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## President's Message

Another month has gone by without finding a place to hide from the heat. Top up, windows down, back window zipped out and 60 mph and it's still hot. Not much going on with our club except great lunches with participation by most. Inter cooperation between other clubs has given us hard core LBC owners something to do. MGBCC-Florida (Melbourne) had a lift day that was interesting. To be

honest there was an underlying theme that was very appealing. Air conditioning; the shop had AC and we drove the Mini, very comfy. The Ceres Motor-sports Co. is having a cars and coffee on August 12, 8:00 to 9:30. All are welcome. Also appealing is this month's lunch at a brewery. See y'all there.

Keep the shiny side up.

*Doug*

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## Phillips vs Pozi - The Plain Facts

### Little British Car Co. - Tech Tips

Before retiring, I spent my entire working career in the fastener industry. Now that I am working on British cars and spending a lot of time talking to others working on them, I am finding a lot of confusion about the 'Phillips' type screws in our cars.

Phillips International, the holder of the Phillips patent, developed a drive similar to Phillips called Pozi Drive. This drive found far greater acceptance in Great Britain and Europe than it did in the US. I think this is why many Americans do not recognize a Pozi drive screw by looking at it casually. From the top of the screw, there are small lines radiating from the drive outward. These lines are located between the 'wings' of the recess. This is the easiest way to identify a Pozi Drive screw.

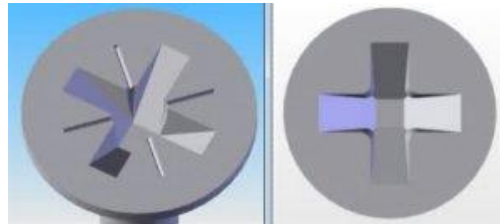
Now let me explain why it is important to use the correct bit. To tell the difference look into the recess of the screw, or hold a Phillips bit and a Pozi bit side by side. The wings on a Phillips bit are tapered from the place where it enters the screw towards the point. The wings on a Pozi Drive bit on the other hand stay the same thickness all the way to the point. In addition, there is a small ridge between the wings. The angle of the wings is slightly different as well.

The problem with trying to use a Phillips bit or screwdriver in a Pozi Drive screw is that it doesn't fit the recess correctly. As you attempt to loosen or tighten the screw, the screw driver attempts to back out of the recess because of the tapered wings. The tighter the screw is that you are trying to remove, the more 'end load' you must apply to the screwdriver. A Pozi Drive bit used in a magnetic screwdriver, fits the recess correctly and will not try to lift out of the recess.

You don't see many Pozi Screwdrivers in the US, which is why you normally will only find bits. The Pozi bit on the other hand will not fit in the Phillips recess very well because the wings are not tapered, and so it does not go very far into the recess and tends to 'strip out' the screw.

I send this because about the only recess screws I have found on any of my cars that are not Pozi Drive are the ones that have been replaced by either myself or previous owners. I know that these 'Phillips type' screws are a major pain for many people working on these cars.

An earlier Tech Tip mentioned the difficulty in removing door screws from a Sprite/Midget. Those same screws are used on Austin Healy 3000 MKI and MGB's. I have a #4 Pozi bit mounted in a 3/8" drive socket and can tighten or loosen screws with no problem.



Source: Jeff Zorn *Little British Car Co.* from an Anonymous Subscriber.



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# Celebrations

By: Gene



## *Birthdays*

|                      |               |
|----------------------|---------------|
| <i>Bob Stonke</i>    | <i>8/10</i>   |
| <i>Vince Owens</i>   | <i>8/10</i>   |
| <i>Vic Hall</i>      | <i>August</i> |
| <i>Jan Radigan</i>   | <i>8/15</i>   |
| <i>Donna Vetter</i>  | <i>8/23</i>   |
| <i>Sylvia Thomas</i> | <i>8/24</i>   |
| <i>Ken DeLeeuw</i>   | <i>8/30</i>   |
| <i>Sandi Owens</i>   | <i>8/30</i>   |

## *Anniversaries*

*Richard & Joyce Heckathorn – 8/6*  
*Gene & Jan Myszkowski - 8/19*

## 2017 ABCC Upcoming Club Activities

If you have a suggestion for a summer event let Doug Know. [bigdug1313@cfl.rr.com](mailto:bigdug1313@cfl.rr.com)

### Cars Wanted:

Jaguar, XK-XKE, MG-T series, MGA, Triumph TR-2 -3-4-250 Mercedes 190, 220, 230, 250, 280SL, Porsche 356, 911, 912, 914, Austin Healey, Riley, Alfa-Romeo, Singer, Mustang 1964-1967, Ford Model-T -A, Karmann Ghia, Volvo P1800. Steve's British Connection 630-553-9023, Cell 708-772-5404, Email [sbcinc@aol.com](mailto:sbcinc@aol.com). Actively buying cars for over 20 years, any condition, fast payment and pick-up. Generous finder's fees.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- AUGUST 3-5, 2017 "The Roadster Factory" Summer Party. Armagh, PA – <http://www.the-roadster-factory.com/>
- AUGUST 5-6, 2017 SCCA SOLO II (Autocross). Daytona International Speedway, Daytona Beach, FL – [www.cfrsolo2.com](http://www.cfrsolo2.com)**
- AUGUST 5, 2017 British Car Day 2014. Dayton, OH - <http://www.britishcardaydayton.com/>
- AUGUST 5, 2017 Pennypacker Mills British Car Day. Schwenksville, PA – [www.DVCMG.com](http://www.DVCMG.com)
- AUGUST 12, 2017 Mount Equinox Hill Climb. Arlington, VT – [www.vasca.org](http://www.vasca.org)
- AUGUST 16-120, 2017 2017 VTR National Convention. Princeton, NJ - [www.vtr2017.org/](http://www.vtr2017.org/)**
- AUGUST 27-30, 2017 Put-In-Bay Reunion Road Race. Put-In-Bay, OH - [www.pibroadrace.com](http://www.pibroadrace.com)
- SEPTEMBER 1-4, 2017 Lime Rock Historic Festival XXXV (VSCCA). Lime Rock, CT – [www.vasca.org](http://www.vasca.org)
- SEPTEMBER 2-3, 2017 Beaulieu International Autojumble. Beaulieu, Hampshire, England – [www.beaulieu.co.uk](http://www.beaulieu.co.uk)
- SEPTEMBER 6-10, 2017 2016 U.S. Vintage Grand Prix. Watkins Glen International - Watkins Glen, NY - [www.svra.com](http://www.svra.com)
- SEPTEMBER 8-9, 2017 Brits of the Shoals. Rogersville, AL. – <http://www.shoalsbritishcars.org/>
- SEPTEMBER 8-10, 2017 Goodwood Revival, Chichester, England – <https://www.goodwood.com/sports/motorsport/events/>
- SEPTEMBER 9, 2017 Atlanta British Car Fayre. Norcross, GA - [www.atlantabritishcarfayre.com/](http://www.atlantabritishcarfayre.com/)
- SEPTEMBER 14-17, 2017 Fall Classics (HSR), Road Atlanta - [www.hsrrace.com](http://www.hsrrace.com)
- SEPTEMBER 16, 2017 Brits in the Ozarks. Fayetteville, AR. – [www.britishironnwa.org](http://www.britishironnwa.org)
- SEPTEMBER 17, 2017 The British Invasion. Stowe, VT – [www.britishinvasion.com](http://www.britishinvasion.com)
- SEPTEMBER 16, 2017 Brits on the Beach. Ocean Grove, NJ - [www.pedc.org/](http://www.pedc.org/)
- SEPTEMBER 16-17, 2017 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Classics on the Green. New Kent, VA - [www.classicsonthegreen.com](http://www.classicsonthegreen.com)
- SEPTEMBER 21-24, 2017 6-Pack Trials. Hershey, PA- <https://6-pack.org/6packtrials2017/>
- SEPTEMBER 21-24, 2017 TE/AE United XXXV. Staunton, VA – <http://teae.org/event/united-xxxvi-staunton-va/>**
- SEPTEMBER 21-24, 2017 The Heacock Classic Gold Cup. VIR Alton, VA- [www.svra.com/](http://www.svra.com/)
- SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 Autumn in the Mountains British Car Gathering. Hendersonville, NC - <http://www.autumninthemountains.org>
- SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 MG's on the Green. Concord, NC - <http://metrolinamgcarclub.com/>
- SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 MGs on the Rocks. Street, MD - [www.mgsofbaltimore.com/](http://www.mgsofbaltimore.com/)
- SEPTEMBER 23-24, 2017 Meeting of the Marques International. Carlisle, PA – <http://meetingofthemarques.com/>
- SEPT 27 - OCT. 1, 2017 Fall Carlisle. Carlisle, PA. – [www.carsatcarlisle.com](http://www.carsatcarlisle.com)
- SEPTEMBER 29-30, 2017 Memphis Euro Fest. Bartlett, TN - [www.memphisbritishcars.org](http://www.memphisbritishcars.org)



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