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## President's Message

Greetings WNYBCC members!

For those of you who missed our last meeting, I have decided that I am stepping down as your President after completing the last four years. I hope one of you will step up and take on this role for the future (note - it's usually a one year commitment).

Cheers!

Skip

## Event Calendar

*The following is a tentative calendar of planned and proposed events for 2023. If you would like to add an activity or know of a speaker you would like to have at one of our meetings please call Cass Culotta at 716-545-0275 or Todd Schupbach at 716-435-4279.*

**November 15 – BCC Monthly Meeting at the Irish Center, 7:00 pm**  
**December 13 – Holiday Party/Meeting**

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The **OIL SPOT** is the official newsletter of the **British Car Club of Western New York**.

The purpose of BCC is to foster good will and camaraderie among enthusiasts of British cars, and to exchange ideas and technical expertise attendant to the restoration and preservation of all British marques.

The monthly **OIL SPOT** is sent by e-mail or traditional mail to all BCC members. It includes a calendar of events, articles and photos of general interest provided by the members, and classified ads.

E-mail contributions should be sent by the 25th of each month to Linda at **lmkula1@gmail.com**.

Attach the file, or type information in the body of the e-mail. You can also send articles through the mail to **Linda Kula, 1566 Inwood Avenue, Angola, NY 14006**. Photos should be in JPEG format.

Articles are appreciated in MS Word or pdf formats. Classified ads appropriate to this newsletter are free. Ads run for three issues.

For further information or a membership application, visit our website at: [www.bcc-wny.com](http://www.bcc-wny.com).



# Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Linda Kula

## British Car Club of WNY Meeting Minutes

Date: October 18, 2023

Location: Buffalo Irish Center

### Opening

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.  
11 members and 1 guest present.

### Treasurer's Report - Paula Barbari

- Expenses: Service Charge
- Deposits: None
- Report accepted

### Membership – Robin & Dennis Illig

- Not in attendance

### Programs – Cass Culotta and Todd Schupbach - both absent

### Regalia - Rick Magro - absent

### Web Master – Dave Dill - absent

**Newsletter** – Linda Kula  
Request for members to send in photos, articles, information about British car events they have attended, etc. This is easier than having to hunt for information through Face Book and other sites. Thank you to people who already send information, articles, notices, and photos of events.

### Meetup – Skip Gould

There are 158 members on our Meetup site and 175 members on the Facebook site.

**Historian** – Position remains open.

**Technical Session Coordinator** – Randy McPhee - absent

### Old Business

#### • Elections

- Skip let the membership know he will be stepping down from the BCC Presidency.
- George reiterated that, per the BCC by-laws, we should elect officers by October. We haven't heard from any members as far as filling these positions. He emphasized that we need an officer base that will move the club forward and activities that will draw people in.

• **Car Show** - Members expressed interest in holding a "cruise" instead of a "show". We wouldn't have all the set-up, registration, awards, etc.

#### • Holiday Party

- No one has volunteered to run the Holiday Party. At this point, Janet McPhee kindly stepped up to organize the event.
- Discussion was held as to payment for the party. It was decided we would have a cash bar and the BCC would pay for most of the cost of the meal for members and co-members.

### New Business

- Clarification was given about last meeting's conversation concerning rebranding the BCC; members discussed whether all European cars should be included.
- Linda asked if the club would be willing to pay someone to do a Tech Session.
- Skip talked about the 2024 Six-Pack Trials which is being hosted by participants from Toronto, Rochester and Buffalo British car clubs. He will be planning a large part of this event and will share information about this event as plans progress.

Meeting was adjourned.

**The next meeting will be on 11/15/23 at 7:00 pm at the Buffalo Irish Center.**



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## Fool Me Once... by Jay Lockrow

If you missed October's mystery car, you are certainly not paying attention, are not really a car enthusiast, don't give a damn or don't know anything except "what I own". The wheel was a giveaway and that is why I chose it. Bugatti was the only one that made these cast aluminum wheels like this and, with exceptions, most Bugs were equipped with them. The car was a Bugatti but most likely a type 54 or 55. 'Not really familiar with these models.



### November's Mystery Car

All right, the mystery car for November should not be a big problem. If you have been around these "funny little cars" any time at all you could pick this one up fairly quickly. Here it is! I can recall seeing this car. It was bright red and was sold in Buffalo in the late 40's and was later traded for an MG TC. These were never really popular but there were a few around. I know for certain another BCC member had

one at one time. It is British and a right hand drive. Their engines were later used in HRG's. Come on guys, this is an easy one! ... Jay



# BCC's Annual Holiday Party

Wednesday Dec.13<sup>th</sup> 2023

Buffalo Irish Center

245 Abbott Road Buffalo New York 14220

Cash Bar Starts at 6 pm, Dinner at 7:00 pm

## Dinner Buffet Includes:

Chef Salad, Seasonal Fresh Vegetable, and Baby Red Potatoes, Slow Roasted top round of Beef, Herb Roasted Chicken Breast Rolls And Butter, Fresh Brewed Coffee & Tea, Dessert

The BCC is paying \$20 per member and co-member!

Price: of ticket: **\$5.00** per person (Please note, there will be a cash bar.)

Complete the form below, make your check made payable to the **British Car Club** and mail to:

Robin Illig, 119 Roncroff Drive, North Tonawanda, N.Y. 14120

Please **RSVP** by **Thursday, November 30, 2023** so we can confirm the number attending. For more information call Robin at 716-799-2146.

Name(s) : \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner Buffet:      \$5.00  
                                    x

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check out to  
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Mail to: **Robin Illig,**  
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**North Tonawanda, NY 14120**

RSVP by 11-30-23



## British Car Club of Western New York

British Car enthusiasts from the area are invited to join our club for meetings, technical sessions and drives throughout the region!

See our Facebook page to exchange news, events, information, photos from recent outings and humor at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/229699855909145>

For details on our meetings and organization, see our website at <http://www.bcc-wny.com>

For information on events, our Meetup page is <https://www.meetup.com/British-classic-cars-Meetup/>

**Happy  
Thanksgiving  
from  
the BCC!**



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**Wednesday, November 15, 2023 - Regular Meeting - 7:00 pm at the Buffalo Irish Center.**

**Join us at 5:30 pm for dinner at the pub!**