LANCO MG CLUB (08/12/11)

British Car Festival - Tipton, PA

By Gloria Ciarrocca

On Friday afternoon, September 9th, Larry and I left for Altoona for the Central PA British Car Club's 17th Annual British Car Festival. It was about a 3 1/2 hour drive. It started to rain before we got there and rained that night (what else is new!). That evening was registration and they had pizza and drinks for everyone.

Saturday was the funkana at the Altoona Penn State campus. About ten cars participated. Larry and I did it and it was fun. Saturday evening we met at the campus and, along with about 50 cars, took a 45-mile drive through the mountains. After returning, we enjoyed a pulled pork roast with baked beans, scalloped potatoes, veggies and lots and lots of desserts.

John Twist was there for some seminars, trouble shooting and technical advice. Also, Larry Learn from Learn's Upholstery demonstrated installing carpet, as well as a convertible top.

The car show started around 10:00 AM on Sunday at the DelGrosso's Amusement Park. You are given a free miniature golf ticket; ticket for free ice cream, ticket to the Amusement Park and a chicken BBQ dinner with potato salad, roll and drinks. This is a non-judged show. There were about 60 cars on the field. Usually they get about 75-100 cars, but the rainy weather scared people from going.

Other LANCO members in attendance included Dick and Carol Wachtman and Alan and Carol Tucker.

After doing some rides, we left about 3:30

This is a great low key event. The people are extremely friendly. I would recommend this event next year.

Midsummer Night's Dream - 2011

By Steve Dellinger

One of LANCO's club events in September was the "Midsummer Night's Dream Car and Cycle Show" held on Saturday, September 20th. The show, which is open to any kind of car or motorcycle, is put on by the Lancaster Sertoma Club and is held at Long's Park in Lancaster, PA. Proceeds from the show support Long's Park and other community projects. This year, MG was the show's featured marque – with the MGs (and other British marques) parked front and center in the show field.



LANCO MG Club – Front and Center!





Trophies were awarded to may classes of vehicles – and the LANCO MG crew "cleaned up" on the MG awards. In addition to receiving the Club Participation award, trophies were awarded to the following club members:

1st Place MG Midget – Dennis Blevins 2nd Place MG Midget – Steve Dellinger 1st Place MGB (or GT) – Jim Harbold 2nd Place MGB (or GT) – Andy Schneggenburger

One of the LANCO members also won a "NICE" giveaway prize!!



Right-Hand Drive, British Spec Midget

It was a beautiful day weather wise (not too hot!) and there was plenty of good food to eat.



"Chillin' on the Show Field!



The Good Humor Man was There!



"Modern" Amish Buggy!

WEBSITE NOTICE

We are in the process of updating the club website and moving to a new host server. We will be up and running again shortly. Please check the LANCO website www.lancomgclub.com periodically for updated information.

LANCO Picnic and Club Meeting

The LANCO MG Club's Annual Picnic (and August membership meeting) was held at Rocky Ridge County Park in York, PA on Sunday, August 14th. 36 club members were in attendance; however, due to rain and/or the threat of rain, only three (3) British cars were driven to the event (and two of them were new ones).



Setting up in the Pheasant Pavilion

As in years past Jeff Shank and Mike Lang did the grilling. The members in attendance brought a wide selection of salad, sides and (lots of) desserts. After a filling lunch, President Sally Harbold convened a short membership meeting to discuss the results of the British Invade Gettysburg show, as well as to finalize the details for the upcoming "A Taste of Britain" show. Following the membership meeting, the Board of Directors convened a short meeting to discuss the club's website.



Grilling Onions!



Chow Time!



Legos???

Irene =1; TOB = 0

For the first time in its 22-year history, LANCO's "A Taste of Britain" Car Show and companion Polo Match was cancelled! The show has always been a "rain or shine" show – and several times in the past two decades have been rather wet. But, nothing like this year! Hurricane Irene was wreaking havoc in the New Jersey and Philadelphia areas and, to a lesser extent, in south-central Pennsylvania. Several factors led to the decision, albeit a reluctant one, to cancel the show: (1) heavy rain and high winds were in the forecast; (2) the New Jersey and Philly areas – where many of our attendees hail from – were already greatly impacted by high winds and high water; and (3) the "visiting" polo team was from New Jersey! So ... in the interest of the safety of our show attendees (and their British cars) and the polo teams and ponies – the decision was made to cancel. Preregistration fees collected for the show will be donated to one of LANCO's supported charities – the Marine Corps League's Toys For Tots program. Please pray for better weather next year!

Annual Crab Run to Woody's Crab House

On Sunday, October 16th, we will be making what has become an annual run to Woody's Crab House in North East, MD (http://woodyscrabhouse.com/) for crabs, seafood and whatever else there is to eat. As in the past, we will meet at Valley View Restaurant, south of the Buck on Route 272, at 11:00 AM. If you want to go and did not sign up at the September meeting, please give Gloria a call or send her an email (mg1lanco@comcast.net) - so that she can call the restaurant and make reservations.

Upcoming LANCO Events:

October 16 – Crab Run to Woody's Crab House, 29 South Main Street, North East, MD. – Leave from the Valley View Restaurant, Route 272 south of the Buck at 11:00 AM.

November 13 - LANCO Club Meeting, 3:00 PM, Triple "C", York, PA

December 10 - LANCO Holiday Banquet. 6:00 PM, The Fireside Tavern at the Historic Strasburg Inn, Strasburg, PA. More Later!!