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Impromptu Drive to Oil Museum in Oil Springs and Lunch in Petrolia

(See comments in Editor's Column, Page 2)

By Dale Brown

The Museum in Oil Springs (ON)

Library (former train station) in Petrolia

Our cars lined up in front of 100+ year old hardware store in Petrolia

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Can Am Newsletter Editor, Dale Brown

We've had so many great events in the past month that I decided to utilize a lot of this edition's space to highlight those events with lots of photos. Hope you enjoy.

On another note, I was able to partake in a couple of off the cuff MG drives that came up just from some of us having lunch and saying "Let's go for a drive on Wednesday". It's as simple as that. Isn't that why we have our cars, to get out and drive? (I put in some pictures of an impromptu drive we took to an Oil Museum up near Sarnia, the first oil well in North America) So if you're talking to some folks who want to go for a ride, say yes and just do it.

Sometimes those quick ideas for a drive in our cars turn into nice afternoons. Since we have a really good Facebook page, if you hear of some folks going for a drive, post an invitation on our page and see if others show up too. What have you got to lose?

Happy driving!

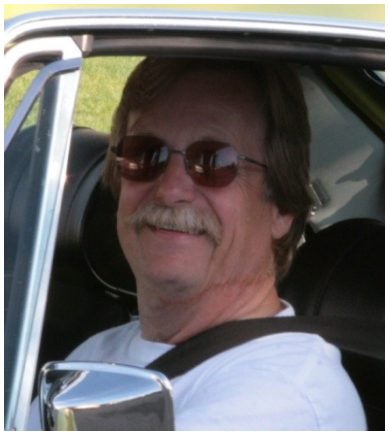
Little British Festival in Sandwhich

photos by Dale Brown & others

Presidentially speaking

I'm back! I was unable to write this article last month. It seems I had a bit of a post-surgical complication after what was to be a simple outpatient procedure. That landed me in the hospital for a week. While not the fault of the doctors or hospital, I was still a pretty sick puppy *(NG tubes are not fun)*. My thanks to Heide, Dale and the Newsletter editorial group for covering me. We have a good team.

Steve Finch - Club President



It was an eventful May as you will see in this edition. I missed the Windsor Little British Festival on Sandwich St. Dang, I was looking forward to that. Everybody missed the Beatles Magical History Tour exhibit at The Henry Ford. Donna and I, Heide and Jack enjoyed it. It was a great exhibit that runs through September 18.

WDMGC hosted The Fourth Annual Spring British Car Gathering and Picnic at Camp Dearborn on Sunday May 22 with 70 cars attending. It was a perfect day to share our passion with fellow British car owners and clubs, and to get to know one another. This has become a great informal event and we will do it again next year.

It looks like a number of folks enjoyed the Sip Into Summer Wine Tour drive. My thanks to the organizers.

This month is the MG2016 All MG Registers Meet is in Louisville June 13-17. Every five years all the MG Registers come together for a joint convention. And the Stratford Festival Tour is June 17-19. My thanks to Philip for again organizing the Stratford Tour.

July looks to be a full calendar with the Mad Dogs show at the Gilmore on Sunday July 10, the WDMGC sponsored All British Car Show at Heritage Village in Essex on Sunday July 17 and the Summer Sunday Drive with the Morgan Owners Club on Sunday July 24. We hope to see a great turnout of WDMGC members at the ABC Show.

Then there is the big vintage racing weekend at Waterford Hills on July 30-31. The Waterford Hills Vintage Race is the designated MG Vintage Racers Midwest Focus Event for 2016 and will include an All MG Feature Race. The Bob Owens Sports & Imports Racing team will be in the pits and on the track. My brother and I are again crewing for Bob. If you get to the races, stop by and say hi.

Also that weekend on Sunday is the Concours d'Elegance of America at St. Johns in Plymouth on July 31. I understand that they still need volunteers to serve as Ringmasters. If you are interested please contact me and I can get you connected with the right people. It is a long day, but not hard work, and the credentials give you great access up close and personal with the cars and the owners.

This is shaping up to be a great driving season for our cars and our Club. Come and join the fun.

I hope you join us at meetings, events, and for drives in our MGs this spring.

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Safety MG Fast!

Steve

Convoy to Mad Dogs , July 10, 2016

by Matt Bade

Please meet at the usual Meijer parking lot, at the north end, at 8 Mile Rd. and Haggerty beginning at 6:30-6:45 am. Please remember to allow some extra time if you usually take SB I-275 to get to the Meijer parking lot as it is currently closed.

We will depart at 7 am. I will be providing maps and collecting cell phone numbers in case of a breakdown or other emergency.

We will then head west and meet the 2nd contingent of our group around 7:30 am. If you live on the west side of town, the 2nd meeting place will be at the McDonald's at the intersection of 9 Mile Rd (M-36) and US 23. There are 2 gas stations at this location if you need to fill up before we head out.

We will leave at 7:45 am and take a scenic, two lane, freeway-free trip across the state to the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, MI. The trip usually takes about 2 ½ to 3 hours and includes a BRIEF stop in Leslie to stretch our legs, use the facilities, etc. We should arrive at the car show around 10:45 to 11 am.

After the awards are announced around 3:30 pm., I'll lead the group back east again.

I can be reached at home at 248-683-1210; at my office at 734-855-4400, or by email at mgbade@core.com

Please contact me in some manner if you plan on going so that I can print enough maps and that I can look for you if you're running late at our departure locations.

(editor's note: Click on Mad Dogs above or here to get to website)

Spring British Car Gathering and Picnic at Camp Dearborn

photos by John Magee and Heide Otto

May Club Meeting at the River's Edge

photos by Dale Brown

Sip Into Summer At Epic Wineries

photos by J.P. McGraw,Dale Brown & others

A fun time was had by all.

London Car Show

Photos by J.P. McGraw and Marty Hunt

Welcome!

To our Newest Members

Janet Sorensen, Newport MI who has a 1953 MGTD and a 1976 MGB

Perry Burford, Oldcastle, ON who has a 1980 MGB

Congratulations!

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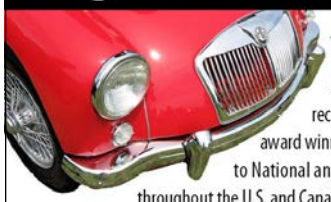

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Club Calendar

WDMGC event.
To be sure you are up-to-date with all events, times and meeting places, visit www.WDMGC.com

June 2016	
Sun. June 5	British Return to Fort Meigs. Perrysburg, Ohio.
Wed. June 8	WDMGC Club Meeting. Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills, MI
Mon June 13-Fri June 17	NAMGBR MG2016 - Maintaining the Breed
Fri June 17-Sun June 19	Stratford Festival Tour 2016
Sun. June 26	Michiana Brits British Car Show

July 2016	
Sun. July 10	Mad Dogs & Englishmen's British Auto Faire, Gilmore Car Museum See details for Club Convoy on page 4
Wed. July 13	**Monthly meeting River's Edge Windsor, Ontario**
Sun July 17	2016 All British Car Show, Canadian Transportation Museum & Heritage Village
Sun July 24	Summer Sunday Drive - Morgan Owners Club
Mon July 25	Border City Mini Club - British Cruise Night 2016
Sat –Sun July 30-31	Waterford Hills Vintage Race 2016
Sun July 31	Concours d'Elegance of America at St. John's

June Meeting at The Brass Pointe

The April club meeting will be Wednesday June 8 at The Brass Pointe in Farmington Hills, Michigan. The meeting starts at around 7:30 pm but join us earlier if you plan on having dinner. Most people start arriving at around 6:00 pm.

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1969 MGC-GT, BRG; overdrive; mini-lites; red leather seats & door skins on front seats; original black cloth up-holstery on shelf seat. Car was purchased in California in 1989 & restoration completed 1990. Body and paint in good condition after 24 years of driving & enjoying it. 73,600 (173,600) on odometer. Repair records available. Asking $14,000. Call Fran at 248-681-8420 or, email govlewis@hotmail to view.

1978 MGB Roadster. Good clean condition, needs some tender loving care. No rust, red (recent paint). Road style wheels, luggage rack. Recent engine rebuild with dual SU carbs. Car is located at Commerce Lake. Asking $4500 OBO. Can e-mail photos Call Jim at 248-705-8585.
New MGB camshaft and other MG and Triumph parts. Andy Noestheden 519-980-1946

1962 MGA 1600 MkII for Sale DTSC member Jim Kozlowicz has decided it is time to reluctantly part with his very nice 1962 MGA. It is a very late build car and has been completely restored. The car is painted Porsche Cherry Red and has tan soft top and tan leather interior and panels. Side curtains and all body panels are in good order. The car has 71,000 miles, and underneath inspec-tions are welcomed. He is asking $33,000. If you are in-terested, please contact Jim for further information , or to look at the MGA. Jim is not online! Jim Kozlowicz: 248-546-5076 2018 Mortenson Blvd.Berkley, MI 48072

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1953 TD The body is stock, with aftermarket wire wheels, repro bumpers. Color is Jaguar BRG. It is powered by a 1.8L 'B' engine. This beauty has a custom interior, includ-ing custom bucket seats and dash.
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1974 MG Midget. BRG. Purchased in 2002. Had been stored 10 years prior. All work done by English Motors until their closing. 33, 000 miles on odometer. New sound system and lock out switch installed. Driven during sum-mer only, approximately100 miles. Body in good condi-tion and tires are new. Asking $7000.00. bethmcclure1947@gmail.com.

1973 MG Midget parts "free to a good home": two rear springs (rusty); wind shield frame (includes glass which has delaminated); passenger side door (incomplete; quar-ter window missing). Any one interested can e-mail at : vdhoven@uwindsor.ca
and photos call, Mark and Elaine at 248-255-2798

Several MGB vent windows, MGB trunk lid. Make an offer or could give free for some items. Dale at 519-258-5987 or dbrownmg @mnsi.net

New Ad **MGB** engine and gearbox.- As is. Production date stamp is May 6, 1968. Condition unknown but not seized. $1000 or best offer. 519-969-8910

Wanted

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Car of the Month 1978 MGB - June 2016

A nice photo of Club Vice President's MG taken while in Canada in front of the Detroit River.