

Absentee Ballot

British Boots & Bonnets **January 2018** **Election of Officers**

Pursuant to the provisions of Article V, Section 6 of the Club Bylaws, the following ballot is published to allow for absentee voting. **If you are unable to attend the meeting on January 17, 2018 and wish to vote, please do so below.**

<u>Office</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Vote of Member #1</u>	<u>Vote of Member #2</u>
President	John Ward	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice President	Brian Kobischka	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secretary	Dee Gibson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Treasurer		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Membership	Bev Joyce	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Events Chair		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Regalia Chair	Jim Vickery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Newsletter Editor	Lynda Vickery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Webmaster	Hal Zenisek	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Ballots must be received by the Club Secretary at least two days prior to the voting meeting which takes place on January 17, 2018. NOTE: If you wish to volunteer or nominate someone else for one of the above positions, you must attend the meeting to do so.

Signed by Member #1: _____ Date: _____

Signed by Member #2: _____ Date: _____

**Mail the completed ballot to British Boots and Bonnets Car Club,
PMB 254, 1643 North Alpine Rd, Suite 104, Rockford, IL 61107**



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

JANUARY 2018

Happy 2018 to all our British Boots & Bonnetts members and here's wishes for a prosperous new year full of great driving experiences and fun times to share with our good friends throughout the year. We closed out 2017 with our annual Cookie Exchange hosted by Mary Jo with lots of help from the Club's Ladies and our year-end Christmas party at Ninos "hosted" by Bev and Brian with lots of decorating help from Phyllis, a good time was had by all.

I don't think we've had such a run of super cold weather since the late 70's and early 80's, my hope is all that antifreeze is going to hold and do its' job. We lucked out and got a beautiful white Christmas at the last minute and I'm sure there's more snow coming for you fans of the white stuff. Sandi and I have spent lots of "cozy" time by the fire and just enjoying our together time along with our two kitties Spice (queen of the house) and Tigger her trusty side kick. If you're a glass half full personality, the good news is the days are getting longer by a minute or so each day and the sun is slowly marching north again.

I've really enjoyed my first year as your president and I'd like to remind you that we are looking for nominations for Events Chair and Treasurer at this month's meeting and election of officers. There are not too many names offered up at this point and we have enclosed a sample ballot for your use. Have a great January and we're looking forward to seeing you at this month's dine at Ciao Bella in Loves Park hosted by Marsha and Larry Eils.

John

Heard from Gregory Age 5 over Christmas:

"I only know the names of two angels, Hark and Harold."

Next Meeting
Wednesday,

January 17, 2018

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

**Dinner and social hour
at 6:00pm**



NOV 15, 2017 BRITISH BOOTS & BONNETS CLUB MEETING

President's Report - John Ward

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by John Ward. Mike Ackerman attended his first BBB Club meeting, driving his MG from his home in West Allis, Wisconsin. Mike purchased his MG in April and has been steadily working on it.

No guests were present.

John Ward reviewed the raffle prizes for the meeting.

Vice President's Report - Brian Kobischka - No report

Secretary's Report - Dee Gibson

A motion was made by Don Grosenick to accept the October report as printed in the Chronicle. Seconded by Rich Cannistra. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report - Lee Kindgren

Lee Kindgren presented the Treasurer's Report.

Larry Eils made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Brian Kobischka. Motion passed.

Membership - Bev Joyce - The BBB Club has 73 members. A few people have recently found our Club, one via a BBB business card left on a Mini Cooper door at a grocery store and another through the Club website.

Chronicle/Newsletter - Lynda Vickery - No report.

Webmaster - Hal Zenisek - The Club website was used to recruit a new member this month, interested in British cars.

Sunshine - Phyllis Beneditz - Lee Kindgren had a medical procedure this week and is doing fine. Please keep Jim and Lynda Vickery in your thoughts and prayers, as Jim has had some difficulties recently.

Regalia - Jim Vickery - No Report

Past Events - Bruce Beneditz

Leon and Peggy Kitzmiller hosted the October Dine at Toni's Restaurant in Winnebago. Thirty people enjoyed the great food and fellowship.

Upcoming Events

December 6 - BBB Cookie Exchange, hosted by Mary Jo Schoening (Bring 4 dozen cookies and take home 4 dozen)

December 13 - BBB Christmas Party at Lino's Restaurant, Rockford. Beverly Joyce is coordinating the event. The Club subsidizes the meals and pays the tax and tip also! Please get your reservations in to Bev as soon as possible.

January - BBB Events Planning Meeting, time to be announced.

January 10 Dine needs a club member to host the Dine. Please call Bruce Beneditz if you can help out.

September 14-16 2018 British Invasion in Vermont, featuring the Jaguar mark. There are 6 BBB cars planning to head to this event. If interested, make your hotel reservation as soon as possible as the hotels are filing up fast. Those that plan to attend will be staying at the Golden Eagle Resort in Stowe. NOTE: A working fire extinguisher is required for all show cars and parade cars.

Classified - None

Unfinished Business - The ByLaws that were revised in August at the Board Meeting regarding term limits for the Regalia Chairperson were presented to the membership for voting approval:
Proposed Revision - Adding Regalia Chairperson to the Exemption from the maximum consecutive term limits stipulation. New items in Italic and underlined.

BOARD MEMBERS (OFFICERS) AND ELECTIONS

Section 3 - An individual can only be elected to the same office for not more than two (2) consecutive terms. The offices of Newsletter Editor, Membership Chairperson and Webmaster and **Regalia Chairperson** are exempt from the maximum consecutive term stipulation.

Connie Frazier made a motion to revise the Bylaws as published in the Chronicle. Phyllis Beneditz seconded the motion. The motion passed and will become effective in January 2018. Copies of the Bylaws with this change will be available in January 2018.

New Business -

The BBB Board position of Events Chairperson is open for nominations. Please consider helping out the club by volunteering to assist with this position. Rich Gibson is willing to be part of a committee to help out with club events. The position of Club Treasurer is also open for nominations. One member has offered to be nominated for this position. Nominations for officers can be made up to and including the January 17, 2018 meeting.

The 2018 calendar is being worked on for publication soon. If anyone has photographs from 2017 Events from February, June and December, please get them to Dave Brickman.

Rich Cannistra notified club members that 40 million Kidde brand fire extinguishers are being recalled, covering 134 models. The issue revolves around the plastic handles which can break off, fall off. Please Google Kidde Fire Extinguishers for more information and to see if your model is one that is listed. In addition, if the fire extinguisher is more than 12 years old, the chemicals inside are not effective and should be replaced.

Burnt Piston Award- Peggy Kitzmiller nominated Leon Kitzmiller for hitting a possum with his Jaguar and destroying the brakes on the evening of the November Dine in Winnebago. Sandy Hamaker seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Good Wrench Award - Delores Moon nominated Leon Kitzmiller for driving well and surviving the possum attack. Sandy Hamaker seconded the motion. Motion passed. Leon Kitzmiller received 5 free raffle tickets.

Raffle - Don Grosenick

1. STA-BIL Fuel Stabilizer - Roger Buck
2. LED Bit Driver (Ratcheting) - Sandy Hamaker
3. LED Flashlight - Leon Kitzmiller
4. Digital Multimeter - Diana Gibson
5. Microfibre Auto Cloths - Bruce Beneditz
6. Santa on a Bike Figurine - Lee Kindgren
7. Snowman on a Bike Figurine - Larry Eils
8. Picture Frame - Sandy Ward
9. Candle and Stand - Brian Kobischka
10. Red and White Tree Figurine - Roxann Cannistra
11. Santa with Cookies Figurine - Solveig Maschke
12. Thunder Bay Bucks - Steve Carter
13. British Cars Coffee Table Book - Ed Nichols
(Donated by Delores and Lou Moon)
14. MG ball Cap - Mike Ackerman (Donated by Delores and Lou Moon)

Adjournment

John Ward told a story about Boy Scouts "on a dark and stormy night."
Meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Dee Gibson, Secretary

Welcome New Members!

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

Lee Kindgren, Treasurer
British Boots and Bonnets Car Club
PMB 254
1643 North Alpine Rd. Suite 104
Rockford, IL 61107
leekrkfd@aol.com

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

YOUR TURN

by Rich Cannistra

Winter in this part of the world can certainly be the doldrums for LBC owners. Although we have little chance to drive 'em, we do have plenty of time to think about warmer days. Fortunately we also enjoy one of the finest newsletters of any club, allowing us to stay connected and share stories. As you know, Lynda Vickery works tirelessly toward that end but she needs you and me to give her the material to work with. Many of us have been too busy to lend a hand, but I'm asking you to join me in changing that.

The subject couldn't be easier, "My first British Car". Each of us has that story, whether you bought it, inherited it, married into it, or whatever, there is a story to be told. And not just one story per couple because unless your relationship is way different than mine with Roxann, there are two sides to every story.

This is the time of the year when our activities are at a minimum, so Lynda has plenty of space available and appreciates the input. The story of my first British car will appear in next month's Chronicle. That gives you plenty of time to tell your story and get it to Lynda for the following month. And no, don't rely on someone ELSE to do it. It's your turn, and we all want to hear your story.

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JANUARY DINE - OUR FIRST EVENT OF 2018

Larry and Marsha Eils, Hosts

Happy New Year everyone. The club's first event in 2018 will be a Dine at Ciao Bella Ristorante in Loves Park. We will gather at the Ristorante on Wednesday, January 10 at 6:00 pm for some delicious Italian food.

The Ristorante is at 6500 E. Riverside Blvd. in Loves Park. The entrance to their parking lot is off Carlson Pass.

Please RSVP us by Tuesday evening (January 9th) if you are planning to attend. Text Yes, your name and how many to 815-382-3547 or email rpeonygarden@gmail.com with the same information.

It looks like the temperature may be in the teen's next week, let's hope so. Come and celebrate the warm up with us.

BBB WEBSITE UPDATING FOR 2018

Our Webmaster, Hal Zenisek is busy building the 2018 Calendar. If you know of any events, especially those from other car clubs, please send him the information so that he can add them to our Calendar. Many of our club members check www.britishbootsandbonnets.com to find out what upcoming events and activities they might want to attend.

IT'S DUES TIME AGAIN!

If you have paid your dues great! If not, please submit \$20 to Bev Joyce either at the January meeting, or by mail to our post office box: British Boots and Bonnets Car Club, PMB 254, 1643 North Alpine Rd. Suite 104, Rockford, IL 61107.



NOVEMBER 2017 DINE AT TONI'S RESTAURANT ENJOYED BY ALL!

Thirty club members met in Winnebago, Illinois to dine at Toni's Restaurant and have a great Italian meal. This was the last Dine of the 2017 season and everyone wanted to get together even though the weather was cold. Leon and Peggy Kitzmiller made a fine choice with Toni's, which has been in business for several years and is a favorite with locals.





Thank you Leon and Peggy for a wonderful evening of food and fun!



BBB COOKIE EXCHANGE HOSTED BY MARY JO SCHOENING

by Lynda Vickery

The annual cookie exchange has become a favorite for BBB club members. It is an evening of tasting appetizers, sipping a favorite beverage, exchanging cookies so that members go home with a variety that they didn't come with! But most of all it is a relaxing evening of visiting with car friends. We reminisce about various club events during the year. We catch up on family news. We look ahead to the events for 2018 and make plans for traveling and exploring new ideas.







Mary Jo, thank you so very much for keeping this wonderful tradition alive. You are the ultimate hostess, and we all head home feeling very pampered!



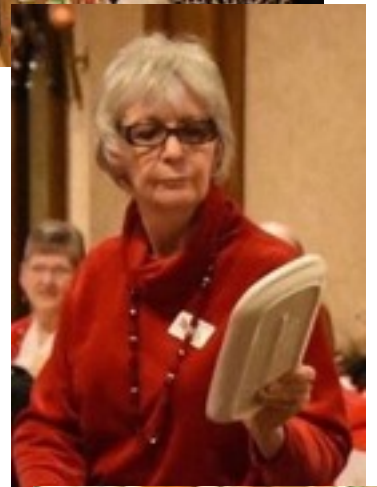
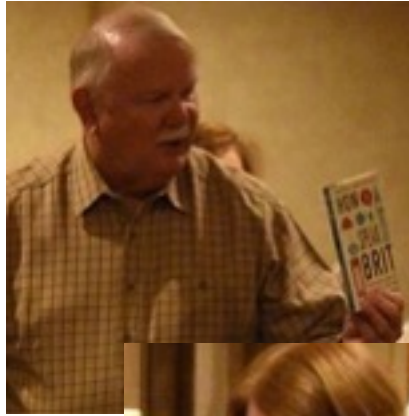
LOTS OF FUN AGAIN AT OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY!

by Bev Joyce

Sixty-One of us were together at Lino's Restaurant in Rockford to celebrate and to wish each other a good holiday. We were so sorry when Marna Grosenick became ill at the last minute and couldn't attend. We hope her illness was short lived. Thank you to Phyllis, Sandy and Connie for their help to make sure everything went off without a hitch. Thank you to Brian for taking on Elf duties for our gift exchange. As usual, Lino's was very accommodating to all of our needs prior to and during the party. **Please mark your calendars for next year's party for December 12th. Happy New Year!!!**









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