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Burgundy Basin Inn  
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*The Marque of Friendship*

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## Chairman's Corner

Dan Suter

**B**Y THE TIME YOU READ THIS, OUR CAR SHOW will be done. By all indications, we are headed to a successful day: a good number of registrations are flowing in, and the various teams coordinating activities, including site, registration, show field, and judging, are in good shape. THANK YOU to everyone who has participated to make this a success.

My MGA project is tantalizingly close to completion. We are now done with all exterior and mechanical items for the car and are concentrating on the remaining tasks for the interior. The 2nd windshield (correct thickness and curvature) arrived from California and has been fitted. I have paid extra attention to caulk-sealing the floorboards and installing heat insulation prior to the carpeting. Who knew that a 'carpet kit' could need so much adjustment to fit properly? It is coming out nicely, however. The vinyl-covered dashboard will be installed in the next several days. Lastly, while the grey tonneau cover has arrived (yay, it's beautiful!) the convertible top seems to be on its way from England via rowboat.

We are well into the driving season, so let's make the most of it. I look forward to seeing many of you at our various summer events. Enjoy!

—Dan



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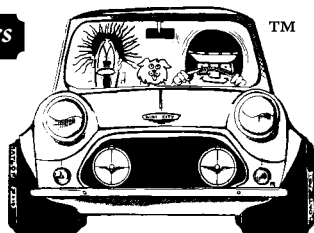
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## The Herald

Allen Hess

**T**HE DRIVING SEASON IN WESTERN NEW YORK IS HERE. There are a half dozen car shows on Father's Day weekend—not to mention what the family might have in mind to honor Dad. This Spokes is full stories and photos of recent club events: the Spring Fling Tour, the Tune Up Clinic and the 50th Anniversary Rallye. You can find the ads for the aforementioned Father's Day events as well as those for a busy July.



*High School graduation, June 1968, Dayton, Ohio*

I've enjoyed all of the recollections that people have sent to the Spokes about their first cars and younger days, most recently Joe DeBlaere's. Last August or September I drove my TR to the meeting. Sue Keppeler arrived in her MGA and parked nearby. As she progressed down the line of cars, she asked me "how long have you had that?" Forty years I replied—she didn't believe me. "It's true" I replied but she went on seeming sure that I was kidding.

I knew that I had this picture and when I found it not too long ago, I decided to save it for the June issue (it's dated June 1968). With June comes graduation and a million more Kodak Moments like this. Without having to dig out the bill of sale and Ohio registration, I hope that this is sufficient evidence for Sue.

—TRIUMPH



## Activities

Mike and Sue Harrison

**T**HE SPRING TUNE-UP CLINIC on May 10 was well attended with over 20 members there to work on their cars and/or offer advice and encouragement. Thanks to George Haynes for heading up this annual event.\* By the time you receive this Spokes, our Vintage Auto Festival of June 1 will be history. Hopefully the weather was fine, the turnout of cars and spectators was tremendous and a good time was had by all. Full coverage in next issue. If you plan to attend the Multi-club Meet in Canada on June 14, check elsewhere in Spokes for details. Our LapNLunch program at Watkins Glen International is a go for June 29. See more information in this issue.

Activities for July include the Vintage Wine and Wheels Car Show and Barbeque at Deer Run Winery on July 12 and our first Autocross at MCC on July 20. Those interested in attending the Centennial Celebration of the New York to Paris Car Race being held in Springville, NY should contact Jim Priestley for directions.

—MGB GT

\*[and thanks to Susan and Mike for the coffee and donuts.]

## Lap & Lunch

Sunday June 29th, 11:00 AM

Watkins Glen International Race Track

Three laps on the track \$15.00 per car

Lunch \$17.00 per person

*Victory Circle Deli includes Turkey, Ham, Hard Salami, Cheeses, Lettuce & Tomato, Bread & Rolls, Macaroni Salad, Potato Chips, Cookies, Soft Drinks, Tea & Coffee*

Please bring Full Payment to the June meeting or mail a check by June 21, payable to Susan Harrison

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## The 2nd Annual Multi-Club Picnic Saturday June 14, 2008

Queenston Heights Park (Queenston, Ontario, just near Niagara Falls).

The event starts at 10:00am and runs until 4:00pm.

It will feature lots of activities including:  
Valve Cover Racing, Funkhana, Car Show And Picnicking.  
**Bring a picnic or there is a restaurant in the park**

This event is aimed only at sports car enthusiasts and guests. It is not being promoted as an event for spectators. This is your opportunity to meet new friends from all over the Great Lakes area with a love for our cars. There are six clubs involved.

There is a \$5 PER CAR charge at the gate for the park rental fees.

Pre-registration is not required but it will be nice to know how many to expect. There is a web page at <http://www.mgcarclub.com/multiclubpicnic> where you can signup. Valve Cover Racing rules, map and information about Queenston Park at this website.



# MGCC Minutes of the Meeting

Michael Goodwin

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May 15, 2008

Call to order- 7:37 PM

**Minutes of last meeting WERE NOT accepted as written and printed in SPOKES.** Rather, it was pointed out that there were three occasions in the Activities report in which “Dave Wild” was mistakenly represented as “Dave Chase”. It is at the Wild’s that the stuffing party will be held; it was Dave Wild who noted that the Auto Festival is the Club’s largest event, and it was Dave Wild as well that spoke about the September Vintage Auto Racing Weekend at Watkins Glen. The Secretary apologizes to the Wilds, Chases, and any other affected. The minutes were accepted with these corrections.

**New members and guests** – Ed Cain, Maria Paris and Garret Hoehn introduced themselves as guests. One new member, Mike Wright, and a returning member, Karl Burkhardt, introduced themselves.

**Activities** – Mike and Sue Harrison reported on recent Club events, including the Spring Fling, Old Time Rally, Live in the Lot and the Spring Tune-up Clinic. Thanks to the organizers and other workers at these events.

Further, Mike and Sue reported on the upcoming stuffing part (at Barb and Dave Wild’s), the Car Show, the Multi-Club Picnic, Laps and Lunch at Watkins Glen, Autocross, and other car shows and car-related gatherings (including the New York to Paris Centennial Celebrations in Springville, NY, about which brochures were made available by Jim Priestley). The Club is still looking for volunteers to lead a couple of these events. Please contact Mike and Sue if interested in helping.

As always, please see elsewhere in *Spokes* for details on may of these events.

**Treasurer’s Report** - No report.

**Membership** – Jim Priestley echoed the welcoming of the two new members at tonight’s meeting, and noted that up-to-date membership lists are now available.

**Regalia** – Doug Scribner presented the “very best selection of warm weather clothing”, some with 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logos and lots more. Regalia spared a bit of room on their tables for special springtime freebies from Elaine Hess.

**SPOKES** – Allen Hess reminded us all that *Spokes* contributions are due one week after each regular meeting. Allen expressed a plea for articles and/or photos related to the early days of the Club. He also reminded us that *Spokes* will need a new editor soon, and assured potential volunteers that if they have a computer and email, he will “teach you all you need to know”.

**Vice Chair** – The Vice-Chair, Mr. Dan Goodwin, reported that he and Hollis Hames are looking for helpers

for the “Help! (with a project)” initiative. If you have some expertise and can volunteer to give a bit of time helping Club members complete their projects to keep their cars on the road (or get them there), please volunteer. Dan noted some success in lining up some support for one project that’s underway.

**Car Show** - Dick Powers reported on progress of the preparations and planning. He asked for volunteers in any capacity. He noted that once again, Chris and Eileen Williams will host an after-show party, and Dick expressed his gratitude and praise for their generosity and hospitality. Dick further noted that chickens will be sacrificed at DiPacific’s in Canandaigua this year. Dave Wild gave a bit more info about the envelope stuffing party. Arnold VanDenburgh offered a spot for volunteers to help with field preparations. George Herschell reported on the successful program ad sales by a few Club members, but noted that ad sales were down this year and expressed his wishes that more people would get engaged in this effort. Jim Priestley encouraged all members to register their own cars for the show. Bob Tescione reported that arrangements for Car Show judges are moving along just fine.

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee** – Dan Suter mentioned the upcoming August Wagonjack and September banquet arrangements are proceeding smoothly.

**England** – Liaison George Herschell reported that *Safety Fast!* Reported on our club’s 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**Librarian** – Al Costich reported that tapes are coming and going, that he’s arranging to acquire some new materials, and that library materials already available are listed on the club’s website.

**Trustee and Website Report** - Leon Zak reported that the website is working well.

**Old Business and Goings-on with Car Projects**– Mike Goodwin reported on his recent engine pull. He thanked those who gave help and advice, and expects to have his B back on the road before the Car Show. Al Costich reported on his Triumph’s electrical situation, and said he’s looking forward to rewiring. Dick Rzepkowski reported on his son-in-law’s Mustang repair needs, and noted this was too big for the Tune-up Clinic. George Herschell found that Nancy’s chair INDEED fits into the boot of the MGB. Everyone is happy that George gets to drive the MG and that Nancy doesn’t have to be towed along behind. Dan Suter said his MGA is now incredibly close to getting on the road.

**New Business** – None

**Cars and Parts for Sale** – None

**Miscellaneous Comments** – None

**Door Prizes** – Lucky members won bottles of wine, T-shirts, car-cleaning stuff and more.

**Adjournment** - The business portion of the meeting was

# Meeting Attendance

May 15, 2008

Betty Langswager  
Gil Langswager  
Frank Stepanik  
Carl Prouty  
Becky Schaefer  
Chuck Schaefer  
Barb Wild  
Dave Wild  
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Ken Heusler  
David Leete  
Paul Wheeler  
Marlene Rzepkowski  
Dick Rzepkowski  
Dick Powers  
Scott Schipper  
Loren DeVries  
Al Fink  
Karl Burkhardt

Guests:  
Maria Paris  
Ed Cain  
Garrett Hoehn  
Bill Brorein

adjourned at 8:38 PM. The meeting was followed by Dave Wild's special presentation of a DVD entitled "A Look at Sports Car Racing", a documentary originally produced by Dave and others, first released on 8 mm film in 1964. The film was shot in 1963 and 1964 at Watkins Glen, Dunkirk Airfield and elsewhere. Much of the footage was shot from a camera mounted on the roll bar of Dave's Elva.

—MGB

*Gary Sandusky writes that his TD took First place at the Spring GoF (Gathering of the Faithful). The Texas MG Register's web site is: [www.tmgr.org](http://www.tmgr.org)*

## Somebody Help Me! Can You Help?

Dan Goodwin and Hollis Hames are coordinating a "helpline" for members in need of assistance with car projects. Volunteers are asked to contact them with information on availability and areas of expertise.

Once the pool is established, Dan and Hollis will try to match frustrated mechanics to one or more members from the pool of those with experience.

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Hollis Hames  
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# Spring Fling Tour

Cindy and Doug Jack

The day of the MGCC Spring Fling Tour started off on a coolish but sunny note. At the start, the temperature was in the 40s and went up to 65 later on in the day. The group consisted of forty people and twenty cars.

After leaving the Garden Factory, the first stop was the Cobblestone Society Museum in Childs. We toured four cobblestone buildings and heard several talks peppered with amusing anecdotes by Bill Lattin. The second leg of the tour took us on a leisurely southern route through the

NYS rolling countryside. The green foliage was starting to show profusely and we saw several early birds at the Stafford Country Club.

The second stop was the Avon Inn in Avon. There, we enjoyed the Avon Inn hospitality and ambience of the sunny dining room, along with a delightful brunch. Every body was very congenial and best of all, there were no car breakdowns on the tour. ◀



*Twenty cars on the tour*

—M & S Goodwin



*Arrival at the historical society*

—Allen Hess



*Cobblestone Universalist Church 1834*

—Allen Hess



*Bill Lattin talks about the church*

—M & S Goodwin



*Inside the church*

—Allen Hess



—M & S Goodwin





*Medicinal remedies*

—Allen Hess



*A short walk to the school*

—Allen Hess



—M & S Goodwin



*Boys entry on the left, girls on the right.*

—M & S Goodwin



—Allen Hess



*Class in session*

—Allen Hess



*School house library*

—Allen Hess



*"It's this much shorter than a Mini." [14" says Carl]*

—Allen Hess

# 2008 Autocross • 3 Part-Series

July 20<sup>th</sup> Novice School

August 10<sup>th</sup>

September 28<sup>th</sup>

Monroe Community College

Park in Parking lot M-1, Course on lot G

Time: Tech Inspection 9:15-9:45AM

Meeting and Walk Through: 9:45-10:15AM

First car off by 10:30 AM

Members \$10, Non-Members \$20

Novice Instructors and Tech Inspectors Needed

Course Ideas and prize ideas/donations welcome

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*What do these three vehicles have in common?!*



## Great Race Centennial Weekend

*July 25-27*

*Springville, New York*

<http://www.townofconcordnyhistoricalsociety.org/GreatRace/celebration.htm>

Springville is about 80 miles via local roads or 100 miles via the Thruway from Rochester (S-SE of Buffalo)

**Friday** – Great Auto Race Exhibition at Bob Johnson Motors Showroom, 195 West Main Street.

**Saturday** – Gun competition at Springville Field and Stream, White Street; Antique car parade by Genesee Valley Antique Auto Club; Dedication of George Schuster historical marker, 74 North Buffalo Street; Great Auto Race Exhibition (see Friday); film “The Great Race” at Joylan Theater, 11 West Main Street; Community BBQ featuring a presentation by Schuster’s great-grandson, Jeff Mahl at Springville-Griffith Institute High School, 290 North Buffalo Street.

**Sunday** – Vintage auto tour down North Buffalo Street;  
Film “The Greatest Auto Race on Earth” at Joylan Theater,  
11 West Main Street;  
Genesee Valley Antique Auto Club ‘People’s Choice Award.







Doug Scribner gets out the tools —M. Harrison



J. MacDonald, T. LeStrange, T. Glanville —MH



Dick Powers & Dave Wild —Mike Harrison

## Tune Up Clinic



Alan Costich and Scott Hill



J. Thompson, L. Rausch, J. MacDonald —MH



F. Stepanik (on floor) R. Gunther, Sue Harrison



Hollis Hames, Gil & Dan Goodwin —MH



Tom Glanville, Jeff Kath —Allen Hess



George Haynes and Hollis Hames' "new" MGB

—Mike Harrison



# MGCC 50th Anniversary Rallye

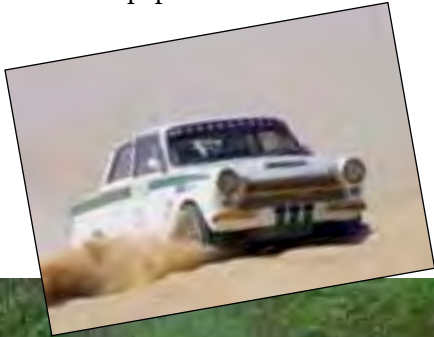
Dave Asmuth, Bob Barker, Mike Harrison

## MY FIRST RALLY

—John Suter, age 10.

My dad asked me to join the rally because his partner had to cancel. At first I didn't want to go. Then I decided to go and be the navigator.

So we drove out to Ontario and we parked and got our number and directions. We were #2. Then we took off and started driving. I was giving directions and writing down odometer numbers on the paper.



Dan Suter's "Lotus Cortina, uh . . . Contour"

—Bob Barker

The green Mini passed us at one point but they missed a turn and we made it. All we had to worry about now was the white MGB. The Mini got behind us, so we pulled over and let them go.

We got to the last checkpoint at Chimney Bluff Park and we decided to get going early. Finally we reached our destination at Connelly's Cove. We were joined by the white MGB, the green Mini, and finally the blue Jeep. There we ate lunch and waited for the big moment. After lunch Mr. Asmuth got up and started to announce the results. The blue car came in fourth, the Mini came in third, and then it was between us and the white MGB. Someone handed Mr. Asmuth the envelope and he announced the 2nd place winner. It was the white MGB, and then we knew the first place winner had to be us!

I thought my first rally was really fun. In the future I would like to do a couple more rallies. ◀

## OK — I AM NOT SMARTER THAN A FIFTH GRADER

—Elaine Hess

One of the attractions of getting a BFA at an art school was that there were no math requirements. So, when Allen said the 50th anniversary kick off event would be a traditional time, speed and distance rallye my heart sank a bit. In fact, we had run one 35 years ago, but we were dating then so of course we were very polite to each other. In preparation for this event, I read *The Navigator by Dick Coleman* in the April Spokes which didn't give me confidence or sooth my nerves much. Allen made up log sheets, found our calculator (no we didn't bring a slide rule) while looking for something else, but couldn't find the compass he was sure we had. April arrived, Allen worked to get the MG out of mothballs, and we agreed not to argue as we drove towards Webster on a chilly but beautiful May morning.



Participants and Rallymasters at the ready

—Allen Hess

For the first time ever, we were the first car to arrive at an event. Since I usually watch the way the first car turns so I know our first move, I wasn't so sure being number one was an advantage. Happily, there was a slight change in the starting point, so Dave Asmuth told me what the first turn should be and I began to feel more hopeful. Shortly after us Dan Suter arrived with his son John in their Walter Mitty Lotus Cortina (aka Ford Contour) then Chad D'Angelo and Paul Schroeder II arrived in Chad's 1964 Morris Mini. Given all the work the organizers had put into the event, we were all disappointed that only three teams were running. But I was happy to be guaranteed a third place finish.

Dave waved Allen and I out at 9 AM. At about instruction number five, I began to understand how it all worked, and the drive became a lot more enjoyable. A few miles later Allen began to explain how I could do the calcula-

tions to the tenths in my head. I told him it wasn't going to happen, relaxed and began to enjoy the scenery.

The myriad of early spring greens and apple orchards beginning to bloom were beautiful indeed. Every time I looked up from the instructions there was a new vista that I wished we could stop and photograph. Allen liked the scenery, but he really began to smile whenever we turned onto one of the "great rallye roads" Dave had told us about before the race began. "Just great roads to drive" he had said and he was right.



Sue and Dan, Dave Asmuth gives instructions to Paul. —Allen Hess

At the first check point — a 15 minute break — I calculated that we had just enough time to use the rest room and then we had to get back on the road. I also found out that Alan Costich and Penny Schroeder had arrived to race after we had left. My heart sank a bit thinking of ending in fourth place. At check point two I thought that we were ahead and made Allen drive the last 500 feet at a snail's pace. My calculations were still more guess than mathematical deter-



Synchronize watches with Dave's WWII timepiece —Allen Hess

minations, but I felt like I was actually getting the hang of things. As we left the Chimney Bluffs parking lot my insecurity must have shown because Bob Barker, one of Dave's co-conspirators whispered, "You're doing fine."

Shortly before the end it seemed very likely that we were lost. I was heartened by the fact that the Morris Mini suddenly appeared behind us because I figured we couldn't both be lost. I instantly realized the fallacy in my thinking but as it turned out we were on course. Again I thought we were running fast, but as I was telling Allen to go very, very slow, the Mini zipped (well sort of zipped) past us. My confidence was shattered. But then Connelly's Cove and the last checkpoint manned by Gil and Betty came into view and thoughts of time, speed and distance quickly shifted to thoughts of lunch. We all shared tales of our drive over a very good lunch followed by the award ceremony. As Dan and John were presented their trophy for first place I asked John what grade he was in. "Fifth" was his answer. I should have guessed — none of us ever had a chance.



Bob Barker sends Chad and Paul off. —Dick Powers

In all honesty, I had more fun than I do on an 'answer the questions' rallye—we didn't have to back up once to get needed information. As we got near the end of the race, I found myself wanting to run another TSD rallye to improve my skills. Thus, I have a proposal for the beginning of our 51st year. Next May I hope Dave, Bob and the Harrison's will consider offering the very same rallye again so that perhaps 20 more teams can find out just how much fun this kind of racing is. Forget your math anxiety and join in the fun. Best of all John will be in sixth grade. ◀

—more photos continued on next page





*Made it to Check Point 1!*

—Bob Barker



*The Green Mini arrives Check Point 1*

—Bob Barker



*Dan and John refreshed after arriving Check Point 1*

—Bob Barker



*And we're off for the second leg.*

—Bob Barker



*"We're early, slow down . . . no stop!"*

—Bob Barker



*Star Asmuth, Sue and Mike Harrison, Check Point 2*

—Allen Hess



*Betty and Gil Langswager, Check Point 4*

—Bob Barker



*Waiting for the last car*

—Dick Powers





"They should be here by now . . ."

—Allen Hess



Car 4 arrives—Let's go eat.

—Allen Hess



Shelia Barker, Sue & Mike, Star Asmuth

—Bob Barker



Elaine, Betty & Gil, Penny & Alan, Dan & John

—Allen Hess



Penny Schroeder & Alan Costich, 4th Place. Dave Asmuth

—Allen Hess



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A Great Time was had by all.

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# Cameron Argetsinger 1921 2008

Dick Powers

On April 22nd, Cameron Argetsinger, the genius that made Watkins Glen synonymous with world class racing, passed away at his home in Burdette, NY. He was 87 and is survived by his wife of 67 years, Jean, nine children, 15 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.



Cameron Argetsinger 2005 —Ade Ketchum

The Tierno's and I attended his funeral Mass at St. Mary's on the Lake and heard John Bishop, founder of the International Motor Sports Association (IMSA), share memories of Cameron and his many contributions to racing. For the record, Cameron Argetsinger was the person who planned and organized the first post-war American road race, the Watkins Glen Grand Prix, on October 2, 1948 or "The Day They Stopped the Trains." Argetsinger brought full international racing to the Glen in 1958 and, from 1961-1980, the Formula 1 US Grand Prix. He also was executive director of the SCCA, vice president of Chaparral Cars, commissioner of IMSA and, from 2002-2007, president of the International Motor Racing Research Center. One or two of these accomplishments would be Hall of Fame material; and in 2005, he was part of the first group to be inducted into the SCCA Hall of Fame.

Argetsinger, a lawyer and Cornell graduate, had the vision and organizational skills that made the

Glen the wonderful racing venue we enjoy. But along with that, he was a racer at heart with his first race being the '48 Watkins Glen GP racing his MG TC. His last race was at Sebring in 1960 where he raced an Alfa Romeo Veloce. In between, he raced a Healey Silverstone, Ardent Alligator (Ford/Riley), Jag XK 120M and a Mercedes 300 SL, among others.

I had a chance to meet with him in 2004 while organizing the MGVR 50th Anniversary of the Collier Cup. He was keenly interested in that event and fondly remembered racing his TC in '48. He even asked for help finding that car and since he had all the numbers, we were able to trace it to Florida.

The Langswager's also have memories of Argetsinger. Gil said he was so impressed with the way we ran our All MG races, that he wanted our WNYMGCC to run the Concours at the Glen. Gil and Gordy Rogers met with Argetsinger and a three year contract was drawn up.

But I think it was Betty who really sealed the Concours deal. At our All

MG races, Betty was at the entry gate and remembers: "A man drove up in a white Cadillac convertible. I asked him for a ticket or credentials, but he didn't have any. I told him he couldn't come in without them. About 20 minutes later, he returned with what he needed and I let him in. It was only much later that I realized it was Cameron Argetsinger!" I'm sure after "meeting" Betty, Argetsinger knew our MGCC was the club to do the Concours at the Glen.

At the funeral Mass, the Tierno's and I heard about a side of Argetsinger that few knew. His grandson, Tom Kanaley, told us in a most beautiful and eloquent way, how important family was to Cameron Argetsinger. His family, I believe, was more important than all his racing accomplishments combined.

By putting everything in motion back in 1948, Cameron Argetsinger changed Watkins Glen forever and perhaps the lives of many in our club. I know he did for me.

Long may his memory be with us. <



Argetsinger in MGTC 1948 Watkins Glen GP

—Ade Ketchum-Motorace Graphics



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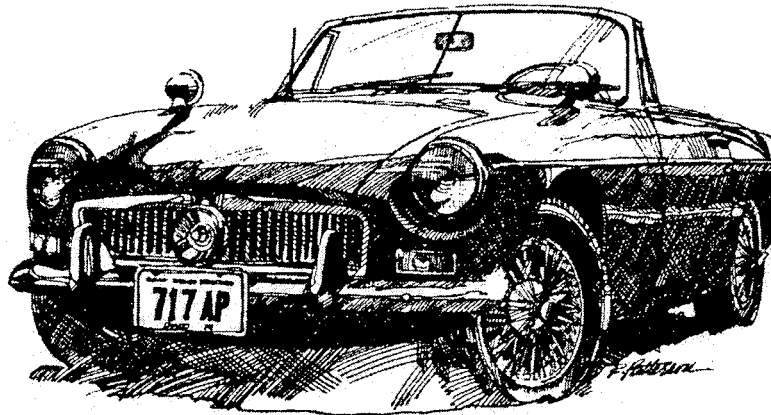
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Jay Lockrow



Good grief! Petrol is approaching four dollars a gallon. If it hasn't already gotten to that price by the time you read this I will be surprised. In a way I have to chuckle a little because for so many years we in the US had really cheap petrol while the rest of the world that had automobiles choked at four dollars per Imperial Gallon. You must recall seeing pictures of England, Japan and dozens of other countries with throngs on motorcycles and scooters. All this time that we were enjoying cheap petrol how many of you put up with the fact that we were looked down upon because we were driving small English or European cars with four cylinder engines that gave us better mileage. I have had six cylinder cars like my TR6 and Plymouth Duster but for all those years I had economical four cylinder cars. To this day I have never owned a car with a V8 engine. The closest I came was when I got married some thirty years ago my wife had a Buick Skylark with a V8. After that died we had a four cylinder.

Like so many people many of my friends (With Chevy V8 and Ford V8s) looked at me with question marks in their heads. Why would anyone get a four cylinder when you could get a hulking V8 with tons of torque and top speeds of over the century mark? Well I guess I'm a cheap son of a gun and now it has finally come to be that all along I was doing the right thing. What so many of these friends did not realize was that in many countries, like England, petrol was always very expensive compared with the US. When I was in England back in 1974 even then I was amazed at the price per Imperial gallon. People were still using motorcycles and scooters and walking to the market instead of driving.

Learning how to drive on something like a Morris, VW, Opel or any of the dozens of makes that appeared on our

shores would have made a lot better drivers out of those that learned to drive on a V8 automagic.

Take the Morris Minor for example, a little four cylinder engine married to a four speed gearbox and you can get upwards of forty miles to the gallon. Driven properly you might even get a little more. I learned to drive in the driveway on an MG TC and later a Volkswagen with a four speed box. Learning how to "row" a thirty six horsepower VW up and down the hills of Ithaca NY made you attuned to keeping the RPM's up and learning how to downshift to get up the hills. Also, for example, coming across a road like route 20A you come down off one hill and get the RPM's up so you can get halfway up the next before you have to downshift. You don't just keep it in fourth gear and lug it up the hills. You LEARN how to drive properly and get the most out of the car with a small displacement engine unless of course you have some character in front of you that insists on doing forty miles an hour all the time.

In the states people are always in a hurry to go nowhere. Here in the states they are talking about mandating something like thirty six to forty miles to the gallon for the automakers. This is fine but some people will never learn to drive properly no matter what sort of vehicle you put them in.

Also let's not forget that V8s are here to stay. If for example you are towing a race car, boat, horses or a trailer full of drugs you need the flexibility of a V8 and most four cylinders will not haul those sorts of loads with the exception of some diesels and that fuel is now more expensive than petrol. The main thing is to learn how to get the most out of your vehicle without wasting fuel. After all whiskey used to be more expensive but the way things age going we might be running our vehicles on Jack Daniels. ◀



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 15 Bill & Kathy Rampe  
 16 James & Mary Hanrahan  
 16 Will & Karen Salisbury  
 16 Norman & Charlotte Wright  
 21 Gil & Betty Langswager  
 22 Jeff & Janice Zorn  
 23 Jon & Patricia Richter  
 29 John & Shirley Forrester  
 29 Dick & Marlene Rzepkowski

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

1 Jim Colegrove  
 2 Barb Fink  
 2 Pat Sangster  
 3 Carol Newman  
 4 Peggi Heissenberger  
 7 Tom LeStrange  
 7 Lee Rush  
 7 John Spencer  
 7 Bob Welch  
 7 John Zoltner  
 8 Russell Daykin  
 9 Tim Rizzo  
 10 Julie Smith  
 11 Dan Burke  
 14 Dave Wild  
 15 Bernard Calkins  
 18 Peggy Haefner  
 20 Robert Gibbin  
 20 Beverly Haynes  
 23 Suzanne Glanville  
 24 Deb Russell  
 25 Hermey Lovell  
 30 Rory Raymond  
 30 Cheryl Asmuth  
 30 Susan Goodwin

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVERYONE!!**

**JULY ANNIVERSARIES**

1 Allyn & Phyllis Wagner  
 7 Keith & Jane Gaylo  
 8 Bob & Wendy Austin  
 17 Bill & Kathleen Greer  
 19 Don & Linda McConnell  
 23 David & Jane Schantz  
 23 Donald & Mary Sweeney  
 25 David & Kim Avery  
 25 Bill & Linda Bethune  
 25 Jim & Kathy Walsh

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

**Karl & Paula Burkhardt**  
 18 Cedarwood Drive  
 Fairport, NY 14450-9010  
 585-223-2709  
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**Chris & Deb Russell**  
 45 Rosemont Circle  
 Rochester, NY 14617-4758  
 585-544-7894  
 1976 MG MIDGET, 1924 FORD  
 MODEL T

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

**Michael Wright**  
 175 Parma Center Road  
 Hilton, NY 14468  
 585-392-4405  
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*Members prices*

**NEW— 50TH Anniversary Clothing**

Also available is a wide selection of clothing items  
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Name Badges w/MG . . . . . 15.00

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Vehicle Log Book . . . . . 6.00

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Annual Family Membership Dues \$30.00 — All memberships expire December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Friend \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Wedding Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip+4 \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_ New ☐ or Renewal ☐

Cars owned & Year \_\_\_\_\_

Club Interests: Racing ☐ Gymkhana ☐ Rallye ☐ Restoration ☐ Car Show ☐ Social ☐ Touring ☐ Other ☐

Other hobbies, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Available for Roadside Help? No ☐ Yes ☐ Days ☐ Evenings ☐ Nights ☐ Weekends ☐

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Jim Priestley  
3326 County Road 40  
Bloomfield, NY 14669

# MG Car Club Western New York Centre      Calendar of Events 2008

*For the latest information visit our web site [mgcarclub.com](http://mgcarclub.com)*

<b>January</b>  3 Board Meeting 13 Wine & Cheese, Valve Cover Races 17 Meeting	<b>February</b>  10 Go Kart Races 21 Meeting	<b>March</b>  2 Steak Roast & Auction 6 Board Meeting 20 Meeting 30 Swing Into Spring	<b>April</b>  17 Meeting, Basket Auction 27 Spring Fling Tour
<b>May</b>  1 Board Meeting 3 50th Rallye 10 Tune-up Clinic 15 Meeting 28 Stuffing Party	<b>June</b>  1 Vintage Auto Festival 14 Multi-club meet, Canada 13-15 Hildene Car Show 19 Meeting 29 Lap 'n Lunch	<b>July</b>  3 Board Meeting 12 Wine & Wheels Show 13 GVACS Car Show (RIT) 17 Meeting 20 Autocross 1	<b>August</b>  10 Autocross 2 17 Wagonjack Picnic 21 Meeting
<b>September</b>  4 Board Meeting 5-7 Watkins Glen 16 Meeting 27 50th Anniv. Banquet 28 Autocross 3	<b>October</b>  5 Fall Foliage Tour Garage Tour 16 Meeting 25 Halloween Rallye	<b>November</b>  6 Board Meeting 9 Yacht Club Brunch 15 Garage Tour 20 Meeting — Elections	<b>December</b>  13 Holiday Party No Meeting

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