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October meeting at the Brass Pointe was well attended. A few more photos can be found on page 5

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The International Local Club

Well the driving season is pretty much over, but there's still lots to learn and see over the winter season. So watch for events with the Club and articles in the Can Am Connection.
Tuck away your car and yearn for the spring to come soon.

As a note, I've cleaned up some of the Club Ads in the Classified pages but left in some of them without pictures. I will continue to purge unless you get back to me.

Can Am Newsletter Editor, Dale Brown

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Lee Jacobsen taking a ride

Presidentially speaking

Hello Everyone,

Vicki Bade - Club President

Due to the crazy weather changes we are having and that nasty 4 letter word (snow) being mentioned for Monday I had to do the dreaded snow tire swap today on my Fiat-boo. Not that I don't love the difference it makes but I, like a lot people are not ready for the white stuff just yet.

I'm sure a lot of you already have your babies tucked away somewhere safe from the elements, but probably quite of few of you were hoping for that one last ride. I hope you get it.

Our last jaunt of the season was a good one-thanks to John Magee and his wife Monique for mapping out a great trip for us. We had a super turnout with a really nice collection of different cars despite the rain prior and a wonderful day all in all. There was an excellent collection of photos submitted on our Facebook page from a number of people that I'm sure Dale will be sharing in the pages to follow-thank you all! Fabulous way to end the driving season!

Since this is a double month edition I wanted to make sure and remind everyone that the December 11th meeting on the US side will also have a gift exchange, as usual. One gift per person and you are in. Anything and everything is welcome with a limit of $15.00-$20.00. If it is gender specific, please mark it as such somewhere on the wrapping or bag. It is always a hoot as we do allow 2 steals and since we seem to somehow end up with quite a few adult beverage gifts the steals are plentiful. Join us in the fun.

If you also happen to want to sport an ugly sweater that night-we might have a prize to bestow upon the ugliest. Please make sure and let me know if you are participating as I do not want to make assumptions and offend anyone.

We will be having the Annual General Meeting on the US side this time, which means it will not be until the February meeting. Nominations can be made for all board positions and although we do have some incumbents willing to return we are looking for someone to fill the Treasurer position that Cathy Gurnee has done so well. As much as she would like to continue as Treasurer she has other obligations that will not allow her the time needed for the job-she is willing to train anyone that is interested in the position and has gotten it down to where it is a very easy job to do. Let any of the current board members know if you would like to throw your name in and we will be holding the elections at the AGM.

I hope our Canadian members enjoyed their Thanksgiving last month and the US members enjoy theirs this month. Please have a safe and happy holiday season this year everyone!

See you at the club meetings this month on Nov. 13th on the Canadian side and Dec. 11th on the US side.

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Safety MG Fast!

Vicki

Club Business

2020 WDMGC Board Member Nominations and Election

The WDMGC By-Laws require that an annual election be held for the club's elected offices at a General Membership Meeting (GMM). The offices are:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer.

Year-to-year, we alternate the election GMM between Canada and the USA. For 2020, the election will take place at the February 12th meeting in Farmington Hills.

All positions are open and anyone can nominate themselves, or another club member, to any of the positions. So far we have 3 nominations:

- President (incumbent) - Vicki Bade
- Vice President (incumbent) - Kurt Ill
- Secretary (incumbent) - Louise Beck

If you would like to nominate someone and/or vote, you can do so either at the meeting or by contacting me, the current club Secretary, beforehand. My contact details are on page 2.

Louise Beck

2020 Awards

It's time once again to ask for your to help in determining the year's recipients of our coveted club awards. Please review the award criteria below and nominate the member or members you believe are most deserving of an award and why. Just a few words are sufficient, but a funny or compelling anecdote is even better.

You can submit your nominations to any club board member by phone, email, post or in person at the next club meeting. Board member names and contact details can be found on page 2. The deadline for submissions will be announced at a later date.

Founders Award: Given to the member who has contributed the most to the club over the past year. This person or persons are the most valuable members of the club. They have contributed above and beyond anyone else in the club.

Rookie of the Year: Given to the new member who has contributed the most to the club over the past year. "New member" shall be defined as having joined the club since September 1 of the previous year.

Navigator of the Year: Given to the "Travelling Companion" or "Navigator" who has contributed the most to the club over the past year.

Hard Luck Award: Given to the member who has had the most problems with his/her British car during the past year (or suffered a notable loss or hardship in that regard.)

Lucky Lucas Award: Given to the member who has had the most electrical problems with his/her British car during the past year (or a combination of electrical and general malfunction.)

Club Events , Photos and Meetings

October Club Meeting at the Brass Pointe

MG Fall Color Tour 2019

by John Magee

photos by John Magee and Dale Brown

It was a dark and stormy night. Suddenly, **a shot rang out** …

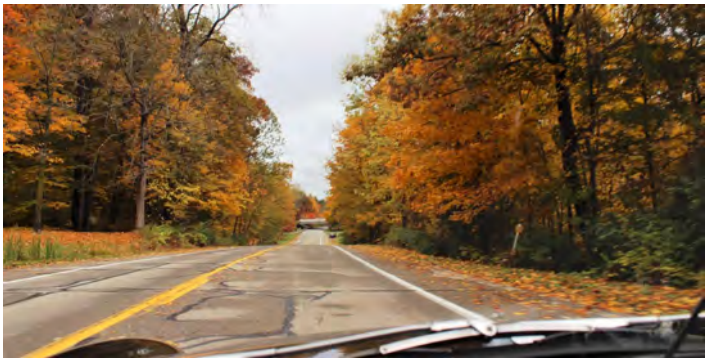
Oh, wait. That wasn't a shot. It was an email from our fearless leader Vicki Bade that drove through my heart *like* a shot, "John, what's your plan for tomorrow morning if Hines Drive is flooded?"

In my first attempt at organizing a club drive, I thought I'd done a pretty good job of planning and coordinating a joint MG Fall Color Tour with the Windsor-Detroit MG Club and the Michigan Chapter of the New England MGT Register on Sunday, October 27. The color in the leaves would be at full peak that weekend. My chosen route was scenic, tree-lined, and clear of construction – no small feat in Michigan. I was even feeling optimistic about the weather for the drive, since the 36-hour downpour on Friday and Saturday night was supposed to end several hours before we were set to gather for the tour.

But it hadn't occurred to me that half our route was a scenic drive through the flood plain known as Hines Drive. Fortunately, thanks to Vicky's warning the night before, much emailing and texting the morning of the drive, and a lot of patience from all involved, we were able to assemble at an alternative rally point – the always scenic Tel Joy Shopping Center – then head out *en masse*, only a little bit later than planned. Hurrah!

Between the two clubs we had 20 British cars and 32 people along for the drive as we headed out under still-grey skies: about a dozen MGB/Cs, a handful of older MGs, a couple of Minis (one modern and one classic), a Jaguar or two, and even a Lotus Seven.

The red of the Lotus Super Seven and Matt and Vicki's MGB blend in perfectly with the colours of the trees.



Left: from Dale's car and above from John's car.

We bypassed the flooded section of Hines Drive, drove the northern section of Hines Drive, then headed west to our first stop, Obstbaum Orchards.
There we stopped for cider, donuts, and dazzling season-end deals on bags of apples.

Afterwards, we had a quick jaunt through scenic downtown Northville.

Then we went to the Deadwood Grille, where all enjoyed a well-earned post-tour meal.

After our meal, with the tour officially over, folks headed out to the restaurant parking lot …just as blue skies and sunshine finally emerged after two days of monsoon.

Your gentle Rallymaster may have had a rude word or two with Mother Nature at that point. But we all had a lovely and sunny drive home through the fall colors of Michigan and Ontario, so I reckon that worked out, too.

Thank you, everybody, for turning up despite the ominous weather Sunday morning, and for being patient and clever in figuring out where we had gathered. It was a fun drive and a great way to end this year's driving season!

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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 back-light. $4000.00 art.krygowski@gmail.com

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

1953 MG TD with a Volvo B18D Engine and 4 Speed Trans w/MGA Rear Axle. Comes with New Moss Motors seat reupholstery kit and panel kit in Biscuit. Needs Carb work, ran when parked. Not a show car but a solid car. Asking $8200 obo
Contact: Bruce Kurth @ 248-685-1236 or brkklk@comcast.net

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

Brand new rubber sill covers (Moss price $189 U.S.) and two brand new side marker lights (Moss price $59 U.S.) for MGB. Items are in Canada. Make any reasonable offer. Email Dave Hornby: mgdave@sympatico.ca

1974 MG Midget. 30,134 original miles. Covered storage inside garage. Red exterior, tan interior, excellent condition. Original black roof and tonneau cover, both excellent condition. Blaupunkt AM/FM cassette radio. Clean engine and engine compartment. Original carburetors. Michelin tires less than 500 miles stored in basement. Extra parts.

Contact: Jim Carr @ 248-547-9050.

1972 MG Midget for sale

99% renovated. My dad was restoring the car when he passed away. $3,900 or best offer. The car is stored near Clarkston, Michigan.

Lane Rupright
248.660.2134
lanerup@aol.com

MGB. Rebuilt motor and trans approx 10 years ago, minor wiring issues, complete car, needs restoration. Does run and drive. Looking for about $3500 CDN. Located in Windsor

Jessie Darmon
519-737-0680
Cell: 519-816-0719

MGB Four speed transmission. Sell for any reasonable offer. Prefer Canadian side sale. dale@wdmgc.com

1979 MGB. Body is in excellent condition, paint has one small blister on the bonnet. One of the nicest driving B's I have driven. Interior is in very good condition. Top has one small repair. Price is $10,000.00 Canadian. More pictures are available on request. Mbeale1@cogeco.ca

1976 MGB
Car is located in Harrison Township Michigan.Asking **$3,500** or best offer.

Contact: Kathy Pierce
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Also Wanted

Your contributuion's for this newsletter,.

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

November 2019	
Wed. Nov. 13	**WDMGC Club Meeting** Parks and Rec Gastropub. Windsor, Ontario 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
December 2019	
Wed. Dec. 11	**WDMGC Club Meeting**. Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills, MI.

Members Allan and Mary Ann Rae's pristine MGB on Boblo Island

November Meeting at Parks & Rec Gastropub

The November Club meeting will be Wednesday November 13 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).

December Meeting at The Brass Pointe

The December Club meeting will be Wednesday December 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. **Gift Exchange Night. See President's message on page 3 for details.**