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February Luncheon

Our next luncheon is set for:

DATE: February 11, 2023

PLACE: Redwood Rotisserie and Grill, 860 E. Plumb Lane, Reno, NV 89502

E. I lumb Lane, Reno, IV 0950

TIME: Arrive by 11:30 a.m.

MENU CHOICES:

- 1/4 lb. rotisserie Tri Tip, cole slaw **AND** either mac & cheese or french fries
- 1/4 lb. rotisserie chicken, cole slaw AND either mac & cheese or french fries
- Baja Fiesta Salad, warm rotisserie chicken, corn salad, black beans, avocado, pico de gallo, cheddar cheese, corn chips on an iceberg lettuce and Sriracha dressing.
- Chef Salad, pulled chicken, ham, tomato, hard boiled egg, cheddar and white cheese with white balsamic dressing.

Pepsi drinks, iced tea or coffee included. **\$25.00 per person**, tax and tip included.

To RSVP for this event, there will be a separate mail (sent on 2/2/23) from SecretayRBCC@gmail.com asking you to RSVP to that particular email (that way all responses will be captured together). You will be asked for the number of people in your party and your menu choice(s) - make sure to indicate whether you want mac & cheese or french fries.

Please bring exact change to the lunch. Terri and Ken Moberly will be collecting your money.

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- On Page 4 is a new article series on member's cars.
- On Page 6 is a new article series on meet your RBCC Members.
- On Page 8 is an article from the AMCA Comstock Chapter (Motorcycle Club) about the RBCC British Motor Show.

President's Message

Articles of Impeachment

We had crowded breakfasts at Mimi's and a great luncheon at the Lil Wall during the past month. There were about 50 people at the luncheon. That's a great turnout in spite of the weather. We had two guests but the top down in spite of everything award goes to Nathan Gay who arrived in his 79 Midget. I'm told that he had the top down when he arrived. I had the sunroof on my Volvo XC60 T₅ Momentum (so there) closed with the heated steering wheel on. We've nothing in common. If I remember correctly, (what are those odds?). The first names of the guest were Steve and Shelby. I hope I got those right and feel free to email me if I'm wrong and I'll make it right. Maybe.

We discussed the July 4 event. Everyone, if they were listening (again, those odds?) know my feelings about this event but it was pointed out to me that maybe I should bring it to the membership. The drive is fun and the Mason's Lodge offers a chance to get out of the sun, rest rooms and a small parking lot. Thank you, Jim Phelps. Kathy Schuett, Club Secretary, has created a link where members can post their views and offer alternatives if they choose. I have proposed going to VC on July 8, meet at the Lodge and have a BBQ, and a show and shine car show. Having the event on a date other that July 4 was the idea of one of our members. Maybe a small trophy for the winner? Members can be free to wander and shop. There might be less gun fire but it is VC.

Upcoming Events:

Redwood Rotisserie Luncheon. February 11th at 11:30. The restaurant is on the SW corner of Plumb and Kietzke Lanes. The menu includes roasted chicken, tri tip, Baja salad and fiesta salad. Includes Pepsi drinks, coffee or tea. Please RSVP to the club secretary's email address at SecretaryRBCC.gmail.com. Please have exact change for your meal. Cost is \$25 per

person; no checks or credit cards. See Ken or Terry Moberly to make payment. There will also be a trunk and trade swap meet in the parking lot at 11:00 a.m. Bring stuff you don't want and look for something you want. You need to take home with you any leftover items that no one took. See page 1 for more information on the lunch menu.

The BODs have decided to create 4 new Director positions. These will be members who can attend board meetings and have input but they will be non-voting positions. The Director of Technology is Brian Kahler, and the Director of Tech sessions will be Steve Brooks. There are two additional Director positions we need volunteers—the Director of Activities and the Director of Driving Events. See the duties of these position on page 14 of this newsletter.

Breakfast meeting at Mimi's continue every other Wednesday, 9am. See page 15 for Future Events.

Dues are due. See page 3 for how to pay your dues.

For those who own an eligible MG auto, please consider joining the NAMGBR. We get our liability insurance through them. See page 10 for more specifics of what type of MGs and information about insurance.

Don't track any oil into the house,

Ray Hiett President

2023 Membership Dues

It is time to renew your RBCC membership dues for 2023. **Please pay your \$30 dues ASAP.** Only 40% of our members have paid their dues.

You can now renew your membership dues online: https://renoallbritish.org/asp-products/club-membership-dues/

You can point your phone camera on the QRCode to the right, and go directly to the website to pay your dues online.

Or you can send a check for \$30 made payable to Reno British Car Club, P.O. Box 21013 Reno, NV 89515-1013

Or pay Dale Schuett directly at the February 15th breakfast meeting (Dale won't be there February 1st). Checks are preferred when you pay in person.



Two Monthly Features for our newsletter—"Drive Your Dream" and "Meet your RBCC Members"

Share the story of your British car (one car at a time!) through the new monthly newsletter feature article, "**Drive Your Dream.**" All we really need is the history of your ownership of that particular car, why you bought it and a picture of the car preferably with you in the photo too. It doesn't need to be long, a page will do nicely. You can write it up yourself and send it to me at ellfoxx@live.com or let me know you are interested and just tell me your story and I will write it up. So send your auto's biography and get in the queue to share your story with fellow RBCC members. And I am always looking for your stories and ideas for the monthly British Marque. Thanks in advance — Lawson Fox

The second new monthly feature will be highlighting our RBCC members so we can get to know each other better. If you are interested in being featured, contact Kathy Schuett at RBCCSecretary@gmail.com.

Drive Your Dream: 1964 MGB Roadster Lawson Fox, Owner

In 1971 I was a senior in High School who thought he could drive like Mario Andretti and managed to spin and crash both ends of my great 1966 Sprite. I had gotten hooked on sports cars ever since a classmate let me drive his MGA around the school parking lot. And after getting the Sprite, sports cars were the only cars for me at the time.

I worked at a gas station and a customer had a 1964 MGB roadster that he wanted to sell. I needed a sports car, he had one and I bought it. That was the entire thought process! I wasn't even a particular fan of the MGB at that time but have grown to love them. I had no idea that it was an "early pull handle" model, who had

owned it before the seller or where it had been used. It was just an affordable "sevenish" year old sports car, which was an old car at the time.

It had around 68 thousand miles on it as best I can recall. It was very original. The leather seats had cracked but were mostly holding together. The carpets were wearing thin. The doors had begun to develop the infamous crack below the vent window. But it was really very solid and it made me feel really cool every time I got in it. But it was the car that was cool way more than me.

Since I worked in a gas station with a "Foreign Car Mechanic" on staff to guide me, I couldn't resist rebuilding the engine, though in hindsight it really didn't need it and I wish that I hadn't. But it was a successful rebuild. I learned a lot and it kept me and the car on the road through college.

Once I graduated I got a job in local TV driving to the top of a mountain before dawn each day to "sign on" the station. Remember that all three channels used to go dark each night! As my MGB was again in need of a rebuild and general reinvestment, I took the opportunity to store the car in my new wife's grandmother's unused garage and bought a new 1st generation Honda Accord.

My wife had a 1972 MGB roadster, so we still had access to sports car fun even with my worn MGB stored.

When we moved our family to Reno in 1991 I had to decide what to do with my MGB after 17 years of storage. The wife's 1972 MGB had gotten sold in the

Drive Your Dream: 1964 MGB Roadster (continued)

meantime as we needed cars that could transport us <u>and</u> our two sons. I decided to bring my car west and had the good fortune to have John Wassam rebuild all of the mechanical systems and put the car back on the road. I did the routine maintenance and constant simple fixes myself. The car proved to be just as much fun as I remembered and reliable.

As I neared retirement I wanted to get some moderate rust repaired and have the car painted. So after searching for a shop that knew their way around an early MGB, in 2017 I drove the car from Reno to Sports Car Craftsmen in Arvada (Denver), CO. There it stayed for two years. I would go check on the progress, or lack thereof, every few months. I nearly bought another sports car as a temporary car to drive in the second year of not having my car, but my wife helped me resist that impulse. The repairs were very successful.

So now I have a well sorted early MGB roadster which I have owned for 52 years. A car that has given me 52 years of great memories and adventures. I can't help but wonder if anyone in the RBCC has owned their little (or big) British Car longer?

It is a great car to drive, which I do frequently. It has the numbers matching stock spec three main bearing engine, original non-syncro 1st gear transmission, Jaeger gages, pull handle doors, aluminum bonnet, multi-piece riveted grille and original bumpers. These are the things that were changed in later models and distinguish early MGBs.

The heritage certificate indicates that it was built September 19, 1963, with a black body, red interior, whitewall tires and a gray top. I love driving this car, enjoy owning it and hope that one of my sons will have interest in it when I am no longer able to use it. But if they don't, no worries. I have good service records covering 1991 to present, photographs of the rust repair process and a 177,000 mile original spec car. Should it eventually find its way out of our family, hopefully there will be someone new interested in keeping it going and enjoying it for a long time to come. But not yet!

Get To Know Your Members:

Your new VP and his wife, David and Diana Doyle

David and Diana are relatively new to the RBCC. They relocated from Happy Valley Oregon where he practiced Pediatric Dentistry for 31 years. They purchased their home here in Spanish Springs in September of 2019 in preparation for retirement. Diana and their daughter, Kaitlin, moved here in December of 2019 while David commuted back and forth, splitting his time between the two cities for the next year and half.

David attended the University of Oklahoma for both under grad and Dental school. In between his times at OU he served six years in the US Navy nuclear power program as a reactor operator. Upon discharge, he returned to Oklahoma where he completed a residency in Pediatric Dentistry.

Diana earned her Bachelor of Nursing Degree from Oklahoma Baptist University and worked at Presbyterian Hospital in Oklahoma City, first in coronary care then the IV team and then transferred to oncology where she found her love of working with oncology patients.

In Oregon, Diana worked at the Veterans Hospital as an Oncology nurse. After the VA built their new hospital, Diana transferred to medical/surgery. She later left the VA and worked in private practice as an Oncology nurse until her retirement after the birth of their daughter.

David and Diana met while working together at Presbyterian Hospital prior to David's Navy years.

The couple married in February 1981 and are celebrating their 42nd wedding anniversary this month.

David and Diana have two children; a son Keenan 34, a granddaughter, Sophia 14 and a daughter Kaitlin 29.

David and Diana currently own four British cars — three Lotus cars and a TVR; in addition to daily drivers they have a 1936 Ford slant back sedan and a 2011 Toyota MR2 Spyder.

They are looking forward to getting to know more of our fellow RBCC members.



January Events

Our Club continues to have great turnouts for our January events. We had 25 members attend breakfast at Mimi's on January 4th and 18th. The die-hards

adventured out for the January 4th breakfast.





We had 52 members come out for our January luncheon at The Waldorf Saloon. Everyone enjoyed each other's company. It took awhile to take everyone's lunch order (the dreaded short staff issue we all see at local restaurants) but once the orders were in, the food came out pretty quickly. It's nice to have the

back part of the restaurant just for our

club members.



Above: Karen and Peter Gulash receiving "Thank you from RBCC" plaques for the great job they did as President & Secretary the last 2 years.

British Motorcycles Invited to Reno British Car Club Maiden Show October 15, 2022

by Rodd Lighthouse, AMCA, Comstock Chapter Photos by Rodd Lighthouse and Tad Meadows

At the suggestion of Reno British Car Club (RBCC) member, Jim Meadows, motorcycles were invited to the RBCC's car show at Rancho San Rafael. I'm not sure how enthused all of the RBCC members were to have motorcycles at their show but based on the turnout, I know that the Comstock Chapter members were happy to be invited. Over 20 Comstockers attended the inaugural RBCC show and they brought 13 motorcycles to be displayed and judged. Two other motorcycles were also entered in the show. Comstock participants who entered motorcycles in the show included:

Yoram Bronicki - 1971 Triumph T150 Trident Rob North Special

Mike Hammond - 1966 Triumph TR6SR Trophy

Jeff Knab - 1968 Triumph TR6R Trophy

Rodd Lighthouse - 1950 Triumph drag bike and 1970 Sonicweld Triumph T100 dirt tracker

Jerry Meadows - 1969 BSA B44VS Victor Special and 1972 Triumph TR6RV Tiger

Jim Meadows - 1971 Norton Commando Fastback, 1975 Norton Commando, 1998 Triumph Tiger

Jeff Park - 1977 Triumph T140 Bonneville Silver Jubilee

Todd Rash - 1969 BSA A75 Rocket 3

Mike Wallace - 1968 BSA A65S Spitfire Mark IV

The RBCC could not have picked a better day to hold their car show and they were very organized and efficient considering that it was their first time hosting such an event. Pre-registration was offered online, and check-in and set-up was a breeze. Shortly after set-up, judging got underway while Comstockers enjoyed the show, talking with one another and with other participants and guests. A nice benefit to entering a machine in the show, the RBCC provided lunch to all the show entrants. After lunch, the judges tallied up the scores and an award ceremony completed the

(Above article was published in the AMCA Comstock Chapter Newsletter. Reprinting here was approved by Comstock Chapter and RBCC Board. We thought you'd enjoy

show and award ceremony completed the show.

Comstockers dominated the motorcycle awards winning first and second in the motorcycle category. Jerry Meadows won the motorcycle category with his 1969 BSA B44VS Victor Special, yes, the same motorcycle that scored 86 out of 100 at the AMCA National in Dixon last June. Rodd Lighthouse was second place in the motorcycle category with his authentic world championship winning 1950 Triumph drag bike. Third place in the category was David Kelton with his 1968 Norton Commando Fastback. The biggest surprise of the event was Comstocker, Todd Rash, winning second best of show for his 1969 BSA A75 Rocket 3.

Based on comments from fellow Comstockers, everybody seemed to enjoy the event, I know that I did. I hope the RBCC feels that the motorcycles were a nice addition to their event and invite us to their next show.





Are you a member of the North American MGB (NAMGB)

Register?

id you know that if we have **EIGHT** RBCC Members belonging to the NAMBGB Register our club gets a fabulous benefit. With eight Register members we receive a general liability policy with a \$2 M limit plus a \$1 M directors' and officers' liability limit. It costs the RBCC nothing!

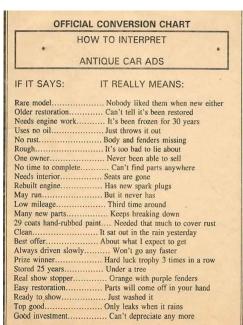
If you have one of the following vehicles, you too, can be a member of the NAMGB Register for a low price of \$30 per year:

- MGB
- MGB-GT
- Factory V8
- MGC
- MGC-GT
- MG Midget
- MG 1100/1300
- Modified version of all models and all Post-Abingdon MG's.

Ray Hiett would like to know all RBCC members that belong to the NAMGB Register. Please email Ray at rrhiett@gmail.com to let him know you belong.

Here's a link to the NAMGB Register website: https://namgbr.org/

Official Conversion Chart Submitted by Norm Peterson





Registration forms should be available in early January

Celebrating 100 Years of MO

First Morris ears with Mo badging occurred in 1923 and were known as Kimber Specials

GoF West 2023 Oct 16-20, 2023 Carlsbad, Calif

It is official, GoF West will celebrate it's 51st annual event!.

Gathering Of the Faithful is truly an opportunity for Mô owners to enjoy their ears with other Mô owners from Western States, Canada and beyond

Mark your calendars and plan to be there!







Gof West was begun in 1973 at Santa Barbara, CA by Al Moss, Fete & Fran Thelander, Warren & Ann Wendt, Mike Walsh, Jan Verbiesen & Gary Rand

CoFWestine@gmail.com

More information will be posted on the GoFWest.org website as available.



GoF WEST 2023

Registration Form Carlsbad, California Oct 16-20, 2023

\$60 USD before March 31, 2023 \$75 USD Apr 1-Aug 31, 2023 \$100 USD as of Sept 1, 2023 In-Spirit \$30 USD

In-Spirit registrants will receive a patch, pin, dash plaque and event guide

Cancellations will revert to "in-Spirit." If received by May 31, 2022 the remainder less fees incurred will be refunded. If received after May 31, 2023, no refunds will be giver





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Names — as you want them on your name tag an	d the event guide	
Last Name First Name		
Co-driver First Name		
Children, under 12, (or dependents) who will be attending with you:		
Address		
City	State Zip Code	
Country Phone #1 _	Phone #2	
Email	Note: Registration confirmation will be sent by email	
Primary Club Affiliation (if any)		
Other Club Affiliations (if any)		
Have attended GoF Wests or this is my First		
MG to display*: Year Model Col	If your MG has major mods from stock, or please check here and list on the back.	
want my MG listed but will not display (such as non MG engine or exterior resembling a different model)		
* Please notify us ASAP If you later plan to display a different plan out the car display and have adequate class awards	MG so we can	
Will you be bringing a trailer? Yes No	Will you participate in the rally? Yes No	
Will you stay at the Holiday Inn? Yes No	Participate in the funkhana? Yes No	
Method of Payment: PayPal Zelle	Check	
send to send GoFWestInc@gmail.com GoFWestInc		
Hotel Information: Holiday Inn Carlsbad	Mail registration to:	
2725 Palomar Airport Road	GOF WEST 2023 1454 CHASE TER	
Carlsbad, CA 92009	El Cajon, CA 92020-8368	
Phone - 760-438-2725 "GoF West 2023" rate of King-\$159* or Two-Quee	ens-\$189* or email to:	
To get group rate, reserve by Sept 15, 202		
* Plus tax and fees (currently a total of 12.195%)	Cor Westinewgmail.com	
More information will be posted on the www.GoFWest.org website as available (can use QR code above)		
Form date or contact David & Joyce Edgar (Co-Ch	nairs) at GoFWestInc@gmail.com or 619-593-8255	

Do you want to get more involved in the RBCC?

As our club grows (which is exciting!), we are in the need for more volunteers to help with various duties. The RBCC Board is adding 4 new Board Members (non-voting).

- Director of Driving Events—this position would schedule and route driving events for our members. Ideally four driving events a year. Will work in conjunction with the Director of Activities (see next).
- Director of Activities—this position would create a committee to help plan all activities
 and events to include, but not limited to monthly luncheons, picnics, annual events
 (Manchester and Kingman Events). Will work in conjunction with the Director of Driving Events, if a lunch needs to be planned.
- Director of Tech Sessions—our new Director is Steve Brooks. This position will coordinate tech sessions throughout the year. This individual would solicit members to conduct tech sessions and find appropriate locations for the session.
- Director of Technology— our new Director is Brian Kahler. This position will maintain the RBCC webpage and content.

Classified

- From Iain and Wendy Buxton: A dear friend has passed and his daughter wants to find a home for a 1960's vintage Jaguar Mark2. Suitable as a 'Parts Car'. It is inoperable and would need to be trailered. Interested parties should contact Jennifer Thornton at jenjensk8@gmail.com.
- 1979 MG Midget Survior. Mark Oswell in Yerington has this vehicle for sale. It has 43K original miles. It was last registered in 1987, and came from Klamath Falls, OR and is completely rust-free. It needs minor work to be driven and has original paint. Mark is asking \$3500, as is. Contact Mark at 707-367-3583.

RBCC Events

- Saturday, February 11, 2023, Redwood Rotisserie & Grill, 860 E. Plumb Lane, Reno, NV. Meet at Redwood Rotisserie at 11:30 a.m. We will have a special menu with advanced selection. See page 1 for more details.
- Saturday, March 11, 2023, The Event Center at Redhawk Golf & Resort, 6600 North Wingfield Parkway, Sparks, NV. We will have a special menu with advanced selection (more details to come).
- Saturday, April 8, 2023, Great Basin Brewery, 846 Victorian Avenue, Sparks, NV. We will have a special menu with advanced selection (more details to come).
- Breakfast at Mimi's every other Wednesday. The next ones are February, 1 and 15, and March 1, 2023, 9:00 a.m. 5090 Kietzke Lane, Reno, NV

Other Events (2023)

- Friday, February 10, 2023, Drive your Triumph Day
- June 22—June 24, 2023, Idaho British Car Club Summer Tour '23 Oxford Suites, Pendleton, OR. If interested, contact Linda Mascuch at plbs1234@gmail.com
- July 27– July 30, 2023, All Triumph Drive-In, Eagle Crest Resort, Redmond, Oregon http://www.portlandtriumph.org. Registration opens in March 2023
- September 7-September 10, 2023, Triumphest Marin 2023, For more information visit Triumphest.org or email triumphest2023@gmail.com
- September 30, 2023, Reno British Motor Show, Rancho San Rafael Park. Reno, NV Contact Peter Gulash at 775-622-7053 *Please note this is a change in the date of the event.*

Vendors

Need something done that you can't do, check out these folks.

Mark Thomas, (traveling mechanic) 1-817-602-6485

Dave Logan, (traveling mechanic) 1-925-425-9230

Marty Enterprises (manufacture rebuilder), Ray 1-503-357-5640 Oregon

Tim Dickey, Integrity Automotive (full service shop) 1-775-351-2500

Wellman's Upholstery 1-775-331-7105 Reno

Terry Davidson at Classic Restoration (Upholstery) 1-775-331-3533

Ray's Tire Exchange (tire removal) 1-775-329-1106 Reno

Sierra Wheel Repair (can fix pitted chrome wheels) 1-775-815-1980

Ayres Brake and Alignment 1-775-331-4553, Sparks

AIMS Restoration (machine shop), Tyler 1-775-359-8866 Sparks

ABC Lock and Glass, Debbie 1-775-331-5308 Sparks

Brite Glass 1-775-827-6767 Reno

Concours Body Shop, Susan, 1-775-329-4557 Reno

ABC Plating, Rick, 1-775-358-2929 Sparks

Car Chrome Decals 1-416-550-1906 carchromedecals@gmail.com

Engravers of Reno (name badges) 1-775-786-0776

North American Embroidery (logoed Club jackets) 1-775-322-8600

Canoe Hill Design and Embroidery, Carole, 1-775-846-5427 Sparks

Industrial Finishers, 3865 Mira Loma Dr., Suite 102 1-775-729-4274

Touch-up and Paint matches

Woody's MGM Parts, Woody Williams 1-775-364-4978, Yerington

Ol' Phartz Partz, Steve Banning, CA 1-951-797-0730, 1-714-686-1236 cell www.olphartz.com

Big O Tire Balance Wire wheels and sells 14" tires 1-775-737-0085

Classic Restoration, 3000 Highway 40 West Verdi 1-775-331-3533

Auto Diesel Electric Supply, LLC, 1267 Gator Way, Reno, Larry White 1-775-358-0607

The Following are Internet Companies:

MossMotors.com, 1-800-667-7872

Northwest Import Parts, www.northwestimportparts.com, 1-503-245-3806 (MG

The Roadster Factory, www.the-roadster-factory.com, 1-800-234-1104

British Parts Northwest, www.bpnorthwest.com, 1-503-864-2001

Abingdon Spares, abingdonspares.com, 1-800-225-0251

Rimmer Bros, www.rimmerbros.com, 1-855-746-2767

Delta Motorsports, LLC, www.deltamotorsports.com, 1-602-265-8026 (Jensen Healey)