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Al Wagner in his '38 MG TA at Watkins Glen, Bob Welch in left shotgun seat

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Don's Corner

By Spokes editor, Don Welch



Last month there was a note in Spokes about an incident at the last Wegmans cruise-in. Allyn Wagner was stranded with a flat tire. George Heissenberger, whose car uses the wheels, lent Al his spare so he could get home.

This month we have another story from Joe Bellizia about mailing a hat to long-time member Dave Humphrey whose health problems kept him from making it to a meeting. ([see page 33](#))

These are small stories, but they're about big hearts, the kind many of us have experienced as members of a great car club. As Al said, "This is only one of the reasons I have been a member of this club for 40 years," this is "the glue that holds the club together." Seems like he spoke for all of us!

October – let's see if we can't get one more month driving those fine classic cars before we have to cover them up for the winter!



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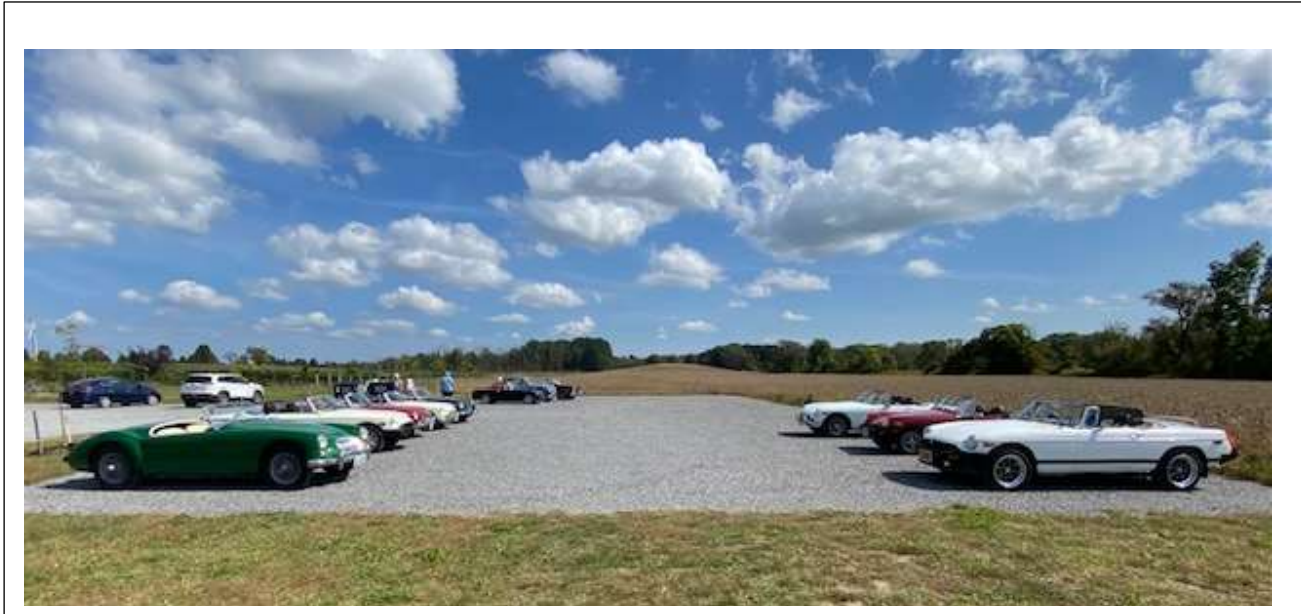


Don



Chairman's Corner

By George Heissenberger



Gathering at 20 Deep Winery

Hello everyone! September has had some beautiful warm weather, extending the summer like days into the early fall. The club has been very active this September between the Grand Prix Festival and appreciation meetups at various breweries and wineries organized by Mike and Maggie Robinson. Thanks to Ken Barlow for organizing the Seneca Lodge weekends for the Watkins Glen events this year. These have been excellent opportunities to get the Little British Cars out and get some fun miles in.



Group of members' cars at OKAY Brewing

Thanks also to those members who have gone the extra mile , literally, to MG 101 in Ontario Canada and Bronte Park! Last Sunday we met at 20 Deep Winery in Mendon to thank them for supporting our 2024 car show, previous stops were Okay brewing in Honeoye Falls, No BS Brewing in Livonia and Rising Storm brewing in Avon. Other opportunities are the monthly Cars and Coffee and local car shows and cruise nights. Rod Rodman and others have also organized ice cream runs to local spots as long as the warm weather cooperates! We also have had a great number of sports cars at our monthly meetings. Don't forget to get your photo challenge photos too! In short, get out and drive them while you can!



Our club at Rising Storm brewing

I got the problem with the horn issue on the B sorted out thanks to Ben at British Auto and have just been out enjoying the car as much as possible. I've gotten some more photos for the photo challenge and generally have been out and about enjoying the perfect convertible weather! We've had some new members at the monthly meetings and at the last appreciation visit to 20 Deep I got to meet three new members, John, Erin and Justin. Great to meet all the new members!

Speaking of events, EM Motors is having a Cars & Coffee event on Sunday October 13th from 10 am -2pm. EM Motors is at 3621 Route 245 Stanley NY 14561. This is the same day as our club's appreciation visit to Irish Mafia brewing, 2971 Whalen Rd. Bloomfield NY but that event is starting at 1:00 pm so you could easily do both events. Cars and Coffee will be at Freestyle Mercantile Mumford, Sunday October 27.

Let's just keep driving as long as we can and I hope to see you out at some of our events soon!

Officer Elections are coming up in November, and October will be our nominations meeting. We so far have volunteers for Chairman and Vice Chairman (Ken Barlow and Eric Meserle) and two trustees (outgoing Chairman and Vice Chairman), but are short of finding new volunteers, so per the bylaws, we will be reviewing a motion made at the September meeting (the second announcement will be in October) to allow for a one time exception to the bylaws so the current Secretary, Treasurer and Activities positions can remain for an additional year. Those officers have expressed a desire to continue. A vote on that motion and on the election of officers will take place at the November meeting. This would also have the effect of staggering the officers up for election so the entire board isn't up every two years.

The next MGCC Western NY Centre meeting will be October 17 at 7:30 pm at Ely Fagan American Legion 260 Middle Rd. Henrietta NY, see you there!

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George

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George's Photos from the last Cruise Night at Wegmans

This is an OOPS page!

to complete Dick's great article last month about his 20 years of MG racing

“There is another honor that 222 and I received. In 2019, a truly great racer I met in SCCA, the late Gary Morgan, called me and said he had submitted my racing and all the info about what I had done for MG vintage racing to a committee and that I had been inducted into the **Watkins Glen Walk of Fame**. What a surprise! From our MGCC, Dave Wild, Joe Tierno and Charlie Cook are in the Watkins Glen Walk of Fame.

In a way, it's neat for me and 222 to now be remembered on that Watkins Glen hallowed ground my dad first took me to when I was a child of 8.”



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MG Club of Western NY Candidates for Office



Ken & Chris Barlow



Eric & Dawn Mehserle

KEN BARLOW

For Chairman

Hi, I'm Ken Barlow, and that's Chris. club members going on three years. We own four Bugeyes and a Midget, and a few other fun cars, like Chris' 97 Z28.

We have four kids raised in our home in Henrietta where we've lived since 1998, Robert (24) is a computer scientist for the US Navy, Madeline (22) is a database automation engineer number for Paychex. Amelia and Meredith (21) are students at MCC and SUNY Fredonia. Two dogs, a cat, rabbit and four chickens complete the immediate family. My dad, Sylvan was a life long little British car guy, racing a Mk2 Sprite, owning a few MGs like a 1100 sedan and a Morris Minor.

I'm a computer guy by trade and Chris is a BSN. Most importantly, Madeline can drive a standard transmission, and Amelia is standard transmission curious, so clearly I'm doing some things right. The other two I may have to disinherit.

I'm interested in a leadership position because I'm a huge fan of the club and her members. I've come to really enjoy the hobby, the cars, the club and so many members and I believe I can help the longevity of the club, and the enjoyment factor for many members by focusing on engagement with curious bystanders, and by investing some of my own time in doing some chores required to maintain her.

ERIC MEHSERLE

For Vice Chairman

Dawn and I dated in our 1st MGA that I drove through college. We joined the MGCC when we moved back to Rochester in 1975, after a stint in Wisconsin. Then I got the Aviation bug and needed to re-join the club when I obtained our 2nd MGA in 2021.

I am a retired Mechanical Engineer. I spent my Rochester years in Project Management for a local Industrial Automation and Material Handling Firm. Dawn's career was split between Banking for 25 years and as Business Manager for Murphy Funeral Homes for 25 years.

I am interested in a leadership position with the club because I feel that Great clubs like the MGCC, benefit from new volunteers. They possess energy, enthusiasm, fresh ideas and are willing to take on the responsibility of office.

We have enjoyed, very much, the friendly nature of the club and look forward to attending as many events as we can.

Thanks to the membership for considering me for office.

Regards,
Eric Mehserle



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My Electrifying Experience in Norway

By Carl Webeck

Hello All! I wanted to share a unique experience I had last spring while vacationing with my family in Norway—an experience that might reignite anyone's love for MGs, albeit in a new and electrifying way.

While visiting my cousin, near Oslo, I was thrilled to learn that his wife owned an MG. However, this wasn't a classic, roaring roadster we all know and love. No, this was a completely different beast—a solely electric MG Marvel. At first, I was a bit skeptical. Could an electric MG really capture the same spirit as the classic models that we've cherished for decades?

The answer, as I soon discovered, was yes and no. But mostly yes.

Driving the electric, all-wheel drive MG through the stunning Norwegian landscape was a memorable experience. The car had an effortless, smooth acceleration that was both thrilling and strangely satisfying. It may not have had the growl of a classic internal combustion engine, but it had something else—a quiet power that surged through the vehicle, making it a joy to drive. The instant torque from the electric motor was strong, especially when navigating the winding roads and scenic routes that Norway has to offer. And the left-hand-drive car made it feel so much more natural to me.

This experience got me thinking about MG's return to the automotive world. A well known fact, the brand has been revived under Chinese owner SAIC Motor of Shanghai, and while the cars they're producing are quite different from the ones we grew up with, they still carry an MG logo. And while the new electric models, like the one I drove, might not be what we traditionally



associate with the MG name, they bring a fresh perspective to the brand—one that embraces modern technology while trying to retain the fun, spirited driving experience. An experience for which MG has always been associated with the British marque.

There's even talk of these new MGs possibly being imported to the USA again, with SAIC announcing it will build an assembly plant and a research and development facility in Mexico. This may be exciting news for some but SAIC has no plans so far to import any new vehicles north of the border. *Autoweek* reported online September 9, 2024 that MG Motor Mexico would have to "source battery materials and parts in Mexico, the US, or

Canada to meet the Biden administration's requirements for EV tax credits." For sure, these cars are different from the MGs of old, but they're not without their merits. The electric MG hatchback I drove near Oslo was a fun car, with the ability to handle the mountains Olympic



dreams are made of. The MG Cyberster EV looks like an absolute blast, as well, and already available in the UK.

My Electrifying Experience in Norway, cont'd

So, while the MG brand might have evolved, the essence of what makes an MG special can still be evoked in these new driving machines. And who knows? If the EV tax credit laws change, perhaps we might soon be able to experience this new chapter of MG history right here in the States.

Regardless, I'll always remember that electrifying drive in Norway, where I got to experience a new MG firsthand. I am excited to see where this journey takes us.

Cheers,
Carl Webeck

CW



NOTE: It has been 30 years since Carl first joined the M.G. Car Club of Western New York. He has never owned an MG but aspires one day to park a classic MG in the garage next to his two Triumphs. If it runs, that would even be better.

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Gran Prix Festival 2024

by Bob Welch

This year's Grand Prix Festival took place September 6th in Watkins Glen and was well attended by members of our MG Car Club, Western New York. It had, in a way, a very different flavor compared with previous years, since the Festival was not accompanied by a weekend of Hilliard Vintage Grand Prix racing. The race component took place in August, having been bumped by NASCAR due to TV schedule conflicts related to the Paris Olympics.

Still, the festival went off smoothly, with exhibits and events reminiscent of past years. The crowd appeared smaller though thousands of enthusiasts still roamed Franklin Street all day. It's important to note this year's featured marque was MG, in recognition of the 100th anniversary of its launch.

Several of our members participated in the Lakewood Vineyards FLX MG Journey on Thursday. This included a car show from 10 til 2 in Lafayette Park. Later in the afternoon participants drove in a "rally" which was really more of a motoring tour, culminating in a wine tasting at Lakewood Vineyards on Route 14, a

few miles north of town. The car show was comprised mostly of MG's, including a very nice 1958 ZA Magnette, a 1949 TC which had raced at the Glen in the old days and numerous TD's, TF's, MGA's, MGB's and MGC's. Not to be overlooked was Ken Barlow's vivid red 1960 Bugeye Sprite.



In addition to Ken, participating MGCC members included Hollis Hames and Rob Lillis with the ex-Lloyd Potter 1974 MGB-GT "Sabrina". Apologies to any folks I missed.



One of the highlights of the festival on Friday was the Concours d'Elegance, held in the State Park parking lot. Despite several empty spaces this year, there were still plenty of interesting cars to be seen, including several significant MG's.

A special treat for me was a ride from Seneca Lodge to the park in Allyn Wagner's 1938 MG TA. He told me I was the first passenger! Later in the morning Allyn was interviewed over the PA by the festival announcer.



Among the cars on display were a very nice Allard, Allyn's TA, a beautiful two-tone 1934 MG PA and several vintage Jaguars including a 1952 Mk VII, E-

Gran Prix Festival 2024, cont'd



types, XK-120's and XK-140's. MG's were well represented with a couple of TC's, TD's

Throughout the event I was fortunate to enjoy the company of a sizable number of fellow MGCC members, both those who participated with their sports cars and those who came to Watkins Glen as spectators. The festival was great and the camaraderie was first rate! Even the weather cooperated with sunshine and comfortable temperatures through Friday evening.

as well as MGA's, B's and C's. Sue Keppler's Mk II Deluxe, with freshly installed new fender was there as well. Of special significance was an Iris Blue 1962 MGB. This car was the 3rd MGB body manufactured and the 11th one assembled.



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Other events of the day included the Glenora Run, the walk of fame induction ceremony, Stone Bridge Drivers laps of the old course and, late in the afternoon, the SVRA tribute laps of the old course.



Gran Prix Festival 2024, cont'd





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submitted by Al Wagner



Meeting Minutes

MGCC WNY Meeting September 19, 2024

By Dan Suter, Secretary

Our September MGCC meeting featured at least eight sports cars in the lot. Chairman George Heissenberger opened the meeting at 7:34 PM and we had 32 members and no guests in attendance.

New Members and Guests:

New member John O'Malley joined us at the meeting this month. John is researching and looking for an MGB to purchase closer to Springtime. An anniversary was announced – Bob and Terry Welch. Also, September birthdays included Alana, Al Wagner, and Eric Mehserle.

Meeting minutes from August were motioned and approved with no changes.

Treasurer and Membership Report: In the absence of Treasurer Todd Black was absent, George H gave a brief Treasurer's Report. We have one new member this month—John O'Malley. Todd provided checks for the rent to the Legion so that is all set currently.

Activities Report –George H also read the report submitted by Dave Kray:

Past September events (all past by the time this will be published):

- Thank-you tours continued—several in September
- Downtown Festival at Watkins Glen. George H read a summary report provided by Dick Powers. Dick attended the event with Drew Panopinto in his 1966 MGB and participate in the Marque Tour with other MGs. George H passed around several photos of Dick's B on the old course.
- Cars and Coffee at the Mercantile in Caledonia

Upcoming Events:

- October 6 will be a Thank You tour event to Geneva—see details on the website
- October 13 will be a Cars and Coffee hosted by EM Motors at their facility

- Our MGCC Fall Foliage Tour will be Oct 20; Holiday Party will be Dec 7.
- Susan Goodwin provided a wonderful update on the Motoring Challenge. 43 days remain before the competition closes. Points totals now range from 6-117! The Goodwins are at 109, the LiMutis are at 113, and Leon and Barb and Lane Boughton are tied at 117. Thanks to Susan for her work coordinating this popular club activity.

Regalia Joe Bellizia gave the Regalia report. Joe discussed new hats availability, Calloway higher quality golf shirts (embroidered) availability, and possible next steps for less expensive tumbler glasses.

Spokes – Don Welch provided the Spokes update. There were many favorable comments on the most recent Spokes. Don asked club members to keep sending articles and photos. Deadline is one week from Friday following the meeting.

Watkins Glen: Ken Barlow gave a wrap-up report regarding the downtown festival and Thursday car show. The normal schedule (SVRA and downtown festival after Labor Day) will resume next year. Trevor Roberts took his TR3 to the downtown festival and sold it!

Collier Cup: Dick Rzepkowski won the Collier Cup, voted by his fellow MG Vintage Racer drivers, for 2024. Congratulations Dick!

Librarian: There was no Librarian report this month.

Website: Leon Zak was absent so there was no Website report this month.

Car Show: Very early discussions for the 2025 car show. It is generally agreed that we need some more space, and Leon has talked with the NY Museum of Transportation to see about whether they can

continue to improve the ‘back field’ to expand our show field. So far, they have been very receptive and are discussing plans.

Old Business: Joe Bellizia noted he has owned his MG Midget ‘Midge’ now for 41 years. Congratulations Joe!

Note: the club will need to elect (4) new officers this November. Please talk to George if you are interested in filling one of the positions.

New Business: Alana shared that she will be giving a talk at the Watkins Glen Media Center as part of an IMRRC weekend on Nov 1-2.

George Heissenberger discussed the need to elect (4) new officers this November. Our club by-laws specify a 2-year term limit. In light of the overall lack of volunteers across all the needed positions, several current board members have suggested they can continue for another year on a temporary/exception basis. At this stage it appears Ken Barlow will run for Chairman, Eric Mehserle will run for Vice Chair, George H will move to Trustee, Bob Welch will be trustee, and if there is no one else interested, Todd will remain Treasurer, Dan will remain Secretary, and Dave and Celeste Kray will remain Activities chairs.

George read the following statement: “If there is no candidate interested in an elected position whose term is expiring, we will allow a one-year exemption to allow the current office holder to continue in their current position beyond the two-year limit as per current MGCC bylaws.” This will be read again at

Attendance MGCC Meeting September 19, 2024

Paul Osborne
Hollis Hames
Eric Mehserle
Cheryl Baldwin
Bill Baldwin
Annabelle Tescione
Dan Suter
Stephen Lewandowski
Allyn Wagner
Barb Wild
Dave Wild
Scott Wild

Alana Roberts
Trevor Roberts
Frank DeMarzo
Dann Valenza
George Heissenberger
Lane Boughton
Susan Goodwin
Michael Goodwin
Dick Rzepkowski
Ken Barlow
Tom Yoki

Bob Welch
Al Fink
Klint LiMuti
Janet LiMuti
Dan Asbury
Joe Bellizia
Karl Burkhardt
Don Welch
Hassan Gillani

New Members and Guests:
John O’Malley -new member

the October meeting per the rules for by-laws changes.

Hollis suggested that a stagger be built into future elections so the entire board does not get replaced in one swoop. This exception may be helpful in that direction.

Please talk to George if you are interested in filling one of the positions. (*see p. 8 for current candidates*)

Announcements: Trevor Roberts announced that he met Bob Grunau (spelling, apologies) at the Bronte Creek show and that Bob has a great and extensive history with many unusual MGs. It was a great discussion.

Cars and Parts for Sale:

- Facebook Marketplace has many MGBs and Midgets listed.

Member Projects:

- Ken Barlow described his work to install a new alternator that looks like a generator in his Bugeye.
- Stephen noted he has new tires mounted and balanced and installed on his 1969 MG Midget and has taken a few short rides around the neighborhood.
- There was discussion on places to get our cars inspected, and the need for wire wheel tire balancing.

Door prizes were awarded (JEGS hats included!) and the meeting was closed at about 8:36 PM.

DS

Club Meeting Photos - Sept 19

-thanks Annabelle!



Welcome! New Member John O'Malley



Susan telling us how far ahead Leon & the LiMutis are!



A bunch of B's at the Palmyra car show
- Dann Vanenza

2024 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

There's no better way to celebrate
the 100th anniversary of the MG than by doing the
2024 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

HOW TO ENTER

- Send your first photo 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 (**not** your everyday vehicle*)
- Attach your photos, identified with the destination numbers

(* Exceptions may be made – contact Susan Goodwin at challenge@mgcarclub.com for details)

PARTICIPATION CHALLENGE DETAILS

- Find the complete (printable) list of destinations on the website or published in *Spokes* monthly
- Drive to the listed destinations
- Please get most of your car in the photo (no shots from out the window please)
- All photos must be taken this year
- 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
- Each destination may be claimed only once, but photos can be replaced with a better one, or one for more points
- All photos due on or before November 1st 2024**
- 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 try to get the most points possible.

Remember

- All photos are due on or before November 1st 2024
- Have fun!



Special Thanks to Susan Goodwin for
putting this great Challenge together!

2024 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

✓	#	Destination	Base Pts.	Due Date	Bonus Description	Bonus Pts.	My Score
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Waterfall	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	Erie Canal Lift Bridge or Lock	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Water Tower	1		Name on Water Tower	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	One Lane Bridge	1		include sign saying One Lane	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	Covered Bridge	2		Name on Bridge	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	6	NYS Fishing Access Site with sign	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	7	US or State Wildlife Preserve or Management Area	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	8	NYS Blue/Yellow Historical Marker	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	9	2nd NYS Blue/Yellow Historical Marker	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	10	3rd NYS Blue/Yellow Historical Marker	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	11	Town/City/or Village Historical or Landmark Society Building	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	12	Victorian House with Mansard Roof	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	13	A White Church with Steeple	2		Has Red Front Door	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	14	Opera House or Play House or Theater (not a movie theater) with name on it	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	15	Street with a Grassy Tree Lined Boulevard Down the Middle	2		Name of Street in photo	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	16	Graffiti Art or Mural Painted on Building	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	17	Cemetery established 1700s must show sign with date	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	18	Art Deco Building (include name of building and/or location)	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	19	Roadside Oddity/Attraction	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	20	Stone Fence or Stone Wall	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	21	Airport Control Tower (NOT ROCHESTER) tell where it is	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	22	Lighthouse	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	23	One Room Schoolhouse	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	24	Library	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	25	Museum with Sign	1		if it is a Car Museum	2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	26	Barber Shop Pole	1				

2024 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

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<input type="checkbox"/>	27	Billboard	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	28	Dilapidated Derelict Run Down Barn	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	29	Barn with Silo	1		1 point for each silo over one in same photo	?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	30	Ice Cream Shop with Sign	1		Eating ice cream with friend	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	31	Your favorite Micro Brewery with sign	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	32	Your favorite Finger Lakes Winery with sign	1		Buy a bottle of wine - hold in picture	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	33	Dandelion Field or Yard Full of Dandelions	1	05/31/24			
<input type="checkbox"/>	34	Wild Flowers Along Roadside	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	35	Pumpkin Field	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	36	Farm Stand	1		Purchase Produce	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	37	Halloween Decorations in Yard	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	38	Fall Foliage	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	39	Silhouette Cut Out Figure	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	40	Rail Road Crossing Sign	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	41	Cow Crossing Sign	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	42	Bear Crossing Sign	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	43	Finger Lake with Sign (not Canandaigua Lake)	1		if lake shows in picture	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	44	Culvert Road Tunnel (Medina NY)	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	45	Women's Right National Historical Park (Seneca Falls NY)	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	46	Diner with Sign including the word Diner in it	2				
<input type="checkbox"/>	47	Your Car with a Motorcycle	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	48	Your Car with a Red Pick Up Truck	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	49	Your Car in front of a Lumber Mill	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	50	Ski Slope with Snow	2	04/30/24			
<input type="checkbox"/>	51	Cruise Night	1		Next to another British Car	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	52	MGCC Tune Up Clinic	1		Someone under the car	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	53	Cars and Coffee	1		Cup of coffee in hand next to your car	1	

2024 MGCC WNY Motoring Challenge

✓	#	Destination	Base Pts.	Due Date	Bonus Description	Bonus Pts.	My Score
<input type="checkbox"/>	54	Town/ Village or Small City with Diagonal Street Parking in the Downtown Shopping Area (show storefronts with the parking)	2		If name of Town/Village or Small City is in photo	1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	55	County Name Starting with a: C	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	56	" " " " " O	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	57	" " " " " S	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	58	Town Name Starting with a: G	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	59	" " " " " A	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	60	" " " " " C	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	61	Village Name Starting with a: W	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	62	" " " " " T	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	63	" " " " " M	1				
<input type="checkbox"/>	64	Out of New York State Sign	3				
<input type="checkbox"/>	65	If you capture 3 or more destinations in a single photo you will receive not only the stated points for those 3, but you will receive an additional 5 bonus points	x			5	
<input type="checkbox"/>	66						
<input type="checkbox"/>	67						
<input type="checkbox"/>	68						

It's hard to believe that the 2024 Motoring Challenge is almost over. You only have until November 1, 2024 to get all your destinations photos to me.

I want to let you know that Michael and I will be in California from November 9th till December 4th. I will present the Motoring Challenge awards at the Holiday Party on December 7, 2024. If you are unable to attend the Holiday Party please let me know by November 1st, so I can get your Motoring Challenge award to you before I leave for California. I will NOT let you know your place in the Challenge until the overall standings are announced at the Holiday Party.

Any questions? Contact me, Susan Goodwin at challenge@mgcarclub.com.

HAVE FUN SAFETY FAST

Motoring Challenge standings as of August 15, 2024:

Wagner	01	Heissenberger	62
Bellizia	07	Welch	73
Hames	12	Illig	76
Barlow	18	Goodwin	96
McConnell	18	Black	109
Stone	24	Kray	110
Robinson	41	LiMuti	113
Costich	46	Boughton	117
		Zak	117

Motoring Challenge Photos



Destination #04 – One-Lane Bridge - Heissenberger



Destination #37 – Halloween Decorations - Illig



Destination #07 – Wildlife Preserve – Black



Destination #10 – NYS Historic Marker - Zak

Motoring Challenge Photos



Destination #16 – Mural Painted on a Building - Robinson



Destination #21 – Airport Control Tower - Boughton



Destination #24 – Library - Robinson



Destination #32 – a Finger Lakes Winery - Goodwin



Destination #43 – a Finger Lake with Sign- Goodwin



Destination #62 – Village Starting with a "T" – Kray (with Black)

Motoring Challenge Photos



Destination #35 – Pumpkin Field - Kray



Destination #64 – Outside of NY State - LiMuti

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Autumn Sports Classic Super Cruise

by The Buffalo Octagon Association - Lancaster, NY Sept. 1st

Photos by Janet LiMuti



The car that was best in show and people's choice. A custom car in a 1960s style, completely fabricated from sketch, to model to car by the owner, an automotive engineer.



Ken Barlow, the Goodwins and the LiMutis caravanned their MGBs gassing up on the way



The guys playing a game, who can straighten a wire hanger the most in a limited amount of time (no tools allowed)



Ken won!

Octagon Super Cruise, cont'd

Photos by Susan Goodwin



DO YOU HAVE A CAR SHOW WE SHOULD KNOW ABOUT?

Please eMail Editor at spokes@mgsclub.com

CAR SHOW CALENDAR

SHOW	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Cohocton Fall Festival	Oct 6		S. Main St, Cohocton NY

Be sure to check the following events report below, including about our Fall Tour on Oct. 20

Cohocton Fall Foliage Festival

Oct. 5 & 6

S. Main St, Cohocton NY



EVENTS REPORT – October 2024

• October

- **Brewery Ardennes** – Sunday October 6th, 1:00 at Brewery Ardennes, 570 Snell Rd, Geneva, NY. **Basket Auction Sponsor Appreciation.** (Mike needs to know By Sept 29th, if you're planning to attend so he can give them a count).
- **Cars & Coffee** – Sunday October 13th, 10:00 – 2:00, at EM Motors 3621 Route 245, Stanley, NY 14561
- **Irish Mafia Brewing Co.** - Sunday October 13th, 1:00 at Irish Mafia, 2971 Whalen Rd, Bloomfield NY. **Basket Auction Sponsor Appreciation.** (Mike needs to know By Oct 11th, if you're planning to attend so he can give them a count).
- **Fall Tour 2024** – Sunday, October 20th, 10:30 – 6:00 starting at the American Legion. The Legion puts on their breakfast that day, and its available for \$13.00. a 60-mile ride ending up at the Lumberyard for lunch, Lunch is \$36.00, menu choices;
 - Chopped Sirloin with Mushroom Gravy
 - 8 oz. Prime Rib with Au Jus
 - 6 oz. Broiled Haddock with choice of preparation:
 - Cajun
 - Lemon Pepper
 - Plain
 - Genesee Valley Chicken – Chicken Breast topped with sautéed mushrooms, onions and topped with Provolone Cheese.
 - All meals include All-You-Can-Eat Soup and Salad Bar, rolls and butter, and homemade twice baked potato, coffee, tea
- Leg 2 is 54-mile scenic ride ending up at Wizard of Clay, and Noble Sheppard. This is also a **Basket Auction Sponsor Appreciation** stop for the basket items they donated for the car show.
 - **The very last day to sign up for lunch is Friday October 18th.** Please indicate the number in your party, as well as your menu choice for each person. There is no requirement for a headcount for Noble Sheppard, however Tony would like to have an idea of how many to expect for staffing so please indicate whether you will be going to NS also.
 - A sign-up sheet will be at the October meeting. If you are unable to make either meeting, please send an email to; mrobin1057@twc.com and indicate the number of people in your car, and your menu choices.
- **Cars & Coffee** – Sunday, October 27th, 9:00 – 12:00, at Freestyle Mercantile 2659 Scottsville Mumford Rd, Mumford, NY 14511. Great coffee, great breakfast sandwiches, and best of all, great cars and company.

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

Respectfully submitted, Dave Kray

Hello!

I wanted to let the MG Car Club know that we are having a Cars & Coffee event on **Sunday October 13th** from 10 am -2pm (Flyer attached) . I noticed on your website that you have another event scheduled later that day but thought you might still be interested in stopping by prior to that! I hope you are all having a great week and feel free to contact me with any questions.

Best regards,
Elaine Barge
EM Motors, LLC
3621 NY-245, Stanley, NY 14561



Members Helping Members!

Dave Humphrey's a long time club member from Bergen, NY (maybe George can tell us how long - I copied him here) *Looks like since maybe 2001 – ed.* Had reached out to me and sent a check to buy a club hat when I was taking orders right prior to the Car Show. After attempts to come to Rochester that he had to reschedule due to health reasons, he recently sent me an email asking me to "Please donate the Hat to the Club and raffle it and donate money to club as he wasn't going to be able to meet me to pick it up." I was so saddened to read his email, and touched at his request to donate it, I contacted George Heissenberger and Todd Black to see if they would approve me to mail the hat to Dave. They immediately approved the expense and I went to the post office and mailed it. The next day, Dave received his hat and sent these pictures!!! I can't believe how fast he received the hat it had been not quite 24 hours from when I was at the post office (12:45pm 9/16) until when I received the pictures (12:20pm 9/17). I believe it was expedited by a higher power than the post office, you decide.

Best Regards;
Joe Bellizia

Nice work Joe!



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October Sunshine Page

October Birthdays

1	Eileen Makepeace
2	Lawrence North
2	Erica Suter
3	David A. Jack
4	Patricia Giambra
4	Mike Robinson
5	Kimberly Gehlen
6	Margaret Miyake
8	Wayne Newman
10	Anne Quinn
10	Dick Rzepkowski
13	Donna Black
14	Robin Allen
16	Sue DeVos
17	John Opp
17	Don Sweeney
21	John Leible
22	George Heissenberger
22	Mary Sweeney
23	Robin Illig
26	Bob Hamilton
27	Arlene Mann
28	Barb Nichols
30	Suzanne Keppeler

October Anniversaries

9	Aldo & Mercedes Gonzalez
10	Nicholas & Lizzie Leykin
10	Dave & Barb Wild
14	Scott & Gail Schipper
18	Ken & Penny Heusler
22	Chris & Eileen McMahon



Happy Birthday



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

Regalia News Corner OCTOBER 2024

2024 Car Show T-Shirts

We have some T-Shirts remaining. Pick up a backup or pick up one for a relative or friend for only \$10. each!

MANY SIZES available, even Female!



Notes: See the next Pages for what we have in stock and for what we can order!

We are now taking orders for our new golf type Shirts and we also seeing if there is interest in ordering beverage Tumblers!

blitz7711@gmail.com / (585-749-9263 / Joe B.
updated 08/21/24

MG Car Club of Western NY Centre Hats

MG Car Club of Western NY Centre
\$18. each Port & Co & New Era – all are embroidered



Closeup of Actual Embroidery
of Logo for Hats

Only a few Hats In Stock but we'll be ordering more!
Let me know for a specific color is desired

We still have (5) hats remaining
(2) Grey New Era w/ mesh back
(1) Khaki /Tan Port & Co.
(1) Navy Blue - Port & Co
(1) Sandstone - Port & Co.



Color Choice: IT'S TIME FOR A NEW ORDER, LET JOE B KNOW WHAT COLOR & SIZE YOU
WOULD LIKE. EMAIL OR CALL me if you have a color you want me to check on at
blitz7711@gmail.com. / (585-749-9263

Note: This is the Logo we are had digitized to fit on the hats. It is 2" high

"A Note from Joe B your Regalia Guy!"

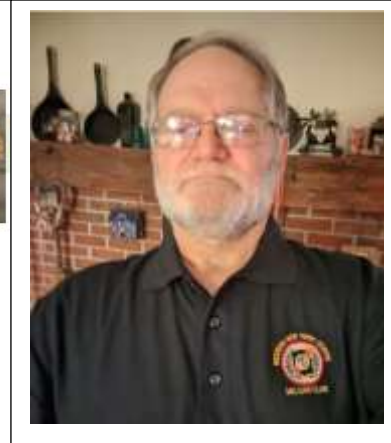
I just wanted to get your opinions on a couple of regalia items, but please email me separately from the group, as not to bombard everyone with your email, to Blitz7711@gmail.com. This way you can also speak freely with your thoughts as to your answers. I feel that the lack of interest in the hot & cold tumbler stem from too high a price point as they are a high quality item. I am also researching less expensive ones (thanks Frank). Are these an item you would like to have with our Club logo? Or were the simpler coffee cups at a low cost, what everyone likes? I just need your honesty. Also, the New Callaway golf shirts, shown in the below current regalia sheets, have only had three pre-orders. I am thinking the same thing here and need to know if you would like me to go back to the first ones I ordered a few years ago. These were a heavier knitted material that I see a lot of members wearing that were priced \$20-\$25. delivered, and as seen by our Frank (Vanna) DeMarzo right below.

New Regalia MG Car Club of WNY

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Note: This is the Logo we are had digitized to fit is 2" high

Color Choice: IT'S TIME FOR A NEW ORDER, LET JOE B KNOW WHAT COLOR & SIZE YOU WOULD LIKE. EMAIL OR CALL me if you have a color you want me to check on at blitz7711@gmail.com. / (585-749-9263

New Regalia MG Car Club of WNY

New Regalia Items for review

- New Beverage Tumblers (I have these samples to see).

Notes: We need to make a minimum order of (36)

We can have our Logo engraved on these except #4 we can also decide to have our logo printed



1. #5790 20oz. Himalaya Tumbler

Pros: Stainless inside and out, keeps up to 6 hours. Comes in various colors

Variables: No non slip soft bottom . Shipping and Set up included
Est. Price: \$21.56 + 8% NY state Tax \$1.58ea = **\$23.14**

2. #5390 20oz Velvet Himalayan Tumbler

Pros: Stainless inside and out, keeps up to 6 hours, Rubberized finish, Non-Slip Bottom, Seems a better quality

Variables: Only two colors choices **Black or White**, Shipping and Set up included
Est. Price: \$25.51 x (36) + 8% NY state Tax \$1.90ea = **@\$27.41**

3. #50122 20oz Ridgeton Himalayan Tumbler

Pros: Stainless inside and out, keeps up to 6 hours, Non-Slip Bottom

Variables: Only two colors choices **Blue or Black**, Shipping and Set up included
Est. Price: \$19.40 x (36) + 8% NY state Tax \$1.41ea = **@\$20.81**

4. #55448 20oz Full Color Wellington Stainless Steel Tumbler

Pros: Stainless inside and out, 360 wrap available with logo all-round in a pattern
Rubberized Cork like bottom.

Variables: Doesn't say it keeps up to 6 hours, Comes in **Black, Gray, Silver or white**.
(Says don't go light color when wrapping). Shipping and Set up included
Est. Price: \$25.07 x (36) + 8% NY state Tax \$1.86ea = **@\$26.93**

MG Car Club of Western NY Available Regalia 2024 Catalog
(updated 6/27/24)

(1) Remaining Grille Badges Are in Short Supply Supply as seen on page 2



MG Car Club of Western NY Centre Pins



Note: Key is just to show size

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

MG Car Club of Western NY Centre Pins



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Cars and Parts For Sale

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: 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

For Sale: 1978 MGB - 47,000 original miles, been in dry storage the last 8 years. \$8,500 OBO
Please call Mike Sidell at 585-404-1219



For Sale: 1976 & 1977 MGBs, both need work to start them
Contact Claude Fedele @ sfedele@rochester.rr.com or 585-899-9388

For Sale: MGB 3-main short block – asking \$250
If interested, contact Dick Powers: mgahmogca@rpa.net or at 585-410-4500

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

1976 MGB For Sale Low mileage – Rarely driven and has been sitting unused in a garage since 2017. Part of an estate- anybody in the Binghamton area that would be interested or could help on getting this car to a good owner?
Asking @ 6K but negotiable
davekeyes@aol.com



I know the whereabouts of an **MG TD & MGTF**. They are in the Lockport area. I have seen the cars. The TD is together, and I think with a good fettle and scrub down fore and aft you might get a presentable driver. I think it has been sitting about four years. The MG TF is a total basket case, but I believe it is all there. You would need to look over all the bits both in the garage and basement. It will be a good project. Both cars have engines in chassis as well as some spares. There is also a MG B engine in the garage. If you or anyone is interested in any or all of the above I can give you a number to call who will set up a visit, Jay Lockrow 716-648-0533

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Anniversary month/day (mm/dd)

Street Address *

City *

State *

Zip *

Put on group email list?

Yes

No

Omit phone/email on distribution list

Yes - omit from list

No - include on list

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