

British Car Club of Southwest Florida (BCCSWF)
Minutes of Meeting-September 13, 2016

The September meeting of the BCCSWF was held at the usual location of Famous Dave's in Fort Myers, Florida with 20 members attending. Officers absent were President Cecil Carter, Activities Coordinator Gary Dworkin and Treasurer Lauren Welch. Secretary Rollie Welch conducted the meeting

A summary of the Treasurer's report was presented and approved.

Rollie Welch relayed a request from a Boston MG Club member who is interested in purchasing a MGCGT that is in the Southwest Florida area but would like an eyes on inspection conducted. Several members were willing to help but needed to know exactly where the vehicle is located. Club member Terry Luck offered the suggestion of using Hunt Auto at 239-481-1978 to do the inspection. That information was later sent to the Boston MG Club owner.

Club members sang Happy Birthday to Ken Oehler, John Dent, and Gary Jones who have birthdays in September. The three birthday lads enjoyed their ice cream from Famous Dave's.

Rollie Welch ran down a list of the upcoming events with emphasis on the car shows scheduled between September 1 and December 21. The list of events is as follows:

- 1) 2016 Wilde on the Water Concours d'Elegance and Jaguar Festival – October 1st, 2016 in Sarasota
- 2) 30th Annual All British Field Meet – October 22nd, 2016 in Safety Harbor
- 3) 1st Inaugural Jaguar Concours d'Elegance – November 19th, 2016 in Fort Myers
- 4) The Mercato Show – December 3rd, 2016 in Naples
- 5) Caloosahatchee Celtic Festival – January 28th, 2017 in Fort Myers
- 6) 13th Annual Cars on Fifth – February 11th, 2017 in Naples
- 7) The 5th Annual B.I.G. European Sports & Collector Car Show – Sunday, March 5th, 2017 in Cape Coral
***Please note the day and date of this show that was listed incorrectly on earlier publications. The actual date is Sunday, March 5, 2017 as shown here.
- 8) The All British Meet in Mead Garden – April 1st, 2017 in Winter Park
- 9) Wheels Across The Pond – April 15th, 2017 in Jupiter

Jackie Hill reminded everyone that the Annual Club Picnic has been held on a Sunday “right around St. Patrick's Day” and in 2017 that could either be March 12 or the 19. More information will be presented as the date draws closer.

Rollie reminded everyone of the huge Cars on Fifth show in Naples scheduled for February 11, 2017. Spots are very limited and reservations for this show tend to fill up very quickly.

Rollie also reminded the group of Cecil's idea of a night run on February 25, 2017 which is the anniversary of the first Lucas patent. More information will be coming but all participating cars should have some sort of Lucas electrical part (working or non-working).

Bill Newman re-capped the Labor Day events at Sebring by first lamenting his bad luck of only doing 1 ½ laps in his race before experiencing engine failure. Several club members took advantage of the courtesy two laps behind a pace car as it was British Car Club weekend at Sebring. Reports came back with positive results saying that the speeds rose up to around 50 mph. Club member John Welch submitted a picture of driving his Jaguar by the Sebring sign and outdistancing an Aston-Martin!

The turnout for the weekend was low in numbers due the hurricane threats leading up to Saturday. Bull Newman mentioned that the Sebring officials will probably offer the same event next year in September.

The group welcomed Rosemary Taylor who graciously drew the 50-50 raffle ticket. The winner was John Welch with \$44 which will offset his cost of the race picture at Sebring where he zoomed past the Aston-Martin.

The next meeting will be held at Famous Dave's on Tuesday, October 11.