

# The Burble & Squeak

Official Newsletter for Annual Members of the Michiana Brits British Car Enthusiasts © 2023 Michiana Brits, Ltd.

**February 2023**

## About Michiana Brits

This car club is open to lovers and/or owners of British vehicles. All paid members receive this monthly newsletter as part of their annual dues.

## We want to hear from you!

**Members are encouraged to submit articles and photos for publication** to the Newsletter Editor at [vbloom01@sbcglobal.net](mailto:vbloom01@sbcglobal.net)

You may also submit material for the newsletter to the Club president online, through mail, or in person at a general club meeting.

The newsletter's **deadline is now the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month.**

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[www.michianabrits.com](http://www.michianabrits.com)

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## February 2023

**February 11 –  
Breakfast, 10:00  
EST at  
Perkins Restaurant  
& Bakery, Elkhart  
Toll Road Entrance  
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## March 2023

**March 1 –  
Board Meeting via  
Zoom, 7:30pm EST**

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## EVENT CALENDAR 2023

Month	Date	Event
January	4	7:30 pm EST Board meeting via Zoom.
	14	10am EST, Breakfast at Perkins, Elkhart
February	1	7:30 pm EST Board meeting via Zoom.
	11	10am EST, Breakfast at Perkins, Elkhart
March	1	7:30 pm EST Board meeting via Zoom.
	11	10am EST, Breakfast at Perkins, Elkhart
	23	8am–2pm CT, 26 <sup>th</sup> Annual All Sports Car Swap Meet, DuPage Co. Fairgrounds, IL *
	25	South Bend Auto Show, Century Center *
April	5	7:30 pm EST Board meeting via Zoom.
	8	10am EST, Breakfast at Perkins, Elkhart
	22	TBD, Dust Off Your Car - Drive to Shipshewana
May	10	6:30pm EST, Dinner at Lindy's, Cassopolis
	20	TBD, Spring Drive
June	7	6:30pm EST, Dinner at the Brass Rail, Plymouth
	11	Eddy Street Commons Car Show *
	20-22	Gathering of the Faithful, St. Mary's College *
	25	Annual Car Show, St. Mary's College
July	9	Mad Dogs & Englishmen Car Show, Gilmore Museum *
August	12	Brits Featured Club, Cars and Coffee, Studebaker National Museum
	12	25 <sup>th</sup> Annual Indy British Motor Day, Lion's Park, Zionsville *
	24	Brits Featured Club, Essenhaus, 4pm or earlier
September	10	British Car Festival, Palatine, IL (near Chicago) *
October		
November	TBD	Members Appreciation Dinner
December		

\* Not club sponsored



## **Welcome New Members!**

**Paul and Lynn Jelinek**  
**Elkhart, IN**  
**1977 MG Midget**

**B. Paul Golden**  
**Marshal, IN**  
**1971 MGB / 1957 Triumph TR3 / 2005 Jaguar**

**Julie Kahl**  
**Ft. Wayne, IN**  
**1979 Triumph Spitfire**

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## **President's Message**

It's February. It's cold and snowy. Permacloud has taken up residence. Our LBC's are tucked away awaiting the Spring's awakening. But despair not. The days are getting longer. In February alone we will gain over 70 minutes of daylight. The longer days will start to warm. The sky's will clear. Spring rains will wash away the Winter road salt, and before you know it, it will be time to pull our cars out of winter storage.

So, now's the time to be ordering the parts to make those Spring repairs, or to be scheduling your car into your favorite mechanic to make it ready for the driving season. Your club officers are working on putting together a full schedule of driving events for the coming season. Now's the time to make sure your car will be ready to go when warm days and sunshine returns.

Cheers,

Randy

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## **Board Meeting Minutes**

### **1. Finances:**

Paul, the Treasurer reported bank account balance and addition of new members. A few members found the club on the internet. Renewals are due by the end of March. Notifications will be now handled by the Treasurer.

He also reported on the progress of the new online payment system. Jim Betz volunteered to be the owner of the PCI compliance for the system. Jim and Paul, along with Steve Peterka are hoping to have the online payment system up on the web in a few months. Vicki noted that the membership form needs to include a discount for VTR members, along with NAMGBR members.

### **2. Memberships:**

Jim Webb, VP of Membership and Paul will oversee the membership list.

*Action:* Larry will send additional decals to Jim, who sends out the welcome letters to new members.

### **3. Newsletter/Facebook/Website**

Members are highly encouraged to send articles and photos to Vicki for the newsletter and Charlie Lowe for the Facebook page.

Jim Betz noted that the webpage for the Car Show has a header that says Eastern Region. This needs to be changed. Moss Motors has included this and not South Bend in their list of car shows. This led to a short discussion of other pages that need to be reviewed or updated.

*Action:* Randy asked all Board members to look at the website and send comments to Vicki. She will compile a list and present at the next meeting for discussion.

### **4. List of Automotive Garages that work on LBCs**

Randy noted that he received a question concerning repair shops. He asked where the information is available. Vicki replied that the short articles on a few shops that Paul, Phillip, and PJ found were included in the newsletter, but that this information could go on the website. PJ noted that he will be contacting a local shop to see if they work on LBCs.

*Action:* This project should no longer be included on future agendas. Vicki will compile a list of garages to include on website.

### **5.. Car Show**

Jim Betz reported that he is working on sponsorships. He is also working on getting plaques and trophies (which will include the year). The car show's poster has been completed. Phillip asked for the year to be added. Those seeking posters should contact Jim. Jim asked if the thick book about South Bend needs to be included in each goody bag. It was decided to make them available at a table instead.

Vicki recommended that NAMGBR and VTR membership forms be included in goody bags. The Board thought this was a great idea.

There was a bit of discussion about using “XKE” for the featured Marque – Randy said that some people have noted that the true designation is E type. XKE is an American marketing invention. Both will be used.

*Action:* Poster to be revised. Larry to set up a meeting with St. Mary’s.

## **6. Activities**

The bulk of discussion focused on activities and member meetings.

It was decided not to hold a dinner the night before the car show.

The May (Lindy’s, Cassopolis), June (Brass Rail, Plymouth) and July (Hank’s, Three Rivers) dinner meeting locations and dates were selected.

Upcoming activities being planned include:

- ‘Dust Off’ your cars – Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Shipshewana
- Spring Drive – Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> – TBD
- Car Show – Sunday, June 25
- Essenhaus – Featured Marque – Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>

A few other ideas were mentioned including Fair Oaks Farm and driving near Three Rivers. PJ mentioned local car shows such as the one at Eddy Street Commons and South Bend car shows. Randy said Mad Dogs is July 9.

Vicki inquired as to what car shows should be included on the event calendar.


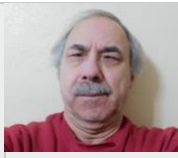





Randy thought we should include British car shows within 150 miles and classic car shows within 75 miles.

*Action item:* Send relevant car show information to Vicki for the event calendar in the newsletter.

## **7. Monthly Zoom Board Meetings** – Wednesdays at 7:30pm via Zoom

March 1, April 5. All are welcome. Contact Philip for invitation.

## **Board Members**

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## PHOTOS from January Breakfast

Taken by Herm – Note 22 people in attendance!



Paul Price and Jim Webb





????? on left; Tom Shumaker, Debbie Shumaker on right



Philip Wiltshire and Janice Tucker --- on right; Bob Rowland back to camera



From a different angle:



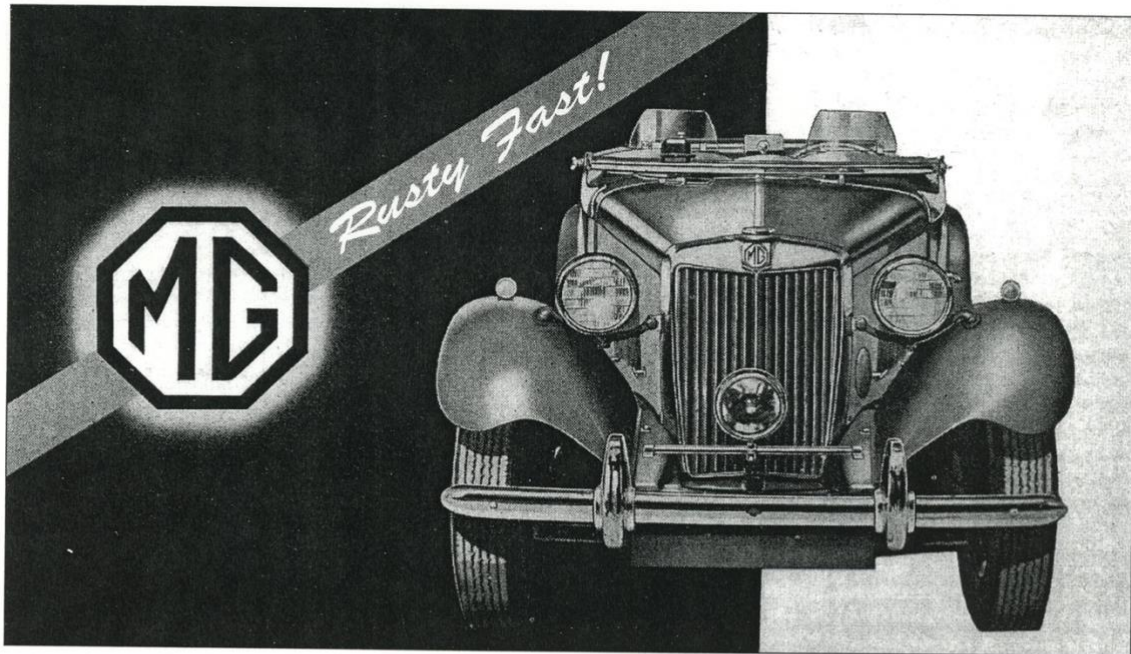
Jim Betz, Bob Kerstetter (on left); Randy Glanders, Bev Glanders, Paul Noeth, Gail Noeth



## For Your Amusement

Submitted by Bob Rowland

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## On the Web

### **AUCTION NEWS:**

**Barrett-Jackson** kicked off the 2023 auction calendar with the flagship Scottsdale Auction, January 21-29 at WestWorld of Scottsdale. The historic event featured vehicles totaling more than \$184.2 million in auction sales and surpassing 200 world auction records. The top amount paid for a vehicle was over \$2.7M. Sorry, it was not a British auto!

### **Read more here:**

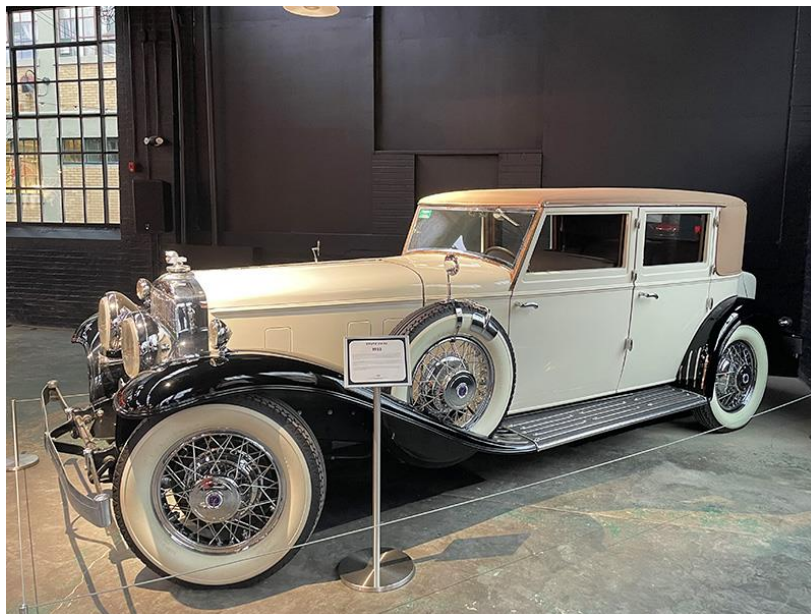
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### **NEW CAR MUSEUM**

#### **Car Museum opens in Indianapolis**

Location: Stutz building

*Off of 10th Street, the newly opened Stutz Car Museum showcases nine classic cars on loan from Turner Woodard's personal collection, most designed and manufactured in the Stutz factory building a century ago. Created to be an authentic community destination, the 10,000 square-foot museum will be free and open to the public on Thursdays and Fridays from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. and on Saturdays and Sundays from 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.*



1933 DV32 Stutz Hollywood