



The Burble & Squeak

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Current # of memberships is 76

Upcoming Events

September

Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 4, 2019 6:30 p.m.

Larry Palguta

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Monthly Meeting/Dinner

Thursday, September 12, 2019 6:00 p.m.

Central/7:00 Eastern

The Blind Pig Tavern and Grill

3103 E US 12

Michigan City, IN 46360

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Eastern Region Monthly Meeting

Dinner

Thursday, September 12, 2019 6:30 p.m.

Rusty Dog Pub

32 North Jefferson St

Huntington, IN 46750

Annual Fall Tour

September 19-22

Madison, IN

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Newsletter Submissions

This is the Newsletter of the Michiana Brits, Ltd., Car Club and is distributed to all paid Annual Members as part of their dues. If you would like to submit articles for publication, they are most welcome. The deadline is the 25th of each month. Send all correspondence (electronic submissions are preferable) to the President, bring it to a General Meeting, or send to the Newsletter Editor at mkpete@sbcglobal.net.

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Michiana Brits

On the Road Again



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President's Message

Hello All,

Our first winery tour on July 27, was a success. Thanks to Dick Birch and our Eastern Region for hosting it. We had five cars driving the route. When we got to the final vineyard, we were joined by two other cars. While I'm not a wine drinker, I found that the wine slushies were quite enjoyable. For anyone that has ever had a Slurpee at 7-11, imagine it being infused with alcohol. Yum. What a great treat when it's 95° outside. I may have had more than one. I'm looking forward to more of this type of event. Perhaps a brewery tour next time.

As most of you know, my MGB is not a show winner. At least when rated on looks and detail. On August 10, I drove to Dayton, OH for the British Car Day 2019 presented by The MG Car Club, SW Ohio Centre and Miami Valley Triumph. This car show also has an award for the longest drive. I thought my nearly 280 miles would put me in the running. Nope. Someone drove 440 miles. It was a fun event though. Almost 300 cars. They had the same problem we had at our show. More cars of certain classes than expected showed up. My MGB ended up parked next to a Midget on one side and an MGA on the other.

A quick reminder that we are invited to coffee and cars at the Studebaker Museum, South Bend, on Saturday, September 7, from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. Free coffee and donuts for the Brits that show up. Let's make a good showing so we get invited back. We will have priority parking at the museum. And Eastern Region members can attend the Smith Field, Fort Wayne, Pancake Breakfast Fly-In/Drive-In at 7:00 am to 11:00 am (\$7/person).

Happy Motoring,

Mike

Welcome to New Members of Michiana Brits

Ronald & Joani Achor, Sweetser, IN 1977 MGB



Millennial Anti-Theft Device

Photos from the Eastern Region Wine Tour – September 27th





August 7th Board Meeting Minutes

- **Financial – we have a healthy account**
- **August Newsletter – Mary working on it, planning to send it to Larry soon**
- **Fall Tour – hotel rooms secured, activities being planned by Keith and Randy**
- **Annual Car Show – a financial success; will look for silent auction items throughout the year; planning kid’s craft table, coloring book, and stationary LBC for them to get into; Beef ‘O’ Brady’s for Saturday evening dinner; annual award for longest drive; adjust criteria so a lot of second place Awards of Excellence will be awarded; look for different wood plaque design for Best in Class awards; eliminate Autojumble/vendor fees; entry fee of \$25; look for sponsors; will work with St. Marys’ on fees increase.**
- **Eastern Region – read report from Dick Birch**
- **Fall Colors Drive – October 19th**
- **Monthly Meetings/Dinners: Sept. 12, Blind Pig Tavern & Grill. Michigan City**
- **Board Meetings –September 4th – Palguta’s; October 2nd – Wishmeier’s; November 6th – Deacon’s**

Sad News

We received news from Blanche Knight that her husband Chuck Knight (age 90) passed away on Monday July 22nd, at home in Wolcottville, IN, while with his family. Blanche thanked all of the members of Michiana Brits for their friendship through the years.

Chuck will be greatly missed. He and Blanche attended a number of our Fall Tours and we always enjoyed their company, and often needed Chuck's remarkable knowledge of MGB wiring, etc.

Michiana Brits Eastern Region News

July 16, 2016

Greetings to all

Once again our meeting fell short in terms of numbers (7 total) but made up for it in enthusiasm. Most of us are planning to attend Roger's meeting at his lake house this Sunday at noon. If anyone else is interested, let me and Roger know so he can get an accurate head count. I've attached directions and other info.

On Sept. 7 from 7:00 to 11:00 there is a Pancake Breakfast Fly-In/ Drive-In at the Smith Field Airport at 426 Ludwig Rd, Fort Wayne, at Hangar 2, with British cars featured. This is near the Sam's Club off of Lima Road. Most at the meeting are planning to attend. Others that have been in the past recommend it. Hope to see you there.

Our next meeting is on September 12th at the Rusty Dog Pub, 32 N. Jefferson St., Huntington 46750 at 6:30. We're going to discuss some other approaches to managing our club and need your input. Please attend if at all possible.

Dick Birch

Fall Tour Information 2019

Our 2019 Fall Tour will be a return trip to Madison, IN located on the Ohio River. During the 2010 Fall Tour, the Brits enjoyed scenic routes, Madison's old river town architecture, antique shops, Clifty Falls State Park, LBC-friendly roads, Hanover College, Skyline Chili, and the Whitewater Canal State Historic Site at Metamora. Join in for another memorable visit to Switzerland County, IN.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The hotel for our Fall Tour to Madison, IN will be the Comfort Inn. 3717 Clifty Dr., Madison, IN 47250. To reserve your room call 812-273-4443 to ask to get the room rate of \$110.49 plus tax. Tell them you are with Michiana Brits. Reservations had to have been made by 8-19-19. After that date, you may have to pay full price for any rooms still available. Around \$139 per night plus tax.

If you plan to attend please make reservations as soon as possible. If we go above ten rooms, they may be able to make a few more available at the discounted rate. We are looking forward to a fun drive as usual.

T-Shirts

If you would like to buy the T-Shirt that was sold at our car show, we have all sizes. They are \$20. Please contact Herm Marrese 574-360-9438

SEPT. 7TH ACTIVITIES – SOUTH BEND & FORT WAYNE



CARS AND COFFEE

8am-10am

DATES AND FEATURED CLUBS

July 6: St. Joe Valley Street Rods

August 3: Pioneer Automobile Association

September 7: Michiana Brits

You bring the cars, and we'll bring the coffee (and donuts)! All makes and models are welcomed to attend the event.

This event is free and open to the public and includes free admission to the Museum galleries throughout the event. Coffee and donuts while supplies last.

Cars and Coffee is the newest Studebaker National Museum event series. This year, Cars and Coffee will be held June – September on the first Saturday of the month. This is a rain or shine event.



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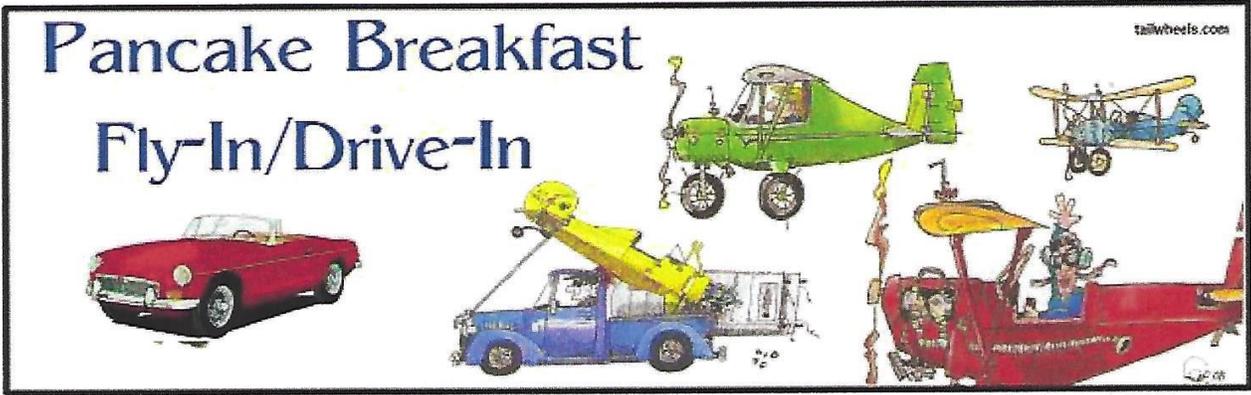
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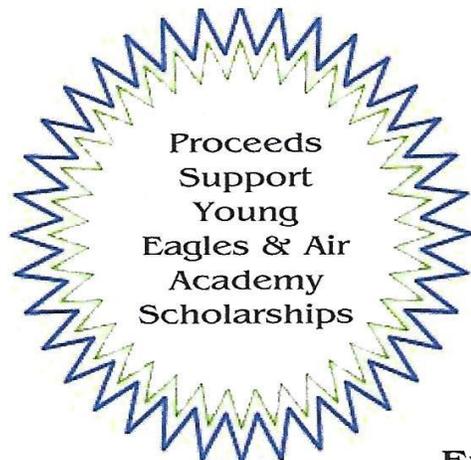
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*Classic Cars
British Cars
Hot Rods* **Sept. 7, 2019**
7:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Hangar 2 - Smith Field Airport
426 W. Ludwig Rd, Ft. Wayne, IN (KSMD)



\$7.00 per person
Kids Under 12-\$4.00

**Pancakes, Sausage,
Eggs, Juice & Coffee**

Event Sponsors
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EAA Chapter 2
Vintage Chapter 37

Join the fun, food & Fellowship!!!
DRIVE IN - CRUISE IN - FLY-IN



2019 Annual Membership Meeting – Deacon’s Cottage, Twin Lakes

By Larry Palguta

Despite the threatening and then arriving bad weather, 40 Brits met on Sunday, August 18th at the Deacon’s Twin Lakes cottage west of Howe, IN. Deb and I left the west side of South Bend between heavy rain storms. I wanted to drive our 1972 MGB and give it a shake-down drive before the Fall Tour in September. We just have not had many opportunities to drive the B this year – weather, activities - the usual stuff that interferes with LBC enjoyment. The decision to drive the B in the threatening weather looked like a bad one as we hit heavy rain on the St. Joseph Valley Parkway, and a real bad decision when we had to pull off the road for 5 minutes east of Shipshewana due to torrential rain. But we arrived at Roger and Ruth’s cottage as the skies appeared to be clearing. A sudden gust of wind had blown one of Roger’s awnings onto the roof of the cottage. Roger and crew managed to get it down and dry off some tables before the pot luck lunch began a little after noon.



White awning clear up on the roof



As usual, the lunch was great and everyone enjoyed visiting with one another. Roger and Ruth always provide an enjoyable annual meeting, and even the weather cleared up completely. So we left the cottage and about 3 miles down the road, the accelerator cable broke at the carburetor linkage. I called Roger and with his arrival and repair advice, we had it repaired quickly, and drove home with no further issues. The shake down drive turned out to be a good idea, albeit it included a challenging drive through a long, heavy downpour.