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NOVEMBER CALENDAR

By Ben Cohen

Below is the schedule of upcoming events for **November**:

Tuesday Coffee

Every Tuesday – 0700 to 0900+
Starbucks – Corner of Swan Rd & Fort Lowell Road

1st DRIVE

Saturday, November 2 – 0730
[For those not participating in BWG Show]

British Wheels on the Green Car Show

Sunday, November 13th - 0830 to 1300

2nd DRIVE

Saturday, November 16th - 0730

BLAT

November 20th or 21st

Hot Dog Run and Elections

November 30th - 11:00am

Other Upcoming Events:

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 - Make Reservations NOW!

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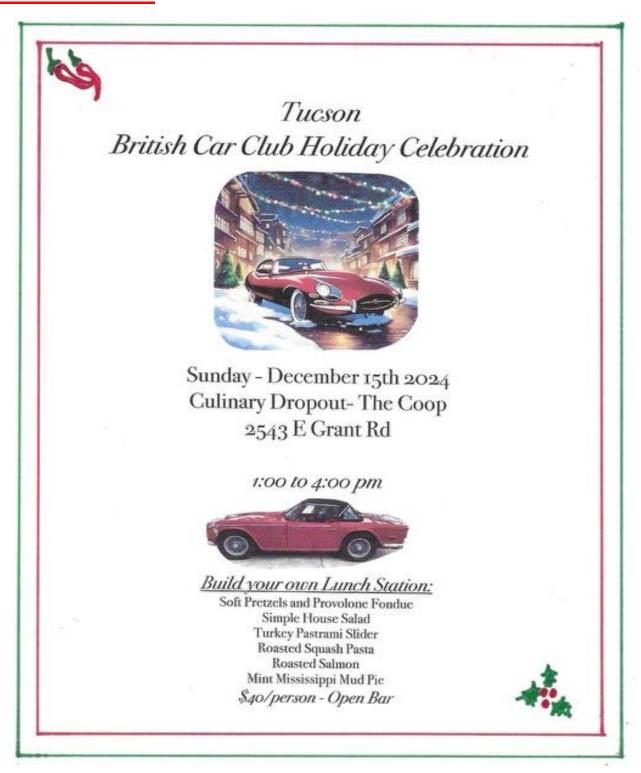
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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sign up on our web page, https://www.tucsonbritish.com/shop/. It is \$40 per person. There is room for at least 100 or more members and guests. This is a TBCR partially subsidized event as there is a minimum charge for the room. In order to break even we need as many members as possible to sign up and as soon as possible. Chairman for this event is Ed Smith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)

A Note from the Treasurer

The not-so-great news is that dues are due by the end of this year and are delinquent on March 31, 2025. New members from October 2024 forward are paid for 2025. The good news is that dues remain at \$35 per year and include a spouse/significant other in events and activities. As usual, the club provides a gelato gathering, lunch at the Tour de Garages, Sonoran Hot Dogs for the election in November and subsidizes the Holiday Party. And there are great drives every month.

- * * To make this easy on both members and the Treasury Team you have the following options:
 - 1. Go to our web site: <u>tucsonbritish.com</u>. Click on "Shop", then the "Member Renewal" button. There you can pay by PayPal.
 - 2. Send a check made out to and mailed to Tucson British Car Register, P.O. Box 30997, Tucson AZ 85751-0097. Since checks are not always personalized, please include your name on the check.
 - 3. Pay in person by check or cash at the informal Tuesday Coffees. Our Treasurer, Dave Germain is there on most Tuesdays.
 - 4. Pay in person by check or cash on Saturday, November 30th, TBCR HOT DOG RUN and TBCR Elections.

For any option, please send changes in car or contact info, or questions, to Dave Germain at dkgermain6@gmail.com or by a written note.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

TBCR Annual Election of Officers

This is scheduled for the Saturday after Thanksgiving, November 30th. As in previous years, TBCR elects its officers for the coming year at this meeting and gives you a great lunch and a great drive. Our drive begins at Mission San Xavier at 11:00 AM (come visit early to see the Mission in its Christmas decor). Our lunch is at our favorite Sonoran Hot Dog Cart on the SE corner of Alvernon Way and Lee St (just north of Speedway & Alvernon). Lunch begins at 12:30 PM and elections follow. Current Nominees:

President: Pete Williams
Vice President: Tim O'Keefe
Secretary: Marc Koenig
Treasurer: Dave Germain

Note: Our other board members who are appointed:

Newsletter: Steve & Nancy Hosmer Website: Harold Beekhuizen

Tours: Ben Cohen Regalia: Libbie Gabriel)

Nominations will be open at the annual meeting. If you have a nominee *who is willing to serve*, please send their nomination to Pete Williams via email: *ptrwms@gmail.com* prior to the meeting day.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS (Continued)

We will hold the following business meetings in the coming months:

• Annual Organizational Meeting

This meeting is scheduled for December 3rd at or about 9:00am after the Tuesday Coffee at Starbucks on Ft Lowell and Swan. All members are invited.

Annual Business Meeting

This meeting is scheduled for January 5th, 2025. It will consist of a tour followed by a picnic lunch. The location and other details are presently TBD. Again, all members are invited.

The Prez Sez

By Peter Williams

Our club is thriving! We have many events planned in the near future:

Gelato Social - TBCR Gelato for All!

Sunday, October. 27th, 3:00 - 4:30 PM FROST Gelato 7301 E. Tanque Verde Rd.

TBCR Tour with Hot Dog Lunch, and Annual Elections

Saturday, November 30th, 11:00 am

The tour starts at San Xavier Mission and concludes at <u>12:30 PM</u> with a sponsored lunch the Hot Dog Cart on the SE corner of Alvernon Way and Lee St (just north of Speedway Blvd)

TBCR Board Planning Session

Tuesday Coffee on December 10th, 8:30 am

We will have a board planning session inside Starbucks. All TBCR members are welcome to attend.

Holiday Party:

Sunday, December 15th, 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Culinary Dropout - Coop Room.

The food will be delicious. There is room for at least 100 or more members and guests. Please see the flyer elsewhere in this and next month's newsletter. Please go to https://www.tucsonbritish.com/shop/, click on Holiday Luncheon to sign up and pay for the event with your credit card.

Annual Membership Meeting

Sunday, January 5th starting at 11:30am with the meeting coming to order at 12:30pm.

Brandi Fenton Park

3482 E River Rd Just to the south of Alvernon Way. We will be at Ramada 2 (ant sculpture on the ramada roof.

It is possible there will be a tour in advance of the gathering. This is a BYO picnic lunch.

The Prez Sez(Continued)

Santa Cruz Car Nuts Car Show

Saturday, January 25th

Quail Creek Memorial Veterans Park.

Go to https://www.carnuts.org/Car-Show. Look for a flyer about the show. Signup is now open.

And there will be more each month including tours, weekly coffee and other stuff that pops up.

Membership Renewal

While you are on the TBCR web page registering for the Holiday Party, please click on the Member Renewal tab to pay your dues. We are fortunate that our dues have remained static for many years while other clubs have a lot of overhead. We are careful and cautious with our funds. If you've already paid your dues... Many Thanks! If not, please do so early. It's a quick and easy *click* way to pay your dues.

On a personal note, I want to thank those who have expressed best wishes to me on my recovery from my surgery. It is very difficult to restrain myself when I find myself in a situation where I want to violate the terms of my parole... er... my weightlifting restrictions. Currently, I'm at 10 lbs maximum with an increase to 35 lbs after 6 months. Golly, that's a long time! Those of us who have had weight restrictions after surgery really understand one's impatience. The bright side is the many members who have stepped forward and have helped without asking. These same members also strongly interfere when I am about to do something (stupid) I'm not supposed to. Thank you!

I also want to thank each of our board members for their summer efforts during the beastly hot summer.

In the meantime, keep the rubber on the road and the shiny bits up!

Pete Williams

ON THE ROAD

By the Editor

1st DRIVE - 05 October - Starbucks on River and Stone up to the Northwest

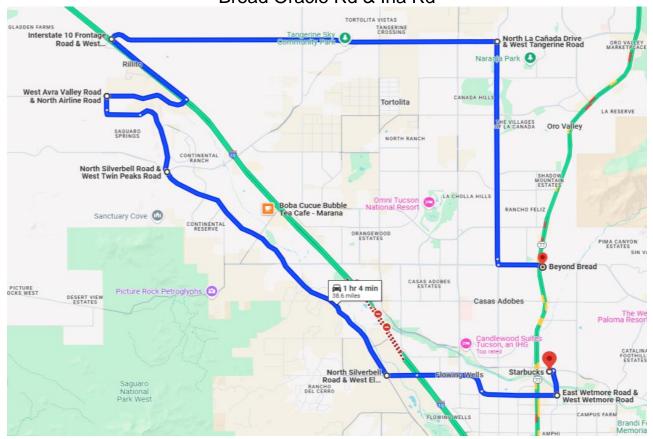
There was a reasonable attendance for the 0700 departure. The weather was mild with a bit of light overcast that turned into a cloudless day.

The sad news is that photos were taken prior to departure, arrival at Beyond Bread and during Breakfast but they appear to have wondered off. I looked for weeks and to cannot find them. My apologies.

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SATURDAY BREAKFAST DRIVE – October 5, 2024 – 7:00 AM departure from Starbucks 65 W River Rd

A westward/northward to the Avra Valley and back – destination Beyond Bread Oracle Rd & Ina Rd



- Exit east by traversing the parking lot to Stone Ave south [R]
- Go west [R] on Wetmore Rd and follow as it becomes Ruthrauff Rd
- Go straight under I-10 and you're on Camino del Cerro
- Go north [R] on Silverbell Rd
- After passing Twin Peaks Rd stay RIGHT to stay on Silverbell Rd
- N. Silverbell Rd will turn west [L] and become Lambert Rd
- Lambert Rd becomes Airline Rd and will turn north [R] and still be Airline Rd
- Go east [R] on Avra Valley Rd and watch oncoming traffic before you turn
- Go under I-10 and turn LEFT on the Frontage Rd
- Stay to the right to remain on the Frontage Rd
- Go east [R] on Tangerine Rd and just keep going!!!
- Continue past La Cholla Blvd
- Go south [R] on La Cañada Rd
- As you pass Hardy Rd then Magee Rd, move to the left lane
- Go east [L] on Ina Rd using both left turn lanes, then move to the right lane
- Go straight across Oracle Rd; the first driveway is Beyond Bead...
- ENJOY!!!

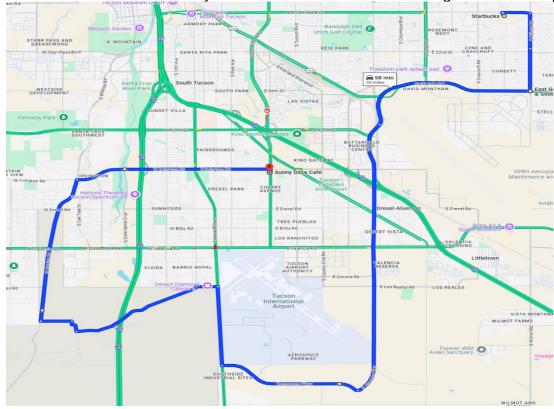
2ND DRIVE – 19 October – Starting at Park Place Mall then touring the SW ending at Sunny Daze Café.

This drive was scheduled for those who were not attending the Tucson Classics Car Show. I took off in Nan's Caddie to Park Place and just about five minutes to 7:00am Dave Jackson pulled into the parking lot. He insisted on driving the route and I was more than happy to unload all the copies I had but one was enough for him. I was about to leave Dave with his chore when another vehicle pulled in. It was a father and son who had just traveled from Israel. I guess looking for peace and quiet and maybe something that was wet and not metallic. After bidding farewell, I took off for home to change into a Jag and head to the show.





SATURDAY DRIVE – October 19, 2024 – 7:00 AM departure from Starbucks at Park Place Mall All around the south side to the Sunny Daze Café at SW corner of Irvington Rd & Campbell Ave



- Exit east [R] on Broadway Blvd and stay in the right lane
- Go south [R] on Wilmot Rd
- Go west [R] on Golf Links Rd and just keep going as it heads south as Alvernon Way
- Continue across Valencia Rd and you will be heading west as it becomes Aerospace Pkwy
- Go north [R] on Nogales Hwy and move toward the left lane
- Go west [L] at Los Reales Rd (at the casino on your left)
- Go south [L] on S. 6th Ave/San Xavier Rd watch your speed here please
- Continue past the Indian Health Center and under I-19 toward Mission San Xavier
- Go north [R] toward the Mission on Little Nogales Dr
- Jog LEFT then RIGHT then LEFT around the parking lot and exit the Mission west on San Xavier Rd
- Go north [R] on Mission Rd and continue north crossing Valencia Rd & Drexel Rd
- Go east [R] on Irvington Rd and continue over I-19
- After passing 12th Ave, 6th Ave and Park Ave
- Go south [R] on Campbell Ave & pull into the first driveway for Sunny Daze Café...
- ENJOY!!!

BLAT – October 24th – Starting at Broadway and Houghton off to Patagonia and the Velvet Elvis.

Beautiful day with cool temperatures – at least on the trip south. A good turnout and a timely departure from the starting point. Passed both meeting points along the way but no one was waiting. Made it to Route 92 and took a comfort break. Then off to Patagonia. Pulled into town to find some LBCs already parked. They were the ones we were to meet along the way. New location for the restaurant and in an old church. Some continued westward, and some retraced the route home.





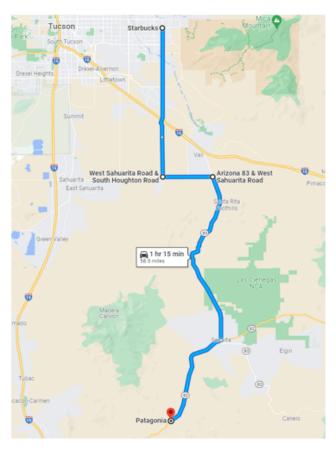








BLAT – Oct. 24, 2024 – Houghton & Broadway to Patagonia, AZ 10:00 AM departure with 2 enroute meeting points



Exit south [R] on Houghton Rd and continue over I-10.

Watch on the south side of I-10 for members that might meet us there Go east [L] on Sahuarita Rd

As you approach AZ 83, watch for members that might meet us there Go south [R] on SR 83 and continue all the way to Sonoita

Go west [R] on SR 82 toward Patagonia

Arrive in Patagonia about 11:30 AM – picnic tables in the central park, 4+ places to eat

If you want an organized return trip via the same route let say 1:00 - 1:15 for the return

Note to non-US citizens – there is a US Border check point on your return. If you need some type of documents, bring them.

FROST A Gelate Shappe - Sunday, October 27th on Tanque Verde Place - 3pm to 4:30pm

A good showing for some sweets, and a couple LBCs, but mostly wheels with AC.









TUCSON CLASSIC CAR SHOW - October 19th

For once it was not a sunburning rodeo. In fact, it was a little cloudy and a few sprinkles of rain. We had almost had a row and one half full of our cars and two marque tents for respite from the sun.

Staging to go to the show:





At the Show:









TUCSON CLASSIC CAR SHOW (Continued)













TUCSON CLASSIC CAR SHOW (Continued)

SHOW WINNERS

1ST PLACE



Nancy & Stephen Hosmer - TBCR 1957 XK140 OTS

2ND PLACE



Greg Patjens - TBCR
1959 MGA Roadster

3RD PLACE



Tim Aalbu

1961 Rolls Royce Silver Cloud 2

GRAND MARSHAL'S CHOICE



Rachel Schlanger
1961 TR3A



WELCOME New Members

We have new members this month:

Paul La Beck and **Toni Sollars** residing in Sahuarita and driving a 1973 Morgan +8 Green Roadster. Originally joined in Sep 2023.

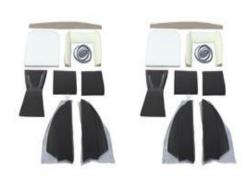
FOR SALE

1970 TR-6 Seat Covers

I have complete seat rebuild items for a 1970 TR6 from the foam to outer skin. These were purchased from Leland at BP Northwest. I purchased the entire interior but only looking to sell seats a pair of black seat covers, a complete seat foam kit pair and a pair of seat diaphragms

All purchased in February brand new, pictures pulled from BP Northwest site for visual reference. I'm told it's about \$1600 worth of stuff. I paid around \$1500 looking to sell for \$1200 or best offer.

Ron Harris (520) 429 - 8874 rlharris1995@gmail.com







FOR SALE (Continued)

1960's Lotus Elan +2 [Email Message]

My father passed away last year before he could finish restoring his Lotus Elan+2 (I'll have to get the year again, but I believe it was late 60's). He was the original owner and brought it over from England in 1974 while we were stationed there for the military. My family is looking to get this to another Lotus lover, so I am starting the legwork in trying to find such a person.

It is a 4-seater left hand drive. I believe the chassis frame is a replacement, possibly a competition one. I know he had to redo some fiberglass body work on it, but I'm not sure of the extent. There is also another chassis in the backyard that fits it, which would go along with the car. He was working on the wiring harness before he got too ill to work on it. The new seats have been kept wrapped in plastic in their living room since he purchased them some time ago and are in fantastic condition. I believe the motor was rebuilt, although the new owner would need to lube and tune it up again. The windows are in good condition and have been kept in the garage. I think the interior resides there too. The dash and instrument panel are in the living room as well, but I would need to double check. If I understand correctly, all or nearly all parts are there, but it would take someone with the knowhow to finish putting it back together.

If there is anyone interested, I would be happy to provide photos and get more precise details on everything.

Eric Stallard yodasbeast@yahoo.com

TECHNICAL MATTERS

The subject for this issue's Technical matters is a Helping Hand.

How did it happen?

By Peter Williams

Oops! What happened to the wrench?



<u>Answer</u>: The battery from one of my cars was removed for the summer. It was placed on the floor in the garage on a rubber mat. The battery was attached to a battery tender. Our innocent, unsuspecting tool was placed on the top of the battery away from the poles. Slowly, an electric change crept up on it. It caused intense corrosion to re-plate the working parts which caused them to seize. Our poor innocent, once working 6" wrench was immobilized. The thumb screw and jaw no longer worked were seized.

Note to self: Use a tool and give it a *helping hand* by properly putting it away.

Don't do what I did. A long bath in baking soda didn't have any impact. This is a good excuse to visit Harbor Freight to replace the tool. Maybe two of them would be good. (The battery charge was not affected.)

Knock-off Hub Helping Hand

Introduced by John Tolle

Another helping hand was brought to the attention of those attending the October 1st Tuesday Coffee. John produced what appeared to be a metal briefcase or storage box. Being the owner of a XKE with knock-off hubs and the spatial relationship between the hub and the fender bulge, one can see the advantage in owning the following:

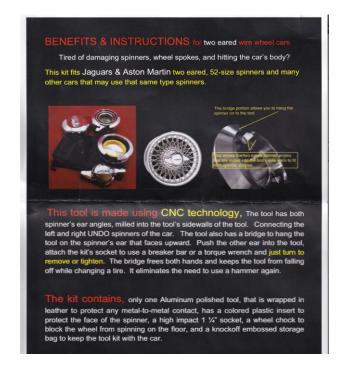




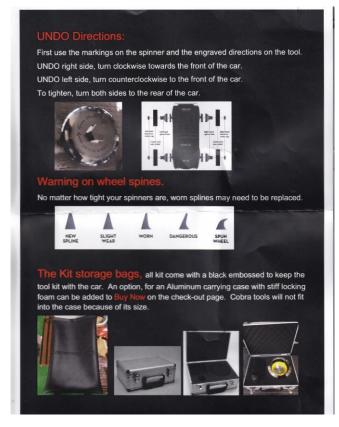


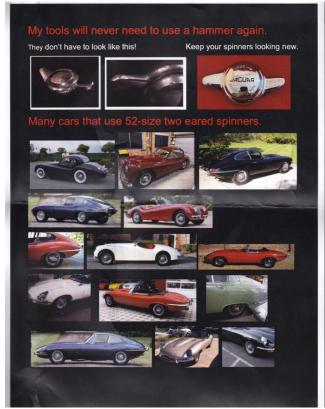
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Knock-off Hub Helping Hand (Continued)









The website for this tool is www.knockoffspinnertool.com.

OUT OF BOUNDS

CAR SHOW MANIA

In recent weeks there has been a proliferation of flyers for local car shows, particularly at the TCCS event. There are also ones that come by word of mouth. So, for those who may have interest, below are the flyers for some upcoming as well those passed or too late to register. In time I will create a table reflecting what, when and where and keep it updated.

Those missed or too late to register:

CARS IN THE PARK

October

Veteran's Memorial Park, Sierra Vista, AZ

www.sierravistacarclub.org

COPS & RODDERS

November

Pima College West College, 2202 W. Anklam Rd

soazlef.org/events/cops-rodders-2024. (assume next will be 2025 at the end)

Those in the very near future:



CAR SHOW MANIA – (Continued)





CAR SHOW MANIA – (Continued)

Scheduled for 2025









CAR SHOW MANIA – (Continued)



Many of these are difficult to read due to the scanning and the scale. For future editions, a table will be included along with any available flyers two months prior to the event.