



APRIL MEETING PREPARING FOR SHOW



JOIN US AT OWL'S EYE

BREMC will hold its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, April 5th starting at 6:30pm at **Owl's Eye Winery**, Metcalf Road, Shelby. We will have a meal at a cost of \$9 (\$7 for meal \$2 for cost of room). Please let **Tom Greene** know if you will be there for the meal. Please e-mail Tom Greene at tgreene@carolina.rr.com. The program is to focus on all the things that need to be done for a successful **BREMC Classic Car Show**. In this edition we have our sponsors list, the most current count of registered cars, and some things that are being done to help promote the event locally..

Jan Blanton at Owl's Eye Winery has asked that if the weather is nice, could some of our members drive their vehicles to the meeting. A bride is having her wedding pictures taken at the Winery and they thought it may be an interesting back drop for the pictures.

FUN RALLY BEFORE APRIL MEETING

Bob Cabanis will have a fun rally at 6 PM before the next meeting. This "1/2 rally" ride will start at the Owl's Eye.

MARCH MEETING ALMOST A WEDDING RECEPTION



At the March meeting, Club members had planned to congratulate Jerry and Renee Bumbaugh on becoming husband and wife. The surprise came when Jerry informed the

well wishers that Renee did not make the meeting. Not to worry, Jeff and Joanne Cox checked the expiration date on the cake and it expires on March 6th.

We hope to have good weather on Thursday evening so folks could drive their vehicles and perhaps a warm spring evening on the patio hearing about the newlywed's start to their journey together.

THOUGHTS WHILE DRIVING MESSAGE FROM DOUG CARLISLE

Memories of the *Chimney Rock Hill Climb*

It was 1960. I had just turned 17 years old. The **Chimney Rock Hill Climb** had just turned four. It was still in it's infancy and would run for another thirty five years becoming a rite of spring for hundreds of people. It would change people's lives and introduce spectators to European automobiles. Some of those spectators would drive racing cars the rest of their lives.

This is the continuation of Doug's reflections on the events at the Chimney Rock Hill Climb.

The crowd on Turn 6 could sometimes be a little rowdy, maybe a little too festive. But it was almost like they were cheering the drivers on. The more enthusiastic the drivers came through the turns, the more the cheers came up. The hillclimb was truly a driver and spectator event. Memories of The Chimney Rock Hillclimb

But let's go back to 1960.

I was just as crazy about sports cars then as I am now. So when I learned about this thing up at Chimney Rock I had to go see what it was all about. A friend borrowed his dad's car, we pooled our change for gas money and headed out. By the time we left we had convinced a couple of others to join us. We needed their money.

We arrived a Chimney Rock only to find that there was an admission charge. Having only enough to pay for one person, we did the next best thing. We gave what money we had left to the fellow with the car, one hid in the trunk, and the other two climbed up the side of the mountain. I was one of the two who had to climb the mountain. Sometime when you are up a Chimney Rock take a look down the side. To this day I still don't know how we did it. But, when we finally came out in the parking lot we both looked like we had been stranded in the woods for about a year. We were dirty, we were scratched, and our clothes were shredded. But we were there.

The parking lot where we came out is what is referred to as "The Meadows". In those days even the spectators came in their sports cars. So the parking area was filled with **Healeys, Jags, MGs** and all kind of European machinery. We didn't think much about it then, but, today it would be a monster car show.

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BREMC MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2012

Future editions of the newsletter will have the meeting minutes that will be read at the meeting by BREMC Secretary / Treasurer

Broad River European Motor Club
Owl's Eye Winery Metcalf Road Shelby, NC
February 2, 2012

The Broad River European Motor Club met on February 2nd, 2012 at the Owl's Eye Winery in Shelby, NC. There were 21 members present.

Doug Carlisle welcomed everyone to the meeting. The minutes will be printed in our Newsletter on our web page. The January minutes were approved as read.

We had a very fun and exciting time for tonight's program. We played *Jerry's Jeopardy!* An answer program all about European cars.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2ND ANNUAL CAR SHOW COMMITTEE: *Tom Green* Chair -

The date for the car show is April 28th, 2012 which is the last Saturday in April. All committees are hard at work in preparation for the show. Mac requested help for the registration table. A map is being created to make it easier for the participants to find the show. John Salazar is working on sponsors. The *Abuse Prevention Council* has offered to help in any way they can.

No other committee reports at this time.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

Cindy Carlisle, Secretary/Treasurer

Minutes from the March 1, 2012 BREMC Monthly Meeting

Tommy Greene made a fantastic pasta and salad for our meal. (From his Cookbook!)

NEW BUSINESS

Congratulations to *Jerry and Renee Bumbaugh* on their recent wedding. Renee was not there, so we will celebrate later.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2ND ANNUAL CAR SHOW COMMITTEE

In *Doug Carlisle's* absence, *Tommy Greene* began committee reports with his solicitations to the following publications and suppliers; *Our State*, *Moss Motors*, *AAA magazine*, *Roadster Factory*, *Ads on the Square*, and *Foothills Magazine*. Save the date been notices were sent to participants that were not members. Pre-registration forms will be on the website.

Charles McCuen reported registration was open and he accepted many forms that night. He is working with Don and Jack to put a PDF registration form on the web site.

Two new people picked up membership applications tonight, but didn't stay for the meeting.

Tommy Greene passed an album around with pictures from Doug and Tommy of previous year's car shows and members cars

Tommy is working on a poster to sell for the event, and to display at sponsoring businesses.

Jeff Cox reported on parking. General space is identified.

Committee members for parking are; *Bob Childers*, *Skip Wise*, *John Salazar*, *Jerry Bumbaugh* (with radios), *Don Byrnes*, *Bob Cabanis*, *Dennis Davis*, *Don Teague*, and *Don Miller*. The objective is to get representatives of most makes of cars to arrive early and cover parking in an area near their vehicles in a uniform formation. Please share any ideas and experience with Jeff and the other members of the team to make this part of the show efficient, friendly, uniform and timely. We want a lineup to allow for the ability to take pictures and view the cars with a professional presentation. Stands from the American Legion games will be used for directions to the show area.

Margaret Harry will contact Carolina trophy as the entry list develops. A few trophies are left over from last year. And dash plaque is being developed for this year with colors, etc. still up in the air.

Doug and *Wilbur Wright* will handle the classification of cars again this year. We need to identify the marquee signs needed to be made for the printer.

Wilbur and *Lundy Wright* discussed the raffle baskets for this year and asked for ideas and items for theme baskets or donate items for raffle. 50\$ average. All of this will go to the charity. Will put together gifts. Get together by next meeting. Remember to send thank you cards to donators and sponsors

Chris Monroe came to the meeting and hopefully enjoyed the meal and experience. Monroe Tire sponsored a raffle last year and will do again.

Charity APC Abuse Prevention Council last year \$1000

Tommy thanked for dinner and glad he's feeling better.

Iverson Smith solicited ideas for technical sessions. *Skip Wise* will help in this technical advisory committee. A questionnaire was passed out with multiple areas of interest.

Alan Teague presented how to replace dash gauge lights with LED's. A very interesting upgrade opportunity.

Bob Cabanis will have a fun rally at 6 PM before the next meeting. This "1/2 rally" ride will start at the Owl's Eye. We will have more details in the news letter.

Kudos to Jack on newsletter!!! It keeps all of us well informed and entertained!

We had a short discussion on T-shirts for the event. New or reuse?? Looking at new ideas. Maybe Polo/Golf shirts. Color? Decision next month

The meeting adjourned, but a lot of ideas were still being shared after this lively meeting.

For the Secretary / Treasurer

Jeff and Joanne Cox

WEBSITE – OUR WINDOW TO THE WORLD

Over the past several weeks, **Don Byrnes** has been working to update the website which now includes a calendar of events. Visit the site <http://broadriveremc.com/>

If you have something you would like to share, a glamour shot of your car or information about a show or event, send it to **Doug Carlisle** at d_carlisle@bellsouth.net or **Don Byrnes** dkb143@msn.com,

CLUB OFFICERS CHAIR PERSON'S FOR 2011 - 2012

Doug Carlisle – President

Wilbur Wright -- Vice President, Regalia & Accessories

Cindy Carlisle -- Secretary / Treasurer

Charles "Mac" MacCuen -- Membership

Don Byrnes – Program & Website

Jerry Bumbaugh & Renee Ybarra – Publicity

Margaret Harry – Awards and Balloting

Skip Wise -- Technical

Tom Greene – Car Show. Past President & Chef

Jack Weller – Newsletter

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.

SPRING GLAMOUR SHOTS

The time of year has arrived to have our cars photographed with the beautiful Spring flowers in bloom. If you want to have pictures taken, give **Tom Greene** or **Doug Carlisle** a call. You may have a favorite backdrop. But if not, it's not hard to find plenty of neat background areas. Hope to hear from you.

SHARE THE STORY OF YOUR CAR

At each meeting we ask members to share their story about their car and the things that have happened while you were enjoying your car.

This month we feature the story written by **Tom Greene**. The format is entirely up to you. You may have as much detail as you like.

Here are some sample questions to try and answer as you write or create your article:

How did you get the car? Purchase, Inherit or found in a barn?

The year, model of the car and anything that makes it unique – I took off the standard carburetors and replaced them with XYZ brand dual carburetors.

What you did to restore or preserve the vehicle?

Share a memory or event that involved the car.

If you have pictures, send them along with the article. This is a digital newsletter so we are not confined to how many pages we will be publishing.

If you are interested in your car and its story being our next feature, please send **Jack Weller** an e-mail so he knows to look forward to your information

IDEAS FOR A DRIVE IN MAY

Don Byrnes will be asking the group what day in May will make for a fun drive in the area. We would meet as a group and then travel to a location for a picnic or meal. Look at your calendar to have some dates to suggest to Don for a trip in May.



2012 BREMC CLASSIC CAR SHOW

SATURDAY APRIL 28

THE BASIC FACTS

WHO: Broad River European Motor Club

WHAT: Broad River European Classic Show

WHEN: Saturday, April 28

Registration opens at 9:00 am

Field set by 11:00

Voting 11:00 am to 2:00pm

Awards Ceremony 3:30 pm

WHERE: Historic Shelby Court Square – Two Blocks of Warren Street from DeKalb to Lafayette.

WHY: A Celebration of Spring, Arts on the Square and the Foothills Merry Go Round Festival.

HOW: By having a car show that brings Clubs and Cars from all across the area. We will have drawings and raffles raise money to will help the Abuse Prevention Council in Cleveland County

WHO WILL LEAD: *Tom Greene*, Chairman, and past president of BREMC, and member of *Buffalo Creek Gallery*, co-sponsor of *Arts on the Square*. *Cindy Carlisle*, Treasurer, will handle the accounting for the event.



WHO WILL TELL OTHERS: *Jerry Bumbaugh* and *Renee Ybarra* will be sharing information with Clubs from the area and local media coverage. *Jack and Annette Porter* have sent "SAVE THE DATE" brochures to those who attended the show last year and to other car clubs to start advertising our show.



Registration--- *Mac and Patty MacCuen*

Getting folks to pre-register is very helpful in planning the judging, set-up, and logistics for the show. The form is on the website and we are encouraging early bird registration by April 9. Visit the website for the form.



Parking---- *Jeff and Joanne Cox* may be the most

important people on the day of the show as the team decides where cars will be placed, direct traffic and keeps things moving as cars are positioned on Warren Street.



Signage / Directional Signs -- *Don Byrnes* will be preparing and placing signs along the major highways of Cleveland County to direct sojourners from afar to our two blocks of Warren Street.

MORE COMMITTEES AND TASKS

Sponsors – *John and Belkis Salazar* will start with last year's sponsors and work to gain others to help raise money for the **Abuse Prevention Council**. If you have a business or work closely with a business that may have items for the **Hagarty Insurance** bags, % off coupons, informational pamphlets about the area or interesting things to do while in the Foothills, contact **John** or **Belkis**.

Awards & Balloting --- *Margaret Harry* is chairperson of the committee that will prepare the ballots based on the pre-registration and then count the ballots when they are returned the day of the show. Volunteers needed to help get the totals together in time for the Awards Ceremony.



Classification – *Doug Carlisle* and *Wilbur Wright* will create the different classes that will be needed for the show based on the cars registered. The day of registration they will be available to clarify what class a particular vehicle will be in for judging. *Doug* will assist those selecting the **Mayor's Trophy** and the **Owl's Eye Winery Trophy**.

Motor Oil Art--- *Jack Weller* will work with artists from **Buffalo Creek Gallery** who will judge the oil dripping pattern created from the cars during the time of the show onto a pristine piece of cardboard. Abstract Art at its finest!

Logistics and Basic Necessities -- *Tom Greene, Mac MacCuen, Don and Mary Byrnes, and Doug Carlisle* will be working with **Arts on the Square** and **Foothills Merry Go Round** Steering Committees to provide logistical support for the event.

Who do I contact if I want to help in a particular area? Use the list below to send an e-mail to that committee chairperson.

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Motor Oil Art	Jack Weller	sweller@aol.com

SPONSORS SUPPORT CLASSIC SHOW

The sponsor committee worked to keep the sponsors we had last year and to look for others to help raise funds for the show and the Cleveland County Abuse Prevention Council. Supporting our sponsors is key to future success. Here are our 2012 sponsors for the Broad River European Classic Show

Alston Bridges Barbecue, Inc.

American Restoration

Bradley's Screen Printing & Trophies

Buffalo Creek Gallery

Fox Distributing Co., Inc.

Griffin Brothers Tires,

Wheels & Auto Repair

Mi Pueblito Mexican Restaurant

Monroe Tire Sales, Inc.

Newts - A Modern Burger Place

Owl's Eye Vineyard and Winery

Pleasant City Wood Fired Grill

Richie's Body Shop

Robin Brackett Insurance Agency, Inc.

Shelby Savings Bank

Westmoreland Printers, Inc.

TOM GREEN SHARES HIS RESTORATION STORY -- '53 MG TD



In November 1997, a friend of mine and his wife had visited a client of his in Warsaw, NC. When they returned, she was telling me about the visit and a car that the client had. It was a 1953 **MG TD** that he had

purchased new in Panama City, Panama.

Noble Martin, the owner of this unique vehicle, was a geologist working in Panama City. While driving through the city his old Buick broke down. He pulled to the side of the road and removed his belongings and proceeded to walk down the street. He came to a dealership and saw the 1953 **MG TD** in the show room. Mr. Martin went in and bought the car and drove it off to finish his assignment in Panama. He then drove the car back to the state of Florida where he lived. Later, he and his family relocated to Warsaw, NC.

For the next forty-four years, he drove the car daily until the summer of 1997. At that time the family realized at the age of 90 he should slow down and stop driving. They were afraid that he may have an accident or kill someone. He expressed an interest in selling the car to my friend and his wife. After she told me about all of this, I asked her husband if he would contact Mr Martin and ask him if I could call him concerning buying the car. He agreed. I called Mr. Martin and discussed the condition of the car and made an appointment to drive down to Warsaw to see the car. During the conversations he told me how much he wanted for the car.

I borrowed a trailer from a friend and Margaret and I drove the 4.5 hours to Warsaw on a Saturday morning. After getting there and looking at the MG TD, Mr. Martin increased his price by \$2,000. I told him I could not pay that much for the car. After having a nice discussion with him, we shook hands and departed Warsaw thinking I would probably never find another one. Margaret insisted I stop and call him and make an offer, which I did and he said he would just keep the car. We drove back to Shelby very disappointed, arriving home around midnight.

The next morning around seven AM my phone rang and a voice asked, "Are you the man that made an offer on my MG TD yesterday?" I told him I was and he said – "Well you have been the hardest SOB to find. I have called every Greene in Shelby! I have decided to accept your offer if you still want the car" I told him I would take it and would be down in a few hours to pick up the car.

Fortunately, the trailer was still hooked up to the Suburban and I picked up Margaret and off we went. When we pulled into Mr. Martin's driveway, he was on the porch with a large number of boxes of part. He had kept all of the original parts, generator, shocks, master cylinder, starter, etc. I paid Mr. Martin, he signed the title and we loader everything onto the trailer.



I started to walk to the MG TD to drive it onto the trailer and Mr. Martin would not let me do it. He said he would drive the car onto the trailer. We said our goodbyes and thanked him

again. As we started down the driveway, Margaret heard him say, "Bye-bye little car!"

Once in Shelby, the car started a five year total restoration under the direction of Lou May, Kent Bridges brother-in-law. He began by taking the car apart and evaluating what had to be done to restore it to its 1953 condition.

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Here are a few pictures that I took to document the condition of the car. It is interesting how this car withstood daily driving for such a long time.



Part of the frame is made from wood and you can see the condition of the springs and the wheels.



Once it was apart and we had a plan on how to restore the car, it became a long and involved process. The chrome parts were sent off to California to be redone. The

wooden frame had to be rebuilt. All of the body parts had to be sandblasted, primed and then three coats of paint with dry sanding in between to get the final finish. You can see the progression of Lou's handy work in these pictures.



Lou was a perfectionist on each step of the process



The attention to detail can be seen in the number plate for the car. It looks like it came from the show room floor.



Almost five years since we started, the car began to come together. I was anxious to get to enjoy the car. Lou was interested in finishing the restoration and doing it right. You can imagine how excited I was when I would visit the shop and saw the car outside, looking ready to go again.



In 2003, Margaret and I took the restored MG TD to a Gathering MG's in Williamsburg, VA. There were two parts to the show. On Thursday night, we won the First Timer Award for Best Car. On Saturday, we won First Place in our class in a field of 22 other MG TD's. The show sponsor said that this was the first time a car won both awards. I was certainly proud of how the "little car" performed.

CHIMNEY ROCK HILL CLIMB

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Well, the four of us somehow managed to rendezvous with each other and began the task of finding a good spectating place. One by one the racers zoomed up the mountain with us stopping at every corner to take in the sights and sounds of what we had only seen on television. Tires squalling , exhaust pipes belching fire , and engines screaming . We all thought we had died and gone to that great race track in the sky.

We wound up , of course, on Turn 6—along with the ten thousand that I mentioned earlier. But it was a great place to catch the action on film and since my dad was a photographer I often carried a camera .It was not like today . Today everyone has a camera in some form or another. And on this day I had my Yashica twins lens reflex and it was about to capture a photo that would make history. Not really, but, I'll tell you about it later.

To Be Continued next month

BE AN EARLY BIRD AND REGISTER YOUR CAR FOR THE SHOW

Have you registered your car for the April 28th BREMC Classic Car Show? If you are like most of us, it does not seem to be a priority at this point. **The show is four weeks away and one has plenty of time to complete the form at the April meeting.**



If you are the head of the registration committee and trying to plan on what cars will be in the show, you want everyone to register early. To help folks with this task, as part of this month's newsletter, we included as a separate attachment the information about the show and the registration form.

Just take a few minutes and print out the registration form, write your check, and mail the information to the BREMC secretary. After you complete that task, write an e-mail to all of your car enthusiasts and e-mail the registration form to them so they may be Early Birds too.

DOUG'S APRIL TRIVIA CONTEST

1. What does the "40" mean in the Ford GT40 ?

2. Ash wood is used in the frame of what English sports car? _____
3. What does the three pointed star of Mercedes Benz represent? _____
4. The horizontally opposed engine in a Porsche is often referred to as what kind of engine?

5. What is the worlds record for the number of people crammed in a BMW Mini ? _____

ANSWERS TO DOUG'S MARCH TRIVIA CONTEST -- IRISH GREEN

The March trivia dealt with people. Each question was worth 10 points. Some were difficult, so here are the questions with the answers.

Donna Mae Mims was an SCCA driver who wore a special color helmet and coveralls. What was the color and what was her nickname? **Pink. She was called the "Pink Lady"**

Colin Chapman was known by the lightweight cars he produced. What was the name of the company he started?

Lotus

Who was the only American born driver ever to win the Formula One World Drivers Championship? **Phil Hill**

Carroll Shelby's most famous automotive development was what car? **Cobra**

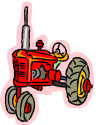
Gerry Coker designed what famous car? **Austin Healey**

Janet Guthrie was the first woman to compete in what famous race? **Indy 500**

Steve McQueen raced what car in the movie Le Mans? **Porsche 917**

Paddy Hopkirk drove one of these to win the 1964 Monte Carlo Rally. **Mini Cooper**

Lamborghini started out making what farm tool? **Tractors**



Considered by many to be the greatest driver of all time, this Englishman never won the Formula One World Drivers Championship. Who was it?. **Stirling Moss**

EVENTS IN APRIL & MAY

Several Clubs and organizations in the area are planning events. Here is a list and several websites to visit to learn more about shows in North and South Carolina.

April 14, 2012

2012 Gathering is April 13-15

Shelton Winery Dobson, NC. Hosted by the Triumph Club of the Carolinas.

www.triumphclub.org

May 26, 2012

Great Scot! British Car Show

**On the shaded grounds of Furman University
Held in conjunction with Greenville Scottish Games**

Contact britishcarshow@yahoo.com

www.greenvillegames.com

HELP WITH OUR PHOTO ALBUM

Recently, **Mac MacCuen** has been asking for pictures to place into a scrap book to share with potential sponsors and with others who may be interested in the Club's events.

If you have pictures – prints or digital files -- please send them to Mac at charles.mccuenjr@wellsfargoadvisors.com

Or, get prints and bring them to the meeting and we will be able to put them in the album.