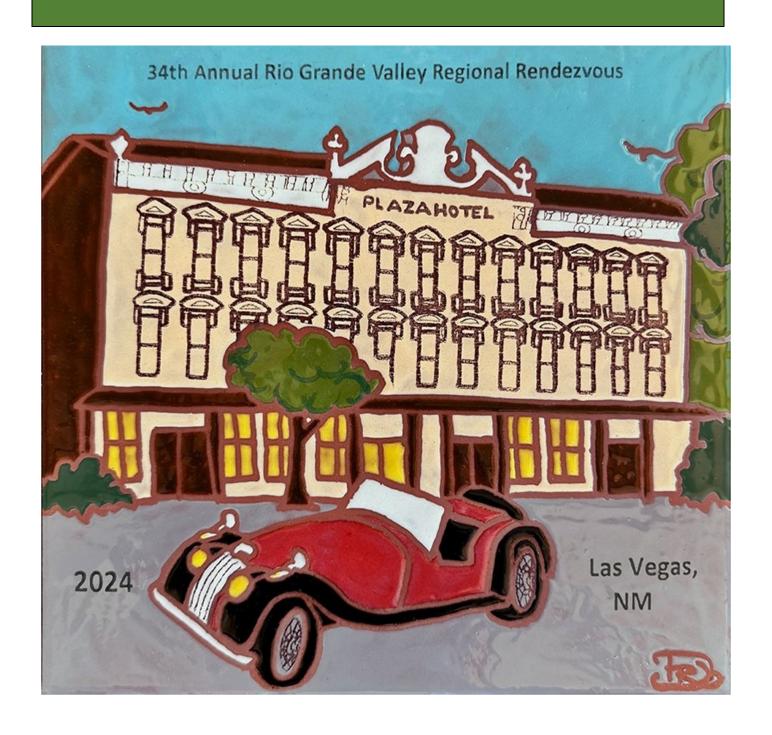
The Aritish Automobile Gwners Association

Welcomes you to the 34th Annual

RIO GRANDE VALLEY REGIONAL RENDEZVOUS

Friday, September 27 through Sunday, September 29, 2024

Las Vegas, New Mexico



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 27

3:00pm – 6:00pm – Rendezvous check-in will be at the Plaza Hotel in the Library. You'll receive your 2024 Rendezvous gift bag, name tag, and your car show windshield card, among other things. If you get in late, we will catch up with you Saturday morning at the Drivers meeting.

Hotel parking is on the street around the Plaza. Trailer parking will be at the Funkhana site (see the map on Page 3). Please park in the grass off to the right because we will be using the paved area Saturday morning for the Funkhana.

Around 5:00pm - After registration, come down to the Prairie View Café and Byron T's Saloon for an informal get together with your fellow British car owners.

Saturday, September 28

8:45am – There will be a brief drivers meeting across the street from the hotel in the plaza. We will go over driving instructions for the Funkhana and Rallye, and answer any other questions you may have.

9:00am – The Funkhana begins around the corner and down the street (see the map on page 3). Detailed instructions and rules are also on that page.

10:00am or whenever you complete the Funkhana, feel free to start the Rallye at your leisure. The Rallye should last about 2 hours so you will be back to the hotel in plenty of time to grab lunch and relax.

10:00am – for those who choose not to make the Rally drive, Mary Quirolo will host Painting in the Plaza. All the details are on page 4.

2:30pm – start heading to the Castaneda Hotel for the car show. Use the map on page 5 for how to get there and back.

3:00pm to 6:00pm – The Car Show will be in the street in front of the Castaneda Hotel prior to the Saturday evening dinner buffet. It will be a popular choice vote open to the public with 1^{st} , 2^{nd} , and 3^{rd} place trophies given out for each category at the Sunday morning breakfast.

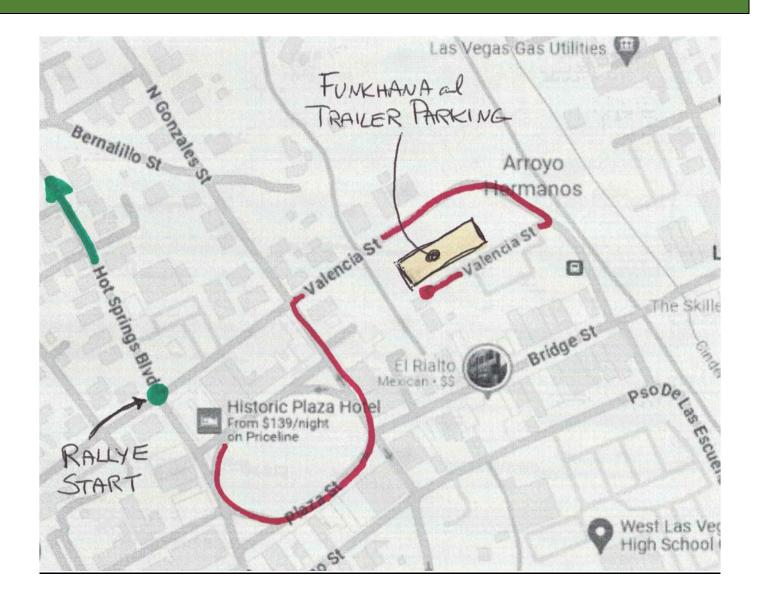
6:00pm – Italian buffet dinner, with Lasagna, Parmesan crusted chicken, Alfredo pasta, Caesar salad, and bread sticks. It will be inside the Castaneda Hotel in the Trackside dining room.

Sunday, September 29

9:00am – The weekend will wrap up with the Awards banquet at Charlie's Spic and Span Restaurant, featuring a full, hot breakfast buffet (see the map on page 5). Trophies will be awarded for the Car show, Funkhana, Rallye, and a few other things.

Optional After Breakfast Trip to Ft Union - We'll take 518 to Buena Vista then 161 to Watrous. It's about 60 miles of really nice driving and Ft Union is a great piece of New Mexico history. On the way back it's about 30 miles to Las Vegas. We'll have about 8 or so miles of Interstate then frontage road to Las Vegas and beyond.

FUNKHANA INSTRUCTIONS



OBSTACLE #1 - Drive through the parking lot and pop balloons with your tires for points.

- 1. Driver will put on a blindfold at the start line and take directions from the navigator. The navigator CAN NOT touch the driver, steering wheel, gas pedal, brake pedal, clutch pedal, or gear shifter.
- 2. You will drive though the lot one time. No driving in circles, U-turns, or backing up.
- 3. Popped white balloons = 1 point each.
- 4. Popped blue balloons = 2 points each.

OBSTACLE #2 - Drive around the circle while holding the rope. This is a timed event and fastest time wins.

- 1. Either the driver or the navigator can hold the rope's handle.
- 2. You can ONLY touch the rope by the handle.
- 3. If the rope touches the ground, 5 seconds will be added to your time.
- 4. If the center pole tips over, the car must stop until the center pole is reset. Time will continue to run.
- 5. Time starts when you pick up the handle, and stops when the handle is returned.

PAINTING IN THE PLAZA

Hosted by Mary Quirolo

Saturday Sept 28, about 10:00 AM, I plan to go out into the Las Vegas Plaza and sketch the scenes. If any BAOA members, guests, spouses etc. want to join me, DO! I plan to bring a lot of extra paper and pens and markers and paint and brushes and a few clipboards, just on the off-chance that some of you might want join in.

There's lots to draw or paint: great architecture, people strolling and shopping and shooting the breeze, greenery—which may be turning gold about then—and of course the British cars! Many of the cars will be on the rally, but not all, so there will be cars if you want to paint or sketch them. The rally cars will begin to return around 12:30, and many will park right around the Plaza. Later, around 2:30, most will drive over to the Castaneda Hotel for the big car show—and it is a great show!

Fun Fact: At least three New Mexico Watercolor Society people have already made hotel reservations in Las Vegas, specifically to come up to see the cars at the Rendezvous and to sketch or paint in and around the Plaza. Sketchers and painters are an outstandingly un-intimidating bunch and this is all just for fun. Drawing and painting outdoors is kind of like being in kindergarten again...with no need to Show Your Work.

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