



# Gateway Relay

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## Council News & Notes

- Ah, the joys of high-tech and instant communications by any of a number of means. Our editorial offices sustained near-total shutdown of the internet for nearly a week, which directly impacted (and delayed) the generation of this issue of the *Relay*.
- With only a few major events left this year, we felt it important to get this issue out ASAP. Therefore, regrettably, this edition lacks the monthly feature; we'll temporarily revert to the *Relay's* original format of calendar and event photos. The feature will return in December (hang in there Gateway Healey Association, your favorite marque is up next!).
- Anyway, yes, the schedule's going through its annual fall-into-winter thinning out (understand 3 November was a bang-up day for autocrossing in St. Louis), but as indicated at right, there is still a good variety of activities and events to choose from. The weather looks good through the coming weekend, so if you're so inclined, please feel free to fire up that car, get out there before the temps plummet and the snow flies. Drive em!

## Up & Coming



- 9 Nov 19—Jaguar Association of Greater St. Louis Annual Meeting** and elections, Plaza Jaguar 11654 Olive Blvd, Creve Coeur, 6 PM-8 PM. Please RSVP to Lisa Hendrix at [lhendrix@curtispack.com](mailto:lhendrix@curtispack.com) if you plan on attending.
- 10 Nov 19—Annual SLTOA Veterans Run**, co-sponsored by the St. Louis Sports Car Council. Open to all cars/clubs, meet at the insurance office parking lot behind the Columbia, IL, McDonalds, at 9:30 AM, cars roll at 10 AM for a flats, levee and hills run to Chester, IL, for the traditional group photo at the Popeye statue and lunch at Reid's Harvest House. All proceeds from donations will go to the Semper Fi Fund, a non-profit which provides a variety of programs to assist veterans, wounded veterans and their families from all branches of the US armed forces. For info contact Mark Morgan at [rangermk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rangermk@sbcglobal.net).
- 10 Nov 19—Gateway Autocross Association events 5 & 6**, at World Wide Technology Raceway at Gateway (Gateway Motorsports Park), info at [www.gatewayautocross.com](http://www.gatewayautocross.com).
- 23 Nov 19—Date Change: Movie Night**, co-sponsored by the St. Louis Triumph Owners Association. Matinee showing of "Ford v Ferrari," concerning the mid-1960s battles at Le Mans with emphasis on Carroll Shelby and Ken Miles, at Mar-

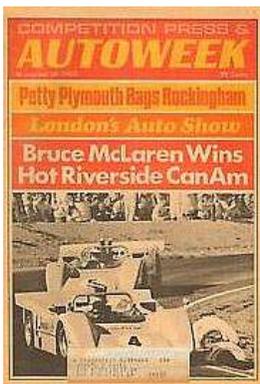
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## ROAD AMERICA



Note: Some club events restrict participation to club members only, primarily for national/chapter insurance reasons. If interested in joining in on a drive or other event, we recommend you contact the club's event coordinator in advance for details.

## In Print



As per usual, LBC owners can find just about something of interest in the fall issue of *Moss Motoring*. The articles include one concerning a cross-country excursion by a TR6 owner and his "expedition module" (ie, two trailers hauling a long boat and a bunch of bicycles...you have to see the set-up to believe it), a talk with Morgan owners at a car show, commentary by the owner of an MGA Twin Cam, two families' experiences with their MGBs, another MG owner's tale of rebuilding his car and "A Smart-Aleck's Guide to Buying A Spitfire." Over at the November edition of *Car*



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cus Des Pere Cinema, I-270 and Manchester. Show time to be announced, monitor [www.sltoa.org](http://www.sltoa.org) and watch for a StLSCC event alert.

**14 Dec 19—Date Change:** Annual **SLTOA Christmas Party**, scheduled for the Missouri Athletic Club-West, 1777 Des Peres Rd, Town & Country, Member price is \$20 per person. Non-members \$40 each *or*, join SLTOA prior to the Christmas party and thus spend \$20 on membership and \$20 for the holiday meal, such a deal! Make checks payable to SLTOA with "Holiday Party" written in the memo section, mail to SLTOA Treasurer, 100 Hilltop Court, Washington, MO 63090. Menu selection TBD, monitor [www.sltoa.org](http://www.sltoa.org) and the November *Exhaust Notes*.

**11 Jan 20**—Jaguar Association of Greater St Louis **Annual Awards Dinner**, at the Deer Creek Club, 9861 Deer Creek Hill. Details to follow.

**6 Feb 20**—Annual St Louis Triumph Owners Association **Polar Bear Run**, continuing a traditional first-of-season which dates to 1983. Details to follow, monitor [www.sltoa.org](http://www.sltoa.org).

**10 Feb 20**—Annual **Drive Your Triumph Day**, in celebration of Sir John Black's birthday. Info including past event photos at <https://driveyourtriumphday.shutterstock.com/>.

**29-31 May 20—2020 Champagne British Car Festival**, held on the grounds of the Davis Mansion, Bloomington, IL. This year's featured marque is Triumph; the show will run on Sunday from 9 AM to 2:30 PM, with awards to the top three cars in each class plus People's Choice Award. Monitor [www.cbcf-bloomington.com](http://www.cbcf-bloomington.com) for details.

**20-28 Jun 00—2020 Hemmings Motor News Great Race** vintage rally, San Antonio, TX, to Greenville, SC. The route will include US 66 from Joplin to Rolla, then down to Cape Girardeau for an overnight stop; these mark the closest points of approach (CPA) to St Louis. Details to follow.

**St Louis Car Shows and Cruises:** <http://clubs.hemmings.com/lakerscarclub>

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## **6TH ANNUAL VETERANS RUN**

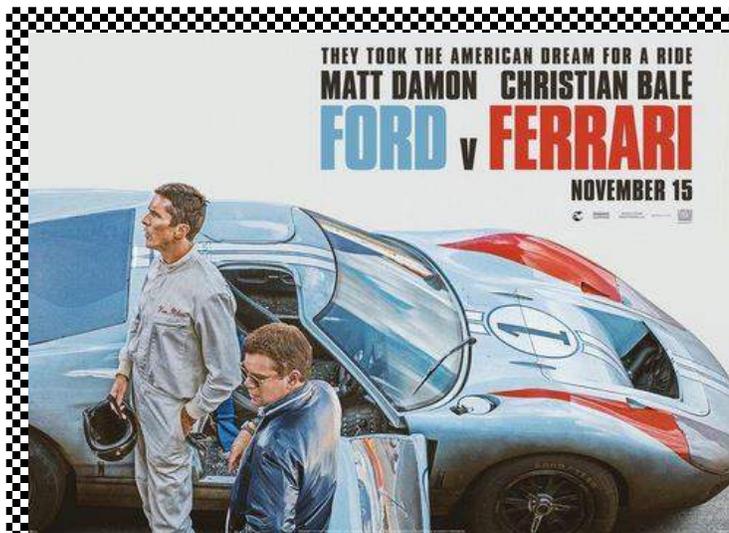
**Sunday 10 November 2019**

Open to all cars/clubs/drivers.

Meet at the insurance office parking lot behind the McDonalds in Columbia (IL Hwy 3 at Veterans Parkway) at 9:30 AM, cars roll at 10 AM for a flats, levees and hills run to Chester. Following the traditional group photo at the Popeye statue overlooking the Mississippi, we'll proceed to Reid's Harvest House for lunch.

Donations are welcome and strictly voluntary. All proceeds will go to the Semper Fi Fund, a non-profit which provides a variety of programs to assist veterans, wounded veterans and their families from all branches of the US armed forces.

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## **MOVIE NIGHT!**

**Saturday, 23 November**

Matinee at the Marcus Des Pere Cinema, I-270  
and Manchester, show time TBA

Open to all clubs/enthusiasts

Meal to follow at some local watering hole



Daniel Hays, 1972 Titan MkVIB, Formula Ford



Charles Livingston, 1978 Lola CF, FF



Mike Pranka, 1972 Alfa Romeo GTV



Ricardo Rao, 1972 Legrand, FF



Ed Smith, 1968 Zink C4, Formula Vee



Dennis Wilson, 1962 Lotus Super 7



Michael Wirrick, 1975 Zink Z10 FF

**Note**—This is a rarity: repeat coverage of an event. Thanks to James Heine of the St Louis Region, Sports Car Club of America, we managed to latch onto several photos of regional members who competed in September's Elkhart Lake Vintage Festival. These serve well as an addition to last month's photos provided by Phil Taxman of the Jaguar Association of Greater St Louis.

Our thanks to James. We look forward to covering next year's schedule of racing, rally and autocross events.

Photos by James Heine/Editorial Solutions





Photo by Jeff Homsher



Photo by Andrew Ackerman



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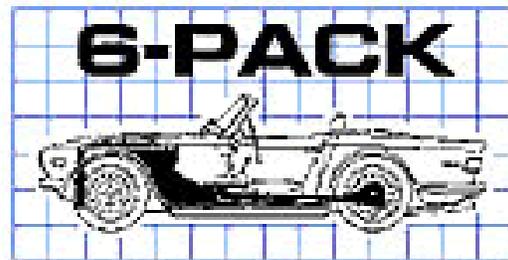






Photo by John Lore



El Rallye de Octubre

St Louis Region SCCA—20 Oct 19



Rallymaster Tom vonHatten, right.

Team 1: Stefan Kelly (driver) and Laurie Finch (nav)

Team 2/Event winners: David Zemon (driver) and Chris Carpenter (nav)

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& Driver, the editors do their annual "Lightning Lap" high-speed evaluation. The cars that get run through their paces include the BMW M2 Competition and BMW M5 Competition. As long as we're speaking competition here

Speaking of competition, the 11 October issue of *Autoweek* has a highly entertaining feature on a highly entertaining event of a kind we don't typically see hereabouts: a hill climb. In this case, it's the annual Empire Hill Climb, up on the western side of Michigan and sanctioned by the SCCA. The comp, which returned to annual running a few years back following a 35-year layoff, turns out an eclectic mix of competitors and cars. Call up the article at <https://autoweek.com/article/empire-hill-climb/homecoming-our-annual-return-empire-hill-climb> and by all means, look at the photo galleries. You'll see such standouts as a 280Z with a Jaguar V12, a Rolls-Royce Silver Wraith II re-engined with a V10 out of a Dodge Viper (!) and a Gremlin (yes, a Gremlin).

Finally, some startling and sad information about *Autoweek*. The 4 November edition is the last print issue; following a buy-out by Hearst Autos – publishers of *Car & Driver* and *Road & Track* – the magazine's converting to a web-only format. Thus ends regular publication dating to Denise McCluggage's founding of *Competition Press* in 1958. Some of us are old enough to remember the old newspaper-style *Competition Press & Autoweek* (some of us still have copies) and have faithfully read the magazine for decades. If you can find a copy, you may want to add it to your automotive publications collection.





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