

Cape Cod Currents

the official newsletter of the Cape Cod British Car Club, Ltd



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"Boot" - from the Queen "B"

Boy am I excited! Driving season is here, and my MGB, who I fondly call Bee, is out of her beehive and on the road. This past weekend was her first time out this year and I gotta tell ya, and you all know the feeling.....I LOVE DRIVING MY CAR!!!

You know what else I love? Driving the beautiful roads of New England, stopping for breakfast or lunch and hanging out with the members of this club. There are several really great events on tap this summer, so check out the website often!

And speaking of fun events...British Legends Weekend 2018, sponsored by The Herb Chambers Companies and featuring Jaguar & Land Rover, is coming in October. Its going to be an exciting weekend and you need to be there! As most of you know the BLW is a three day event starting this year with the Friday night's meet and greet sponsored by and held at the BBC in Sandwich, followed by a couple of GREAT driving tours, one coastal and the other of historic Sandwich, and the evening dinner, sponsored by South Shore Mini, at the Dan'l Webster Inn, to end the day. But who can forget the reason we all will be there...the Sunday British Legends car show!!! It promises to be the best yet!! There will be food trucks to keep our tummies happy, beer tasting from our local breweries to,... well, just to keep us happy! Then there is our famous silent auction and so much more!!!

Keep in mind that BLW is a **pre-registered** event and space is limited, so register early. Check out the website for more information

See you on the road!!!

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Planes, Trains and Automobiles - by Chuck Camp photos by Chuck Camp, Bruce Swiren & Bill Scott

Chatham Municipal Airport advertises its popular Open House as “A Day of Planes, Trains and Automobiles,” and this year the Cape Cod British Car Club provided a broad sample of the latter to help entertain the hundreds of visitors strolling the tarmac.

Members displayed 10 LBCs representing 50 years of British motoring, ranging from your scribe’s 1956 Austin-Healey 100M to Larry Donnelly’s luxurious 2006 Jaguar XJ8.

The CCBC shared the automotive end of the field with the Model A Club of Cape Cod (from pickups to a phaeton), the Cape Cod Classic Car Club (from prewar originals to serious muscle or “bone”), an area Porsche group, and a handful of other marques. This automotive alley proved popular with spectators, exhibiting a cross-section of the automotive hobby and fine craftsmanship regardless of the type of car. ?



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However, not all locations were equal, and Charlie Frink and Steve Kirsis scored two of the best spots on the grounds, under the high wings of aircraft that shaded their Triumphs (TR7 and TR6, respectively) from the sun. Predictably, other members lugging chairs soon invaded their space seeking shelter. Larry’s XJ8 also landed (pun intended) in a cool spot beneath the (very) high wing of a Cessna seaplane, perched on pontoons.

Other cars toughed it out – Bill Scott’s 1965 XKE, Bruce Swiren’s 1969 TR6, Jack and Sandi Rosen’s Jaguar XK8. Across the aisle, Don Fletcher’s 1974 TR6 joined Rick Poole’s 1962 Austin-Healey 3000 and his GM-engined 1973 MGB, driven by his son, Ben. All in all, a tidy display of club iron.

Rick’s Healey drew a crowd. “What is it? I’ve never seen one before,” was heard more than once. And with reason; there are no others. Rick’s father extensively customized the tri-carb in the 1970s, crafting a radical new bonnet and grille. Rick recently restored the car to exactly the same configuration as a tribute to his dad.



This was the fifth, and doubtless best, open house at the sleepy general aviation field, which is popular with locals (the Hanger B restaurant’s notable breakfasts) and with summer visitors taking sightseeing flights (some in an open-cockpit Waco Biplane).

The Nauset Model Railroad Club ran trains of all shapes and sizes all day for kids of all sizes over layouts set up in a repair hangar. Outdoor displays ranged from experimental



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Planes, Trains & Autos - continued

winged aircraft to personal helicopters and gyrocopters. Anyone bored could take a ride in vintage fire truck.

But a pair of World War II military planes stole the air show, thundering into the sky in the afternoon and making low passes over the runway to salute the crowd. The Heritage Flight Foundation in Westerly, RI, flew in its 1,900 horsepower Gruman Avenger torpedo bomber,



a private owner, Ed Good of Falmouth, brought his 1940 Naval Aircraft Factory N3N biplane trainer down from Taunton.



A mammoth U.S. Coast Guard Jayhawk sea rescue helicopter left last. While its crew had demonstrated its lifesaving gear to fascinated crowds all day, they had also been on duty, and would have shoed away spectators and taken off at the ring of a cell phone if needed.

Breakfast & Lemons - by Bill Scott photos by Julia Cumes, Chuck Camp & Bill Scott

What a great weekend! Two CCBC events, Chatham Airport on Saturday, and breakfast at the Optimist Cafe and a car show at Lemon Tree Village of shops in Brewster on Sunday, and both of them without rain before, during or following the events!!!

Les and Cynthia Frank gathered a group of LBCs together at the BBC in Sandwich as the starting point for a lovely Sunday morning tour down scenic and historic 6A. The destination was breakfast at the Optimist Cafe in Yarmouth Po rt.



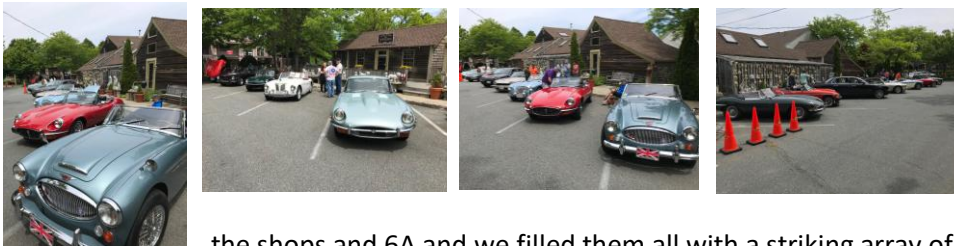
Some had already driven quite a distance to be there at 7:45 in the morning. Berta, our Queen "B", had driven from New Bedford and Ken Veary and his wife, Deborah, had pulled together a quartet of cars that came from the Marion / Rochester area and included Darren and Melanie Morris, Ray Matheson and Larry and Edie Oliveira. Jodi and Don Fletcher came down from Abington, which completed the off Cape members. They were joined by the Poole contingency from Sandwich, arriving with two cars as Rick and Dorcy drove the newly restored white Healey and son Ben drove the Chevy powered MGB with his son Keegan. Mike and Pam Dallaire from Forestdale came in their red Spitfire with the period correct leather luggage on the rack. Larry & Vivian Donnelly added class, comfort and performance driving in their black Jaguar Saloon.

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Once all had gathered, the group headed down 6A heading east towards Yarmouth Port for a perfect Sunday morning cruise on the Cape. The Mid and lower Cape folks - Bill and Mary Scott from Brewster and Chuck Camp with his 100 M Healey - joined them at the Optimist Cafe. The staff was ready and waiting with tables all set and ready for orders for Breakfast, *(one of my favorite activities)*. Lively conversation with old friends and new friends along with refills of coffee and the aroma of good things on the grill, made for a warm friendly beginning to the day.



Time marches on, so once breakfast was over, it was time to continue the scenic drive to Brewster and the Lemon Tree Village of Shops. They had reserved all of the spaces between

the shops and 6A and we filled them all with a striking array of British cars. The shops had invited us hoping to draw people in to see the cars, and oh by the way, do a little shopping. The Village, in return, give us a sponsorship for our British Legends Weekend event in October. So it was a little bit of a business deal, but also a lot of fun! How often do you get a chance to just sit and relax and enjoy your car and good friends? Club members did a little shopping themselves, and there were plenty of shops to choose from - clothing shops, a cook shop, Chocolatier, a toy shop, a wood working store and more! Altogether, it added up to a great day. We'll put this outing on the list for next year!



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CCBCC - New Members

Dr. Jeff Bauer	2015 Jaguar F-Type conv't • N. Falmouth, MA •
Brian & Kathleen Bush	69 MG -BGT • N. Chatham, MA •
James Doyle	2007 Jaguar XK / 2000 Jaguar XJ8 / 1985 Jaguar XJ 6 • Plymouth, MA •
Greg Heitman	92 Jaguar XJS / 64 Corvette • Eastham, MA •

Cape Cod British Car Club - Events

June

[Regular Monthly Meeting & Ice Cream Run](#)

19 June 2018 • BBC Sandwich, MA • 7:00 PM •

[Valley of Sin Event](#) **TBD - Please register** your attendance

23 June 2018 • Check the website for details •

July

[Regular Monthly Meeting & Ice Cream Run](#)

17 July 2018 • BBC Sandwich, MA • 7:00 PM •

Aug

[Regular Monthly Meeting & Ice Cream Run](#)

21 Aug 2018 • BBC Sandwich, MA • 7:00 PM •

