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**Next Meeting
Wednesday,**

Nov 15, 2023

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

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

Meeting begins at 7:00pm

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Nov, 2023

Fall, cold and mixed with snow! We aren't over it, unfortunately this is just the beginning. With Thanksgiving and Christmas looming, our events calendar is winding down fast. Don't fret, we still have a couple events left for you to enjoy.

Don and Marna are hosting a Dine only on November 8th at the Stagecoach in Fort Atkinson, WI. Last year was the first time that Crystal and I were able to attend, and we had a great time. Hope to see you there!

This is the weekend for Daylight Saving Time, please do not forget to set your clocks back.

In January, we will be electing new officers for the club, so if you have an interest then please let us know. I know that the outgoing officers are more than happy to assist with training the incoming ones.

Safety Fast,

Dennis



October 18, 2023 British Boots & Bonnets Meeting

President's Report - Dennis Klemm -

Meeting called to order @ __7:09__ pm

Number of members present __ 32__

New members - none

Guests - none

Vice President's Report -Crystal Klemm - no report

Secretary's Report -Chris Oakes

September 20, 2023 Minutes as printed in the Chronicle newsletter and corrected by Chris Oakes were approved.

Motions to accept the minutes was made by ___ Bev Joyce_____

Seconded by _____Ron Kuhnau _____ **Approved**

Corrections to the September, 2023 minutes - none

Treasurer's Report - Brian Kobischka - absent Presented by Bev Joyce

Activity for the period of ending October 17, 2023

Cash and Bank Accounts

BMO Harris Checking Account	\$ 2554.58
BMO Harris Savings Account	\$ 3059.47
Total Cash & Bank Accounts	\$ 5614.05
Total Liabilities / Expenses	\$
Overall Total	\$ 5614.05
Income	
Dues 2023	\$ 10.00
Dues 2024	\$ 19.00
Historic Auto Attractions Event	\$
Raffle Income	\$ 89.00
Regalia -	\$
Nametags	\$ 9.00
Total Regalia income	\$ 9.00
Total Income	\$ 127.00

Expenses

Bank Fees	\$	
Email Expense (Gaggle)	\$	92.49
Event - Christmas Party deposit	\$	
Corporation File/ annual report	\$	
Newsletter	\$	47.60
Raffle Expense	\$	48.02
Regalia - Name Tags	\$	
Total Regalia Expenses	\$	
Post Office Box Rental	\$	
Sunshine Memorial	\$	
Yearly Maintenance	\$	
Overall Total Expenses	\$	188.11
Overall Total	\$	- 61.11

Motion to accept: Bev Joyce

2nd : Ron Kuhnau

Approved

Membership - Beverly Joyce - 78 members (dues paid members)

Chronicle Newsletter - Lynda Vickery **no DECEMBER Chronicle**

Webmaster - Hal Zenisek

Sunshine - Phyllis Beneditz -

Carol Eggleston - is living in assisted living - she recently fell, no word on the issue caused by the fall

The Hanselmans are recovering well from their car accident

Events - Ron Kuhnau

Past Events

October 7: Friends around the campfire - Larry & Marsha Eils - nice fall night

October 11: Dine - Ron & Nancy Kuhnau - Benedetti's - Great turnout - wonderful ice cream

Club Events.... Upcoming

October 27: Old Farts @ Buster's 1pm

Ladies Lunch @ Stockholm Inn @ 12:30 pm

November 8: Dine - Don & Marna Grosnick - details to follow

December 13: BBB Christmas party at Lino's

Regalia - Bruce Beneditz - Great Stocking stuffers : Lapel pins \$1.00, Car Badges \$35.00

Classified - none

New Business -

FOUR board positions are open for 2024 - we are looking for volunteers

*** Dee Gibson volunteered for the Secretary position

Jim Roberts - If you are ever in Los Angeles, check out the Peterson Auto Museum

A rare Rolls Royce, 1925, never driven, a priceless car

Unfinished business - none

Raffle - Connie Frazer and Solveig Maschke

Item	Recipient
1. Halloween Mug	Nancy Kuhnau
2. Foaming Hand Soap & Magnetic pad	Crystal Klemm
3. Foaming Hand Soap & Magnetic pad	Bill Collier
4. Foaming Hand Soap & Magnetic pad	Solveig Maschke
5. Eucalyptus Candle	Lynda Vickery
6. Telescoping Magneti Pickup tool	Jim Roberts
7. Shield Leather Cleaner/ Conditioner (donated by NAPA)	Greg Oakes
8. Shield Bug & Tar remover (donated by NAPA)	Bruce Beneditz
9. Mac's Silicone Spray (donated by NAPA)	Bev Joyce
10. Mac's Citrus Orange Hand cleaner (donated by NAPA)	Charlie Gall

Adjournment

Motion made by ___Bill Maschke _____

Second by ___Bruce Beneditz _____

Motion passed and meeting adjourned at _7:40__ pm

Submitted by: Chris Oakes

British Boots and Bonnets Christmas Party



Please join us at Lino's Restaurant in Rockford
 December 13, 2023
 6:00 pm for Cocktails - 6:45 for Dinner
 Gift Exchange

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.)

Please note that prices include soup, garlic & pizza breads, Special Salad, pastas, baked potato, beverages of coffee, soda or juice, Spumoni, tax and gratuity.

Baked Chicken Ala Lino	\$39.00	Name: _____ Name: _____	\$ _____
New York Strip 14 oz.	\$51.00	Name: _____ Name: _____	\$ _____
Shrimp DeJonghe	\$46.00	Name: _____ Name: _____	\$ _____
Nonna's Meatless Lasagna	\$36.00	Name: _____ Name: _____	\$ _____
		Total	\$

If you have any questions, please contact Bev at 815-975-0857 or andsewon53@comcast.net

Reservation and check made out to British Boots and Bonnets must be received by Monday, November 27, 2023 at British Boots and Bonnets Car Club
ICO Bev Joyce
2202 Churchview Drive, Apartment M
Rockford, IL 61107



Great Night for a Campfire

Larry and Marsha Eils

There was a chill in the air as the BBB members arrived to see a blazing campfire going. Ron Kuhnau, our fire master for the evening, did an excellent job of keeping the 11 members of the club present warm and cozy all evening. The air was still and the sky was clear. We did not see the meteor shower but we did see the Star-link satellites fly over head. What a sight. Everyone enjoyed campfire snacks, a beverage or two and interesting conversation while sitting around a beautiful campfire.



BENEDETTI'S SUPPER CLUB DIDN'T DISAPPOINT

October the 11th saw a good number of BBB members drive to Beloit, Wisconsin to enjoy dinner at Benedetti's Supper Club. Their food never disappoints - and it's a special treat to end with one of their special ice cream desserts! Oh, my!

Thank you, Nancy and Ron, for planning this great night out!

by Lynda Vickery



THE 1925 ROLLS ROYCE PHANTOM ROUND DOOR - MRS. DILLMAN'S CAR

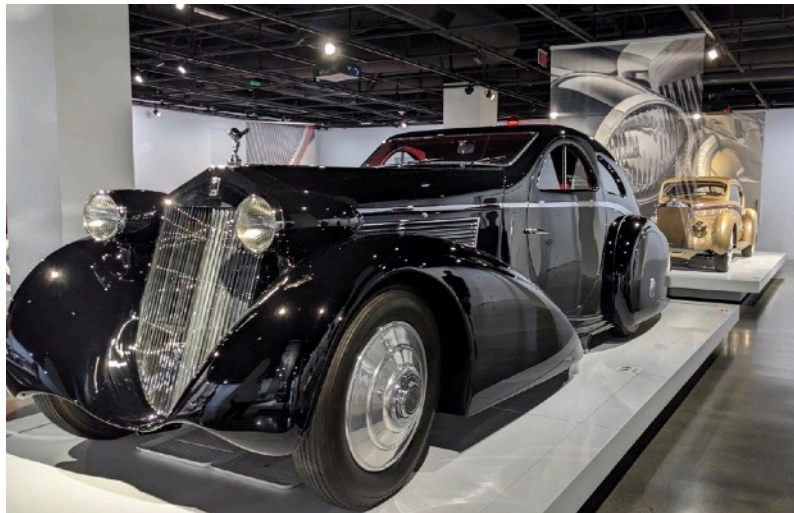
by Jim Roberts

You may recall at the monthly meeting that I said I would get more info to the membership about the 1925 Rolls Royce Phantom Round Door that Barb Shimp and I recently saw at the Peterson Auto Museum in LA. It's truly a stunning vehicle and has a wild history as well. It was probably the most dominant exhibit and really the most British of all the cars there. I've included a clipped Internet link that gives the history of the car, with some pics. Then, I've included some pics that I took in person.

<https://www.thetruthaboutcars.com/2016/02/driving-mrs-dillman-tale-round-door-rolls-royce/>

editor: Be sure to go to the website to get lots of detailed information about the car and how it came to be known as Mrs. Dillman's Car!

Lynda





BBB WEBMASTER REPORT

Given this is the last newsletter for the year, I want to share a big THANK-YOU to all who contributed to the club's website and our efforts to have BBB available to everyone via the Internet. The website and all it contains would not be possible without the contributions of many. I could not do this job alone and am grateful and appreciative of your help. Pictures, British car related events and show recommendations, tech tips and a host of other resources are available online because our members shared ideas, resources and information. The club has seen a strong and steady flow of traffic to our website this year and visitors are back following the pandemic slowdown.

By the time you are reading this, work on our events calendars for 2024 has begun. Your recommendations for future state and regional British car shows or other events you think would be of interest to little British car owners will be appreciated. We are a multi-marque British car club and I'd like our calendar to support British car multi-marque events. Feel free to call or email me if you have questions or comments.

Happy Holidays!
Your Webmaster, Hal Zenisek
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DID - U - KNOW

by Facia Nearside

Birmingham Small Arms (BSA) had been producing a range of Daimler small cars prior to WWII. The war of course halted the construction of civilian vehicles, and when post war production resumed Daimler decided to shift gears.



Beginning in 1946 Daimler changed to the luxury saloon market, quite successfully until 1959 when fate intervened. Edward Turner, newly appointed director of BSA's automotive division, was tasked to develop a V-8 engine to power future saloons. The project was code named DN250 and a very modern and capable V-8 was designed. When the new saloon the engine was intended for was delayed, Daimler decided to showcase their new engine in a trendy fiberglass two seat sports car, and the codename of the project was changed to SP250 (SP for sport). Daimler projected two-thirds of the sales for the new car would be in the United States, so when the hot new car called the Daimler Dart was launched in 1959 one was sent to the New York Motor Show. The marque immediately ran afoul of the Chrysler Corporation who marketed the Dodge Dart. With legal action threatened, and little time to think up a new name, Daimler simply used the project number and named their car the SP250.

Styling of the car was controversial, and the fiberglass body had issues, but the nimble little car was well received by law enforcement. The metropolitan police in London found the quick sporty ride especially useful in catching speeders and café racers. Many British law enforcement districts followed suit, with the car even becoming popular with police in Australia and New Zealand. All of this publicity about the sporty new Daimler had an unintended side effect however.



Just as SP250 production was getting into high gear in 1960 Jaguar was putting the finishing touches on their new sports car, the E-Type, which was set to debut in 1961. Ever since the success of the XK-120 in 1948, Jaguar had become a force to be reckoned with, especially in the field of British sports cars. William Lyons, the owner of Jaguar, had not become successful by being soft on the competition or taking unnecessary chances. There was only one sure way to eliminate the threat. On May 26, 1960 Jaguar bought Daimler. The SP250 was the last car developed by Daimler while under the ownership of BSA. Production under Jaguar ownership continued until 1964 with 2654 SP250s built during the five-year run. As was predictable, other Daimlers rapidly became badge engineered Jaguars.

In 1966 Jaguar became part of British Motor Holdings, in 1968 part of British Leyland, then in 1984 Jaguar once again became independent before going under Ford ownership. Through all of these changes the Daimler marque survived. Finally in 2009 when the last Daimler X358 rolled off the assembly line the British line of the Daimler marque was retired, 113 years after Henry Lawson had brought the rights for that name to Great Britain.

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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

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



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**BBB REGALIA ONLINE
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Regalia club merchandise is available by contacting Bruce Beneditz. This includes:

- BBB Grill Badge - \$35
- BBB Hat/Lapel Pin - \$1

All other regalia can be purchased online via our BBB Regalia Page found on our Club's website.

You buy online, securely pay with your credit card, and select one of the following delivery options:

- Shipped directly to you (additional fee)
- Pick up at Embroid This (no charge)

Bruce, bruce.beneditz@charter.net

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