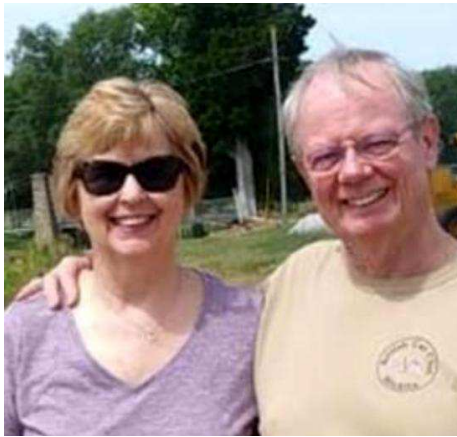


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www.britishcarclubofwichita.com



Hello Everyone!

Hope everybody had a good January.
The weather seems to be in our favor.

We had a great meeting on 4 February at Kelly's diner. Had almost 20 people show up with a few new faces. At the get-together we discussed upcoming events for the club. I am quite sure that Lew will include those in the newsletter and if anybody has any input in regards to them or somewhere else they would like to visit, let us know.

Thanks so much and have a safe month

***Regards
Dan and Shirley***

Daniel P. Johnson, PhD
Creative Presentations
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316-641-1589



**SAT LIAR'S CLUB 7pm at
BRAUM'S, Seneca & Douglas**

**One Picture is worth
1,000 words.**

Any Questions....?



IN THE REAR VIEW



The British Car Club of Wichita, Kansas (BCCW)

held an organizational Breakfast Meeting on Feb 4, 2023 at Kelley's Family Restaurant, 2131 S. Broadway.

Attendees:

Dan Johnson, President
Tammy Vandruff, Financial Officer
Shirley Helm, Secretary
Hank Brillhart, Technical Advisor
Rod MacLean, Technical Advisor
Lewis Blackwell, Newsletter Editor
Sharon Brillhart, SCCA Rep.
Ric Wolford, Sponsor, Douglas
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Roger Pitts
John & Sue Kelly
Harry & Annette Price
Larry Simpson
Mike Holder
Stuart Kowalski
Robert & Collette Baptista

Lewis called the meeting open at 9:34 am. Dan welcomed everyone to the gathering and addressed some of the club concerns: Low participation due to the Covid disruption of all public-interactive events, and the fact that avg age of members & cars is older, etc.

Dan noted Membership Dues were revised at a previous 2022 meeting of the club officers. **As of January 2023, Dues are \$10 for a full year**, with NEW memberships prorated by remaining months. All renewals are to be at full amount of \$10/full year.

All Saturday Gatherings will continue at **Braum's Ice Cream Restaurant**, just north of **Seneca & West Douglas**, 6pm in the winter, 7pm in the summer until further notice.

Dan called for suggestions of activities and driving adventures. A large response to possible events and driving activities came from all present. The balance of the meeting consisted of collecting and recording all suggestions, both near-term and future months.

PLEASE FIND ON THE NEXT PAGE LIST OF PROPOSED ACTIVITIES.

Feel free to send or email your preferences for activities and driving lunch or dinner trips, 1-day out-and-back destinations, overnight events, car shows, museums, winery visits., and you-name-it.

Please note that our car club does NOT require ownership of a British vehicle to qualify for membership or to participate in any event or gathering.

Submitted for the Membership,
Lewis Blackwell, Editor -
Wing & Bonnet Newsletter
The British Car Club of Wichita, Kansas (BCCW)



2023 Upcoming Events for the British Car Club Wichita Firm Dates

Saturdays Liars Club at Braum's - Seneca and Douglas, 7:00 pm

All Saturdays Liars Club at Braum's - Seneca & Douglas, 6 pm Winter, 7pm Summer
3rd Saturdays Cars and Coffee - Greenwich & 13th, 7:30 am - 11 am
April 23 Hank's Spring Oil & Tune - 6112 S. Laura, 9:00 am
June 11-12 SCCA Event - Yoder, KS (Hank/Sharon welcome all to visit/ride)
June 12 Lake Afton 50th Annual Car Show - 8:00 am

Proposed Club Events 2022

Amish Lunch in Yoder - Limited Reservations Only Sharon Brillhart

Sedgwick County Park Picnic - September _____

Swap Meet H&H Motors in the Fall

Christmas Party and Election of BCCW Officers

Proposed Drive & Dine Events 2022

Boudreaux Burger Barn - Peck, KS

Mosley Street Melodramas

Toots - Howard, KS

Salina Garage - SCCA

Beaumont Hotel - Beaumont, KS (Spring/Fall)?

Marquette Cycle Museum

Grace Hill Winery - Whitewater, KS

Rose Hill Metal Sculptures

Rex Russell Car Museum - Mentor, KS

Burton Barn Restaurant

Ellinwood Tunnels - Ellinwood, KS

Essenhaus, Arlington

Underground Salt Museum - Hutchinson, KS

Dexter O Henry Candy Factory

Moon Marble Company - Bonner Springs, KS

Blackwell City Museum/shops

Abilene Train Depot - Abilene, KS

Belle Plain Car Show

FEEL FREE TO MAKE SUGGESTIONS OF DRIVING ADVENTURES
CONTACT LEWIS BLACKWELL lewblac78@gmail.com or 316-990-2533

Larry Simpson has invited us all to participate as a club in the **Belle Plaine Festival & Car Show!**

Naturally, Larry will bring his 1963 Slla 88 Land Rover Station Wagon.



Top 34 Awards including Best of Show

Trophies will be given at 3 p.m.

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 - 2 1946-1959 Cars
 - 3 1946-1959 Trucks
 - 4 1960-1972 Cars
 - 5 1960-1972 Trucks
 - 6 1973 & up Cars
 - 7 1973 & up Trucks
 - 8 4X4
 - 9 CONVERTIBLE
 - 10 CORVETTE 1953-1982
 - 11 CORVETTE 1983-2018
 - 12 Modified Car
 - 13 Modified Truck
 - 14 Muscle Car 1964-1974
 - 15 MUSTANG 1964-1966
 - 16 MUSTANG 1967- 1973
 - 17 MUSTANG 1974-Newer
 - 18 Old School (Rat Rod)
 - 19 Orig. Car Less than 20% Restored
 - 20 Orig. Trucks Less than 20% Restored
 - 21 Orphan Car
 - 22 Orphan Truck
 - 23 Paint
 - 24 Pre war Cars
 - 25 Pre war Trucks
 - 26 Street Rod
 - 27 Survivor
 - 28 Tri Five (1955, 1956, 1957 Chevy)
 - 29 Unfinished
 - 30 CAMARO 1967-1981
 - 31 CAMARO 1982-1993
 - 32 CAMARO 1994-Newer
 - 33 Distance Traveled
 - 34 Best of Show

Make checks payable to:

Belle Plaine Chamber of Commerce
Car Show
PO Box 721
Belle Plaine KS 67013

Rain or shine event.



2023
Saturday, April 8th, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Location 724 N. Merchant **Follow Signs**

Entry Deadline 1:00 p.m. **Entry Fee** \$20.00

- Early bird registration before March 15th \$15.00 fee
- Registration information at belleplainefestival.com/carshow
- Information booth opens at 9 a.m. for registration
- Don Scobee memorial shirt with every entry
- Dash plaques for first 100 entries
- Parade check in at 11:00, parade begins at 12:00
- 50/50 Pot
- Raffles
- Food trucks
- Live music
- Car Show close to Downtown Festival events including Live Stage Acts, BPQ Cook-Off and Feed, Vendor Fair, Poker Run, Food Court, and Children's Activities.
- Proceeds support community events and activities.

Follow us at [@belleplainefestival](https://www.facebook.com/belleplainefestival)

Visit belleplainefestival.com

For more information contact

Bill Rotz at 620-262-5494 or Salena Rotz at 620-968-7508
email bpfestival.carshow@gmail.com

We reserve the right to refuse entry, if an entry is refused your fee will be refunded.

2023 Belle Plaine's Downtown Festival Car Show Entry

Name (print) _____	
Address _____	T-Shirt size (adult) _____
City _____	State _____ ZIP _____
Email _____	Phone (_____) _____ - _____
Description of Entry _____	Car Class # _____
Car Club _____	Distance Traveled _____
Signature _____	Date _____

Waiver of Liability I hereby agree and release the sponsors of Belle Plaine's Downtown Festival, Belle Plaine's Downtown Festival, Belle Plaine Chamber of Commerce, City of Belle Plaine, representatives, administrators, members, and/or assigns, from all liability, including but not limited to loss or damage of property, personal injury, and/or any other claims of whatever kind or nature; and however, arising out of the Belle Plaine's Downtown Festival Car Show. I execute this waiver voluntarily and upon my free will.

HARRY'S TRACK TALK

By Harry Price

<https://youtu.be/cCI9qrdPZBM>

Trolling for paying chumps, uhhhh I mean championship quality race drivers, Version 2023. Actually, we are looking for drivers that can keep the car on the track, avoid contact, and bring the car back to the pits in one piece ready for the next driver. If you turn great lap times, **wonderful!** But lap times come **after** car preservation.

Miss Cegenation (who doesn't name their car?) a1997 BMW M3 Ford 351W powered, five-speed gearbox, is going to Hallett, OK, for the Champcar Races. It will be in **Class EC**. Pictures of the car and link to video with Bill driving are below:
May 20-May 21, 2023
HALLETT MOTOR RACING CIRCUIT
8+7-Hour, Cleveland, OK
\$1,500 & 1/4 of fuel with four drivers
\$1,400 & 1/5 of fuel with five drivers

Not really an arrive & drive. You will need to help with pit stops. In the event a trip to the cold pits is needed for repairs, helping hands and eyes are gratefully accepted. Stick around Fri & Sat evenings to help prep the car for the next day, and we will feed you. Good chow, venison burgers and brats.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cCI9qrdPZBM>



BELOW IS A CAPTURE FROM THE VIDEO:
Jun 2022 NASA TREC Mini Enduro
Ozarks International Raceway



Joe Henning's White GT

Contact Joe with the following:

joerhenning@yahoo.com - 316-390-2164

It would probably be a long story but I did do a complete rebuild from the ground up, on this **1974 1/2 MGBGT**. It was a car from **Bruce Hollembeak in Kansas City, Missouri**. I had to do a color change back to the original color white. Someone had painted it a brownish-orange, mustard color.

So basically, I rebuilt it from the ground up and replaced everything on the car with new parts and upgrades. Just wanted to share a few photos of the transformation

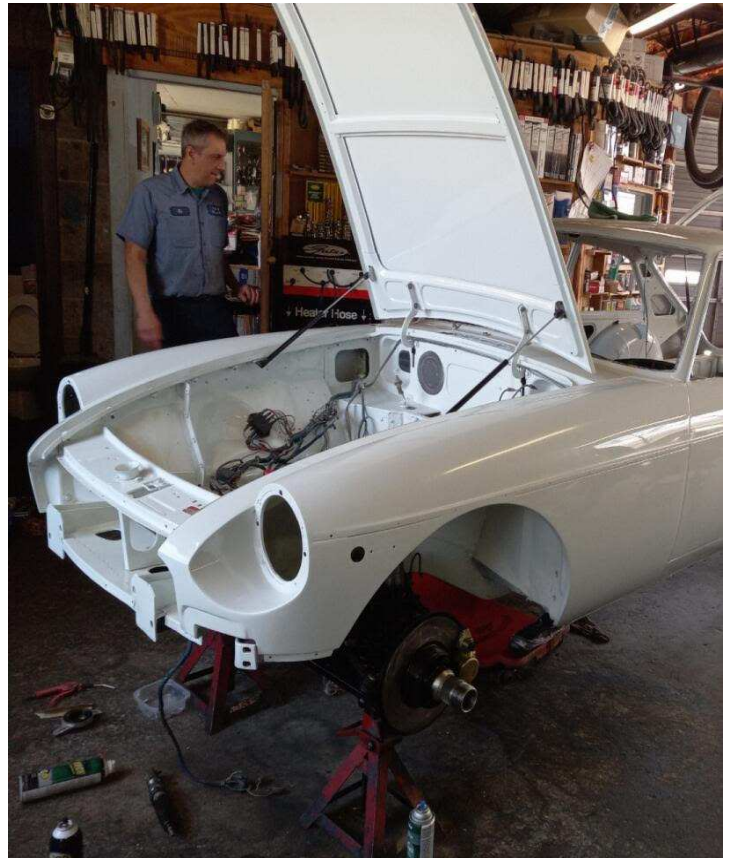
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PASS TH' POUPON MUSTARD?



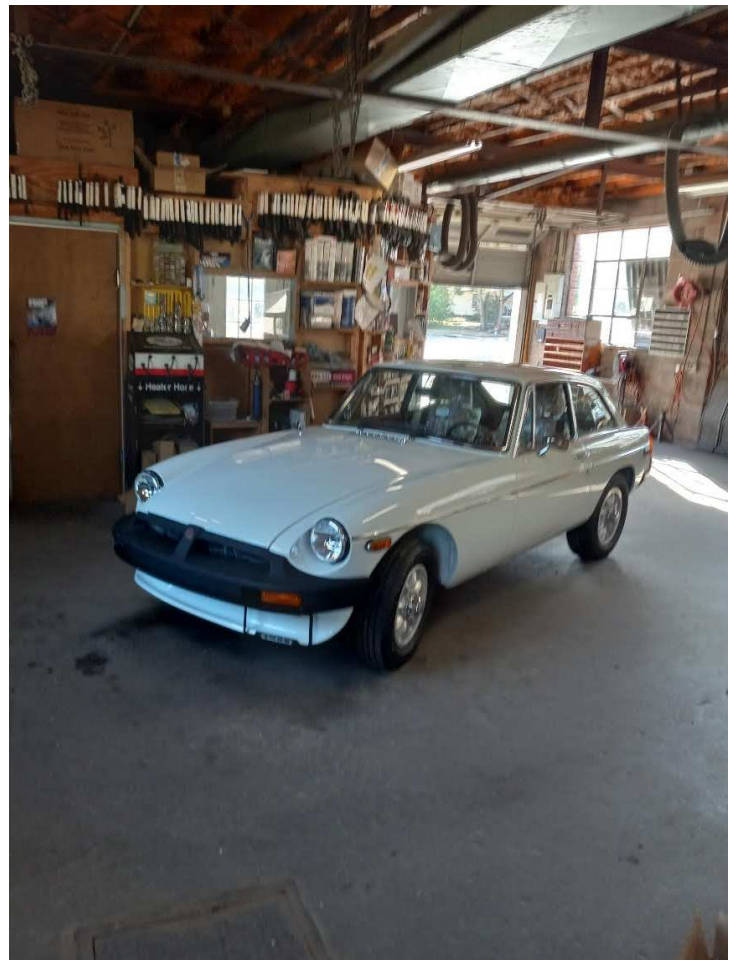
PAINTED & PRIMED FOR PARTS



STUFF THAT ENGINE



FINAL ORNAMENTS ARE FITTED UP



SPARKLING CLEAN BITS



MGB GT RESTORATION ROLLOUT



Pictorial essay submitted by Joe Henning

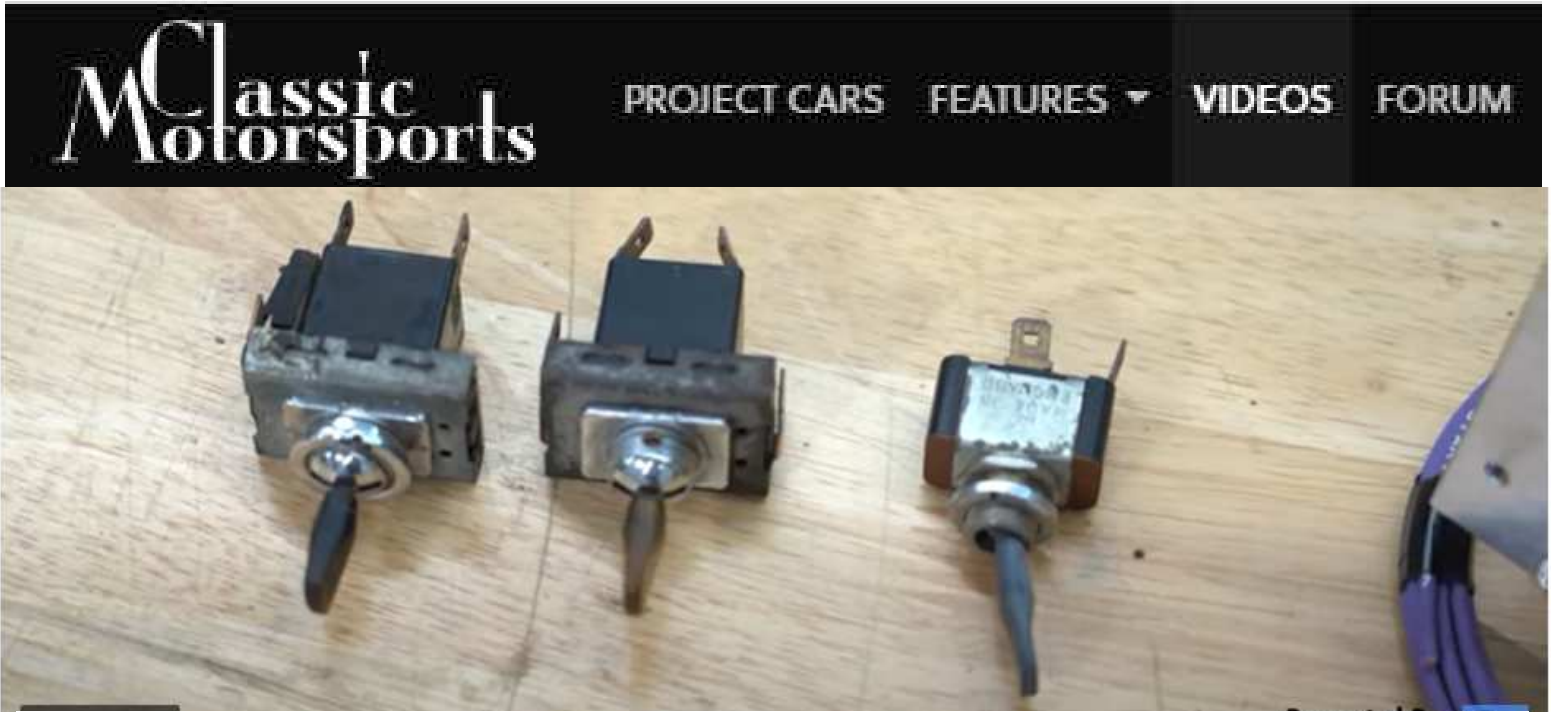
Looks good, Joe! All that's left is to be done is to break a bottle of 1974 Champagne over the nose of the bonnet!The Editor

USEFUL VIDEOS FOR YOU:

There are a variety of videos available for you to download from Classic Motorsports on tool use.

.....or you can laboriously translate the following URL into Google:

https://classicmotorsports.com/video/how-use-multimeter-test-automotive-switches-video/?mc_cid=dd64fdab8a&mc_eid=8e50f85d66



Ever finish installing a bunch of switches only to find out that some of them don't actually work?

The good news is that there's an easy way to avoid this headache: Test the switches before you install them. All you need is a multimeter.



This Porsche-powered VW Beetle screams to 6800 rpm



How to easily make a sheet metal patch



How to install a polycarbonate windshield



How to replace a rusty floor pan



Ric Wolford Sent This To The Attention of Engine Techies!

THE FUTURE IS NOW: DIVING DEEP INTO TOTAL SEAL'S NEW METROLOGY KIT

Access the FULL version of article with URL:
<https://www.enginelabs.com/news/the-future-is-now-diving-deep-into-total-seals-new-metrology-kit/>



If you're a reader of EngineLabs, you're likely somewhat familiar with what a profilometer is, what it measures, and how to interpret the data it provides. You probably also know what a fascination we have with tools, gadgets, and metrology (the science of precision measurement) in

general. So believe us when we say, this new kit from Total Seal is going to change the game for the average end user.

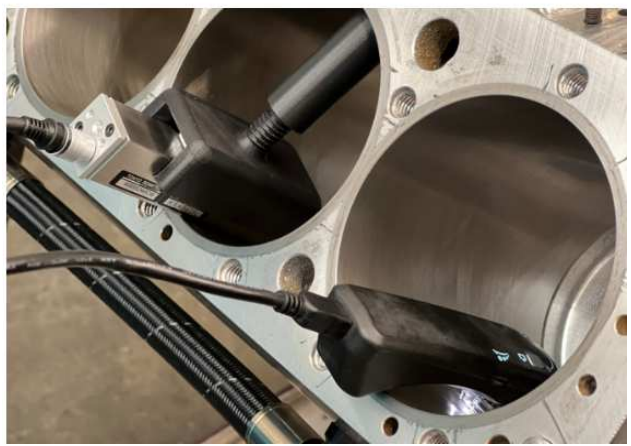
Quick Rundown Of Profilometer Basics

First, let's touch on what it is a profilometer does. Simply, a profilometer measures the profile of a surface — usually your cylinder wall — at a microscopic level. As an industry, we've learned over the past couple of decades that there can be significant power and longevity increases by simply getting a better cylinder wall finish. Obviously, you can only be as accurate with your finish as your ability to measure, and traditional profilometers give you some useful data: core roughness, peak height, valley depth, and overall average roughness. This data is extremely useful for a number of facets of ring seal. That data has allowed the engineers at companies like Total Seal and Rottler Machine to work together to get specific finishes for specific ring packs that are unlocking almost silly amounts of horsepower. Now, an even deeper look is possible, and you don't even need a degree in metrology

Where the traditional profilometer only provided an auto-scaled trace and averaged R_k , R_{pk} , and R_{vk} numbers, this new software will show you any outliers, rather than just rolling it all into a single number. Additionally, by plotting the trace within a fixed zone, there are preprogrammed “bands” on the graph which allow you to visualize the acceptable peak heights and valley depths within the acceptable ranges. Then, getting even more advanced, there is a graph in the software that shows the shape of the peaks and valleys. This is useful not only in knowing the cylinder wall finish is correct, but also in tracking before and after running to ensure the rings have properly broken in on the cylinder walls. This data can be used on its own, or as part of overall trend analysis over the course of the engine’s lifespan.

Additionally, with 270x magnification, you can actually inspect the surface finish and tell the quality of the finish. At that level of magnification, you can tell whether the material was cut cleanly, has folded over edges, is torn, or is burnished. You don’t need any special experience to determine that, either, as the kit includes a sample plate with different material conditions for you to use as a reference tool.

This kit comes with everything you need to



completely measure and document a cylinder’s surface finish, including the laptop itself. At the end of the day, if you are looking to increase your level of precision and documentation in your engine-building program, this one box from Total Seal will do exactly that. And besides the hardware and software, you get access to Total Seal’s experts who will help you dial in the perfect recipe for your ring seal soup.



Our thanks to Greg Acosta for his article and photos published in Engine Labs! The Editor

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Greg Acosta

Greg has spent eighteen years and counting in automotive publishing, with most of his work having a very technical focus. Always interested in how things work, he enjoys sharing his passion for automotive technology with the reader.

While we're on the subject of cars....

Joe Henning still has a variety of used parts for MGB Triumph, Etc.

Contact Joe at 316-390-2164 or joerhenning@yahoo.com

Steve Olson, frequent contributor and a verifiable purveyor of all **Things Strange and Wonderful**, sent our club this little A/C gem. From wherever Steve gets this stuff, here is a Built & Tested A/C for those who are unencumbered by the Fear of Failure.

Steve says, " Charlie Hoch built something like this for his Spitfire. He put the outlets down lower to cool the footwells. He said it helped a lot at highway speed. "



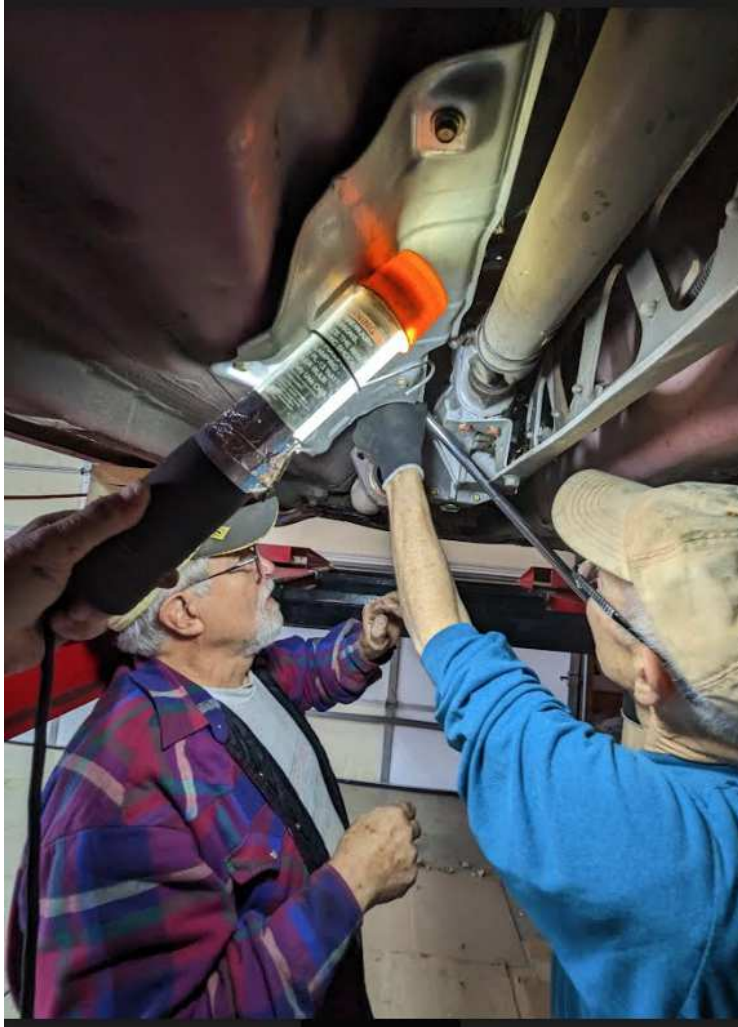
HANK'S GARAGE ~



Hank Brillhart is beginning to imitate a woodchuck coming out of his winter cave and into the sunshine of his garage to work on his Race Car! After all the good care & handling that the doctors inflicted on him, he's back to normal and ready to tackle the tear-down of the Miata engine for the SCCA Races.



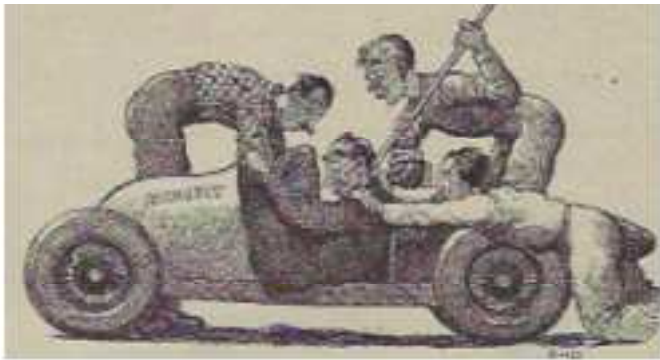
Sharon Brillhart will have the SCCA Schedule for this year.. Hank & Sharon always have the welcome mat out for anybody who would like to experience SCCA Cone Racing from behind either of their racecar windshields. It's probably addictive, but it's FAST FUN!



If you'd like to see what the fun is all about, call **Hank - 316-204-2596** or **Sharon - 620-200-4959**



SCCA RACING IS FUN!



2023 SCCA SCHEDULE

MARCH 18	SALINA	TEST & TUNE
MARCH 19	SALINA	SOLO RACES
MARCH 25	WICHITA @ YODER	SOLO RACES
MARCH 26	WICHITA @ YODER	SOLO RACES
APRIL 15	SALINA	NOVICE RACES
APRIL 16	SALINA	SOLO RACES
APRIL 22	WICHITA @ YODER	SOLO RACES
APRIL 23	WICHITA @ YODER	SOLO RACES
MAY 13	SALINA	SOLO RACES
MAY 14	SALINA	SOLO RACES
MAY 20	WICHITA @ YODER	SOLO RACES
MAY 21	WICHITA @ YODER	SOLO RACES



From **Madell Dobrushin**, mdobrushin@gmail.com
Peachtree MG Registry, Georgia,.....
comes this reminder.....

Visit link below to submit your car
and for more information.
<https://bit.ly/3TJ7m9Y>



Best of Britain is at Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum,

2023 is the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the MG Car Company in Abington-on-Thames and the Simeone Museum will be honoring this legendary marque with the "Best of Britain" devoted to just MGs.

Show will run February 11 to 26, 2023.



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



Join Us at GOF-South 2023 & NAMGAR Regional April 20 Through April 23, 2023

GOF-South 2023 welcomes all MG cars from the Marque's conception to the end of production in the Abingdon Works.

We have Teamed with NAMGAR to include a NAMGAR Regional Element to the Program.



The Program Includes:

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- > Self Guided and Group Drives to Interesting Local Destinations
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- > Awards Banquet
- > Event Regalia
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Event Host Hotel: The Best Western Gateway Grand Hotel and Spa, Gainesville, Florida
Special Event Rates Available

Arrive Early, Stay Late and Make it an Excuse for a Spring Vacation in Sunny Florida



Your Host: MG Classics of Jacksonville, Florida

Event website: <https://www.gofsouth.org>



ORANGE BLOSSOM TOUR 2023

February 26 - March 2

**Hub-Styled Tour takes place at an
all-new location in Gainesville,
Florida**

**Price: \$2,749 per person
(Double occupancy.)**



SMOKY MOUNTAIN TOUR 2023

June 4 - 8

**New Location: Asheville NC
Tackle the Carolinas' finest
mountain switchbacks**

**Price: \$3,249 per person
(Double occupancy.)**



BLUEGRASS TOUR APPALACHIANS 2023

February 26 - March 2

Due to Response:

**Wave 1:
October 8-12, 2023**

**Wave 2:
October 15-19, 2023**

**A Hub-Style tour based in
historic Berea, KY**

**Price: \$3,249 per person
(Double occupancy.)**

**START PLANNING NOW TO VENTURE
OUT ONTO NEW & EXCITING
HIGHWAYS AND CITIES.**

**FIND NEW FUN PLACES TO SEE.
FIND NEW FRIENDS**

READY? SET? GO!

FEB 10 2023 - DRIVE YOUR TRIUMPH DAY

DYTD
Drive Your Triumph Day



Save the date for Drive Your Triumph Day Friday, February 10, 2023

Dear Fellow Triumph Owner,

My name is Rye Livingston and I'm with the Triumph Travelers Sports Car Club in Northern California, arguably the longest active Triumph Club in the world, founded in 1958. In 2016 I encouraged members of our club to drive their Triumphs on February 10th, to celebrate Sir John Black's Birthday, the man who organized Standard's purchase of Triumph after WW II, and went on to make the cars we enjoy driving today. Drive Your Triumph Day has gained momentum every year, and last year I received over 600 photos from all over the world: Scotland, Ireland, the UK, New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, Uruguay, Netherlands, Switzerland, Finland, Canada, Holland, Czech Republic, and of course all over the USA.

I'm hoping we can increase that number again this year! The concept is straightforward. On February 10th, go for a drive in your Triumph. Take a scenic drive on a country road or out to lunch, to the market, to work, wherever. Go for a drive alone or in a big group with your local Triumph Club. Take your spouse, buddy, child, grandchild or your dog; then take a photo. The photo is mainly of the car, and the owner or passenger if possible, ideally in front of a cool spot, landmark, scenic view or in your driveway. If it's the middle of the winter where you live and your car is in hibernation, or in the middle of a restoration, take a photo of it in the garage. Have fun with it. Next step is to email a high-resolution photo to driveyourtriumphday@gmail.com, along with some basic information: owner's name, year and model of car, and place photo was taken (city, state, country).

The photos will then be published not only in our club newsletter, but also in USA's national magazine: Vintage Triumph Registry, and on the Drive Your Triumph Day website: <https://driveyourtriumphday.shutterfly.com>. Please feel free to send this on to other Triumph Owners and Triumph Clubs you may know of, and your club Activities Chairman and Newsletter editor. Last couple of years some Standard Clubs joined in, which is great. Be sure to contact me with any questions you may have, and thank you in advance for getting the message out to your members and friends to Drive their Triumphs on February 10th.

Regards,
Rye Livingston
Activities Chairman
Triumph Travelers Sports Car Club
1960 Triumph TR3A
Mobile: 530-FIND-RYE
DriveYourTriumphDay@gmail.com





NAMGAR GT-48

June 12-16, 2023

Memphis, Tennessee

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Hilton Memphis

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Memphis, TN

(Special rate with registration)

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- Valve Cover Racing
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- Sun Studio
- National Civil Rights Museum
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This well-photoed **Chiefs Fan House** on Commercial Street in Sedgwick, KS, is just a couple doors south of **The Hoof & Horn**, a really great steak restaurant!

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Yes! I would like to join the British Car Club of Wichita!

Name(s): _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____

British Or Other Sports Car(s) Owned:

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Membership dues are **\$10.00** for the full year starting in January 2023.
New memberships prorated.
Renewals at full \$10/year.

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SEND to: Tammy Vandruff,
700 So. Madison, Wichita, KS 67211

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