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September Meeting Luncheon Empire Mine State Historic Park Grass Valley Drive, Picnic & Tour

Date: Saturday, September 12th

Location: Empire Mine Grass Valley Drive, Picnic & Tour

Address: 10791 E Empire St, Grass Valley, CA 95945

Drive, picnic, and tour to Empire Mine in Grass Valley. Please RSVP, select your entrée, and prepay by Wednesday, September 9.

RSVP: Please refer to the event details and RSVP using the links emailed by RBCC Secretary Linda Isaacson.

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Articles of Impeachment #21

By President David Doyle

It's hard to believe that September is already here, and hopefully there is some cooler weather. Tom and Sean Burke have lined up a couple of fun rides for us. On Saturday, September 12th, we'll drive to Grass Valley for a picnic lunch catered by Costco includes your choice of a sandwich or wrap, chips, and a soft drink for a cost of \$10.00. Afterward we'll have the opportunity to tour the Empire Mine for an additional fee.

Our October luncheon will be a drive to Markleeville, CA and lunch at the Cutthroat Tavern. Details will be included in the October newsletter.

These two drives should be fun events to close our driving season.

August was a busy month for the RBCC. We began with The British Invasion on Monday, September 3rd. About 20 RBCC members met at the Black Bear Diner before caravanning to the Peppermill Casino for the Hot August Nights kickoff party.

The RBCC again provided drivers this year for the HAN MAG Auction. I want to thank the 24 members who volunteered their time.

On September 12th, after breakfast at Mimi's, we held a small car show at the Sky Peak Senior Living Home. Lunch was served and trophies were awarded.

1st Place Anna and Jim DeMartini, 2nd Place Greg Howe, 3rd Place Bill Fogel

On Saturday, August 22nd, our August luncheon was a drive and potluck lunch at Charlie and Caroline Manchester's home in State Line, NV. The event was very well attended with more than 50 members attending. As always the food was great and plentiful. I especially want to thank the Manchester's for hosting us again this year, this event has become one of the club's favorite events.

Please join me in welcoming our newest members Roy and Jacque Spiker

They are the original owners of a red TR 6.

I would also like to welcome returning member Rich Braband who owns a 1960 AH Sprite MK1, red and a 1976 TR6, red.

That's all for now I'll see you at Mimi's on Wednesday, September 9th.

David Doyle

Hot August Nights British Invasion

Monday, August 3rd

On Monday, August 3rd, Hot August Nights began with a kickoff party at the Peppermill Resort. About twenty RBCC members met in the Black Bear Diner parking lot before caravanning to the Peppermill for the British Invasion.

This event has been a club favorite for years, though HAN scheduling changes kept us from attending last year. We always enjoy the oohs and ahhs from American car owners, who turn their heads and wonder how all those British cars made it in!

Despite the 100-degree heat, the Peppermill parking lot was packed with cars and spectators. Some members circled the lot but could not find parking. With Peter's help moving parking barriers, a few British cars were able to park.

After enjoying the impressive cars, eleven members had dinner at Biscotti's Restaurant inside the Peppermill.

Pictures by Steve and Reba Simpson



RBCC Hot August Nights

MAG Auction Drivers

Thank you to all our RBCC members who volunteered this year.

- Jeff Ashby
- Tom Bliss
- Sean Burke
- Steven Brooks
- David Doyle
- Lawson Fox
- Fred Firschein
- Thomas Foote
- Peter Gulash
- Karen Gulash
- Pat Harrelson
- Andy Hebert
- Paul Henisey
- Greg Howe
- Kristy Houston
- Lansing Lidgard
- Ken Moberly
- Terry Moberly
- David Northrup
- Zack Rockwell
- Wayne Sandler
- Dale Schuett
- Frank Seminaro
- Steven Simpson



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Hot August Nights VIP

Ginger Ragazzi won VIP tickets to Hot August Nights earlier this year at the Hot August Nights Foundation Classics & Cocktails Gala Dinner. Before her passing in July, she had planned to share the tickets, and her daughter helped ensure members received them.

In Ginger's honor, members enjoyed VIP events, meals, drinks, concerts, and other special perks.



RBCC Luncheon Meeting BBQ & Potluck at the Manchester's Saturday, August 22nd

Article by RBCC Members John Dark

Our annual August BBQ and potluck at Charlie and Carolyn Manchester's home in South Lake Tahoe was once again a favorite gathering. On Saturday, August 22nd, 50 members and guests attended.

Before the caravan arrived, Carolyn, Charlie, family members, and a small team of members set up tables, chairs, and pop-ups. Roadmaster Peter Gulash and sweeper John Young met members at Tamarack Junction in Reno and at Carson City's Park and Ride off Highway 50, then led the beautiful drive up Hwy 50 over Spooner Summit to South Lake Tahoe and arrived at Manchester's home.

Members arrived with delicious potluck sides, salads, appetizers, and desserts. Manchester's son-in-law Paul was the chief grill master with help of daughter Cathy grilled fabulous hamburgers and hot dogs.

Last year, we barely finished lunch when the rain started but not so this year! We enjoyed beautiful weather with blue sky and a light breeze. Members hung out to catch up and share stories.

Thank you again Carolyn, Charlie, and their son-in-law Paul and their daughter Cathy for hosting our group once again. This summer BBQ and potluck is always a special event.

After such a beautiful day, on the drive back as we got closer to Reno we were greeted with a big cloud of smoke. Another fire - darn!

Pictures by Dennis Tholen and John Dark



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Mimi's August Breakfast Meetings

Mimi's July breakfast meetings were held on Wednesdays, August 12 and 26. Attendance was lower than usual on August 12, while warm summer weather on August 26 brought members out in their little British cars, turning the parking lot into a mini car show. Before, during, and after breakfast, members gathered to talk and share stories about British cars and other topics. Our biweekly meetings remain popular, and we hope to see you at the next breakfast meeting!

Enjoy Pictures by Dennis



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Sky Peaks Senior Living

Show & Shine

On Wednesday, August 12, after Mimi's biweekly meeting, members caravanned to Sky Peaks Senior Living for a Show & Shine. Lunch was provided, and first-, second-, and third-place awards were announced.

Show & Shine Awards

First Place— Jim and Anne DeMartini

Second Place— Greg Howe

Third Place— Bill Fogel

Pictures by Kathy Schuett



RBCC Logo Jackets

If you would like to order our new Reno British Car Club Logo Jacket visit our Club's website.

Reno British Car Club Regalia Retail 2025

Link: <https://rbccregalia.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

Men's Logo Jackets are available in two styles Port Authority Zephyr Full-Zip Jacket and Port Authority Back-Block Soft Shell Jacket.

Ladies Logo Jackets are also available in two styles Port Authority Ladies Collective Tech Soft Shell Jacket and Port Authority Ladies Zephyr Full-Zip Jacket.

Logo Jackets are available in a variety of colors, along with personalized with your name on the front.



RBCC Grill Badges

If you would like to order Grill Badge, the badges are \$40 each.

To order grill badges please contact RBCC Treasurer Lawson Fox email Treasurer@renoallbritish.org. You can also find Lawson's contact information on the Membership Roster.



Welcome New Members

Please welcome our new member:

- Roy and Jacque Spiker who own a 1971 TR6 Red
- Rich Braband returning member who owns a 1960 AH Sprite MK1, Red and a 1976 TR6, Red

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.

National Automobile Museum



RBCC is a “Car Club Member” of the National Automobile Museum. We also have adopted two vehicles that are exhibited as part of their collection: a 1949 M.G. Series "TC" Midget Two-Seater and a 1949 Jaguar XK120. The club's name is proudly displayed next to these classic cars in the museum.

With our Club Membership and car sponsorships come valuable benefits available to you:

- Six complimentary admission passes valid for one year

- Eight additional admission tickets are available for guests

- 50% discount on admission for further guests

- 10% discount in the Museum Store

The museum check in desk has an RBCC member list, so tell them you are an RBCC member to use these benefits.

Please contact RBCC Vice President Steve Simpson to borrow the reusable complimentary museum passes for our members. Kindly note that these passes are provided on loan and must be returned to Steve after use so that other members can use them once you are through with them.

And if you are interested in happenings at the museum, sign up for their newsletter at the following link: [Events | National Automobile Museum](#). There is a lot going on there from music events to special rotating exhibits.

Museum address and additional links below:

National Automobile Museum
1 Museum Dr.
Reno, NV 89501

Explore Exhibit and Car Collections [Explore | National Automobile Museum](#)

Explore Upcoming Events and Sign up for their Newsletter [Events | National Automobile Museum](#)

RBCC New Name Badge Design

Article By RBCC Treasurer Lawson Fox

We have found a new vendor and created a new design that brings us a fresh, easy to read name badge. It is the same size as our “Classic” badge. The new badges are available to any member who would like to buy one.

Please email me, Lawson Fox, Treasurer, at treasurer@renoallbritish.org and I will reply by email giving you the information you need to place your order through me and arrange delivery once your badge is produced.

The price for the new badge is \$8 per badge. To mail the badge to you is a separate and additional charge of \$8 per order. If you would rather pick up your new badge in person from me at a club event, we will work out a delivery solution. Obviously, there will be no postage charge for badges delivered in person.

The “Classic” RBCC name badge is still a great badge and anyone who prefers to wear that design is welcome and encouraged to do so. See the photo to check out the new design. The Board hopes that you are as happy with it as we are.

Members New Badge Design



RBCC Garage and Tech Sessions

Article By Director of Tech Sessions Steve Brooks

New Direction for the RBCC Garage

With good ideas for educational or just fun Tech Sessions dwindling, a pivot to a smaller-group hands on approach is proposed. People needing help doing LBC repairs have inquired about getting assistance, so if you would like to help out on a particular project, propose a project, or generally be involved, let us know.

Projects in no particular order:

Bill Blackwood and Pam Schuler's MG 1100. Rebuild the front end. Learn about Hydrolastic suspension. RxR bushings and trunnions.

John Young- Ratco framed TR6 rotisserie restoration needs help for engine installation. TBA.

Steve Simpson- Check out electrical system, install new alternator.

Peter Gulash- Rebuild Jensen Healy short block with high compression pistons. Under consideration.

Mike Johnson has finished setting up his new shop in Carson City and has offered to help with a valve job or other repair. This is not a repair service, expect to be hands on with your project. Mike held a series of sessions demonstrating how to rebuild a Jag engine for the Jag Club that some RBCC members participated in. I have a ported TR3 race head that needs work. Other project ideas would be welcomed. Session TBA

Victor Houncell- MGA Coupe. This is the former Ray Hiatt car that some of you helped extract from Washoe Valley. Victor, Peter Gulash, Dave Northup, and Steve Brooks freshened the carbs and ignition, with Victor changing the oil, adjusting the valves and other maintenance. After a little issue with the coil lead was corrected the car started and ran quite well. Victor is making progress on the hydraulics and steering and my need some help from time to time. TBA.



Joe Trombley has offered his shop and V12 Jaguar XJS for a Tech Session to demonstrate use of a smoke machine to find vacuum leaks. This will be a regular Tech Session open to all. TBA

Member's Corner

Article Shared by Norm Peterson

Lucas the Prince of Darkness

*Not many people know that Land Rovers attempted to market a computer. Why did they stop? They could not find a way to get it to leak oil!

*A Land Rover doesn't leak oil, it marks it's territory. Did you hear about the man whose Land Rover didn't leak oil? The factory took it back and worked on it until it did.

*Did you hear the one about the guy that peeked into a Land Rover and asked the owner "How can you tell one switch from another at night? They all look the same. " - "He replied, "It does not matter which one you use, nothing happens !"

*The Lucas motto: "Get home before dark."

*Lucas is the patent holder for the short circuit.

*Lucas - Inventor of the first intermittent wiper.

*Lucas - Inventor of the self-dimming headlamp.

*The three position Lucas switch - Dim, Flicker and Off.

*The Original Anti-Theft Device - Lucas Electrics.

*Lucas is an acronym for Loose Unsoldered Connections and Splices

*Lucas systems actually uses AC current; it just has a random frequency.

*"I have had a Lucas pacemaker for years and have never had any trou..."

*If Lucas made guns, wars would not start.

*A friend of mine told everybody he never had any electric problems with his Lucas equipment. Today he lives in the countryside, in a large manor with lots of friendly servants around him and an occasional ice cold shower...

*Back in the 70's, Lucas decided to diversify its product line and began manufacturing vacuum cleaners. It was the only product they offered which did not suck.

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*Q: Why do the British drink warm beer? A: Because Lucas makes their refrigerators

*Alexander Graham Bell invented the Telephone. Thomas Edison invented the Light Bulb. Joseph Lucas invented the Short Circuit.

*Recommended procedure before taking on a repair of Lucas equipment: Check the position of the stars, kill a chicken and walk three times clockwise around your car chanting: "Oh mighty Prince of Darkness protect your unworthy servant.."

Author: Joseph Lucas

Publisher: TR Register Groups

Triumphest 2026



TRIUMPHEST 2026



SEPT 17-19, 2026

Triumphest provides the thrill of driving our 'TR's to a destination just like the 'old days'.

At the Triumphest we will enjoy 'Funcours', Autocross, Funkhana, tech sessions, and an awards banquet. Plus, an opportunity to meet with our Triumph friends, what a great time!



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FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA 86001

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928-799-7900 mention Triumphest 2026.
www.flagstaff.littleamerica.com



TRIUMPHEST 2026 EVENTS

- AUTOCROSS
- FUNKHANA
- TECH SESSION
- HOSPITALITY PARTY
- BANQUET
- AWARDS
- RAFFLE PRIZES
- VENDORS
- RALLIES
- REGALIA
- MODEL/PHOTO CONTEST
- WALKING TOURS
- SCENIC DRIVES
- DINNER CRUISES IN YOUR TR



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RBCC Upcoming Events

- **Wednesday, September 9th and 23rd at 9:00 a.m.**—Breakfast at Mimi's 5090 Kietzke Lane, Reno, NV
- **Saturday, September 12th Meeting Luncheon** - Drive, Picnic, and Tour at Empire Mine State Historic Park in Grass Valley
- **Saturday, October 17th Meeting Luncheon** - Drive & Lunch at Cutthroat Tavern 14830 CA-89, Markleeville, CA 96120
- **Saturday, November 14th Meeting Luncheon** - Coney Island Bar & Restaurant 2644 Prater Way, Sparks, NV 89431 at 12:00 p.m.
- **Saturday, December 12th**—RBCC Annual Christmas Luncheon at Masonic Lodge, 601 W. Peckham Lane, Reno.

*****Please note RBCC upcoming dates/events are subject to change. For the most current information, please reference future newsletters and emails from the RBCC Secretary.**

Other Car Show Events

- **Vintage Euro Cars and Coffee Meets** - 2nd Saturday each month at 9:00a.m. to 11:00a.m. Upcoming dates are Saturday September 12th and Saturday, October 10th,
- **September 17th thru 19th Triumphfest 2026** — Flagstaff, Arizona Hosted by Desert Centre Triumph Register of America (DCTRA) Details: Registration is now open [Triumphfest 2026](#)

Vendors

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

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

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

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 (c)
www.olphartz.com

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

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

GTS Classics, Stefan Schleissing (custom seats & seat re-builds/headrests) 702-353-7175,
email: stefan@gtsclassics.com

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Vendors

The Following are Internet Companies:

Moss <https://mossmotors.com/> 800-667-7872

Northwest Import Parts, [MGB MG Midget MGA MGBGT Auto Car Parts Restoration Northwest Import Parts](#) 503-245-3806

The Roadster Factory, [The Roadster Factory](#) , 800-234-1104

British Parts Northwest, [British Parts Northwest - British Vehicle Parts](#) , 503-864-2001

Abingdon Spares, [Abingdon Spares | MG T and MGB Series Parts | New, Used, NOS](#) 800-225-0251

Rimmer Bros, [Rimmer Bros | Classic Car Parts Manufacturer & Supplier Since 1982](#) , 855-746-2767

Delta Motorsports, LLC, www.deltamotorsports.com, 602-265-8026 (Jensen Healey) Club
Regalia Retail RBCC (logo jackets) <https://rbccregalia.itemorder.com/shop/home/>