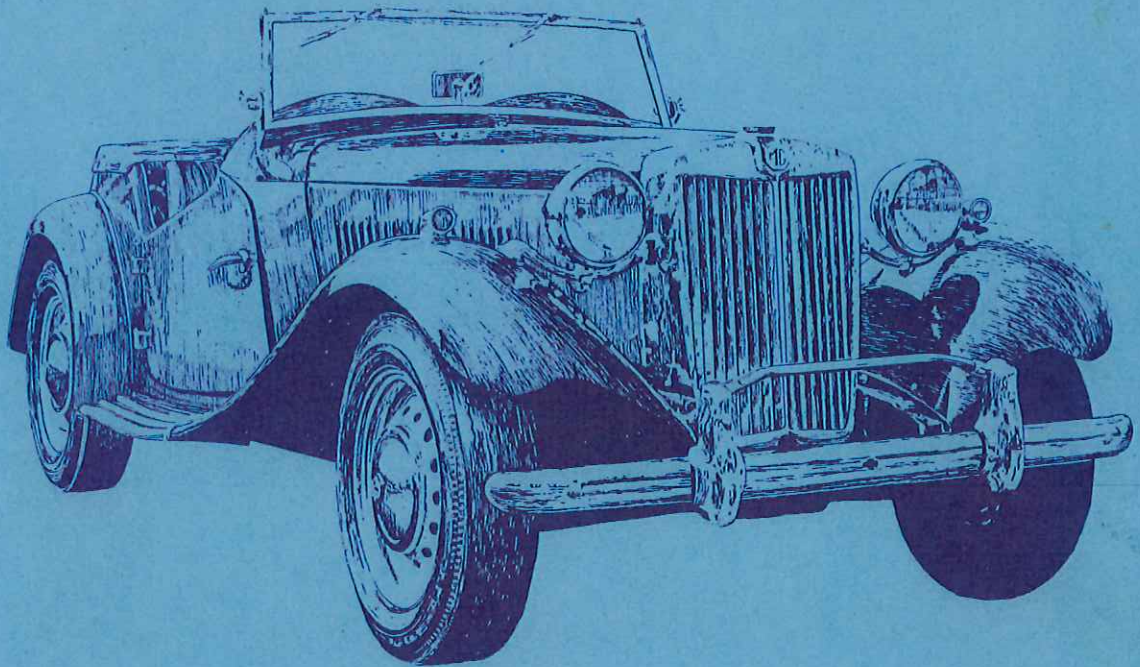


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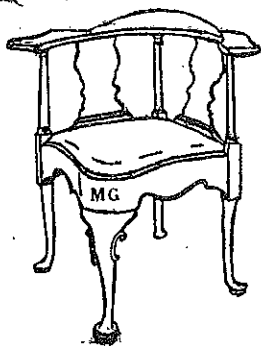
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WORD FROM THE CHAIR

A candidate for the biggest "rip off" of the year is the United States Grand Prix at Watkins Glen. I've attended races from St. Jovite to Daytona and from Indianapolis to Spa and of all the racing facilities I've visited Watkins Glen is absolutely the worst spectator track I've been to. I will admit the new section recently added is definitely a spectator improvement, however the price one pays for the privilege of attending a Glen race is outrageous. A general admission ticket for the GP weekend was \$18.00 per person. This entitles the bearer to admittance to the grounds - nothing else. Campers are now herded into separate areas and charged a buck per head each night. Using the limited camping facilities which are available would make you sick due to the filth and trash which surrounds them. There is a family camping area which is more expensive but assures you segregation from the drug freaks common to the normal camping area. Remember when race programs were \$1.00? Remember when race programs were \$1.50? A race program now commands \$2.00 and they are hardly worth it. These programs contain virtually the same information from race to race - track map, list of officials, sponsors, and general advertisements.

The best spectator areas are occupied by huge grandstands. Naturally there is a price for seating in these stands - \$5.00 per person in addition to general admission. When the new pit area was constructed the GP Association had the foresight to build grandstands above the pit stalls. From this vantage point it is impossible to see cars in the pits unless you happen to be in one of the first two rows. These seats also have a price in the neighborhood of \$25.00 per person for the weekend. Naturally the stands are never fully occupied.

Several years ago the Kendal Oil Company provided the funds necessary to build a large garage and tech center. The competition cars were housed in the tech center overnight providing crews with a good place to work on their cars. The GP Association decided more revenue could be produced by allowing spectators to walk thru the garage @10¢ per person to get a close look at the cars. An aisle was roped off and soon there were long lines of spectators awaiting their turn. This was a good bargain while it lasted. When the new track section was added a new scoring tower, pits and Kendall tech center were constructed. The cost of the new tech center was reported to be \$200,000, a rather heavy sum. The new center was obviously designed with expected revenues from walk thru spectators. Cost of a round trip tour was increased to 25¢ per head. The following year the cost rose to 50¢ and now its \$1.00. This is indeed moneygrabbing.

The really informed spectator cannot miss the "Inside Track Seminar". This was begun several years ago by a promoter who had a new idea on

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how to squeeze more money out of the spectator. The seminar is basically a question and answer session with the fringe benefits of a buffet and unlimited tech center pass. It enables the few who attend to possibly rub elbows with a famous race driver. The price for this is a stiff - \$55.00 per person.

This was the USGP in 1973. The only consolation was that we did see a good race!

Mary and I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Al

The MG Car Club extends a hearty WELCOME to the following new members:

Mike Mascelli
Latham, N.Y.
'71 Toyota Corolla

Dave & Sally Glassman
Rochester, N.Y.
'53 MG-TD
2 Volvos

George Schweinberger
Webster, N.Y.
'53 MG-TD
'72 Chevy Caprice
'64 Rambler



WESTERN NEW YORK CENTRE ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

My sincere apologies to the membership for the lack of a newsletter since last November. Publisher George Herschell has found time less abundant than gasoline hence this material should update you on recent activities and news and appear more as a social column than anything else.

Our annual Xmas party was a complete success thanks to many hours of work by Susie Kutzenberger with much assistance by Cindy Austin. I'm sure the 60 members/guests that attended certainly enjoyed the huge smorgasboard and appreciated Susie's efforts in obtaining the great door prizes that were given away. I tentatively expect to hold the 1974 Xmas party at the Trentholm East again as I'm sure everyone was quite satisfied with the December party. Thus ended 1973 for the club.

January 1974 was kind of a bland month with not really too much of anything happening. I've planned a tentative schedule of events for 1974 and these will be published in the next issue of Spokes soon. Unfortunately I'm afraid we will have to postpone the April event (rally) in view of the gasoline problem. The current fuel crisis could throw a wrench into some of our club plans for the year. Of all motorsports activities affected by the gasoline shortage, Sunday closings, minimums, maximums, rationing and heavy prices, our specific interests - restorations - can continue to be pursued in high gear. The above mentioned inconveniences are good excuses to spend more time in the basement or garage making progress on your current project. No doubt that our special interest automobiles will continue to appreciate in value despite an uncertain stock market or a shortage of gasoline.

Feb. has been an active month for the club for many reasons both good and bad. I've focused much of my attention to early planning for the Auto Festival III. We've met with the Victor Lions Club to discuss the car show and related responsibilities and begin the planning stages. I've designed a letterhead for the show stationery and had copies duplicated for both clubs. A copy of the meeting agenda and agreements appears herein. There will be more items added to this list as the time goes on. At the Feb. MGCC officers meeting persons responsible for specific details were selected with regard to the car show. Generally speaking everything will remain quite similar to last year except that I guarantee details will be complete much sooner.

Toronto's first major auto show was held in Feb. and attended by the Yaegers and Isselhard's. It was a good show but somewhat short of the New York auto shows of the late 60's. Obvious was the absence of displays by British Leyland, Volvo and Mazda. The Craven Foundation also displayed several of their restored antique automobiles.

MGCC member Marv Brudno suffered a mild heart attack in early Feb. After spending a couple of weeks in the hospital I'm happy to report that Marv is recuperating at home and Eunice reports he is as miserable as ever (which is good news).

The Kutzenbergers have announced that Bob has taken a new job in Virginia and that they will be moving to their new home in March. This is indeed unfortunate for our club as Bob and Susie are two of our most active members. I'm sure the club sincerely appreciates the many contributions they have made over the past years. As a result Susie has resigned as secretary of the club. At the Feb. meeting Beth Yaeger was nominated and elected as secretary of the club.

A reminder that dues are due by March 15 at the latest. I will not nor will any officer continually assume that a person is a member just because he has belonged to the club during the past year(s) and somehow forgotten to pay his dues. Each member has received a written bill so there is no excuse this year. March 15 is the deadline.

My thanks to Jack Bloemendaal for the interesting entertainment that followed the Feb. meeting. For those of you who didn't make the meeting, Jack is also a collector of fine cameras and displayed several from his collection and explained why each camera was unique or unusual.

I am doing my part to conserve gasoline by the purchase of a second car. After

deciding that the "T" series Ford should be supplemented by more economical I've purchased a '68 Fiat sedan. Not exactly luxury but it should cost me less than half what it now does to commute to and from work. I'm still in the market for a Morgan Plus Four (preferably a drophead coupe) or an AC (coupe or roadster) so if happen to hear of either of these cars for sale please contact me.

We are in the process of another major change with regard to the publishing of our newsletter - Spokes. George Herschell has published the newsletter for over a year and done an outstanding job with each issue. George has informed me that due to job and family commitments he can no longer continue to publish the newsletter with any degree of regularity. I personally would like to take the newsletter for one year however condominium living makes this a virtual impossibility. I was about to explore a few possibilities when the phone rings and an offer is made (for the newsletter that is) with Gil Langswager the sole bidder. Sometime during the month of March the publishing equipment will move from Webster to Greece.

There will be another New York Auto Show (why they are bothering I don't know) which will begin during the first week in April.

The AC car company will produce its first new car since 1965 (?) and import it into the USA however the cost will be about \$12,000.

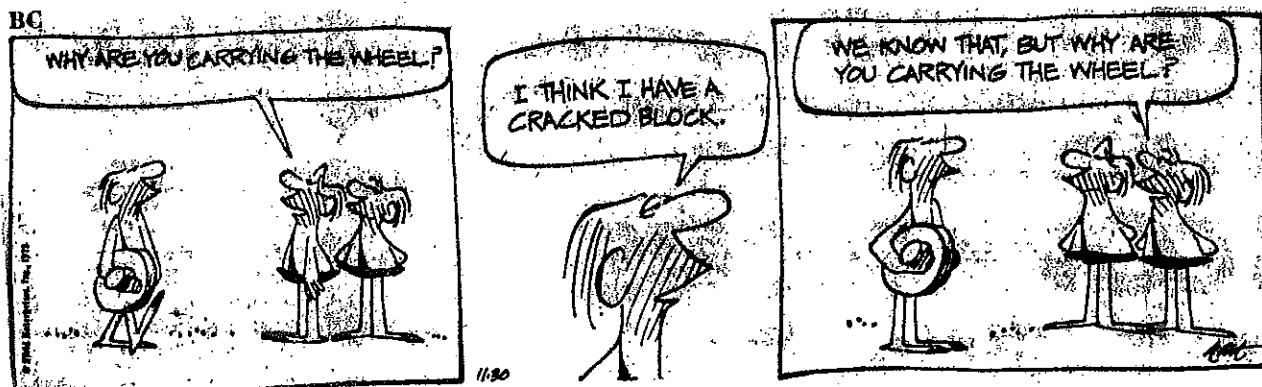
There is a good possibility that there will be a Grand Prix Formula 1 race held in Switzerland next year.

The MGCC bowling party was another success thanks to the hard work by Bob Tescione. Approx 34 people bowled with total attendance about the same as last year.

Miracle of miracles, my wife passed her drivers test on the first try.

I am reviewing the mailing list for this newsletter. Due to the increase in postage and the increase in the cost of paper. One unfortunate result is that several complimentary copies now being mailed will be stopped. If you are now receiving a complimentary copy (this issue) chances are likely that you will continue to receive the SPOKES. Any member who has not paid their dues will no longer receive the SPOKES which means this will be their last issue.

Al Seelhard



MGCC MINUTES
OCTOBER, 1973

Meeting was called to order at 8:35 by Bob Kutzenberger acting in the absence of Chairman Al Isselhard.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by Susie Kutzenberger & approved.

A treasury report was not given.

Dave Wild gave a brief GMSC report.

Bob Tescone gave an activities report covering Wagonjack and the Grand Prix at Watkins Glen.

The vote on the club sub group proposal was tabled until the next meeting.

The recent Vicyor Town Council Resolution to limit the size of events held in the town was briefly discussed. It was mentioned that the resolution affected only over night events and therefore would not restrict our show held in conjunction with the Victor Lions Club. It was recommended that this be checked out through the Victor Lions Club. The possibility of holding the Sports Car Festival elsewhere was briefly discussed.

Susie Kutzenberger gave a report on the Club's Christmas party which will be held at the Trenholm East in Victor on December 15th beginning at 7:30 in the evening.

Dave Wild thanked all who helped with Wagonjack and make the show a success.

Gil Langswager gave a report on the antique car show held in Hershey, Pa..

Dave Wild reported on recent noise polution legislation which may have a great impact on Automotive Sports. A complete report on this legislation and what it may do to automobile buffs will be carried in the next issue of Spokes.

Election of officers will take place at the next meeting. A nominated slate of officers will be mailed to the membership before the November meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50.

Slides of the Grand Prix and Vintage Sports Car Race were shown by Bob Tescone.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susie Kutzenberger
Hastely Re-written by
Bob Kutzenberger. Secretary

MEMBERS PRESENT
OCTOBER, 1973

Bob Kutzenberger
Susie Kutzenberger
Tony Molinari
David C. Collins
Richard Gordon
Alex Kopen
Robert Adams
Gene Faust
Ruth Philip
Bob Philip
Beth Yaeger
Dick Yaeger

Larry Caldwell
Kathryn Caldwell
Richard Powers
Bethel Powers
Dave Wild
Barbara Wild
Howard Eckert
Gil Langswager
Betty Langswager
Bob Tescione
John Blomendaal

MGCC MINUTES
NOVEMBER 15, 1973

Meeting called to order at 8:50 by the Chairman

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.

A treasurers report was given by Al Isselhard due to the late arrival of George Herschell. We are solvent.

A regalia report was given by Bruce Austin. Club badges are now available.

The GMSC report was given by Marv Brudno. Recently passed noise pollution legislation was discussed by the council. Council clubs will probably be assessed \$5.00 next year.

Susie Kutzenberger gave a report on the upcoming Christmas Party. Details have been distributed on a flyer.

A brief discussion was held on the Club Sub Group proposal. The proposal was put to a vote and passed with no dissenting votes.

Election of Club Officers for 1974 was held. Results as follows:

Chairman	Al Isselhard
Vice Chairman	Gene Faust
Secretary	Susie Kutzenberger
Treasurer	George Herschell
Activities Director	Bruce Austin

Officers will be installed at the Club's Annual Christmas Party in December. There will be no December business meeting.

The club has established a firm date of June 2, 1974 as the date of the 3rd Sports Car and Vintage Auto Festival held in conjunction with the Victor Lions Club in Victor. We are planning a rain date for the following Sunday.

Members present exhibited an interest in the club putting on several low pressure type rallies. Our new Activities Director will investigate possibilities - Get Hot Bruce!

George Herschell gave a report on the status of the Club Newsletter. Paper is getting difficult to obtain and mailing prices are going up. George suggested we consider a bi-monthly publication schedule.

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:35.

Slides of Wagonjack and the Vintage Sports Car Races at the Glyn were shown by Al Isselhard and Jack Bloemendaal.

Respectfully Submitted,
R. Kutzenberger
Secretary MGCC WNYC

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Kutzenberger
Richard Gordon
Gil Langswager
Dave Wild
Kathy Caldwell
Alan Isselhard
Carol Capestany
Jack Bloemendaal
Dick Yaeger
Cindy Austin
Bert Patenal
Ruth Philip
Bethel Powers
Gene Faust
Ernie Paskey

Susie Kutzenberger
Betty Langswager
Barbara Wild
Larry Caldwell
Mary Isselhard
Ray Capestany
Eunice Brudno
Beth Yaeger
Bruce Austin
Alex Kopen
Marv Brudno
Bob Philip
Richard Powers
David C. Collins
Bob Tescione

GUESTS PRESENT

George E. Schweinberger

Jim Gergich

MGCC MINUTES
JANUARY 17, 1974

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 by Vice-Chairman Gene Faust

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasury report was not given due to the absense of George Herschell.

Regalia report was given by Bruce Austin.

Activities report was given by Bruce Austin. Our Bowling Party will be held March 2nd at the Lions Den. Only \$6.00 a person includes 3 bowling games and your choice of a prime rib or veal dinner. Be there at 6:00, bowling starts at 6:30, dinner at 9:00.

A rally is being planned by Larry Caldwell for April 28. There is the possibility of turning it into a short economy run and picnic due to the energy crisis.

GMSC report was given by Dave Wild, they are in the process of electing officers.

A tour to Lake Placid was brought up by Gil Langswager. This will be discussed further at a later date.

Dave Wild brought up a suggestion given to him by Thomas Grice about having a Powder Puff class at our car meets. These would be cars owned by women or restored with women's tastes in mind. The Lockport Sports Car Club has invited our club to a open-house get-together on May 4th & 5th.

Meeting was adjorned at 8:57.

The meeting was followed by general discussions.

Respectfully submitted,
Susie Kutzenberger
Secretary, MGCC WNMC

MEMBERS PRESENT
JANUARY, 1974

Bob Kutzenberger
Jack Bloemendaal
David Brown
Richard Gordon
Cindy Austin
Beth Yaeger
Gil Langswager
Ruth Philip
Sam Paskey
Bob Stanton
Kathy Caldwell
Dave Wild
Al Isslehard
Dick Powers

Suzie Kutzenberger
David C. Collins
George Schweinberger
Bruce Austin
Dick Yaeger
Anne Faust
Betty Langswager
Bob Philip
Ernie Paskey
Gene Faust
Larry Caldwell
Barb Wild
Bob Tescione

MGCC MINUTES
FEBRUARY 21, 1974

Meeting was called to order at 8:34.

A most sincere get well wish went out to Marv Brudno from the M. G. Car Club. Marv had a heart attack recently, and is now home on the road to recovery. Get well Marv!

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

No treasury report was given due to the absense of George Herschell.

Dues are due! Notices have been sent to all members. The cut off date for membership is March 15.

GMSC report was not given because they did not have a meeting this month.

A Newsletter report was given by Al Isslehard. George Herschell is giving up the press because of his busy schedule. After this weekend it is going to Gil Langswager. Dave Wild is asking for a volunteer to do a Social Column for the Spokes.

Al Isslehard reminded everyone about the Bowling Party March 2nd.

Susie Kutzenberger resigned as secretary due to Bob's transferr to Virginia. Nominations for secretary were called for. Bob Kutzenberger nominated Beth Yeager. Beth was elected unanimously.

Dick Yeager gave a report on the First International Toronto Auto Show.

Last month the first meeting between the Victor Lions and the M.G. Club was held concerning Auto Festival III. A list of each club's duties was passed to members present. Responsibilities are essentially the same. Two men's 5 speed bicycles will be the door prizes. Tickets are still only 50¢ donation each.

Happy Birthday wishes were given to Gil Langswager.

Meeting was adjorned at 9:10.

Jack Bloemendaal displayed and described an interesting cross section of his camera collection. All members present thoroughly enjoyed Jacks presentation.

Respectfully submitted,
Susie Kutzenberger
Secretary, MGCC WNYC

MEMBERS PRESENT
FEBRUARY MEETING

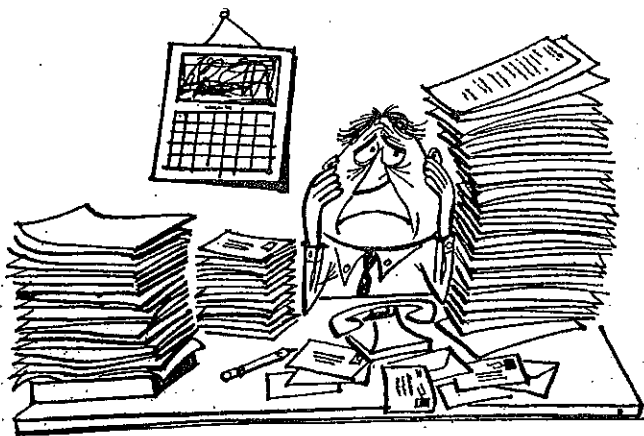
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Gene Faust
Bethel Powers
Jim Ottman
Barbara Wild
Betty Langswager

GUESTS PRESENT

Ron Erwin

Tom Ottman



EDITOR'S ABERRATIONS

FROM

DAVE WILD

HEY, do you sometimes get the feeling that we, Mr. & Mrs. John Q. Public, are being manipulated like pawns in some gigantic chess game? One day we are told that 7% of the crude oil the United States uses come from Saudi Arabia. Later, as publicity builds up concerning the energy crisis we are told the figure is 23% and just recently we hear that it is almost 1/3 of all the oil. Cabinet Secretary Rogers Morton, the Chairman of Sinclair Refineries, Ralph Nader and a prominent conservationist were involved in a TV panel discussion on the subject. The Sinclair representative "couldn't say exactly how many barrells of oil they process" nor apparently could he give an estimate! Sec. Morton turned every question around and was very noncomittal. Nader and the conservationist made them look foolish. -Now, Ralph Nader has a rather large "credibility gap" ever since his ill-informed corvair attack but even his gap is small compared to the Government's gap at this moment. There is an energy crisis, but to what degree? It seems awfully convenient for the publicity build-up on the crisis to come about at this time. It certainly effected approval of the Alaskan pipeline in a hurry. It relieves pressure on the limitation of off-shore oil drilling. The Environmental Protection Agency had backed itself into a corner on vehicle emissions standards the pressure on which is now somewhat eased. Publicity on the Watergate mess eased up (at least temporarily) and the threat of fuel rationing allowed considerable increase in the cost of gas at the pump. All that certainly is one heck of a coincidence and if the President can "miraculously" avoid gas rationing he is going to come out of this "smelling like a rose".

Maybe I'm too cynical but sometimes I wonder if we will ever get the facts. In talking to numerous acquaintances (non-car enthusiasts) they are almost unanimous in selecting motor sports as the first thing to abolish during a fuel shortage (it is the most visible form of non-essential gas consumption). They seem astounded to find that motor racing is rated sixth or seventh in the list of recreational energy consumers trailing the leading consumer, horse racing! Other major consumers include football, vacation travel and several other activities that lead motor racing in energy consumption. Naturally we can't eliminate horse racing because that would hit organized crime right where it lives! Seriously, if any sport is to be cut back then in order to be completely fair all forms of recreation should be cut. If the energy "crunch" is that serious I'm confident that motor sport enthusiasts would do their part to solve the problem. The present fuel situation does have a good side in that it is forcing the public to consider more practical automobiles. Some may be introduced for the first time to cars superior to their former road monsters and (dare we hope?) even learn to DRIVE again!

EDITOR'S ABERRATIONS (CONT)

The Wagonjack Sports Car Meet held in October was a success befitting the fifth anniversary of this informal gathering of car enthusiasts. We would like to thank all of you for helping make this event what it is. Many thanks go to British Leyland Motors for supplying the trophies for the classes in which their products are eligible to compete. I hope all the participants had a good time and will return to be with us for the sixth annual meet in 1974. Thirty-seven cars were registered and with the late arrival of at least four more unregistered cars we had a total of over 40 vehicles on display. The cars ranged from a BMW Isetta to no less than three Ferraris and a C-Type Jaguar! This fifth anniversary event was also marked by the fact that Gil and Jeff Langswager and I finally found the few hours necessary to get our rear-engined Mercedes-Benz running. Yes, it's alive and running very well! The meet was also financially successful although that is not one of the objectives of this event. We also have sufficient hot dogs left over for perhaps a spring picnic(?).

As the Sports Car Festival, our major effort, expands it becomes less necessary for the Wagonjack Meet to do other than meet expenses. As the dollar factor lessens it frees us to change aspects of the meet. Should we make it even less formal? Should we de-emphasize the trophies and provide every entrant with something really "special" instead of a dash placque? Should we not sell hot dogs but supply the picnic facilities, free cider and coffee? Should we expand the trophy structure? Should we add a "trials" event at the same time or keep it quiet and peaceful and hold the "trials" event at another time? Let your club officers/directors know what direction you would like to see the event take.

A listing of the trophy awards for the Fifth Wagonjack Meet is included elsewhere in this issue of "SPOKES".

For those of you who planned to participate in SCCA's rally on Dec. 16th - Be advised that despite what the flyer says the rally has been shortened from 250 to 150 miles and the registration time has been changed from 8:00AM to 11:00AM. The "rest break" has also been eliminated. For information call Bill Leathersich (716-538-4797).

Triumph Touring Club's "Snowblower '74" rally is scheduled for Jan. 19. We have no further information at this time. Contact Andy Mayfield (654-9327).

The St. Valentine's Day Massacre Rally by the Triumph Touring Club will be held on Feb. 10th. The start is at Eastway Plaza with 11:00 registration. The cost \$4.00 and information may be obtained by calling 467-8324 or 654-9327.

A number of antique cars in the Meredith, New Hampshire Museum collection have just been advertised for sale but no, none of them are sports cars.

The MG Car Club dues for 1974 are payable now. Beat the postal increase on Jan 10th and send your name and address on paper marked "renewal" along with a check for \$10.00 to George Herschell, Tres. 1286 Mill Creek Run, Webster, N.Y. 14580.

EDITOR'S ABERRATIONS (CONTD)

According to ads in Road & Track magazine a "California MG-T Register" is being formed.

A local chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club has been formed. The Iroquois Chapter of the SDC encompasses the Western portion of New York State. Substantial interest has been generated by this newly organized group.

Xerox Auto Club has been forced to raise their autocross entry fees. The fee for motor sports council club members will be \$4.50 and \$5.00 for unaffiliated entrants.

The Antique Automobile Club's Eastern Division Spring Meet will be held at Goat Island Niagara Falls, N.Y. on June 27-30th.

Announcement has been made that the local Genesee Valley Antique Car Society will be the host region for the 1975 Glidden Tour. This major AACA event will be a "hub" type tour operating out of the Sheraton Canandaigua Inn and it will encompass several days of activities.

The "Great Snow" Rally sponsored by the SCCA Western N.Y. Region will be held Feb. 17th and will be a TSD rally of 175 miles. It will start in Buffalo, N.Y. For information contact Joyce Ladd, 9062 Chestnut Ridge Rd., Middleport, N.Y. 14105 (716-735-3388).

British Leyland, at the London Motor Show, unveiled a design exercise "town car" dubbed the Minissima. A 4-passenger vehicle with overall measurements of 90 by 59 inches, it is based on the familiar Mini 850 drive train. Fifty miles per gallon (imp.?) is claimed with automatic transmission.

The year 1974 marks the 50th anniversary of the MG Car. The first product of Morris Garages generally considered to be an MG was a stripped-down "bull-nosed" Morris. Since that time the initials MG have become synonymous with the term "Sports Car" more than any other marque. In the United States the TC introduced the general public to the sports car while the TD actually put the public into sports cars. The TF and MGA completed the task of making "MG" a household term in the U.S. and the buff of many jokes. I think I've heard all the MG jokes and names they have been called from "roller skate" to "GM" (-the ultimate insult!) however there was one that really broke me up. We had an elderly cousin that in the course of a party conversation stated that she "had a cousin who had a BM"! - That must have either "made" the party or stopped the conversation entirely" I don't think I'll ever forget that one - nor will I ever forget our TD which has given us so much pleasure over the years. The MG factory invites suggestions from MG Car Club members as to how to suitably commemorate the 50th anniversary.

Barbara, Scott and I wish everyone a sincere Seasons Greetings and a Very Happy New Year!

Dave

GENESEE MOTOR SPORT COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
October 1973

Present: Ray Capestany, President; Marv Brudno, MGCC, Jeff Mathias, RITSCC; Fred Kern, URSCC, Steve Kittelberger, MCCSCC; Dave Wild, SCCA; Denis Norton, TTCR, George Haynes, XAC.
Guest: Ralph Preibe, TTCR.

1. Meeting was called to order at 8:40pm October 30, 1973.
2. Treasury balance: \$71.75.
3. Rep. sheet changes: Add Jeff Mathias' telephone number: 464-3080 and change Fred Kern's alternate number to 275-6129.
4. No calendar changes were made.
5. Grand Prix Rally Standings - results from URSCC GP rally (10/28) were not available yet. Several errors were found in standings; Steve Kittelberger to re-do results in time for mailing with these minutes.
6. Marv Brudno discussed a new New York State law that bans loud noises. Law has passed but lacks guidelines to enforce it. Hearings have been held. Possibility that all types of auto racing would be banned or racing vehicles equipped with muffling devices.
7. Fred Kern sent a letter to Special Equipment Manufacturers Assn. on 9/24. Letter supports SEMA against legislation banning any type of add-on auto equipment.
8. 1974 Schedule - all clubs are asked to present proposed 1974 schedules at November 27 meeting. GMSC picnic rally may be held in April 1974.
9. Nominations for Frank Reed Memorial Trophy must be made at November 27 meeting. Discussed a possible award to the area club doing most to promote motorsports events.
10. Officers for 1974 were discussed. November meeting is time to nominate candidates for 1974. New officers actually selected at January joint meeting. Ray not interested in 1974 presidency.
11. Ray recommended a \$5.00 per club fee for 1974.
12. Discussion of success of three local Halloween rallies Saturday, 10/27. Total participation was between 350 and 400 people, making everyone wonder why rallying in general is not more successful. Some agreement that good publicity, Halloween gimmick and no pressure were significant.
13. Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

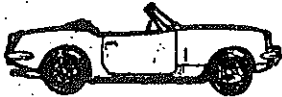
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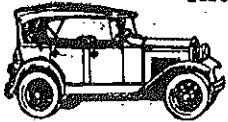
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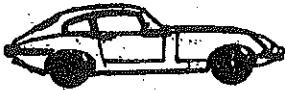
Results of meeting with Victor Lions Club and MGCC on Feb. 11, 1974 regarding Sports Car and Vintage Auto Festival III. Present at this meeting were: Dave Wild, show chairman; Al Isselhard, MGCC co-chairman; Jim Ottman, VLC co-chairman; Dick Yaeger, MGCC and Bill Moore, VLC.

The MGCC will:



reproduce festival tickets. 10,000 tickets will be printed. Al Isselhard will see that Lions club will receive their tickets by April 16.

judge all cars at show



establish classes for cars by March 15

determine number of trophies and order trophies by March 15

revise and type new judging form



provide registration forms for both car and flea market entrants

type judges instructions

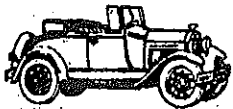
provide auto festival stationery



make signs including 4 - 4' X 8' signs

order 250 dash plaques from Roch. Metal Etching as soon as possible

provide registration envelopes



auto festival stamp for depositing checks

announcer

line up cars at show



contact antique, arts and crafts vendors @ \$6 per space

design grounds layout

provide photographer



handle major publicity

provide 55 gallon trash drums

handle registration



supply ballot box

(OVER)

attempt to find person to contact potential trophy sponsors either in person or via letter.

arrange for dealer displays - only to be allowed if dealer sponsors trophies for 1 complete class (3 trophies) and pay for thr awards in advance.

The Lions Club will:

erect, supply and operate refreshment stand(s)

pick up materials from Dave Wild's home the day before the show

contact potential bake sale groups in Victor area

make arrangements for boy scouts clean up and popcorn sale

provide drum for door prize drawing

arrange for insurance

provide public address system with sufficient speakers, cable and a ladder

arrange public services - sheriff, state police, fire truck, ambulance and contact these groups either in person or via letter

suggest adequate traffic control measures and discuss these with local police

provide map of school grounds

have school opened by noon on the day before the show and by 7AM the day of the show

contact jr. high officials as possible registration location

arrange, provide and schedule adequate number of ticket takers the day of the show

make arrangements with school principal for rest rooms and supplies

provide personality for award presentations

coordinate money pickup from ticket takers

arrange for local publicity

Both clubs will work the day before the show

Door prizes will be 2 men's multi speed bicycles

Next progress meeting between MGCC and VLC is Mar. 18 @ 8PM @ Ottman's

Current available working capital is \$577.22 in the joint savings account

The cost of admission to the auto festival will remain at \$.50

AWARDS
FIFTH ANNUAL WAGONJACK
SPORTS CAR MEET
October 1973

CLASS

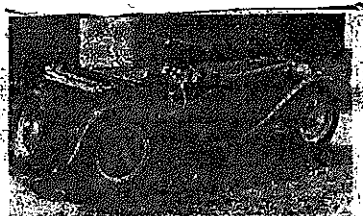
MG Pre-T	No entry	
MG TA, TB, TC	'49 TC	David Brown Rochester, N.Y.
MG TD	'52 TD	Vern & Marion Bragg Lockport, N.Y.
MG TF	'54 TF	George & Nancy Herschell Webster, N.Y.
MG A	'60 MG Twin Cam	Paul & Judy Nevin Buffalo, N.Y.
Sports Cars Pre 1956	'49 Triumph TR 2000	Richard Sullivan Rochester, N.Y.
Contemporary Sports '56 - '64	'62 Triumph TR3	Mike Gaglio Webster, N.Y.
Domestic Sports to 1964	'56 Thunderbird	Bob & Valerie Orabona Rochester, N.Y.
MG B, Austin-Healey & Spridgets	'60 A-H Sprite	Tom & Jeri Grice Lockport, N.Y.
Foreign Sport Sedans to 1964	'63 Volvo PV-544	Bob Tescione Rochester, N.Y.
Scale Models (Entrants under 16)	Dragsters (2)	Brian Brown Rochester, N.Y.
Scale Models (Entrants 16 and over)	Dusenbergs	Jeff Langswager Rochester, N.Y.

The cars listed below were advertised in various publications during the first two weeks of March. All are outside the area.

SOUTH AMERICAN AGENT

SOUTH AMERICAN AGENT
Selling cord Westchester 1937, presently in Argentina. Good for restoration. \$3000 delivered. Also many other large classics, Cadillac, LaSalle Auburn Stutz Packards Pierce Arrow Lincoln. Call Mr. Berler 212-545-3952.
8 to 10 A.M.

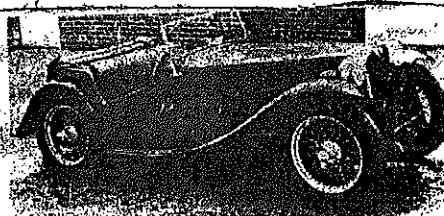
CITROEN SM 1972 5 speed white.
Lovingly cared for by Citroen enthusiasts.
Never touched salt. Rustproofed. Repair
manual, some spares. Selling to regain
financial composure. Walter Strideck,
RD-1 Port Matilda, PA 16870. (814) 692-
5526.



AG 1947

Outstanding body and chassis mechanics.
Retrimmed to original specifications and
fitted with new soft top. £2200.
1946 TC also available £2300.
R. DUCE, 58, West St, WYMSLOW,
Nr. Loughborough, Leics. England.

A.C. BRISTOL 1962 coupe roadster in excel
cond. 300 D2 motor fully eq'd. 4 heater, wire
wheels, fairs, 85,750 212 RR 61753



MG TC 1948. Rebuilt bodywork. New soft top, new tyres. Excellent mechanics. Ready for immediate use. \$1100. R. Duce, 58 Brook St., Wymeswold, New Loughborough, Leics., England.

MUSELINGAR

FIRST TIME OFFERED FOR SALE
1927 MG 12/12 LEAMANS HURST Older
 MG in America! 100 point car. 5 time
 concours winner. \$7000. **RAMSEY MOTORS**
 1154 Del Monte Monterey CA 93940
 (408) 373-2451

55 Bristol Aceca, low mileage, 19,000,
partially restored, all parts & work
shop manual. Offers 1613-224-1886, Doug.

1947 MG TC. Excellent condition. Featured in movie. Diamonds on wheels. Walt Disney product. Serious inquiries only, please. Lawrence Cox, Box 624, Ramours, N.C. 27316.

1969 MGB Roadster. Equipped with AM/FM stereo, radio, and four-speed transmission with special wire-wheels option. This lovely, bright yellow sports car runs like a dream. Compare our low sale price of only \$1695, Volkswagen South, South Dixie U.S. 1 at 162nd St., Miami, Fla. 305/238-0893.

Two MGA Twin Cams-1959, original, excellent running condition, \$1500, 1960, completely restored, \$2500. Warren M. Parker, 114 Laurel Ln., Universal City, Tex. 78148. 512/551-6012.



1951 MG TD. Two water sports. Good original condition. \$2250. Prompt insured shipping arranged to your nearest port. Send \$2.00 for color photos and details to: E. Edwards, 18 Newdigate Green, Harefield, Middlesex, England. Tel. Harefield 2501.

1932 MG S2. 90 percent or better restored, very good condition. Needs radiator shell. Lawrence Cox, Box 524, Ramseur, N.C. 27316.

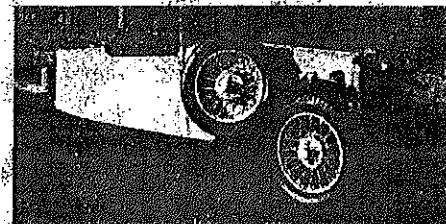
MG TA, 1938. Rebuilt engine and running gear. Needs upholstery and paint. Four 19-inch wheels, two 16-inch wheels. All original equipment. R. Belf, 3739 Millispring Road, Bloomfield Hills, Mich. 48013. 313/647-2131. Y

1966 MORGAN 4/4. Partially restored. Startling green, all original, low mileage, mechanically excellent. Best offer over \$2000. Box 500, Longboat Key, Fla. 33548. 813/383-3708.

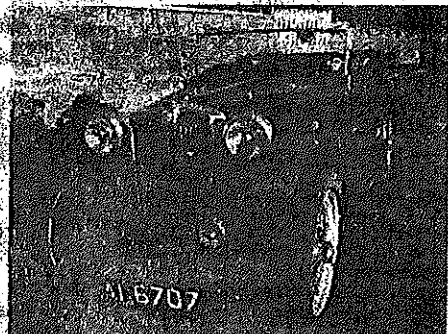
1935 MORGAN SS 3-Wheeler. Mint. New red paint, red interior, rebuilt Matchless engine. This extremely rare example is complete and original. Photos 11. Darrell Hed, 105 Lewis St., Rochester, N. Y. 14605. 716/23212984.

1-663 MORGAN +4 1-Seater Tourer.
Rolls-Royce shell gray with astral blue wings,
Dunlop Gold Seals. Complete restoration,
national show winner. \$7200 or trade for other
classic. Gerow, 2539 Village of Pennbrook,
Levittown, Pa. 19054 e

1959 LOTUS ELITE. Excellent condition. Totally rebuilt drive train. Capable of 110mph and 45mpg. \$2500 or best offer. DOUG FRASER RACING ENGINEER, Belmont Way, Marblehead, Mass. 01995 / 617-2631-2800.



1933 BSA 3-Wheeler, (Boat-tail), Twin air-cooled motor, front-wheel drive, new paint, 95 percent chrome replated, interior reupholstered by experts, new top and slidescreens. (last owner was Rev. Sir Arthur Patrick Ferguson-Davie, B.E.) \$2,000.



1949 MG TC. Two-seater sports. Excellent
unrestored example. \$2500.

1939 MG SA. Six-cylinder, coachbuilder
Tickford. Rare drophead coupe body style.
Excellent mechanical condition. \$2000.

1933 MG J2. Two-seater sports. \$2200.

For full information and color photos, send £1 (each car) to H. J. Sibley, Lake House, 3 Flexbury Park, Bude, Cornwall, England. Phone Bude 3102. Prompt insured shipping arranged to your nearest port.

1965 MORGAN 44 32,000 miles, completely rebuilt engine, body & wood in excellent condition, good interior, needs tires, history manual, cover, best offer, over \$2,900. O. Tesar, 746 West Main, Madison, Wisc. 53726, Ph. 608-261-4493.

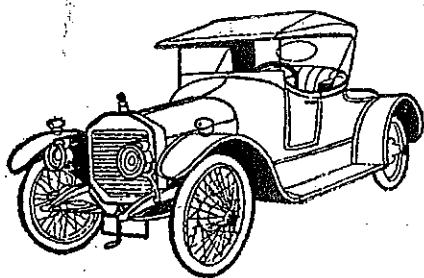
MGA-1966 Twin Cam limited production
 (2100 produced) 44,000 original miles.
 Partially rebuilt, needs water pump. See
 price. 201-745-8199

MGF-1955 Classic British roadster, well
 called condition. 2100 cc. engine. See
 our Mopar only. 201-745-8199

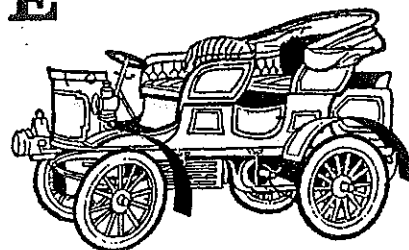
MORGAN-1967-4 convertible, perfect show
 condition. 2100 cc. engine. See
 weekdays 7-9pm 201-745-8199

1938 MG TA, green with black interior. Beautiful matched set of wire wheels. Car in extremely good condition. \$4,000.00. Pre night 304-561-2875, days 404-327-7089. Allen Woodall, Columbus, Ga.





MARKET PLACE



FOR SALE

Half Tonneau (Boot) for MG TD
new - never used
Bruce Austin - 654-9210

FOR SALE

'71 MGB-GT, Orange, 19,000 miles
Overdrive, wire wheels, AM/FM
Ski/luggage rack, radials
Asking - \$2500
Marvin Decker - 594-9561

FOR SALE

'65 Austin Healey 3000 MK III,
one owner - 44,000 miles, new
exhaust, needs rocker panels &
cosmetics
381-7603

FOR SALE

MG TD - disassembled or parts
Paul Nevin
(716)837-5633

FOR SALE

Healey parts - reasonable (cheap!)
100-4, 100-6, 3000.
Dan Young - 254-2510 or
Ron Jones - 671-3637

WANTED

1 TD right front fender, 2 King of
Road wing lamps, an old, beat up,
3-bow TD convertible top suitable
for use as a pattern.
Bob Baroody - 129 Woodbine Ave.
East Rochester, N.Y. - 14445
Please include price.

FOR SALE

5 - 4.50x19 tires & tubes
3 Pirelli, 2 Dunlop - 1 of each
has enough tread to pass
inspection - cheap
Dave Brown - 473-6580

FOR SALE

Trailer hitch for '61-'63 Chevy
\$5.00 - Trailer hitch for '63-'73
Jeep Wagoneer cost \$35.00 new
will sell for \$15.00
Dave Wild - 223-1065

FOR SALE

Midget Race Car
prof. built w/rebuilt Falcon six,
dog clutch, nerf bars, good tires
not currently running, needs
minor work on control linkages
\$750
Jay Lockrow - 4896 Duerr Rd.
Orchard Park, N.Y. - 14127-662-7457

FOR SALE

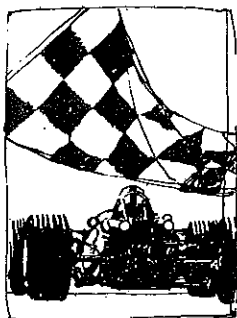
Formula Ford, Lotus 61E Holbay
+.030 engine, 'trick' first gear
extra gears - few races
immaculate condition - trailer
available will sacrifice
John Wilt, RD#1 Wayland, N.Y. 1457
(1)728-5819

WANTED

Radiator for '64 MGB, rear axle
for '64 MGB
Larry Caldwell - 647-9462

TENATIVE SCHEDULE FOR MG CAR CLUB 1974

- Jan. 14 Officers meeting (all officers meetings at the Colonial-8PM)
17 Club meeting (all club meetings at the Colonial-8PM)
- Feb. 19 Officers meeting
21 Club meeting
- Mar. 2 Bowling party
19 Officers meeting
21 Club meeting
- Apr. 16 Officers meeting
18 Club meeting
28 Economy run or rally
- May 11 Judging school and sign making picnic
14 Officers meeting
16 Club meeting
- Jun. 1 Preparing for Auto Festival
2 Auto Festival III
20 Club meeting
- Jul. 18 Club meeting
21 Tour - Attica & Arcade Railroad
- Aug. 15 Club meeting
25 Tour - Dansville Municipal Airport (glider flying)
- Sept. 19 Club meeting
29 Tour - Letchworth State Park Picnic
- Oct. 15 Officers meeting
17 Club meeting
19 Preparing for Wagonjack
20 Wagonjack Meet
- Nov. 19 Officers meeting
21 Club meeting
- Dec. 14 Xmas party
- NOTE: The main topic of business at all officers meetings for the first half of the year will pertain to the June Auto Festival III. Club members are welcome to attend officers meetings.



ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

(All Dates Tentative)

- Jan. 19 Rally, TTCR "Snowblower" (654-9327)
27 Rally, COCR "Winter Wanderlust" (621-9327)
- Feb. 8 Bowling Party, MGCC
10 Rally, TTCR
17 Rally, SCCA/WNY "Great Snow Rally" (735-3388)
24 Rally, COCR
28 Annual Auto Review (13th) Roch. Community War Memorial
- Mar. 1-3 Annual Auto Review (13th) Roch. Community War Memorial
10 Rally, TTCR
22-24 Auto Review, Syracuse, N.Y.
29-31 Auto Review, Buffalo, N.Y.
31 Autocross Drivers School, XAC
- Apr. 7 Picnic/Rally/Gymkhana, GMSC - All clubs
14 Rally, TTCR
? Economy Run, MGCC
28 Autocross, XAC
- May 12 Rally, TTCR
18 Judging School & Picnic, MGCC
19 Autocross, XAC
26
- June 2 Sports Car Festival III, MGCC
9 Rally, TTCR
9 Autocross, Charity Event XAC
27-30 Antique Car Meet, Niagara Falls
30 Race, Pocono Raceway
30 Autocross, XAC
- July 14 Rally, TTCR
14 Tour, MGCC - Attica & Arcade R.R.
26/28 Race, Watkins Glen - Six Hours & Can-Am.
28 Autocross, XAC
- Aug. ? Antique Car Meet, GVACS
11 Rally, TTCR
18 Tour, MGCC, Dansville Glider Port
25 Autocross, XAC
- Sept. 8 Rally, TTCR
8 Swap & Sale Meet, Roch. Street Rod Club
29 Autocross, XAC
29 Tour/picnic-MGCC-Letchworth Park

(EVENTS CALENDAR CONTD.)

Oct. 4/6 National Antique Car Meet, Hershey, Penn.

6 Race, U.S. Grand Prix, Watkins Glen

12/13 Race, SCCA "Fun One" Watkins Glen

13 Rally, TTCR

20 Sixth Annual Wagonjack Meet, MGCC

20 Autocross, XAC

26 Rally, XAC Halloween Rally

Nov. 10 Rally, TTCR

Dec. 8 Rally, TTCR

14 Christmas Party, MGCC

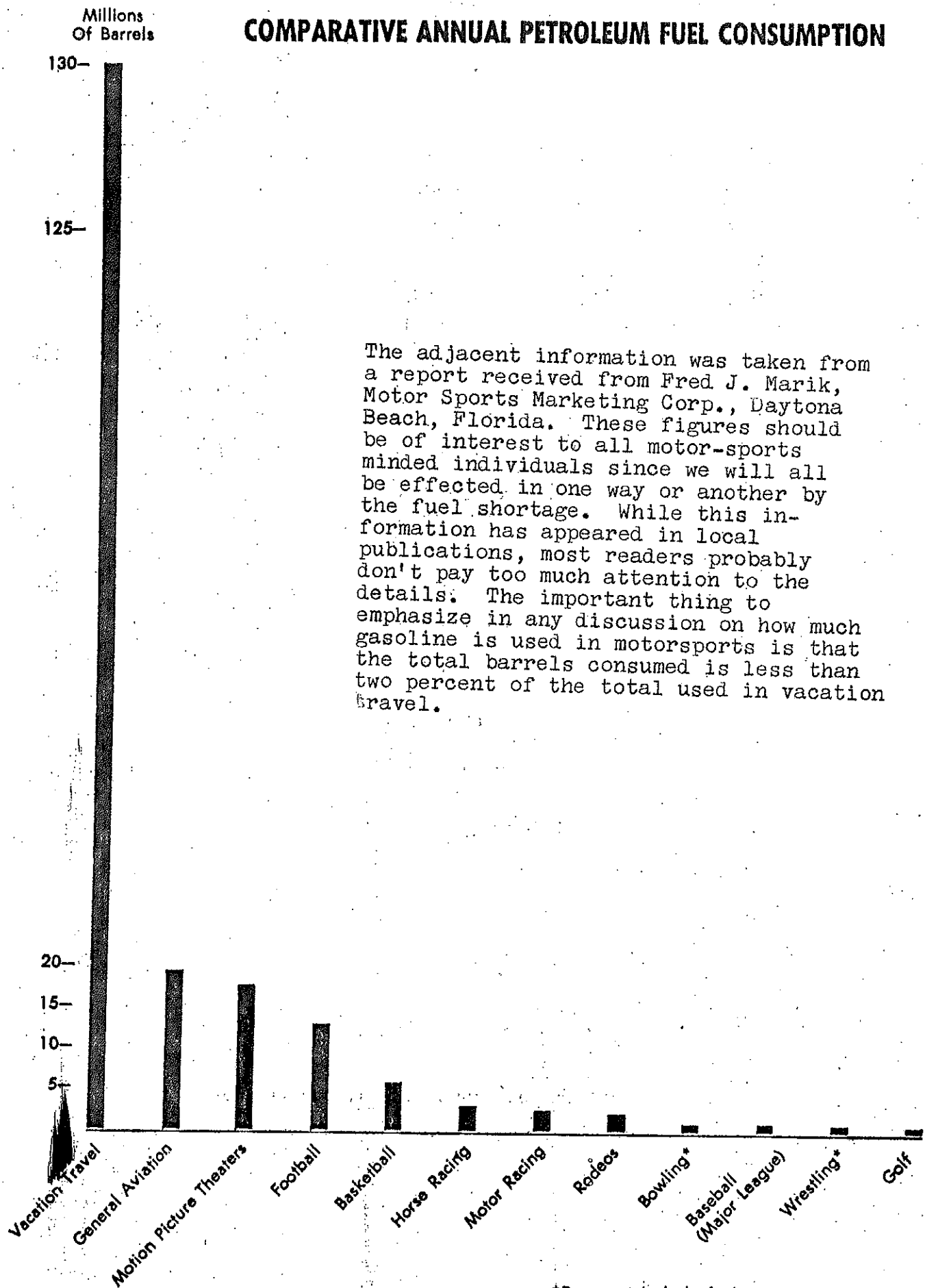
***Due to the fuel conservation effort and various other reasons the following events have been cancelled:

Jan. 19 Triumph clubs "Snowblower" rally

Feb. 17 SCCA/WNY "Great Snow" rally

June ALL races scheduled for June at Watkins Glen. (These events will be combined with other major events to be held later in the year.)

COMPARATIVE ANNUAL PETROLEUM FUEL CONSUMPTION



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	<u>GALS.</u>	<u>TOTAL GALS.</u>	<u>TOTAL BBLs.</u>
VACATION TRAVEL		5,416,140,827	28,955,734
NON-SCHEDULED AVIATION		835,000,000	19,880,952
MOTION PICTURE THEATERS		749,578,653	17,847,110
FOOTBALL			
National Football League	46,708,700		
College Football	141,097,216		
High School Football	376,237,250		
		564,043,166	13,429,599
BASKETBALL			
National Basketball Assoc.	8,984,695		
American Basketball Assoc.	3,715,232		
College	38,383,812		
High School	187,310,832		
		238,394,571	5,676,061
HORSE RACING			
Thoroughbreds	55,267,603		
Harness	42,255,190		
		97,522,973	2,321,975
AUTO RACING			
National Races	30,874,576		
Regional Races	62,765,120		
		93,639,696	2,229,516
RODEOS		88,000,000	2,095,238
BOWLING*		40,000,000	952,380
BASEBALL (Major League)		33,657,289	801,364
WRESTLING*		27,108,185	645,432
GOLF		14,560,000	346,666

*Does not include fuel consumption for heat, air conditioning,
lights or machinery

BACKFIRE

On distant members.

Marion & I have had a very nice summer with our TD. We have participated in many events and have been honored with 5 trophies.

The MG went into storage today and unlike last winter, the old Solar Ford midget racer will be the restoration project for this one. I'll "detail" the TD in the early spring.

In the midst of all this joy, I find that there is still a burr under the saddle blanket. It is best that I try to remove it.

We have enjoyed our association with the WNY Centre and want to continue it. Our work assignments prohibit us from attending any regular meetings of the club, (Read get up for work @4:30AM) so we must remain "Event members."

We believe that the strength of any association depends upon the active participation of a majority of the membership. Merely sending in the yearly dues, although the money is needed, is not enough. Through the "Backfire Column", we respectfully request that we be given work assignments at future club events. We have no desire to usurp anyone's position or authority. We do have a desire to be full members and participate in the responsibilities along with the pleasures of membership - to the extent that our physical distance from Rochester will allow.

Thank you,

Vern Bragg
& Marion

Vern & Marion

- Glad to hear that we will soon be seeing that midget racer. We also appreciate your request for work assignments for club events and a willingness to share club responsibilities. Perhaps we have become a bit over cautious in assigning work to new members for fear of "scaring" them away with too much work. We have felt that it takes most new members about a year to become comfortably involved and familiar with our activities.

- Your year is up - LOOK OUT!

Seriously, the Festival in the spring requires a great deal of work a substantial part of which is judging, perhaps you would lend a hand there. Also a continuous need is for articles for "SPOKES." How about writing an article on the midget racer for us.

Dave

BACKFIRE (CONTD.)

I'd like to take this opportunity to write a "Backfire" letter to the club to express a few thanks after my first year as a member. Since I live almost three hundred miles from Rochester, it's been impossible for me to attend any meetings or events, which I really regret. But still, I really feel like a member through reading "Spokes" and "Safety Fast". The whole "Spokes" staff does a great job, and I especially enjoy George Herschell's articles. Bruce Austin has been very helpful also.

I'll try to do all I can to support the club, and hope others near and far will, too. Those of you that live close to the Centre and can participate in meetings and activities don't know how lucky you really are. Thanks for all your information and friendship so far.

Steve Johnson

Steve,

We are happy that you are happy so far. We are aware, as you point out, that distance is a problem for some of our members and realize that the club publications are our most effective means of communications.

The "Backfire" column is an extension of the MG Car Club's communications effort and is the sounding board for members opinions, complaints, etc. On behalf of the "Spokes" staff - thanks for the compliment. I'm sure George appreciates knowing that people find "Restoration Ramblings" useful. We'll continue in the attempt to make "Spokes" entertaining, tasteful and informative. -As for Bruce Austin - he is a lovable sort of nut isn't he!

Dave

Just a short note to say "thank you" for the hospitality you extended us at the Wagonjack Meet. Both Caryn and I enjoyed ourselves very much and plan to attend next year (hopefully with the TD).

The friendliness of the entire Western New York Centre is unsurpassed. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Jack Smolik

Jack,

We are delighted that you enjoyed the meet and your association with our Centre. Please do bring your TD to the Sixth Annual Wagonjack Meet, it is one of the favourite cars of many Centre members. We also hope you can make it to Sports Car Festival III in June.

Dave

MEMBERSHIP

MG CAR CLUB, WESTERN N.Y. CENTRE

Membership in the MG Car Club is open to any interested person. Ownership of an MG is not a prerequisite for membership.

Dues are \$10.00 yearly which includes a year's subscription to the local club newsletter, "SPOKES", and the international newsletter, "SAFETY FAST".

Spouses become members also at no extra cost.

If you should wish to join, please send this completed application along with a check made out to "MGCC, Western N.Y. Centre", to:

Treasurer-----George Herschell, Jr.
1286 Mill Creek Run
Webster, N.Y. 14580

Call Gil Langswager at (716) 663-3319, Marv Brudno at (716) 544-9746 or Dave Wild at (716) 223-1065 for additional information.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP MG CAR CLUB WESTERN N.Y. CENTRE

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Car(s) Owned: _____

Interests: Racing: _____ MG 'T' Series Cars: _____ Autocrosses: _____

Rallying: _____ Concours D'elegance: _____ Restoration: _____

Other: _____

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Fairport N.Y.
14450

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