



Bulletin



Updates, reminders, trivia and things to do for members of the Central Island Branch Dec 2025

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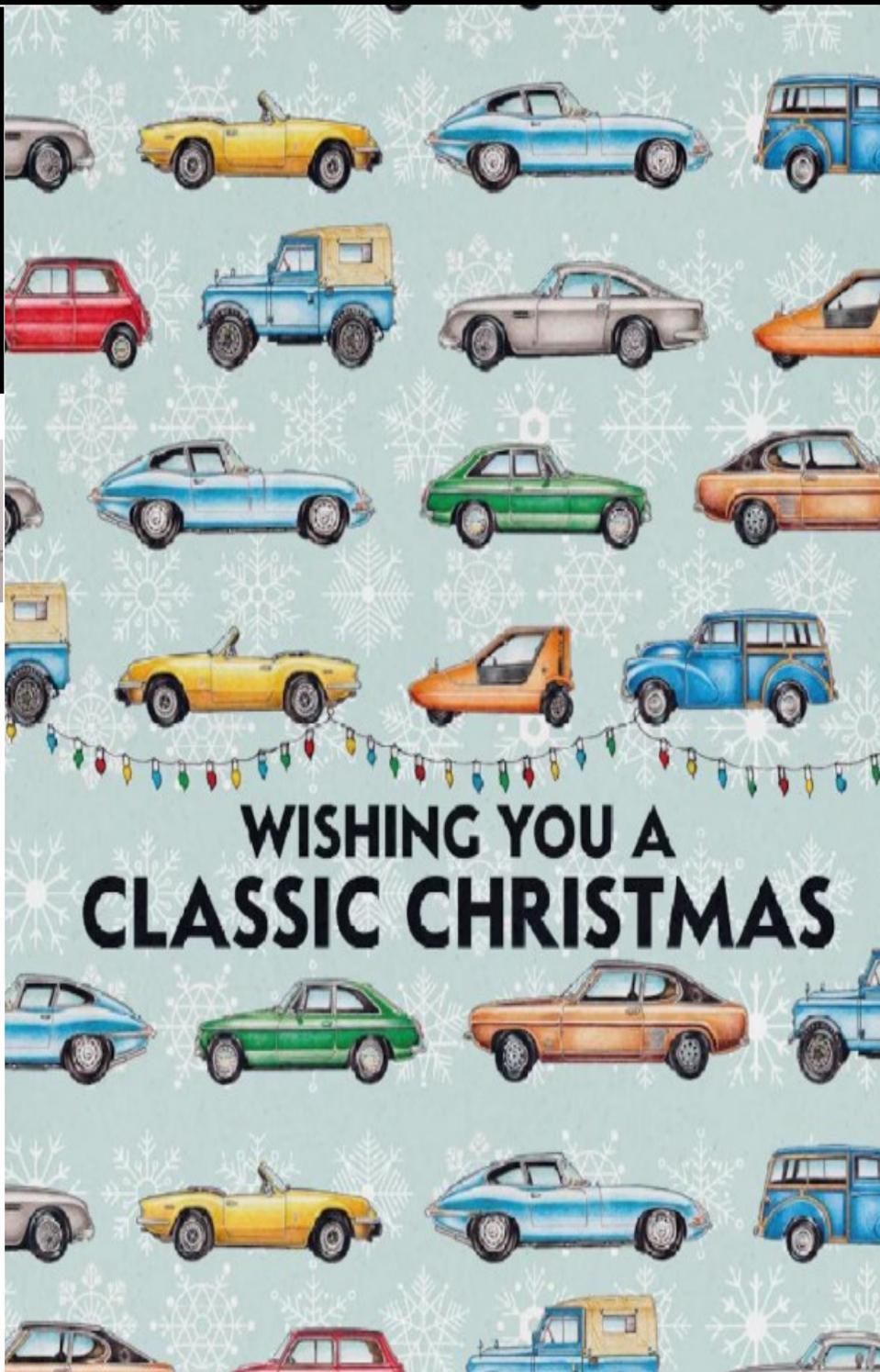
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The Bulletin is designed to keep members up-to-date on recent developments, activities and offer a variety of info in order to rev up everyone's interest levels.

If you have an article, item or find a link to an interesting auto related website or video please send it along to: George Roberts
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Thank you



Member Profile

Tanya Duke - Brian Novakovski

1971 Triumph Stag

Qualicum Beach



Our 1971 Stag has performed well during many long-distance trips of about 2000 miles duration and was driven from Saskatoon to the Island for our move in 2023. I hope I'm not enticing gremlins, but our Stag has only had a couple of breakdowns requiring CAA recovery since we bought it in 2012. Both recoveries were due to failed hydraulic hoses. The first failure occurred after leaking power steering hoses were replaced with hoses too weak for the pressures developed by the system. The high-pressure hose spectacularly failed during an organized Saskatchewan British Car Club run across the bridges in Saskatoon. Fortunately, failure occurred in a parking lot. The resulting loss of power steering fluid required a CAA ride to the shop that did the replacement. Heavier duty hoses were installed.

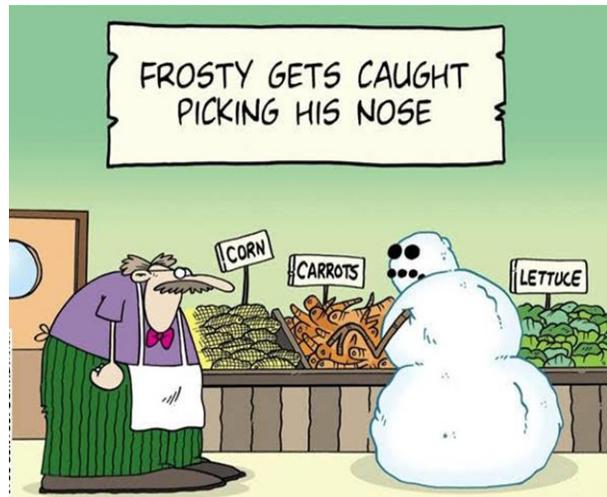
The second occurred on the trip to Fanny Bay on July 18 th , 2025. Our first trip with the local car club and a beautiful day. After lunch we made the return trip. Just before the Chevron gas station at Little Qualicum there was a sudden cloud of white smoke enveloping the car. Brian pulled into the side road by the gas station and quickly positioned the car for a future CAA pickup. After quickly ruling out a fire, the next thought was cooling fluid into the cylinders. An inlet manifold gasket failure as well as the dreaded head gasket failure are possible causes. A look under the car revealed fluid gushing out at the back of the engine, by the autobox. It was the characteristic red colour of automatic gearbox oil and where the oil hoses leave and return between the autobox and the oil cooler at the front of the engine bay. One of the exhaust pipes

runs by that area and the heat vaporized the leaking oil. Pity I didn't get the hoses replaced while the transmission shop in Saskatoon was replacing the 3 speed BW35 unit with a ZF 4 speed unit in 2014.

It was a beautiful warm day, we had camping chairs and we settled in to wait for CAA to transport the car home which went without incident.

Since we were new to the area, I had to do some phoning around to see who would be willing to replace the hoses. I thought it would be a simple job. Forget CS transmissions in Lantzville. I am sure they are good at their job, but they absolutely refused to do work on British cars. But they did give me the name of another person in Port Alberni. Those told me they were closed (for good or just that day, I'm not sure), but told me to contact Surfside Automotive, Parksville. Surfside were very helpful and willing to replace the hoses, so the car was towed there and repaired.

Great work Surfside! The car has run fine since, but my fingers are still crossed and always are.



OECC -CIB Christmas Party

Thursday, January 15th, 2026 at 5:30pm

Tis the season to gather together and celebrate good friends and good times!

Now that the holiday hustle and bustle is upon us; we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and all the best in the New Year! We hope you are enjoying the holidays surrounded by family, friends and....of course....cars ;)

We hope you will join us for a holiday meal, and perhaps a wee bit of cheer!

~The Rocking Horse Pub~

Thursday

January 15th, 2026

5:30 pm



Details are as follows:

- **Turkey dinner (\$40 per person)**
 - Gravy
 - Cranberry sauce
 - Stuffing
 - Mash potatoes
 - Roasted root vegetables / Brussel sprouts
 - Desert – apple or pumpkin pie with whip cream or ice cream
 - Coffee or tea

***Members will be responsible for their reserved meals and any drinks.**

The Club will take care of the entire tip.

****Please indicate how many plates you would like to commit to (if you will be coming as a single or a couple) ASAP and at the latest by Dec 20th, as I will need to provide the numbers to the Pub.**

*****Please note that you will be responsible for this amount even if you don't show up as we have to commit to the total number reserved. Thank you for your understanding. Don't forget to bring and participate in the joint couple mystery gift exchange to the value of \$25.**

Also please remember this is Os-Cars Awards night so please dress accordingly.....

Please RSVP to:

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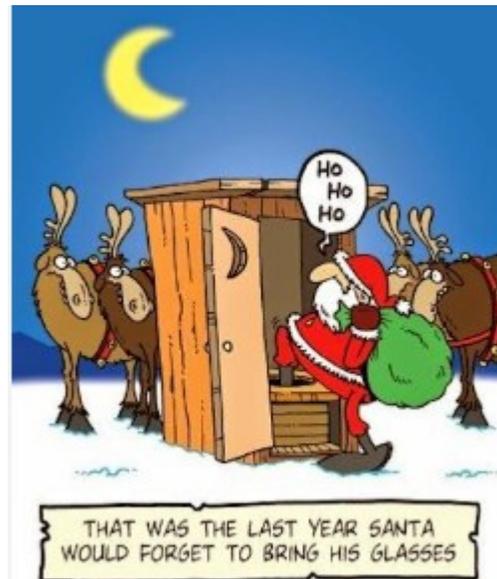
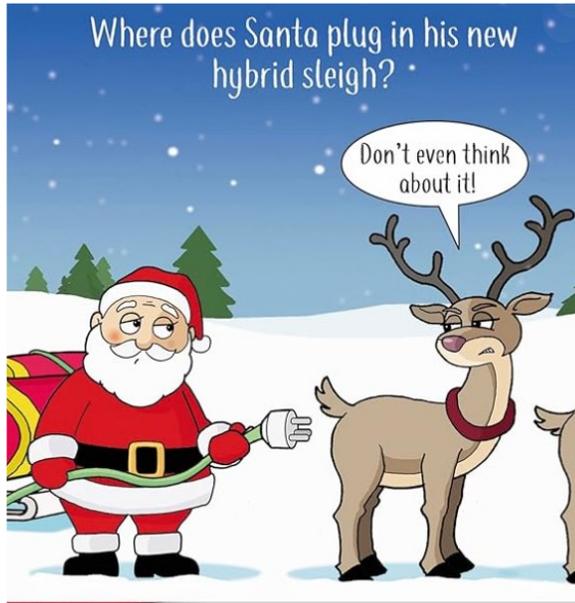
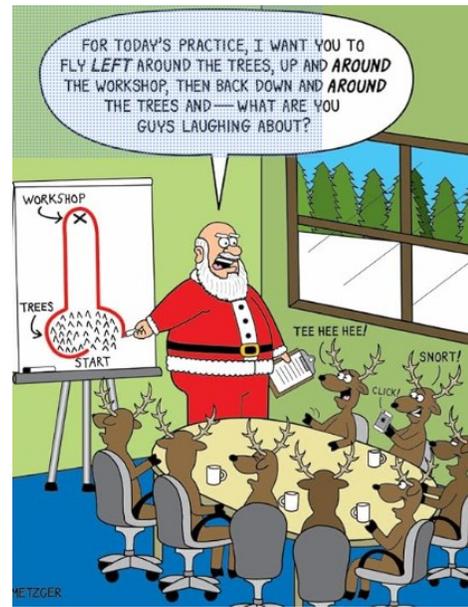


Mystery Gift Swap

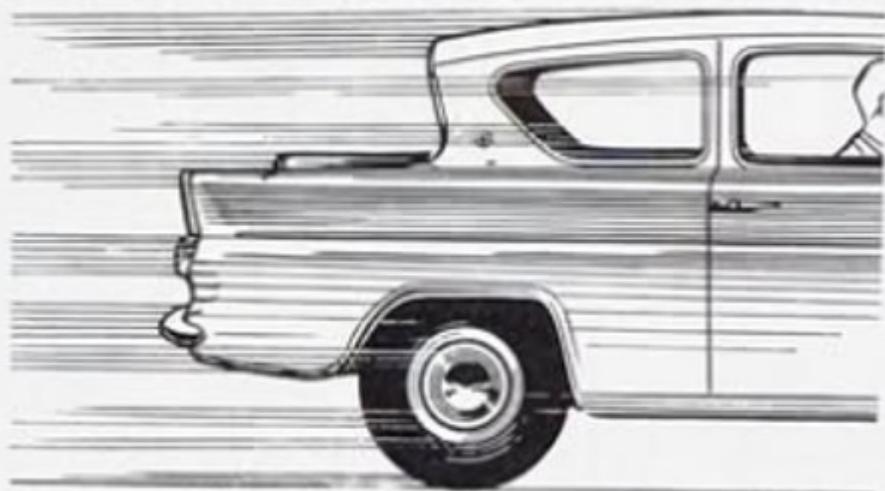
How it works:

Every attendee or attendee couple who wants to participate would bring a wrapped gift (maximum value \$25), each would be given a 2 part raffle ticket, one part they would retain and other part would go in a pot. Gift exchange would start by someone drawing a ticket, that ticket holder would then select one of the wrapped gifts and open it, they would then draw another ticket. That ticket holder would then have the choice of picking one of the wrapped gifts, or, they could take/steal a gift from one of the previous ticket winners, a gift could only be passed a maximum of 3 times. If a winner has his gift stolen, he would then have the choice of stealing a gift from another winner or selecting one of the wrapped gifts. And so on until all the gifts are distributed.





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2010 Aston Martin One-77 Lot 525
Estimated \$1,300,000 - \$1,600,000 USD



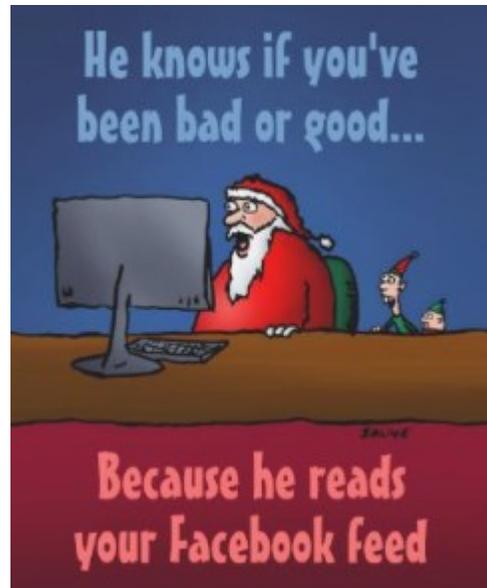
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Estimated \$700,000 - \$850,000 USD



Automotive Trivia



The new "Lynley" series streaming on BritBox has renewed interest in the detective's car, a 1969 Jensen Interceptor. What connection does this British sports car have with American muscle cars?

- A. It was designed by John DeLorean, the creator of the 1964 Pontiac GTO.
- B. James Bond drove it in "Diamonds are Forever" during a car chase with villains driving a 1969 Mustang Mach 1.
- C. It was powered by a Chrysler 383 big-block V8.
- D. All the above

Let's see how many actually read the Bulletin.

Email georoberts1951@gmail.com for the answer

Puzzle Time



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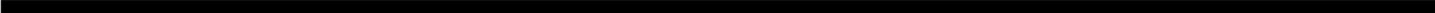
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Upcoming Events

Greetings, Old English Car Club of BC members!

Cars and socializing are the "driving" passion of the club. But if you also have a passion for nature and beauty, you may find the following especially interesting.

We are pleased to announce the 2026 Brits Down the Coast classic British car tour.

Do you love driving your classic British car? Do you love the drama and beauty of the Pacific coastline? Have you dreamed of combining these two in a tour down the west coast? Perhaps you've held off due to concerns over driving the route solo. Not enough support? Not enough companionship? We have the solution: a group tour with the OECC!

The **2026 Brits Down the Coast** tour is now officially open for registration. Eight days, seven nights, September 2026. Blaine WA to Crescent City CA and back. Four days on the Oregon coast, one day through the California Redwoods. Quality lodging, gentle pace and epic scenery, all in a supportive and very social setting.

If you'd like to hear and see more details - no commitment necessary - send an email to:

2026britsdownthecoast@gmail.com. The first information drop is ready and waiting for you.

Patti & Randy, tour hosts

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