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Our next club luncheon is set for:

**Saturday, November 11 at
12:00 p.m.**

**Location: Cantina Los Tres
Hombres at The Outlets at
Legends**

**Address: 1180 Scheels Drive, Suite
B-111, Sparks, NV 89434**

Details:

1. Kathy Schuett will be sending out a Google Form for you to RSVP to the luncheon so we can let the restaurant know how many people are attending.
2. We will be ordering off their menu and will have separate checks.

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POINTS OF INTEREST

- On Page 6 is an article about David Doyle's Drive Your Dream car, 1970 Lotus Europa S2
- On Page 8 Ken Moberly wrote an article about the California Healey Week.

President's Message

Articles of Impeachment #11 By Ray Hiett

We, Nancy and I, just got back from our annual trip to New England. Miss me? I missed you. Really!

I wasn't in town for the luncheon to Graeagle Meadows Clubhouse and the trip to the RR museum in Portola CA. Those trips were organized by Randy Wright and VP David Doyle handled the luncheon list. Seems like what we heard from Ken Moberly, people enjoyed this trip and it may be back. Big thanks to David and Randy.

Our next luncheon will be at Cantina Los Tres Hombres in the Legends shopping center on 11/11 at 12:00 p.m. There will be a RVSP list so Kathy Schuett can give a headcount to the staff so they will be ready for us. We will order off the menu and pay our own tab. So be looking for an email RSVP request because there won't be another newsletter in the interim. I've looked over the map of the shopping center and advise anyone who is not familiar with the restaurant's location to do the same. Ain't gonna come looking for ya. I'll probably be the one who gets lost. Please ignore my previous comment. I really didn't mean it.

December 2nd will be the clubs Christmas party to be held at the Masonic Lodge on Peckham Lane in S. Reno. The club will supply baked ham while members will bring sides salads and desserts. Gifts will be exchanged and should have something to do with cars or the Mother country. Don't go overboard. A drawing will determine who chooses first. Gifts can be stolen but only twice. No fighting or tears. If I'm wrong, I'm sure I'll be corrected but what's the chance of that? There's probably a good chance of that. A brief meeting will follow and the slate of officers for 2024 will be railroaded into place.

The start of the year will hopefully bring us back to the Lil'Wall on the second Saturday of January. February is TBD because the Redwood Rotisserie lost its home. Any suggestions will be seriously considered. I may be getting way out there but the club has been invited by the local Land Rover dealer to hold a food truck type event at the dealership. Gives us a chance to show off our British cars. Past president Peter Gulash was approached at the Reno All British Car and Motorcycle show by a rep from Land Rover so hopes are high. I'm thinking March.

Speaking of the car show, an end of the year car show board meeting was held on 10/28 and the car show was again a success. A large enough profit will allow the show to repay the seed money and have enough to put on next year's show. Don't get the idea that these monies are the property of the show. They are not but the show will not require seed money next year.

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President's Message continued

This crew busted their collective backsides to put this thing together and they've earned high praise. They can always use more help. Don't be bashful next year. Jump in and lend a hand. Always helpful. I sit there like a lump and watch these people do great thing. Let's keep it going.

The members of the Motor Show Board include:

Peter and Karen Gulash
Norm and Peggy Peterson
Ken and Terry Moberly
John and Susie Young
David Doyle
Lawson Fox
Brian Kahler
Steve Brooks
and The Lump (that's me)

So now I've written around 500 words. I'm done.

Don't you feel blessed?

Special thanks to Dennis Tholen, John Dark, Lawson Fox and Ken Moberly for the photos of the Motor Show.

The drone video of the 2023 Motor Show (and 2022) is up on our club's home page on our website at <https://renoallbritish.org/> Thank you Caden Kuster, of CK Drones for the footage.

Don't forget about the Tech Session that Steve Brooks and Brian Kahler are hosting on **Saturday, November 4th at 11:00 a.m.** on how to re-seal a MG 1275 engine. Please read email sent out on this tech session or contact Steve Brooks.

If you have any other ideas for Tech Sessions, please contact Steve Brooks.

A few more Motor Show photos

Photos submitted by Lawson Fox



October — Graeagle Meadows Clubhouse

The Club enjoyed the October luncheon at the Graeagle Meadows Clubhouse in Graeagle, CA. 28 RBCC members made the beautiful drive to Graeagle. There was a limited menu for our group and everyone paid for their own meals. Unfortunately, the restaurant had a little problem with getting the orders out early and some folks had to wait a bit for their meal. Something to work out if we return.

About 18 people went to the Railroad Museum in Portola, CA. The President of the Museum greeted the group and gave them the tour. Many members continued their stay in Portola visiting the shops. Thank you, Dennis Tholen, for the photos of the cars that made the trip.



Drive Your Dream

Dr. David Doyle's 1970 Lotus Europa S2

By David Doyle, photos by David Doyle

I bought my 1970 Lotus Europa S2 about 10 years ago from an owner in Connecticut. I lived in Portland OR at the time and did not get to see the car before I bought it. I did have a description of the car that was written in support of its sale at auction a couple of years before I bought it. It said it was fully restored with more than its value having been spent on the restoration. The photos looked great. What could go wrong?

When the car arrived, it was impossible to engage reverse to get it off the trailer. Hmmm I was thinking, "What had I bought?" With just a bit of digging into the car it became apparent that its restoration was cosmetic only. The mechanical soundness had not been addressed and there were issues. Lesson learned, as it's been learned by many others. Never buy a car without having it inspected!



It showed 58,000 miles on the odometer but it was not registering mileage when delivered, so who knows the truth. Digging deeper revealed that the shift linkage needed rebuilding, the front suspension cross member was cracked, its Renault engine was tired and its transaxle needed major work.

My decision was to do a frame off restoration and take the opportunity to make significant performance upgrades. I have installed a Renault Gordini engine with cross flow head that after a rebuild and performance upgrade produces 160hp at 8,000 RPM, nearly doubling the power of the original engine. An NG3 5 speed transaxle replaced the original 4 speed. Wildwood brakes are now installed on all four wheels to handle the power increase. And a Wildwood pedal box now offers a wider pedal spacing to accommodate the feet of normal humans, rather than the extremely close placement of the original.

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increased power and better brakes will be thrilling. And I like the rarity of the car. You just don't see another Lotus Europa very often. Its unique styling draws lots of interest wherever it goes.

I still have to put the body back on the frame, but am very excited to be near the end of this restoration and can't wait to be driving it. One of my favorite things about the car is its excellent handling which was among the best available when it was built. Its light weight construction combined with the new



Welcome New Members

Please welcome our new members:

- Stephen and Allison MacLean—1952 MG TD Roadster, Red
- James Ross—2019 McLaren 600LT Coupe, Vega Blue
- Alan Wright—1973 Triumph TR6
- Joe Trombley—1970 Triumph GT6t
- Buzz and Julia Lynn—1963 Jaguar XK E-type, FHC, Opalescent Dark Blue
- Curtis McLachlan—1974 Silver Shadow Rolls Royce, Silver & Black

California Healey Week 2023

By Ken Moberly

It was Monday afternoon, September 18 and my wife, Terry, and I were headed to South Lake Tahoe, California with our 1961 Mark I Bugeye Sprite in the trailer behind us. The Sprite was cleaned, polished and ready for a car show and we were heading to California Healey Week 2023.

We were running late due to delays for summer road construction and thought we'd drop the trailer off at our cabin in Homewood on Lake Tahoe's west shore and drive the truck to the south shore about 40 minutes away.

Monday afternoon was car show registration, hotel check-in, and a meet and greet cocktail party so we thought we would get an early dinner with fellow Reno British Car Club members Peter and Karen Gulash, who drove their 1974 Jensen Healey Mark II to Lake Tahoe, then head back to the cabin for the night and pick up the trailer.

At 9:00am the next morning we had had breakfast and were in the Bugeye, assembled and ready for the drive from the Beach Retreat and Lodge to the car show being held a mile and a half north of the resort at the Shops at Heavenly Valley.

What an incredible venue for a car show! Austin Healeys were everywhere, in every nook and cranny, grouped by class and shining like brand new. Our Bugeye class was on a small strip of grass right on the main highway where people in cars and trucks honked at us and rubbernecked. By 10a.m. customers were showing up at the mall, milling around, and surprised to have a car show right there on the mall among the shops and restaurants.

It was a beautiful, warm day surrounded by mountains on one side and Lake Tahoe on the other.



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Over the next couple of days we drove in a 78 mile poker run around Lake Tahoe (in our $\frac{3}{4}$ ton diesel truck as the Bugeye clutch was acting up), enjoyed cocktails on the beach, and had s'mores around the campfire. The ladies had a Gals, Games & Drink session while the men had an Austin Healey tech session, and everyone enjoyed the funkhana. A hearty breakfast buffet every day, good lunches, cocktails and dinners with friends rounded out the week.

Awards were given out after dinner on Thursday night. Fellow RBCC member Dennis Saxon got a first place in the AH 3000 BJ8 "single light" class along with the annual "Hard Luck Award" for breaking down four miles into the poker run and having AAA bring his car back to the resort.



Terry and I got a second place in the "Bugeye" class among some real tough competition. We were proud of the Bugeye but I'm sure not looking forward to pulling the engine this winter to replace the clutch and throw-out bearing.



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 Holiday party on December 9th 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 Hiett, President.

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

Classifieds

- 1962 Mk2 Austin Healey Sprite project for sale. Body # HAN6L24681. No engine, transmission, seats or steering wheel. I have a Suzuki G13B 1.3L DOHC engine and Samurai 5spd transmission I was planning to fit in. They both need complete adaptation/rebuild, but are included. Some rust in usual places, floor pans, fenders and door pillars although none has penetrated all the way through as yet. It has a fiberglass Bugeye bonnet with forward tilt hinges. The convertible top is in fair condition, marked up a lot, but no holes. No front or side glass, but the front windshield frame is there. Please call/text Terran Goodwin at 775-300-1174 or email [pirate t bone@hotmail.com](mailto:pirate_t_bone@hotmail.com) if interested. (Side note: Terran has a bunch of pictures on OneDrive he can share with you if interested.)

Price \$500 OBO (Price Change)



RBCC Upcoming Events

- **Wednesday, November 8th and 22nd, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.** Breakfast at Mimi's 5090 Kietzke Lane, Reno, NV
- **Saturday, November 4, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.** Tech session at Brian Kahler's house. Please see email notification for address, details, and contract information.
- **Saturday, November 11, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.** RBCC Luncheon at **Cantina Los Tres Hombres** at The Outlets at Legends, 1180 Scheels Drive., Suite B-111, Sparks, NV 89434
- **Saturday, December 2, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.** RBCC Christmas Luncheon at Masonic Lodge, 601 W. Peckham Lane, Reno. (Please note the date was changed to December 9th in the September newsletter but it is back on for December 2nd.)
- **Saturday, January 13, 2024.** RBCC Luncheon—please to be determined
- **Saturday, February 10, 2024.** RBCC Luncheon—please to be determined.

Other Car Show Events

- **February 10, 2024, Drive your Triumph Day**
- **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

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

NEW: Mo's Music, 23 Snider, Sparks, NV 89431, 775-331-6618. See Randy Wright's new stereo system to see the quality of this vendor's work.

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

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

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

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