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The September Club Meeting at Parks & Rec Gastropub

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Can Am Newsletter Editor, Dale Brown

Thanks for patiently waiting for the October Issue of the Can Am Connection. The Club driving season is officially over but I think I was able to capture all the rest of our events in this publication.

I want to thank Harry MacLean for organizing the Fall Color Tour. He submitted all the details before the cruise and I even had a nice flyer made up for the October issue. However, due to unfortunate timing, I wasn't able to use it. Also, I had to modify Vicki's article accordingly.

The next issue will combine November and December and will have details of our December and January Gift Exchange nights.

If you have some tech articles or other general interesting MG bits of information, please forward them to me so that I can use them through the winter months.

Submit to Editor@WDMGC.com

Above left: A beautiful MGC engine compartment at Bronte Park

Above: Member Steve Swarin's 1974 MG Midget with converted AH Sprite front end

Left: A nice example of an MG TF courtesy of NAMGBR Facebook page

Presidentially speaking

Vicki Bade - Club President

We are officially in the fall driving season, despite the strange and very hot weather we have had recently.

Battle of the Brits was held Sunday Sept. 10th and it was a beautiful day at Camp Dearborn! There was no judging of the cars this year which might have kept the count down a little, but it was still a very nice turnout with a really good variety of cars to be enjoyed. Lots of our members showed up for the day, so it was nice to see everyone. We had our awning up so the club was well represented and we even had some possible new members checking things out. Hopefully it went well enough that we can have this as a nice end of the season gathering to book end our Spring gathering in May.

Matt and I headed to Toronto Friday Sept 15th to enjoy the area and go to The British Car Day at Bronte Creek Park on Sunday. We took the ferry in Algonac to cross the St. Clair River and enjoyed some back road driving in the Mini Cooper, eventually making our way to Oakville. What a great day for driving top down!

After checking in to the Sandman in Oakville, where a group of MG and Morgan members were also staying, we took the Go Train to downtown Toronto. What a marvelous way to get around.

We walked around town, checked out the amazing St. Lawrence Marketplace, tasted some really good food and then walked down to the boardwalk on the waterfront. We ran into a couple with an adorable 10 week old Australian Shepherd puppy named Sterling who loved everybody and then we sat down to watch the planes come in over the water to land at Toronto Island Airport. What a cool sight that is! The night was perfect so we enjoyed a little more of the city before heading home.

We headed to wine country on Saturday (the other group was taking in the breweries near the hotel for something different) and after stopping in Jordan we went through St. Catherine's ultimately ending up in Niagara on the Lake to replenish our wine supply at home. Lots of people were walking the streets and enjoying the bright sunny day.

Sunday we headed over to Bronte Creek Park for the show. It was its usually well run event thanks to our hosts, the wonderful people of the Toronto Triumph Club. I have never seen so many DeLoreans, Morgans and Lotus in one place-incredible! I'm sure if the car count didn't reach 1,000 it had to be darn close. What a great show! It couldn't have been a better weekend all the way around.

Very sorry so see the bulk of the driving season now in the rear view mirror, but there is still time to get out and about, so enjoy it while you can.

See you at the November meeting at Parks & Rec Gastropub.

Be safe everyone!

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Safety MG Fast!

Vicki

More Photos from the September Monthly Meeting

2017 Fall Color Tour

by Rick Astley

With our 2017 finale driving event, the fall color tour, scheduled for next day, we watched the deluge outside of our windows on Saturday only to also hear discussion that the Sunday's Detroit Marathon may have to be cancelled because of forecast lightning. With all that, nobody could blame anyone who decided to pull the bed covers over their heads and plan not to emerge until Monday.

As it turned out, the rain had stopped by Sunday morning and the TV weather forecaster predicted just the possibility of a few midday showers, but by then it was too late, and only a literal handful of cars turned up at Little Daddy's on Woodward for this year's color tour. It was a pity because Harry Mac Lean had mapped out both a pretty and interesting route from our Bloomfield Township start point, through Auburn Hills, with a stop at Paint Creek Cider Mill, and then on through Rochester Hills to our lunch stop at Camp Ticonderoga in Troy.

Our 5 couples were Harry and Dorothy Mac Lean, Mike and Roxanne Fontana, Gene and Joan Johnson and Rick and Anne Astley. The ever intrepid Gene even started with his MGB-LE's top down but the weatherman (surprise, surprise) was proven wrong and when the rain started to fall at about 10:30 we all pulled over to the side of the road while he put the LE's top up. The light rain was manageable but we were lucky, only a few minutes after we were seated for lunch, the heavens opened. By the time lunch was over and we were ready to head home, the rain had all but stopped and we agreed that in spite of the weather, and possibly because of it, we had enjoyed a truly fun morning.

There is always a chance that fickle weather will keep attendance down for any outside event, but they don't happen on their own and we want to give a big "thank you" to Harry and everyone else who has stepped up this year and organized a club event.

Before the Drive

Roxanne, Gene & Mike

Mick, Lori and Dorothy

The Group enjoying cider at Paint Creek Cider Mill

Dorothy, Harry, Joan & Roxanne

Photos from Battle of the Brits

photos by John Magee

Photos from British Car Day at Bronte Creek

photos by Robert Moroz

Part of the Convoy on the drive home

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November 2017	
Wed Nov. 8	**WDMGC Club Meeting** Parks and Rec Gastropub. Windsor, Ontario 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
December 2017	
Wed Dec 13	**WDMGC Club Meeting**. Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills, MI (Annual Gift Exchange)

November Meeting at Parks & Rec Gastropub

The November club meeting will be Wednesday Nov. 8 at The Parks & Rec Gastropub in Windsor. 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. (Click on hyperlink in the Calendar for website)

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

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Welcome!

To our Newest Members

Eric Criteser of Detroit is a returning member. He has a Tahiti Blue 1977 MGB. Welcome back.

Tom and Donna Deska of Bloomfield Twp, MI. They have a Damask Red 1973 MGB.

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Cars of the Month - October 2017

In honour of the many members who attended The Annual British Car Day at Bronte Creek Provincial Park in Oakville, Cars of the Month goes to all of the many MG's that attended.