BRITISH CAR ENTHUSIASTS
AUGUST 1996

NEXT MEETING
Tuesday, August 6, 1996
7:00 p.m. Lotus Garden Restaurant
7089 N. Marks (NW corner at Herndon)

NEXT EVENT
Sunday, August 18
Underground Gardens??
(This was discussed two meetings ago...details are sketchy. We'll firm
up plans at the next meeting. Call
Kevin at 436-1041 for more
information.)

NEW MEETING DATES:
September 3
October 1
November 5? (Election Day)
December 3? (Christmas Party?)

FROM THE EDITOR...
Debilyn Molineaux
I would like to thank Tom Hinsch and Terry
Starr for 'volunteering' to write articles this
month. Future articles may be submitted
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THE FRIANT RUN
By Terry Starr

High gang! Having attended my
second meeting, Debilyn decided that I'd be
the perfect person to submit an article for the
newsletter. Oh! Excuse me for not introducing
myself. I'm Terry Starr and my co-pilot is
Joannie. She's the one who's usually kicking
me and reminding me that there's a meeting
going on, so I should be quiet and listen. We
have yet to meet all of you but we're looking
forward to it as soon as possible.

Those who attended the meeting on
Tuesday, July 2nd had a Hot Time in Friant to
say the least. It must have been a 110
degrees on that patio, but who's counting?
The club that sweats together, stays together,
right? Hold it! I should begin at the beginning.
Most of us met at Arcane Automotive. After
some chatting around the cooler, air cooler that
is, we headed out for The Dam Diner. I
thought the drive was quite enjoyable, of
course being a firefighter I'm always in heat.
Yuck! Yuck! It was a nice drive and there was
a good showing of British cars. There was one
very nice light yellow convertible that didn't
look very British. (Ed. note - probably weighed as
much as three or more British cars.)

I don't know if it was by design or just
luck, that one of our members went directly to
Friant and reserved a few tables for us in the
air conditioned dining room. As I understand it,
they held out as long as possible, but were
finally ousted by some Corvette club.

Thanks for a valiant effort!!!!!!! By the way,
did anyone see any Corvettes in the parking
lot? They must be as proud of their cars as we
are! Anyway, we were banished to the patio
and we had the place all to ourselves. The
food was good and the company was great.
We ate, talked and planned the next outing
until well after sundown.

As a result of having our beautiful cars
out front, we may have attracted a new
member. As luck would have it, a friend of
mine and possibly some of you, was on the
way home from the lake. He saw the cars and
stopped in for a few minutes. Now it just
happens that I've been trying to get this guy to
attend a meeting for a long time. I spoke with
him today and he said he was so impressed
with all of us that he plans to return.

As usual, I'm rambling, so I'll sign off by
explaining why I'm not using any of your names
in this article. It's simple. I'm over forty and I
don't remember them!!!!!!!!!!! I'll be working on
that in the future. I promise!
(Ed. note - Terry also sings Barber Shop
Quartet, shouldn't he be asked to entertain at
one of our tours or meetings?)
A PERFECT TOUR
By Tom Hinsch

Those of us who participated in the tour to Dinky Creek on June 23rd know what a great time we had! For those of you who weren't able to go, let us recount the day.

Most of us gathered in Fresno and left at 9:00 A.M., meeting the "North of Fresno" residents at the Millerton Store, our first of several rest and 'kick the tires' stops. At our maximum, we had 8 cars (7 British enthusiasts and 1 German), but Mike Splivalo was able to join us only as far as the first stop, due to another commitment. We stayed together very nicely as both the lead and last cars were able to communicate by CB. We arrived in the Dinky Creek campground area about 11:30, (the 1½ hour projected tour did not take into account the numerous stops). The area was teeming with people, but we managed to find a table off by itself.

Within minutes, the lunches and drinks were out of the trunks. When we were full, we went entertained ourselves. Carol Lanigan, a birthday girl that day, led the 'nature walk' including the Monarch butterfly mating area. Others did the usual - look at my car and I will look at yours, while still others chatted about non-car things. After an hour or so, some were talking of heading down the mountain, but at the last minute were persuaded by the majority to stop in Shaver. There we checked out the lake - it was full! Then one of our eagle-eyed scouts, noted an ice cream store. We all enjoyed at least one cone or beverage before heading for home about 3:00 P.M.

This was a PERFECT tour. Thanks go to Richard Ramos who gave us the idea of going to Dinky. We had good roads, good weather, no break downs of any type and good company. Make sure you don't miss out on the next tour!

Butterfly Orgy

A Kraut at the Tea Party

Photographs courtesy of Marty Hardison.
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