

British Car Club of Southwest Florida (BCCSWF)
Minutes of Meeting-October 10, 2017

The October meeting of the BCCSWF was held at the usual location of Famous Dave's in Fort Myers, Florida with 27 members attending. This was the first post-Hurricane Irma meeting and everyone seemed to have fared well following the storm.

Club president Bill Newman called the meeting to order at the earlier time of 6:30 following dinner.

Rollie Welch again mentioned that the club always welcomes any articles to be presented to the British Marque. Rollie also stated that the club minutes are submitted to the British Marque each month. Rollie recognized Peter Sales for his efforts of sending "Mystery Photos" of vintage British cars as he visited car shows throughout England during the summer. Club members had great fun guessing the marque from the cropped photos. Among the mystery cars were a 1934 Lagonda Rapier and a 1933 Riley.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Lauren Welch who mentioned that the club membership now stands at an even 100.

Following the Treasurer's report, the group sang Happy Birthday to six members who have birthdays in either September or October: John Welch, Lauren Welch, Louise Krause, Barbara Liversedge, Ken Oehler, and Steve Ruppert.

Car shows are popping up now that the hot summer is waning. Several members are planning to make the trek to Safety Harbor for the British Car Show sponsored by the Tampa Austin Healey Club. The show will be Saturday, October 21 but members are planning to make a weekend of it.

Club members were reminded about the need for attention when registration opens for Cars on Fifth. The BCCSWF is allotted a limited number of spots and they fill up quick. Club members will be notified of a Cars on Fifth website password and that password must be typed in to begin the registration process. It fills up fast so be alert! The registration will begin in mid-November. The date of the Cars on Fifth show will be Saturday, February 10, 2018.

Bill Newman spoke about the need for updating the club's by-laws. The by-laws will be distributed to members via email and open for discussion at the November meeting held on November 14. Lauren Welch spoke to the point that the club should vote on single expenses over \$500. It seems a hack came through our president's email via the website asking the treasurer to write a check for \$1700. Lauren in her wisdom did not act upon the rude request.

Bill and Mary Newman outlined plans for the Christmas/Holiday party to be held at the Hilton Garden Inn on Tuesday night, December 12. The cost will be \$35 a ticket or \$70 per couple. The cutoff date for reservations is November 22.

The club is seeking officers for year 2018. Bill asked Cecil Carter and Rollie Welch to take part on a nominating committee. Of course, volunteers for secretary and vice-president are welcome. Tom Shaw has volunteered to be next year's treasurer.

Bill would like members to step up and volunteer as organizers of different events such as a road rally, a tech session or picnic. Speaking of the picnic, Lionel Hill has begged off being the grill cook and asked for anyone to take over the duties of hot dog and hamburger cooking.

Finally, George Krause mentioned that his son has written a book that is currently available to purchase on Amazon. The author is G. William Krause and the title is The Illustrated History of Triumph Sports and Racing Cars. The book was published on September 8, 2017 and sells for around \$21.00

Barbara Liversedge won the 50-50 raffle of \$32.
The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 14.