

# Wyres & Tyres

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Special Car Fest Issue!

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British Sports Car Club, LTD Memphis, Tennessee



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!

### BSCC Events:

(Check the Website, [www.memphisbritishcars.org](http://www.memphisbritishcars.org), for Detailed Information)

### Program Schedule:

To Be Announced. Check the Website for the latest updates

### Other Events:

December : Annual BSCC Christmas Party

## BSCC 2004 British Car and Cycle Fest at Boys' Town for the Second Year

The 21st Annual British Car and Cycle Fest was held at Memphis Boys' Town for the second year, and was a great success. The weather cooperated again, giving us mild temperatures and cloudy skies, keeping down the glare from the sun. Activities began Thursday night, September 30, with early registration at the Hampton Inn near Wolfchase. Guests were treated to some interesting video footage of Jaguar's 1950's era LeMans victories, courtesy of Jan Schlabowske from Hot Springs.

Friday morning's Fun Rallye took drivers all over East Shelby County. Paul and Karen Svoboda finished first, followed by Thom Perhac and Mary Lessman.

Friday afternoon's Tech Sessions included a tutorial on tuning multiple SU carburetors and a demonstration of soda blasting. Jan Schlabowske gave the carb tuning workshop, using Walt Fisher's 3.8 E-Type as the guinea pig (the car does run better now...Ed.). The soda blasters demonstrated how effective, yet gentle, soda blasting can be. They removed paint, primer and rust from a Bugeye bonnet without harming the chrome trim and glass headlights.

The Hospitality Dinner, under the big tent at the show site, got everyone together Friday night for a great dinner.

Showtime Saturday was a blast! Judging was under the able management of Buzz Merchlewitz, and the results are inside.

Don't forget your dues! Send dues to

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## Club Calendar

The General Membership Meeting is held on the third Monday of the Month at Colletta's Italian Restaurant, on Appling Way at Hwy 64. The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. November's meeting will be on Monday, November 15, 2004

BSCC and the Variety Club have a casual get-together every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Come to the Variety Club for just good ole fashioned fun and conversation.

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|                     | Walt & Gloria Fisher | 761-3428 |
| Webmaster:          | Joe Reed             | 372-2389 |
| Car Fest Chairman   |                      |          |
|                     | Robin Balton         | 761-4406 |

### Marque Leaders

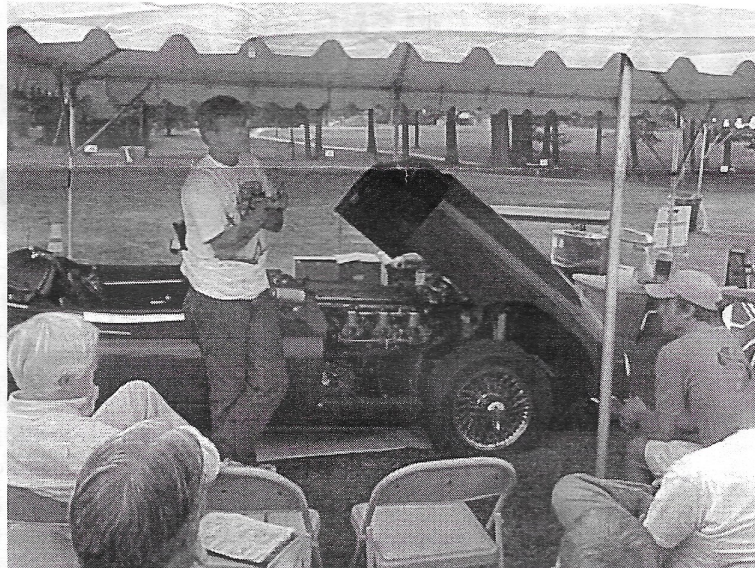
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| Competition:   | Buzz Merchlewitz | 465-7566 |
|                | Glenn Sipe       | 755-1977 |
| Empire:        | Robin Balton     | 761-4406 |
| Austin Healey: | Jim Hofer        | 682-7929 |
| Motorcycle:    | Leo Goff         | 861-4355 |

**Monthly Club Meeting:** Don't miss this opportunity to visit with your fellow members !! Any ideas for upcoming membership meeting programs or suggestions for improvements, contact Vice President Dana Henking or any board member..

## McQuirter Award goes to Webmaster Joe Reed

BSCC Webmaster Joe Reed was the recipient of the third Lamar McQuirter Award for outstanding service to the club. Over the past couple of years, Joe has singlehandedly developed an excellent website for the club, which can be seen at [www.memphisbritishcars.org](http://www.memphisbritishcars.org).

## Carb Tuning Tech Session



E-Type Restoration Expert Jan Schlabowske of Hot Springs, AR, explains the fine points of tuning multiple SU carburetors on a Jaguar 3.8 E-Type roadster.

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Left and Center: The tree-shaded show site couldn't have been better for showing off the cars.

Below: Jerry Billmeier's 1947 Bentley MK VI and Gordon Gold's 1966 Sunbeam Tiger MK I took second places in Empire Sedan and Empire Sports, respectively. Jerry recently completed a 1400 mile trip in the Bentley.



## **BSCC 2004 Car Fest Class Winners**

### **A (Austin Healey Sprite, MG Midget)**

- 1st - Dennis Norris- 1960 AH Sprite
- 2nd - Anita Ward - 1975 MG Midget
- 3rd - Charles Lessman - 1973 MG Midget

### **B (Austin Healey 100-4, 100-6, 3000)**

- 1st - Jim Hofer-1961 AH BJ8
- 2nd - Robert Horton-1965 AH 3000
- 3rd - Stephen Gipson-1961 AH 3000

### **C (MG TC, TD, TF, TF-1500 & Pre-war)**

- 1st - Paul Lasen-1955 MG TF-1500
- 2nd - Bill Ritchey-1933 MG L1
- 3rd - Charles Clark-1946 MG TC

### **D (MGA)**

- 1st - Brian Goldsmith - 1962 MGA MKII
- 2nd - Grant White - 1962 MGA
- 3rd - Walt Christ - 1958 MGA

### **E (MGB/MGC 1962 - 1974, including GTs)**

- 1st - Don Eye-1970 MGB
- 2nd - Robin Balton - 1974 MGB
- 3rd - John Anderson-1968 MGB

### **F (MGB 1974 1/2 - 1980, including GTs)**

- 1st - Bob Anderson - 1977 MGB
- 2nd - Robert Zenanko - 1980 MGB
- 3rd - Joe Reed 1978 MGB

### **I (Triumph TR6)**

- 1st - Joe Kelley-1973 TR6
- 2nd - Mike Davis-1974 TR6

### **K (Jaguar XK120, XK140, XK150)**

- 1st - Walt Fisher- 1957 XK-140

### **L (Jaguar XKE Coupe & Roadster)**

- 1st - Charles Coleman - 1968 Jaguar XKE 2+2
- 2nd - Wally Simpson- 1965 Jaguar XKE

### **M (Jaguar Saloon and Sedan)**

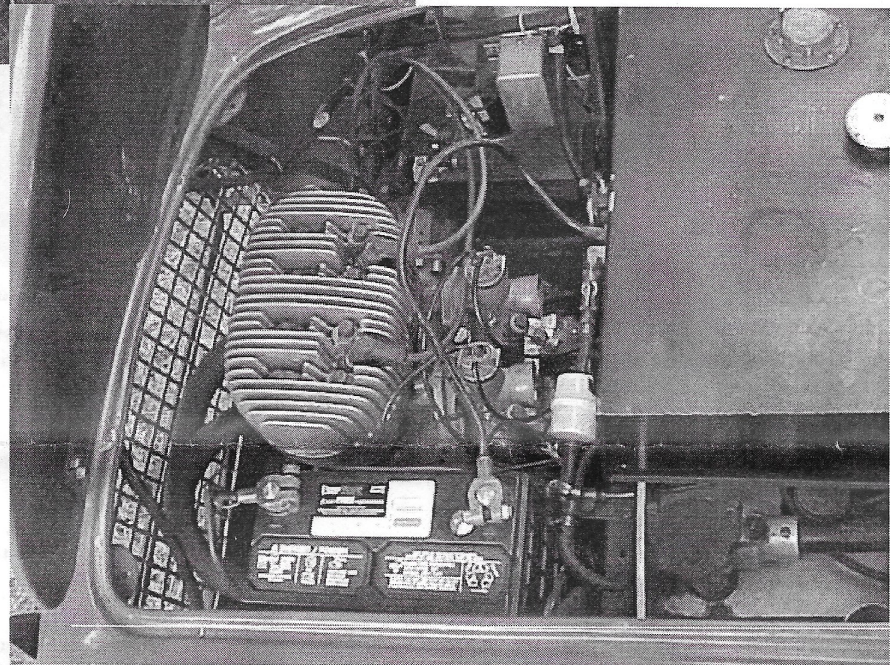
- 1st-Steve Pratt-1985 Jaguar XJS
- 2nd-Ken Zelten-1991 Jaguar XJ6
- 3rd-Ron Fitzgerald-1989 Jaguar XJS





Left: Charles Vestweber's 1958 Berkeley B65. Motorcycle engine, below, barely larger than the battery, powers tiny car.

Bottom left: Bill Ritchey's 1933 MG L1 police car. Bell in front of radiator makes genteel substitute for grating siren on modern police cruisers. Note tall Bobby hat on top cover.



**N (Morris, Austin, MG Sedan - Minor & Mini)**

- 1st - Leland Felix-1965 Morris Minor
- 2nd-Adam Housley-1969 MGB/GM V6 Conversion

**R (New Cars - 1993 or later)**

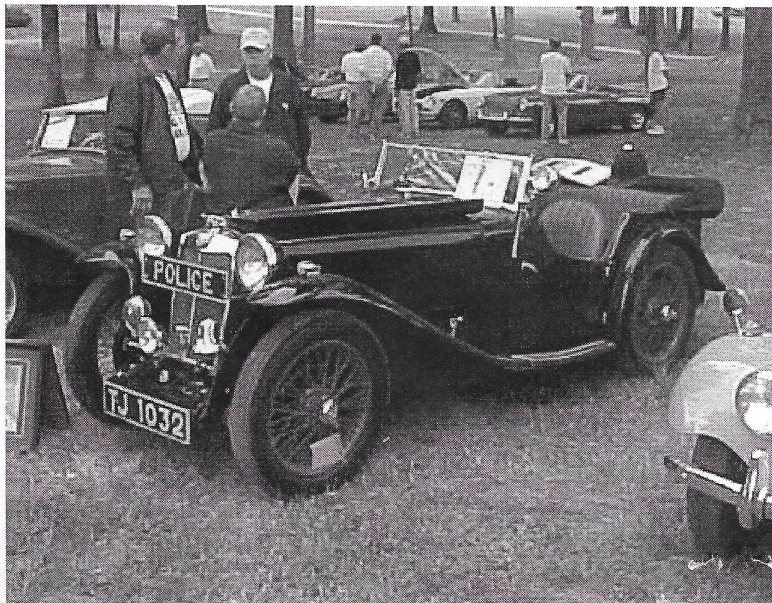
- 1st - Jack Reynolds - 2002 Mini Cooper S

**S (British Motorcycles)**

- 1st - Bob Whaton-1979 Triumph Bonneville

**O (Empire Sports - Lotus, Sunbeam, etc.)**

- 1st - Stephen Gipson-1967 Morgan 4+4
- 2nd-Gordon Gold-1966 Sunbeam Tiger MK1
- 3rd-David Kiehna-1969 Lotus Europa



**P (Empire Sedan - Rolls Royce, Bentley, etc.)**

- 1st - Dennis Norris-1960 Rolls Royce Silver Cloud
- 2nd - Jerry Billmeier-1947 Bentley Mk VI
- 3rd-Stephen Gipson-1962 Rolls Royce Silver Cloud

**Q (Competition/Modified)**

- 1st - Buzz Merchlewitz - 1959 Austin Healey Sprite Vintage Racer

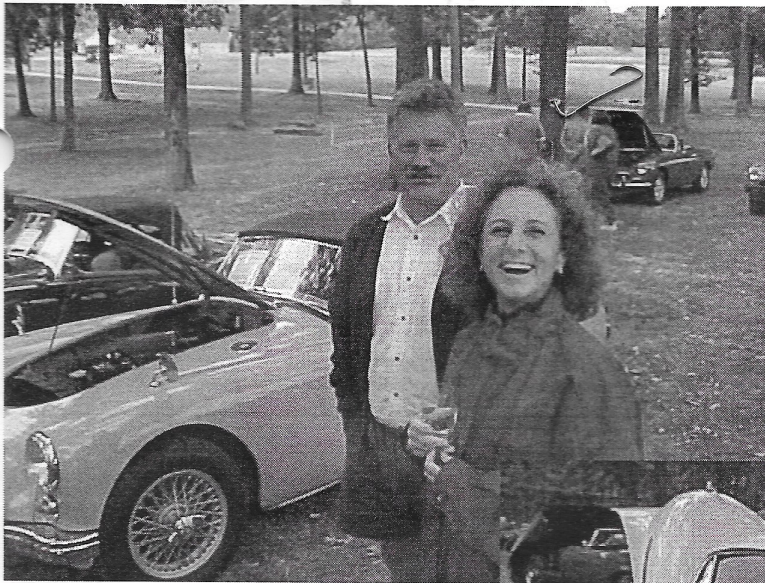
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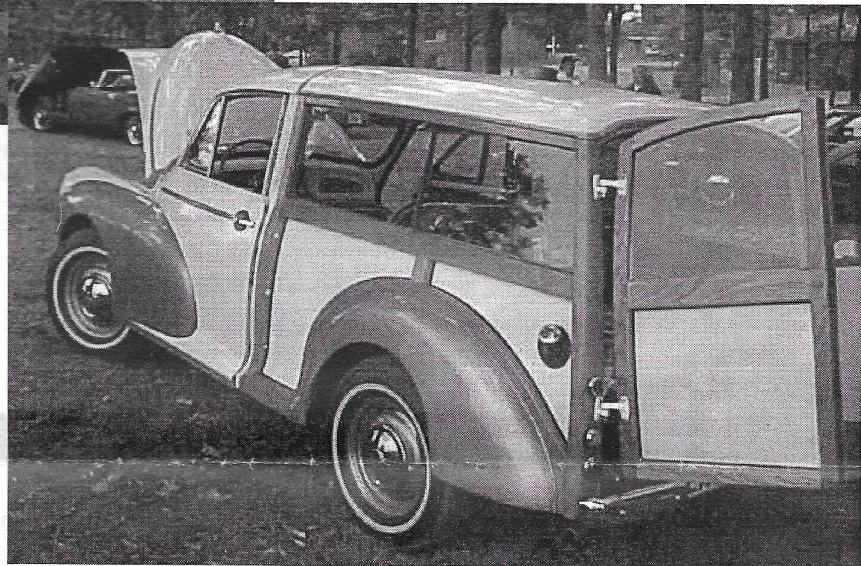
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Left: Mark and Joan Hinrichs beam proudly in front of their third place finishing 1960 MGA. Car has been in Joan's family since the late '60's.



Right: First Place 1965 Morris Minor is the product of Leyland and Lance Felix, father/son restoration team from Hot Springs, AR.

Below Right: Leland Felix, left, shows Jerry Billmeier photos of the Minor during restoration.

**ES Early Seniors (Two previous first place awards in this show-1965 or earlier)**

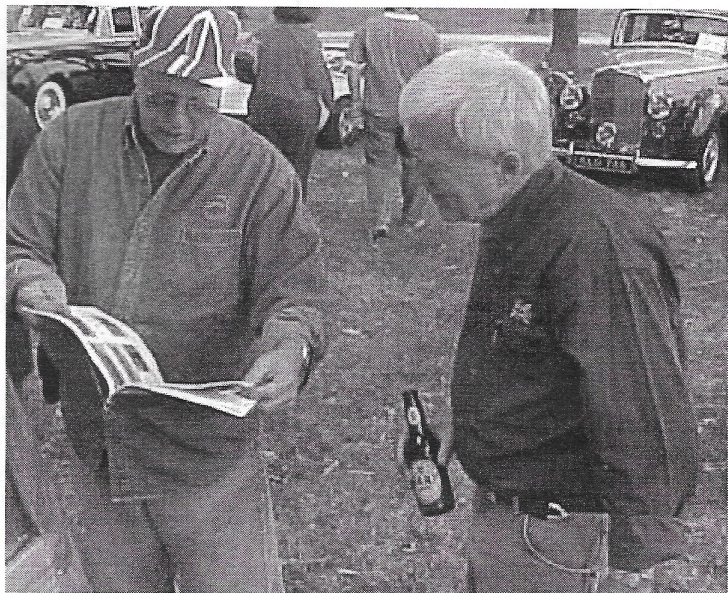
- 1st - Rick Eavenson-1959 Triumph TR3A
- 2nd - Sam Tune - 1961 Jaguar XKE
- 3rd - Mark Hinrichs-1960 MGA

**LS Late Seniors (Two previous first place awards in this show-1966 or later)**

- 1st-Phillip Pitts-1969 MGB GT
- 2nd-Paul Svoboda-1980 MGB LE
- 3rd-Jim Wheeler-1974 Triumph Spitfire

**People's Choice Awards**

- Fest Favorite - Paul Lasen-1955 MG TF 1500
- Best Paint - Brian Goldsmith-1962 MGA MKII
- Best Engine - Don Eye-1970 MGB
- Best Interior- Brian Goldsmith-1962 MGA MKII
- Highest Mileage to Fest-Brian Goldsmith-1962 MGA MKII
- Best Under Restoration-Knox Everson-1971 Jaguar XKE
- Inspiration Award-Charles Vestweber-1958 Berkeley B65





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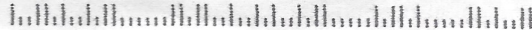


WORLDWIDE

### WANTS AND GOTS

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#### GOT:



1974 MGB parts car. Harry Fitzgerald 662 871-0057  
Cosworth Vega cyl. head. Custom made towbar for MINI (pre 2000) - Ewing Haley 755-4486.  
Triumph GT6 motor - condition unknown. Robin Balton 761-4406.  
Used MG Midget windshield frame - Good Shape! Anita Ward 383-8054.  
I have some Jag XK engines for sale - Leo Goff 487-9833.  
'59 TR3A, new motor, TR4 trans, new hydraulics, white with black. Glenn Sipe 755-1977 or 485-3048.  
1961 MGA hardware: windshield brackets, door parts, etc. Free to good home, Steve Wayne  
1972 MGB engine short block. Larry Kiehna 850-0324  
1974-1980 MGB parts, 73 MGB parts car. Bill Pfeifer jpfeifer@arkwest.com  
Tub for parts washing - with pump - never used - still in box - with three gals. of cleaning fluid. \$85.00 Knox Everson 754-1510.  
Older (70s - 80s)EJAG magazines to loan. Steve Wayne 901-861-6118.  
59 AH 100 with numerous new parts. Two Bugeye Sprites - one with hard top. One batch of Sprite parts. Rob Horrell 901-619-2721.  
1976 Triumph TR6 For Sale Original Dark Blue, 78,500 mi., recently tuned, front end work recently completed. Great shape. Almost new soft top. Runs and looks great. Sacrifice at \$7000. Call Ken at 850-5365 or 359-5365.

#### WANT:

I have a friend who would like to purchase a nice TR-6. Leo Goff 487-9833  
63 Midget Differential. Jon Graham 682-6532.  
MGB Mark I tail light assemblies. Jim Duke 428-6905.  
Engine for MGB - running—E-Type Roadster - running - Jon Brody 373-8954

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