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The Windsor-Detroit MG Club
The International Local Club

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

This month, I have included several photos of the Camp Dearborn event. Thanks to John Magee and Vicki Bade for the submissions. To see them all, check out the Club's Facebook Page.

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

Can Am Newsletter Editor,

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Welcome!

To our Newest Members

Danilo and Lori Gurovich of Grosse Pointe Park. They have a Red 1973 MGB and 3 British motorcycles (1959 Velocette MSS, 1961 Matchless G12 CSR, 1966 Matchless G80S)

Congratulations!

On Recent Membership Anniversaries

5 years	Roxanne and Mike Fontana of Wixom, MI.
15 years	Mike and Micki Abrosimoff of Harrow, ON.

Presidentially speaking

Vicki Bade - Club President

Summer is Here!!

Things are starting to open up somewhat, numbers are going down and cars are being driven again-Yea!

We had a nice group of cars for our Spring Gathering and it ended up being a beautiful day-warmer than some of the ones we have had in the past, thank goodness. So happy to see people out and about and getting to chat with each other-thanks to all those that came.

We are having our first in-person monthly meeting this week at The Brass Pointe and the meeting will start a little earlier as the restaurant closes at 8:00 instead of 9:00pm-We will see how it goes.

We still have events out there for people to join in-Heidi's Hines Drive Picnics and Drives will have had it's first get-together this week and the opportunity for 3 more dates in June to head out there and enjoy.

Bakers of Milford British Car gatherings still on for June 13th and throughout the next few months, MG International 2021 in Atlantic City June 14-17th, Mad Dogs is on for July 11th. I have also heard that the Battle of the Brits will be at Camp Dearborn in September and the JAGM Concourse and British Showcase will return to Canterbury Village Sunday Sept. Flyers and more details to follow on these.

Time to get those cars out and about and enjoy the road again!
See you at the meeting Wednesday-stay safe!

The foremost club for British car owners in southeast Michigan and southwest Ontario.

Safety MG Fast!

Vicki

Hello Club Members,

Hello Club Members,
Due to the continued Pandemic situation the Board has agreed to continue the waiver of our membership dues in 2021:

If you paid dues in 2020 (73 members) then on your 2022 membership renewal date, you will start your 2nd free year.
So, you will need to start paying annual dues on your 2023 renewal date.

If you did not pay dues in 2020, then on your 2021 membership renewal date, you will start your 2nd free year.
So, you will need to start paying annual dues on your 2022 renewal date.

Any new members joining the club in 2021 will get their membership free this year, so you will need to start paying dues on your 2022 renewal date.

Dues reminders are sent out by our Membership Co-Ordinater Mick Gedeon and any questions can be sent to him at mick@wdmgc.com or membership@wdmgc.com.

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.

Treasurer's Report - June 2021

by John Magee

May 2021 Treasurer's Report
Submitted by John Magee, Treasurer, WDMGC

Summary: I'm updating the treasurer's report format a bit this month to add a written summary at the front while simplifying the part with the numbers a bit. Let me know how you like it.

Things are still quiet on the treasury front, though that seems likely to change as the pandemic eases on both sides of the border and we restart in-person activities. We did spend $125 in May on the Spring Gathering. And it was delightful to see people and their cars in person again! We do have a couple of membership dues that have arrived and will be recognized in the books in June, including the very exciting first physical check since I took over this gig in January, which means that I will finally have to visit the bank to make a deposit for the first time since I became Treasurer. (Hey, any excuse to drive an MG to anywhere is exciting after that long winter.)

Total Balance on 4/30/21 of $5,053.56

- May 2021:
  - Total income: $0.00
  - Total expenses: $150.00
  - Net Income: -$150.00
- Checking account balance down $150 to $4,591.56
- Canadian Petty Cash unchanged at $145.00
- U.S. Petty Cash unchanged at $167.00

Total Balance on 5/31/21 of $4,903.56

Detail

Checking

- Deposited: $0.00
- Paid: $150.00
  - $125.00 – Camp Dearborn space rental fee for Spring Gathering
  - $25.00 - Monthly Quickbooks fee

Canadian Petty Cash

- Nothing in/out of Petty Cash for May 2021

U.S. Petty Cash

- Nothing in/out of Petty Cash for May 2021

Photos: Camp Dearborn Spring Picnic

photos by Vicki Bade and John Magee

British Car Corral

Where: Bakers of Milford
When: Select Sundays from 2 - 7 PM (DJ at 3 PM)

- May 23rd
- June 13th
- July 18th
- August 15th
- September 19th

All British marques are invited to park together on the dates above. Join us to celebrate the cars we love and meet other enthusiasts.

Baker's is America's largest weekly car cruise, with live outside entertainment, free raffle prizes, outside grill, hundreds of great cars, and restaurant dining discounts for all cruisers.

2025 S. Milford Road, Milford, Michigan

Hines Drive Picnics and Drives

A Club event organized by Heide Otto

Everyone is a little stir-crazy from the pandemic. To encourage club activity, we are offering members the opportunity to gather close to our homes.

Enjoy lunch in the park at Hines Drive with its 17 miles of scenic views. (Bring your own bag lunch)

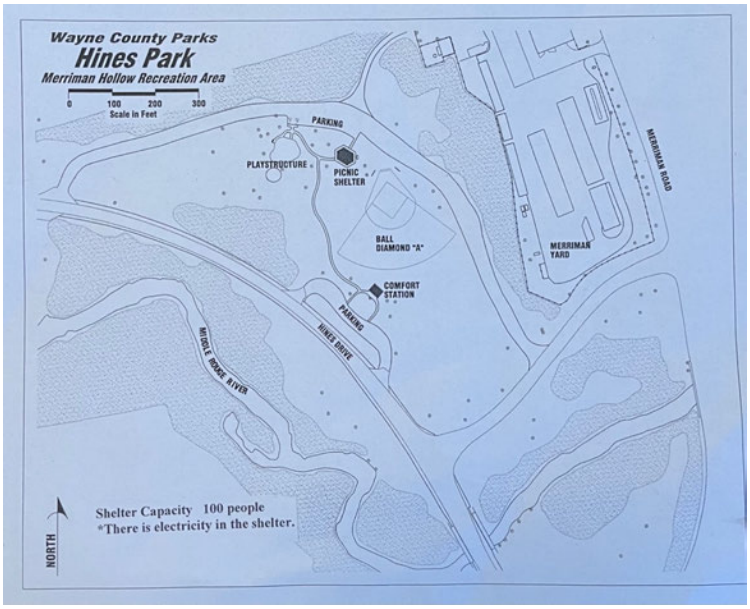
Tuesday June 8th, 15th and 22nd2021, at 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Merriman Hollow Recreation Area at the corner of Merriman and Hines drive.

There is a pull-off parking area with picnic tables and a comfort station.
Bring your lunch and your lawn chair.

We want to see you even if your car cannot attend.

Contact person: Heide Otto 734-657-2022 private cell.



Mad Dogs & Englishmen XXX

Join us as we celebrate our 30th Anniversary, with over 350 motor cars and motorcycles in attendance.

80 awards in 30 categories.

Our 30th British Auto Faire

Sunday, July 11, 2021 at the Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI

Rally on Saturday July 10

This year the Featured Marque celebrates

EVERYTHING HEALEY - A TRIBUTE TO DONALD HEALEY.

The early Healeys—Nash Healeys—Jensen Healeys—the Big Healeys—Austin Healeys—Austin Healey Sprites

Saturday, July 10

30th Anniversary Rally

A fun afternoon of driving, completing tasks, and searching for your next destination. Meet at 11:00 at DeNooyer Jaguar for the driver's meeting and start of the rally. The day concludes with a dinner. (Pre-registration appreciated by July 5.)

Sunday, July 11

On-site registration 8 am—noon
Car Games on the oval track
Valve Cover Racing
British Tea in the afternoon
Access to the Museum Grounds
Parts Vendors and Cars for Sale
Voting in 30 categories
T-shirts, hats for sale
All British Cars, trucks and motorcycles welcome

RARE GEM DELOREAN

Polish that stainless—looking for all DeLoreans—maybe even a Back to the Future car?

Special Guest author Bill Emerson will be at the show on Sunday, with a talk and stories at 10:00 and 2:00.

He has written several books on Austin Healey and has produced Healey DVDs. He was a personal friend and associate of Donald Healey.

Stop and chat with Mr. Emerson—he will also be available to autograph his books.

Pre-registration is encouraged. Registration also available at the gate on show day.

Registration form on the website at www.maddogsandenglishmen.org
or call 269 344 5555 for more information.

email- britishcars@maddogsandenglishmen.org

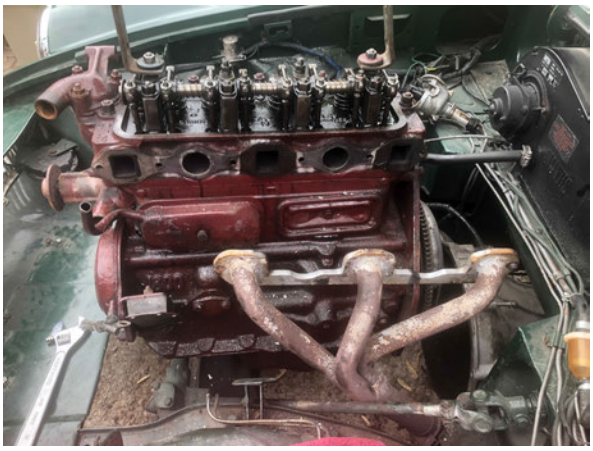
by Dale Brown

Member Stories and Tech Info

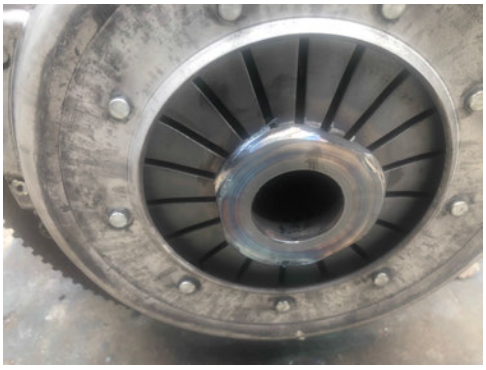
Some of you, especially the Canadian members, will remember that I had a clutch failure on my green 69 faux race car and had it towed home. Thank goodness, my red 72 is still working perfectly (touch wood), so I've had a car to drive.

Well once the weather broke, I had time to pull the engine and examine what happened. Even though the clutch, throw out bearing, clutch master cylinder were brand new just a year earlier, I thoroughly expected to see a throw out bearing failure.

The throw out bearing destroyed



The current engine being lifted out.



Pressure Plate mating surface damaged

I was right. The throw out bearing was totally destroyed. It also damaged the front face to the clutch pressure plate.

Since it is extremely hard for the Canadian members to get parts with the border closed, I bit the bullet a couple of months ago and ordered a bunch of parts for my GT V-6 project from our friend Jeff. I thought to order a throw out bearing while I was at it. With shipping, tax, duties, and extra fees, it was very expensive, but now that's forgotten and a thing of the past!

However, since I wasn't expecting to have found damage to the clutch pressure plate, I had to ask around to our fellow members to see if anyone had a used one in perfect condition and sure enough one of our life time members came through. The clutch disk I had was still perfect.

The 18V engine getting ready to go back in.

Since the engine that was in the 69, was getting a little tired, I decided to upgrade the spare engine I had that also had a completely rebuilt head. So that's the one that I'll put back in. It's a 72 18V Engine that is black. The 69 engine is the maroon colour but I decided to put in the 72 engine with its newly painted black paint job even though it's not correct. I'll use a nice maroon colour valve cover to give it some authenticity. Lots of other parts had to be swapped to make it work. I'll also take the time to completely clean the engine bay while I'm at it. I've already repainted all the auxiliary components. I'll even crawl inside the engine bay and with the help of an assistant, I'll finally be able to realign the hood bolts to the hinges!

I'll let you know how it works out in next month's edition of the Can Am Connection.

Member Classified Ads

Classified Advertising

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

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.

Many used MGB parts for sale by Dale Brown. Please check the Windsor Detroit Facebook page for several posts listing and showing the parts. Pick up in Windsor only, so interest right now from Canadian members with the border currently closed. Contact through Facebook messenger or email.

1977 MG MGB Roadster. A Great Fun Driver, the color is Sandglow.

Repaint and Body Work was done in 2014 by Oakland County Tech, Engine replaced with 1977 low mileage unit in 2013. Interior upgrade with faux dash panels and wood steering wheel. Mazda bucket seats. New top 2019. Oil change, tune up and transmission fluid recently completed. New rear shocks, fuel tank replaced, new SU Fuel Pump, emergency brake cable, horns replaced. Kenwood Stereo with multiple interior speakers and power amplifier. Limited Edition Wheels. Tires in good condition.

It runs and starts great, all electrics work. Has a slight deacceleration growl in 4th gear... Floor pan, rocker panels, fenders, trunk floor all good.

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Dan Sokolowski (248) 214 7131 mgman1980b@aol.com

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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

June 2021	
Tues. June 8	Hines Drive Picnic and Drive See flyer on page 9
Wed June 9	**The British Return to The Brass Pointe!** **WDMGC Club Meeting** Returns to the Brass Pointe! See details opposite with new start time.
Sun. June 13	British Car Corral—Milford See flyer on page 7

July Events to be determined.

June Meeting at The Brass Pointe!

June Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, June 9th
The Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills, Michigan

For those members who are ready to dine-in at a restaurant, the Windsor-Detroit MG Club's June meeting will be our first in-person meeting in more than a year. The restaurant hours are still not back to normal and it will close at 8:00 pm. Because of that, we'll start the brief formal part of the evening a little earlier at around 7:00 pm. As usual, we expect most people to begin to arrive around 6:00 pm. We don't anticipate restaurant limits to restrict our numbers because the main restaurant is still not functioning at the allowed capacity and the room we use is considered part of the whole building.

We're sorry that, for the time being, border restrictions will prevent our Canadian friends from joining us, but hope that it won't be too long before we will all be able to get together on one side of the border or the other.

For the location of the Brass Pointe, see our Map Page

Left and below: More shots from the Camp Dearborn Spring picnic