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**Vice President Kurt Ill *(also shown at right)* leads the March Club meeting at Parks & Rec in Windsor.**

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# *The Windsor-Detroit MG Club*
## *The International Local Club*

*Can Am Newsletter Editor, Dale Brown*

This month's edition is a little shorter than usual but there's still lots of good information. As most of us now either have our cars out or are preparing to do so, there will now be lots of opportunity for us to get together with our cars. I'm looking forward to it myself.

As Vicki reminds us in her President's Message on the next page, the first driving event is The Annual Kimber Run this Saturday. Put a warm coat on and join the fun. Lise and I have done this ride many times and it's one of the better events for driving and socializing afterward.

As you can see in the photos below, I've finally got to the stages of having my 69 MGB on the road again after many years of restoration. It's in a shop out in Essex County and there are about 20 small things that all need to be finished up. I'm hoping to have it out in late spring to take to one of our events. Sadly, the Kimber Run happens to fall on the Obsolete Automotive Annual Garage Sale day, and since I still need a few more new parts, I'll be driving my 72 up to the Sarnia area instead. I hope you all have fun on the ride to Holt on Saturday and have a piece of Marcia's wonderful chocolate cake for me!

Be sure to send me any stories, pictures or tech articles so that I can put them in a future newsletter. Submit to Editor@WDMGC.com

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## Welcome! Back

**To our Newest Member**

Mark Arsenault of Belle River, ON

## Congratulations!

**On Recent Membership Anniversary**

5Years Steve and Crystal Meakings of Clinton Township, MI

# Presidentially speaking

*Vicki Bade - Club President*

Well it is officially Spring now, although you wouldn't know it by the temperature outside.

It's time for a lot of us to get our babies out of storage and hopefully start to drive them. Matt and I picked up his MG a couple of weeks ago. It started right up (which can sometimes be a challenge, as Dale found out) but there were some fluid puddles on the tarp visible as he pulled it out of the storage area that had us a little concerned. It turned out that 1 of the puddles was the brake fluid because when he checked the level it was empty. Fortunately he had some in the boot, so he added it and took the car for a spin around the storage units to make sure the brakes were working. They did fine, so we were able to get the car home without incident and with me glued to his rear end the whole way, just in case.
Unfortunately that meant that he had to get it checked out-something he was going to do anyway due to some issues that had started before he put it away and so it will not be available for the Kimber Run this weekend. I will be leading the caravan in the Mini, sorry.

We do have that fun event coming up this Saturday the 7th and due to a good suggestion from one of our members we have added a 2nd meeting spot for those on the west side. We will be stopping at the Sunoco station on the SE corner of North Territorial and US 23 in the back of the lot at 10:00am and leaving shortly afterwards to continue the run.

I know the forecast is showing it will be a little cool still and is not as promising as what we had last year, but I am hoping for some sunshine for the trip. It will be a fun day and I hope to see a lot of members joining us on the caravan or even just ending up at the café.

I see the Ancaster British Car Flea Market and Car Show is set for April 22nd from 9:30-4:00pm. I hear it is a nice event and always a good opportunity to pick up those needed spare parts.

Also the Spring Gathering that we host is coming up on Saturday May 20th and the club will once again have access to a grill. We will be providing food and beverages for the day, but feel free to bring anything you want to eat and use the grill if you want for your own goodies. It is always a nice day to enjoy the cars and chat with folks-we are sending out an invite to the other clubs, so pass the word on if you know of anyone who might be interested in coming (British cars encouraged, but not required). It is just a day for those that love cars to get out, so mark the date if you haven't already.

Our April meeting on the 11th is at The Brass Pointe and we have that nice big parking lot in back, so let's see those cars lined up and have a great turnout to show people what our wonderful cars are all about!

Don't forget to get out and drive as much as you can-take some photos to add to the website and newsletter and enjoy your MG's!

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***Vicki***

## Celebrate Cecil Kimber's Birthday!

The Lansing Area MG Association will host the Kimber Birthday Party on Saturday April 7, 2018! This is the 130th Birthday bash for Cecil Kimber.

Once again we are planning a convoy on a scenic drive towards the Delhi Café in Holt Michigan where we will toast Cecil, enjoy the company of fellow enthusiasts, and treat ourselves to a bit of lunch and birthday cake. Matt and Vicki Bade have lined up our journey which is expected to take about 2 hours. Those who wish to participate, but cannot join the convoy, can meet us at the Delhi Café about 11:30am. Meeting place: Meijer's parking lot at 8 Mile and Haggerty. Drivers' Meeting at 9:15 AM.

Vicki's cell for the trip is 248-909-0874

**First car out at 9:30 AM sharp!** Allow yourself ample time for gassing up, etc.

Delhi Café
4625 E. Willoughby Rd
Holt, MI 48842

***Note:*** **Another meet up spot has been added to the route. See Vicki's President's Message on page 3 for details.**

*Meet up location at Meijers at 8 mile and Haggerty*

WDMGC will gather at Meijer in Northville (see map) in the morning and arrive at Holt around 11:30 AM and lunch at 12:00 Noon.

*Location of Delhi Cafe in Holt Michigan.*

# Photos from the March Meeting at Parks and Rec Gastro Pub

*photos by Lynn Hornby*

*Dave Clarke receives his Hard Luck Award*

*Marty and Sue Hunt with Richard Dittman enjoying the meeting*

*Lynn Hornby (centre) with daughter Allison and her husband Corbin*

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

**1963 MGB**. Fully restored, excellent condition, no rust, runs great, owned it for 21 years, garage stored, Iris blue, black interior, has black top and tonneau cover, original tools, manuals, radio, new battery, new seats. Also including spare hood, original seats, and any spare parts my husband had for it. Chassis number GHN3L13495 Engine number 18GUH13558 and I have the British Motors Heritage Certificate.
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**1976 MGB** Peacock Blue with the tan interior and black top. Approximately 76, 000 miles. Good condition. Paperwork for most repairs. 7,000.00. Give a call, we'll talk, you'll look, we'll see. I'm also thinking of selling my '72 'westie'. Launey at 1.313.345.6435 or lapyke3@ gmail .com

**1972 MGB Roadster. Runs, But Needs Work, $1,500**
Runs and drives, but will need substantial rust repair. This will be a project car before it's a good driver again and the low price of $1,500 firm reflects that.
One owner since 1995. Mileage unknown, but only 5,000 miles since engine rebuild in 1997. Four-speed transmission. Needs wiring work and rust replacement of rockers, frame rails, plus some repair in fenders and floor panels. Improvements in last 20 years include new front bumper, distributor, starter, radiator rebuild, Delco alternator, ignition switch, new gas tank, convertible top. (See website for photos) john_a_magee@yahoo.com 248-234-3789

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**You will be Well Rewarded**

# Club Calendar

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

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| **April 2018** | |
| Sat April 7 | Kimber Run & 130th Birthday Bash 2018 (See info on page 4) |
| Sat April 7 | Annual Obsolete Automotive Garage Sale, Pointe Edward, Ontario |
| Wed April 11 | **WDMGC Club Meeting**. Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills, MI . |
| Sun. April 22 | Ancaster British Car Flea Market and Car Show 2018 9:30 am - 4:00 pm |
| **May 2018** | |
| Wed May 9 | **WDMGC Club Meeting** Parks and Rec Gastropub. Windsor, Ontario 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm |
| Sun. May 20 | WDMGC Spring Gathering & Picnic 2018 11:00 am - 4:00 pm |

## April Meeting at The Brass Pointe

The April club meeting will be Wednesday April 11 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.

## May Meeting at Parks & Rec Gastropub

The May club meeting will be Wednesday May 9 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)