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Connie and Dan Brien both won second place in their categories at the All British Field Meet (ABFM) at VanDusen Botanical Garden on May 18th, 2024.

President's Report

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It's almost the end of May and I wonder where the time has gone. It has been great getting out to some car events. I visited the Fort Langley St. Georges British Motoring Show, and the All British Field Meet Classic Car Show at VanDusen Gardens. There was such a variety of different cars and I enjoyed listening to the history of the vehicles on display, how they were acquired, what restorations were done, and just seeing the car owners beam when you ask them to tell you the cars story. Some cars have been in the family for many years, others were acquired by car enthusiasts, for some it's a new hobby and others have years of experience. I always seem to come away learning something new and meeting a new friend. I value all the connections that I make through the clubs. I'm looking forward to the upcoming Chilliwack car events and hope to see you there. Also, just a reminder If you have time pop by Doug's for the boot sale from 8:00 am till 12:00 pm Friday May 31st it should be a great event and there will be lots of bits and bobs to check out. Happy motoring to all.

Editors' Corner

This issue marks the fifth issue since the beginning of the year and we trust that members are finding it informational, even if it is just to attempt to discern what the Mystery Car of the Month is. Please continue to read and supply us with articles --or guesses about the Mystery Car --at britishmotorclub@gmail.com.

The Fraser Valley Classic Car Show is scheduled for Sunday June 9th at the UFV Campus in Chilliwack. If you have not already registered your car please do so and if you know of anyone else with a Collector Car of any make or model -- not only British -- please let them know about the Show. There will be, of course, awards, prize draws, entertainment and food. It is for a good cause in raising money for the Chilliwack Hospital Foundation to buy new equipment and donations will be accepted. The long-range weather forecast appears to indicate some pleasant June weather and it is anticipated there will be a sizeable turnout. In addition, there is a raffle for a 1962 MGB with the draw taking place at the show and a silent auction for a very nice 28-in dia circular wooden table. Mention to your friends and neighbours about the Show and tell them that if they are lucky and purchase tickets there is the real possibility that they could be driving home from the show in a classic MGB.

CRAP

Report from the Barn



Young John Walkden has completed the cosmetic restoration to his MGB GT project. This magnificent painting was completed by John himself using two towels. One for white and one for the vintage port wine shade.

We'll done our John! Now onto the greasy bits...



Therapy Wednesday included a visit to Bill McClure's place in beautiful downtown Yarrow. Brake adjustments, further air purging from the brake lines and a little test drive filled the day.



Wandering across the English Channel, one finds delights to the senses. Firstly, brilliant apple brandies called Calvados. Old aged vintages to tempt the pallet and corrupt the wallet. Then discovering that even the kids can cook like a Michelin star chef.

Sights and sounds of open country side with huge unfenced fields of lavender and apples mixed up with some sort of vine fruit.

Only here could a voiture like this emerge. Stylish to the point of looking Italian. Engineered to ride like a hovercraft and powered by a Hemi head 1600cc cross flow all aluminium fuel injected motor producing about 115 BHP. Ah oui!

No wonder Colin Chapman swapped out this engine into his fledgling Europa in the mid-sixties.

Finding one here? Pas possible. Mais, zut alors! La petite has found its way to my shop. Looking only for parts to assist in my own French car restoration, I thought "Perfect, it has everything I need!"

Alas it is far too nice to cannibalize. It runs too! A sleepless night ensued. Then there were two to fix.

Perhaps a small addition to the shop is in order at this point?



As usual we have great conversations on Fridays. All problems of the world resolved.

Candid shots abound



Three MG TCs graced the farm last week. One in need of repairs, one perfect and one under construction.

Tom Pugh offers up a newly repaired nearside rear wing.



Here we see Rob MacDonald assisting Tom Pugh removing the frozen rear calipers from the MG F.
The offending piece
Shiny new bits installed

As we progressed, the front shocks decided to admit they were finished and begged for replacement.
So too the brake flex lines.
Lots of rust frozen fittings to overcome. Help from Rimmer Bros on the way.



Items for the impending boot sale (first annual) have started to arrive. Many Rover 2000 TC and Morris Minor bits so far. Hopefully the weather will be good on the 31st.

Kurt's TVR fuel tank has arrived from the repair shop in Chilliwack. The tyres are here too and rims are soon to be completed. Webers are nearing complete restoration.



The **First Annual Club Boot Sale** to be held at Holbrow's Barn from 8:00 am to 12 noon, Friday May 31st. Coffee and treats will be available. Please bring whatever items you have to sell or come to purchase that missing item that you need for your restoration.

The anticipation is palpable as some anxious members have already dropped treasured items off for sale.

CRAP Report from VanDusen



Bence relaxes at the back of his Scimitar.



Chris Holbrow looks for excuses as to why this Bentley is a bad idea for his old man.



Doug Linley chats with Pat in a field of Minis.



Jerry Goulet's TR3 showing off Spring Thaw signage.



Lee Cunningham's Triumph Stag offers up his rather enhanced 2.5-liter 6-cylinder engine.



Connie Brien's Hillman Minx competes with one other Rootes group saloon.



Pictures by Chris Holbrow



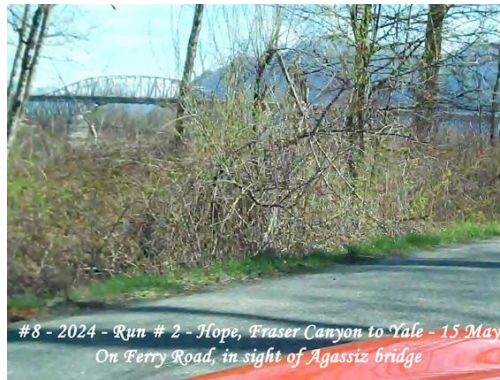
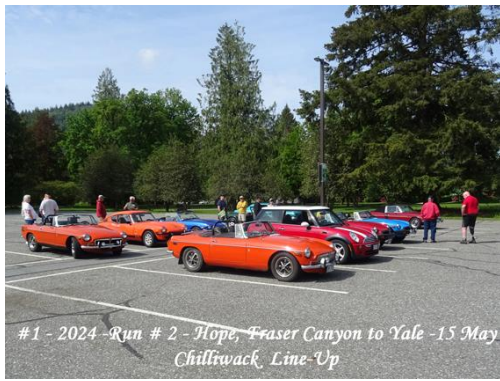
Pictures by Sheryl Leins, our fearless leader.

2024 Run #2- To Hope and Up the Fraser Canyon to Yale, Wednesday, 15 May

After several quite warm blue-sky days, the weather still held, but with a quite cool 10deg C start. Ten vehicles set off at the 10:30am start from Car Park # 7 in the UFW Chilliwack Campus. For the initial leg we went out to Prest Road and on to Fairfield Island, with a re-group stop at the Scouts hut. Then it was a continuation on Camp River Road with an encounter with a large oncoming tractor who obligingly pulled over to run partly on the verge and then there was a stop at a one-way traffic control for some quite serious tree trimming work on overhangs. Mt Cheam had been in plain view off to the right whilst we were going east but by the time we reached the approach to the turn-off for Ferry Road with the southerly view enabling a through-the-windscreen photo, a cloud had come down, so not so great, but one taken anyway. The Agassiz bridge came in sight through the trees followed by the sharp turn underneath the approach spans and the curve round to join Route 9. The traffic was light so we were able to get out with no problem to go over the bridge, with its somewhat bouncy surfacing and transverse joints. We took the long curve round Agassiz to join Route 7 and then enjoy the 20-minute mostly 90kph cruise to Hope. At the turn onto H/way 1, there might have been a problem – there was a tractor-trailer unit loaded with long girders patiently waiting to get on and turn left. However, after a couple of minutes with passing traffic, there was a break and he drew forward considerably quicker than one might have expected and several of our conveyances were able to follow him. We arrived at Hope Dairy Queen on schedule at 11:45am to find one Hope member and his wife waiting as arranged with their '78 MGB. It had warmed up considerably and after the pit stop, we set off at 12:05pm for the 20-minute drive up the Fraser Canyon to Yale. The mostly 90kph speed limit, the gentle curves and gradients along with the glimpses of the Fraser River made this stretch a really pleasant final leg. The picnic lunch spot was overlooking the river at the end of Albert Street. There was a plaque with some interesting facts about the Cariboo Wagon Road, constructed 1862-65, which was instrumental in greatly improving access to the gold fields. We left at 1:25pm. There had been some discussion about calling in at Harrison for ice creams, but it came to light that there was a forest fire round by the hot springs. As such, it was decided that for those who wanted to, we'd stop at Kent's Ice cream on the way into Chilliwack. There were four takers on this, with the others wending their own ways home. All-in-all, with no mechanical problems or mis-routings and with a blue-sky day that warmed up nicely, it was voted a good run.

Michael Hamilton-Clark
Run Coordinator

Photos by Michael Hamilton-Clark
Marcel Thibault





#15 - 2024 - Run # 2 - Hope, Fraser Canyon to Yale - May 15
In the Canyon - still quite some snow on the peaks



#16 - 2024 - Run # 2 - Hope, Fraser Canyon to Yale - 15 May
We arrive.....



#17 - 2024 - Run # 2 - Hope, Fraser Canyon to Yale - May 15
Arrival at the Picnic area at foot of Albert Street



#18 - 2024 - Run # 2 - Hope, Fraser Canyon to Yale - May 15
Comemorative Plaque for the Cariboo Wagon Road



#19 - 2024 - Run # 2 - Hope, Fraser Canyon to Yale - May 15
Picnic Lunch



#20 - 2024 - Run # 2 - Hope, Fraser Canyon to Yale - May 15
Picnic Lunch



#21 - 2024 - Run # 2 - Hope, Fraser Canyon to Yale, May 15
Return down the Canyon.....

Milestones

In Memoriam

Other Milestones



Ivan and Susan Antak will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on June 29th.

Kathryn McKay will be celebrating her 65th Birthday on June 4th.

Dan and Connie Brien made it a family affair by winning second in their categories at the ABFM.

Bence McIntyre won first place with his Scimitar in the unrestored category.

Notable British Car Anniversaries in 2024:

70 years: Jensen 541, MG Magnette

60 Years: Sunbeam Tiger, Mini Moke, Ford Corsair

50 Years: Caterham Super 7

Send any milestone that you would like to see in
The Hooter to britishmotorclub@gmail.com.

Facts, Foibles, Fables, and Fancies

This ran when parked. That's a lie.

1952 Morris Minor split window coupe. Located not far from here.



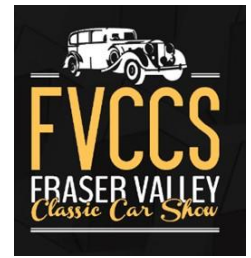
Under the "How hard can it be?" Category



How do you tell when your Lotus Elan is warmed up? It is on fire.

What do you call a Land Rover at the top of a hill? A miracle.
What do you call two Land Rovers at the top of a hill? A mirage.

A guy walks into a shop and says "I'd like a gas cap for my MGB." The owner thinks for a few seconds and then replies: "Okay, that sounds like a fair trade."



The **Fraser Valley British Motor Club** in partnership with the **University of the Fraser Valley** and the **Fraser Valley Health Care Foundation** with **Sarah Toop Realtor Group** as presenting sponsor are pleased to announce the return of the **Fraser Valley Classic Car Show**. This highly popular event is held to raise funds for the **Chilliwack General Hospital**.

When: June 9th, 2024

Where: UFV Campus, Chilliwack.

What: For vehicles with collector car status.

Who: Everyone is invited. Have a car, bring it to show. Don't have a car, come and enjoy the amazing collection of classics.

Some of the event features:

- Awards for class winners and best in show,
- Prize draws,
- A raffle for a collector car,
- Entertainment,
- Food,

How: **Registration is now open!** Go to fvccs.ca for more information.

Also, our event hotel is the **Coast Chilliwack Hotel**.

Hope to see you there and help us support a great cause.

Come for a chance to win the silent auction for this stunning 28-inch diameter circular wooden table! Table crafted by two of our club members!





ENTER TO WIN A 1962 MGB

IN SUPPORT OF
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1962 MGB

Four-speed c/w overdrive
appears to be rust-free, and in good
mechanical shape with all things
mechanical checked over and
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Draw Date: June 9, 2024

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Upcoming Car Events

2024 JUNE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 8 th Annual British Invasion Car Show
2	3	4	5	6	7 Coffee and Cars / Abbotsford KMS Tools	8
9 Fraser Valley Classic Car Show	10	11	12 Bubba Caffeine and Gasoline	13	14 Coffee and Cars / Abbotsford KMS Tools	15 2024 Scots Fest British Car Display
16	17	18	19	20	21 Coffee and Cars / Abbotsford KMS Tools	22
23	24	25	26 Bubba Caffeine and Gasoline	27	28 Coffee and Cars / Abbotsford KMS Tools	29
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- Club members meet on a regular basis for “Coffee and Cars” every Friday morning at 4176 Seldon Road, Abbotsford. All members are welcome to attend to either solicit or offer advice regarding British vehicles.
- Abbotsford KMS Tools Every Friday.
- Bubba Caffeine and Gasoline- Every Second Wednesday, North Parallel Road, Abbotsford, BC by Co-Op.
- 8th Annual British Invasion Car Show- Saturday, June 1st at Douglas Park, 5409 206th Street, Langley BC. All British Cars Welcome- but limited space! Information and Registration at <https://oecc.ca/events/british-invasion-car-show/> or call Gerry at 604)240-1847.
- Fraser Valley Classic Car Show is on June 9th at Chilliwack UFV campus. Go to fvccs.ca for more information and to register.
- 2024 Scots Fest British Car Display, Saturday, June 15th at Town Centre Park in Coquitlam, BC.

2024 JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5 Coffee and Cars / Abbotsford KMS Tools	6
7 FVBMC Fun Run	8	9	10 Bubba Caffeine and Gasoline	11	12 Coffee and Cars / Abbotsford KMS Tools	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Coffee and Cars / Abbotsford KMS Tools	20
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- FVBMC Fun Run, Sunday July 7th.

Buy and Sell

The Fraser Valley British Motor Club takes no responsibility for the selling of cars, parts or accessories. Any disputes or negotiations are between the buyer and seller.

To list items on the Buy and Sell page please send the description of the item and contact information to britishmotorclub@gmail.com.

For the following items, contact Bence at bhmc@telus.net.

MGB/MIDGET/AH SPRITE

Aftermarket console

Excellent condition

\$100



SIMPSON SEARS CREEPER

Collectible Canadiana

Good shape

\$45

MG MIDGET MK2/3, AH SPRITE MK3

5 steel rims good shape other than ugly.

\$200



MG MIDGET/ AH SPRITE

Aluminum radiator with electric fan.
Fits early cars, vertical tubes funnel fill
Good clean solid condition
\$125



Grille for Austin A30

Good condition.
\$250



MGB driveshaft

Fits 3 gear syncro with banjo rear end.
\$25

5 steel wheels for MG Midget Mk2, AH Sprite MK3.
\$200

BMC / British Leyland 1275 'A' block engine and rib cage transmission

Removed years ago from a 1972 MG Midget. Car was being driven at time. Has been stored inside, has carbs with it. Will need refurbishing or full rebuild.

\$600



Datsun 210 5 speed transmission. Type 60.

Comes with matching 4 speed for extra parts, adaptor to fit BMC A series engine and Riverside clutch.

\$1500

For the items listed above, contact Bence at bhmc@telus.net.

List of bits from Bob McLeod for Rover P6. He has completed and sold his car and no longer needs any of this stuff.

This is only a partial list, there is more. Of course.

2 liter engine parts

2 bonnets

1 boot lid

1 right hand front wing

1 front valance

Bumpers

4 speed gearbox

Automatic gearbox and oil cooler

Right hand front door glass frame

New in the box soft top roof.

Various grills

Gear lever selector, NOS

Lots of other bits and pieces

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Mystery Car of the Month



Name the company and the model of this fine motorcar.

Send your guess to britishmotorclub@gmail.com.
First correct answer receives an oil change at the
Farm. You bring the oil and filter!

No one won last months mystery car. Last months car was a Shamrock. The car is now very rare, and only nine are believed to still exist. Bence contributed the picture of the fine Irish car. Fiddle-de-de.