

# British Boots and Bonnets Car Club

## Christmas Party

Please join us at Lino's Restaurant in Rockford

December 12, 2018

6:00 pm for Cocktails - 6:45 for Dinner

Gift Exchange Fun right after Dinner

To participate in the gift exchange, please bring one \$15.00 wrapped gift per person and mark it for man or woman. (No gifts of alcohol, please.)

### British Boots and Bonnets Christmas Party Reservation Form

Baked Chicken Ala Lino	8.00	Name: _____ Name: _____	\$ _____
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Salmon	11.00	Name: _____ Name: _____	\$ _____
		Total	\$ _____

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

NOVEMBER 2018

As we enter November and the Thanksgiving season, we have much to be thankful for, especially the friendships and camaraderie with our fellow Club members. It has been a great year for our British Boots & Bonnetts Car Club with lots of great memories from our activities during 2018; maybe the best is yet to come with our annual Cookie Exchange and Christmas Party just around the corner.

We're all busy putting our trusty "steeds" away for the winter in their safe & cozy barns/garages, with dreams of 2019 and new adventures to come. In anticipation of the coming year I need to remind all our members of the need to offer up nominations for the Club's open officer positions; President, Vice President and Secretary. I'll be looking for suggestions at this month's meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Also we have a dine coming up at Salamone's restaurant in Cherry Valley on the 14<sup>th</sup> at 6pm hosted by Rich and Dee Gibson.

Our mid-term elections are on the 6<sup>th</sup> of this month; I am sure all of you made it to your local polling place to exercise your right to vote for those you support. As a veteran with 22 years of service I want to say thank you to all my fellow veterans who so faithfully served our great country. I also want to thank those Club officers that are completing their terms of office, our Club is stronger due to your faithful service.

John

Next Meeting  
**Wednesday,**

**November 28, 2018**

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

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



## OCTOBER 17, 2018 BRITISH BOOTS & BONNETS CLUB MEETING

### President's Report - John Ward

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President, John Ward. Twenty-two members were present. There were no guests or new members present.

### Vice President's Report - Brian Kobischka - No Report

### Secretary's Report -Dee Gibson

A motion was made by Don Grosenick to accept the September report as printed in the Chronicle. Seconded by Roger Buck. Motion passed.

### Treasurer's Report - Larry Eils

Larry Eils presented the Treasurer's Report.

Motion made by Brian Kobischka to accept the Treasurer's Report as stated. Motion seconded by Lee Kindgren. Motion passed.

### Membership - Bev Joyce - Presently 70 members. No change since our last meeting.

Chronicle/Newsletter - Lynda Vickery - There will be only one more issue of the Chronicle in 2018. There will be no Chronicle published in December.

Webmaster - Hal Zenisek - An email was received by Bill Waller in Rockford who has a 1979 MGB and is looking for a good mechanic and for storage for this MGB. If any club member is interested in helping out, contact Hal for more information.

Another email was received from Stu Green from the Chicago Fire Soccer Club announcing that an English "football" player will be coming to the area.

### Sunshine - Phyllis Beneditz

Leon Kitzmiller is having some outpatient surgery. He and Peggy are also celebrating their 26<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Marna Grosenick had surgery on her foot and is getting along slowly. She will have an additional surgery in about 6 months on that same foot, correcting a break from several years ago that did not heal correctly.

Regalia - Jim Vickery - The Chronicle has the usual information about regalia for the Club.

### **Past Events -Rich Gibson**

Thank you to Larry and Marsha Eils who have offered to host the “Pizza by the Pond” at their home for the past two years. Each year the event was weathered out, but their generosity is much appreciated.

Another thank you is extended to Mike and Brenda Moore who hosted the dine at The 615 Club in Beloit in early October. There were twenty-four club members there for a scrumptious dinner!

A HUGE thank you to Rich and Roxann Cannistra for planning and leading the caravan of 4 cars on the long drive from Rockford to Stowe, Vermont in September. This was a huge undertaking and so appreciated!

The Old Farts Lunch group enjoyed burgers at Ridott Corners in September and the Ladies Who Do Lunch met at Garrett’s.

### **Future Events - Rich Gibson**

October 18 - BBB Annual Board Meeting will be held at John & Sandi Ward’s home at 7:30 P.M.

October 26 - Old Farts’ Lunch at The Aero Ale House at 1:00.

October 26 - Ladies Who Do Lunch at Lydia’s at 1710 Rural St, Rockford at 12:30.

November 14 Dine at Salamone’s at 103 S. Cherry Street, Cherry Valley, hosted by Rich & Dee Gibson. Please RSVP to Rich or Dee.

November 28 - BBB Club meeting (This Meeting will be one week later than usual because of Thanksgiving).

December 5 - Cookie exchange at Mary Jo Schoening’s at 7:00 P.M.

December 12 - Christmas party at Lino’s. Please get your reservation and check in to Beverly Joyce as soon as possible.

**Classified** - None

**Unfinished Business** - None

**New Business** - The Annual Board Meeting will be held on October 18. The budget will be discussed as well as vacancies for officer positions of president, vice-President, and secretary. While current BBB Officers are asked to attend, all Club members are invited to attend.

**Burnt Piston Award** - None

**Good Wrench Award** -None

## Raffle - Don Grosenick

1. Big Grip Bucket of Blue Shop Towels - Sandi Ward
2. Lighted Pumpkin Lantern - Lynda Vickery
3. LED Sidekick Pickup Tool - Roger Buck
4. LED Sidekick Pickup Tool - Rich Gibson
5. Supreme Drying Towel - Hal Zenisek
6. Supreme Drying Towel - Ed Nichols
7. Wood "Happy Halloween" Pumpkin Block - Larry Eils
8. "Spooky Nights" Tea Towel - Beverly Joyce
9. Wood / Straw Broom Decoration - Lee Kindgren
10. Halloween Candle - Charlie Gall
11. Thunder Bay Bucks - Rick Hamaker

## Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Larry Eils and seconded by Don Grosenick. Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Dee Gibson, Secretary

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## BRITISH BOOTS & BONNETS 2018 CALENDAR of EVENTS

- NOV 14 - **BBB 6:00 P.M. Dine at Salamone's Italian Restaurant and Bar**  
**103 S. Cherry St., Cherry Valley, Illinois**  
Hosts: Rich & Dee Gibson
- NOV 28 - **7:00 P.M. BBB CLUB MEETING**  
Thunder Bay Restaurant; Rockford, IL
- DEC 5 - **BBB Cookie Exchange Party**  
Host: Mary Jo Schoening  
\*Watch for more info in future emails
- DEC 12 - **BBB Christmas Party - Lino's**  
5611 E. State St., Rockford, IL  
\*Watch for more info in future emails



**CIRCLE WEDNESDAY,  
DECEMBER 5, 2018 ON  
YOUR CALENDAR!**

In addition to the **must attend** Christmas Party, the BBB Cookie Exchange hosted by Mary Jo Schoening is another December favorite. The festivities begin at 7 pm on Wednesday, December 5th. Please bring your favorite cookies along with the recipe, a container to take home your cookie selections, an appetizer to share, and your beverage of choice.

If you bring 4 dozen cookies then please chose 4 dozen from among the fanciest, best tasting cookies and other Christmas treats our members bring. You may bring more, or less, but please take home the same number that you bring.

Everyone knows by now that this is a co-ed cookie exchange. The guys have as much fun as the gals. See you there!

## EVENTS REPORT

by Rich Gibson

As the year draws to a close, I would like to give a special thanks to several people; first to my wife Dee, who is always there when I need her (often). Then to Rich and Roxanne Cannistra. Even though my name is listed as Events Chairman, my wife Dee has probably done 60% of the work and kept me on track to meet deadlines. Rich & Roxanne have generously picked up a disproportionately large share of the work for several events.

Then on to Lynda Vickery, Beverly Joyce and Hal Zenisek. I don't think a lot of BBB club members realize the amount of work that these three people do throughout the year to make sure that all BBB club members have timely, accurate and up-to-date information. Thank you to all of you for all of the assistance you have given me over the last year.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

14 November, 6PM, BBB DINE: Salamone's Italian Restaurant & Bar, Cherry Valley. Hosted by Rich & Dee Gibson. Please RSVP to Dee 815-871-5200 or 54321kaboom@comcast.net

28 November, 7PM BBB Club Meeting, Thunder Bay Restaurant (please note different date due to Thanksgiving)

05 December, 7PM Annual Cookie Exchange hosted by Mary Jo Schoening, more details are in the Chronicle.

12 December, 7PM? BBB Annual Christmas Party, Lino's Italian Restaurant, presented by Beverly Joyce and her helper Elves.

No BBB Club Meeting in December

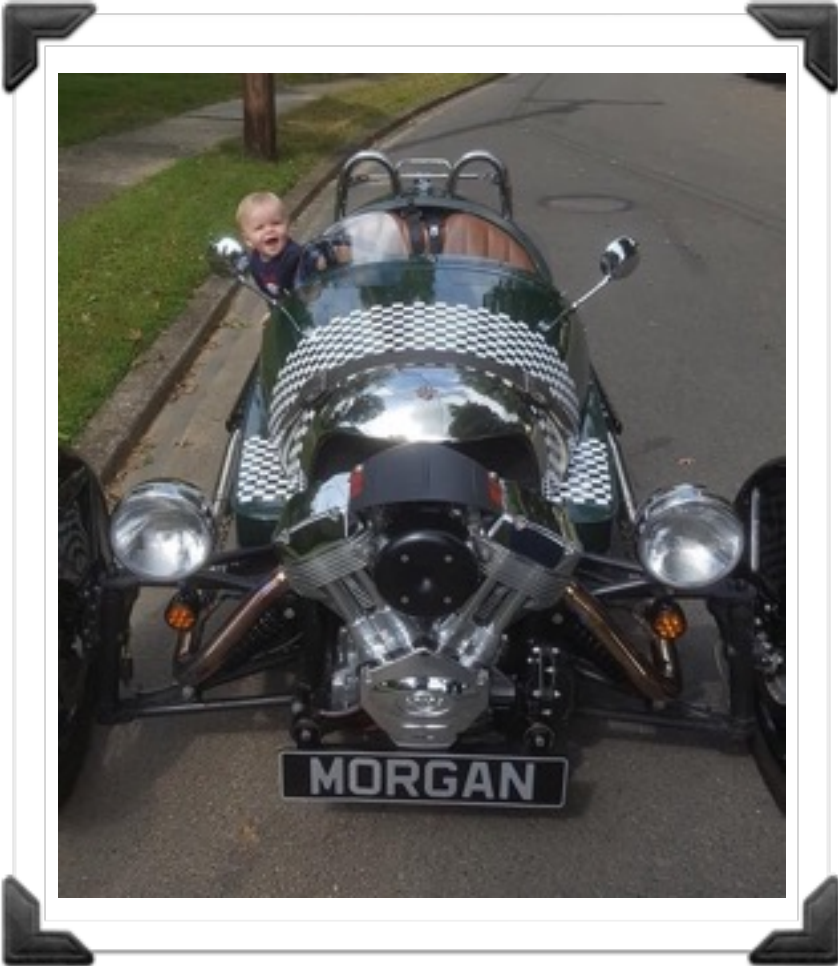
16 January 2019, 7PM BBB Club Meeting, Thunder Bay Restaurant

### BRITISH BOOTS & BONNETS NOVEMBER 14TH "DINE"

The November Dine will be at Salamone's Restaurant and Bar at 103 South Cherry Street in Cherry Valley on November 14th at 6:00 P.M.

Please RSVP to Dee Gibson at 815-871-5200 or email Dee at 54321kaboom@comcast.net See everyone there!





## NEW FEATURE FOR 2019

Dee Gibson has a great idea for next year's Chronicle. Send a photo of your favorite "child", be it a tot, teen, or in-between in your favorite LBC. We will include a photo every month.

Rich's great-nephew, Tyler, is sure enjoying the Gibson's Morgan in our first feature.

The perfect title:

### TYKE IN THE TRIKE

Please send your photos to [jvickery.jv@gmail.com](mailto:jvickery.jv@gmail.com).

Thanks,  
Chronicle Editor, Lynda Vickery

**DUES ARE NOW  
BEING TAKEN BY  
BEV JOYCE FOR  
THE 2019 BBB  
CLUB YEAR.  
PLEASE  
FORWARD YOUR  
PAYMENT TO HER.**

**Welcome New Members!**

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

Larry Eils, Treasurer  
British Boots and Bonnets Car Club  
PMB 254  
1643 North Alpine Rd. Suite 104  
Rockford, IL 61107  
[rpeonygarden@gmail.com](mailto:rpeonygarden@gmail.com)

Include \$20 annual membership dues plus a one-time fee of \$18 for name tags.

## WEBMASTER REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2018

Greetings all,

As far as the club's website is concerned, it is time to start building the monthly calendars for 2019. My request, if you know of any British car related events that you want to recommend for the website, please email the information to me and I'll try to add a link and brief information to our club's activities for the year. In the past, members have suggested state, regional and national car shows; marque specific events, and local activities that might be of interest to British car owners. One or two recommendations from many members adds much to our calendar and presence on the Internet.

Second, as this is the last newsletter for the year, I want to remind everyone to check-out all the event photos that have been shared by various club members during 2018. It's a great way to revisit a year full of fun, fellowship and memories. The last event photos will be uploaded to the website in December and following the Christmas party and cookie exchange. Add [www.britishbootsandbonnets.com](http://www.britishbootsandbonnets.com) to your list of Favorites in your browser of choice.

Thanks!

Hal Zenisek, BBB Webmaster

**"He who is without oil,  
shall throw the first  
rod" Compressions  
8.7:1**



Wednesday evening at 6:15 found twenty-three BBB members at the 615 Club in Beloit for the October dine. The Club seated us at two long tables in the main dining area with our overflow to a small adjoining table. We started with the traditional relish trays at each table and also enjoyed the less traditional cinnamon rolls we found in the bread baskets. Lead server JoAnne and her competent crew kept the food and libations, in moderation, flowing! Hosts for the evening were Mike and Brenda Moore.

An interesting postscript to the evening; as Jim and Linda Vickery were leaving they chatted with the 615 Club owner Gregg Hatley and were introduced to a past garage tour host seated at the bar. Small cars in a small world!

Thank you Mike and Brenda, for a wonderful Dine!







## *DID - U - KNOW*

*by Facia Nearside*

We brag about it, we compare it, our cars all have it, and usually we are looking for more of it. What? Horsepower. But what does it really mean? Horsepower has been around for a very long time, but not until it was no longer provided by horses did it become the subject of discussion.

Thomas Newcomen invented the first practical steam engine, and by 1750 early adopters were using them all over Britain. In 1781 James Watt, a Scottish mechanical engineer, was tasked to repair a Newcomen engine and immediately recognized its' inefficiency. He made improvements which doubled that efficiency, allowing it to use only half as much coal. But how to quantify this improvement to inform potential buyers was a dilemma.

Initially Watt took royalties on the coal saved by his engines compared to the Newcomen engines. But this system did not work for potential customers who were still using horses for power. When one of Watt's customers ordered an engine that could do the work of his strongest horse, Watt recognized the solution. He determined a horse could turn a 12 foot mill wheel 144 times an hour pulling with a force of 180 pounds. Using those figures he calculated the amount of work being done, and in 1783 this figure was standardized as 33,000 foot-pounds/minute, equal to one horsepower. One hundred years later, in 1882, the British Association for the Advancement of Science honored James Watt by adopting the "watt" as the name of the unit for measuring power.

Today there are many standards and types of horsepower, but the most common is that of mechanical horsepower which is defined as 745.7 watts. But no matter how you rate it or try to quantify it, the horse is still out of a job.



When Charlie and Linda Gall left the October BBB Club meeting they found this note on the windshield! What a nice complement!



Also, Charlie and Linda attended the British Car Festival presented by the British Car Union at Harper College on September 9th.

To quote Charlie, "There were 100's of LBC's, every marque, different years, etc. It was a crazy big show."

Thanks for sharing your photos, Charlie and Linda!



# Happy Thanksgiving BBB Members

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NOVEMBER 2018**

Regalia club merchandise is available by contacting Jim Vickery. This includes:

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- BBB Hat/Lapel Pin - \$1
- BBB Logo Wall Clock - \$15
- two BBB visors - \$10
- British flags for cars - \$5

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