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President's Note

Great turn out at our last outdoor meeting and superb luncheon! Plenty of food and desserts. Outstanding showing of the British Cars! Weather wasn't great but if wasn't bad either! Had a good day of selling more of the overstock clothing since the weather helped, but we still have plenty on hand. Welcome to the two new families, Larry & Judy Gilbert, 1953 MG-TD, 1963 MGB. Tim & Marti Daniels, 1976 MGB, 1967 Austin Healey Sprite.

Now for the hard part! Kevan McCallum has tendered his resignation as the Treasurer, Brit Bull registration organizer, and Member Roster editor. So now we are looking for a new candidate to take over the reins. Not going to pull punches, but this is probably one of the most hardest jobs in the club, along with Oil Spot editor. His resignation will be at the end of the year and will train whomever volunteers to take over! Please consider this if you think you want to keep the club thriving!!

Next meeting will be at Barlow's, Liberty Lake, Breakfast. 0900 – 1300. 12 October. We usually order food starting at 0930, and when we get done with that, I'll start the meeting, and by the time we get the food delivered I'll be done. Please give Gregg Upton an RSVP so he knows who's coming. The room holds 40 individuals. First come first served!!

Thanks very much!

Randy Staples

NORTHWEST BRITISH CLASSICS

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Club Financials

August 1, 2024 to August 31, 2024

Income

Starting Balance 8/1/2024 \$ 5,819.23

Member Dues Income \$ 80.00

Future Year Member Dues \$ -

Member Badge Income \$ 10.00

BritBull \$ 1,495.00

Elections Banquet \$

Shirt/Hat \$ 485.00

BritBull Cash Return \$ 300.00

Park Fee Refund \$ 75.00

Donation

Sub-Total \$ 8,264.23

Expenses

Total Best Name Badges \$ 44.16

Supplies \$ -

Club Picnic \$ -

Domain Name/Hosting \$ -

Quickbooks \$

Government Fees \$ -Elections Banquet \$ -

BritBull Cash \$ 300.00

Breakfast Refund \$ -

Club Awards \$ -

Park Fees \$ -

Bank Charges \$ 5.50

Club Shirts \$ -

BritBull Shirts \$ 1,434.10

BritBull Expenses \$ 230.74

INCCC Dues \$ -

Highland Games Donation \$ -

Insurance \$

BritBull Awards \$ -

BritBull Expenses \$

Sub-Total \$ 2,014.50

Ending Balance 8/31/2024 \$ 6,249.73

Income: \$ 2,445.00

Expenses: \$ 2,014.50



NWBCCC Meeting Minutes

Terrace View Park — September 14, 2024

Meeting was called to order by President Randy Staples at 11:10 am. Members in attendance: 37. Minutes from the last meeting were approved; Treasurer's Report was approved.

Randy announced that this will be our last outdoor meeting for the summer. The next meeting will be on October 12 at Barlow's Restaurant in Liberty Lake. Arrive at about 9 am to order breakfast; meeting will begin at 10 am.

Old Business: BritBull was an outstanding success. We had 78 vehicles and 2 motorcycles. Congratulations to winners - Bill Puskas in particular!

The BritBull issue of the OilSpot that Barb Woodall produced was outstanding. Great job. Pictures were great!

We have clothing for sale. Bill Puskas has been diligently selling sweatshirts and T-shirts. We are out of hats. Contact Bill if you want these items.

Southwest Idaho British Car Club has a car show in Meridian on Sept. 21-22. You can register online.

New Members:

Tim and Marty Daniels: 1976 MGB and a 1967 AH Sprite.

Larry and Judy Gilbert: 1953 MGTD and a 1963 MGB

Greg and Judy Upton will be in the Spotlight this month.

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NWBCCC Meeting Minutes

Terrace View Park — September 14, 2024

Kevan McCallum has a new job that will require more travel so he is regretfully resigning from his position as Treasurer at the end of the year. We will need to somehow replace him, as he does so much for the club. If you would like to be Treasurer, Kevan will train you to get you up to speed. Let Randy know if you are interested.

Dave Hofstadter announced a drive organized by Bob Flatley on September 21. It starts at Yokes in Post Falls at 9:30 am and ends at the Ivy Court Nursing Home. There will be refreshments while the residents of the nursing home will enjoy looking at the little British cars.

Bob Carroll announced the Ainsworth Drive on Friday, Sept. 20.

Be sure to RSVP to Greg Upton for the meeting at Barlow's next month because they limit it to 40 people. We are on the lookout for a new meeting location.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:32 am.

NWBCCC Secretary,

Jim and Maddy Houghton



2024 - RECENT EVENTS

NWBCCC Terrace View Park

President Randy Staples presides over the monthly meeting of Northwest British Classics on Saturday the 14th at Terrace view Park, Spokane Valley, Washington. Some 37 members attended on a beautiful end of summer day.



2024 - RECENT EVENTS

Silver Angels Drive and Car Show (9/7)

Randy Staples and Bill Puskas participated in the annual Silver Angels drive and car show on Saturday, September 7th.

This event arranges for about 30 vintage vehicles to visit and drive through 6 or 7 senior citizens retirement homes In Coeur d'Alene and always brings waves and smiles from the folks who remember and sometimes owned these vehicles. While the event only lasts about an hour, it is one of my favorite events of the "car year" as so many folks who normally couldn't get out to see these cars at shows can view them as they drive through their facilities.

Afterwards there is a small car show back at the Hayden Senior Center and a silent auction to raise funds for continuing these types of events.

I encourage you to attend next year if you have the time.

Thanks,

Bill



2024 - UPCOMING EVENTS



- Every Saturday: Cars & Coffee; 8-11am; Church of the Nazarene Parking Lot;
 4000 N. 4th St., Coeur d'Alene, ID; (4th St and Katheen)
- Last Sunday of every month during season: Manito Park Cars and Coffee; at Park Bench - 9:00 am until everyone leaves.
- Sept 20-22: Spokane to Ainsworth Hot Springs; see page 8.
- Sept 21: Drive to Ivy Court Nursing Home and car display; Meet at Yoke's Market (1501 E Seltice Way Post Falls ID 83854) at 9:30 AM; Bob Flatley will lead a drive to end at Ivy Court Nursing Home where we will display our cars for the residents; We should arrive at Ivy Court Nursing Home (2200 Ironwood Place CDA ID 83814) at approx 11:30 AM; Contact Diane Hofstadter.
- **Sept 21-22:** Southwest Idaho All British Field Meet; Village at Meridian, Meridian, Idaho SWIABFM2024; see page 9.
- Oct 12: NWBCCC Monthly Meeting; Breakfast at Barlow's, Liberty Lake; Begins at 9am. Reservations required as room size is limited.
 - Contact Gregg Upton WASup@mtaonline.net
- June 2027: Austin Healey 75th Anniversary International Meet; see page 10.

Spokane to Ainsworth Hot Springs (September 20-22, 2024)

Ok, I am pulling together a drive for Ainsworth Hot Springs in British Columbia. It will be Friday Sept. 20th through Sun the 22nd. Rooms are now available at the Ainsworth Hot Springs Resort. There are also handicap rooms available too. Go to: https://www.ainsworthhotsprings.com/

We will leave the Fred Meyer parking lot located at 12120 Division (or Corner of Division and E. Hastings Rd.) at 9:00 on Friday morning and proceed up Hwy 395 or Hwy 2 (I will firm this up). With a rest stop on the way, I hope to make Nelson BC around 12:30 for lunch. Nelson is a fun little town with restaurants, bakeries, book, boutique and antique stores.

We will proceed at leisure to Ainsworth H.S. from Nelson, about a 45 minute drive and check into our rooms. The pool is open at all times to guests and your towel and robe is included with room.

For those who wish, we will visit Sandon Ghost town on Saturday and stop at the Moyie stern-wheeler in Kaslo on the way. Sandon has the oldest hydro power generator in Canada and we will tour that too.

Some people may want to return to Nelson instead of going to the ghost town and explore the fun crannies that Nelson has lots of. This is meant to be an eclectic trip for us to drift up and back as a group but fan out in the area for those who cares to.

The return on Sunday may go the ferry rout over Kootenay Lake and visit the bottle house (a mortician built it with formaldehyde bottles) or go back the way we came. I will iron this out when we know who is going because some Healeys can have problems on some ferry ramps though I hope this may not always be the case.

Ok, this is the basic, more details later so please make reservations very soon or soon as you can to make sure you have a room. Rates are from \$219 CAN. dollars and up but times that by 0.75 and you have \$158 US dollars. There is also Woodbury Resort and Marina with room from \$95.00 to \$130 Canadian as an alternate to the Ainsworth resort. Go to: woodburyresort.com/rates-packages/. You can still take the hot springs with reservations if you are not staying at Ainsworth.

Please let me know you interest in coming so we can make firm plans and accommodate any needs. I am looking forward to a fun trip, there will be something for everyone as well as a beautiful drive.

Do remember a pass port is needed if you do not have an enhanced drivers license for entering BC.

Bob Carroll

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Idaho British Car Club Southwest Idaho All British Field Meet 2024!

SEPT 21-22 SWIABFM2024

Hello, fellow British Classic Car Club Members,

I know that it is still early for the 2024 driving season and (like me) you may be working on that winter project, but I wanted to get the word out to you and your membership about the 2024 Southwest Idaho All British Field Meet (SWIABFM2024). The dates are September 21-22, 2024, and includes a drive, reception BBQ and a show at the Village at Meridian, Meridian, Idaho.

We plan to open registration on April 15th or earlier if possible. You and your members can get the latest information at https://idahobritishcars.org/swiabfm2024 and can request that we add your name to our mailing list on that page.

I personally want to thank you for considering SWIABFM2024 for you and your members, and we are looking forward to a fantastic 2024 driving season.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments.

Be safe and well,

Rick Mills
SWIABFM2024 Chair
Idaho British Car Club



Austin Healey 75th Anniversary International Meet

(June 2027)

2027 will be Austin Healey's 75th Anniversary, and to commemorate, the Golden Gate Austin Healey Club, the Austin Healey Association of Southern California and the Austin Healey Club of America are co-sponsoring an **International Meet to be held at Lake Tahoe**, June 7-11, 2027.

Lake Tahoe was the location of perhaps the largest ever gathering of Austin Healeys (over 600) for the 50th Anniversary in 2002 and the 75th Anniversary will be a major draw. The co-sponsors are planning Welcome and Awards Banquets, nightly Happy Hours, a popular choice Car Show, informative Tech Sessions, Celebrity guests and cars, special Ladies events, Concours judging, Gymkhana (subject to minimum participation) and local Scenic Drives with Lake Tahoe and the Sierra Nevada Mountains as the backdrop.

Very attractive hotel room rates have been negotiated at the **Golden Nugget Hotel & Casino** and the Lake Tahoe area is full of gourmet restaurants, entertainment, shopping, gaming and nature. The co-sponsors are working together to plan and execute a spectacular event at a spectacular location and look forward to the International Austin Healey community's full support.

We want to be sure that all interested Healey owners are aware of this upcoming event, and to that end, we are asking you and your Club to help publicize it via "Save the Date" announcements on your website and in your newsletter.

Please go to the website, click on the Media Tab and download ready-made "Save the Date" ads which are perfect for insertion in your newsletter or website.

Website: Healey75.com

Further details will be publicized on the event website as they become available. Be sure to Click on the "Add Me to the Email List" button on the website to be the first to be notified as more information becomes available. Registration will begin in early 2026.

Please direct any questions to any of the Committee Members:

Steve Kirby, AHASC, <u>sackirby@pacbell.net</u>, Co-Chairman

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Classified Ads



FOR SALE - 1961 Austin Healey 3000 BT7. Pictures and additional information on Page 12-13. Call 208-699-7406 (Dave Ray)

FOR SALE - Collection of TR4 stuff. It's essentially two TR4's. One a TR4, the other a TR4A live axle. No title. Acquired 10 years ago and sat in storage unit in Idaho Falls for 10 years. Recently brought it all up here to Spo-Kane. With no inventory, I assume there are the bulk parts For two cars but only one body. One engine was just re-Built? The other in pieces. Two overdrive transmissions. Two frames, one tr4 the other solid axle tr4A. Some new Stuff. Need it all to go at same time. There is no roller Here. It's off frame.

Call 208-699-7406 (Damon Fisher) dfish67@gmail.com

FOR SALE - 68 MGB GT. Owner no longer capable of making this MGB roadworthy. Needs a new home where someone can. Third owner car, minus the oil filter and steering wheel, that is one hundred percent original. I do have original steering wheel. Was covered last winter, but left outside. The car is too good of a specimen to be left to deteriorate in the elements. For these reasons, I will let it go to someone who will rebuild it and give the best cash offer. Car is in Colfax, WA. See pictures on page 14. Call 509-397-2109 (John) If no answer, leave message. solerlab@msn.com

WANTED - Mechanical restoration for 1958 TR3. Looking for someone in the Spokane area that could do a mechan ical restoration. I had Botzons do some work, clutch, brakes, running gear, belts and hoses, etc. I'm happy with what they did, but it needs much more. Especially electrical/ wiring harness and so on. Would just like to have a mechanically sound vehicle. Any recommendations would be greatly appreciated.

Call 509-993-8465 (Dave Brucick)

Note: Adds will run for 3 months unless canceled sooner



Old 1985 photo just after I purchased it

Background - on work completed

In 1986 move to Seattle I had Robin
Purington at British European restore
the frame and repair/rebuild the shocks
and brakes. Below is a list of other items
rebuilt or repaired + partial list of new
parts purchased.

- Engine rebuilt prior to 1985 purchase, Casey's motor who rebuilt the transmission performed a compression test [170-150-170-160-160-180]
- The only gauge not working was the speedometer, which was rebuilt 1986
- Replaced badly damaged hood surround, had doors, fenders, lids dipped and repaired
- MOSS Motors ordered misc. including interior door panels, new gauge cables, new wiring harness, misc., dash components, etc.

1961 Austin Healey 3000 BT7

VIN HBT7L/7008 [3038 BT7L 7152]

My AH 3000 Story

I bought this car in 1985, just a Mopar kid that wanted a fun convertible to drive for the summer. Once summer was over I was convinced that it needed to be torn down and restored. According to my brother Gene who had a TR250, it would be no big deal.

It ran like a champ when I first drove it (engine out of BJ8), first line of business was rebuilding transmission and the speedometer. The rest of the story is typical, spent lots of money starting with a frame up, but then life just got in the way, and yes, as you know it is a big deal.

There is certainly still work to be done, some parts needed, but this is not your typical barn find. It was originally brought to Spokane by its then owner from San Jose CA. Among the receipts he provided was one for the engine rebuild.

For more information or to make offer



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1961 Austin Healey 3000 BT7















Drivers side view, panels and door

Passenger side view, panels and door

Rear/Trunk view and Front/Hood & Grill









Interior view floor

Alternate interior view w/back seats

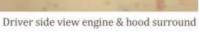
View of back of interior and inside fender

Rear view of trunk floor



BJ8 Engine







Rebuilt SU Carbs & Manifold



Dash, Gauges, Cables, Dash w/repl. wood

1968 MGB GT













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NORTHWEST BRITISH CLASSICS CAR CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Meetings are every 2nd Saturday, except Feb, Aug, & Dec. Location and times announced by the club president each month. Summer meetings are outdoors and winter meetings are indoors.

Name(s) (include spouse/significant other/family members, etc.):

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Mailing Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Street Address (if different)			
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Signature(s):		Date:	
		Date:	
annually. Dues are due January	1 st ,	lub nametags. Thereafter: \$20.00 per family	
Mail check and completed signe	Treasurer 11409 N Mc		

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Northwest British Classics Club

CLUB DUES

Family membership for one year is \$20.00. New members pay \$25.00 for the first year which includes club name tags which are worn at club meetings and events.

Send your renewal or initial membership to:

Kevan McCallum 11409 N McCoy Rd. Newman Lake WA 99025

Dues are due January 1st every year MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO NWBCCC Thank you!

If you are interested in being featured in Oil Spot - monthly 'Member Spot Light', please let Randy Staples or Barb Woodall know. We would like a picture of you & your car and a short bio of you & your car. Thank you for volunteering!

Join our FACEBOOK GROUP !!

https://www.facebook.com/groups/603518397696284

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Secretary: Jim and Maddy Houghton

Treasurer: Kevan McCallum

Editor: Barb Woodall

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Web Master: Kevan McCallum