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# Rolling News

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## March Luncheon

**Date:** Saturday, March 9, 2024

**Time:** 12:00 p.m.

**Place:** Red's Old 395 Grill

**Address:** 1055 S. Carson St., Carson City, NV 89701

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

If you would like to caravan to the restaurant, we are meeting at Tamarack Casino, 13101 S. Virginia St., Reno. We will depart at 11:30 a.m.

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

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### POINTS OF INTEREST

- Drive Your Dream is about Dr. David Doyle's 1970 TVR Vixen SR
- British Vehicle Show in Dixon, Ca on May 19, 2024 See page 11 for more information.
- Carson City Revival Car Show is July 13, 2024. See page 13 for more information and registration form.

# President's Message

Articles of Impeachment #15

By Ray Hiatt

## Past Happenings:

The luncheon at the Great Basin was a roaring success. And I do mean roaring! Some 48 members turned out for the event, and they all had something to talk about with their fellow members. Poor acoustics and the membership enjoying each other's company led to this writer putting away his carefully crafted notes. I was hoping to keep the members well informed, but instead, I decided to use my notes 3 days later at Mimi's. Saved me some work and no one wanted to hear me ramble on and that may have played a small part in my decision.

On February 26, David Doyle, Dale Schuett, and I met with a staff member of the National Auto Museum to evaluate the return to being a supporting club member of the museum. My article got the attention of one of our members, Eric Cole, and he started the plan in motion. I'm very glad he did. Seems the new leadership wants to "reconnect" with the local clubs. We got a tour of the facility and what the museum can offer the club. I'll start by admitting that I haven't been there in years, and I was surprised by the improvements. There is a new patio-like area that can be used for car shows right next to the mighty Truckee River. It's covered and has tables, chairs, access to restrooms, and a full kitchen. It's a nice setting and a significant step up from the parking lot where my life took a bad turn. Members in good standing will get a 40% discount on admission and reduced costs at the gift shop, and the club will get 2 free passes for the year for our members to use. The only thing we will have left to do is to clarify that our membership is a family membership. We talked them into allowing any club member to use the free passes as long as their name appears on our registration list. One of our officers will hold the the passes and members can ask for them at a Mimi's meeting, returning them at the next meeting. Again, we have to work with the museum regarding who qualifies as a family member.

## New stuff:

On March 9<sup>th</sup> we will meet at the Tamarack Junction Casino on South Virginia St. with a wheels-up time of 11:30 a.m. to caravan to Red's Old 395 Grill in Carson City. I've looked into this place before and I'm very glad that Randy Wright was able to put them on our schedule. We will order from the menu and pay for our own tab. Kathy will send out an RSVP form so we can give the restaurant a headcount – the deadline to RSVP is Wednesday, March 6th.

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

April brings us to a very unusual event. Reno Land Rover has volunteered to host an event for the members of the RBCC. This came about after they saw how well the "All Reno British Motor and Motorcycle Show" was run and the large turnout. They approached Peter Gulash about having an event at the dealership, even stating that they would bring in a food truck. Nice job Peter! Randy Wright was able to confirm a date just last week. Nice work Randy!

The board has penciled out a schedule for the rest of the year. I don't want to start listing places until they're confirmed but I will list those confirmed as soon as that happens so members can make plans. I hate being committed. Most favor it.

Just once I want the prompt for my password to say "close enough!"

Your befuddled leader,

Ray



Now can you see the difference? 2023

Don't forget to set your clocks one hour ahead on March 10th at 2:00 a.m.



# Drive Your Dream

Dr. David Doyle's 1970 TVR Vixen S2

By Dr. David Doyle, photos by Dr. David Doyle

Most people are not familiar with the TVR nameplate, mainly because they were never sold in the US as a complete car. A small number were shipped to the US as rolling chassis without a drive train. You may have heard of the TVR Griffith. Griffith was a car dealer from New York who imported TVR rolling chassis and installed Ford V8 engines. By doing that the car was considered a kit car and was able to get around the US emissions and safety standards.

TVRs are relatively rare, which is one of the main reasons I bought the car as I like cars that are seldom seen. My car is a 1970 TVR Vixen S2, one of only 600 produced in left-hand drive. It is considered a grey market car. It was purchased by the previous owner from Canada and used only as a track car until it was 25 years old and could be licensed for the street.

I purchased the car in 2002 and partially restored it by doing engine upgrades, chassis repair, and replacing the interior. TVRs are built on a welded tubular space frame chassis with a double wishbone coil over suspension and fiberglass body. Another key reason I bought this car is that they are extremely lightweight, mine weighing only 1617 lbs wet. The lightweight and balance in the car results in great handling and braking. The car was originally powered by a Ford Kent 1600 crossflow engine producing 130 hp. I say originally because, on my way to the NW Classic car rally, I tore a hole in the oil pan and toasted the engine. I am currently installing a new engine and 5-speed and am hoping to have it completed for The Reno British Motor Show on September 28<sup>th</sup>. I can't wait to be driving it again!



## Dennis Saxon's BJ8 on Moss Cover!

Report and photo by Lawson Fox

How would you like to receive your new Moss 2024 catalog and find your car featured on the cover? Dennis Saxon had just this experience. He had received a request for photos of his car but didn't really know what the intended use would be. And there it was, on the Moss catalog cover! Congratulations Dennis on this cool honor for your multi award winning Healey.





## Tech - Seat Belts – Be Safe!

Report idea by Andy Killian. Sourced from [Seatbeltrestore.com](http://Seatbeltrestore.com)

I am restoring a Triumph TR 6. It required replacing the seat belts. Looking for a solution, I found [SeatBeltRestore.com](http://SeatBeltRestore.com) who fixed me up. As part of my research, I found lots of on line information on their website that I wanted to point others toward who might need a solution to aged or failed seat belts, buckles or retractor mechanisms in their British Cars. Go to their website for the complete text. Here are my excerpts that I hope you find useful:

- Use only the highest quality parts (webbing, buckles, retractors, fasteners) in seat belt restoration
- Do a thorough visual inspection of webbing. If it is less than pristine, beware.
- Trouble signs – frayed or worn webbing, tears on the seat belt, warps which make it difficult to buckle.

Be safe!



## 2024 Membership Dues

It is time to renew your RBCC membership dues for 2024. **Please pay your \$30 dues ASAP. Membership list to the British Marque will be sent on March 15, 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

Or pay Dale Schuett at the March 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).

## 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.

## February Luncheon Great Basin Brewery

Photos submitted by Dennis Tholen

February's luncheon had the club returning to Great Basin Brewing Co. in Sparks. The owners pride themselves on using sustainably grown and local ingredients as much as possible. They use their award winning craft beer in many of the dishes they serve. If you haven't tried their Icky bread, you don't know what you are missing. Their ICKY IPA is not only used in their bread but also in their own bratwurst sausage, made fresh daily. All of their buns, bread and pretzels are baked daily by their own bakery team.

Founders Tom and Bonda Young started Great Basin Brewing Co. in 1993. Their craft beer have won 16 medals at the Great American Beer Festival and 9 awards at the international World Beer Cup. There are 3 Great Basin locations: Sparks, Reno and Carson City.

As Ray stated in the President's Message, the turnout was a roaring success with about 48 members and guests attending.







## RBCC Sponsors

### An Evening of Music and Motion

Our club is sponsoring a special event taking place on April 18, 2024, at the National Auto Museum. It is called “An Evening of Music & Motion” which is celebrating and supporting Parkinson disease research and patient care. The Parkinson Support Center of Northern Nevada will be the benefactors of this event.

For our sponsorship, we will be an ad run in the event’s flyer. Brian Kahler put together the below ad for the event’s flyer.



[View this email in your browser](#)



**Greetings Everyone!!**

**Registration for the All British  
Motoring Show and Swap Meet is NOW open!**

This beautiful all British vehicle show and swap meet set on the grassy fields of the Dixon Fairgrounds is scheduled for May 19, 2024. Be one of the first to register by visiting <http://www.ubscc.org/CarShow.htm>. This year the registration fees remain at \$35 per vehicle, \$40 per swap site, and \$42 per business/food vendor site. You may also purchase car show regalia when you register.

The show is scheduled for May 19th with gates opening at 7 am. All vehicles **MUST** be parked on the show fields by 10 am. The viewing audience is welcomed to see the show by entering through the front gates as early as 8 am.

This is a participants' show which means anyone who enters a vehicle in the show gets to vote for their favorite cars and motorbikes in each class. Remember, 3 vehicles of a marque or model set a class, excluding Winners' Circle.

If you have any questions, please visit our Q&A on the website <http://www.ubscc.org/CarShow.htm>. Further questions may be addressed to [chairman@ubscc.org](mailto:chairman@ubscc.org).

**See you in Dixon!**  
**Katie Costanzo**

## RBCC Upcoming Events

- **Wednesday, March 13th and 27th, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.**—Breakfast at Mimi's 5090 Kietzke Lane, Reno, NV
- **Saturday, March 9, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.**—RBCC Luncheon at Red's Old 395 Grill, 1055 S. Carson St., Carson City, NV 89701. Plan on meeting at Tamarack Casino to caravan to the luncheon; wheels up at 11:30 a.m.
- **Saturday, April 13, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.**— RBCC Luncheon at Land Rover Dealership at 9150 S. Virginia St., Reno
- **Wednesday, August 14, 2024** —Sky Peaks Senior Living Community Car Show, 1520 Sky Valley Dr., Reno This event follows the Mimi's breakfast meeting.
- **Saturday, September 28, 2024**—RBCC Motor Show, Rancho San Rafael Park

RBCC monthly meetings/luncheons are the 2nd Saturday of each month. Randy Wright is working hard on finding locations for our club to have lunch. The Board has the calendar set but not yet confirmed for a few locations. Just mark you calendars for every other Saturday and stay tuned for locations.

The Board is also looking at a future overnight road trip. Research is being done so watch out for more information on this trip.



## Other Car Show Events

- **May 13, 2024, California Healey Week 2024**, San Luis Obispo, CA
- **May 18, 2024, All British Field Meet**, Vancouver, BC. Three featured marques this year: Triumph, Modified Classics and Sunbeam Tiger.
- **May 19, 2024, All British Motoring Show and Swap Meet**, Dixon Fairgrounds, Dixon, CA
- **June 1, 2024, Sierra Cascade Street Rodders**, Quincy, CA
- **July 13, 2024, Western Washington All British Field Meet**, St. Edward State Park, Kenmore, WA
- **July 13, 2024 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.**, Carson City Downtown Revival Car Show, Carson City. See information on page 9 of this newsletter.
- **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
- **August 30–September 1, 2024, All British Field Meet**, Portland, OR. Celebrating MiNi and designs of Alec Issigonis.
- **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

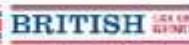


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## Classifieds

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.

## 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)