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Chairman's Corner

Mike Parthum

Since this is my last column as Chairperson for the MG car club, I would first like to say Thank You to the 2012 Board Members for all of their hard work and the assistance I have received this past year. A club is only as good as its membership and this club has been very fortunate to have a number of people over the years who have been and are willing to put forth the time and effort that is needed, with this year's Board continuing in that tradition. It's been an "interesting" year for us as when we started this year the MG Club was spending more money than it took in. The Lion's Club withdrawing their support for the MG Car show during the winter severely impacted our ability to continue in a long standing tradition. Without the income which the club received from the car show, the austerity budget was put in place the previous year but that did not solve the problem of running a deficit budget.

The first few months of this year were spend trying to find a way to continue the car show and to look at areas which the club could reduce its spending along with ways to improve the general membership experience. As treasurer, Mike Goodwin has been instrumental in defining the areas of where all the money goes, which helped us focus on what could be done to reduce our overhead. Desi has been doing a wonderful job with putting more events on the colander and instigating some new ideas. The change in the meeting location, although not optimal, will really help with the reduction in cost to the club. Both Mary & Dave have been instrumental with bringing me up to speed with the history of the club and all of the details that go with the position of Chairperson.

The Opt-Out program for electronic distribution of our publication "Spokes" being underway will finish the process of putting the club "back in the black". Hearing the number of "eye balls" visiting our website (1,600 last month) and reading our publication shows there are people out there interested in what we do. I see this as an opportunity to attract new members or possible sources of income for the club which we need to take advantage of. If you have not yet signed up for the Opt-Out program, send an email to our Webmaster Leon to get on the list.

MG Bruce

Don McConnell

November is upon us, which leads us to ask the preverbal question. Where did the year go? I suppose that as one ages those long days you experience as a youngster have now become short. So much for that philosophical thought.

Now on to car stuff. Last month I mentioned that I was stuck in the wrong gear low or even neutral as far as rebuild of my "B". A stop to British Auto for the garage tour may have shifted the gears to forward. Then to add to that a trip to Concours Classis Motorcar. If these two places don't get your engine revving for a car makeover take your temperature.

Work on a smaller size Spokes continues. Maintaining the same content is always top on the list. A review of a couple more details (including obtaining worthwhile savings) just to make sure we are on the right track. A target of February 2013 would be the first issue.

Enjoy your November and the Thanksgiving Holiday. See you at the meeting

Happy Top Down

Don

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NOTE NOW!
DUES ARE
DUE
FOR 2013!

Don's work on repackaging the printed publication is another potential area where we can reduce costs but without sacrificing the content of Spokes.

As I am writing this, it's 80 degrees outside (10/25/12) and it's supposed to be really nice tomorrow too. Fall is upon us and I have always enjoyed the colors and smells that are unique to this time of year. There are still some good days ahead before winter sets in and I hope everyone gets to take advantage of those days while we still can. Here is hoping for a late winter arrival and an early winter departure so we all get to spend more time with the cars that we have become attached too.

Activities

By Desi Benet

Hi everyone, we are winding up quite a year of activities and have so much more planned for next year.

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January: Ted has informed me that the valve cover races are on, location and date details are forthcoming.

February: still open, if not filled, will try to do a valentine event of some kind—any ideas?

March: Steak Roast and auction in East Rochester, still awaiting confirmation of date, but tentatively March 24.

April: Swing into Spring, details will be available early in the new year. Hopefully the Farmers Almanac is correct for April and we will be getting our cars to this

annual event. "April and May will be warmer and drier than normal, with an especially warm first half of April." (Farmers Almanac, 2013 long range weather report. <http://www.almanac.com/weather/longrange/region/us/6>)

One of our club members has also suggested that we support a march to fight cancer. There is a major march in this community in April and May, more information as that becomes available.

May: Beer tasting (possibly weekend after mother's day, note Carlise date pending)

There is also a potential overnight to Hammondsport to get the cars out for an early drive, see the Curtis museum and other activities. Date to be determined

June: Still open

Possible ideas? Event in Pennsylvania / Hesses British Car Club show. It would need to be an overnight most likely.

Possible overnight to Thousand Islands, visit to the vintage boat museum.

There is usually a British Car Day in Buffalo in June, information about 2013 is not yet available.

July: Again we are invited to the Pultneyville Homecoming Parade, the feedback on that activity was very positive, and our club and cars got quite a bit of exposure. It is usually the third weekend in July, the parade is always on the Saturday of the weekend.

Laps and Lunch will be scheduled when Watkins Glen International gives us the date.

Multi club picnic has traditionally been scheduled at the end of July, but date for next year has not been confirmed. This includes a funkahna, valve cover races, and of course, food.

The Triumph Club asked if we might be interested in joining them on their July Rally on July 21. It will be open to all British Cars. More info as it becomes available.

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MGCC Minutes of the Meeting

By Mary Murray

October 18, 2013

Call to Order- Meeting was called to order at 7:38pm by Chairman Mike Parthum.

Joke for the night was given by Betty Langswager

Acceptance of September minutes was accepted after correction of Dick Powers' winning the Bob Bucher, Sherm Decker Memorial Cup.

Guests-Sam Paul and Loretta Meyer

Activities-Desi Benet asked Tim Rizzo to report on the Fall Foliage Tour. Tim thanked John and Chris Baum for printing the maps for everyone and stated that even though it rained in the end, it was enjoyed by all. The scenery was nice and the lunch was even better. Tim and Rhonda are now calling it the "Annual" Fall Tour. Thank you for a great time. Jeff Kath talked about their trip to Hershey. Telling how even though they had bad weather also, many cars were still there for the show on Saturday. George Leopard wasn't at the meeting, so next month he can tell us about the garage tour on October 27th. Yacht Club brunch with Anne and Gene Faust on the 4th of November. December 1st is the Holiday Party; notify Desi if you plan on attending. Don't forget the hats and gloves for the children that Bob and Annabelle Tescione volunteer to do every year. Desi also stated next year is starting really good except for February, which there is no event scheduled as yet. Always check the back page of Spokes for up and coming events.

Treasurer-Mike Goodwin stated that right now our balance is good. If anyone wants to see the exact figures and anything else pertaining to the treasury, ask him and he will show you.

Membership-Jim Priestley reminded everyone that dues are due. After the November meeting you will have to send it to him.

Regalia-Doug Scribner had a large assortment of clothes which he was selling at 10% off tonight. He also has car magnets, key fobs, and hats, come take a look at the next meeting.

Spokes-Don McConnell needs pictures for next years' calendar, titled, "Your British Car". Send them to Spokes@mccarclub. As always, please get anything in for Spokes by the 25th.

England Report-George Herschell said that Dick Powers' article in Spokes was enjoyed by the English very much.

Librarian-Al Costich has a new vhs movie for the collection. It is the original Gran Prix. Let him know if you want to take it out.

Trustee-Dan Suter and Dan Goodwin had no reports.

Web-Leon Zak stated that the site was up 1500 hits this month. That would be also 146 people per second.

Old business-the voting is finished on the new meeting place. The Knights of Columbus in Webster received the most votes, so it will be the meeting place as of January 17th, 2013.

Leon had an addendum that anyone that wants to be on the MG Car Club list you must e-mail Leon with your e-mail address.

Entertaining us while Mary was counting votes started with Dan Suter showing pictures and telling about a MGTD that was shown to him that actually raced at Watkins Glen back in the 1950s. The car needed repair after it had stopped racing probably because of a blown engine. Dan showed how they repaired it well enough to now have it for sale. After Dan, Mike Goodwin discussed that he was having starting problems and Leon Zak suggested that Mike call him for help. Mike accepted. John Murray questioned if the number of people at our meetings were enough to have valid motions to be made. It was stated in the by-laws that all that is needed is 10% of the membership. John also stated that Fast Trak gas stations around Rochester have 91 octane no ethanol.

New business-Dick Powers and Doug Scribner are thinking of putting together and overnight at Hammondsport for the Curtiss Museum and some winery tours. Interested helpers contact Dick or Doug.

Nominations for new board members were also put on the floor.

Chairman-Dave Chase
Vice Chairman-John Baum
Secretary-Mary Murray
Treasurer-Rob Shrader
Activities-Desi Benet
Trustee#1-Allyn Wagner
Trustee#2-Gil Langswager

Door prizes were given out.

Meeting adjourned at 9:09pm

If you need 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. Dan and Hollis will try to match frustrated mechanics to one or more members from the pool of those with experience

Contact Dan: (585) 223-9584 e-mail dlgipk@rit.edu
Hollis: (585) 271-7754

Meeting Attendance

October 18 2012

<u>Betty Langswager</u>	<u>Jeff Kath</u>	<u>Tony Makepeace</u>	<u>Pat Sangster</u>
<u>Gil Langswager</u>	<u>Jessica Seeley</u>	<u>Brooks Schneider</u>	<u>Mike Schiff</u>
<u>Annabelle Tescione</u>	<u>Sean Seeley</u>	<u>Gayle Schneider</u>	<u>Jerri Schiff</u>
<u>Bob Tescione</u>	<u>Wendy J. Pohlman</u>	<u>Lane Boughton</u>	<u>Dick Powers</u>
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<u>George Herschell</u>	<u>Dan Suter</u>	<u>Rhonda Rizzo</u>	<u>Darcie Murray</u>
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<u>John Fowler</u>	<u>Bob Abels</u>	<u>Cindy Jack</u>	
<u>Tim Paul</u>	<u>Georgian Abels</u>	<u>Leon Zak</u>	<u>Guests</u>
<u>Susan Kath</u>	<u>Anne Faust</u>	<u>Marlene Rzepkowski</u>	<u>Loretta Mayer</u>
<u>Harriette Hokenson</u>	<u>Gene Faust</u>	<u>Dick Rzepkowski</u>	<u>Sam Paul</u>
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November Brunch Run

Sunday November 4, 2012

**Rochester Yacht Club
5555 St Paul Blvd
Rochester, NY**

time: 11:30 a.m
Cost is \$22.00 per Person
Same Room Same menu

Payment dead line Oct. 29, 2012

Payment to;
Anne Faust
67 Glenwood Dr
Webster, NY 14580



November Meeting

Vote for Officers for 2013

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Vic Chairman	John Baum
Secretary	Mary Murray
Treasurer	Rob Shrader
Activities	Desi Benet
Trustee #1	Allyn Wagner
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November 15 2012 Adjenda

CALL TO ORDER (after 7:30 pm)

ACCEPTANCE OF THE OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES

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ADJOURNMENT



MG

Holiday Party

Monroes Restaurant

(formerly the Spring House)

3001 Monroe Avenue
Rochester, NY 14618

Saturday, December 1

6:30 cocktails 7:30 dinner 8:30 program



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November 22

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DETAILS

Cost per person is **\$32.50** which will cover

Cheese Tray for cocktail hour

Dinner Choice:

- ★ **Grilled Salmon**
- ★ **Chicken French**
- ★ **Lasagna**
(vegetarian or non-vegetarian)

Glass of red or white Wine with dinner

Desert (cake or cupcakes)

Evening Program to include

Club Awards and a Speaker

Dan Gurney For President 1964 – The rest of the story

By Dick Powers

After going to press for the October issue of *Spokes*, I heard from Binghamton Auto Racing Club (BARC) member Gordie Ruston, that the **Gurney For President** campaign was started by their club member Dave Zych before Car and Driver started their campaign. Seems that Dave made "Gurney For President" bumper stickers and the BARC gang put some up at a Glen race in '63. Not only did they want Gurney for President, but also John Surtees ('64 F-1 champion in Ferrari) for Secretary of State! Now you know the rest of the story.



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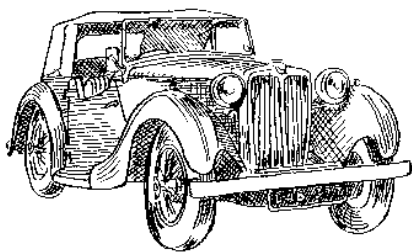
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ABINGDON ALPHABET, part 13

By Doug Beagley

In the last discussion we had we were talking about the change over to Cowley management. This was to improve efficiency, it was said, but as noted in the chat about the SA, it did not work that way. The next model to be introduced was bothered by the same delays and frequent changes that troubled the SA. In mid-1937 the VA was introduced to the market and, once again, it was a different type of MG than had gone before. It was like a smaller sized SA. In fact the bore and stroke of the engine was the same as the later model SA's, with 69.5 mm by 102 mm. This gave a displacement of 1548 cc, or in the same field as the Magnetes. The cars also looked like a smaller version of the SA, but because they were on a shorter wheelbase they were not so attractive. The wheelbase was 108" with a track of 50".

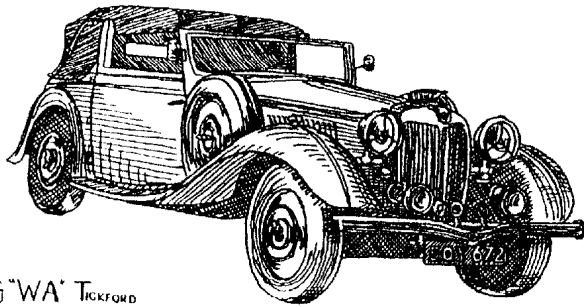


MG "VA" Tourer 1937

doug beagley 1998

The body styles that were available were the four seater, drop head coupe, and the saloon. The four seaters were not by Charlesworth, as were the SA, but were the production of Morris Motors. The early models were equipped with cork faced clutches but these were changed to dry clutch discs later. The transmission was typical of the day in that it was partially synchromesh. These new fangled devices that made motoring so much easier were much despised by the old timers. I can recall my father making the flat statement that they should be outlawed as if the potential driver could not take the time and have the interest to learn to use the crash box then he would never take the time nor the interest to become a good driver. I am not sure that there is not more than a grain of truth there somewhere. What did he think of automatic transmissions? (Really! I wish you would recall that Liz has to type this!) The car was introduced as the 1½ litre, as the SA had been introduced as the 2 litre. Many thought that this was going to really enhance the performance image of MG, but it was not so. The VA engine produced 54 hp at 4500 rpm and so with

the added weight and size of the car the performance was rather pedestrian. However, it must be said that those who have come into possession of these models in the postwar years have become very attached to them. I had a friend in Seattle year ago, who owned a 1938 VA four seater tourer and loved it and would never agree that his car could be outperformed by any TC or TD that we had. To be quite honest, I do not think he was being very realistic, but he was very attached to and in love with his version of the car. As you have no doubt noted, there are long lists of traditional stories about MG's and we all love to hear them. Have you heard the one about the VA? It is said that there was a man at Abingdon who's name was "Maggie" Buckle and it was his job to attach the front wings (fenders) to the cars. Now, as you can imagine, it was no easy chore to hold the wing in place, drill the holes, and enter and tighten the bolts. To do this, "Maggie" thought of an arrangement of planks, pulleys and ropes that supported the wing in place so that he could do his thing with drill, nuts and bolts. It so happened that without warning "Maggie" fell sick and failed to show up for work. The VA's had to be built and so many people tried to master the operation of this contraption - without success. And so it was an ever lengthening line of VA's stood without front wings until "Maggie" returned. This may seem hard to believe in these days of moving lines of cars and vast production schedules, but we are talking about Abingdon and not Detroit. In all, 2,407 VA's were built and many found them to be a very pleasant car. There were not performance oriented, as had been previous models, but this was the day of the "silent Sports car" and the VA met this criteria. What, you say, is a silent sports car? I think, as far as all recall, the title occurred some years before. There was the terrific British Sports car, the Bentley, which, due to financial difficulties of the 1930's, found themselves in deep trouble. The company was bought by the Rolls-Royce company and after a short delay a car was produced under the name of Rolls Bentley. It used much of the engineering and engine of the Rolls-Royce. It was a sports car but in the Rolls-Royce tradition and so it was natural that silence and all the finer parts would be found included. For this reason it was introduced as the "Silent Sports Car" and it started a new style of car and a whole new concept that continues today.

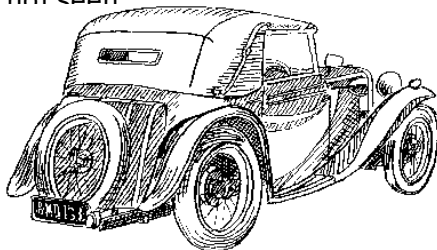


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In late 1938 a new car was introduced that was really an improvement of an older model. It was the WA or 2.6 litre. It was an improved SA. The engine was upgraded to 2.6 litres with six cylinders, 73 mm by 102 mm, and produced 95.5 hp at 4,400 rpm. The engine, gear box and running gear were improved and the result a fine car was better. It continued in the trend of the SA where comfort and the ability to cruise at high averages were more important than overall performance. There were very few of this model built. In fact, the whole production was 369 vehicles and they were of the saloon, four seater open and drop head coupe types. Some day I hope that some wealthy relative will arrange to leave one of these beauties to me in their will. I can think of no other way that I am likely to receive such a joy. It would be neat cruising our freeways. It might not have the latest in air conditioning, but it has style as you have not seen



MG "TB" Tickford Coupe de Ville 1939

doug heagley 1996

We left the sportscar theme in the hands of the TA model. This was the performance car and the type of car that most of us feel we relate to best. In early 1939 this model was updated in that a new engine was fitted. The result was the TB. It was a direct carry over of the TA but, as I have said, a new engine was fitted and the car changed in its character. The

engine that appeared was from the Morris parts bin and was the same as found in the Morris Ten, or the XPAG unit. It was a four cylinder, overhead valve, pushrod engine with which you are all familiar (Aren't you, Agatha?). It was the same engine that soldiered on the TF 1500. It differed in many ways from the TA unit and its performance was quite different. It came with replaceable shell bearings on both rod and main bearings and was all that the TA unit had not been. It was a strong engine with 66.5 mm by 90 mm. This shorter stroke and stronger crankshaft, counterbalanced with sturdy connecting rods, was just what the MG enthusiast ordered. It was an engine that could be revved fiercely and could be tuned to give greater and greater gobs of power. It was an odd displacement, 1250 cc, which was a handicap to it in later years but it made a fine car and the TB looked very good. The production run of the TB was very short. In fact, there were only 379 built, and so they are quite rare. There were two body styles, the open traditional two seater sports and the drop head coupe. So we come to a hiatus in the production of MG cars. It was in the fall of 1939 that some dimwit started something that he found he could neither stop nor control. World War II was abroad and the lines at Abingdon stopped and for a period of years no cars with the famous octagon were to be seen around the plant. The lines were cleared and other pursuits found, and it was because Cecil Kimber went out and found war work for his plant without waiting for approval or something from Cowley that the connection between the man who started it all and the factory was severed. It was a great pity as he had created a fine car. With his enthusiasm many worlds' records had fallen to the marque MG. For those who do not know, MG held at one time or another all the ultimate world speed records for displacements from 350 cc to 2000 cc inclusive. During the war MG continued to do great things and used their brains to resolve other types of problems. They built the front assembly of the "Albemarle" bomber that other aircraft manufacturers would not take on because it was too complicated. They worked on tanks and various weapons, all with great success. Will MG re-emerge? Will fine cars never be built from within these hallowed walls? Has the two seater sportscar come to an end? Be sure to read our next episode!

University Motors Info

Here is some snippets of information from the Latest news letter from University Motors. For more detailed information go to their web site at www.Universitymotorsltd.com

After a five year hiatus, the University Motors Summer Party is back.
The 2013 Summer Party Reunion features the sedans - the Ys, the Zs, the Farinas,
the 1100/1300s - all those models you've read about but have rarely seen!

The venue will be the same - the Hilton Hotel (616) 957-0100 - Douglas Walker Park.

The event is scheduled for 16-18 August. Call the hotel now for reservations. We'll
have registration information at the same time as we complete the results for this
past summer. Will they be in the mail this month? We're working at it!

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Spa & Monaco 1972 – Celebrating Our 40th Anniversary

By Dick Powers



In 1971, the rumor was that due to safety reasons, the 1972 Monaco Grand Prix would be the last one at this historic location (first run in 1929). Hearing this, Al Isselhard decided he wasn't going to miss the "last" Monaco GP and along with Marv Brudno, started planning a trip to Monaco and also Spa in Belgium for an FIA endurance race.

The trip consisted of flying to Brussels from JFK and then going to Spa. After Spa, we all had a week on our own before meeting in Monaco for the GP. Then back to Brussels before heading home. Two weeks in Europe, two major races, one being the GP of Monaco, all for about \$400!

Gil and Betty Langswager remember first hearing of the trip at an MGCC picnic in 1971 and were interested in going. So were Bob and Ruth Philip, Steve and Patty Philip and olde me. 17 total were on the trip and that included some non MGCC folks.



Last September, Gil and Betty, Steve and Patty, Al and I (along with our respective spouses, Mary and Bethel, who weren't on the trip), got together at the Belgian restaurant Victoire to celebrate our 40th Anniversary. Lots of Belgian beer and food were consumed as we looked at photos, slides and literature, bringing back memories of the races, food and fun we had during those wonderful 2 weeks in May.



Here is a metal ticket for the race



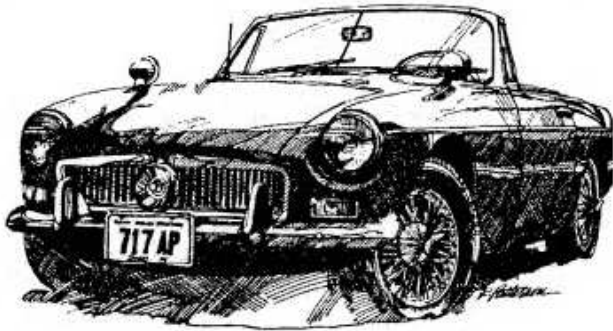
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Position	Name	Points
01	Gordon Shedden	408
02	Matt Neal	387
03	Jason Plato	376
04	Andrew Jordan	346
05	Robert Collard	303

Team Standings

01	Honda Racing	738
02	eBay Motors	607
03	Pirtek Racing	509
04	Redstone Racing	502
05	MG KX Momentum Racing	446



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 6 Steve Sangster
 8 William Barkley
 8 Michael Schiff
 8 Chris Williams
 9 Al Isselhard
 9 Brooks Schneider
 11 John Cordeiro
 14 Evelyn Stone
 15 Mary Fahner-Vihtelic
 16 Joseph Schultz
 17 George Lucas
 19 Alan Costich
 19 Stephen Edge
 19 Carl Webeck
 20 Katie Jones
 22 Leroy Hokenson
 23 Margaret Cook
 24 Suzanne Cordeiro
 25 Don McConnell
 25 Wendy Taylor
 26 Sue Leopard
 28 Doug Scribner
 28 Charles Searles
 28 Barbara Zak

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

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 11 Georgean Ables
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 12 Becky Schaefer
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May 3 Board Meeting 5 Tune-up clinic 13 Beer Tasting Party 17 MGCC Meeting 17-20 Carlisle	June 3 MGCC Picnic Powdermill 6-10 NAMGBR MG 2012 21 MGCC Meeting 28 Great Race Fairport	July 3 Board Meeting 9-13 NAMGAR GT 37 19 MGCC Meeting 22 Pulinteyville Homecoming 29 Multi Club Picnic TBD Ice Cream Rally	August 4 Garlic Festival 5 GVAC Car Show 16 MGCC Meeting 26 UK Car Day TBD Niagara on lake Show
September 6 Board Meeting 7-9 Watkins Glen 14-16 Brit Invasion Stowe 16 Bronte British Show 18 (Tues) MGCC Meeting	October 7 Fall Foliage Tour 18 MGCC Meeting TBD Garage Tour	November 1 Board meeting 4 Yacht Club Brunch 15 MGCC Meeting	December TBD Holiday Party No Meeting

Next Meeting
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