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# CLASSIC MOTORING SOCIETY

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Spring has sprung and the automotive adventure time is nigh for driving your passion and enjoying all the collector vehicle hobby has to offer. As the garage warms with the longer days and rising temperatures it beckons us to thoroughly check over our specialty vehicles to assure a positive experience behind the controls. The 2024 Auto Expo was exceptional with 18 cars, seven clubs and multiple events represented in the Collectors and Classics area we coordinated for the GCADA. The Concours Posse of the OVR Porsche Club conducted a well-received Concours Preparation Seminar at Euro Classics. The very active two wheeled community publishes an extensive calendar keeping the various clubs and businesses "on track" to serve local riders. Upcoming events are filling in the calendar, check the **Sched Marks** section for updates. Read on for more news, notes, and opportunities to enjoy life behind the wheel.

With the mild winter many of us had the occasion to get our machines out of the garage during the winter months for a bit of exercise. Every spring, at the start of the "driving season" is a good time to check all the systems on the vehicle for drips, leaks, cracks and general malfunction. Tops on my list is the check over the brake system, make it stop before you make it go. After the brake system I move onto other hydraulics, the fuel system in particular, for obvious reason; coolant leaks are usually the start of something BIG, oils in the various components should be topped off, and checked for excessive moisture. Check where the rubber meets the road, tires tend to deteriorate from the inside out; keep them inflated, rotated and less than 8 years old for optimum performance and safety. Are the tail lights and turn signals work properly, other marker lights and headlights, interior lights, dash panel lights, producing any smoke or the odor of ozone? Service the ground points to assure the electrons and protons flow through your system as intended.

The Greater Cincinnati auto Dealers again invited local car clubs to



participate in the Auto Expo, one of the last shows for the Duke Energy Center. Afforded huge area seven organizations provided cars, volunteers and equipment to create a fetching display that drew a steady stream of people throughout the Expo. The Bellefontaine Hill Climb, Alfa Romeo Owner's Club, Dynasty Auto Events, OVR Porsche Club Concours Posse, Tri-State Mustang/Ford Club, BCCGC, Pontiac GTO Club brought a spectacular

array of automobiles.. The BMW Store brought a collection of classic BMWs for display while the Concours persuaded Wes Spryshak to bring his Ghia 450 SS and Greg Thomas his fabulous Cord 812 Beverly.

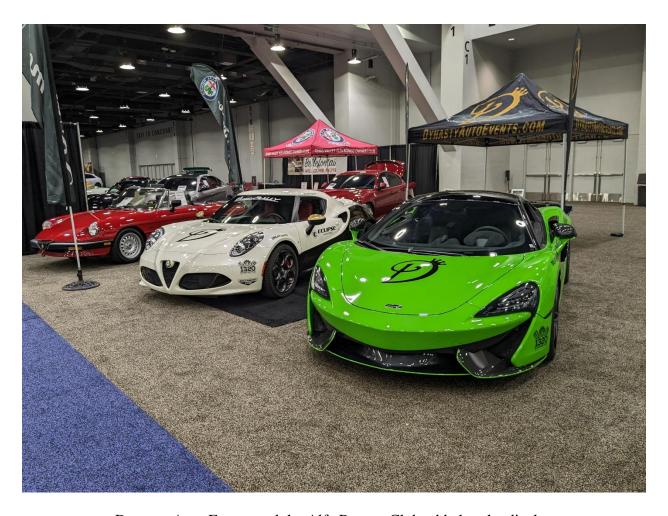
In the Collectors & Classics area enthusiast events had a place of prominence; the interest in participating was more than encouraging. The Hill Climb, the Red Brick Reunion Porsche Show, British Motorcycle Show and Dynasty Auto Events generated excitement along with the cars. New Car Shows have been navigating a changing landscape especially over the last few years. Gone is the manufacturer's support, concept cars are revealed online in a digital form rather than in a physical setting: now the dealers are expected to build the excitement. Many attendees are young and excited about cars in general including the classics and collector cars they seldom get exposed too. We are fortunate that the Greater Cincinnati Auto Dealers Association sees value in the enthusiast community and support the efforts of the clubs and organizations that serve that community. The Auto Expo is an opportunity for enthusiast groups to support the area auto dealers that support the hobby.





Tri-State Mustang Club

Lee Scovanner's Lotus Esprit



Dynasty Auto Events and the Alfa Romeo Club added to the display

Thanks to all that brought the cars, Lee Scovanner, Clayton Smith, Bill Willenbrink, Roberto Tomodo, Mike Dalton, Tim Morehouse, Tony, Jim. Pete Stow, Joe Vandehatart, Mark Wilson, Paul Calardo, Nick & Devena Gramke. Bob Weiler and Bob Cowie along with Joe and Thomas Vandehatert, Lee & Cindy Scovanner, Laura Zappia, and Mark Wilson, Harvey Camins and Mike Tewell attended to the Hill Climb display, answering questions and distributing information. Thanks to all that participated, we all had a good time.

Dale Oakes' Euro Classics in Dayton hosted the first Porsche Club Concours Preparation Seminar. Dale, with over one hundred Concours class and Best of Show wins welcomed Brett Walker and "Concours John" from Archer's detailing in Dayton to share some of the finer points of presenting a car for judging. The technical details on products and methods of resuscitating and maintaining your

cars finish educated about 30 interested enthusiasts. More Porsche Club concours instructional seminars are planned, including tips on Judging, more mechanical preparation. Thanks to Dale Oakes and Mark Wilson for leading the way to enjoying your car in more ways.



The southern Ohio Chapter of the AACA visited Larry Schumacher's collection recently after a lunch at Ferrari's Little Italy hosted by E.B. Lunken. Larry's collection is an eclectic combination of road and race machinery including several of Larry's former mounts from the Firehawk series, IMSA and SCCA competition. An Allard, Volvo B20, and one of my all-time favorite cars a Porsche 906 Carrera were part of the display. Memories of past racecars filled the afternoon as E.B., Larry and I chatted about Larry's Elva-Porsche, the Showroom Stock Endurance racing series and racing in the 24 at Daytona along with how rough Sebring is in comparison. A worthwhile day spent with local champions.

Queencitymoto.com is the tri-state's gathering point for two wheeled activities; rides, events, shows and more. Maintained by a variety of moto enthusiasts and clubs this is a fabulous resource. Supported by dealers and clubs alike, the Queen City Moto site is the area's most comprehensive listing of two wheeled opportunities. With Bike nights at the Comet, Miamiville Trailyard Tavern and Quaker Steak and Lube Milford, numerous rides and flat track racing at the Cincy Speedway are a few of the activities available for our enjoyment. Cincy Speedway is worthy of a Classic Motoring Society Field Trip on a Saturday night this summer. Thanks to Aerin Shaw and Beverly Corsmeier for keeping the enthusiasm high and the troops up to date!

Thursday April 4, the Classic Motoring Society will gather at Zakira's Garage for a tour at 11:30 am. prior to enjoying and afternoon repast at a local eatery. Zakira's is well known for their restoration, maintenance and fabrication services on a fascinating array of project vehicles. Please RSVP if attending.

With Spring comes the annual Spring Classic Driving Tour, the twelfth edition this year is scheduled for Saturday April 20! Started by the SWOT MG

group, this drive has hosted over three dozen car clubs over the years, a thousand entrants, and supported over 30 charities of the car clubs picking.

The roads and cars are the stars on this motoring adventure across



Southern Ohio, traveling roads lined with spectacular Spring Foliage traversing the ridges and valleys along the Ohio River. Spirited, Leisure and Super Leisure driving groups keep you and your car in the comfort zone.

Each entry gets \$20 food voucher to use at the Restaurants in New Richmond

throughout the day; Buck's Riverside Grill and the Wholly Bean have breakfast available. Buck's, Front St. Café, and the Green Kayak will have lunch and dinner favorites available at the end of the drive. Cost is \$50/car, online registration is here; <a href="https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/spring-classic-driving-tour-xii-new-richmond-bandstand-on-river-sports-023903">https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/spring-classic-driving-tour-xii-new-richmond-bandstand-on-river-sports-023903</a>

Invite your friends to join the fun, proceeds benefit a variety of charities.

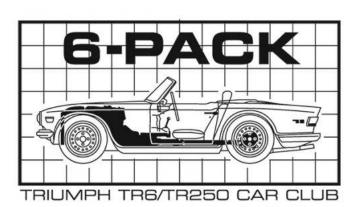




The Motorsports Country Club of Cincinnati is committed to hosting the Scout 100 Kart Enduro September 21 in support of the Dan Beard Council's service to over 35,000 area youth. Please mark your calendar to attend the races with your collector vehicle and take part in a very casual show judged by Scouts. Prior to the Scout 100 Enduro the track announced their Rental Kart Rumble Series of races over the summer that provides an achievable opportunity to compete. This comes from MCCKarting about the new series:

The 2024 Summer Rental League at MCC Kartplex will be a 6 round championship featuring a different layout each round. Registration

fee is \$600 for all 6 rounds (100\$ per round) Paying \$600 guarantees spot for all 6 rounds guarantees your spot. A second registration will open if the classes do not fill up and a driver can register for each round. Each class is capped at 14 drivers. Two run groups of light and medium will be run to make it fair and equal. Online registration is available, each class will be capped at 14 entries; spots are first come first serve. A waitlist will be available if all spots are filled. Drivers must come run a rental kart session at least once prior to May 19th, 2024 and obtain MCC Rental Rumble License to be eligible to run in the league.





# Six Hundred's Brittany Saxton Wins Sixth World Pizza Championship

The Awards Banquet for the Bellefontaine Hill Climb is catered by 600 Downtown, owned by Brittany Saxton, now a six-time World Champion Pizza Maker. Brittany set fast time in the Pizza Stretching competition, her goal and the entrant's goal is the same, set a fast time. Congratulations to Brittany and our friend Daulton Cornell for competing and WINNING!



Photo credit to Pizza Today.

March 26, 2024 – Brittany Saxton, owner of Six Hundred Downtown in Bellefontaine, once again proved her talent in the pizza world by clinching her sixth World Pizza Championship title at the World Pizza Games held in Las Vegas last week. Saxton showcased her talent by claiming the gold medal in the fastest dough stretch competition, taking five medium pizza doughs and stretching them to full size the quickest.



The International Pizza Expo, now in its 40th year, stands as the largest pizza show globally, attracting thousands of pizzeria professionals annually. Attendees converge to engage with leading pizza suppliers, participate in educational sessions led by industry experts, and vie for top honors in national competitions. Among the most anticipated events at the expo are the World Pizza Games, where pizza-makers from around the globe showcase their mastery in various disciplines, including dough stretching, tossing, and acrobatics.

With this latest win, Saxton adds another accolade to her already illustrious career, having previously secured five world pizza championship honors at the games. Among her five previous wins, two rank as world records.

### **Fastest Dough**

- Brittany Saxton Six Hundred Downtown 00:30.087
- 2. David Whisker B.C. Pizza 00:37.094
- 3. Tara Hattan Zasas Pizza & Wings 00:38.096

"Attending the Pizza Expo and securing another championship title is an incredible honor for both myself and Six Hundred Downtown," Saxton said. "It's a privilege to represent not only our restaurant but also the downtown community on an international scale. We're grateful for the opportunity to showcase our passion for pizza-making and to bring recognition to our town."

Six Hundred Manager Daulton Cornell also competed at the games, showcasing his skills in the best non-traditional pizza baking competition and the largest dough stretch. Cornell had previously clinched the gold in his division with his innovative "Mad Hatter" pizza back in 2014, a menu highlight at Six Hundred Downtown.

Six Hundred Downtown opened in Downtown Bellefontaine in 2011. Their world famous and award-winning pizzas are baked in old world brick ovens at 600 degrees. Learn more at 600downtown.com.

Thanks to Small Nation for this report.





# Online Registration Links

### Spring Classic Driving Tour

https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/spring-classic-driving-tour-xii-new-richmond-bandstand-on-river-sports-023903

#### Bellefontaine Hill Climb Revival

https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/bellefontaine-hill-climb-revival-6-corkscrew-zanesfield-ohio-sports-car-636733

#### Fall Classic Driving Tour

https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/fall-classic-driving-tour-taste-of-new-richmond-warren-county-airport-358607

# Sched Marks

## **Area Events and Happenings**

April 4; Classic Motoring Society at Zakira's Garage

April 7; Cars & Devou, Devou Park, Covington 12n-2pm.

April 13; Austin Healey Club Gymkhana, Milford Ohio

April 13; BCCGC Bill Bowser's Driving Tour

April 13; Buckeye Triumphs Daffodil Drive

April 20; Spring Classic Driving Tour XXII, 9 am., New Richmond Ohio

April 27; OVRPCA Drive Thru Concours, SOZO Church, Loveland Ohio

April 27; Cars & Coffee West Chester

April 26-27; America's Packard Museum Spring Fling

April 27; Dayton Coffee & Cars, Austin Landing

May 1; Classic Motoring Society at HH Motorcars 11:30 am Lunch follows

May 4; OVR PCA Autocross

May 11; Nostalgia Garage open house

May 12; Dynasty Dash Scavenger Hunt Rally.

May 16; Indy 500 Practice Field Trip, A day at the track, CMS Field Trip

May 16-19; Austin Healey Club Spring Thing

May 18; Zakira's Garage Coffee & Cars

May 18; Cars & Coffee @ Liberty Center, Tri-State Mustang/Ford Club

May 18; OVR PCA Kentucky Backroads Driving Tour

May 18-19; Columbus British Car Day (Weekend)

May 19; DSG 356 Bull Session, Sharon Woods

June 1; OVR PCA Autocross

**June 1;** Eclipse Window Tinting 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Open House and Car Show

June 1; Louisville British Bash Car Show

June 2; British Return to Ft. Meigs British Car Show

June 5; Rental Kart Rumble, MCC Karting

June 6-8; Southern Ohio Forest Rally, Chillicothe Ohio

June 7-8; 37<sup>th</sup> Annual All Porsche Swap Meet, Highland Heights Ohio

June 9; Cincinnati Concours at Ault Park

June 14-16; Eyes on Design, Detroit Michigan

June 15; Zakiras Garage Coffee & Cars

June 17-21; MG GOF Central, Newark Ohio

June 22; Great Race Vintage Car Rally, Lawrenceburg Indiana. CMS Field Trip

June 30; Glendale Gathering of historic Vehicles.

**July 13-15;** Dynasty Rally 2024

July 18-20; Arthritis Car Show Dublin Ohio

July 20; Keeneland Concours d'Elegance, Lexington Ky.

July 21; Keeneland Concours Driving Tour, backroads of Kentucky.

July 27; OVAHC Gymkhana, Live Oaks

August 3; Dayton British Car Day, Eastwood Park

August 3; OVR PCA Autocross

August 4; Tri-State Mustang/Ford all Ford Show, Beechmont Ford.

August 10; Red Brick Reunion 10, Oxford Ohio

August 24; Bellefontaine Hill Climb Revival 6

September 8; Cincinnati British Car Day, Fairfield Commons

**September 15**; Dayton Concours d'Elegance, Carillon Park

September 15; Concours with a View, Devou Park Covington Kentucky

September 21; Scout 100 Kart Enduro, Motorsports Country Club

October 5; Autumn Classic Driving Tour

October 19; Kentucky Railway Museum Car & Truck Show

October 20; Cars BACK on Monmouth! Newport Kentucky

The Classic Motoring Society meets on the 1st Thursday of the month most of the time, except when we meet on other days. Watch this Space.

The OVR PCA meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

The British Car Club (BCCGC) Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

BCCGC driving adventures go on the Saturday following the monthly meeting.

The Alfa Romeo Owners gather at several C&C around the area.

The Tri-State Mustang/Ford Club meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday.

The SCCA meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month.

The Metropolitan Motor Club meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

EuroBike Night is the Last Thursday of the month at Miamiville Trailyard



# Kathie Hunter's 2024 All Things Porsche CALENDAR DATE EVENT

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|---|--|-------|-----|
| 4/9                                     | Board meeting, Ferrari's                                 | OVR   |     |
| 4/20                                    | DSG Spring Driving Tour                                  | DSG   |     |
| 4/21                                    | DSG Spring luncheon                                      | DSG   |     |
| 4/27                                    | Spring Concours, Sozo Church, Loveland OH                | OVR   |     |
| 4/27                                    | Carlisle PA Swap & Show                                  |       |     |
| 5/4                                     | Autocross, 5th 3rd Bank lot                              | OVR   |     |
| 5/4                                     | Kentucky Spring Tour                                     | OVR   |     |
| 5/11                                    | Wings and Wheels, Tri-State Warbird Museum               |       |     |
| 5/14                                    | Board meeting TBD  | OVR   |     |
| 5/19                                    | DSG Bull Session and Picnic                              | DSG   |     |
| 5/31-6/1 HPDE at Mid Ohio               |  |       |     |
| 6/1                                     | Autocross, 5 <sup>th</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bank lot      | OVR   |     |
| 6/1                                     | Eclipse Open House/Car Show                              |       |     |
| 6/7-8                                   | Stoddard Swap & Show                                     |       |     |
| 6/9                                     | Ault Park Concours, Cincinnati                           |       |     |
| 6/9-16 Porsche Parade, Birmingham AL    |  | PCA   |     |
| 6/11                                    | Board meeting TBD  | OVR   |     |
| 6/13 or 6/20 Athens Tour/Overnight      |  | OVR   |     |
| 7/9                                     | Board meeting TBD  | OVR   |     |
| 7/20-21Keeneland Concours d'Elegance KY |  |       | KYR |
| 8/3                                     | Autocross, 5 <sup>th</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bank lot      | OVR   |     |
| 8/10                                    | Red Brick Reunion, Oxford OH                             |       | OVR |
| 8/13                                    | Board meeting TBD  | OVR   |     |
| 8/17                                    | Indiana Backroads Tour                                   |       | OVR |
| 8/24                                    | 6 <sup>th</sup> Bellfontaine Hill Climb Revival/Concours | DSG/0 | OVR |
| 9/7                                     | Autocross 5 <sup>th</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bank lot       | OVR   |     |
| 9/10                                    | Board meeting TBD  | OVR   |     |
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| 9/15                    | Dayton Carillon Park Concours                   |     |     |  |  |
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| 9/22                    | Drive Your Porsche Day                          |     |     |  |  |
| 9/28                    | Open house at MetalKraft Coachwerks, Cincinnati |     | DSG |  |  |
| 9/29                    | Porsche/VW/Audi Reunion, Germania Park          | OVR |     |  |  |
| 10/4-6 HPDE at Mid Ohio |   | OVR |     |  |  |
| 10/5                    | Fall Concours, New Richmond OH                  |     | OVR |  |  |
| 11/                     | OVR Anniversary Party TBD                       | OVR |     |  |  |
| 11/12                   | Board meeting TBD                               | OVR |     |  |  |
| Additional events TBD:  |   |     |     |  |  |
|                         | Technical Sessions                              |     |     |  |  |
|                         | Cars & Coffees/Porsche Gemeinschaff (s)         |     |     |  |  |



Several highlights on the calendar include Wes Spryshak and a group going to the Eyes on Desing Show in Detroit in June. The weekend includes a steady stream of classic car events around the Motor City. Contact Wes at <a href="Wes.Spryshak@aol.com">Wes.Spryshak@aol.com</a> for more details about the show.



James Johnston at Marlboro Speedway 1957, 625 TR

October 20 marks the return of *Wheels on Monmouth*, the popular car show in downtown Newport that has been on hiatus since the covid shut down a few years back. Top of the Hill Bob Weiler is rounding up judges for the show and needs your assistance if you enjoy judging. Line up for the fun by contacting Bob at; <a href="RobertAWeiler@yahoo.com">RobertAWeiler@yahoo.com</a>.





## Looking for that Classic Sports Car?

### 1953 MG TD

Freshly rebuilt XPAG by Jim Steck at Autocomponenti.

Refurbished Cylinder Head with new Valves, Seats & Guides, rocker shaft and arms.

New Pistons, Rings, Main & Rod Bearings: Moss Forged Crank (turned 10 under stock), Moss Camshaft, Cam bearings. Block align bored, cylinders honed, deck milled, rods & pistons balanced together.

Bottom and top ends completely refurbished with fresh components, gaskets, hardware, all machined and balanced, creating one of the smoothest running XPAGs available. Slight increase in compression from decking the block and milling the head to ensure both are flat and mate perfectly. SU Carburetors tuned and functioning properly. Starts easily and provides exemplary driveability. Chassis is largely unmolested, not restored, but a solid original unit, suspension is strong and tight; shocks, springs, king pins, steering linkage are all in fine condition. Front springs and lower control arms are new.

Body is straight and largely devoid of dents and drama, no filler; has been repainted prior to seller getting the car, not sure when the car was painted. Bonnet has functional louvres on the top panels to allow heat to escape, someone did a lot of very nice work on the louvres.

Interior has been replaced, probably when car was repainted, components are serviceable, however not exceptional, but not bad either. Stirling Moss signature wood rimmed steering wheel is a highlight.

All lights and electronic components are fully functional; grounds have been cleaned and serviced recently. Painted steel wheels with hubcaps are shod with radial tires providing an easy driving car.

This MG TD is a fabulous driver, not a Concours car, but a load of fun to drive, tour, rally and enjoy. Priced for sale!



Contact; Kurt Niemeyer, kurt@sportscarpreservationItd.com

1938 MG TA Tickford: Restored by Tom Metcalf's *Safety Fast Restorations* in 2007. The car was shown several times with success and is in exemplary condition with very few post restoration miles after being stored under a car cover in a climate controlled garage has kept it in Concours Award winning condition. A rare (fewer than 260 produced) and fetching automobile, finished in black with red interior, chrome wire wheels, the three position tan top works as designed and is in perfect condition. Mechanically this TA Tickford is as clean and correct as the coachwork. A seriously beautiful car for the avid MG enthusiast. Serious offers entertained.



Contact: Kurt Niemeyer at <a href="mailto:kurt@sportscarpreservationltd.com">kurt@sportscarpreservationltd.com</a>.

1953 MG TD/C Mark II: Red over red with a tan top and tonneau, painted steel wheels. Dual fuel pumps and dual front dampers as the "C" models sported, plus aluminum valve cover and side plate. A strong runner, starts readily and drives without drama. Formerly owned by Dick Hall of the Ohio NEMGTR, this car runs extremely well. Mr. Hall has added that the engine is now a 1500cc. with a Moldex Crankshaft and Crane Camshaft-this explains the performance!. Periodically serviced by Jim Pesta over the last years, it resided under an MG Mitten in a climate controlled garage; well cared for and ready for more adventures with a new steward. This car has a dinged right rear fender from an incident in the garage, damage is contained to the fender and should be a reasonable repair. Reasonable offers entertained.



Contact: Kurt Niemeyer at <a href="mailto:kurt@sportscarpreservationltd.com">kurt@sportscarpreservationltd.com</a>.

Let me know if you are joining us at Zakira's on April 4, and let's get on road in a classic!

Kurt