



## Broad River European Motor Club News

Goal is to send this electronically each month. Printed copies available at meetings.  
Any ideas for a name for the newsletter? Send an e-mail to Jack Weller with your suggestion.



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Shelby, North Carolina 28150

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### REFLECTING ON 2009 LOOKING FORWARD TO 2010

It does not seem like a year has past. This time last year, we were talking about starting a club for European vehicles. In less than a year we have become a very active organization with over 70 members.

I want to thank each of you who has participated in our Club activities, recruited members, and worked to make the Club a success.

In particular, I want to thank the officers and committee chairs who took leadership roles in making events and activities occur.

As we celebrate Christmas and prepare for the New Year, may you continue to be blessed with good health, good weather, and time to enjoy your car.

**Tom Greene** President

### IDEAS FOR 2010 ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

#### Ideas for Events, Programs and Activities:

Participate in Art on the Square in April	Road Trip to the Piedmont Club in Spartanburg
Afternoon at Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens	Support Relay for Life or cancer patients
Produce our own Car Calendar with events, meeting dates, birthdays, anniversaries, other important events on the calendar	BREMC sponsor a car show at Owls Eye Winery – similar to Shelton Show or as part of Carolina Trophy Road Rally
Road Rally to local Revolutionary War battlefields – from Cowpens to Kings Mountain.	Feature a marquee and the members who own those cars – Mercedes Night; Porsche Parade
History of Cleveland County and the Automobile	Participate at EURO AUTO FEST in October -- sponsor rally on Friday
Technical session	Participate in Christmas Parades

Share our suggestions to the meeting or e-mail to Jack Weller  
[wsweller@aol.com](mailto:wsweller@aol.com) or Don Byrnes at



### JANUARY MEETING BRITISH HERITAGE MOTOR CENTRE COME TO OUR MEETING AT OWL'S EYE WINERY

The January meeting of the **BREMC** will be held on Thursday, January 7 starting at 6:30pm.



The program for the evening will be Don Byrnes sharing with us about his trip to the **British Heritage Motor Centre Museum**.

The meal for our January meeting will be homemade soups prepared by Tom Greene and Margaret Harry. You will have your choice of Leak & Potato soup or Chicken Tomato Basil soup and corn bread. Please e-mail **Jack Weller** that you will be attending to get a rough count.  
[wsweller@aol.com](mailto:wsweller@aol.com) Not sure of the cost

For our December meeting, the **Marine Corps League's Foothills Chapter** prepared the meal; had two military vehicles on display; and spoke about their activities. **Raymond Horton** and **Larry Hammond**, gave an overview of their organization. **Larry** shared that they provide support to military families, sponsor the annual JROTC competition at the Cleveland Mall, **Toys for Tots**, and Socks for Troops.

Thank You to Club members who contributed funds or a toy to the **Toys for Tots** campaign.

### OFFICERS OF BROAD RIVER EUROPEAN MOTOR CLUB

**Officers**  
Tom Greene, president;  
Jack Weller, vice president  
Cindy Carlisle, secretary / treasurer

**Committees and Chairs**  
Steering Committee - Don Byrnes, Chair  
Technical Support Committee – Evan Amaya, Chair  
Membership Committee – Doug Carlisle, Chair  
Program Committee – Jack Weller, Chair  
Events Committee – Don Byrnes, Chair  
Marketing & Communications – Jack Weller, Chair

### BROAD RIVER EUROPEAN MOTOR CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of the  
Broad River European Motor Club is  
To encourage and promote the preservation  
and enjoyment of European cars,  
To conduct educational and social events, and  
To involve the group  
In community, civic, and charitable events.

## Happy New Year

Communications is an important part of any organization. The newsletter is published monthly  
**to encourage and to promote** events, **to share** activities and information,  
**to introduce** members to the love of cars,  
**to involve** you in helping others and **to celebrate** our successes.

If you have ideas for articles or want to let us know how you like the newsletter, e-mail **Jack** at [wsweller@aol.com](mailto:wsweller@aol.com)



# 2009 CLUB EVENTS IN REVIEW

## FROM CONCEPT TO REALITY

What started as a dream among several European Car enthusiasts has turned into a very active and growing organization. Looking back at notes, newsletters, and Club minutes, we have accomplished much in our first year. Here is a quick trip down memory lane for those of us with short term memory loss.

### FIRST JOB –WHAT IS OUR NAME

Over the first several months of the year, we met to discuss the Club name, learn more about pitfalls of other car clubs and ideas on how to be successful. One of our first meetings had **Barry Harms**, chief judge for **Euro Auto Festival** and past officer in several car clubs, speak to the club.



The Club newsletter sent electronically became a valuable tool to collect ideas, suggestions, and thoughts from members on a Club name, structure and activities.

### STEERING TEAM SET STRUCTURE

The Steering Committee was formed to develop a mission statement, organizational structure, by-laws, membership requirements and other tasks relative to giving direction to the Club. Under the leadership of **Don Byrnes**, Club officers: **Tom Greene**, **Cindy Carlisle**, and **Jack Weller**, and committee chairs; **Doug Carlisle**, **Richard Kingston**, and **Evan Amaya**, as well as **Jeff Cox**, **Greg Casel**, **Margaret Harry**, and **Roger Goodling** we have a formal organization.

### APRIL -- CAR SHOW AT MERRY-GO-ROUND FESTIVAL



**Tom Greene** coordinated our first public show as part of the regional festival at Shelby City Park to celebrate the **Merry-Go-Round Festival**.



### MAY -- TECH SESSION ON OILS

**Evan Amaya** hosted a tech session at **Reborn** to educate members on the changes in motor oil composition and change in additives and the effect it has on your antique car.



**Margaret Harry** sponsored a Ladies Night to shop while the guys were at **Reborn**

### JUNE -- TRIP TO STOWE GARDENS

In June, several members displayed their cars at **Stowe Botanical Gardens** in Gastonia. Also, we had Club members at **British Car Days South** held in Concord.

### JULY -- CELEBRATING OUR NATION'S INDEPENDANCE



**Richard Kingston** enjoys the Ellenboro Independence Day Parade. **Wilbur Wright** coordinated arrangements for Club members. **Dennis Davis** worked with the Lattimore parade to have Club members participate.

### CAROLINA TROPHY AT LAKE LORE



Club members were active working with the **Carolina Trophy Road Rally** held at Lake Lore.

**Evan Amaya** served as chief mechanic for the event and other Club members assisted with the rally over the five days of the event.

### CLUB MEMBERS WIN AT EURO AUTO FEST

At the **Euro Auto Festival** held at the **BMW** plant in South Carolina, over 500 cars registered, **BREMC** members' cars were recognized in the competition. **Tom Greene** and **Doug Carlisle** won two of the six corporate awards while others won awards for their class.



### HOSTING ANOTHER CLUB

In November, we hosted an outing of the **Triumph Club of the Carolinas** at **Baker's Buffalo Creek Winery**. Others are learning about the great roads in Cleveland County.

