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## January Luncheon

**Date:** Saturday, January 13, 2023

**Time:** 11:30 a.m.

**Place:** The Little Waldorf, 1661 N. Virginia Street, Reno, NV 89503

**RSVP:** Please RSVP to Kathy Schuett using the link sent out via email with this newsletter.

We will order off their menu and pay with separate checks. We just need to give the restaurant a headcount of attendees.

**It's time to pay your 2024 dues. If you plan on paying at the luncheon, please bring a check. Easier to keep track of who pays.**

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## President's Message

### Articles of Impeachment #13 By Ray Hiett

Here it is. Number 13. You've had your chance and missed it, so I'll be here another year. So, sit down, hang on, and try, or at least fake, enjoying the ride. Seems like the club has been super busy so why do I feel like I have writer's block?

It was a good year and there are so many people to thank for our success, so I'll embark on this fool's errand of trying to thank them all. I'll start with the board of directors voting members.

**V.P. David Doyle.** If I ever needed someone to step up when needed, it was David. He filled in for me at meetings, covered luncheons, and ran down information for me any time I needed help. Thank you, David!

**Treasurer Dale Schuett.** I don't know if we appreciate all the time Dale puts into tracking our finances. This past year was even more fun after it was discovered that the proper forms had not been submitted to the IRS for several years and we could be fined for that failure. We didn't owe any back taxes, but we didn't want to have to pay a large fine. Dale worked through that swamp, and we are now good with the IRS.

Then there's **Kathy Schuett.** She was there to make sure things were done, mostly by gently reminding me. A gentle reminder now and then. Actually, I was just testing her, lol! But I was so glad she was keeping a sharp eye out for me. Couldn't have done this without her! Thank you, Kathy.

**Peter Gulash** is a voting member of the board, and he was kept busy with the Reno British Car and Motorcycle Show. He and his crew worked tirelessly on this event, and it was a great success. The next one is on the books for September 28.

And then there's my wife **Nancy.** She kept me going by reminding and supporting me to hang in there, and that all will be ok.

Non-voting board members include **Randy Wright, Steve Brooks,** and **Brian Kahler.** Randy is our Director of Activities. He conducts searches and procures venues for our once-a-month luncheons. Sound easy? Guess again. I was so grateful when Randy came to me and said he wanted to help in some way. This has taken a big worry off my back. We've had and will continue to search for new and different venues. If anyone has an idea, please tell Randy. If you tell me, I'll probably airhead it and forget.

**Brian Kahler** is our Director of Technology, and he has improved our website way beyond our original site. For example, the Car Show was improved in so many ways: electronic registration, organization of entrants and classes, and voting for winners during the show by cell phone. In addition, Brian set up electronic membership renewal. BY THE WAY, IT'S TIME AGAIN, SO PONY UP!

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## President's Message Continued.....

**Steve Brooks** is our Director of Tech Sessions. We had several very good events in the past year and I'm betting there will be more. (Will my Bugeye start?).

I'm hoping that 2024 will be as much fun. We'll start off at the Lil' Wall on Jan.13 at 11:30 a.m. This is one of the more popular events so arrive a little early to get a decent parking place. Our second event will be at the Sparks Great Basin Brewery. Again, this will be a choice from the menu and pay-your-own tab event but I'm sure they'll want a head count in advance. We're working on March so if you have any ideas, let us know.

I hate to end on a down note, but I recently received an email from a non-member. He has been working on a 69 Midget but he says his health is failing and he won't be able to complete the project. It has a rebuilt engine and transmission, new brakes, hydraulics and lines, a new radiator, new seats, and a new wiring harness. If anyone is interested, please send me an email and I'll forward his information.

Oh, and this is why I feel like I have writer's block! Gracie - 10 weeks old!



Here's to a great 2024- Peace, Love, Happiness, and a car that starts!

Ray

## Welcome New Members

Please welcome our new members:

- David Tonello—1971 Jaguar E-Type 2+2, Old English White
- Thomas Jon (T.J.) Shelden—1990 Land Rover Defender 110

## 2024 Membership Dues

It is time to renew your RBCC membership dues for 2024. **Please pay your \$30 dues by 1/31/2024.**

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 at the January luncheon or at the Mimi's Café breakfasts. Checks are preferred when you pay in person (easier to keep track of who paid vs cash).

Bruce Blair has done it again! If your dining room table is not as long as a '66 Oldsmobile consider a compact or import version. Bruce shared his candlesticks at the last Mimi's breakfast.



Inspiration



Bruce's version



## Drive Your Dream

### 1966 ADO16 badged as a MG 1100 Mark I Two-Door Saloon

By Pam Schueler

Millie is a 1966 MG 1100 built in Crowley, England April 1965 and shipped to the USA on 13 April 1965. It has a 1048 cc engine, hydrolastic interconnected fluid suspension system, twin carburetors, and front-wheel drive. Marketing material highlighted the spacious cabin when compared to competitor models in the UK.



Millie has been in the family since it was purchased at San Francisco British Motor Car Distributors by Mildred Schueler (current owner's grandmother). It spent its early life in Sausalito and Murphys, CA.



Don Schueler (father of current owner) took it to Las Vegas, NV and used it to drive to work. Needless to say the hot, dry desert took its toll on the paint and rubber gaskets. It returned to Murphys, CA in the 1990s and was given to me around 2005 and taken to Reno, NV.

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Restoration started in 2017 and completed in 2018. Restoration included rebuild of the engine, new paint, upholstery and several new window gaskets.

The original color was Tartan Red with black trim. The Black Cherry and White paint was selected to honor my childhood memory of drinking black cherry floats at my grandmother's house in Murphys. My grandmother would not let anyone drive her car. But on one visit, while I was in college, she let me drive it a mile or two up the road to see the creek. The next time I drove it was after it was restored.



## Christmas Party on December 2, 2023

Photos submitted by Dennis Tholen

The Christmas Party Potluck, Annual Membership Meeting and Gift Exchange was a wonderful event and one of the most anticipated events of the year. We had 60 members and non-members attend the luncheon. Food was abundant and wonderful, gift exchange was fun, not that many items were stolen until Ginger Ragazzi's booze was stolen, and then the floodgates of "steals" were open.

David Doyle supplied a wonderful selection of red wines. The club provided the ham, sodas, water, coffee and white wines.

A special thanks to Kathleen Phelps for supplying the Christmas decorations and to all the volunteers that helped set up and clean up.

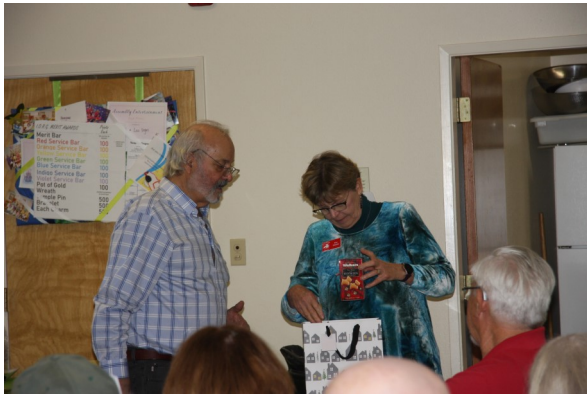
Enjoy the photos of the event taken by Dennis Tholen (thanks, Dennis!).



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## Classifieds

Did you know we have a “Classified” section on our club’s website?

We have decided to streamline the “Classifieds” we offer to members and non-members.

In the future, all classifieds will be published only on our Club’s website at <https://renoallbritish.org/classified/>

If you would like a classified published on the web, please contact Brian Kahler.

Brian will run the ad for one month, and the person who asked to run the ad will need to contact Brian monthly to ask for the ad to be extended.

## 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 looking to fill our final new Board Members (non-voting). If interested, please contact Ray Hiatt, President.

- ***Director of Driving Events***—this position would schedule and route driving events for our members. Ideally four driving events a year.

## RBCC Upcoming Events

- **Wednesday, January 3rd, 17th and 31st, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.** Breakfast at Mimi's 5090 Kietzke Lane, Reno, NV
- **Saturday, January 13, 2024 at 11:30 p.m.** RBCC Luncheon at Little Waldorf Saloon, 1661 N. Virginia Street, Reno, NV
- **Saturday, February 10, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.** RBCC Luncheon at Great Basin Brewery, 846 Victorian Avenue, Sparks, NV.
- **Saturday, March 9, 2024.** RBCC Luncheon—place to be determined.
- **Saturday, September 28, 2024—RBCC Motor Show**

## Other Car Show Events

- **January 2, 2024 at 6:00 p.m., United British Sports Car Club Meeting,** Pete's Restaurant and Brewhouse, 2100 Arden Way, Unit 123, Sacramento, CA 95825
- **February 10, 2024, Drive your Triumph Day—**see information on page 12 of this newsletter.
- **July 13, 2024, Western Washington All British Field Meet,** St. Edward State Park, Kenmore, WA
- **July 26– July 28, 2024, All Triumph Drive-In,** Vernon, BC. Hosted by British Triumph Registry
- **August 6–11, 2024, Hot August Nights,** Virginia City, Sparks and Reno, NV
- **September 21 and 22, 2024— SW Idaho All British Field Meet** The Village at Meridian, Meridian, Idaho
- **October 14–18, 2024—Gathering of the Faithful West** Folsom, CA

# DRIVE YOUR TRIUMPH DAY

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024

Dear Triumph Enthusiast,

Drive Your Triumph Day is just around the corner on Saturday, February 10, 2024.

I'm Rye Livingston, a proud member of the Triumph Travelers Sports Car Club located in Northern California, and I wanted to extend an invitation to all Triumph and Standard owners worldwide to join us in commemorating Sir John Black's Birthday. This visionary individual orchestrated Standard's acquisition of Triumph post-World War II, paving the way for the incredible cars we cherish today.

Since its inception in 2016, Drive Your Triumph Day has gained remarkable traction. I've received hundreds of photos from participants across the globe: England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, Uruguay, Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland, Finland, Canada, Holland, Czech Republic, and the USA. With this year's event falling on a Saturday, I'm hopeful that we'll have even more participants!

Participating is easy – on February 10th, take your Triumph or Standard out for a spin. Whether it's a solo drive on a scenic country road, a leisurely outing to lunch, or a commute to work, seize the moment. Bring along your spouse, friend, child, grandchild, or even your furry companion, and take a photo. The focus should be on the car, ideally with the owner or passenger situated against a cool backdrop, landmark, scenic vista, or even in your driveway. If it's the middle of the winter where you live and your car is in hibernation, or in the middle of a restoration, take a photo of it in the garage. Embrace creativity and have fun with it!

Once you've captured the moment, email a high-resolution photo to [driveyourtriumphday@gmail.com](mailto:driveyourtriumphday@gmail.com), accompanied with some basic details: owner's name, year and model of car, and place photo was taken (city, state, country). The photos will then be published not only in our club newsletter and website, but also in USA's national magazine: Vintage Triumph Registry, and on the Drive Your Triumph Day Facebook page.

Feel free to spread the word by forwarding this invitation to other Triumph and Standard Owners and Clubs you may know of. Don't forget to reach out to your club's Activities Chairman and Newsletter editor. Be sure to contact me with any questions you may have, and thank you in advance for getting the message out to your members and friends to drive their Triumphs & Standards on February 10th.

Best Regards,

Rye Livingston  
Activities Chairman

## Vendors

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

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

Dave Logan, (traveling mechanic) 925-435-9230 **Updated phone number**

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

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

Wellman's Upholstery 775-331-7105 Reno

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

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

Ayres Brake and Alignment 775-331-4553, Sparks

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

Brite Glass 775-827-6767 Reno

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

ABC Plating, Rick, 775-358-2929 Sparks

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

Engravers of Reno (**name badges**) 775-786-0776 contact@engraversofreno.com

Greenbrae Trophy (**name badges**) 775-3588305 gbtrophy@aol.com

North American Embroidery (**logo RBCC jackets**) 775-322-8600

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

Industrial Finishers, 3865 Mira Loma Dr., Suite 102 775-729-4274 Touch-up and Paint matches

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

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

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

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

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

Hero Environmental Services, 4900 Mill St. #7, Reno, NV Owner: Gary Grimes, 775-900-4376

Miranda's Auto Repair, Juan Miranda, 2556 Wrondel Way, Reno 775-828-5244

Mo's Music, 23 Snider, Sparks, NV 89431, 775-331-6618.

Shifted Performance located at 545 Depaoli St., Reno. (775) 501-5512.

### **The Following are Internet Companies:**

MossMotors.com, 800-667-7872

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

The Roadster Factory, www.the-roadster-factory.com, 800-234-1104 - **Burned down on 12/25/23**

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

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

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

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

## Beloved Roadster Factory Declared A Total Loss After Christmas Day Fire Engulfs Building



The Roadster Factory, a beloved parts supplier of vintage British sports cars, suffered a catastrophic loss after a fire tore through its Indiana County, Pennsylvania facility on Christmas day, *The Tribune Democrat* reports. The company's 48,000-square-foot building was declared a total loss by the fire chief following an entire day of dousing flames. More than 100 firefighters from two different Pennsylvania counties were called to help contain the blaze, says *The Tribune Democrat*, after the Armagh and East Wheatfield Fire Department received the call at about 1 a.m. Christmas morning.

The Roadster Factory specializes in manufacturing and supplying parts for vintage British sports cars from the likes of [MG](#), [Triumph](#), and more. Founded in 1978, the company is a "British Motor Heritage Approved Supplier," with direct access to original-equipment parts as well as quality reproductions, according to its website.

There were several vehicles inside the structure at the time of the fire, only three of which were removed by firefighters before the building collapsed, says CBS Pittsburgh. It's unclear how many vehicles were lost to the fire.

Thankfully no one was seriously hurt, with only minor injuries reported from firefighters working with debris.

There is a GoFundMe page set up to help the business: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/the-roadster-factory>.

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