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Cover Photos:

Mike Robinson's 1954 MG TF "Victoria" – before and after restoration (photos by Mike Robinson)

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MG's Corner

By Spokes editor, Michael Goodwin

In this month's issue, we begin with an entry by Annabelle Tescione, noting Dave Wild being honored for his 65 years of membership in and contributions to the SCCA specifically, but also his significance and standing in the sports car world of Western New York and beyond. Keep it up forever, Dave!

We have a humorous and timely article on *Student Cars* from Allyn Wagner, just right for the June issue, and we're featuring four pages of three-sentence stories, **thirteen in all**, ranging from documentary to heart-tugging, to suspenseful, to thrilling, to hopeful, to whimsical, to poetic – maybe these brave and creative authors evoke other feelings – you decide.

Perhaps inspired by the editor's plea for short stories, but unable to keep things quite so short, five of you gave us a bit more than three sentences for this issue. We're happy to have so many fine tales to tell. Keep those short articles coming – they're always welcome!

The activities scene is changing continuously, and I've included Mike Robinson's latest (as of May 30th) attempt to sort things out. As he suggests, go online for the up-to-date calendar.

Finally, speaking of activities, I've re-published the instructions and score sheet for the club's **2020 Motoring Challenge**. The weather is nice, we all need some activity, our cars are out of the garage, so let's get going on this! (As of this date, the Poker Run portion of the Challenge is suspended but may be reinstated if conditions permit). Let's see some challenge photos on Facebook or the web page at mgcarclub.com! Contact information for Chad D'Angelo is on the instruction page if you need help getting started.

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There was no meeting in May. This section is being held aside to remind the editor that he should include meeting minutes in Spokes after the next meeting, whenever that might be!



Longing for pre-COVID days? These cars were at the 28th Annual British Bash Car Show June 2012, Louisville, KY
(photos by the editor)



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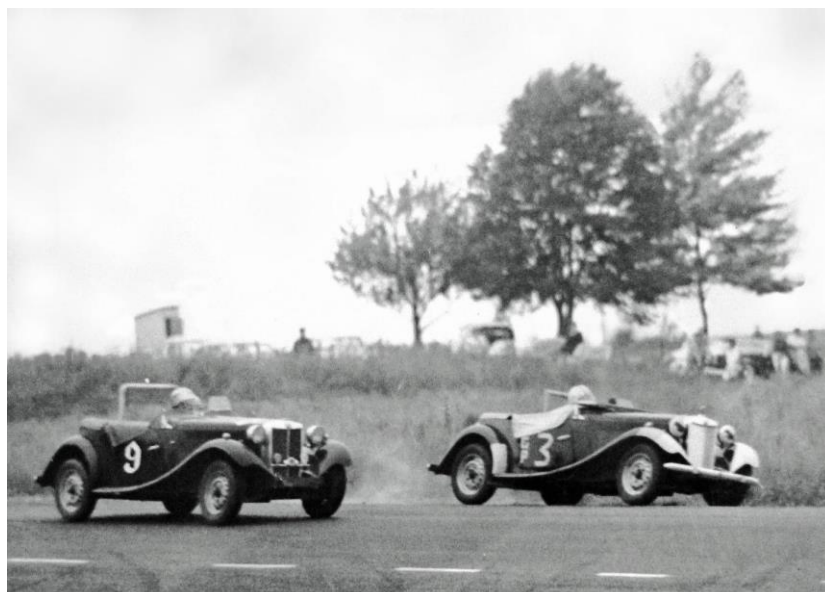
Honoring Dave Wild – 65 years in SCCA

by Annabelle Tescione (all photos by Annabelle or Bob Tescione, MGCC archives or used with permission)

Dave Wild is honored by SCCA for his 65 years of membership and his early years of racing. Dave raced an MG-TD and a 1958 Elva Courier in the late 1950s and early 1960s. It's especially impressive that Dave still owns both cars. He is a legacy member of the Western New York vintage car community and Dave and Barb are still very active in area groups. We are honored by their membership and ongoing role in the MG Car Club Western New York Centre. Congratulations go out to both Dave and Barb. AT



Dave Wild in Car #3 at starting line of Watkins Glen MG race



Dave Wild in Car #3 dueling it out with Bob Deull in car #9 at Watkins Glen

Honoring Dave Wild – 65 years in SCCA

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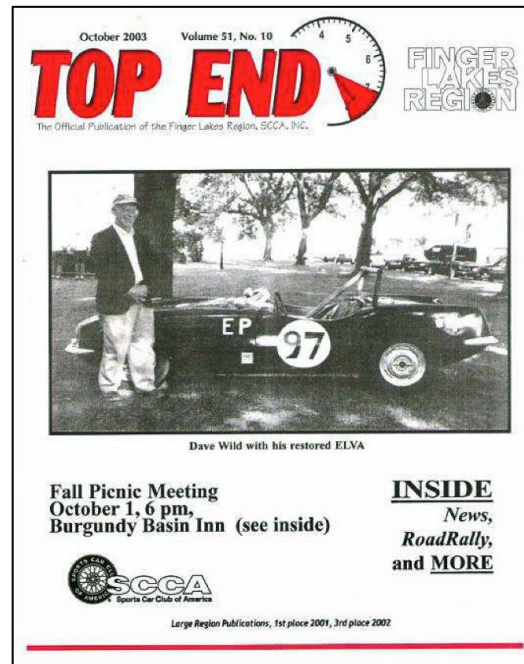
Dave in his 1958 Elva Courier at an indoor race at the Rochester War Memorial, November 1964



Dave and Barb Wild at the MGCC 30th Anniversary Celebration with the Elva

Honoring Dave Wild – 65 years in SCCA

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Dave with his Elva on the cover of SCCA magazine, 2003
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In 1963, Dave Wild of New York and Bernie Michaels of Massachusetts strapped a movie camera to the rollbar of a 1959 Elva Courier. Dave drove the car at the famed race track in Watkins Glen, NY, and in competition at the Dunkirk (NY) Air Field, which was opened up for sports car racing by U.S. Air Force Gen. Curtis LeMay.

Bernie put the camera footage together, and the resulting film was shown in 1964 at the Dryden Theatre at the George Eastman House in Rochester, NY. It also was on the bill at a 1964 film festival. In 1989, Bernie's son, Murray, restored the 27-minute piece, which you now see here.

<https://vimeo.com/4139756>

Honoring Dave Wild – 65 years in SCCA

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Above: Dave and Barb in more recent years working at the Watkins Glen Vintage Car Concours

Right: Dave and Barb at Dave's induction into the Racer's Walk of Fame in the village of Watkins Glen.



Watkins Glen Racing Schedule Updates

(press release from Watkins Glen International)



Watkins Glen International announces updates to 2020 schedule

WATKINS GLEN, N.Y. (May 15, 2020) – Watkins Glen International today announced schedule updates for three of its 2020 event weekends.

The Sahlen's Six Hours of The Glen, originally scheduled for June 25-28, 2020 will be rescheduled for the weekend of October 1-4, 2020. The IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship, Michelin Pilot Challenge, Porsche GT3 Cup and Lamborghini Super Trofeo events will run on the new weekend.

The SCCA Majors Super Tour, scheduled for June 19-21, 2020 and the Finger Lakes Wine Festival, scheduled for July 10-12, 2020, have been postponed until 2021. The rescheduled date for the Festival will be July 9-11, 2021. The SCCA Majors Super Tour event date will be announced in the coming weeks.

Previously purchased tickets for the Sahlen's Six Hours of The Glen will be honored on the rescheduled weekend. Visit www.TheGlen.com/assistance-IMSA for further details and questions on ticket purchases.

SCCA and Finger Lakes Wine Festival ticketholders may elect to receive a credit for the full amount paid plus an additional 20% of total amount paid to apply towards a different future event, including, but not limited to, grandstand seating, infield, camping, fan hospitality and pit passes. The 120% event credit can be used in a single transaction during the remainder of the 2020 season and entire 2021 season for a Watkins Glen International event, subject to availability.

Elections must be submitted within 30 days following the release of the rescheduled event date.

For additional festival details, other options and to make an election, fans should visit www.flwinefest.com/assistance. All other inquiries can be directed to www.TheGlen.com/assistance-IMSA.

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Student Cars

By Allyn Wagner

Except for this year, June is normally the time of year for students graduating from school and preparing for the next phase of life. One of the graduation gifts they would be looking for would be a car to take them off to college or to a job. I know that when I left high school, I really wanted to upgrade my bicycle to something a little easier to get around in.

I spent a good part of the 1980s at the U of R and other college campuses fixing computers. In trying to find a parking space on campus, I came across quite a few different examples of student transportation. They ranged from daddy's used BMW to the typical perpetual student transportation, you know the type, the clapped out and rusted old beater with parking passes all over the back windows from different colleges covering many years.

Where I went to school, it was a little different. To start off I attended a community college with no dorms on campus and very limited parking. Coming from a remote area of northern New York (the St. Lawrence Valley) and my first time being away from home, I was somewhat in awe. There was quite a range of cars but not too many newer ones. Mostly they were cars that kids had either built or fixed up while they were in high school. A few that I can recall belonging to some of my classmates were an MGTC, 1955 Chevy Bel Air 4-door, 1955 Dodge 4-door, 1960 Corvair, and one guy that drove a Vespa scooter. Now, I went to school in Utica, so the guy with the Vespa got a little cold that first winter. The yearbook picture was taken in winter and you could clearly see his ears all wrapped up from frostbite!

Since we were in the Electronic Engineering department and a bunch of radio nerds, there was a collection of different antennae hanging off some of the cars. The Corvair had what looked like a TV antenna and the TC looked strange with a six-foot whip bolted to the rear, and oh a rally computer tucked ahead of the gearshift. The passenger had to work his way around the computer and a two meter radio to

get into the car. Not real easy with books and drafting tools for two people.

Being a community college with low tuition, it was a real surprise to me when we came back to start our senior year. A number of the cars had been upgraded over the summer! My roommate's TC was now a brand new Austin Healey Sprite, the Dodge sedan turned into a 1965 convertible Corvair Corsa turbo, and the Vespa now looked like an MGA. Also, that very nice '56 Bel Air owner came back with a 1963 Buick Riviera...not what you would consider a student car and another guy pulled in with a 1964 ½ Mustang. Not bad for a low cost state school.

With all of these nice cars around me, you might wonder what I was driving. Actually, it was my right thumb and begging rides from my classmates. I even had to sell my bicycle before I started college for spending money. My parents did give me a car for my college graduation though. My father had been holding onto his father's 1949 Chevy Deluxe for me. All I had to do was to get my diploma to earn it and borrow \$50 to get it road legal. As soon as I got a real job and saved a down payment, I went out and bought a brand new MGB! AW



This is not the MGB Al Wagner bought when he got his first real job
(photo by M. Goodwin)

Three-Sentence Stories

By various authors

Editor's Note: A request was made for members to submit 3-sentence short stories for this edition of *Spokes*. Some folks accepted the challenge of sticking to three sentences, but it seems the plea may have inspired some of you to write longer articles. Writing three concise sentences that tell a story is not an easy task, so to honor those of you who managed to pull it off, your stories appear first. **Thank you to all who contributed, three sentences or more!!**

Paying my Dues - (anonymous)

Since I was wearing a mask all the time anyway, and staying home got so boring, I decided to rob the Five Star Bank in the Wegmans Plaza. I got outta there with a lot of dough, but I had to crouch



"...I had to crouch down behind the B to shoot it out..."
(photo by the author)

down behind the B to shoot it out before I got away. Nobody got killed, but there's a lot of bullet holes to be filled, so I guess it wasn't so smart, but I got enough so I can pay for the repairs and have some left over to cover my car club dues for next year.

He Left - (Barb Zak)

He left. The V-8 engine rumbled down the road. I wished I went too.



"I wished I went too."
(photo by the editor)

Alfa First Ride - (Dick Powers)

Summer has finally arrived in ROC, where it got to about 80 today, will again tomorrow. I finally



Author Dick Powers and his '58 Alfa
(photo by P. Francia)

turned on the central air. Also, finally got a First Ride in a sports car when I took the '58 Alfa out for a 50 mile run.

Not to be Bragging... - (Alan Costich)

After seven months of hibernation, I filled the radiator in the race car, stabbed the accelerator pedal a few times, rolled it over and it fired right up



"Watkins Glen can't come soon enough."
(photo by R. Powers)

and the oil pressure came right up! No apparent leaks, so I let it run up to temp, shut it down and covered it back up. Watkins Glen can't come soon enough.

Three-Sentence Stories

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Dead on Arrival – (Michael Goodwin)

Susan and I were going away for the worst of the winter, four months altogether, and I wanted to be sure the MG's battery wouldn't die, so we put a charger on it. While we were in California, I kept



"I wanted to be sure the MG's battery wouldn't die..."
(photo by the author)

wondering and worrying, "I've never used this charger for so long, can the battery overcharge?" When we arrived back in Rochester, the MG started on the first try, but the Honda battery was dead as a doornail.

Heading to the Seneca Lodge – (Leon Zak)

Heading to the Seneca Lodge from the track as me and my grandson Preston turned left into the lodge parking lot there's a big "POW" and then a bunch of noise from the engine that didn't sound good at



"After inspecting the engine compartment..."
(photo by the author)

all.

After inspecting the engine compartment, I see that number 6 cylinder spark plug had blown out taking the threads with it, so I thought I would get a helicoil and was able to find one at NAPA, but I wasn't sure how to do it in the parking lot, so I



"...so I thought I would get a helicoil and was able to find one at NAPA .."
(photo by the author)

Googled it and got the recommendation that if you load the tap up with a lot of grease, the chips would stick to it and not fall into the cylinder.



"...if you load the tap up with a lot of grease, the chips...stick to it and [don't] fall into the cylinder ..."
(photo by the author)

As you can see from the pic the grease worked and so we put the plug back in and it the engine ran fine for the rest of the for many months till I took it to the machine shop that next spring because it was ready for a redo and I had them check and there was no damage from the plug repair.

Three-Sentence Stories

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MG Fits in a Minivan – (Allyn Wagner)



“...all the seats were folded down to fit the body tub...”
(photo by the author)

When the painting had been completed on my TA, I had to get it back to Webster for fitting, and since I didn't have a trailer, I had to get some help from a friend with a minivan. Once all the seats were folded down to fit the body tub, that only left two seats left for three people. That left me to ride sitting on the floor in the TA.

Victoria – (Mike Robinson)



“Victoria” – July 2018
(photo by the author)

On July 22nd 2018, Victoria entered our life, coming up from Dallas Texas where she sat for an untold number of years in disrepair and where bodged attempts were made to make her a drivable

vehicle. Over the course of nearly two years, a total restoration took place that included building a new body tub, repairing the questionable past repairs, total rebuild of the brakes and electrical systems and new paint and interior. On May 22nd, 2020, exactly 22 months to the day of receiving her from Dallas, Victoria took to the road for the first time as a complete and drivable car.

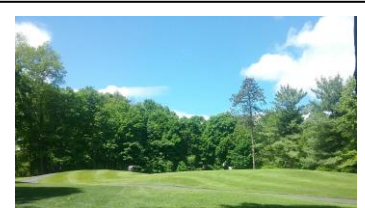


“Victoria” – May 2020
(photo by the author)

103 in my Dad's '53 – (Dick Powers)

One Summer Saturday in 1954 was a lovely day for golf and my Dad decided we should go to Batavia to play a

round at the Terry Hills CC. When we finished playing, my Dad took a different road and we ended up on a dirt area that let us get on the yet-to-be-opened NYS



“a lovely day for golf” *(photo by the editor)*

Thruway; and I then knew my Dad's plan to see how fast his '53 Buick, with Dynaflo, would go on what was soon to become the Governor Thomas E. Dewey Speedway. At 90, the Buick was really roaring and I remember the surprised look on the faces of the men who were inspecting a bridge, but that straight-8 had more in her with the speedo stopping at 103 on what was a lovely day for golf.

Three-Sentence Stories

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Adventure – (Susan Goodwin)



“What an adventure, what a ride”
(photo by the author)

What an adventure, what a ride
from London to Brighton in 2009
Minis, minis everywhere
along the oceanside
Celebrating fifty years,
what a cool joyride



“Minis, minis everywhere along the oceanside”
(photo by the author)

A Haiku for Every LBC, Which Made its Long Journey to America – (Carl Webeck)

An ocean voyage.
Silent friends safely fastened.
Waiting for landfall.

Driving – (Joe Bellizia)

Driving and listening to every noise.
Hoping that a new sound I just noticed wasn't
anything to worry about.
Turning up the radio and stepping on gas while
shaking my head hoping to smile.



“...hoping to smile...”
(photo by the author)

It Only Leaks on My Side – (Doreena Hames)

He drives the MG.
It rains.
I get wet.



“I get wet.”
(photo by the editor)

June Activities – as of May 30, 2020

(Mike Robinson, Activities Director)

Hello all,

I hope everyone is staying safe and as restrictions are slowly starting to be lifted, there is hope that we may be able to get a few activities in before we put the cars away in the fall. Here is a quick rundown on activities scheduled for June:

- The Euro Car Day Car Show in Williamsville NY - Cancelled for this year.
- The Vintage Auto Racing series in Mossport (Canada) that several of our racers attend – Cancelled
- Pop the Cork Wine Tasting at the Gallery Vineyards in Honeoye Falls – As of this writing it is **still on** for Saturday June 13th.
 - This will be an outside activity, with masks and social distancing still a requirement.
 - Please send me a note if you plan to attend. As of now there's approximately 8 going.
 - Because of the need for social distancing this is an outdoor Fair Weather event only. If it's raining or inclement we will cancel and reschedule for a later date. Also if the current state of affairs in New York is unchanged by Gov. Cuomo, it will be cancelled.
 - Please be sure to check the Calendar on the website Saturday morning prior to driving to the winery. If there is a last minute cancellation I will update the Calendar first BEFORE I send an email. Without monthly meetings to relay the information, the Event Calendar will always be the last and final word regarding events in this challenging year.

That's all I have for now. As most know we had to cancel the car show this year. I am working with the legion to put together a possible activity that same date that will be an outdoor event. As soon as plans are finalized I will update the calendar and send an email blast.

Thanks for your understanding and support.

Mike

Longer Than Three-Sentence Stories

(by various authors)

Morgan Ride – (Annabelle Tescione)

Yikes, one time after leaving a country picnic in our Morgan, I felt a prick or pinch on the side of my knee. I was wearing long jeans and I put my hand down there and felt SOMETHING BIG AND MOVING!!! I started screaming, “There’s something in my pants, there’s something in my pants”. Bob, not knowing *what* was going on, quickly pulled over. I stood on the side of the road, not shielded *at all* by the low Morgan, dropped my pants and found a gigantic 6-inch fat caterpillar that had crawled up on the inside jeans leg - wicked big pinchers! It was stuck on my leg until Bob, ever gallant, came around and knocked him off – it took several tries, those million suction cup little feet were *really* strong! Lord knows what passers-by thought but it sure made for an interesting Morgan ride!

That Damn Dog! – (Ron Stone)

It was a dark and stormy night. Well, not really.

I was racing my Triumph GT6 at regional race in Watkins Glen. I don’t remember the date, but it was in the early 70’s.

I managed to spin the car in the 90, then got hit by another car; did a lot of damage. The Triumph was towed back to my camp. We winched it onto the trailer, got it tied down and hooked up to the car. The tire on the trailer was flat; loose value in the stem...and the air tank was empty to boot.

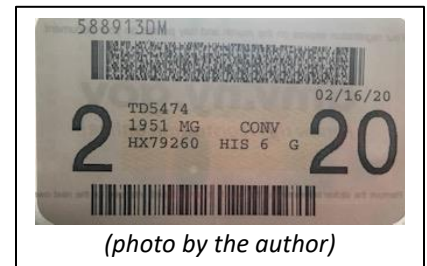
Barry Budlong loaned me his air tank. When I returned it, his little dog peed on my leg. Great end to the weekend.

Years later I saw Barry at an Old Race Drivers Lunch. The first thing he said to me “I could have killed that damn dog!”

Finding My MG – (Steve Melcher)

I was raised around sports cars. We raced TR3s at the Hershey Hill Climb back in the 60’s. But I gave up sports cars, after flipping 14 of various models, when I started a family. But...I was always looking; just because you’re on a diet doesn't mean you

can’t look at the menu. We’re all familiar with *Car Guru* and *Bring a Trailer* but I finally found mine on *Craigslist*. Most of the British sports cars were in far away places like California, Texas; even New Jersey seemed too far to go. Then it happened. Check and double check but yes, there was an MGTD for sale in Rush, NY! No excuses right down the block! So I shot the poster an email and we set up a meeting for that evening. I grabbed a freshly made \$100 dollar bill from my son’s printing press and, losing daylight, headed down the road to Rush. The sun had already set, but there she was, British Racing Green softly glimmering in the reddening sky. The owner had an MGTF in boxes, an amphibian car and this 1952 MGTD. By now the sun had set but I could see that this car was well taken care of. I ran my hands over the chrome headlights which felt as smooth as a titanium spaceship. I ran my hands under the running boards, used my iPhone flashlight to check for rust in all the usual places of suspect. Nothing! Sound car. I didn’t care at that point about the engine or tranny, all things I could fix. There wasn’t even a battery to start it. I forgot to mention that this was a Thursday in February and there was a major storm front coming. The poor guy had lost his storage space, got kicked out the previous weekend and was selling these cars in his front yard. I didn’t haggle over price and gave him the \$100 bill and we set up a time for me to pick it up the next day. We met the next day with sales agreement in hand we made the deal and I had the car towed to Shamrock where we changed all the fluids, drained the gas tank and got her running and inspected. To this day she is still inspected for February. Even in Rochester, I’m lucky enough to find a day, a few hours, in February to take it to Shamrock’s to have a NY State inspection sticker slapped onto the windshield.



Longer Than Three-Sentence Stories

(by various authors)

Then and Now – (George Heissenberger)

We have been members of the MG Car Club since I joined at the 1976 car show at the Victor High School. I had a 1971 MGB that I bought the summer of 1976. I didn't enter my 1971 MGB in the car show that first year because I didn't think it was show worthy, but I did enter it the next few years until we sold it. Peggi had a 1967 Datsun 1600 roadster before we were married and we kept it for several years.



Then and Now – (photos by the author)

In 1983 we bought the 1973 MGB we have today from fellow club member George Haynes. Soon after we sold the Datsun as we had two sports cars, two daily drivers and a one-car garage! Over the years we have worked on the MG when it needed anything and she runs like new. I even had an accident several years ago in the MGB. While waiting to pull into the Log Cabin for a cruise night, some kid ran a stop sign and hit my car, but that was soon repaired. We have driven the MG as far

as Canada for the multi club picnic, and I regularly drive to Watkins Glen every September for the Vintage Grand Prix where I enter the MG in the Glenkhana. All in all a fun car we don't intend to ever let go!

'73 White MGB – (Peggi Heissenberger)

George and I have a white '73 MGB. We each had little sports cars that we sold to keep this one on the road...therefore the plates OUR MG. The car I sold was a little roadster - Datsun 1600. The decision was easy which one to sell. The Datsun was incredibly reliable but it has the suspension of a buckboard and the lines of a toaster! I love the sexy sleekness of the B and long front end. It is also a very smooth ride - just a few inches off the road that is exhilarating. But I also love the history of the car company and their pride in the work. There was no connection emotionally with the Datsun.

We have had the B since 1983 - the same year our first child was born and consider it a part of our family. When the kids were small enough they sat in the package tray with seat belts we



"OUR MG" (photo by the author)

created. When George called me on my way home from work one day to ask for a ride because he had been in an accident in the MG I was so shaken. When I saw him and confirmed that he was OK I felt better. Then I saw the MG on a flatbed being driven away and I yelled to the driver "Stop! That's my car!" I saw the front end all damaged and realized I was crying for a car! I guess that's when I knew it really was a member of the family.

Our B is a daily driver. It will never win awards at a car show but it certainly has given us several miles of great memories. I think I appreciate the drive most at night with all the stars for a canopy.

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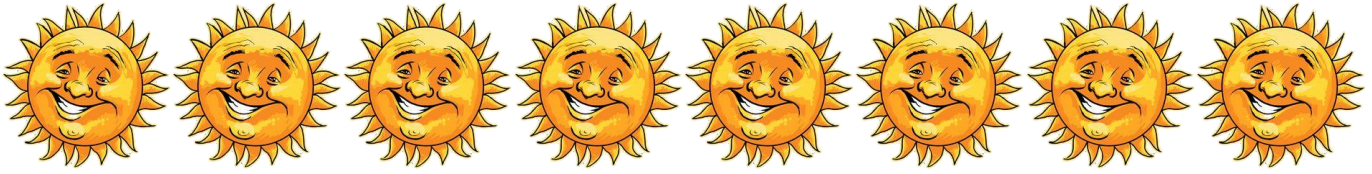


How many hand sanitizer holders
does **your** car have?



(Photo by MRG)

Sunshine Page



June Birthdays

2	Annabelle Tescione
6	Latty Goodwin
10	Patricia MacDonald
11	Phyllis Schirano
11	Doreen Wilson
12	Ted Hershey
12	Rich Shineman
13	Rosemarie Stepanik
15	Chad D'Angelo
20	Gert Masline
21	Glenn Masline
24	John Baum
25	Martin Ippolito
27	Tony Makepeace
29	Paul Wegman
30	David Asmuth
30	John MacDonald

June Anniversaries

4	Susan & Paul Wegman
12	Laurie & Doug Scribner
13	Susan & Jeff Kath
13	Eileen & Tony Makepeace
17	Cindy & Bruce Austin
20	Jane & Bob Hamilton
21	Betty & Gil Langswager
29	Marlene & Dick Rzepkowski
30	Lisa & Chad D'Angelo



*Happy Birthday,
everyone!*

← Not
enough
candles
(by far)!!



Congratulations!

(If you are mistakenly missing from either list above, first make sure you've paid your dues. Then send a note to the editor at spokes@mgcarclub.com.)

2020

MOTORIZING CHALLENGE

PHOTO AND POINT GUIDELINE

To earn points, a permanently posted sign or landmark must be in many of the photos identifying your location. Identifying signs are required where noted with an asterisk (*). Also, some photos could be challenging to come by and, although this is a Motoring "Challenge," be safe out there!

We want you, the Challenger, or a willing accomplice, to be in as many pictures as possible. Be creative and have fun. (It could earn you bonus points with the judges!)

Motoring Challenge judges may award up to 5 total additional points for any number of creative, clever reasons. The more fun you have, the more everyone will enjoy your Challenge photos!

POKER RUN GUIDELINE

- ✦ Standard 5 card poker, best hand wins.
- ✦ For every category that has a minimum of 2 completed= 1 card to your hand (only one card can be purchased per person/place)
- ✦ Each establishment will receive the same number of decks based upon registration numbers.
- ✦ You must participate at least 5 categories in order to form your hand.
- ✦ Envelopes with cards will be given the night of the holiday party based on submissions received through December 1, 2020.

All participants of the poker run must attend the annual MG holiday party or hand assign designated club member to verify their hands to finish participation. Please be respectful to the businesses, as they're playing host to us. Also, don't disrupt their normal flow of business

SUBMITTING YOUR PHOTOS

Submitting your Challenge photos may be done in many ways: you may submit them via email, upload to the MG Car Club Western New York Centre facebook page or mail your photos on a CD or Flash Drive, along with your point sheet (no later than December 1, 2020) to:

Chad D'Angelo
43 Linden St.
Livonia NY 14487

MG Car Club of Western NY reserves the right to use the photography—and looks forward to doing so!

WINNERS

Winners will be announced at the annual holiday party on December 2020

HAVE QUESTIONS?

Write to us at: MyMGChallenge2020@hotmail.com



2020 Motoring Challenge



MG Car Club – Western NY Centre

Getting Started

The motoring challenge has two challenges in one! Earn points by traveling with your car and taking photos. Participate in the poker run. Or do both and get bonus points.

SIGNING UP IS EASY:

- First chance to sign up is at the pancake breakfast, March 15, 2020
- You can sign up anytime throughout the year
- Sign up via email or text (see back page for contact information) with your name, make/model/year of the car you registering

HOW TO PLAY

Take a photo at the destinations listed on the Point Guide with:

- Your car in it
- Yourself or a traveling companion – when possible
- The 2020 Point Guide
- Proof of your location such as signs or landmarks

See additional rules on the back page.

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Ice Cream Shops			
Place	Area	Point value	Date Completed
Minnehans	Lakeville	1	
Lugia's	Spencerport	1	
Brusters	Webster	1	
Abbott's Frozen Custard	Charlotte	1	
Sharks	Bloomfield	1	
Ice Cream Factory	Fairport	1	
Kits Ice Cream	Hilton	1	
Burnap Farm	Sodus	1	
Gift Shop	Letchworth	1	
Total Points			

Wineries or Breweries (up to 3 each)			
Place (You Choose)	Area	Point value	Date Completed
	Winery	1	
	Winery	1	
	Winery	1	
	Brewery	1	
	Brewery	1	
	Brewery	1	
Total Points			

Roundabouts			
Place	Area	Point value	Date Completed
Kendrick Drive & East River Road	Rochester	1	
Caledonia	Caledonia	1	
Route 65 & 251		1	
Total Points			

Monuments			
Place	Area	Point value	Date Completed
Emmeline the Bear	Geneseo	1	
Frederick Douglas	Rochester	1	
Wallace-Jeffers Memorial (Doughboy Monument)	Castile	1	
Total Points			

Lighthouses			
Place	Area	Point value	Date Completed
Charlotte-Genesee	Rochester	1	
Sodus Bay	Sodus Point	1	
Braddock Point	Parma	1	
Total Points			

Random			
Place	Area	Point value	Date Completed
Jello Museum	Le Roy	1	
Erie canal Lift Bridge	Brockport	1	
Hartwell Hall	Brockport	1	
Cobblestone Church	Childs	1	
Culvert Road Tunnel	Medina	1	
The Windmill Farm & Craft Market	Penn Yan	1	
Total Points			

People			
Place	You define age	Point value	Date Completed
Picture with 3 old Men		1	
Picture with 3 old Women		1	
Picture with 3 children		1	
Total Points			

Car Show or Cruise			
Place	Area	Point value	Date Completed
MG car show		5	
Other		1	
Out of state		2	
Total Points			

With...			
Place	Area	Point value	Date Completed
Garbage Truck	Any	1	
Food Truck	Any	1	
Fire Truck	Any	1	
Vehicle older than yours	Any	1	
Sailboat	Any	1	
Train	Any	1	
Sunset or Sunrise	Any	1	
Total Points			

Waterfalls			
Place	Area	Point value	Date Completed
She-Qua-Ga Falls	Montour Falls	1	
	You choose	2	
	You Choose	2	
Total Points			

Restoration/Repair			
Place	Area	Point value	Date Completed
Smalley's Garage	Watkins Glen	1	
Picture of you doing restoration/repair		1	
Garage specific to MG repair *		2	
Total Points			

At...			
Place	Area	Point value	Date Completed
Clock tower	Any		
Courthouse	Any		
Old (former) train depot	Any		
Electric Car Charging Station	Any		
Tattoo parlor *	Any		
Barn with silo	Any		
Total Points			



Official Regalia

MG Car Club Western NY Centre

Some of the Current Items Available



50th Anniversary Badge	\$20.00
50th Anniversary Pin	\$3.00
51st Anniversary sticker	\$1.50
MG Stickers Black / Silver	\$1.50
Sticker - front adhesive	\$1.50
MGCC Mug	\$5.00
Car Badge	\$20.00
Badge Clip	\$5.00
Patch Embroidered	\$2.50
Key Fob, large Leather	\$4.00
Pin, Cloisonne	\$3.00
Dash Plaque - Last years 2019	\$3.00
Dash Plaque - 40th Ann	\$2.00
Sign Magnetic 10"	\$15.00
Bumper Sticker	\$1.00
Club Name Badge (to be ordered)	\$20.00

Notes Also available a large selection of clothing items (shirts, jackets, caps, etc) with our club logo embroidered on them, by letting us know what you would like. Most specialty items are available with a small order of only a dozen. Please contact Joe Bellizia with any questions by calling (585) 749-9263 or emailing me at blitz7711@gmail.com

Joe Bellizia has been working behind the scenes (where else does anyone work these days?) to put together some interesting possibilities for nifty regalia for the 2020 season and beyond. He'd love to have your input and suggestions – particularly for ideas for items that a BUNCH of us want (even if we don't all know it yet)!

Some great ideas are on the next page!

MG Club Members Personalized Items we can Order if we have enough interest!

Would You Order One of These??



Customized Water Bottle approx. \$20.00
(includes Shipping & NY Tax)

MG Club New Era Cap \$25.00
(Embroidered w/ our logo as shown)



MG Club Member's Personalized Water Bottles
(W/ Club Logo & Your Name & Individual Picture)
25oz Stainless Steel Bottle with Screw top & Carabiner

Notes I am including a New Feature in Spokes showing New Items we could order if we get member input and start a pre-order commitment list started. Bottles have a (48) Minimum Order and hats (12) minimum as they are Custom to our Club and YOUR Car!

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Spouse / Friend: _____ Birthday: _____

Wedding Anniversary (if applicable): _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Today's Date _____

New _____ Renewal _____

Make checks payable to: MGCC of Western NY

Mail form and payment to:

Paul Osborne 7379 E Main St Lima NY 14485

Classified Ads

(Please inform the editor when your ad should be removed)

For Sale: 1994 Morgan Plus 8 5-speed V8 approximately 5,000 miles, two-tone color Bordeaux & Beige. Asking \$65,000

2012 American Hauler Trailer, 8.5 x20 ft. ,all aluminum, steel frame, twin extra-heavy axle, top all one piece of aluminum, headliner & walls all finished off. 2-12 volt lights inside. Ramp on stern. Asking \$5,000

Contact Ginny Fowler 315-945-4390 or
JD Fowler 315-945-4197

For Sale: 4 MGA 15" wire wheels, the wheels are powder coated the correct warm silver and still in good shape. Three of the wire wheels are mounted on Kuhmo 16580R15 tires that have tread left. One wheel is mounted on a Michelin XZX 16515R tire. The matching Kuhmo tire is available. Asking \$40.00 for each wheel/tire combination. **Price Reduced to 20.00 for each wire wheel/tire combination.**

Please contact Jeff Langswager:
cell: 585 727 7129 or
mgamaniac@gmail.com.

For Sale: 1969 Spitfire Mark III roadster. Barn find after 25 years. Clean title. 1300cc engine runs; Solid body, with some work needed to repaint. Will need the usual brake hoses and hydraulic work. Has wire wheels. Missing its seats and front bumper. Inexpensive starter project for \$1000.

Call George at 585-872-6536

For Sale: Miscellaneous XPAG engine parts and 2 hubcaps for MGTD. Intake and Exhaust manifolds. Both cleaned and painted. - \$20

Starter motor. Working but could use a rebuild. Moss Motors gets a \$200 core charge for a new motor. - \$100

Hubcaps are original/not replacement. - \$30

Contact allyn@mgcarclub.com 585-924-5251

For Sale: 1973 MGBGT
Solid car with overdrive. In storage for 20+ years

Call Gary: (585) 464-9482

For Sale: 1967 MGB GT. Overhauled engine and body. 4-year old restoration. Runs better than new. Headliner is all that's left to repair. Dennis Gaebel.com"

For Sale: 1976 & 1977 MGBs, both need work to start them

Contact Claude Fedele @ sfedele@rochester.rr.com
or 585-899-9388

For Sale: 1974 JENSEN HEALEY, California car, 53,000. Mi.



Runs great, no rust, never seen salt, undercoated, recent tires and tonneau cover. As is \$6,000.00, Located in Clayton, NY 13624. We have lots of pictures

Contact: my3crows@hughes.net
or 1-315-408-1836

For Sale: Special frame designed for all MGB components. This frame was originally designed for the TF 1800 that was made in Farmington. All MGB mechanical components fit the frame and I was going to make a "Special" with all the extra MGB parts I have and fabricate a Lotus 7 type body around it. Asking \$150.

Contact Dick Powers: mgahmogca@rpa.net or at 585-410-4500.

For Sale: Completely restored 1973 MGB Tourer. Black Tulip exterior with light grey interior and top. This MG has a Borg-Warner automatic transmission like the factory produced in the 1972-1974 period.

Call Bill Rampe at 330-1661 or wrampe@yahoo.com

For Sale: Color Wiring Diagrams 11x17 size; many cars to choose from \$17.95. Further details at www.colorwiringdiagrams.com

For Sale 1979 MGB convertible, British Racing Green, 4cyl/4speed. New tires and brakes last season. Runs good and drives good. Solid, tight car. Asking \$6,500 or Best Offer. I have owned it for 17 years and live 1/2 mile from British Auto so they took good care of it. 120,000 miles. I can be reached at kester05@aol.com or 585.784.0072. and live in West Walworth, Macedon NY

For Sale: 1962 MGA 1600 Mark II
This car is in very good condition located in VA.. Verona Red with tan top and interior, no rust, original 1622 motor, good tires, mechanically sound. Asking \$25K.

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2020 Calendar of Events

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the calendar of events is changing frequently.
Thus, monthly publication of the calendar in *Spokes* has been suspended.

For the latest information and details visit
<https://mgcarclub.com/calendar> or
see elsewhere in *Spokes*.