



THE TIDEWATER MG 'T' CLASSICS

THE DIPSTICK

FEBRUARY 1982

PRESIDENT: Ross Haines (486-1496)
VICE PRES: Vince Groover (497-6904)
SECRETARY: Mary Thompson (495-0085)
TREASURER: Bess Mann (340-4011)
EDITOR: Carol Wallach (583-9387)

Hello again--

Don't forget the Wicker Basket Affair this Saturday, Jan. 30, at the Banwards! If you haven't called yet to tell them you're coming, it's not too late--just call 340-6737 between now and then.

Roy Wiley sent me a list of this year's activities--it's on the next to last page so you can pull it out and keep it for future reference.

Also included in this issue is the first Trivia Quiz, which is explained in the President's message. Good luck with it!

JANUARY MEETING--SECRETARY'S MINUTES:

The January meeting was officially called to order by our president and fearless leader Ross Haines. It was our first official meeting since Ross became president. The meeting moved right along with the introduction of several new guests, Ken and Molly Rose and Don Williams. We hope to see you on a regular basis! As usual, the normal rude comments were heard by the efficient secretary, "the agenda is too long, we'll never get out of here," "slow down, you know the secretary is retarded."

A correction or should we say a clarification for all readers... the minutes read something about needing a Chairman of Events and it was stated "Roy Wiley--he won." Now the truth of the matter is the famous Roy Wiley had been approached prior to the meeting and had agreed to accept the nomination. Ross just wanted everyone to know that members were not shanghaied into taking a job. Jim Banvard, in a stern voice, cleared the secretary: "She only documented what was represented." My thanks to Jim--my reputation was on the line. Andy, I take back all the ugly things I've ever said to you! Being the Secretary is the pits when you like to talk...

The treasurer's report revealed a balance of \$1,106.06. Loud cheers were heard and roars of "let's have a party" commenced.

Roy Wiley gave us a brief run down on the upcoming events. It should be a very nice year; it was obvious to all that a lot of hard work and planning went into the schedule. The events include a rally, trip to the Eastern Shore, picnic, pig roast, brunch, a trip to Nags Head and much more. Roy is looking for someone to host

a couple of monthly meetings; if you can have a meeting please call Roy at 481-1543.

The annual Wicket Basket Affair will be held at Jim and Brenda Banvard's on Saturday, January 30th, at 7:30 P.M. Please bring one of your favorite treats to share. In order to co-ordinate this gala event, please phone Brenda by January 25th and let her know what you've decided to bring. Traditionally we have always been financially embarrassed so we charged each member 2.50 to help boost funds. Due to our present financial bliss, a discussion was opened to determine if we should or should not continue to collect the 2.50 at the Wicker Basket. All felt our only source of income was dues and with our anticipated yearly spending it was decided to continue to collect the money.

Robert passed on a special thank you from Phase-One--all orders have been picked up promptly.

Twenty of the newly printed "The T Series Handbooks" have been ordered and they should be available for sale at the February meeting. Save your money, it should be an excellent buy.

Bess Mann had a "smashing," as she stated, party at her home on December 13. Four cars were parked in front when a lady driving a Honda crashed into all of the cars...Pat Mann's MGA-totaled...the Bradford's GT-totaled...Bess Mann's MGA-\$3000+...Detroit Machine-minor scratches. The driver had...no insurance...two previous tickets in her handbag...and a personal friend of the judge...it sure helped! She received a \$100 fine. Bess and Pat ventured to New Jersey and bought Pat another MGA--Bess said, "It runs great but it's ugly." Roy said, "Ugly cars run great!"

Congratulations are in order for Carol Wallach. Carol has been selected to attend USN Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I. in September. Our best wishes to her; she will certainly be an asset to the Navy. Unfortunately we will miss her excellent newsletters. Anyone interested in being the Editor of the Dipstick call Ross or Carol.

The February monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 2, at John and Sandy German's home.

February will host a lovely Brunch at the Fort Story Officers Club on Sunday the 21st. We will meet at the Old Cavalier parking lot at 10:30 and caravan to the club. Brunch begins at 11:00 AM, the cost will be \$4.95 per person and the menu will include: 3 types of eggs, breakfast meats, rolls, pastries, 2 vegetables, roast beef, chicken, waffles, soup, and assorted goodies. Sounds great and only \$4.95 per person!! Call the Thompsons with your reservation by Feb. 16th (495-0085).

And last but not least, a new and exciting edition to our newsletter, "T Trivia". See separate article for details.

The meeting was adjourned and we all enjoyed Ann's tasty snacks.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

February Meeting--Tuesday, Feb. 2 at the Germans'. (Map on last page.)

Brunch--Sunday, Feb. 21 at Fort Story. See January Meeting Minutes above for details.

FROM OLDE NUMBER 6733:

As may have become apparent to most of you the monthly president's message, something begun several years ago by Ron Eaton, stopped when I became president. Some of us have a natural "gift of gab"--and some of us don't. Being a member of the latter group I felt it unadvisable to attempt to continue that tradition. I will, however, write a message from time to time when I have something special to say.

I would first like to thank all those club members who have accepted or agreed to continue in an appointed position. Specifically these are as follows:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Responsible</u>
Editor	Carol Wallach
Activities	Roy Wiley
Regalia	Elsie Tarr
Parts	Robert Davis
Historian	Dave Barrows

Congratulations are in order for Carol Wallach who has been selected for Officer Candidate School. She will enter OCS this fall with a subsequent assignment to be made soon thereafter. As was mentioned at the January meeting this will necessitate the appointment of another editor sometime this summer. I'd like to hear from anyone who is interested in the position.

As I noted at the January meeting. I had a fair amount of free time over the holidays and thought it might be interesting to do some research and make up a little "Trivia Quiz". The quiz was discussed at the last meeting and the reception was pleasantly enthusiastic. The following comments/rules apply:

1. A new quiz will be prepared each month and included in the February through November newsletters.
2. The quiz is open to club members only.
3. I will "grade" each submission each month and provide the results to the editor for inclusion in the succeeding newsletter.
4. All entries must be submitted by the 15th of the month.
5. Each monthly winner will receive a \$5 gift certificate for club regalia. There will be no repeat winners. If a previous monthly winner should win, the gift certificate will go to the best entry submitted by someone who has not yet won.
6. Cumulative scores will be maintained and the members answering the most questions correctly for the duration of the quiz will receive the following cash awards:

First--\$25
 Second--\$15
 Third--\$10

7. Yearly awards will be made at the club's Christmas party.
8. Answers and discussion will be included in each succeeding newsletter.
9. I want to emphasize that the questions which appear in the quiz

were developed from research, not my own personal knowledge about MG. Therefore the accuracy of the questions and answers is only as good as my sources. The whole idea behind the quiz is to have some fun while at the same time learning more about those little cars we have all come to love.

10. Each quiz will have my address on the back of the sheet so that you can fold it, put a stamp on it and mail it to me. If you don't want to mail it, bring it to the meeting.

11. If you have any good sources for questions, either mail them (the sources, not the questions) to me or pass them to me at one of our meetings.

12. Most of the questions will come from past TSO's and monthly newsletters. Some of the newer members may want to borrow the use of these materials from an older member in order to find the answers to some of the questions. You may even want to "pool" your answers to improve your success.

Good luck--and I hope everyone has as much fun with this as I had putting it together!

Ross

DEADLINE FOR THE MARCH NEWSLETTER IS FEBRUARY 19

DIPSTICK TRIVIA QUIZ #1 - FEBRUARY 1982

(Please return all entries to Ross Haines by 15 FEB 82)

1. Name the "Father of the MG Car Company" _____
2. T or F - Wire wheels were not standard equipment on TF's. _____
3. Approximately what percent of pre-WW II MG's were exported?
 - a. 5
 - b. 15
 - c. 25
 - d. 35
 - e. 45
4. On the first TC's manufactured for sale in England, what was strange about the way the head lights operated when the dimmer switch was moved to the low beam position? _____

5. Who was the first employee of the MG Car Company? _____
6. In pounds, what was the price of the first SA's?
 - a. 299
 - b. 350
 - c. 375
 - d. 399
 - e. 450
7. T or F--The first model of the "T-series" was the TA. _____
8. What club member came up with the name for our monthly newsletter?
9. Who were the co-founders of the New England MG T Register?
_____ and _____
10. Who is the club member quoted as saying, "I'm too old for high school girls"?
 - a. Dave Barrows
 - b. Jim Banvard
 - c. Vince Groover
 - d. Robert Davis
 - e. Andy Wallach

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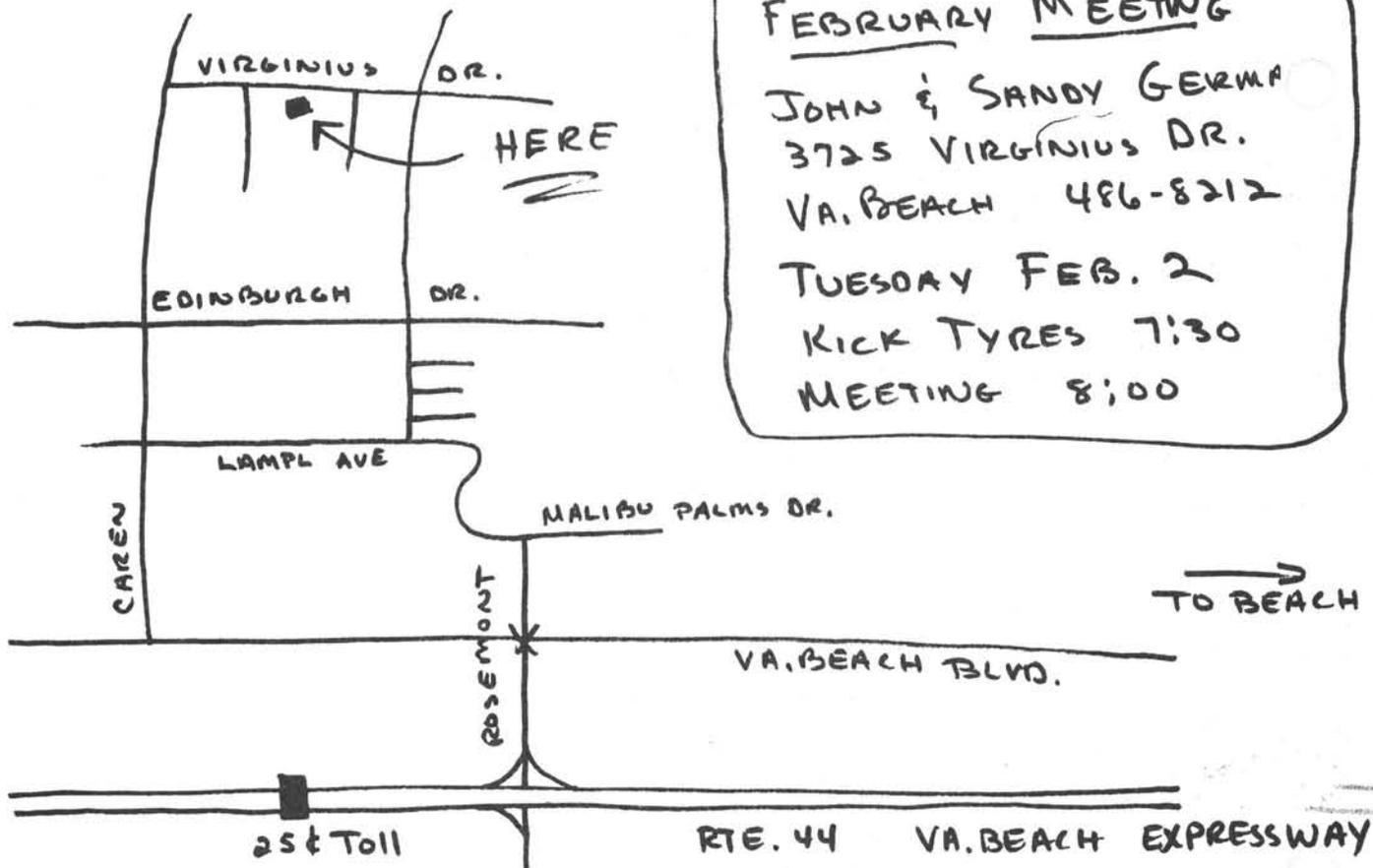
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EVENTS CALENDAR
1982

<u>DATES</u>	<u>EVENTS</u>	<u>HOSTS</u>
Jan. 6	Monthly meeting	Ross and Ann Haines
Jan. 30	Wicker Basket Affair	Jim and Brenda Banvard
Feb. 2	Monthly meeting	John and Sandy German
Feb. 21	Brunch - Fort Story	Walt and Mary Thompson
Mar. 3	Monthly meeting	Dick and Lillian Bolen
Mar. 28	Tech session	Banvards
Apr. 6	Monthly meeting	Walt and Mary Thompson
Apr. 24-25	Over night - Eastern Shore	Haines - Banvards
May 5	Monthly meeting	Jim and Kay Nolan
May 16	Spring Rally	Halls - Haines
June 1	Monthly meeting	Bob and Linda Pellerin
June 5	Tech session	Banvards
June 20	Mariners' Museum/Picnic	Mike and Jennifer Ash
July 7	Monthly meeting	Fred and Dee Paddock
July 17	Drive-out to Nags Head	Richard and Sandy Hall
Aug. 3	Monthly meeting	Elsie Tarr
Aug. 22	Family field day/picnic	Ross and Ann Haines
Sept. 1	Monthly meeting	Brad and Peggy Bradford
Sept. 12	Tech session	Bill Gordon
Sept. 19	Photography Rally-Picnic at Wileys	Halls, Barrows, Wileys
Oct. 5	Monthly meeting	Mike and Jennifer Ash
Oct. 23	Pig Roast	Groovers, Germans
Nov. 3	Monthly meeting	Offers?? Volunteers???
Nov. 14	Ft. Monroe Brunch/NASA Langley Space Center	Bill and Sue Gordon
Dec. 10	Christmas Party	Host ?? Open?? Offers?????



FEBRUARY MEETING
 JOHN & SANDY GERMA
 3725 VIRGINIUS DR.
 VA. BEACH 486-8212
 TUESDAY FEB. 2
 KICK TYRES 7:30
 MEETING 8:00

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 NORFOLK, VA. 23518



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 VA BEACH VA 23452

2/2/82

* 1 - Guests & New Members

✓ 2 - Secretary's Report (Mary Thompson)

Trivia quiz - 3rd place for the year \$10 vic \$5

Please put your name on the answer sheet before

sending to me

✓ ~~3~~ 3 - Treasurer's report (Bess Mann) - \$955.41

✓ 4 - Events (Roy Wiley) - Chesapeake mini GOF? - Nov. meeting - Bill
Litchfield

x 5 - Regalia (Elsie Tarr)

x 6 - Parts (Robert Davis)

x 7 - Tech Librarian (Dave Barrows)

Dave receiving other chapter's newsletters? No

✓ 8 - Editor (Carol Wallach)

Cutoff for March newsletter? - Feb 19

✓ Old Business

Shop manuals ordered? - YES

New Business

5 - Jim & Andy

Register's annual meeting - 20 Feb

8 - " "

discuss items 5, 8

read rest of letter

do we want to send someone? If so, does club keep with
expenses? (NO)

- ✓ I have extra copies of Trivia Quiz if anyone needs
- ✓ I have copies of mini-GOF applications — Go with Chesapeake

\$40 deposit

\$25 or \$30/day (adult/day) → includes breakfast & dinner

Loyal Oak, Md. - 5 miles from St. Michaels

April 30 - 2 May

Read note on last page

- ✓ Wicker Basket affair - reimburse Jim? — \$35 to Jim
- ✓ I have info on GOF West
~~St.~~ Santa Barbara, Calif Aug 12-15

anything else?

- ✓ Special mailing rates for non-profit organizations?
- ✓ Editor?
- Anything else?

Ray - event for Mar or Apr - up to committee

St. Patrick's day - Mar 17 - Carlos Murphy's

Benjamin's