

# Redding

## British Car Club

**July 2022**

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**From your editor** – We had a small group of 6 people in 4 cars for our July 11<sup>th</sup> “dam tour” due to the 102 degree temperatures. Only one of the 4 cars was a Brit with Evert driving his TR. There was no business discussed and we got underway to Whiskeytown Lake and Dam shortly after 6:00.

I made the drive over to Eureka for the Two Seat Car Show the middle of June. See a full report below. And also made the drive down to Santa Ynez for the Gathering of the Faithful, which is all about MG's.

I am currently accepting pictures for our Redding British Car Club 2023 Calendar. Your picture, one per car, should be in landscape format with the

sun at your back. Pictures are best in a scenic setting with only your car in the picture.

I continue to look for your stories in a British car. It can be about an interesting drive you took or a renovation project you're involved with.

Anything related to British Cars will be welcome. Write me at:

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I continue with my hunt for an MGA. A couple have come available in New York but I'm not going to travel that far to check them out. A new listing has just showed up in L.A. that might work out.

### Recent Events

**Eureka** – The weather forecast for Eureka was sunny weather with moderate temperatures on Sat 6/18 as I headed out for the 3 hr drive to the coast. Traffic was lite and it was a pleasant ride west. I got into Eureka before noon and found the Two Seat Car Show over on Woodley Island.

I checked in at the registration tent and learned that they had about 45 cars, most of which were two seat sports cars, most of which were British and German although there was a smattering of Japanese and Italian along with a few American Corvettes. It made for a nice assortment of cars. There were a couple of rough looking MGA's



either of which I'd be proud to own. But neither was for sale. They had a BBQ going and I managed to snag the last hot dog. About 2:00 they drew raffle tickets and then passed out awards culminating with the Best of Show which was won by a beautifully restored Triumph TR-3 (see picture).



MGA's



Best of Show

So, all in all, a good day. 3 hrs over, 3 hrs back and \$85 of gas.

**Gathering of the Faithful** – Charley Williams told us about this event at our June meeting. It is a gathering of MG owners independent of but strongly promoted by Moss Motors. This year's event was in Santa Ynez which is about 500 miles south of Redding, not far from Santa Barbara and I decided to make the drive despite \$6.00 a gallon gas. My trip down 5 to 101 was long (about 7 hrs) but uneventful and I got a cheap hotel in nearby Lompoc. The car show was in Buelton on Tues, June 28<sup>th</sup> and I quickly found Charley's beautiful green TC. There were probably 15 TC's on display, so Charley had plenty of competition for Best in Class. And probably an equal number of TD's, but alas only 3 MGA's so my trip down there was for naught. Charley & I had a good chat in the shade and the show was considered over about 3:00 and I learned from Charley this week that he did not win either Best of Class or Best of Show. Probably no surprise that those two awards went to members of the local club.





Charley & the TC

### **The Dam Tour -**

Due to low water the lake level at Whiskeytown Lake was well below the rim of the "glory hole" and there was no water going downstream. We stopped for about 15 minutes admiring Bob Harris's Corvette. While not British, it is a real head-turner. From Whiskeytown we headed over to Shasta Dam via Keswick Dam and Lake Blvd for some nice backroad driving. The temp had dropped below 100 and it was quite comfortable in the shade. After some discussion of current and future water rights in the North State, most of the group headed off for a dollop of ice cream, which I passed on in favor of something that tasted more like Scotch.

## Upcoming Events

July 17<sup>th</sup> – Forest Grove Concours – Forest Grove, OR – [forestgroveconcours.com](http://forestgroveconcours.com)

Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> – Hot August Nights – Reno, NV

Aug 6<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> Old Time Cruise to Estacada – Estacada, OR – [www.Route26Cruisers.com](http://www.Route26Cruisers.com)

Aug 12-14 – Cruise the Gorge – The Dalles, OR – [www.midcolumbiacarclub.org](http://www.midcolumbiacarclub.org)

Aug 12<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> Monterey Car Week – Monterey, CA

Aug 28<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> Collector Car & Classic Boat Show – Lake Oswego, OR –

Sept 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> – All British Field Meet – Portland, OR – [www.allbritish.org](http://www.allbritish.org)

Sept 18<sup>th</sup> - Southwest Idaho All British Field Meet  
<https://swiabfm.idahobritishcars.org> and <https://instagram.com/swiabfm>.

## **Classified**

*This section is for you. It's meant to list anything (British Car related) which you need (parts or cars), or have for sale.*

**Wanted** – pre 1960 MGA. Still looking for a good driver. Doesn't need new paint or upholstery. Just a good running car that I can maintain.

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