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May—Double Feature Month

Echo Valley Tour - Saturday, May 1

“May Day” may be a call of distress but is also the beginning of our warm season here and time for our Echo Valley Tour, a delightful tour with varied scenery up through the Echo Valley from near Jordanelle, by Rockport and Echo Reservoirs then through the Canyon to Morgan. The route will begin at the familiar east parking lot of the Hogle Zoo at **10am** and wind up and over Emigration Canyon to Little Dell Reservoir and I-80, 15 mi. over Parleys Summit to Silver Creek Junction just east of Park City for our Drain & Gain. Now we head a bit down 40/189 to Exit 4 toward Kamas but just briefly and left on Browns Canyon and up to Rockport Res and continuing to Echo Res. Then west by Hennifer and at Croydon enter 84 and immediately enter the viewing area of Devil Slide. After a short stop we’ll continue 8 mi. into Morgan and our picnic stop at the Riverside Park, 140 N 250 E. Length of Tour is approx. 73 mi / 2hrs.

From this point back to SLC you can either proceed on 84 to South Ogden and take 89 south or from Morgan 66 to East Canyon and 80 to SLC, a Touring Delight on its own. To return to Park City east on 84 then west on I-80 and Silver Creek Junction.

There are a few twists but we’ll be easily together for the turns and of course away from the freeways on this 2hr tour. These are the side roads along I-80 from Park City up to Echo, a most picturesque valley then west to Morgan. Aside from the 15 miles over Parleys Summit to Silver Creek Junction this is a most leisurely peaceful Tour.

****Note:** On the grade up Parleys I plan to maintain 60 mph in the far right with my flashers on.

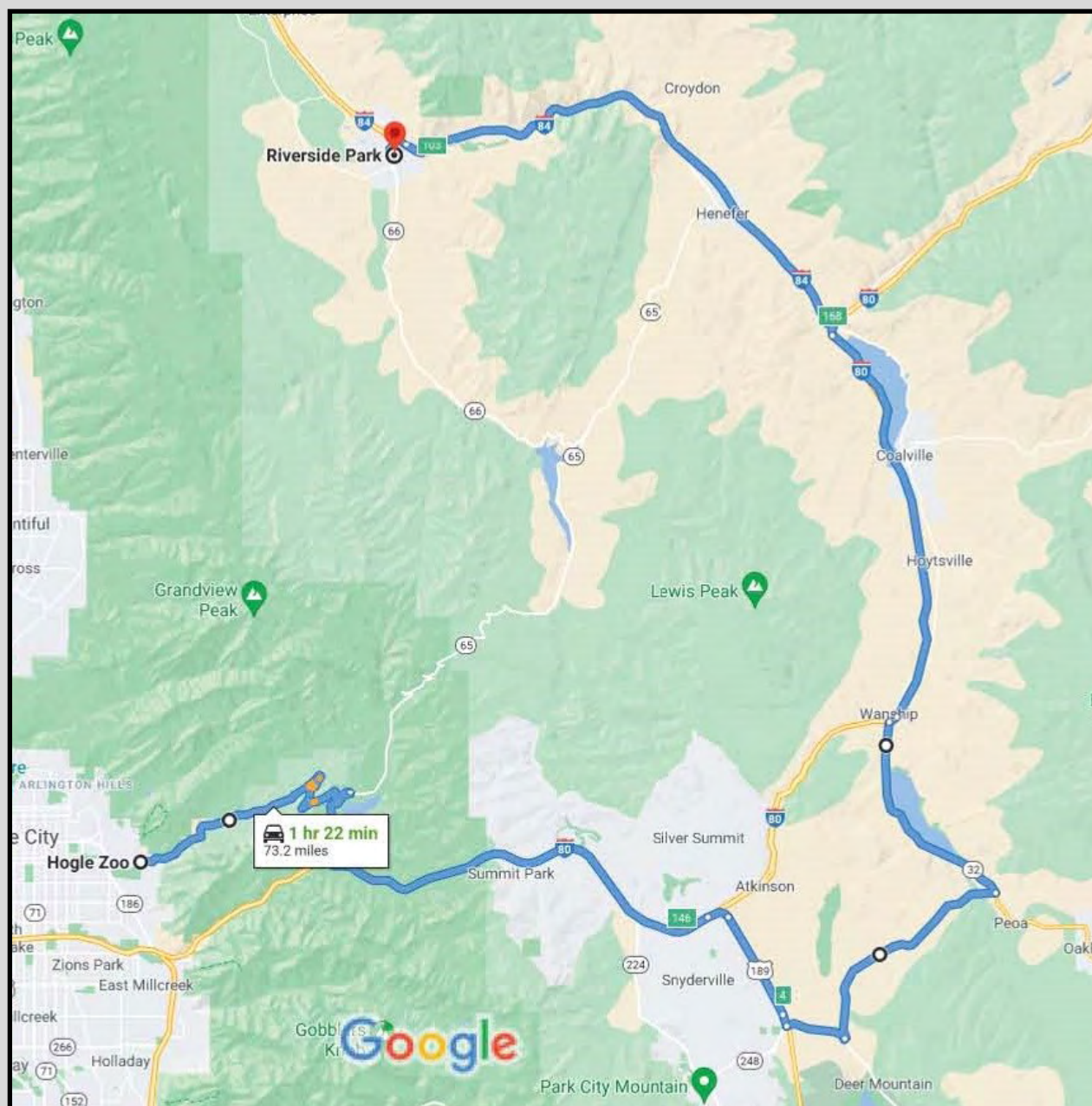
Paul Jaroch, Membership Fellow BMCUtah

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Watch your email for additional information

Echo Canyon Tour cont'd



From our Quartermaster, Rich Weyland:

I have been asked to order **BMCU name tags**. I need a min of 25 to do this It will be a one time order so please send your info to quartermaster@bmcutah.org

- Name
- Car and year
- pin or magnetic back



Memorial Weekend Trip

Kanab

From the comments that I received from those of you on the Eureka Run, it sounds like everyone is getting pretty stoked about getting out and doing some driving.

One question that always comes up is: What is our route going to be? Thought I'd give you this information so that you can concentrate on other matters.

TIMES/MILEAGES ARE CLOSE APPROXIMATIONS as per Google Maps:

9am - Meet at the Maverik Station - 2023 Redwood Rd., Saratoga Springs. Pure gas available. Top up your tank!

				Total miles
9:30am - Saratoga Springs -> Nephi via Goshen Canyon				
10:30am - Arv Nephi Flying J - Short Drain & Gain	1.0 hrs	49 miles		49
10:45am - Lv Nephi -> Salina via Levan, U-28 & US 89	1.0 hrs	55 miles		104
11:45am - Salina -> Richfield Meet Kelly Honeyman in Salina	.5 hrs	19 miles		123
12:15pm - Arv Richfield for Shotgun lunch*	.5 hrs			
12:45pm - Lv Richfield -> Panguitch	1.5 hrs	78 miles		201
2:15pm - Arv Panguitch - Silver Eagle Drain & Gain	.5			
2:45pm - Lv Panguitch -> Kanab	1.5 hrs	68 miles		269
4:15pm - Arv Kanab - Comfort Suites - 150 W Center St. 435-644-8200				
TOTALS	6.5 hrs			269

*SHOTGUN LUNCH - Lunch at a restaurant of your choosing. Note that 30 minutes is allotted.

In the weeks to come, we will be sending out more information regarding various driving routes and things to do in and around Kanab.

I've been asked about the **Memorial Day ATV trip** that some of us are going to take. This is a guided tour and you drive your UTV, either a 2 or 4 person vehicle. Included in the cost is the guide, the vehicle, water, and helmet. Your own helmet is OK as long as it is a DOT approved helmet.

Attached is more information from the Kanab Tour Company regarding the ride that we will be taking. Remember, this is a voluntary activity. You are in no way being forced to do this UTV ride. I'm using some of the Stimulus Check to pay for this fun trip. You may also share a vehicle and thereby decrease your cost by splitting the rental fee.

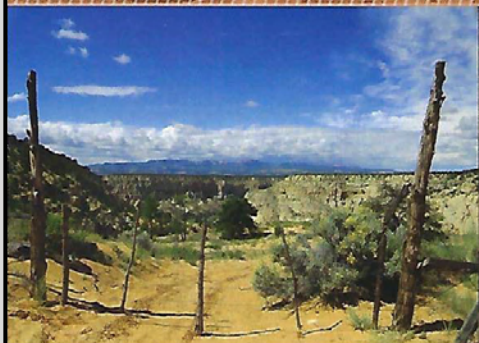
There are many things to do in and around the Kanab area. This is just one of them. We will be putting out a list of things that we've found in the Kanab surroundings to help you decide what you want to do. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

The UTV ride/trip on Memorial Day IS NOT a mandatory activity. It IS something that several of us are going to do. There are lots of things to do in Kanab! If you are planning on going on the UTV ride, reserve your machine NOW! Call Kanab Tour Co. & tell them you are with the British Motor Club of Utah. After making your reservation, send me an email letting me know that you've made the reservation. Sharing a machine is OK. Use your Stimulus Money to have some fun. Kanab Touring Company - 435-644-5525

- Roger Davis

Memorial Weekend ATV Trip

INCHWORM ARCH



OFF THE BEATEN PATH: YES

BEST SEASON: YEAR ROUND

VEHICLE: ATV OR 4WD

HIKING: .25 MILES ROUND TRIP

AVERAGE TIME: HALF DAY

DIFFICULTY: EASY RIDE/ VERY SANDY

ELEVATION: 5854 FEET

GETTING THERE:

- From Kanab drive East on HWY 89 , and turn left at Johnson Canyon (just past milepost 55).
- Travel 9.1 miles to the Nephi Pastures Trailhead on your right.
- Unload your ATV here.
- Take road #556 for about 8 miles.
- The road will drop into a valley, then turn right at road #558.
- Drive 1 mile, TAKE THE FIRST LEFT. (If you reach the corral you've gone to far).
- Drive 1.5 miles, when the road forks stay left.
- The road will end. There you will see a brown "No Vehicles" sign-park here.
- Start hiking along the trail behind the No Vehicle, sign.
- You will meander southeast for about 1/4 mile, and then head back west to a rock ledge overlook.

DISCLAIMER:

"This map and directions are intended for general reference use only. Always check local road and weather conditions. Stay on designated roads. Dirt roads are impassable when wet. Please respect Private Property. Be prepared for a wilderness experience: Always bring extra water, food, sunscreen, and supplies. Cell phone service is non-existent in most areas! Do not remove artifacts or deface the 'rock art'. Leave no trace of your visit so others may enjoy."

Kanab Visitor's Center: 78 S 100 E

PHONE: 435.644.5033

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While out on a backpacking trip, a group of Kanab Boy Scouts discovered and named this arch "Inchworm Arch". It's been a local favorite for generations.

Seen from just the right angle, this double arch resembles a long inchworm slowly crawling its way down along the rocks. You have to position yourself 'just right' by hiking down the canyon and looking up. A 4WD or ATV is required to get to the arch because of the deep sand. This is a fun and relaxing ride. There are amazing views of the White Cliffs.

Around the Lake Run April 17.

SLC-Rainbow Gardens-Ogden Canyon-Pineview-North Ogden Divide- Ogden – and points home.

What a beautiful day for a drive in the mountains!!!! By the time we headed up Ogden Canyon, there were 21 vehicles and 32 members enjoying the bright blue skies and snowcapped mountains. Only a few folks did not have their convertible tops lowered. It was just that nice! The predicted high winds never materialized, so all that could be seen were the large smiles on the participants faces; even through their masks!

The picture to the right, taken and submitted by Rory, bears testament to the awesome weather for the Around the Lake Run. Thanks Rory. Sorry you couldn't join us.

The picnic lunch on the patio of A Little Taste of Britain was a wonderfully warm and calm location. The way the area is positioned, the sun warms the tables and the buildings shelter the tables from any wind. We were all opening jackets or shedding

coats. Several members purchased their lunches from the establishments that surround the location and brought them back to the patio.

It was great to see new and longtime members out enjoying their Brit mobiles and the camaraderie that the BMCU provides.

- Roger Davis



Beginning at the State Capital...



Roger Davis (Yellow Sunbeam) led the southern group from the Utah State Capital to Rainbow Gardens in Ogden.



Nice Drain and Gain in the North



Southern and northern groups met at Rainbow Gardens at the mouth of Ogden Canyon.

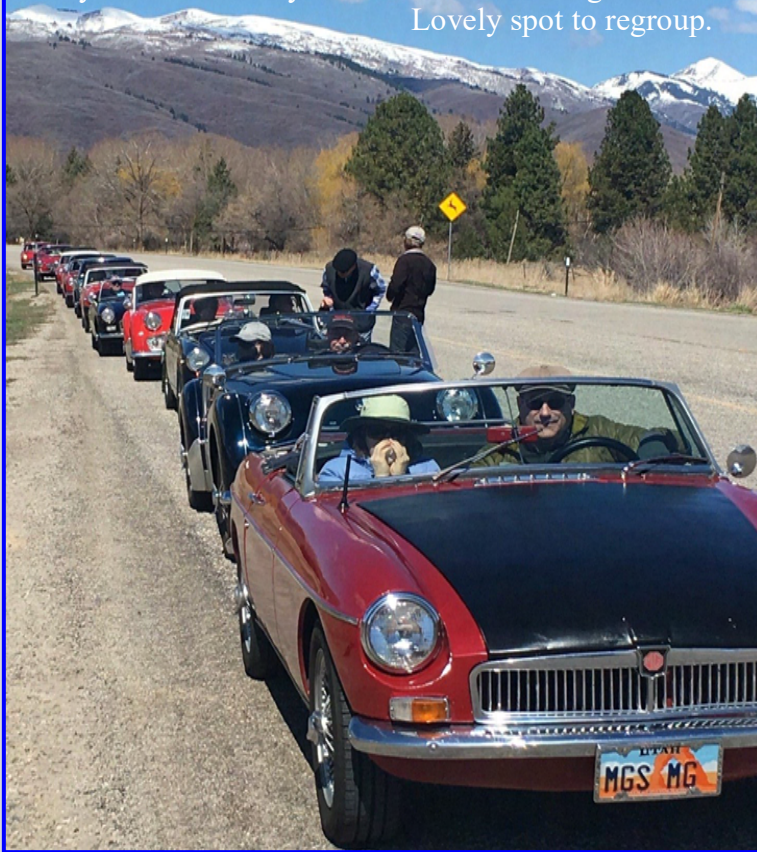


Kent Jensen (Dark Blue TR250) led the tour Around the Lake..

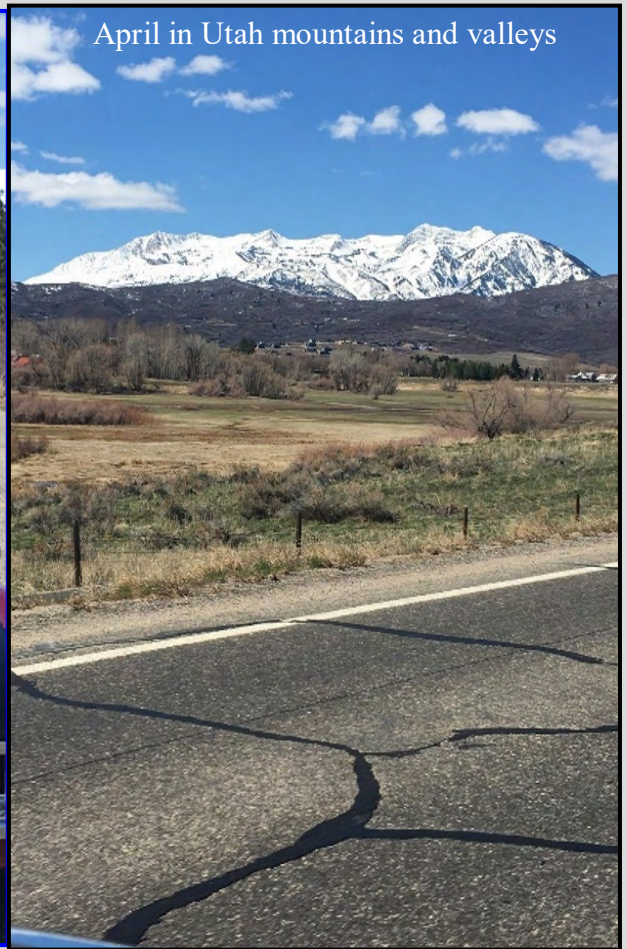


Mountain scenery at recombobulation

Bridge construction left just one lane mid-way up Ogden Canyon controlled by an automatic traffic light.
Lovely spot to regroup.



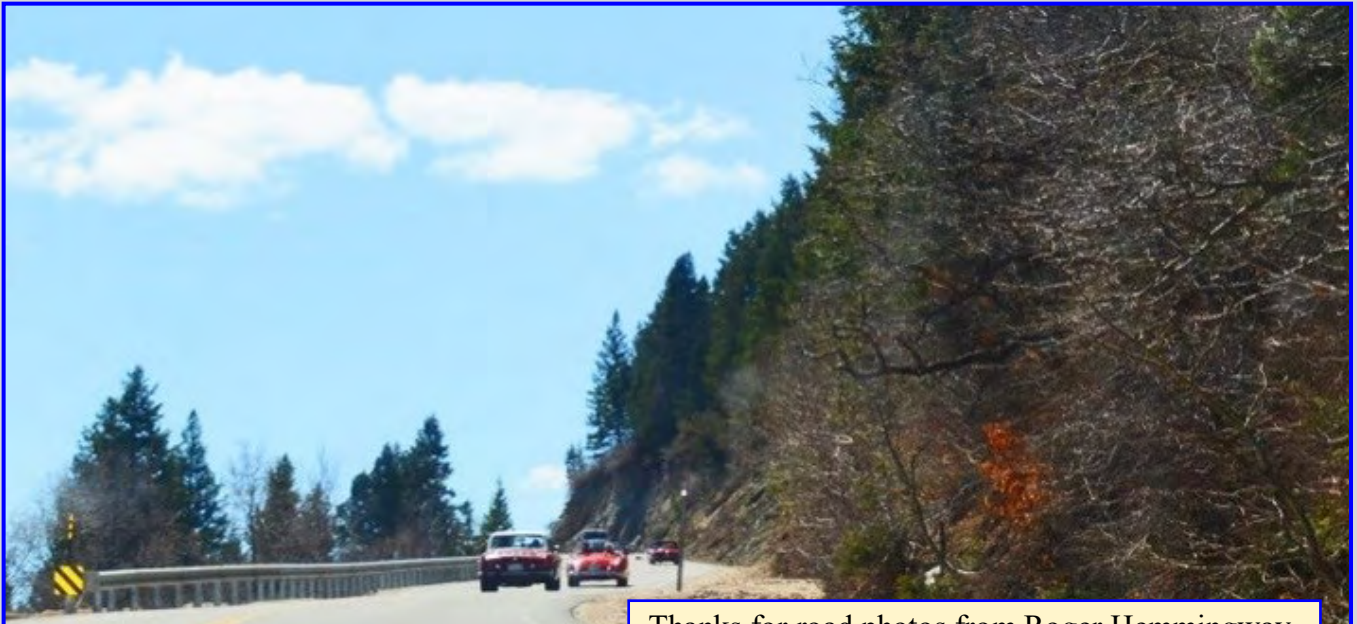
April in Utah mountains and valleys



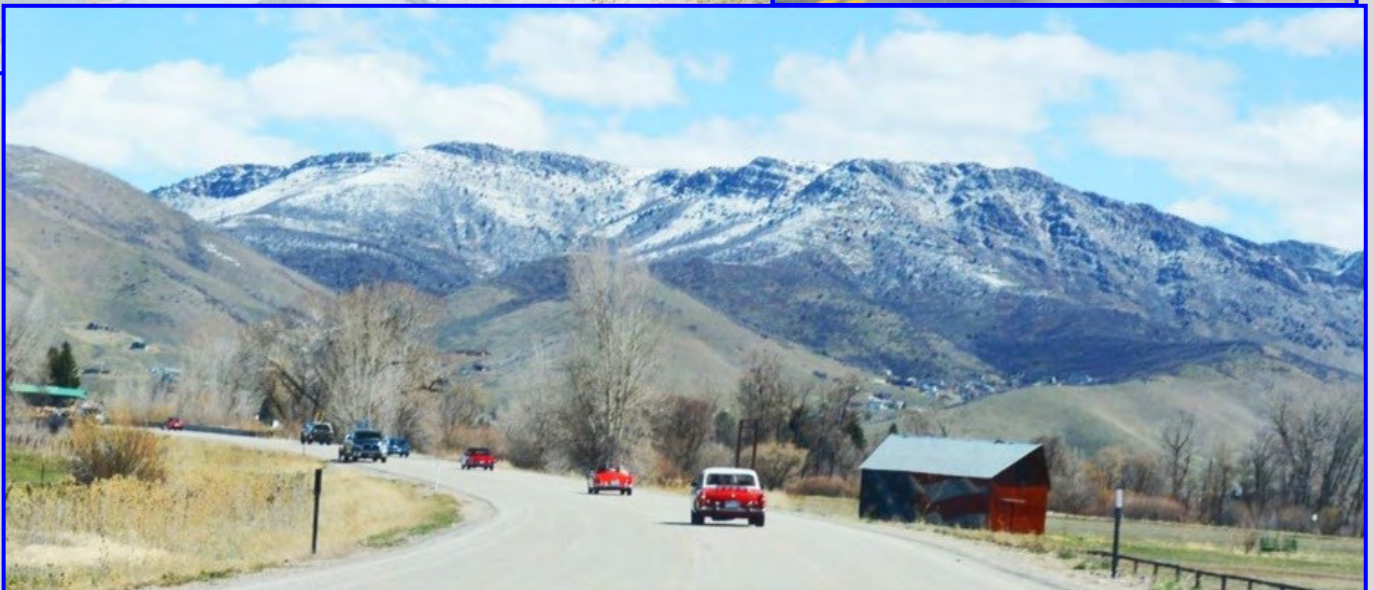
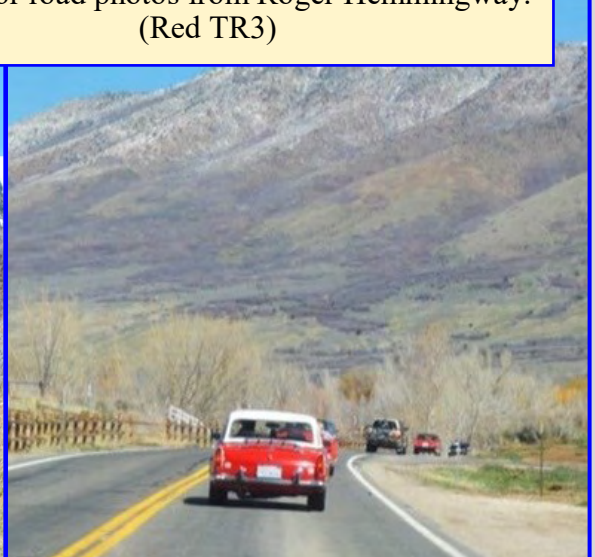
Thanks for two photos from Dan Keiley at Rainbow Gardens.



On the Road Around the Lake



Thanks for road photos from Roger Hemmingway.
(Red TR3)



I have a great story about my Morgan although it is bitter-sweet.

When I was fifteen (1971), I got a job washing dishes at a place called Five Alls Restaurant on Foothill Blvd. in Salt Lake City. The owner had his 1967 Plus 4 Morgan he had bought new in the parking lot. From day one when I saw the Morgan I fell in love with them. Before I got my drivers license I use to sit in it and play with the shifter. One time I left it out of gear and it rolled across the parking lot and hit another car. It didn't hurt the other car but it put a dent in the fender of the Morgan. My Boss was mad as hell! Anyway, I worked for him off and on until I got through College. I had pretty much done every job there from dishwasher to Maître d'. Over the years I got close to the owner and he became a friend. When I finally had my drivers license he let me drive it. I was the only employee that he ever let drive that Morgan, even though I was responsible for the dent in the fender. Since the day I first saw it, I have always dreamed of having a Morgan of my own.

Last year just before Covid hit In February of 2020, I heard my friend and owner of the car had passed away. So, I went to his funeral. I struck up a conversation with his now-grown daughter whom I had known since the day they brought her home from the hospital. We reminisced working at the restaurant and during the conversation I asked her "What ever happened to that old Morgan?" She said "You know, that car is still in my dad's garage. It hasn't been started in 20 years". I said "Gee wiz! If you ever want to sell that car let me know!" Well, about two months later, she decided to sell me the car. She said "My

dad would be happy knowing you are the one who ended up with his beloved Morgan." What are the chances?! Not only did I finally get a Morgan but the EXACT Morgan! Fifty years later! The hell of it is THE DENT IS STILL THERE! (check out the photos) I guess there is no statute of limitations on dents. I am still going to have to fix it. The Morgan has about 21,000 original miles on it. There is my story.

Chuck Johnson, President
Vortex Productions Inc.
Vortex Fireworks Artists



The 50 year
old Dent

FYI: Ethanol Free in Boise, Idaho



Both Regular and Premium ethanol free, (same octane as conventional gasoline; higher octane numbers due to lower elevation in Boise vs Salt Lake).

“Not a Chevron Product”
I am not sure what that means exactly.
- ed.



Fish & Chips



1930 Austin

owned by comedy greats Peter Sellers and Spike Milligan will be offered at the MPH Sale at Bicester Heritage on May 22. The 1930 Austin, named Old Min after one of their famous Goon Show characters, Minnie Bannister, is a living example of a prewar English touring car. Owned by Sellers after Milligan lost his driving license in 1968, the Austin was a part of Sellers' eclectic car collection.



The Austin was looked after by Richard Williams, who maintained the actor's fleet. "It's pretty strange that out of all these cars, Old Min was his favorite," recalled Williams. "He called me one day to ask me to deliver the car to Spike Milligan's house as a present – the two were great friends. About a week later, he called me again: 'I want you to collect Old Min from Spike's house, I'm having it back. He's left it out in the rain and replaced the temperature gauge [mounted on top of the grille] with a coffee percolator.'" **From Hemmings**





BALANCE STATEMENT
31-Dec-20

Assets

Cash on Hand	\$3,655.06
QM Inventory	\$ 2,493.00
Total Assets	\$6,148.06

Revenue

Contributions/Sales	\$1,233.55
Interest	\$0.70
Total Revenue	\$1,234.25

Expenses

Fees/Insurance	\$60.00
Tours/Events	\$475.00
QM Merchandise	\$930.75
Total Expenses	\$1,465.75

Net Profit/Loss **(\$231.50)**

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JP Rich, NCA

Lucas Calendar 2021

Mar 14: St. Patty's at Black Sheep Bar and Grill, Sunday, 11:30am, - Rich & Michele Weyland

Mar 27: Eureka UT, 5th Gary Meldrum Memorial Drive, - Cindy and Cory Wardell

Apr 17: Ogden Canyon/North Ogden Divide & Little Taste of Britain(?) - Kent Jensen

May 1: Echo Canyon Run – Paul Jaroch

May 29: Memorial Day Tour to Kanab – Roger & Jill Davis with Rich & Michelle Weyland

Jun 19: British Field Day ???, Liberty Park SLC, - Jon Hermance

Jul ??: Eaglewood Festival of Speed Car Show - Bruce Oblad

Aug 14: Trapper's Loop – Clayton Merchant

Sep 6: State Street Cruise, decorate your car— Cory and Cindy Wardell

Sep 25: Alpine Loop and BBQ in South Fork Canyon, - Drew Frink, Roger and Jill Davis

Oct 9: Nebo Loop? Fall Color Tour – Steen & Arlene Sorensen

Nov 13: Season End Banquet – Mimi's? - Rich & Michelle Weyland

Midweek Madness - Watch the group site for email announcements

Don't forget impromptu events too. Tech Session anyone?

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!

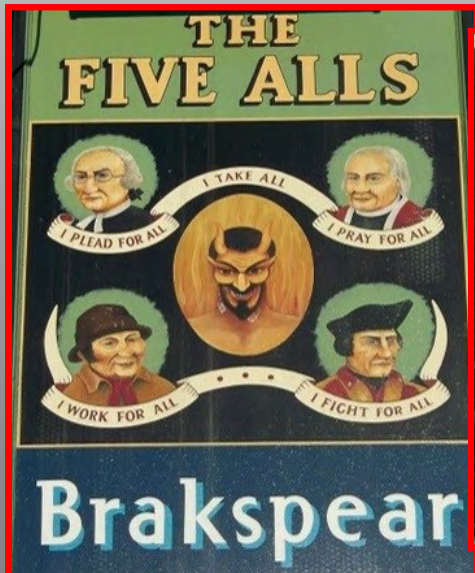
2. Have fun!

Don't forget your mask!

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

British Motor Club of Utah

English Pub/Inn signs



From our Morgan story; there is a long British history of the "Five Alls." Some things never change; here, or in the land of our LBCs.

Full disclosure: this is not an endorsement of any restaurant by the BMCU. The editor does plan on investigating further for possible dinner.