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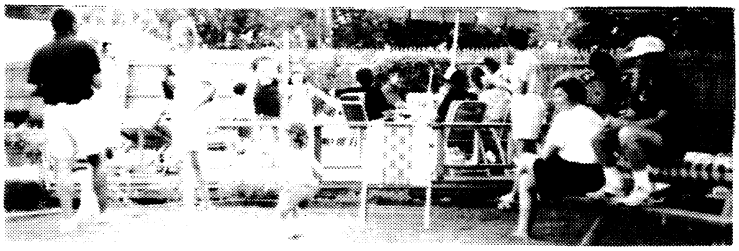

Above Left: Part of the gang enjoying **Tom & Pam's** back yard. **Left:** The "parking lot" in the front yard (neighbors thought it was just Tom moving a few of his cars around). **Above: Matthew Greiner, Lisa Zebarah, Kaitlin Savage, Marla Zebarah,and David Zebarah** (left to right) at the prize box.

Fast Cars, Slow Food, and Fellow Club Members at Club Picnic!

About three dozen members turned out for our annual club picnic and they were treated to a perfect day. The weather was postcard perfect with just a few clouds. The food, prepared by the attending members, was delicious in both variety and taste. And the company was entertaining and interesting as five or six groups were always in the middle of one topic or another from cooling fans to gourmet cooking to upcoming events to kids and grand kids.

For the second year in a row a club member was brave enough to actually host this picnic at their house. And for the second year the house was on (or very close to) a lake. **Tom and Pam Shipley's** house on Lake Oakland provided the setting.

Tom also provided several jet skis for club members to enjoy. They're the sports cars of aquatic transportation (maybe closer to the motorcycles of the boat world) and a ball to pilot. Sort of like water-skiing without the boat or moto-crossing over moggles that don't hurt (as much) when you fall down.

Tom provided a bit of jet ski advice. Seems the first time he wiped out on the jet ski he hit the water with enough force to knock his swim suit off. Something about bobbing around in the middle of the lake looking for your shorts that makes you remember to tighten up the string on your suit.

Seems **Sheryl Fraidenburg** had a similar incident while "tubing", losing her bikini top when she wiped out. Tom assured her that the life vest would prevent that from happening on the jet ski. Still, as your faithful reporter, I had camera in hand just in case something interesting might pop up or out. But it (they?) didn't. And I was counting on the blackmail money for a new combination gauge for the Midget.

Meanwhile, back at the picnic, **Marla Zebarah** had several games and many prizes arranged for the kids. The club picnic is our event for the kids, who usually can't participate in our two seater sports car activities. Lucky for us, it seems like all the kids in the club are in the 4 to 7 age group (With the exception of the Editor, who just turned 50, Ed's wife). That made it easier to structure the games and the kids had more in common.

The adults also received several prizes of the oil, spark plugs, car polish variety and I got a really cool boomerang (thanks Marla).

Those participating, also included the following: **Guy and Ann St. John, Tom and Marcia Greiner,** with grandson **Matthew, Dan Zebarah** with kids **Lisa and David, Dean and Flora Wheeler, Bill & Pam Savage** with daughter **Kaitlin, Dave Fraidenburg, Judy & Otto Pope, Ray & Fran Lewis, Jeanette & Bill Reeves** with son **Matthew, Roli & Betty Sylvestre, Phil Wiltshire, Paul Sandie, Dave Reed and friend Marti, and Ed & Edna Fleming.**

Up-Coming Events-
Mark Your Calendar Now!

Aug. 10 Monthly Meeting-Dearborn
Aug. 13-15 Roadster Factory Summer Party-Armagh PA
Aug. 14 Fun Road Tour-Windsor
Aug. 18-21 University Motors Summer Party-Grand Rapids
Sep. 3 Day Trip to Auburn, IN To the Cord-Aurburn-Duesenberg Show

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Safety Fast!

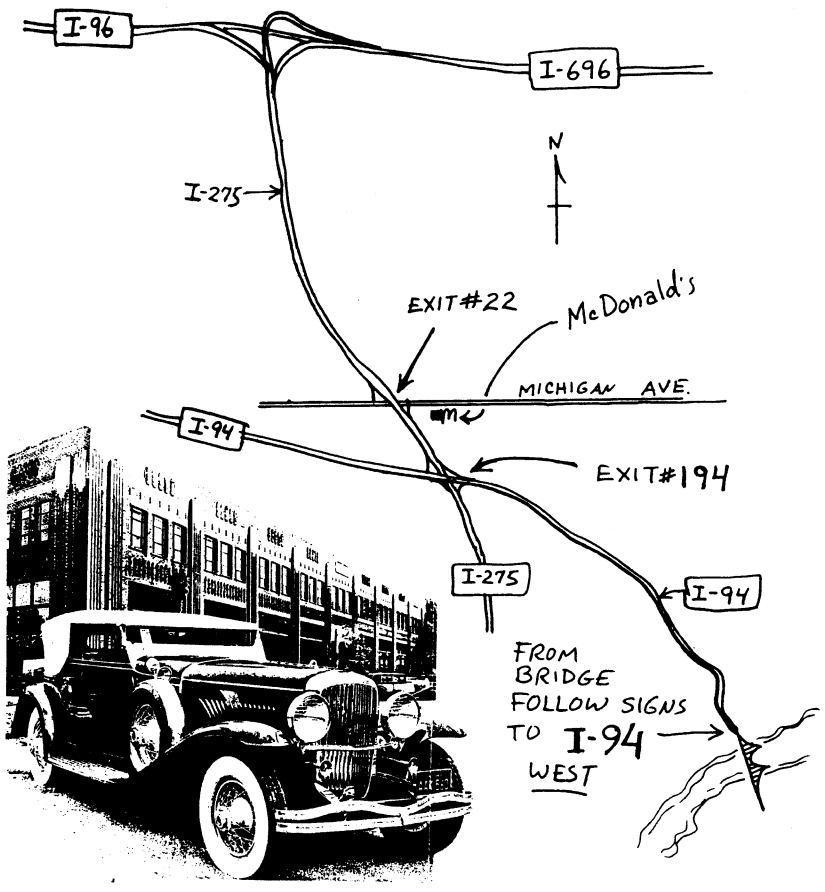
Ed Fleming, Editor

Ok you fellow car junkies out there, pay attention, I've got an event that you can overdose on. The Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Festival in Auburn, Indiana. The past few years, even I have seen cars that I'd only heard about. There is literally something for everyone. Two years ago when Otto Pope introduce me to the Kruse Auction at Auburn, I was nearly overwhelmed by the sheer number and variety of cars. My mind didn't top processing all the automotive information until 3 AM the next morning.

The Windsor-Detroit MG Club will again host a Day Trip to Auburn for this event. Here are the details:

Windsor-Detroit MG Club Day Trip to the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Festival in Auburn, Indiana

Travel down interesting two lane roads to the Mecca of classic American cars - The Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Museum and the Kruse Auction. See the original factory headquarters, the studio where Gordon Buehrig designed the coffin nose Cords, the house where E. L. Cord lived, nearly 5,000 cars (10 times the number at University Motors Summer Party) of every variety you can imagine. Time & Place: Meet at the McDonalds Restaurant at Michigan Ave, East of I-275 at 8:30 AM, Saturday, September 3rd. (see map)



Back Behind The Wheel

by Guy St. John, President

It's really nice to be back home but it's hard to believe the summer is almost over. As you know, my mother passed away in June and I spent most of the month in Texas taking care of family matters. Our kindest regards for all your kind words of sympathy, I really wish I could have joined in on all the great June events.

I would especially like to thank Frank Lucente for handling our June meeting, my wife Ann, Jim Bolinger, Dave Smith, Jai Deagan and Ed Fleming for running the Sumerfast Autocross and congratulations to Phil and Jan Wiltshire and Dick and Dorthy Bremer for another sucdessful Stratford Weekend.

Well, July continued apace with lots of MGing to do. Your board of directors had its quarterly meeting to work on the upcoming eventsschedule, by-law revisions and election preparation etc.

Our new meeting site in Windsor was quite nice (30 members and guests attending) and we look forward to suing their patio area for the September meeting, weather permitting.

The annual homecoming picnic at Tom and Pam Shipley's saw great weather with a good turn out considering it wa the heighth of the vacation season. We wish to thank Tom and Pam for hosting this event at their lovely home.

August, for most MG wones, is the most anticipated month of the year because it means it is time for the University Motor Summer Picnic. But first we have a new club event for August. On Sunday, August 14th a tour to the Dockside Resaurant in Leamington Ontario, via Fort Malden in Amherstburg and a little wine tasting at the Pelee Island Winery near Kingsville. Sounds like a great afternoon. Join us!!

If your looking for something different to do on the labor day weekend, join Ed Fleming for a back roads tour to Auburn, Indiana and the annual Auburn, Cord Duesenberg gathering and Kruse Aution, but be prepared for autobile overload.

Getting back to John Twist UM Summer Party, please make sure you drop by the club canopy for lunch and to log in your car number and check on other member's cars and categories. This year's group tee shirt picture will be at 1:00 PM or during the professional panoramic picture, whichever comes first.

Once again thanks to some generous help from Harry Mueller the club has a supply of new grill badges. These cloisonne badges, based on a design by member Tom Newton and voted for at the 1992 Hibernation Party are truly stunning and are a real bargin at $20 U.S.. So make sure to get one for your car before Twist's party. We willhave them at this month's meeting, the wine tasting tour, and at Jay's booth at the summer party.

Finally, if youcan't rember all this stuff, or loose your newsletter, or the dog eats your calendar, you can now call the club information HOT LINE 1 (810) 305-WDMG (305-9364). Simple Eh?! Now no more excuses. COME JION US and .....

I'll see you on the road.

Safety Fast!

Guy

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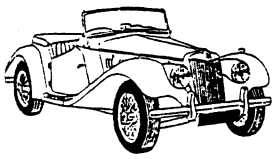

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We want to wish a **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to the following people:
by Marla Zebarah

Patrick Lucente	Aug 15	Larry Delmore	Aug 30
Mimi Sokolowski	Aug 15	David Derderian	Aug 30
Lia Bondy	Aug 16	Donn Raganiemi	Aug 30
David Burley, Jr.	Aug 16	Allison Ruch	Aug 31
Kristin Kainz	Aug 17	Allyson Hornby	Sep 1
Bill Reeves	Aug 17	Linda Lucente	Sep 1
Dave Naylor	Aug 19	David Zebarah	Sep 1
Seth Stern	Aug 19	Jaimie Bondy	Sep 2
Shannon Wiley	Aug 19	Diane Howe	Sep 2
Diane Leighton	Aug 20	Larry Kovacic	Sep 2
Nick Naylor	Aug 20	Dan Harton	Sep 5
Michelle Lustig	Aug 21	Jerry Bennett	Sep 6
Jeff Harton	Aug 22	Shannon Russell	Sep 7
Colin O'Brien	Aug 22	Heather Kosbab	Sep 9
Kathi Poupard	Aug 22	David Snyder	Sep 9
Kaitlin Savage	Aug 22	Felicia Tortola	Sep 9
John Cherwak	Aug 23	John Peralta	Sep 10
Brian Hacker	Aug 23	Basil Palombo	Sep 11
David Reed	Aug 25	Alyssa Torby	Sep 13
Chuck Wiley	Aug 25	Jennifer Kollin	Sep 14
Mary Wiley	Aug 27		

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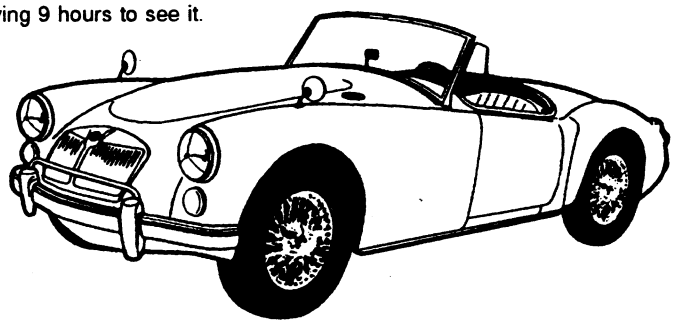
How Far Would You Go?

By Mike Derderian

It was January of 1993, spring was still months away, and the warm summer days of British car motoring only a vague memory. After completing a restoration on a 72 MGB several years ago, I was ready for another project to spend countless hours and of course countless dollars on to help occupy my time during the cold winter months. This time, it would be an MGA. After discussing the prospect with my wife Kathy, she agreed to another 2 to 3 years of late night pounding and grinding, paint fumes, etc. providing she had rights to the finished product. After agreeing to her terms, and with a few bucks stashed away, the hunt began.

The biggest lesson learned from the previous restoration was to find a car with little or no rust, an almost impossible task living in southeast Michigan. With no luck in the local newspapers and magazines, it was decided that a road trip was in order to a state with a milder climate. My brother Steve, the computer whiz in the family, ran an inquiry on the Comp-U-Serve bulletin board, which to my surprise had quite a few responses, but nothing found. Searching Hemmings Motor News, an ad promised a solid, rust free 1500 roadster in North Carolina, but it turned out to be misrepresented after driving 9 hours to see it.



By the end of May, spring was in the air, and still no luck in finding the "right" car. While browsing a Dallas newspaper at a local bookstore one day, I found GHNL69477. According to the ad, it was a black 1960 MGA 1600 roadster, tatty red interior, with a solid body and good running condition. Upon calling the owner, I found that the car had been in the southwest United States most of its life and was currently in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Upon receiving several pictures of the car and several phone calls later, we struck a deal. With only a weekend available for travel, the most economical way to look at the car and get it back to Michigan was to fly to Tulsa and drive it back. Steve, who is not the British car nut I am, reluctantly agreed to ride shot-gun. Little did he know what we were getting into.

By the end of June, we had plane tickets in hand and were headed to Tulsa for a 1000 mile return trip back to Michigan. John, the current owner, met us at the airport, and drove us to his home where we spent several hours going over the car. Fortunately, John was quite honest in his description of the car, although we did discover a blown muffler. We did however, feel confident we would make it back to Michigan without incident. Brakes and tires were good, engine compression and cooling in running order.

Once the transaction was completed, we headed east on I-44 for our 20 hour return trip. The sun was shining, the top down, our latest acquisition running like a well oiled machine, our spirits high, we motored down the highway hoping to arrive in Effingham Illinois by nightfall. After an hour or so on the road, the glamour and excitement of our adventure soon dwindled. The noise from the exhaust was so loud, conversation was near impossible, as well as listening to the radio. Our pride and joy had no carpeting, and someone had cut a hole in the tunnel to access the transmission bolt, allowing engine fumes and hot air into the cockpit - burning our legs! Only by strategically holding an oily towel over the hole did we make it bearable. Someone had also cut speaker holes in the footwell panels behind the front fenders, which allowed dirt and road noise to blow into the car.

Three hours into our trip, the afternoon sun was now blazing down on us, turning our skin beet red. Since it was too hot and noisy to erect the top, we opted to drive with our jackets on-not a very comfortable situation in near 90 degree (32 degree C) heat. As we drove on toward the Oklahoma border, the car unexpectedly quit running. After coasting to the side of the road, we checked all the obvious possibilities, and found a battery terminal loose. A few quick turns of the wrench and a push start, and we were on the road again. A few miles farther, our newly acquired "classic" was on the side of the highway again, this time no clue to what the problem could be. After waiting a few minutes, she would start up again, and run fine for a few more miles. This would continue on and off for several hours, until we concluded it was the fuel pump. With nightfall fast approaching, we found an auto parts store, where we purchased a generic fuel pump to use as a back-up. As we stalled for what seemed like the 100th time, we began to take out the tools to install the new fuel pump, when, by a stoke of luck, Steve discovered the ignition switch to be faulty, which was causing the fuel pump to cut out. By turning the key on and off several times, we were able to restart the car almost immediately. With this problem solved, we stopped for a quick dinner, made motel reservations a few hours down the road, and continued driving into the night. As we motored somewhere east of St Louis in the middle of "corn country", the headlamps suddenly stopped working! Getting off at the next exit, we pulled into a gas station and found the problem to be dirty contacts on the lamp switch, which we proceeded to repair. Now near midnight, and several hours behind schedule, we checked into our hotel, smelling of exhaust fumes, bug in our hair and covered with grease for a much needed nightcap and some sleep.

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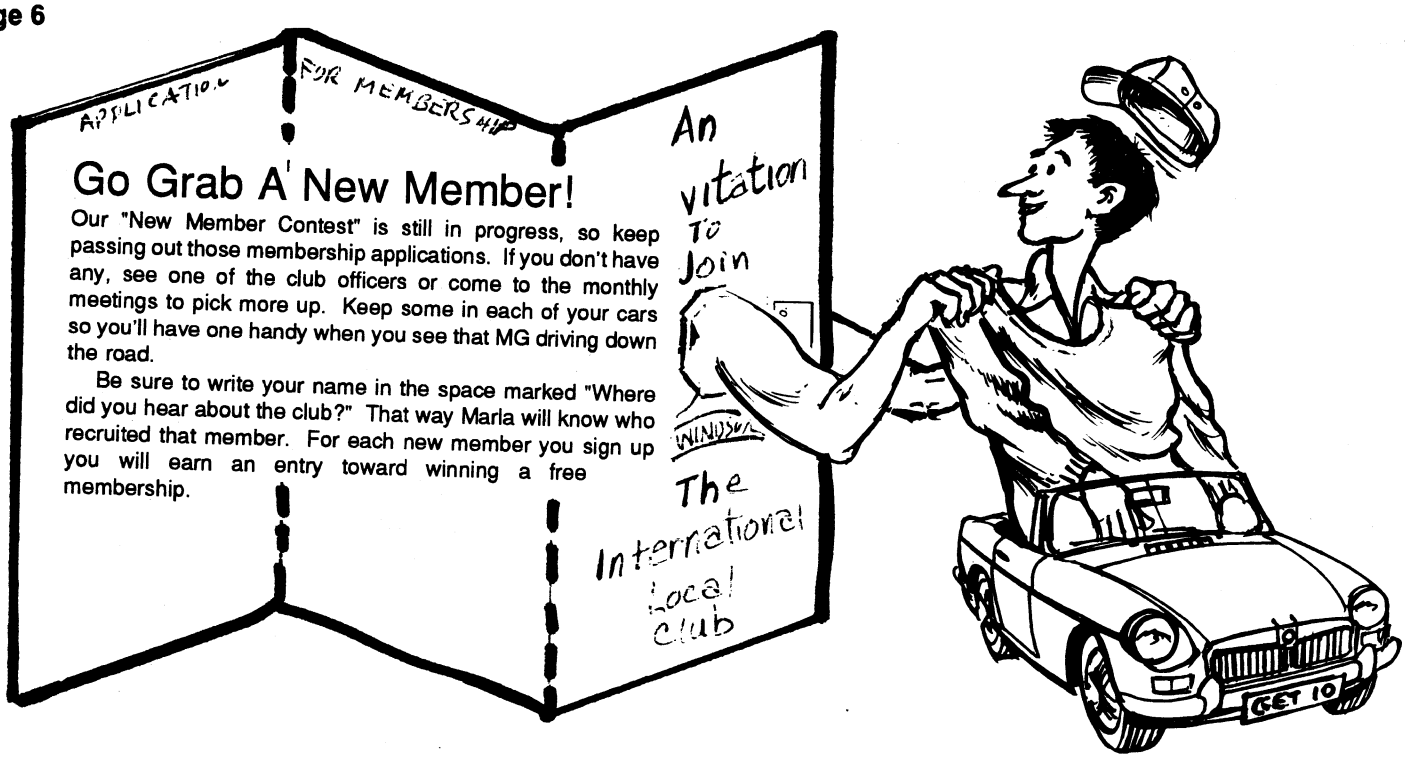

Go Grab A New Member!

Our "New Member Contest" is still in progress, so keep passing out those membership applications. If you don't have any, see one of the club officers or come to the monthly meetings to pick more up. Keep some in each of your cars so you'll have one handy when you see that MG driving down the road.

Be sure to write your name in the space marked "Where did you hear about the club?" That way Marla will know who recruited that member. For each new member you sign up you will earn an entry toward winning a free membership.

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Must Be a Modern Midget (1961 - 1979)!

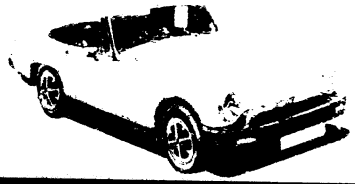
by Otto Pope

With so many new Mg Midget owners joining the Windsor-Detroit MG Club I thought this would be a good time to try to explain to all of the "B" owners why we are so crazy about our little sports cars.

In the late 1920, Cecil Kimber wanted to build a sports car that every one could afford. In his words, he wanted it to be "cheap and cheerful". The MG Midget line started with the M Type and ended in 1955 with the TF. The TC and TD Midgets established the MG name and the British Sports Car tradition in North America. The early Midgets were replaced with the MGA, MGB. and MGC. Kind of depressing isn't it?

Kimber's idea of a low priced sports car was deep rooted at Abingdon. The modern Midget was introduced in 1961. It was an Austin Healey Sprite with MG emblems, but outsold the Sprite by almost 2 to 1. All Sprites and Midgets were manufactured at Abingdon so they are all genuine MG's.

The point I would like to make is that MG Midgets are a first rate "drivers sports car". When my wife and I travel together we take our MGB. When I go driving alone, I take my 1971 Midget. MG Midgets handle extremely well. They are low priced, easy to maintain, and offer a tremendous value for someone looking for a "cheap and cheerful" sports car. They fully meet Cecil Kimber's definition of a true sports car. "A sports car, to be worthy of the name, must be intensely road worthy, giving the sense of security and controllability at high speeds, around curves and corners, that is not possessed by the ordinary motor car. Above all they should be responsive and a pleasure to drive." Sounds like he was talking about an MG Midget to me.



How Far Would You Go? (from page 5)

The next morning we were ready for the last leg of our trip home. The battery by now was quite gone, never really being up to par from when we left Tulsa, so the remainder of the trip required one of us to push start the car after every stop. After a hearty breakfast, we embarked down the highway without incident for several hours, until we noticed the oil gauge showing barely any pressure. We quickly pulled over, only to find oil running down the side of the block! Fortunately for us it was a slow lead, and with rain clouds threatening, we decided to buy a case of oil, and add a couple of quarts every hundred miles instead of trying to fix the problem.

About 30 east of Fort Wayne, the rain clouds let loose. Stopping under a viaduct, we unrolled the top for the first time, only to find it resembled Swiss cheese. After spending 20 minutes erecting the top, we headed out again, water pouring in from the hacked out speaker holes lack of side curtains and the top.

As we arrived home, we pulled in the driveway with our family eagerly awaiting our arrival. Their first reaction was "you drove 1000 miles for that?! You have to be crazy!"

After driving our new MGA for the remainder of the summer, she is now resting comfortably in the corner of the garage, while I laboriously work on her restoration. With all the headaches and aggravation endured (and still to come), I ask myself "Would I do it again?" The answer is always the same - **in a minute!**

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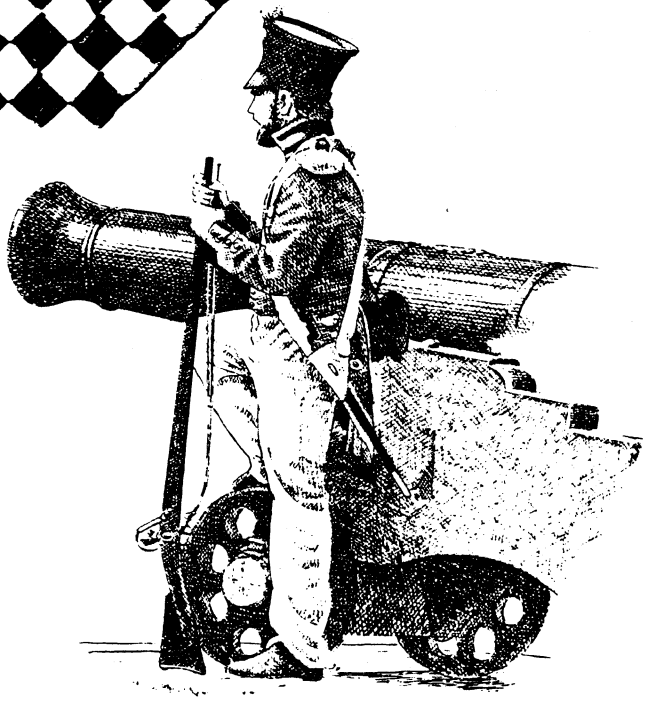
After a bit of history, we'll head to the Pelee Island Winery in Kingsville, to taste their wines, including an ice wine, produced from frozen grapes.

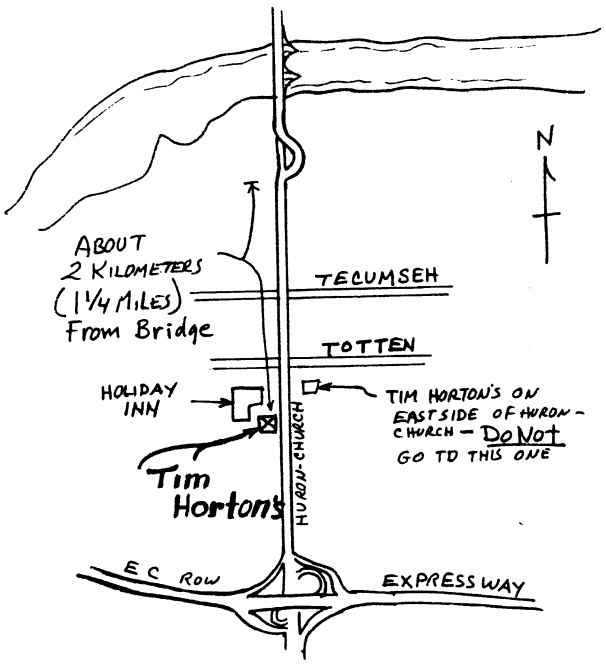
Then we'll drive down to Lake Erie to the Dockside Restaurant on Lake Erie near Leamington, for dinner around 4PM.

Start Time: 10 AM, Sunday August 14th

Place Tim Horton's Donut Shop,Huron Church Rd., Windsor - see map.

Other Times: Wine Tour at 2 PM, Dinner around 4 ish.





Board Minutes, July 11, 1994

Not Quite As Exciting As Light Years But More Useful

The meeting was held at the home of Betty & Roli Sylvestre. In attendance were Roli Sylvestre, Jay Kollin, Marla Zebarah, Chuck Wiley, Guy St. John, Ann St. John and Gary Howe.

Membership Report: Current membership is 155.

Treasurer's Report: $2,200 currently in checking account, not deducting checks written by Ed for his newsletter supplies. MGCC membership is automatic since WDMGC is an affiliate. Marla will write a letter to the MGOC regarding our membership.

BSCC Report: Picnic and Day at Waterford events are still on. That's it.

Regalia Report: Hats and shirts are on order from the regular supplier. Decals project will be rejuvenated and completed forthwith. Tom Newton has artwork. A suggestion was made by Roli to order key fobs with club logos. Jay will check vendors and report back with his results. The old club logo with a white background with two colors was recommended as the design of choice.

The embroidery vender still refuses to respond to phone messages. Jay will write him a letter to let him know that his obligation to complete his order hasn't been forgotten.

Jay will not purchase any more Christmas tree decorations as interest has substantially diminished.

By-Law Committee: No progress, Committee members have not met to discuss by-law revisions. Voting procedure should be established tonight to facilitate the next elections and accommodate those members who will not attend the Hibernation Party.

The following procedure was decided upon by the Board and will be recommended to the membership on Wednesday (at regular monthly meeting):

> Card carrying members have voting privileges, that is renewed members, travel companions of renewed members and children of renewed members who have their own cars and are licensed by the State or Provence to operate a vehicle. Each such person has his /her own separate voting privilege.
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> Ballots will be mailed through first class mail to the address of record for each such person with voting privileges. If voting members are unable to attend the Hibernation Party and wish to vote, the ballot must be received by Ed Fleming no later than 14 days prior to the Party or it will not be counted in the election results. Results will be determined at the Hibernation Party.
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> Ed Fleming will deliver all mailed-in sealed ballots to the ballot counting committee on the evening of the Party.
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> Write-ins will be permitted on absentee ballots.

July Events: Picnic at Shipley's. Pam Shipley will purchase hot dogs and pop and will be reimbursed by the club. Everything else is BYO. The canopy and club banner need to be located. Marla will prepare games for the kids with prizes. Door prizes are exhausted. The club will buy oils, spark plugs etc. to give away.

August Events; A club drive in Canada to a restaurant for dinner was suggested. Ideas for driving routes and restaurants will be accepted at the Wednesday monthly club meeting.

September Events: Guy volunteered to do the Lucas night ralley. Phil Wiltshire volunteered to do another overnight event - this time to Niagara on the Lake.

Open discussion items were: The purchase of an answering machine so that a club hot line can be established. The cost will be $80 to set up the line not including the cost of the answering machine. Unanimous approval was given.

The position of "Mark" coordinator was recommended. Each MG Mark would have a club coordinator. These individuals would be responsible for answering technical questions regarding their Mark, informing club members of Mark events etc. An invitation to participate will be extended in the next newsletter.

The Board of Directors has suggested that out of courtesy to the non-smoking members of the club, smoking members should please refrain from smoking in the gathering area. If smoking is a must please remove yourselves from the gathering area to do so. Several members have complained about the heavy smoke filling the air.

The Menu was decided for the Hibernation Party which will take place at the Knight of Columbus in Lincoln Park. Dinner will include: Chicken, Roast Beef, Sausage, Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans with Mushrooms, Apple & Cherry Strudel. We aren't clear yet on whether or not Mostaccioli is also served with the dinner.

Next Board Meeting will be October 1, 1994.

Meeting wa adjourned at 10:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted for approval by
Ann St. John, Secretary, Windsor-Detroit MG Club

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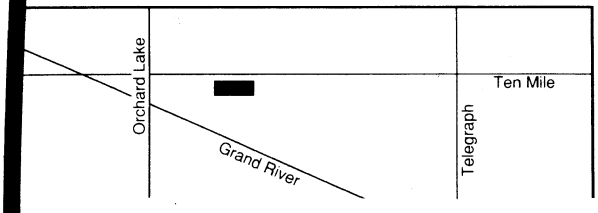

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Newbies, A's and TD's

We would like to welcome the following new members to our club:
By Marla Zebarah

Tina and **Tony Carone** live in Northville with their daughter, **Lindsey Goldfine.** They own a 1976 Orange MGB. Tina is a Travel Agent. They found out about our club through **Guy St. John** and **Annette Wooton**.

Bruce and **Karen Kurth** live in Milford with their sons **Kevin**, **David** and **Jeff**. They own a 1953 BRG MGTD and a 1970 BRG MGB. Bruce is an Electrician. They found out about our club through **Brett Altman**.

Bob and **JoAnn Marcum** live in Lakeland. They are in the market for an MG. Bob is retired.

Dennis Mefferd lives in Inkster. He owns a 1970 Red MGB. Dennis is a prototype builder. He found out about us through **Frog Foreign Auto**.

Ralph and **Kathi Poupard** live in Essex with their daughters **Jennifer**, **Nicole** and **Elise**. They own a 1957 MGA, which is being restored, and a 1973 Dark Red MGB. Ralph is a Production Supervisor. They found out about our club through the **British Car Council of Ontario**.

Fred and **Charlotte Raymond** live in Troy. They own a 1975 Tahiti Blue MGB. Fred is in Corporate Real Estate. They found out about us through **Chuck Wiley**.

Jim and **Deborah Stockbridge** live in Farmington Hills with their child, **Chris**. They own a 1970 Red MGB-GT. Jim is a Technical Supervisor. They found out about our club at **Michigan Imported**.

Hope you enjoy being a part of our club!

As of the day I'm writing this to give it to Ed (), we have 149 member families for 1994.

University Motors Summer Party
August 18-21

This is the big-must attend-don't miss-MG Event of the Summer. See over 500 MGs in one place, Find those hard to find parts in the large vender area. Meet other MG enthusiast form around the country (and world).

The Windsor Detroit Club will have our canopy (members will be able to get out of the sun-or rain). We'll also have hot dogs and pop for members.

We'll also have a sign up sheet with member's car numbers, so you won't forget whose car to vote for.

Members should stop by the canopy early and mark your car number and class on the board.

Jay will also have club regalia, including the new grill badges at his table in the vender area.

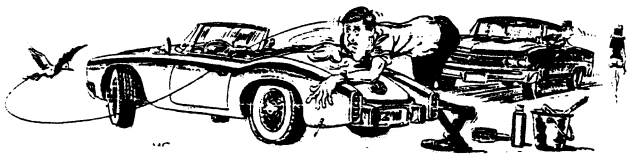
English Car Day, On The Green

by Otto Pope

Bentley, Jaguar, Morgan, Big Healey, Bug Eye Sprite, Jenson, TVR, Sumbeam, Mini, Stag, Triumph, and of course MG. Must be Sunday, July 17th at English Car Day at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. The event is sponsored by the Triumph Club but has classes for all British cars.

Although the turn out was smaller than last year, a noticeable absence of the Rolls Royce Club and the Michigan Chapter of The New England 'T' Register, both attending other events, the show gave us a good look at some very high quality British cars. Ther were many new restorations and cars that have not been shown before. I spent more time looking at cars than talking to people. The Club members, and cars, I did see were **Mike & Kathy Derderian (MGB), Herb & Tina Jensen (MGB), Dan & Beth Kirby (Midget), Bud Miller (Mini), Ray & Fran Lewis (MGC-GT), Tom & Tommy Shipley (MGA). Tom's T&W Auto Body restored about half of the winning cars at the show!**

The down side of attending a show like this is seeing and falling in love with a Catherhan (Lotus Super Seven) and trying to figure out how to pay for one and my daughter's wedding at the same time. The great variety of British cars and Greenfield Village blend to create a terrific show in a lovely location. Plan to attend next year.



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MG-
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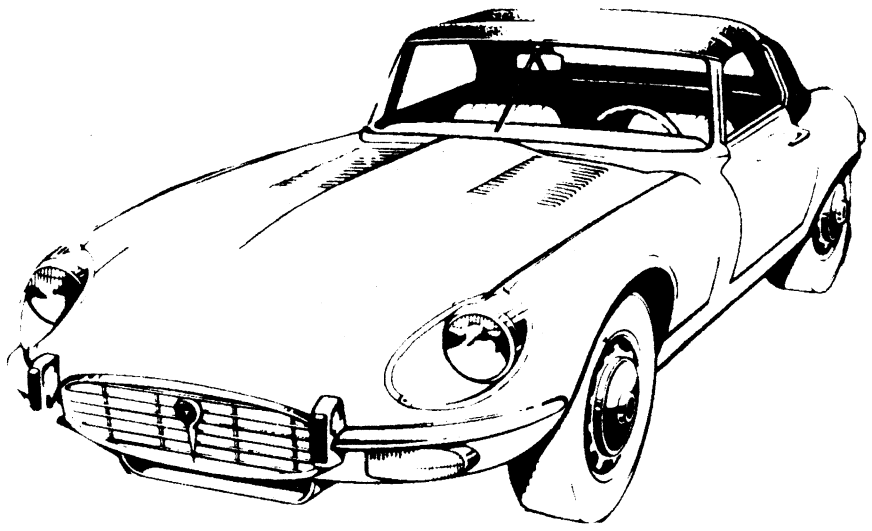

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Calendar of Events

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AUGUST

Aug 7 BSCC Meadowbrook Fun Run
Aug 10 Monthly Meeting-Dearborn
Aug 14 August Fun Run to Point Pelee-Windsor
Aug 12-14 MGC Convention, Burlington ONT
Aug 13-15 Roadster Factory Summer Party-Armagh, Penn.
Aug 19-21 University Motors Summer Party-Grand Rapids
Aug 27-28 Willistead Classic & Antique Car Show-Windsor

SEPTEMBER

Sep 3 Trip to Auburn IN for the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Meet
Sep 8-11 40th Annivers. Collier Cup MG Races, Watkins Glen, NY
Sep 11 Battle of the Brits-Freedom Hill Park, Sterling Heights
Sep 14 Monthly Meeting-Windsor
Sep 17 Lucas Night Ralleye
Sep 18 English Day at the Races-Waterford Hills Race Track
Sep 18 British Car Day Burlington ONT
Sep 23-25 Rally of the Small Pines-Southern Ontario

OCTOBER

Oct 1 Board of Directors Meeting. Members are welccome-call Guy St. John for time and place, (810) 349-3649.
Oct 2 BSCC Car Show or Colour Tour
Oct 12 Monthly Meeting-Dearborn
Oct ?? Fall Colour Tour??
Oct 13-16 SCCA National "Runoffs" Mid Ohio Raceway
Oct 23 British Autojumble-Toronto ONT

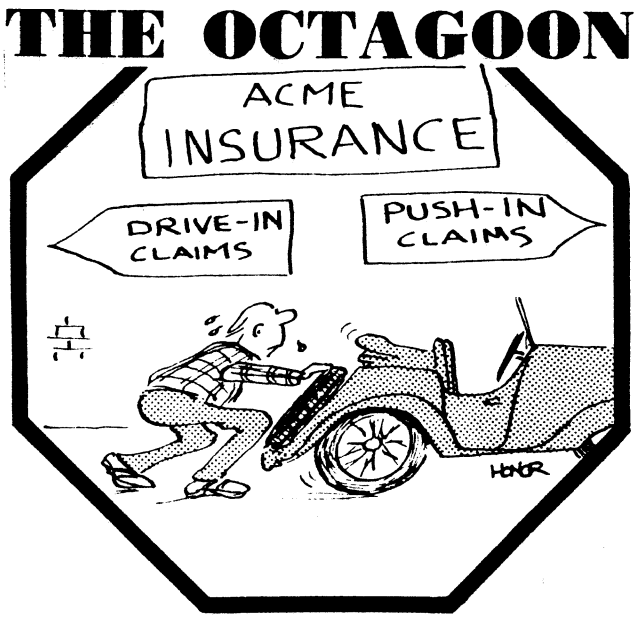
NOVEMBER

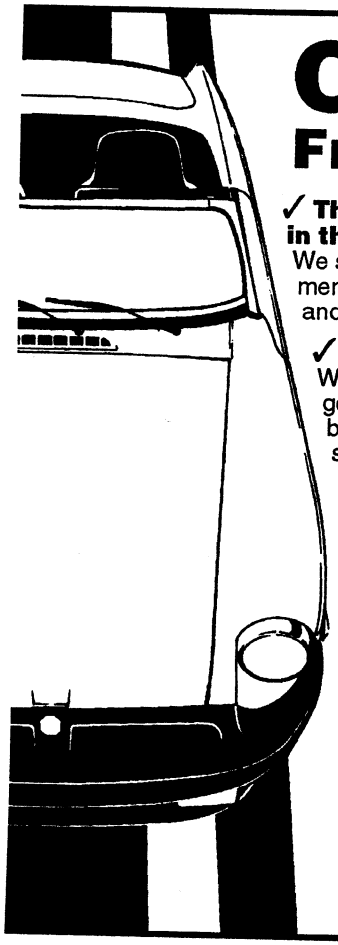
Nov 9 Monthly Meeting-Windsor
Nov 19 Hibernation Party-US Side

DECEMBER

Dec 14 Monthly Meeting-Dearborn

The Windsor-Detroit MG Club meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7 PM. Even Months at the La Trattoria Restaurant at 13736 Michigan Ave, west of Schaefer in Dearborn. Odd months at the Embers Restaurant at the corner of Howard and Highway 3 in Windsor.





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