

## Two More BMCU Events in June

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## British Field Day at Liberty Park June 17

British Field Day (BFD) is once again being held at Liberty Park. Join us Saturday, June 17, 2023, 9 AM – 2 PM. This is an event for families. Car owners, bring your rusty project, 100-point restoration, or anything in between. We celebrate all types of British vehicles in any condition.

Liberty Park is located between 500 East & 700 East, and 900 South & 1300 South in Salt Lake City. The BFD event will be held in the northeast quadrant of the park. Enter off 1300 South and drive east and north about a quarter of the way around the park. You will see the event on the left.

Registration starts at 8 AM. We hope to have most bikes and cars in place by 9 AM. We encourage folks displaying vehicles to try and stay until 2 PM, but if you can only make it for a couple of hours, that is fine, too! The registration fee is \$10 per bike or car. The maximum registration fee is \$20 per registrant regardless of the number of cars or bikes they bring.

The layout of the event is changing. All motorcycles (and food trucks) will be on the South side of the loop road. All cars will be on the north side of the loop road. There will be less room so we need to spread the event out much more to the west. We want to fill out the event from west to east so parking locations will be suggested. We also need to keep clearly marked paths open so keep this in mind. Next, if you bring a tow vehicle and trailer that isn't specifically part of your display, we are requesting that all of these be stored in the SW quadrant of the event, not in the display area. Lastly we will need some volunteers from the car community to help with the setup from about 7:30 until 9:30 AM. It's easy so come early and help!

**Setup is Friday evening June 16, 2023.** If you are able to volunteer, please show up at 6:00 PM or an hour or so sooner. Work gloves, a gas powered blower, a stiff street broom, or a hammer and a staple gun would be welcomed. The BFD event itself is on Saturday June 17th, 2023. Saturday afternoon until 2:00 PM when we begin wrapping up the event and would appreciate any volunteer help with taking down the banners and stakes.

## Monte Cristo June 24 - Pat and Donna Rich

Watch your BMCU email for details regarding time and place .

## Chalk Creek Run and Picnic June 3

Picnics can be done with style



See the British Motor Club of Utah Facebook site for more photos. Thanks to Charles Edington for some of these photos.

The Facebook page has photos of our other trips as well.

BMCUtah.org also has photos of our events.



Parking was on the Utah side



Drain and Gain in Coalville

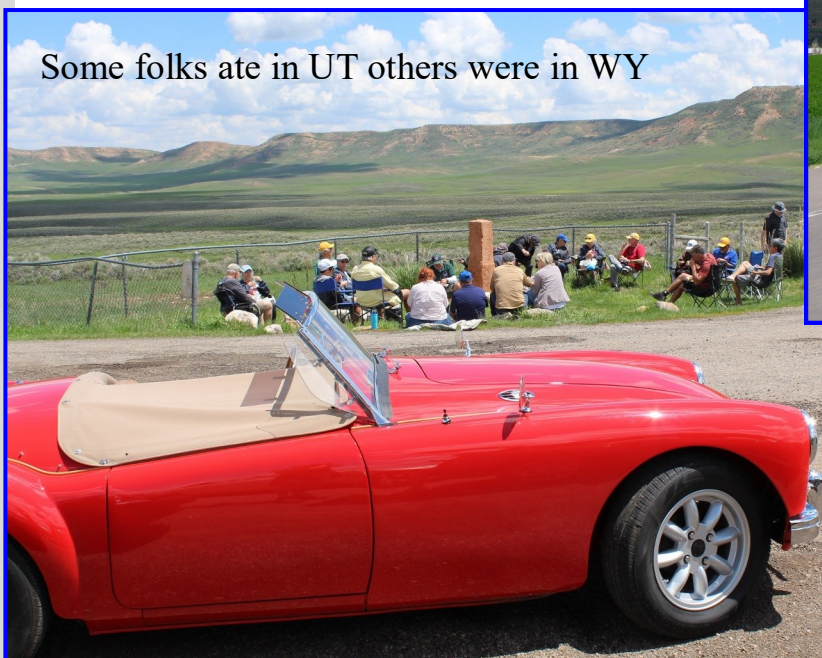


## Chalk Creek Run and Picnic

Beautiful Chalk Creek valley



Some folks ate in UT others were in WY



The Chalk Creek Run began at the Hogle Zoo, up Emigration Canyon, over Parley's towards Brown Canyon, around Rockport Res, into Coalville then up Chalk Creek to the SW corner point of WY for a picnic.



Wildflower superbloom in SE Utah



Mesa Verde N.P.





## Drive the Moki Dugway ! (Hwy 261) BMCU added color to the red rock

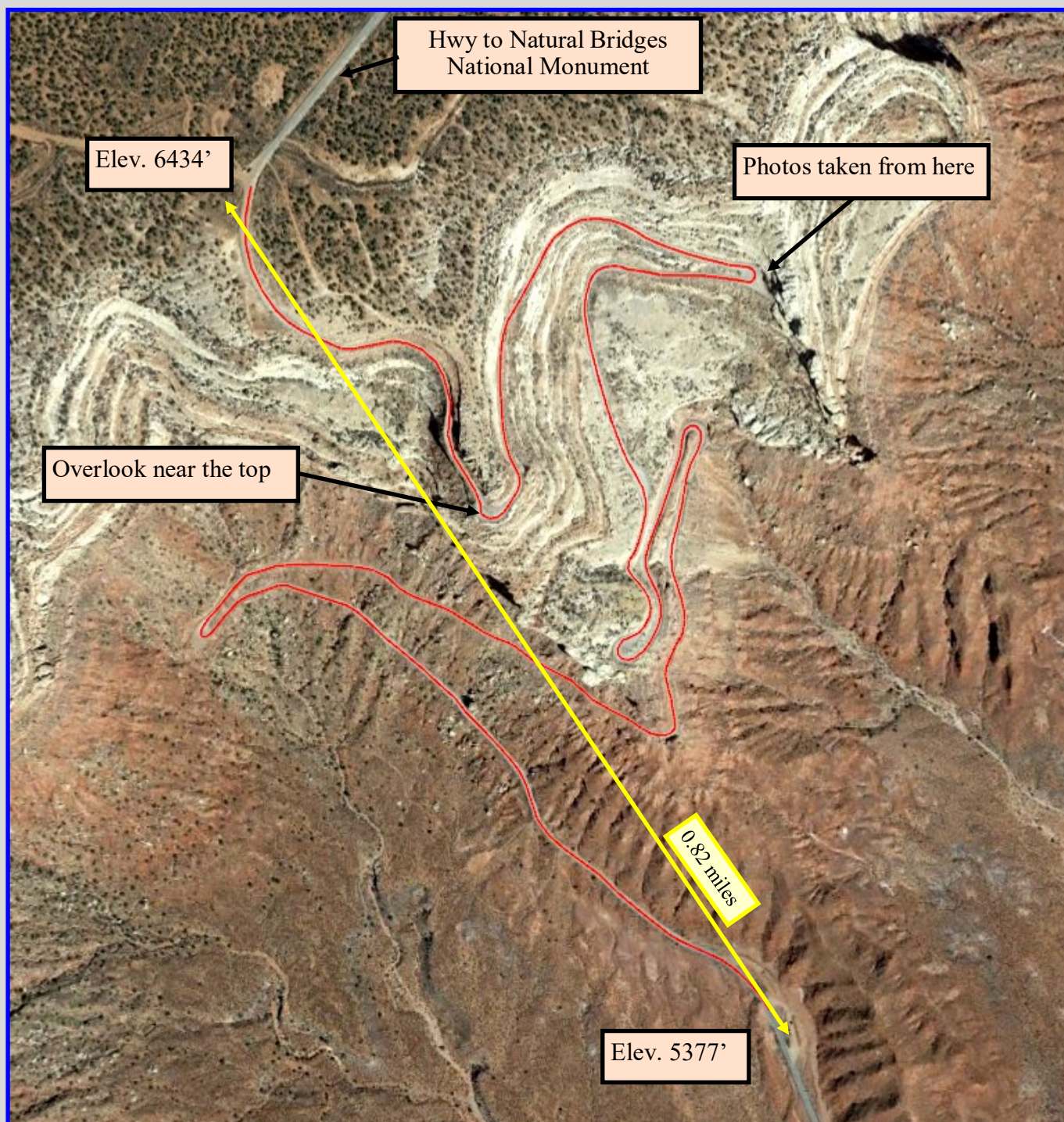


Other BMCU folks also drove the Moki at other times on the Memorial weekend; Team Hermance drove the road the next day.

Special thanks to **Roger and Jill Davis** and **Kent Jensen** for all their work to make the weekend so great !



# The Moki Dugway; SE Utah



You can do Street View etc. on Google Earth; latitude/longitude: 37.274628,-109.940208

Monticello

Mesa Verde N P

Edge of Cedars State Park

Canyonlands N P

BMCU invaded  
SE Utah

Hovenweep National Monument

Goosenecks of the San Juan State Park

Natural Bridges National Monument



A Memorial Weekend tradition



Thanks to Roger Hemingway for  
photos of the Mesa Verde Run.

See more photos on the British  
Motor Club of Utah Facebook page.





## Two Tech Sessions April 1 and 22.

### Tech Session to get a 1973 MG Midget road worthy

**Doug Kreib** sponsored a tech session at his house on **Saturday April 1st** to put his Midget on the road. It has been a project for many years and needs to be finished.

Several hands helped to get the clutch hydraulics working properly. The Midget has a Datsun 5 speed conversion, and bleeding the system has proved to be a bit of a problem.



The brakes were checked because it has been a while since they were used. Snacks and drinks were available. Doug appreciated the assistance and the job got done,



### Tech Session with a focus on MINIs



**David Pack** announced at the North Ogden Divide Run that Wasatch Classic Mini's was going to do a tech day on April 22 between 10 AM to 3 PM.

This was hosted at his home garage. His toolbox was open.

He had a wideband O2 sensor that does not need a bung in your exhaust! It's simply clamps onto your tail pipe and it will read your air fuel ratio. Perfect for making those small adjustments to your SU, HIF or Weber carbs. This was primarily a classic mini event but any classic was welcome!





# LUG NUTS

I received a present from Jill. A new set of wheels for our Yellow Sunbeam. That was very nice. What I did not know at the time was that the lug nuts for my old steel wheels would not work with the new custom wheels. They say that ignorance is bliss, but in this case it was an eye opener.

I hopped online to order some new lug nuts. What came up was a sensory overload of so many sizes, types and kinds of lug nuts! I had thought that all I'd need to do was to run down to my local auto parts store, walk down an aisle and pick the ones that caught my eye. WRONG!!! There were at least three types of tapers, different thread counts, all sorts of diameters, capped head, closed head, chrome, not chromed, etc. It just seemed to go on and on.



Because I did not know that there were different nuts for different wheels, I was lost. The numbers didn't make any sense. Turns out, the auto store I went to wasn't much help either. I guess, since they didn't know anything about lug nuts, their following comment was their way of telling me to go somewhere else. After two employees could not find lug nuts in their computer, that would work, they asked, "What kind of car will these go on?" Needless to say, they had no idea what a Sunbeam was. lol

Then, when I said that a Sunbeam is an English car, they said, "We don't have any metric nuts." Hmm...seems to me that they should know that English is the same standard the we in the U.S. use. Oh, well.

Then I realized that I wasn't following my own advice. I've told many members that one of the coolest things about BMCU is the wealth of knowledge that the members have. I needed to tap that source. I went home and typed up my question about lug nuts and posted it to the members.

What I found was the perfect answer. Dennis Lambert replied that he was new to the area, but when he lived in California, he found exactly the lug nuts he was looking for at, of all places, Costco! By this time, I had figured out that what I needed for my wheels were 7/16-20 lugs with a 60 degree taper and 1/2" outside diameter. I took a bolt that my old lug nuts would fit onto and headed for Costco and THERE THEY WERE! In fact, a whole bin of different lug nuts.

I found 16 lug nuts of the size, taper and diameter that I needed and happily paid the \$.48/ea for them. Who would have thought that Costco would have an automotive part that I needed. Dennis certainly did and I thank him profusely. They fit perfectly and look really nice. These lug nuts are the real deal.

Lessons learned: If you need help, don't be afraid to ask the BMCU members. And, don't be afraid to branch out to other non-conventional sites for parts.

**-Roger Davis**





Announcement was on the British Motor Club of Utah Facebook page.

## **Payson Scottish Festival - July 8th British Car and Motorcycle Show**



**Meet in the Payson Ace Hardware parking lot, 84 E Utah Ave at 9:30am July 8th. We will be at the back of the parade starting at 9:45 am, traveling up Main St. to Memorial Park. We will be parking on Main St. (which will be closed) next to Memorial Park. The Festival is from 9am-7pm. You do not need to stay until 7pm. Please confirm your participation below. Admission is free.**

### **Editorial from yours truly:**

We live in times where name calling, by almost all parties, goes on incessantly. I come from the vintage of “sticks and stones...” rendering me insensitive to outlandish name calling and the ludicrous litany of attached faults and crimes. A new attempt at a derogatory appellation has recently come to my attention:

#### **PETRO-MASCULINITY**

Apparently in addition to our global/cultural sins of all kinds too numerous to mention, we of the LBC persuasion (though not listed explicitly) are guilty since we use gasoline and are thus unforgivable and incorrigible. While fossil fuel use seems to be the identifier for this particular name calling, the list of hideous faults and attributes attached to it is lengthy. So regardless of one's views of patriarchy, supremacy, authoritarianism etc. etc. etc. We stand accused and therefore guilty. What would the name-callers say if they knew how much fossil oil we drip all over?





Stuff on the internet

Found my Grandpas old GPS unit



Before an oil change, drain out all the old oil by giving the car a good firm squeeze.





## ... with the Electric Cyberster Roadster

From: Hemmings 04/19/2023

...So far, MG is planning for two versions of the Cyberster: a 309-horsepower base model with a single motor rear-wheel-drive powertrain and a performance model with a dual motor reaching around 536 horsepower paired with all-wheel drive. The performance model will come with a heavier curb weight at around 4,376 pounds while the base model is expected to weigh in at 4,078 pounds. ...



Personal Op-Ed:

After a ten-year sports-car hiatus, Chinese automaker SAIC has invented the electric Miata. Full disclosure; I do try to avoid buying anything from China (not that it would ever be sold in the US nor could I afford it.)

At twice the weight of an MGB and 536hp dual motor, a good dragster but not an LBC like we know and love.

One commenter on the Hemmings article wondered if the battery was Lucas. Where did they get that name - Cyberster? Why not MGEV?

The octagon seems to be the main thing MG about it

-editor





# GoF West Gazette

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but stay for the  
Friendship



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Sept 1st  
(registration form pg 17)



## Lucas Calendar for 2023

Mar 12: St. Patty's at Black Sheep Grill at Foothill—Roger & Jill Davis

Apr 15: Ogden Canyon/North Ogden Divide Run - Kent Jensen

Apr 25: Eureka Run (new route) - Rich & Michele Weyland

May 27: Memorial Day Tour to Monticello – R & J Davis; Kent Jensen

Jun 3: Chalk Creek Run - Rob Foye

Jun 17: British Field Day, Liberty Park SLC, - Jon Hermance

Jun 24: Monte Cristo - Pat & Donna Rich

Jul 15: Mirror Lake Run - Drew Frink

Aug 19: TSD (Time Speed Distance) Rally - Henry Morrison

Aug 26: Trappers Loop - Clayton and Sharon Merchant

Sep 4: State Street Cruise - Roger & Jill Davis

Sep 23: Alpine Loop Run and BBQ - D Frink, K Jensen, R & J Davis

Oct 7: Nebo Fall Colour Tour & Luncheon - Steen & Arlene Sorensen

Nov 11: End of Season Banquet - Rich & Michele Weyland

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](mailto:robbfoye@gmail.com)

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### Aston Martin Announces Classic Parts are Back in Production

Tara Hurlin

Hemmings 05/02/2023

Aston Martin Works, by partnering with suppliers, will now offer new major components such as engine blocks, cylinder heads and gearboxes for the DB4, DB5, and DB6 models. The parts will also fit certain V8 models from the 1960s and 1970s. Each new component is built to original specifications, so owners who have been waiting to complete their restorations or make major repairs can rejoice. ...

The brand's continuation program is dedicated to breathing new life into historic models. According to Aston Martin, the program's launch "naturally led to the need for new parts, while also generating a full understanding of which parts were immediately available and which had not been manufactured for many years."