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Photos from The July Club Meeting at Parks and Rec Gastropub

Photos by Dale Brown

A fun time was had by all. Although there was more than ample parking, our cars were not together. So for the September meeting, some of us will arrive earlier and try to set aside an area just for us.

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Can Am Newsletter Editor, Dale Brown

I'm producing this month's Newsletter from beautiful Victoria, British Columbia. Keep an eye on our Facebook page where I have been posting pictures of classic British Cars when I have my phone camera ready. (Climate here is temperate year round and as such, streets are not salted. So, there are lots of older cars driving around in near perfect condition).

Some of you may remember that in the past, I had updated you on the progress of my restoration of my BRG 1969 MGB Roadster. Well, I've made some progress and now have it out at a local British Car mechanic to have him finish the 20 or so small items that I just haven't had a chance to get to. I even just missed a chance to replace the original painted wire wheels and old tires with a set of chrome wire wheels and newer tires. They were from the wrecked MG that one of our new members had, but he was lucky enough to sell the whole car. If anyone else has a set they want to sell, let me know. Maybe in the Fall, I'll have some good news to share about the 69.

Enjoy this August edition of the CanAm Connection. Editor@WDMGC.com

By Vicki Bade

Despite the original forecast of possible rain we started out with sun and luckily it lasted thru the day.

We started out with 6 cars at the Meijer parking lot and ended up with over 20- thanks to the Miata club who joined us for the trip. We had 13-14 Miata's, 5-6 Mg's, 2 Jaguar's and a Lotus.

Everyone stayed together very nicely and no trip ending problems for anyone, so we all arrived safe and sound. As always it was a beautiful ride and our thanks to Judith Mattis for organizing the Miata contingent. It was an impressive caravan.

The featured car of the show was the Range Rover and there were around 300 cars in attendance. Our own club member Terry Frisch (who has numerous beautiful cars) took 2nd place for his MGA. Congratulations to Terry!

There were quite a few cars for sale-seems to be the trend lately, good or bad. It was a Great show and a wonderful day.

Besides Matt and myself we were joined by Harry Mueller Jr., Gene & Joan Johnson, Bill Reeves, Guy St John and George Diehl to name some. Sorry if I missed anyone.

We hope to see even more of you next year!

See photos on page 9 & 11

Presidentially speaking

Vicki Bade - Club President

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. It has been a beautiful one so far.

We checked out a new place for our July meeting in Canada and the Parks and Rec Gastropub seemed to work out nicely. The evening was a little hot, but the food was good and the beer was cold. We expect to be there for the September meeting as well.

We had our 2nd Summer Island MG Picnic on Hickory Island in Grosse Ile Saturday the 29th. We couldn't have asked for a more perfect day weather wise. We had a great turnout of 25 MG's, 1 Mini (not mine) and 3 regular vehicles. It was an impressive sight we made driving on our tour of the island. We stopped at Dave's Hot Rod Garage and had a chance to see the interesting projects they are working on. We were warmly welcomed and he has a really nice shop. Dave Doolin continued our tour of the island (so pretty) and I know a lot of us ended up with some serious house envy seeing all of the spectacular waterfront homes. It is a very nice community and we all enjoyed the tour. I don't suppose Santa could come thru this Christmas with the ultimate gift. I did see some lots and homes for sale.

The club footed the bill for a catered BBQ lunch from Round House BBQ and it was delicious! We rounded it out with fruit, veggies & dip, broccoli salad, snacks and assorted desserts. Thank you to those that brought the goodies and those that helped set up and clean up! I do believe everyone found something they liked and no one went hungry. All in all a big success and a wonderful day to enjoy good friends and good food! **Thank you again to Dave and Ceci for a great day.**

We have the Waterford Hill Vintage Races Sat-Sun August 5-6th (not sure if the NL will be out before hand).

Philip Wiltshire will be running the caravan for The Twisty Bits Tour and has had to change the date to **Sunday August 27th** as the Saturday was double booked at our destination. It will be a nice drive thru Southeast Michigan of about 50 miles to reach Sharon Mill and our picnic destination (please bring your picnic baskets or lunch boxes with whatever you want to eat). The return drive back to Meijer is another 50 miles, making the round trip around 101 miles or so. We will be meeting prior to the 10:00am start time and should wrap up around 3:00pm. Let Philip know if you plan on coming. Please join us. It should be a fun day!

Get out and enjoy the rest of the summer! See you at the meeting August 9th at Brass Pointe.

Vicki

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Photos from The Annual British Car Show at Canadian Transportation Museum and Heritage Village Held July 16

photos by Dale Brown

Member Steve White brought his MGB Race Car and displayed it in the pavilion.

Editor Dale Brown found a shady spot for his 1972 Tartan Red MGB

Right: Mariam Woodall arrived with John in their 1976 Spruce Green MGB. Behind, Ralph and Kathi Poupard brought both their MG's, a 1958 Old English White MGA and their 1973 Damask Red MGB.

Left: Dave Connor and Tim Burston are hiding behind their MG's. Dave's is an Old English White 1968 MGB-GT and Tim's is a Bedouin 1970 MGB-GT

Above: There were many more club members attending including from both the U.S. and Canadian sides but we were able to assemble as many as we could for a photo, compliments of Snapd Windsor.

Left: Some of the group enjoying a proper English Tea, complete with Fine British China and Candelabras.

Right: A ground level shot of Steve's Race Car

Photos from the Club Picnic on Grosse Ile Held July 29

various photographers

Readying for the Island Tour, a group photo and the drive

Let the food and games begin!

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Club Calendar

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August 2017	
Sat -Sun Aug 5-6	Waterford Hills Vintage Race 2017
Wed Aug 9	**WDMGC Club Meeting**. Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills, MI
Sun Aug 27	WDMGC Twisty Bits Autumn Tour 2017 Note that date has **changed** to Sunday
September 2017	
Sun Sept 10	Battle of the Brits, Camp Dearborn Milford, MI 2017 10 am - 5 pm
Wed Sept 13	**WDMGC Club Meeting** Parks and Rec Gastropub. Windsor, Ontario 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Sun Sept 17	Toronto Triumph Club British Car Day 9 am - 4 pm

Mad Dog Photos

August Meeting at The Brass Pointe

The August club meeting will be Wednesday August 9 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.

Note: Revised Day

THE TWISTY BITS TOUR

*****Sunday, August 27th 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.

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Midget Mk I parts for sale from '64 donor car. Seats (for refurb), dash, 1098 engine w/trans (working condition unknown), radiator, wire wheels (for refurb), suspension, windshield, bumpers, steering column and more!. Call/text Scott 513-240-3221 or scottolman@gmail.com"

1970 MGBGT I have owned this car since about 1977. No rust, rockers have been replaced. Needs paint, Tires. Engine has totally been rebuilt, touring cam, 10 over pistons, New fuel tank, needs some work to complete. Extra engine, Transmission, overdrive unit, Heated backlight. $4000.00 art.krygowski@gmail.com

Phone or text: 58 six-2 nine 8-8 three 98.

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	Anthony and Jennifer Viviano of Harper Woods, MI
15 Years	Doug and Ailene Butcher of Milford, MI
25 Years	Jack and Isabelle Renaud of Dearborn, MI

Welcome!

To our Newest Members

Nick Morgan of Royal Oak, MI. He has a Flame Orange 1971 MGB.

Joe and Linda Stuban of Commerce, MI. They have a White 1972 MGB. Welcome back to The Club Joe.

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Car of the Month - August 2017

This is Mike Nestell's unique MG-YT. Mike & Judy used to own a Sunbeam Alpine when young and, missing it, they went looking for one only to stumble across this MG-YT in Vermont. Mike saw it, abandoned the Alpine search, and got it shipped back to Michigan. He has been getting it ready for the road for over a year and, with only a few electrical bugs now to sort (with help from Rick Astley), is now enjoying driving it some distances.