

British Car Club of Southwest Florida (BCCSWF)  
Minutes of Meeting-October 13, 2015

The October meeting of the BCCSWF was held at the usual location of Famous Dave's in Fort Myers, Florida with 28 members attending. President Cecil Carter called the meeting to order and introduced guest Ken Green who has recently acquired a 1973 MG Midget that hasn't run since 2009. Yet Ken has been able to start the car after some basic carburetor and fuel line maintenance.

The Treasurer's report was approved. Summary of the treasurer's report:

Starting balance: \$1583.70  
Income: \$36.00 (50-50 Raffle)  
Expenditures: \$4.00 (British Marque Web Services)  
Ending balance: \$1615.70

Member Jackie Hill brought forth the concept of a possible dues increase to keep up with rising costs of events and activities. Founding members mentioned that the dues have always been \$25 since the club's beginning and maybe it is time to institute an increase. The cost of the website, while a worthwhile expenditure, has put somewhat of a strain on the club's budget. Several club members voiced opinions with statements such as: "An increase of \$5 is not that big of a deal." A proposal of increasing annual dues by \$5 to \$30 starting in January of 2016 was brought forth and seconded. The proposal was passed by a majority of members.

Activities coordinator Gary Dworkin listed the many club events and their dates:

Java & Jags meeting-Saturday, October 17 at Mimi's  
REVS Institute tour-Jaguar Club-Saturday, October 24  
All British Show at Safety Harbor-Saturday, October 24  
Shrine Benefit Car Run & Show-Saturday, October 24  
Guy Fawkes Day at Englewood-Thursday, November 5 (at 5:00 p.m.)  
Joint Picnic with the Sarasota British Car Club in Punta Gorda-Saturday, November 7  
Jaguars at the Promenade in Bonita Springs-Sunday, November 15  
Key West British Car Run-Wednesday through Sunday / December 3-6  
Mercato Car Show-Saturday, December 5 (10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)

Gary Dworkin is working on the details for the recurring annual events of the Celtic Festival and also Cars on Fifth. Gary also mentioned that the club received information about a polo match at the Lakewood Ranch in Sarasota. This is a new event for the BCCSWF and Gary will learn more about the details soon.

Cecil Carter mentioned the need for organization for the caravan to the Safety Harbor show as cars must arrive by 10:00 at Safety Harbor. This time requires members to meet and form the caravan by 7:30 at the Jones Loop exit off of I-75.

John Welch outlined details of the Holiday Party. The event will be held on Tuesday, December 8 with a cost of \$35 a person. The information has been sent out to club members via email with an attachment stating all the details.

Bill Newman mentioned several racing events. Kenny Taylor will participate in the Sebring vintage race with his TR7...if he adds enough gas to finish the race. Bill will drive a Triumph Spitfire in the Vintage Group at the Historic Sports Car Racing event in Savannah, Georgia held October 22-25.

Cecil asked for feedback on the selected breakfast menus at the Saturday gathering at Mimi's. Many members mentioned the breakfast was more organized and efficient and has improved over time.

Cecil Carter was the winner of the 50-50 raffle of \$43 to possibly use on his Jaguar repairs.

The next meeting will be at Famous Dave's on Tuesday, November 10.