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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

OCT, 2023

Hi All,

The days are getting shorter and the nights longer, but there is still time to pack in a few more club events before we all begin to hibernate. My son and I are heading to Hershey, to see what car or car parts that we can acquire. Reach out to me if any of you plan on attending.

September had several nice events - The Chicagoland British Car Festival at Harper College, the drive and dine to the Getaway restaurant, hosted by Mike & Brenda, and Bill & Solveig's wine tasting event.

The next upcoming event is on October 7th - Friends around the campfire, hosted by Larry and Marsha. Please bring a campfire snack to share with the group and you may want to bring a lawn chair.

Also, there are a few open dates on our October events calendar - The 11th and 21st. If you have any ideas, then please contact Ron.

Safety Fast,

Dennis



**Next Meeting
Wednesday,**

Oct 18, 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

September 20, 2023 British Boots & Bonnets Meeting

President's Report - Dennis Klemm -

Meeting called to order @ _7:02___ pm

Number of members present __ 31_____

New members - Vladislav & Aida Frenk (1958 Rolls Royce, Silver Cloud)

Guests =Kathy Hurshman (Lynda Vickery's sister), John Clemetsen (Sue Lindsay Jones Friend)

Vice President's Report -Crystal Klemm - no report

Secretary's Report -Chris Oakes

August 16, 2023 Minutes as printed in the Chronicle newsletter and corrected by Chris Oakes were approved.

Motions to accept the minutes was made by ___Ron Kuhnau_ _____

Seconded by _____Bruce Beneditz _____ **Approved**

Corrections to the **August, 2023** minutes - **none**

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

Activity for the period of **ending September 19,2023**

Cash and Bank Accounts

BMO Harris Checking Account	\$ 2615.69
BMO Harris Savings Account	\$ 3059.47
Total Cash & Bank Accounts	\$ 5675.16
Total Liabilities / Expenses	\$ 0.00
Overall Total	\$ 5675.16

Income

Dues 2023	\$ 30.00
Raffle Income	\$ 87.00
Regalia -	\$
Nametags	\$ 9.00
Total Regalia income	\$ 9.00
interest	\$.02
Total Income	\$ 126.02

Expenses

Bank Fees	\$
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Event - Christmas Party deposit	\$	250.00	
Corporation File/ annual report	\$		
Newsletter	\$		
Raffle Expense	\$		
Regalia - Name Tags	\$	16.31	
Total Regalia Expenses	\$		
Post Office Box Rental	\$	192.00	
Sunshine Memorial	\$	75.00	
Yearly Maintenance	\$		
Overall Total Expenses	\$	533.31	
Overall Total	\$	-407.29	
Motion to accept:	Lou Moon	2 nd : Crystal Klemm	Approved

Membership - Beverly Joyce - 78 members includes Michael Fox & The Frenks

Chronicle Newsletter - Lynda Vickery no report

Webmaster - Hal Zenisek

Sunshine - Phyllis Beneditz -

Memorial for Ilene Proctor to Noah's Ark

Dennis Klemm shared...Bob & Donna Hanselman were involved in a car accident on their way to the Harper College Car Show in palatine on September 10th. Bob suffered a severely broken arm and Donna had stitches. Wishing them both a quick recovery.

Events - Ron Kuhnau

Past Events

September 13th: Drive & Dine : Mike & Brenda Moore - The Getaway at Lake Como

September 16: Deck party @ Bill & Solveig Maschke's

Club Events.... Upcoming

September 22: Old Farts - Ridott Corners 1 pm

September 22: Ladies Lunch - Tad's on the Rock 12:30 pm

October 7: Friends around the campfire - Larry & Marsha Eils - 6 pm -details to follow

October 11: Dine - details to follow

Regional Events ...

September 29: Newport Antique Auto Hill Climb - Newport, IN

Regalia - Bruce Beneditz - none

Classified - none

New Business - none

Unfinished business - none

Ron Kuhnau Good Wrench Award - none

Burnt Piston Award

Recipient ___Mike Moore__

For: Freezing out Brenda on the drive to The Getaway, Drive and Dine

Nominated by ___Nancy Kuhnau _____ Second ___Connie Frazer _____

Marques - no reports

Raffle - Connie Frazer and Solveig Maschke

Item	Recipient
1. White mum	Aida Frenk
2. Purple mum	Bev Joyce
3. Yellow mum	Barb Shimp
4. Fall Gourd basket	Hal Zenisek
5. Fall Gourd basket	Lynda Vickery
6. Book: I-Car Professional Collision Repair (Lynda Vickery)	Solveig Maschke
7. Paste Wax & Micro Polish Cloth (donated by NAPA)	Dee Gibson
8. NAPA bucket & Microfiber sponge (donated by NAPA)	Brenda Moore
9. Sta-lube Moly Graph Grease (donated by NAPA)	Alan Cichon
10. Purple power Cleaner/ Degreaser (donated by NAPA)	Ron Johnson
11. Braun Magnetic work light	Jim Roberts

Adjournment

Motion made by ___ Bruce Beneditz _____

Second by ___Dee Gibson _____

Motion passed and meeting adjourned at _7:38___ pm

Submitted by: Chris Oakes

Save the Date!!

For the British Boots and Bonnets

Annual Christmas Party

December 13th, 2023

Lino's Restaurant—Rockford

More details and reservation form will be in the
October Chronicle.





Save the Date - October 7, 2023 Friends Around the Campfire

Host: Marsha and Larry Eils

It may be summer but soon, even with climate change, Fall will arrive. That means it's time for Friends Around the Campfire. Saturday, October 7 is the date. It will be held at our house in Harvard. Our address is in the club roster. Plan on arriving at 6:00 pm to a roaring fire.

Please bring a campfire snack to share and a beverage of your choice. There is limited seating provided but we suggest you bring chairs to sit around the fire plus a blanket or two to keep warm if it's a chilly night.

If the weather is bad we will try and send out a notice around 4:00 pm. We have set a rain date of Sunday, October 8. Should you have any questions, please call or text Larry.

OCTOBER WILL BE A DINE ONLY AT ONE OF OUR FAVORITE WISCONSIN SUPPER CLUBS!

October 11 is the DRIVE and DINE but this month it is only a DINE. Please meet us at Benedetti's Supper Club, 3232 S. Riverside Dr. in Beloit at 6:00 pm.

Call Ron at 815-262-3179 or Nancy at 815-262-7816 by Tuesday with your reservation.

BBB Webmaster Report – October

If you have not been to the club's website lately, you might want to check out what's new. You can view pictures from the latest club drives, regional car shows, and special events. And, yes, there is already a couple events posted for 2024. Thanks to all who contributed photos during the year, recommended car shows, and volunteered to assume photographer duties when needed.

Let me know if you have any questions or comments about the BBB website.
Hal Zenisek

2023 EVENTS SCHEDULE

BRITISH BOOTS AND BONNETS EVENTS:

- Oct 7 BBB Friends Around the Campfire, 6:00 pm
 Hosts: Larry & Marsha Eils
- Oct 11 BBB DINE only: Benedetti's Supper Club, 3232 S. Riverside Dr., Beloit, WI. 6pm
 Hosts: Ron & Nancy Kuhnu
- Oct 18 BBB Club Meeting, Dinner 6:00, Meeting 7:00
 Thunder Bay Grille, Rockford, IL
- Oct 21 BBB October Saturday Drive OPEN
- Nov 8 BBB November Dine
 Hosts: Don & Marna Groseneck
- Nov 15 BBB Club Meeting, Dinner 6:00, Meeting 7:00
 Thunder Bay Grille, Rockford, IL
- Dec 13 BBB Christmas Party - SAVE THE DATE, DETAILS TO FOLLOW

REGIONAL AND NATIONAL EVENTS

- Oct 6-8 MG Jamboree, Bethany Center, Lutz, FL

TOOL TIP

Mini Sanding Tool

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For a small, precision sander, get some new wood pencils with flat erasers. Then take a paper hole puncher and punch out discs from the grit of sandpaper you want to use. Place a dab of adhesive (I used superglue) on the eraser and place the small disc of sandpaper on it. Write the grit of paper you used on the pencil. (I think when I first made these up I used 600, 1000 and 1500 for touching up some small rock chips so I would not mess up too large an area of paint). Recently, I used them to clean the contacts in my taillight bulb holders and they worked great for that. The pencil makes a nice handle to hold and carefully sand small areas.

DECK AND WINE AS A TRIBUTE TO SUMMER

On Saturday, Sept 16, Solveig and I came up with a great end of the summer event for the club members. We thought that a wine and light refreshments just might be the ticket to sit and converse with others.

We were very fortunate to have a glorious day for the 17 members that ate and drank on our deck. We even had a free tour of the tree house and the flower gardens. A great time was had by all. Thanks for leaving some glitter wine for Solveig and snacks for Bill.

Bill & Solveig Maschke



A GREAT SEPTEMBER “GET AWAY”

The September drive and dine took place on a beautiful but cooler than hoped for September evening. We headed north with our twenty-seven tires on seven vehicles representing six different marques. With the absence of an MG in the lineup, our pace was somewhat brisker than normal!

The drive was headed by the Triumph of Mike and Brenda Moore. Early in the drive, we sighted the metamorphic pachyderm previously noted on the June club drive. She had not moved in the past three months! The leisurely pace had us at the restaurant a little after six in the evening. As several members joined us at the restaurant, we had twenty-one guests for dinner.

Dinner was at The Getaway Restaurant on Lake Como. Many enjoyed the casual dining from the “handhelds” menu but the fine dining entrees proved popular as well. Our tables had a magnificent view overlooking the lake and the pink and blue sunset did not disappoint. As this was the “domestic” Lake Como, no, we did not see George and Amal. Maybe next time.

“Get Home Before Dark” is getting more difficult!

Thanks to all for attending.

Mike & Brenda Moore







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Magnetic Tool Bar

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While at a tech session recently, the wise, experienced Brit car mechanic had a large towel thrown over the fender of the demonstration car and it was held on with what appeared to be large, soft magnets. I thought that was worth looking into, so I asked about them and was told that he has had them for years and didn't remember where he got them. Shortly after that I was in an O'Reilly Auto Parts store and saw the same item in the "impulse buy" bin near the register! The magnetic tool holder bars are 11" X 2.5" X 0.5" and not only will they hold a towel to your fender but will also hold any hand tools and nuts and bolts that you remove. Each "bar" is basically a piece of stiff foam with four small, rectangular magnets embedded in it and then both sides are covered with a non-marring material. When you are through using them, just stick them on the side of your toolbox. The O'Reilly part no. is: PTT0050. A two pack is \$10.

DID - U - KNOW by Facia Nearside

Gottlieb Daimler was a German engineer and a pioneer in the development of internal combustion engines. His goal was to create small high-speed engines which could be used for transportation applications. In 1885 he successfully fitted an engine to a two-wheeler creating the Daimler Reitwagen, the world's first motorcycle. In 1896

Henry J. Lawson, a British bicycle designer, bought the right to use the distinguished Daimler name and established the Daimler Motor Company Limited in Coventry England. Early success led to the construction of a Daimler Twenty-Two for King Edward VII, for which Daimler was awarded a Royal Warrant.



With the prestige of a Royal Warrant and its order books filled, business was booming for Daimler until they were dealt a serious blow by the British government. In 1910 taxation of motorcars changed to a formula based on the bore and number of cylinders, which caused sales of large cars to immediately slump. In order to maintain profitability Daimler began to concentrate on smaller models. About this time Birmingham Small Arms (BSA) was trying to make the transition from bicycle to car production, but with little success. They looked upon the Daimler shift to smaller models as the opportunity to gain an experienced partner in the auto industry, so



BSA purchased Daimler. Under the BSA umbrella sales of Daimler cars continued to flourish, and excluding war years car production continued until 1940 for both marques BSA and Daimler.

During WWII BSA switched to wartime production making several military vehicles under the Daimler name. Following the war automobile

production using the BSA name was dropped, but they did continue to build Daimler military vehicles and reintroduced the Daimler marque, this time aiming at the luxury car market.

To be continued.

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STUCK

My car has no zoom.
My car has no vroom.
I'm stuck on this highway
All night I assume.

Can't figure what's wrong.
Was driving along
When all of a sudden
The same old, sad song.

My car filled with smoke.
I started to choke.
I dove out the window.
It's truly no joke.

My bonnet was hot.
My engine was shot.
I knew at that moment
I'm in a tough spot.

As cars raced on by,
All turned a blind eye.
None came to my rescue
I only could sigh.

I knew what to do.
I think you know too.
He'd come in a minute.
You know that it's true.

"No trouble", Ron said,
Though he'd been in bed.
Let's trailer this baby
To my 'fix-up' shed".

My motor's brand new.
And all this is due
To 'Fix-'Em-Up Ron'
And . . . My thanks goes to you!

Dee Gibson



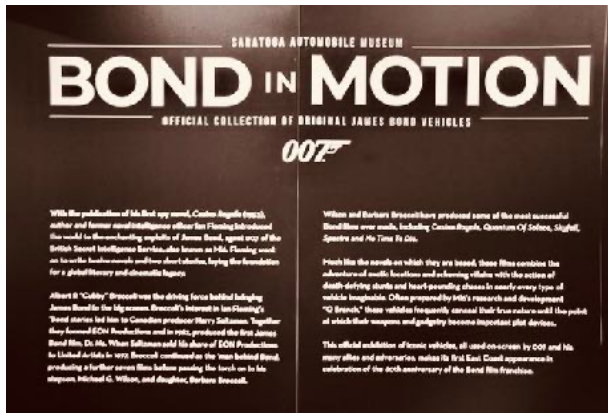
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A RARE OPPORTUNITY

By Rich Cannistra

In the February 2016 issue of the Chronicle, I wrote an article titled “A Rare Opportunity”. The theme was one of my favorite subjects, James Bond and his Aston Martin. You will forgive me please if I reuse that title, but once again the words are concise and accurate.

Roxann and I recently visited the Saratoga Automobile Museum in Saratoga Springs, New York. Currently the museum is hosting the exhibit “**BOND in MOTION**, official collection of original James Bond vehicles”.

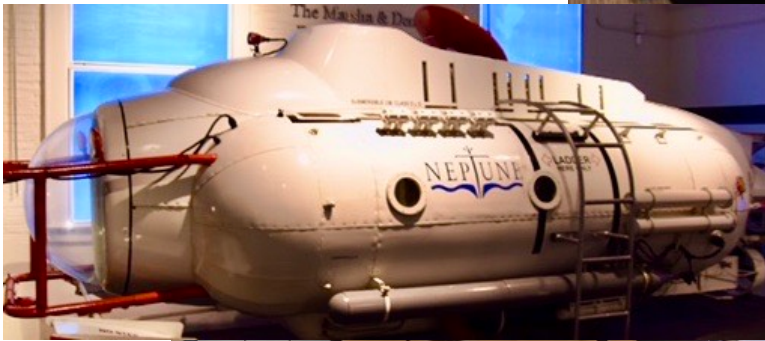


The museum website lists seven original Bond vehicles on display. We were delighted to find this was a gross understatement, and only the tip of the iceberg! The exhibit displays 17 vehicles from the movies, including a submarine, two motorcycles, a three-wheeler, and both the under-water Lotus and the Wetbike from “The Spy Who Loved Me”.

The star of the show is of course the most iconic of all Bond vehicles, the 1964 Aston Martin DB5. Registration BMT 216A graces this Silver Birch gem, which is undoubtedly the most famous car in the world.



Still not impressed? This is the ride with Sean Connery, Pierce Brosnan, and Daniel Craig finger prints on the steering wheel, and you can stand close enough to touch it (don't you dare!).





The exhibit will run through January 31, 2024. Saratoga Springs, New York is a mere 14 hours away in your grocery getter, considerably less in a DB5. Well...we do call ourselves "driving enthusiasts" don't we!!



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
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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
OCTOBER 2023**



Regalia club merchandise is available by contacting Bruce Beneditz. This includes:

- BBB Grill Badge - \$30
- 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)

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