

British Car Club of Southwest Florida (BCCSWF)
Minutes of Meeting-August 11, 2015

The August meeting of the BCCSWF was held at the usual location of Famous Dave's in Fort Myers, Florida with 30 members attending. President Cecil Carter called the meeting to order and introduced new member Peter Blackford, an owner of Lotuses.

The Treasurer's report was approved. Summary of the treasurer's report:

Starting balance: \$1863.20
Income: \$95.00 (Dues; 50-50 Raffle; New Members)
Expenditures: \$4.00 (Service Fee)
Ending balance: \$1954.20

Cecil Carter re-capped prior events beginning with mentioning breakfast runs to Mimi's Café on the last Saturday of each month. Cecil also mentioned that the Jaguar Club of Southwest Florida will also have a breakfast gathering at Mimi's Café on Saturday, August 15. Several Jaguar owners are members of both the British Car Club of Southwest Florida and the Jaguar Club of Southwest Florida.

Cecil reminded members to begin planning for the outstanding 29th Annual All British Field Meet and Autojumble that will be held at Safety Harbor on October 24, 2015.

Gary Eidson briefly spoke about plans by Lee County to change the intersection at Orange River Road and Buckingham road. Gary encouraged people to join the Buckingham Community Association for a fund raiser on Saturday, August 15 to support the efforts to counter this road proposal. Many British Car owners enjoy driving on Buckingham road and its various curves which will be somewhat altered if the construction proposal goes through.

John Welch re-capped the Jaguar Club of Southwest Florida first big event held at the Jaguar dealership in Fort Myers. Despite the constant rain that day, many Jan owners arrived thus ensuring a great turnout.

Bill Newman outlined upcoming racing events at Savannah, Daytona and Sebring in October and other upcoming months. Bill is unsure if he will participate as he is experiencing issues with his car's front suspension. Bill did relate Jerry Wilcox's recent racing efforts in his Volkswagon Gulf. Jerry took first in his qualifying heat, and a subsequent second and third. In the race he finished second Jerry had several chances to pass the leader, but just couldn't pull it off.

Gary Eidson encouraged members to submit pictures of their British cars to the new and thriving BCCSWF website. An impressive article about club member Peter Sales' rare cars that appeared in the Fort Myers News-Press has been archived on the website.

A casual vote by meeting attendees proved that the primary method of communication about club events happens through email. Officers will continue to provide event information efficiently as possible.

John Dent was the winner of the 50-50 raffle and was thrilled with his \$41 winnings. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at Famous Dave's.