



# The British Connection

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## President's Message

For those of you that did not make it to the GOF MG Car Show in Altamonte Springs.....you missed a good one. The weather was picture perfect at the Hilton Hotel in Altamonte. It was great seeing all the old and new MG's which included a 1930's vintage MG British Police car and a few vintage MG race cars. There were several seminars and activities available throughout the two days. But to me the best part of the show was purchasing a factory original MGA hard top in great condition from a local British car enthusiast/vender. THAT was the highlight of MY weekend! It was

great time except for the 2 hour traffic jam I got caught in going home on I-4 on Friday in the MGA and then got caught again in another 2 hour traffic jam going home on I-4 on Saturday not in the MGA.

For our members who do not follow MG's there is the British Car Show at Mead Gardens in Winter Park on April 7th. This is also a fantastic show. Those folks really know how to put on a show. You'll find a huge variety of British cars at this show and has plenty of vendors. If you go to get coffee and donuts you might know the Lady taking your money? Hope to see you all there.

*Steve*

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## Safety issue – Working with gasoline:

Gasoline vapor generated by draining the tank is a hazard and reacts to an ignition source. The source could be static electricity which is an imbalance of electric charges within or on the surface of a material. Not to get technical but Static discharge is more prevalent with low humidity (there is a hint – Arizona). Another source of ignition is a hot wire (power on condition) that could touch any metal part of the car and spark. I am sure many believe that common sense would be sufficient to control this hazard. The problem is that common sense can be different from one person to another. Safety sense is what is required. That means there is a clear and understandable step(s) that must be followed to control a hazard. So let's take a look at the steps necessary to stay safe while working with gasoline”.

Steps prior to working with gasoline:

- Maintain good ventilation (air flow) when working with gasoline to prevent a buildup of vapors that could ignite or cause breathing problems.
- Dissipate static discharge from your body by touching metal anywhere on your car before you begin to work with gasoline.
- Always disconnect the battery when working with gasoline – the down side of an electric fuel pump is it is always pumping fuel when the ignition switch is in the on position. Okay, turn the key to the off position. Good plan right? What if there is a malfunction of the switch and it becomes stuck in the on position (continuous fuel flow). Unless there is a separate cutoff switch to the fuel pump the only way to stop the flow is to disconnect the battery and hope the terminal doesn't spark when you attempt this. Solution? Disconnect the battery before you start work.
- Have immediate access to a fire extinguisher that is designed to extinguish a gas fire. An ABC rating would be adequate. Make sure the gauge on the extinguisher is in the green range.
- Keep an ample supply of rags or products that absorb liquids in case of a spill (don't store gas soaked rags or other materials inside).
- Store gasoline in approved containers.
- If possible, let someone know what you are doing and to check on you periodically.
- Make sure all your connections and hoses are tight before you re-connect the battery to test your System.

Dave AZ MG Club



For additional information and on-line registration go to”  
<https://www.allbritishcarclub.com/annual-car-show>

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## Humor of Note (with apologies to instrumentalist)

How do you get two piccolo players to play in perfect unison? Shoot one.

What's the difference between an oboe and an onion? No one cries when you chop up an oboe.

What's the difference between a bassoon and a trampoline? You take off your shoes when you jump on a trampoline.

Why did the chicken cross the road? To get away from the bagpipe recital.

Why do clarinetists leave their cases on the dashboard? So they can park in the handicapped zones.

What is "perfect pitch?" When you lob a clarinet into a toilet without hitting the rim.

What's the definition of a nerd? Someone who owns his own alto clarinet.

What do you call a bass clarinetist with half a brain? Gifted.

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## FOR SALE

1962 +4 Morgan and a 1960 TR 3A, Contact Vince Owen at [sandilachance@aol.com](mailto:sandilachance@aol.com)

1975 MGB Contact Burt Martin at 386-428-9443

# Celebrations

By: Gene



## BIRTHDAYS FOR APRIL

Laura Herbert - 10th

Betty Storke - 19th

Gary Thomas - 19th

## ANNIVERSARIES

Clark & Ilene Vegazo - 14th

Jim & Kristin Lubinski - 27th

## 2018 ABCC Upcoming Club Activities

Do you have an idea for an event? Contact Steve at [SBradley5@cfl.rr.com](mailto:SBradley5@cfl.rr.com)

### Cars Wanted:

Jaguar, XK-XKE, MG-T series, MGA, Triumph TR-2 -3-4-250 Mercedes 190, 220, 230, 250, 280SL, Porsche 356, 911, 912, 914, Austin Healey, Riley, Alfa-Romeo, Singer, Mustang 1964-1967, Ford Model-T -A, Karmann Ghia, Volvo P1800. Steve's British Connection 630-553-9023, Cell 708-772-5404, Email [sbcinc@aol.com](mailto:sbcinc@aol.com). Actively buying cars for over 20 years, any condition, fast payment and pick-up. Generous finder's fees.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**APRIL 7, 2018 34<sup>th</sup> Annual British Car Show “Meet & Greet, Meade Gardens Winter Park, FL -**  
[www.allbritishcarclub.com/](http://www.allbritishcarclub.com/)

APRIL 12-14, 2018 Barrett-Jackson Auction. South Florida Fair Grounds. Palm Beach, FL – [www.barrett-jackson.com](http://www.barrett-jackson.com)

APRIL 14, 2018 Central Florida Car Show. Cocoa Village Cocoa Beach, FL - <http://visitcocoavillage.com/events/central-florida-car-show-in-cocoa-village/>

APRIL 18- 22, 2018 Spring Carlisle. Carlisle, PA. – (717) 243-7855 - or- [www.carsatcarlisle.com](http://www.carsatcarlisle.com)

APRIL 20-22, 2018 South Central British Car Gathering. Dobson, NC - [www.triumphclub.org](http://www.triumphclub.org)

APRIL 21, 2018 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Brits on the Bay. Pensacola, FL - <http://pbca1.com/show.htm>

APRIL 21, 2018 Cars on Kiawah. Kiawah Island, SC - <http://www.carsonkiawah.com/>

**APRIL 25-29, 2018 "Brits in Paradise". Key West, FL - [www.kwbcc.com/](http://www.kwbcc.com/)**

APRIL 25-29, 2018 “Classic Motorsports Mitty” support activities. Braselton GA - <http://classicmotorsports.com/>

APRIL 26-29, 2018 “Classic Motorsports Mitty” Road Atlanta (HSR). Braselton, GA. - [www.hsrrace.com](http://www.hsrrace.com)

APRIL 27-29, 2018 Morgan Owners Group Spring Meet. Franklin, TN – [www.mogsouth.com](http://www.mogsouth.com)

APRIL 29, 2018 Britain on the Green. Lorton, VA – <http://capitaltriumphregister.com/>

MAY 3-6, 2018 MINIs at the Dragon. Fontana Village, NC - <http://www.minisonthedragon.com/>

MAY 6, 2017 Bluegrass British Bash. Lexington, KY - [www.sterlingbritishmotoringsociety.org](http://www.sterlingbritishmotoringsociety.org)

**MAY 5-6, 2018 SCCA SOLO II (Autocross). Daytona International Speedway, Daytona Beach, FL –**  
[www.cfrsolo2.com](http://www.cfrsolo2.com)

MAY 6, 2018 Greenville Scottish Games 5th Ann. British Car Show. Greenville SC. -  
<http://gallabrae.com/events/british-car-show/>

MAY 11-12, 2018 “Springtime in the Smokies” British Car Gathering. Townsend, TN - [www.blountbritishcars.org/](http://www.blountbritishcars.org/)

MAY 16-20, 2018 Jefferson 500, Summit Point, WV - <http://www.vrgonline.org>

MAY 17-20, 2018 SVRA Spring Vintage Festival. Road America, Plymouth, WI– [www.svra.com](http://www.svra.com)

MAY 18-20, 2018 Carlisle Import/ Kit/ Replicas Show Carlisle, PA – [www.carsatcarlisle.com](http://www.carsatcarlisle.com)

MAY 26- JUNE 3, 2018 Annual British Car Week. Nationwide - [www.britishcarweek.org](http://www.britishcarweek.org)

JUNE 1-3, 2018 VIR Historic Races (HSR). Danville, VA - [www.hsrrace.com](http://www.hsrrace.com)

JUNE 2-3, 2018 Out of the Woodwork 2018. Adamstown, MD- [www.tvrccna.org/](http://www.tvrccna.org/)

JUNE 2, 2018 Cars & Motorcycles of England Show. Fort Washington PA. – [www.dvtr.org/home.htm](http://www.dvtr.org/home.htm)

JUNE 2, 2018 EuroBrit Auto & Bike Expo. Dublin Park, Madison, AL – [www.nabms.org/default.aspx](http://www.nabms.org/default.aspx)

**JUNE 13-17, 2018 MG 2016 GT-43 Richmond, VA- <http://www.namgar.com/>**



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