

**GSBCC Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**August 12, 2023, The Trestle Bakery & Café in Conway, SC**  
**by Susan McLaughlin, Secretary**

The August meeting of the Grand Strand British Car Club was called to order at approximately 11:45AM on Saturday, 8/12/2023 by **Vice President Warren Bender** with 42 members present at the event. New members present today were Paul and Tammy Geist. Guests included Kathy Marcheson. Today we celebrated the birthday of one of our founding members, **Jim Smith**, sharing cake with him and his wife Neal.

Motion was made by Patsy Hoch and seconded by Jack McLaughlin to waive reading of the minutes by **Secretary Susan McLaughlin** and to approve June and July minutes as printed in the newsletter.

**Vice President Warren Bender** recognized the hard work of our **Treasurer Steve Hertel** for successful completion of our IRS application for and receipt of non-profit status designating GSBCC as a 501-C. This document will now be forwarded to state tax office.

**Social Events Coordinator Lisa Unger** reminded us of our next members' meeting on 9/9/2023 at **Hurricane Juel's in Little River, SC**. She stressed the importance of early sign-up for events so adequate space and food can be provided for us to enjoy at our meetings. Jenn Zangara spoke of the upcoming group drive on 8/25/2023 to Shallotte NC to dine at Inlet View Bar & Grill, an excellent seafood restaurant located at the junction of the Shallotte River and the Intracoastal Waterway. **Webmaster Ethan Harris** has provided a map and details of the caravan on our website.

With preparation for Britfest taking top priority these days, **Social Media Coordinator Felicia Sachs** promises more photos from club outings and events in the near future. She provided information about a 1973 TR6 and an Austin Healey fixer-upper for sale by non-members and will provide contact information if desired.

An urgent request was made for volunteers to assist with **Britfest** preparation both before and during our annual festival. A list of specific needs is posted online and those interested are asked to contact Warren. **Raffle Baskets Coordinator Stancy Bender** reports 11 baskets have been collected with at least 10 more arriving at today's meeting. She voiced appreciation for early receipt and asks anyone who has questions about the Britfest baskets to call, email or phone. In the past, the baskets have provided a significant boost to the club treasury.

From the Floorboard: **Mark Buongirno** shared information and brochures from the Quilts of Valor Foundation, an organization that provides handmade quilts to veterans from all branches of the military. This is an extraordinary gift providing comfort to those who have given so much to our nation, and donations are so vitally important for this work to continue. The Myrtle Beach chapter is running out of veterans to recognize and is requesting names of people to honor. Also, **Julia Nightingale-Born** notified us she has several tool boxes for sale which are available today after the meeting.

As above, the next **GSBCC Meeting** will be held September 9, 2023. Our **Website and Facebook page** are always accessible to club members with links providing information, photographs and opportunities to sign up for participation. Please visit frequently to keep up with events of interest both within and outside our immediate community.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Susan McLaughlin, GSBCC Secretary