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*Hello
Everyone!*

Hope you all had a good month.

And it's good to see that those of you who went to The Garage had a good time.

Hope you get a chance to drive your little cars before the weather changes.

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Gentle reminder ~
Season of Freezin' is
approaching on little
white feet.
Are you ready for it?



FALLING INTO AUTUMN



BCCW GATHERING

BRAUM'S SAT NITES

6 - 7 PM Douglas & Seneca,



SAT OCTOBER 4TH

A BCCW Designated Charity Event

HUNTINGTON'S WALK OF HOPE

8:30 AM to approx Noon, **LOCATED IN
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hotel located in SE Corner of
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FREE Public Event!

OCT 4, FREE Harper Justice Ivy Show

Fundraiser at Starlight Drive-In Wichita,

3900 S. Hydraulic 12 - 3 pm **\$25 Car**

Register -- Prizes, Kids Bicycles

OCT 3-4-5 DRONE LIGHT FESTIVAL

4 hrs Nightly: Fri, Sat, Sun 6PM to 10PM

300 N. McLean Blvd, Wichita, Ks

Exploration Place, McLean & 2nd St.

OCT 1, HOME ~ AN ITEM EXHIBIT

Mid-American Event, **All-Indian Museum,**

10 - 1 pm, **650 N Seneca, Wichita, Ks**

Keith Smith has a Bug Eye Again!

Keith & Debbie
Smith, Bavaria, Ks
finally completed
restoring his 1960
Bug Eye Sprite &
painted it a nice,
Shiny Blue. They
might have built a
private bedroom
for it in their garage! **Lookin' GOOD!**



IN THE REAR VIEW MIRROR



Six of the BCCW Faithful popped in at The Garage in Salina to take in the September Car Display and had a good time. We discovered a great Mexican restaurant called **Grupo Nuevos Comienzos** at **620 So. Santa Fe Ave and 135 Exit. No-Salt Chips** with great **Salsa!** Call Lewis Blackwell if you have an event! 316-990-2533 or Lewblac78@gmail.com



Sharon Brillhart: ESL Toyota MR2. Driver of the Year (Rocky Enriken Photo)

AUTOCROSS 2025

OCT 5 AT WICHITA (YODER)

OCT 12 AT SALINA

OCT 25-26 WICHITA (YODER)

If you want to check off a Bucket List Item, call for your passenger racing adventure with Sharon or Hank!

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Sharon Brillhart

Missed the trip to THE GARAGE, Salina, Ks?

Here is a photo essay for you.



Above, is a composite of the BCCW group that took a driving trip to **The Garage in Salina, Ks**, Sep 27, 2025. Sharon volunteered to take a photo, so I took a shot and made sure she got credit for all her effort putting this trip together.

Left to right:

Craig Newell, Ron Sundquist, Hank Brillhart, Lewis Blackwell, Rod MacLean, Sharon Brillhart.



**The Garage, 134, South 4th St., Salina, Ks
67401 www.thegaragesalina.org 913-444-3749**



Entryway showcases a 1986 Ferrari Testarossa with a license plate: **"CNTDR55"**.

Immediately, Hank & Rod & Ron & Craig gathered around the 1960 Austin Healy Bug Eye Sprite. Note: Hank just finished restoring one.



...and this is the engine to this Bugatti that has raced around the world and still in museum condition on display.

The walls are filled with memorabilia & antique posters from all over the world.



At \$13,000 when new, this Post War 1953 Mercedes Benz 300S Cabriolet owned by the McPherson College was the most expensive car on the market. Students restored it over a 7-year period in the McPherson College Auto Restoration Program. It won 2nd in Class at Pebble Beach in the Postwar Luxury Category.



One of 400 4-cylinder 1959 Porsche Master 408 tractors and one of the few that came to the U.S. due to cost, this tractor, Serial Number 377, was restored by Doug & DeJae Gantvoort. Engine is 3.5L Aircooled Diesel, 50 HP @2100 RPM, and 125 lb/ft 5-speed. It was originally built in city of Friedrichshafen-Manzell, Germany.



This is the very first time I ever saw this 1967 Type 34 model of the Volkswagen. It was never officially sold in the U.S., but imported by service members and tourists. It was found in a closed car dealership in Clay Center! Greg Rose named it "Boris" the Russian Spy in Bullwinkle TV Show.

Someone is still making the Morgan! This 2012 3-wheeler, called the "cyclecar" in Europe was introduced in 2011 in a company that built it in 1911. Shark face is RAF's No 112 Shark Squadron symbol sported in WWII.

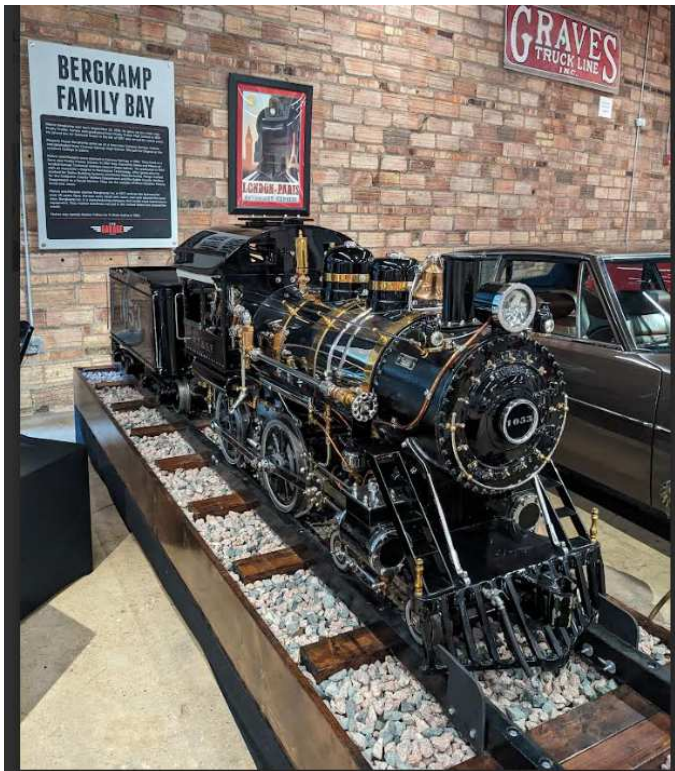




My favorite car is the MGB. This is a 1966 MGB Roadster, but nearly all of the years look the same, with exceptions of fittings and bumpers.



There were all sorts of kiosks with interactive quiz programs to test your car & mechanical smarts.



This finely scaled model of No. 1053 Locomotive & Tender is part of the Bergkamp Family Bay display. Melvin & Marjorie started Bergkamp, Inc. in 1977 and ran it for 20 years. Their manufacturing company marketed road maintenance machines around the world.



This 1928 Bentley 6.5 Litre is possibly one of less than ten originals left. Featured is Weymann body ALL of fabric to roll & flex with the chassis. This was a Gurney Nutting limousine when new.



This 1989 Aston Martin Lagonda S4, the 4-door saloon, saved the company during production and 645 were built 1976 to 1990 with 5.3L DOHC V8.



Lotus, founded by Colin Chapman, was a small sports car firm. This 2024 Lotus with a Toyota engine pushes th innovative car to 180 MPH.



This 1058 MGA Roadster was frame-off restored, overdrive transmission installed, and got a 1622 cc Gold Seal Factory engine just under the 5-yr warranty. Transm is a Ford T9 4-speed manual.



1998 Jaguar XK8 Luxury Tourer. 4.0L AJ-V8, with 290 HP 6100 RPM, 5-speed ZF 5HP24 transaxle.



1988 Land Rover 110 Defender. The models were named after the wheelbase, 90 & 110 option Rescued from farm-painted orange, is restored!



1969 Alfa Romeo 1750 Spider Veloce. Pininfarina-style body referred to as "osso di sepia" or cuttle fish bone. This "Apple Green" was a color only available in the U.S.

The Garage has Full On Driving Simulators with your choice of named Race Tracks all over!



Sharon & Hank traded spots racing for scores.



Rod gets buckled in and the staff comes over and sets you up with whatever track and whatever you want to race. While I watched, I noticed that the chairs are active and bounce you up & down and lean you over according to whatever the course has for topography & curves! Looks real!



Test speed on refueling...it gurgles like real thing!



Rod supervises Sharon changing a tire while Craig gets to imagine them as a Pit Crew.



Along with everything else, the big TIRE QUIZ slot tests you on your knowledge of terms and issues dealing with tires.



Hank & Sharon try out the '55 Chevy Back Seat. Hand-holding was the only PDA detected.

There was more, but go see for yourself! Editor

HARRY'S TRACK TALK

As you can see, Harry stopped by the famous **National Corvette Museum, Kentucky**, with that underground cave that made itself known a few years ago by swallowing several mint show cars into its maw under the fancy display floor.

In chatting with Harry, I understand that the museum has since FILLED the cave-in with tons of concrete to create a "cap" over the top of the fallen debris. Still on display is one of the mint cars that was destroyed but has been preserved in its crushed condition as a reminder.

These photos of Corvettes would probably not be of any particular interest to British Iron owners unless...

they ALSO own Corvettes!

(You know who you are.)



HARRY'S TRACK REPORT CONT'D

* 1957 TR3

restoration update:

Realizing that I wasn't working on the car enough to finish it in two lifetimes, it is now in the hands of Mark Canaday of Topeka KS to be completed.



* Never been to a Buccee's before.

Stopped for gas and coffee. Interesting place. Will skip the coffee next time. Takes a lot of half 'n half to drink it.



* 24 Hours Lemons race update:

Weekend of Sept 19-21 I spent in **Bowling Green, KY, at NCM Motorsports Park**. Before heading to the track, I visited the **National Corvette Museum**. Amazing museum with lots of great displays and cars. Sadly, the 2014 sinkhole has been filled in. Some of the 8 sinkhole cars are restored and on display.

NCM Motorsports Park features 23 turns crammed onto a 3.15-mile track. Fifty foot of elevation change, almost all of it in **Turn #20**, or known as the Sinkhole, is a blind turn diving almost fifty feet into a short, sharp right, then a left-hand turn to climb back out. I signed on with a team of three retro **VW FWD Beetles**. (Worn out, underpowered and constantly breaking Beetles!) The breaking started during practice Friday and continued all weekend. The red Beetle accumulated two black flags and was totaled in less than an hour Saturday and became a parts donor for the other two. Work on the

cars continued until o'dark-thirty on Friday and Saturday nights. I only recall two or three hours Sunday when both the green and white Beetles were on the track at the same time. Otherwise, it was a race to repair one car before the other broke. Everybody got half the anticipated seat time due to the early wreck and constant component failures. The best thing I can say is the motor was durable; it handled exceptionally well & the transmission is smooth (even with worn out shifters) and it beat not going racing. As for where we finished, well let's just say we weren't last. Next door neighbor maybe, but not last. If I worked as much on the TR3 as I did VWs this weekend, it would be done!

Oh yeah. Gotta mention PB Blastin Racing. They raced a 1971 MGB-GT all weekend! Great reliability. Owned by LeRoy, a young British car enthusiast of 35. The car was



pulled from a junkyard in Texas with single Weber carburetor conversion & header. LeRoy added drilled & slotted front rotors. Otherwise, a mostly stock MGB-GT raced for 15 hours (8 Sat and 7 Sunday) without breaking! Covering 177 laps and 577 miles. It placed 14th of 30 in class C (slowest class) and 47 of 98 overall, well ahead of many faster but less reliable cars.

Photos found at

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-MWSlp-KYs>

**SCENES on next Pg are from above URL
LINK TO LEMONS WORLD REEL.
LEMONS CLASSIC
RUIN VS RESCUE FEATURE REEL -**

Quick synopsis of reel at the previous URL:
Find a car. Discover the MGB GT is a mis-
mash of many different years of parts.

Next, they called Byron, at their favorite
"**SPORTSCAR WAREHOUSE**" to locate the
right replacement parts for the rescue.

Subscribe to Lemons' YouTube
channel and never miss a race wrapup
or #lemonsworld episode. You might
see Harry racing!

<https://www.youtube.com/user/24hoursoflemons>

This **Lemons World** reel is a real hoot! Editor



The reel is a fast & talky ride
with lots of Track Action that
should keep the average
wrench-racer happy for hours.
**Subscribe to Harry's world
of Ruin or Rescue** if you like,
by Googling URL top right
corner of this page (I hope.)

Our thanks to **Lemons World!**



MORE DETAILS ABOUT LEMONS WORLD

Excerpts from one entry in Lemons Race.....

From: LeRoy Holt <leroyholt34@gmail.com> IN lemons world:

To: HARRY Price IV <hk150fhc@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Subject: Re: MGB-GT and Green Beetle on track

"Good morning Harry,

Nice to meet you in Bowling Green, KY

Following is the information previously shared with Nick Pon from **Lemons** after our first race in Houston, with some updates to reflect the most recent **Bowling Green Race**.

Year: 1971 **Make:** MG **Model:** MGB GT

Engine: Stock 1.8L Inline 4

Transm: 4 Spd Manual, switch actuated overdrive that works in 3rd and 4th

Susp frt: Stock IFS, Stock Armstrong dampers

Susp rr: Stock Leaf Springs

Brakes: Frt: Slot/drilled rotors-Moss Motors,
Rear: Rebuilt Stock Drums

Wheels: Minilite Knockoff or Knockoff Wire

Wheels size: 14 X 5.5

Tire size: 195/60R14

HP (estimate fine): 60 HP ish at rear whls

Vehicle weight: 2,200 lb

Mod-Mech: Weber32/36, Petronix dist, bigger radiator

Mod-Body: Bondo, new floor pans

How you found the car/what shape it was in:

I found the car on Facebook Marketplace sitting in a semi-truck junkyard in Belton, TX. It wasn't running, looked like it was last registered in 2000, and had grass growing up all around it/typical mouse house. They picked it up with a forklift and plopped it on a flatbed for us to bring back home.

How you found all the pieces:

I found out the hard way that this car is a mix of multiple different years. The chassis is a 71 while the dash, gauges, other electrical components, and parts of the cooling system are from other years. For this reason, even though parts aren't too difficult to source, it was difficult to know what year I needed to put back together someone else's Frankenstein. I often would take broken parts or the car to a local specialty shop, **Sports Car Warehouse**, (Byron and his team in Arlington, TX, are life savers) to get them to tell me what year part I needed and often they would have it in stock. Others: **eBay Motors**, **Summit Racing**, and **Moss Motors**.

Tell us about your theme:

We brainstormed looking for ways to incorporate the car name into the theme. There were a number of options but we kept coming back to "MG Beaver" because it made us laugh. Originally, we planned on getting a taxidermied beaver to bolt to the roof but then realized that they were really expensive so we bought a wayfair garden gnome beaver holding a sign that said "welcome" and modified it to say "Da Lemon". I plastidipped the original British Racing Green/Bondo colored car brown in my garage and asked my wife (who is a talented artist in her free time) to paint a mural on the hood, taking inspiration from the Pontiac Firebird Thunder chicken and some clipart we found online.

Regrets?: Not getting the front tire camber properly set prior to the race in Bowling Green, KY caused it to shred inside tread on one front tire.

Triumphs?: My entire team got a ton of seat time and was made up of myself, one of my best friends that I've known since college, his dad, my little brother (1st race), and our dad as crew. This is the second race we completed successfully taking a 50+ year-old junkyard car to Lemons Racing. It ran over 177 laps, 13Hrs, 566 miles, and while it was likely the slowest car on the track, we didn't finish last (47/97 overall 14/30 in class C). We raced almost all of the possible hours, and had an awesome time. I convinced my brother to join this year and sharing the experience with him was almost as exciting as 1st time we raced in Houston

Future plans? 1) Coil-overs, 2) Poly Bushings, 3) VMAX supercharger kit to get us to 95HP, and a quality bribe to stay in class C!

Please let me know if you have any other questions. We hope to see you at another race soon, potentially at the next...

Lemons Hallettosis 2024.

Cheers, LeRoy Holt 804-854-8226"



Submitted by Harry Price

HARRY'S PARTS

Original Jaguar Tools
Get 'em while you can!

#1 For Sale, Mark 2 tool kit. Wrenches: two end and adjustable are **Garrington**. Two end wrenches are **TW**. All are original finish except two end wrenches - de-rusted and primed flat black. Missing air pressure gauge. **Lodge** spark plug. **Dunlop** can has masking tape around the perimeter. Screwdriver handle in very nice condition. Toolbox needs restored on outside, Many scratches & small rust. Condition of felt is fair. **\$625**

HARRY PRICE 650-6836 xk150fhc@sbcglobal.net

#2 For Sale, Mark 2 tool kit. Missing air pressure gauge, one wrench and entire bottom of toolbox. Wrenches: adjustable is **Garrington**; Two end wrenches are **TW**, and one **Snail Brand**. All tools de-rusted and primed flat black. **Champion** spark plug. **Dunlop** can very poor condition. Screwdriver has marks. Toolbox lid has scratching and some small rust. Felt is very poor. **\$250**



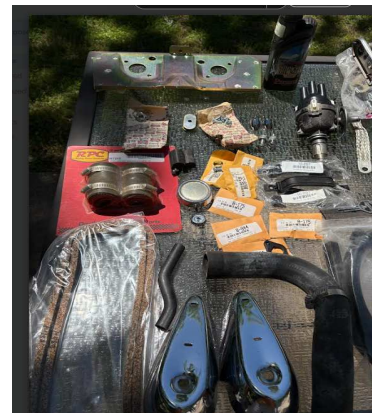
LAST CHANCE 4 MG PARTS!

Jim Grocholski says these parts are **FREE!**

Don't make me toss 'em away!

jfgrocholski@yahoo.com 918-869-8829

Shock oil, two chrome overrides new header rail gasket for convertible top, four new wiper blade assemblies, one used distributor, two used kingpins, one new throw out bearing, new carpet snaps, blanking plate with chrome, multiple chrome screws pan head oval head, **new heat shield**, finishing caps for wiper assembly, radiator hose new, multiple map light bulbs and two map light gaskets, older **Austin Healy** rear view mirror, **MGB** door mount **mirror**, two hood bumpers that mount on fenders. **FREE MGB parts! Early pre-1974 Chrome Overrides**, wiper blades, throwout bearings, and other hard to find parts & pieces. There are many NEW small items like **chrome screws and bolts** as well as gaskets for air cleaner etc.



TIME AGAIN FOR HALLOWE'EN!

**SOMEBODY
IN THE
DISPLAY
DEPARTMENT
IS GONNA BE
IN TROUBLE
AGAIN....**



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 _____

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

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.