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The Windsor-Detroit MG Club
The International Local Club

This month I have lots of content, so I will make my remarks short. It's great to have our cars out again and there is going to be lots of opportunities to get together and drive. Make sure you check out our Facebook Page periodically in case one of our members organizes a "pop up" drive. Also, if you have any questions or comments, send your letters to editor@wdmgc.com.

Can Am Newsletter Editor, Dale Brown

Photos from April Club Meeting at The Brass Pointe

Photos by Chris Gurnee

Presidentially speaking

Vicki Bade - Club President

The driving season started with the Kimber Run on April 8th and what a way to begin. We had a slightly cool but bright and beautiful spring day with blue skies for the whole ride.

It was a great turnout with over 15 or so cars in attendance for our caravan. Andy and Joanne from the Rowdies joined us riding top down in their MGA-they were the only ones brave enough in our group to do so. We also had a TD in the mix that I was told could get up to 90mph if asked nicely. We had a nice looking right hand drive Mini Cooper join us for part of the way-hopefully a new member in the making.

The winding back roads Steve Finch took us on were some of the smoothest we have enjoyed and except for a little spacing in the first part of the trip after a pit stop, we all stayed together nicely the rest of the way. It was a fine sight to see. I always get a kick out of the looks on the kid's faces when we all go by.

We had a wonderful ride and a really nice lunch-kudos to Steve for a great route and big thanks to all of the other groups who participated and those that did the organizing. I heard there was a count of 23 MGs in the parking lot and that it was perhaps the best attended Kimber Run anyone could remember. Thanks to Marcia for the delicious cake-I can see why everyone looks forward to it every year, it is positively addictive!

With winter firmly in the rear view mirror I have finally taken off the winter tires and needing new summer tires I put a set of new Bridgestone run flats on the Mini Cooper. I am looking forward to testing them out soon-maybe we will take my car on the next road trip for some spirited driving. Thank you to Doug Butcher for his help and information.

This month will see our annual Spring Gathering at Camp Dearborn on the 21st and I can't wait to see what kind of turnout we get this year. Keep your fingers crossed for good weather and come out and join us for a nice car appreciation day.

Enjoy the nice spring weather minus the rain drops and see you for the May meeting in Canada.

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Vicki

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Saturday, May 27th at 10:00 am

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Join this tour with other Windsor-Detroiters to see if The Village Workshop can help you.

We need an estimate of attendees. Please email or call Gene Johnson if you plan attending and if you would be interested in joining the group for a lunch afterward.
gene.joan@yahoo.com 734- 612-7799

Diane Zielinski

We were saddened to learn of the recent passing of Diane Zielinski.

Jim and Diane joined the club way back in 1994.

We send our sincerest condolences to our friend Jim and family.

Pit Stop along the Kimber Run.

Can-Am Connection Golden Oldies

Not Available in Stores! The Can-Am connection has been produced in digital form since 2002 and all those 150 odd copies are still available for you to download from the club website at www.wdmgc.com. If you have the time to pore though them all you'll certainly find some gems that would make all that effort worthwhile. But you don't have to! For just 2 easy payments of $0.00, with our money back guarantee, we've done all that hard work for you!

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The History Collection Go back in time as members relate stories of MGs of the past, the people who designed them, what they cost and much, much more.

Whimsical Moments Recall all the things that made you smile, like the recipes for British meals, a quiz and some just plain silly things.

The Stories Read about journeys made, cars that escaped, cars that didn't and other adventures that will keep you riveted to your computer.

Technical Tales While away an evening browsing through the romance of valve seals, engine oil, PCVs and sulfating batteries.

All this can be yours by clicking or typing this link: www.wdmgc.com/archive.

But wait! There's more! Come back and over time we'll add some scanned articles from even earlier editions. Free!

THE TWISTY BITS TOUR

Saturday, August 26th 2017

We start at 10.00 am at Meijer's parking lot on the Ann Arbor-Saline Road, just south east of I94 at the exit #175.

We will drive about 50 miles around some nicely curved roads. All roads are paved, although some might be classed in the "uneven pavement" category. We will drive through much of the German-settled area of southeast Michigan, plus see some small lakes and two small towns typical of the area.

We will stop at the historic and restored 1835 Sharon Mill and participate in a picnic lunch. So either bring your wicker hamper from home or purchase something just prior to leaving the Meijer's lot. Last time many MG's had their wicker picnic hampers tied to their boot racks and we enjoyed a splendid hour sitting on the grass at the mill.

Then we will continue through the countryside for another 50 miles, ending up back at the Meijer's lot.

The tour distance is 101 miles and we should finish around 3 pm, so we can all get home before the Lucas bewitching hours of darkness.

Please call Philip Wiltshire at 574 202 8919, or
e-mail me at: pwiltshire@lci1.com with any questions to let me know that you intend to drive along with us.

We last ran this event in 2010; I hope we see you at the event again!

Lake Erie British Car Club

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On Saturday, June 17th. from 10:00 am till 4:00 pm, this first Annual British Car Show will take place on the Shores of Georgian Bay (part of Lake Huron) in the beautiful town of Bayfield at the Ashwood Inn. (There's lots of shopping and restaurants in the town too!). We have been invited to take part either staying over at the Inn or simply driving up for the day. Philip Wiltshire intends to bring the group by there for the show on the way to our Annual Trip to Stratford. Philip will be providing details for those travelling to Stratford as the date gets closer.

For those coming on your own or by Convoy from the Michigan side, it's not far up the coast line from the Port Huron/Sarnia border by way of the Blue Water Bridge. From the Windsor Essex area it's about a two and a half to three hour drive down nice two lane highways.

As the time gets closer, keep an eye on our Facebook Page for other members who might wish to organize a convoy together. Let's all try and support any new British Car events when they are in our area.

Click our Facebook Page link above, Brits in Bayfield link above for more details and this The Ashwood Inn link for hotel details.

Sunday, May 21, 2017, 11am – 4pm

Camp Dearborn

1700 General Motors Road, Milford, MI 48380

The Windsor-Detroit MG Club is proud to sponsor the fifth annual Spring British Car Gathering & Picnic at Camp Dearborn in Milford, MI.

No registration, no formal car show or class parking, and no awards; just an opportunity to share our passion with fellow British car owners and clubs, and to get to know one another.

We have reserved a large, well shaded area that is to the right just inside the entrance, behind and down the hill from the office (the "Pony" area A1 on the website map, it is not the BOTB area). Cars will be parked on pavement so not to worry about wet or soft ground. We have use of a picnic shelter and nearby restrooms.

A large grill will be fired-up for anyone to use. BYO picnic, something to throw on the grill, beverages, etc.

The park entrance fee is $7.00 per car.

BOOT SALE

Have some spare parts, tools, etc. that are cluttering your garage? Bring them along and offer them for sale from the boot of your car. We are not looking to host a full blown swap meet, so please no trailers full of stuff. Whatever you can get in your car or bring pictures of larger items that you want to sell.

For more information contact us at Board@WDMGC.com
or contact Steve Finch at (248)343-1614
The Camp Dearborn Web Site is www.campdearborn.com

"Guys and Dolls"

Friday / Saturday / Sunday June 16th, 17th & 18th 2017

Friday June 16th - We will be traveling to Stratford leaving the Detroit area mid-morning.
A second convoy can be arranged, leaving on the Saturday morning from the M59 and I94 area and arriving at St Mary's early afternoon. It's your choice, as we often have 2 convoys heading for Stratford that weekend. It depends on your plans!!

Saturday June 17th – "Guys and Dolls"- 8.00 pm performance at the Festival Theatre.

Guys and Dolls

The musical premiered Broadway at the 46th Street Theater on November 24, 1950. It won numerous Tony awards in 1951

About the Musical

Considered by many to be the perfect musical comedy, this dance spectacular travels from Times Square to Havana, Cuba – where all bets are off.

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We have booked the Westover Inn Hotel once again (built 1867) at nearby St Mary's (15km from Stratford) for the Friday and Saturday evenings.

We will also be dining as a group at the Westover Inn prior to the evening performance of "Guys and Dolls" on the Saturday.

Many of the rooms for Friday and Saturday are already booked by us, so please call them (or your favourite Stratford / St. Mary's Bed and Breakfast) and make your reservation under "MG Tours". The Westover's phone number is (519) 284 2977.

Please call me when you have made your hotel reservations. The costs are **$78 US dollars <u>each</u>** for the theatre tickets. If you have an e-mail address that you use regularly, then I would also like those details.

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May 2017	
Wed. April 10	**WDMGC Club Meeting River's Edge Windsor, Ontario**
Sun. May 21	WDMGC Spring Gathering & Picnic 11am to 4pm *(See flyer on page 6)*
Sat. May 27	Village Workshop Tour - Northville 10:00 am - 10:30 am
June 2017	
Wed. June 14	**WDMGC Club Meeting**. Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills, MI
Fri. June 16-Sun. June 18	Stratford Festival Tour 2017
Sat. June 17	Brits in Bayfield Car Show 10:00 am - 9:00 pm

More photos from Kimber Run

May Meeting at River's Edge Tap and Table

The May Club Meeting will be Wednesday May 10 at River's Edge in Windsor, Ontario. 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. (Arrive even earlier for a Prime MG Parking spot)

Michigan Elvis Festival Car Show Charity Benefit

Saturday July 8, 2017, America's Most Wanted car club will be hosting a benefit car show for Ypsilanti Meals-On-Wheels. The WDMG Club has been invited to join in the fun. Cars must be 25 years old or older. $10 will get your car on the grounds, parking closer then the handicapped lot, 2 wrist bands so you and a navigator can come and go as you please (on foot), plus a dash plaque for your car. For cars carrying over 2 people, there is an additional charge of $10 per person. The $25 per person Festival fee is waived for car show attendees.

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Sonnysasha1 at gmail.com

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New Ad **1977 MGB** Sandglow. Extensive body restoration so rust free. Mechanical work by Guy's Garage who may be contacted for information. $6,000. Offers entertained. Owner Bob Fougere unwell so please contact: David Wheat 313-978-2030

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Car of the Month - May 2017

This 1950 MG TD is owned by Jim and Linda Northrup. They drove it to the Kimber Run. Besides the unique hard top, the engine is equipped with a supercharger.