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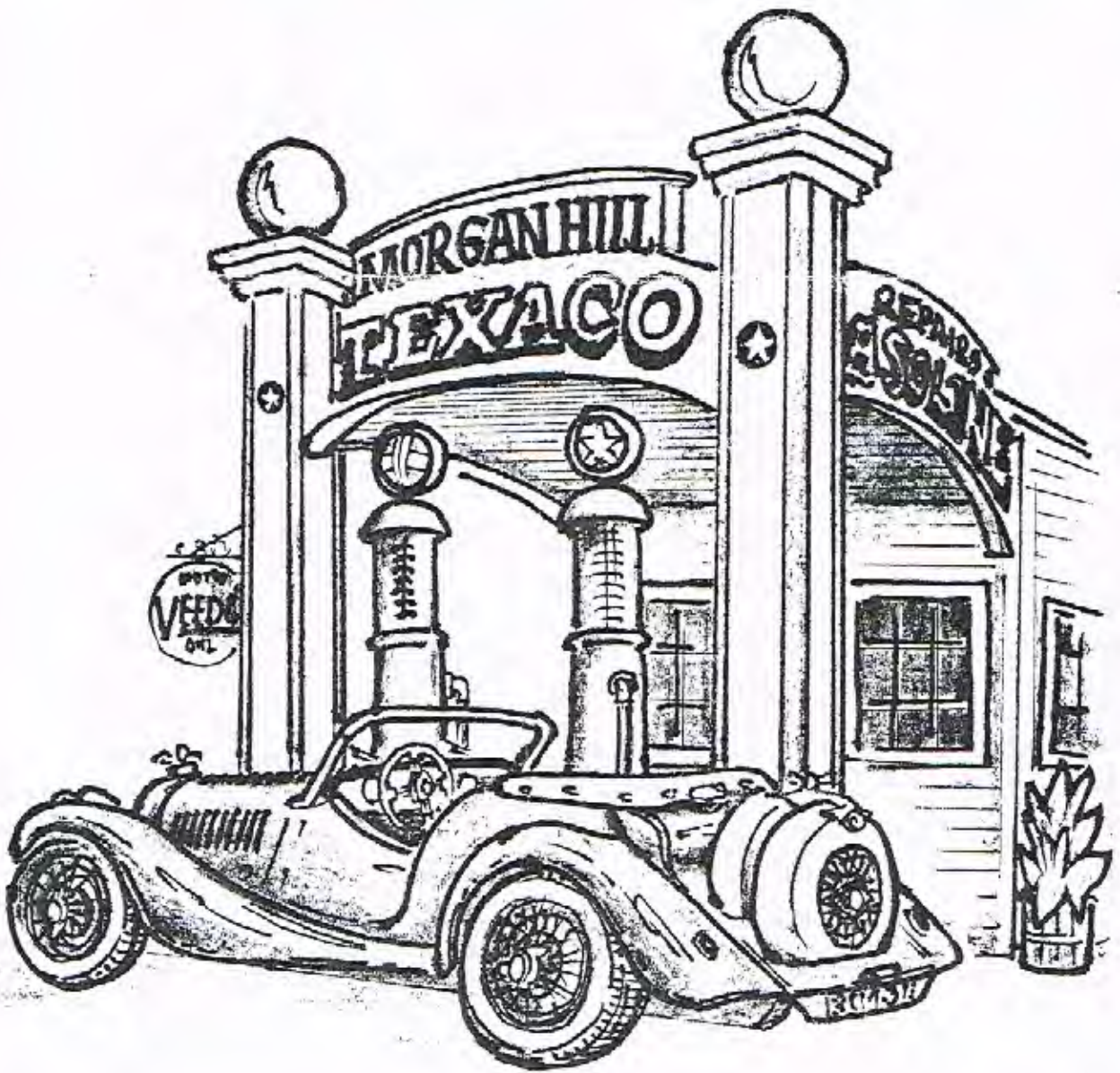


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# MOG NW CALENDAR 87

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APR 21	REGULAR MEETING WITH VIDEO ENTERTAINMENT	HORSE BRASS PUB
MAY 2,3	TRIP TO LACONNER WASH VIA HOODS CANAL & WHIDBEY ISLAND	BOB NELSON (206) 387-3241
MAY 19	REGULAR MEETING	HORSE BRASS PUB
JUNE 13,14	TOUR TO CENTRAL OREGON	KEN McCLINTON (503) 581-1059
JUNE 16	REGULAR MEETING	HORSE BRASS PUB
JULY 17-20	MOG WEST 87 CAMBRIA, CA	DWIGHT SMITH (503) 642-1775
AUG 16	ANNUAL KINGPIN RALLYE	ROSCOE NELSON (503) 227-1859
AUG 18	REGULAR MEETING - PLANNING FOR BRITISH FIELD MEET	HORSE BRASS PUB
SEPT 4-6	ALL BRITISH FIELD MEET PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY	RODGER HUNTLEY (503) 659-4773
SEPT 15	REGULAR MEETING	HORSE BRASS PUB
OCT 20	REGULAR MEETING	HORSE BRASS PUB
OCT 24	POTLUCK DINNER AT THE HUNTLEY'S	RODGER HUNTLEY (503) 659-4773
NOV 17	REGULAR MEETING WITH NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS	HORSE BRASS PUB
DEC 5	ANNUAL BANQUET WITH ELECTION OF OFFICERS	TO BE ANNOUNCED

# NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY

AS YOU MAY HAVE HEARD, LAST MONTH'S MEETING DID NOT COME OFF EXACTLY AS PLANNED. WE ALL FORGOT THAT MARCH 17TH WAS ST. PATRICK'S DAY AND SINCE OUR MEETING PLACE IS AN OLD ENGLISH PUB - WELL YOU CAN IMAGINE HOW MUCH OPPORTUNITY THERE WAS FOR A CLUB MEETING! HOWEVER, SEVERAL OF US RETREATED TO A MARGINALLY PROTECTED CORNER AND PROCEEDED TO HAVE A GOOD FLAP JAW SESSION REGARDLESS OF THE DIN AND AIRBORNE ALE!

SINCE WE DIDN'T EVEN GET IN A TREASURER'S REPORT, I NEED TO STATE AT THIS TIME THAT AS OF MARCH 17TH OUR FUNDS WERE AT THE \$1172.00 MARK.

I ALSO HAVE THE PLEASURE OF REPORTING THAT AS A RESULT OF

THE DISCUSSION THAT EVENING, JULIAN GRAHAM LOCATED AND PURCHASED A PLUS 8! SO YOU SEE --- IT PAYS TO COME TO THE MEETINGS, YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT YOU MIGHT MISS OUT ON!

ALSO DUE TO THE CONDITION OF THE PUB THAT NIGHT, THE SHOWING OF THE VIDEOS WAS CANCELLED UNTIL THE APRIL MEETING. PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING. COME EARLY AND HAVE A BITE TO EAT AND SHARE MORGAN TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS BEFORE THE REGULAR MEETING STARTS. SEE YOU THERE!

PLEASE EXCUSE THE BREVIETY OF THE APRIL MOGAZINE. WITH THE INCLUSION OF THE 1987 ROSTER, THE NUMBER OF PAGES ADDS UP QUICKLY AND SO DOES THE PRICE OF POSTAGE!

## RECORD CROWDS !

IT LOOKS LIKE BOB AND LORETTA NELSON WILL BE HOSTING THE LARGEST GROUP EVER FOR THE MAY 2ND LaCONNER TRIP. BOB REPORTS THAT 15 ROOMS HAVE BEEN RESERVED BY MORGAN OWNERS WITH SIX CARS FROM THE SOUTHERN AREA AND NINE FROM THE SEATTLE AREA. MANY OF THE MARQUE CLUB

NEWSLETTERS HAVE BEEN CARRYING BOB'S INVITATION TO JOIN IN THE TOUR AND PICNIC, SO IF THE WEATHER IS KIND TO US WE MAY SEE QUITE A CONTINGENT OF BRITISH PARAPHERNALIA HEADED NORTH ALONG HOOD CANAL! STAND BY FOR A FULL REPORT IN THE MAY ISSUE.

### MORGAN OWNERS GROUP NORTHWEST

MEETS 3RD TUESDAY OF MONTH (EXCEPTIONS NOTED IN CALENDAR)  
7:30 PM  
HORSE BRASS PUB. 4534 BELMONT ST. PORTLAND, OR

**PRESIDENT:**

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# MORGANS AT THE MUSEUM

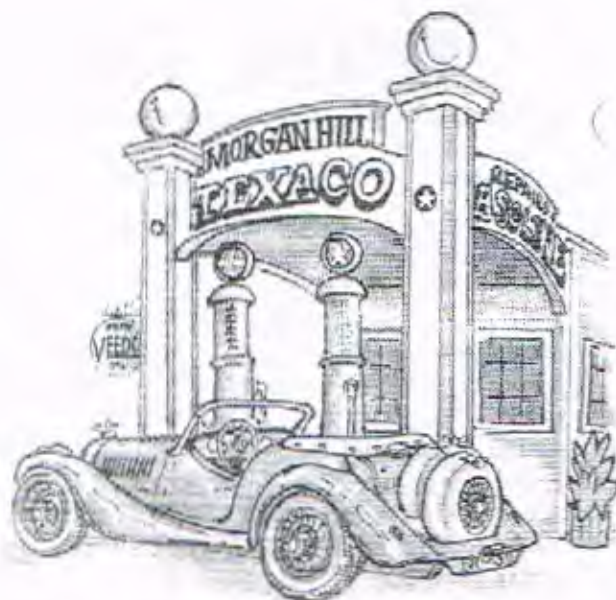
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Morgans in a museum? Yep, seven of them, glittering in the flashing neon glow from a myriad of neoclassic signs and displays representing SOCONY-VACUUM, GENERAL, RICHFIELD, HANCOCK, ASSOCIATED, GILMORE and many other well known names from the past. If you don't recognize those names, you were simply born too late. And that means you never marveled at the extravagant color of GILMORE'S premium gas (strawberry pop) or the outrageous blue-green regular gas (Scope mouthwash) and you never bought gas for less than 20 cents a gallon. Pity.

This museum is absolutely replete with neon depicting copyrighted logos right out of a book of mythology. We saw the winged pegasus in many forms, winged gargoyles, a wing footed Mercury and even a rampant gamecock. Some logos just sprouted wings for the sake of wings, like a flying "A". Only the SHELL mollusk and the SINCLAIR diplodocus were wingless. The Morgan badge looked very appropriate in this unique museum.

The Morgans occupied floor space adjacent to the facade of an old SOCONY gas station which was once situated beyond First Hill on Madison St. in Seattle. The architecture was pure Greek Revival and the two pumps were fashioned after Greek form columns. Corinthian I think, or maybe Ionic but most certainly Greek fluted columns. Pumps like this even pre-date my memory. Is this the ultimate Americana, or what?

The occasion was the April 2nd Morgan gathering arranged by Bob and Loretta Nelson at the GENERAL PETROLEUM MUSEUM in



downtown Seattle. Jeff Pedersen, who is the chief industrial archeologist, owner, collector, petrologist, curator, historian, lecturer and guide, together with his charming wife Susan, provided a grand experience for us, complete with good food and drink.

It was a shirtsleeves evening and there wasn't a top or sidecurtain in sight. In all, eighteen Morgan folks attended. Those who brought their cars were Kay and Theresa Jones with their very handsome 1953 flat rad four place tourer. Craig Runyans brought his sharp green Plus Four roadster. The Nelsons' four place tourer was there and is now resplendent in black lacquer, a real transformation. Dave Wellington's concours-looking 1982 4/4 looked as good as ever. Hot dogs Dick and Nancy Dice brought the near-finished 1960 Plus 4 roadster on its' shakedown cruise. it's a beauty in screaming red lacquer and promises to be a fast one, too. Of course, Green was there, slouched in a corner by a TEXACO display, trying to look Kool. (see sketch)

Thanks Bob and Loretta and Jeff and Susan.

3-28-87



DEAR FELLOW BRITISH AUTO (OWNER, ENTHUSIAST, FANCIER, FANATIC):  
(circle appropriate response)

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE 12TH ANNUAL XK JAGUAR RESTORATION CLUB BRITISH AUTO SWAP MEET TO BE HELD ON MAY 16, 1987 AT HIDDEN VALLEY OFFICE PARK, BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON. HOURS WILL BE FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M. A FOOD AND BEVERAGE STAND WILL BE OPEN FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.

YOU SHOULD PLAN TO ATTEND IF:

- 1) YOU HAVE ANY BRITISH AUTO PARTS THAT YOU WISH TO SELL (THE XKJR CLUB WILL REQUIRE A MODEST DONATION OF 10% OF SELLERS RECEIPTS TO HELP DEFRAY EXPENSES),
- 2) YOU ARE LOOKING FOR "HARD TO FIND" PARTS TO COMPLETE OR ENHANCE A RESTORATION,
- 3) YOU HAVE A "SPECIAL INTEREST" OR BRITISH AUTO FOR SALE. WHAT BETTER PLACE TO SELL A UNIQUE AUTOMOBILE THAN AT A GATHERING OF UNIQUE AUTOMOBILE FANCIERS?....(A MODEST \$10.00 DONATION WILL BE REQUIRED IN RETURN FOR A GENUINE XKJR SWAP MEET "FOR SALE" SIGN),
- 4) YOU LOVE TO LOOK AT BEAUTIFUL CARS, AND SWAP "WAR STORIES" ABOUT THE "GOOD OLD DAYS" WITH OTHERS WHO WISH TO DO THE SAME,
- 5) YOUR MOTHER-IN-LAW IS IN TOWN AND YOU WANT TO GET OUT OF THE HOUSE,
- 6) YOU WANT AN ALTERNATIVE TO "TAKING THE KIDS TO THE ZOO". (SOME OF OUR MEMBERS ARE MORE ENTERTAINING, AND YOU WON'T HAVE TO BUY PEANUTS),
- 7) YOU WANT TO JUST "HAVE A GREAT TIME!!

\*A RAFFLE WILL BE CONTINUOUSLY CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT THE DAY, WITH SOME EXCITING AND UNIQUE PRIZES FOR THE WINNERS.

\*A PLAQUE WILL BE AWARDED TO THE PERSON(S) WHO HAVE TRAVELLED THE LONGEST DISTANCE TO GET TO THE SWAP MEET,.

**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND!....PUBLICIZE IT IN YOUR CLUB NEWSLETTER....TELL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT IT!....PLAN A TOUR TO THE SWAP MEET SITE OR MEET THEM THERE!....WE GUARANTEE A DELIGHTFUL DAY AND BARGAINS GALORE!....**

A COVERED DISPLAY AREA ALLOWS US TO STAGE THE EVENT, RAIN OR SHINE.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CALL ANY OF THE FOLLOWING XK JAGUAR RESTORATION CLUB MEMBERS:

DAVE BOSWOTH, (206) 821-3046 LARRY BENSON (206) 361-9755  
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# SMOKE THEORY OF ELECTRONICS

From the Auspuff of the Cascade Sports Car Club who credit Mr. Jack Banton of the PCC Automotive Electrical School.

A sheet of paper crossed my desk the other day and as I read it, realization of a basic truth came over me. So simple! So obvious we couldn't see it. John Knivlen, Chairman of Polamar Repeater Club, an amateur radio group, had discovered how IC circuits work. He says that smoke is the thing that makes IC work because everytime you let the smoke out of an IC circuit, it stops working. He claims to have verified this with thorough testing.

I was flabbergasted! Of course! Smoke makes all things electrical work. Remember the last time smoke escaped from your Lucas voltage regulator? Didn't it quit working? I sat and smiled like an idiot as more of the truth dawned. It's the wiring harness that carries the smoke from one device to another in your Mini, MG or Jag. And when the harness springs a leak, it lets the smoke out of everything at once, and then nothing works. The starter motor requires large quantities of smoke to operate properly, and that's why the wire going to it is so large.

Feeling very smug, I continued to expand my hypothesis. Why are Lucas electronics more likely to leak than say Bosch, Hmmm Aha!!! Lucas is British, and all things British leak! British convertible tops leak water, British engines leak oil, British displacer units leak hydrostatic fluid, and I might add British tires leak air, and the British defense unit leak secrets...so naturally British electrics leak smoke.

THE FOLLOWING EVENTS MAY BE OF INTEREST TO SOME OF OUR MEMBERS. MANY OF US ARE INTERESTED IN MARQUES OTHER THAN MORGAN AND THESE EVENTS SPONSORED BY CAR CLUBS IN THE NORTHWEST PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BROADEN OUR HORIZONS.

- MAY 3 MG SWAP MEET. 10:00 AM TO 3:00 PM. 4842 SO. ADAMS ST. TACOMA, WA. (206)752-0062.
- MAY 9 ALL BRITISH FIELD MEET. VANCOUVER, BC. (DETAILS IN NEWSLETTER)
- MAY 16 ALL BRITISH SWAP MEET. BELLEVUE, WA. (DETAILS IN NEWSLETTER)
- MAY 23 "DETOUR WASHINGTON". SEATTLE AREA MINI OWNERS ASSN. 24 HOUR SPEED/ENDURANCE EVENT. (206)634-2073
- JUNE 14 NEED PACE CARS FOR BIKE RACE IN LEVENWORTH, WA. CALL FREEMAN KELLER.
- JUNE 21 BRITISH CAR PICNIC IN VICTORIA, BC. CALL MEREDITH SMITH ON THIS ONE.
- JULY 18 VINTAGE CAR RACES. PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY.
- JULY 19 FOREST GROVE CONCOURS.
- JULY 26 ALL BRITISH TOUR. SPECIAL EVENT HOSTED BY TYEE TRIUMPH CLUB.

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## THE CLASSES AND JUDGING

This event is not a Concourse de Elegance per se. There is no formal judging or set rules for judging. However, we believe that appreciation should be shown for the cars and the owners who have dedicated many hours of careful work on them. We do have classes and the judging is by entrants' choice. Each entrant receives a form and is requested to vote on a particular group of classes. It is up to each entrant to determine what he or she considers makes an outstanding car. In this way the awards given are the best form of compliment, appreciation from fellow enthusiasts. There are first, second and third place trophies per class plus over all trophies.

## CLASSES

1. Aston Martin, Post War
2. Austin Healey 100/4
3. Austin Healey 3000
4. Jaguar XK 120, 140, 150
5. Jaguar E-Type
6. Jaguar Touring, MK2-10
7. Jaguar XJ
8. Lotus, Open
9. Lotus, Closed
10. MG, T Series
11. MG A
12. MG B, C Roadster
13. MG B, C GT
14. Midget, Sprite
15. Mini, MK 1,2
16. Mini, MK 3
17. Morgan, Post War
18. Competition, Post War
19. Rolls Royce, Post War
20. Bentley, Post War
21. Triumph, TR 2, 3, 4
22. Triumph, TR 250, 5, 6
23. Triumph, TR 7, 8
24. Triumph, Spitfire GT6
25. Sunbeam Tiger, Stock
26. Sunbeam Tiger, Modified
27. Pre War Sports, Under 2 Liter
28. Pre War Sports, Over 2 Liter
29. Pre War Touring, Under 2 Liter
30. Pre War Touring, Over 2 Liter
31. Post War Sports, Under 2 Liter
32. Post War Sports, Over 2 Liter
33. Post War Touring, Under 2 Liter
34. Post War Touring, Over 2 Liter
35. Special Interest, BMW Isetta, Nash Met, etc.
36. Special Display, Replicas, Running Chassis, U.V.S., etc.

## SPECIAL AWARDS

**Best Debuting Restoration:** This trophy is given to finest restored car which is making its debuting appearance at this event. This past year the award was won by Mr. C. Barnes with his beautiful MG TD.

**Cutest Car:** This award is for the neatest (meaning cute) little car on the field. Basil Kallner with his 1934 Austin Seven "Nippy" roadster won the award in '86.

**Best in Show:** Need we say more? We're talking exotic stuff here and Dr. Rob Follows' 1928 Aston Martin seemed to fill everyone's appetite.

THE OLDE BRITISH CAR SOCIETY  
presents

# THE SECOND ANNUAL VANCOUVER ALL BRITISH FIELD MEET



"A CELEBRATION OF THE  
BRITISH AUTOMOBILE"

Van Dusen Botanical Gardens

MAY 9, 1987

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Old British Car Society invites you to attend the second annual Vancouver All British Field Meet to be held once again on the beautiful grounds of Van Dusen Botanical Gardens on May 9, 1987. The meet is open to all makes of British automobiles regardless of vintage. The Old British Car Society is a non-profit organization comprised of clubs representing the following marques: Aston Martin, Austin Healey, Bentley, Jaguar, Lotus, Mini, MG, and Rolls Royce.

Our first meet was held last May and was a resounding success with 181 entries and a warm sunny sky. The field consisted of a good variety of makes including such rarities as a Balfour, Brough Superior, and Singer Airline Coupe. Sixteen of the entries were pre-war including the beautiful 1928 Aston Martin LM-1 of Dr. Robert Follows. This ex-factory team car with a very distinguished racing career took the overall Peoples Choice Award.

This year's event promises to be even better than the last. With a number of conflicting meets and Expo 86 out of the way, we are expecting a much larger turnout than last year. Display space at the gardens is limited so PLEASE REGISTER EARLY to avoid possible disappointment!

Awards will be presented to First, Second and Third place in each of the 36 classes (see back cover). There will also be Special Awards for Best Debating Restoration, Cutest Car, and Best In Show.

**ACCOMMODATION**

The Host Hotel and Meet Headquarters for this year's event will be the Pacific Palisades Hotel near Stanley Park in Vancouver. We found this hotel to offer the best combination of location, amenities, service and price. Every room is a self-contained suite capable of sleeping four which offers a fully equipped kitchen for a nominal charge. Price ranges from \$80.00 CDN up. Reservations may be made directly by contacting:

The Pacific Palisades Hotel  
1277 Robson St., Vancouver, B.C., V6E 1C4  
(604) 688-0461 / Toll Free: 1-800-663-1815

Please inform them that you are with the Old British Car Society and book early as we have a limited number of rooms set aside for us. A roped-off underground parking area will be provided.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Friday, May 8 — 7:30 p.m. —** Cocktail Party, Pacific Palisades Hotel; 1277 Robson St., Vancouver. Late Registration, Slalom entry, Posters and Entrants Packs will be available. Directions: From HWY 99 cross the Oak Street Bridge and turn Right at 25th Ave. (King Edward). Proceed to Cambie St. and turn Left. Cross the Cambie St. Bridge. Turn right at Beatty. Proceed one block to Robson and turn left.

**Saturday, May 9 —** All British Field Meet and Entrants Choice Voting. Location: Van Dusen Botanical Gardens, Oak and 37th. Car placement: 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Car display: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Note: Bidding closes at 2 p.m. Awards Banquet: "The Point" restaurant in Stanley Park (follow the Park Drive to the restaurant by the Lions Gate Bridge). Menu: Salmon Wellington, gourmet salad and dessert. Cocktails from 7 p.m., Diner at 8 p.m.

**Sunday, May 10 —** Slalom (Yes, Virginia, there will be a slalom!) Particulars were still being finalized at press time and details will be provided in your Entrants Packs.

FOR OBCS USE ONLY  
CLASS:

ENTRY NO.  
DATE RECD.

**REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ PROV./STATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
MARQUE: \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL: \_\_\_\_\_  
YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_ BODY STYLE: \_\_\_\_\_ COLOUR: \_\_\_\_\_  
HISTORY: \_\_\_\_\_  
CLUB AFFILIATION: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if you wish to qualify for The Best Debating Restoration Award (completed within the last 6 months and not previously shown)

NO. OF CARS ENTERED: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 ... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. OF BANQUET TICKETS: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$22.00 ... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
SOUVENIR POSTERS: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 5.00 ... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
SLALOM: \_\_\_\_\_ DRIVERS @ \$ 5.00 ... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Maximum 2 drivers per car)

NOTE: All entrants are required to abide by the following conditions:  
— Cars must be in place on the grounds by 11 a.m. and will not be removed before 4 p.m.  
— Engines must not be started prior to 4 p.m.  
— The gardens are a "Quiet Zone" - the use of any audible sound devices are prohibited.  
— Please respect the lawns. Cars must move slowly and carefully while on the grounds.  
— "For Sale" signs of any sort are not to be displayed in or on the cars. A Bulletin Board will be provided on the grounds for those interested in selling cars or parts.  
— There will be no refunds within 7 days of the event.

Please make all cheques payable to "The Old British Car Society" and mail to: P.O. Box 82664, Burnaby, B.C. V5C 5W4.

For further information call: Steve Higgins — 291-7074 or 291-2017  
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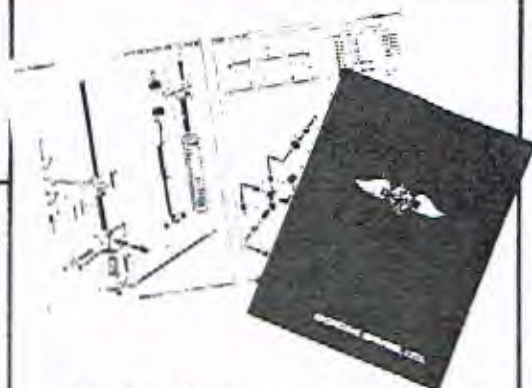
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