

The Wing & Bonnet

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*Hello
Everyone!*

It's a new month and the weather is certainly getting better. We had a good time going to the Ellinwood Underground and enjoyed great meals at **HandleBar and Grill in Great Bend, 807 10th Street**. You should stop and try it out if you're ever driving through Great Bend.

We are planning our next trip to **Gunnar's Bourbon Company distillery in Sedan, Ks** in April. Don't forget about the **Swap Meet at Dave and Jamie's house on Saturday April 6, 2024 at 9:00 am**.

Have a safe month!

Dan and Shirley

Daniel P. Johnson, PhD
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SWAP MEET APRIL 6 from 9 to 12

CHAT TIME W/FRIENDS & DONUTS!

At 601 SHARON COURT, Derby 67036

GO SOUTH on Rock in Derby to E. CHET SMITH AVE
WEST to S. SHARON DRIVE, NORTH to SHARON CT.
(Lost? Call Dave 214-8003 or 263-7807)

Donuts, Coffee, Juice + what appears on the table!

Questions: Blackwell 316-990-2533 & Lv message. Bring parts, good OR bad because

Ric Wolford will have a truck for all of your steel and metal discards.



Sat Night LIAR'S CLUB at 6 PM

SPANGLES

Woodlawn & Central



IN THE REAR VIEW MIRROR



SCCA NEWS



March 16th and 17th started off our autocross season with a test n tune on Saturday and a points solo on Sunday, two pretty nice days, weather wise. We had a lot of novices, or new to autocross, enjoyed talking to each and everyone, getting them some help if needed, I told them about the Wichita Region Autocross, if they wanted more seat time. The real enjoyment came when we got to see everyone from our autocross family, we don't get to see on a regular basis. What car are they driving now? March 23rd and 24th we will be at a Wichita Autocross, by Yoder, and know we will have a good time meeting and seeing old and making new friendships. Have a safe summer because it is coming on fast, do something special, like come to one of our picnics, enjoy one of our road trips, I know everyone would enjoy seeing you. **Submitted by Sharon Brillhart**

British Car Club of Wichita, Ks, Members:

please note that the club is making a partial return to the \$24 yearly amount charged for dues. **YEAR 2024, BCCW Dues -\$10/yr.** The costs of paper are negligible, but the costs of the HP Inks have increased. Your editor is still free. Remittance of \$10 is always welcome at the mailing address of **Tammy Vandruff, who is our needlessly abused Financial Officer and Tireless Accountant, at 700 South Madison, Wichita, Ks 67211.** Dues accompanied by suggestions for event / trip / social ideas are always encouraged!

Thank you, Your Editor

Chuck Asbury says, "It might also be good to note that the Harbor Freight transmission jack



shown above is also very useful for installing microwave ovens above your counter top range.

Just protect the burners with plywood and raise your microwave into position. Makes a supposed two-man job into an easy one-man operation. Ask me how I know.... "

AS OF YEAR 2024
ALL SCCA MEMBERS HEREBY TAKE NOTE:

Bruce Bettinger

Is hereby acknowledged for 50-Years Continuous Membership in
The Sports Car Club of America

Primarily: The Wichita Ks Region

Be it known by all similarly inclined competitors, Bruce has been accorded Highest Honors for his Demonstrated Gentlemanly Cordiality on SCCA Racetracks exhibiting at all times a superior possession of
The Delicate Skills of Wheels Down
Sports Car Racing

Congratulations

50

YEARS S C C A MEMBERSHIP



Dee Davis Has 74 1/2 MGB & Parts

Please let the club know that I have about everything to re-build '74 1/2 MGB. Al ordered parts before he got sick so I have brand new parts in boxes. I'm pretty sure he ordered high performance parts. LIST is Victoria British & Moss.

If someone wants a '74 1/2 MGB project car we can probably work out a deal. You can text me.

deedavis8115@hotmail.com

My security on the phone doesn't ring for any numbers that aren't already in my contact list.

1-670-755-1965 deedavis8115@hotmail.com

Part	Catalogue Numbers	Cost
Tires and wheels		1000
Gas tank		150
Windshield kit	wKS-100	120
Convertible top	9-333-BB	300
Left front fender	11-796T	664
Electronic Distributer	143-116	280
Ignition Coil	40511	50
Switch assembly, turn signal, high beam control	141-840	30
Hazard switch	141-635	15
Heater fan switch	141-270	14
Trunk Seal	282-475	14
Door seal		10
Oil seal (2)	5-853	
Gasket	3-115	
Master cylinder		72
Oil reservoir		10
Heater core	12-075	56
Headlight bulbs (2)	8-8331	18
Headlight(2)	10-627	88
Headlight body set	10-664	32
Headlight harness	10-679	20
Front park/turn lamp	8-096	28
Water pump assembly	2-137	30
Choke cable		13
Thermostat		
Window crank		
Convertible top boot (torn)		
Insulating material		
thermostat		

1974 MGB GT FOR SALE I have owned this car for over two years and have spent \$5,000 on restoration work & the improvements since my original purchase. I now have too many cars and need to thin the herd. Please feel free to contact me for details and/or to schedule a viewing.

Randolph Hone.... (417) 831-2900.



Gearbox cover, fiberglass. \$45. Came with some parts cars I bought long ago. Looks like it has been installed once and promptly pulled. One mounting tab needs repaired, otherwise in very good condition.

Fits TR4,4a,250 & 6. New phenolic unit from The Roadster Factory is \$110 + shipping. Pick up is best, as shipping will be a killer on something this big. Will ship, but don't recommend it. 31six 77six 00six5. **Other TR3 & 4 parts available, inquire.**

HARRY PRICE
xk150fhc@sbcglobal.net



QUICK NOTE ON PARTS FOR SALE -

Hank & Sharon, unfortunately, are racing on SWAP MEET DAY and can't display their stuff.

Hank Brillhart has a few new & old MG parts for sale. Give him a ring to ask him if he has what you need. 316-204-2596

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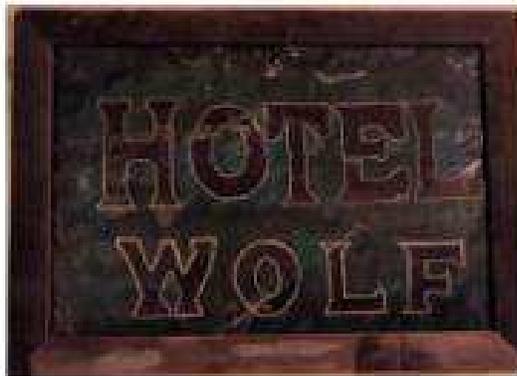
ELLINWOOD UNDERGROUND

THE SLIGHT OVERCAST WAS PERFECT FOR A CLUB DRIVING ADVENTURE TO ELLINWOOD, IN NORTHWEST KANSAS.

The group included Shirley Helm & Dan Johnson, Rod MacLean, Sharon & Hank Brillhart, Bob & Colette Baptista, Annette & Harry Price, Craig Newell, Roger Pitts, & Lewis Blackwell. Wichita to Ellinwood is 108 miles, at 2 hours. Your GPS or Garmin will go briefly wonky at about the 3/4 point because of newly configured highways, bridges, and ramps. It is not too badly confusing.

The Wolf Hotel is located at the west main intersection in the center of Ellinwood, with parking behind the hotel.

We gathered in the main reception area of the hotel and were briefed with an overview. Group tours schedule for 11 AM and 1 PM.



It is a working hotel with offices and main kitchen downstairs and fully furnished suites upstairs that have kitchens and baths in various styles. Period furniture and antiques allow you to

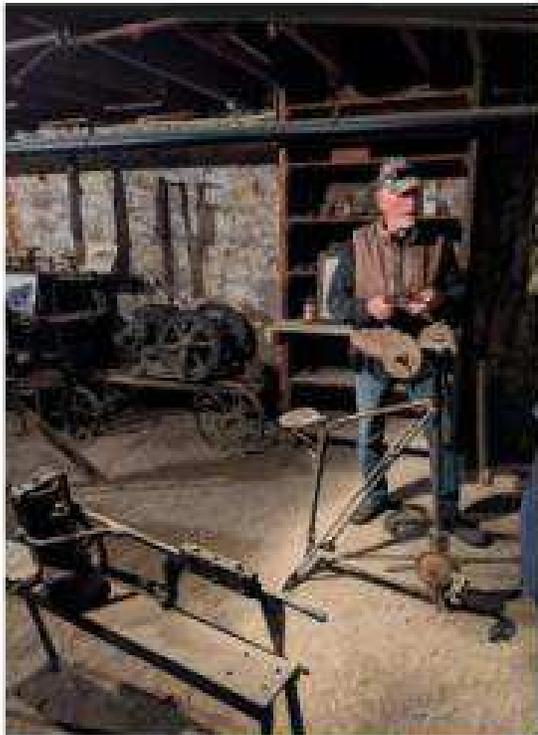


experience an earlier, graceful time in Kansas's early western history. Many of the antiques that were sold at the first closing have been located and repurchased or donated to bring the hotel back to the original look. It is a popular place in town for art classes and community activities.

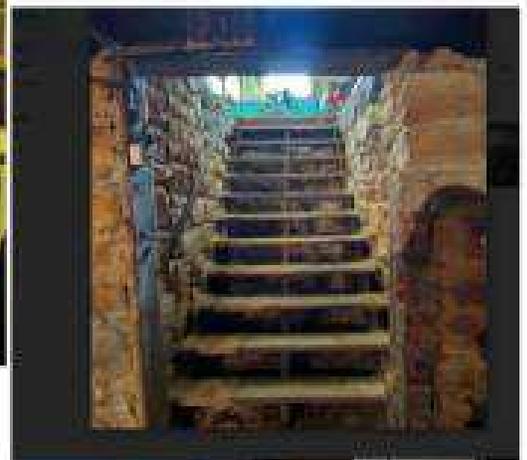
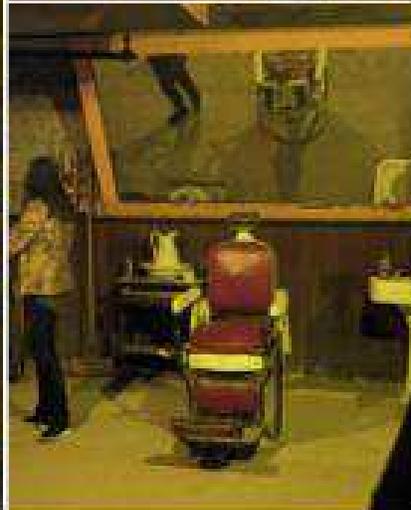


The Ellinwood Tunnels were historically under a vast area of the center of town and ran down both sides of the streets at that early time. Age and concerns caused most of the tunnels to be abandoned and filled. Still alive underground are what's left of early Ellinwood's answer to summer heat and storms on the plains. Store, Library,

a bar with entertainment stages for plays and traveling bands,



THEN,
it's back up the stairs on the OTHER side of the main street and back into the hotel again.



barbershop, card tables, library, club room, bathtub rental next to an "entertainment center", funeral parlor, blacksmith, large restaurant and

The lobby opens to the main floor dining & dancing area with the original black & white stone floor. The B&B apartments above are booked with a continental breakfasts, or rented as apartments with kitchens.



If you want to experience an unusual hotel with a unique museum of history on the plains, there are few places that can take you down a "Rabbit Hole" and into the early days of living underground in early Kansas.



THE HISTORIC WOLF HOTEL

**# 1 Main Street
Ellinwood, Ks 67526**

620-617-6915

info@historicwolfhotel.com

Above are a few extra shots of the underground that is waiting for you at Ellinwood, Ks.

Depending on your choice of 11am or 1pm tour, we can highly recommend The Handle Bar Restaurant in Great Bend, the next city west. The service was great and the food was hot & DELICIOUS, especially the burgers & onion rings. GREAT place if you are anywhere near.

The Editor



Record-breaking MG Q-Type driven by Doreen Evans

Full article at https://classicmotorsports.com/cars-for-sale/record-breaking-mg-q-type-driven-by-doreen-evans-1934-q-type-mo-nopostup/?mc_cid=c13acb7601&mc_eid=8e50f85d66

Driver Doreen Evans, at just 17 years old, drove this MG Q-Type to a record-breaking **101.7 mph** at the 1935 Second Haw Handicap. Sure, MG only made eight examples of the Q-Type, but this particular Q-Type owns a piece of history. The MG was restored from 2019 to 2020.

Find this 1934 MG Q-Type Monopostoup for auction at Bonhams, with an estimated value of \$180,000-\$230,000.



LINDSBORG KS

APRIL 27 2024

CARS & COFFEE

8AM to 11AM



BLACKSMITH COFFEE SHOP 122 N MAIN



- 8 AM - CARS & COFFEE
- 10AM - RAYMER SOCIETY ART AUCTION
- LINDSBORG IN BLOOM!
- 12PM - DISNEY LORCANA
- 1PM - DWELLER ON THRESHOLD EXHIBITION
- 6PM - MAGIC: THE GATHERING

Kansas Speedway Car Show May 2024
ndamoi@nascar.com Phone 386-200-9404

DERBY FALCON CAR SHOW



APRIL 27 2024

Derby North Middle School
From 9 to 3pm 3100 N. Rock Rd

20th ANNUAL GOBMC CAR & CYCLE SHOW



JUNE 29 2024 OZARK, MO 65721

CONTACT: SCOTT SWOPE 417-225-8447

Sorry. Site is currently inaccessible, but the car show details should be available soon. *Editor*

SAMPLE SWAP PARTS:

73 MGB PARTS Lew Blackwell 316-990-2533
or email Lewblac78@gmail.com

ROOF HINGE & STRUCTURE
NEW CHROME DOOR SILL PLATES
NEW WINDSHIELD
RUBBER GASKETS, SEALS
ASSORTED NEW ENG GASKETS
- ENGINE, OIL, WATER VALVE
DOOR ARMRESTS, LEFT, RIGHT
NEW DOOR HANDLES
CHROME MIRRORS
TAIL LIGHTS & SEALS
CHROME FRONT SIGNALS
NEW LEATHER WHEEL COVER
4 CAR HORNS, OLD BUT LOUD
NEW MOLDED RADIO COVER
ORIGINAL AIR HORNS FOR CARB
SU CARBURETTORS, OLD
FRONT SIDE INTERIOR PANELS
BLACK TRUNK CARPETING, ROLL
NEW METAL FOIL INSULATION
REDLINE AIR FILTERS, NEW
MG BOOKS
NEW GAS TANK SENDER
BRITISH FLAGS, DECALS
NEW SEAT BELT & COIL
DOOR LATCH, DOOR SHIIMS
3 RADIO ANTENNAES AND MORE
NEW FENDER SPLASH BARRIERS
2-PcTONNEAU MAPLE MARINE LEATHER
- CENTER 1/2 ZIPPER FOR DRIVER
- INCLUDES HEADREST COVERS
- REAR 1/2 TONNEAU TOP COVER

**SWAP MEET WILL HAVE LOTS OF
GUYS WITH LOTS OF STUFF YOU
NEED FOR MGs & TRs!**

Chat time w/friends and free donuts



Harry Price sent this and says,
*"It isn't often I see my name in
print without a mug shot!"*

CAR DRIVER

BREAKING NEWS

Harry Price Joins Terrible Race Team

Los Angeles, CA—Today Car and Driver reported that Harry Price, against the advice of mental-health professionals, will compete in the 24 Hours of Lemons -- the wheel-to-wheel car race for heaps that cost \$500 or less. Price's team -- the unpromisingly named "LOOSE NUTS Racing" -- hits your local track on 05/04/2024 to 05/05/2024, where therapists and junkyard operators are already standing by.

One relative, on condition of anonymity, described Price's family as "...saddened but unsurprised" by the news. "Unfortunately, we've come to expect such lapses in judgment," the source told CD.

Friends, coworkers, and relatives interested in staging an intervention and/or watching Price do something incredibly embarrassing can find more information on Lemons' [race-info page](#).

JUST IN TIME for April Fool's Day!

Editor

ODDS & ENDS:

If you plan to motor west



A couple years ago, just about this time, your very own **British Car Club of Wichita**, on a **Route 50s** adventure, were surprised to see this same awesome view of the **Great American Basin** appear in all of our windscreens as we crested the top of a mountain in Nevada.

Note: Largest area of contiguous endorheic watersheds, covering most of Nevada, half of Utah, and sections of Idaho, Wyoming, Oregon, and California, the Great Basin has NO outlets to the ocean. Caution is needed.

Our little sport cars with tops UP zoomed westward in hellish heat of mid-day.

Halfway across the HOT, EMPTY stretch shown above, we were dumbfounded to see someone in the distance headed in our direction pedaling slowly but steadily alongon his bicycle!

In July of 1986, Life magazine dubbed Nevada's Highway 50 the "Loneliest Road in America." The article claimed there were "no points of interest" along the route and "warned" readers not to risk traveling it unless they were confident of their "survival skills." However, Nevada adventurers knew better then—and still do ...

(I'm guessing he was in pretty good shape! Editor)



Bruce Bettinger, With 50 SCCAs, Still Likes To Lift Lefties!



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
The British Car Club of Wichita, Ks

Make Checks Payable to BCCW
 Mail: Tammy Vandruff, 700 South
 Madison, Wichita, Ks 67211

Name(s) _____ YOUR NAME _____ MATE _____

EMAIL _____ STREET & NUMBER _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME OR MOBILE PHONE _____

VEHICLES:

MODEL	YEAR	MAKE
MODEL	YEAR	MAKE
MODEL	YEAR	MAKE

Membership Dues: **\$10** for the full year...
 NEW memberships prorated per months
 remaining in year. All renewals at full amount.