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Next Meeting
Wednesday,

Oct. 16, 2019

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

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

October, 2019

The change of seasons is upon us and its Autumn! Along with the 10th month of the year in the Gregorian calendar come early sunsets, falling leaves, apples from the orchard, Octoberfests, and Halloween ghosts, ghouls, and goblins. At our home, resident hummingbirds are voraciously at the nectar feeders as they prepare for their long flight south.

For BBB members, Autumn means tune down preparations, gearing up for winter garage projects, and planning for the next driving season. It's also time for squeezing in the last few club driving events with a Drive and Dine on October 9th and a Fall event on October 19th - check out the details elsewhere in this newsletter or on the website.

One of the club's more unique events occurred recently with the Lucas Memorial Night Rally, created by club members Larry & Marsha Eils. They used their creative talents and organizational skills to put together an evening of fun for all who attended. Thank you!

As we near the end of the year, I ask you to consider how you might share some of your talents through service as a BBB elected officer. Initial nominations for 2020 officers will take place at the November meeting, with a second opportunity at the January meeting before voting. Nominations will be open for all offices and our 2019 secretary, treasurer, and events chair must be filled by others. If you can help the club as an officer, now is the time to volunteer.

This month, I'll leave you with some words of wisdom from the CarGurus' website: "I always adjust the seat and mirrors when I drive my husband's car - so he doesn't forget that he's married."

Hope to see you soon,

Connie Frazier



BRITISH BOOTS & BONNETS CLUB MEETING - SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

President's Report-Connie Frazier

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by Connie Frazier with 40 members present and 3 guests. Alan Cichon from Woodstock attended and is looking for help in refurbishing his MGB. We all welcomed him and hope that he will become a member. Barney Gaylord and his son Elliott also were visiting from Chicagoland MG Club. Barney is considered by many as the expert in MGA's. He has an extensive library of MGA technical information on his website much of which was written by him. There are approximately 4000 pages of technical information on MG's.

Board news. Connie read a letter of resignation from Charlie Gall for his position as Secretary. Charlie was thanked for the excellent job he has done as Secretary. Charlie will continue to be an active member of BBB. A motion was made by Rick Hamaker to accept his resignation and seconded by Larry Eils. Solveig Maschke will be taking minutes until a new Secretary is elected.

Vice President-Solveig Maschke - No report

Secretary - A motion was made by Dee Gibson to accept the August 2019 minutes as printed in the Chronicle. Seconded by Rich Cannistra. Motion passed.

Treasurers report - Larry Eils

Report was presented by Larry Eils. Motion was made by Ron Kuhnau to accept Treasurers report as presented and seconded by Dee Gibson. The motion passed.

Membership - Bev Joyce No change from last month. 72 members

Chronicle/Newsletter - Lynda Vickery Keep the articles coming.

Webmaster - Hal Zenisek There are 2 cars currently for sale. Char's car sold. Photos for the Drive and Dine have been added.

Regalia - Jim Vickery No updates. Contact Jim with any questions.

Sunshine - Phyllis Beneditz was not here. Connie congratulated Lew and Dolores Moon on their 70th Wedding Anniversary.

Events - Rich Gibson

Past Events: Rich thanked everyone who organized these events.

Men's lunch - August 23, G5 Brewing Co in Beloit

Ladies lunch- August 23 at Mary's Market on Perryville

Drive and Dine Sept 11 at Domenico's in Beloit by John and Sandi Ward. A good attendance with 27 present.

Future events:

Ladies lunch has been cancelled for September

Sept 21 Lucas Memorial Drive hosted by Marsha and Larry Eils. Rain or shine

Sept 22 3rd Annual Budget Truck and Auto Car Show

Sept 27th Men's lunch in Winnebago at Kennedy's on Benton

Sept 27-29 Jefferson fall car show & swap meet

Oct 9th Drive and Dine at Trio Grille in Marengo hosted by Hal Zenisek & Connie Frazier

Oct 16 BBB club meeting at Thunder Bay. Rockford, IL

Oct 19 Fall Drive Hosted by Dennis & Crystal Klemm. Lunch and Garage Tour at Abington Tews

Marques

Austin Healey - None

Jaguar - Rich Cannistra Wisconsin combined Healey and Jaguar drive on Oct 5.

Lotus - no updates

Minis- no updates

MG - no updates

Morgan - no updates

Rolls Royce - no updates

Triumph - no updates

Unfinished Business

Club Posters are still available -see Charlie Gall. Club Calendar- see David Brickman or Rich Cannistra

New Business Larry Eils provided information about NAMGBR and the benefits of membership to the individual and the BBB club. At last count we had 10 members that belong to NAMGBR.

Good Wrench Award - Larry nominated Don and Marna Grosenick for being the chase car during the trip to Minis on the Mac. Fortunately, no assistance was needed. Nomination was accepted.

Ed Eggleston Burnt Piston Award - Larry nominated himself for having no lights -Lucas lights- and he just needed a fuse.

Raffle Sept 2019

1. Pumpkin Marv Proctor
2. Pumpkin Solveig Maschke
3. Pumpkin Connie Frazier
4. Pumpkin Nancy Kuhnau
5. Pumpkin Bev Joyce
6. 12 Volt Battery/Alternator Tester Rich Gibson
7. Super Deluxe Hose Nozzle Lee Kindgren
8. Titanium Drill Bit Set Alan Cichon
9. Swivel Lens LED head Lamp Charlie Gall
10. Thunder Bay Bucks Sandy Ward
11. The Jaguar Story Don Grosenick

Thank you to Dee Gibson for helping get the pumpkins and the Vickerys for donating the Jaguar Book.

Joke told by Connie about a car that had run out of gas and a talking bee that brought his friends and filled up the tank with BP (Bee Pee).

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Solveig Maschke



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BRITISH BOOTS & BONNETS 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- OCT 9 - **5:30 P.M. BBB Drive & Dine:** Trio Grille; Marengo, IL
Hosts: Hal Zenisek & Connie Frazier
- OCT 16 - **7:00 P.M. BBB CLUB MEETING**
Thunder Bay Restaurant; Rockford, IL
- OCT 19 - **BBB Saturday Drive:** Lunch & Garage Tour @ Abington Tews
Hosts: Dennis & Crystal Klemm
- OCT 26 - 8 - 1 PM - Janesville Farmers Market Cars & Coffee;
Downtown, Janesville, WI
- NOV 13 - **6:00 P.M. BBB Dine: TBD**
Hosts: Bil & Solveig Maschke
- NOV 20 - **7:00 P.M. BBB CLUB MEETING**
Thunder Bay Restaurant; Rockford, IL
- DEC 4 - **BBB COOKIE EXCHANGE**
Hostess: Mary Jo Schoening
- DEC 11 - **BBB CHRISTMAS PARTY**



Save the Date !!!

December 11, 2019

For the British Boots and Bonnets Annual
Christmas Party!

Please join us at Lino's Restaurant in Rockford at 6:00 pm . There will be further information in the November Chronicle along with your reservation form.

If you would like to help with decorating or other planning, please give Bev a call at 815-975-0857 or e-mail her at andsewon53@comcast.net.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR DRIVE AND DINE ON OCTOBER 9, 2019.

Your Hosts are Hal Zenisek & Connie Frazier

Dinner destination will be at the Trio Grille in Marengo. Their address is 101 Franks Road Marengo, Illinois (right off Rte. 20).

We plan to lead a car caravan for interested members that will leave from Westminster Presbyterian Church (corner of Bell School and Spring Creek Roads in Rockford).

- Members should arrive at 5:30 for driver's meeting and prompt departure at 5:45. Reservation is for 6:30 in Marengo.
- Drive portion will be rain or shine, and folks can decide whether or not to drive LBC's, and whether or not to join the caravan.

Club members may go direct and simply meet us at the restaurant. Being October, it will be dark for the trip home, and folks can either go their own way, or we can caravan back to Rockford as a group.

For details and menu, use the following link (or go to the BBB events calendar on our website). Anyone can also search for Trio Grille in Marengo on Google. Click on <https://bestfoodinthearea.com/> for more info.

Please RSVP by Monday, 10/7. Call or text Hal at (815) 978-4205 or Connie at (815) 979-4001.

“ENJOY LUNCH & A GARAGE TOUR AT ABINGDON TEWS”

hosted by Dennis & Chrystal Klemm.

To caravan, meet at 11:00am. Rockton School-1050 E. Union St. Rockton, IL. Departure at 11:15 for a 35 minute drive to 2702 S. Wyatt Rd. Orfordville, WI

Please RSVP to Dennis at denklemm@aol.com, or call Crystal at 608-751-0890 **Rain or Shine!**

OCTOBER EVENTS REPORT

PAST EVENTS

11 SEPT Drive & Dine, hosted by John & Sandy Ward to Domenico’s Italian Ristorante. Thank you John & Sandy.

21 Sept Saturday Drive (Lucas Memorial Fun Rally) hosted by Larry & Marsha Eils. Ten LBC’s met at a remote location on a dark (a Lucas tradition) and rainy Saturday night, then followed clues provided by Larry & Marsha to find our way winding through out the eastern parts of Rockford for @ 45 minutes to end up at Culver’s on Riverside Blvd. Fun was had by all, prizes were handed out to lucky number holders. Ice cream was consumed. I’m sure a lot of work went into organizing this event. Thank you Larry & Marsha.

UPCOMING EVENTS

09 OCTOBER DRIVE & DINE hosted by Hal & Connie - please separate article.

19 OCTOBER SATURDAY DRIVE “Lunch & Garage Tour at Abingdon Tews” hosted by Dennis & Crystal Klemm. See details above! Another great BBB event!

13 NOVEMBER DINE hosted by Bill & Solveig Maschke - Details TBD

04 DECEMBER COOKIE EXCH hosted by Mary Jo Schoening - Details TBD

11 DECEMBER BBB CHRISTMAS PARTY - Hosted by Beverly Joyce and BBB elves. Lino’s, 6:00 PM
5611 E State St, Rockford, IL www.linosrockford.com Details elsewhere in the Chronicle

SUGGESTED PLACES TO GO / THINGS TO DO

WE NEED CLUB MEMBERS INPUT HERE

HOUSE ON THE ROCK <https://www.thehouseontherock.com>

HOLY HILL <https://www.holyhill.com>

START UP “SHOW & GO”



SEPTEMBER DRIVE & DINE WAS A POPULAR EVENT!

by Lynda Vickery

John and Sandi Ward hosted a great drive prior to ending up at Domenico's Italian Ristorante in downtown Beloit, Wisconsin. Unfortunately, the weather was not cooperating so most attendees opted to drive right to the restaurant in their non-British cars. But those who met John and Sandi for a tour of Illinois/Wisconsin were treated to a pretty and relaxing trip.



Domenico's was a first for the Club, and all 27 members enjoyed their meals. Many chose the buffet which featured everything from salad to pizza to Italian food to chicken. And even included dessert. Music to every BBbers ears!

Thank you John & Sandi for a great evening!





LUCAS MEMORIAL NIGHT RALLY - WET BUT NOT WASHED OUT

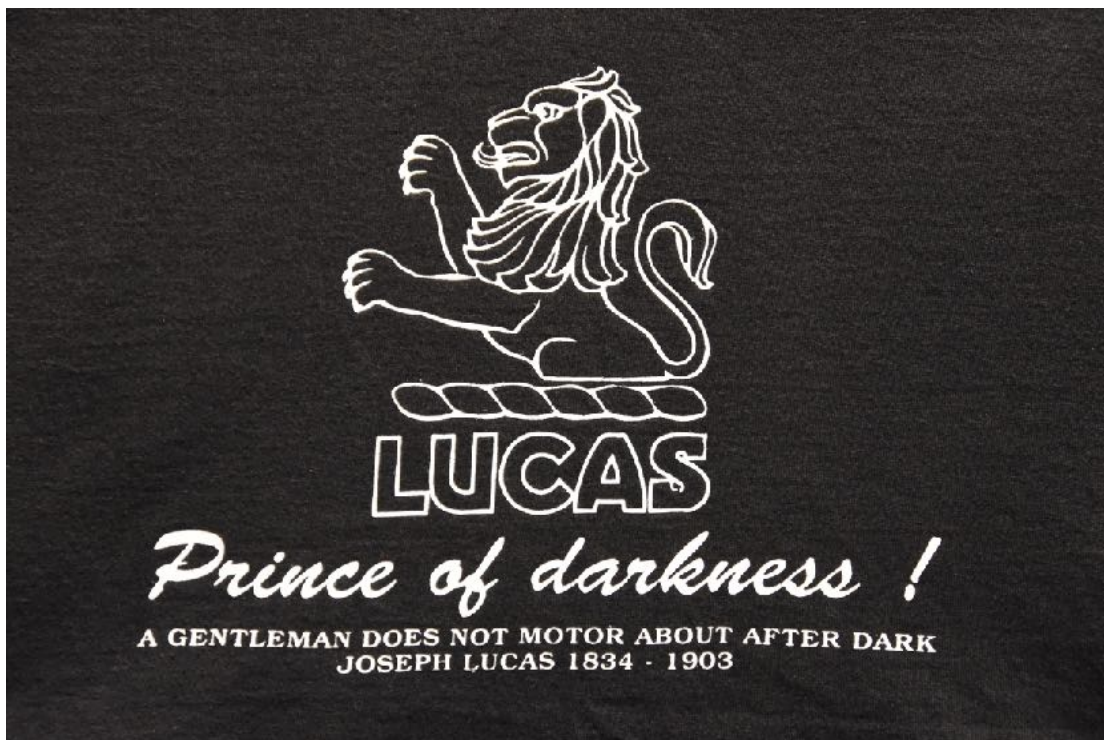
A BIG thank you to the 10 pairs of BBB members who braved the warm, rainy and windy night, to drive around Rockford and have some fun at the same time. There was a Jaguar, Mini Cooper, Miata and 7 other disguised “British” cars in the rally. The drive started at the Northwest Bank in Machesney Park and ended at the Culver’s Restaurant in Rockford (ice cream had to be involved).

To add a little adventure to the drive, teams were asked to identify 40 lighted signs based on a series of clues. For example, “Are there bees at _____;” the answer is Arby’s. We are happy to report that everyone was able to identify almost all of the signs. We are also happy to report no one got lost or experienced any unexpected darkness while driving. Everyone enjoyed a delicious custard treat as they mulled over the lighted sign clues and answers.

The night shift at the Lucas Electric Factory wanted to show their appreciation to those who came out on this rainy night by awarding an LED torch to three teams picked by drawing a number out of a cup. The winners were: Bruce and Phyllis Beneditz, Bob Kuczek and Jeri Foreman and Dennis and Crystal Klemm.

Don’t forget - Lucas denies having invented darkness, but still claims “sudden, unexpected darkness.”

Thanks again for coming. Your Lucas Night Shift crew - *Marsha and Larry Eils*







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by Facia Nearside

Mention a JAP engine today and most people would think it is slang for the engine in a Japanese car. One hundred years ago it meant nothing of the sort however. Not only were JAP engines developed in England, they played a dominant role in motorsport well into the 20th century.

John Alfred Prestwich began manufacturing scientific instruments at Tottenham, London in 1895. His diverse interests also led him into manufacturing cameras, projectors, pencils, and aircraft engines. By 1902 he had developed the first overhead valve motorcycle engine to be produced in England. For a short time, from 1904 to 1908, the J.A. Prestwich Company manufactured complete motorcycles using their excellent engine. After that they concentrated on supplying engines for other motorcycles such as Brough Superior, Triumph, Enfield, and HRD.

JAP engines, as they came to be called, developed a reputation as lightweight, powerful, and dependable. As such they excelled in a variety of applications. From 1910 until WWI JAP engines were very popular in cyclecars such as the Morgan Three-Wheeler. Even after WWII JAP engines were still being used for power in the Wickham Railway maintenance trolley. Sadly, after almost 70 successful years, the J.A. Prestwich Company LTD was finally wound up in 1964.

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1934 Morgan Super Sport with JAP engine

WEBMASTER UPDATE FOR OCTOBER

Fall greetings all,

While I can't say the weather has felt much like fall recently, traffic on the website clearly indicates it must be autumn. Historically, traffic slows down after Labor Day weekend and this year has been no different. We are certainly on the downhill slope of the curve in terms of visitors to the site. While it is time to start looking ahead to 2020, you can still find details about remaining club events for the year, club photos, and resources for British car owners and enthusiasts at www.britishbootsandbonnets.com. Event information may get updated from time-to-time, so remember to check back for the latest details.

Looking ahead to next year, you can help out with the club's website efforts in a number of ways. For example, if you get an announcement for 2020 British car related events that you want to recommend to others, please forward the information to your webmaster. If you have a favorite photo of you and your car, please consider sharing it with others on our members page. If you have a favorite club related photo from the past, consider sharing it for the event photos archive page. If you see helpful and accurate tech tips, send them my way, and the club can share them with others. There are other options also and sharing is simple - send me a message with attachments to either my personal email address or the webmaster's email at webmaster@britishbootsandbonnets.com. Remember you can always call with questions.

Thanks to all for sharing your past photos, events information and support!
Hal Zenisek, Webmaster

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

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

Sudoku is easy to play and the rules are simple. Fill in the blanks so that each row, each column, and each of the nine 3x3 grids contain one instance of each of the numbers 1 through 9.

Answers are on Page 16.

Sudoku #531 (Easy)

				2		7		
	4	7				5		
						3		
6		3				4		
	5		1			6		
	9	2	3					
		4	8	6		1		
					9	8	4	
		9	2	7	4			

Sudoku #532 (Easy)

8				7				
		7			6	1		
				2				
		5			1			3
4				5		2		9
		3	9		8			5
	2		1			4		
				8	5	6		
		6						1



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Answers to Puzzles found on page 14.

Sudoku #531 (Easy)

3	8	1	4	5	2	9	7	6
9	4	7	6	3	1	2	5	8
2	6	5	7	9	8	3	1	4
6	7	3	9	8	5	4	2	1
4	5	8	1	2	7	6	3	9
1	9	2	3	4	6	7	8	5
5	2	4	8	6	3	1	9	7
7	3	6	5	1	9	8	4	2
8	1	9	2	7	4	5	6	3

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7	9	5	6	2	1	8	4	3
4	8	1	7	5	3	2	6	9
2	6	3	9	4	8	7	1	5
3	2	8	1	6	9	4	5	7
1	7	4	3	8	5	6	9	2
9	5	6	4	7	2	3	8	1



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OCTOBER 2019

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- BBB Hat/Lapel Pin - \$1
- BBB Logo Wall Clock - \$15 (2 left)
- BBB visors - \$10 (1 left)
- British flags for cars - \$5

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

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Jim Vickery

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DON'T WAIT 'TIL THE LAST MINUTE.

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