

2018

Texas All British Car Days

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Considering it was almost October, the weekend was warm and sultry. Rain threatened and appeared in varying degrees... depending on exactly where you were.

Taylor, Texas (about 165 miles from home)

Our HMGCC group gathered at **Louie Mueller BBQ** in Taylor, Texas, along with Dale and Scott from the Austin MG Club. Our Arrangers were Nick and Julie Roccoforte from Georgetown, and members of the Austin group. As slightly remote members of our Club, that originally joined while domiciled in Houston, the Roccofortes knew exactly what we needed and put together a very excellent overnight event, in conjunction with TABCD.

With skies threatening, we walked around Taylor and viewed a unique restoration shop before



taking the backroads toward Roundrock, in search of **Vehicles Unique** on I-35. We spent ample time there inspecting the 35 or so very fine examples of mostly American autos. Exceptions were an Austin Healey, a Porsche, a Jaguar, and a Ferrari. The Caretaker, Dave, was generous with detailed information on all the cars. When asked, he said that the Packard was his favorite to



drive. It was the comfort, drivability, luxury presence and sound system that swayed him. Once he gets familiar with the Ferrari, he may have another opinion.

After checking into the hotel, it was off to the Georgetown Adult Play Area. The Roccofortes pulled us into their membership at **Grape Creek** for wine and entertainment on the Members Only patio. We left there reluctantly and walked a block to keep a 7 pm appointment at **Gumbos North** for "casual fine dining." It was that indeed and we eventually retired to prepare for the Sunday main event.

TABCD

It was a relaxed morning of breakfast and show preparation. The rain events of Saturday required more of the usual cleanup to shine. Showing their pride and joy this year were **Nick and Julie Roccocorte 1973 MGB GT, Mike and Stephanie Woodward 1980 MGB LE, Ron Redding 1965 MGB, Dale and Debbie Schiller 1972 MGB, and Dwight and Candy Dawson 1973 MGB.** Former members Gary and Sherry Potter, now in Elgin, showed their newly acquired 1959 Morris 2 door. Overall attendance was down from last year but plenty of eye-candy was present at this excellent car show venue. The Austin clubs that coordinate it, claim that TABCD is the largest All British show in Texas. As always, it was a well-run event for LBCs.

Congratulations to trophy winners Dale Schiller, Ron Redding and Mike Woodward.

