

Cape Cod Currents

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



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Vice President's "Boot" - from Ken Stone

So you would think that as October will soon be upon us, things might begin to slow down a bit for car clubs here in the Northeast. Not so at the Cape Cod British Car Club. In fact, you could say this is “our busy season”. For the 18th year in a row, club members are hard at work pulling together the last details for our annual British Legends Weekend, a 3-day celebration of British motoring held over Columbus Day Weekend October 5th through the 7th.

The weekend starts with a Meet and Greet on Friday night, your choice of two driving tours on Saturday morning, a banquet Saturday night and culminates in an all-British car show on Sunday. This year the show will be held on a large grassy field owned by the Town of Sandwich, at 34 Quaker Meeting House Road. There will be food and beverage trucks present, a tented beer garden, vendors, a silent auction, 40+ classes of cars for awards and more.

The featured marques for 2018 are Jaguar and Land Rover. Herb Chambers Companies will be bringing a collection of modern Jags and Land Rovers for display in our traditional Concours d’Evolution. The new vehicles will be paired against a collection of classic Jags and Land Rovers to reflect the evolution of these beautiful machines over the years.

So come and enjoy an early fall weekend on the Cape with foliage, winding seaside roadways and people intent on having a good time. For a schedule of events and more information, go to

www.CapeCodBritishCarClub.org

Then if you fall in love with the area, come back in November and join us for a weekend on Martha’s Vineyard, or our holiday party in December, or our March Madness social gathering or.... well, you get the idea. Fun never stops with the CCBCC.

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Westport Rivers Winery Sunset Music Series Article by **Bill Scott** photos **Ken Stone & Bill Scott**

Once upon a time - over a year ago - Erin Flaherty, my daughter, wrote a letter to the people at the Boston Chronicle TV show, telling them about the Cape Cod British Car Club and their annual event - British Legends Weekend. She was hoping to get a promotion on the show for the public to come and enjoy the event. She received the nice formal reply saying, "Thank you for your suggestion. We will keep this on file -yada yada". Life goes on and we never heard another word about it.

Mean while, our Queen_B, thought that a fun event for our club would be to tour down to Westport Rivers Winery some Friday night and enjoy their Sunset Music Series. Great venue at the winery and a sloping hillside overlooking the vineyard and great music. Yeah...sip a little wine, chill out a bit, all in all a lovely evening.



I decided for two reasons that I would not attend. First, driving off the Cape on a Friday evening during the height of summer season, and worse, driving back onto the Cape late Friday night, that is a definite no-no! Secondly, my daughter Erin and her family were visiting us on the Cape that week and weekend. Mary and I would not leave them and their two little girls, especially Molly, their one year old. Just out of the question.

On Wednesday afternoon that week, Erin received a telephone call from Stella Gould at the Chronicle saying that they would like to cover the car club while attending the Winery event. They were doing a series on "vintage" and wanted to include our club. "Dad, is there a car club event on Friday and you're not going?!!!" You could only imagine what happened next. From that moment on, the wheels were put into motion. Calls were made to Berta, tickets were all sold out, called the Vineyard to ask for tickets and special parking and to tell them that the Chronicle was coming, Rob and Lisa Russel, owners of the vineyard, were quick to realize the opportunity and tickets and parking were made available, and what else could be more vintage than a winery? Yes they would be a part of the show as well.

Ken and Linda Stone led a cruise from the Bourne Bridge to a hotel parking lot on the edge of Fall River. The chronicle crew would join us there. Berta and Paul led the group on a scenic back roads tour to the winery while the Chronicle filmed cars driving on the tour. Before arriving at the vineyard, the group pulled off to the side and the Chronicle crew headed on to the entrance of the vineyard so they could film us arriving. We did arrive and was filmed turning down the lovely long drive under a tunnel of tall trees with their branches arching over the drive, beautiful.



The public was parked on a big lot on the left while our LBCs were placed on a lovely green next to the old building of the winery. Everyone admiringly walk passed our cars on their way into the concert, some coming back to talk and take another look at the line up.



Stella, from the Chronicle began her interview with Berta who talked about the club and about our BLW event. Then she interviewed Bill Scott (me, your editor) asking question about our cars and what "Vintage" meant to us as car people. We had



a lot to show and talk about, because Peter Connell brought a 2016 Aston Martin (not too vintage yet, but wonderful), Dan & Lisa Winsor drove their yellow TR 6, Berta and Paul with their MGB, Ken & Linda Stone were in their beautiful black TR 4A, Charlie Frink with his TR 7 wedge, Lynne Turner was there, but I am not sure that she had her MG TD. Might have been a little engine work going on. Tony and Zita Caputo's MG Midget, all making an impressive lineup.



- The Westpoint Winery continued



Other members were there as well, but some we're not in their "vintage" LBCs, the Kathi and Fran Minnock drove their four passenger new MINI convertible, Bob Frye parked his Miata in the regular parking lot. It was good to have Kathy & Joe Rousha with us for the evening and Frank & Carole Frett brought Karen Sokol, it was so good to see her with us that night.

Oh yes, following our interviews, they talked with Rob Russel about what vintage means at a winery. Then there was the show with Mark T. Small and his solo blues guitar. It all made for a great evening on a warm summer night. Now we can't wait to see how our club looks on the Chronicle. Let's hope it draws a few people in to come to the BLW in Sandwich.

The Bogs, Bays and Backroads & BBQ Article by Ken Stone photos by Al Roseman, Ken Stone & Bill Scott

(a.k.a: Peter & Steve’s Most Excellent Cruise & BBQ)

August 25th dawned with clear, bright skies and temperatures just right for a cruise through the country to be followed by a BBQ at the beautiful home of new members to the club Peter Coulombe and Steve Lodi.

-The Bogs, Bays and Backroads continued

Peter and Steve had laid out a great route running through, just as the title says, bogs, bays and back roads. Folks gathered at the British Beer Club in Cedarville, 22 cars in all. A driver’s meeting was completed in short order and we were off in two groups for a two hour tour. Peter and Steve led the first group in their MGB and I the second in



my TR4A. Most of the way we were cruising on twisties through forested rural back roads with a brief run through the lovely seaside village of Onset . Along the way there, we cruised past lakes, bays and cranberry bogs both working and those returning to their natural state. Once through Onset with it’s lovely harbor dotted with island and boats both moored and underway, it was a short drive down the road and through the main street of the small town of Wareham. After that it was back into the woods and miles of driving through forests and farmland before reaching Myles Standish Forest . There we pulled into the lot at the park’s headquarters for a pit stop afterspending an hour on the road.

Surprisingly, the first group arrived after the second. Apparently Peter took a wrong turn along the way, which briefly had people thinking of the theme song from Gilligan’s Island. Despite the error only delaying their arrival by about 10 minutes, Peter had to endure a good amount of ribbing in that the tour was of his design. As the saying goes, never let a good deed go unpunished.

After a brief respite, the two groups were off once again. More winding roads through the State Forest (always a pleasure and it never gets old) and then back roads into the upscale planned community of The Pinehills in



th. Turning into the Pinehills, the groups cruised through the community’s

quaint village and landscaped commons with its gardens and tall pines. It was a bit of a pleasant surprise to folks in the cafés as we paraded by to smiles and waves. Then off through the twisting roads of the Pinehills itself, driving past more gardens in bloom all along the route, over stone bridges, past million dollar homes and PGA golf courses.

Emerging on the far side of the complex, it was over more back ways in Plymouth rolling past horse farms and country clubs until we found our way over to the roads leading us down to the sea by White Horse Beach. There we drove out to Manomet point, a high bluff overlooking the beach and the Atlantic . After a brief



break to stretch the legs, from there is was a short drive along back along the shore, this time up and along Pricilla Beach. We drove past more lovely homes overlooking the ocean before turning into Peter and Steve’s house 2 and ½ hours after we started and ready to eat.

Peter and Steve’s house is located on yet another bluff by the ocean. The long, well-shaded lawn off the backside of their home was the perfect spot to park our cars. Despite our numbers, we easily could have parked at least another dozen vehicles there if not more. And their beautiful house, multiple stunning gardens, deck and views of the ocean in the distance were the envy of us all. Perfect hosts, Peter and Steve immediately hit the grill. Combined with all the side dishes and deserts brought by club members, the tables outside were packed with food as was ultimately in everyone’s stomachs. Approximately 45 guests enjoyed their time immensely. Among those in attendance was Paul Hinchcliffe, an original, well-loved and highly respected member of the club who hasn’t been able to attend events in a long time due to health issues. It was great to see him out and enjoying this event.

Goodbyes came later in the afternoon as folks head out satiated in spirit as well as appetite. Truly it was Peter and Steve’s Most Excellent Cruise and BBQ.

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CCBCC New Members - Welcome

Peter Coulombe & Steve Lodi 1980 MGB roadster • Plymouth,MA •

Glenn & Barbara Mclachlan 1954 XK 120 MC RDS • 48 Prefect E93A • Middleborough,MA •

Frank & Janis Oliver 1972 Austin Mini • Westport, MA •

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Cape Cod British Car Club - Events

September

[Regular Monthly Meeting](#)

18 Sept 2018 • British Beer Company • 46 Rte 6A, Sandwich, MA • 7:00 PM •

October

[British Legends Weekend](#)

05-07 Oct 2018 • Sandwich, MA • Register now •

[Regular Monthly Meeting](#)

16 Oct 2018 • British Beer Company • 46 Rte 6A, Sandwich, MA • 7:00 PM •

November

[Martha's Vineyard Weekend](#)

03 Nov 2018 • Sandwich, MA • Register now •

[Regular Monthly Meeting](#)

20 Nov 2018 • British Beer Company • 46 Rte 6A, Sandwich, MA • 7:00 PM •



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