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I should begin this newsletter with a cheerful note but-----never let it be said that good news should come right off the bat! I will begin with a sad story on how very sad I felt that we were going to be without an editor and how it was our civic duty to find one..... well it doesn't pay to have a big mouth..... now I am the editor. Now the good news is that Jennifer Ash is "easy" as previously quoted or referred to in another newsletter.....she is sharing the responsibilities.....that was easy to say seeing she ran off to merry olde England without me or her share of the newsletter. Really sad, wouldn't you say? This is really a burden of love as I CAN'T TYPE!!!!

JUNE MEETING-----SECRETARY'S MINUTES:

Ross opened the meeting with a very special thank you to the Bradfords for hosting the last meeting, they only had a few days notice. It seems the person who was to host the meeting moved and left no forwarding address.....we seem to have that effect on people and places of business.....sounds very interesting!!!! The minutes were approved and the meeting progressed along. Hold on to your hats.. Bess Mann actually showed up! She said she had to come in order to defend her honor. Probably a good idea Bess, I know it's a tough crowd. As of 7 July 1982, we have a balance of \$768.97.....please don't tell Hank, you know how bitter he gets. This portion of his newsletter will be blank.

Abig discussion was held on the payment of dues, we still have a long list of unpaid members. Someone actually paid a year in advance, the name has been withheld to protect the member.

The next meeting will be held at Elsie Tarr's home.....it was noted

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that you have an unpublished phone number....if you start receiving mysterious phone calls and your social life picks up immensely....it is due to Robert.....he wants to publish your number at the beach.... and on walls no less!!!!!!

The Christmas Party will be held at Ross and Ann Haines home. December seems like a good month to have a party exclaimed someone from the group!

The rally/eat-out was a big success. We have absolutely not one documented report as Richard Hall hosted it and Roy Wiley is the Events Chairman.....I'll say no more. Something tells me this could be a very dangerous job.

It's picnic time!!!! Anne will be planning the games and it looks like a super fun day.....more information to follow.

Robert's report was not worthy of print. Sorry Robert you'll have to do better. It was suggested that you seek help from Mike Ash, someone said he spoke the language properly.

Another sad note.....our Trivia Quiz.....can you believe that MG Ash won due to the fact that he was the "only eligible submitter"... Mike wanted to know if he looked like an eligible submitter.....h---no!!!!!!!!!! was shoutedsomeone else shouted depends on what he' submitting. It's probably a good thing that I'm slow at catching quotes because thigs got worse.....poor Ross.

I'm just getting the hang of this typing jazz.....guess I should have thought about spacingoh well.....any complaints and you have the job!!!!!!!!!!

Jim Banvard was officially elected to be our club communicator. He will correspond with Roy Mercer. We expect big things from you mr. Jim.

We received a letter from Jim White with some sad news regarding Jack Jackson. He is very ill and not responding to treatment as quickly as anticipated. Keep him in your thoughts.

We had a nice report on British Car Day from Dick Bolen. He encouraged everyone to attend next year.

Due to the limited ability of the Editors, please have all info to Mary Thompson, 5341 Alton Drive, Va. Beach, Va. 23464 by AUGUST 20th.....THANKS!!

EVENT FOR AUGUST

Sunday, August 22, 1982a picnic.....Bayville Park Picnic Area. Each family is asked to bring the meat they select to eat for their family plus a vegetable or salad to share. The club will provide plates, soft drinks, and yummys! If you'd like to use eating utensils please bring them also as Roy is not providing them. Alcoholic beverages is not permitted in the park.....sorry. It really sounds like a nice event and the price is right so please try to come. OOPS!!!!!! wrong line and I almost forgot the time.... 2:00 P.M.

September meeting at Mike and Jennifer's
September 12 Tech Session at the Gordons
September 19 Photography Rally and Picnic at the Wiley's.....no camera necessary!!!!!! Should be most interesting!!!!!!

FROM OLDE NUMBER 6733:

Shame on you lazy Trivia buffs! We had no winner this month! (No one who participated was eligible) Oh well, maybe its just because all of our members (except maybe Hank) want to keep our treasury in tact. Anyway, here's how we stand after the sixth quiz:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>THIS MONTH</u>	<u>OVERALL</u>
Hank Giffin	9/10	57/60
Jim Banvard	9/10	56/60
Ron Eaton	-	38/40
Mike Ash	6/10	30/40 *
Andy Wallach	-	17/20
Bill Gordon	-	11/20

* includes a 7/10 score not previously recorded
Where oh where is Ron Eaton?

BewareMike West is in town....rumor has it that he may attend the monthly meeting!!!!!!!!!!

Questions and Answers - Trivia Quiz #6

51. The largest MG's ever built were the _____ and _____.
A. SA and WA. "The MGSA and MGWA are most interesting examples of the MG range because they were the largest models ever built." (TSO, April 1980, p.19)
52. The TD "MK II" was also known as _____.
A. TDC. (Dipstick, June 1980, P.4)
53. In what month is the T Register's annual meeting held?
A. February. "Any member is free to submit agenda items to me for discussion at our annual meeting which is held in February each year." (TSO, December 1978, p. 2)
54. What does "MMM" in the MG Car Club's "MMM" Register stand for?
A. Midgets, Magnas and Magnettes. "I'm sure I'm not the first to point out in answer to your correspondent George Jarrard (J2 article TSO April 1981) that the MG Car Club's "MMM" Register stands for Midgets, Magnas and Magnettes." (TSO, October 1981, p. 34)
55. The standard color of the 1934 four seater "P" type was _____.
A. Brown. "The color of the 1934 model was brown." (TSO, August 81, p. 17)
56. Who banned the racing of MG's in 1935?
A. Sir William Morris. "Kimber's boss wanted racing to pay dividends in car sales if he was to support it, and one important bit of advertising copy was the success of the MGs in the hands of private owners. One suspects that Sir William Morris did not know about these deals, and it is possible that his discovery of them may have been partial cause for his racing ban at the close of the 1935 season." (TSO, June 1981, p. 8)
57. What MG established a basic design used through the TF?
A. J2. "The J2 introduced the "T.T. Style Body" to the sports car market. Its square back with slab fuel tank, cut away doors and flaired scuttle was used on MGs up to the last TF of 1955, was copied by serious (and some not serious) British sports car makers in the thirties and still survives today with Morgan cars." (TSO, Apr. 81, p.4)
58. When seated in a TD how far are you from the road (in inches)?
A. C. 15. "Climbing into an MG is an adventure in itself. You swing open the front-latching door and lower yourself down - into the seat, until you're settled in, a bare 15 inches above the road, feet thrust into a narrow tunnel with pedals grouped very tightly. The door closes solidly - its ash core giving it balance and rigidity. The door's swooping cutaway increases the feeling of proximity to the road surface - especially with the side curtains off." (TSO, Apr. 80, p. 30)
59. The "Battlefield Bivouac" was so named by _____.
A. Carl Fisher. "Rumor has it that Carl Fisher coined the term 'Battlefield Bivouac.'" (Dipstick, Dec. 80, p. 1)
60. What is the name of the award given for team distance at a major GO?
A. Beaulieu Cup. "The competition for the Beaulieu Cup (pronounced Bew-lee), team distance award at a major GOF, will be stiff this year." (Dipstick, June 80, p. 1)

The Dipstick Trivia Quiz #7 - August 1982

61. The following curse was placed on Hank Giffin for his suggestion that we " throw a bash" with the money in our "bulging" treasury: "May your ship sink from the weight of the gold in your hold." Which club member made the curse? _____
62. The standard exterior color used on the MG J2 was _____.
63. The first prototype MG K3 placed ____ out of 69 in its first race.
- a. 1
 - b. 5
 - c. 16
 - d. 43
 - e. 64
64. How often is the TSO published? _____
65. True or false. MG enthusiasts who do not own a T-Series or vintage MG are accepted into the Register as Associate members. _____
66. How many MGs were manufactured in Abingdon? _____
67. At the time of the end of production, approximately ____% of MG's were being exported to the USA?
- a. 70
 - b. 75
 - c. 80
 - d. 85
 - e. 90
68. Morris Garage was established by William Richard Morris in _____.
69. The MG Car Club was formed by _____ and _____.
70. In which issue of the TSO did Clay and Carol Richards announce their resignation as editors of the TSO? _____

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August Meeting

Tuesday, August 3rd.

Elsie Tarr's

1117 George Street

Norfolk, Va. 23502

KICK TYRES 7:30

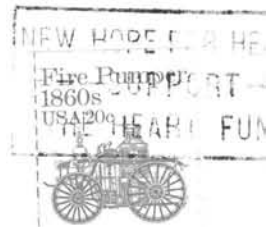
Meeting 8:00

NO MAP
(Official "Map Maker" out of country ... not to
return for three weeks ... this is the best I
can do under the circumstances!)

Newtown Road. Exit from Norfolk

make a right onto Newtown Road until you come to
Va Beach Blvd. turn left ... go approximately $\frac{1}{2}$
mile ... you should see a traffic light and a
Wendy's on the right ... if you do turn right here
and you will be on George Street ... $1\frac{1}{2}$ blocks
down on left ... directions from younger
Levi Tarr!

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8/3/82

- 1- Guests & new members - Bob Beuter, Harry Blanchard, Mike West
- 2- Secretary's report - Mary - approved Brenda Banvard
- 3- Treasurer's report - Bess - \$946.37 Tom Lund
- 4- Events - Ann nro
- 5- Regalia
- 6- Parts
- 7- Tech Librarian -
- 8- Editor - Mary

Old Business

- 1- Dues are due

New Business

- 1- No Trivia Quiz Winner