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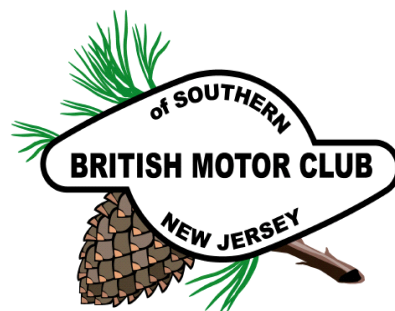
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

September and October were busy for BMC. Our Annual Show at NJMSP and the Joan Ley-Byrne tool sale were successful. The late Ted Lane did an outstanding job organizing and running our Sept. show. Thanks Ted. Ed Gaubert and your editor helped Joan Ley-Byrne find new homes for her late husband Ted Ley's tools (see photos on Pg. 7).

November brings our Annual Planning Meeting where we will discuss our 2016 events schedule and hopefully find a member to step up and fill the vacant Board of Directors slot created by the untimely passing of Ted Lane. Any questions on what is involved in serving on our Board send me an E-mail at my1971mgb@comcast.net or call 609-567-2676

November, December, January and February are "down" months for driving our LBC's but it's "prime time" for car projects. If any readers/members have a project, I'd like to know about it and perhaps visit and photograph the work for a future newsletter issue. Give me a call (609-567-2676) so we can discuss.

Fall is a time when we are surrounded by nature's beauty but it's also when we must prepare for winter. We will be challenged by winter weather conditions just to go about our daily lives. Whenever the seasons change we also tend to contemplate past joys, trials and losses such as the passing of dear friends, family illnesses and other of life's travails. I recently have experienced such things and can't say I'm through with them at the time of this writing but life is full of the unexpected both good and not so good. I'm looking forward to more of the good things.

BILL CARROLL

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

MEMBER COUNT (as of 10/27/15): 163

NEW MEMBERS

Robert Roy '70 Triumph TR-6 Allentown, NJ

Wayne Edwards Newfield, NJ

Vic Porcelli 2004 Mini Cooper S.
Haddon Heights, NJ

Paul Serdiuk '71MGB Gibbsboro, NJ

David Cutler '59 Austin-Healey Sprite
Moorestown, NJ

Eliot Rapoport '80 MGB Atlantic City, NJ

SECRETARY'S SATCHEL

Of course the event in the forefront of our collective consciousness is the loss of our dear friend and BMC Board member Ted Lane. When we loose a friend we all tend to reflect on what we would want said in our eulogies. I think it is better to have the fortitude of good character and live out our faith in our attitudes and actions to benefit others. Ted was one who lived, loved and was loved and respected by all who knew him. We will miss you Ted , gweld chi yn y ne-foedd. Our hearts and prayers also go out to our friend and BMC Board member Pete Bahr on the loss of his dear wife Janet.

This year's events, from the Tech Session in March, the July Ice Cream Social and the BMC Annual Show at New Jersey Motorsports Park, which is featured in this newsletter, were well attended. Coming up on Tues. November 17 (6 PM to eat, 7 PM to attend meeting) will be our Annual Planning Meeting at the Palace Diner on Rt. 73 in Berlin. Plan to attend to give your input on the 2016 events schedule and also to discuss filling the vacancy on the Board of Directors created by Ted Lane's passing.

A huge "thank-you" goes out to our current officers and Board members for their commitment to the fun and success of the Club. If you wish to be considered for an officer's position or to become a member of the Board of Directors please E-mail Bill Carroll: my1971mgb@comcast.net and let him know of your willingness to serve. Remember, get involved, volunteer for events by contacting the coordinators listed in the events schedule and lend a hand. See you on the road..

HAPPY MOTORING

TOM EVANS

BMC's ANNUAL SHOW at NJMSP in MILLVILLE



BEST IN SHOW - 2nd place (above)
Bill Cozzi's '66 Morris Minor

BEST IN SHOW—1st PLACE (left)
Eric & Meg Sunberg '58 MGA

Saturday September 19 brought 35 British cars to the New Jersey Motor Sports Lightning Track for the BMC Annual Show. The BMC show paddock was at the foot of the Lightning Track access bridge and was surrounded by vintage motorcycle racing teams. On our left was a team with a vintage racing 500 CC single cylinder Velocette and racing Vincent 1,000 CC twin (\$250K plus in value). On our right were vintage Triumph racing motorcycles including a very rare 220 CC single cylinder model and a 650 CC BMW twin with sidecar..

BMC had it's own gathering of the Vintage Racing Group 2015 honored marque "ELVA" (see photos Pg. 5). Three (3) of the four (4) ELVA's owned by BMC members made it Millville. Joe Marchione's ELVA didn't make the show because it was in the shop having it's frame straightened but Joe did bring his prize winning '59 Lotus Elite S-1 (see photo below).

BEST IN SHOW - 3rd Place
Joe & Patricia Marchione's '59 Lotus Elite S-1



George Lawton's '66 Triumph
TR-4 A "IRS"

MORE PHOTOS OF BMC's ANNUAL SHOW at NJMSP in MILLVILLE, NJ



Skip Lustig's '66 ELVA Courier Mk II



Bob Prescott's '67 ELVA Courier Mk II



Carl Schwab's '59 ELVA Courier Mk I



Gary Cossaboon's '59 ELVA Courier 1500 Mk I

The weather on Sept. 19 was clear and sunny, an ideal day for a car show and for racing. The motorcycle racing teams surrounding our show ground were very active throughout the day. Large displacement vintage motorcycles burning high octane racing fuel do not have on board electric starters and due to high compression (up to 13 to 1) cannot be started using their kick levers. A battery powered roller "treadmill" is used to turn the rear wheel and start these bikes.

The sidecar racing cycles were particularly fascinating with driver and open sidecar rider. Most sidecar teams were made up of a male driver and female rider. The open sidecar is nothing more than a flat wheeled platform with grab bars which the rider uses to counter balance the unit in turns. In left turns the rider leans out over the track using the grab bars while in right turns the rider drapes over the bike behind the driver to help maintain traction on the drive wheel. Sidecar riders must also be very gymnastic to nimbly use their bodies in the complex dance needed to maintain aerodynamics in the straights and to counter balance in turns.

It was a great day at our show with an excellent turn out of BMC members and cars. THANKS to those who attended.

BILL CARROLL

Joan Ley Byrne Tool Sale



Before (left) and after (right) of tool sale



Joan Ley Byrne ran a sale to dispose of her late husband Ted's mechanics tools and Jaguar parts. 16 BMC members took advantage of the opportunity to pick up hand tools at very low prices. The sale took place at Joan's Medford home where the tools were laid out on the 2 car garage floor. Photos above show the \$1.00 and \$2.00 areas before and after the sale. There was also a \$5.00, \$7.00 and \$10.00 area. What few tools were left were boxed up for donation to a local veteran's organization.

Those members who took advantage of this opportunity know what great buys they made. Member Joe Chilbert made a great deal on most of the Jaguar XKE parts. The big winner of the day was member Roy Sperbeck who bought all of the hardware assortments and what remained in the "grap bag" catch-all box of miscellaneous **"stuff"**. This box was a treasure trove of unclassifiable "smalls" which Roy will have hours of enjoyment unpacking and identifying.

BILL CARROLL

TED LANE: BMC BOARD MEMBER, EVENT ORGANIZER

Ted Lane lost his life tragically in a motorcycle accident on September 26, 2015. Ted ran two (2) events each year for BMCSNJ: The Early Spring Chili-fest in March at his home in Newfield and the Annual BMC Home Show in September at the New Jersey Motor Sports Park in Millville.

Ted was a gifted artist/artisan and graphic designer. He handcrafted the trophies presented to popular vote winners of "Best in Show" awards at our annual show including the first prize: **Piston Cup** award. He was an accomplished mechanic who applied his skills to numerous auto and motorcycle restoration projects, many of which were carried out with the help of BMC member Gary Warren and his two sons in his beautifully appointed garage behind his home in Newfield, NJ.

At the BMC Annual home show on September 19 this year, Ted related his experiences, travelling with his sons Patrick and Christian, for a once in a lifetime visit to the **Isle of Man** (in the English Channel) for the Historical Motorcycle Races. Ted was amazed at the age of some of the competitors (in their 70's and even 80's) who ran their historic cycles at full racing speeds around the **37.75 mile** long **Isle of Man** road course. American car guys have their "bucket list" events (Pebble Beach CA, Amelia Island FL and Greenwich CT). American motorcyclists have their events (Daytona FL, Laconia NH and Sturgis SD) **but** the Isle of Man Tourist Trophy (TT) and Historical Races are the **WORLD'S MUST ATTEND** "bucket list" motorcycle pilgrimage. Ted made that trip in August 2015.

Below and on pages 10 and 11 are photos from past BMC events Ted made happen.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- The information shown below is the most complete available as this newsletter is printed, and will be entered as space allows.
- **Bill Carroll is keeper of BMC event schedules**, you can contact Bill at my1971mgb@comcast.net
- Priority will be given to British Car events which do not conflict with events sponsored by BMC or neighboring clubs..

MONTH	DATE	BMC EVENT (events in bold are confirmed)	LOCATION	POINT OF CONTACT
MARCH	21	Motorcar Garage Tech. Session - Inspections 10 AM	42 North Pine St. Maple Shade, NJ 08052	Pete Cosmides 856-667-6657
APRIL	4	Early Spring Chili Fest hosted by Ted Lane 11 AM	1318 Columbia Ave. Newfield, NJ 08344	Ted Lane 856-691-6631
APRIL	11	Ted Ley Memorial Gathering to benefit Samaritan Hospice 10 AM	Historic Smithville U.S. Rt. 9 & Moss Mill Rd. Galloway Twp., NJ 08205	Bill Carroll 609-567-2676 my1971mgb@comcast.net
MAY	9	Williamstown Show 10 AM BMC & Monroe Twp. Historical Society	313 South Main St. Williamstown, NJ 08094	Bill Carroll 609-567-2676
JUNE	13*	Jack Kontes River Ranch Meet * rain June 20 11 AM	7 Eagle Beach Drive Millville, NJ 08332	Jack Kontes 856-327-1607
JULY	25	BMC's Ice Cream Social 5 Points Custard 6 PM— 8:30 PM	580 Tuckahoe Road Vineland, NJ 08360	Rob Walsh robgt71@verizon.net
AUG.	15	Tour of South Jersey Leaves from Peter's Diner Williamstown, NJ 10 AM	Roadways of Gloucester, Cumberland & Salem Counties, NJ	Bill Carroll 609-567-2676 my1971mgb@comcast.net
SEPT.	19	BMC Annual Show 10 AM — 2 PM	New Jersey Motorsports Lightning Track Millville, NJ	Ted Lane 856-691-6631 lanead@comcast.net
OCT.	17	Joan Ley-Byrne Tool Sale 10 AM	10 Forest Hills Dr.. Medford, NJ 08055	Ed Gaubert 856-751-7773
NOV.	17	BMC Annual Planning Meeting (Tues. night-6 PM)	Palace Diner 100 North Rt. 73 Berlin, NJ	Bill Carroll 609-567-2676 my1971mgb@comcast.net
OTHER BRITISH CAR EVENTS				

SEPT.	10 thru 13	Six Pack Trials Garden State 6 PACK TR-6 & TR-250 Owner's Club	Stockton Seaview Hotel 401 S. New York Rd. Absecon, NJ	Dr. Stuart Honick 609-457-0417 drhonick@gofeet.com
OCT.	10	Brits at Peddler's Village	US Rt. 202 & PA Rt. 263 Lahaska, PA	phillymgbclub.com

YOUR AD COULD APPEAR HERE Find a home for those extra parts or that car that you will never get around to restoring. Raise some cash to buy more extra parts or projects that you do not need!!

Contact Ed Gaubert: mggarage@comcast.net

Ads will appear for two (2) issues , as space allows



FOR SALE; 1967 MGB Brooklands style. Great looking reliable driver. Was asking \$12k, will take \$10k as I have found something else to buy. Call for details. Paul Mertens 609 567 0557

FOR SALE: MGB parts. I will let these go cheap, come look, and make an offer:

2 rears, 1 for wire wheels, one for bolt on wheels

1 motor, complete and worked fine when I swapped it out for a V8, been in my garage in storage for 6 or 8 years

1 motor, complete but I have had it so long I can't vouch for it working, probably not.

One or two 4 speed transmissions, non overdrive. I know one works. It came out of my 74 1/2 BGT when I pulled the motor/tranny swap for V8 swap mentioned earlier.

4 spoke wheels, good shape but painted, not chrome.

Skip Fipp Northfield NJ Wfipp@aol.com

FOR SALE. Nice cloth interior for MGB GT. Removed from my 73 GT. Professionally done, not original but reasonably close for a driver. You get 2 blue cloth front seats, a blue back seat (both pieces), blue door panels, blue door cappings, and all of the other side panels. Why buy an expensive kit and do all of the hard work. For \$275 all of this can be yours, ready to install in a day. Excellent condition, only removed because I wanted an early style interior
Ed Gaubert mggarage@comcast.net.

FOR SALE. MGA bonnet, good used condition \$300. 1956-1958 MGA 1500 transmission, splined output shaft. Used condition, inspection welcomed in Bridgeton NJ. \$100. Gary Cossaboon 856-455-8349 gcssbn@aol.com

FOR SALE. 1975 TR6, very nice condition. 4speed overdrive, power steering. \$12,000 Frank 609-927-1038
anglobikes@gmail.com

FREE. A bit off topic, but we thought they do not leak oil, so we thought they might be of interest to someone. All of the following cameras came out of an estate, they appear to be in good condition, but they have not been tested. (1) Polaroid 35MM "One Flash" camera, (1) Argus Seventy Five Lens reflex w/case, (1) Bell & Howell 720 Auto Flash (focus free), (1) Minolta Pocket Auto Pak 70, (1) Minolta 110 Zoom SLR Camera/Rokko 25-50 mm F4.5 Macro Lens, (1) Ricoh FF-90 Super 1:2.8 Auto Focus 35mm, (1) miscellaneous case, (1) flash attachment—unknown application, labelled "ouantaray" These are FREE. Just like car parts, we hate to see camera stuff thrown out.
Pick up in Pitman NJ. Russ Young dryatty@gmail.com

FOR SALE. Race car trailer, 8.5 feet x 22 feet long. Only 15 road trips on it. Fully optioned with 4 bunks, mattresses, blankets, cooking facilities (propane or electric). Spare tire mounted on wall. Asking \$9,900. Joe Chiarello 856-825-5432 609-247-0485 chia219@comcast.net

FOR SALE. 1970 MGB roadster. Full restoration in 2005 including new paint, rebuilt engine bored .20 over with 1/4 race cam, Weber carb and Peco racing exhaust. New clutch, brakes, suspension with updated SPAX shocks, 60 spoke chrome wire wheels. Soft top in great condition, new tonneau cover. New interior panels and carpet. Garage kept, driven only 3800 miles since restoration. \$11,200 or best offer. Eric Sundberg 609-476-4239 efsun@verizon.net

FOR SALE. Spridget roll bar. Taken from a 70's midget but will fit most years Midget or AH Sprite. Very good condition, but you might want to paint it. \$50 Ted Cianfrani 609-206-2224

WANTED TIG welding outfit. Please leave message if nobody answers. Tony Delia 856-881-9638. tdelia@comcast.net

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