

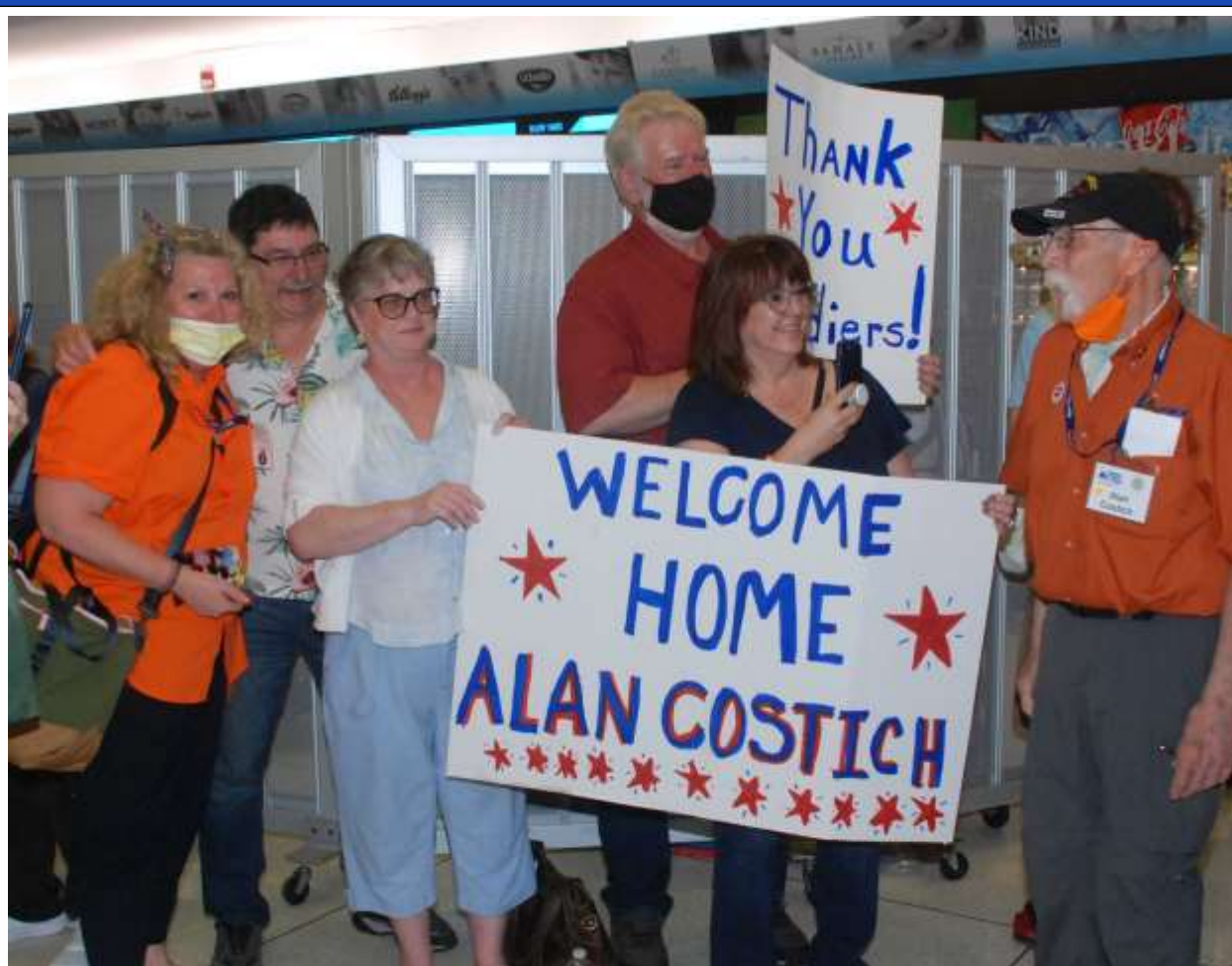
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Alan Costich is Greeted and Cheered as
Honor Flight Mission 71 Returns to Rochester

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MG's Corner

By Spokes editor, Michael Goodwin

Welcome to June! We've just celebrated Memorial Day, for some the traditional beginning of the Summer season. By now, I'm sure that most of us have taken the winter dust covers off our little cars, gone through whatever else we normally do to fire them up (let's hope with little trouble or head-scratching), and been out on the roads enjoying the driving season. We've had really good weather out in the West, where Susan and I will be touring until July. You folks in Western New York have been enjoying the fine weather with Cars and Coffee, the annual Tune-Up Clinic, Car Shows, and more! Susan is

pleased that so many of you have joined in on the 2022 Motoring Challenge. In fact, one more team, *just* joined in since she wrote her report for *Spokes*. So, welcome to Janet & Klint LiMuti – you should be pleased to know that with your first photo you have 2 points! You've rocketed ahead of two others already!

One of the destinations on the Challenge list is a state sign outside of NY State. Since we FLEW out west and

picked up our MINI at the Tiny House in California, I thought (in the spirit of fair play) we should DRIVE to another state (after all, it's a MOTORING challenge).

These two pictures are near the Colorado/Utah border, near Dinosaur National Monument. We're happy to have had several good reasons for travelling around out here. We've been in Colorado visiting kids and grandkids for two weeks – leaving here to head back to Tiny House Land tomorrow. Keep driving and...

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Chairman's Corner

By Bob Welch

Following our well attended *Swing Into Spring* event in early April our MG Car Club has definitely swung full-bore into motoring season just as the weather has become more summer-like!

Several members displayed their sports cars at the inaugural British Car Show at Onanda Park on Canandaigua Lake. Roughly 25 cars were on display and there were lots of spectators. See some photos of the event elsewhere in *Spokes*. We hope the organizers, Ontario County Historical Society, will make this an annual event and look forward to an even larger turnout next year.

Last week's Tune-up Clinic at Edison Tech was a big success again this year! Some members were there working on their cars and benefitting from free access to lifts. Others received technical advice and even expert, hands on support from some of our highly skilled members. Many thanks to Hollis Hames, Bobby Newell of Edison, the RCSD and all who turned out for this always popular event!

There's still time to start earning points in this year's Motoring Challenge. See the details in *Spokes*, then hit the road for fun and prizes.

Speaking of hitting the road, Dan Suter announced a motoring tour will take place July 30. This will be a long one, starting in Webster and ending up in Pulteneyville. Since the two towns are only about 15 miles apart you can bet there will be a lot of roaming the roadways in between.

In case you missed the May meeting, the topic of the Brudno awards was on the agenda. You may recall earlier this year the question was raised why no Brudno recognition had occurred for several years. This topic was discussed by the Board this month. Several recalled that in years past the award had been a point of contention within the membership. By unanimous decision the Board has decided not to renew consideration of this award. Instead, something like a "thank you" award or recognition is being considered to recognize a member who made special contributions to the Club over the past year. As we move through the year, criteria and procedures for making this proposed recognition official, will be formulated.

Safety Fast!



Vice Chairman's Corner

By George Heissenberger

Happy Summer! Recently while going through some old *Spokes* we have for Dan

Suter, I found the column I wrote when we first bought the 1973 MGB we still have today in June 1984. We purchased OURMG from fellow club member George Haynes. It ran when we got it, but it was in need of a good tune up. After buying it the first order of business was a complete tune up with new points, plugs, rotor, condenser and distributor cap. I fine-tuned the SU Carbs as best I could and set the

valve gap. Later we went about getting all new wheels, new castle members, inner and outer sills and a complete paint job to

make it structurally sound and good to look at. Next I replaced the incorrect

slatted grille with a correct black plastic grille. I have included a photo we took shortly after getting the car with Peggi, our daughter Greta and me. Last summer I had Peggi, daughter Greta and her daughter Charlotte (our granddaughter) recreate the photo 37 years later! We never have thought of selling it and plan to keep this car to pass on to our kids. Just for grins, here (see *next page*) is the portion of my Chairman's column from

1984 where I mention buying the MGB.

Safety Fast! GH



CHAIRMAN'S CORNER



RULE BRITANIA, BRITANIA RULES THE ROADS!

Well hello again folks, I hope you're all out and enjoying the good weather in your MGs. It took us a while (5 years) but your chairman is once again driving an MG! The bug was always there but financially and time-wise Peg and I couldn't afford another sports car for a while. (Frankly, we still can't!) But the proverbial right car came along at the right time. George Haynes was looking for a good home for a '73 B roadster, and I have been looking for a '73 B roadster for some time. Needless to say my interest was aroused when George called us to put the ad in the "Spokes". We looked it over and thought it over for a while (like in the car on the way home) and decided to buy it. She needs some work and is in the same condition as when George Haynes bought it after having been in storage for a year. He intended to put some T.L.C. into it but with three other MG's his time was spread thin. We started to clean her up. It's amazing what a little soap and wax can do! She does need a repaint and some minor mechanical work, but what a pleasure to be working on a British car again. I missed that feeling I used to have for LUCAS, Prince of Darkness, and that feeling you get as though the factory workers said "Ay Colin, where shall we put this bloody selonoid? under the bonnet, under the fascia or in the boot?" "Put it in the boot, mate, that'll use the most wire." Working on the Datsun I always conjure up images of rows of white-uniformed young men going silently about their tasks, never erring, never complaining. The difference is also apparent in the ride quality between the two cars. The Datsun sits higher, and has a much more "traditional" sports car feel, stiff, bouncy and flat cornering, moderate to good acceleration and a quite tamed exhaust note. The B is a different feel. I would enjoy driving an early B, say '64 or '66 to see if it's different yet. The B is much smoother all around, smooth shifts, smooth cornering, with that throaty smooth exhaust noise we all love. I had forgotten the difference between the cars, but they are both enjoyable in different ways. The Datsun, by the way, is for sale. If anyone is interested, call Peg or I at home; we'll be glad to let you drive her.

(Chairman's Corner from 1984 by then-Chairman George Heissenberger)

Minutes for MGCC Meeting – May 19, 2022

Recorded and submitted by Annabelle Tescione, MGCC Secretary

Meeting called to order 7:35



CHAIRMAN, Bob Welch welcomed everyone, and we congratulated people who had recent birthdays or anniversaries. Joe Bellizia is celebrating his 25th wedding anniversary and Bob and Georgean Abels celebrate their 61st anniversary on May 20, CONGRATULATIONS!

We welcomed new member Ken Barlow who owns a red Midget that he drove to the meeting. The April Minutes were motioned and accepted.

TREASURY/MEMBERSHIP, Frank Stepanik reported that the treasury is stable and has a healthy balance after recent bills were paid. We have 128 members in good standing, with six new members added this month.

ACTIVITIES, Mike Robinson has put together a full calendar of events for the year, as listed below. He discussed several of the events.

Susan Goodwin sent in a report on the 2022 Motoring Challenge, and she included a nice slideshow of current photo submissions from the last month. She reminded us that anyone can jump in to start the Challenge at any time, it doesn't end until November 1st. There are currently 10 participants with Mike Goodwin in the lead with 53 points, followed by Heissenbergers and Zaks.

Activity Report from Mike Robinson for May Meeting

- April –
The 22nd and 23rd. the Kimber Festival, Buffalo NY took place. John Twist was a featured guest. No one from our club reported attending.
- 24th Cars and Coffee Mumford. 9:00 AM – 12:00. It was the Kickoff C&C for 2022. Temps were 80 degrees and sunny! I counted 9 cars and one “sport truck”, seventeen people and one dog. The oldest car present was Todd Black’s ‘51 TD.



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ACTIVITIES (cont.)

- May-
 - May 14th. Classic British Car Show, Onanda Park Canandaigua.
 - May 21st - Tune up Clinic. Hollis Hames Sponsor. 8:00 AM till 12:00. Edison Tech.
 - 29th Cars and Coffee Mumford, 9:00 – 12:00.

Looking ahead.

- Results of “Mugs and Grills” Poll
 - 13 total responses
 - All were affirmative
 - 3 indicated they would host, 1 short of what the required 4 was
 - Heissenbergers - June
 - Zaks - July
 - Mehserles (at the Williamson Flying Club - August
 - I will leave it up to those three hosts whether they will still want to do it or not
- June –
 - June 12th - Steak Roast/Auction. American Legion where we hold our meetings. \$10.00 per person gets a 10 oz. NY Strip cooked to order, 2 sides, dessert and coffee, tea. Legion opens at 12:00, Steaks served at 1:00. Chicken will also be available if you prefer chicken. We can also bring a side dish to pass along with munchie dishes to pass during the auction.
 - Auction following immediately after. Please bring automotive or auto related items for auction that are usable (no cleaning out the garage of junk).
 - There is a signup sheet on the back table.
 - June 18th – Mugs and Grills Kickoff event. Hosted by George and Peggi Heissenberger. Information will be made available as I receive it
 - The Eagle Vale Golf Course cars and coffee is on hold, perhaps for a later date in the fall. The owner felt cars for cars and coffee would be taking up parking space for golfers and that would not go over well with the golfers.
 - 26th Cars and Coffee Mumford, 9:00 – 12:00
- July-
 - 30th Summer Tour sponsored by Dan Suter and George Haynes.
 - Meet at 9:30 for 10:00 AM Start
 - Route starts in Webster, ends in Poultneyville/Sodus area
 - Estimated distance of 70 to 80 miles
 - 31st Cars and Coffee Mumford. 9:00 – 12:00
- August-
 - 13th Wine Tasting at Gallery Vineyards in Rush
 - 21st Car Show at American Legion (Ours)
 - 28th Cars and Coffee Mumford. 9:00 – 12:00
- September-
 - WGI Grand Prix Festival 7th – 11th. Not an official club activity but many members attend.
 - 25th Cars and Coffee Mumford. 9:00 – 12:00

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ACTIVITIES (cont.)

- October-
 - 22nd Fall Foliage Tour “Homage to the Little Lakes”. More info will be provided as we get closer to October.
 - 30th Cars and Coffee Mumford. 9:00 – 12:00
- November-
 - Possible Garage Tour
 - 27th Cars and Coffee Mumford. 9:00 – 12:00 (weather dependent)
- December-
 - 17th Christmas Party at Eagle Vale Golf Club, Rt. 250 Fairport. 5:00 PM Drinks, Dinner at 6:00. Menu to be decided but will be a buffet with a target cost of \$30 per person after any club subsidization.
 - Special Guest Speaker this year. We will have John Twist as Guest Speaker, and if one can be set up at a suitable location, John has offered to put on a tech seminar (for a fee to be divided with the club).
 -

As always, the Event Calendar on the website is up to date and is the last word on events, dates and times.

REGALIA, Joe Bellizia brought many samples of what is available for our regalia, including several types of jackets and hats. Regalia items are also listed in Spokes, including Club-logo embroidered jackets, shirts and hats. He said much more is available by order, either on an individual item basis or possibly a group order for some articles, to reduce the price. You may also get your own clothing item embroidered. Contact Joe for ordering or information at blitz7711@gmail.com.

SPOKES, Mike Goodwin was not in attendance because he is out of town. He sent the reminder that articles and photos for Spokes should be submitted by May 27th, per our usual week-after meeting deadline. Send those photos and articles to spokes@mgcarclub.com.

Leon mentioned that whatever is sent to Spokes is also a good archival history of our Club, as we are beginning to see as Dan Suter sends in more of our early Spokes issues. Leon also recommended sending photos that are a good file size and suggested between 750KB to 1MB.

Bob mentioned that he has contacted Club member Bill DeVos about proceeding with a 2023 Club calendar – Bill volunteered to create one to replace what was traditionally the January issue of Spokes.

LIBRARY, Paul Osborne was not in attendance but sent the report that all library materials have been collected from the storage garage and he is sorting and cataloging them. He will have magazines available for members to take and a rotating selection of books for members to borrow. Video material is also being cataloged and some will be digitized and made available on the web.

WATKINS GLEN REPORT, Dave Wild said there was no news. The Mustang will be the featured car. It is still not determined if there will be any activity at the Glen to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the MG automobile. Some of our key contacts for the Vintage weekend have left and it's not clear who is in charge of various parts of the week-end activities.

Dan Suter updated us that he is still taking Seneca Lodge room reservations for the Vintage Weekend and has 5 rooms available. A three-day reservation is required. Contact Dan for information or reservations at dmesuter@rochester.rr.com.

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WEBSITE, Leon Zak reported that the website is running well. He has been adding early issues of Spokes as they get digitized by Dan Suter who has undertaken the project of scanning all Spokes issues from the Club's start in 1958 and forward. Leon is also working on digitizing some of the Club videos that are on older media and will have those posted on YouTube with links on our website and in Spokes.

OLD BUSINESS, Bob reported that the Board has discussed the possibility of reinstating the Brudno Award which has been dormant for many years. The question was posed by a member last month. It was recalled that the process of choosing the Award winner had become contentious in the Club and it was unanimously voted by the Board to not bring it back. Instead, any member who has gone above and beyond can be considered for a yearly thank you award which would not be a life-time award or effect dues payment. There would be no change to present Brudno winners, they will continue to be listed in Spokes.

NEW BUSINESS, Frank Stepanik reported that he met with staff at Monroe Community College and discussed our endowment for the automotive program. The \$10,000 endowment is in good shape and two \$500 scholarships are awarded to students each year from the interest on the account. Frank established contact information and the College will notify us of award winners with the hope that the recipients may attend our meeting that month. Frank also located and brought back our large wood Honor and Memorial plaque. Years ago, donors who contributed to the MCC scholarship fund got their name engraved on a plaque. Our basket auction proceeds also went toward establishing the initial \$10K amount of the fund. Memorial plaques were engraved for long-time members who passed away. Frank has been keeping those up to date for many years with the Club covering the minimal cost of engraving. It's not determined at this time where the plaque will now be located since we no longer use the MCC auto shop for our tune-up clinic. More discussion is needed to determine where to keep the very large and heavy plaque, how to display it and how to keep it updated.



The Club voted for a \$300 donation to go to Edison Tech's Automotive programs. Because it is a public school and cannot receive direct donations, Hollis Hames will talk to Bobby Newell, the program director, and arrange to buy tools or some other needed item for the program.

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It was announced that US Military Veteran Al Costich would be going on Rochester Honor Flight Mission 71 to Washington DC on May 21-22. Several Club members planned to welcome the veterans home at the Rochester Airport on the 22nd. Dave Wild will be going on Honor Flight Mission 72 on June 18-19. Tom LeStrange completed an Honor Flight earlier this year. Hollis Hames is maintaining a list of MGCC members who are veterans, contact Hollis to be sure you are on the list hdhames@aol.com

Pete Fazio reported that he now has a nice 1961 Austin Healey Bugeye Sprite.

Leon Zak told us that he and Barb will be joining Mike and Sue Goodwin for a cross-country drive in their MGBs. They expect it will be a 12-14-day trip each way with lots of interesting routes and stops along the way. They invited anyone else in the Club to join in for all or part of the drive.

CARS & PARTS FOR SALE, the former one-owner, National Show winner Joe Fazio Triumph TR6 has been listed for sale, \$35K.

PROJECTS, Al Costich reported that he put fluid in his race car radiator, built a fuel tank and it fired right up, with no leaks.

Joe Bellizia has his Midget getting work done at EM Motors, including returning the car to SU carburetors. He expects to have it back in a few days and will be out on the roads soon.

George Heissenberger and his son installed a new headlight relay kit – it was confusing but actually turned out to be easily installed.

Mike Robinson has his TF almost back together and will be on the road again very soon.



Door prizes were distributed to ticket winners.

Meeting end: 9:00

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Attendance for May19, 2022 MGCC WNY Meeting

Submitted by Annabelle Tescione, MGCC Secretary

Bob Abels
Georgian Abels
Bill Baldwin
Cheryl Baldwin
Ken Barlow
Joe Bellizia
Todd Black
Karl Burkhardt
Dave Chase
Alan Costich
Pete Fazio
Steve Figueiredo
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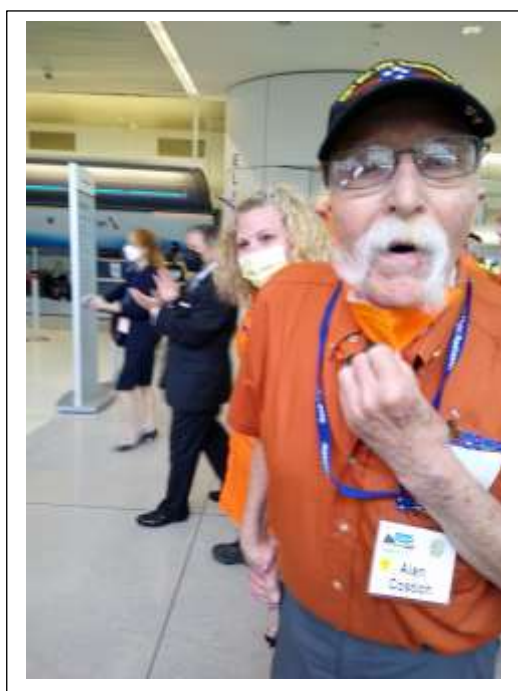
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Honor Flight – Honoring American Veterans

Photos from Al & Mary Isselhard

These photos are from members Al & Mary Isselhard who greeted the Honor Flight Vets on May 22, 2022 at the Rochester Airport. MG Car Club WNY member, one of our heroes - Al Costich was on the trip this time, called Mission 71. He was one of the 56 vets to make the trip. The Honor Flight Organization says, "We fly our heroes to Washington, DC to visit and reflect together at their memorials." Costich's daughter Christina Costich was a guardian on the trip. Another long-time member, and Club Historian Dave Wild will be going on Honor Flight Mission 72 in June.





Mike Helton to be Honored as the Next Recipient of the IMRRC Cameron R. Argetsinger Award

WATKINS GLEN, N.Y. (May 26, 2022) – Mike Helton, Vice Chairman of NASCAR, is selected to join an elite group of recipients of the Cameron R. Argetsinger Award for Outstanding Contributions to Motorsports. Presented annually by the International Motor Racing Research Center (IMRRC), the Award's past recipients include Chip Ganassi, Roger Penske and Mario Andretti. The gala and award ceremony will be held on Aug. 19, 2022, at the Watkins Glen Harbor Hotel. Motorsports broadcast journalist Dr. Jerry Punch will be emceeing the evening's festivities.

"The Cameron R. Argetsinger Award continues to honor exemplary contributors to motorsport," said Mark Steigerwald, Executive Director of the IMRRC. "We enthusiastically extend this well-deserved recognition to Mike and look forward to celebrating in August."

Helton has been part of the NASCAR company for almost three decades, starting as the vice president of competition in 1994. He was the first person outside of the France family to assume responsibility for the day-to-day operations when he became the senior vice president and chief operating officer in 1999, and president a year later. Today, Helton serves as a member of NASCAR'S Board of Directors and Executive Council.

Helton's experiences on and off the track directly led to the formation of the NASCAR Research & Development Center in Concord, North Carolina. Dedicated to strengthening NASCAR's safety and competition initiatives, it is the first research and development center owned and operated by a sanctioning body of a major motorsports series.

"We are honored to present the 2022 Cameron R. Argetsinger Award to Mike Helton," said IMRRC Chairman John R. Saunders. "Under Mike's leadership, NASCAR's expansion to new markets throughout North America along with notable enhancements to safety and competition is truly extraordinary."

Tickets are on sale now and all proceeds benefit the IMRRC. Presenting sponsors of the award dinner are Sahlen's, NASCAR, and Watkins Glen International. Additional support is provided by the Watkins Glen Harbor Hotel.

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British Car Show at Onanda Park, Canandaigua – May 14, 2022

Photos by Bob Welch

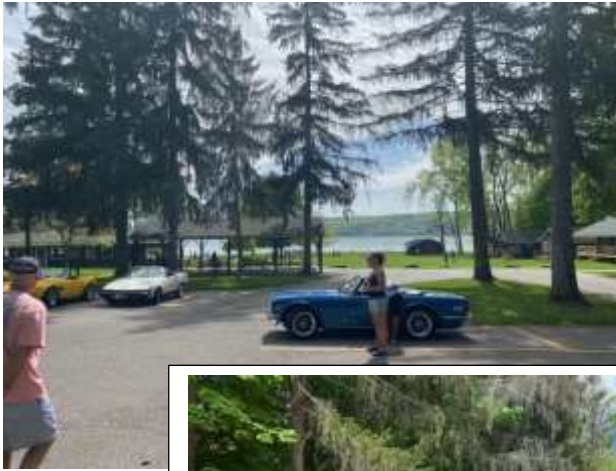


Here are some shots from the show at Canandaigua Lake last weekend. The blue MGA belongs to Walter Genther. The yellow TD is Todd Black's. The green TC (dash shot) is Eric Barge's. RW



More British Car Show at Onanda Park, Canandaigua

Photos by George Heissenberger



"Here are some photos of the all-British Car Show held at Onanda Park in Canandaigua sponsored by the Ontario County Historical Society. I counted about 50+ cars in attendance and a good number of cars from our club as well as visitors from out club without cars." GH

Lima Engine Show

Photos by George Heissenberger

"Here are some photos of the Lima Engine Show May 21st in Lima, NY. There was a small turn-out, but I did run into club members Al Wagner and Jay Lockrow. This is a quirky little show that features anything interesting that has an engine, even just engines themselves."





MGCC STEAK ROAST & AUCTION

JUNE 12, 2022

Sunday 12-6pm

American Legion Hall

**260 Middle Road
Henrietta**



For the AUCTION please bring any auto or auto related items that are in good usable condition that can be auctioned. This has been a MAJOR FUND RAISER for the club in the past, and it was always a lot of fun to boot.

This year the steaks and cooking will be taken care of by the American Legion, and we will host the auction as normal with Ted "The Gavel" Hershey as Auctioneer.



CONTACT Mike Robinson to sign up or for more information:
mrobins1057@twc.com

More Details closer to the event

It all started because of some leftover hot dogs

By Dick Powers

Not sure if they were Zweigles or Tobin First Prize hots, but back in 1971, the hots were left over from an MGCC event and the club was having a hot dog roast at the Wild's Wagonjack Farm. Many in our MGCC were very interested in racing back then and, in '61 & '62, our WNYMGCC put on the first *All MG Races* in North America at Watkins Glen. So it was not unusual that there was always conversation about racing at events. The rumor was that the 1972 Monaco Grand Prix would be the last one. As many of you know, the Monaco GP continues to this day, but back then it looked like '72 would be the last one.

During the discussion about the end of the Monaco GP, Al Isselhard and Marv Brudno (Brudno Award named for him and his wife) decided to look into putting a trip together to go to the "last" Monaco GP. As things worked out, the 1000 km race at Spa, Belgium, a week before Monaco, would be included. Then we would have a week to do our own thing and, after that, all meet in Monaco for the GP. We would leave from JFK

on May 4 and return from Brussels on May 16. All our air fare and hotel accommodations in Brussels, Liege (near Spa) and Niece France would be included for the total of **\$419.72!** Those were 1972 dollars, but it also included our Rochester flights to and back from JFK.

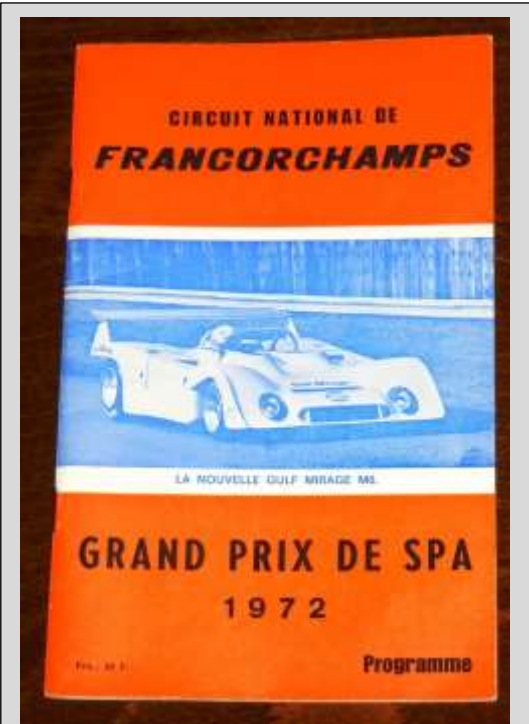
With a deal like that, Al Isselhard led a group of WNYMGCC members that included: **Gil and Betty Langswager, Bob and Ruth Philip, Steve and Patty Philip and olde me.** Al also advertised the trip in *Autoweek* and a few others from Rochester and around the US also joined us on the trip.

Both Spa and Monaco are still run on public roads, but Spa is out in the country and Monaco through the streets of the city. The Spa 1000 Km race was won by Redman and Merzario in a Ferrari. Local hero Jackie Ickx, with Clay Regazzoni, finished second in a Ferrari. Betty sure likes Jackie Ickx and was able to get through the gigantic crowd, that surrounded him at the end of the race, to get his autograph!

At Monaco, there were different tickets for different areas. Our 50 Franc "metal" ticket allowed us to be around Start/Finish, the first turn and then walk over the track on a foot bridge and see the last section, along the Mediterranean. That led to the old "Gasometer" hairpin turn where most of us watched the race. Its name comes from where they used to fill the race cars with gas.



Monaco Program – 1972 (R. Powers)



Spa Program – 1972 (R. Powers)



Monaco Memorabilia (R. Powers)



*Monaco Cars in the Rain
(Al Isselhard)*

In Monaco, rain comes in off the Mediterranean about 1 PM and it did every day we were there including during the race. Possibly it was a good omen for race winner, J. P. Beltoise in a BRM. He led from start to finish in the rain (the great equalizer). That was the only GP race he won, but it's the one every GP racer wants to win. After Monaco, we all flew back to Brussels for another day before flying back to JFK and then to Rochester.

We celebrate this trip every 10 years. By the time you read this, we've had our **50th Anniversary celebration!** And it all started

because of some leftover MGCC hot dogs.

The author would like to thank **Steve Philip** for remembering many details of this trip, some of which could not be printed in this article.

Safety Fast ---- Dick Powers



*Jean Beltoise in a BRM
(Al Isselhard)*



*Monaco Trip-goers after 50 Years
Seated l to r: Betty & Gil Langswager
Standing l to r: Patty Philip, Dick Powers, Steve Philip,
Dave Hodder, Al Isselhard
(R.Powers)*

2022 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

There is still plenty of time to jump in and start the 2022 Motoring Challenge. Just take the destination list on pages 27 – 28 with you, better yet keep the list in your car so it will always be handy. You never know as you're driving around when out of the blue there is a destination staring you right in the face. Then you can just stop your car, take a picture of your car and the destination, or better yet get yourself or your partner in the picture as well.

The standings so far, including our newest destination challengers Todd & Donna Black and Rod & Christine Rodman:

Goodwin: 53

Heissenberger: 49

Boughton: 46

Zak: 43

Hames: 36

Robinson: 36

Baldwin: 14

Black: 12

Stone: 7

Kray: 4

Costich: 1

Rodman: 1

The Challenge Destination list is in Spokes monthly. If you have any questions contact me Susan Goodwin at challenge@mgcarclub.com. Enjoy and have fun!

Here are a few highlights of the month:



Todd Black looking quite dapper in his '51 MG TD with a tree in spring bloom



Ron Stone and his '67 MGB at a roadside honey stand
BONUS for buying honey and including it in the picture!



Celeste & Dave Kray's '68 MGB at an Irish Pub



Lane Boughton's 1998 BMW Z3 at a town/county park named for someone (?)

2022 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge



Mike Goodwin's 2013 Mini Cooper S at a roadside oddity in Nevada



Rod Rodman in his '79 MGB at a train station (used as a train station!) in Industry, NY



George Heissenberger's '73 MGB at Ganondagan, a native American historic site and specialty museum in Ontario County



Mike Robinson's '80 MGB at a beautiful stone arch bridge



Hollis and Doreena Hames visiting a famous person's house in their '70 MGB



Barb & Leon Zak's 1981 Toyota truck at a TRIPLE destination (a tree in spring bloom, a roadside oddity and a very curvy road sign). BONUS!

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To Book a Spot

2022 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

HOW TO ENTER

- Send your first photos or photos to Challenge@mgcarclub.com
- With your name
- With the year, make and model of your car or cars you intend to use for the challenge
- Attach your photos, identified with the destination numbers

PARTICIPATION CHALLENGE DETAILS

- Find the completed list of destinations in *Spokes* monthly (***see the following two pages***)
- Drive to the listed destinations
- Snap a picture of your car at the destination preferably with yourself or teammate in the photo
- Send the photos by email with the destination numbers as you complete them to: Challenge@mgcarclub.com
- You can do the destinations in any order except the ones with cut off dates
- All photos due on or before November 1st 2022**
- Enjoy monthly updates in *Spokes* where you'll see yours and other competitors' photos and get updates on the scoring

You will score 1 or more points for each destination. Points vary depending on the difficulty or the creativity required. Additional bonus points are given for some of the destinations, so get the most points possible.

Remember

- All photos are due on or before November 1st 2022
- Have fun!

Special Note: Out of state members can participate. Gear destinations to your state.

If you have any questions,
contact me, Susan Goodwin at Challenge@mgcarclub.com.

SG



2022 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

✓	#	Destination	Base Pts.	Due Date	Bonus Description	Bonus Pts.	My Score
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	With snow (this is Western NY)	1	05/15/22	new pictures of old snowpiles are okay		
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	Yard with Easter decorations not own yard	1	04/15/22			
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	April Showers (must be in the rain)	1	04/30/22			
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	Tree in spring bloom	2	05/30/22			
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	Tree/Trees with fall colors	1	10/25/22	with splendid fall color	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	6	Alongside a sunflower field	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	7	Alongside an apple orchard	1		with apple farm stand	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	8	Maple syrup business/sign	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	9	Beehive boxes	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	10	Honey roadside stand	2		buy a jar of honey, include it in photo	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	11	Farmstand	1		show purchased produce	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	12	Dairy farm	1		with cows in barn	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	13	Horses in a field	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	14	Winery on Keuka Lake Wine Trail	1		winery sign and lake in background	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	15	Winery on Seneca Lake Wine Trail	1		buy a bottle hold it up standing next to car	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	16	Winery on Cayuga Lake Wine Trail	1		picture of grapevines and winery with sign together	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	17	Oldest Winery in the Finger Lakes/ Sign	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	18	Irish pub	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	19	Ethnic restaurant	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	20	Burger stand	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	21	Coffee shop with sign	1		w/friend or relative other than partner, both standing next to car - coffee in hand	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	22	Town/County park named after someone	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	23	State park or site with sign	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	24	Village square	1		with a village sign in the square and car in view	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	25	Village sign with the letter H	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	26	" " " " " P	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	27	" " " " " B	1				

2022 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

✓	#	Destination	Base Pts.	Due Date	Bonus Description	Bonus Pts.	My Score
<input type="checkbox"/>	28	Town sign with the letter M	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	29	" " " " " S	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	30	" " " " " P	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	31	Out of New York State: State Sign	3				
<input type="checkbox"/>	32	Historical place/site with sign	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	33	Roadside oddity/attraction	3				
<input type="checkbox"/>	34	Motor raceway	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	35	Your car in a parade	1	08/01/22			
<input type="checkbox"/>	36	Cruise night	1		with 2 car friends, all 3 cars in a row, one picture showing 3 cars and each person behind their own car	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	37	Yellow very curvy road warning sign	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	38	Roundabout	1		driving around it	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	39	Antique shop	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	40	Train station used as a train station	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	41	Train station used as something else	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	42	Cobblestone house/building	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	43	Medina Sandstone building	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	44	Specialty/Special Interest Museum	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	45	Stained glass art studio or window	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	46	Old cemetery	1		established before 1900 - show sign	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	47	Stone arched bridge	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	48	Railroad bridge	1		trestle railroad bridge	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	49	Windmill farm (show 3 or more windmills)	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	50	Old movie theater with marquee	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	51	Prominent/famous person's house with sign	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	52	Monastery/abbey	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	53	If you capture 3 or more destinations (from the list above) in a single photo you will receive not only the stated points for those 3, but also you will receive an additional 5 bonus points				5	
<input type="checkbox"/>	54						

Tune-Up Clinic Held May 21st at Edison Tech High School

Photos by Dick Powers





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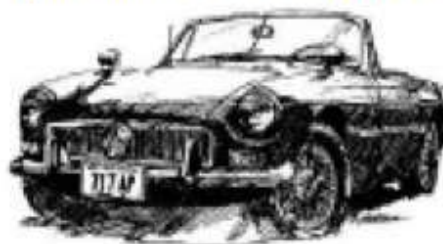
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During the summer of 1992, hundreds of MGs converged on scenic Peterborough, in the Kawartha Lakes region of Ontario, for the inaugural convention of the North American MGB Register. Thirty years later, we are going back to where it all began. Come join us June 19th to 23rd to honour our history and celebrate the future. We will have a slew of activities for enthusiasts of all ages including a car show, tech sessions, lift lock tours, funkhana, local rally, self-directed drives, a parking lot party and an awards banquet with a very special guest speaker. We look forward to seeing you in Peterborough at THE MG event of 2022!

JUNE 19 - 23, 2022



June Sunshine Page



June Birthdays

2	Annabelle Tescione
4	Daniel Schuler
6	Latty Goodwin
7	Gerald Babchak
10	Patricia MacDonald
11	Phyllis Schirano
11	Doreen Wilson
12	Ted Hershey
12	Richard Shineman
13	Wendy DeMarzo
13	Rosemarie Stepanik
15	Chad D'Angelo
20	Gert Masline
21	Glenn Masline
24	John Baum
25	Eileen McMahon
27	Tony Makepeace
29	Moby Burton
29	Paul Wegman
30	David Asmuth
30	John MacDonald



***Happy Birthday,
everyone!***

June Anniversaries

4	Susan & Paul Wegman
5	Phyllis & Brian Schirano
10	Evelyn & Ron Stone
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 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.*



MG Car Club of Western NY Available Regalia 2022 Catalog



MG Car Club of Western NY Centre Pins



Note: Key is just to show size



50th Ann. Badge \$20.00



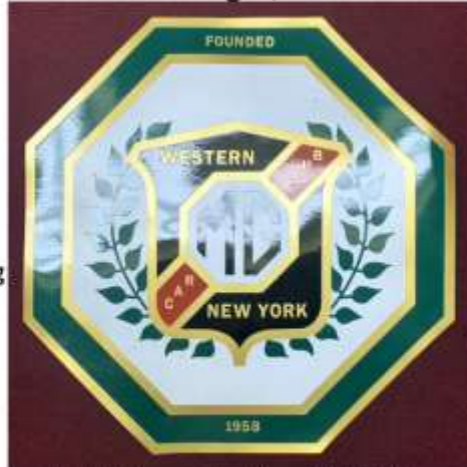
Car Badge \$20.00



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Octagon Key Ring
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Logo w/ ribbon
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Adhesive Stickers
\$1.50

Adhesive Emblem
\$1.50

Note: Key is just to show size

MG Car Club of Western NY Centre Bumper Sticker & Coffee Mugs



Coffee Mug \$5.00



Bumper Sticker \$1.00 / 3 for \$2.00

In between meetings feel free contacting Joe B at blitz7711@gmail.com

MG Car Club of Western NY Centre

Port Authority Shirts \$25.00 embroidered



Shirt Sported by our new member Frank DeMarzo
Thanks Frank! You were the first one to buy one.



Hollis's Shirt

Color Choice: Not all colors may be available do to supply chain shortages.
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MG Car Club of Western NY Centre

New Era Hats \$25.00 embroidered

(price will go down if we order over a dozen)



NE201
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Note: This is the Logo
we are having digitized
to fit on the hats. It will
be 2" high

Includes Embroidery: \$25. Delivered

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Jackets with our Logo Embroidered

As seen at our March Meeting!!!!



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W/ mesh lining & hood
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Classified Ads

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

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
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For Sale: Edelbrock 4025 Uni-Syn Carburetor Balancing Instrument



\$15.00 or BO. Contact Bill Clicquennoi, Magnolia La, Webster, NY 585-202-5992 wjc@rochester.rr.com

FOR SALE: MG Steering Wheel, Excellent Condition. From 1979 MGB switchout.



\$45 or BO. Contact Bill Clicquennoi, Magnolia La in Webster 585-202-5992 wjc@rochester.rr.com

For Sale: MGB 3-main short block - asking \$250

If interested, contact Dick Powers: 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

For Sale: Four (4) spoked wheel rims for an MG (no other information given)
9580 Big Tree Road, Hemlock NY.

Please call Rhonda at 585-919-9719

Classified Ads – (continued)

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

CARS FOR SALE:

1960 MGA Twin Cam: 18,000 miles, Red with black/red piping interior, Show Quality paint, Raced when new, Right fender replaced with original factory fender. Spare engine block. Asking \$55,000 - offers.

1972 MGB: Restored 10 years ago. BR Green, Wire Wheels, Good tires, Electronic Ignition, Weber Carb, Stainless Exhaust, Good Driver, Needs a little TLC. Asking \$9,000 or best offer.

1971 Datsun 240Z: 55,000 miles, Original Owner, No Rust, No Winters, Bob Sharp slotted aluminum wheels, Good Tires, MSD Electronic Ignition and comes with original ignition. Silver repaint with black interior. Asking \$50,000 - offers.

1979 VW Scirocco: German Specifications, Moon Roof, No Winters, 130K miles, Sport Exhaust, Good Tires, Gold/Beige interior, Runs well. Asking \$10,000 - offers.

Cars are in Western New York. For more information contact Roy Bergman at 716-941-5535.

WANTED: Any *Spokes* issues from the mid-1970s and earlier. Dan Suter,
dmesuter@rochester.rr.com, 585-645-5645

FREE: A nearly complete set of *Spokes* from 1996 – 2016. I have been working on collecting a complete set of *Spokes* and these are now duplicates to me. Dan Suter,
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MGA Parts For Sale:

Call Dave Bertch at 585-738-4320



and finally...

Leon Zak has been neatening things up under the bonnet and behind the dash of his V8 MGB...

"... I've got the engine bay painted then coated with Eastwood clear satin in hopes it will make it easier to clean. I matched the color with enamel - the auto paint was over \$100 and then would have to be sprayed - too much \$ and work to arrange that.

I'm now in the put it back together mode. Got all new gauges that match :) and with gauge lights that maybe I can see at night. I'm putting relays in for the headlights - that should make them brighter.

Now onto the behind the dash stuff - wipers, headlight switch, ignition wiring."

