

THE TIDEWATER MG 'T' CLASSICS

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AUGUST NEWSLETTER

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TIME SURE FLIES WHEN YOU'RE HAVING FUN, DOESN'T IT??...

Hi, there - I just can't believe it is this time of the month again. The last meeting was held at the home of Roosevelt Moseley. There was a tyre-kicking session until well past dusk, and then we all adjourned to the house, trailing newly-mown grass clippings all over the living room! (Next time you won't be in such a hurry to mow the lawn, Roosevelt!!). The August meeting was a "first" for two of our members: Don Moore has been in the Mediterranean for many months, and we are pleased to have him in the area at last, and able to join in the activities; and Robert Hall, who is soon to become an out-of-town member, and is the owner of a bug-eye Sprite. Robert is about to start his freshman year at Penn State; he has already restored two Sprites to original, and is now on the lookout for a T-type to restore. (He always wanted a T, but could only find Sprites up to now). It is always good to see the love of our breed of car in such a young person.

We welcomed two guests to the meeting - Stuart Coleman and Rafael's nephew, Justin. Stuart has since become a member of the club, and we all extend him a hearty welcome; he is a Navy doctor and has just arrived in the area. Please add his name to your rosters:

Stuart Coleman (wife, Diana) 4105 Meadowview Rd. Portsmouth, Va. 23703

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Phone: 483-2762

There were 21 members at the meeting and 10 T's and a Sprite, and one or two ether hunks o' junk! Not a great deal came under discussion at the meeting; Robert Davis has information on a guy who can make new gas tanks to order. If you are interested in this service, please call Robert for further details - 482-4309. Gary Cook reported that he had had his wire wheels balance and the tyres shaved (to cure a vibration problem) at Burns Tyre & Wheel, Virginia Beach. He was very pleased with the results and the service. We discussed the September event, which is a beach party at the home of Rafael deEcheandia, at Buckroe Beach. Details of this event are on the enclosed flyer. We do sincerely hope that some of our members who live north of the Hampton Roads bridge tunnel will be there; we are trying to have some of our events over that side of the river just so that you can participate without the long drive each way - please won't you join us?

We also resolved to finalize details of the October Rally-Tour of Historic Trail, Virginia. This has now been done, and you will find details on the back of the flyer for the beach party. Please put this flyer on your bulletin boards, and let me know if you are planning to participate - NO LATER THAN SEPT 13th - because we have to make motel reservations. This is a joint event with the Chesapeake Chapter of the T-Register (Washington, Baltimore, Annapolis area) and for those of you who have not participated M.G. activities outside of our club - please come along, you'll meet some really great people and make some good friends.

The meeting adjourned around nine o'clock, and we all dived into Mrs. Moseley's truly magnificent buffet of goodies. Someone suggested we elect her the Club's official

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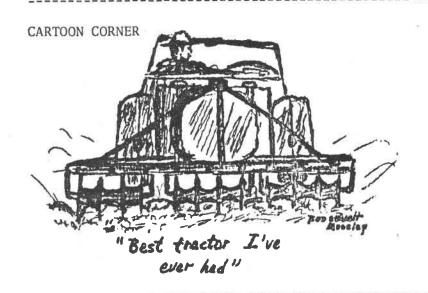
caterer, but nobody has the courage to tell her, least of all Roosevelt!

THE NEXT MEETING will be held at the home of Cathy Dowrick & Camille Atwood - see map for details - on TUESDAY, September 7th at 7.30 p.m.

REPORTS ON AUGUST EVENTS:

On Sunday, August 15, a lovely sunny day, we met at the Holiday Inn, Willoughby Spit, and drove over to Fort Monroe Officers Club for Sunday brunch. It was a truly huge meal, and we now have a few more followers who will not miss one of these brunches in the future! After hours of eating, we squeezed (squoze?) into our cars - there were nine cars participated, which was a good showing, and 21 people (someone was awfully crowded - weren't they Rafael?), and we headed for the Virginia War Museum at Newport News. We were all grateful, by this time, to get into some air-conditioning - it was a real hottie. After we were all cooled off, and had learned quite a bit about warfare that we didn't know before (how many of you knew that pidgeons played a very important part in WW II, and even got decorated for valour?). We came home via the James River bridge, and the remainder of the party ended up at the Ash's (or, if you prefer, Ashes) for a cold drink and some more air-conditioning.

Sunday, August 29th, was the tech. session held at our home. There were 11 members, in 8 T's and a Sprite; Andy Wallach came in a "regular" car, but brought a box of T-parts to beat on. The Sprite (Jim Nichols') came to get help - boy did he ever need help; turns out all he needed was some gas in the gas-tank - sure does help, Jim!! We welcomed a new member at the tech. session - Caroline Talley; she will be at the next meeting, and I'll give you details for the roster in next month's newsletter.



MINI-GOF - PANHANDLE T CONFEDERATION

This is being held October 1, 2 & 3rd at Jekyll Island, Georgia.

Mike and I are thinking of going to it, starting out on Sept 30th (maybe); is anyone interested? If so, we have an application for registration. Motel rates are \$15.00 (\$19 with kitchenette). registration \$5.00 per family, banquet \$9.50 per person.

There are some fine cars and even finer people, as I keep on saying; anyone for a GOF? Please give me a call - 424-1660 any time after 1.30 p.m.

EVENTS TO MARK ON THE CALENDAR:

November 14: Tour of the Petersburg Battlefields and luncheon at the Virginia House - a reknowned historic "eatery".

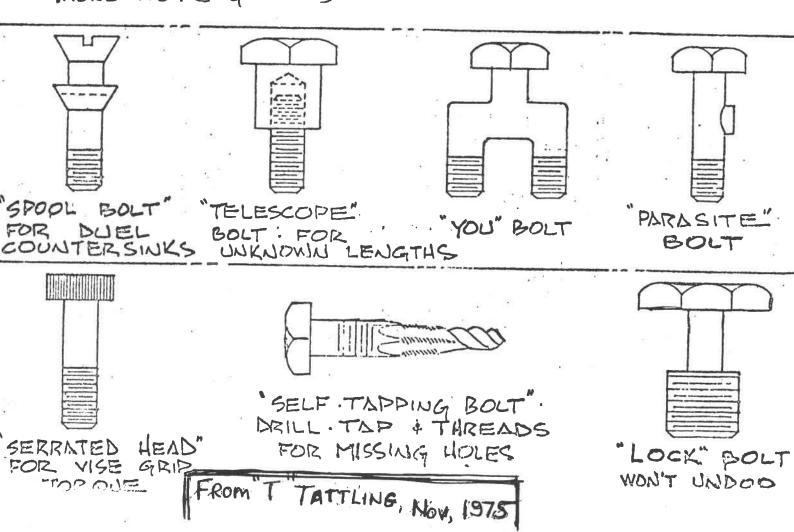
Oct.22,23,24: Drive up to Fredericksburg Friday night (or Saturday morning, if you wish, but it will make a long day if you do it that way). Set out Saturday morning (after Danish & coffee) on a planned route; plenty of time to see Lee's birthplace, Washington's birthplace, etc. End up the day at Windmill Point. Have dinner and do a bit of partying. Set off next day, with maps but plan own route, ending up at the home of Carroll and Trudy Davis hear Richmond, early enough that we could be home in

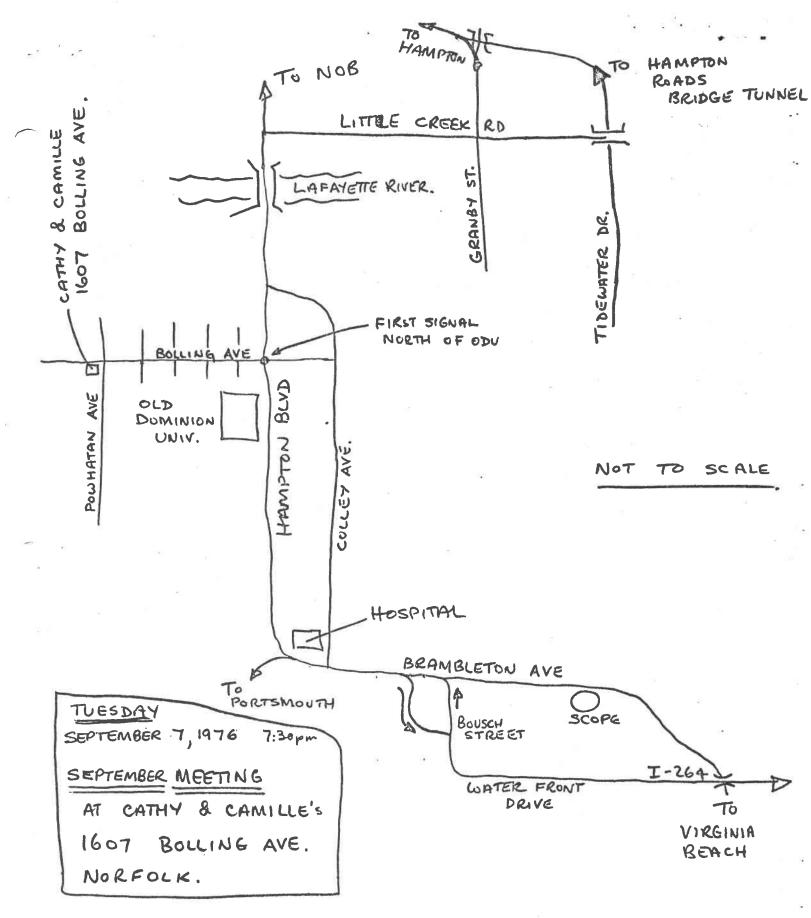
Tidewater by late afternoon. See separate flyer for details - as I mentioned before, and Please, Please let me know if you want reservations for Friday 22nd October & Saturday 23rd - or just Saturday. Call me AS SOON AS YOU CAN - 424-1660, because the hotel only has 19 rooms so it will be a case of first come, first served.

September 26: Beach Party - See details on flyer. It says "food will be provided", but the Activities Committee will be calling on a few people to bring salad, and suchlike. Rafael and Diane are providing the meat items and all the entertainment - and I know we will all have a ball. There are directions to Rafael's house, just in case you can't meet us at the Holiday Inn, Willoughby: Peninsula members, follow directions, and we'll look forward to seeing y'all - bring the kids and enjoy the end of summer without the tourists!

September 7: NEXT MEETING - see map for details - at President Cathy's home: see you there on TUESDAY, Sept. 7th. (Mike's bringing some MG slides - club events and some GOF's)

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