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## One very nice weekend

by Ken DeLeeuw

### July wrap-up by Larry Miceli

**POMPANO BEACH, FL** — *Hot, hot, hot...* Five hurricanes and tropical storms by mid-July! A record hurricane season, yet we in South Florida remain blessed and so far untouched. It has, however, put a damper on our British car outings, but we have still managed to have a few great events.

#### Board of Directors Meeting

We held our monthly Board of Directors Meeting on July 11th and had a good attendance of Board members and other Gold Coast members. We discussed upcoming events, planning for the Bryant Park show (yes, it's time to get back into gear and start planning for February again!) and a change in date for the Getaway Weekend. It seems that Mt. Dora in July is way too hot for LBCs (Little British Cars) so we have tentatively moved the event to the Halloween weekend. Bob Murphy informs me that this will not interfere with the East-West Picnic, which has been calendared for the weekend of November 18-20.

All club members are welcome to attend a Board of Directors Meeting to have a say in how the club runs.

#### Events

We had several "formal" club events in July — our monthly Club Dinner, this month held at Fields Irish Pub in Dania, off Griffin Road just west of I-95; the Indiantown Brunch Run, which was held on July 17th; and the Children's Theater production. All events were well attended and presented a nice opportunity to get out, and meet your fellow club members and enjoy your British car.

*Creative Workshops Tour and wine and cheese tast-*

*ing:* Wow! What an event! We met at Creative Workshops, hosted by owner Jason Wenig and his lovely wife Kim, to tour the 1920s facility filled with antique and historic automobiles undergoing the finest restorations I have seen in a long time. There were a Datsun 240Z, a 1950s Cadillac Eldorado convertible, an MGA, a Sunbeam Tiger, and even an International Harvester truck, all under the expert care of Creative Workshops. In fact, there was a 1969 MGB roadster that the shop figures will have six figures into its restoration by the time it's finished! Makes me wish I still had my MGB!

We arrived at the workshop in my TR6 to see over 20 British cars in the parking lot. Daimler SP250, Jaguar XK140, MGB, TR6, TR3 — you name it, they were all there. Jason had a flock of old car enthusiasts following his every word as he expertly described each restoration and how it would progress. There was also a great selection of wine, provided by our illustrious President, Rick Gilbert, and lots of tasty cheese and crackers provided by our hosts.

The day seemed to be very short, but after almost five hours, the club bid its farewell to Creative Workshop and headed to the Kings Head Pub on Dania Beach Blvd. for a nice lunch and a pint or two. It was a great day and a fine introduction to a restoration shop of impeccable quality and character. If you need some work performed on your LBC, please keep Creative Workshops in mind.

*Getaway Weekend, Mt. Dora:* The Getaway Weekend has been postponed until the Halloween Weekend. This is because it is *way too hot* to go to Central Florida in August and we had little interest in attending the event. So we have moved the event to October.

Rest assured, this will be a great B&B weekend! The area has wonderful driving roads, lots of antique shops,

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