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Kick Start by Steve Brown, President

Greetings all, we've almost made it through the long, hot Texas summer. Hope you've been able to dodge the thunderstorms and weather the heat long enough get some good riding in. I can't wait for that first little cool front in few weeks to really get me excited about all the events coming up in September and October.

If you haven't heard, be sure to mark your calendars for Kath and Frostie's fall picnic on September 17th. If you haven't been to one of their parties, be sure to turn up for fun and foolishness, just be sure to bring dollar bills for Kath's raffle tickets, you wouldn't want to miss out on the fabulous prizes.

I've managed to get myself involved in another cheap project bike; please don't scoff at me for my inability to pass up the opportunity to buy a little Yamaha 250 two stroke Enduro complete with title and just over three thousand miles for three hundred dollars. What would I do with such a thing you ask? Probably license it and take it down to Brother in Law's place on the San Bernard River in Brazoria County for such noble missions as running up and down the gravel roads and occasional trips to the store for groceries. (For those of you who don't know me well, that means beer). If nothing else, I'll just use it to pollute the atmosphere and shatter the eardrums of the good people of Atascocita. As you all know there really isn't any such thing as a three hundred dollar motorcycle however, or a three thousand dollar motorcycle for that matter, so thank goodness for the internet and credit cards as I round up the needed parts to put it somewhat right.

Finally, I had to laugh at the E-mail from Jeff Myers recently describing the rider he saw with a Bimini Top on his Goldwing. I'd love to see that thing in a good crosswind, or even approaching the legal speed limit on I-10. Seriously, what's next, a Stretch-Limo Goldwing? I must say that after my ride around Lake Conroe last Sunday, it's got me thinking, do they make one of those things to fit a '74 Norton Commando?

Ride Carefully

STEVE

August Meeting – August 3rd, 2005

The meeting was opened by Steve welcoming new Triumph owners Troy Fields and Mark Glunz and Roy Cook with his BMW. Adding class to the meeting were the very welcomed guests Janet Hall and Claudia Hollis.

Old Business

July Ad Hoc Ride – to the Warwick Hotel. Ron Marek reported that David Porter was right, if you plan a ride with this group be prepared to go solo.

NEWSLETTER – thanks to Dan Farr and Bill Bath. Also it was noted that Bill had an article about the New Ulm Rallye published in the most recent edition of Ride Texas Magazine.

Mid Ohio – Paul Kopyar, Malcolm Dixon, John Martin, Tim Russel and John Kish were reported attending this event. Story was told about John Kish's run in with a deer. John survived not so lucky for the deer.

WEBSITE – Thanks given to Jack Updyke for a great website that includes video and photos of the work day at Ortho's...thanks Jack. Send items of interest to Jack for posting on the website.

MEMBERSHIP - Print an application form off the website or from this newsletter and either give it or mail it to John Kish.

New Business

TREASURER'S REPORT – John Kish came at the last minutes so did not have a report prepared but indicated that all is flush. He was questioned (in jest) about the rumor that approximately \$4K was missing, curiously the same amount as the damage done to his GS by the ill-fated deer.

AUGUST INDIVIDUAL RIDE (not BMOA sponsored) – none planned

BMOA FALL PICNIC – September 17th at the Frost's.

BANDERA WEEKEND – in October, there are three cabins left as of Monday, August 1st.

OFFICER'S ELECTION – we need to start thinking of committee members for the December officer's election. David Porter and Jack Updyke volunteered.

SEPTEMBER RIDE - Steve was contacted by Jim McCanless (BMOA member) who has a bike museum in Sealy. 50 brands are on display. Ad Hoc ride to see his collection is planned.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS – a vote will be tabled at the September Meeting to donate to the Harvest Classic / Candlelight Children event.

BRITISH SINGLES RIDE – 1ST Week in October – 1400miles.

16th ANNUAL HOUSTON ALL BRITISH MOTOR VEHICLE EXPO – Saturday October 15th at Trader's Village.

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION – Newsletters are distributed on line and via snail mail at the member's choice. Please advise Dan Farr if your preference has changed or you have difficulty receiving the newsletter.

WEBSITE – Jack Updyke has taken on the task of getting the BMOA website running again. Jack does websites for a living and has solicited the BMOA membership for suggestions. Jack can be contacted at jupdyke@progenda.com or (713) 385-4295. His web site is www.progenda.com. Please offer suggestions areas of interest or offers to help.

NEXT MEETING – September 7th.

2005 Calendar of Events (also check the website

www.bmoaonline.com for any last minute updates)

Regular Events

€ **BMOA of Houston** – First Wednesday of the month at 8:00 PM at the *Hickory Hollow Restaurant* (101 Heights Blvd.)
Come early for good bar-b-que, stay late for bench racing, tire kicking, riding, and whatever.

€ **Ming's Café** (Excellent Cantonese/Hunan Chinese fast food) Thursdays Informal gathering of (usually) European motorcyclists — 8:00 PM to... (2702 Montrose Blvd. » Houston, TX. 77006 » 713-529-7888)

September:

- 7th - **BMOA Meeting**
- 11th - Monthly Ad Hoc Ride (Sealy Texas visit to Jim McCanless')
- 17th - BMOA Fall Picnic at the Frosts
- 18th - RC Model Airplane Meet – Bomber Field, Monaville TX

October:

- 1st – 2nd - Ride to the Races at Texas Motor Speedway
- 2nd - Moto Guzzi Day – Italy, Texas
- 1st week - British Singles Ride to Big Bend
- 5th - **BMOA Meeting**
- 9th - Monthly Ad Hoc Ride (to be announced)
- 7th - 9th - NTNOA Lake 'O the Pines Rally (tentative date)
- 14th - 16th - **BMOA Bandera Weekend**, Bandera, Texas
- 21st-23rd- Harvest Rallye, Lukenback, Texas
- 30th - **BMOA Annual Swap Meet**, Hickory Hollow

November:

- 2nd - **BMOA Meeting**
- 7th - Monthly Ad Hoc Ride (tba)
- 26th - British USA/Gulf Coast BMW Annual Bike Show & Open House

December:

- 7th - **BMOA Meeting**
- 4th - Monthly Ad Hoc Ride (Toy Run)
- tba - **BMOA Christmas Party** (to be announced)

Other picnics and rides scheduled as interest and weather permits.



Anyone looking for a project?



September Meeting – 1st Wednesday (9/7/05)

Ride Texas Magazine by Bill Bath

I just picked up a copy of the September issue of Ride Texas Magazine. They published a few words and one picture on the BMOA rally. The story is on page 15. The editor allowed us a 1/3-page vertical strip. I am happy that we got a little coverage but I'm disappointed with the article. I wrote 3 or 4 paragraphs describing the rally and sent in 4 or 5 pictures. Later the editor asked in a email what was the highlight of the event and I wrote the paragraph about the field games that appears in the magazine. This and one small photo seems to be all the space the editor could spare for us. On the good side, we got a nice plug for the website at the end of the article.

So anyway, I just wanted you guys to know that I tried to get us more coverage but this is all we got.

Ranting on,
Bill

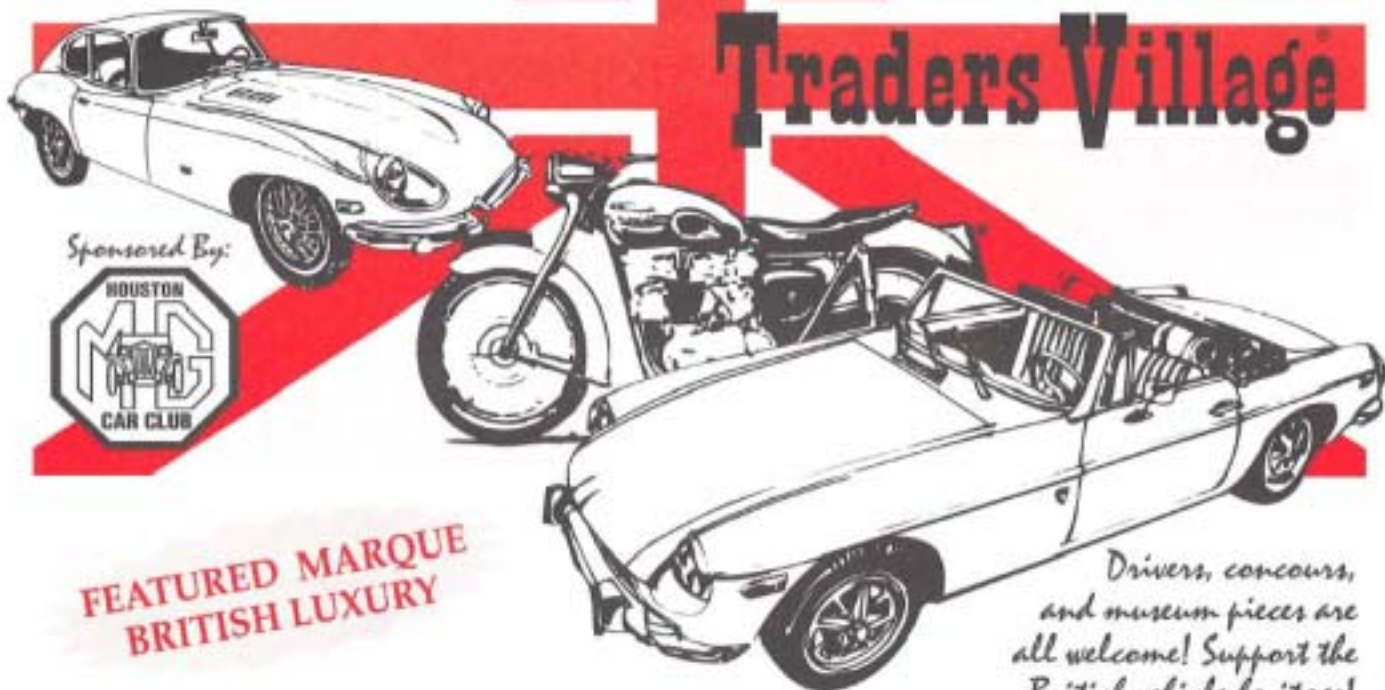


The Rover is a special camper set-up, and the Rapide not only looks great but it is fitted with pre-war carbs, having been "what was available" upon assembly, apparently

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Remember to pay as much attention to your partner as you do your carburetor

TWO DAYS OF ACTION AND ACTIVITIES *September 17th & 18th, 2005*

Oak Park Aravda, Colorado

Join us for a memorable weekend as the Colorado English Motoring Conclave continues its traditional two days of fun and activities.

This event was coordinated in 1983 as a joint effort for the many English vehicle clubs in the Denver metro area. Austin Healey, Jaguar, Lotus, MG Car Clubs, MGA, MGB, T Series, Morris Minor, Rolls Royce, Sunbeam, Triumph, TVR, Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing and the British Motorcycle Association.

The purpose of this event is to further the operation, preservation and owner participation of the British marques. The condition of your bike or car is not important; this is an event for the everyday vehicles as well as the Concours example.

- € "Ride the Rockies" tour kicks off the Conclave weekend at 10:00 AM, Saturday, September 17th. Registration 8:30am-9:30am.
- € Twenty-second Colorado English Motoring Conclave begins at 8 AM, Sunday, September 18th.
- € See a wide assortment of British marques.
- € Become acquainted with local British Auto Clubs.
- € Learn of sources for specialized services.
- € Enjoy food, fun and entertainment in the park.
- € Visit local vendors and take advantage of some super deals.
- € Stroll through the swap meet during Sunday's Conclave.



Details of the Colorado Conclave <http://www.coloradoconclave.com/>.

This is a great weekend ,over 600 cars and 100 bikes ,17th is a road rally and Sunday a day to lay in the sun in one of our local parks, There is a nice little B+B ,just down the road from us.<http://www.innsfcolorado.org/display-inn.php?id=70>

AND IF YOU ARE IN THE NEED TO RENT A BRITISH BIKE <http://www.tourbikes.com/> also a motor cycle auction down in the springs on the 16th Sept. Djwoodandcompany.com.

AND IF YOU ARE INTO VINTAGE BIKE RACES AHMA http://www.ahrma.org/rr_modern.htm

Sept. 10-11 Pueblo Motorsports Park, Pueblo, CO (practice day 9/9)
[Preview](#)

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To be included in the this list, a road or highway must have twisties or sweeping curves and/or be scenic. Interstate or limited-access highways and roads in urban areas are not listed with some exceptions. "If you're going to ride the freeways you might as well take the car." *Roger LaRue, Burlington, WA.*

"The twisties - not the superslabs - separate the bikers from the squids."

"Two lane blacktop isn't a highway - its an attitude."

"So many roads, so little time."

Biker Wisdoms

New We have added a new feature to MotorcycleRoads.US, a [blog](#) which provides news and observations on great motorcycle roads in the United States, as well as other items of interest to motorcyclists. Enjoy!

Have a favorite road you would like to share with other riders? [Submit your road](#) to us! www.motorcycleroads.us

Motorcycle Wisdom:

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Sometimes the best communication happens when you're on separate bikes.

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The BMOA hosts an annual British and European Motorcycle Rally for south central Texas the weekend after Mother's day in May. This three-day event consists of camping, food, planned rides, field events, vendors and in general a lot of buying, selling, swapping, and showing off British motorcycles and parts. The Rally concludes Sunday with a Motorcycle Show and awards presentation. The club promotes an annual Swap Meet the last Sunday in October. Throughout the year BMOA has planned picnics and parties and overnight rides and numerous day rides.

The BMOA meets the first Wednesday each month at Hickory Hollow Bar-B-Que Restaurant, 101 Heights Blvd., Houston, TX at 8:00 PM. Membership is open to anyone who has interest in British Motorcycles. Dues are due each January 1st.

We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting!



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