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President's Message

Hello Everyone,

Summer is finally in full swing. Top-down rides are the life. But the rain... To get my driving time connected with favorable weather is challenging but not impossible. I've been out there a few times dodging puddles and rain clouds. Let me see what's been going on with the British Car Club of Delaware? If memory serves there was an event on the first of June...



Oh, yes, our British Motoring Club of Delaware was very fortunate to have been invited to Winterthur's Historic Autos Display Special Lecture: "Ten Best British Motor Cars, 1947-1964" June 1. Representatives of The British Car Club Delaware were Bill Tattersall with his 1948 Triumph Roster, Arnie Yoder and his 1962 Triumph TR3A, Jim Martin with his 1964 Austin Healey 3000, Marion Woodruff with her 1964 Sunbeam Alpine Series IV and John McDonald with his 1962 Austin Healey MK II 3000 Tri Carb. These cars, along with others of the same vintage, were perfectly aligned in a royal procession fit for the crown. Those who attended had a great time talking British cars and meeting like-minded auto enthusiasts. We owe a great deal of thanks to Dr. Thomas Guiler for the invitation and to the Winterthur staff for extending every courtesy. I know we'll be invited back!

Not to be outdone. Seven of our BCCD members met and drove our British cars into Winterthur supporting our BCCD invited members. They were George Alderman - Jaguar XKR, Sharon Kalinowski - Triumph TR-3, Geoff Sundstrom - Jaguar XJS, Trevor Mees - Jaguar XJS, Terry Young - Jaguar XK8, Kirk Whaley - Triumph TR6 and Calvin Jackson - MG Midget. Needless to say our car club was In-The-House! We topped off the day by having lunch at the BBC Tavern & Grill, Kenneth Pike.

To think all of this activity was on the first of June! It will be tough to top but I'll try. We received approval through Bill Wilson and Duane Brown to hold our fall car show at the Friends of Bellanca Airfield, 2 Centerpoint Blvd, New Castle, DE 19720. I urge you to visit their website <https://www.friendsofbellanca.org> to see what they offer. The show registration is included in this British Diamond newsletter. Fill it out and get your car ready. You have plenty of time - well three months. Oh my, there is so much to do and we'll get there!

Also in September, as if the car show wasn't enough, the Southern chapter is sponsoring their annual fun rally. On September 21. Since Trevor and Betty won last year they get to determine the rally course this year. As the time get near look for the start location and time announcement. I anticipate as much fun as last year.

Drive safely - there are fun times ahead. Georgia and I don't want you to miss them!

Terry Young

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Profile of Bill Tattersall

President—Southern Chapter

You could say that I was practically born with a wrench in my hand, much to my Dad's regret. He was a big fan of old Indian motorcycles and, one day when he was at work, 4 year old Bill decided to work on his bike. I don't know how I was able to get so many parts off of it with 1 little adjustable wrench but I never lived that down. I don't know how many times Dad told this story over the years.

I have always been interested in machinery and cars and my current love for sports cars was ignited when I happened to attend a hill climb that was an annual affair many years ago in Yorklyn, DE. This was in the mid 60's and when I saw George Alderman blast up the hill in his Cooper Alfa, I was hooked. I quickly obtained one of the new Triumph Spitfires with visions of racing glory in my future.

At that time there was a very active autocross series held by the Brandywine Motorsports Club at the Wilmington Airbase and at a parking lot in Dover. There were many typical street sports cars like MG, Jag and Triumph but also allowed were full race ready cars. I was not making much money at the time but I worked with the Spitfire in this venue until I decided it was ready for SCCA driver's school. This included borrowed second hand tires. I attended the school at the old Vineland, New Jersey track but, at that point, the tires were so worn that I could not continue without new ones and I could not afford them on my DuPont salary. I realized that maybe I wasn't meant to be a race car driver.

I eventually sold the Triumph and decided to get into AMA Motocross racing. Over a period of 2 years I went through several bikes including a Ducati, a Bultaco and a Montessa. In your 20's, you start to develop some sense of vulnerability whereas the 14 year olds I was racing against had none. I got tired of them beating me so I decided to move on to other hobbies like skiing, shooting and scuba diving and finally fell back on my lifetime love of the ocean and decided to become a charter boat captain. Initially, I booked mostly fishing parties but eventually shifted to taking out scuba divers which I do to this day. Dana was a customer on my boat when we met and she must have liked the captain because we are still together 20+ years later. She designed our new house to enable us to display many of the artifacts that we have recovered during diving trips to the ship wrecks off the coast.



Through the years I continued to follow the sports car scene including the then fledgling car show in Lewes and in the late 1990's I decided to get back in. I shopped long and hard and ended up with a Triumph TR6 which eventually gave way to an Elva Courier. Wanting something a little more unusual, I became aware of the Triumph 2000 Roadster made from 1948 to 1949. There were not many in the US but I happened across one on EBay. It was typical EBay, looking much better on line than in reality. I bought it sight unseen and, when it arrived I said to myself, "what have I gotten myself into?" However with Dana's support I persevered and the end result is very gratifying. We enjoy taking the car to events where it never fails to attract attention.

My other automotive interests include antique tractors, a 1950 flat head Ford pickup and a 1976 Triumph Bonneville and 1958 Royal Enfield motorcycle. I'm always on the look out for something new and different.

I have been president of the Southern Chapter for BCCD for a number of years and really enjoy doing things with all the great new people I have met. Also, through the connection to BMC, it is great to reunite with guys I was associated with back in the 60's.

NORTHERN CHAPTER



Meeting 5/15/2019

The May 15th meeting was held at McGlynns-Pike Creek. Terry started by welcoming the 7 members and 2 officers who attended.

Although the Treasurer was not in attendance, Calvin provided the treasurer's report to Terry. The report shows an ending balance of \$4,057.51. Questions regarding recent deposits were explained as car show t-shirt sponsor revenue. The treasurer's report was accepted by vote.

Minutes of the April 25th meeting were previously made available to members via binhost and Facebook. Sharon provided printed copies as well. Jim Martin motioned to accept the minutes, which was approved.

General information was discussed. All members were encouraged to submit entries to Trevor Mees for the newsletter. Our Facebook and website account manager, Geoff Sundstom, is available to help with our specific needs. Concerns of the use of Binhost vs Member list for email were discussed. Terry will speak with Bill Tattersall regarding the need for all members to be included in club function correspondence.

Next was new business. BCCD will sponsor an all age, British only, car and motorcycle show tentatively scheduled for Saturday, September 14th at the Friends of Bellanca Airfield, 2 Centerpoint Blvd., New Castle, DE. Bill Wilson and Duane Brown will confirm with the museum and will also chair the event. More information will be available upon approval.

Those participating in the drive to Winterthur Museum on Saturday, June 1 (rain date June 2) for the historic auto display of British vehicles like those featured in the Netflix show The Crown, will meet at the Greenville Crossing Shopping Center, 4011 Kennett Pike, Wilmington, DE. Many of our members were personally invited to display their cars. Time to meet is tbd.

A weather permitting club drive to Elkton, MD for the fourth Thursday of the month show was suggested. A donation only event, streets are closed to allow cars for display. More information to follow.

Other new business, the BCCD now has a designated post office box which Calvin has agreed to monitor. Regalia have been inventoried; suggestions are to list on the website for purchase and eventual liquidation. Terry explained the need of a list of events that we can use as a group and is looking for volunteers to form a scheduling committee.

Next meeting is set for Wednesday, June 19.

Meeting 6/19/2019

The June 19th meeting was held at McGlynns-Pike Creek. Terry started by welcoming the 8 members and 3 officers who attended.

Terry provided a Car Show and Meeting Agenda to guide our meetings. These were sent out BINHOST a few days earlier.

CAR SHOW

We talked about setting up a time line and additional meetings leading up to the show. Nothing established but will have the additional meeting scheduled. All in attendance agreed they could participate. We looked at the remaining tasks and each followed up with a dialog what could be accomplished.

We talked about inviting the Jaguar Dealer who could possibly provide one or two cars. George will contact them. Don indicated he has contacted UPS who will print quantities of show applications and posters. Terry will create a poster and send out for review. We talked about contacting as many media companies as possible to provide advertising and public exposure leading up to the show.

There was a discussion about posting to Facebook and our Website. Geoff posted the announcement in Facebook last month once the approval made by Friends of Bellanca Air Field.

REGULAR MEETING

Calvin provided a detailed verbal activity report. Current records reflect a balance of \$2,833.73.

Again it was stressed Geoff and Trevor need event and social interest input. As local events were discussed, we all agreed to keep each other informed when participating using our collective communication means (binhost, Facebook). Drive outings were encouraged, the first for June 23, Beers and Gears (Sharon), Thursday, June 27th to Elkton, MD for their third Thursday monthly show (Marion), and September 21st to the Coatesville Grand Prix (Jim). We were reminded the Southern Chapter is having their rally the same day as the grand prix, and their monthly meeting is Tuesday, June 25th.

Great contacts were made with Winterthur; BCCD was assured to be invited back and perhaps a car show venue in the future!

Next meeting is set for Wednesday, July 17th.

SOUTHERN CHAPTER



The British Are Coming.....Again winners from the BCCD

Tod Emeigh, 1955 Austin-Healey, Second Place—Category I-Up to 1956;
Ron Jernigan, 1966 Austin Mini Cooper S, First Place—Category III-1963-1968;
Rhon & Carolyn Jernigan, 1970 TR6, Second Place—Category IV-1969-1974;
Jackie & Stan Breita, 1990 Jaguar XJS V12, Second Place—Category VI-1981-2000;
Mike Humphries, 1989 Bentley Eight Third Place—Category VI-1981-2000.

Congratulations to you all.

Meeting May 28th

The guest speaker was Dave Shugard of Blue Ribbon Classic Auto Appraisal Service LLC. He gave a detailed presentation of appraisals and why we need them. He also touched on the different types of classic car insurance.



He was presented with one of the club's logo blankets.

Meeting June 25th

We welcomed new members Roy Thompson (1960 Triumph TR3 in black over red, 1972 MGB in turquoise)and Dave Haines (1957 MGA, 1960 Austin Healey 3000).

It was suggested that another trip to Suicide Bridge was in order, including a lunch trip on the stern wheeler. The suggestion was well received and Bill will follow up.

Mike Tyler gave a slide show of his and Pat's trip to the Amelia Island, Florida, show. Some very interesting and unusual cars.

Fun Rally—Saturday September 21st Trevor & Betty

The rally will start and end at our house (2 Country Lane, Lewes). Please arrive by 11:30 in order to enjoy pre-rally nibbles and beverages. The first car will be away at Noon followed by the others at 10 minute intervals. The rally will be about 30 miles and should take participants about 1 hour to complete.

We will provide the entrée but please bring a side dish or dessert for the feast.

Please email us at trevormees@outlook.com if you plan to participate in the rally or come for the Après-Rally feast.

Winterthur—June 2019

Trevor Mees

Geoff Sunstrom and I, in our XJS Convertibles, set off from Lewes at 8 o'clock in the morning to drive the 2 plus hours to Winterthur for the show put on to celebrate The Crown (Netflix). British cars from the period 1947 to 1964 would be on display, reflecting the period depicted in the first 2 seasons.



We drove the pretty way, up Route 9 from the Air Force base, through Little Creek and Leipsic, up to Port Penn and Delaware City, and finally to old New Castle, where we used Route 141 to get us to the meeting point in Greenville. The perfect weather made for a very pleasant drive.

We met up with the others and drove the short distance to Winterthur, where we found an empty area in the parking lot to show off our cars.

Ambling down to the show area we were greeted with a lovely sight. A row of LBCs glinting in the sun, and another row further up the slope, of Rolls Royces and Bentleys. To “crown” it all 2 of Winterthur’s own 1927 Rolls Royces were on display.

The Club was represented by



Bill Tattersall
1948 Triumph Roadster



Arnie Yoder
1962 Triumph TR3A



Jim Martin
1964 Austin Healey 3000



Marion Woodruff
1964 Sunbeam Alpine Series IV



Don McDonald
1962 Austin Healey MK II 3000 Tri Carb



BRITISH CAR CLUB DELAWARE

BRITS AT FRIENDS OF BELLANCA AIRFIELD

SEPTEMBER 14, 2019

- 10AM-3PM, field opens at 9:30AM
- \$15 pre-registered by 9/8/2019, \$20 day of
- Awards at 2:30
- More Car Show Information contact Sharon Kalinowski, (302) 999-7613, email sdka1@verizon.net
- Visit www.bccdelaaware.org
- Located at Friends of Bellanca Airfield, 2 Centerpoint Blvd, New Castle, DE 19720
- Dash plaque to first 75 entrants
- Awards for Best in Show; Top 5 Pre-1980 and Top 5 Post-1981 by popular choice.
- Open to all years, makes, models British autos and motorbikes.

SEND CHECK PAYABLE TO BCCD To: British Car Club Delaware September Car Show, C/O Sharon Kalinowski 800 Woodland Avenue, Wilmington, DE 19808 or P.O. Box 5317, Wilmington, DE 19808.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

MARQUE: _____ **MODEL:** _____ **YEAR:** _____

Waiver of liability:

I am aware of the hazards inherent with motor vehicle events and specifically release and do indemnify the organizers, supporting sponsors, and the British Car Club Delaware collectively and separately, from any and all liability from personal injury or property damage incurred by me or any guests while participating in the 2019 Car Show. I understand and agree that the British Car Club Delaware reserves the right to revoke my registration and retain my registration fee should I engage in reckless, dangerous, and/or unsafe behavior.

I have read, understand, and agree to this release. No refunds. No rain date.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Need some professional help with your LBC? Here is the link to a list of resources for a variety of things from general maintenance to bodywork and upholstery.

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Car Events 2019

July 20th, 6pm—8:30 pm—British Car Owners Ice Cream Social— www.bmcnj.com
5 Points Custard, E. Landis and Tuckahoe, East Vineland, NJ

August 10th (rain August 17th) - Wilmington Cruise In

August 17th— Peach Festival parade and show—Middletown

September 7th —Cripple Creek Car Show - Dagsboro

September 8th (rain September 15th) —Wheels and Wine—Felton

September 14th —Northern Chapter Car Show—Bellanca Airfield, New Castle

September 21st —Southern Chapter Fun Rally—Lewes

October 5th —Wings and Wheels—Georgetown



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Norman Dewis 1920—2019



Jaguar's renowned test driver died June 8th at the age of 98. He was Jaguar's lead tester from 1952 until 1985 and was instrumental in the development of Jaguars from the C Type up to the XJS. He is famous for his help in developing disc brakes, which were fitted for the first time to the C Type that won the 1953 24 hours of Le Mans.

Also in 1953 he drove an XK120 to 172 mph, setting the land speed record for production cars.

He was pretty small in stature and fitted easily into the E Type as it was being developed. I think this accounted for it not being noticed that the average American man (the primary market for the car) would have trouble fitting in one. It was soon rectified by fitting a dished footwell. The early 'flat floor' cars now command a premium over later cars.

Any of you driving one of the following cars has Norman to thank.

XK120, 140 and 150, C, D and E Types, Mark II, VIII, IX and X, XJ6 (including XJ40) and XJ-S.

Grace, Pace and Space indeed!

Trevor

British Car Club Delaware Regalia

New Logo T-shirt logo

Sizes Available

M; L; XL; 2XL - \$10.00; 3XL - \$12.00



T-Shirt W/ Old Logo

S; M; 2XL - \$20.00

Green Polo

M; L; XL; 2XL - \$20.00; 3XL - \$22



Men's Light Tan Polo Shirts

L; XL; 2XL - \$20.00; 3XL - \$22.00

Dark Tan Polo

M; L; XL; 2XL - \$20.00

Dark Pink V-Neck T-Shirt

M; L; XL; 2XL - \$20.00



Sweatshirts

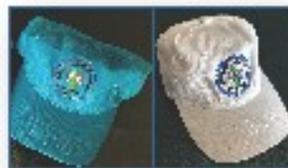
S; M; L; XL; 2XL - \$31.00 3XL - \$33.00

Light Pink V-Neck T-Shirt

M; L; XL; 2XL - \$20.00

Green Fleece Jackets

M; L; XL; 2XL - \$33.00; 3XL - \$40.00



Hats

White; Teal; Light Blue - \$15.00

Blue Fleece Jackets

M; L; XL; 2XL; 3XL - \$33.00

Brown Fleece Jackets

M; L; XL; 2XL - \$33.00

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Riley One-Point-Five, I owned one in the 60's in Damask Red. I loved it.