

British Car Club of Southwest Florida (BCCSWF)  
Minutes of Meeting-September 8, 2015

The September meeting of the BCCSWF was held at the usual location of Famous Dave's in Fort Myers, Florida with 26 members attending. President Cecil Carter called the meeting to order and introduced a guest, Dawn Bruno, who labeled herself as a British car enthusiast but not an owner.

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

Starting balance: \$1954.20  
Income: \$68.00 (50-50 Raffle; New Member)  
Expenditures: \$438.50 (British Marque Web Services)  
Ending balance: \$1583.70

Cecil Carter mentioned how the BCCSWF will be well represented in the upcoming issue of the British Marque. Cecil then outlined how to log on, establish a password and access the e-version of the British Marque which appears a few days before the print version arrives in the mail.

Terry Luck voiced an appreciative testimonial to Gary Eidson for becoming the club's webmaster and making the website a valuable component of the club's functions. Cecil also mentioned that the website now will enable members to feel proud to be part of the club. Gary Eidson informed the group that the website's "Resources" tab will lead users to many interesting items including history of the British Marque and merchandise to purchase.

Activities coordinator Gary Dworkin listed the various upcoming events such as Cars on Fifth; the Safety Harbor event; the run to Key West; the B.I.G show in March; and other events still in the planning stages. Members were encouraged to check the club's website for detailed information on all of these events.

Cecil addressed the request by the manager of Mimi's to have the club to order from a select menu during the monthly breakfast gatherings. Although 30 people responded, results from a SurveyMonkey poll were inconclusive. Members voiced ideas from having Mimi's offer a reduced price since the menu will be limited along with letting Mimi's decide the half-dozen menu items. It was also mentioned that the goal is to not spend an excessive amount of time at Mimi's during those monthly gatherings. In the past, service was slow and the entire breakfast lasted well over two hours with long waits for both food and bills. Cecil and Terry Luck will confer with staff at Mimi's to decide what works best for both parties.

Kenny Taylor briefly re-capped his recent racing exploits by saying, "The car was unloaded, I raced it, and loaded it back up. All in all, a good weekend." The racing was at Sebring with Kenny's TR7 entered in the Vintage Races. Kenny mentioned some races were cancelled due to excessive rain.

Peter Blackford was the winner of the 50-50 raffle of \$35.

The next meeting will be at Famous Dave's on Tuesday, October 13.