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ON THE COVER:
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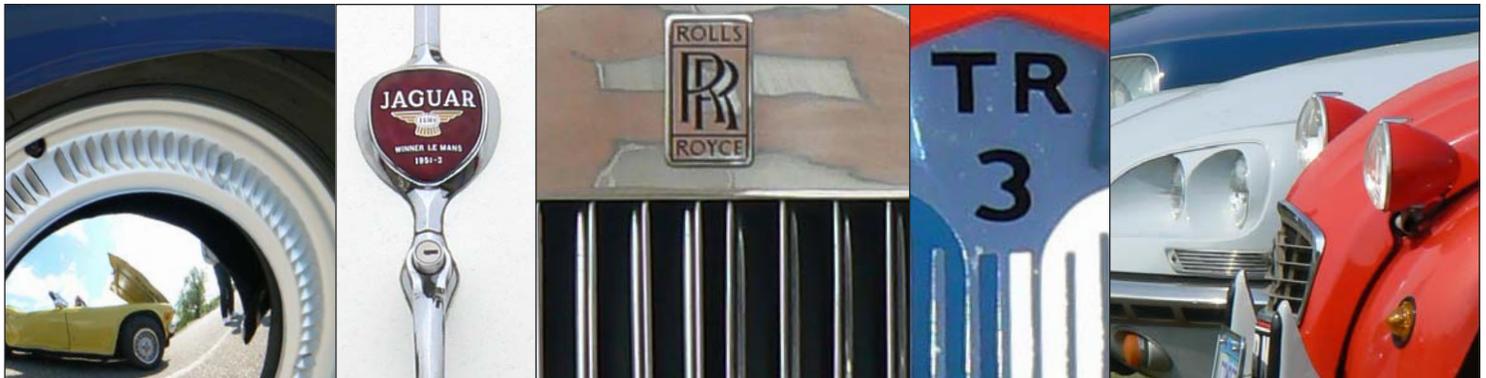
Restoring Your British Classic

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MISCELLANEOUS MUMBLINGS ANDY LINDBERG

Do you remember why you fell in love with your car? Was it the sensuous sweep of its fender? Or were you smitten by its exhaust rap, leather seats, nimble handling, wood dash, mechanical artistry, or wire wheels? Did you suffer under the delusion that it would make you a member of the In Crowd and all the cute girls would swoon when you drove by?

In all likelihood, after a few bouts with reality, your lust turned to affection. Maybe even into mere tolerance. That fender no longer looked so sexy, the exhaust rap now sounded like your dad breaking wind, you imagined cracks in the seats and dash, the wire wheels seemed to be losing their balance, and mechanical tasks were now a tedious chore rather than an adventure.

Been there, done that. I was feeling that way last July when I reluctantly drove my TR3 over to the Alliance Francais' Bastille Day celebration. The Alliance folks were not as chauvinistic as some Anglophiles at Brit car events. With a hearty "Bonjour," the TR3 was directed to park near the Citroëns.

Unlike most car shows, our cars were part of the event. People could buy a ticket and get a ride with us. To my

dismay, the TR3 was not the most popular vehicle. Those honors fell to the Traction Avant and the 2CVs. But a few people did want a ride in a primitive British car.

One of those souls was a 15-year-old boy. This poor kid had spent all his formative years riding in minivans. Despite this abusive upbringing, not all his natural mechanical affection had been sucked out of him. Within two blocks he was grinning madly. "I can hear the engine! Is that a manual transmission? What gear are we in? What are all those noises? The road is right there!"

Within three blocks, I was grinning as madly as him. He had re-awoken all my dormant love for old cars. Sometimes it takes fresh eyes and a fresh mind. Will this happen to you at the InterMarque Spring KickOff? Who knows but it could. If your car is running, bring it to Osseo on May 16; if not, come anyhow to see what it could become after spending a couple more weekends in the garage. Trailer queens, drivers and project cars. We love 'em all.



DOWNTOWN OSSEO, MN **InterMarque** **10AM-3PM RAIN OR SHINE**

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Visit InterMarque.org for a map and updates.

This is a **FREE** event open to 1993 OR OLDER, FOREIGN motorcycles, motorcycles, scooters, and more. **FIRST COME FIRST PARKED.** Placement starts at 9 am. Parking staff will be on hand to direct arrivals. Groups wishing to park together **MUST ARRIVE ENMASSE.**

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE CITY OF OSSEO



Kids love old cars. Let them have a seat.

SPRING KICK-OFF 2015 UPDATE

by John Engstrom, Spring Kick-Off chair

At the end of last week I had a meeting with the city of Osseo. Things seem to be progressing fine with them. This year, in conjunction with the craft fair, they are holding a city wide garage sale at the same time. So there should be a lot more people in town while we are there.

Road construction has affected our entry access again this year, but as it turns out, it's in a better way. Access this year is from County Road 81 on to 1st avenue NW as it was a couple of years ago, then going up on 1st avenue up to 4th street where we can enter. This is the street in front of the Fire Department so we will have to leave half of the street open in case there is an emergency. We can use cones to block it off. Fifth (5th) street is completely blocked off on the west side of Central and the West side of Central between 5th and 6th will be closed to parking our cars, but we can use the east side of Central along that block. We will post a map to our Facebook page and website by the end of the April. Our next *Monthly* comes out the day before the show as well so keep an eye out for that.

We spent a few minutes talking about the auto shop program at Osseo High School and the city was going to make contact with them to see if they wanted to display any work they would have in process about that time. We also offered to let them sell tickets that would be used for voting on best cars per Marque and then they could keep all the proceeds for any equipment their program they might need.

A quick check about starting the Rally from the show and everything is a go about that also. Once again this year the Healey Club is letting us use their cones for the show, much thanks to them for that also to all the others who work hard to put the show on.

Other than that, things are coming together for the show. I am receiving packages almost daily for goody bag stuff, even if it's not for me, it's just fun to get the stuff. ***I would also encourage people to use the dollar coins and two dollar bills again this year it did make a difference for the town merchants.***

If you would like to volunteer to help out at the show, get in touch with me, as we do need help at the show, with most of the need being in the morning. I will try to keep the shifts short to give people more time with their motoring friends. ***Remember, the more volunteers we have, the shorter the shifts can be.***

—John jmjengstrom@yahoo.com

The poster for the Spring Kick-Off 2015 event is set against a yellow background. At the top, it reads 'DOWNTOWN OSSEO, MN InterMarque 10AM-3PM RAIN OR SHINE'. The main title 'SPRING KICK-OFF' is in large, bold, blue letters with a white outline. Below that, it says '23RD ANNUAL VINTAGE FOREIGN CAR SHOW + CRAFT SHOW'. A circular badge on the left indicates 'MAY 16 2015'. The central image is a yellow and white vintage car, a Citroën 2CV, with a license plate that reads '05-16-15'. To the right of the car, it says 'METROPOLITAN' and 'SUPPORTED BY AUSTIN HEALEY BY ENGLAND BY JAGUAR'. At the bottom right, there is a logo for 'TOP GEAR AUTOWORKS' with the website 'TopGearMN.com'. At the bottom left, there is a small text box that says 'Visit InterMarque.org for a map and updates.' and another that says 'This is a FREE event open to 1993 OR OLDER, FOREIGN motorcars, motorcycles, scooters, and racers. FIRST COME FIRST PARKED. Placement starts at 9 am. Parking staff will be on hand to direct arrivals. Groups wishing to park together MUST ARRIVE EARLIER.' At the bottom right, there is a small text box that says 'SPECIAL THANKS TO THE CITY OF OSSEO'.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

The following vintage foreign clubs have submitted payment of \$100 to be Club Sponsors for this year's Kick-Off. *Thanks!*

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*My First Lotus Elite...
and Eventual Marriage...
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Elite #1945 is the mid 1990s



Vintage Photos of Elite #1214 CalClub Racer
owned by Phil Abel and driven by Mike O'Niell

– THOUGHTS RECORDED IN THE CLUB ELITE NEWSLETTER, SPRING, 2010 –

Since 1965, I have owned three Elites. Only one was sold. Chassis #1945, shown above in 1988, my "double dimple" street Elite, will soon move over for #1214, the retired California club racer, who will be strutting with a new set of clothes on the vintage tracks of the Midwest, and hopefully soon.

But my adventures with Elites both began and, in many ways, climaxed, in a Series I Elite whose chassis number I do not even know. The Elite I sold.

Hormones raging as a college Junior, I lusted before I married. Bob Challman's Manhattan Beach Lotus dealership led many of us to question living alone. When I started visiting Challman's, Elites were parked outside along the sidewalk in the "used car" area. One or two Elites were always calling out to me.

Marriage did not seem possible until a repossessed Elite was put up for sealed bids by a local California credit union. My 1,400 dollar offer did not measure up to the winning 2,000 dollar bid, until the first bidder failed to come up with the money. The red Series I Elite was mine. Living with an Elite was magical. And the relationship would never cool in the years that followed.

In September 1966, I said goodbye to my parents, slid in the right-hand drive seat of my Elite and headed for the interstate highways that would take me to St. Paul, Minnesota, a 2,034 mile drive back to graduate school. Why did I think this was a smart thing to do? I am not sure the question occurred to me until I was crossing the California desert, watching the gauges with a knot in my stomach. When the car proved worthy, my anxiety turned to elation, roaring across the Southwest, then the Midwest, 90 mph and 43 mpg powered by a Coventry Climax FWE with a single SU carburetor.

That fall the car became harder to start as it got colder. I was living in a room in Mrs. Denton's house. By mid-November, my friend Dave Mathison and I realized that the engine would need attention on Cylinder 4. Mrs. Denton was 84 years old and the highlight of her week was her son's Saturday morning visit when he would give her holy hell for something or other, every week.

I told Mrs. Denton that we had to fix the starter motor on the Elite. Could we use her vacant garage and basement? We lifted the Elite's engine out by hand, one on each side, transmission left in place. In our spare time, we did the rings and valves and, with finals, we started to run out of time. Friday, December 16 was an all night wrenching session with two electric heaters trying to penetrate the sub-zero temperatures.

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On Saturday morning, with temperatures near -10 F, Dave Mathison and I set out for California. Every Elite owner should have the opportunity to drive their Elite in -10 F. The volumetric efficiency increases one percent for every reduction of 10 degrees F. My Elite roared with new horsepower, south, out of Minnesota, heading for the warmer winds along Route 66.

Some things you learn about a car, the hard way. Did you know that the overwhelming number of Series I Elites imported to Jay Chamberlain, had no heaters or defrost tubes. So why did Lotus install vent windows? *To allow the arm to reach out the window with cans of de-icer when the temps are freezing.*

To say these cross-country Elite adventures were a blast, would be an unbelievable understatement. But of all the high points of that last trek, Dave Mathison and I will never forget our confrontation with a Harley Davidson rider in the Arizona mountains. The Elite could pull hills the mountains, especially when it was cold.

As we climbed a pass near Flagstaff, we passed a Harley who stayed with us until we approached the pass and began to descend. With my foot in it, we watched the Harley back off with a frightening loose rear end when my odometer reached 120 mph. But then, I realized we were heading into a long sweeper, way to fast. It was then I understood Road and Track's description of the "walking sensation" of the Elite at the limit. And somehow we made the corner, not the newspaper.

My first Elite was sold to a friend at church named Chuck Meyers in 1967. His wife sold the car a couple years later after Chuck's untimely death. And this story belongs to the owner of a car I lost track of, after it was sold. California license plate SUA 945.

Now this brings us to March 2015...

I wrote this article about my first Elite to contribute to its history in case the current owner was reading. I never heard from the owner but that hope would bring some surprises in the years ahead.

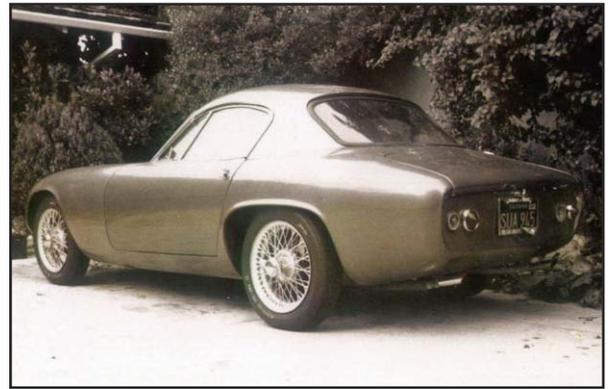
Unrelated, in late 2010, a Lotus club member suggested I call a woman here in Minnesota who intended to restore the Elite that she and her husband, Steve Taylor, had owned from the 70's. With Steve's untimely death, Kathy wanted to restore the Elite they had enjoyed together in California. I left a message offering any assistance that she might need.

In the next several years, local enthusiasts observed Kathy's car making poor progress in a local British car shop. In September 2013, a local club member mentioned that the Elite may be for sale. I contacted Kathy again. Unfortunately, the costs and drama of this restoration had discouraged this visionary and energetic lady. She was ready to sell. I bought Elite #1235 and realized much of this restoration would be like starting over. Club Elite editor, Don Christopher, announced a lost Elite- a barn find- had been discovered in Minnesota.

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Vintage Elite #1235 • Whittier, California



Elite #1945 Rear 3 Quarter View



Elite #1945 Ready for re-assembly.

#1235 has been my working passion, this year. The restoration of the body shell is complete and will be re-sprayed by Mark Nordin in the next couple weeks. Five coats of paint had to be sanded off—two colors of red, (probably a re-spray by Lotus importer Jay Chamberlain), then metallic blue and finally, two colors of BRG. Last week (March, 2015), I called Kathy with an update on my progress and she mentioned she found some Lotus parts and would leave them at her daughter’s house near us.

A few days later I picked up a set of piston sleeves and a box with a shop manual. A previous owner’s notes were lying on top. As I began to drive out of the driveway, I glanced at the owner’s log and saw the name Phil Abel—who raced Elites in the early days. Did the owner know Phil as I did? Another note mentioned that he (the owner) took the car to Whittier Imports with Remland. Whittier was home in my teens.

Like an out-of-focus picture slowly coming clear, I began to realize that this car’s history included my story also. Remland (Dick) was in my wedding. And then, there it was this... *“True and Dave helped me to correct the dim tail light. It was a grounding problem.”* “True” is me, of course, and Dave is David Mathison, friend and long term Lotus Elite owner. Without having a clue (correction... there were clues), **I had bought back my first Lotus Elite!**

After the unforgettable challenge of driving the heaterless Elite from Minnesota to California in -10 F temperatures in December 1966, the car sat in my father’s garage until an acquaintance from church, Chuck Meyers, expressed an interest in purchasing it. There is a sadness here. Chuck died after owning the Elite for less than 2 or 3 years. Dave Mathison assisted his wife in selling the Elite, perhaps in 1969.

“What are the chances of this, happening?” This seems to be common reaction. I agree. But I must add... *There is a God!* And these days he has smiled at me.



Elite #1235 sanded and ready for primer.



Elite #1235 at Mark Nordin Enterprises

InterMarque SUNDAY PICNICS



**JUNE 28 • JULY 26
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**1 P.M., CHEROKEE PARK
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What better way to spend a Sunday afternoon than to go for a drive and stop for a picnic at scenic Cherokee Park. This is a do-it-yourself affair, so bring your own food, beverages, plates, silverware, lawn chairs, grills, and a dish to share if you want. *If it rains, it's cancelled.*

OUT & ABOUT

Did we miss something? We encourage you to share your vintage foreign gatherings, events, and miscellaneous observances with us! Email them to intermarque@gmail.com for consideration. Thanks!

What to do with a slightly crushed 1962 Cooper S?

If you're Gary Nelson you build into a one-of-a-kind north country Power Mini!

Thanks to Tim Palmer for taking the photo and Gary for bringing these photos to a Spring Kick-Off meeting. (Under the hood lies a Caddy V-8 and the photos are circa 1984.)

Have you seen this car? Last known location was Superior, WI.



Tow bar set up for easy transport!

Gary Nelson also brought along this photo of a vintage Lotus prepped for some serious ice racing.



From the InterMarque Facebook feed... Photos/text posted by Bob "Andy" Anderson on April 4.

Today MMGG held its 2015 Spring Kick-off Brunch at Sargeant Peppers in Oakdale. 10 MGs made it to the event - so we had a good showing of MGs. AND - we had 65+ people in attendance. Good food - Good Company - Good Time. Thanks to Elena and her helpers for putting on a great event.





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FOR SALE: I sold my pristine '99 Miata and now have remaining four gorgeous Michelin X-Ice tires, fully balanced, on non-blemished wheels: 185/60 R 14 Used one season minimally (note tread depth photo). I am throwing in a nice tonneau and clutch alignment tool for good measure. \$500 or best offer. Will deliver up to 200 miles. Dr. Mark Sheldon, Burlington, WI 262-763-0853



GOT 44 MINUTES? Frank Howard found this gem and thought it might be of particular interest to the Mini group:
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For a computer-savvy Twin Cities Car Club Event Calendar go to <http://calendar.mnhealey.com/>

ONGOING

Multi-Marque Breakfast EVERY* SATURDAY MORNING! 8 a.m., Elsie's Restaurant Bar and Bowling, 729 Marshall Street N.E., Minneapolis, MN 55413. Everyone is invited! Special room for the auto-afflicted. Attendance on recent Saturdays has been twenty to thirty or more. Women are invited every Saturday but the second Saturday of every month is Lady's Day. All marques and nationalities invited. Map to the Elsie's at <http://elsies.com>

East Ender's Saturday Morning Breakfast A group of vintage foreign motoring enthusiasts have started a semi-monthly East Ender's Breakfast Group for those that want Breakfast a little later and not drive to Minneapolis. Join the East Ender's on the 1ST AND 3RD SATURDAYS each month, 9:00 a.m. at: Sail Away Café, 1321 St. Croix Trail, Afton, MN. North of County Road 18 and St. Croix Trail.

- NEW** **April 25. VSCR Annual Swap Meet.** 10 a.m. through lunch. Quality Coaches, 28 West 38th Street, Minneapolis. Bring spare parts, books, whatever to sell, swap or give away.
- April 25, Midwest Motorsports Open House,** 728 8th Ave. S., Sauk Rapids, MN 56379. Minnesota MG Group event but all are welcome. Dan Iburg promises less snow than last year.
- May 2-3 GingerMan Spring Brake (VSCDA)** – GingerMan Raceway, South Haven, MI
- May 14-17 Kastner Cup** – See flyer this issue.
- May 14-17 2015 Lake Forest Spring Vintage Festival (SVRA)** – Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI
- May 16: InterMarque Spring Kick-Off** – Osseo, Minnesota. The InterMarque Council will again sponsor this well attended event in downtown.
- May 28-May 30. British Car Week National Meet.** Hot Springs, Arkansas. All different marques of British cars attend, including some high-end examples of even the bottom-end brands. Nice surrounding, events and people. Triumph people (Joe Bisanz, Larry Berg, Orrin McGill, Joe Soucheray, Gary Stephenson & Larry Sanderson) are making a two-day drive down and back. They invite you to join them Joe B. 651-324-2573. Orrin 612-865-6518.
- NEW** **June 6-11: Rendezvous Superieur** – See flyer this issue.
- June 6-7: Walleye 1000 Vintage Rally.** – South from the Twin Cities, along the Mississippi, crossing back and forth from the Minnesota to the Wisconsin side of the river a few times, along the bluffs and through the farmland. Visit the Walleye 1000 Event Website for more information and to download a PARTICIPANT APPLICATION. <http://walleye1000.com>
- June 7: 10,000 Lake Concours d'Elegance** – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Excelsior Commons on Lake Minnetonka, Excelsior, Minnesota. New this year, participants are encouraged to dress in period clothing to match their car or boat. Prizes will be awarded to the top three participants who wear costumes. Learn more at <http://10000lakesconcours.com/>
- June 10-14: 2015 Brickyard Vintage Racing Invitational (SVRA)** – Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Indianapolis, IN
- June 11-14: Rendezvous** – See flyer this issue.
- June 19-21: Blackhawk Classic (VSCDA)** – Blackhawk Farms Raceway, South Beloit, IL
- June 27: 24th Annual Coulee Classic Rally** – 10am-6pm. Commemorating the 105th Anniversary of the founding of Alfa Romeo and of its return to the U.S. Departs from Maiden Rock, WI. More info at: <http://www.meetup.com/Auto-Italia-Minnesota/>
- June 28: Intermarque Picnic - HOSTED BY the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club** – 1:00 pm Monthly gathering for a picnic at Cherokee Park in St. Paul. Bring your own food and refreshments.
- July 18: Minnesota Scottish Fair & Highland Games.** Faithful Shepherd Catholic School, 3355 Columbia Drive, Eagan, MN For info contact Jim Harris, Chair British Car & Motorcycle Display, 612-803-5530 or JHarris@MNScottishFair.org
- July 25: Woodland Hills Winery British Car Festival** – Woodland Hills Winery, Delano, MN. No judging, no trophies, just fun. Sponsored by the MN Triumph Club. See flyer in this issue.

July 25: 6th Annual British Car Display, Delano, MN
See flyer this issue.

July 26: Intermarque Picnic: HOSTED BY the Mercedes-Benz Twin Cities Section – 1:00 pm
Monthly gathering for a picnic at Cherokee Park in St. Paul. Bring your own food and refreshments.

NEW

August 8: Britfest 2015 Hudson, WI. See flyer in this issue.

August 8: New London to New Brighton Antique Car Run. 29th annual. Vehicles from 1908 or earlier (or any 1 or 2 cylinder vehicles up to 1915) may participate in the New London to New Brighton Antique Car Run. This includes bikes, motorcycles, steam and electric cars as well. An average of 60 cars participate in the 120-mile tour of the Minnesota countryside and you may even spot an import or two!
<http://www.anticquecarrun.org/>

August 13-16: Vintage Grand Prix Au Grattan XXIX (VSCDA) Grattan Raceway, Grattan, MI

August 11-15: Triumphs in the Heartland, Fontana, WI—See flyer this issue.

August 30: Intermarque Picnic – 1:00 pm Monthly gathering for a picnic at Cherokee Park in St. Paul. Bring your own food and refreshments.

September 17-20: Elkhart Lake Vintage Festival XXX (VSCDA) – Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI

September 19: OKTOBERFEST – The Mercedes-Benz Club Twin Cities Section, along with presenting sponsor Sears Imports Mercedes-Benz, will be hosting the Oktoberfest German Car Show at the AutoMotorPlex in Chanhassan. 9:00 1:00 rain or shine. Show is free, come to look around, come to show a car, fun for the whole family. Authentic Food from Deutschland Meats and the Glockenspiel Restaurant in St. Paul, photo opportunities with the “Ladies in Leichterhosen”, hundreds of German cars of all kinds!
More info at: www.mbca-tc.org

September 25-2: Waumandee Hill Climb – The Minnesota Austin Healey Club’s third annual vintage car uphill slalom will be held under the direction of Tom Hazen. There is also a car show being organized. Look for more details next year

September 27: Intermarque Picnic- HOSTED BY Minnesota MG Group – 1:00 pm Monthly gathering for a picnic at Cherokee Park in St. Paul. Bring your own food and refreshments.

Sunday, October 18: Minnesota Harvest Apple Orchard Vintage Foreign Car Show – Jordan, MN.
Look for more info next summer.

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Austin-Healey Club of Manitoba, Regular monthly Club meetings on the 1st Monday of each month, 7:30 pm. except when Monday falls on a long weekend, then it is the next Monday. No meeting in December. Also check our website for the meeting locations as well as various other events, breakfast drives etc. during the summer months, see www.ahcm.ca

Arrowhead Sports Car Club Monthly Meeting, second Thursday of the month, 7:00 p.m., 4767 West Arrowhead Road, Hermantown, Minnesota. Info: www.arrowheadsc.org

British Iron Society Informal gathering, every Saturday morning at the Fry-n Pan, Fourth and Main, beautiful downtown Fargo, North Dakota. Info: Larry LeClerc lkleclerc@msn.com

Fahr North Gathering EVERY 3RD THURSDAY, 5pm. Club Jaeger: 10th & Washington Avenue North, Minneapolis Mostly Porsches guys, but all are welcome. Contact : Eric Erickson 952-426-5024

Mercedes Benz Club of America, Twin Cities Section Informal dinner and discussion, first Wednesday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Lion's Tap Restaurant, Hwy 212 and Cty Rd 4, Eden Prairie, Minnesota. Info: 952-829-0848

Minnesota Austin-Healey Club Pie and/or Pint With the President, first Wednesday of the month, 7:00 p.m. or before. Fort Snelling Officers Club, Minnesota. Info: www.mnhealey.com

Minnesota MG T Register MG Luncheons, every Tuesday, 11:15 a.m. American Legion, 6501 Portland Avenue, Richfield, Minnesota. Info: Steve Blomberg 612-869-8264 striumph77@aol.com

Minnesota SAAB Club Monthly Meeting, first Thursday of the month, 7:30 p.m., Major's Sports Cafe located on Snelling Ave. in Roseville, Minnesota. Info: Chris Luick 507-252-1888 or www.mnsaabclub.org

MUM: Minnesota United Minis at irregular times and locations. Check out our Facebook page.

Minnesota Triumphs Monthly Meeting, second Thursday of the month (except Nov. & Dec.), 7:00 p.m., Fort Snelling Officers Club, Minnesota. Info: www.mntriumphs.org

Stella del Nord (Alfa Romeo) Monthly pizza and wine gathering, second Monday of the month. Contact Ed Solstad for time and location. 612-822-0569 or esolstad@presenter.com

The Regulars, twin cities vintage scooter club Semimonthly gathering (weather permitting). First and third Sunday of the month, 2:00 p.m., Pizza Luce, Lyndale and 32nd, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Info: www.minnescoota.com

Thunder Bay Vintage Sports Car Club Monthly general meeting Third Thursday of the month 7pm at the Slovak Legion, 801 Atlantic Ave. Thunder Bay, Ontario. Sept. to May, in the summer we drive! www.tbvsc.ca

Triumph Drivers of Manitoba Monthly meetings, open to interested parties, are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Irish Club, 654 Erin Street, second floor at 8:00 p.m., Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. Info: www.britishcar.ca

Twin Cities VW Club Monthly meeting, first Wednesday of the month, 7:00 p.m., West Side VW, St. Louis Park, Minnesota. Meeting usually lasts 30 to 45 minutes. Info: www.twincitiesvwclub.com

ZOOM Datsun/Nissan Z Owners. 1st Monday of the month 6:30 pm (locations vary) Jonathan Grothe, AIA, (952) 401-7076, jgrothe@twparchitects.com



InterMarque Monthly is a volunteer-driven, 10 issue/yr publication, that provides the upper midwest's vintage foreign motoring clubs and enthusiasts with an outlet to organize/publicize events. Our mission is to make it easier to recognize and celebrate the amazingly diverse import community our region has to offer! **From Austin to Z!**

We accept almost any kind of vintage foreign event coverage. Including: event profiles/recaps, maint. tips, restoration/barn find stories, marque/model-specific profiles and "out and abouts."

Please submit items to intermarque@gmail.com for consideration. Issues are published on the 15th of the month prior. Submissions due by the 5th of the month prior. Helpful hints are provided below.



FEATURE STORIES:

STORY LENGTH: 500-1000 words

PHOTO REQUIREMENTS: Must be your own or have permission from the photographer! Copyrighted material submitted from the web will not be accepted. 4-6 photos should be provided at a medium size. **MUST HAVE CAPTIONS.** Please provide captions that align to the photo names. Captions should include at a minimum the year/make of car, the owner, and any other relevant info pertinent to the photo.



OUT AND ABOUTS:

STORY LENGTH: 50-250 words plus event date/host/location.

PHOTO REQUIREMENTS: 2-3 photos. See restrictions above.



CLASSIFIED LISTINGS:

FREE for 3 months then we pull them. Must be vintage foreign related and be located within the upper midwest. Up to 3 photos and no more than a 50 word description with contact info. The *Monthly* reserves the right to edit as needed to fit.



CALENDAR LISTINGS:

FREE, but focused specifically on events that are OPEN TO vintage foreign motorcars. You may also submit a PDF of a flyer for inclusion in the back of the issue. To help manage the flyer load, we post these the month prior to your event.

ALL SUBMISSIONS DUE BY THE 5TH OF THE MONTH PRIOR.
SUBMIT TO: intermarque@gmail.com

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10AM-3PM
RAIN OR SHINE

SPRING KICK-OFF

23RD ANNUAL VINTAGE FOREIGN CAR SHOW

+CRAFT SHOW

MAY 16
2015

METROPOLITAN
DESIGNED BY NASH, BUILT
IN ENGLAND BY AUSTIN

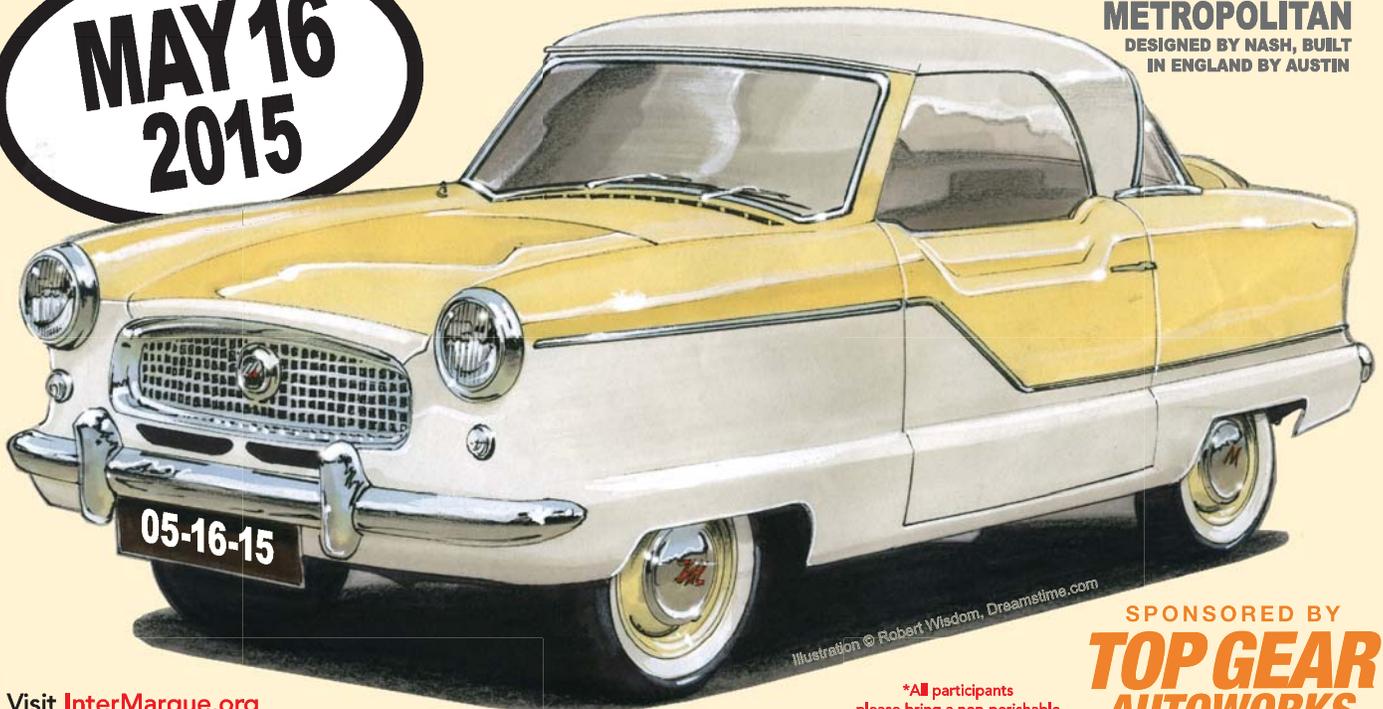


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*All participants
please bring a non-perishable
food item to donate.

Visit InterMarque.org
for a map and updates.

This is a **FREE*** event open to 1993 OR OLDER, FOREIGN motorcars, motorcycles, scooters, and racers. **FIRST COME FIRST PARKED.** Placement starts at 9 am. Parking staff will be on hand to direct arrivals. Groups wishing to park together **MUST ARRIVE EN-MASSE.**

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A vintage open-top car, possibly a Ford Model T, is shown in a blurred, artistic style. The car is dark-colored with a red interior. The background is a soft, painterly landscape with green foliage and a pinkish sky.

*Save
the
date!*

RENDEZVOUS RALLYE SUPERIEUR

**Fun Run
June 6-11, 2015**

Rendezvous Rallye Superieur is a tour around Lake Superior. The rallye will embark from Ashland, Wisconsin, USA, on June 6, circumnavigate Lake Superior and arrive back in Ashland on June 11. Many (but not necessarily all) of its participants will likely be the more adventurous souls in their vintage cars attending the 25th annual U.S./Canada International Sports Car Rendezvous that kicks off on June 11. Some of the cities through which the Rallye will pass include Duluth, Grand Marais, Thunder Bay, Wawa, Sault St. Marie, and Marquette.

Is this a pretentious, big-deal rally like the California Mille or the Monte Carlo? Well, it's a big deal for us and it will cover some exquisite roads and locations, but there the similarities end. Most importantly, there is no competition. No fast driving awards, no checkpoints, and no incentive to trash your old car. Just an extended tour on which you can enjoy your vintage car with other aficionados.

Is participation limited to older vehicles? Yes. By old we mean 25+ years old. For the arithmetically challenged that means 1990 and older. Exceptions may be granted by the rallye master for retromobiles that he believes maintain the classic spirit and vintage joi de vivre.

Is this as expensive as Hemmings' Great Race? No. You will pay for five-and-a-half days of food and lodging, and for maybe 1500 miles of gasoline. All as you go and all on your own Visa card. Once we have an idea of how many will participate, arrangements will be made so that moderate lodging and restaurants is available. The only extra cost to which you will be liable covers your prestigious Rallye Rendezvous Superieur magnetic emblem (a nice compliment to the free Circle Tour window sticker).

How do I register or get more information? Email Andy Lindberg (andyrlind@gmail.com).



Host hotel:
AmericInn Ashland
1-866-378-9950
More information
to come at
mnrtriumphs.org



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Events will include:
Tropical theme deck party
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Car Shows
But wait! There'll be so much more...

Situated on the
Tropical South Beach
of one of the world's largest
natural air conditioners.

Dip your rims in the cool of Superior!





Saturday July 25th, Noon to 4pm

6th Annual British Sports Car Display

Hosted by Minnesota Triumphs Sports Car Club
at Woodland Hill Winery

731 Cty Rd 30, Delano, MN...4.5 miles west of Delano
on Cty Rd 30 <<http://woodlandhillwinery.net>>

- Intermarque event
- Display your little British sports car. Some Swedes & Germans.
- See Triumphs, Lotus, Austin Healeys, MGs, Minis, Jaguars
- Live music
- Lunch available
- Enjoy the beautiful grounds including a picnic arbor area
- Select from over 20 wine varieties, taste 12-varieties for \$7
- Olive oils and vinegars for sale
- Available tour of the vineyard & winery



Please join us for a fun day!
<mntriumphs.org>

Any questions contact: Steve Shogren, Minnesota Triumphs Sports Car Club
maill to:<steveshogren@yahoo.com>



BRITISH INVASION OF HUDSON

Britfest 2015

Vintage British Car Show

presented by



FREE ADMISSION to Show your Car!

August 8th, 2015

on Walnut Street in Hudson, Wisconsin
between 1st and 2nd Streets
(in front of Dick's Bar)

9:00am to 3:00pm

Awards presented at 2:00pm

Cars will be judged by Charity Voting
proceeds benefiting Boy Scout Troop #148

See the areas Finest British Car Marques and Clubs

Attention British Bike Clubs/Owners!

You are also invited & encouraged to participate!



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111 Walnut Street
Hudson, WI 54016

for more information contact Bob "Andy" Anderson - 651.439.6876



Triumphs in the Heartland



VTR 2015 - Fontana, WI

August 11-15, 2015

Celebrating Fifty Years of the
Spitfire Mark II and the TR4A

Hosted by the
Illinois Sports Owners Association



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The Minnesota Austin-Healey Club Invites You

September 25-27, 2015

Alma and Waumandee, Wisconsin

Open to vintage vehicles 1985 and older



New for 2015:

Car Show by the Finish Line!



2.3 miles

18 turns

430-foot ascent

Agenda for the weekend in Alma and Waumandee:

- ▶ Friday evening: Parade lap of the hillclimb course followed by a welcome dinner with wood-fired pizza, live music, and **free beer!**
- ▶ Saturday all day: Hillclimb with mandatory drivers meeting at 8:30AM (rain date Sunday)
- ▶ Saturday evening: Awards banquet dinner set in beautiful downtown Waumandee
- ▶ Sunday morning: Tour of a private car museum with gorgeous 1930s Franklins

Corner workers needed: Want to get close to the action but not drive? Like to wave flags and blow whistles? Free treats provided to all volunteers, and those who stay 8AM to 5PM receive free lunch. Space is limited so call Tom now (612-237-1883) to reserve your coveted place among the cones.

Advance registration required: Deadline Sept 23 or sellout. \$75 per driver. \$60 for Austin-Healey Club members. Make check payable to the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club and mail to Tom Hazen 695 Sherwood Ave, St Paul, MN 55106. Or pay via PayPal adding \$3 service charge to myliberty@comcast.net. Sorry no refunds. Weekend lodging choice list will be sent to all registrants.

Driver	Waumandee 2015
	\$75 / \$60
Year, make, model, color, requested car number	
Email and phone	
Emergency contact name and phone	
___ Award banquet dinner(s) at \$20 each = ___	
Staying overnight in hillclimb paddock \$20 ___	
Total payment \$ ___	

Despite the precautions taken, this event remains dangerous and may result in property damage, serious injury, or death. All participants enter at their own risk and peril.



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