



# Boot & Bonnet

GOOD AFTERNOON, QCC!!!

Is it hot out there or is it just me?! This is crazy! Breaking a sweat just walking from the store to the car, ice cream starting to melt before the first bite, the pool feels like bathwater, AND WE'RE JUST GETTING INTO AUGUST!!! People have been looking at me like I'm nuts when I'm out washing Scully and Scooter at 7am or 11pm, but seriously, that's the only time I can get them rinsed before the soap dries!! I can't wait for the nice, cooler temps that come with Fall in the Ohio Valley... for the roughly two week period before the lousy Winter weather sets in with cold, freezing winds, freezing rain, snow, ice, salt, and..... hmmm, maybe taking three showers a day isn't so bad after all? But, as it happens more often than not, I digress...

July tends to be kind of an odd month for QCC due to the early holiday, and 2021 was certainly no exception. We opted for some brief announcements at the beginning of the Ice Cream Run in lieu of a July Motor-In. I think everyone was anxious to get started on plowing into some ice cream anyway, so we kicked off our sugar buzz at Putz's, then headed out on a nice afternoon ride to The Cone, The Dip, and one of my all-time faves, Aglamesis Brothers in Montgomery. I think we probably lost some attendance due to on and off rain, but we still had a nice group, met some new members, and thoroughly enjoyed another excellent ride with John and Nancy Cusick. Thanks again!

With the cancellation once again of MINI Takes the States, MINIUSA stepped up with a characteristically quirky event, MINI Together. Though certainly not a multi-day cross country tour, MINI was able to put together a fun self-guided daytime event that allowed the involved MINIs to interpret scavenger-hunt type instructions to create their own route and share their adventures online. The format was pretty creative (in fact, we may just steal it for a future QCC event), and my own adventure took me from Cincinnati MINI to Northern Kentucky, Sharonville, West Chester, East Fork Lake, and downtown Cincinnati with multiple stops in between. There was also a "virtual event" in the evening with the MINIUSA CEO along with execs from Design and Marketing. Again, not a replacement for an event like MTTs, but it's clear to see that MINI hasn't forgotten that their greatest advertising comes from US, the thousands of MINIs out there Motoring every day. And... MINI TAKES THE STATES 2022 IS A GO, JULY 9<sup>th</sup> to JULY 17<sup>th</sup> from Burlington, Vermont to Spartanburg, South Carolina!!!

At the current time, the QCC schedule for the month of August is painfully bare. We're hoping to see everyone as we return to our normal format for the AUGUST MOTOR-IN on SATURDAY, AUGUST 7<sup>th</sup> @ 4pm at CUSICKS' COOP 5227 MISSISSIPPI DR., in FAIRFIELD, but beyond that, we have no other events scheduled for the month. I can't stress enough the importance of our members getting involved in creating and producing events to fill our calendar each month. Without the joy and excitement that comes from Motoring together, we become just a social club. I'm sure I speak for the vast majority of QCC members when I say that I joined Queen City Coopers to MOTOR! If you have an idea for a driving event or rally but just don't know how to take it to the next step, please contact a veteran member or a member of the Executive Board. WE CAN HELP YOU MAKE IT A REALITY!! One of my absolute favorite drives EVER came from a fairly new member on his FIRST EFFORT!!

And with the sun starting to set, I think it just may be time to wander out to the pool just in time to catch the transition from bathwater to... tepid bathwater. Again, hope to see you all at the August Motor-In!! In the meantime....

CHEERS!! and MOTOR ON!!!

Tom

## August events

8/7: Monthly Motor Inn



## August Motor Inn

QCC invites you to join us at the  
August motor inn

Aug 7 at 4PM

The Coop  
5227 Mississippi Dr,



The Aubrey Rose Foundation

British Car Day September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021



**Celebrating 60 Years of Jaguar E-Type  
1961-2021**



**All British Cars Welcome to Display**

- 70+ Awards
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- Door Prizes
- Food/Drinks
- DJ Music
- Sno-Cones
- Vendors
- Split The Pot

### Harbin Park

1300 Hunter Rd.

Fairfield, OH 45014

9:00 AM - 4:00PM

Awards at 3 PM

Spectator Admission: Suggested \$5.00 Donation to Aubrey Rose Foundation

To Enter Your British Car Visit:

<https://www.bccgc.com/british-car-day>

For More Information Contact:

Ron: 513-646-5426

Presented by the British Car Club  
of Greater Cincinnati

[www.bccgc.com](http://www.bccgc.com)

[www.aubreyrose.org](http://www.aubreyrose.org)



# Why Doesn't My Air Conditioning Work?

The air conditioner is far past a luxury option in this day and age. The Mini Cooper is a tiny car and offers a freezing cold A/C, but when it stops working, it could completely ruin your drive. There are various things that can cause your air conditioner to stop blowing cold air, or even stop blowing air in general. The dealership loves these kind of repairs because they can charge a lot of money just to inspect it. Fortunately, most A/C issues are rather simple to fix and can be done by most people without much experience. If your air conditioner isn't blowing, then read on to learn how to diagnose it in your Mini Cooper.

## Materials Needed (depending on issue)

- New fuse
- New cabin air filter
- A/C recharging kit

### Step 1 – Check the fuse

It could be blown.

If your air compressor fuse is blown, your air conditioning won't work. In fact, you should hope the fuse is blown because it means your A/C issue is a simple one to fix. The fuses are designed to break when there is an electrical overload, which prevents any hazards, such as fire. The fuse box is located inside the cabin, by the driver side's footwell. Remove the plastic cover, then turn it around. On the inside of the cover you will see a fuse box diagram, which will point you to the exact fuse that you need. Remove the fuse and check the metal bar inside of it; if it's broken, then you need to replace the fuse. If it's intact, then your fuse is working properly.

### Step 2 – Check the cabin air filter.

It could be clogged.

The cabin air filter is designed to filter the air going through your vents, which allows you to breathe fresh air while driving. If it gets extremely clogged, your A/C may not blow cold air, and if it gets too clogged, your A/C might not blow any air at all. The cabin air filter is located under the glove compartment of the passenger side. Just pop the cover off, then remove the old filter and inspect it. If the old filter is dirty, replace it with a new one; that fix should make your A/C blow cold air again.

### Step 3 – Charge the A/C system

It could need a recharge.

The air conditioner system could lose its cooling component, which will result in it blowing air, just not cold air. You can visit a professional shop for such a procedure; however, there are kits being sold now that will allow you to hook it up to the A/C and recharge the whole system. The recharging kits should cost you no more than \$50 dollars, and the process shouldn't take more than 20 minutes. The kit comes with a gauge and the proper instructions to get the job done safely.

By [Bassem Girgis](#)



**Saturday, July 10 John & Nancy Cusick led the Ice Cream run.**

We met at our first stop at Putz's Creamy Whip in Cincinnati.



Our second stop was The Dip in Fairfield.

The third stop was The Cone in West Chester.

We got stopped by a train on our way to the last stop.

The last stop was Aglamesis in Montgomery.



**2021 Dues are due!!!**

Please send your annual dues of \$15.00 to  
Nancy Cusick 5227 Mississippi Dr, Fairfield, OH 45014-2411

If you change your e-mail please let me know so you can continue to receive the newsletters



## Ohio Valley Austin – Healey Club Driver's Training / Gymkhana 2021

June 19 (Saturday) our new venue sponsor has their annual FREE car show (no Gymkhana on this date) as one of their community events. It is a chance to support our new venue sponsor and say thank you. Registration is 10 to 12 with trophies at 1:30PM.

### Gymkhana Dates:

July 17 (Saturday)	Registration 9 to 10AM	Serenity Baptist Church
August 14 (Saturday)		9000 Cox Rd.
September 25 (Saturday)		West Chester, OH 45069

The quest for a replacement venue has ended and we will be operating under new insurance rules. The Austin Healey Club of America now must charge to cover the insurance for driving events like this on a per occurred event basis. So our event economics have changed. We are going to charge \$30 per driver. It will require a minimum of 9 paid drivers for the event to go forward to cover the \$250 charge. If less than 9 drivers, all must agree to the proportional amount to cover the \$250. Any amount over the \$250 will be divided between the club and the church as a donation. Go no go will be decided at 10AM.

New insurance rules require that we adhere to the SCCA safety rules:

Here is the short version/pared down from the AHCA 12 pages/pared down from the 300 page SCCA rule book.....

Helmets must have a rating that is specified 2005 or newer for 2021 and 2010 or newer for 2022.

Seat belts are mandatory. For open cars, shoulder belts must be factory installed; if not you must have a roll bar.

Passengers must be at least 12 years old and at least 57" tall.

Drivers must have a drivers license..

No drugs or alcohol

All must sign the waiver forms.

The rest is common sense but is written down and can be viewed if you desire....

- Rain or Shine

**Time:** The main gate opens before 9:00 AM. First 20 cars - up to 25 drivers. The maximum or cut off is 10:00 AM. Runs start as soon as possible. Clean up about 3:30. The more help picking up cones and cleaning the earlier we leave.

**Cost:** \$30.00 per Driver - Max - 25 drivers - spectators free!

All drivers are required to work the course when not driving. Bring chairs and a cooler - No alcohol.

Required Equipment: A safe/functioning car (we will inspect it) any make or model, Helmets are required for drivers and passengers. There are usually loaners available.

Goal: "Fun & Family Oriented Gymkhana" Meaning - street legal tires driven to the event; No trailered cars unless they are vintage.

This event is designed to be a safe, fun way to enjoy your automobile. No dangerous driving or recklessness will be tolerated. We operate near a residential section, the exhaust system must be street legal for noise. **Regardless; we reserve the right to determine if it is toooo loud.** We want to come back next year..... Remember - you are competing against yourself, not others - come out and have some fun with your car!

Questions call the Committee:

Jake Jacobs (beancounter) 513-509-6038;

Don Klein (Track Master) 513-785-8484;

Skip Jackson (Equipment Master) 513-720-7547;

Jeff Porada/Nancy Bacon (Track Set UP & Timing Master) 513-315-8958

or E-mail me if you want to be on our update list.

[jake.jacobs@fuse.net](mailto:jake.jacobs@fuse.net) or check our web site: [www.OhioValleyAHC.com](http://www.OhioValleyAHC.com)



Let's wish Happy Birthday to our August members:

Jen Loving	2nd
Mark Bingman	6th
Hector Maldonado	7th
Crystal Snider	13th
Joe Loving	17th
Paul Stockhauser	17th
Herschel Weintraub	19th
Randy Brown	25th
Devon Burroughs	28th
Jennifer Linder	28th



## Treasurer's Report:

We have a balance of \$1740.00 in our account. We can now accept card cards through our Square Purchase System (with a small convenience fee) for merchandise and membership dues.

**Cincinnati MINI is offering active QCC members with a discount on MINI Parts and Accessories of 15% and 10% off of Labor charges. You will need to present your QCC Membership Card to quality for the discounts!!!**

## QCC Merchandise

Hey Everyone this is your new Swag Man Alex.  
Please check out our list of current QCC Swag in the files section of the Facebook page.  
We are currently working on building an online store and adding more Merch to the list.  
If there is anything you would like to add to the current list please let me know.  
Many more things to come... so excited...  
Alex, Angela & Red Hot Rosy





## 2021 Membership Roster

Lan Ackley & Barbara Bush  
Dale & Sandy Ballinger  
Gaby & Jennifer Batshoun  
Robert Bax & Doris Bax  
Mark & Linda Bingman  
Kerry Botos  
Cheryl & Randy Brown  
Devon Burroughs  
Quincy Canady  
John & Nancy Cusick  
James & Erica Dean  
TJ & Jim Dixon  
Nelson Farmer & Anji Roberts  
Vel & Ed Fenker  
Ann Finesman  
Kathy & Mark Folino  
Tom Foster  
Andrew & Jessica Gear  
David & Kara Green  
Ron Gregory & Sandy Stanford  
Tony Guastafarro  
Mary & Matt Hopton  
James Hutsell & Jean Durkin  
Nancy Ice  
Jean Janneck  
Tracy & Jonathan Jennings

Scot Jonas & Jessica Proctor  
Jerry King  
Debbie King  
Zac & Anna Koroschetz  
Mark & Linda Krum  
Louis & Milliceia Larson  
Jennifer & Chris Linder  
Joe & Jen Loving



Hector & Gina Maldonado  
Betty & Randy Merrill  
Michael & Jennifeer Murphy  
Steven & Janet Nickerson  
Angela & Brooks Nieberding  
Paul Nielander  
Mike & Mary Obermeyer  
Alexander & Angela Olveda

Richard & Anne Posey  
Carol Rauch  
Chris Reagan  
Donna Ring & Jean Pabst  
Tim & Bobbi Ross  
Janet Scanlon  
Brittany Schlemmer  
Craig & Karen Schlesinger  
Michael Scott  
Joe & Lisa Spangler  
David & Sandy Stevenson  
Paul Stockhauser  
Dave Storer & Tracy Wells  
Elaina & Jim Stuard  
Walt Stubenvoll & Sue Kemp  
Mike Suhar  
Brian Trainer  
Gene Trimble & Patti Robinson  
Herschel & Kay Weintraub  
Jeffrey Weyer & Amy Noffsinger  
Allen Wilson & Crystal Snider  
John & Kathy Witt  
Joseph & Judy Yannone



**Welcome New Members**

**David & Kara Green**

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**Jeffrey Weyer & Amy Noffsinger**



**Want to be a Member? Pay your Annual Dues to gain Full Access**

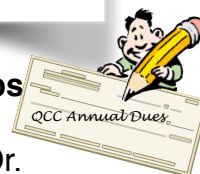
**to ALL the Queen City Coopers has to Offer!**

Annual Membership Fees are \$15

Make Checks Payable to:  
**"Queen City Coopers"**



Mail to:  
**QCC Memberships**  
Nancy Cusick  
5227 Mississippi Dr.  
Fairfield, OH 45014

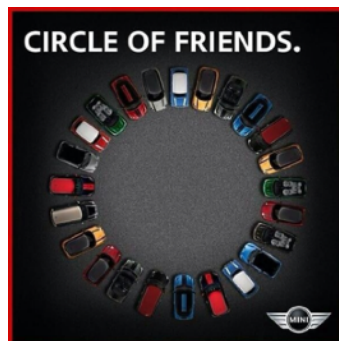


## QCC Resources

*The following vendors have Proven their quality of service to QCC members in the past and have welcomed us with good service, quality work & excellent prices. If you are in need of they type services they provide, please give them a call, identify yourself as a QCC member and see how they can be of service.*

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### Schottmillers Auto Body

11478 Reading Rd  
Cincinnati, OH 45241  
Phone number(513) 563-2006

### Ronnie Price Upholstery & Top Shop

9341 Seward Rd  
Fairfield, Ohio 45014  
513-368-9462



## WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

Even during this time, your MINI can be an essential part of your daily life.

To help support you, most of our service departments are currently open and are offering pickup and delivery.

Now you can have "no contact" access to service from your home.

## Car Wash Hours

Monday 9am - 4pm

Wednesday 9am - 4pm

Saturday 8am - 4pm

*\*Car Wash entrance is located behind the Cincinnati MINI showroom. An attendant will be out to greet you.*



LET'S DRIVE A MORE INTELLIGENT CAR.  
Let's pack it with futuristic technology. Let's flip all the switches. Let's kick it into superdrive. Let's call it by name. Let's be its best friend. LET'S MOTOR.







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## MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

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Pet Friendly  
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[http://www.elkspringsresort.com/cabin\\_rentals/four\\_seasons.html](http://www.elkspringsresort.com/cabin_rentals/four_seasons.html)

**John Cusick** 513-942-7710  
John@tintguy.com  
7d Cinchris Dr.  
Fairfield OH 45014

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Window Films : Automotive - Residential - Commercial  
Paint protection films

**Specials for Queen City Coopers**



Life is fast.





## QCC Voluntary Job Descriptions

**Group President:** Promote Queen City Coopers , oversee all aspects of club functions, encourage camaraderie within the club, work with club sponsor.

**Membership:** Maintain accurate member information, Order name tags for members.

**Treasurer:** Collect club dues and oversee expenditures. Provide funds, if available, for club merchandise / events.

**Event Coordinators:** Promote club events, encourage members to host events and help host / plan as needed. Report event results to newsletter editor for posting in monthly newsletter.

**QCC Swag Coordinator:** Maintain & order club merchandise for inventory. Offer items for sale at monthly Motor In's

**Club Photographer:** Photograph club events and send pictures to Newsletter editor

**Newsletter Editor:** Create, edit, and send out monthly newsletter.

**Website Editor:** Help members with web site functions, keep web site up to date in all areas.

## 2021 QUEEN CITY COOPERS OFFICERS & SUPPORT STAFF





## 2021 QUEEN CITY COOPERS OFFICERS & SUPPORT



### CLUB PRESIDENT:

TOM FOSTER

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ALEX OLVEDA

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By Michael Scott





# MEMBERSHIP

*"All Who Wander Are Not Lost"*



Revised 5/31/2019

## MEMBERSHIP PRIVILEGES:

- ◆ Club Name Tags
- ◆ Full Access, Online Event Registration, & Access to the Links within the Queen City Coopers Website [www.queencitycoopers.com](http://www.queencitycoopers.com)
- ◆ Voting Rights on all Club Decisions that the Club Officers Deem Necessary for a Vote
- ◆ No Participation Fee for any QCC Sponsored Events
- ◆ **10% OFF CINCINNATI MINI SERVICE & 15% off on PARTS**

## Mail Application and Dues to:

- ◆ QCC Memberships  
Nancy Cusick  
5227 Mississippi Ave.  
Fairfield, OH 45014



## MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS:

- ◆ Own / Lease a MINI
- ◆ Valid Driver's License
- ◆ Proof of Insurance  
(Primary Driver)

## MEMBERSHIP TERM / DUES:

- ◆ January 1<sup>st</sup> thru December 31<sup>st</sup>
- ◆ \$15 Annual Fee  
- Renewals Due by December 31<sup>st</sup>
- ◆ Make Checks Payable to:  
"Queen City Coopers"

## MEMBERSHIP DEFINED:

- ◆ Member, and up to one Associate Member

## Membership Form

**Mail Application and Dues to:** QCC Memberships, Nancy Cusick 5227 Mississippi Ave Fairfield, OH 45014

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Associate Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, ST, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Associate Member's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ *Year is Optional*  
(MM/DD/YYYY)

Associate Member's Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ *Year is Optional*  
(MM/DD/YYYY)

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Should not Be Member or Associate Member*

Your Information will be included in our online Member Directory viewable by other Members for communication purposes on our Secure Site unless indicated by a "X" in the box

MINI Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of MINI: \_\_\_\_\_

Body Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Roof Color: \_\_\_\_\_

License Plate #: \_\_\_\_\_

License Plate State: \_\_\_\_\_

MINI's Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase Date of MINI: \_\_\_\_\_

Was MINI Purchased at Cincinnati MINI? **Yes or No**

Allow Other Members to Email You through Website? **Yes or No**

How did you hear about the club? \_\_\_\_\_

