

GSBCC Monthly Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2023 at Hurricane Juel's Restaurant, Little River, SC
by Susan McLaughlin, Secretary

The September meeting of the Grand Strand British Car Club was called to order at approximately 11:35AM on Saturday, September 9 by **Vice President Warren Bender**. There were 38 members present for the meeting and lunch in the beautiful dining room overlooking the waterway. Guests included Mark and Angela Marino who have visited the club before while here from their primary home in Pennsylvania. Warren warmly welcomed everyone and shared the story of the purchase of the first MG in 1923 by the Arkell brewing family.

Motion was made by Mark Buongirno with second by Jack McLaughlin to waive reading of minutes and to approve the August minutes as printed in the newsletter.

Vice President Bender reminded the club of upcoming election of officers for the Board of Directors occurring in December. Patsy Hoch and Susan McLaughlin have been appointed as the Nominating Committee for the purpose of determining a slate of nominees for the coming year. Information seeking input will be emailed to the membership in the near future. Warren will be running for President and Bill Unger for Vice President.

Steve Hertel, Treasurer had no news today other than good financial health of the club.

Membership Chair Greg Hoch shared a report in absentia of four couples who have joined the club within the past month: Norm and Beth Aranda, Morris and Gale Hankins, Francois and Diane Billard, Karen and Don Thorpe.

Warren shared a report from **Social Events Coordinator Lisa Unger** of upcoming events and meeting venues. Britfest is October 7 and a reception will be held the night before at Tupelo Honey in The Market Common and Sign-up will be available online until midnight Thursday 9/21/2023. A special caravan drive to Grapeful Sisters Winery in Tabor City NC has been organized by Sharon Rosenberg for Friday 9/22, details of which are on our website calendar. On November 11 our meeting will be at the Inlet Prohibition Company in Murrells Inlet, and our December holiday dinner party will also be our monthly meeting/ officer election at the Sons of Italy on 12/9/2023.

Webmaster Ethan Harris stated the drive to Inlet View in Shallotte NC on 8/25 was attended by 25 members and photographs of this event are posted on our website and Facebook page. He also provided updates on **Britfest** with 64 cars registered; this is in line with past years with one month remaining until show time. Regarding **Britfest baskets**, we currently have 24 wrapped and ready and **Stancy Bender** states 4 more have been received today. She asks for those who have baskets yet to be completed to email her.

Regalia Chair, Bob Padlowski presented the new club t-shirt designed by Emilya Padlowsk. Several were available today for sale along with hats and visors.

The **next GSBCC Meeting** will be held on November 11, 2023. Please continue to make frequent visits to our GSBCC Website to stay informed of local events of interest both within and outside our immediate community as well accessing links to sign up for participation.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:47AM.

Respectfully Submitted, Susan McLaughlin, GSBCC Secretary