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**Hello
Everyone!**

Hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving.

We were on a cruise so the thanksgiving meal was a little different.

Lew asked for some pictures so we've attached some for him to include in the newsletter. We didn't take the pictures, but a friend of ours, Angie Mielke, took these wonderful pics and they needed to be shared. Hope you enjoy them.

Hope everyone has a great Christmas.

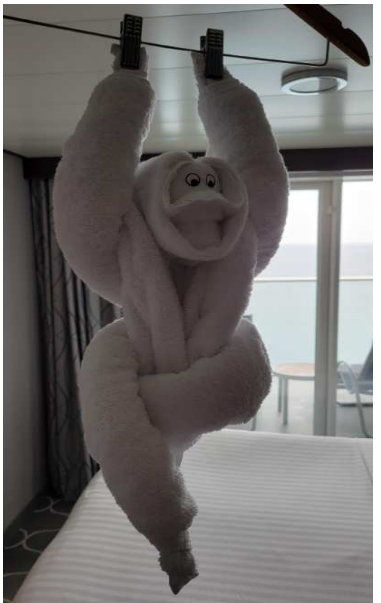
Dan and Shirley

Daniel P. Johnson, PhD
Creative Presentations

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Thanks to Dan & Shirley for some ocean vacation photos that follow, and Thanks to Chuck & Teri for their Beaulieu Museum photos from across the ocean in U K starting page 4. Road Trip Anybody?



IN THE REAR VIEW MIRROR



NOVEMBER was warm & thankfully wet! It was the last of "Orange Cone Contests" held in Yoder. **Sharon & Hank Brillhart** closed out the season at the November 10th Endurocross:

We are finally done with autocross for this year, sad but glad, can't wait for it to start over again next year.

*In between Wichita and Salina Region, we did 34 autocrosses and approximately 204 laps around the course. Each course is different and that's a lot of tire wear and wear on the body! I went through approximately 2 3/4 sets of tires with the MR2 and I'm not for sure o the number on Hank's Miata. We enjoyed our season and it was fun. We wouldn't do it if it weren't fun, with all the new friendships we made over the years, all the rides we gave friends, and helping all the new autocrossers make their way around the course. **Hank and I took first place in the Wichita Region.***

YAY for the Salina Region!!

Hank took fourth and I took first in solo and Pax times. We hope everyone enjoys a wonderful holiday and winter. Take care of your health and be careful.

Merry Christmas to all

and stop in anytime, we'd love to see you!!

Hank and Sharon



BCCW STEPS UP FOR HNDC WALK!



Here are overdue photo credits for our **British Car Club of Wichita Members** who supported the October **Hereditary Neurological**

Disease Centre WALK for Huntingtons Disease.

Top to bottom are the Owners & Drivers:

Dan Johnson

Craig Newell



Rod MacLean

Lewis Blackwell



Richard Anderson

Gregory Suter



Below, **Greg Suter** is with **Isabella Benyshek** and her 1952 Bost Camper brought from Manhattan.



Chuck Robbins Photo Series - Beaulieu, U. K. 2024

Chuck & Teri Robbins, long time members of British Car Club of Wichita, Ks, being Engineer-Types, like to share, so here is a nice photo visit to National Motor Museum, Beaulieu, UK! If you feel so disposed, drop a "Thank You" to: hootiecat5@att.net Chuck's notes for you:

"This might be interesting for everyone.

Directly Below is photo of the **1930 MG type M**. It had **20 hp**, cost **£185**, and was the **First MG** to be badged as a **"Midget"**.





This **1950 Type 15 BRM** (British Racing Motors) had a **supercharger 1.5 V16** and was the first road-racing car to have disk brakes.

This is an **1894 Bremer**. It is believed to be the **First British 4-Wheeled Motorcar**.



This is the **1899 Daimler, 12 hp**. It is one of the two first British cars to run in a European race.

Chuck says, " Here are couple cars from a movie that you might have seen...."



1909 HUMBER 8 HP 1909 Great Britain The 8 hp model was an attempt by Humber to produce a low-cost car and lacked many of the more luxurious features of other Edwardian cars. However, it did share many mechanical features with larger Humber. The clockwise-running engine is cranked anti-clockwise to protect the chauffeur's arm when using the starting handle. This car starred in the film **Chitty Chitty Bang Bang** as the car driven by **Truly Scrumptious**.

Humber was one of Britain's earliest motor manufacturers and, like many others, had its origins in the bicycle industry. The company started in motor manufacture in Coventry during 1896, building French Leon Bollee three-wheelers under licence. By 1900, Humber was building motorcycles, tricycles, and quadricycles. Their first production appeared **1901.Engine: 1,525 cc 2-cylinder: 40 mph Price New: 195 pounds**

Manufacturer: Humber Limited, Coventry. Owner: Montagu Collection

(Above details listed in The Autocar, 17 July 1909)

*(I just thought of something to add. For the movie **Chitty Chitty Bang Bang** they built 6 cars. The one in the outdoor picture, at top, is the car that was in the opening race scenes, and where the kids were playing in it. The woodwork was built by the original supplier and added to make it match the other cars. The car in the museum was built out of aluminum to make it easy to move, and was used in all the green screen special effects shots. All the cars were automatics, as Dick Van Dyke didn't want to drive a standard, and all the polished levers on the side are nonfunctioning and just for show.) Chuck*





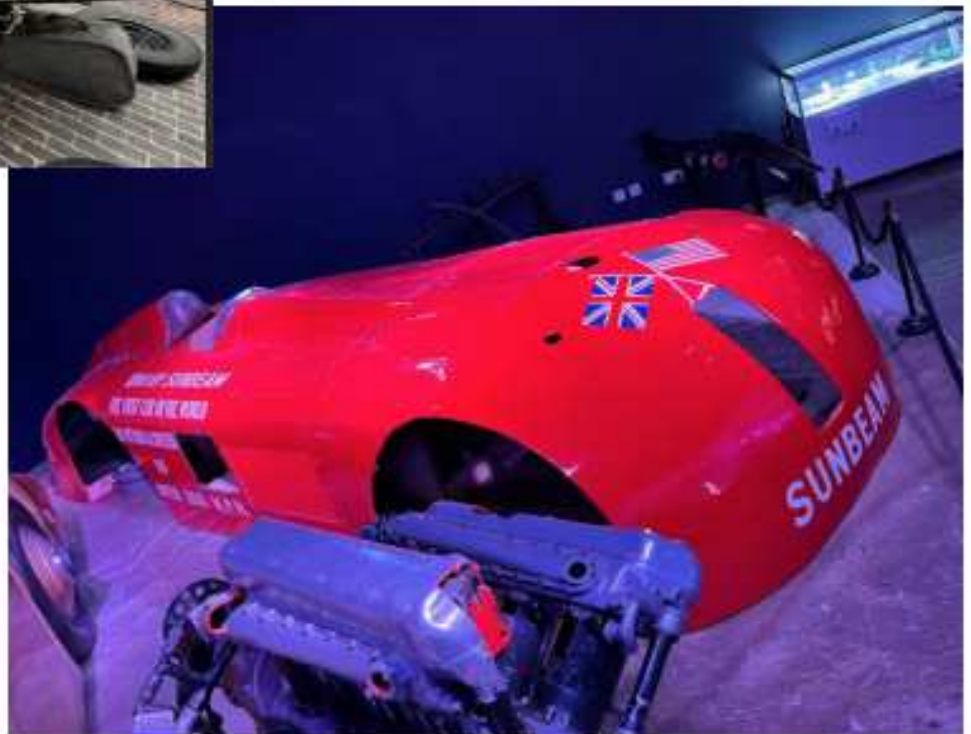
Chuck Says, " All of the pictures are from **National Motor Museum in Beaulieu, U.K.**"



"Pieces of the Sunbeam 200-mph car from 1927. One engine is finished and the second engine is still on display."



At right is the Sunbeam Land Speed Record car that broke 150 mph in 1922. The 1000 hp Sunbeam car that broke 200 mph was also in this museum, but was under restoration.



The MG V6



Chuck, Our thanks for the great shots and taking us with you to the **National Motor Museum in Beaulieu, U.K.**

The Editor

Speaking of cars, here is one nearly all of us all missed that appeared in a Facebook ad in Wichita and sold almost immediately for only **\$5,000!**

Bill Bruce tipped us off about this little fox that appeared & disappeared before any of us in the club had a chance to set out traps for this right-hand drive beauty.

This is a **1997** Mini MGF



Several of us are moanin' & groanin' about missing a chance at it. You have to stay alert for these gems! *Editor*

Here's a personal note on something you might be missing out on ...

I like to try out new restaurants. I found a new, Wine & Food restaurant called **SIMPLY SANGRIA**. Please allow me a personal recommendation: this is a nice place to take your date or mate. It's right in the heart of **Old Town Farm & Market, located at 243 N. Cleveland, Wichita, Ks 316-425-0980**.

Simplysangriawine.com
Brian@simplysangriawine.com

I had Brian's flatbread pizza. Brian has great toppings, and he has **Canadian Bacon**, which is missing from most other pizza kitchens in town. You might call for hours. I think normal hours are 11 to 2 weekdays, later on weekends.



Dress is casual, but the wine is not. I tried the Cranberry-Apple that is light, crisp & tasty. **Brian bottles his selection of wines** at his Wine, Beer & Spirits Store. I took some more of that Cranberry-Apple wine home with me.

This recommendation is mine and not that of BCCW. Do YOU have a place you like?

Please send in your favorite places for good food and drink, large or small, and please include phone and address.

Let's share good places to eat! Your Editor

Steve Olson sent us a MOSS MOTORS ad that CONTAINED a link to a video on one of our favorite cars, **THE MIDGET!**

I can't guarantee you will find it, but it is worth the hunt.

USE THIS ADDRESS TO GOOGLE



The Tiny Sports Car that Changed the World



<moss.sales@info.mossmotors.com>

You will be looking for a video called

"The Tiny Sports Car that Changed the World"



The Tiny Sports Car that Changed the World

If you love learning about automotive history, you should watch this video. Bart takes a look at the story of the MG Midget, following the car from its inception in the 1930s to its iconic reworked 1960s form. He explores how this car was created, how it changed, and made its mark on the automotive industry. [Click here to watch the video.](#)

Good Luck!



Save this Date

June 27 – 28, 2025

Greater Ozarks British Motoring Club Presents “Brits at the Post”



The Greater Ozarks British Motoring Club will be holding our 23rd Annual British Car & Cycle Show on June 27th & 28th 2025.

Friday, June 27th

There will be a BBQ picnic for all registered participants at our host hotel, Best Western, Route 66, Rail Haven, located at 203 S. Glenstone Ave, Springfield, MO 65802. The hotel will have a special room rate for all paid participants.

Saturday, June 28th

The GOBMC Car Show is being held at the American Legion Post 639 located at 2660 S. Scenic Drive, Springfield, MO. A very picturesque location with grass and shade trees in many areas. The car show opens at 9 am, with Awards presentations at 2:30 pm. There will be food & drinks for sale provided by Boy Scout Troop 1890.

More details will soon be available identifying the show schedule, registration, and host hotel by click on this link: <https://gobmccarshow.com/>

Until then, please mark your calendar for June 27th & 28th for this year's Greater Ozarks British Motoring Club Car & Cycle Show. Hope to see you there. If there are any questions feel free to call Bob Eft at (319) 427-4272 or Jon Joyce at (417) 630-8087.

HUMOR PAGE

For those of you who appreciate understated humor, I submit the following:



Tempted to do your own Christmas decorating? *Get a 2nd opinion.*



Some think they can park ANYwhere.



HANK'S GARAGE



Nope. No gas in Hank's tank yet, but the reconfigured dashboard is getting close to completion with a special coating of paint for both looks and endurance. Next, all that wiring gets installed. Spring Trials may yet be met with miles of smiles!



More to come.....



BUGEYE 1960 OLD & NEW - PARTS FOR SALE !

Keith Smith in Bavaria, KS, has a few parts he'd like to part with.

**948 CC ENGINE RAN WHEN REMOVED
OLD CARB BODIES TO BE REBUILT - \$300**

TRANSMISSION OK BEFORE REMOVAL - \$125

NEW in box HEAVY DUTY CLUTCH \$60

**STOCK AIR CLEANER BOXES,
WITH NEW IN BOX K&N FILTERS**

PLUS LOTS OF OLD PIECES FROM REBUILD.

**CALL KEITH TO GET BETTER DESCRIPTION OF
BALANCE OF PARTS TO TAKE HOME FREE,
BUT YOU HAVE TO TAKE IT ALL.**

KEITH SMITH 785-643-6817

OR email him:

Kstrl.4488@outlook.com



1972 MGB FOR SALE.

Original Green, 56,705 miles. Standard 3 Speed, tan upholstery, black cloth top, leather steering wheel cover. Refurbished suspension November last year.

Recently serviced for new oil pump. Maintenance receipts are available.

Asking \$8,000.

Contact Michael Kephart 316-794-8988



MG2025 CRYSTAL LAKE ILLINOIS

JULY 28-31 2025

Registration is not yet open. To Open in late Fall 2024.

For more information, please Email: info@mg2025.org



North American MGB Register
Including MGC, MG Midget, 1100/1300 MG, and Modern MG





The British Car Club of Wichita Ks wishes you and all those around you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The British Car Club of Wichita, Ks

Make Checks Payable to BCCW
 Mail: Tammy Vandruff, 700 South
 Madison, Wichita, Ks 67211

Name(s) _____ YOUR NAME _____ MATE _____

STREET & NUMBER _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

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Membership Dues: **\$10** for the full year...
 NEW memberships prorated per months remaining in year. All renewals at full amount.