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FALL COLOUR TOUR—WOLF CREEK PASS

SATURDAY OCTOBER 10, 2015

Our annual Fall Color Tour will take place on Saturday, October 10.

After driving 7 hours and 300 miles today (Sept 29) to check out locations and routes for the Fall Color Tour, Jill and I have determined that the best location for the tour is, in fact, **Wolf Creek Pass**.

The announcement is in the October BMCU Newsletter and I will have an even more copious number of announcement emails flooding the bulletin board, letting people know of the change.

It was a tough decision to make and made with great thought and consideration. The bottom line is this: the fall colors in Northern Utah just are not nearly what they have been in the past. The Monte Cristo location was nearly barren of any Quaky leaves. The other leaves were muted colors. There just were not many trees with color.

The Wolf Creek Pass has many more trees and trees with leaves having color. Of course, there are several days until the Tour, so all of that can/may/will change. At this time, however, the Wolf Creek location is much more scenic.

FYI, we will now meet at our usual place at the Hogle Zoo at 9am for a 9:30am departure, up Emigration Canyon. The route will take us on a short stretch of I-80 to Exit 146 and the Sinclair station at Silver Creek Jct., to meet up with others and a Drain & Gain. The route will take US-40 to Exit 4, U-248, through scenic, Brown's Canyon.

At the "T" intersection with U-32, we will turn Right and travel through Peoa, Oakley, Kamas, and to Francis. At the stop sign in Francis, turn left (East) and continue on U-35 up to the Wolf Creek Summit (9480') where parking will be off the road in a small area, with overflow on the shoulder of the road as we've done in the past.

Unfortunately, the gate to the larger parking area is already padlocked and not accessible to vehicles. As you'll recall, it is just a short walk to the tables in this area.

After eating, members can continue east to Hanna and Tabiona, where they may turn around, retracing the route or turn right on U-208 and hook up with US-40 and back to Heber. Of course, retracing the route from the summit lunch area will make for a shorter route, time wise.

There you have it. If you have any other suggestions, comments, etc. shoot me an email or text.
- Roger Davis

Thanks to Roger and Jill for checking this out.

It can be chilly in the mountains; dress accordingly. I'll probably wear shorts anyway. -ed.

State Street Cruise—Labor Day

Holy Cow! What a great turn out with such short notice! As I crested the State St hill to go to the meeting place, I saw that there were at least six cars already lined up and it wasn't even 10am, yet. As we got closer to our departure time, KSL news came up and interviewed several of the members and took lots of video of our LBCs. Unfortunately, the fire by Deer Creek Res. bumped us off the otherwise slow news weekend.

The decorations on the cars and participants were awesome! We also had at least three people who were cruising with us for the first time. Sure hope we continue to see you at the drives. The first time participants were each given a window decal to put on their cars.

Prizes were given for the "Best Recent Patriotic Paint Job", "Most Square Feet of Flags", and "Best Use of Bunting". Everyone seemed to have a great time. We stayed pretty much together along the full route, and In and Out Burger handled our rowdy union with no problem.

Along State St., our horns were blaring, we were smiling and waving and accepting compliments from every one who saw us: police, a honk from a fire truck, cute girl in a jacked up pickup truck, car salesmen, beggars on the corners, hookers (that's what I was told) and homeless people. They all had a moment when their cares of the day were put aside as the BMCU cruised down State St on Labor Day.

There were copious amounts of pictures taken, so please send them over to Drew or post them yourself. We'd like to see them and show how much fun those unable to attend, missed.

Great show, folks! You made the Club look as classy as can be.

With the customary forgiveness for missed people and misspelled names, here are the participants:

David Gonzalez, Gary Meldrum, Larry Farrington, Pat & Donna Rich, Merv Brown & Karen, Grant Bletzacker, Jerry Bletzacker, Kevin & Marie Cowan, Richard Bowen, Nan Hardman, Bruce Oblad & Nan, Taylor Wise, Paul Jaroch, Ron Christensen, Jon & Susan Hermance, Roger & Jill Davis, Kent & Cory Jensen, Denny & Barry Blackett, Drew Frink, Laura & Alison Hermance, Barry Engstrom, Rob & Mary Foye, Rich Weyland, Little Rich & Granddaughter Aimi, Luke Swistun, Adam Hurdman, Mark and Finn Milligan, and Sam Robinson.

-Roger Davis

LBCs included MGs, Lotuses, Triumphs (and a Triumph motorcycle), Minis, AH, a Sunbeam and an All-American Jeep.

The KSL photographer, Steve, did a thorough job of interviews both at the state capitol as well as photographing along State Street.

We didn't make the miscellaneous news that night (Labor Day); there was a story about Christmas shopping instead.

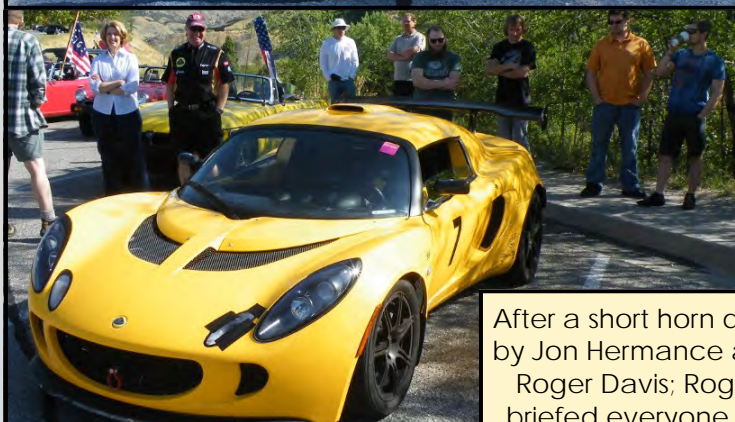
Oh well... -ed.

BTW: I didn't see a story about Miner's Day either.



State Street Cruise Sept 7, 2015





After a short horn duet by Jon Hermance and Roger Davis; Roger briefed everyone on the day's event.



On to "In and Out Burger" for the prestigious award ceremony

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Heading down State Street



2nd Place
Rich Weyland
Triumph TR 250
Most Square
Feet of Flags



1st Place
Barry Engstrum
MGTD Hybrid
Best Recent
Patriotic Paint Job



Lunch at
In and Out Burger



3rd Place
Mark & Finn
Milligan
Lotus Europa
Best Use of
Bunting



What can be said, other than if you were not on the Hobble Creek Run and Scavenger Hunt, you missed a **TOTALLY AWESOME** event. It started with a large turn out at the meeting place, where to announce the Driver's meeting, Jon Hermance and I entertained the assembled masses with a serenade from our brass horns. Then, Ritt explained the guidelines for the Scavenger Hunt and wished everyone good luck. BTW, during the drive we did take a detour through a parking lot to see if we could find a van with stick figures on the back window.

Off we went, headed for Alpine and the group waiting for us there. After a short stop, we took off for the Canyon Rd that runs along the base of Timpaginos Mt. and leads to the world famous Purple Turtle! We hit State St. for a while, ran over to the mouth of Provo Canyon and then south on University, past the new Temple and turned east, right after that ugly pink building.

In no time, we were in Springville and heading towards our lunch spot. And this is where it went wrong for several cars. Evidently, the members were **REALLY** hungry because they kept turning onto every road that they could, in an attempt to find the picnic spot. I must have really thrown them off by using the work "fork" in the driving directions! Finally, everyone found the Jolley's Ranch Campground and the nicely shaded picnic area with lots of parking for our Britmobiles. What a fantastic location for a

There really is a Triumph Blvd.

Note: Ritt has a TR7.



picnic! Beautiful grounds, and mountains covered with all shades of color on the leaves. Good job, Charles, for getting your photographic skill shown on the Fox evening news!

Welcome to the new members who came with us on the Run. From the smiles and comments, I believe we'll see you again in the near future.

Apologies to missed persons and misspelled names. The following members had a fantastic time enjoying the beautiful scenery of the canyon and the camaraderie of knowing that they made BMCU history, by participating in the **FIRST** Hobble Creek Run and Scavenger Hunt.

Denny & Barry Blackett, Pat & Donna Rich, Gary Lindstrom, David Gonzalez, John Progress, Dave Spendlove, Kevin & Marie Cowan, Jon & Susan Hermance, Paul Jaroch, Julie & Don McEligot, The Bowen family (4), Sam Robinson, Roger & Jill Davis, Gary Meldrum & Cindy, Roger Dotson & Jamie Monroe, Robert Kelsho, Charles Eddington, Rob Norcross, Rob & Mary Foye, Doug & Peggy Wright, Jim O'Keefe, "Pilot" Jensen, and Jim Stover. -**Roger Davis**

BMCU HOBBLE CREEK CRUISE SCAVENGER HUNT

I SPY:	
POINTS ✓ VALUE	WHAT TO FIND
10	FIND AN ELECTRIC CAR
10	FIND A MINI VAN WITH A STICK FIGURE FAMILY OF 6 OR MORE.
10	FIND A DOG RIDING "SHOTGUN"
15	FIND A DOG RIDING ON THE DRIVERS LAP
5	FIND A ROAD GATOR (BLOWN OUT TIRE ON THE ROAD)
15	FIND A STATE OF UTAH FLAG
25	FIND A UNION JACK (BRITISH FLAG) NOT ON ONE OF OUR CARS
10	FIND TRIUMPH BLVD.

PARTICIPATION CREDIT	
POINTS ✓ VALUE	WHAT TO DO
10	MAKE A SEMI HONK IT'S HORN.
-5	HIT A POT HOLE (LOSE POINTS, BE HONEST)
10	MAKE A PEDESTRIAN WAVE AT YOU
5	MAKE IT THROUGH 3 GREEN LIGHTS IN A ROW

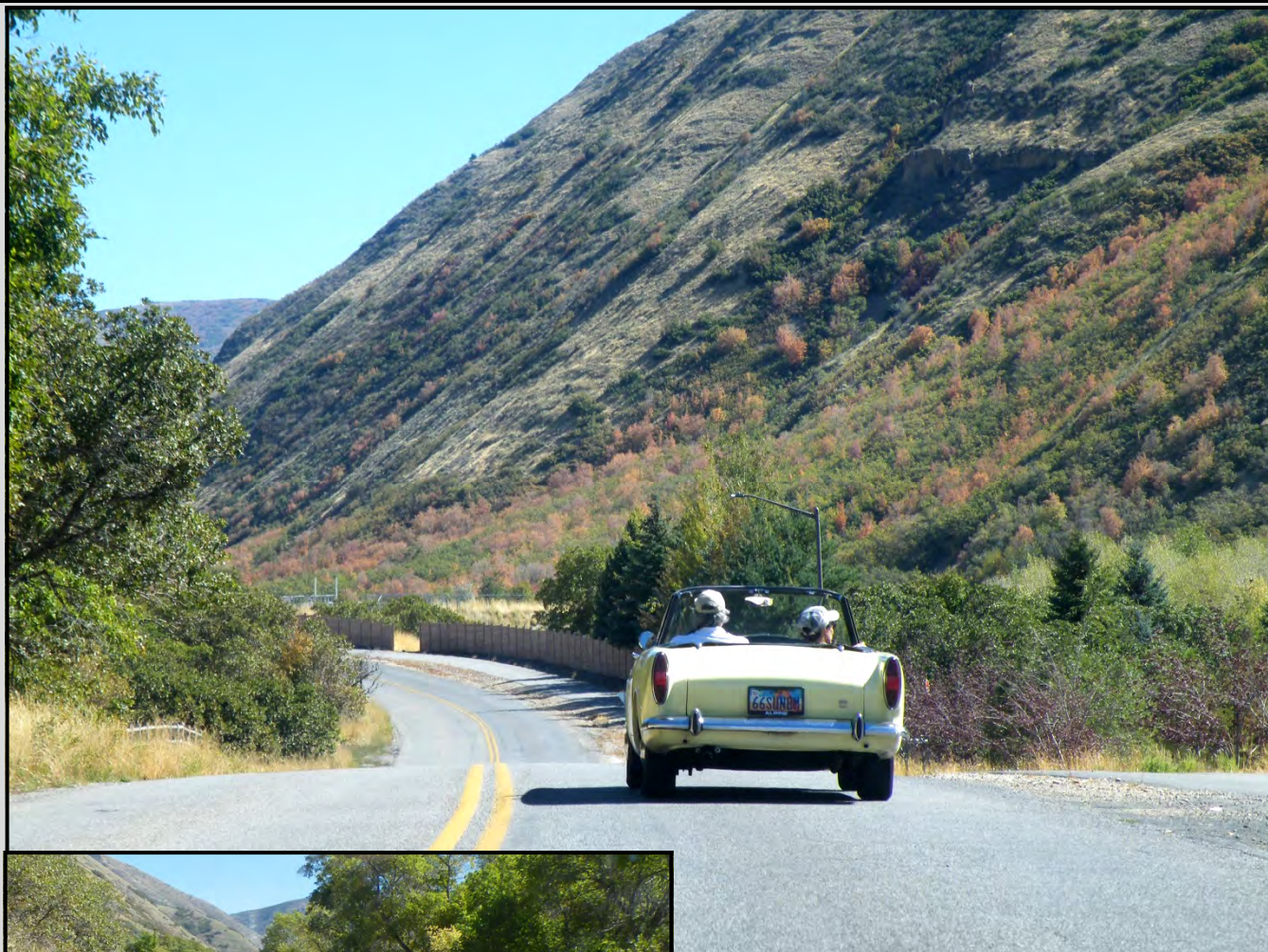
THE ESSAY QUESTIONS AT THE END OF THE TEST:	
POINTS ✓ VALUE	QUESTION
10	WHERE IS THE HERD OF LONGHORN CATTLE?
10	WHERE IS THE "PURPLE TURTLE"?
10	WHAT KIND OF BUSINESS IS IT?
10	WHAT IS THE OTHER NAME OF THE FRONTAGE ROAD AT THE POINT OF THE MOUNTAIN?
10	HOW MANY GOLF COURSES DID WE PASS ON OUR WAY?

EXTRA CREDIT	
POINTS ✓ VALUE	WHAT TO DO
25	DRAW A BRITISH CAR RELATED CARTOON ON THE BACK OF THIS SHEET (BE SURE TO CAPTION) FUNNY IS BETTER. MAKE IT CLEAN, WE MAY JUST USE IT IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER.

Hobble Creek Sunday Drive



Up Hobble Creek Canyon

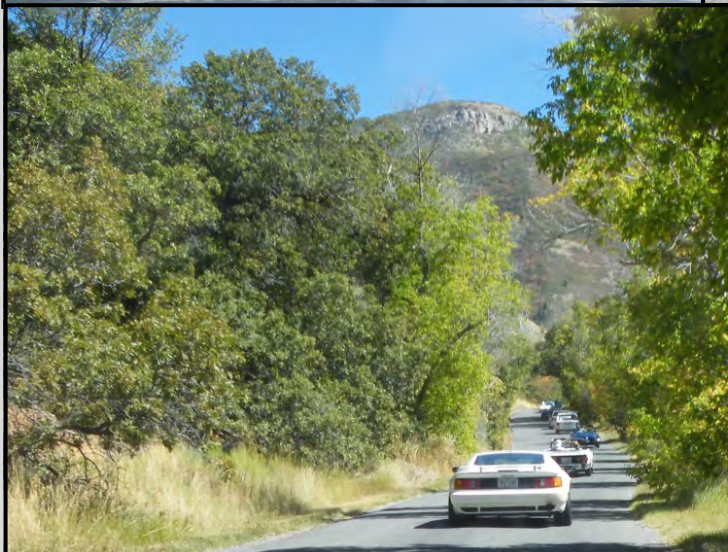


The Jolley's Ranch picnic area. There were plenty of trees and shade for the picnic tables on the grass. The ample adjacent parking allowed for our usual where ever we go car show.

Up Hobble Creek Canyon



First-time cars on the run included a '65 Triumph 2000 recently from Kentucky and a local Sunbeam Tiger.



After lunch the run continued up Hobble Creek Canyon—until the pavement ended. We then branched off onto another fork in the road. There are some really big houses up there!



Q: Did the British ever build a popemobile?

A: Yes.

There has been considerable recent news coverage regarding the pope's arrival at the White House in a small black Fiat vs the usual dignitary/celebrity arrivals in huge SUV's, limos etc. Various "popemobiles" have been built by Mercedes-Benz, Ford Transit, Lincoln Continental, Graham-Paige (Detroit, 1933), Citroen, Jeep, and of course Fiat. Yes, the British did build a popemobile. A 6-wheeled, 24-ton, off-road behemoth by Leyland now in a museum.

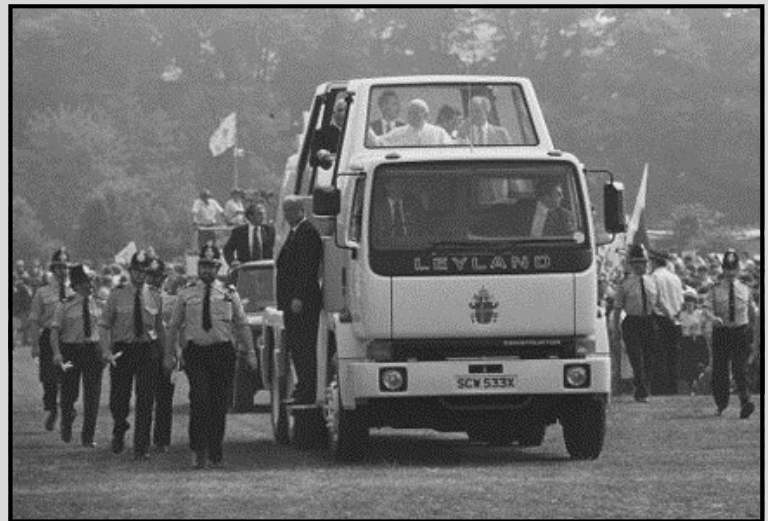
Considering what British Leyland did to Little British Cars (LBCs) there may never be another.

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BRITISH COMMERCIAL VEHICLE MUSEUM

From: BY JAMESEJONES86 • MAY 2, 2015

"The Popemobile was custom **built by Lancashire Manufacturer British Leyland**. Our museum vehicle ensured the safe transportation of Pope John Paul II, when he visited the UK in 1982, for his 5 day pastoral trip. It was designed to allow the Pope to be visible to very large crowds (up to one million plus). **It weighs 24 tons**, has bullet-proof glass, under-floor armour and the body design incorporates low ballistic material, which will repel small firearms. The Leyland Constructor Chassis was chosen for it's renowned "off-road" capability and acceleration if an emergency arose. (Popemobile or Papamobile in Italian, is an



informal name given to the specially designed motor vehicles used by the Catholic Pope during outdoor public appearances)."



The Leyland vehicle also saw service in Africa.



The Great Escape: 2 little boys dig their way out of Russian kindergarten – to buy a Jaguar

Two 5-year-old Russian boys staged their own version of "The Great Escape" from a kindergarten in the Ural Mountains, using spades to dig a tunnel. Then, like Steve McQueen in the classic WWII movie, they went to get some getaway wheels: a Jaguar sports car.

The boys mysteriously disappeared while on a supervised group walk in their hometown of Magnitogorsk, Komso-molskaya Pravda newspaper reported.

Then the two walked for 2 kilometers to a car showroom, and told a female driver nearby that they were going to buy a Jaguar. The only hole in their escape plan? They didn't have any money.

The woman put the boys in her car, and took the mischievous duo to the police.

It turned out that the boys had been plotting their daring escape for days, digging a hole under the fence using their sand-box spades.

The kindergarten only noticed the boys were absent after they'd been gone for 30 minutes.

Local authorities fired the supervisor responsible for looking after the kids, also giving a warning to the kindergarten's director.

"This is considered a very serious violation," the head of the pre-school department of Magnitogorsk, Olga Denisenko, told Komsomolskaya Pravda.

The boys' parents haven't filed a complaint against the kindergarten, and are said to be glad that no harm came to them.

From: RT September 9, 2015

FYI

Local British stuff but without cars...

Depending on your interests in things British beyond LBCs, there is currently an exhibit of paintings,

The British Passion for Landscape at the Utah Museum of Fine Arts at the **U of U** (umfa.utah.gov).

The paintings are from the unpronounceable **amgueddfa cymru**, or as the rest of us might say, The National Museum of Wales.



Admission is \$14 Adults; \$12 Seniors and youth (6-18); \$5 after 5pm every Wednesday

(Wed. open 'till 8pm); FREE all day the first Wednesday of the month.

Now showing through December 13.



"Steelworks, Cardiff, at night" Lionel Walden

"The exhibition unfolds a story that runs from the Industrial Revolution, through the eras of romanticism, impressionism, and modernism, to the postmodern and post-industrial imagery of today."

Maybe there might be some LBCs included. I'll have to go see. -ed.

Lucas Calendar

March 15: St. Patty's Day Social –MacCool's in Foothill Village—11am.

March 28: Eureka/Tooele Drive: Roger & Jill Davis.

April 11: Once Around the Lake Run: Paul Jaroch

April 18: Karting at Miller Motorsports Park, Toole, Kevin Cowan

May 2: Chalk Creek Canyon and Lincoln Hwy: Rob Foye.

May 23: Kanab Memorial Day Tour: Jim Stover and Roger & Jill Davis.

June 20: British Field Day (BFD) Liberty Park SLC, Jon Hermance, Set up June 19.

June 27: Fairview Drive: Doug & Peggy Wright. POSTPONED

July 12: Bear Lake Picnic Run: Larry Farrington.

August 15: Alpine Loop Run and BBQ: Drew Frink BBQ Cooks: Roger & Jill Davis.

September 7, 2015: State Street Cruise, Roger Davis

September Sunday Sept 20: Hobble Creek Drive

October 10: Fall Colour Tour—Wolf Creek Pass, Roger & Jill Davis

November ?, 2015: End of Season Dinner TBD, Jim Stover

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

TO: Board of Directors and Loyal Members
BMCU September 28, 2015 Third quarter financial report for our club.

Beginning balance (from last report)		\$5309.75
Income		
Merchandise sales	534.74	
Bank interest	<u>.26</u>	
	+ 535.00	
Expense		
VTR insurance	50.00	
Reimbursement:		
Roger Davis	260.69	
Andrew Frink	87.50	
Jim Stover	<u>7.23</u>	
	- 405.42	
Current balance		<u>\$5439.33</u>
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