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Next Meeting Wed., April 15, 2015

Thunder Bay Grille 7652 Potawatomi Trail Rockford, Illinois (near East State Street and Bell School Road)

Dinner and social hour at 6:00pm Meeting begins at 7:00pm

President's Message April 2015

I know that summer is not here yet, but the first day of spring is behind us, and FINALLY it looks and feels like it. Ron Kuhnau and I drove to Dubuque, Iowa yesterday. About half way there we realized that we should have been in a convertible...with the top down! Don't make the same mistake that we did. The salt has been rained off the road so we need to take advantage of the opportunities when we can.

Speaking of opportunities, our first Drive and Dine is April 8th. I believe that there is something in the club bylaws that prevents April showers from being scheduled that day.

I'd like to recognize two club members who have been very busy in their respective areas, Hal Zenisek and Bruce Beneditz. Hal is well along in the process of creating a new website, which in addition to maintaining the current one is a very time consuming process for him. Bruce continues to oversee and guide the development of our new regalia store. It's looking really good and is easy to access from our website. When you see these two gentlemen please remember to thank them for their efforts.

Soon the ladies will be busy looking through their recipes for delectable treats to take to the tea, which will be held at Bev Joyce's home. Then early in May the garage tour will head out, a co-ed event this year. Look for the details about both outings in this issue.

It's time to go out and earn our title as "Driving Enthusiasts". I'll look forward to seeing you at the events.

Rich

"New styling, new engineering, a new idea in fun-plus-convenience...the sports car buy of the year."

Triumph TR3 1956

British Boots and Bonnets Club Meeting - March 18, 2015

Presidents report: Rich Cannistra — The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Vice President, Larry Eils. There were 29 members present, with no new members, and no visitors

Vice President's report: Larry Eils - No report

<u>Secretary: Marna Grosenick</u> - Barb Buckavekas moved to accept the secretary's report as printed in the Chronicle. Archie Moray seconded – motion passed.

Treasurer: Brian Kobischka - Brian gave the financial report. Lyn Pond made a motion to accept this report, and it was seconded by Connie Frazier. Motion passed.

Membership: Bev Joyce - We now have 70 paid members. Target e-mails and letters have been sent out to those members who have not yet paid their dues for this year.

Regalia: Bruce Beneditz - Bruce and Phyllis modeled a sample shirt and jacket that are available from Embroid This. These were just a sample of what is available to us, and other offerings can be viewed on the link from the Chronicle. The jacket that we saw sells for \$79. The question came up as to whether we want only red, or if we would prefer to also have black, and possibly other colors to choose from. Bruce requests that members check out the website and give him feedback as to what we would like to see offered.

<u>Chronicle/Newsletter:</u> <u>Lynda Vickery</u> - Lynda was not present, but continues to request that you submit pictures and articles for the next issue of the Chronicle.

Webmaster: Hal Zenisek - There were 230 visitors to the website this month. The new regalia page and the survey prompted some of this growth in numbers. Hal reported that the Web Re-design survey will be up for another week. So far there have only been 20 responses (14 male, 6 female). He requested that we take a few minutes and take the survey. He reported the results so far from the seven questions on the survey, as well as additional comments that were offered. He will use this information to help prioritize future decisions about the website redesign.

Sunshine: Phyllis Beneditz - Nothing to report

Past Events:

Eighteen people enjoyed dinner at Ebenezer Brown's Eatery & Pub in Roscoe. The food was delicious, and a good time was had by all.

Men's Lunch was held at the Onyx Restaurant with 11 members attending.

The British Car Swap Meet was held on March 15, with several members attending. The club also had three tables set up for the meet.

March 27 – Men's lunch at The Olympic restaurant – 1:00

March 27 - Ladies lunch at Egg Harbor at 12:30

April 8 - Drive & Dine – hosted by Phyllis & Bruce Beneditz – at Leombruni's Italian Village in Byron – 6:30. If you would like to drive together, meet at 5:30 in front of the old Penney's store in the Mechesney Park Mall.

April 25 - Ladies Tea – hosted by Bev Joyce and Sandy Hamaker, at Bev's house – 11:00 a.m. A sign-up sheet was sent around, but if you have not signed up yet, please give Bev or Sandy a call to let them know you are coming, and what food item you will be bringing.

May 2 - Garage tour and lunch – hosted by Rich Cannistra and Ron Kuhnau. The ladies are also invited to attend this year.

June - MG Conclave in Niagara Falls, Canada

Marques:

MG - None

Healey - None

Lotus - None

Rolls Royce-None

Mini- None

Triumph – The first car to arrive at a club function this spring with the top down (at Ebenezer Brown Pub)

Jaguar - None

Morgan -None

<u>Unfinished Business</u> –

There are still calendars available for sale.

New Business - None

Classified – None

Good Wrench Award – None given

Burnt Piston Award – None given

Raffle: Don Grosenick

- 1. Dead Blow Hammer Kyle Cook
- 2. Wire Ties Bruce Beneditz
- 3. Collapsible Work-light Lyn Pond
- 4. Burlap Bunny Brenda Moore
- 5. Spring Welcome Sign Barb Buckavekas
- 6. Thunder Bay Bucks Carol Eggleston

Adjournment:

Larry ended the meeting with a story about the Illinois State Police and their new penalty for speeding. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Marna Grosenick, Secretary

BRITISH BOOTS & BONNETS

2015 CALENDAR of EVENTS

April 8	BBB <i>Drive and Dine –</i> Leombruni's Italian Village Byron, IL
	Host: Bruce & Phyllis Beneditz
April 15	BBB CLUB MEETING
, .p 20	Thunder Bay Restaurant; Rockford, IL
April 24-26	Spring Jefferson Car Show and Swap Meet
	Jefferson, WI
April 25	BBB Ladies Tea
	Hostess: Bev Joyce & Sandy Hamaker
May 2	BBB Garage Tour and Lunch
	Host: Rich Cannistra & Ron Kuhnau
May 13	BBB <i>Drive and Dine –</i> Frankie's; Janesville, WI
	Host: Don & Marna Grosenick
May 16	BBB Tune Up & Picnic - The Vickerys; Roscoe, IL
	Host: Jim & Lynda Vickery
May 20	BBB CLUB MEETING
M 20 21	Thunder Bay Restaurant; Rockford, IL
May 29-31	24th Annual Champagne British Car Festival
May 20 June 7	Bloomington, IL British Car Awareness Week
May 30- June 7	Drive your LBC!!
June 4-12	BBB Dream Vacation to MG 2015
Julic 1 12	via Michigan
June 8-12	MG 2015 NAMGAR/NAMGB
	Niagara Falls, Canada
June 10	BBB Drive and Dine - Location needed
	Host: Rich & Jackie Bartlett
June 17	BBB CLUB MEETING
	Thunder Bay Restaurant; Rockford, IL
June 18-21	Blackhawk Farms Vintage Races; South Beloit, IL
June 19-21	The Chicago Scottish Festival & Highland Games;
	Itasca, IL
June 21	BBB Sunday Drive - 33rd Annual British
	Car Field Day; Sussex, WI
July 0	Host: Volunteer needed
July 8	BBB <i>Drive and Dine –</i> Location needed Host: Volunteer needed
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July 12	BBB Sunday Drive - The Cars Time Forgot Car Show; Lake Lawn Resort, Wis. Host: Volunteer needed
July 15	BBB CLUB MEETING Thunder Bay Restaurant; Rockford, IL
July 18	BBB Saturday Drive Host: Volunteer needed
August 2	Coffee in the Park; Lake Mills, WI Host: Volunteer needed
August 7-9	University Motors MG Summer Party Reunion (John Twist) Grand Rapids, MI
August 9	Botham Vineyards 19th Vintage Celebration Barneveld, WI
August 12	BBB <i>Drive and Dine</i> – Location needed Host: Volunteer needed
August 19	BBB CLUB MEETING Thunder Bay Restaurant; Rockford, IL
August 22-24	2015 Geneva Concours d'Elegance; Geneva, IL
August 22-23	Wisconsin Jaguars Concours/Milwaukee Masterpiece Veterans Park; Milwaukee, WI
August 26	BBB Friends Around the Campfire - The Eils; Harvard, IL Hosts: Larry & Marsha Eils
August 29	BBB Saturday Drive - Crossroads Blues Festival; Lyran Park; Rockford, IL
Sept 6	Hosts: Bev Joyce & Brian Kobischka BBB Club Picnic - Liberty Farm; Woodstock, IL Hosts: Ed & Luz Lehman
Sept 9	BBB <i>Drive and Dine</i> - Duck Inn; Delavan, WI Hosts: Bruce & Phyllis Beneditz
Sept 13	29th Annual Chicagoland British Car Festival Harper College; Palatine, IL
Sept 16	BBB CLUB MEETING
Sept 17-20	Thunder Bay Restaurant; Rockford, IL BBB Northwoods Long Weekend; Eagle River, WI Heats: Mary la Cabanina Bisk & Candy Hamaker
Sept 17-20	Hosts: Mary Jo Schoening, Rick & Sandy Hamaker VSCDA Elkhart Lake Vintage Festival Road America; Plymouth, WI
Sept 25-27	Fall Jefferson Car Show and Swap Meet Jefferson, WI
October 3	BBB Fall Drive Hosts: Larry & Marsha Eils

October 14 BBB *Drive and Dine* –Location needed

Host: Volunteer needed

October 21 BBB CLUB MEETING

Thunder Bay Restaurant; Rockford, IL

November 11 **BBB** *Dine* –Location needed

Host: Volunteer needed

November 18 BBB CLUB MEETING

Thunder Bay Restaurant

December 2 BBB Cookie Exchange

Host: Mary Jo Schoening

December 16 BBB Christmas Party

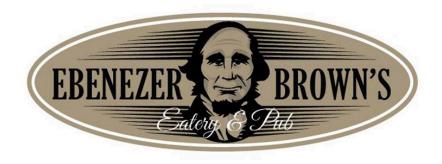
Host: Bev Joyce

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MARCH DINE - GREAT TIME HAD BY ALL

by Larry and Marsha Eils

On a "warm" March evening 18 club members enjoyed a wonderful dinner in a private dining room of the Ebenezer Brown's Eatery & Pub in Roscoe. It was a lively evening filled with good conversation accompanied by a very enjoyable meal.

With the nice spring weather Mr. Jim Roberts surprised everyone by driving his TR6, with the top down, to dinner. We were so surprised to see a British car so early we forgot to take a picture. I'm sure he wins the prize for being the first to drive, not only his car so early, but with the top down in 2015.

A big thank you to our hosts, Jim and Lynda Vickery, for making the arrangements for this nice outing. Unfortunately they missed all the excitement because they were enjoying a much warmer climate.





REPORT ON THE BRITISH AUTO JUMBLE SWAP MEET

by Archie Morey

The British Auto jumble swap meet in Wheaton, IL., started out as a bright and sunny warm day, and stayed that way. I went to the Auto jumble to reduce the amount of inventory I have in regards to parts for MGB and Spridgets (Sprite/ Midgets). Andy Palmquist and I shared the 3 tables. We each had a diverse assortment of parts. Andy's parts were mostly TD. Sales ramped up after shoppers made several rounds to see all that was being offered.

There were all marques represented, although most tables had Spridget parts. Don Grosenick and his grandson stopped by the table for a moment. Several other BBB members came through to check out what was being offered. The sale in the past was held the last weekend in February, but has been moved to the second weekend in March. A good move in my opinion. Warm, sunny weather was in store for the day as I set out at 5:30 am that Sunday morning. I loaded the truck and trailer the night before. Facing east as the sun came up offered its own challenges.

Two buildings are occupied during this sale. The amount of used and new parts would facilitate several building a fleet of old British Iron. It is encouraging to see a large crowd milling through the offerings of eclectic hoarders peddling their wares. I did not sell everything I took to the sale, which means a trip next year is in order. Unless anyone has use for all my spare parts. I will make you a great deal on all of it. LOL. Overall the day went well. Andy and I were pleased with what we were able to peddle to others; most of the time allowing the customer to feel as though they got a deal. Most of them did get a good deal. Next year should be just as nice. I hope anyone interested in this sale makes at least 1 trip. Until next year.

Short summary of the Auto Jumble, Archie Morey.

Welcome New Members!

New membership applications are available on the club's website. Register by sending your completed application to:

Brian Kobischka, Treasurer
British Boots and Bonnets Car Club
PMB 254
1643 North Alpine Rd. Suite 104
Rockford, IL 61107
brian.kobi@yahoo.com

Include \$20 annual membership dues plus a one-time fee of \$10 for name tags

BBB WEBMASTER REPORT FOR APRIL

The project to re-design the website continues. The membership survey is complete and a summary report is being shared with all via this edition of the Chronicle. The survey results will be used to help guide decisions and priorities regarding website layout/design, software, hosting services and related technology. Thanks to the members who responded - your input into the process is important and appreciated. The club's website is up-to-date and current; based on the most recent events information and photos I have received to date. Traffic to the site is good, and it appears folks think it is time for spring, as they are looking for car related activities. Members may continue to use the current site as before. Remember you can access the new regalia web store from our website as well.

Future updates on the website re-design project will be shared at the monthly club meetings and in future editions of the Chronicle. Email or call if you have any questions or comments regarding the website.

Thanks! Hal Zenisek BBB Webmaster

BBB Web Re-Design Survey Results

March 27, 2015

Number of responses to date = 20 including 14 male and 6 female.

Question 1: How often do you use the club's website?

➤ Weekly = 5%; Monthly = 53%; Few Times/Year = 37%; Rarely = 5%.

Question 2: Do you find the information you were looking for?

➤ Always = 25%; Frequently = 65%; Sometimes = 10%...

Question 3: Rate the current website:

- ➤ Home Page: Extremely Important or Very Important = 100%.
- Officers Page: Extremely or Very Important = 41%; Moderately or Slightly Important = 59%.
- Members Page: Extremely or Very Important = 89%; Moderately or Slightly Important = 11%.
- > Regalia Page: Extremely or Very Important = 63%; Moderately or Slightly Important = 37%.
- Events Calendar: Extremely or Very Important = 100%.
- For Sale Page: Extremely or Very Important = 37%; Moderately or Slightly Important = 6 3%.
- Events Page: Extremely or Very Important = 84%; Moderately or Slightly Important = 16%.
- > Join Us Page: Extremely or Very Important = 95%; Moderately or Slightly Important = 5%.
- Club Information Page: Extremely or Very Important = 95%.
- Current Chronicle Page: Extremely or Very Important = 74%; Moderately or Slightly Important = 26%.
- > Past Chronicles Page: Extremely or Very Important = 37%; Moderately or Slightly Important = 63%.
- Links Page: Extremely or Very Important = 43%; Moderately or Slightly Important = 57%.
- Contact Email: Extremely or Very Important = 84%; Moderately or Slightly Important = 16%.

Question 4: What features are missing on our current website?

- > Short articles on recent club activities for newcomers.
- More area events for members and recruiting new members.
- More how-to and tech information.
- Names of all current members.
- Email address for new membership applications to be submitted electronically.
- Web store with prices and availability of store regalia (car badges).
- > Pay dues online.
- It is difficult for me to get to monthly meetings due to work and rely on the website to know what's going on with the club.

Question 5: What should be changed on the current website?

- More pictures.
- Club roster that would only be available to members.
- It is extremely well done & doesn't need much improvement.
- Names of all members and if not addresses, at least city where from.
- Site index is too small.
- Links should be easily seen and are frequently across the top of a webpage.
- Who said it needs improving?
- More club pictures.
- Current site has everything I think is needed.
- > More modern look; more streamlined design.

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Question 6: Do you know of any good car club website examples:

- I don't know of any better site.
- > BBB site is better or on par with others (3).
- PCA and Midwest 356 Club.

Question 7: How important is it to have a dynamic website with date sensitive information?

Extremely or Very Important = 89%; Moderately or Slightly Important = 11% (2 respondents)

Other Comments:

- 1. A dynamic website implies a dynamic car club and helps to maintain and promote our status in the British car community.
- 2. The more dynamic the better, in my opinion, as long as we can support it. It is always disappointing when I go to a website and cannot get current information.
- 3. It would be nice to have current activities easily reachable from the website. i.e. find the address of tonight's dine and drive quickly rather than pull up a Chronicle and scroll through the pages to find it.
- 4. I think it's important that the BBB website have an up-to-date list of events for the year (as much as is known at any one point).
- 5. First, don't fix what isn't broken. If the club wishes to maintain the website in that format with date sensitive information then the change needed is to find a means to create the site and maintain the changing dynamics of it through means that are simple enough that almost anyone can maintain it. I, for one, would strongly object to the board recommending that we

take on the task of creating a "New Look" for the sake of just that and in addition take on the task of learning a new software method of creating and maintaining the website. There are a number of factors for consideration and in the end a cost basis with any new approach be presented for analysis.

NEXT STEPS:

Survey results will be used to help prioritize decisions about a possible website re-design, including software and technology options; hosting service providers; website layout & design; scope of work, etc. We'll address what we can do now, and keep a list for the future if we can't do it all. Additional input about redesigning the website is welcome; simply email the Webmaster at hzenisek@tds.net or contact one of the BBB board officers.

WIRING DIAGRAMS

by Lynda Vickery

A few weeks ago we were contacted by Prospero's Garage offering to provide the club with a wiring diagram of our choice as a means of marketing their diagram products. Because Lyn and Ron's shop does so many repairs and renovations for club members, we talked with them and asked if they would like a diagram of their choice. We now have a diagram for an MGA to give them. Ask them at some point how they like it!

Prosperos Garage has been in business since 1999. Check out their website at colorwiring diagrams.com if you want to see a list of diagrams available. Most of our English cars are included.

Their diagrams have three distinctive advantages:

- size of 11"x17" Big!
- easy to red with components labeled
- laminated

If you contact Prosperos Garage be sure to mention British Boots and Bonnets.

It's that time of year again!

DUES ARE DUE!!

If you have not paid dues for 2015, please forward your payment to Bev Joyce.

DID - U - KNOW by Facia Nearside

In 1925 Noel Macklin set out to develop a car that was easy to drive, a difficult undertaking with the technology of the time. He named the car Invicta, and opted to showcase its effortless operation by putting a lady behind the wheel. The lady was his sister-in-law Violet Cordery, who just happened to be somewhat of an accomplished race car driver.

Her exploits in the Invicta began in 1926 when she drove 5,000 miles at over 70 mph to set a long distance record. She followed that by setting the 10,000 mile and 15,000 mile records as well. In 1927 she drove a 3 litre Invicta around the world, a trip that took five months. Once back home she and her sister continued the publicity campaign by covering 30,000 miles in 30,000 minutes (about 21 days). Next, to show the amazing torque and versatility of the engine she drove from London to Edinburgh and back in first gear (826 miles), London to John O'Groats and back in second gear (1370 miles), London to Monte Carlo and back in third gear (1756 miles), finishing with eleven circuits around London using only top gear.

This all seems to verify that Noel Macklin had accomplished his goal, yet a stocky rally car driver who won the 1931 Monte Carlo Rally in an Invicta later said that the car was difficult to handle and had a very heavy clutch. There is good reason to believe that this driver knew what he was talking about as his name was Donald Healey. Maybe Miss Cordery didn't drive 826 miles in first gear

2015 EVENTS UPDATE

by Jim Vickery

We are publishing the calendar of events for 2015 that were established by the Events Committee that met late in January. We are open for suggestions for other events that we may not have thought of. If you have any ideas, please notify me as Events Chairman. Please note that there is one Dine and a couple Drive & Dines that do not have a host. If you have a restaurant, supper club, or bar that you feel the club would be interested in visiting, and it lies within approximately an hour's drive of Rockford, please let me know.

Also open on the Calendar is a Saturday Drive in July. This of course can be longer distances and should include at least one place of interest as well as a place to eat - either lunch or dinner. If you have an idea that would fit this criteria, I would be interested in hearing from you.

There are several events listed that are not BBB events. However, many club members attend these. If you are interested in leading a group to one of these events i.e. The Champagne British Car Festival, Sussex, Botham, or the Twist Summer Party, please see me, and we will include on the calendar and assist you as needed.

Our BBB Logo has written on the banner beneath the flag "Driving Enthusiasts". This is a club of people who drive their cars. We are looking forward to another wonderful driving season.

FIRST <u>DRIVE</u> AND DINE OF THE YEAR WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2015

by Bruce Beneditz

Bruce and Phyllis Beneditz are hosting this drive to Leombruni's Italian Village at 110 W. 2nd St. in Byron, IL.

For those wishing to caravan we will gather at 5:30 in front of the now closed JC Penney Outlet at the Southeast corner of the Machesney Park Mall.

Departure will be at 5:45 for a 6:30 arrival at the restaurant.

We need to let Leombruni's know the number of people attending on Tuesday,so please call Lynda Vickery (815-623-5611) or e-mail (jim.vickery@yahoo.com) with your reservation by Monday night, April 6th.

SPRING JEFFERSON AUTO SWAP MEET & CAR SHOW

from MadisonClassics.com

The Madison Classic's Spring Jefferson Car Show and Auto Swap Meet is one of the largest car shows in the Midwest! Jefferson Swap Meet & Car Show Statistics

- Spring Jefferson swap meet and car show is a whopping 99 acres!
- Largest swap meet in the midwest!
- Over 20,000 car show spectators!
- Over 3,100 car part vending spaces!
- 100's of vehicles for sale in the Cars for Sale Corral!
- 100's of show cars!



Car Show & Swap Meet Details, Dates & Times

Our 38th annual Spring Jefferson Swap Meet & Car Show will be held **April 24, 25, 26, 2015** at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds located just off Hwy 18 at 503 North Jackson Ave. in Jefferson, WI.

Spectator Hours

Fri 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sat 6:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sun 6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Spectators - Friday, Saturday & Sunday

Come join all the fun at the Spring Jefferson Swapmeet and Car Show! Spectator admission is just \$8.00 per adult. Spectator parking at the fairgrounds is \$4.00. **No pets**, **please.** Children under the age of 12 are free with paying adult.

There is a great selection of food stands available on the fairgrounds and an ATM is located in the main activity building.

BBB LADIES TEA

Ladies, don't forget to let Bev or Sandy know if you plan to attend the annual Tea, and let them know what food you plan to bring.

BBB 2015 GARAGE TOUR

by Rich Cannistra

Ladies and Gentlemen: Start your engines, the 2015 Garage Tour is about to depart. After several requests to include the gals we believe that the two locations lined up for this year will be of interest to all club members. Therefore, Ron and Nancy Kuhnau and Roxann and I invite everyone to join us on Saturday May 2nd.

First we will proceed to Madison, Wisconsin and visit Full Circle Restorations. This shop has the ability to restore your favorite classic or build the car of your dreams. From Madison we head west to the Troll Capital of America, Mount Horeb. We will enjoy lunch along the way before proceeding on to the large and eclectic collection of George and Becky Stauffer. The Stauffers' collection includes numerous British cars, memorabilia, and a few items that are...well...out of this world!

For the drive north meet at the Flying J Service Center, IL Rt. 75 & I-90 (exit 1) at 7:45 a.m. for an 8:00 a.m. departure.

Mark your BBB calendar now for the tour of the year, the 2015 BBB Garage Tour, Saturday May 2nd!

FUTURE EVENTS

BBB *Drive and Dine* - May 13, At Frankie's in Janesville. Hosted by Marna & Don Grosenick, this promises to be a lot of fun!

BBB REGALIA ONLINE STORE

by Bruce Beneditz

It is still a little too soon to get out the little British cars so we have been keeping busy and having fun adding new items to the Regalia Store.

The Tri-Mountain Jacket selection has been expanded to include more color options. Instead of just being available in Red / Black it is now available in 7 other color combinations.







A Soft Shell Jacket has been added that is available in both men's and women's styles. The men's is available in 6 color combinations and the women's is available in 4. It features 100% polyester woven shell bonded to a water-resistant laminated film insert and a 100% polyester microfleece lining.

For men there is a new ¼-zip Slub Fleece Pullover in multiple colors. Slub fleece is not like the light weight fleece you might be familiar with. It is more like a heavy sweat shirt fabric.





A women's Puffy Vest has been added in addition to the existing fleece vest.

The new vest is available in 6 colors.

We are continuing to look for a good Sun Visor to add to the collection and hope to have one available in time for the warm weather.

Take a few minutes to visit the new Online Store by following the Club Regalia link on the BBB website, BritishBootsandBonnets.com. By partnering with Embroid This in Roscoe, we have a convenient and easy way to select and purchase club related items. Select "All Products" or "Club Wear" to see all of the items.

As always, your comments and suggestions are welcome.

AUTOMOTIVE TRIVIA

Over the next few issues of The Chronicle we will be including some automotive trivia that Larry Eils thought we might enjoy. - So, enjoy!

Q: What was the first official White House car?



A: A 1909 White Steamer, ordered by President Taft.

Q: Where was the first drive-in restaurant?



A: Royce Hailey's Pig Stand opened in Dallas in 1921.

Q: True or False? The 1953 Corvette came in white, red and black.



Q: What city was the first to use parking meters?



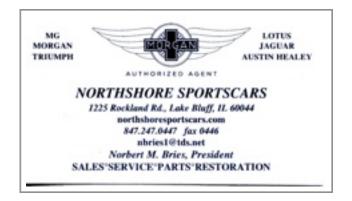
A: Oklahoma City, on July 16, 1935.

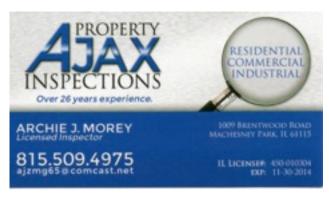
Q: Who opened the first drive-in gas station



A: Gulf opened up the first station in Pittsburgh in 1913.

A: False. The 1953 'Vett's were available in one color, Polo White.







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