

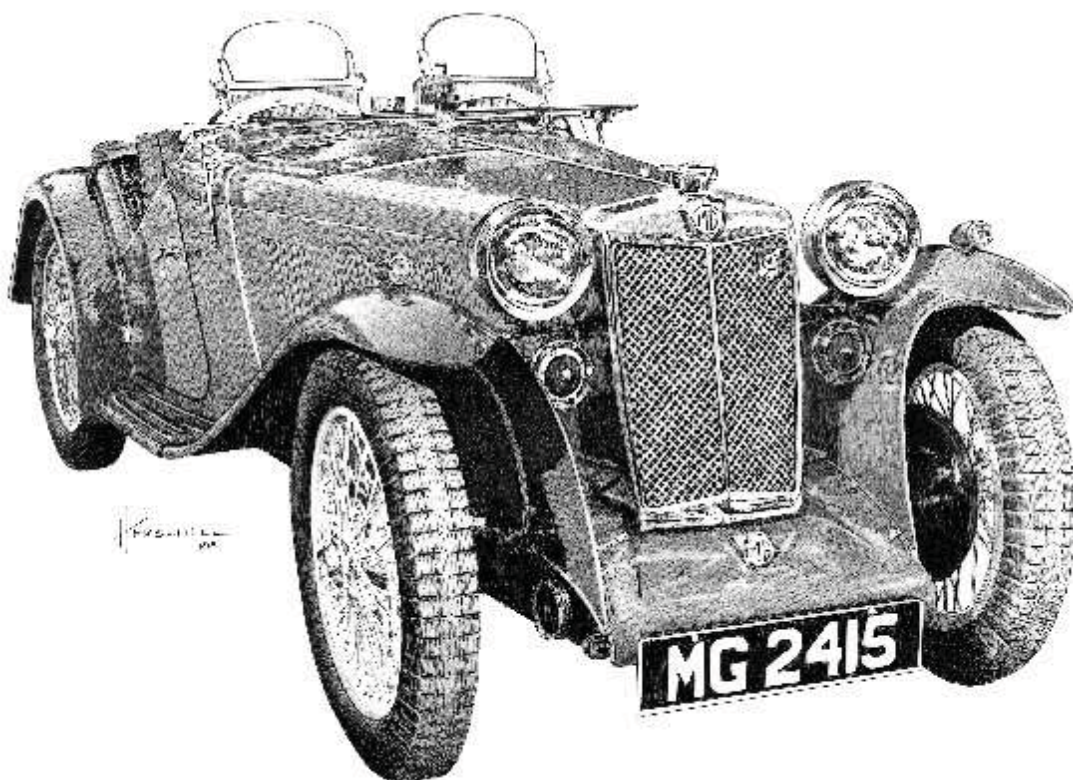
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Chairman's Corner

Dan Suter

Greetings, everyone. As this is written, the sports car days of 2009 are winding down. Possibly my theme this Fall might be, "**On the Road Again**" as our family has visited universities over many weekends in our daughter's college search. I missed an opportunity to take the TD out for a ride today which I am now regretting. The tops are 'up' on both cars for the winter but hopefully there will be a few more days to enjoy behind the wheel.

THANK YOU to all the volunteers who have stepped up to take on roles in 2010. There is one position for the 2010 Board that did ***not yet*** bring forth a volunteer as of the October business meeting (where we traditionally announce and accept nominations)—the position of Secretary. It is my hope that we can have someone step forward before, or at, the November meeting so that we can have an orderly transfer of responsibilities to the 2010 team. Throughout my time on the Board ('90, '96-'97, and '06-'09 this time) I have ranged from mildly surprised to flat-out amazed at the variety of tasks that members quietly do for the club, year after year.

However, I am also reminded of the story I have heard about the Canadian geese as they fly south for the winter: the geese in the V-formation are quacking encouragement to the leader of the formation (who has to work harder as he/she has no aerodynamic 'draft' that those farther back in the V enjoy). In fact, the geese are said to regularly rotate to the front to take turns.

The link to our MGCC Centre is clear: to continue to flourish, we need to keep a spirit of members continuing to step in and do the various jobs that keep the club successful in meeting the needs of the members.

Elsewhere in this issue, you will find our remaining 2009 events including the Garage Tour, the Brunch event, and Holiday Party. Each of these are always popular, so be sure to sign up and enjoy.

See you at the November meeting!

MAKE A NOTE NOW!
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MGBruce

Don McConnell

Well it is November and that means the end of another year is close at hand. As we head to winter hibernation of our your beautiful sports car hopefully we have plans for the rehabilitation of those problems that have crept up during the driving season. My rehabilitation has been sills (that is for my car) there is no way to rehabilitate me. If I could only see parts going on to the car I would feel like I am winning. Soon!!! The other thing is the Sheriff did not need to go and confiscate any non-enjoyed sports cars. Thank you for enjoying them.

I hope you have noticed the little changes to the Spokes. One is the "Coming Events Page" just a place to gather events that are upcoming. We will see how it goes when we have a lot of events.

I just realized this is my 6th issue already. Hopefully I have not created any enemies only patient and understanding people. Thank You to all for your words of encouragement believe me it is appreciated. As I get use to doing this a little more I will venture out with my creativity especially on the picture pages.

November is the month for giving thanks. So I shall start by saying I am thankful for a great wife and kids also some great new friends in the car club Enjoy your November.

Don



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Activities

Mike and Sue Harrison

On OCTOBER 4, Sunday, the final Autocross was held and thanks to Julie Daykin for offering to handle all the arrangements for this event in 2010. Volunteers like her make the Activities Director job so much easier.

The OCTOBER 11 Fall Tour was held on a great Fall day and enjoyed by a large crowd. Thanks to the Rizzos for making this possible.

By the time you get this issue our Halloween Costume Party and Chili-Cookoff will be a thing of the past and all the costumes and decorations will be packed away for another year. Thanks to the club members who helped with decorating and cooking for this event, especially the Hess's who made the initial plans and reserved such a comfortable location. See photos elsewhere or on the club website.

Sunday, NOVEMBER 8 the Brunch at the Rochester Yacht Club was enjoyed by all who partook of this feast. Thanks to the Faust's for hosting this party.

This year's Garage Tour will be on Saturday, NOVEMBER 14. Look on another page for the directions.

SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY DECEMBER 12 for our Holiday Party being held again this year at the Lakeshore Country Club. The club will subsidize this event so that the cost per couple will be \$25.00. See additional information in this issue of SPOKES and get your reservation in on time.

November Brunch

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Garage Tour – November 14th

Start at Jim Priestly's garage at 9:00am

The plan is to tour to the South East of Rochester, down to the Finger Lakes, starting at Jim's garage at 3326 County Road 40, Bloomfield. I'm still looking for good garages to visit, so **please** email or call if you have any ideas. Sign-up and more details at the next meeting and/or email me at lincmgmt@hotmail.com. You do not have to sign up to come, but it will make it much easier to plan and communicate if you do.

George Leopard – 585-746-1848 – lincmgmt@hotmail.com

MGCC Minutes of the Meeting

Michael Goodwin

October 15, 2009

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dan Suter at 7:38 PM.

Acceptance of August and September Minutes – The minutes were accepted as published in *Spokes*.

New Members and Guests – New member Rob Shrader introduced himself; a '74 Fiat owner, he said he's interested in purchasing a British sports car. Rhonda Rizzo's sister, Myra (Penlon) Toole and her friend George Berry (both of Peoria, AZ) introduced themselves.

Activities – The Harrisons [a.k.a. "the Doctor and Igor"] began the Activities Report by giving an account of the "Transylvania Epic". [Secretary's Note #1: As Mr. Harrison moved back to his seat, allowing the better half of the Harrison duo to finish the report, some overheard, "Yeah, you'd BETTER sit down!"]

Julie Daykin, reporting on the October 4th Autocross, exclaimed, "It was fun!" Julie said she'd run the events again next year, and will try to set up four sessions, but will need some help. She's looking forward to next season.

Tim Rizzo, reporting on the Fall Foliage tour, similarly exclaimed, "It was fun!" Fifty-two people participated; it was sunny but cool. Following the drive, all had a great meal at the Bristol Harbour Golf Resort and dessert followed at the Rizzo's.

Coming up soon, we'll have the Halloween Costume Party and Chili Cook-off at King's Bend Park. Also, Anne Faust announced that we'll have the annual Yacht Club Brunch on November 8th. The deadline for sign up is 10/20/09, and she circulated a signup sheet. George Leopard spoke a bit about the November 14th Garage Tour he has planned. It will be about 60 miles, starting at Jim Priestley's. George mentioned all the other stops on the tour. [Secretary's Note #2: Sounds really good, George! Thanks! Let's go! What better to do on a mid-November Saturday?] Ms. Harrison [a.k.a. "Igor", if I recall correctly] reminded us that the Holiday Party is coming up on Saturday, December 12th at Lakeshore Country Club. The cost will be a mere \$12.50 per person [with the Club subsidizing the rest!]. As they did last year, Annabelle and Bob Tescione have set us up for a wonderful giving opportunity; bring mittens and hats to the Holiday Party for needy Rochester City School District kids! (A show of hands indicated little interest this year in a gift exchange among members, so Ms. Harrison encourages us all to give toward the mittens and hats for the kids.)

For past activities, see elsewhere in *Spokes* for reports, and for upcoming events, see elsewhere in *Spokes* for details.

Treasurer's report – Susan Kath was absent, so there was no report, but Dan Suter announced that Jeff Kath would accept checks on Sue's behalf.

Membership – Jim Priestley announced a new member [APPLAUSE!], and cheered us all on toward renewing our memberships by the end of January. Mike Goodwin naïvely asked if there's still a place to renew and pay dues on-line, and [boy-oh-boy!] it was clarified that one must fill out the membership form (even as a returning member), THEN that same someone will be given the opportunity to pay with PayPal or by other means. [Secretary's Note #3: What could be easier? Except perhaps to bring a pair of mittens and/or a winter hat to the Holiday Party?]

Regalia – [Secretary's Note #4: Having traveled worldwide in search of various thrills, always with an eye out for car club regalia, I must say that we have the best!] Doug Scribner enthusiastically promoted "Old and new things! Bags, logbooks, iron-ons, mugs, hats, fire extinguishers, pins, badges, and CHECK OUT THE RACK! Do your Christmas shopping – There's not much time left!"

SPOKES – Editor Don McConnell thanked all who submitted articles and photos for the October issue, and stressed the importance of having things in to him by one week following the meeting. [Secretary's Note #5 – "Phew! It's only Monday! These minutes will be on time! I'm in the clear!"] Don asked for continued submission of photos for consideration for the calendar issue, and for a list of established event dates, so that these can be included on the 2010 *Spokes* calendar.

Car Show Report – Car Show Chairman George Heissenberger noted that it's not too early to think about the 6/6/2010 show, and that committee meetings will likely start in December. He asked for the subcommittee on classes to meet right after the business meeting. He reported that the show netted about \$6300 for the Club this year.

England – George Herschell read an excerpt from a letter from outgoing Overseas Director Mr. Brian Woodhams, noting the new Overseas Director will be announced later. Additionally, George gave a touching recounting of the generosity of MG owners, relating to an MGB Forum friend who lost so much in a recent tsunami. George expressed his pride in the very caring MG community,

Librarian – Al Costich was absent. There was no report.

Trustee and Website – Leon Zak reported that you can renew your membership, update your personal information and pay your dues online. Dan Suter noted that a lot of new pictures have been posted and thanked Gary Sandusky for his work.

Old Business – None

New Business – Chairman Suter reported that the Club has received nominations for all elected positions for the 2010 term except for Secretary. He asked for nominations and volunteers; none were offered. Secretary Mike Goodwin put forth a plea for someone to step forward to volunteer his/her services as Secretary. Dan announced the partial slate of candidates, as agreed to by the nominees, with elections to be held at next month's meeting

(noting the slate will be amended as necessary). The nominees are as follows:

Chairman – Dan Goodwin
Vice-chairman – Mike Goodwin
Treasurer – Frank Stepanik
Trustees – Dan Suter and Hollis Hames
Activities – Mary Murray
Spokes Editor – Don McConnell

Again, Chairman Suter asked for volunteers and additional nominations, but none were offered.

Cars and Parts For Sale – George Leopard mentioned an interesting website, BringATrailer.com, noting that it's worth looking at, "interesting ads for interesting cars". Rob Shrader asked about our website's philosophy or policy on the Cars For Sale section, whether the ads are pre-screened, limited to British cars, etc. Leon clarified that the ad service is free and open to any kind of car from anywhere. They are only screened as necessary.

Door Prizes – The door prizes this month included seasonably appropriate Werewolf Pinot Noir among other wines, car stuff, posters and T-shirts.

Miscellaneous – John Murray reported that at the recent Bronte Creek Park Car Show in Toronto, John Thompson's

Riley Coupe took first place in its division, a class with a wide variety of cars. John M. was thrilled with the hundreds of MG's and Triumphs, and "Where else can you see eleven DeLoreans parked side-by-side?" John and Mary Murray drove their Lotus to the event, along with Mike Goodwin in his MGB and John Thompson thanked them all for escorting him and his overheating Riley back to Monroe County.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

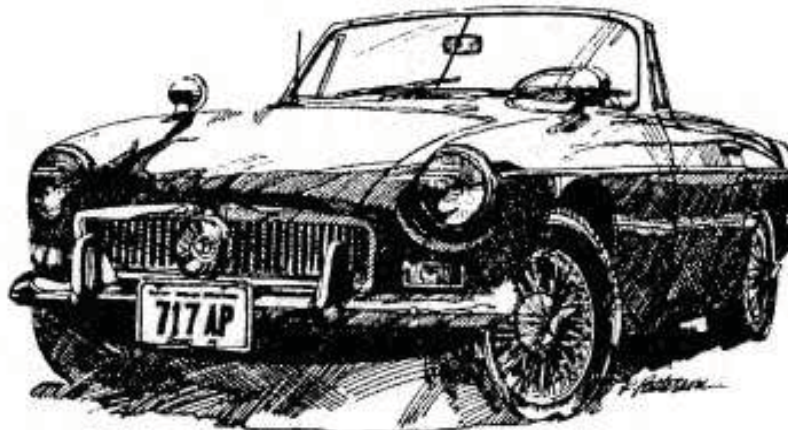
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Dave Wild
Joeanna DeBlaere
Doug Jack
Cindy Jack
Hollis G. Hames
John Fowler
Ginny Fowler
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Michael Goodwin
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George Leopard
Wendy Dakin
Mark Pohlman
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Gene Faust
Barb Zak
Corky Zak (a.k.a. Leon)
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Mabel Case
John Thompson
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Fall Foliage Tour

By Tim and Rhonda Rizzo

"Canandaigua ain't just pretty, it's my home,"

The weather the day after last years fall tour was perfect. Tim said to me, "there are 3 houses for sale in the Canandaigua area. Let's take a drive, look at the houses and have lunch on the road". Milo and I were in the TR6 in a flash and off we went.

At the 1st house we noticed someone was home. Just then, Scott the owner, spots us and comes running toward us exclaiming that the Triumph TR6 is his favorite car of all time. After 20 minutes of car talk, he asks in a very puzzled voice "why are you here"? We explain that we are doing a drive by of the house. After an hour of conversation that felt like we had all know each other forever, Scott invited Tim inside to view the house as I stay outside with Milo.

As we drove away, all through lunch, as we drove by the other houses and while I was potting up my garden after we returned from our drive just in case we moved to Scott's house, I just KNEW we were going to move to Canandaigua.

On January 31st a caravan of 9 cars and some 13 people moved us from Greece to Canandaigua. Shortly after we moved Wendy and Mark welcomed us to the area by taking us to their favorite restaurant, Bristol Harbor. The moment we walked into the restaurant, I turned to Tim and said, "We have got to end the fall tour here".

The weather the day of this years fall tour was also perfect. A little cool but sunny and the colors were prime. A few brave souls started with the top down but put them up at the rest stop. Tim and I were enjoying ourselves so much that we missed two turns and took the people who were following us thinking they wouldn't get lost, right along with us.

I hope you all enjoyed the smell of the apples and grapes as we drove through the orchards and vineyards, the white sails against the dark blue water of Canandaigua Lake, the funny names of the roads such as Gobblers Knob and Tin Can Alley, learned some American history from the PreEmption Line hand out and learned something about Consumer Support Agriculture from the Fellenz Family Farm hand out.

The view from Bristol Harbor was all that I had hoped and the staff did an outstanding job of getting us all served quickly with hot soup and sandwiches.

Thanks to all who continued on for desert at "Mariah the Rising Wind" or "The Rizzo Roof Inn" as the 7 people who were staying at the house and drove the tour call our new home. I got the rear view mirror shot I envisioned which was the tour behind us right next to our driveway and got some great pictures of the cars on the property which I have envisioned since we first saw the house just one year minus one day ago.

As I think back to all the activities Tim and I have done with the club since we joined, I remember that on our first tour I prophesied that we would find our retirement home while on a drive in the TR6. It took a lot of starts to converge but if it wasn't for the MGCC club, Tim's love of the TR6, Scott's love of the TR6 and the way he lovingly talked about the house and the community in and around Canandaigua we wouldn't be calling Canandaigua Home!!!!!!

British Invasion Stowe VT

Photos by Doug Jack

Here are a couple of missed photos from Stowe VT

Doug Jack really did get a First Place and Betty I am sure her maiden name was Marcos



Formula One Notes

British Driver Jenson Button has won the 2009 World Driving Title
Brawn Racing has won the Constructors Title

The New United States Formula One Team for 2010 with Ken Anderson and Peter Windsor based in Charlotte NC. There is rumor that the team is looking at Kyle Busch for 2011 season

SEMA Action Network

Driving Force November issue

CAUCUS CORNER

Each month Driving Force will feature members of the State Automotive Enthusiast Leadership Caucus. The SEMA-supported caucus is a bipartisan group of state lawmakers whose common thread is a love and appreciation for automobiles.

Here is its newest member:

LEGISLATIVE QUICK HITS

Indiana Antiques: SAN hobbyist groups affiliated with the Auto Clubs Council of Indiana, working with SEMA and SEMA-member companies, have reached a tentative compromise with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) on an agency proposal that originally sought to redefine the term "antique vehicle" in order to force more of these hobby cars into the emissions inspection program. Under existing regulations, an antique vehicle defined as "a motor vehicle or motor scooter that is at least 25 years old" is exempted from emissions inspections. Under the initial proposed regulation, the definition would be revised to require that the vehicle must be at least 25 years old, registered and plated as a historic motor vehicle, driven a maximum of 3,000 miles per calendar year and include federally required pollution-control equipment for that make and model year. Under the plan, the vehicle would be periodically forced into a vehicle emissions test site to verify that these requirements have been met. Under the current compromise, vehicles 25 years old and older would be exempted from the 3,000-mile limit and the pollution-control equipment requirement if they were insured under a collectible vehicle or classic automobile insurance policy.

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by George Herschell with sincere thanks to my friend Chris Knowlon, owner and restorer.

A few years ago I reunited with Chris Knowlon who I had known many years ago. It was at one of the British Invasions at Stowe. When I first met him he was a lad working for Gerry Gougen and later went to Moss Motors. When this gray haired fellow came running over to the car calling out my name I couldn't figure out who it was at first, then I realized that it was the red haired Chris I had know long ago. We talked for awhile and he told me about the L2 and his work on the car I told him I would like to see it when it was finished. He was living back in New England and we promised each other that we would keep in touch. He did send me some photos of the car in progress and from what I could see it was going to be another beauty. About a year ago I got a call from Chris and was told he was visiting his brother who lived in Pittsford and that he had the car with him on his way back home to NH. I jumped at the chance and Nancy and I went to the house and got to see the car in person. To say it was beautiful was an understatement and it was every bit as good as any car Chris had ever done. It was done in the original color scheme of red with a deeper red (maroon) used on the fenders (sorry wings). He had some problems with the engine at an event in Canada and didn't want to drive it too far but I did get to see it, and photograph it in person and that photo shoot became the information needed to do this drawing. I shot a number of photos of the car and some of them are here on the next page. I'll let everyone else be the judge as to the quality of the restoration. It's one of the best I've ever seen.



G Herschell Photo

Following is the history as researched and recorded by Chris Knowlon.

MG L2, chassis # L2 002 was the 2nd of 90 2 seat Magna roadsters produced in 1933 and was delivered on April 19, 1933. The car was originally sold through the main London distributor, University Motors Ltd., to R.S. Fletcher, 17 Manor Rd., Salisbury Wilts, and registered MG 2415. The car was painted duo tone red with red interior.

L2 Magnas were specifically built for sporting use and many of the 90 L2's produced were used for club racing and trials. The engines where nearly identical to the larger K types also introduced in 1933, but were fitted to a slightly modified version of the F type Magna chassis and incorporated a J2 body with very attractive swept wings. This made for a very lightweight roadster that gave excellent performance. Three L2's were specially prepared for the Alpine Trials by the MG competitions department and were highly successful both during the trails and at events at Brooklands and elsewhere. One of these L2's was imported into the US in 1934 by Miles Collier and raced successfully in early American road races.

Regrettably, none of the prewar history of L2 002 is known, but by the mid 1950's it was owned by a Miss Smith in South London. She drove the car as her daily transport for a few years before selling it to her younger brother, Adrian. Adrian drove it to college at Cambridge and was married in the car to Maureen in 1961. By November 1963 the car was owned by P.W. Meek, West Norwood, London who corresponded with the MG Car Club about the car and reported it to be in "extremely good condition". The current owner has been in contact with Adrian Smith.

A few years later, 002 was purchased by Terry Bone, who kept it as his favorite MG for many years. He drove the car in the Lands End trials. Terry & Barry Bone operated a prewar MG business and bought and sold many L-types, but this particular car was retained until November 22, 1974 when it was sold to Bill McQuaid, an American MG Collector from Jacksonville, Florida. Bill had good intentions of fully restoring the car but passed away in the mid 1990's without ever starting on the restoration.

Chris Nowlan, the current owner, purchased the car from the McQuaid estate in December 1997. During the next seven years, the car was extensively restored by Chris while he was living in Santa Barbara, Ca. While the car was by this time in a very deteriorated condition, it was virtually complete and with no previous attempts at restoration, the process was reasonably straightforward. Henry Weir, a truly gifted sheet metal wizard in Santa

Barbara was able to successfully restore 90 percent of the original sheet metal. Virtually all of the original components were carefully restored with a few new reproduction components used during the restoration. The engine was rebuilt by Bob Jones in the UK to full K3 specifications but with the capacity increased to 1408 cc's as opposed to the stock L2/K3 capacity of 1087cc. The engine is fitted with a period Marshall 1Z87 supercharger producing approx. 8 lbs boost and is mated to a Wilson ENV Preselector gearbox with the close ratio gearset as fitted to K3's. The engine currently produces approx. 140 hp which makes for very lively performance and a true white knuckle experience for most passengers!

L2 002 has won numerous first place, best of show and a premier awards at events on both the east and west coast, but was primarily restored for road use with the occasional competitive event thrown in for good measure. After all, isn't that what these cars were made for?

Chris Nowlan Amherst, NH



Chris and the L-2



Limerock



Watkins Glen



Above photos courtesy of Chris Nowlan



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BRITISH CAR DAY BRONTE PARK

Photos by John Murray

Several of our members attended the British Car Days 2009 at Bronte Park near Toronto below is a picture chronical of the trip. Congradlations to John Thompson for a first place with the Riley.



A HANDY GUIDE FOR COMMON TOOLS

Jim Priestley

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted vertical stabilizer which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

WIRE WHEEL: Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, "Oh sh! #..."

SKILL SAW: A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

PLIERS: Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

BELT SANDER: An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

HACKSAW: One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle. It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

WISE-GRIPS: Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

WELDING GLOVES: Heavy duty leather gloves used to prolong the conduction of intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race..

TABLE SAW: A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

E-Z OUT BOLT AND STUD EXTRACTOR: A tool ten times harder than any known drill bit that snaps neatly off in bolt holes thereby ending any possible future use.

BAND SAW: A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminum sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST: A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

CRAFTSMAN * x 24-INCH SCREWDRIVER: A very large pry bar that inexplicably has an accurately machined screwdriver tip on the end opposite the handle.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER: A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws.

PRY BAR: A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

HOSE CUTTER: A tool used to make hoses too short.

HAMMER: Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent the object we are trying to hit.

DAMMIT TOOL: Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling 'DAMMIT!' at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.

The Promise of Speed Dick & Frank Display Their Art, but Who Knew?

By Dick Powers

Ok, it may be hard for some of you to believe that Frank Stepanik and I actually have "art" on the wall of the Arnot Art Museum in Elmira, NY, that's part of *The Promise of Speed* exhibit, but it's true. Actually all this started months ago when Mark Steigerwald (Dir. Archives and Administration at the IMRRC) mentioned that the Arnot Museum would be doing an exhibit about cars and racing and wondered if I knew where they could get some Austin Healey body parts for the exhibit. No problem as I already had the right door and rear wing off my 100-6 Healey, so all I had to do was get the front off.

The months passed and the Morgan Centenary at the Glen was taking up a lot of my time, but in the words of an old song: *mañana is good enough for me*. Well about September 16 *mañana* was running out of time and the front wing didn't want to come off my Healey. I called Frank, my wing man, and fortunately the front wings were off his other Healey. "Voila!", we had a Healey and with the addition of 2 wire wheels (given to me by Chuck Woodworth) I handed all to Mark at the SCCA Fun One at the Glen. He was happy to have them, but it was now less than a week before the opening reception! I attended the reception and the Healey was on the wall along with some really valuable historic car art and racing memorabilia.



There are 2 other racing displays:

100 Years of Racing and Racing Through the Streets. There's also a room devoted exclusively to *Charles Adams and the Automobile*. Adams was the preeminent cartoonist of his day (New Yorker magazine), a car enthusiast, racer (Bugatti) and friend of Cameron Argetsinger. His cartoons are not to be missed along with all the other exhibits.



The Promise of Speed and the other exhibits will be on display till January 23rd, 2010. The Arnot Museum is located at 235 Lake St. in Elmira, NY open Tuesday to Saturday.



It's your only chance to see some of Frank's and my private art collection, but Who Knew?



More Museum Photos



DON'T USE OLD TIRES ON YOUR CAR

By Ned Paulsen

I was on my way to Pittsburgh for the Vintage Grand Prix and car show on July 17th in my '58 TR3A. About 30 miles from Erie, PA, my right rear tire self destructed. It didn't blow out, it blew apart. It made a terrible racket as I steered to the side of the road. The tire was falling off the rim, the tread had separated, and the tube was

hanging out. The spinning tread caught the fender brace behind the back wheel and bent half the fender to the inside. What a mess. I put the spare on (it was older and in worse shape than the exploded tire) and drove carefully to a Firestone store in Erie. The fellow was very helpful but couldn't locate any 165 15 tires in Erie. Meanwhile, since I didn't trust my spare tire, I called for a tow and

had to decide whether to just be towed back to Webster or on to Pittsburgh. After a lot of calling, I was able to locate the Laural Gardens Tire Shop in northern Pittsburgh. He had 4 tires and I made an appointment to have them installed at 8:00 a.m. the next morning. So, we went to

Pittsburgh in a flat bed truck. Two bits of good news: AAA paid for the tow and I didn't use a drop of gas from Erie to Pittsburgh! The tires were installed and we got to the car show and eventually home without a problem

Three lessons:

1. DON'T USE OLD TIRES ON YOUR CARS!
2. Make sure your spare is a good tire.
3. Always travel with your AAA card and a cell phone.

Brit Money Definition

By a Canadian (Tim) in Triumph Group

Right. Here we go with the big monetary explanation:

Britain went to decimalised currency in 1970. Thereafter, there was only pounds and pence (or pennies). 100 pence to a pound.

Prior to this, Britain's currency was a far easier system that everyone could understand, especially overseas tourists:

Four farthings to a penny.

Two halfpennies (but pronounced "Hay penny") to a penny.

12 pennies to a shilling ("bob" is slang for shilling)

Two sixpences (a coin known as a "Tanner") to a shilling
five shillings to a Crown.

20 shillings to a pound ("quid" is slang for a pound)

21 shillings to a guinea.

Items were priced thus: 5/- That means five shillings
(commonly referred to as 'five bob')

5/ 6 1/2d That means five shillings, sixpence hay-penny.

Naturally, this system aided cashiers throughout the country when making change, especially as cashiers did not have the machines that told them how much change they should give. So, if for example you bought something for twelve shillings and five pence hay penny and you gave the cashier 15 bob, how much change would you expect?

The answer, of course, is two shillings, sixpence hay penny. But you Knew that, didn't you? See what a marvellously simple system this is? In fact, so simple is it that I once followed my grandfather into a store in 1971, where he purchased an item for 62 pence. His immediate reaction was "What's that in Old Money?" Can anyone guess????
Fingers on buzzers: It's 11 shillings exactly.

Now that you know everything about Britain's earlier monetary system, You can all play fun games with working out change and asking each other how much certain things cost. Off you go then.

Allen Hess adds this

I can add very little to Tim's wonderful explanation. But I would point out the underlying logic:

Long ago, penny coins were minted in silver. Each coin weighed 1/240 of a pound, so if you had 240 pennies you literally had "one pound sterling." 12 pennies to a shilling and 20 shillings to the pound preserved that ratio. "New Pence" minted after 1970 are of course 100 to the pound.

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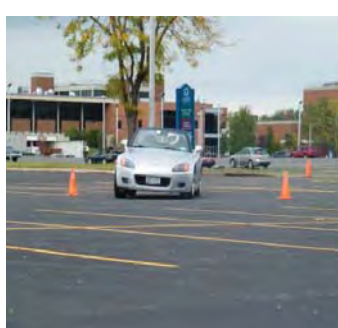
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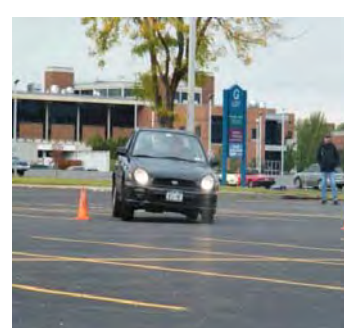
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	Jim Robinson	Honda	2:17:72	2:15:88^	2:16:08	2:16:08	
	Loren Devries	Saab	2:19:12	2:17:98	2:16:88	2:16:88	
	Leon Zak	MGB	2:37:63oc	2:32:26	2:32:27	2:32:26	
	Matt Glanville	Subaru	2:45:72	2:35:22	2:32:78	2:32:78	Most Improved
	John Smith	BMW	2:50:40oc	2:48:28	2:37:76	2:37:76	
2L+ Over Prep		George Haynes	Triumph	2:20:72	2:22:61	2:22:00	
2:22:00		Voted Driver's Favorite Driver					
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Under 2L	Andy Paris	Triumph	2:39:07	2:35:62	2:36:23	2:35:62	
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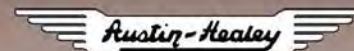
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When I first obtained my MG TC I drove it for the first summer and then spent most of the winter doing cosmetics on the car. This was in the mid 1960s and when spring came I decided I needed to go around to a few auto shows and see what it was all about. I had been to shows for many years but had never really entered a car by myself and when I did I had a rather rude awakening. Back in the mid 1960 when you went to an auto show with an import you were frowned upon. I can remember being looked down on and even though they would accept your entry fee they would put you into a miscellaneous class and stick you in a corner somewhere. I remember one show I went to where it was a nice grassy baseball field but the imports were around second base where all the dust was. I got the message that time and did not frequent those types of shows again. With the exception of the Rolls Royce the import was frowned upon by clubs like AACA and the various Hot Rod clubs. At one point I even tried a couple of "Cruise Nights" and this was an even bigger mistake. Some of these guys are really something else and if it isn't a GM, Ford or Mopar you 'aint' really welcome. I found this out fairly quickly and resorted to just enjoying my car.

Eventually along came a few shows that were slated for just imports and the more interesting import saloons. The first one of these that I attended was probably a New England MG T Register event and shortly thereafter the first event by the Rochester based MG Car Club of Western New York took place at a private home in Fairport N.Y. called Wagon Jack Farm. This was a great event, very informal and lots of fun. They had it for several years and then it morphed the following year into what is now the Sports Car and Vintage Auto Festival. It was first held at the Victor Central School and for some reason that name has stuck but it is now held in the town of Farmington at the town park.

With the coming of this sort of show a good number of us now had a venue for our cars and a place to go and enjoy them together. It took a while but it was a relief not to be looked down upon.

Even now some forty years later (yes I have owned my TC for 44 years) I will occasionally be talked into going to one of the local events but I frequently still get the looks and what is even worse people who think they know automobiles ask some of the dumbest questions I have ever fielded. I believe I have already mentioned the character that told me very seriously that my steering wheel was on the wrong side as if I really didn't know this fact. Or better yet the "knowledgeable" fellow that comes up to you and asks, "What year Morgan is that?" Then informs you that MG stands for Morgan Garages!

I have had the TC called a "Volkswagen" a "Kit Car," "Some kinda Roadster" even a Bugatti. That last one didn't really bother me except when someone asks you a question about your car you would think they would at least know

what they are looking at, not a guess in the night. It has amazed me for years that a good number of people that call themselves automobile buffs or motor heads really have little knowledge of the history of the automobile and many of the various makes that have come and gone over the years. I certainly don't consider myself an expert on anything but I do have a fairly good knowledge of some of the automotive history that is out there and I still enjoy reading about it and finding out more. For example in ten years ask a sixteen year old what an Oldsmobile or a Plymouth was and who made it and unless he is well read, and most are not, you will get one of those classic dumb looks. However we will soldier on and those of us from the dark ages will keep the MGs Triumphs and, who knows what else, running and continue to enjoy them.

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Next Meeting
November 19, 2009 7:30 PM
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Chairman's Corner

Dan Suter

Greetings, everyone. As this is written, the sports car days of 2009 are winding down. Possibly my theme this Fall might be, "**On the Road Again**" as our family has visited universities over many weekends in our daughter's college search. I missed an opportunity to take the TD out for a ride today which I am now regretting. The tops are 'up' on both cars for the winter but hopefully there will be a few more days to enjoy behind the wheel.

THANK YOU to all the volunteers who have stepped up to take on roles in 2010. There is one position for the 2010 Board that did ***not yet*** bring forth a volunteer as of the October business meeting (where we traditionally announce and accept nominations)—the position of Secretary. It is my hope that we can have someone step forward before, or at, the November meeting so that we can have an orderly transfer of responsibilities to the 2010 team. Throughout my time on the Board ('90, '96-'97, and '06-'09 this time) I have ranged from mildly surprised to flat-out amazed at the variety of tasks that members quietly do for the club, year after year.

However, I am also reminded of the story I have heard about the Canadian geese as they fly south for the winter: the geese in the V-formation are quacking encouragement to the leader of the formation (who has to work harder as he/she has no aerodynamic 'draft' that those farther back in the V enjoy). In fact, the geese are said to regularly rotate to the front to take turns.

The link to our MGCC Centre is clear: to continue to flourish, we need to keep a spirit of members continuing to step in and do the various jobs that keep the club successful in meeting the needs of the members.

Elsewhere in this issue, you will find our remaining 2009 events including the Garage Tour, the Brunch event, and Holiday Party. Each of these are always popular, so be sure to sign up and enjoy.

See you at the November meeting!

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MGBruce

Don McConnell

Well it is November and that means the end of another year is close at hand. As we head to winter hibernation of our your beautiful sports car hopefully we have plans for the rehabilitation of those problems that have crept up during the driving season. My rehabilitation has been sills (that is for my car) there is no way to rehabilitate me. If I could only see parts going on to the car I would feel like I am winning. Soon!!! The other thing is the Sheriff did not need to go and confiscate any non-enjoyed sports cars. Thank you for enjoying them.

I hope you have noticed the little changes to the Spokes. One is the "Coming Events Page" just a place to gather events that are upcoming. We will see how it goes when we have a lot of events.

I just realized this is my 6th issue already. Hopefully I have not created any enemies only patient and understanding people. Thank You to all for your words of encouragement believe me it is appreciated. As I get use to doing this a little more I will venture out with my creativity especially on the picture pages.

November is the month for giving thanks. So I shall start by saying I am thankful for a great wife and kids also some great new friends in the car club Enjoy your November.

Don



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Activities

Mike and Sue Harrison

On OCTOBER 4, Sunday, the final Autocross was held and thanks to Julie Daykin for offering to handle all the arrangements for this event in 2010. Volunteers like her make the Activities Director job so much easier.

The OCTOBER 11 Fall Tour was held on a great Fall day and enjoyed by a large crowd. Thanks to the Rizzos for making this possible.

By the time you get this issue our Halloween Costume Party and Chili-Cookoff will be a thing of the past and all the costumes and decorations will be packed away for another year. Thanks to the club members who helped with decorating and cooking for this event, especially the Hess's who made the initial plans and reserved such a comfortable location. See photos elsewhere or on the club website.

Sunday, NOVEMBER 8 the Brunch at the Rochester Yacht Club was enjoyed by all who partook of this feast. Thanks to the Faust's for hosting this party.

This year's Garage Tour will be on Saturday, NOVEMBER 14. Look on another page for the directions.

SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY DECEMBER 12 for our Holiday Party being held again this year at the Lakeshore Country Club. The club will subsidize this event so that the cost per couple will be \$25.00. See additional information in this issue of SPOKES and get your reservation in on time.

November Brunch

ROCHESTER YACHT CLUB
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BUFFET ---- DESSERT ----- BEVERAGES

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Garage Tour – November 14th

Start at Jim Priestly's garage at 9:00am

The plan is to tour to the South East of Rochester, down to the Finger Lakes, starting at Jim's garage at 3326 County Road 40, Bloomfield. I'm still looking for good garages to visit, so **please** email or call if you have any ideas. Sign-up and more details at the next meeting and/or email me at lincmgmt@hotmail.com. You do not have to sign up to come, but it will make it much easier to plan and communicate if you do.

George Leopard – 585-746-1848 – lincmgmt@hotmail.com

MGCC Minutes of the Meeting

Michael Goodwin

October 15, 2009

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dan Suter at 7:38 PM.

Acceptance of August and September Minutes – The minutes were accepted as published in *Spokes*.

New Members and Guests – New member Rob Shrader introduced himself; a '74 Fiat owner, he said he's interested in purchasing a British sports car. Rhonda Rizzo's sister, Myra (Penlon) Toole and her friend George Berry (both of Peoria, AZ) introduced themselves.

Activities – The Harrisons [a.k.a. "the Doctor and Igor"] began the Activities Report by giving an account of the "Transylvania Epic". [Secretary's Note #1: As Mr. Harrison moved back to his seat, allowing the better half of the Harrison duo to finish the report, some overheard, "Yeah, you'd BETTER sit down!"]

Julie Daykin, reporting on the October 4th Autocross, exclaimed, "It was fun!" Julie said she'd run the events again next year, and will try to set up four sessions, but will need some help. She's looking forward to next season.

Tim Rizzo, reporting on the Fall Foliage tour, similarly exclaimed, "It was fun!" Fifty-two people participated; it was sunny but cool. Following the drive, all had a great meal at the Bristol Harbour Golf Resort and dessert followed at the Rizzo's.

Coming up soon, we'll have the Halloween Costume Party and Chili Cook-off at King's Bend Park. Also, Anne Faust announced that we'll have the annual Yacht Club Brunch on November 8th. The deadline for sign-up is 10/20/09, and she circulated a sign-up sheet. George Leopard spoke a bit about the November 14th Garage Tour he has planned. It will be about 60 miles, starting at Jim Priestley's. George mentioned all the other stops on the tour. [Secretary's Note #2: Sounds really good, George! Thanks! Let's go! What better to do on a mid-November Saturday?] Ms. Harrison [a.k.a. "Igor", if I recall correctly] reminded us that the Holiday Party is coming up on Saturday, December 12th at Lakeshore Country Club. The cost will be a mere \$12.50 per person [with the Club subsidizing the rest!]. As they did last year, Annabelle and Bob Tescione have set us up for a wonderful giving opportunity; bring mittens and hats to the Holiday Party for needy Rochester City School District kids! (A show of hands indicated little interest this year in a gift exchange among members, so Ms. Harrison encourages us all to give toward the mittens and hats for the kids.)

For past activities, see elsewhere in *Spokes* for reports, and for upcoming events, see elsewhere in *Spokes* for details.

Treasurer's report – Susan Kath was absent, so there was no report, but Dan Suter announced that Jeff Kath would accept checks on Sue's behalf.

Membership – Jim Priestley announced a new member [APPLAUSE!], and cheered us all on toward renewing our memberships by the end of January. Mike Goodwin naïvely asked if there's still a place to renew and pay dues on-line, and [boy-oh-boy!] it was clarified that one must fill out the membership form (even as a returning member), THEN that same someone will be given the opportunity to pay with PayPal or by other means. [Secretary's Note #3: What could be easier? Except perhaps to bring a pair of mittens and/or a winter hat to the Holiday Party?]

Regalia – [Secretary's Note #4: Having traveled worldwide in search of various thrills, always with an eye out for car club regalia, I must say that we have the best!] Doug Scribner enthusiastically promoted "Old and new things! Bags, logbooks, iron-ons, mugs, hats, fire extinguishers, pins, badges, and CHECK OUT THE RACK! Do your Christmas shopping – There's not much time left!"

SPOKES – Editor Don McConnell thanked all who submitted articles and photos for the October issue, and stressed the importance of having things in to him by one week following the meeting. [Secretary's Note #5 – "Phew! It's only Monday! These minutes will be on time! I'm in the clear!"] Don asked for continued submission of photos for consideration for the calendar issue, and for a list of established event dates, so that these can be included on the 2010 *Spokes* calendar.

Car Show Report – Car Show Chairman George Heissenberger noted that it's not too early to think about the 6/6/2010 show, and that committee meetings will likely start in December. He asked for the subcommittee on classes to meet right after the business meeting. He reported that the show netted about \$6300 for the Club this year.

England – George Herschell read an excerpt from a letter from outgoing Overseas Director Mr. Brian Woodhams, noting the new Overseas Director will be announced later. Additionally, George gave a touching recounting of the generosity of MG owners, relating to an MGB Forum friend who lost so much in a recent tsunami. George expressed his pride in the very caring MG community,

Librarian – Al Costich was absent. There was no report.

Trustee and Website – Leon Zak reported that you can renew your membership, update your personal information and pay your dues online. Dan Suter noted that a lot of new pictures have been posted and thanked Gary Sandusky for his work.

Old Business – None

New Business – Chairman Suter reported that the Club has received nominations for all elected positions for the 2010 term except for Secretary. He asked for nominations and volunteers; none were offered. Secretary Mike Goodwin put forth a plea for someone to step forward to volunteer his/her services as Secretary. Dan announced the partial slate of candidates, as agreed to by the nominees, with elections to be held at next month's meeting

(noting the slate will be amended as necessary). The nominees are as follows:

Chairman – Dan Goodwin
Vice-chairman – Mike Goodwin
Treasurer – Frank Stepanik
Trustees – Dan Suter and Hollis Hames
Activities – Mary Murray
Spokes Editor – Don McConnell

Again, Chairman Suter asked for volunteers and additional nominations, but none were offered.

Cars and Parts For Sale – George Leopard mentioned an interesting website, BringATrailer.com, noting that it's worth looking at, "interesting ads for interesting cars". Rob Shrader asked about our website's philosophy or policy on the Cars For Sale section, whether the ads are pre-screened, limited to British cars, etc. Leon clarified that the ad service is free and open to any kind of car from anywhere. They are only screened as necessary.

Door Prizes – The door prizes this month included seasonably appropriate Werewolf Pinot Noir among other wines, car stuff, posters and T-shirts.

Miscellaneous – John Murray reported that at the recent Bronte Creek Park Car Show in Toronto, John Thompson's

Riley Coupe took first place in its division, a class with a wide variety of cars. John M. was thrilled with the hundreds of MG's and Triumphs, and "Where else can you see eleven DeLoreans parked side-by-side?" John and Mary Murray drove their Lotus to the event, along with Mike Goodwin in his MGB and John Thompson thanked them all for escorting him and his overheating Riley back to Monroe County.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

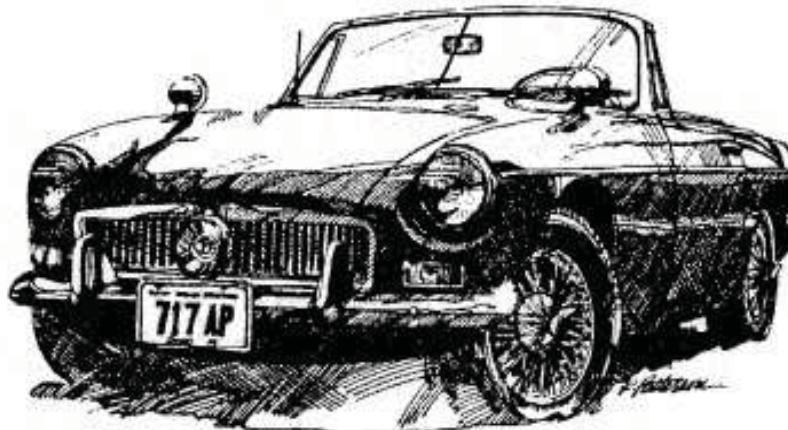
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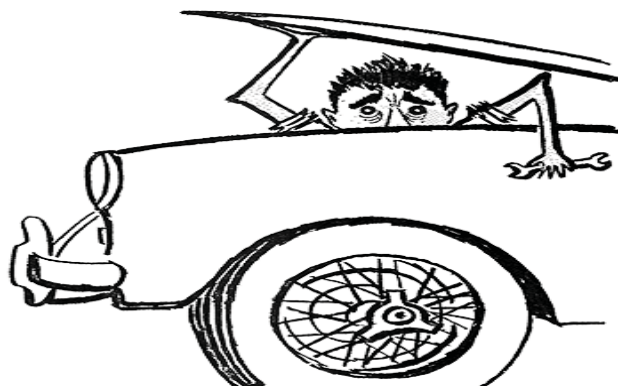
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Fall Foliage Tour

By Tim and Rhonda Rizzo

"Canandaigua ain't just pretty, it's my home,"

The weather the day after last years fall tour was perfect. Tim said to me, "there are 3 houses for sale in the Canandaigua area. Let's take a drive, look at the houses and have lunch on the road". Milo and I were in the TR6 in a flash and off we went.

At the 1st house we noticed someone was home. Just then, Scott the owner, spots us and comes running toward us exclaiming that the Triumph TR6 is his favorite car of all time. After 20 minutes of car talk, he asks in a very puzzled voice "why are you here"? We explain that we are doing a drive by of the house. After an hour of conversation that felt like we had all know each other forever, Scott invited Tim inside to view the house as I stay outside with Milo.

As we drove away, all through lunch, as we drove by the other houses and while I was potting up my garden after we returned from our drive just in case we moved to Scott's house, I just KNEW we were going to move to Canandaigua.

On January 31st a caravan of 9 cars and some 13 people moved us from Greece to Canandaigua. Shortly after we moved Wendy and Mark welcomed us to the area by taking us to their favorite restaurant, Bristol Harbor. The moment we walked into the restaurant, I turned to Tim and said, "We have got to end the fall tour here".

The weather the day of this years fall tour was also perfect. A little cool but sunny and the colors were prime. A few brave souls started with the top down but put them up at the rest stop. Tim and I were enjoying ourselves so much that we missed two turns and took the people who were following us thinking they wouldn't get lost, right along with us.

I hope you all enjoyed the smell of the apples and grapes as we drove through the orchards and vineyards, the white sails against the dark blue water of Canandaigua Lake, the funny names of the roads such as Gobblers Knob and Tin Can Alley, learned some American history from the PreEmption Line hand out and learned something about Consumer Support Agriculture from the Fellenz Family Farm hand out.

The view from Bristol Harbor was all that I had hoped and the staff did an outstanding job of getting us all served quickly with hot soup and sandwiches.

Thanks to all who continued on for desert at "Mariah the Rising Wind" or "The Rizzo Roof Inn" as the 7 people who were staying at the house and drove the tour call our new home. I got the rear view mirror shot I envisioned which was the tour behind us right next to our driveway and got some great pictures of the cars on the property which I have envisioned since we first saw the house just one year minus one day ago.

As I think back to all the activities Tim and I have done with the club since we joined, I remember that on our first tour I prophesied that we would find our retirement home while on a drive in the TR6. It took a lot of starts to converge but if it wasn't for the MGCC club, Tim's love of the TR6, Scott's love of the TR6 and the way he lovingly talked about the house and the community in and around Canandaigua we wouldn't be calling Canandaigua Home!!!!!!

British Invasion Stowe VT

Photos by Doug Jack

Here are a couple of missed photos from Stowe VT

Doug Jack really did get a First Place and Betty I am sure her maiden name was Marcos



Formula One Notes

British Driver Jenson Button has won the 2009 World Driving Title
Brawn Racing has won the Constructors Title

The New United States Formula One Team for 2010 with Ken Anderson and Peter Windsor based in Charlotte NC. There is rumor that the team is looking at Kyle Busch for 2011 season

SEMA Action Network

Driving Force November issue

CAUCUS CORNER

Each month Driving Force will feature members of the State Automotive Enthusiast Leadership Caucus. The SEMA-supported caucus is a bipartisan group of state lawmakers whose common thread is a love and appreciation for automobiles.

Here is its newest member:

LEGISLATIVE QUICK HITS

Indiana Antiques: SAN hobbyist groups affiliated with the Auto Clubs Council of Indiana, working with SEMA and SEMA-member companies, have reached a tentative compromise with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) on an agency proposal that originally sought to redefine the term "antique vehicle" in order to force more of these hobby cars into the emissions inspection program. Under existing regulations, an antique vehicle defined as "a motor vehicle or motor scooter that is at least 25 years old" is exempted from emissions inspections. Under the initial proposed regulation, the definition would be revised to require that the vehicle must be at least 25 years old, registered and plated as a historic motor vehicle, driven a maximum of 3,000 miles per calendar year and include federally required pollution-control equipment for that make and model year. Under the plan, the vehicle would be periodically forced into a vehicle emissions test site to verify that these requirements have been met. Under the current compromise, vehicles 25 years old and older would be exempted from the 3,000-mile limit and the pollution-control equipment requirement if they were insured under a collectible vehicle or classic automobile insurance policy.

Coming Events

MG CAR CLUB 2009 HOLIDAY PARTY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2009

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by George Herschell with sincere thanks to my friend Chris Knowlon, owner and restorer.

A few years ago I reunited with Chris Knowlon who I had known many years ago. It was at one of the British Invasions at Stowe. When I first met him he was a lad working for Gerry Gougen and later went to Moss Motors. When this gray haired fellow came running over to the car calling out my name I couldn't figure out who it was at first, then I realized that it was the red haired Chris I had know long ago. We talked for awhile and he told me about the L2 and his work on the car I told him I would like to see it when it was finished. He was living back in New England and we promised each other that we would keep in touch. He did send me some photos of the car in progress and from what I could see it was going to be another beauty. About a year ago I got a call from Chris and was told he was visiting his brother who lived in Pittsford and that he had the car with him on his way back home to NH. I jumped at the chance and Nancy and I went to the house and got to see the car in person. To say it was beautiful was an understatement and it was every bit as good as any car Chris had ever done. It was done in the original color scheme of red with a deeper red (maroon) used on the fenders (sorry wings). He had some problems with the engine at an event in Canada and didn't want to drive it too far but I did get to see it, and photograph it in person and that photo shoot became the information needed to do this drawing. I shot a number of photos of the car and some of them are here on the next page. I'll let everyone else be the judge as to the quality of the restoration. It's one of the best I've ever seen.



G Herschell Photo

Following is the history as researched and recorded by Chris Knowlon.

MG L2, chassis # L2 002 was the 2nd of 90 2 seat Magna roadsters produced in 1933 and was delivered on April 19, 1933. The car was originally sold through the main London distributor, University Motors Ltd., to R.S. Fletcher, 17 Manor Rd., Salisbury Wilts, and registered MG 2415. The car was painted duo tone red with red interior.

L2 Magnas were specifically built for sporting use and many of the 90 L2's produced were used for club racing and trials. The engines where nearly identical to the larger K types also introduced in 1933, but were fitted to a slightly modified version of the F type Magna chassis and incorporated a J2 body with very attractive swept wings. This made for a very lightweight roadster that gave excellent performance. Three L2's were specially prepared for the Alpine Trials by the MG competitions department and were highly successful both during the trails and at events at Brooklands and elsewhere. One of these L2's was imported into the US in 1934 by Miles Collier and raced successfully in early American road races.

Regrettably, none of the prewar history of L2 002 is known, but by the mid 1950's it was owned by a Miss Smith in South London. She drove the car as her daily transport for a few years before selling it to her younger brother, Adrian. Adrian drove it to college at Cambridge and was married in the car to Maureen in 1961. By November 1963 the car was owned by P.W. Meek, West Norwood, London who corresponded with the MG Car Club about the car and reported it to be in "extremely good condition". The current owner has been in contact with Adrian Smith.

A few years later, 002 was purchased by Terry Bone, who kept it as his favorite MG for many years. He drove the car in the Lands End trials. Terry & Barry Bone operated a prewar MG business and bought and sold many L-types, but this particular car was retained until November 22, 1974 when it was sold to Bill McQuaid, an American MG Collector from Jacksonville, Florida. Bill had good intentions of fully restoring the car but passed away in the mid 1990's without ever starting on the restoration.

Chris Nowlan, the current owner, purchased the car from the McQuaid estate in December 1997. During the next seven years, the car was extensively restored by Chris while he was living in Santa Barbara, Ca. While the car was by this time in a very deteriorated condition, it was virtually complete and with no previous attempts at restoration, the process was reasonably straightforward. Henry Weir, a truly gifted sheet metal wizard in Santa

Barbara was able to successfully restore 90 percent of the original sheet metal. Virtually all of the original components were carefully restored with a few new reproduction components used during the restoration. The engine was rebuilt by Bob Jones in the UK to full K3 specifications but with the capacity increased to 1408 cc's as opposed to the stock L2/K3 capacity of 1087cc. The engine is fitted with a period Marshall 1Z87 supercharger producing approx. 8 lbs boost and is mated to a Wilson ENV Preselector gearbox with the close ratio gearset as fitted to K3's. The engine currently produces approx. 140 hp which makes for very lively performance and a true white knuckle experience for most passengers!

L2 002 has won numerous first place, best of show and a premier awards at events on both the east and west coast, but was primarily restored for road use with the occasional competitive event thrown in for good measure. After all, isn't that what these cars were made for?

Chris Nowlan Amherst, NH



Chris and the L-2



Limerock



Watkins Glen



Above photos courtesy of Chris Nowlan



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BRITISH CAR DAY BRONTE PARK

Photos by John Murray

Several of our members attended the British Car Days 2009 at Bronte Park near Toronto below is a picture chronical of the trip. Congradlations to John Thompson for a first place with the Riley.



A HANDY GUIDE FOR COMMON TOOLS

Jim Priestley

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted vertical stabilizer which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

WIRE WHEEL: Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, "Oh sh! #..."

SKILL SAW: A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

PLIERS: Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

BELT SANDER: An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

HACKSAW: One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle. It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

WISE-GRIPS: Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

WELDING GLOVES: Heavy duty leather gloves used to prolong the conduction of intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race..

TABLE SAW: A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

E-Z OUT BOLT AND STUD EXTRACTOR: A tool ten times harder than any known drill bit that snaps neatly off in bolt holes thereby ending any possible future use.

BAND SAW: A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminum sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST: A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

CRAFTSMAN * x 24-INCH SCREWDRIVER: A very large pry bar that inexplicably has an accurately machined screwdriver tip on the end opposite the handle.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER: A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws.

PRY BAR: A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

HOSE CUTTER: A tool used to make hoses too short.

HAMMER: Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent the object we are trying to hit.

DAMMIT TOOL: Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling 'DAMMIT!' at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.

The Promise of Speed Dick & Frank Display Their Art, but Who Knew?

By Dick Powers

Ok, it may be hard for some of you to believe that Frank Stepanik and I actually have "art" on the wall of the Arnot Art Museum in Elmira, NY, that's part of *The Promise of Speed* exhibit, but it's true. Actually all this started months ago when Mark Steigerwald (Dir. Archives and Administration at the IMRRC) mentioned that the Arnot Museum would be doing an exhibit about cars and racing and wondered if I knew where they could get some Austin Healey body parts for the exhibit. No problem as I already had the right door and rear wing off my 100-6 Healey, so all I had to do was get the front off.

The months passed and the Morgan Centenary at the Glen was taking up a lot of my time, but in the words of an old song: *mañana is good enough for me*. Well about September 16 *mañana* was running out of time and the front wing didn't want to come off my Healey. I called Frank, my wing man, and fortunately the front wings were off his other Healey. "Voila!", we had a Healey and with the addition of 2 wire wheels (given to me by Chuck Woodworth) I handed all to Mark at the SCCA Fun One at the Glen. He was happy to have them, but it was now less than a week before the opening reception! I attended the reception and the Healey was on the wall along with some really valuable historic car art and racing memorabilia.



There are 2 other racing displays:

100 Years of Racing and Racing Through the Streets. There's also a room devoted exclusively to *Charles Adams and the Automobile*. Adams was the preeminent cartoonist of his day (New Yorker magazine), a car enthusiast, racer (Bugatti) and friend of Cameron Argetsinger. His cartoons are not to be missed along with all the other exhibits.



The Promise of Speed and the other exhibits will be on display till January 23rd, 2010. The Arnot Museum is located at 235 Lake St. in Elmira, NY open Tuesday to Saturday.



It's your only chance to see some of Frank's and my private art collection, but Who Knew?



More Museum Photos



DON'T USE OLD TIRES ON YOUR CAR

By Ned Paulsen

I was on my way to Pittsburgh for the Vintage Grand Prix and car show on July 17th in my '58 TR3A. About 30 miles from Erie, PA, my right rear tire self destructed. It didn't blow out, it blew apart. It made a terrible racket as I steered to the side of the road. The tire was falling off the rim, the tread had separated, and the tube was

hanging out. The spinning tread caught the fender brace behind the back wheel and bent half the fender to the inside. What a mess. I put the spare on (it was older and in worse shape than the exploded tire) and drove carefully to a Firestone store in Erie. The fellow was very helpful but couldn't locate any 165 15 tires in Erie. Meanwhile, since I didn't trust my spare tire, I called for a tow and

had to decide whether to just be towed back to Webster or on to Pittsburgh. After a lot of calling, I was able to locate the Laural Gardens Tire Shop in northern Pittsburgh. He had 4 tires and I made an appointment to have them installed at 8:00 a.m. the next morning. So, we went to

Pittsburgh in a flat bed truck. Two bits of good news: AAA paid for the tow and I didn't use a drop of gas from Erie to Pittsburgh! The tires were installed and we got to the car show and eventually home without a problem

Three lessons:

1. DON'T USE OLD TIRES ON YOUR CARS!
2. Make sure your spare is a good tire.
3. Always travel with your AAA card and a cell phone.

Brit Money Definition

By a Canadian (Tim) in Triumph Group

Right. Here we go with the big monetary explanation:

Britain went to decimalised currency in 1970. Thereafter, there was only pounds and pence (or pennies). 100 pence to a pound.

Prior to this, Britain's currency was a far easier system that everyone could understand, especially overseas tourists:

Four farthings to a penny.

Two halfpennies (but pronounced "Hay penny") to a penny.

12 pennies to a shilling ("bob" is slang for shilling)

Two sixpences (a coin known as a "Tanner") to a shilling
five shillings to a Crown.

20 shillings to a pound ("quid" is slang for a pound)

21 shillings to a guinea.

Items were priced thus: 5/- That means five shillings
(commonly referred to as 'five bob')

5/ 6 1/2d That means five shillings, sixpence hay-penny.

Naturally, this system aided cashiers throughout the country when making change, especially as cashiers did not have the machines that told them how much change they should give. So, if for example you bought something for twelve shillings and five pence hay penny and you gave the cashier 15 bob, how much change would you expect?

The answer, of course, is two shillings, sixpence hay penny. But you Knew that, didn't you? See what a marvellously simple system this is? In fact, so simple is it that I once followed my grandfather into a store in 1971, where he purchased an item for 62 pence. His immediate reaction was "What's that in Old Money?" Can anyone guess????
Fingers on buzzers: It's 11 shillings exactly.

Now that you know everything about Britain's earlier monetary system, You can all play fun games with working out change and asking each other how much certain things cost. Off you go then.

Allen Hess adds this

I can add very little to Tim's wonderful explanation. But I would point out the underlying logic:

Long ago, penny coins were minted in silver. Each coin weighed 1/240 of a pound, so if you had 240 pennies you literally had "one pound sterling." 12 pennies to a shilling and 20 shillings to the pound preserved that ratio. "New Pence" minted after 1970 are of course 100 to the pound.

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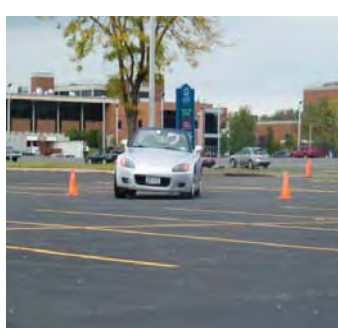
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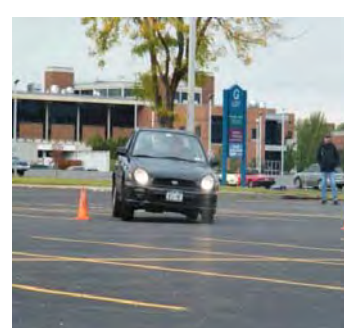
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	Loren Devries	Saab	2:19:12	2:17:98	2:16:88	2:16:88	
	Leon Zak	MGB	2:37:63oc	2:32:26	2:32:27	2:32:26	
	Matt Glanville	Suburu	2:45:72	2:35:22	2:32:78	2:32:78	Most Improved
	John Smith	BMW	2:50:40oc	2:48:28	2:37:76	2:37:76	
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2:22:00		Voted Driver's Favorite Driver					
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Under 2L	Andy Paris	Triumph	2:39:07	2:35:62	2:36:23	2:35:62	
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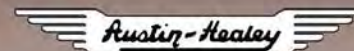
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When I first obtained my MG TC I drove it for the first summer and then spent most of the winter doing cosmetics on the car. This was in the mid 1960s and when spring came I decided I needed to go around to a few auto shows and see what it was all about. I had been to shows for many years but had never really entered a car by myself and when I did I had a rather rude awakening. Back in the mid 1960 when you went to an auto show with an import you were frowned upon. I can remember being looked down on and even though they would accept your entry fee they would put you into a miscellaneous class and stick you in a corner somewhere. I remember one show I went to where it was a nice grassy baseball field but the imports were around second base where all the dust was. I got the message that time and did not frequent those types of shows again. With the exception of the Rolls Royce the import was frowned upon by clubs like AACA and the various Hot Rod clubs. At one point I even tried a couple of "Cruise Nights" and this was an even bigger mistake. Some of these guys are really something else and if it isn't a GM, Ford or Mopar you 'aint' really welcome. I found this out fairly quickly and resorted to just enjoying my car.

Eventually along came a few shows that were slated for just imports and the more interesting import saloons. The first one of these that I attended was probably a New England MG T Register event and shortly thereafter the first event by the Rochester based MG Car Club of Western New York took place at a private home in Fairport N.Y. called Wagon Jack Farm. This was a great event, very informal and lots of fun. They had it for several years and then it morphed the following year into what is now the Sports Car and Vintage Auto Festival. It was first held at the Victor Central School and for some reason that name has stuck but it is now held in the town of Farmington at the town park.

With the coming of this sort of show a good number of us now had a venue for our cars and a place to go and enjoy them together. It took a while but it was a relief not to be looked down upon.

Even now some forty years later (yes I have owned my TC for 44 years) I will occasionally be talked into going to one of the local events but I frequently still get the looks and what is even worse people who think they know automobiles ask some of the dumbest questions I have ever fielded. I believe I have already mentioned the character that told me very seriously that my steering wheel was on the wrong side as if I really didn't know this fact. Or better yet the "knowledgeable" fellow that comes up to you and asks, "What year Morgan is that?" Then informs you that MG stands for Morgan Garages!

I have had the TC called a "Volkswagen" a "Kit Car," "Some kinda Roadster" even a Bugatti. That last one didn't really bother me except when someone asks you a question about your car you would think they would at least know

what they are looking at, not a guess in the night. It has amazed me for years that a good number of people that call themselves automobile buffs or motor heads really have little knowledge of the history of the automobile and many of the various makes that have come and gone over the years. I certainly don't consider myself an expert on anything but I do have a fairly good knowledge of some of the automotive history that is out there and I still enjoy reading about it and finding out more. For example in ten years ask a sixteen year old what an Oldsmobile or a Plymouth was and who made it and unless he is well read, and most are not, you will get one of those classic dumb looks. However we will soldier on and those of us from the dark ages will keep the MGs Triumphs and, who knows what else, running and continue to enjoy them.



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4 Richard Coleman
4 Sean Seeley
6 Nancy Chase
7 Beverly Lockrow
10 Norman Wright
11 Robert Goodwin
11 Georgean Abels
12 Dick Giambra
12 Becky Schaefer
14 Bob Wegman
15 Ann Coleman
17 Don Lovell
18 Betty Langswager
19 Doug Avery
19 John Fowler
19 Hollis Hames
20 Mary Murray
21 John Murray
22 David Schantz
24 Robert Abels
27 Dezi Benet
28 Arnold Van Denburgh
29 Linda Neri

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
EVERYONE!!**



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50th Anniversary Badge \$20.00
 50th Anniversary Pin \$3.00
 50th Anniversary Embroidered
 Gold Shirt \$25.00

MG Car Club Western NY Centre

50th Anniversary Sticker..1.50
 MGCC Mug.....\$5.00
 Car Badge\$25.00
 Badge Clip5.00
 Patch, embroidered2.50
 Key Fob, large leather 4.00
 Pin, cloisonné3.00
 Dash Plaque, 40th Anniv ..4.00
 Sticker, front adhesive1.50
 Sign, magnetic (10")15.00
 Tote Bag, embroidered ...15.00
 Bumper Sticker.....1.00
 Name Badges w/MG15.00
 Sport Cap embroidered ...12.00
 Vehicle Log Book6.00
 Fire Extinguisher.....15.00



**Magnetic Sign
 for the car or
 Frig**

Also available is a wide selection of clothing items
 (shirts, jackets, etc.) embroidered with the club logo.
 Prices shown are for members only.

All items are available for purchase at our monthly
 meetings, or delivery can be arranged.

Contact: Laurie Scribner 585-872-5133 (weekdays).

MG Car Club Western New York Centre, Inc. Membership Application

Annual Family Membership Dues \$30.00 — All memberships expire December 31st.

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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January 8 Board Meeting 15 Meeting 24 Wine & Cheese, Valve Cover Races	February 15 Daytona Party 19 Meeting	March 5 Board Meeting 8 Winter Steak Roast 19 Meeting	April 16 Meeting Basket 19 Swing into Spring
May 7 Board Meeting 9 Tune-up Clinic 17 Apple Blossom Rallye 21 Meeting 31 Autocross -tentative date	June 3 Stuffing party 7 Vintage Auto Festival 13 Multi-club Picnic 18 Meeting 20-21 Eurocar, Cazenovia	July 2 Board Meeting 15 Kids Day at the Glen 16 Meeting 19 GVAC Car Show (RIT) 25 Laps & Lunch	August ? NE Classic Car Museum 20 Meeting 23 UK Car Day, GRTTC 30 Autocross- tentative date
September 3 Board Meeting 11-13 Watkins Glen 15 Meeting 18-20 Brit. Invasion Stowe 20 British Car Day, Toronto	October 4 Autocross 11 Fall Foliage Tour 15 Meeting 31 Halloween Rallye	November 5 Board Meeting 8 Yacht Club brunch 14 Garage Tour 19 Meeting --Elections	December 12 Holiday Party No Meeting

Next Meeting
November 19, 2009 7:30 PM
Burgundy Basin Inn
1361 Marsh Road, Pittsford, New York



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MY SPORTS CAR!