

# British Motor Club of Utah

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## The Eureka Gold Run, Saturday, May 15th

You'll need a good memory for the last time the club went on the Eureka (Eu-ri'-ca) Gold Run, because it was 1998! This year we will resurrect that trip on May 15th. You may want to bring a warm jacket for this trip because if your going topless (ok, I'm talking about without convertible roof) we'll be going over a fairly high pass, about 6,500 ft) and it may be a little chilly.

Eureka was originally known as Ruby Hollow before it developed into a bustling mining town. Incorporated as a city in 1892, Eureka became the financial center for the Tintic Mining District, a wealthy gold and silver mining area in Utah and Juab counties. The district was organized in 1869 in the East Tintic Mountains, southwest of Utah Lake. If you would like to see some pictures in advance of the trip, check out <http://www.ghosttowns.com/states/ut/eureka.html>.

We will marshal at the Fresh Market (formerly Albertson's) grocery store parking lot on the north west corner of 12600 South and Redwood Road in Riverton at 10:00 am for a 10:30 am departure. (This site puts us far enough south that we won't have to much difficulty with stop lights to keep everyone together.)

We will then proceed south on Redwood Road and then on to Route 68 (Camp Williams Road) and follow the west side of Utah Lake down to Elberta. Then turn right onto Route 6 over the summit and into Eureka. This will be our lunch stop. The Summit Drive-In is at the top of the hill or you can bring a picnic basket. After lunch, there is the Tintic Mining Museum (open from 10:00 to 4:00) and lots of cool old buildings to look at. On the way out of town there is a very old cemetery with some interesting grave stones for anyone not afraid of ghosts.

When we get to the bottom of the hill, we will make another right onto Highway 36 and go North through Rush Valley and Tooele to the Lake Point Junction. Then it's time to say "Good Bye" and take I-80 home. The distance start to finish is about 127 miles and we should be done by mid afternoon.

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## Memorial Day Run 2010 Plans

Capitol Reef National Park, here we come! Jon Hermance ([jhermance@earthfax.com](mailto:jhermance@earthfax.com), home 801-583-5846) is the tour master for this event. He and his family will be taking up the rear for much of the trip in their T-Series MGs. There will be a mother-ship Toyota 4-Runner with some space for extra baggage and for anyone who wishes to stay out of a windy roadster for a few miles. Said mother-ship also will be carrying a very adaptable tow-bar currently suited to most MGs and Triumphs.

See the BMCU website (<http://britishmotorclub.org>) for complete and detailed additional information.

## Antelope Island Run in the Rain last Saturday

Saturday May 8 was a wee bit damp to say the least. It may be mad dogs and Englishmen who go out in the noonday sun but it's dedicated BMCU'ers that head out in the rain. Seven determined souls in four Brit-type vehicles met at Checker Auto Parts in Kaysville. The two Jags began at the Capitol and drove through sheets of rain on the way to Kaysville but that was the worst of it. After a bit of drizzle the rain stopped and the Antelope Island drive was sunny and cool.

Rainy weather definitely favored hardtops and coupes but nothing can stop an MGB (I don't want any snide remarks). A local top down yellow TR6 accompanied the group as far as the causeway. All vehicles performed well.

Kimberly Owens organized the run and led the way across the causeway and south down the island to historic Garr Ranch where lunch was enjoyed at the very nice picnic area—grass, trees, tables and sunshine. Kimberly and crew brought hot water and chocolate for all.

The Garr Ranch has a lot to offer. Some gear heads in the group spent time trying to figure out how some very old, and long obsolete agricultural equipment actually worked. This was a bit of a challenge for city boys considering many of the antique parts were missing. A very helpful State Park Ranger provided much needed supplemental information.



On the run...  
Kimberly and Dawn Owens and Dan Ovard in 2004 MiniCooper; David and Ron Christensen 1973 MGB; Larry Bishop 1975 Jag XJ12; and Rob Foye 1994 Jag XJS.



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## Park City Area Cars and Coffee

Park City Area Cars and Coffee started this past Saturday. It will continue every Sat. at 9am until weather shuts us down (or our cars fail...). Remember, this started as a loose idea, so it is a 'come as you can' style of event. No real rules or protocol for cars allowed—bring what you like.

Meeting actually north of Park City at Kimball Junction Starbucks parking lot, just south of I-80. If coming from I-80 (Salt Lake or points east) take the exit to Park City, and take your first left when you are at the stoplight with McDonald's (the second left will get you there as well). Both lefts are at stoplights.



**Eureka** was founded in 1870 when ore was found. The TINTIC Mining District was established in 1869 (named after a Ute Indian Chief named Tintic). In 1871 the first permanent buildings were built and a school was built in 1881. Eureka was known as one of the quietest mining towns in the west and in 1910 it was the 9th largest city in Utah with a population around 3500. Between 1930 and 1940 most the mines closed down because of water and low prices. The last major mine closed in 1957.

## Lucas Calendar

May 15: Eureka Gold Run — Duff Lawson ([duff\\_lawson@msn.com](mailto:duff_lawson@msn.com))  
May 29: Memorial Day Run to Torrey and Capitol Reef — Jon Hermance ([jhermance@earthfax.com](mailto:jhermance@earthfax.com))  
June 19: British Field Day – Bill Davis ([gbrovers@aol.com](mailto:gbrovers@aol.com))  
July 17: Trappers Loop – Clayton Merchant ([stonestaff@mindspring.com](mailto:stonestaff@mindspring.com))  
July 25: Run to Tabiona and Wolf Creek – Larry Farrington ([larry.farrington@octanner.com](mailto:larry.farrington@octanner.com))  
Aug 21: Alpine Loop — TBD  
Sept 6: Miners Day in Park City – Floyd Inman ([flovd\\_inman@msn.com](mailto:flovd_inman@msn.com))  
Sept 12: City Creek Canyon Picnic, SLC, UT — Marty Van Nood ([vannood@intergate.com](mailto:vannood@intergate.com))  
Sept 25: 2nd Annual GBR Swap Meet & Street Picnic, Great Basin Rovers, SLC, UT — Bill Davis ([gbrovers@aol.com](mailto:gbrovers@aol.com))  
October 2 (9 as rain date): Fall Color Tour — TBD  
Nov 6: End of Season Dinner — Larry Farrington and Paul Jaroch ([larry.farrington@octanner.com](mailto:larry.farrington@octanner.com))  
Nov 13 Tech Session — Kevin Cowan ([kandmcowan@earthlink.net](mailto:kandmcowan@earthlink.net))  
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Jan 22, 2011: Tech Session @ Meadowbrook Restorations, Kaysville, UT — John Prograss ([johnprograss@comcast.net](mailto:johnprograss@comcast.net))  
Feb 26 2011: BMCU Annual Meeting, St. Paul's Church, SLC, UT —

The **British Motor Club of Utah** welcomes anyone who owns or is a fan of classic British cars and trucks. Membership is free. If you are not a member and would like to join, go to our Contact page and let us know!

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If you would like to attend any of our events, you must adhere to the following rules:

1. Show Up!
2. Have fun!

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