

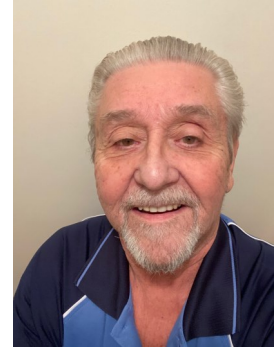
the Oily Rag

The Newsletter of the Vintage Sports Car Club of Calgary



HOT ENOUGH FOR YOU?

From the Editor



The summer of 2022 has broken several long time records for heat! For over 45 days, the average high temperature exceeded the average temperature by 7 to 10 degrees C. It has become normal for a **Severe Heat Warning** to be issued for, not only Southern Alberta, but the whole province. In fact, some of these warnings were issued in the far northern territories including Yellowknife, Whitehorse and even Tuktoyaktuk!

Most of the vintage cars we drive are of British origin and they were never designed to operate in temperatures of plus 30 degrees C. Even Britain is experiencing a severely hot summer. If memory serves, few of the even newer vehicles in Blighty are not equipped with Air Conditioning as standard equipment. AC for residential homes is almost as rare.

For those of us with AC fitted in our older cars, find that running AC compressors on extremely hot days find their engine temperatures rising towards the red section of the temp gauge.

There are solutions that help alleviate this scenario. Under the bonnet of my V12 Jaguar, you will find a replacement AC compressor that uses R134 instead of the original R12 fluid. There is a new aluminum radiator that is equipped with twin electric fans. Perhaps I have just been fortunate but the car does not overheat even when idling in plus 30 deg. C.

If you have not upgraded your cooling system in your collector car, do not despair as, before you know it, the temperatures will cool. Then we will store our cars as the temps become Minus 30 instead of Plus!

Keep the shiny side up! Larry

The Prez Sez



Hi everyone. I am sorry to have to open with some sad news but one of our long-term members Dave Gard recently passed away last Febuary. I knew Dave for many years, and I will miss his smile and humour. He had been a member long before I joined. Dave and his soulmate Maria have been together for nearly 40 years and were often seen at Club functions together. Our heartfelt condolences go out to her at this difficult time. As a mark of respect, the club has decided to dedicate the fall colors run to Dave.












The executive is losing one of its members Graham Snyder. I would like to thank Graham for all his efforts and organizational skills over these past years. His enthusiasm has been helpful in ensuring the ECCM runs smoothly. He will be missed as he moves on to pursue other adventures.

The 2022 ECCM was held on July 23rd this year at Stanley Park. We were very please with the turn out from Sponsors, car owners, and the public. The weather turned out to be perfect and we had 200 cars on the day which would make it one of the most successful shows to date. Because of the success we already have major sponsors secured for next year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those involved who worked so hard on our behalf. As the show gathers momentum every year, we have decided to put together an independent committee to oversee the organizing and preparations for future ECCMs. We are putting the call out to anyone who would be interested in joining such a committee please let us know. We know there are many members that have the skills to help so please consider. It would be nice to spread the load.

That is all I have to say except for a few events coming up namely the highway cleanup in Longview and as mentioned previously the Fall colors run. All the information for these events and more is on our website. I hope to see you there.

Regards Chris

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Brits by the Bess Car Meet- Saskatoon, July 15-17/22



A few of us drove out to Saskatoon on Friday Aug 15 - Chris and Peggy Gorrie in our Jaguar XKR, Doug and France Uffen in their XJ8, Chris and Sue Woodward in their XJS and Bill and Nancy Marshall in their E-Type, to attend the Saskatchewan British Car Clubs (SBCC) 'Brits by the Bess' car show in downtown Saskatoon on the Sunday and the Canadian Prairies Jaguar Club (CPJC) show on the Saturday. The weather was very hot, mostly in the low to mid 30s. Fortunately, no one had any mechanical issues along the way- hard to believe with a bunch of British cars. Not that anyone was admitting to anyway!

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We all stayed at the historic Bessborough Hotel where we were close to all of the action. We were greeted warmly by the SBCC members there and promptly invited to a BBQ at the home of Bob and Kathy Burnyeat on Friday night. Saturday morning came early and we all ran out to the carwash to remove huge collections of bugs from our cars before the show. Bill Marshall decided to pressure wash his E-Type at Bob's house on Friday night and then all of his lights decided not to work. Surprise, surprise! Lucas strikes again!

The Jaguar show was a smaller one, similar to the one we've had here in Calgary at the dealership. Saturday evening we were all invited to a BBQ and gathering at the farm of one of the SBCC members, just north of the city. Lots of people, cars, kids, dogs etc. The men gathered in the shop and inspected cars and machinery and even fired up an old tractor. I don't think anyone took them up on the offer to take home as much rhubarb as you like (ha, ha). The Brits by the Bess show was on Sunday. We got up early, polished our cars, and then were treated to a 'monsoon' with high winds that could have been 80-100 km/h. This lasted about 45 minutes and the rest of the day was great. They barricaded a few streets in the downtown area for the show. There was a huge array of cars and lots of spectators. I spoke with a fellow who had a very old unrestored original 4 seat Morgan from the 1940s that he bought in Montreal a long time ago. I think he was older than the car and although he could barely walk, he was delighted to be at the show and tell me all about his car adventures. There was an early Healey 100 there with its original hardtop, several MGAs and Bs, Triumphs-TR4, TR6, Spitfires and the rare Stag- I had never seen one in person before. Also some E-Types and other Jags and a Rover TC2000.

At the same time as the show, there was the 'Taste of Saskatchewan' festival adjacent to the hotel with tents of food vendors and live music. All in all, a great show and the SBCC members certainly made us feel welcome. We should make an effort to invite their club to our ECCM next year.

Photos Brits by the Bess by Chris Gorrie









ABOUT THE VSCCC

The motto of the VSCCC is "***Dedicated to the preservation of vintage motoring***" and the main purpose is bringing like-minded enthusiasts together for the mutual enjoyment of our automobiles.

Membership is open to all those owning, and having a keen interest in, traditional (vintage) sports cars. Our current membership owns mostly British roadsters and coupes dating from 1935 to 1980; however all vehicles are welcome. Dues are \$40.00 per year.

General Meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the second Wednesday of each month at the Austrian Canadian Cultural Centre (3112 11 Street NE, Calgary).

The VSCCC is a member of the Specialty Vehicle Association of Alberta.

Personal information is gathered from club members solely for the purposes of distributing club related information to the membership. Our membership list will not be sold or exchanged with other clubs or commercial interests.

The membership list (including members name, phone number, email and cars owned) may occasionally be distributed to club members. Distribution is intended so that members with similar vehicles can contact each other for help and advice. If you do not wish your name to appear on this list please contact the membership

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BREAKING NEWS

California has passed a sweeping ban on the sale of new petroleum powered passenger cars by 2035.

It is expected that at least 12 other states will immediately follow California's lead. California will on September 1 be the only government in the world to mandate zero-emission vehicles by a specific date. In the interim, it requires that 35% of new passenger vehicles sold in the state by 2026 be zero-emission. That would climb to 68% by 2030 followed by the total elimination by 2035.

These restrictions are important to Canadians as our government normally follows the restrictions in the U.S. and adopts the rules passed in California. In the past, this has led to seatbelt laws, catalytic converters, and mandatory airbag installation.

As the restrictions go into effect, the number of gasoline powered cars will be reduced substantially. At the moment, electric cars not only qualify for grants from different Provinces, they also don't contribute to road infrastructure which is normally supported by tax on gasoline sales. Needless to say, the both Provincial and Federal governments will likely put in place some sort of a road tax to recover this lost revenue.

At the moment, less than 6% of the new vehicles sold in Canada are totally electric. Additionally, the most popular vehicles sold across our country are pickup trucks, none of which are, at the moment, 100% electric powered.

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V i n t a g e S p o r t s C a r C l u b O f C a l g a r y

Our members share a strong interest in their vintage sports cars and the friendship of like minded individuals. They share in the joy of a hands on restoration completed

VSCCC Regalia

Chris Gorrie, our Director of Regalia, would be happy to fill your order for any of the following::

- • • • **Club Jackets**— Stock on hand includes 9 Large, 7 Med, 2 XLarge Red with the club logo and fleece lining, each \$50.00 (actual cost is more- this is subsidized by the club) Order yours before the heat wave passes.
- • • • **Club Logo Patches** - 47 in stock
- • • • **Golf Shirts**—members cost is \$25-47 in stock
- • • • **Grill Badges** — \$15 - 29 new style, 7 Old style
- • • • **Window Decals** — two free to each member
- • • • **Can Koozies**—\$2
- • • • **Pens** - 217 on stock
- • **Mugs** - lots in stock

Classified Ads

Classifieds in *the Oily Rag* will be available as space permits.
Ads will be included for two issues unless cancelled or renewed.
All classified ads, including email links and photos are available by visiting
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Watch out for scams and for potential purchasers using this list to contact vendors with any conditions.

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