Redding British Car Club

May 2021
Compiled & Edited by Charles Laurence

From your editor – We had a good turnout on Mon, 5/10 with 12 members meeting in the shade of some big trees on the south side parking lot of the Civic Auditorium at 2:00.

Evert started the meeting with the announcement that Rick Bosetti has had a stroke. He is on the mend and we wish him a quick recovery.

Evert mentioned that while we have lost a few members, we have picked up more so our numbers have grown. We want to welcome Steve & Kathleen Barker who were former members who moved south and are now back, as well as new members Robert Innes, Jeff Torres, Victor Roy and Billy Nickerson.

Evert announced that we will do a drive to Etna this coming Sat, 5/15. We'll meet in the parking lot of the McDonalds in Shasta Lake City at 9:00

and head out soon after. We'll have lunch at Denny Bar Company in Etna. We'll combine our June meeting with a dam tour on Mon, 6/14.

We had a rather extensive discussion about the possibility of electrifying a British car and apparently there is a company selling conversion kits. Personally, I would miss the sound of those British internal combustion engines but that's just me.

After the meeting, Don Waber led a tour of back roads to the west & south. I would like to call once again for your stories. It can be about an interesting drive you took in your British Car, or a renovation project you've been working on or a persistent problem you've been dealing with. Anything related to British Cars will be welcome. Write me at:

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Recent Events

Harrison Gulch Run – It was another great day on Sat, May 1st when a group of us met at the Bowman Rd car park at 10:00 in the morning. There were 8 cars, consisting of 3 TR's (2 TR-6's & a TR-4), an MGB, a Lotus and a Mini Cooper as well as 2 daily drivers.

We drove up to Gas Point Rd and headed west past the Northern California Veterans Cemetery to a left on Platina Rd and continued west. At about the 26 mile mark, we



stopped to stretch our legs. Back on the road again I looked in my rear view mirror and couldn't believe my eyes. Storming up behind me was what looked like a Morgan 3 Wheeler. I pulled over to let them pass and fall in behind the rest. We followed 36 to White Rock and on to Harrison Gulch Rd to the end where the road was closed and turned around to a picnic spot. We set up our chairs and proceeded to enjoy our sack lunches. We learned that the driver of

the Morgan was new member Robert Innes and the Morgan is a 2013 model with a 2 cylinder air cooled engine. It has very spirited performance and corners like it's on rails.

To get home, I followed 36 west to Wildwood Rd to a right on Hwy 3 and onto 299 at Douglas City. I put on 130 miles and enjoyed a great day of driving even though I was in my daily driver.

McCloud Falls Tour - It was a breezy 62 degrees under Red Flag Warnings on Sat,



May 9th when 5 cars met at the Shasta Lake McDonalds at 9:00 in the morning. There was a TR-6, a Mini Cooper, a Lotus, a Morgan 3 Wheeler and my daily driver. As we headed out to I-5, I got stuck at the light while the other 4 cars made it on as a group and headed north. Try as I might, I couldn't catch up without receiving a citation from the CHP. Fortunately, I knew a pit stop was planned for Dunsmuir and I caught up to them there where we were joined by Don

Waber in his Mini Cooper. From there, we headed east on Hwy 89 through McCloud to the lower McCloud Falls where we stopped. Then a stop at the middle falls where we hiked down to the river and finally to the upper falls where we set up our chairs and had lunch in the shade. It was the usual conversation and car stories during which time we solved most of the world's problems. I passed on the hike to the upper falls and headed for home via Burney which was a very pleasant drive getting home about 3:00.

From the Members

Evert wrote: Charlie and Tammy Daubs were in Redding and moved to Omaha. We miss them in the club.

We took "Snowball" out for a ride last weekend with her twin sister! My car and

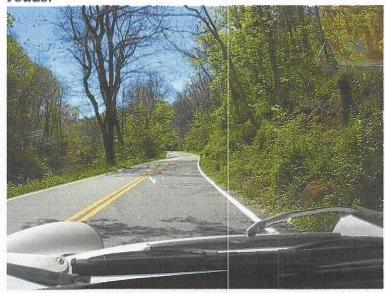


JR's car were both purchased in California in 1974. The both ended up here in Omaha. Tammy spotted JR's car coming home from work one day and tried to flag him down but lost him. A week later she saw him again and this time caught up with him and told him to follow her home. Snowball is on the left!

Pretty weird! Charlie

From: Doug Milota < dougmilota@gmail.com > To: Evert Dale < evertdale@sbcglobal.net > Subject: Nice Drive & Some Interesting Cars

Took the Midget down to Christiansburg, VA today. Found some great back roads.



Reid's List

Evert has passed along a copy of Reid's List which I am unable to cut & paste it into this newsletter. I've just included the whole thing

Classified

This section is for you. It's meant to list anything (British Car related) which you need (parts or cars), or have for sale.

1980 Triumph Spitfire - Excellent Condition, red body, beige interior. Good tires, top & battery. 46,025 miles. Located in Oroville, Washington. Contact Jim Zimmerman 360-878-8423 Asking \$7,999.



1974 TRIUMPH TR6 FOR SALE.

My fully restored TR6 is being offered for sale. I purchased it five years ago after a full restoration was completed. It is a great classic British sports car and I have really enjoyed owning and driving it. I am raising money to purchase a 4x4 truck as I sold my Ram 4x4 diesel to my son so he could pull his travel trailer.

The TR6 is in excellent mechanical and cosmetic condition with green paint and tan interior, top, top cover and tonneau cover (not installed). It has 56,000 total miles. I have put on about 2,000 miles since the restoration was completed. It has only been used on Redding British Car Club tours and events and never driven in the rain or at night. It is stored in a clean, carpeted garage with a trickle charger on the battery.

The TR6 was stripped to the bare frame and the frame was painted. Drivetrain, brakes and suspension parts are all new, upgraded or rebuilt. The remaining parts were used if good or replaced as necessary for proper function or cosmetics. Receipts

for restoration parts total about \$15,000 and estimated restoration labor was 1800 hours over a thirteen year period. I have put an additional \$3000 into the car. Part receipts, chronologically arranged, come with the TR6.

The six cylinder 2.5 liter rebuilt engine starts easily, runs smoothly and is very strong. It has additional horsepower over stock due to the installation of twin SU carburetors, an exhaust manifold and a Monza Exhaust System. The TR6 handles well reflecting a rebuilt front suspension, rebuilt rear suspension with heavy duty



springs and tube shock conversion, and a quick ratio steering rack.

A new tan car cover is included as are new spare parts including tonneau cover, seat cushions, alternator, filters, gaskets and belts. Many original parts are provided including two Solex carbs, the exhaust manifold, luggage rack and front bumper guards. Operating

manuals, restoration manuals and general interest TR6 books are included. The horn contact pin needs adjusting so the horn currently has its power disconnected.

This classic British sports car is a nicely restored, well running TR6 for perfect for touring or local car shows. You can't beat it for a fun top-down drive through the Sierras or generating interest at Caffeine and Cars shows.

I bought the car for \$16,000 and have priced it at \$16,000 firm for local sale. When the California Auto Museum reopens, I will put the TR6 in their classic car sales room at over \$20,000. If you are interested call Bob Harris at 530-547-3525.

Wanted – Pre 1960 MGA. Not looking for a show car. Just a good solid runner. Paint, body & interior unimportant. Charles Laurence 530-782-0546



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Fw: Reminder: Car Culture Capers - May 2021 Edition

2 messages

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For the newsletter.

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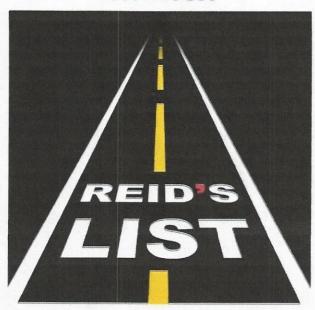
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REID'S RECOMMENDED COLLECTOR CAR EVENTS a.k.a.



Participation = Perpetuation

May 2021 Edition

Some cancelations, some confirmations. Life is like that.

Underground Austin-Healey Tour

Saturday, May 1
Camas WA to Hood River OR

Bet you didn't know that there's a non-club association of Austin-Healey owners in this region (Oregon and Washington). It's like an underground club, but it's not a club. No dues, no officers, no bylaws, no bulls**t. Just good social and driving events.

Sound like something you could warm up to? There's a PDF newsletter with activity information. Email me if you'd like to see it:

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You can join us this coming Saturday on a nice "Touring Season Opener" tour, and you don't even have to drive a Healey. It's breakfast, a drive up the gorge with a destination of the Western Antique Aeroplane & Automobile Museum in Hood River, and then whatever your heart desires.

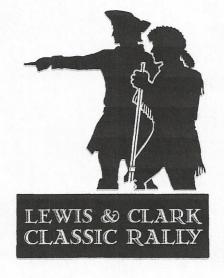
Everyone and all cars invited. No fee. No registration form.



2021 Lewis & Clark Classic Rally

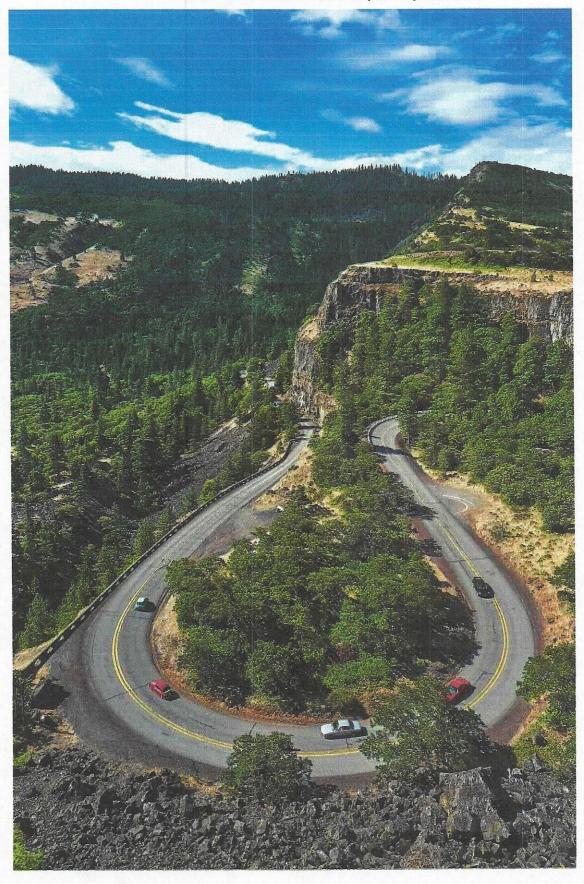
Is on. It's June 25-27.

This is the annual rally that DID happen in 2020, just about ten months ago, and it's on again this year too.



In fact, the response has been greater than ever and it is already sold out. If you want to be in it, please register now to get a high position on the Waiting List. There's always a chance that cancelations will open some slots and we work hard to confirm entries for those on the Waiting List.

Here's a link to the photo album of the 2020 edition to inspire you.



Lewis & Clark Classic Rally

Why we own classic cars.



Yes, this Lancia is in the rally this year.

Portland Transmission Warehouse Spring Classic

Canceled.

This is (was) the biggest car show you've never heard of. If you know about it, there's nothing I can tell you (except that it is canceled this year). If you don't know about it, it's a huge casual gathering of cars that happens in southeast Portland on the Saturday before Mother's Day.

They promise to be back next year ... conditions permitting.

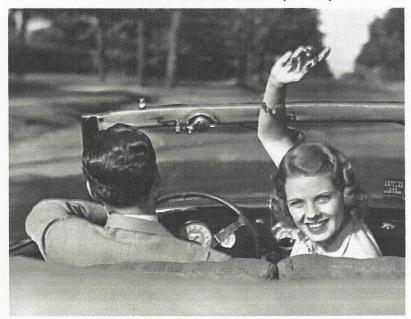


Forest Grove Concours

Canceled.

If you know anything about the car culture in the Portland area, you already know all about the Forest Grove Concours and it has now been canceled two years in a row. That's another big hole in the heart of the car culture in the region.

"Maybe next year" is wearing thin - no reflection at all on the organizers - they do a great job, but it seems like there's a market opportunity to start a concours in Idaho. I got yer "new normal" right here, babe!



Fifth Annual Fort Kennedy Cruise-In & Motorcycle Ride

Supporting Homeless Veterans

Is on.

Sunday, August 29, 10 am - 4 pm

I want to make a special pitch for this event. There are lots of cruise-ins, but this one is different. It is a fund-raiser for Fort Kennedy, and Fort Kennedy is the brainchild of Tina Kennedy. That's First Sergeant (retired) Kennedy to you and me.

As a veteran myself, I personally checked out Fort Kennedy. I was blown away (in a good way) by what a great resource 1SG Kennedy has created for supporting struggling veterans in the Portland area. Check out the website: <u>Fort Kennedy</u> And I mean really check it out. Take a look at everything they're doing and offering for veterans there.

The Cruise-In has a \$15 entry fee (and donations are welcome) and includes a barbecue, a raffle, and Huckleberry milkshakes, and takes place at the Sideline Sports Bar, 6001 NE Win Sivers Drive, Portland 97220.

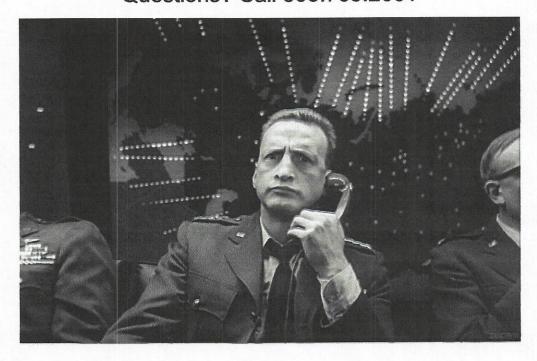
Get out of your rut and meet some people and see some cars and bikes that you won't likely see at your usual club meetings and events. I can't make any stronger endorsement than this: *It supports veterans.*

The Cruise-In begins at

10 am, Sunday, August 29, Sideline Sports Bar.

(The motorcycle ride starts at the High Rocks Restaurant,
915 Arlington Street, Gladstone. Sign-in begins at 8:30
with KSU (Kick Stands Up) at 10 am.)

Questions? Call 503.765.2661



Portland

All British Field Meet

Is on.

This is the biggest British car show in the USofA. It's **September 3-5** at Portland International Raceway.

Registration opens June 1.

I've been drafted onto the organizing committee, but don't let that detour you. Mark your calendar. Tell your friends, even those who don't own a British car or bike. Spectators are also welcomed.

There was a mini-version of the event last year, "off site," but as of right now we're planning the full-fledged <u>beano</u>.

Stay tuned. Get your British car tuned. The British ARE coming.