# ABCS Newsletter

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NEXT MEETING - June 8, 2006 - Ben's Garage

#### Minutes of the ABCS Meeting For May 11, 2006

Paul Kern, President, started the meeting by thanking everyone for their presence. There were 28 members present, and 6 guests; Al and Liz Bauerle, Chuck and Joann Hamilton, Gerry Wright, and Lu Norris.

Paul asked Virginia Leamon, Vice-President, for an update from the Board meeting the previous week, since he wasn't able to attend.

Virginia brought up the question as to what time the membership meeting starts. After a brief discussion, it was voted by 17 yeas to keep the time at 7:00 PM. However, those wishing to come earlier for dinner may do so.

Ben Bailey informed us that reservations have been made for both picnics; that at Grayson

Highland in August, and Warriors Path in September.

Bill Wilson, Treasurer, reported a total of \$1065.00 in the checking account. Bill also circulated an order sheet for those desiring to purchase new shirts and/or hats. If you weren't present at the meeting and wish to purchase some of these items, contact Bill Wilson for details.

We have four new members. Al and Liz Bauerle, and Chuck and Joann Hamilton from near Sneedville,have joined our club. WELCOME!!!

Our next meeting will be at Ben's Garage. This will be a combined Board/Membership meeting, on June 8<sup>th</sup>. Like last year, we might have some technical session/tire kicking, and check on the progress of Ben's E-type Jaguar.

Virginia Leamon and her friend, Lu Norris were the speaker for this evening's program. They both work at Kingsport Press Credit Union, and have been studying herbs for several years.

They have had over 120 classroom hours in the study of edible and medicinal herbs. In addition, they have also been on several nature walks and have over 50 hours in attendance at herbal workshops and seminars. They grow and use herbs in making salves, tinctures, teas, creams, poultices, and soap.

Virginia and Lu are members of SAPS (Southern Appalachia Plant Society) and are also members of the North Carolina Herb Association.

Their presentation was very interesting and informative. So many plants, that we call "weeds", that could be used as seasoning, for healing, to make teas, or just eating as salads.

They passed around many types of plants for our senses of smell and touch. These plants were given away to some lucky winners at the end of the presentation.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

June 8 – Visit to Ben's Garage – 6:00 PM. Combined Board and Membership meeting.

June 10 – Drive on the Blue Ridge Parkway.

June 21 – Retirees Drive

June 21-25 – MG2006, Gatlingburg.

<u>Drive to Townsend, TN – British Car Show.</u>

On Saturday May 13, a small group of drivers met at the Burger King parking lot in Gray for a drive to Townsend. Other members had left much earlier in order to participate in the show.

Those present included Paul and Ann Kern in their 1963 MGB, Ben Bailey, leading the way, in his 1978 MGB, Barry Black, in his newly painted 1977 MGB, Juan Dominguez, in his 1978 MGB, and Allen McKenna in his SOB SUV.

The small caravan traveled south on Rt. 75 and then onto Rt. 81, followed by Rt. 93 to Greenville and then thru Newport, Pigeon Forge and finally Townsend. The weather was initially cool, but warmed up enough to allow some of us to put the hoods down.

A good time was had by all, enjoying the fine collection of British automobiles.







## **Drive your British Car Week Gathering in Johnson City.**

The weather was hot and muggy, but a great array of fine British automobiles, including some Miatas and two Ferraris, was displayed in front of the Gourmet & Co. parking area. Ben Bailey was gracious to provide some Hors d'oeuvre and cool refreshment for the participants and guests.





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DUES ARE PRORATED ACCORDING TO THE MONTH IN WHICH YOU JOIN:			Enclose payment with application and mail to: Appalachian British Car Society			
January-March \$20.00 April-June 15.00 July-September 10.00 October-December 20.00 (includes following year's 15.00 (due February 28			c/o Bill Wilson 281 Galloway Rd. Kingsport, TN 37664 ch year)			
All meetings are he Kingsport, TN	ld at 7:00 PM on the secor	d Thu	ursday of (	each month at the Rush Str	eet Grill in	

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