

The Burble & Squeak

Official Newsletter for Annual Members of the Michiana Brits British Car Enthusiasts © 2026 Michiana Brits, Ltd.

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About Michiana Brits

This car club is open to lovers and/or owners of British vehicles. All paid members receive this monthly newsletter as part of their annual dues.

Members are encouraged to submit articles and photos for publication to the

Newsletter Editor at leonard@dalenberg.org

You may also submit material for the newsletter to the Club president online, through mail, or in person at a general club meeting.

The newsletter's **deadline is the 15th of the month.**

This gives me time to put it all together and get it, ideally, eMailed by the 20th. Material is subject to editorial revision. Opinions expressed are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect those of the 2025 Michiana Brits, Ltd., British Car Enthusiasts. Final review is done by Bob and Larry.

Daily holidays and observances in June 2026

01 Mon	Go Barefoot Day / World Milk Day
02 Tue	National Rocky Road Day
03 Wed	World Bicycle Day
04 Thu	National Cheese Day / Hug Your Cat Day
05 Fri	National Doughnut Day / World Environment Day
06 Sat	D-Day WWII Anniversary
07 Sun	Chocolate Ice Cream Day
08 Mon	Best Friends Day / World Ocean Day
09 Tue	International Omelet Day
10 Wed	Iced Tea Day
11 Thu	National Corn on the Cob Day
12 Fri	Red Rose Day
13 Sat	Sewing Machine Day
14 Sun	Flag Day
15 Mon	Smile Power Day / National Prune Day
16 Tue	National Fudge Day
17 Wed	National Root Beer Day
18 Thu	Go Fishing Day / National Splurge Day
19 Fri	Juneteenth / National Kissing Day
20 Sat	National Bald Eagle Day
21 Sun	Father's Day / Summer Solstice
22 Mon	National Chocolate Eclair Day
23 Tue	National Pink Day
24 Wed	International Fairy Day / Swim a Lap Day
25 Thu	Global Beatles Day / Handshake Day
26 Fri	National Food Truck Day
27 Sat	MICHIANA BRITS BIG AUTO SHOW!
28 Sun	Log Cabin Day
29 Mon	Camera Day / Waffle Iron Day
30 Tue	Social Media Day / Meteor Day



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly Board Meetings (Zoom):

June 3, July 1, August 5; 7:30 PM
Das Essenhaus Cruise-In –
Featured club June 4th & August 20th

Monthly Dinner – June 17th,
Lehman's Brewery & Farmhouse,
Buchanan, MI

BIG Auto Show – Saturday June 27th, Trinity Church & School
(British, Italian, German)

Annual Meeting – Sat. July 25th,
Jim & Joyce Webb's home, SR-
114, Huntington, potluck carry-in

MG International Show – August 23rd–27th, Sandusky, OH

Fall Tour – Sept. 24–27,
Vincennes, IN

Colors Drive – October 17 – TBD
Membership Appreciation

Dinner – Nov. 14th, 2026, Das
Essenhaus; 6:30 PM

Triumph Spitfire

Like the Midget, the Spitfire emerged in the 1960s as a fun two-seater droptop you could throw down a country lane. And unlike a Corvette or Mustang, it was genuinely affordable.

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President's Message

For those of you who attended the Cars and Coffee event at the Studebaker Museum on May 2nd, you got to see my 1980 MGB Limited. I bought this car from my late father-in-law, Charles Gushwa, when he became ill. Chuck and Mae Rose (Rosie) were very active in the early years of the club. After "The Coffee", I drove the car over to Osceola to show Rosie, and give her a ride. The car's presence reminded Rosie of all of the experiences that she and Chuck shared with it. She was on an emotional high for the rest of the day. The whole experience reminded me that the club and our cars can create some of the special memories of our life. We have an active summer and fall ahead of us. Please come out to build some special life memories.

Cheers, Randy

May Board Meeting Minutes

May 6th Board Meeting

1. FINANCIAL - bank account balance, we have money; Leonard has been paid for 6 months of website expense, AffiniPay card reader to be given to Jim Betz for use at car show
2. NAME BADGES, ONLINE DUES PAYMENTS; 7 non-renewals, letters sent - Jim Webb
3. CAR SHOW ITEMS:
 - A. Show date is last weekend of June - June 27, 2026
 - B. Next 2026 Car Show Committee meeting on May 13th - Bob Petersen
 - C. Featured Marque - Jaguars; Leeper Jaguar in the lapel pin design, pin designs selected, 100 pins ordered - Jim Betz
 - D. Paul Dillon has arranged for three food vendors: Who Gives A Crepe, Porta Vallarta and an Ice Cream Truck.
 - E. Contract with Trinity includes a requirement for 3 weeks of car show notices on their electric sign
 - F. VTR insurance certificate not received due to a death at VTR; contact VTR treasurer - Jim Betz
 - G. Paperwork & volunteers - to be updated: Votes Tally sheets as soon as Ballot finalized, all Instructions, volunteer sign-up sheets - Larry
 - H. Car Show Committee Meeting of April 8:
 - a) show open for German & Italian vehicles; Brits will retain entry fees, handle Awards and all Parking; the show name is "Michiana Brits BIG Auto Show"; ("BIG" - British, Italian, German)
 - b) Mark Firnhaber has lined up 8 sponsors - Anderson Windows, Riverbend Industrial Solutions, 1st Source Bank, Car Guys, Eurasia Imports, Auto Import Specialists, Tire Rack (will provide gift certificates for the 50/50 Raffle), and McCarthy Insurance (Mishawaka agency); sponsors have their names assigned for award classes; will have some participation from clubs: Porsche, Alfa Romeo, BMW

- c) will have two awards for Featured Marque: Pre-1975 Jaguar and Jaguar-Present, each award will have Best of Featured Marque on it for that class; 18 classes appear to be set; need alphabetical assignments for German and Italian classes
- d) online pre-registration is active; poster updated on pre-registration pages; several registrations confirmed by Mary
- e) Publicity - Paul Dillon will be on WNDU to promote the show ahead of and on day of show; Randy & Bob to help on this matter
- f) NEXT MEETING - MAY 13TH

4. CLUB ACTIVITIES:

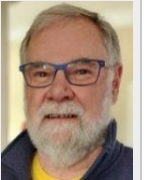
- A. Tech Session at Ed Battjes garage - changed to April 19th; small but good attendance (Jim Betz);
- B. Cars & Coffee at Studebaker Museum - May 2nd, 8:00 AM; 20 Brits' cars attended (Philip)
- C. Spring Drive, May 16th - 3rd Saturday of May, destination - Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum in Auburn, IN; Philip has group rate for 20; lunch at Mad Anthony's; email notices sent - (Philip & Randy)
- D. Das Essenhaus Cruise-In - Featured club on June 4th (Philip)
- E. Car Show - Saturday June 27th, Trinity Church & School
- F. Das Essenhaus Cruise-In - Featured club on August 20th (Philip)
- G. MG International Show - August 23rd-27th, Sandusky, OH
- H. Fall Tour - September 24-27, Vincennes, IN (Philip reserved block of 10 rooms until August 24th; look into activities, etc.)
- I. Colors Drive - October 17th, destination TBD
- J. Membership Appreciation Dinner - Das Essenhaus. Saturday November 14, 6:30 PM (Philip)
- K. ANNUAL MEETING - Jim & Joyce Webb will host the club's annual meeting on Saturday July 25th, potluck carry-in, Randy to pick up Martin's chicken.

5. MONTHLY MEETINGS/DINNERS:

- A. Monthly Meetings:
 - a. First dinner Wednesday May 20th, 6:30 pm at Hunter's Hideaway, Nappanee, IN (reservation made);
 - b. June 17 - Lehman's Brewery & Farmhouse, Buchanan, MI (reservation made);
 - c. Brass Rail in Plymouth has been reserved for August 12th;
 - d. Lindy's to be scheduled for early fall - Larry

6. MONTHLY BOARD ZOOM MEETINGS - June 3, July 1, August 5

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Photos from Cars & Coffee – Studebaker Museum, May 2, 2026

Submitted by Paul Dillon – 20 Brits' cars attended



STUDEBAKER MUSEUM CARS & COFFEE MAY 2ND

It was a chilly morning for a cruise-in but that did not deter the Brits from showing up as the Featured Club. This was the first cruise-in of the season at the Studebaker Museum, and the Brits kicked it off with 20 LBCs of various marques.



Brits' vehicles on one side of the reserved parking area.



A lot of local car enthusiasts turned out for the event



Free coffee, donuts and Museum entry



Jim Betz's recently revitalized 1953 Metropolitan



Deb Palguta's 1957 Morris Minor 1000



Brits and others discussed cars, the temperature and the end of winter

ABOUT

AI Overview: Latest news on British, German, and Italian sports cars – May 2026

The European sports car landscape is dominated by lightweight British EVs (like the Octane Magazine featured Longbow Speedster), the arrival of Italy's first electric Ferrari, and new heritage-focused roadsters from Germany, including the Motor Authority reported Z4 final editions]

British Sports Cars

- **Longbow:** The British EV startup debuted its Speedster Octane Magazine spiritual successor to the Lotus Elise, weighing just 895kg with a 275-mile range.
- **TVR:** The brand is returning YouTube with the latest Griffith, featuring a Cosworth-tuned, front-mounted V8 and a track-focused analog setup.
- **Zenos & Wells:** Lightweight builders like Zenos are bringing back the E10RZ YouTube track car, while Wells continues scaling up production of its Vertige coupe.
- **Jaguar Type 01: The New Electric Flagship:** Just in time for our Jaguar-themed car show, big news from Coventry: Jaguar has officially named its stunning new all-electric grand tourer the **Type 01**. The name pays homage to classic Jaguar models ("Type"), zero emissions ("0"), and its status as the first car of the brand's bold new era ("1").

Performance figures are breathtaking: approximately 986 bhp, 1,300 Nm of torque, 0–62 mph in just over 3 seconds, and up to 435 miles of range from a single charge — with 350 kW rapid charging adding 200 miles in under 15 minutes. Pricing starts at around £120,000. Whether you love it or hate it, there's no question Jaguar is going for broke with its rebirth – and it's quite a conversation piece for our June 27th show!

German Sports Cars

- **Mercedes-Benz:** Rumors and sightings continue to circulate regarding the modern 300SL YouTube reboot, blending historic Gullwing design with modern plug-in performance.

- **BMW:** The final editions of the iconic Z4 YouTube roadster are hitting production lines in limited numbers, marking the end of an era for the current platform.
- **Porsche:** Motor1.com reveals that Porsche's EV push is moving to track duty with the 2026 Cayenne Turbo Electric and upcoming 718 Cayman EV

Italian Sports Cars

- **Ferrari:** Ferrari is preparing to reveal its first fully electric vehicle AOL, a quad-motor, 1,000-plus horsepower model designed to maintain classic driving dynamics.
 - **Alfa Romeo:** The iconic Spider YouTube is seeing a highly anticipated design revival, while the limited-edition 33 Stradale continues its public showcase.
 - **Lamborghini & Maserati:** Lamborghini is testing the Temerario Super Trofeo Sportscar365, and Maserati is extending the MC20 YouTube supercar lineup with new variants.
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