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October Luncheon



Date: Saturday, October 12, 2024

Time: 12:00 pm

Place: Romano's Macaroni Grill

Address: 5505 S Virginia St, Reno, NV 89502

Menu: All meals come with a Caesar Salad, soda, iced tea, lemonade & coffee. Choices: Fettucine Alfredo with Chicken, Ricotta Meatballs and Spaghetti, Pasta Milano, Chicken Parmesan and Truffle Mac & Cheese

Cost: \$28.22 per person

RSVP: Please RSVP using the link sent out via email with this newsletter. We need a headcount using the RSVP form by **Wednesday, October 9th.**

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- Article on Vintage Triumph Registry National Meet in Indiana.
- Drive Your Dream article about Dave Northrup's 1958 MGA.
- Looking for new board members, see page 10 for open positions.
- Welcome New Members .

President's Message

Articles of Impeachment #22
By Ray Hiatt

As busy as we were during August, September was a snoozer. That is if you weren't on the RBCC Motor Show committee. That group had all the many, many things that go into a car show lined up like rubber ducks in a shooting gallery at a county fair. And they didn't miss a shot whenever something popped up. I've been in charge of "major" local events and there's always something that blindsides the works. These members handled it all! I am not surprised and extremely pleased with this event as all our members should be. We also had great help from the staff at Rancho San Rafael Park. They made sure that the wheels were greased!

This year we had 120+ entries leading to a great show. This was a record high! We had entries from out of town, reflecting on the fact that this is a well-run and low-key fun event gaining popularity. We had four new members sign-up at the show.

So big thanks to Peter Gulash and his crew.

Coming events:

9/9 - Mimi's and the Kiley Ranch's car show immediately following breakfast (check out the article on page 3 about the event and the upcoming events page in this newsletter for more information). This will require nothing from us except showing up, parking where told and eating free food. Thank you to Linda Newberg for organizing this event.

9/12 - Macaroni's Grill. This is a new venue for us. Page 1 of the newsletter has more information and Kathy will send out a RSVP form to select your menu choice. We will each pay our own checks. This is a very nice place so behave.

9/23 - Breakfast meeting at Mimi's

More to follow.

I'LL BE BACK,

Ray

Reno British Motor Show

Article by Peter Gulash

The Third Reno British Motor Show was a whopping success on many levels. We had 124 registrants, our strongest silent auction and the Boys and Girls Club Truckee Meadows benefited **\$1211.00**. All new records.

We will be getting out a **Show Newsletter** when Karen can possibly get to it.

But before that. I want to personally thank The Committee who made it look so smooth. We, The Committee, want to thank all those who got our there at 7:00 a.m. and helped set this all up in less than an hour, additional all those who, after a long hot day, broke everything down in record time after the show.

We as a Club have so much to be proud of as a group. We put on and had a super show and I think everyone had a really great time!!

Kiley Ranch Car Show

By Linda Newberg

RBCC is hosting a car show on Wednesday, October 9th at Kiley Ranch Senior Living at 6300 David Allen Parkway, Sparks, NV 89436. The Show and Shine will be from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For those of you that attend the October 9th Mimi's breakfast, we will be caravanning from Mimi's to Kiley Ranch Senior Living. Lunch and prizes will be awarded.

If you would like to attend, please email Linda at lobsternewberg79@gmail.com to sign up.

Vintage Triumph Registry National Meet

Nashville, Indiana

By Dave Northrup

The Vintage Triumph Registry (VTR) national meet was at Brown County State Park in Nashville, Indiana in early September of this year, specifically at the Abe Martin Lodge. My brother lives about 30 minutes north of there, so it seemed like an easy decision. Sometimes I skip over the little details like that's 950 miles away from where I live (outside of Dallas). Curiously, it's about the same distance from Reno. I arrived there on Sunday evening before the event. We unloaded the car, stashed the trailer, had a great dinner, and were looking forward to the event.

Monday morning dawned clear and cold; I left the top up at first but soon had to open it up to the sunshine. Nashville is in south central Indiana; rural, hilly, wooded, and a wonderful location for a Triumph event. I finally registered that morning and was number 210 so there were a lot of Triumphs there.

My brother had agreed to navigate and be my copilot for the Gimmick Rally. I've never been that interested in answering those questions; that's work and I'm on vacation. But I'm all in for a scenic drive. And scenic it was. We had great fun, answered all of two questions, and didn't care. It's all about the drive!!!

On my own Tuesday, I decided to just create my own scenic drive. Down through numerous small towns including Story (Indiana), I had a great time but was disappointed that the Story Inn was not open for lunch. Although Bloomington had been an initial goal, I opted to simply return to the Abe Martin Lodge to eat lunch and hang out with fellow club members. The GPS took me down a couple of gravel roads which is not something I would have done had I known. The car went from slightly road weary to just horribly dirty, requiring me to visit the car wash later that afternoon which they had set up behind the hotel.

At lunch, one of my tablemates needed an alternator for his 76 TR6. We weren't sure, but we thought the spare I carry would work. What we discovered was that there are different models for TR250, 69 thru 72, 69 thru 1974 (requiring a plug kit for 69-72), 73-74 without air pump, 75-76 without air pump, and 75-76 with air pump. Mine was a no go, but he was able to find some parts to replace the electronics on his to make it work. In the process, I discovered that the spare I had been carrying for 15 years did not have the same plugs as the one in my car!

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Vintage Triumph Registry National Meet continued.....

Wednesday was the car show. So many cars! From Stags to TR2 and a few in between. There were many Wedges and a few oddball cars including one Shooting Brake (I think it was a Triumph 2000) with right-hand drive and automatic transmission. What fun! My brother and his wife learned a lot about the Triumph marque and enjoyed the variety and the quantity. I did not enter my car; it bears numerous scars from many, many miles, and is definitely a driver, not a show car.



Dave driving down the gravel road.



Dave with the wind in his face.



Lunch stop with Dave's brother



What did you do on Labor Day to celebrate?

A call was put out to all members to showcase, by picture, what you did on Labor Day. Here are the submissions.



Ken and Terry Moberly spent the Labor Day weekend at their house at Homewood on the West shore of Lake Tahoe. We took a couple walks, went kayaking, Ken bar-b-que'd steaks, we played Cribbage on the deck, and watched Netflix when it got too dark to be outside. In the picture Ken is building a mini-block grizzly bear and ready for my birthday cupcake.



Kristy Houston climbed Mount Kilimanjaro!!!! Kristy said it was the hardest thing she has ever done. And she loved Africa. She wins the prize for best picture.



Greg Howe and Roberta Gerber were in Africa too! They attended a lecture about Dr. Livingston. After the lecture they flew to Cape Town.



Lawson Fox put his labor into repairing his 1964 MGB's transmission. After 175,000 miles its layshaft failed. He was hoping it would be ready for the big car show.

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Labor Day photos continued.....



Dave Northrup worked on his TR6.

David Doyle didn't submit a photo but he said he smoked a wagu corned beef roast on his Traeger. He said it turned out great and better than the normal boiled version. Did anyone get an invite to join him to taste?



Kathy Schuett (back row in the middle) went to the Rib Cook Off with her two grandkids, daughter-in-law, and DIL's mother.

Drive Your Dream

1958 MGA

By Dave Northrup

It came to us as kind of an orphan. It is a 1958 MGA, titled as a 1959, with an MGB engine. So we call it the MGAB. The serial numbers indicated it was originally black. But it had been painted red, badly, and there was more than just primer under that. Worst of all they had just sprayed right over the beading. Without thinking, I pulled off the beading. Which pulled off the paint. Which committed us to a respray. In for a dime, in for a dollar. So, we tore the whole car apart and refinished the chassis. Then we took everything off the engine for a respray, including the engine.



The DPO had cut out some of the sheet metal behind the grill, adding a second radiator. And there was no heater. We fixed both of those.

The seats were actually early MGB seats, but with a little finagling, including cutting and rewelding the frames, we made them into MGA Deluxe/Twin Cam seats.

It became “the car I’m going to keep.” So, I added a British Ford 5-speed transmission. That was expensive and a major mistake! For months I struggled with the clutch, or more precisely the lack thereof. I replaced the entire clutch hydraulic system to no avail. I finally had the idea to replace the master cylinder clutch pushrod with a longer one, which I machined out of a stainless-steel bolt. That fixed it. So, I had to machine another one to match the brake pushrod.



The MGB engine has different inputs for the gas line and the water lines. That took some custom work! I had to find half-inch brass tubing, buy a tool to bend it, then paint it to match. But I think the results were worth it; everything looks pretty good in the engine compartment.

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Drive Your Dream Continued.....

I also had new ID plates made for it. The MGA number plate includes the engine number, so I had them stamp in the MGB engine number.

We painted the wheels to match the body, and things really started to come together. The seats look great, and now I'm working on the interior panels. We are getting close! Of course, this was the car I was going to take to NAMGAR in June of 2023. I did not make it.



Welcome New Members

Please welcome our new members:

- Dave Zehrung—1970 MGB
- James Robbers—1970 MGB-GT— Pumpkin
- Liz and Guillermo Carey—1952 MGTD—Red and 1963 Austin Healy Sprite—Black
- Eric Dillon—1963 Austin 850 Wagon Countryman—Blue
- Rich Braband—1960 Austin Healey Sprite MK1 Bugeye—Cherry Red

Board positions open for 2025/2026

Interested in getting more involved in RBCC? Here's your chance to volunteer. We have open positions for the 2025 and 2026 (2-year position) for:

- Secretary—Kathy is willing to train the new Secretary
- Driving Events—1/2 or one day local drives (there is a committee for overnight drives)

Art Meanderings

Karen Gulash is going to be part of a 9-person gallery of their artwork. The show will be held at Sierra Arts, 17 S. Virginia Street, Reno, NV. The show runs from September 17-October 19. The opening reception is Saturday, September 21 from 1-4 pm. It is free and open to the public. The gallery hours are Tuesday-Friday 10 am-2 pm and Saturday 12 pm -4 pm. If you have any questions, contact Karen at kgulash@charter.net.

Tech Session

Steve Brooks, Director of Tech Sessions, will be hosting the first of two sessions at Sean Burke's house. The first session is Saturday, October 26th at 1:00 p.m. An email reminder will be sent out two weeks in advance with Sean's address. You can also get his address from the membership roster.

The purpose of the tech session is to hop up a MGB engine by increasing compression, cam lift and duration. How to determine compression ratio will be covered along with various head modifications

Grill Badges Have Arrived

Dale Schuett has been distributing grill badges to all who pre-paid during the "pre-payment" period which ended on 6/17/24. There are many members who still haven't caught up with Dale to receive your pre-ordered grill badge. If you do not attend the Mimis breakfast meetings, please make arrangements with Dale on how to get your grill badge. You can look up Dale's contact information on the Member Roster.

There are extra grill badges you can get from Dale and the cost is \$40.

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.

RBCC Upcoming Events

- **Wednesday, October 9th and 23rd at 9:00 a.m.**—Breakfast at Mimi’s 5090 Kietzke Lane, Reno, NV
- **Wednesday, October 9, 2024 time 11:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.** — Show and Shine at Kiley Ranch Senior Residential Center, 6300 David Allen Parkway, Sparks (in Spanish Springs).
- **Saturday, October 12, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.**—RBCC Luncheon at Romano’s Macaroni Grill, 5505 S Virginia St, Reno, NV 89502
- **Saturday, October 26th at 1:00 p.m.**—Tech Session at Sean Burke’s house (see membership roster for address).
- **Saturday, November 9, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.**—RBCC Luncheon at Zozo’s Italian Restaurant, 3446 Lakeside Drive, Reno
- **Saturday, December 14, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.**—RBCC Christmas Luncheon at Masonic Lodge, 601 W. Peckham Lane, Reno.

Other Car Show Events

- **October 14—18, 2024—Gathering of the Faithful West** Folsom, CA
- **Saturday, July 12, 2025**—Western Washington All British Field Meet, details still forthcoming
- **Saturday, July 12, 2025, 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.** —Carson City Downtown Revival Car Show, details still forthcoming
- **Hot August Nights, August 1st—August 10th**— Virginia City and Reno
- **Thursday, September 4, 2025 –September 7, 2025**—All Triumph Drive-In, hosted by the Washington Club in Port Angeles. Details still forthcoming.
- **Sunday, October 5, 2025**—Triumphfest 2025, details still forthcoming



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

GoF WEST 2024 EVENT ANNOUNCED!

October 14TH – 18TH, 2024 in Folsom, CA

The Sacramento Valley MG Car Club is pleased to announce the 52nd GoF West 2024 has been scheduled to take place and our goal is to have the largest gathering of MG cars on the West of the USA in 2024! Please forward this notice out to your Club's Membership to help us promote the event and if possible post in your newsletter or magazine. We want your MG and you to come to GoF West 2024!

GoF West is an annual event organized following a set of guidelines from the GoF West, Inc. Steering Committee. This committee mandates some specific events to be held at every GoF West and they suggests other events that the Organizers of a particular year's GoF West may choose to incorporate. The Sacramento Valley MG Car Club is proud to have been chosen to host the 2024 event and we intend to carry on the fine tradition of the past GoF West events. Some of the week's activities include:

- ◆ Car Display with many classes for all MGs
 - ◆ First Time Car Display for people attending for the first time
 - ◆ Arts / Crafts / Models / Photos Display
- All the above events are Popular Vote not judged.*
- ◆ Technical Sessions
 - ◆ Rally / Scenic Drive
 - ◆ Funkhana which is games with your MG.
 - ◆ Silent & Live Auctions with lots of cool MG and auto related items
 - ◆ Awards Banquet
 - ◆ Winners' Circle

Registration information and more details may be found at <https://2024.gofwest.org/>

The registration fee is currently \$75.00 and will go up on September 16th, 2024 to \$100.00. We have extended the time due to a last minute flurry of entrants.

The host hotel is the Lake Natoma Inn located at 702 Gold Lake Drive in Folsom, California which is located near Historic Old Town Folsom. You can call the hotel directly at 916-351-1500 to make your reservation and use the "GoF West 2024" as the group name to get the special rate of \$131.75 plus tax and fees. To get the group rate, reserve before allowed rooms are sold out. The hotel recommends reserving rooms through them directly to help us with tracking. Note: There are suites and other levels of rooms that may be reserved, please work with the hotel directly if you wish to book these rooms.

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

If you have any questions about GoF West 2024, you can also contact Kathy Tyzzer (Chair) at kathy@gofwest.org or 530-902-8162 or Val Howard-Hogue (Vice Chair) at val@kimberandlyons.com or 916-616-8583 with any questions (please no calls after 9 pm PST).

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)