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Joe & Patti Bellizia with their re-engined Midget

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#### Don's Corner

By Spokes editor, Don Welch



**July!** We waited all winter for these warm summer days, and now they're fast upon us. Time to <u>stop fixing</u> and get out there and <u>drive</u> those pretty LBC's!

(He said, having spent 4 hours yesterday working on the TD's carbs.)

This month is our annual MG Car Show – Molly & I have signed up to help where we can (and get our free T-shirts!) I'll be taking lots of pictures, and I hope you other amateur photographers will be too. We had some great ones last year from Bob Welch, Hassan, George, and of course those wonderful aerial drone videos by Joe Bellizia.

Speaking of whom...

I've been after Joe B to send in some pictures of his Midget getting a new engine, from the car Ken Barlow bought cheap, and in turn sold to Joe. Well, my friends, Joe doesn't do anything part way! This month we're treated to The Bellizia Saga 2025! Catch it on page 19.





There are many other interesting items in this month's SPOKES. Lots of photos of car shows: Bristol, The Summit, Albion, Camp Haccamo, and Sonnenberg. If you get to one, send in a few pictures for your fellow MG afficionados.

See you at our big MG Club show July 13<sup>th</sup>!

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#### **Chairman's Corner**

By Ken Barlow

Welcome to July. Just like that, we're half way to 2026, but most importantly, Spokes time again, time to check in with our friends in the car hobby.

For us on the other side, time to check in with your projects. How are they progressing? Hassan has been working on brakes on the RWA (Round Wheel Arch) Midget. Justin Foster swapped the head on his A (and water pump, and a few other things) and is having temperature concerns. I just received my sending unit and a donation of a fuel gauge from Hassan to get my road Bugeye a little more settled, and I lined up a used speedo from spares, and even a new tach from spares. Those will go in shortly.



The theme here is these are short-term projects with limited scope! Hopefully. The hope is to leave your ride operational for the most part, don't take your ride out for the season, of course, do maintenance not restoration. Leave the restoration to your second car or to the winter. Or your third or fourth car.

Send your project stories and photos to Spokes so we can all share in your harrowing narrow misses with project creep. Like Jake Barnard suffering with suspension issues, stopping the project cold. Is it done? Is it running? We don't know, he didn't write an article.

Also, keep sending in your emails to either me directly at <a href="fifedrum@gmail.com">fifedrum@gmail.com</a> or <a href="chairman@mgcarclub.com">chairman@mgcarclub.com</a> with your events that you've attended. At the very least, record them somewhere so you can glance back at them. Winner in November gives me time to prepare the "major award" for the holiday party in December.

Our last membership report looks good, some new members too. Keep the engagement up by recruiting the new people into the hobby of suffering under little cars, and invite the old members back into the fold. We don't hold their time away against them, nor do we hold their choice in marque against them. Any cool old car will do. Feel free to play the long game and let visitors at car shows and cars and coffees and cruise nights take a seat in your car. Especially the youths. Implant the memories now, and they'll come back to haunt mom and dad in 10 years when they get a license or after college or in their 30s they'll remember they want an MG in the worst way. I certainly remember playing in the SS Tetanus in the back yard as a kid, a rotten Bugeye Sprite dad was parting out (back in the 70s, a rotting chassis was nothing special). But it had a steering wheel and who needs seats to make race car noises and pretend. Certainly not me. Thankfully, I can make race car noises without having to pretend, racing everything next to me at every intersection. With this 948 powered Sprite, it's not hard to imagine because it's very hard to keep up with your average grocery getter these days. Makes driving even more fun.

If you need a hand with your project, reach out. I need to learn some skills and am glad to lend a hand as are others. I'm happy to make up answers to all your problems (really, I'm great at reverse engineering other people's problems, just ask, I'll tell you so.) Someone could teach me how to weld, for example, and paint, and rebuild an engine and a transmission, and redo chrome, and everything else while we're listing my needs. Guaranteed there's multiple people who have a stalled project because they also don't know how to start, or how to solder, weld, paint, turn a wrench and your hand once a week or once a month could get a car back on the road and serve as inspiration for the other 6 days a week.

We have the car show fast approaching, be sure to volunteer early and often for that, be sure to sign up yourself and bring one or more cars along. We have cars and coffees last Sunday of each month, you can even drive your "other" car to that. I did. We have a cruise night every night of the week somewhere, be sure to mention it in the mailing list, and some of us can meet you there, or for ice cream, those are always welcome. And of course, our meetings are the third

Thursday each month at the Legion hall in Henrietta. Your presence there is far more appreciated than you know. Always wonderful to see new and old faces at the meeting.

Now go and drive, find some twisty roads, be quiet or be obnoxious just be on the road putting some miles with the smiles. See you out there.

Safety Fast!

Ken



Our next meeting is July 17<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM, American Legion, 260 Middle Rd, Henrietta, NY 14467

Reminder: 2025 Dues are Due!



# **MGCC Steak Roast**

















Steak Roast (& Auction), cont'd



















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Thanks Annabelle's to organizing, we had another nice get together with the Triumph guys, and as I was reminded, other LBC's, etc. 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 9:30 at the Bay Front on Empire Blvd. as always. We had a real good turnout of friendly folks, great food & conversation. Y'all are welcome - no reservations, just show up!

















**GT-50** 

By Dan Suter

Monday evening was a First Timer's reception and then a general Welcome Reception and pizza party.

Tuesday morning started with а special breakfast for the Magnette group. It was really fun to catch up with many Magnette owners. The Magnette group has always prided itself on being a selfrun group of enthusiasts. However, NAMGAR insisted on having a central contact,

so the group very tongue-in-cheek bestowed the Person of Importance on Allen Bachelder who 'led' the group with great enthusiasm and really reflected the sharing and helpful character of the group. Allen 'stepped down' from this role at GT-50 and the group surprised him with a town crier proclamation and a gift. Wray Lemcke from Charleston, SC is now the New POI.

Tuesday afternoon we took a drive in Mike's MGA to a lighthouse that was supposed to be about 60 miles round trip. A mistake on the directions turned it into about a 95-mile drive in the end, but it

**NAMGAR's GT-50** event, celebrating 50 years of the MGA Register was held in Traverse City, MI over June 2-6. After some uncertainty on schedule, I did end up attending the event.

My friend Mike, who lives in Virginia west of Washington DC towed his 1957 MGA that was one of the three factory-backed cars that competed at Sebring in 1957. Mike swung by and picked me up from my daughter's place in Frederick, MD. It was a 12-hour tow, so we split up the trip between Sunday and Monday. His full-sized Ford pickup was comfortable and capable and the car towed securely the entire trip.

We arrived at the meet on Monday after lunch and the parking lot was already filling up with beautiful MGAs of all models – 1500s, 1600s, MKIIs, Coupes, Magnettes, and only one red Deluxe and two Twin Cams, a black one and a Dove Grey one. I should note that the meet was held at the Great Wolf Lodge. We unloaded Mike's Sebring MGA and parked it among the others.

Great Wolf really does a great job of catering to young families with game arcades, indoor water park, shows and presentations aimed at the kids, and exploration adventures. I was impressed how well all the kids behaved.



was a very enjoyable ride on the rural back roads of northern Michigan.

The only rain of the week turned out to be overnight into Wednesday morning, which resulted in the car show being delayed until noon. About 120 cars were on the show field. I visited an elderly gentleman I believe from Tennessee, with a beautifully restored MKII coupe. This car is possibly the best detailed MGA I have ever seen—definitely top 3! I was shocked at the awards ceremony to learn he didn't even finish in the top 3 of the popular vote judging of his class. There were nine total Magnettes at the show which was fun to see. Both Mike and I talked to several Twin Cam and Deluxe owners who had not brought their cars (like me) so it nice to meet them and learn about their cars.

Thursday morning there was a breakfast for all NAMGAR board and staff. As I serve as NAMGAR Historian and write a column for the newsletter, I attended. I enjoyed meeting other members of the staff. The balance of Thursday was spent attending a few tech sessions, visiting with Cecelia from



Scarborough Faire, and loading Mike's MGA back on the trailer. The banquet Thursday night was good as well.

Friday, we departed about 6:15AM and managed to do the entire 12-hour tow to drop me back off in Frederick. The entire GT-50 meet was enjoyable and very worthwhile.





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Cars & Coffee, cont'd





















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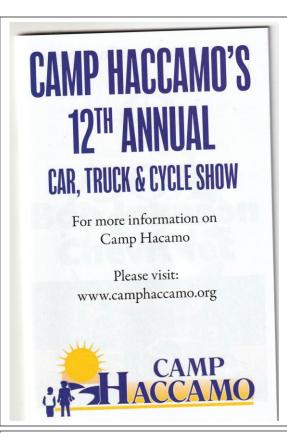
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# The Bellizia Saga 2025

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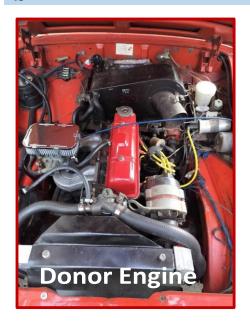


Unfortunately on the 4.5 mile ride to Ben's from where we had it stored, 3 of its 5 quarts of oil spewed out through the oil filter. It appears during the winter the oil filter seal dried out and now loosened up enough to let this happen...the damage was done! We needed a rebuild or new engine.



Our saga started on April 9th when we brought our LBC out of its long winter slumber. As planned in the fall, based on an oil leak that was getting a little more pronounced, I made an appointment to deliver our Midget right out of storage to British Auto.

On May 20th Ken called me: Hey Joe, want an engine. I just bought this Midget in Buffalo, I'll give you a great deal!



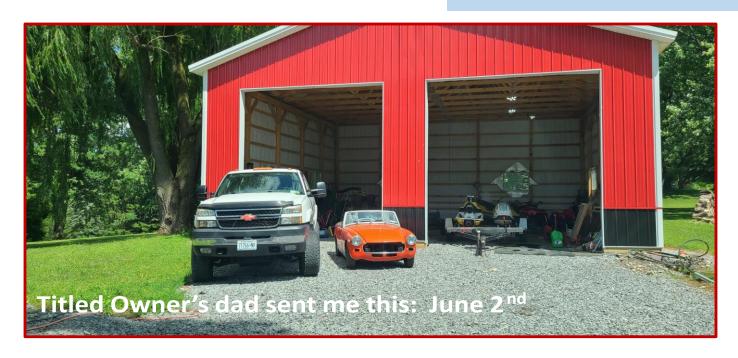
#### Donor Car - I was so lucky to get from Ken Barlow

On May 20th I was fortunate to buy the donor car from Ken!



I googled the name on the title and found a phone number and called. The father of the owner, prior to the person Ken purchased the midget from, answered. They lived in Geneseo and he sent me this picture of the car from a year or so ago, prior to its move to Buffalo and the new owner.

Old Owner's father: My son said it was a great runner but didn't have much history. Here's a picture!





On May 20th the donor car was delivered to British Auto by Ken and his Hagerty Insurance, Driver's Club membership!

Thank You Ken!

On May 30th Ben was finally able take my engine out!

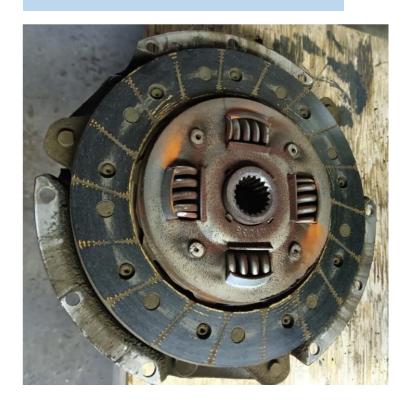








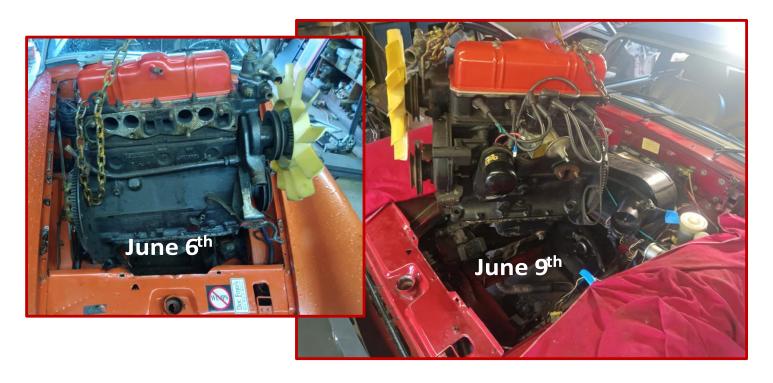
Ben: Clutch disc is definitely worn and time to replace, I'll get a new one on order.



Ben: The front oil seal is normally in the transmission but it doesn't have a seal. About half of these gearboxes did not use an oil seal in the front, they just had a scroll surface. In the photo it's the little tube part right in the center of bell the housing. Knowing you'd like less oil leaks I'll source one with a seal. Also, I the bell removed housing, and the clutch release fork, in the photo just under the bell housing, just fell out of the housing! It's held in by a pivot pin and yours was totally missing.

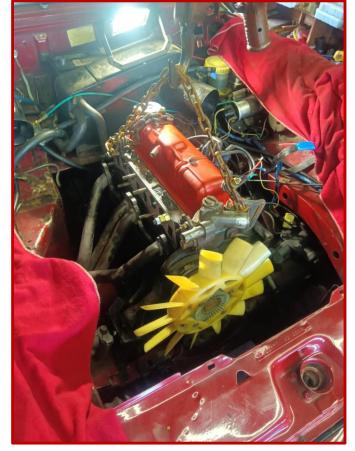
## Doctor, we are ready to transplant

June 6<sup>th</sup> – June 9th



Everything went well but takes a lot of time and effort





### **Transplant Just about Complete**

June 11th



Check out the new Aluminum donor radiator too!

A NEW clutch was installed as well as new seals, etc. After testing & observation of the donor engine, Ben said it appeared to have been recently rebuilt.

Also a Special thanks and gratitude to Ben at British Auto

#### Visit to British Auto to see progress June 11th with a bud



Ben's Dog w/ Neil Hoselton who may buy an MG and join the club!

Ben installed new plugs and wires and with his tuning expertise, it runs so very smooth and strong! The acceleration is amazing!

All that's left to do, is soon Ben will replace the front-end shocks with the donor shocks, and for me to go to a garage to have the new rubber that came on the donor (yes, more donor gifts) on my rims.

If not for the opportunity to buy this donor, this saga would go on for a long time to come and much more cost.

## Delivery Day! Friday June 13th



Father's Day- Thanks to Ben we Made it to the Show! Yea!



# Fathers Day at the Summit - by Joe B.













#### - by George Heissenberger

# Bristol Fun Days

MG's led the parade opening Bristol Fun Days car show Sunday June 8! Weather cooperated so about a dozen club members attended! I've been hoping to this show form any years. It was always the Sunday after our MG car club show, so the first car show after I had dolled up OUR MG for our own show.











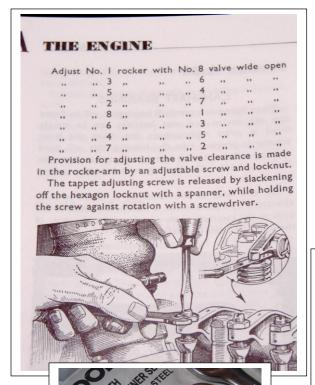
# Adjusting the Valves on my '51 TD





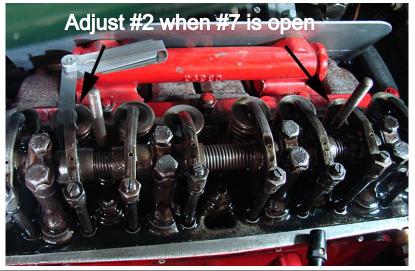
I recently got my TD back from a local shop, and while the engine runs very well, it seemed a little noisy. Like it was "clackity clacking" a little too much. I had adjusted the valve clearance after I got the car 2 years ago, but I haven't since been confident that I did a good job of it. Been thinking I should do it over.

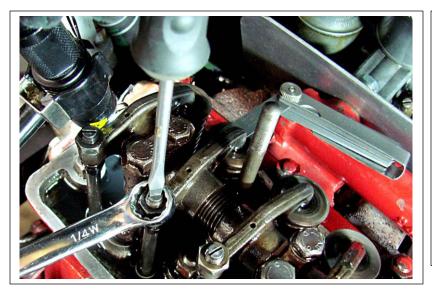
Next Saturday I hope to drive to Albion for the Strawberry Festival. They always have a nice small car show; cars lined up, facing each other, on both sides of Platt St. I didn't want to be doing any damage to the valves driving the 10 miles each way. So today I put on my work clothes and tackled it.



1/4" Whitworth



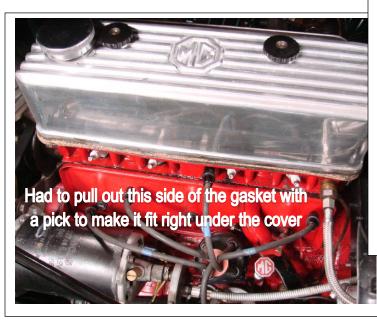


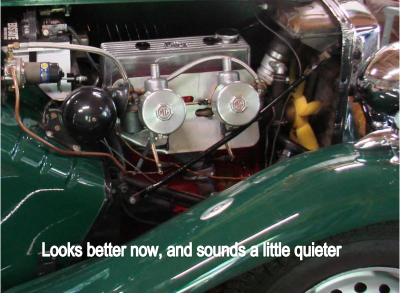
















#### **Meeting Minutes MGCC WNY Meeting June 19th, 2025**

By Dan Suter, Secretary

Our June, 2025 MGCC WNY meeting was held on an unsettled weather evening with intermittent heavy showers in the forecast. As a result, only a few MGs and a Sprite were driven to the meeting. Chairman Ken Barlow called the meeting to order at 7:29 PM. We had 52 total in attendance including members, guests and a new member this month.

#### **New Members and Guests:**

New member Joel Siegel joined us. Joel purchased an MGB that Joe B had considered a few weeks ago. Additionally, guests Bernie Hawkins, Neil Hoselton, and David Hetzel joined us. David owns an orangey red (possibly Blaze) 1976 MG Midget. Welcome to all!

Birthdays in June included Chris Barlow, Bob Welch and Hessa Gillani. Anniversaries included the Asburys' (46<sup>th</sup>), LiMutis' (37<sup>th</sup>), the Leibles' (52<sup>nd</sup>).

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

Treasurer and Membership Report: Treasurer Todd Black gave both the Treasury and Membership reports. In June, our finances remain in good shape and all current bills paid. In Membership, 128 members have joined for 2025, with 17 more from 2024 still needing to renew. 2025 dues can still be accepted via PayPal (best method), checks, or cash. Todd noted that James De Rusha has joined the club.

Todd also gave a special thanks to Frank Stepanik for his work keeping our MCC honor board up to date, reflecting recent donations made in memory of recently deceased members of our club.

**Activities Report** –Dave Kray gave the Activities report: Past Events (by the time this is published):

- The Tune Up Clinic was a huge success this year on May 31 at Edison Tech. Thanks to Hollis Hames and all those who helped work on club member cars at the clinic.
- Steak Roast and Auction to be held June 22. At the time of the meeting, 66 club members had signed up to attend.

• June 29 will be the next Cars and Coffee at the Freestyle Mercantile in Mumford.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- We will be having 'dedicated cruise nights' where the club chooses a variety of cruise nights to attend.
- The Manchester Car Show will be July 12.
- Our Car Show will be July 13. Please volunteer to help!
- MG2025 MGB convention will be in Crystal Lake, IL this summer.
- MG102 will be held by the Canadian groups in Western Ontario in August. Our club will likely have a group going.
- Buffalo Octagon Autumn Fall Classic show will be Aug 31; September includes the WG vintages races.
   We will have a Fall Tour in October, and the December Holiday Party.

Car Show: Leon Zak, our Car Show Chairman, gave an update with less than 4 weeks to go! Registration for our 2025 car show is open and we are up to about 52 cars registered already. July 13 is our 2025 Car Show date. The field is being expanded. A sign-up for volunteers is both on the website and was on-hand at the June meeting. Basket auction planning is underway, led by Mike and Maggie Robinson. The next car show committee Zoom meeting will be held the week before the show. Leon also provided updates and brought posters, discussed handouts for sponsorship. Ken is making updated signs for show classes.

**Regalia:** Joe Bellizia gave the regalia report. Joe updated us that most of the recent name badge order have been distributed, as well as a recent order of shirts and hats, and tumblers! Please contact Joe to place your order for any of our club regalia items.

**Spokes** – In Don Welch's absence, Ken Barlow gave the Spokes report. Don requests that we please continue to submit photos and articles. George Heissenberger noted that he forwarded our link for the June issue to NAMGBR and they were very impressed. They requested and Bob Welch gave permission to run his May article about his BGT. Deadline for articles and photos is always one week from Friday following the meeting. I did not capture any update on Spokes advertising.

**Watkins Glen**: Dave Wild was absent so no Festival update. Ken Barlow gave a brief update on the waiting list for 2025 Seneca Lodge rooms—one room is currently available.

**Librarian**: Paul Osborne had no Librarian report.

**Website:** Leon noted that all is running well with the website. He did describe his humorous response to an attempt to scam our member advertisers but Leon has been on top of this issue!

Old Business: No old business items this month.

**New Business:** Ken noted that the positions of Treasurer, Secretary, and Activities Chair are all coming due for replacement at the end of 2025. Please consider volunteering to help the club by filling one of these roles.

Other Announcements: No announcements this month.

#### Cars and Parts for Sale:

 Tom Yoki is selling is 1974 MGB. It is in good running order but will need paint and a convertible top.

- Bob Abels brought a NYS 1964 license plate and a 1/10<sup>th</sup> scale MGTD model, which Jim Herschell indicated he wanted to purchase.
- Jim Herschell has many TD and TF parts for sale, left over from his Dad's prior restorations.
- Frank DeMarzo shared that he looked at Dennis McCrone's rubber bumper 1975 MGB for sale in Greece, NY. Dennis is asking \$6500.

#### **Member Projects:**

- Joe B's MG Midget is back on the road following the engine transplant from the orange Buffalo Midget.
   Does anyone need an orange Midget bodyshell?
- Justin Foster had a blown head gasket on his MGA.
   Per Ken's description, Justin purchased a Moss
   Motors aluminum B-series cylinder head and new head gasket and had the engine up and running as of Thursday 6/19 afternoon.

Thanks everyone for sharing their member project activities!

Door prizes were awarded and the meeting was closed at 8:27 PM.



Diehards who drove in the rain to tonight's meeting! – from Mike R.

Photos at the meeting Thanks Annabelle!





It's always a nice festival, parade and car cruise-in. Gary Wilson and I, with Doreen and Molly, represented our club pretty well I think















#### **Events Report for July, 2025**

- July
- Manchester Car Show Mike Griffin Memorial Park, Sat. July 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 – 3:00.
- MGCC Car Show NY Museum of Transportation, Sunday July 13<sup>th</sup>, Sign-up on the club web site (mgcarclub.com) for the show, and where you would like to volunteer.
- **EM Motors Picnic** Sunday July 20<sup>th</sup> 11:00 4:00, 3621 State Route 245, Stanley, 14561. This picnic is in honor of George Haynes.
- MG2025 Crystal Lake, IL, July 28<sup>th</sup> 31<sup>st</sup>
- Cars & Coffee Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 12:00

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





A good contingent of MG Car Club members attended the Father's Day car show at Sonnenberg Gardens in Canandaigua. The weather was amazing, mostly cloudy but warm and stayed dry. Somewhere around 300 cars participated.

George Heissenberger's MG B and Peter Fazio's Bugeye took home a best in show plaques.

In addition to those two stunning show winners, we had Allyn Wagner with his MG B GT, John Schwelm with his TD, Alana and Trevor Roberts with their Bugeye, Ken Barlow with his Bugeye, Peter Taft with his Austin Healey 3000, Joe Cali brought his green MG A from Hammondsport. Eric Barge brought his lovely MG TD and Marty Peck with his red 67 Sprite.

— Ken Barlow







## July Birthdays

2 Patricia Sangster3 Cindy Austin

4 Peggi Heissenberger

7 Joseph Bellizia

7 Bob Welch

11 Chris Pascuzzo

13 Christine Barlow

13 Thomas Yoki

14 J David Rubin

14 Dave Wild

17 Mercedes Gonzalez

20 Trevor Roberts

30 Susan Goodwin

# July Anniversaries

3 Bob & Carole Lillis

8 Todd & Donna Black

13 Bill & Sue DeVos

14 Paul & Marsha Osborne

19 Don & Linda McConnell

20 Tom & Anne Quinn

23 Bryan & Julie Henry

23 Don & Mary Sweeney

24 John & Carol Schwelm

26 Dennis & Robin Illig

27 Eric & Dawn Mehserle





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# 6393 East River Rd, Rush, NY

Trolly Rides - special event pricing **EXPANDED SHOW FIELD New - Special Interest Class Basket Auction Door Prizes** 

Pete's Street Meat -

hots, burgers, sausage, fixins, breakfast sandwich on DiPalo roll **Pre-Registration is \$10** https://mgcarclub.com for more information



### **2025 CAR SHOW CALENDAR**

Please let me know of any others, & send flyers to Spokes@MGCarClub.com

SHOW	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Manchester Car Show	July 12	10-3	Griffin Park
WNY MG Club Show	July 13	9-3	NY Museum of Trans.
Syracuse Nationals	July 18-20		Syracuse Fairgrounds
EM Motors for George Haynes	July 20	11-4	Rt 245, Stanley, NY
E. Bloomfield Historical Society	July 26	10:30-3	Veterans Park, Bloomfield, NY
Orchard Park Lions Cluub Show	July 26	9-4:30	60 S. Lincoln Ave, Orchard Pk NY
Seneca Falls Classic Car, Truck, Cycle	July 27	9-3	Downtown Seneca Falls, NY
NAMGB MG2025	July 28-31		Crystal Lake, III.
12th An. Scottsville Car Show	Aug 9	9-4	Browns Ave, Scottsville, NY
Hilton's Wheels on Main St.	Aug 16	8-4	South Ave, Hilton NY
Wheels On The Seneca	Aug 24	9-	Lake Front Dr, Geneva
MG102 Fest	Aug. 22-24		Muskoka, ON
35th Olcott Beach Car Show	Aug 30	9-5	Krull Park, Olcott Beach NY
Autumn Sports Classic	Sept 7	10-3	Como Lake Park, Lancaster NY
Clifton Springs Auto, Truck, Cycle	Sept 13	11-3	22 Teft Ave, Clifton Springs NY
Wheels In Geneva	Sept 14	10-3	78 Seneca St, Geneva NY
Put-In Bay Races	Sept 17-18		Put In Bay, Ohio
Wheels On Maple Grove	Sept 27	9-	100 Swift St, Waterloo, NY
Roberts Wesleyan Homecoming	Sept 27	10-3	Lot C, Chesbrough Dr.

# 2025 MGCC Car Show July 13th

Pre-Registration is now OPEN!!!!

https://mgcarclub.com/car-show-registration/







## Car Show & Swap Meet

Date: Saturday, July 12, 2025 10:00am - 3:00pm

**Location**: Mike Griffin Memorial Park

One West Avenue

Manchester, NY 14504

**Event:** Traditional Car Show & Swap Meet

**All Vehicles Welcome** 

Registration 9:00am - noon

First, Second and Third Place Prizes

Operating O-Gauge Model Railroad

Food, Vendors, Ice Cream Truck,

Raffles, Restrooms

Sponsored by the

Manchester Model Railroad

Association

#### Spectators Free

Entry Fee for Car Owners: \$10.00 pre- register by 7/9/25

\$20.00 at the gate

For Vendor Space call

Mike Buttaccio (585) 478-4269

To pre-register by check, send \$10 payable to Manchester Model Railroad Association.

Mail to Mike Buttaccio, 24 North Avenue Manchester, NY 14504.

To pre-register online, PayPal email is <a href="mailto:team4mare@gmail.com">team4mare@gmail.com</a> and the account is

"Manchester Model Railroad Association"

Add your name, car make and model, year and 2025 MMRA Car Show in the What is it for? box.



Starts June 6



# All MGCC Members Invited

# CLASSIC CAR GATHERING BUILDING

WHEN: SUNDAY JULY 20TH

TIME: 11AM-4PM

LOCATION: EM MOTORS

3621 ROUTE 245

STANLEY, NY 14561

11AM-1PM FOOD TRUCK FOR LUNCH PURCHASE COMPLIMENTARY DESSERT BAR, COFFEE & BEVERAGES

#### ALL MARQUES WELCOME!

In honor of George Haynes and his lifelong dedication to the British car hobby, donations will be accepted for the Alfred State College Automotive Trades Program





(585)465-1925

www.emmotorsllc.com

**EM Motors** 

2321 Route 245, Stanley, NY 14561

# THE ORCHARD PARK LIONS CLUB 30th CAR, TRUCK & MOTORCYCLE SHOW



SATURDAY JULY 26, 2025 RAIN DATE: SUNDAY JULY 27th, 2025



All Proceeds Support the O.P. Lions Club Blind & Charity Fund

RETURNING TO THE VILLAGE OF ORCHARD PARK!!!

ON THE ORCHARD PARK MIDDLE SCHOOL GROUNDS!

Enter at 60 S. Lincoln Ave. Orchard Park, NY

Just a 1 block walk to the Quaker Days Events, Shopping & Restaurants

On Site Registration 9am – 12pm – Awards @ 4pm Spectators Welcomed from 12pm – 4:30pm! – Parking Available

Help us Celebrate 30 Great Years !!!

Food - Drinks - Live Music
50/50 Drawings - Raffle for Great Major Prizes

6 Best of Show Awards PLUS 26 Special Best Awards Plus 70 Lion's Best Awards

For Info. Call or Text: Tony 716-479-5169 or Matt 716-367-9052 or E-Mail: tzappia@aol.com
Check our Facebook Page for Updates and Information
https://www.facebook.com/guakerdayscarshow/

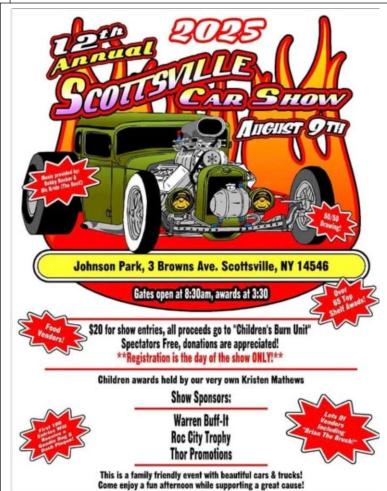
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Day of Show Reg: \$25.00	Address	
(Please fill out to be on mailing list)		Zip
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Orchard Park Lions Club Mail to:	Phone#	E- Mail
Tony Zappia	Yr & Make	Model
32 Quaker Lake Terrace		
Orchard Park, NY 14127	*Vehicle Owner.	Assumes Liability For Any Vehicle Da

# Clifton Springs Auto, Truck & Cycle Show SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 AT 10AM-3PM

Wellspring Church 22 Teft Ave,











The MG Car Clubs from Ottawa and Toronto invite you to

#### MG102Fest.

Join us for a weekend of fun and camaraderie in beautiful Muskoka.

Muskoka is located in Central Ontario.

This weekend gathering of MGs is open to all enthusiasts.

We would love to see you there!

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

Tailgate Pizza Party Group Scenic Tour

MG Car Show

**Pub & Trivia Night** 

Register at tinyurl.com/mg102fest

AUGUST 22 - 24, 2025











Sunday July 27, 9-3 Downtown Seneca Falls NY



### 35th Annual Car Show



Olcott Beach NY August 30, 9am-5pm

Over 1000 classic vehicles, the biggest show in WNY



78 Seneca St, Geneva NY 10am-3pm











#### Saturday, September 27th in Parking Lot C on Campus

Over 2,000 members of the Roberts community will come together for our annual Homecoming Festival. You are invited to join us for our season closer!

#### Register your vehicle for free at www.roberts.edu/CarShow

All homecoming attendees and car show participants will have a chance to judge on the vehicles! Votes must be submitted by 1pm.

#### Redhawk Cookout!

Come down to the Redhawk Concession Stand between the Roberts Wesleyan Outdoor Stadium (Soccer Field) and the lake. Enjoy food freshly grilled by the Roberts Athletic Department. Food will be served from 11:30am 4:30pm. Proceeds will support the overall studentathlete experience.

Homecoming Festival Features 10:00 - 3:00pm







More Trophies this year! Dash Plaques!





### Rush Creekside Restaurant cruise night

From Ken Barlow

Moved to Wednesday nights. They have the lions club selling food too, and the restaurant of course. This one is right down the street from my house, super convenient.



Street Machines has a list of cruise nights, same with Corvette clubs website, and a few others defer to https://fingerlakesclassiccarcruises.com/

The list is pretty extensive. Includes shows and cruise night listings. Literally 400 car shows. Let's also pick a night and slip in an informal visit to Gil's place.







MG2025 is supported by, the Chicagoland MG Club. This is a multi-day celebration of all things MG and a gathering of MG enthusiasts from around the globe.

The MG2025 annual convention is being hosted in Crystal Lake, Illinois from July 28th to 31st 2025

Monday, July 28: Welcome and first-timers' reception—it is going to be a blast!

On **Tuesday**, the fun continues with more registration, silent auctions, all-day tech sessions, and some unforgettable activities. Highlights include:

- Sanfilippo Estate: A 44,000-square-foot wonderland of restored musical instruments and antiques.
- Volo Auto Museum: Classic cars, movie vehicles, and nostalgia galore—it is like stepping into automotive heaven.
- Anderson Japanese Gardens: Serenity meets beauty in this tranquil, waterfall-laden paradise.
- Illinois Railway Museum: Steam engines, diesels, and streetcars—railway fans, rejoice!
- Chicago Architecture Boat Tour: Stunning views and riveting stories of Chicago's skyline from the river.
- **Pizza-Making Session**: Get your hands doughy and learn to toss like a pro—you will leave with more than just memories (and a marinara stain or two).
- **Drive-In Movie Night**: Grab your popcorn, roll down the windows, and enjoy a classic flick under the stars, car speakers optional but encouraged.
- Car Show: Show off your ride or marvel at others—there is no better way to celebrate our shared love for these iconic vehicles.

Not feeling those? No worries—take a scenic drive to charming towns like St. Charles, Geneva, or Woodstock for strolling, shopping, and some top-notch lunching. There is truly something for everyone! So, what are you waiting for? Register now because this event is HOT.

QUESTIONS? email to: info@mg2025.org

https://mg2025.regfox.com/register

#### **TECH SESSION SPEAKERS**

Steve Skegg Hall of Shame – Tales from the Fix-it Garage 10:00AM – Wednesday

Mark Huff H Series SU Carbs

9:30-10:30 & 11:00-12:00 Tuesday -and-

9:30-10:30 & 11:00-12:00 Wednesday

John Twist Speed Tuning

3:00 – 4:00 Tuesday

John Twist John's ROLLING TECH SESSION

9:30 - 2:00 Wednesday

#### Registration for 2025 Put-In-Bay Sports Car Races is Now Open!

Event to Feature Elva 70th Reunion and Austin Mini

**Put-in-Bay, OH – January 1, 2025 --** Organizers of the Put-in-Bay Sports Car Races are pleased to announce that registration is now open for the 2025 event. Registration materials can be found at the event's official website: <a href="www.pibroadrace.com">www.pibroadrace.com</a>. "Featured marques" for the 2025 Put-in-Bay races (September 16-18) have a decidedly British accent:



- The event will be the host of the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of **Elva** which was founded in the U.K. in 1955. The Elva brand was a consistent winner at the original Put-in-Bay Road Races in the 1950s.
- **Austin Mini** (and its various derivatives) will take on "Spridgets" (Austin Healey Sprites and MG Midgets) in the "Mini-vs.-Spridget Challenge."

For those not familiar with the Put-in-Bay event, here are a few things that make it unique:

Today's annual **Put-in-Bay Vintage Sports Car Races** event evolved from a modest 2009 "reunion" event where original '50s-era Put-in-Bay Road Races participants came for a brief visit to see old friends and share their stories. A couple of annual "reunions" later and small-bore vintage sports car racing was revived on the island, and events have been running annually (except the 2020 COVID year) ever since.





- It takes place on Ohio's South Bass Island, a 20 minute ferry ride via the Miller Ferry which operates out of Catawba Island (near Port Clinton, Ohio). <a href="https://www.millerferry.com">www.millerferry.com</a>
- Vintage racing takes place at the Put-in-Bay Airport whose runway and taxiways provide a challenging and competitive 1.2-mile hay bale-lined. It's a pristinely maintained surface that offers good grip, numerous passing opportunities and varieties of racing lines.
- Race entry options are available for qualified under 3-liter vintage sports cars, sedans and openwheel cars primarily built prior to 1973. There are also race entry options for larger displacement cars (by application) and for appropriate cars produced as late as 1990 that meet vintage racing preparation rules.
- There is an **Exhibition class** for drivers seeking a track experience without all the demands of a race setting.
- There are also <u>entry options for non-racing entrants</u> with "Heritage street cars" (street versions of the race cars) and for "Guest street cars" (later sports cars and sporty sedans).
- Rules and requirements for all the above are available at www.pibroadrace.com.
- Besides two days of racing (on September 17 & 18), there is also an all-entrants' car show, police-escorted tour-laps of the original '50s era road course, "spirited" pace-car led touring laps of the airport race-course for the non-racing entrants, social gatherings including a wine & cheese reception at Heineman's Winery, an optional non-racers/guests luncheon, and the highly competitive and entertaining "rocker cover races" at The Goat Soup & Whiskey.
- And finally entrants and spectators are encouraged to get into the spirit of the event by wearing vintage-inspired attire, however they interpret that to be.

See <u>www.pibroadrace.com</u> for answers to "FAQs", further details about eligibility, and registration materials (both mail-in and online options are available).

And finally, to participate in the ongoing conversation about the Put-in-Bay Sports Car Races, please join our the Put-in-Bay Sports Car Races page on Facebook (easy to find).

Early registration discounts expire June 1, 2025.

#### For further info, contact:

Manley Ford, Event Coordinator / Media Contact -- manley776@yahoo.com / 734 502 2435 Kurt Byrnes, Web Master/Registrar/Track Wizard kdb@kbyrnes.com / 412 400 9156 Richard Hahn, Lead "PIB Island Contact"/ putinbaytr3@yahoo.com / 216 226 2323 Bob and Mary Kansa, Vintage Attire Advisors / swindrace@aol.com / 330 714 3740 Joe Teplitz, Race Director / idteplitz@gmail.com / 646 258 4000

#### **How to get SAFETY FAST magazine:**

Here is the process of accessing the website of the M.G. Car Club U.K.

The website is: www.mgcc.co.uk

As shown in the login, the membership number and the em address are both defaulted.

(I had to create an email address for the club members to acceas it wasn't a transferable link).

The Password is: MorrisGarage1923-2023!

There is a link to the monthly edition of Safety Fast Magazine as well as much more goings on in the MG world.

If you have any questions, you can contact me. - Todd Black





















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#### North American MGB Register

P.O. Box 876 Downers Grove, IL 60515-0876

We are the official MG Club for MGB, MGB/GT, MGC, MGC/GT, MG V8, MG Midgets/AH Sprites, MG 1100/1300 sedans, and all Post Abingdon (MGF, MGTF, MG RV8, etc) MGs.

As a member of NAMGBR, you and your local MG or British Car Club can receive the following benefits:



#### The MG Driver

This bi-monthly color magazine is packed with useful information with the right mix of technical how tos, member stories and club updates and information.



Technical Help

E-mail questions to a group of technical experts to get help or leverage one of the model specific registrar experts to answer your questions. There's also a Facebook group to get community help.



#### Dash Plaque

To commemorate your membership you receive a dash plaque with your personal membership number.



#### Window Sticker

Proudly proclaim your membership in NAMGBR with this attractive two-sided window sticker.



#### Mutual Aid Directory (MAD)

A by state, by city directory of NAMGBR members willing to help another member in the event they break down or need assistance while traveling away from home.



#### Annual Convention

A multi-day celebration of all things MG and a gathering of MG enthusiasts from around the globe. Some fly in, some drive their MG or other British car or some bring a car on a trailer. This event features driving tours, a car show and a taste of the local food and drink. MG2025 will take place in Crystal Lake, IL



#### 100,000/200,000/300,000 Mile Register

Has your MG gone the distance, and traveled 100,000, 200,000 or even 300,000 miles? NAMGBR honors this achievement with a special dash plaque your car can wear with pride.



#### Club Insurance

Does your local car club sponsor a car show? Do they have drives, events or regular meetings? Many venues require insurance to hold the event on their property. If your club has at least 8 NAMGBR members and is an affiliated Chapter of NAMGBR, then the club is covered with liability insurance for free! Director & Officer insurance is also available for local club officers.



#### Regalia

We have a number of ways you can show your NAMGBR membership to the public. Clothing, bags, key rings or license plate frames are just a few examples.



#### Member Classified

NAMGBR offers a free classified section in *The MG Driver* magazine. Have an extra MG or parts you want to sell? Target your advertising to the people you know are looking to buy an MG or may need the parts you have.



#### Car Insurance

NAMGBR is the first MG club to offer members the 5% Hagerty Collector Car Insurance Discount. Being a member can save you money on your insurance! Perhaps more than the cost of your membership.

Do you want to know more about the North American MGB Register? Check out our website at: www.namgbr.org

Do you want to be a member in the largest club in North America dedicated to the MGB, MGB/GT, MGC, MGC/GT, MG V8, Midget, 1100/1300 Sedans and PostAbingdon MGs?

Go to the website and instantly join via a secure card payment. Mail in options are also available.



We look forward to having you as a member of NAMOBR!

# MGA 70th Anniversary Badge

The MGA was launched in 1955 meaning that next year will be the marque's 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary and to celebrate this event the MGA Register has commissioned a very special grille badge from British company Dragonfly. The badge measures 85mm X 51mm.





MGA Pin Badge 33mm wide

### **MGA Prices:**

- Grille badge only = £25.00 + p&p = \$31.00 US (Currently £2.70 - Royal Mail 2nd Class)
- Grille badge + pin badge = £26.00 + p&p = \$32.50 US (Currently £2.70 Royal Mail 2nd Class)
- Pin badge only = £3.50 + p&p \$4.40 US
   (Currently £2.00 for up to 5 Badges)

https://www.mgcc.co.uk/mga-register/merchandise

They are in!

Get Yours Today!!!

20oz Hot or Cold Aspen Tumbler
w/ plastic slide lock opening
Or
12oz Hot or Cold Drink **Trail Mug**Club member price \$15.00 each!



Send Joe B and email ASAP if interested

A Original Heavier Woven Port Authority Shirts at \$25.00 embroidered

#### Various Colors to Choose from & Available in most Sizes



#### Shirt Sported by Frank DeMarzo





Closeup of Actual Embroidery of Logo

An enduring favorite, our comfortable classic polo is anything but ordinary. With superior wrinkle and shrink resistance, a silky soft hand and an incredible range of styles, sizes and colors, it's a first-rate choice for uniforming just about any

- 5-ounce, 65/35 poly/cotton pique
- Flat knit collar and cuffs
- Metal buttons with dyed-to-match plastic rims
- Double-needle armhole seams and hem
- Side vents

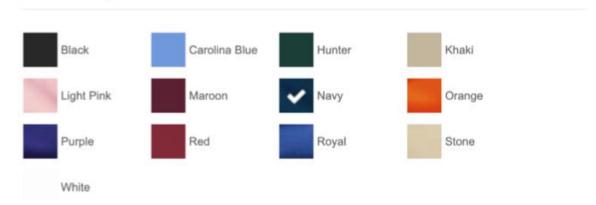
#### CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Machine Wash Cold With Like Colors. Do Not Bleach. Tumble Dry Low. Cool Iron, If Necessary.

## Embroidered Only \$25. for club members

# MG Car Club of Western NY Centre

# MG Car Club of Western NY Centre \$20. each Port & Co- all are embroidered



#### **Product Description**

The great classic look and lightweight feel make this cap an all-around favorite.



We Have Many Hat in Various Colors in Stock right Now!

# Embroidered Only \$20. for club members

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

Coveralls from Opentip On-line – shown in Navy Depending on # ordered /delivered @ \$40.



We are taking a Poll to See Who is interested and to get pre-orders.

Please let Joe B know if interested and your size!



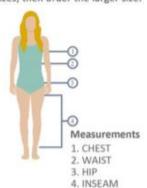
#### **Product Description**

- · Durable and Breathable, machine wash
- · Long-sleeve work coverall features a generous-fit back and an elastic band at waist, permitting freedom of movement
- · Neck and waist snap in front to conceal the two-way-zipper closure, giving you a professional look and avoiding paint on your clothes
- · Work coverall in twill comes with seven spacious pockets 1 ruler pocket, 2 chest pockets, 2 hand pockets in front and 2 large back pockets
- · This product can be added with company's name, logo or message. Optional customization methods include heat transfer, embroidery, etc. Please upload your custom content and start designing your own unique clothing. We've got the solution that will exceed your expectations

TOPTIE has been concerned with work apparel manufacturing for a long time. We make a mass of prophase preparation before marketing. We design, tweak and mass-produce. By continually expanding and updating its selection, now we offer garments ranging from reflective vests and work vests to items such as chef coats, work coats, and coveralls. Whatever you do, there is always one for you. This is the goal that we have been working on.

#### **HOW TO MEASURE**

The products should be ordered according to your chest, waist, hip measurements and inseam. The tape measure should be pulled snug, not tight. Take all measurements in inches. If your measurement are between sizes, then order the larger size.



Size/Inch	Chest	Waist	Hip	Inseam (Regular)
s	34 - 36	30 - 32	35 - 38	30
M	38 - 40	34 - 36	38 - 41	30 1/2
L	42 - 44	37 - 39	42 - 45	31
XL	46 - 48	41 - 43	45 - 48	31
2XL	50 - 52	45 - 47	48 - 51	31
3XL	54 - 56	49 - 51	52 - 55	31

Measure around the fullest part of your chest, keeping tape under your armpits and around your shoulder blades. Hold tape level and firmly but not tight.

Measure around the narrowest part of your waistline, keeping the tape comfortably loose.

Make sure the tape is over the largest part of your buttocks. Measure the circumference of

INSEAM

Use a coverall that fit you well and measure from the crotch to the bottom of the leg.

# Regalia News Corner March 2025

# 2024 Car Show T-Shirts

We have some T-Shirts remaining. Pick up a backup or pick up one for a relative or fiend for only **\$10. each!**Or (3) for \$25.

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 <u>Original</u> Woven Port Authority Golf Shirts (see page 3) as well as the newer Callaway Shirt!

blitz7711@gmail.com / (585-749-9263 / Joe B. updated 10/15/24

# MG Car Club of Western NY Available Regalia 2024Catalog (updated 10/15/24)



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 WNY - Badges, Patches, Pins & Stickers



Jubilee Grille Badge \$20.00. (3 left)



Embroidered patches \$3.00

#### Limited Supply – 1 left



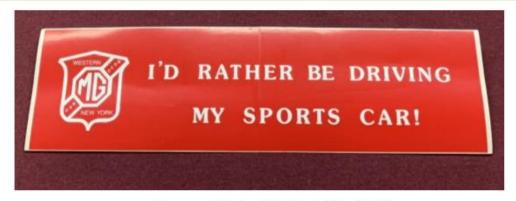
10" Magnetic Sign \$15.00



LIMITED SUPPLY Octagon Key Ring \$3.00



MG Car Club of Western NY Centre Bumper Stickers only \$1.



Bumper Sticker \$1.00 / 3 for \$2.00

ONE Sticker FREE with any purchase over \$20.

### **Cars and Parts For Sale**

Please inform the editor when your ad should be removed

**NOTE:** 

Ads will run for **90 days** and then be

Unless of course, you contact us asking to continue.

As always, there is no charge for these.
Commercial enterprises wishing to run a
half or full page ad, please contact Al
Fink, alcycle@hotmail.com

For Sale: Color Wiring Diagrams 11x17 size; many cars to choose from \$17.95. Further details at <a href="https://www.colorwiringdiagrams.com">www.colorwiringdiagrams.com</a>

**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



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#### **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



Got some parts, or car, you like to get rid of? Send a photo & an ad. It's free!

Join Our Club! Use this form (if you like paper) or go on-line to www.mgcarclub.com and click on:

Join/Renew

<ul><li>New Membership</li><li>Renewal</li></ul>	MG Car Club Western NY Centre Membership Application
Last Name - Primary Member *	
First Name - Primary Member *	Annual family membership dues \$30
Email - Primary Member	Make checks payable to:
Birth Month/Day - Primary Member	MGCC of Western NY
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### Reminder: 2025 Dues are Due!

Dues continue to be just \$30 which has not increased in a really long time. Considering the cost of living increases in the past few years this is a bargain! For all that \$30 you get yourself, spouse/ significant other/ family all as members, the "Spokes" club monthly newsletter, admission to monthly meetings, knowledge, assistance and comradery of fellow British car loving friends, invitation to regular cars and coffees, regular monthly events all year long, impromptu meet ups for ice-cream, beer, lunch or dinners, notice of cars, parts and other offers, my lasting admiration and thanks. (George Heissenberger)

There are three ways to renew your dues!!!

You can renew and pay \$30 online at: <a href="https://mgcarclub.com/join/">https://mgcarclub.com/join/</a>

You can give your \$30 payment in person to Todd Black, Treasurer, or an officer, at any meeting or gathering.

You can mail your \$30 check made out to MG CAR Club to: Todd Black, Treasurer MG Car Club, 6 Featherstone Ct. Pittsford NY 14534

# And Finally...

From: Joseph Bellizia To: MG Car Club

Thu, May 22 at 5:44 PM

Hello my fellow MG Car Club of WNY Members,

I have got to say what a blessing it is to be in such a wonderful Club with truly wonderful people!

As most of you know, I had a crazy, stupid & tragic issue with oil leakage and subsequent damage to our Midget when I pulled it out of storage this year.

As many of you know, after having our LBC for 42 years, it is like my little baby.

Well it was going to be many months getting the engine pulled and rebuilt. It has already been a month and a half and the engine has finally been pulled out and being taken apart by Ben at British Auto, who is so easy going and kind.



Patti & I already started test driving MGB's to get us thru the season. I drove all the way out to the farthest part of Seneca Falls to drive an 80 pretty unmolested B and a beautiful 74 Chrome Bumper in Webster. Both were nice but I still miss my baby and didn't push me over the edge.

Then, yesterday Mr Commissioner, Ken Barlow, reached out to me with an offer I would not refuse. He had made a recent acquisition of an Orange MG Midget, as many of you probably saw in a recent email. He was soooooooo kind to offer to sell it to me and EVEN had it delivered to British Auto today! Wham Bam all done and Ben already said in a small text, "It runs pretty well and so far leaks far less oil! So that's a good start".

WHAT an incredible act of kindness that will speed my repair up by more than a month or many months!

Not only will I be able to have a good replacement 1500 that appears to be strong and looks to have possibly been recently refurbished to some extent. I will also benefit from a new radiator and new tires as my OLD Treads needed to be replaced. (I've been raiding all your emails regarding tire rot, and mine must be 10 or more years old but still look good)

With Ken's kindness, Ben is now trying to get me back on the road so we can once again go to the Father's Day Show at the Summit & Jewish Home on June 15th!

I will travel to get some pictures and send them to Don for Spokes!

THANK YOU SO MUCH KEN and thank all of you as you are all a wonderful and caring bunch as many of you have been reaching out to me in my time of despair...

Blessed to be in a Club like this with all of you!

Gratefully, Joe B



See you next month!

