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From the December Club Meeting at the Brass Point. Check out another group picture and individual photos starting on Page 7.

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The Windsor-Detroit MG Club
The International Local Club

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

Thanks to Rick Astley for his nice photos of the December Club meeting at The Brass Pointe.

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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January Zoom Meeting
Wednesday, January 12th, 2022. 7:00 pm start

Join Zoom the Meeting here:
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85068141241?pwd=Rk00Rm9sSTZDZHFnNXZHVWZGUy9YZz09
Meeting ID: 850 6814 1241
Passcode: 491481

Welcome!

To our Newest Members

Vince and Kelly Lacroix of Grosse Pointe Park, MI. They have a 1970 Blue Royale MGB

Robert and Jessica Fahlgren of Chelsea, MI. They have a 1978 Medium Red MGB V-8.

Richard Burt of South Lyon, MI. He has a 1980 Bright Blue MGB.

Presidentially speaking

Vicki Bade - Club President

Hello Everyone

Happy New Year!

2021 is now in our rearview mirror and I think a lot of us are very happy to get that year done with. It wasn't all bad, but it was a tough one.

We start 2022 with new hope that things will improve, that we can move past this Covid pandemic and will be able to do more together as a club.

We did have a very nice holiday meeting in December at the Brass Pointe restaurant and the Toys for Tots donations really exceeded our expectations! Thank you to everyone that contributed so generously-it was much needed and appreciated. The giving spirit people have is always a wonderful thing to see, especially in these times.

It is voting time for our Board, so look for the notification in this NL and an email will be sent out to the membership soon. Both will contain the link to the ballot and since it is very easy to complete, we ask everyone to please take a few minutes to fill it out.

Due to the increase in numbers of infection rates we will be having the January meeting on the 12th as a Zoom only meeting at 7:00pm-the invitation has been sent out and I hope we will have a good turnout despite not meeting in person. Unfortunately, the same issues have closed restaurants on the Canadian side, so they will not be meeting this month and we can only hope the situation improves for February-but we will keep everyone posted for next month.

The club will be hosting a Spring Gathering luncheon on Sunday March 20th at the Garage Grill and Fuel Bar in Northville, MI. It will be a buffet lunch with a cash bar 11:00am to 3:00pm and we will be putting the sign-up information in the February and March newsletters along with sending out an invitation email to the membership soon. We are hoping that Covid does not prevent us from having this event, but as with everything at this time we will keep an eye on the situation to see if it will work out. The last luncheon we had at this location in 2019 was a lot of fun and keep your fingers crossed that we will be able to pull it off.

The MG 2022 30th anniversary event in Canada is apparently having a larger number of people signing up to attend than they expected, so hotels are filling up quickly. The host hotel is already booked up and the Best Western may also be booked up by now. If you are thinking of going you should check out the website now rather than waiting. The MG Car Club of Toronto posted an update on our Facebook page that we will put on our website for everyone.

As always we hope that everyone can stay safe and healthy-we hope to see you at the Zoom meeting!

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

Safety MG Fast!

Vicki

Note from the Membership Coordinator: The current Club dues are $25 per year. Current members should send in their renewal dues after they receive a “reminder email” from the Membership Coordinator on the anniversary of their membership. When new members join they should include payment with their application (check or PayPal).

The following members joined (or rejoined) the club during 2021:

Member		**Companion**	**City**	
Michael	Sennett	Sarah	Tecumseh	ON
Mark	Erickson	Dawn	White Lake	MI
Stefan	Feustel		Royal Oak	MI
Bill	Knapp		Rochester	MI
Kim	Cedar	Jim Tofflemire	Windsor	ON
Danilo	Gurovich	Lori	Marine City	MI
Gary	Decker	Shelley MacMillan	Ann Arbor	MI
Robb	Lippitt	Debbie	Bloomfield Hills	MI
Patrick	Echlin	Lynne	Rochester Hills	MI
George	Popa	Jessica	Brighton	MI
Robert	Wiedmaier	Margaret McMichael	Northville	MI
Richard	Burt		South Lyon	MI
Robert	Fahlgren	Jessica	Chelsea	MI
Vince	Lacroix	Kelly	Grosse Pointe Park	MI

Treasurer's Report - January 2022

by John Magee

January 2022 Treasurer's Report
Submitted by John Magee, Treasurer, WDMGC

Summary: We end the year with another quiet month on the treasury report, down $139.51 as our limited expenses continue to slightly outrun our occasional dues collections during the pandemic. For the full year we are down $1,225.03 from January 1, 2021, to a total balance of $4,474.07. Given the difficulty in holding events the last couple of years, the membership dues suspension has been a welcome adjustment. But I reckon we all agree that a return to more events in 2022 on both sides of the border will be well worth the return of dues.
Non-treasury update: Like many of our cars, I was recently sent into the shop myself for some off season repair work. (In my case it was torn biceps tendons, not something truly serious like a head gasket or a slipping clutch.) I'm happy to say I should be back among the two-armed by the time the weather warms and I once again need to operate a steering wheel and gearshift at the same time. Thank you to everybody who has wished me well in my recovery. I appreciate the kind thoughts.

Total Balance on 11/30/21 of $4,613.58
- November2021:
  - Total income: $100.00
  - Total expenses: $239.51
  - Net Income: -$139.51
- Checking account balance down $139.51to $4,162.07
- Canadian Petty Cash unchanged at $145.00
- U.S. Petty Cash unchanged at $167.00

Total Balance on 12/31/21 of $4,474.07

Detail

Checking
- Deposited: $100.00
- Paid: $239.51
  - $25.00 - Monthly Quickbooks fees for December
  - $5.11 – PayPal fees
  - $81.12 - Items for December meeting
  - $128.28 – Member badges

Canadian Petty Cash
- Nothing in/out of Petty Cash for November 2021

U.S. Petty Cash
- Nothing in/out of Petty Cash for November2021

Windsor-Detroit MG Club Annual Elections 2022

The Windsor-Detroit MG Club bylaws require that elections must be held every year for the following positions:

- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

The club would normally carry out these functions with a vote at a General Membership meeting, but this year as with last year the pandemic is preventing our membership from meeting together and the board will be asking members to vote on-line.

The current board has agreed to carry on their positions for 2022, except for the Vice President position which Dale Brown has been nominated for- but as with our bylaws anyone that would like to nominate someone for any of the positions may do so with their vote.

The process takes very little time and we do not have any other items to vote on this year. Please go to the link below to vote for the board positions.

The AGM will be held on the US side on Wednesday February 9th where the results will be made official, so please have your ballots completed by Sunday January 31st, 2022to give us time to tabulate the votes.

https://forms.gle/9zqwmYZp7MGRiJyG7

The December Meeting at the Brass Pointe

Our December meeting has always been one that members look forward to because in addition to our normal activities, we usually also enjoy our gift exchange. However, since we started live meetings again this year, attendance has been down to about 50% of that we have had in "normal" years and it was decided by popular agreement in November that our regular format wouldn't be appropriate this year and that attending members would instead bring gifts, not for one another, but as donations to Toys for Tots. Even then there was concern that with only a fraction of our normal attendance, the number of toys brought along would not amount to very many.

We needn't have worried; the generosity of everyone who came was overwhelming. With some 24 people attending, we had about 50 very high quality gifts that were delivered to the local Toys for Tots the next day.

When Anne Astley — who organized the drive for the club — dropped them of at the local Toys for Tots warehouse she was surprised at the gratitude expressed by the manager to all in the club for their generosity . It turns out that this year the need is greater than ever, while at the same time, the number of donated toys is far less than in previous years, so our gifts were especially appreciate

The array of toys donated.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you'll find pictures of most of the meeting attendees, many adding to the spirit of the season by wearing festive hats and sweaters.

The Brass Pointe has always provided us with a dedicated server, one who always seems to remember what people prefer to drink and eat and who works very hard to ensure everyone is served in a timely manner. Following tradition, Vicki had the pleasure of presenting Sarah, who's been our server for a couple of years now, with a gift in thanks for her hard work and attention to us.

Recent Events

December U.S. Side Club Meeting

Dan Sokolowski

Gene and Joan Johnson with Tony Kaluzny

Guy St. John

George Popa

Janet Anderson-Davis

John Magee (left)and at Zoom Station (above)

Kelly and Vince Lacroix

Lori and Mick Gedeon

Philip and Jan Wiltshire

Rick and Anne Astley

Roxanne and Mike Fontana

Russ and Marlis LaFevre

Ruth and Steve Swarin (left)

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PHOTO CONTEST

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LOCAL RALLY
SELF-DIRECTED DRIVES
PARKING LOT PARTY
SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

During the summer of 1992, hundreds of MGs converged on scenic Peterborough, in the Kawartha Lakes region of Ontario, for the inaugural convention of the North American MGB Register. Thirty years later, we are going back to where it all began. Come join us June 19th to 23rd to honour our history and celebrate the future. We will have a slew of activities for enthusiasts of all ages including a car show, tech sessions, lift lock tours, funkhana, local rally, self-directed drives, a parking lot party and an awards banquet with a very special guest speaker. We look forward to seeing you in Peterborough at THE MG event of 2022!

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*** MG2022 Update - January 2022 - Happy New Year! ***

The organizing committee of MG2022 continues to work behind the scenes to ensure all our participants enjoy a memorable and fun-filled convention. Registration opened at the beginning of December and our team has been overwhelmed by the fantastic response we have seen thus far.

At the time of writing this update, we are down to our last 10 convention rate hotel rooms. All this allocation at the Holiday Inn has now sold out and the remaining rooms are at the Best Western. Standard rates at both of those hotels are still available by making your own arrangements directly with these host hotels themselves. Peterborough also offers several other choices for accommodations including hotels, motels, traditional bed & breakfast, AirBnB and some excellent campgrounds in the local area.

Our activities are also filling up fast. We kick things off on Sunday when registration opens at the Holiday Inn, followed by the NAMGBR Meet & Greet where you will be able to meet the organization's officers and registrars. Monday will have a full schedule of programming including numerous Tech Sessions, Guided Tours, a Rallye and Funkhana during the day, followed in the evening by our Parking Lot Party at the Holiday Inn. We will also have self directed driving routes mapped out for those who wish to explore Peterborough and surrounding areas in their MG.

Tuesday brings us another full day of activities including the famous John Twist Rolling Tech Session plus more Indoor Tech Sessions, Guided Tours and the Hagerty Driving Experience followed in the evening by our Group Dinner at Lang Pioneer Village and then later by our Pub Night.

Wednesday is the day you have all been waiting for. The Car Show is the main feature of all NAMGBR conventions. We will have all the standard NAMGBR classes for MGB, MGC, Midget, 1100/1300 and Post Abingdon cars plus classes for MG T-Series, MGA, MG - Other and British - Other. You do not need to bring a NAMGBR sanctioned car to participate in our car show and we encourage owners of all MGs to consider bringing their cars to MG2022.

This year's show will take place at Nicholls Oval Park, only a short 5-minute drive from the host hotels. This was the site of the Car Show at the inaugural convention in 1992 and we look forward to making our return to this beautiful location and filling it with hundreds of MGs. There are washrooms on site, plus lots of trees for shade, a playground with splash pad for our youngest enthusiasts and a covered pavilion just in case of any inclement weather. We have lined up a DJ to play British Invasion tunes, some food trucks and British Car related vendors to offer a complete MG Car Show experience.

The Car Show is followed by the Awards Banquet at the Holiday Inn. Ticket holders will be provided with a hearty meal and once the dinner has finished, we will open the Awards Ceremony to all participants. Covid restrictions might make it a bit challenging to fit all participants into the banquet facility, but we are working on finding a way of having the ceremony broadcast on a live feed into one or two of the hotel's conference rooms. You will not want to miss our Guest Speaker coming all the way from the UK, Dr. Ian Pogson, who spent many years working on Post Abingdon cars for MG. His stories and tales from the modern factory are not to be missed.

Thursday morning, we say farewell with a Pancake Breakfast to promote MG2023 in Calgary. We look forward to hearing more about MG2023 from the Calgary MG Club. I have personally visited the host hotel for MG2023 and can say it will be a fantastic location for another NAMGBR convention.

As previously mentioned, our activities are filling up fast. Some are available on a limited/first come first served basis so please consider registering as soon as you possibly can at www.mg2022.org to avoid missing out.
Safety Fast!

Jeremy Holdsworth
MG2022 Vice Chair

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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

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

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.

1967 MGB Red/Black very well maintained; garage kept; electronic ignition; new battery; all front seals replaced; approximately 35k miles on the odometer. Call for more information and pictures. Rick Ceresa (586) 291-0772

1979 MGB. Red with tan interior. Looks good, runs good, has detailed Union Jack painted fuel tank and under bonnet. Car does have over drive which is not working. I have the parts to repair the over drive. Call for more information . Tony Kaluzny (734) 751-4952. **$5000.**

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.

Complete MGB rear axle. Taken out of a 1973 GT.
$150 or best offer. Located in Windsor Ontario.
This is for bolt on wheels, not wire wheels.
Send email response to the editor as listed on page 2.

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.

Asking $5,500.00, have new project, need room in garage. Thank you for looking. Dan

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

(left) Editor Dale Brown has spent the summer on a new clutch and engine rebuild on his 69 BRG MGB. It's nearing completion!

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