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September Car of the Month

This is the 1979 MGB owned by new members Eric and Tanya Graettinger. See their story on Page 4

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I hope you enjoy this edition of The Can Am Connection.

Can Am Newsletter Editor, Dale Brown

First, my apologies, for an error in the August Edition. I mistakenly forgot to change the front page title and it was still called the July Edition. For those of you that noticed, I hope you weren't confused.

This edition includes several pictures of the Club get together at Camp Dearborn and the Jag Club Concourse during these trying times.

Be sure to send me any stories, pictures or tech articles so that I can put them in a future newsletter. We have changed the contact to Can-Am@WDMGC.com

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Welcome!

To our Newest Members

Kevin and Nicole Walker of Royal Oak, MI. They have a Maroon 1979 MGB.

Dave and Carol Walker of Sterling Heights, MI. They have a 1960 an a 1961 MGA.

Congratulations!

On Recent Membership Anniversaries

5 years	David Cook of Birmingham, MI.
10 years	Phil and Nancy Sweeten of Dryden, MI.
25 years	Jeff and Jan Zorn of Tarpon Springs, Florida

Presidentially speaking

Vicki Bade - Club President

Hello Everyone,

September is here and the end of summer is upon us-although I know we will still get some nice weather to try and squeak in a few more drives along the way. It has been a nice if not strange driving season and I know we all look forward to hopefully a more active time next summer.

We did have 2 nice outings on the US side in the last 2 weekends-our Summer Gathering at Camp Dearborn on the 29th turned out to be a pretty good turnout and a perfect weather day to be out and about. We had around 25-30 cars of various makes and models that made for some great conversations, including a 3 wheeled Morgan whose owner had seen the event listed and popped in. We were able to welcome some new members to the club and we also had 2 of our newer members come out for their first event with the club-Yeah! Everyone was very responsible in wearing their masks and keeping their social distance and since we had plenty of room it all turned out great! Thank you to all of those that had a chance to come out and I'm sorry we were unable to make it a full WDMGC experience-hopefully we can get the Covid numbers down enough to be able to see our friends on the Canadian side soon.

The Jaguar Affiliates Group of Michigan were kind enough to invite us to join in on their Concourse d'Elegance this past Saturday at Olde World Canterbury Village in Lake Orion. It was an absolutely beautiful display of award-winning cars, along with the rest of us that were just joining for the fun of it and the love of cars. Thankfully, the weather held off and we only had a couple of raindrops-so it turned out to be a wonderful day to walk around and enjoy. The shops were open and there was lots of food to be had with everyone again being good about wearing their masks and keeping the distance. A shout out to the Jag club who did a marvellous job organizing the event and thank you again for inviting us and some of the other clubs to enjoy the day.

The Stahl's event appears to be pushed back to next year as they are still renovating until further notice, but Phil from the Jag club has mentioned a few other trips and/or events they are looking at to finish up the year and will let us know so we can pass any details on to our members.

As always, I hope that everyone is doing well in their own bubbles while hopefully still managing to get out and drive their cars. Continue to keep safe and stay healthy-we will beat this thing!

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Safety MG Fast!

Vicki

Hello Club Members,

Due to the cancellations of our club meetings and any events that would have been held so far this year because of the Pandemic we wanted to give something to the membership as a "Thank you" for your loyalty to this wonderful club.

The Board has agreed to a 1 year waiver of our membership dues:

For members that have not yet paid their 2020 dues, the Membership Coordinator will send out the next dues reminder letter on their renewal date in 2021. These members will be getting their free membership this year (2020). If you currently have a dues reminder letter that you have not replied to, please ignore it.

For the members that have already paid their 2020 dues this year, their next dues reminder letter will be sent out on their renewal date in 2022. These members will be getting their free membership year next year (2021).

Any new members joining the club between Aug. 1, 2020 and Dec. 31, 2020 will get their membership free year next year (2021).

Thank you all again for your support of the Windsor-Detroit MG Club and we look forward to a time when we can get back to enjoying the benefits this excellent club has to offer.

Member Stories and Tech Info

We bought our '79 B in late July 2020. My dad has had a 1960 MGA for nearly 30 years (in fact it's what I learned to drive a manual on), after helping him put a new interior in his car this summer, I really got the bug to get an MG of my own to tinker with, work on with our boys (ages 17,16, and 13), and just enjoy when the weather is nice. I also really missed having a stick shift car. Things we've done so far are, new front brakes (calipers, pads, rotors, hoses), rebuilding the automatic choke, general maintenance (oil change, fluids, lube, sparkplug, steering boots), sorted all the little leaks, new tires and a nice set of Rostyles, and lots of little $5-$10 parts. We've been enjoying it and have put almost 800 miles on it in the 8 weeks we've had it. Much of that has just been short trips and errands, but we've had a few weekends where we hopped in and drove it for 100 miles in a day. It was great meeting part of the group out at Camp Dearborn in August.

Eric and Tanya Graettinger

WDMGC SUMMER GATHERING

Jaguar Affiliates Group of Michigan
52nd Concours d'Elegance and British Showcase
Olde World Canterbury Village
Lake Orion, MI. Sept 5, 2020

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For Sale

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.
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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
jtcorriveau43@gmail.com
586-791-2058 or 586-489-9249

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Jean-Paul McGraw

1979 MGB
Good restoration project. Original owner with 130,000 miles. Was a daily driver for 11 years then garaged all year with no winter driving. Rust on lower rocker panels, otherwise pretty solid. Fairly new top, gas tank and hood (tree branch came down on original). $1500. Photos in the WDMGC web page classified ads. Contact Bob (Ypsilanti area) at 734-218-3307 or wolverbob@gmail.com.

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- Well sorted, starts easy, runs good, quite reliable
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- Not concours, but nice. Full file of receipts
- 12,362 miles since restoration
- Wire wheels, including spare
- New Top at restoration
- Full tonneau cover
- Last full year with chrome bumpers
- Basically all original, except a Weber carburetor in place of finicky SU carbs.
- Brighter halogen headlights for safety.
- Damask Red, Black interior

248-535-1901

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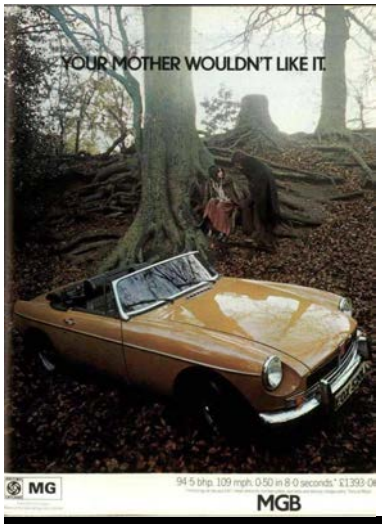

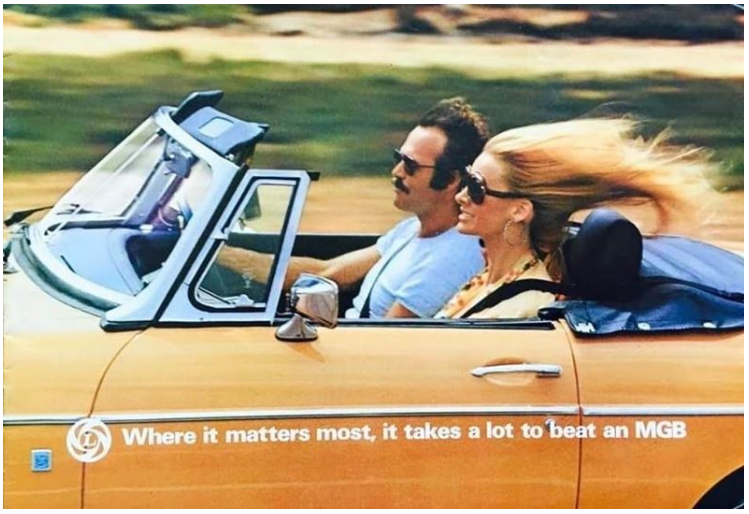

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