include upholstery, paint, and engine mechanicals. Meet at 9AM at Jimmy Jones Aircraft Interiors, 2730 Winchester at Swinnea Rd. This is actually an aircraft hangar on the north side of Winchester. Here Jimmy will conduct a general session on upholstery. Coffee and donuts will be served. Fearless marque leader and event organizer Tom Bedenbaugh will lead us over to Mike Shelton's place, Shelton's Transport Repair Service, 500 North Hollywood, where a session on paint will be conducted. Then the group moves on to Import and Sports Repair, 3554 Jackson, where Tom will tutor us on the fine points of engine building. Heavy refreshments will then be served! The whole thing should take about four hours; make plans to attend all or part; you're bound to learn something.

WANTS AND GOTS

## WANTS

I need work desperately, long or short term. If you want to expand your business, I can help! New product or national market expansion: cost effective advertising, brochure for catalog development and production; sales management, recruiting and training; market research and strategy planning; direct and telemarketing sales implementation are just a few of the many resources I can bring to your company. No long term commitment required. Cost, \$3000 per month for full time effort. Skip Padgett, 901 755-9010, Memphis

Gots

74 Corvette, auto, air, T tops, fact pop-out rear window, great interior. Needs paint and "flubber". New tires, master cyl, bat, etc. Over \$5000 invested. Will take \$3500

62 Triumph TR3B, complete no rust Memphis car, open title from orig owner, easy rest, only 3331 produced. Needs lft rear axle. Hate to sell but will consider offers over \$2500

52 MG-YB, 4 dr on same frame as TD, built -in jacking system, sun roof, RH drive, etc. Only about 50 brought to U.S. Includes perfect NOS grill worth over \$500. Needs rest and TD type engine. Offers over \$2000.

All above from Skip Padgett 901 755-9010

80 MGB, burgundy/tan int, 50K miles, adult driven orig car in exc shape in and out. \$4500

Two TRAA parts cars with IRS. Whole or parts. MGB parts 1962-1980. Mech, int, sheet metal.

All above from Ranry 362-5434

Here, in his own words, is Fest Chairman Randy Balogh's report and reflection on the Fest:

"Fantastic, fun-filled weekend! What else can be said to describe this year's show? Perfect weather, a river bluff setting and over 230 British cars and motorcycles combined with good friends new and old for the best show yet!

We can all be proud of what this show has become and promises for the future. Many, many people contributed their time, energy, and money to make this year so successful. Without the dedication of our committee chairmen, their volunteers, community businesses and the partivipation of car enthusiasts around the mid-south, this would not be possible.

We are grateful to them!

Changing show sites in mid year was a sourve of major concern. In July, when we found it necessary to leave Mud Island, we were uncertain of how E.H. Crump Park and the Best Western Riverbluff Inn would work out. However, the overwhelming consesus is that we have found a better show site. The convenience of on-site hotel, beautiful park with lots of shade and plenty of space made for a perfect setting. Jack Reynolds and his grounds committee excellently organized these facilities. A special thanks is due the Memphis

Park Commission, Mr. Charles Lucas, for their support.
FOOD!!! Again this year "hospitality" reigned supreme. The ladies on June Haley's committee outdid themselves with a veritable feast at Friday night's hospitality suite.

You just can't say enough good things about this major part of our show.

Judging and trophies are solidly in the groove. Hiram Shepard and his judging committee not only selected a classy assortment of trophies but also worked thoroughly and quickly to judge all the cars. This well organized function of the show just gets better with each year.

The Mid-South Fair program, with this year's Jaguar and ticket sales, was our second best ever. Georgann Hofer ably stepped forward and provided excellent leadership for this extraordinary ten days. Not only did she coordinate the many volunteers required,

but spent countless hours herself at the Fair.

Registration has become an administrative "nightmare", but under the capable direction of Janis Anderson and Kittie Hadskey it again ran flawlessly. So much of the show is keyed to the information they organize that it would be impossible to run the show without their kind of efficiency.

There were several new features this year that were highly successful: 1. Jim Taylor's SU card tech session. 2. Jim and Georgann Hofer's Sunday morning driving tour of Memphis. 3. Slides of all trophy winners at the Awards Presentation. 4. The Nina McQuirter Favorite Jaguar Trophy.

We continue to strive each year to improve our show. No doubt next year there will

be even further refinements and new developments.

Special thanks goes out to the following people whose dedicated efforts are much appreciated:

Janis Anderson - Registration. Kittie Hadskey - Assistant Registration. June Haley -Hospitality. Linda and Barry Coker - Door Prizes. Jack Reynolds - Grounds. Hadskey - Assistant Grounds. Hiram Shepard - Judging/Trophies. Jon Brody - Car Door Prize Tickets. Georgann Hofer - Mid-South Fair Volunteers. George Callow - Assistant Mid-South Fair. Georgann and Jim Hofer - Driving Tour. Doris Roberts - Memorabilia Sales. These committee chairmen relied heavily on their volunteers, who, in no particular

order, are listed as follows:

Jim and Shirley Hargis, Chip and Barb Hanback, Janey Reynolds, Dwayne and Suzanne McQuirter, Linda Balogh, Charlie Roberts, Greg Roberts, Carolyn Shepard, Chuck Shepard, Bette Callow, Curt Balogh, Shannon Coker, Thom Anderson, Glen Sipe, Lamar McQuirter, Frank Peele, John Simmers, Kerry Alexander, John Poynor, Lowell Winston, Nica Rabek, Jerry and Juanita Duncan, Lynn and Priscilla LeFevre, Grant Bales, Tom and Debbie Bedenbaugh, Neil McLean, Ewing Haley, Mark Haley, Sheila Haley, Jimmy Jones, Leo Goff.

It was a great experience and a great show. Thank you one and all!"

Randy C. Balogh

Thanks, Randy, but you failed to mention one important name. The guy who got it all together through untold hours of hard work; RANDY BALOGH.

Randy has asked me to appologize to anyone he may have forgotten; surely there are some whose efforts have been overlooked, but are nonetheless important and certainly appreciated. A special thanks should go out to those who provided food for the Hospitality Room but who have not been recognized. This remains one of the most important contributions to the Fest and we are indebted to you for your gifts.