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NEW BMCU RUN FOR 2016

FAIRVIEW/PRICE/HELPER **APRIL 16**

Let's meet at 8am with a **8:30am departure** at the southeast corner of the **South Towne Mall, 10600 S & State St in Sandy**. This is the location we've used in the past. We will get onto I-15 for a short run to head East on US Hwy 6 in Spanish Fork, Exit 258. Re-group at the Chevron, on the left, FIRST stoplight, for a quick Drain & Gain. Then east on US Hwy 6 to the Thistle/Hwy 89 junction where we will turn right, south, and on to Fairview. Entering Fairview, there will be a stop at the Chevron for a regroup, Drain & Gain, and meet up with our guides, Doug & Peggy Wright, who will lead us to our eventual lunch stop.

Then we will head this way: <http://mapq.st/1ysJWek>.

We will be making a stop at the Skyline Overlook to regroup. There is a rest stop at Mammoth Lake with an information kiosk telling about the great mammoth discovered on this site. Continuing down the canyon, we will stop at Crandall Canyon Mine Memorial: <http://www.ksl.com/?nid=148&sid=3945838>. From there we will continue down to the town of Huntington to HWY 10 and head North to Price for lunch at Groggs Pinnacle Brewing: <http://www.groggspinnaclebrewing.com/ordereze/1000/Page.aspx>.

From Price, there are a number of paths that can be taken back to the city. We would continue on this route with anyone if this is the way they choose.

This takes you back to US6 to US191 up Indian Canyon, to Emma Park Road and back to US6 and on to the Scofield turnoff, HWY96 to HWY264 then back down Fairview Canyon. If they wish, they can continue up US191 to Duchesne then West on US40 to Heber City or where ever they want.

If you need any more info, please let us know.

Thanks,
Doug & Peggy

Post-St. Paddy's Brunch at MacCools Mar 19th

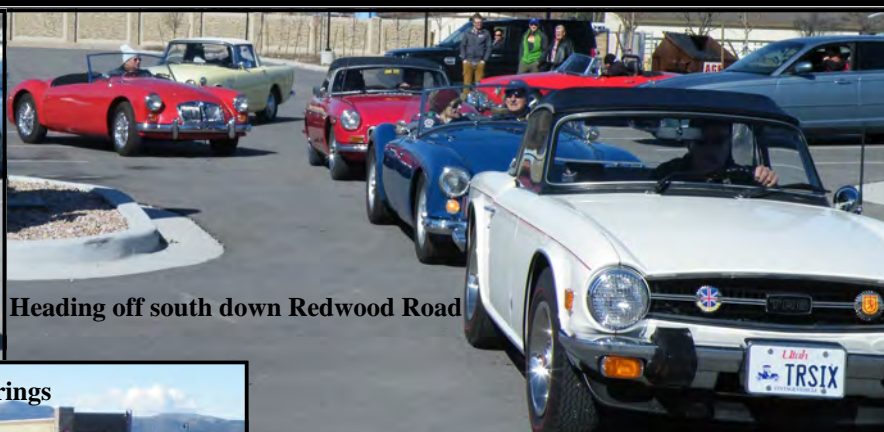


Eureka Run: March 26, 2016

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Revised start location due to *Easter Bunny*





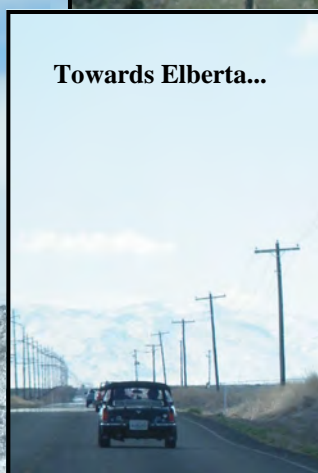
Heading off south down Redwood Road



Drain and gain, Saratoga Springs



West of Utah Lake



Towards Elberta...



Heading up to Eureka

BMCUers intent on lunch and all things LBC. No distractions.



Bright lights on Main Street...
LEDs
Heading west through Eureka.

At the St Paddy's Day brunch, many of you saw the LED exterior light package that I put on our Sunbeam Alpine. There were a lot of questions asked and we answered as many as we could and contacted the man/company that made our light kit to find the answers to those queries for which we didn't have answers.

I have attached* an article/advertisement that Veloce Solutions runs in the newsletter of a Sunbeam organization to which we belong. It will give you some basic information regarding the kits and what he has done to make them as good as possible. His name, company name and contact information is on the attachment.

Although the kits were made originally for Sunbeams, Joe

has branched out and offers exterior, LED lighting kits for Spriget, MGB, and Jaguar. He will also work to make kits for your make/model if you contact him and let him know what your vehicle is. The diagram is for a Sunbeam, but you can get an understanding of what is included in the kit.

You can check out my LED lights at any event we have. I know that some of the members have already contacted Joe for kits for their LBCs, so you will be seeing more and more LED conversions.

The advantage the LEDs have over the normal incandescent lights that we have, is the brightness and visibility that they afford. I can guarantee that if you are behind me, you WILL know when I step on the brakes.

(*See Roger's email to BMCU on March 25)

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1947
Triumph
1800



1947
Singer 9



1947
MG TC

What is a
sports car?



1947 Kurtis- Omohundro Comet – America's first postwar sports car

...what are now known as America's first postwar sports cars, a class of car known then and now as "Sport Customs."

From a close review of this information, we learned that the "Comet" – designed by Frank Kurtis of Glendale, California, and built by Paul Omohundro of Bellflower, California, was a very special car. It was the earliest conceived, designed, built, and written about sports car in postwar America – with production plans to boot. Two cars were ultimately built.

Larger and more powerful than their prewar sports car counterparts of Great Britain (MG's, Singers, etc.), American Sport Customs simultaneously reveal both elements of custom cars and sports cars at a time when both genres were at their genesis in postwar America.

Omohundro had planned wide-scale production of their car, which he called the Comet, based on a 114-inch wheelbase Ford chassis using a 1946 Mercury flathead V-8 (the first chassis, however, sits on a 112-inch wheelbase, indicating '40 or '41 Ford). Hemmings blog April 6, 2009Hemmings blog, [Jul 23rd, 2012](#) and [Mar 15 2016](#).

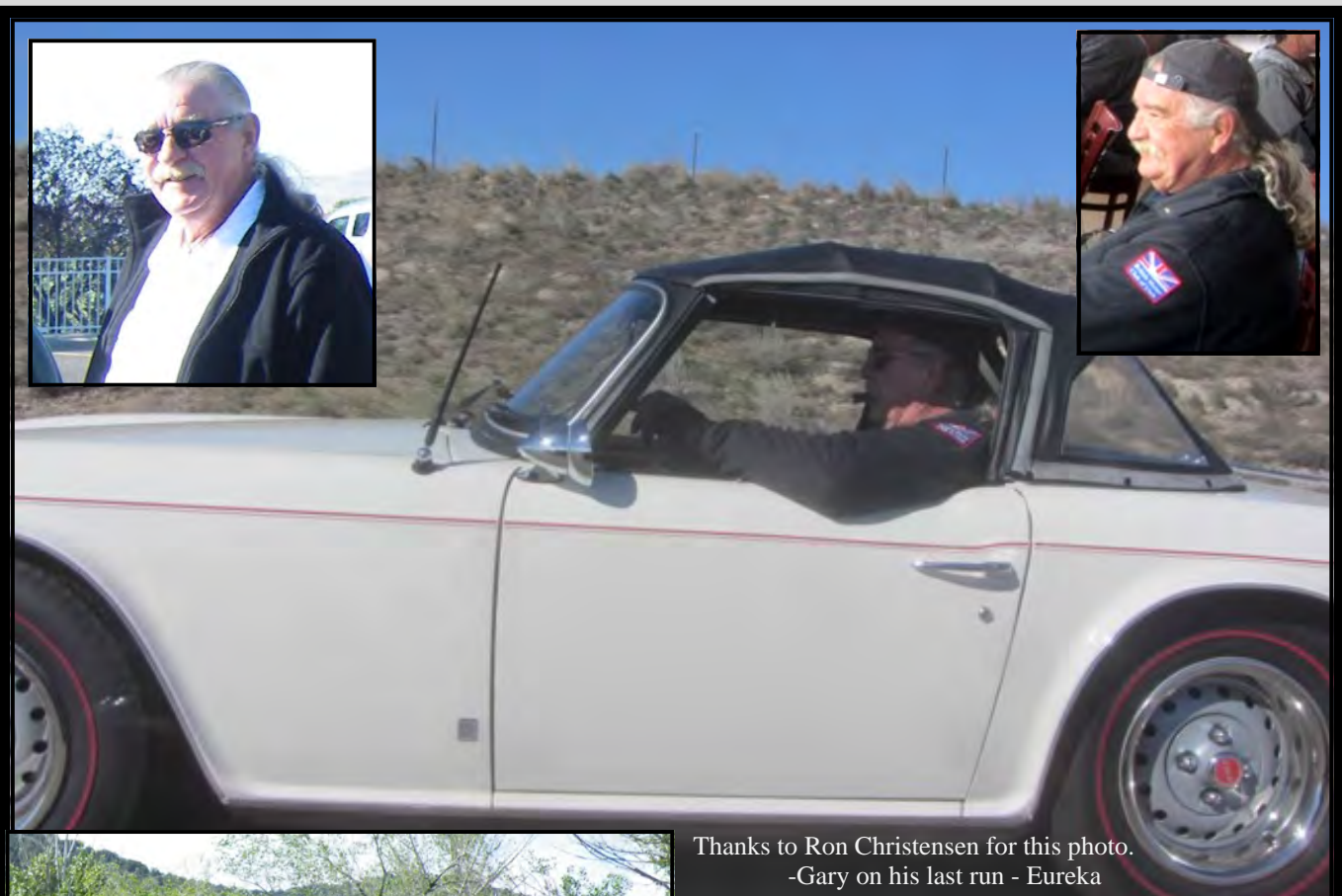


1947
Comet



The nicest guy you could hope to meet. Gary Meldrum

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Thanks to Ron Christensen for this photo.
-Gary on his last run - Eureka

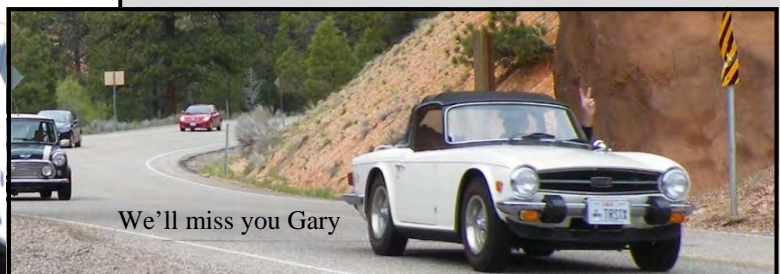


Gary brought us the Memorial
Weekend "Poker Run"

Here is a notification from Cindy, Gary's niece, that is posted on the BMCU Facebook site.

It is with great sadness that my Uncle Gary Meldrum passed away today. He went peacefully in his sleep. I know he loved going on these road trips in "Molly" (his Triumph) with everyone and I am honored that I was able to go with him last year over Memorial weekend. He will be greatly missed.... Will keep you posted with funeral plans.

Condolences to Gary's family from his British Motor Club family.
-Roger Davis



Lucas Calendar 2016

February 6: 2016 Planning Dinner, Roger and Jill Davis

March 20: St. Paddy's at Mac Cool's, Jim Stover

March 26: Eureka, Roger and Jill Davis

Apr 16: Fairview/Price/Helper, Peggy and Doug Wright

May 14: Chalk Creek Run, Rob and Mary Foye

May 28-30: Memorial Weekend Tour, Montpelier, ID, Jim Stover.

Jun 3-5: Glenwood Rallye, Bob Jahnke

Jun 18, 2016: British Field Day Liberty Park SLC, Jon Hermance

Jun 21 Great Race – This is a TUESDAY – Keith Mott

Jun 27 Gathering of the Faithful – Redmond, OR – Jon Hermance

Jul 1: Logan Cruise in and car show New event - Keith Mott, Roger & Jill

Jul 1: Festival of Speed Car Show – Non BMCU event

Aug 21: Hobble Creek & Picnic – Sunday event – (needs a leader!)

Sep 5: State Street Cruise - Decorate your Car – Marty Van Nood

Sep 17: Alpine Loop & BBQ in South Fork Canyon – Drew Frink

Oct 1: Fall Colour Tour – Monte Cristo – Donna & Pat Rich, Roger & Jill Davis

November, 2016: End of Season Dinner, TBD

Don't forget impromptu events too.

The **British Motor Club of Utah** welcomes anyone who owns or is a fan of classic British cars and trucks.

Membership is free. If you are not a member and would like to join, go to our Contact page and let us know!

<http://BMCUTAH.org>

If you would like to attend any of our events, you must adhere to the following rules:

1. Show Up!
2. Have fun!

Please send ideas, suggestions, comments, articles, and/or photos for the BMCU Newsletter to the editor: robbfoye@gmail.com

British Motor Club of Utah

Once upon a time our LBCs were fed real gasoline; ethanol was in Scotch where it belongs and the EPA hadn't been invented yet.

Anyone remember Utah Oil Company (UTOCO)?

Photo below Aug 1958 (Hemmings).



Car spotting:
Possible little red LBC ?

