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*Betty and Gil Langswager with their 1953 MG TD*

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## MG's Corner

By Spokes editor, Michael Goodwin

Susan and I have been in Colorado for a few weeks, on a trip parenthetically inserted into our trip to the west coast, where we've been staying in our Tiny House. We drove the MINI to Colorado, first to visit my sister and brother-in-law who live in beautiful Ouray in the southwest part of this vast state. But most of our Colorado trip-within-a-trip has been in Windsor, in the northeast with our son and his family. Phil, Janelle, and little Elijah moved here recently – Phil is teaching now at the University of Northern Colorado in nearby Greeley, and Janelle has been fortunate to keep her Nevada job by working remotely. Though we have been spending most of our time painting walls, moving furniture and babysitting, we've managed to find some time to get off by ourselves for a couple of drives and hikes in the nearby mountains.

Though the Windsor area is pretty flat, you don't have to go very far west to get into the foothills and then quickly into the high mountains. Last Thursday, we took a trip-within-a-trip-

within-a-trip to Deer Mountain, a 10,013-foot summit in Rocky Mountain National Park. It was a 1000-foot climb from the trailhead over three miles, for a six-mile roundtrip.

At this elevation, the 1000-foot climb was challenging, but not overly so, as Susan and I took our time and enjoyed the views.

Susan and I agree that some of the mountain roads would be great fun to drive in the MG. Someday, we'll drive it out here from New York instead of driving the MINI from the west coast.

We'll be leaving Colorado tomorrow, and leaving Tiny House Land to return home in early July, so we're looking forward to summertime drives in Western New York.



*On a hike in Rocky Mountain National Park –  
a trip within a trip within a trip - MRG*

Enjoy this issue of Spokes. The awesomeness of this month's contributions needs no added hoopla from me!

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**SEARCHING FOR**

**MG-TC inquiry emailed to Dick Powers via Brian Woodhams, our UK MGCC overseas director.  
Send any information to Dick Powers at [mgahmogca@rpa.net](mailto:mgahmogca@rpa.net)**

My father, Denman McIntyre, purchased his TC Roadster in 1948. He was stationed in England in 1943 before going to France with the Third Army in 1944. He was so impressed by the MG's he saw in England that he just had to have one. In fact, he went to pick up his car at the docks in NYC when it arrived. The facts about his car are:

**Serial # TC 5113**  
motor# XPAG 5661  
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1135 18th St., N.W.  
Washington 3, D.C.  
color black  
green leather interior  
21" dia. wire wheels



*Similar TC*

My Dad sold his TC in 1965 to someone living in Montgomery County, Maryland. The car was still black with green interior and the large wire wheels. The main change to the look of the car was that he had added dual spare tires on the back.

If you have any information about it, I would like to know if the car still exists, and any other information about the history of the car in the intervening 56 years.

Thank You, Glenn McIntyre



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## Chairman's Corner

By Bob Welch

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We've just wrapped up our 5th monthly meeting of the year on Zoom. If you were not one of the 20-some members who attended, you're about to hear some good news! Starting with the next meeting, on June 17th, we will at last resume in-person meetings at the Legion Hall. As always, the meeting will begin at 7:30PM.

This decision was made after careful consideration, following CDC and New York State guidance. To that I will add the virtually unanimous support of the members we have polled at the past few meetings and of course, your MGCC Board. All the many members we have asked have been vaccinated and the active case numbers in the area are in decline - especially those in our age ranges.

There are a couple of guidelines we must insist be followed. Any attendees who have not been vaccinated (2 doses except for the J&J vaccine) will be asked to wear a mask while indoors and must maintain 6 feet distance from other members. Vaccinated members are not required to wear a mask and do not have to maintain distance, unless you choose to do otherwise. This is on the honor system folks, for the safety of all of us.

Dan Suter and George Haynes have dusted off an old rally route and made it into a driving tour, along the lines of the Fall Foliage Tour. Save the date: June 5 with first cars off from the Rush Town Hall at 10 or 10:15 AM. The course is roughly 50 miles and will be capped with lunch at Rohrbach's on Buffalo Road. Look for more info elsewhere in Spokes.

Membership is a hot and ongoing topic. At last count we have 51 paid memberships plus 11 Brudno winners and Friends. This low number is despite our having added several new members. Measured against 2020, 42 members have not renewed. This is troubling to all of us. Did they not bother to pay their dues because of the pandemic? Did they forget to renew? Do they mistakenly think they renewed? If by chance you are one of those who did not renew, you will shortly receive a post card reminder. Hopefully that will do the trick. If not, a couple weeks after the post cards are sent members who still fail to renew will be removed from all club rosters, mailing and email lists. I hope we don't have to do this to too many former members.

One last thing about membership. Going forward, the Treasurer will maintain the membership roster. This just makes sense since dues go to the treasury. The Membership person (still Paul Osborne) will be focused on recruiting new members into our Club. He can use everybody's help with this since we're all MGCC-WNY ambassadors.

Safety Fast! RW



## Vice Chairman's Notes

By George Heissenberger

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I have been zooming about in the MGB and just got back from taking a photo for the MG Club photo challenge. I got back and started looking at some of my MG books. If you are like me, you probably have a whole library of MG books. I have had books on MGs even before I owned an MG. Books can be a valuable reference on how things are supposed to be on your MG “from the factory.” Or you can just look wistfully at the beautiful pre-war and post war MGs that have come along over the years. Here is a list of some of my favorite MG books and publications.

**MGB 1969-1972 Autobook, Workshop manual for the MGB and MGB GT 1969-1972. By Kenneth Ball, Autopress, copyright 1970, fourth edition 1972.** I bought this book as a workshop manual back in 1976 when I purchased my 1971 MGB. The many grease-stained pages tell a story of all the various adventures I have had in the garage and alongside the road fixing that MGB as well as our current 1973 MGB. There's little difference between a '72 MGB and '73 so I kept the book after selling our '71 MGB and it's been a constant companion and lifesaver many times over.

**Original MGB with MGC and MGB GTV8, The restorers guide to all roadsters and GT models 1962-80. By Anders Ditlev Clausager, Herridge & Sons copyright 1994, 2012 edition.** This is the “bible” for MGB restoration and people quote it like it's the gospel. I have heard people say online “According to Clausager page 68 paragraph three...” Well, you get the picture. Facts, figures and lots of photos document everything. It's a must have to get the little details right.



**Step by Step MGB Including MGC, V8 and RV8 Service Guide, and owner's manual. All models from first to last. By Lindsay Porter, Porter publishing copyright 1994, 1994 edition.** This is another workshop manual and it's not as in depth as the Autopress manual so it doesn't cover everything but has loads of photos and walks you through most every typical maintenance job you will need to do at specified mileage intervals, 500, 10,000, 36,000 from brakes to tires and air cleaners, whatever might need routine maintenance. Our MG has over 136,000 miles and I still occasionally refer to it although it's not all greasy and battle worn like the Autopress book. It is still a good reference especially if you were a first time MGB owner.

**Those were the days...Don Hayter's MGB Story-The birth of the MGB in MG's Abingdon Design & Development Office. By Don Hayter Veloce publishing 2012.** This book is full of wonderful anecdotes and stories about the birth and development of the MGB by the man that designed it, Don Hayter. What a great book this is! All the more poignant with the recent passing of Don Hayter last month. Lots of photos and inside information from the glory days at MG.

**MG The book of the car. By Anders Ditlev Clausager Galley Press, copyright 1982.** This is another book by Clausager and its more of a large format coffee table book heavy on the glossy full color photos. It devotes two or three pages to each model from Bullnose Morris to the MGB GT V8. Light on copy but beautiful photography. I especially enjoy the section on one-off design cars, for example the EX 234 which was supposed to replace both the MGB and Midget but never made it to production.

## Vice Chairman's Notes

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**The Classic MG. By Richard Aspden, Bison Books copyright 1983.** This is another large format coffee table book and has lots of photos both in black and white and in color. This book takes a chronological look at the history of MG from Old Number 1 through to the last Midget off the line and the closure of MG. More information than the Clausager coffee table book and with hundreds of photos this is a great book for beautiful photographs as well as valuable information on the MG marque's history. A good history but pardon the fact they list "old number one" as the first MG when we all know about the various Morris specials that were contemporaries.

**The MGA, MGB and MGC - A collector's guide. By Graham Robson, Motor Racing publications copyright 1978, reprinted 1999.** This book is fantastic for reference as it has loads of photographs and technical details on each of the models covered MGA, MGB, MGBGT and MGC. All kinds of data abound as well as racing photos, model changes and appendices listing numbers of cars produced by year and model, weights and capacities, top speeds and economy for every model. It packs a lot into a relatively small size.

**MG by McComb. By F. Wilson McComb, Motorbooks copyright 1978, 2004 edition.** This book by Wilson McComb covers every MG from Morris before there was an MG through to the Metro and MGF. Lavishly illustrated and with loads of history, stories and even technical specifications and data in the appendices. McComb knows MG through and through and I seem to recall he once visited our club for one of our past anniversary dinners or car shows. I may have that wrong but some of the long-time club members can correct or affirm that. A great book to add to your library and at 376 pages lots of information. This is a great book if you could only have one book on MGs.

**Great Marques MG. By Chris Harvey and Charles Blunsden, Octopus Books, copyright 1983.** Another large format coffee table book with gorgeous full color and full-page photos on almost every page. This book takes a more distant look at MG from the outside, without as many of the inside anecdotes that the others may contain, but it is great at summarizing in each chapter a different phase of MG at that time. From the inception of MG through the prewar years, during the war and post war boom phase, right up to the end of MG at Abingdon. I like this book because it so neatly captures and imparts the mood and times of each phase of the company history through a mix of content and photos.

What about you? What are your favorite MG books? Looking forward to discussions with you over a pint at our next club get together!

George GH

### MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge Photos

-See a lot more starting on page 26-



2021-12 George Heissenberger with his MGB at Rite of Passage Tattoo in Victor, NY



2021-18 George and his non-electric MGB at an electric car-charging station



# Minutes for MGCC Meeting via Zoom, May 20, 2021

Recorded and submitted by Annabelle Tescione, MGCC Secretary



**ATTENDANCE – ROW 1:** Leon Zak, Annabelle Tescione, John & Chris Baum, Barb & Dave Wild, Allyn Wagner

**ROW 2:** Mike Robinson, Lane Boughton, Bob Welch, Chuck Perry, Mike & Susan Goodwin with grandson Eli

**ROW 3:** Paul Osborne, Dan Suter, Ted Hershey, Don McConnell, George Heissenberger

**ROW 4:** Doug Scribner, Dick Powers

**Audio only:** Frank Stepanik

**CHAIRMAN,** Bob Welch called the meeting to order at 7:33pm.

We will discontinue Zoom meetings and **BEGIN IN-PERSON MEETINGS STARTING IN JUNE** at the American Legion. If there are any significant changes with the pandemic, we will re-evaluate the situation at that time. We ask that members who have not been vaccinated stay in one area and wear masks for everyone's safety. The minutes from the April meeting were motioned and accepted.

**TREASURY/MEMBERSHIP,** Frank Stepanik reported that the treasury is stable and checks are still coming in. We have 51 paid members, 11 Brudno winners and non-paying club friends and 42 who have not yet renewed. George Heissenberger has volunteered to print and mail reminders to the unpaids. Two weeks after that, any remaining unpaid previous members will be removed from the club roster.

There was a discussion about recruiting new members. Paul Osborne will develop a plan with ideas on how to go about that.

It was also suggested that we consolidate our membership list to one person's input, the Club treasurer, as he is the person with all of the dues updates, etc. Treasurer Frank Stepanik will keep the master roster from now on.

**ACTIVITIES,** We have several safe events planned that do not require close contact.

- Dan Suter has organized a Spring Driving Tour for June 5<sup>th</sup>. It will use one of the routes from a previous rallye with modifications where necessary, approximately 2 hours duration. There will be an optional restaurant lunch at the end, probably at Rohrbach's on Buffalo Rd. Look for further information via club email, Spokes and website. George Haynes is also helping with the rallye. Dan reported that he has recruited a new member or two to run the rallye, people with MGs who were not previously in the Club. He is hoping to get the present owner of long-time member Bob Tennity's blue MGA to come along. Tennity's cars were renown in the club during the Club's heydays.

# Minutes for MGCC Meeting via Zoom, May 20, 2021

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## **ACTIVITIES** cont.

- Motoring Photo Challenge organized by “Challenge Masters” Mike Goodwin and George Heissenberger. They will add new destination challenges this month in *Spokes* as well as recently submitted photos from contestants. Mike showed us many of the photos during the Zoom meeting and many are available to view later in this issue.
- Fall Driving Tour organized by Mike Robinson. This has been a very popular event in past years.
- Our yearly Garage Tour was mentioned, George Heissenberger will speak with past organizer, Al Costich, to see if it can be arranged for this year.
- There are numerous activities being sponsored by other clubs and organizations. If you receive a notice for anything that may be of interest to the Club, feel free to send the information out to our members. Local Cruise Nights have returned to some, not all, of the previous locations so updates on those are welcome.

**REGALIA**, Joe Bellizia sent word that he is researching the Club logo windbreakers that were suggested at the last meeting and will have information soon.

**SPOKES**, Mike Goodwin told us that members have been coming forward with contributions for Spokes and he is happy to continue as Spokes editor for this year.

**LIBRARY**, Al Costich was not present, no report.

**WATKINS GLEN REPORT**, Dave Wild gave confirmation that the Alfa is the marque for the Vintage Grand Prix. Dave reported that the Olde Racers’ Luncheon, an informal event that is attended by Rochester and Buffalo racing enthusiasts, was brought back this month and had 40 people present for the May lunch.

Dan Suter has been taking Seneca Lodge room reservations and there are 3 rooms still available. Non-club members may be able to get those rooms, contact Dan for more information.

George Heissenberger reported that many of the Vintage Festival week-end events are happening but at a reduced capacity, specifically some of the rallies and Stone Bridge Driver happenings.

Dick Powers said that the Alfa Club has events in the works to celebrate that Alfa is the Marque of the Year at the Festival, including the Tour de Marque.

Al Wagner is investigating some of the ticket prices for certain Track races to determine if a group rate may be available.

**WEBSITE**, Leon Zak assured us that the Club website is in good condition. The site receives an average of 250-300 hits per day, a very healthy number. The Cars and Parts section is frequently visited and we have gotten a number of requests for information and car help that originated from the website - these were forwarded by Leon to the membership email list for replies.

**OLD BUSINESS**, none

**NEW BUSINESS**, **\*\*The MGCC monthly membership meetings will resume at the American Legion starting in June!\*\***

Dick Powers mentioned that Brian Woodhams, UK MGCC Overseas Director, has put out the word that someone in the UK is trying to track down the TC previously owned by his dad, believed to be in the US. See details later in this issue.

The annual Carlisle swap meet was attended by several members and was a good event, somewhat smaller than previous years but still successful. Dan Suter and George Haynes manned a Club booth and sold assorted parts for Club members.

# Minutes for MGCC Meeting via Zoom, May 20, 2021

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**CARS & PARTS FOR SALE**, Dick Powers has an MGA parts or project car for sale. He may have other MG parts available as he clears out the garage at his previous home.

**PROJECTS**, Al Wagner reported that he has his MGB running well, still with many of its original parts at nearly 100K miles.

Meeting end: 8:35pm. **AT**

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**Keep checking your email for details!**

Dan Suter



# Saying So Long to An Old Friend

By Annabelle Tescione

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At the May 13 Car Nuts Breakfast, Gil and Betty Langswager drove in with their 1953 MG TD, a couple and a car that have been seen at hundreds of events over the last decades. It is certainly the “most appearing” MG out there. I can’t even guess how many miles of Club events are on the odometer, I think about a gazillion! This breakfast run was an incredibly special trip though. It was the last outing for the car in Rochester, a very bittersweet occasion. We learned from Gil that the car was moving on to the next generation, the Langswagers’ son Gary and his wife Paula who live in Alabama. So no longer will we see this familiar MG in our midst locally, but it is really nice to know that it’s still in the family and in the capable hands of a son brought up with the car from the time he could fit in behind the seats. We wish the car the same tribute used so many times as a heartfelt farewell to many British car enthusiast friends – Safety Fast, old friend, smooth roads ahead.

The following article by Betty from March 2008 Spokes seems a fitting tale to honor the changing of the guard. AT

## Passing The Torch

By Betty Langswager

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Gil has always been interested in cars, especially in sports cars. He always went down to Watkins Glen for the Sports Car Races every year. He got me interested in the races too. When we went down in 1953 we saw this brand new dark green 1953 MGTD. Oh, how we wished we could buy one. No, too expensive and we were too practical to own such a car. We never got over the desire to be owners some day. One Sunday in the paper was this MGTD advertised for sale. I said “lets go look at it!” well I didn’t have to suggest it twice to Gil. So off we went to see what we could see. This MG was red, in pretty good shape, ran good, we took it out for a ride, it kept calling our names “Betty and Gil, buy me”—well, we left there saying that we’d buy it. Boy were we ever giddy! We picked it up a couple days later, the neighbor lady yelled out the door “I thought you were too practical.” Well guess what, her husband bought an MGTD about six months later. You’ve heard the expression “keeping up with the neighbors”? We kept this car for about a year and then bought one that was under restoration which ours badly needed. Gil finished it and now we had a perfect MG to enjoy and drive. We joined the local MG Car Club and became charter members as the club was just forming. Through the years there were lots of car activities to participate in our local area and soon we were traveling out of town and even out of state for more activities. We have had this same MGTD for fifty years summer of 2007. We’re still very active in the MG Car Club.

Through the years we have met some wonderful people both here in this country and people in England that were connected to the parent MG club of England and to the MG factory in Abingdon, England. We later got to visit the factory and watch the MG’s being made. Our boys, Gary and Jeffrey got so they enjoyed the MG as much as we did. When the boys were still small enough to fit in small spaces we used to play tricks on Daddy. Whenever we were in the vicinity of Rochester Products at quitting time we would go into the parking lot and find the MG. It was our second car and if I needed the car for any reason Gil would drive the MG to work. We’d listen for the quitting bell and I’d quick hide the boys under the tonneau cover, tell them to squat down on their knees and be quiet because I could see Gil coming. When he unzipped the tonneau cover the boys would scare Daddy! Then they would ride home in the TD with the top down; they just loved that. We bought a small camping trailer that slept four that we could haul behind the MG. Quite often we would go to a campground within a fifty-mile radius of Rochester Products, Gil would set us up there for a week or two—the boys, the dog and me, while he drove back and forth to work every day. Gil loved that! When the boys got older Gil and the boys would drive the MG to boy scout camp. On the back roads Gil would let the boys drive the MG to camp, they both learned to drive on the MG.

When Jeff was a junior in high school, he bought an MGA roadster that was in pretty bad shape. During that year Gil and Jeff restored it to perfection. Jeff was able to drive it to his high school graduation. Jeff showed his car at many car shows that summer and often won trophies. He was so proud of that car, it was his pride and joy! Gary wasn't into buying sports cars yet, he did own several cars shortly after he graduated from high school. When Jeff went off to college in Salem, West Virginia he bought another MG. He had his MGA at college but when he saw this 1969 MGC was for sale he couldn't resist buying it. He did repair work on the C in the parking lot at college. Jeff owned it first then Gary and soon after Gary and Paula were married, they bought a brand new 1975 MG Midget. They enjoyed it for several years. Our three MGs, our TD, Jeff and Jan's MGA and Gary and Paula's Midget enjoyed a threesome at a few of the MG car club activities. The boys learned how to repair their cars and keep them on the road. As their children came along it was obvious that their MGs weren't practical to keep. In 1976 we bought a rare 1939 MGTA Tickford. Gil started to restore it and then we moved to Alabama. It went on hold for several years, finally finishing it in 1982 and started showing it around the south. It took a Junior then a Senior at the Hershey AACA Fall meet. It also received many 1st place trophies at the MG Car Club's events that we belonged to down south.

We finally sold it in 1989. We decided that keeping just two MGs on the road was enough to keep us busy. Gary and Jeff didn't lose the MG bug completely. Jeff has acquired another MGA, a 1955 MG that he is busy restoring from the ground up. We hope in another year we will see it on the road. Also, at the same time Gary in Alabama has bought a 1952 TD. He too is busy restoring it from the ground up. Tools are busy being sent from one garage to another. While restoring his TD he bought a 1972 MGB to drive, It looks like our MGC, they are both red. Gil has worked on both of their cars. We hope Gary's TD will be on the road in another year. We'd like to get all our MGs on the road and go to an MG event somewhere between Rochester and Georgia where Gary and Paula are moving. Our two grandsons Chris and Nick have attended MCC here in Rochester taking the Automotive Technology Program. They work on their own cars learning from their father Jeff. Maybe someday they'll get the MG bug. Our grandson in Alabama is also very mechanically minded learning from his father Gary. Eric has owned a beautiful 1967 yellow Mustang ever since he left high school. Grandpa Gil didn't realize that learning how to keep our TD on the road for 50 years he inspired our two boys and three grandsons the pleasure of owning and being able to repair and enjoy their own cars and the satisfaction that the torch was "passed on" for three generations. BL

### **The Legacy Lives On – by Gil Langswager**

It's the end of an era for Betty & me but our legacy lives on with the MG TD going to our son Gary, down in Alabama. After 64 years with us, watching our boys be born & grow up, & carting us all around the country, it's time for a new home. We watched with tears of sadness & joy as Gary & Jeff, & their sons, Eric & Chris packed up all the spare parts & memorabilia & loaded it in Eric's truck.

Jeff was here with his MGA & Chris with his MGC. It was quite a sight watching those two cars, along with the TD making laps around the neighborhood. The TD was then loaded onto a U Haul trailer behind Eric's truck and away they went. They made the journey safely & sent us pictures of the arrival.

Betty & I are still here & will stay active in the club with our happy memories of the TD.



# The MGA Guru

By John Baum

Many of you may remember our car shows at the Elks Lodge. At the 2014 show we had a long-distance winner in a red MGA with a black trailer. This was Barney Gaylord and his son Elliott the “navigator”. They had a unique story. They sold off their home and their belongings, keeping only what they could take with them in the MGA and trailer, truly living their life on the road. Barney and his son were off traveling the country full time looking up people in need of MG repairs. A few years later, they also appeared at an event held by our club, an evening tour to the drive-in in Waterloo. At that point they shared with anyone that wanted to listen, their latest adventures on the road. I need not share all the stories

because Barney keeps a pretty good blog at <https://mgaguru.com/>.

Well, Chris and I attended the May monthly meeting of the British Car Club of Southwest Florida (BCCSWF), and surprisingly, Barney and Elliott were there as guests. Apparently, they keep track of the British Car Clubs and car shows in the areas of their travels and attend when they can. Barney sat next to me at the meeting and shared

quite a bit. They have continually been on the road since 2014. They also attended our car show that year.

Barney was telling me his 1962 MGA had 150,000 miles on it when he got it in 2014. Prior to leaving Chicago on their journey, he rebuilt the motor and performed all necessary repairs. Since then, they have added an additional 400,000 miles with little trouble other than maintenance. All this while

fully loaded and pulling the black trailer. He said he keeps a spreadsheet of where they have been and who they have stayed with along the way. The website should have that information if you choose to know more. I did ask how they made out during the Covid 19 lockdown. He told me that

they spent five months held up in an Extended Stay hotel somewhere in Maryland.

When I asked him how long they expect to continue their travels, his response, “Don’t know, ask me again in two or three years”.

I took a picture of the car, which is in great shape considering its workload.

JB



*Barney Gaylord's MGA in Southwest Florida – photo by John Baum*



# Notes From the Home Club

By Dick Powers

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As our WNYMGCC contact with the MGCC UK or “Home Club” as I like to call them, I thought I’d pass on things that are happening with our Home Club across the pond. Not sure this will be a monthly article, but every so often as things of interest come up.

Possibly you know this, but the MGCC UK was founded in 1930 by the late John Thornley. That made the **MG Car Club 90 years old in 2020**. Due to the pandemic, not much celebrating went on, but like our WNY MG Centre, 2021 will start to make up for it.

There will be a major weekend car event in the UK, but it will have a different twist from the usual MG event. This year, it will be held in conjunction with the TR Register and Triumph Sports Six club. They call it the **Triumph & MG Weekend** and will be August 13-15. The TR connection was a surprise, but a second surprise is that it will be in Malvern, the home of Morgan and they will have tours of the Morgan Works. A number in our club have been to the Morgan factory and if you are in the UK, try to fit that tour in as you will see Morgans still being hand crafted by the latest generation of families who have worked there for over 100 years.

Shifting gears to 2021, it looks like MG will be building a new sports car, the **Cyberster EV**. Well, that’s what they are calling it now. MGs are still being made by their Chinese parent company SAIC and sold in many countries. The MG SZ (SUV type vehicle) was just voted Best Value in the UK, so they are making some good cars. The SAIC design center is in London and the Cyberster started out as a concept car displayed at the April 2021 Shanghai motor show. At that time, they said that if 5000 people showed interest in the car and deposited £111 (about \$160) by the end of July, they would consider building something like the Cyberster. According to the latest information I received from the MGCC UK, they reached this goal already and will be producing a **new “EV” MG sports car** that will have a **500 mile range** and do **0-62 in less than 3 seconds!**

We may never see this car in the US or Canada, but you never know. I’ll let you know when I hear more from our Home Club. ***Safety Fast!***

RP



Cyberster roadster to be a production car – photo courtesy of MGCC UK

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## **A few upcoming events:**

*Hello- Our non-profit organization, the historic Williamsville Train Depot, 86 S. Long St., Williamsville NY 14221, is having a car cruise on Saturday, July 17 from Noon-4 pm.*

*There are no registration fees, best in show trophy awarded, all proceeds from will benefit the restoration of the depot. We would like to invite your members to attend.*

*Can this be included in your event calendar?*

*Thank you!*

*Paul (716) 445-1411*

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**Event Registration, updates**

**Info: Terrie  
alfagirl56@gmail.com**



### **NAMGBR MG2021**

Are any club members planning on going to MG2021 to be held in Atlantic City, NJ this June? Dates are June 14-17. Details can be found on NAMGBR's home page: <https://namgbr.org/>

Every 5 years all of the national North American MG Registers combine their annual events into a joint meet. The MMM Register, New England MGT Register, MGA, MGB, and MGC Registers and Midget group, and of course the Magnette group all participate.

I have been to a couple of the previous ones, most recently in Louisville in 2016, and they do an excellent job of hosting a fun event with tech sessions, car show, tours of local items of interest, themed dinners, and endless opportunities to walk around the parking lots and meet fellow MG owners.

We can organize a group drive down (on interesting roads) if there are others interested in going. It will probably be less than 7 hours, and around 420 miles each way.

Please contact me at dmesuter - at - [rochester.rr.com](http://rochester.rr.com).

Thanks, Dan



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**Subject:** EUROCAR 2021, WE'RE BACK!

We're back with our annual Eurocar show! It's time to get your cars out and dust them off and head to LaFayette, NY for the EuroCar show, sponsored by the European Motor Club of Central New York. The show will take place on Father's Day, June 20th at the LaFayette Apple Festival Grounds on Rt 20 in LaFayette.

Attached to this email [next page in Spokes, ed.] you will find the registration form. We are now capable of taking registrations at our website, [europeanmotorclub.com](https://europeanmotorclub.com), or you can print the registration form and mail it with your remittance to the address shown on the form. If you registered and paid for Eurocar in 2020 your registration is still valid for 2021.

We hope you will join us on June 20th and look forward to meeting both old and new participants.

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# Wall Art

Contributed by Allyn Wagner

*Not a large collection but this is what I have on a small section of my family room wall. Clockwise, starting on the top left:*

1964 "GT Winner Rallye Monte-Carlo" Ad

1967 MGB/GT Special Ad

A George Herschell Christmas card

This drawing came out of Spokes sometime in the 80's

My BGT in Canada

My BGT in New Hampshire, this was actually a Spokes cover

Dealer handout from the Albuquerque dealership where my car was first sold in 1966

MG-themed post cards



AW

# 1974 MGB

By John H. Schwelm

I caught the MG bug in 1975 while stationed in Belgium serving in the US Army. So many years ago, but the little 1972 MG Midget I bought there saw me visit over 10 countries in the 6 years of ownership. It was a fun car and I never looked back. In 2005 while working in Australia we bought an MGB from a realtor who was selling a home for me in Florida. Without seeing it I bought that MGB and would not see it for another two years upon our return to the USA. It ran and was being used daily by the realtor, so I thought it must be a real bargain. I asked her to leave it at my mom's house at Fort Lauderdale.



Upon returning although it started pretty easily with a light charge, it became obvious we would have to get into the nuts-and-bolts level to get it road worthy back up on Pennsylvania roads. I got hold of the

Victoria thought is this I don't process to 2008 we down and within a pinching Carol and I



British catalog and there anything in need? And the began. From 2006 basically stripped it built it back up very penny-budget. My wife worked on it

together. Me doing the labor while she offered the verbal support. With the garage heated I did not mind the two Pennsylvania winters.

From the replacing of the bonnet to trims, lights, some wiring, instruments, upholstery, carpet and all the minutia in the middle it took us two years before we finally got it painted on the road. I traveled a lot with

Editor's note: This article, "1974 MGB" by MGCC WNY member John Schwelm, originally appeared in [February 2020 British Sportscar Life](#), published online by Victoria British. We are delighted that John offered it to *Spokes* for republication. Near the end of the article, John mentions purchasing and restoring "another nearly 70 year old MG" referring to his MGTD. Well, many of us know **now** that John has just added a [third MG](#), this one a 1948 MGTC, to his collection and has begun restoration (see cover of last month's *Spokes*). We are happily including (see page 24) a companion article John has written about that MGTC.





# 1974 MGB

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my job and it was worked on it when I had the chance. I remember that first of several large boxes arriving one freezing cold winter day in late 2006 from Victoria



British. I was so happy I could hardly contain myself. Carol and I were satisfied by summer 2008 we had done a good job on the B and laden with toolboxes in the boot we went on a maiden voyage in the Pennsylvania countryside towards Hershey PA from our



home in Pottstown. It went without a hitch, and we enjoyed a nice picnic along route 30 somewhere with a picnic bench and had a visit by a stray dog with a real attraction to peanut butter sandwiches. Now don't misunderstand the aura of the little British cars.

We have been caught in thunderstorms with the top down, we have had things go amiss while driving, do not mention to Carol the time we stalled in the middle of a busy intersection. It's these things that keep ownership of an MG entertaining and it will generally be something that I failed to tighten or replace or do that causes these bumps in the road.

For 15 years we have enjoyed this MGB. We are active in our local clubs and on two occasions in big multi-club shows we have won awards with this B, a 1st Place in our Western New York MG

club and a 2nd place in Pennsylvania at the Triumph club's annual Hope Lodge show. Carol and I are retired now and have landed in the Finger Lakes region of western New York. It was just the other day I



was needing to replace a few items like the vent window rubber (ughhh!) when I realized the VB catalog was over 10 years old. A testament to the car really but I ordered up the parts and within a day I had received a thank you email and another email stating my order had shipped. It is refreshing to know VB has your back. I appreciate it.

This last summer I had friends from Philadelphia visit the VB offices in-route to visit their son in Colorado, a great bunch he said! I kinda thought that... The MBG these days sees us using it daily when the weather permits. During our club's annual autumn tour last year, it rained every minute, but still we had over 20 cars participate and with windshield wipers slapping time we enjoyed the day. This MG club has been in existence for over 6 decades and depends on good quality service.

Since being in New York we have bought and restored



another nearly 70-year-old MG. Like I said at the beginning, I caught the MG bug years ago. JS



# John's MGTC Update

It's been a year since Covid decimated our lives and club activities. Those who are happy in their own skin and enjoy their cars perhaps were not hit as hard. Washing and polishing and waxing our little cars during this pandemic were a saving grace for me having only retired 2 years ago this month. They keep me busy. It was in April 2021 while having a coffee watching Carol's dog do its morning biz I received an alert someone had posted on Facebook just that minute. Well, I was gobsmacked when I read a widow was putting her late husband's 1948 MGTC for sale. I don't know what she thought when I sent her a facetime request right then at 0740am on a Sunday morning. We talked and talked with plans made for me to drive to her classy Detroit Michigan suburb to meet on Tuesday. The family mechanic and the TC itself of course would be present. A family heirloom they owned for 38 years with the previous owner another member of their family, owning it from new.

I arrived in Michigan Tuesday night in a snowstorm. I was happy to see it was all there Wednesday morning, a somewhat rough condition but it started and sounded nice. All the lights worked including the dash lights...OMG! We came to an agreed price that was unbelievable to me but money wasn't the main concern,... finding an enthusiastic caretaker was her late husband's priority. The deal was struck and the TC was driven onto my trailer by the mechanic who told me it's basically an untouched car. Never driven hard and never left the neighborhood. A nice day would see the previous owner driving around waving at his friends and then putting it away. Well.....that won't be me!



Now it is in my barn, dismantled with every pile of bits a project in its own right, with each taking from a day to a week to complete, so I will be at it for a while. Sanding and painting are my biggest items. I enjoy this type of activity as a hobby, the car is so simple to dismantle and to put back together. I will be painting it a simple lacquer urethane in a dark

green and the interior will be a nice honey tan color leather and vinyl combination. I was able to find an excellent second-hand TC interior and seat covers online for a third of the Moss catalog price. That was a real plus. It seems the

motor is needing some attention and a buddy from my working days has diagnosed its ailing as worn-out valve guides and seals. He was a former Jag and MG mechanic in his youth. However, after he finished his Master's degree he became a Safety Professional and that's how I got to know him. It has great compression and sounds a real beauty when it starts right up and purrs like a cat, albeit it smokes a wee bit after running a few minutes.

I look forward to sharing it with you all at a club function sooner than later. If anybody wishes to drop by and dedicate an hour or two of sanding, I have a cold adult beverage for you, maybe a couple.

I must mention Carol for her blessing in this endeavor and after showing various advertised TCs to her she

realised what an investment this is. She gave me the nod! It takes two to be nuts about MGs! My intention is to refresh this TC to a clean and good running standard. That means mechanically sound and a nice coat of paint and decent interior.

*Oh, thanks Mike for putting us on the front cover of Spokes last month. That's three times for me on the cover. Safety Fast!* JS



# Lima Engine Show

By George Heissenberger - photos by George Heissenberger and John Schwelm



Several club members (Mike Robinson, John Schwelm, Al Wagner, George Heissenberger, Doug Jack, Jay Lockrow) attended the Lima engine show on May 15th and we had four cars in this small show. Quite the odd assortment of entries from hit and miss engines to tractors and muscle cars besides our sports cars.





# 2021 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

## Photos by contest participants

**At the time of publication, scoring is as follows:** George & Peggi Heissenberger **tied with** Ron & Ev Stone (14), Mike & Susan Goodwin (12), Tom & Mary LeStrange (6), Leon & Barb Zak **tied with** John & Chris Baum (5), Allen Hess **tied with** Dick Rzepkowski (3), John Schwelm (2), and Mike Robinson (1)

We added another couple of participants this month, thanks in part to the Lima Engine Show, which proved

to be a natural place to capture photos of your car with “three old men”. I guess Mike Robinson and John Schwelm (the new

entrants) qualify for the category. You’re as old as you feel, and if you feel like you need a photo of an old man, you can play the part for the photo! Handily, Al Wagner (though not **yet** entered in the challenge) was on hand to step into the “old man” role in a couple of shots.

Just one team was **bold enough** to capture a photo of their car with “three old women”.

The Lima Engine Show is not the only place around to find folks from the older (and we must say, more dashing!) set.



2021-06 M. Robinson’s TF with three old men



2021-06 G. Heissenberger with his MGB and his “old” chums



2021-06 John Schwelm’s TD with three old men



2021-07 Ron & Ev Stone’s MGB with three “old women”



Sorry, Ron; there is no extra bonus point for **the fourth old man!**



2021-06 Ron Stone with his MGB and three *other* old men

Three of us managed to capture shots of our cars at courthouses, and interestingly, they're at three different courthouses.



2021-17 Mike Goodwin with his 2013 Mini Cooper at the Ouray County, Colorado Courthouse



2021-17 Ron Stone at the Ontario, NY Courthouse



2021-20 Ron Stone at Tripphammer Brew House



2021-17 G. Heissenberger at the Canandaigua Courthouse

There are multiple points possible for ice cream lovers, as well as for breweries. Two contestants have broken the ice on those destinations.

*For guidelines on entering and participating, see the next page. For a complete list of destinations, see the final page of this issue of **Spokes**.*



2021-16 George H. at Abbott's Frozen Custard

## 2021 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

Throughout the 2021 driving season, we are continuing to run our new Motoring Challenge for all members, and it's easy to jump in and have some motoring fun that will last through the driving season. We started in March, but **it's not too late to jump in**. We'll wrap it up around the end of October and announce the winners and **prizes** shortly thereafter. (Not a MGCC member? See elsewhere in Spokes or on the website regarding how to become a member – it's quick, easy, inexpensive, and you need not own an MG to join.)

To participate in the **Motoring Challenge**, simply:

Find the list of destinations elsewhere in *Spokes*.

- Drive to one or more of the listed destinations.
- Snap a picture of your car there, *preferably* with yourself or your teammate in the photo. (We need **AT LEAST ONE** photo that includes a good likeness of you. Let's get to know each other, eh?)
- Send the photo(s) by email to [challenge@mgcarclub.com](mailto:challenge@mgcarclub.com).
- Enjoy the monthly updates in *Spokes*, where you'll see yours and other competitors' photos, and get updates on scoring along with the challenges for the new month.

You'll score 1 or more points for each destination. Points may vary, based on the difficulty or the creativity required. Additionally, early-bird bonus points may be given occasionally for photos received before a certain date, so pay attention monthly to get the most points possible. (Late photos won't get the early-bird bonus, but they aren't worthless, just worth a bit less!) There's no monthly cut-off date, (we'll accept March destination photos in September, for example!) but all photos will be due before the final tally sometime around November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Some of the destination photos will have special requirements. Any such requirements will be listed each month. For example, if the destination is "Your Favorite Restaurant", we may require that the photo include a sign showing the name of the restaurant. Or, if the destination is "Outside of NY State", we may require a sign (like WELCOME TO NEW JERSEY) or other clear evidence (like the Gateway Arch or Grand Canyon, for example) be shown in the photo.

Rather than filling out a form or marking a checklist, each month, one or more destinations will be listed in *Spokes*, and each will be identified with a destination number. When you submit your photos, be sure to include the corresponding destination number for each. Remember, each photo must:

- show your car
- show the destination (and/or other requirement) clearly

Though not always REQUIRED we'd like it if you include yourself in each photo)

Some of you might have more than one special car you'd like to use in the Motoring Challenge. This is permitted, but we strongly encourage participation using only your special car(s). The point is to encourage driving and having fun with these special cars; it is NOT our intention to award points for driving around in your daily-driver 2019 RAV4 or your 2017 Honda Accord or your 2013 Ford Focus.

HOW TO ENTER: No forms to fill out, just email us your first photo(s)! We need:

- 1 – Your name(s)
- 2 – Year, make, and model of the car(s) you intend to use for the challenge
- 3 – Attach your photos, identified with the DESTINATION NUMBER.

That's it! It's easy to get started! Jump right in!  
Safety Fast!

**(You'll find this month's destinations on the last page of *Spokes*.)**

One last note - the MG Car Club WNY Centre reserves the right to use your photo(s) in Spokes and on the club's website – and we look forward to doing so!

# Sunshine Page



## June Birthdays

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



*Happy Birthday,  
everyone!*

## June Anniversaries

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



*Congratulations!*

*If you think you've been mistakenly left off of either list above, check to see if you've paid your dues. If you still think it's a mistake, send a note to the editor at [spokes@mgcarclub.com](mailto:spokes@mgcarclub.com).*





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## MG Car Club Western NY Centre

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Badge Clip	\$5.00
Patch Embroidered	\$2.50
Key Fob, large Leather	\$4.00
Pin, Cloisonne	\$3.00
Dash Plaque - Last years 2019	\$3.00
Dash Plaque - 40th Ann	\$2.00
Sign Magnetic 10"	\$15.00
Bumper Sticker	\$1.00
Club Name Badge (to be ordered)	\$20.00

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

Joe Bellizia has been working behind the scenes (where else does anyone work these days?) to put together some interesting possibilities for nifty regalia for the 2021 season and beyond. He'd love to have your input and suggestions – particularly for ideas for items that a BUNCH of us want (even if we don't all know it yet)!

**Some great ideas are on the next page!**

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

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

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## Classified Ads

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**For Sale:** MGTD parts.

- Windshield frame including side supports and cowl brackets \$225.
- One pair of chrome headlight buckets and rims with medallions \$75.
- Original false nose (re-chromed) and MG medallion \$75.
- Red & Green dash light lenses and accessory switch \$15.
- Hood strip \$20.
- Lucas NOS windshield wiper blades \$12.
- Lot of Miscellaneous fasteners & fittings \$35.

Will email pictures on request.

Contact: John at [ross@frontiernet.net](mailto:ross@frontiernet.net) or  
585 248 5361

**For Sale:** 1957 MGA "project" car for restoration or parts.

Car is complete having 1500 motor, transmission, rear end and has wire wheels. Included are new rockers and a vinyl interior for the seats.

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**Also,** MGB 3-main short block - asking \$250

If interested, contact Dick Powers: [mgahmogca@rpa.net](mailto:mgahmogca@rpa.net)  
or at 585-410-4500.

**For Sale:** Color Wiring Diagrams 11x17 size; many cars to choose from \$17.95. Further details at  
[www.colorwiringdiagrams.com](http://www.colorwiringdiagrams.com)

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

Call George at 585-872-6536

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

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

Hubcaps are original/not replacement. - \$30

Contact allyn@mgcarclub.com 585-924-5251

**For Sale:** 1973 MGBGT

Solid car with overdrive. In storage for 20+ years

Call Gary: (585) 464-9482

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

Contact Claude Fedele @ [sfedele@rochester.rr.com](mailto:sfedele@rochester.rr.com)  
or 585-899-9388

**For sale:** 1952 MG TD, number 16166, XPAG TD2/16658. It's a 20-year-old restoration and is presentable, but will need some brake work and a good tune up and a few other repairs. It also comes with extra parts. Asking price is \$22,500 but willing to negotiate to sell the car. The car belonged to former member Doug Elam, who passed away in December 2018. If interested, call Doug Elam, Jr. at 315-654-4007.

#### Pop's TD

After WWII 'Pop' (Charles Elam, formerly a carburetor engineer with Rochester Products) was a young man watching vets driving around in these really cool little British sports cars. From that point on he always wanted a T-Series MG. About 20 years ago he found one in PA with enough right with it to run and enough wrong with it to keep him busy.

From that point on the TD was commonly known as *His Mistress*. Instead of just cleaning it up and calling it good, it 'needed' a 12-volt system. Then it was the fuel system; that really did the trick. Those were nice, but, boy wouldn't a new paint-job be great! Not to do anything halfway, all the sheet metal came off and each piece was painted individually. By the time he was done, it was a complete off-frame restoration with all the chrome being sent to Buffalo for refinishing. Every part was labeled with a tag and the smaller pieces placed in zip-lock bags. (While detailing the MG we found one of the tags and left it under the dash for posterity.)

Pop died in December of 2018 and since then we've been downsizing his estate. My sister and I had planned on keeping the TD, but recently came to the conclusion to sell the car as she needed someone to love and pamper her. May the next owner enjoy this beautiful machine as much as Pop did! It will turn heads wherever you go.

#### 1952 MG TD Parts List

- Convertible top with side screens (needs rebuild)
- 2 'Classic Gold' Overriders
- Pad Set for Clutch & Brake Pedals
- Fuel Line Hose (about 10')
- Packing Set
- Crosland Oil Filter
- Oil Filter Adapter Kit with Fram Filter
- Fuel System Parts
- Alternator (6-volt?)
- Starter (6-Volt?)
- Shoebox filled with 'Extra MG Parts'
- 4 Repro Hubcaps



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# 2021 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

Destination Number	Description (pts.)	Special Requirement or Special Note	Early-bird bonus point?
#2021-01	In your garage or driveway (1)	Snow in the picture (1 bonus)	
#2021-02	Barn with a silo (1)		
#2021-03	* Any Erie Canal lift bridge (1)		
#2021-04	* Emmeline the Bear Monument – Geneseo (1)		
#2021-05	* Charlotte-Genesee Lighthouse (1)		
#2021-06	Picture including 3 old men (1)	Define “old” at your own risk!	
#2021-07	Picture including 3 old women (2)	Define “old” at your own risk!	
#2021-08	Picture including 3 children (2)		
#2021-09	With a garbage truck (2)	Include the sanitation worker for an extra point (1 bonus pt.; If he/she is waving, 2 bonus pts)	
#2021-10	* At the Windmill Farm and Craft Market in Penn Yan (1)		1 (if by June 30 <sup>th</sup> )
#2021-11	Outside of NY State (2)	Sign required	
#2021-12	At any tattoo parlor (1)	Sign required	
#2021-13	With 3 Little British Cars (including yours) (2)	The 3 cars must all have separate owners	
#2021-14	* At Lugia’s Ice Cream shop (Spencerport) (1)	Include yourself eating ice cream for a bonus (1 bonus)	
#2021-15	* At the Ice Cream Factory (Fairport) (1)	Include yourself eating ice cream for a bonus (1 bonus)	
#2021-16	* At Abbott’s Frozen Custard (1)	At the original in Charlotte (1 bonus); eating ice cream (1 more bonus)	
#2021-17	At a courthouse (1)		
#2021-18	At an electric car charging station (2)		
#2021-19	* Jell-O Museum, LeRoy NY (2)	Holding a Jell-O package; must be clearly visible (2)	1 (if by June 30 <sup>th</sup> )
#2021-20, -21, -22	At a brewery of your choice	up to 3, 1 pt. each)#	
<p style="text-align: center;">There are no new destinations this month, but there are two new chances for <b>BONUS POINTS</b></p>			
<p style="text-align: center;">Questions? Address them to the Challenge-masters at <a href="mailto:challenge@mgcarclub.com">challenge@mgcarclub.com</a></p>			

**\* SPECIAL NOTE FOR THOSE MEMBERS WHO ARE AWAY FROM THE WESTERN NEW YORK AREA:**  
You may substitute similar destinations from your area. Please do your best to convince the Challenge Masters and other participants that your substitution is VALID.