

THE CLEAR HOOTER!

NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL COAST BRITISH CAR CLUB



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I warned you last month, if I don't have your nice rides to put on the front cover!!!!



BUSINESS INFO



GENERAL MEETINGS:

2022 Meeting Dates, first Tues of each month.

Feb. 1, March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7
at Casa de Soria restaurant
1961 E Thompson Blvd, Ventura, CA 93001

Board meetings take place according to the needs of the club, usually before or after the club's General Meeting; but as often as is deemed necessary at the discretion of the Club President.

NEWSLETTER

THE CLEAR HOOTER is your Club Newsletter and it is published monthly. The deadline for submission of any camera ready or digital ads, stories, reports and information that you'd like to see in the next issue is the **23rd** of the month prior to publication. Items may be sent to the editor at: dtreid@gmail.com

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CENTRAL COAST BRITISH CAR CLUB
2674 E. Main St. #E 614,
Ventura, CA 93003

Minutes from December 5, 2021 Xmas lunch



Meeting brought to order by Michael Gustafson, CCBCC President at 1:00 pm.
Number of members present at start of meeting: 64

Board Members in Attendance:

President:	Michael Gustafson	Yes
Vice President:	David Reid	Yes
Treasure:	Chris Vujea	Yes
Recorder:	Martin Keller	Yes
Membership:	Pam & Joel Justin	Yes
Newsletter Editor:	Terry Schuller	Yes
Advertising:	Allen & Lynn Merriam	Yes
Webmaster:	Patrick Redd	No
Presidents Advisor:	Jim Hill	Yes

Notes:

The Newsletter is always in need of articles and photos of events or interesting subjects. If you have an article or write-up of an event that would be of interest to the membership please submit it to Terry Schuller at dtreid@gmail.com so it can be put into the Newsletter along with any photos that would be of interest.

Topic 1: Holiday Party December 5th at Four Points Sheraton

Election of Board Member for the 2022 year by the members in attendance.

Recorder: Martin Keller

Membership: Pam and Joel Justin

New Letter Editor: Terry Schuller

Advertising: Glen Dewar

Webmaster: Patrick Redd

Vice President: Dave Reid

The Board Members where elected by a vote of 62 out of 64 members of the club in attendance of the Holiday Meeting on December 5, 2021 for the 2022 year.

Topic 2: Triumphfest 2022 in San Diego, California

More information will be coming as we get closer to the event and is presented to all by the Triumphfest committee.

Topic 3: Monthly Drives

The club is always looking for interesting places or roads to travel to for a drive or get together. If you have any suggestions or would like to organize a drive let the President or any of the board members know and we will be more than happy to help organizing a drive or event

Topic 4: Membership is at 151 as of 12/02/2021

The club is thriving and growing even during the COVID Pandemic. In person meetings are back and being held on the 1st Tuesday of every month at Casa De Soria in Ventura starting at 7:00 pm. Come to the meeting and order dinner and enjoy the company of your friends and fellow car enthusiasts

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With almost everyone having extra time during this virus crisis, now is the time to get some stuff done that has been put off for so long. How about an article for the newsletter??? I know you have something to say about your car, a trip with your car, an outing, a technical article. I am sure you must have a picture of your drive that you would like to see on the cover of the newsletter.

I am attempting to put out a newsletter every month, there may be times I miss a month due to being away.

The newsletter is a vital piece of communication to keep members informed of what is happening within our club and lists events that are happening that may be of interest to club members.

I would like to feature one member's British car on the cover of each newsletter. If you would like your ride displayed on the cover, please send me a high resolution picture of it in a nice place (not just the parking lot at work!!) to dtreid@gmail.com

I have no more pictures for the front page of the newsletter. Let's see some of your favorite pics of your British car. Also I am out of baby pictures for the guess who this is feature. There must be some of you working from home and have no where to go, take some time and find a great picture of yourself as a kid, maybe even with a car in the picture.

ARTICLES NEEDED:

The newsletter is in need of articles on anything to do with the club or British cars. Please use Microsoft Word and save as a document. If possible use font Arial, size 12 and do not do any formatting, just paragraphs of words.

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Topic 5: The Wine Tour for March 2022

More information will be coming as we get closer to the event and is presented to all by the wine tour committee and the 1st week of March, 2022. The event POC is Neal Subic if you have questions about where to make hotel reservations. Neal can be contacted by email at the following; neal@nksubic.com

Meeting Adjourned at 3:30 pm by Michael Gustafson CCBCC President
HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL AND BE SAFE IN THE NEW YEAR.

IN PERSON MEETING



January's in person meeting has been cancelled out of an abundance of caution with this Omicron variant running rampant.

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MOSS MEET UP

By Joel Justin



I got an email in August from David Stuursma at Moss Motors that went like this:

I was just chatting with my boss, Kevin. He mentioned how he was thinking of bringing one of Moss' British cars to an 805 Miata club event to give them a taste of the classic roadster experience. He says that club is vibrant, fun, and active and central to the Ventura area. The last drive they had included about 60 cars.

From there, as you can probably guess, my mind envisioned the CCBCC blowing Miata owners' minds by showing up at a combined event, introducing a bit of automotive history and maybe dispelling some Brit car myths—with Moss helping organize and footing the bill for ice cream or some other treat.

Do you think your club would want to try something like this sometime in the fall?

Of course, you know what my response was. But I thought, "60 cars? Our typical outings have 15-20 cars. How can we compete with 60?!?" I threw the challenge out to the club and the response was incredible! We ended up with 45 cars and 78 people showing up. We easily matched, and maybe even beat the number of Miatas. But I'm getting ahead of myself.

David said Moss would take care of everything. All we needed to do was plan our route so we'd arrive there by 10am on Saturday, November 20th. The where was at Lake Casitas. He also suggested we bring something to exchange with the Miata group and a picnic lunch.

I ordered dash plaques – one for our club participants and one for them to give to someone in the Miata club. That would be our ice breaker exchange.

We met at the Pacific View Mall at 8:30. Fortunately it was before the mall opened as we took over a large part of their parking lot! We broke the group into quarters to help with keeping everyone together. We left at 9am and I led the first group. A minute or so staggered, Mike, Martin and Neal led the next groups.

The route had us get on Hwy 101 and cross the Ventura River. We then exited and followed the Coast Hwy until we got to the Rincon. We then got back on Hwy 101 and got off at the Hwy 150 exit. We followed Hwy 150 to Lake Casitas.

Moss had arranged things so we didn't have to pay an entrance fee. We drove thru the gates and wound around to the launch ramp area where Moss had a large area cordoned off. We arrived just ahead of the Miata group and before long, we had around 100 cars all lined up. Let the mingling begin...

Moss had coffee and lots of freebies. They handed everyone a window sticker with a number on it, and a ballot for judging. There were 5 fun categories:

- Car You Spent the Most Time Looking At – Dave Reid's Jaguar XK150
- Most Pampered – Dave Reid's Jaguar XK150 (again)
- AAA on Speed Dial – Someone from the Miata group
- Best Personality – Byron Brill's Austin A50
- Fastest Car Parked – Someone from the Miata group

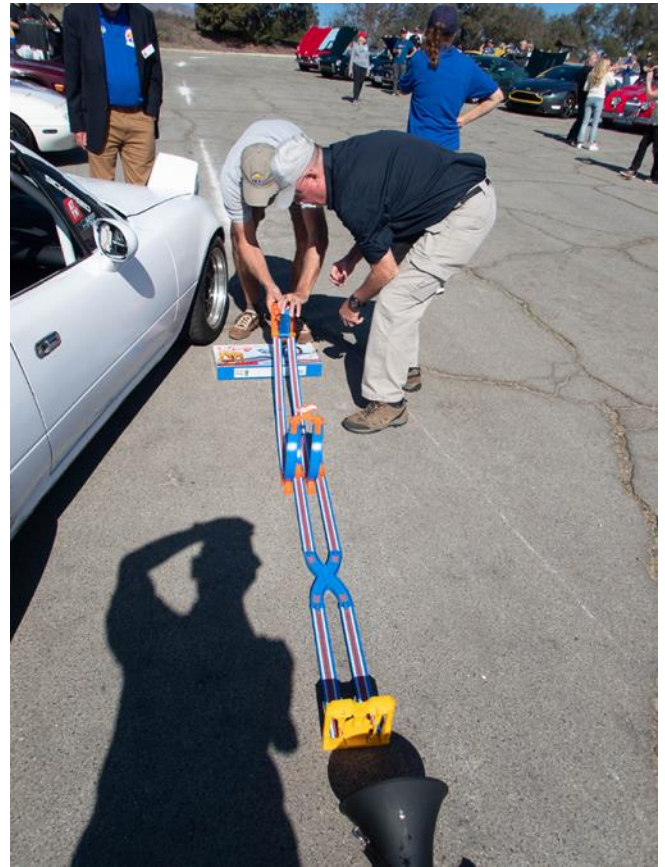
After the awards, they had a raffle where they gave away all kinds of good Moss stuff. After all that, we ate lunch in small groups and mingled some more. Things broke up between 1 and 2pm, and everyone headed home on their own.

It was a great event and I think everyone had a good time and made some new friends. A big thanks to Moss for not only organizing it, but for inviting us to represent the Vintage British Car contingent. Check out the video and more pictures on the club website.

PHOTOS FROM THE MOSS MEET UP



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CCBCC Christmas Party Luncheon Four Points Sheraton



More Christmas Party pictures





34th Annual CCBCC Wine Tour

March 4th -6th

Paso Robles, CA

Friday March 4th - leave Ventura at 1:00pm to drive up to Paso Robles, staying off freeways as much as we can so the drive is as scenic and enjoyable as possible. We'll arrive at the hotel, The Oxford Suites, right around 4:00-4:30 PM just in time for check-in.

We will plan to gather as a group for a Happy-Hour Reception in the hotel lobby or outdoor fire-pit area and then free to break-up into smaller groups for dinner at the hotel or the many restaurants located in the Paso Robles downtown area.

Saturday March 5th - leave at 9:15 AM after breakfast, we'll meet up at 9:00 AM and as a group we'll take a leisurely drive through the rolling foothills of the Paso Robles wine country to enjoy a mid-morning wine tasting at **Opolo Vineyards** <https://opolo.com/> (non-member tasting fee \$30), then we'll continue our drive as a group to a wine tasting and bring your own picnic lunch at **Al Lago Wines** <https://www.allagowines.com/> (non-member tasting fee \$15) located within **Tin City** <https://www.tincitypasorobles.com/>. (McPhee's Canteen in Tin City is a great place to grab a sandwich if you don't want to carry lunch with you).

After lunch, as in years past we will split up into smaller groups and spread out to wherever we end up, either back into the foothills of Paso Robles, or to take a Tin City walkabout and treat yourselves to the unique Wine Trail experience that Tin City has to offer, including eateries, boutique wineries, breweries, distilleries, olive oil producers, and even a creamery for dessert. We will be allowed to leave our cars parked at Al Lago Winery. In the evening we will gather for Happy-Hour in the hotel lobby and then free to break into smaller groups for dinner in Paso Robles or the hotel's bistro.

Sunday March 6th - those that would like to head back together, we'll meet up late morning and head south towards home, again staying off freeways as much as possible to make the return trip.

The Oxford Suites hotel in Paso Robles is the preferred hotel that this event is planned around., (805) 237-0305 <https://www.oxfordsuitespasorobles.com/>. **There is no block of rooms set up, so you'll need to make your reservation directly with the hotel (online or by phone)** so you will receive all the complementary amenities they offer. When booked directly, the standard room rates include the following complimentary amenities: Comfortable Lounge/seating areas, a full hot breakfast buffet each morning with fresh eggs/omelets cooked to order, each evening there's a Manager's Reception with two complimentary beverages and light appetizers, there's a heated pool and Jacuzzi, a fitness Center with Steam Room and Sauna, and a shuttle service to downtown Paso Robles. This hotel also offers an on-site Bar, a Craft coffee & espresso bar, an onsite Bistro style restaurant that is open nightly for light dinners, and they have freshly made sandwiches available to-order the night before for "to-go" (picnic) lunches. This hotel is also within walking distance to nearby restaurants and establishments. They also provide a free shuttle to downtown establishments. Check-in Friday March 4, 2022/Check-out Sunday March 6, 2022.

Please email, text, or call me if you are interested in attending, or if/when you've booked your stay so I can get you on the Participant's Distribution List for details and updates to the itinerary as they occur.

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Here is the direct link to the form: <https://secureservercdn.net/198.71.233.185/wxl.019.myftpupload.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Membership-Form.pdf>

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Alternatively you can renew via PayPal on the same JOIN page. Please be sure to include your latest contact and vehicle information in the PayPal comments. You can also renew at club meetings before the end of February. Bring your membership form and check.

If you need/want a new badge, then it's an additional \$10 per badge. And be sure to tell us what kind of badge you want (pin, magnetic or clip) along with the way you want your name spelled.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me - Joel Justin, Membership Co-Chairperson at j_bar_j@hotmail.com.

Thanks, Pam and Joel Justin...
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Dave Reid has had his on his jag for a few months now. To order your Tale Tags please write to dtreid@gmail.com. This new design is available. He is bringing them to all the meetings, check out his Jag QR code.





**CENTRAL COAST
BRITISH CAR CLUB**

Annual Report by the Treasurer for Central Coast British Car Club, Inc. for FY 2021

Analysis of Financial Statement for FY 2021
(Income Statement and Balance Sheet attached)

Membership

CCBCC currently has 151 members. Approximately 60 are "active", meaning they participate in several meetings or club events during the year.

We welcomed 34 new members to the club in 2021, despite the fact that due to the COVID-19 stay-at-home orders we were unable to hold our monthly meetings for the first six months of 2021. We held our first in-person club meeting again on Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at Casa de Soria in Venura, CA.

CCBCC is an active chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register.

A minimum number of CCBCC members must also be paid members of VTR, in order for CCBCC to purchase liability insurance for club activities.

The annual premium for insurance for CCBCC club activities is based on the number of current CCBCC members who are considered "active".

December Holiday Party

The annual Holiday Party was held on Sunday, December 5, 2021.

The party functions as the December membership meeting, and is the time that the Club votes on the Board Members who will serve for the coming year.

Opportunity Sales

A significant amount of profit is realized from the opportunity drawings held at various club events throughout the year: monthly meetings, car show and wine tour.

Some of the prizes are donated items, others are purchased by the club.

Because some of our activities were restricted in 2021, our income from these drawings was considerably less than in past years.

Regalia

Regalia items are purchased in lots that will give the club the best price.

Most of these items are sold at or near cost to CCBCC members.

There were no major purchases of regalia items in 2021.

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Tee Shirts and Ball Caps

Club shirts are also purchased in bulk lots to get the best price.
Shirts, sweatshirts and ball caps are also sold to members at or near our cost.
Additional shirts and sweatshirts were purchased in August 2019.
There were no new purchases made in 2021.

Club Activities

Individual members of CCBCC agree to coordinate various events and activities throughout the year. This includes breakfast runs, museum visits, the wine tours, the annual Teddy Bear Run and the spaghetti lunch for the Douglas Penfield School, etc.

Most of these activities are "at cost" to the members who participate, and are not generally subsidized by the club.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, all of these events were cancelled for 2021. Neal Subic and other Board members are working on a plan for a modified Wine Tour event for the beginning of 2022.

Several club members coordinated impromptu drives and other get togethers throughout the year, where people could meet safely outdoors.

CCBCC British Car Show

The annual CCBCC Car Show is usually held in July each year. Because many COVID-19 restrictions were still in place at the beginning of the year, the 30th Annual Car Show was rescheduled from July to October 3, 2021.

The Car Show was again held at the Channel Islands Harbor park in Oxnard, CA. 154 vehicles registered for this event, making this the most successful Car Show in the history of the Club.

The Car Show Committee members voted to approve the purchase of orange traffic cones for use at the next car show, and other Club events.

**Annual Report by the Treasurer for
Central Coast British Car Club, Inc. for FY 2021**

Charitable Contributions

Central Coast British Car Club, Inc. is a non profit Mutual Benefit Corporation. Our club is not a public charity (it is not our goal to raise funds for charities).

It has been a tradition for club members to donate time and tangible items to several local organizations. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Club did not have the Teddy Bear Run in November, or the spaghetti lunch in December.

Operating Expenses

Normal operating expenses include the annual fee to maintain the Club mailbox, liability insurance paid to VTR, and the fees for website management. Because of several changes to the Club website, there were additional programming charges for website management in 2021.

Because many club activities were cancelled or suspended in 2020, the Board agreed to reduce membership dues for 2021 to \$15 vs \$30.

While this reduced our total annual revenue, the Board members felt that the Club's overall financial position was stable enough to support this one-time reduction in dues.

Administrative Items

The club made no major asset purchases in 2021.

A list of club assets and the custodians are included in this report.

NOTE:

On February 16, 2018, the IRS determined that Central Coast British Car Club, Inc. would be exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501 (c) (7).

We received our official "Exempt Acknowledgement Letter" from the state of California Franchise Tax Board on May 19, 2018.

(To see a list of Exempt Organizations, go to www.ftb.ca.gov/businesses/Exempt-organizations/Entity-List)

Submitted by Chris Vujea, Treasurer

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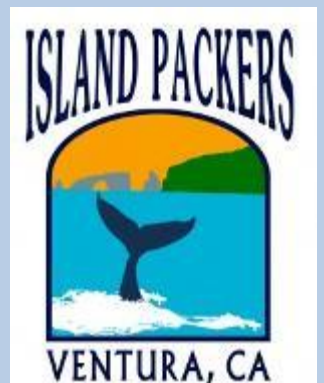
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