Cape Cod Currents
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"Empty Boot" - by Editor, Bill Scott

The CCBCC Annual Meeting to be held at South Shore MINI in Rockland, exit 14 off of Route 3, will be on the 20th, a few days away from this publications deadline. We will have our elections and there will be a new president. Mike wrote his sign off "Boot" last issue which gives me the opportunity in the interim to say a few words about our Past President, Mike Dallaire.

First, Mike is not leaving the club. He will be around and serve on the BoG as a Past President. He will coach and continue to contribute to the club, for which we are grateful.

Mike has served as President of this club at two different times during the clubs seventeen year history. Each time he served several years running and contributed many things to how the club functions. He established the Board of Governors to help guide the club's direction and put systems in place to make the running of the club more efficient. The club has gained much under Mike's leadership over many years.

Mike has many talents and ideas and has the ability to kick things off and draw people and companies in. He has been a great help with our signature event, BLW, and helped it grow into the event we now enjoy.

Mike and Pam both like to party and make things happen. Their combined talents have brought on a number of memorable events - March Motor Madness and the annual Christmas open house just to mention a few. So many good times as a result of their combined talents. I think maybe we will see their efforts continue in the direction of club events. We hope so! THANKS!!!!! for all of your past contributions and efforts towards the betterment of this club!

Paul Hinchcliffe Safety Fast

article by Bill Scott photos by Art Kittler & Bill Scott

Driving up the Dallaire's drive way at 9:00 AM on a quiet and cloudy Saturday morning, only two people appeared to be in place and ready for a day of Safety Fast. Joe Manzi and Jarette Hurteau of Oxford Motorcars were quietly preparing and having a coffee to ready themselves for the days busy activities, a day that they, Oxford Motorcars, sponsored for this clubs activity, including morning coffee and donuts. Cape Cod Donuts still hot from the oven. Thanks Oxford!

The serenity of the moment didn't last long as Art Cox arrived in the MG TF with his son-in-law, Ryo Iwasa, who has recently arrived here on the Cape. Art's car was first on the lift for the day to get a full Safety Fast inspection from the expert mechanics of Oxford Motorcars. What an opportunity for our club members to get this kind of expert inspection from professionals looking over our cars to make sure that we are ready for the driving season. Art's car did pass the inspection this time as his differential did have the correct amount of fluid, unlike another time when Art was doing the inspection and embarrassingly found that he had NONE in the differential -"OMG, you mean that you have to fill that?".

Nancy Fernald was next on the lift with her MGB. By this time a small group of "guy" members had arrived so Nancy had full attention as she maneuvered her MGB in the tight driveway space and onto the lift. Tight turns at zero mph pre power steering with everyone watching must have been a little difficult "on center stage", but she handled it with style. As a recent new member, we are happy to see her interest in her car and the club. Charlie Frink with his yellow "Wedge" was next on the lift with a couple of little things that he needs to address to be really Safety Fast!

The event is called "The Paul Hinchcliffe Safety Fast", as a number of years back when Paul was President and very active in the club, Paul was a strong supporter of our club doing a strict by the rules Safety Fast just as it was meant to be from MG. It was quickly expanded to include all British marques. Due to health issues, Paul has not been as active as in the recent past, so we named the event in his honor. We were delighted to see Paul and his friend, Mary Beth Rosa, drive up in his MGA, and was next on the lift. There were some things that need attention, especially the carburetors. A spray can of Sea Foam was applied with the hope that some cleaning would occur on his trip back home. Maybe a special Safety Fast might be held at Paul's garage as he has several MGs that need to be brought up to road ready.

Following was a numbers of cars; John & Julie Swartzbaugh's Jaguar S, Erick James's MGB, Brad Livingston with son Brady in their Jaguar XJR Saloon and even a little code work on Christian Minnock's VW Passat wagon - how did that happen? Christian, Fran & Kathy's son, and his friend, Justin Smalley came by to support the event, and Oxford Motorcars has experience with many imports, so the VW got a check up and repair as well.

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Safety Fast Continued

Eight cars on the lift and a total of nineteen members with the addition of Art Kittler(CCBCC and Berkshire British Motor Club Member), Mike Oliva, Larry Donnelly, Mike & Pam Dallaire and myself. All made for a good days work for Joe and Jarette of Oxford Motorcars.

Some of these cars were following a lunch break, a lunch sponsored by Oxford Motorcar. Hot dogs and a keg of beer with two big pots of chili. I think Pam might have been responsible for making the delicious chili. The sun had decided to shine making it pleasant to have lunch out on Pam and Mike's deck. What a day, good people, great cars and a pleasant lunch.

Not only did a couple of cars get checked out following lunch, but Pam's Spitfire was taken off the Oxford van, being returned from some winter maintenance and detailing. It looked great and Pam looked pleased. Thanks to the Dallaires for the event at their home and Mike's new lift. And a big thanks to Oxford Motorcar for their sponsorship, sharing their time and expertise to make this a truly special Safety Fast event.

Brewster in Bloom

article by Jodi Fletcher photos by Bill Scott

Don't bring around a cloud to rain on my parade! While there were a few clouds hovering in the vicinity, they did NOT, in fact, rain on our parade. They did, however, rain directly after we left the parade route. But I'm getting a bit ahead of myself ...Brewster was indeed in bloom on Sunday, May 7th, and the Cape Cod British Car Club was on hand for the Brewster in Bloom Parade. The annual event kicks off each year at the beautiful home of Bill and Mary Scott who live in the town of Brewster and graciously host a breakfast for all parade participants. Although there was no omelet station...there were many delectable breakfast items to choose from and mimosas to toast upon. Thank you to Mary and Bill for your hospitality and for sharing your lovely home with us.

Some cars met at the BBC and meandered down to Brewster together and others met at the Scotts, but all told there were eleven cars which were bedecked and bedazzled with both British Car Club paraphernalia and flowers of every type and description. Participants were as follows:

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March Motor Madness Continued

TWO Morgans!!!!! Driven by Ron and Kathy Garner and Glenn and Helen Bryant. The Bryants have homes in Canada and Dennis MA. and the Garners are from Hull. It should be noted that the Garners are hosting a cookout at their waterfront home on June 24th. Check website for details.
TWO Jags!!! Bill and Mary Scott in their E-Type and Bill and Kathleen Read in the Jaguar S.
MGB was present, driven by Berta Rousseau. She was accompanied in her "B" by Lisa Winsor, whose husband Dan, was out of town. So glad you came along Lisa!!!!
TRIUMPHS won the day, however, with Jack and Jane Nixon in the TR4A, Mike and Pam Dallaire, in Pam's Triumph Spitfire, AND last but not least, THREE TR6 s - winner, winner, chicken dinner - Fran and Kathy Minnock, Bruce and Rebecca Swiren, and Don and Jodi Fletcher.

All these beauties were gathered and decorated to the nines only to discover that we were to be wedged firmly between the garbage truck and the fire engines at the tail end of the parade!!! Way to make us feel special :) We are, however, nothing if not good sports and so we waved our little hands off and smiled til our cheeks hurt (seriously).

The weather "miraculously" held until we pulled off from the parade route and were divesting our cars of their parade finery. The tops went up fairly quickly at that point for all but a few intrepid souls who decided to tough it out. Guess who that might include? (HINT - FLETCHERS) There were a few others but those two crazy kids are known for getting rained upon.

Then it was off to lunch at Marshside in Dennis ,where we broke bread and shared some wine. The company was (as usual) stellar and as always an opportunity to renew friendships with old friends and get to know some new ones.

If you have not attended some of these fun events before, branch out and give it a try. I promise you will not regret it. Also a reminder that the annual meeting is coming up on Saturday May 20th at 10:00am at South Shore Mini, located at exit 14 on route 3. We should all be on board to have a part in the future of our club. Plus… we always have fun. Plus, we'll be stopping in Plymouth for a little food and sprits following the meeting. See you soon.

CCBCC New Members Welcome

Kenneth Adams	1960 TR3A • Harwich, MA •
Roger Bowker	1959 Austin Healey 3000 • 1965 Land Rover series II • E Sandwich, MA •
Joe Gaglio	1959 TR3A • Mansfield, MA •
Bill Norcott	1961 MGA 1600 • Dennis, MA •
Peter McDonald	1967 Morris Mini Cooper • 1970 MGB convertible • Abington, MA •
Julie & John Swartzbaugh	2004 Jaguar S saloon • Mashpee, MA •

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Cape Cod British Car Club - Events

May

Annual Meeting
20 May 2017 • South Shore MINI • Rockland, MA • 10:00 AM • Lunch -The New World Tavern, Plymouth • Details on line • Please Register •
Running of the Valves & Belly up to the Bar
27 May 2017 • Dallaires, Forestdale, MA • 1:00 PM till closing • Details on line • Please Register •

June

Breakfast Run & Lemon Tree Village Car Show
04 June 2017 • BBC Sandwich to Breakfast • Lemon Tree Village Brewster to car show • Details on line • Please Register •
Regular Monthly Meeting & Ice Cream Run
20 June 2017 • BBC • Sandwich, MA • 7:00 PM •
A Hull of an Event! Tour to Hull and lunch with Kathi & Ron Garner and friends
24 June 2017 • BBC Sandwich to Hull • 9:00AM • Lunch in Hull with the Garners & Friends • 11:30AM • Details on line • Please Register •

July

Regular Monthly Meeting & Ice Cream Run
18 July 2017 • BBC • Sandwich, MA • 7:00 PM •