



# The British Connection

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## President's Message

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I just want to start by saying Bob and Betty Storke know how to show club members a good time. The Ravine Gardens outing in Palatka went great despite a couple of minor spots of rain. Lizzie, Roger & Sally Sieling's Golden Retriever was a wonderful addition to the group. Thanks again Bob and Betty for a wonderful day.

April event takes us to Lake Helen for the 37th Annual Heritage Classic & Antique Car Show. The club attended this show last year and enjoyed it so well we decided to give it a go again this year. There is always a great turn out of various rare antique and classic cars so you won't want

to miss it. Saturday, April 27, 2013 at Blake Park in Lake Helen, 493 S. Lakeview Drive is the location and pre-registration is suggested. There will be food vendors on site although some may want to bring a picnic lunch. There is also a restaurant right there in the park. We had a very good turnout last year, lets do it again this year.

A shout out to Craig Colby who has had head problems. I'm talking about his LBC of course. He'll have to share his saga with us sometime.

See ya in Lake Helen

*Steve*

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## Ravine Gardens Tour

What British car event would be complete without a little rain? The morning started out dry allowing us to gather up the merry band of picnickers. As we headed for Ravine Gardens a few rain drops fell along the way. Inside the park we followed Vic on a drive around the top of the ravine, this gave us a great vantage point to see the power of mother nature. It took her millions of years but she created a fantastic place to visit.



We stopped at the main pavilion for our picnic, providing us a dry location for lunch. After a enjoyable picnic lunch and chat it was decided that the trails were too wet to safely walk so we packed up and said our good-byes and headed back home. It was unanimous that the Gardens would be a good place to visit when the weather is better.





## Tech Tips

I recently had to replace the Male studs for the Lift-a-dot fasteners on my MGB top and Tonneau. It is near impossible to get the lock washer and the nut on the stud under the rear deck. Here's what worked for me.

1. Put the male stud into the hole in the deck.
2. Put a little grease on your finger and it will hold the washer while you fiddle around locating the stud from below.
3. Put a magnet against the stud above the deck. This can be any size of magnet.
4. Fit the washer onto the stud and the magnetism will hold it there.
5. Put the nut on your greasy finger and align it with the stud from below.
6. Turn the stud into the nut and you are almost there.
7. Use a 1/4 inch drive socket on the nut and a wrench on the hex of the stud and tighten in down.
8. I put a little bit of tape on the bottom side of the wrench to prevent damage to the paint."

I noted that he doesn't mention what to use under the stud as a soft washer to seal the stud to the body to prevent water leakage. I have tried O-rings, but they crush, later crack and fall away, leaving a loose stud. The nylon washers seem to be the best.

*Craig*

Source: Craig, gleaned from the internet.

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## ABCC 2013 Upcoming Activities

APRIL 27<sup>th</sup>

Lake Helen AACA Car Show, Lake Helen, FL

MAY 18<sup>th</sup>

Cracker Creek Boat Tour, Port Orange, FL

JUNE 15<sup>th</sup>

Sky Dive DeLand, DeLand, FL

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### For Sale

1960 MGA 1600 Roadster for sale. This car is clean and straight. It has been garaged for many years. No known rust. It is an older restoration. Paul Linney re-stored the car--it's the one in his book, "Making My Marque" on page 80-81. I am asking \$10,300. Contact Scotty Stewart at 919-696-4990 or email: [scotty.3.27.34@gmail.com](mailto:scotty.3.27.34@gmail.com)

I have a set of new MGB shocks. These are brand new, never been on a car Armstrong shocks, front & rear. They are left from when I had my B and worked at Collier Jag. Just found them while going thru the garage and don't need them. I would like \$500 for the full set. Contact John Bellmore at [owlseye@bellsouth.net](mailto:owlseye@bellsouth.net)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 4-6, 2013 Barrett-Jackson Auction. South Florida Expo Center. Palm Beach, FL –

[www.barrett-jackson.com](http://www.barrett-jackson.com)

APRIL 5, 2013 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Festivals of Speed. St. Petersburg, FL - [www.festivalsofspeed.com](http://www.festivalsofspeed.com)

APRIL 5, 2013 29<sup>th</sup> Annual British Car Show “Meet and Greet”, Winter Park, FL - [www.allbritishcarclub.com/](http://www.allbritishcarclub.com/)

APRIL 6, 2013 29<sup>th</sup> Annual British Car Show, Winter Park, FL – [www.allbritishcarclub.com/](http://www.allbritishcarclub.com/)

APRIL 5-7, 2013 New Smyrna Beach Balloon Fest. New Smyrna Beach Air Port - <http://seasideballoonfest.com>

APRIL 13-14, 2013 Performance driving experience (PDX). Daytona International Speedway - [www.cfrsolo2.com/](http://www.cfrsolo2.com/)

APRIL 15-19, 2013 NAMGAR Tours Savannah. Savannah, GA - <http://www.namgar.com/>

APRIL 18-21, 2013 “Race the Rock” vintage celebration. Rockingham, NC - [www.svra.com/](http://www.svra.com/)

APRIL 19-21, 2013 South Central British Car Gathering. Dobson, NC - [www.triumphclub.org](http://www.triumphclub.org)

APRIL 19-21, 2013 GOF South Mk. XLVII. Ocala, FL - <http://www.mgclassics.org/>

APRIL 20, 2013 Annual Island Fest. Davis Island Sea Plane Basin Park, Tampa, FL - <http://www.mustangcluboftampa.com/>

APRIL 20, 2013 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Brits on the Bay. Pensacola, FL - [www.pbca1.com/index.htm](http://www.pbca1.com/index.htm)

APRIL 21, 2013 SCCA SOLO II (Autocross). DeLand Airport, DeLand, FL – [www.cfrsolo2.com](http://www.cfrsolo2.com)

APRIL 22-27, 2013 "2013 Conch Out". Key West, FL - [www.kwbcc.com/](http://www.kwbcc.com/)

APRIL 24- 28, 2013 Spring Carlisle. Carlisle, PA. – (717) 243-7855 - or- [www.carsatcarlisle.com](http://www.carsatcarlisle.com)

APRIL 26-28, 2013 “Walter Mitty” Challenge Road Atlanta (HSR). Braselton, GA. - [www.GrassrootsMotorsports.com](http://www.GrassrootsMotorsports.com)

**CLUB EVENT** APRIL 27, 2013 AACA Volusia Region show. Blake Park Lake Helen, FL – <http://local.aaca.org/volusia>

MAY 4, 2013 “Legends on the Green” British Car Show. St. Augustine, FL– [www.jagdriver.org/](http://www.jagdriver.org/)

MAY 4-5, 2013 SCCA SOLO II (Autocross). Daytona International Speedway, Daytona Beach, FL – [www.cfrsolo2.com](http://www.cfrsolo2.com)

MAY 5, 2013 Festivals of Speed. Mission Inn Resort, Howey in the Hills, FL. - [www.festivalsofspeed.com](http://www.festivalsofspeed.com)

JUNE 10-14, 2013 NAMGAR GT-38. Ashville, NC - <http://www.gt38-namgar.org/>

OCTOBER 2-6, 2013 “Triumphest 2013” VTR National Meet. San Rafael, CA - [www.triumphtravelers.org](http://www.triumphtravelers.org)



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