

The Rear View Mirror

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JANUARY 2ND NEXT MEETING
MI PUEBLITO RESTAURANT
213 WEST WARREN STREET
SHELBY, NC

January 2020

Broad River European Motor Club

Shelby, North Carolina 28150

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MEETING JANUARY 2ND CLEVELAND COUNTRY CLUB SHELBY

Our monthly meeting will be at Mi Pueblito Restaurant, 213 West Warren Street, Shelby, NC on Thursday, January 2nd. You may arrive any time after 6:00 pm and we will have our meal at 6:30 pm

Here is the address for your GPS Address:
Mi Pueblito Restaurant
213 West Warren Street
Shelby, NC 28150

E-MAIL DINNER RESERVATION

Please e-mail Jim Morgan if you will or be attending to help in the planning by Tuesday **NOON, December 31st**
Jim's e-mail address is jimmorgan1954@charlotte.twcbc.com

NEW YEAR'S DAY FUN DRIVE SET

JANUARY 1 – Curt and Randy have put their heads together to come up with another enjoyable ride on New Year's Day. We will assemble at Aldersgate Church, West Dixon Blvd, Shelby about 9:30 and leave at 10 to start our adventure. Along the way, we will pick up more cars before we arrive at Lake Lure and lunch at LaStrada Restaurant. The afternoon has been planned by Randy and should be fun. We finish with a stop at Sonic for ice cream before we head home



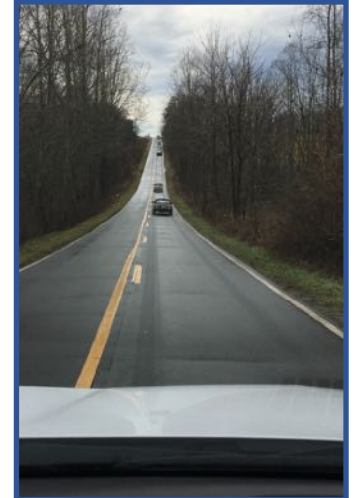
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear BREMC Members and Friends,

Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas. We had lots of family time as most of Curt's and my family were at our house for Christmas Day.

I am looking forward to a great drive on New Year's Day! Currently, we have 34 people going. The weather looks to be dry and in the 50's. This would be a change from some of the past NYD drives. I am looking forward to see everyone on Wednesday morning.



Website update: Doug Carlisle, Jack and Mike (webmaster) have done a great deal of work on the new website. Please have a look and let them know what you think.

I am looking forward to seeing you all Thursday, January 2 in Shelby at Mi Pueblito.

Happy New Year

Missy

"The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be."
Ralph Waldo Emerson

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, please send by the 20th of the month. If not received in a timely manner, item may not make newsletter that month.
Goal is to send newsletter the Friday before our regular meeting. Let us know how you like the newsletter, e-mail **Jack** at jsweller@aol.com

BREMC OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

President – Missy Holland*
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 * Executive Committee Member

EVERY SATURDAY

**MORNING WEATHER CO-OPERATING
 COFFEE, CARS & CONVERSATION**



**YOU ARE INVITED TO COME ON A SATURDAY MORNING
 TO**

**LILY BEAN COFFEE SHOP
 ON THE COURT SQUARE – SHELBY, NC
 GROUP MEETS FROM 8 AM TO 10 AM**



CHARLOTTE CARS & COFFEE

First Saturday of the Month
 Cars & Coffee Charlotte, NC

CARS & COFFEE OF THE UPSTATE

Fourth Saturday of the Month
 Visit them on FaceBook at

<https://www.facebook.com/CarsCoffeeUpstate?fref=ts>
 Cars & Coffee of the Upstate -- Greenville, SC

BRITS & BREW CHARLOTTE

Event In Hibernation until March – See You in the Spring

Olde Mecklenburg Brewery

<https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=brits%20and%20brews>

2020 Meetings / Events Calendar

Updating our Calendar for 2020.

The dates for our BREMC Monthly Meetings are updated.
 Please email info or a link to an event for the Calendar to
wsweiller@aol.com Many of you are members of other
 organizations have given this data each year.

DATE	Meeting / Event
2019	
JANUARY	
1	BREMC New Year's Day Drive
2	BREMC Monthly Meeting
FEBRUARY	
6	BREMC Monthly Meeting
MARCH	
5	BREMC Monthly Meeting
APRIL	
2	BREMC Monthly Meeting
13	The Gathering Shelton Vineyards http://www.triumphclub.org/Gathering/index.html
25	BREMC European Classic www.broadriveremc.com
MAY	
7	BREMC Monthly Meeting
TBD	BREMC FUN DRIVE
TBD	Lake Lure Spring Car Show
TBD	Carlisle Import Car Show/Autojumble Carlisle, PA http://www.carlisleevents.com/carlisle-events/carlisle-import-and-performance-nationals/default.aspx
20-24	National Triumph Registry of America National Meet Dillard, GA http://triumphregister.com/tra-national-meet/
23	Southeastern British Motorcar Owners Club Great Scot Furman University in conjunction with Greenville Scottish Games http://www.sbmoc.com
JUNE	
4	BREMC Monthly Meeting
TBD	Highlands Motoring Festival Highlands, NC https://highlandsmotoringfestival.com/
JULY	
4	INDEPENDENCE Day Parade – LATTIMORE
9	BREMC Picnic Baker's Buffalo Creek
AUGUST	
6	BREMC Monthly Meeting
SEPTEMBER	
3	BREMC Monthly Meeting Moved to Saturday September 14
TBD	The Auto Lawn Party – Hickory http://www.theautolawn.com/ to register.
TBD	Auto Fair – Charlotte, NC http://www.charlotte-autofair.com/
TBD	September Meeting at Curt & Missy Hollands 6th Annual Picnic by the Pond Bessemer City, NC
TBD	MG's on the Green Harrisburg, NC http://www.metrolinamacarclub.com/mgs-on-the-green.html
TBD	Autumn in the Mountains BCCWC at Asheville Outlet Mall
OCTOBER	
1	BREMC Monthly Meeting Fine Line Auto Works Forest City, NC
TBD	Briffest at the Market Common Myrtle Beach- http://grandstrandbritishcarclub.com/
TBD	Gardner Webb University Homecoming Parade, Boiling Springs Euro Auto Festival
17	The Preserve at Verdae Greenville, NC http://www.euroautofestival.com/
23 - 31	Hilton Head SC-Concours D'Elegance http://www.hhiconcours.com/ Shelby Senior Center Halloween Car Show
NOVEMBER	
5	BREMC Monthly Meeting
TBD	BREMC FALL FUN DRIVE
DECEMBER	
3	BREMC Christmas Party
TBD	SHELBY CHRISTMAS PARADE https://uptownshelby.com/events/christmas-parade

Minutes of Broad River European Motor Club December 5th, 2019 Meeting

23 members and guests in attendance.

Missy Holland, President, called the meeting to order, which was held at Cleveland Country Club. Page Morgan offered the invocation

Jack Weller (subbing for Cindy Carlisle as secretary) stated last month's minutes were published in the newsletter. Missy asked if any addendums or changes. None noted. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report given by Jack Weller (subbing for Cindy Carlisle as treasurer) reported \$2,675.30 as our account balance. There has been no change since our November meeting.

Website Update: Mike Tucker is our new Webmaster and has loaded our old website onto a new platform. Wayne Mercier, our former Webmaster, sent Mike a link with some of the old data. The web address is the same www.broadriveremc.com and looks very similar to our old webpage. Mike has been working very diligently getting site up and running, so take a look! He is using Host Gator which is \$85/2 years, so our GoDaddy account will go away in a couple of months. This new platform will be much easier in the event someone else needs to take over as Webmaster.

Please go check out the website. It is live, but please remember it is still a work in progress! www.broadriveremc.com
Doug Carlisle is working with Mike on items to be added to the website.

Thanks again to Jack Weller for continuing to put together a great newsletter every month. Please, everyone, remember to contribute. It's hard to come up with information. Got an exciting photo or article? Send it to Jack!

Shelby Christmas Parade Reminder: Jack Weller reminded everyone of the Shelby Christmas parade, which is on the 3rd Sunday in December.... December 15th this year. Will be needing red and green cars, but other colors will also be accepted.

New Year's Day Fun Drive: Curt Holland talked about our New Year's Drive Wednesday, January 1st. We will meet at Aldersgate at 9:30 am, then drive up thru Cleveland, Rutherford and Polk counties to Lake Lure with lunch at LaStrada's. After lunch, a drive through the mountains and ending up . Please let Curt know if you plan on participating.

April 25 Broad River Classic Car Show: Jim Morgan gave an update that the City of Shelby had our permit application for the upcoming Car Show in the spring. He has asked for more room but is unsure that it will be approved because that would place cars in front of private residences on South Washington Street. The location will be in front of Don Gibson Theatre again this year.

Jim asked that we continue to promote what charities we will support as part of the Car Show publicity. He felt that people were willing to help the three charities we had selected. On a motion by Charles McCuen and seconded by John Salazar, it was decided to support the same charities as last year – The Junior Charity League Clothes Closet, Teddy Bear Run for North Shelby School, and Boys & Girls Club of Cleveland County.

John Salazar asked that we work on getting more sponsors for 2020 show. We need to be asking folks in January to be sponsors. He pointed out that much of the money we contribute to charities is from the sponsors.

To be ready to advertise the show, Treasure Teague suggested that we get our registration form updated and ready to go in January. She said the person who has done this for us in the past is not available and is looking for someone to work with her on the 2020 registration. Jim Morgan and Jack Weller will work with Treasure on the new registration form.

Missy asked for a possible venue for January meeting. She wondered if folks were satisfied at Mi Pueblito Restaurant. The group voted to meet in January at Mi Pueblito. John Salazar contact the restaurant to confirm arrangements.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Jack Weller, subbing for Cindy Carlisle, Secretary/Treasurer

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**BROAD RIVER EUROPEAN MOTOR CLUB
FACEBOOK PAGE**

**WE SHARE UPCOMING FUN DRIVES
EVENTS, ACTIVITIES PROJECTS
AND INTERESTING BARN FINDS**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1512058148828961/>

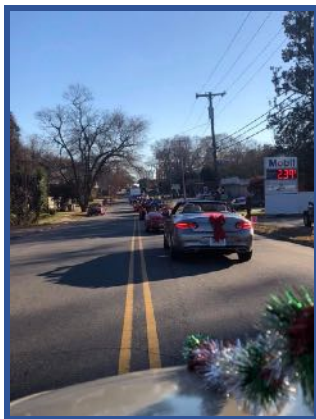
To get our information in front of more people, when you go to FB, LIKE the article and then SHARE with your friends.

This gives us more people reading about the Club.

SHELBY CHRISTMAS PARADE



We had one red and one green car and the rest neutral colors



Mike Poage arrived in his newly acquired Jaguar Sedan. We are heading on the Parade Route.

Visit Facebook for more photos.

SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS

Here is the list of 2019 Sponsors – support them as you do business in Shelby.

Alston Bridges BBQ, Inc.

American Restoration

Buffalo Creek Winery & Vineyard

Chick-fil-A (Cleveland Mall)

Don Gibson Theatre

Dragonfly Wine Market

Fine Line Auto Works

H & H Pest Control

J & E Auto Sales

Lily Bean Micro Roaster Coffee Shop

Maxwell B Hamrick Insurance Agency

McNeily Photography

Mercedes Benz Club of America

Mi Pueblito Mexican Restaurant

Moire Creations of America

Monroe Tire

Richie's Body Shop

Toscanos Bistro

Westmoreland Printers, Inc

White Investments of Shelby

CHRISTMAS TRIVIA HOW MANY DO YOU KNOW

Here are the answers to the Christmas Trivia Questions

1. What carol is known as the counting song? The Twelve Days of Christmas
2. Where did there arise such a clatter? On the front lawn
3. What three characters sing "The Chipmunk Song"? Simon, Theodore, and Alvin
4. What gift did Caspar bring? Myrrh
5. In *It's a Wonderful Life*, what movie was playing at the theater? The Bells of St Mary's
6. What piece of heavenly apparel does the Littlest Angel not wear correctly? His halo
7. What is Charlie Brown's complaint about Christmas? The commercialization of Christmas
8. What carol demands figgy pudding? We Wish You A Merry Christmas
9. In *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, what biological shortcoming made the Grinch so mean? His heart was three sizes too small
10. What is the biggest selling Christmas single of all time? I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas
11. Where was I when I saw *Mommy kissing Santa Claus*? Standing on the stairs
12. Who said, "God Bless Us, Everyone!?" Tiny Tim in Charles Dickens A Christmas Carol
13. In the movie, *Santa Clause*, what do the elves use to get Santa out of jail? Tinsel
14. In "A Christmas Story," what kind of car did the Dad drive? 1937 Oldsmobile Six four-door sedan
15. In "Polar Express," what drink was served in the dining car? Hot chocolate
16. How many times does Santa check his list for each child? Twice
17. In the movie "*The Elf*," what is Buddy's favorite breakfast food? Spaghetti with maple syrup
18. What type of car did the Griswold's drive to get their Christmas tree in "*Christmas Vacation*?" 1988 Ford Taurus Station Wagon with wood paneling
19. What city off of US Route 22 was Jesus born? Bethlehem – near Allentown and Nazareth
20. In the movie "Scrooged" what type of vehicle was Scrooge riding in when he was visited by one of the spirit's 1970 Checker Cab

Bonus Question – How did the United States Air Force come to track Santa's progress on radar every year?

On December 24, 1955, the red telephone at the Continental Air Defense Command (CONAD) Operations Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado began ringing.

The red phone meant it was either the Pentagon or CONAD commander in chief General Earle Partridge on the other end, and their reason for calling would probably not be pleasant.

U.S. Air Force Col. Harry Shoup, director of operations at the center, rushed over to the phone and grabbed it.

"Yes, Sir, this is Colonel Shoup," he barked.

Nothing but silence in response.

"Sir? This is Colonel Shoup," he said.

Silence again.

"Sir? Can you read me alright?"

Finally, a soft voice on the other end.

"Are you really Santa Claus?" a little girl asked.



Shoup was stunned for a second. This must be a joke, he thought. He looked around the room, expecting to see his men laughing at their prank, but found stony, serious faces all around.

He realized that there was “some screwup on the phones,” and decided to play along.

“Yes, I am,” he answered. “Have you been a good little girl?”

The girl explained to Shoup that she would leave some food out for both Santa and his reindeer and then recited her Christmas list to him. Shoup thanked her for her hospitality, noting that Santa had a lot of traveling to do. How did he get to all those houses in one night, anyway, she asked.

Apparently, that was classified intelligence in Shoup’s mind. “That’s the magic of Christmas,” he said. If anyone asks her about that, he said, she

should tell them to stop asking so many questions, or Santa would put them on the naughty list.

“That red phone, boy,” Shoup later recalled. “That’s either the old man—the four-star [General Partridge]—or the Pentagon. I was all shook up.”

The red phone would keep ringing throughout the night. Not because of Soviet nukes or fighter planes heading toward U.S. soil, but because of a typo.

That day, Shoup would later learn, a local newspaper ran a Sears Roebuck ad inviting kids to contact Santa.

“Hey Kiddies!” the ad read. “Call me on my private phone and I will talk to you personally any time day or night.” The ad listed Santa’s direct line, but the number in the copy was off by a digit. Instead of connecting to the special line Sears set up with a Santa impersonator, kids wound up calling a secret air defense emergency number.

After a few more Santa-related calls, Shoup pulled a few airmen aside and gave them a special assignment. They would answer the phone and give callers—barring the Pentagon, we assume—Santa’s current location as they “tracked” him on their radar.

From that night on, tracking Santa became a yearly tradition, carried on by the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) when it replaced CONAD in 1958. A new phone number, separate from the red phone, was established and publicized, and people were invited to call in and find out how close Santa was to their home. Every Christmas Eve, military service members staff phones and email accounts and the [Santa Tracker Twitter account](#) to keep kids up to date on Santa’s whereabouts.

Harry Shoup passed away in 2009, remembered by his peers and the public as the “Santa Colonel” who gave a special gift to millions of kids.

Retrieved from the internet <https://www.mentalfloss.com/article/32021/why-did-norad-start-tracking-santa>