

The Burble & Squeak

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Our current club membership is 62

Upcoming Events

September

Fall Tour to Louisville Sept 20-23rd

October

Board Meeting

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018 6:30 p.m.

Bob & Mary Petersen
51620 Fox Hollow Ct.
Granger, IN 46530
574-850-7604

Monthly Meeting Dinner

Wednesday, October 10, 2018 6:30 p.m.

Salsa's Mexican Grill
12634 IN 23 #4
Granger, IN 46530
574-217-8566

Michiana Brits Fall Color Tour

Saturday, October 20, 2018
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November

Board Meeting

TBA

Membership Appreciation Dinner

Wednesday, November 14, 2018
Papa Vino's
More info to come

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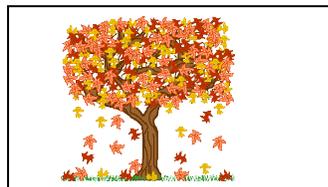
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Newsletter Submissions

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. Material is subject to editorial revision and opinions expressed are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect those of the 2016 Michiana Brits, Ltd., British Car Enthusiasts



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President's Message

As I write this message the summer driving season is getting close to an end. We do however have a great opportunity to enjoy the cooler fall driving season.

We have had a really hot and muggy summer, making it hard to bring the cars out and enjoy. Hopefully, the upcoming fall weather will cooperate and give us some quality drive time.

Some of us are leaving for our yearly Fall Tour. This year we will be making our trek to Louisville, Ky. It should be a fun time. I know Mary and I are really looking forward to it. We have all checked our cars over and crossed our fingers for trouble free motoring (what am I thinking?!). Anyway, wish us luck!

On October 20th , we will be having our annual Fall Colors Drive. This has always been a great time to get some driving in and if Mother nature cooperates, great colors too! There should be a good college football game or two to watch. I hope to see a lot of you there.

I hope we all get lots of quality driving time the next couple months, as the calendar seems to be flying by. All the best to you all.

Bob

Sept 5, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes

- Financial Report – we have money in the account
- September Newsletter – Mary preparing the newsletter
- Fall Tour – Keith reported on final details
- Annual Car Show – silent auction being planned; 2nd place ribbons to be replaced with Awards of Excellence, larger Best in Show award, final 2018 payment made and 2019 down payment made
- Monthly Meeting/Dinner – Bob to arrange it at the new Salsa's in Granger
- Board Meeting – October 3 at Bob & Mary's

Michiana Brits Annual Membership Meeting

Sunday, August 19th

by Larry Palguta

On a sunny and warm Sunday in August, about 23 Brits gathered for our annual meeting at the Deacon's Twin Branch Lakes cottage west of Howe, IN. A very good potluck lunch began at noon, followed by a short meeting conducted by Larry Palguta, and then some relaxation and a pontoon ride around the lake for a number of members. As usual, Roger and Ruth Deacon provided a wonderful site and hospitality for our annual meeting which was enjoyed by all who made the drive to the lake cottage. Thanks again to Roger and Ruth.



Brits relaxing at the Deacon's cottage



Larry conducting a short meeting



LBC's behind the cottage

September Monthly Meeting Dinner

By Mary Petersen

What a nice night for a drive to Dowagiac, Michigan where we held our September monthly meeting dinner. The weather was perfect. There was no rain in sight so a few members took the drive in their LBCs (no tops needed).

We dined in the upstairs meeting room. There were nineteen members present including three new ones.

It is always fun to go to Zeke's and browse their extensive beer menu. Oh, and the food is good, also! It is hard to pick from all the choices.

After having a drink or two and eating dinner, Bob Petersen held a short meeting. We discussed the recent September board meeting. Keith and Randy talked about the Fall Tour to Louisville. We also discussed ideas to bring in more cars to our car show.



Keith discusses the upcoming Fall Tour to Louisville



More discussions and visiting



Three new members joined us! Welcome!!

After dinner was finished and we got our checks, the group dispersed. It was a lovely evening to enjoy our drives home.

Fall Colors Drive Info

2018 Annual Fall Colors Drive

We will hold our annual Fall Colors Drive on Saturday, October 20th. This will be our FINAL driving event of the season. Once more this highly popular drive and potluck dinner will be hosted by Randy and Bev Glanders. Our drive will start at the Glanders' house, 28614 C.R. 16, Elkhart, IN 46515 Telephone # (574) 294-8950. The Drive route allows us to arrive earlier for lunch, which will then permit more afternoon driving, hopefully top down. **PLEASE ARRIVE BY 9:30 AM** with your potluck dish. The Glanders will supply the chili and soft drinks.

PLEASE CONTACT Bev at 574-294-8950 or bjg0219@yahoo.com by Oct. 18th and let her know what you plan to bring for dinner. **WE WILL LEAVE AT 10 AM** and drive through the colorful back roads of Indiana and Southwestern Michigan, and take a relaxing stop around 11:30 AM for lunch at the Fisher Lake Inn, Mendon, MI. Then we will have a longer afternoon drive (tops down, weather permitting) and end at the Glanders home for a potluck dinner, some college football watching, and socializing with club members. For further information, please contact Randy at (574) 294-8950

Stagman's Tech Tips

By Roger Deacon

Over the years, I have not had time to fix my Triumph Stag and get it running. Years ago after I put the engine back in, the starter wouldn't work. All it would do is click. I had it rebuilt. So I bought a new High Torque Gear Reduction Stag V8 Starter. All it would do was click and there it sat.

Fast forward many years. I called up my favorite electrical wizard. I had replaced the positive wire from the battery to the isolated bolt on the fire wall. From the isolated bolt to the starter is another positive wire. He diagnosed that this wire wasn't any good.

The next day I went to Valley Electrical on McKinley Hwy and had Dennis make me a new one. After installing it, the Stag started but hard. I decided that the distributor was one tooth off. I couldn't get my hand under the distributor to get the 2 bolts off to pull the distributor out. About this time my granddaughter Emileigh came into the shop from mowing the grass. She said "Grampa is there anything I can do to help you get the Stag running"? I said yes and asked if she could get her hand under the distributor to remove those two bolts. She removed the two bolts and I pulled the distributor, turned the gear one tooth and told Emileigh she could put the two bolts back in. I then asked her to start the car. It fired right up and ran smoothly. I told her that I was happy to hear it run because it has been a few years since the Stag had run. She said no Grandpa it has been 5 years. I asked her if she wanted to drive it and she said no because her legs weren't long enough yet. She said that she would keep driving the MGB/GT.

The moral of this story is : if your starter clicks and doesn't engage, check your old wiring. My wiring was 46 years old in the Stag.

Roger Deacon [574-292-0004](tel:574-292-0004)

Since I can't get anyone to submit their favorite recipes, here is another one of mine:

Recipe of the Month

Italian Beef in the Crockpot

This recipe is a favorite of our family's. It was given to me by a neighbor in Chatham, Illinois where we live before moving here in 1990.

6 lb arm roast or chuck roast

2 tsp ground oregano

6 peppercorns

2 tsp salt

1 tsp garlic powder

2 or 3 tsp of ground basil

1 small onion

Trim roast (fat and bone) Place in slow cooker. Top with remaining ingredients. Cover meat completely with water. Cook on low overnight. Shred and cook again until ready to serve.

Serve on hard rolls.