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## Welcome To The British Transportation Museum



<http://www.comgo.org/index.htm>

**BRONZE Member of BTM**

The approximately 440 former British car manufacturers have been replaced by approximately 39 current British car manufacturers.

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"What a Site"!!!





### **BTM's recent acquisition**

1989 Rolls-Royce Silver Spur  
generously donated to BTM  
by Buck and Patti Niehoff  
Of Cincinnati, OH



President Pete Stroble Accepts  
the donation from Buck Niehoff



The Rolls arrives at the  
Broadway Street building



It is a very original example and is in excellent overall condition with a documented, one family history. The Rolls shows only 31,297 miles since new. This low mileage 1989 Rolls Royce starts and drives perfectly!

### **2014 British Car Meet at the Market**

Thanks to hard work by Harry Mague and volunteers, along with very nice weather, the Meet came off smoothly with 79 cars entered. Once again it was an outstanding time and place to explore and see different cars, meet and greet old friends and new friends. We were blessed with very nice door prizes and welcome sponsorship from the following vendors:

1. White Allen Foreign Car Group (Jaguar)
1. Land Rover of Dayton
2. Minimal Motoring (Mini)
3. Joe's Cycle
4. Wyse Choise Brit Foods
5. Used Car Mobile Inspections





**BEST OF SHOW**  
1948 Triumph 1800 Roadster  
Owner, Pete Melville of  
Kettering, OH



Many mighty fine MGs



Triumphs abound



Very Nice Rolls entered



Dash & Interior of above Rolls



Minis and MINIs in mass in a  
tribute to the 55<sup>th</sup> year since  
production of the Mini began.

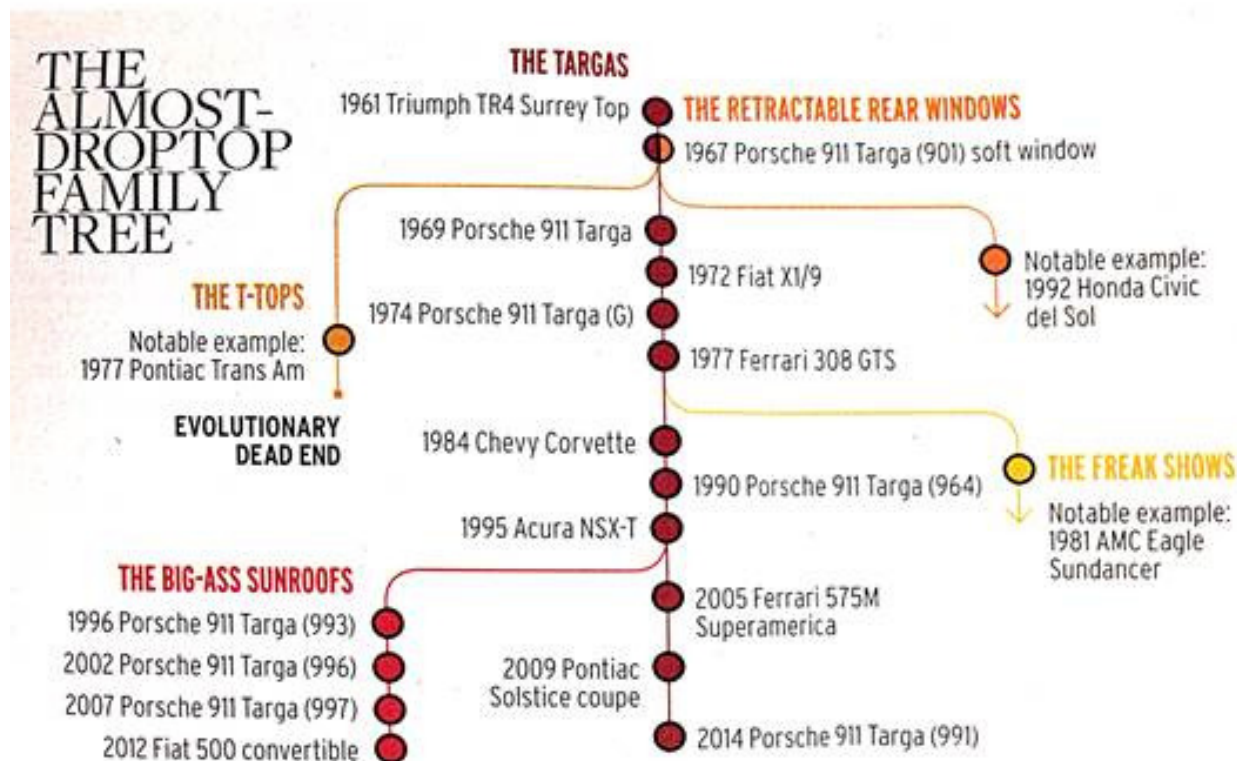
Photos by Mike Edgerton & Dick Smith

**British Car Meet at the Market**  
**MAY 24, 2014: 20 First Place Awards, 16 Awards of Excellence**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Make/Model</b>
<b>MGT</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Steve powell	1959 MGTF
	<b>Award</b>	Steve Markman	1950 MGTD
<b>MGA</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Louis DiPasquale	1961 MGA
	<b>Award</b>	Dar Planeaux	1958 MGA
<b>MGB/C Chrome</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Ed Hill	1971 MGB
<b>MGB Rubber</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Larry Youngblood	1979 MGB
	<b>Award</b>	John Sweeney	1976 MGB
	<b>Award</b>	Charley McCamey	1975 MGB
<b>AH Sprite/MG Midget</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Don Bixler	1959 AH Sprite
	<b>Award</b>	Tim Shaw	1961 MG Midget
	<b>Award</b>	Clay White	1977 MG Midget
<b>Austin Healey 100</b>	<b>First Place</b>	None	None
<b>Austin Healey 3000</b>	<b>First Place</b>	John Steck	1966 AH 3000
	<b>Award</b>	Dave Roberts	1961 AH 3000
<b>Triumph TR2/3</b>	<b>First Place</b>	John Coutant	1959 TR3A
	<b>Award</b>	Max Rubin	1954 TR2
<b>Triumph TR4/250</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Ron Parks	1967 TR4A
	<b>Award</b>	Gary Thompson	1967 TR4A
<b>Triumph TR6</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Harry Mague	1974 TR6
	<b>Award</b>	Andy Mckinley	1972 TR6
<b>Triumph TR7/8</b>	<b>First Place</b>	John Clifford	1976 TR7
	<b>Award</b>	Bruce Clough	1980 TR7
<b>Triumph Other</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Pete Melville	1948 Triumph 1800 Roadster
<b>Jaguar E Type</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Richard McKinley	1963 E-Type Jaguar;
<b>Jaguar XK</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Richard Davis	1957 Jaguar XK 150
	<b>Award</b>	Henry Maimon	1958 Jaguar XK
<b>Jaguar XJ</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Michael Geotz	2004 Jaguar XJS
	<b>Award</b>	Donald Rouff	1985 Jaguar XJS
<b>Lotus</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Scott Stout	1991 Lotus Esprit
<b>Mini Classic</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Paul Strieby	1960 Morris Mini Travler
<b>Mini New</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Mike Edgerton	2005 Mini
	<b>Award</b>	Dick Smith	2011 Mini Clubman
<b>Morgan</b>	<b>First Place</b>	None	None
<b>Sunbeam Alpine/Tiger</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Bob Thompson	1967 Sunbeam Alpine
	<b>Award</b>	Jim Ebert	1967 Sunbeam Tiger
	<b>Award</b>	John Engle	1967 Sunbeam Tiger
<b>Open Class</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Dan Loedman	1996 Cobra
<b>Motorcycle</b>	<b>First Place</b>	Scott Stout	1970 Triumph Bonneville
	<b>First Place</b>	Pete Melville	1948 Triumph 1800 Roadster



One of our faithful friends forwarded us this interesting data site. Notice, the British paved the way!



Museum Member Paul Strieby's Mini leads the pace lap for the 2014 Can-Am Mini Challenge Race at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Race Course.

More Mid-Ohio Photos on page 8



The Mini of Challenge race winner Joe Huffaker. What a fitting tribute to the Late Charlie Pollet. Charlie was a fixture in the Huffaker Mid-Ohio garage and worked diligently to help make this car a winner. He would be so proud!

Photos by Mike Edgerton

### **Motor Sports Travel (US)**

Nathan Griffith has launched a new business venture. Following the success of Motor Sports Travel in the UK market, the new Ohio-based business launched in 2014 will sell exclusive motor sport travel packages to the USA , Canada and South America markets.

The full calendar of Formula 1™ and MotoGP™ races will be available, in addition to the Grand Prix de Monaco Historique, Goodwood Revival & Festival of Speed plus IndyCar™ and NASCAR™ races.

Motor Sports Travel USA packages include airport transfers or rental car depending on the circuit, 4-star or 5-star hotel accommodations and grandstand race tickets. Flights can be arranged from all major airports worldwide.

Packages can also be tailor made to offer full flexibility and choice, to allow U.S. customers to change dates, flights, accommodations, and grandstands. You can also add car rentals, enjoy longer trips and multi-destination vacations, or even combine the Formula 1 Grand Prix™ in Monaco with a trip to London or Paris , for example.

The "Travel Like a VIP" service gives clients the opportunity to create a high-end, custom tailored package, including private jet charters, premium track hospitality, upgrades to

Business or First Class flights, Helicopter and limousine transfers and corporate hospitality packages.

Motor Sports Travel (US) Managing Director Nathan Griffiths said: "It's fantastic news that we can now offer the same high quality, unique experiences to the US , Canadian and South American markets as Motor Sports Travel UK . Formula 1™ and MotoGP™ are growing markets and we're delighted to be able to offer the full calendar for both; soon to be joined by the IndyCar and NASCAR series."

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### *Upcoming 2014 British Car Events*

**Sat, August 2:** Annual British Car Day, Dayton, OH, 9am to 4 pm. Eastwood MetroPark, 1385 HarshmanRd., Dayton, OH. **Popular vote car show, vendors & swap meet, full service concession stand, dash plaques to first 325 entrants, spectators admitted free, children's activities will be available.** <http://www.britishcardaydayton.com>



**Sun, September 14: 2014 Concours d'Elegance at Carillon Historical Park, Dayton, Ohio.**

Featuring: Mustang, Pontiac GTO, Maserati and Woodies.

Weekend events include:



Saturday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, Classic Road Tour & Preview Party.

Sunday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, Dayton Concours d'Elegance.

Info: <http://www.daytonconcours.com/> or call 937-432-2841

To nominate a car call 937-866-2222 or email [autoedge@sbcglobal.net](mailto:autoedge@sbcglobal.net).

To nominate a motorcycle, call 937-432-9696 or email [dan.thorton@aol.com](mailto:dan.thorton@aol.com).

### More BTM British Car Meet at the Market Pictures



Harry Mague, fist in Class TR6



Don Bixler of Decatur, Indiana placed First in Class with his Green Bugeye Sprite

Photos by Mike Edgerton



The Car Meet at the Market brought out the 1989 Rolls-Royce Silver Spur Of BTM



Jaguars pose for a striking picture



Former 1963 Mini Cooper 'S' of the Late Bob Kimes was driven in the CAM -AM Challenge race by Nick Swift



## Other British cars at Mid-Ohio



1972 Jensen Healey of Joe Huffaker



'73 Midget of Eric Zanner



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MINIS being produced at BMW's plant at Cowley, Oxford, in 2006

More than a million cars a year provide jobs for thousands of British workers. British car production has continued to grow, while German production actually fell last year.



Germans make more than four times as many cars as the British do. The profits from all the MInI and Bentley sales end up in Wolfsburg and Munich. Enjoy the full story at this site:

<http://www.bbc.com/news/magazine-23406467#storycontinues1>