



English Auto Society Knoxville, Tennessee

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March 2010 Newsletter

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**CLUB DUES FOR 2010 REMAIN AT \$20.00 IF YOU HAVEN'T YET PAID PLEASE
SEND YOUR CHECK TO MARK CALDWELL**

Our apologies for the late Newsletter, hope you made it to some of the events in March, and here are some upcoming dates for your calendar:

April Meeting:

Angelo's Brick Oven, Lenoir City – April 1st, 7:00 p.m. The address is 175 Kelsey Ln, Lenoir City, TN 37772-6440. Take 321 off I75, then 7th left onto Simpson Rd E; Kelsey is the 2nd left off Simpson. If you get lost, the phone number is: 988-9288. If you have any goodies for the car show, please bring them

along, we still need give away items for the bags but we have some nice draw prizes. If you haven't yet collected any prizes but would like to do so, a solicitation letter is attached to the email with this Newsletter. We will be packing bags after the meeting. If you haven't yet booked for the show, please do so as soon as possible – our registration volunteers would really appreciate it.

Fool's Bash

April 3rd will be the date for this year's April Fool's British Car Bash. It's to be held at Batovsky's Barn in

Georgetown Tenn. This year's Bash is being hosted by the Chattanooga British Car Club, and Jim & Melinda Watson of Blount British will lead a drive down to the event.



Last year's Bash

April Drive:

It's Dogwood time in the Smokies, so it must be time for Jim & Di deRopp to lead their Dogwood Drive and this year's date is 17th April. Meet at the deRopps' home, 4126 Maloney Road, at 10:00 a.m. for mimosas and muffins to be followed by a scenic drive through the Rockford area. One of the highlights of the drive will be a visit to Eusebia Church which was founded in 1792 on the Great Indian War Path. Please bring a picnic lunch. Drinks will be provided.

The EAS 2010 European Car Show will take place on April 24th at Sevier Heights Baptist Church on Alcoa Hwy. Please continue collecting items for goodie bags and

draw prizes from businesses you patronize, work for or just pass by – see form attached. Thanks go to Hagerty's for fabric goodie bags, and to the following businesses for draw prizes received so far: Kroger's, Sitar, Advanced Auto, Naples, Courtyard Restaurant, Fisher Tires and Puleo's. Thanks also to Rich & Andrea Miller, Ginger & Don Zerrip and the Rigbys.

Fancy a fun weekend away? Go see the Classic Motorsports Mitty April 29-May 2 at Road Atlanta in Braselton, GA. They have a really outstanding list of events planned – for full details go to:

<http://classicmotorsports.net/events/mitty-2010/>

May Meeting:

May 6th will be our first open air meeting of the year and it will take place in Greenback at Larry Benson's home. Arrangements about food etc will be made at the April Meeting.

Blount British Cars Ltd will hold its next Gathering, the 23rd, on May 7th, 8th & 9th, 2010 in Townsend, Tennessee on the grounds of the Tally Ho Inn. The 2010 featured Marque will be the Lotus and full details, together with on line registration, can be found on the Web:

<http://www.blountbritishcars.org/gathering.htm>



Some of the cars at last year's show

The Porsche Club has invited us to take part in its Gathering at Glenmore, Johnson City on May 15th.



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This will be a People's Choice European Concours, cost is \$20.00 per car and proceeds will benefit the Alzheimer's Association and Glenmore Preservation. For more information contact Vic Rola of K&L TRAILERS. Phone: 865.673.8000 (office) or 865.207.4303 (cell).

June Meeting:

Gary Moss has offered to grill hamburgers and hot dogs by the lake at his place on June 3rd – more details later.

The EAS has been invited to the 2010 Champagne British Car Festival on June 5th & 6th in Bloomington Ill.



See www.champagnebritishcarfestival.com for full details. Jaguar is the featured marque.

June 20th in Sussex WI is the American MGB Association's 33rd Annual Meet for the MGB, MGB GT and Midget. Contact the American MGB Association at 773-878-5055, meet@mgclub.org or www.mgclub.org for further information.

Smoky Mountain Jaguar Club has announced its Concours will take place at the Carnegie Hotel in Johnson City on August 7th. Activities will start on Thursday 5th and include a drive to Winged Deer Park for a FREE Music Concert, 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm. Amongst the activities on Friday are: a tour of the Bristol Motor Speedway, from noon until 2:00 pm, and a Wine Tasting to benefit the American Cancer Society, 4:00 pm until 5:00 pm. Saturday sees the Concours and the British Car Show (Cars to Position at 9:00 pm, Rags Down at noon, Judging & Popular Voting Noon until 3:30 pm) followed by the Awards Banquet with Music & Entertainment in the Carnegie Hotel Banquet in the evening.



The Carnegie is an outstanding hotel, and the Concours will take place in a covered parking garage adjacent to the hotel so there will be protection from the elements be they sun or rain!
<http://www.jcna.com/clubs/main.php?club=SE56&Vref=SE56>

The Peachtree MG Registry will host a 'Southern British Car' weekend at The Dillard House in the mountains of North Georgia on September 24 – 26, 2010.



All types of British Cars and Motorcycles are invited and further details will be posted, as they become available, at:
<http://peachtreemg.dnnsites.com/default.aspx>.

Don't forget a comprehensive list of shows can be found on the Little British Car Co's Webpage
<http://www.lbcarco.com/>

If you have any suggestions for meeting places, or drives, bring them along to the next EAS meeting. These can be new places, or places you feel we have neglected recently.

Meeting Report:

28 Members and guests attended the March Meeting at the Courtyard Restaurant, Alcoa Highway. Food and service were both good – think we need to visit again!

Mike McM reported on Spring Thing in Cocoa Beach, FL. Members attending were McMillans, Ambristers and Coopers. Longest distance travelled in a classic Mini was won by the Coopers' car – driven down by Eric Cannon. Apparently everyone had a great time, good weather, nice hotel and lots of minis.

Rigbys, Sr & Jr, joined the Jaguar Club for their Valentine drive to Clinch Mountain for Vinegar Pie! The Johnson City contingent arrived with cookies for the Ladies and Gary Cobble, on behalf of the Knoxville crew, brought Truffles and Strawberries – yum! Wish it was Valentines Day more often. The weather was extremely cold but the drive was well worth wrapping up for.



Some of the drive participants freezing at the Clinch River Overlook and below a shot of the cars – just look at the flag blowing



The Rigbys led a drive to RedBones in Kingston, EAS members were joined on the drive by Jeffrey Erickson of SMJC and met at RedBones by Ty & Andi Nemeth of the Austin Healey Club. The food was good and the company obviously great as Ty & Andy elected to join EAS as members. Following the meal Mike Mac led members on a short drive ending in Lenoir City. Our report on the drive is definitely overshadowed by the full page write up by Jeffrey in the Mountain Jaguar <http://www.jcna.com/clubs/main.php?club=SE56&Vref=SE56> This was the Club's second trip to RedBones, but I doubt it will be the last.



The drive participants in our private room at RedBones on the River in Kingston.

March rides and events were announced including Jim deRopp's Dogwood Drive.

EAS Car Show – a report was given indicating that registration was slow. An update was given on draw prizes collected so far and a request was made for additional donations.

The following meeting dates were confirmed:

April Meeting (1st) at Angelo's Brick Oven in Lenoir City

May Meeting (6th) at Larry Benson's in Greenback

June Meeting (3rd) at Gary Moss's house.

Some of the local Clubs are more organized than EAS – attached is a list of upcoming drives (some of them are ours) to which we are invited. If you know of anything that needs adding please let Rigbys know.

Member Richard Lockhart announced he is now in business for himself, currently operating out of his home, under the name English Auto of Tennessee – see copy of business card at end of Newsletter.

Members were reminded about the Flower Fund and it was agreed Charlie Hope would be the first recipient of a donation – Charlie is now in Room 436 at Shannondale Nursing Home.

There was no Treasurer's Report – one will be available at the next meeting.

Fobs are \$5.00, T-Shirts \$12.00, Grille Badges \$25.00 and Window Stickers \$2.00

No further progress has been made on the Website – please see a Club Officer if you are able to help with this.

Full details of all meeting and drive arrangements are shown at the beginning of the Newsletter. If anything else comes to our notice before the next meeting an email will be sent to members.

Another reminder that Henry would really like to receive visitors and/or cards – the address is: 100 Elmhurst Dr, Oak Ridge, TN 37830-7622 – please keep him in mind.

A Membership form is attached – if you meet anyone with a LBC please encourage them to join the Club. Maybe you could also print up a couple of Show flyers and put one under the windshield wiper if you see an interesting English or European car.

Mike, our Paraphernalia Queen, is very anxious to have a lighter load when he bring his inventory to meetings and wants Club members' help with this – so please buy T-shirts etc when you see him. Key

Newsletter

If you have anything you would like to submit for next month's newsletter, including photos (which can be inserted via a link by you or us), please send it to us at jandbrigby@bellsouth.net. Until then, see you on the road

2010 Membership Dues of \$20.00 per family should be sent to our Treasurer Mark Caldwell. Please copy the Form and if you know or meet anyone who would like to join the club have them complete and mail the form – thanks.

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English Auto Society

2010 Membership Application - \$20.00 per family

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone (Home): _____

(Cell): _____

Email: _____

Cars: _____

Send form & Dues to Mark Caldwell, 8 Mother Goose Vlg, Lookout Mountain, GA 30750-2617
Or Barbara Rigby, 606 Villa Crest Drive, Knoxville, TN 37923

2010 British Car Drives

February 2010

- March 20 - Saturday - Drive to Ship's Pub for Lunch and Shopping (Laurence & Janice Vought to lead for Blount British Cars)
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- March 28 - Sunday - Annual Blount County Drive and picnic (Mike McMillan will lead the drive. Food provided by Mike & Shelia incl. soft drinks - BYOB) Meet at Weigels on Topside in Maryville off Pellissippi for 1:00 p.m. departure.
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- April 3 - April Fool's British Car Bash - Batovsky's Barn in Georgetown, Tenn. Hosted by the Chattanooga British Car Club (Jim & Melinda Watson to lead for Blount British Cars)
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- April 17 - Saturday - Jim & Di deRopp will again lead a Dogwood Tour. Meet at the deRopp's home - 10:00 a.m. - for Mimosas and crumpets. Bring your own picnic lunch. Directions to follow.
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- April 24 - Saturday - The EAS 2010 European Car Show at Sevier Heights Baptist Church on Alcoa Hwy. See form on English Auto Society web site.
- April 29 to May 2 - (Thursday thru Sunday) - Walter Mitty at Road Atlanta, Ga.
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- May 7, 8 & 9 - Friday, Saturday & Sunday - Springtime in the Smokies British Car Gathering - Townsend, Tn - www.blountbritishcars.org
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- May 15 - British Motor Car Day, Berry College, Rome, Georgia www.atlantabritishmotorcarday.com
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- June 13 - Sunday - Pine Mountain State Park
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- June/July (date to be determined) - Picnic in Danridge? Coordinate with Morristown, East Tenn MG Driver's Club.
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- June 19 - Saturday - Frozen Head State Park by way of Devil's Triangle.

- July 10 - Saturday - Hot Springs, N.C. Picnic. Possible joint drive between all area clubs. Meet at Hot Springs.
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- July 24 - Saturday - Cherohala Skyway and Tail of the Dragon Drive with lunch at Snow Bird Lodge or in Robbinsville, N.C.
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- August 7 - Saturday - Smoky Mountain Jaguar Club has announced its Concours Show. Will take place at the Carnegie Hotel in Johnson City, garage adjacent to the hotel so there will be protection from the elements be it sun or rain!
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- August 15 - Sunday - The Bar-b-que and Ice run. Lead by Gary Moss of the English Auto Society.
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- August 21 - Saturday - Arnie and Sue's **Fun Rally** and it is a lot of **fun**. Details to follow.
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- September 4 & 5 - (Labor Day Weekend) - English Auto Society Mystery Drive. Details Later. Frank Ambrister will plan this drive. It will be an over night drive and a commitment will be required in advance.
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- September (date to be determined) - Grey Museum, Grey, Tennessee
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- September 10, 11 - Brits at the Shoals, Joe Wheeler State Park, Rogersville, Ala. www.shoalsbritishcars.org
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- September 24 - 26 - The Peachtree MG Registry will host a 'Southern British Car' weekend at The Dillard House in the mountains of North Georgia. All types of British Cars and Motorcycles are invited and further details will be posted, as they become available, at: <http://peachtreemg.dnnsites.com/default.aspx>
- September 25, 26, 27 - Autumn in the Mountains British Car Show. www.autumninthemountains.org Jackson Park, Henderson, N.C.
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- October 8-9 - Nashville British Car Show, Nashville, Tn www.nashvillebritishcarclub.org

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- October 15, 16, 17 - Euro-Fest - European Car Show at the BMW Plant. Details coming.
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- October 22-23 - Southern British Car Club British Car Show, Chattanooga, Tn. at the Chattanooga Choo-Choo www.southernbritishcarclub.org
- October 23 - Saturday - Fall Color Drive. Hosted by the Kingsport Club.
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- November (date to be determine) - Waynesboro, N.C. Tour the Old City, Christmas shop and enjoy lunch.
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- December - Christmas Party
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- January 8, 2011 - Annual Polar Bear Run. Details coming.
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- January 16, 2011 - Drive to Fox & Parrott, Gatlinburg.
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- When the time comes we need a count on those that want to make the drive in order to call ahead and let them know we are coming.