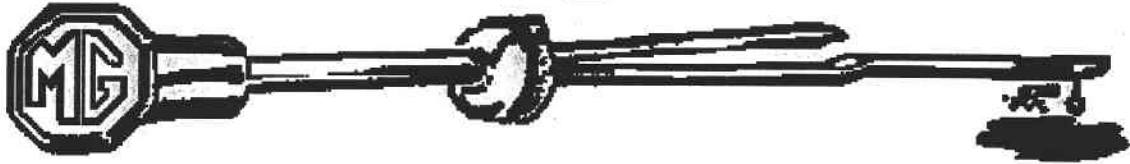


The Dipstick

The Tidewater MG Classics



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Marque Time

A hearty Tidewater MG Classics' "Thank You" to the Bowling's for hosting the February 1994 meeting. Dave and Joan did a nice remodeling job to the kitchen and adjoining room and then welcomed at least three dozen members, including at least one first-timer. This great turnout was in part to someone spreading the word that NO CHILI would be served. (More on the Chili Cook-off later.) A highlight of the meeting was Terry Bond's slide show tour of last fall's Hershey Car Show and Swap Meet. Thanks Terry & Sue! Hershey is impressive.

Near-term upcoming events include a tech session at Frank Linse's (March 6) and a evening of bowling, pizza, and fun, but there are still some opportunities to activity sponsors and as always, new ideas are welcome. Contact Peggy Bradford, Betsy Kennedy, or yours truly if you would like an opportunity to excel. **Our club is only as good as we the members make it.**

Check out the activities, drive your MG, and remember that your significant other is also welcome.

Finally, we started 1994 off in high gear with a good turnout of members and their MGs at both the January and February meetings. Lets fill Greg Coogan's street with MGs for the March meeting. (See attached map)

Bob McLaren
President

Safety first!
Bob

The Tidewater MG Classics offers it's condolences to Frank and Gloria Linse on the passing of their fathers in Louisiana and Massachusetts. Frank and Gloria - we extend our sincerest sympathies.

The Dipstick is the Official Newsletter of *The Tidewater MG Classics*.

President:	Bob McLaren
Vice President:	Frank Linse
Secretary:	Cynthia Faschini
Treasurer:	Jim Villers
Editor:	Doug Squires

Deadline for the next *Dipstick* is:

17 March 1994

Editor's Note:

I appreciate the terrific response to the Dipstick. Let me know what else you would like to see.



Marque Time is the portion of the newsletter that gives the President a chance to say a few words.

Minutes

1 FEB 1994 TIDEWATER MG CLASSICS MINUTES

Meeting was called to order by the President, Bob McClaren who began by thanking the Bowling's for hosting the meeting and noting what a wonderful turnout we had.

One new member was recognized: John Harvey with a TC. Congratulations to Bob McClaren who recently received his Masters Degree in Systems Analyst.

Treasurer Report: Current balance \$1,466.25.

Committee Reports:

Activities: Chili cook-off was a success. Peggy Bradford lawn decorations were wonderful too. We need sponsors for upcoming activities. The Progressive Dinner on 26 Feb still needs someone for desserts. Needs to be 15 minutes from the beach. Sandra Racine did a great job putting together the Bowling Party. In fact, no one should miss it! On 24 Mar (Thurs) you can bowl 3 games, drink beer, and eat pizza for only \$8.75. This will take place at the Little Creek Amphib Base. Don't forget the Tech Session Mar 6 at Frank Lindsey's.

Newsletter: Comments received were mostly positive. The secretary for one thinks Doug is doing a wonderful job. Doug would like to add a "Want Ad" or "For Sale" section in the newsletter. Contact Doug (Home 484 8028, or Work 398-6257) if you want to put something in. The subject of paid advertising was discussed. Prices were agreed on. We will only accept advertising from "Auto" related businesses. Motion was made and seconded to allow advertising in the Dipstick. *(Editors Note - See note on page 9)*

Regalia: Lots of good stuff for sale. See Gregg Coogan for more info.

New Business: Next meeting at Gregg Coogan's, , Weds, Mar 2.

Marque Time: Daryl Bishop mentioned there is a TF for sale for \$7500.00. Doug Squires has a 68 B for sale. Dave Bowling is willing to sell his '59 TR3. Tom Sawyer has two 70 GT's he is parting out and a 77 B for sale.

Up-coming Events needing sponsors

14/15 May	Charlottesville Driveout &	
21/22 May	Winery Tours	STILL NEEDS A SPONSOR
Jun 11 Sun	Funkhanna/Picnic	At the Bond's . Still need a co-sponsor .
Jul. 17 Sun	Summer Olympics/Car Display	STILL NEED A SPONSOR
Oct 29 Sat	Driveout/Dinner & Hayride	STILL NEED A SPONSOR
Nov 19 Sat	Turkey Shoot & Pot Luck	STILL NEED A SPONSOR
Dec 10 Sat	Christmas Party	STILL NEED A SPONSOR

Tech Tip of the Month

"Don't spray Liquid Wrench too close to the Kerosine Heater"

-Doug Kennedy



Membership Notes

The past few weeks have been an active period with new members joining our organization, present members changing their locations and prospective members requesting applications.

At the Great Chili Cook-off hosted by Peggy Bradford, we were pleased to meet **Dr. Gwyn Nethaway** and her husband **Bob**. Since she failed to receive her first membership application, she was given another copy which we hope she will return soon.

In the mail, I received an application and dues from **Doug & Darlene Mueller** so we hope to see them at the March meeting.

At the February meeting at the Bowlings, we were pleased to meet **Kris Doswell**, who was attending her first meeting. Also, we have our first British Royal Navy Officer (at least as far as my records indicate) in the presence of **John Harvey** who attended, saw that we are a congenial group and immediately joined.

While out driving our TD last weekend, I met **T. A. White** who has an 80-B but was not familiar with our club. Tim now has a membership application so hope to have him join. At Karl Herbert's request, I sent an application to **LCDR Richard H Bulak**, USN who I understand recently acquired an MGB so look forward to meeting him.

Please keep me informed (552-0292 or 423-2832 ext. 357) of anyone you think may be interested in our club. Prospective members are added to **THE DIPSTICK** mailing list so they will be aware of upcoming activities.

Thanks,

Ned Kuhns



We still have yellow "MG Tickets" available to help us advertise the club.

See Ned Kuhns at the next meeting to get your supply.

Add These new people to your roster

John Harvey
1355 Little Neck Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23452
(804) 631-0411
48 TC (White)

John is a Royal Navy Officer stationed at SACLANT. If my records are correct, his TC joins Ira's and Hanks as only the 3rd TC in the Club.

Doug & Darlene Mueller
3940 Long Point Blvd
Portsmouth, VA 23703
(804) 483-0199
66 MGB (Black)

Doug is a Installation Program Manager, and Darlene is an Active Duty Navy Nurse. Their newly acquired 66 MGB is in peices in Doug Squires' garage.

Please make the following address changes:

Raoul Alvarez - 7220 Ludwood Court, Alexandria, VA 22306

Anita McGrigor - 20 Madden Close, Alverstoke, Hants, GB, PO 12 2TT



Tech Session

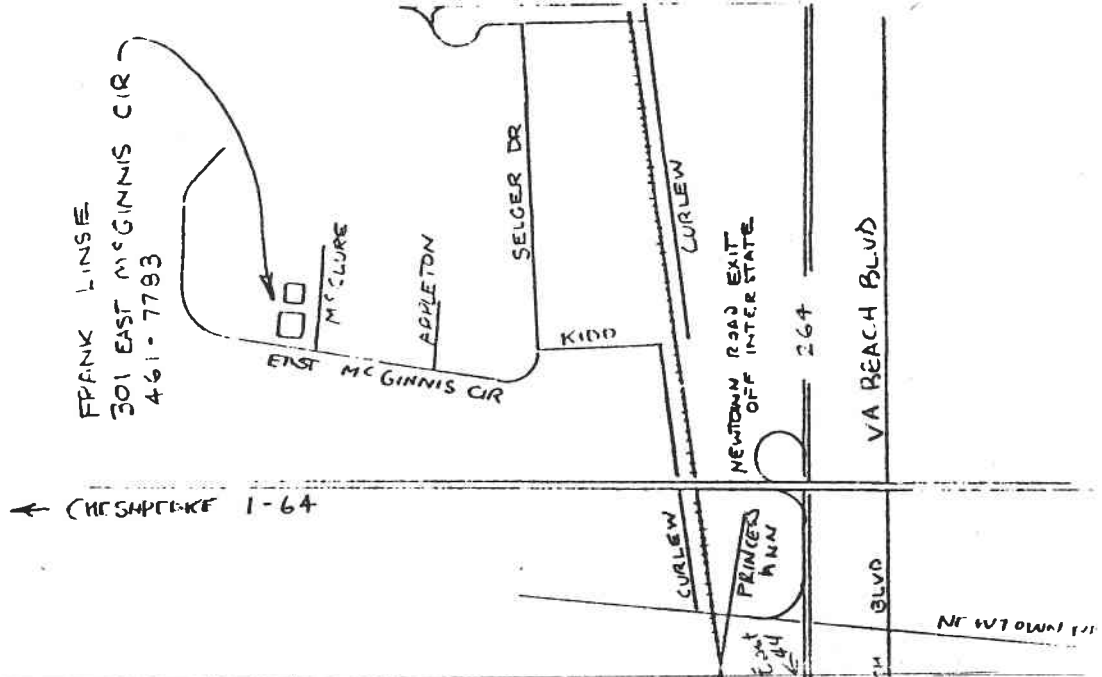
Tech Session: Sun Mar 6, 1994

Hosted by: Frank & Joan Linse 301 E. McGinnis Circle Norfolk, VA 461-7783



Can you help out planning or coordinating a club event? It may be easier than it looks!

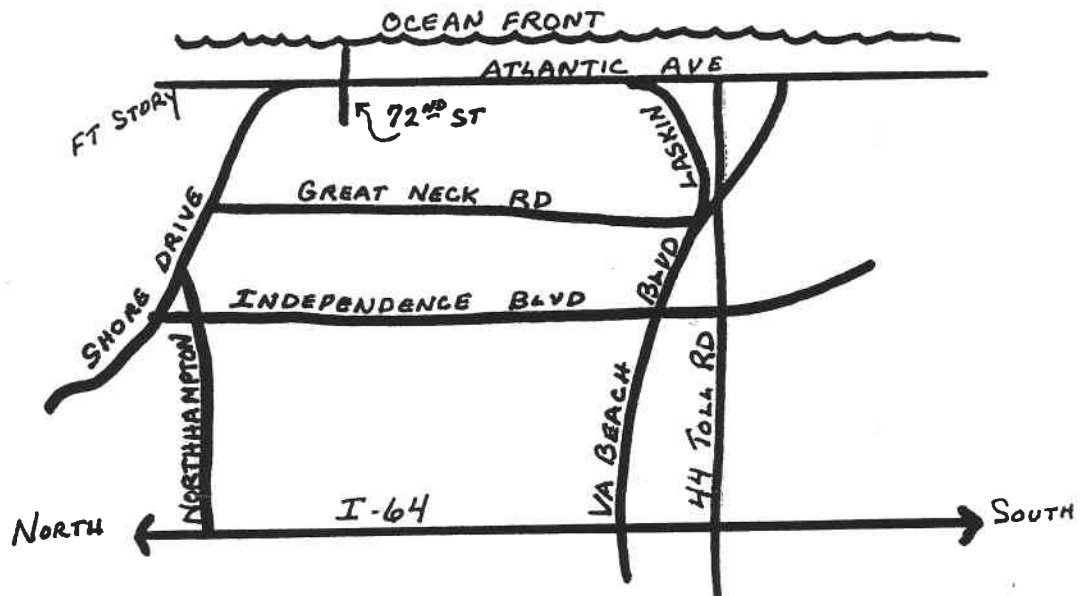
See Peggy or Betsy for more info.



Next Meeting

Next Meeting: Weds 2 March. Kick Tyres: 7:30 PM, Business Meeting: 8:00 PM.

Hosted by Gregg Coogan 114 72nd St (oceanside), Virginia Beach 425-8900



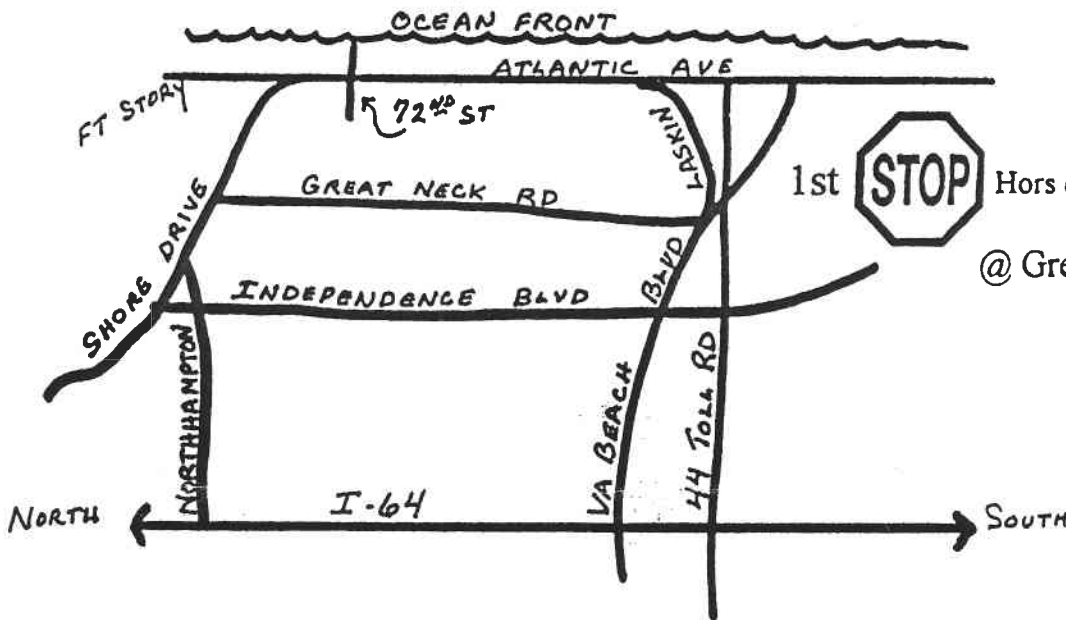


The Tidewater MG Classics



Progressive Dinner

Sat, Feb 26
7:00 pm



1st  Hors d'oeuvres & salad

@ Gregg Coogan's
114 72nd St.
(oceanside)
Va. Beach
425-8900

2nd STOP: *Main course*

@ Chuck & Judy Hudson's
456 Goodspeed Road
Va. Beach - 425-6882
(a short ride from Gregg's house)



3rd STOP: *Dessert*

HOST NEEDED



RSVP: by Wed, Feb 23

To: Peggy Bradford - 464-0543 or
Betsy Kennedy - 460-5037

Tell us what you will contribute: Hors d'oeuvres
Salad
Main dish
Vegetables/side dish
Rolls
Dessert





TIDEWATER MG CLASSICS
BOWLING BASH



Thursday MARCH 24, 1994
7PM TO 10PM

LITTLE CREEK AMPHIBIOUS BASE
(SEE MAP)

FUN FOOD AND PRIZES

ORGANIZER: SANDRA RACINE
481-6171
LEAVE MESSAGE ON MACHINE
BY MARCH 17, 1994

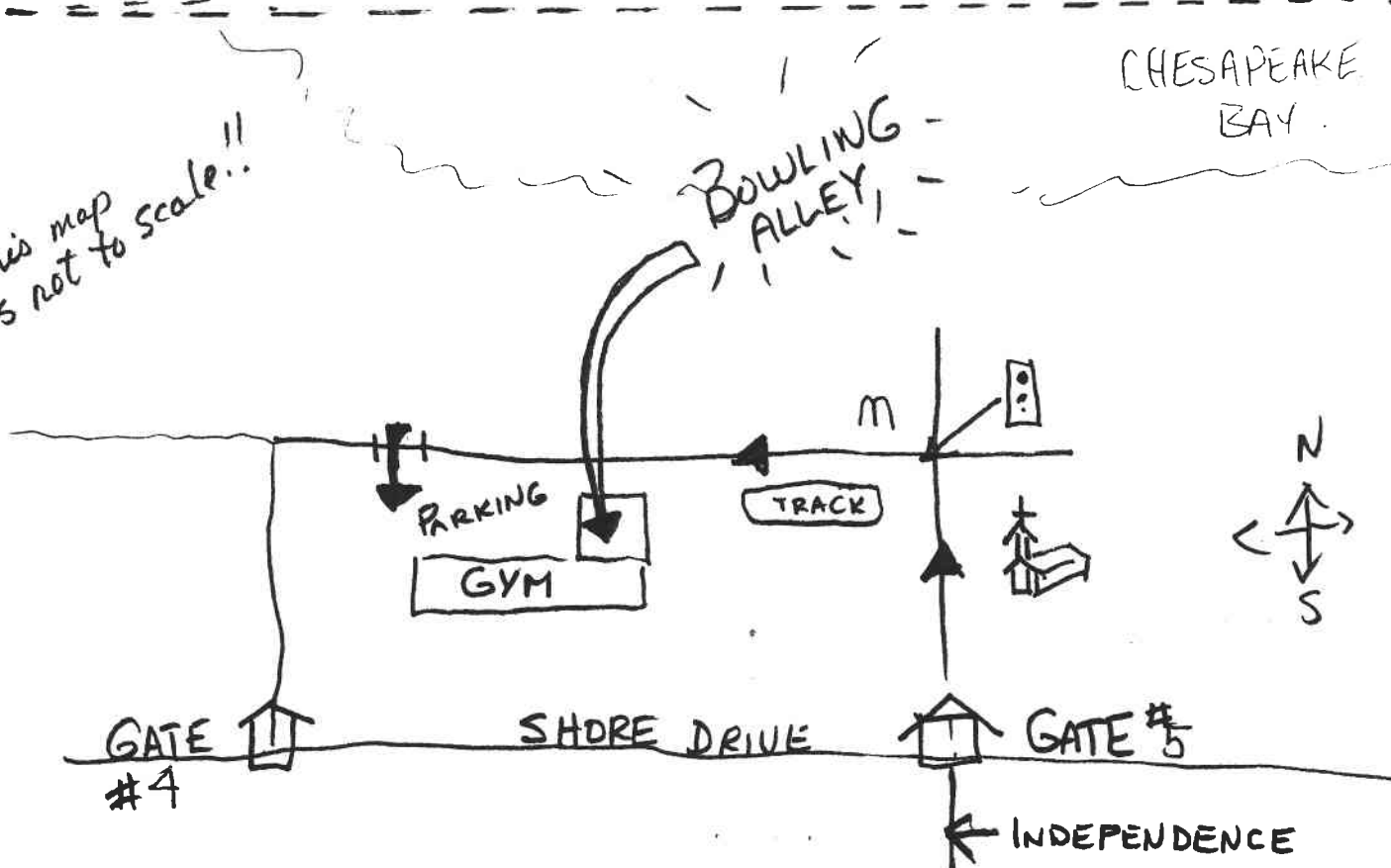
BEER & PIZZA
COST \$10.00
FOR THREE
GAMES

Free shoes!

COST MAY VARY
DUE TO NUMBER
OF ATTENDEES.

CHESAPEAKE
BAY

This map
is not to scale!!



SPRING FLINC

CAR SHOW - SAFETY EVENT - SWAP MEET

26 MARCH 1994

8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

at

CHESAPEAKE CROSSING
SHOPPING CENTER

RAIN DATE 27 MARCH

DIRECTIONS:

I-64 TO GREENBRIER PKWY NORTH
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50 VENDOR SPACES AVAILABLE - \$10.00/SPACE

DASH PLAQUES
TO ALL VENDORS

PRE-REGISTRATION RECOMMENDED
SORRY, NO GARAGE SALE ITEMS
FOR MORE INFO CALL - TERRY BOND (804) 482-5222

NO FOOD VENDOR
SPACES

*No alcohol or drugs allowed - No loud radios or stereos, please
Children 13 and under must be accompanied by an adult*

For more information, Contact:

D. DeEstrella (804) 424-1883 or D. Pacetti (804) 548-8673

FREE ADMISSION TO THE PUBLIC - ALL SPECTATORS WELCOME

Ample pavement parking for all show participants and spectators,
food available from Chesapeake Crossing Shopping Center establishments for your convenience

Sorry No Refunds

REGISTRATION FORM - PLEASE PRINT

Sorry No Refunds

Make checks Payable to : The Car Club Council of Hampton Roads
Mail to : Dee Nienstedt, V.C.O.T., P.O. Box 61011, Va Beach, Va 23462

Name : _____ Phone: _____

Address : _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (ZIP) _____

CAR SHOW VEHICLE REGISTRATION :

Club Name : _____

Make : _____ Model : _____ Year : _____

Registration Fee : \$7.00 _____ (After March 18) \$10.00 _____

SWAP MEET REGISTRATION : ONLY 50 VENDOR SPACES AVAILABLE - GROUNDS OPEN FOR SET-UP 7:00 AM

Products to be offered for sale : _____
Registration Fee : \$10.00 _____ NO GARAGE SALE ITEMS PLEASE !

I agree to hold harmless and not liable, The Car Club Council of Hampton Roads and Store Owners ,
Property Managers and Owners of The Chesapeake Crossing Shopping Center for any personal injury, or
property damage sustained as a result of participating in this event, or driving to/from it. Signed : _____



Austin Healey



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MG's Wanted - Dead or Alive

Upcoming Activities

- Sat, Feb 26 Progressive Dinner RSVP to Peggy, Betsy or Gregg ASAP (See info in Dipstick)
- Wed, Mar 2 Monthly Meeting at Gregg Coogan's (See map on page 4)
- Sun, Mar 6 TECH Session at Frank Linse's (See map on page 4)
- Sun Mar 20 Central VA MG Classics 3rd Annual Chili Challenge. Hosted by Jetty & Barbara Andres. Call them at 1-804-353-8413 to RSVP or call Bob McClaren who can RSVP for all of us.
- Thu Mar 24 Pizza Beer & Bowling at NAB Little Creek, Hosted by Sandra Racine (See info in Dipstick)
- Tue Apr 5 Monthly Meeting at Bob & Judy Miller's.

We had a good time at the chili cook-off and were especially pleased to welcome our very special guests and members from Richmond. The Richmond bunch is again inviting us to take part in their "Chili Challenge". Let's see if we can outdo them both in numbers and best chili. That's going to be a tough act, since they not only have taken honors at OUR Chili Cook-off TWO years in a row and took the prize for the best hat, but they showed up with a small crowd. Can we beat that?? LET'S TRY! Call Bob McClaren and let's get a caravan to Richmond on March 20.

Plans are shaping up for the Progressive Dinner which will start at Gregg Coogan's. Chuck and Judy Hudson have graciously offered their home for the main course but we still NEED A HOST for the dessert. Call Peggy or Betsy if you can oblige. Once again we will sample the culinary skills of the many great chefs in our group (or at least what the specials the local deli has). Regardless what it is, or where it came from we have never been known to pass up good food. We haven't heard from very many people who are coming so if you plan to attend please let us know as soon as possible and what you can contribute to the dinner.

Sandra has gotten super prices for the PIZZA, BEER and BOWLING party so mark your calendar. You will have to commit to attend in order for us to get those special prices so come out and enjoy a fun night together with great friends.

We still need someone to host our annual Champagne Brunch in the spring (April) so please call if you can help out.
Peggy Bradford 464-0543 **Betsy Kennedy 460-5037**

Swap Shop

Several members have requested a place in the newsletter for parts, and other items they were selling or looking for. To add something to this section, call me at (home 484-8028) (office 398-6257), or drop me a note in the mail. My address is on the back of the *Dipstick*.

Wanted: Trunk Lid for my '77 MGB. Chrome luggage rack also wanted. Call Doug Squires at 484-8028.

For Sale: "77B Roadster. 71K miles. As is or will restore.. Call Tom Hollington Sawyer 366.9447

Parts: Parting out two '70 B GTs. Call Tom Hollington Sawyer 366-9447.

For Sale: 68 MGB. All parts are there, needs some work. Call Doug Squires at 484-8028.

Paid Advertising. As mentioned in the minutes, we are now accepting paid advertising in The Dipstick.

	Club Member	Non-Club Member
Full page:	\$20.00 per month.	\$30.00 per month
3/4 Page:	\$15.00 per month	\$20.00 per month
1/2 Page	\$10.00 per month	\$15.00 per month
1/4 Page	\$ 5.00 per month	\$ 7.50 per month
Business Card	\$ Free	\$30.00 per year

For you Computer Wizards out there: At the last meeting I was informed that any one who subscribes to "Prodigy" can gain access to the "AUTO BB". In that Auto Bulletin Board, there are several subjects such as: "MG T, MG A and MG B". Check it out.



Have you found someplace out there that gives us a good deal on parts or service?

Got something to buy or sell?

Know someone who wants to advertise in our newsletter? Here's the space.

Drop the editor a line for details.



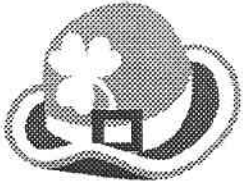
It was a cold, wintery night, maybe not the best night for driving old, drafty British cars, but a terrific night for the first half of our *Chili Madness '94*. It was the type of night to make our annual Chili Cook-off a smashing success if not a gastronomical delight.

Peggy Bradford got to show off her spacious new home to atleast three dozen hardy souls. The traffic on Jack Frost Road was treated to the sight of a light-decorated MGTD in the front yard accompanied by a number of other little British beauties lining the street. Everyone in attendance seemed to have a really good time eating chili, socializing, and catching up on the latest MG talk. The Central Virginia MG Classics Club, hereafter referred to as the "Richmond Rascals", turned out in force. Atleast 10 made the trip and similar to last year, they made off with the prizes.

The "Richmond Rascals" took the prize for the "Best Chili", I believe the honors went to Donna and Larry Smith. I know that Jerry Andres took the prize for the "Best Hat" since Jerry's hat had more MG regalia and other bits and pieces attached to it than most MG's every had. Another "Richmond Rascal", Bruce Woodson, had a hat that was all decked out with lights, but in typical LUCAS fashion, the lights died just when they were needed most. It reminded me of a bumper sticker seen recently — "*LUCAS ELECTRICS - BECAUSE GENTLEMEN NEVER DRIVE AFTER DARK*". Anyway, a great party was had. Thanks Peggy.

Now we have the opportunity to "raid Richmond". Sunday, March 20, the "Richmond Rascals" are having their half of Chili Madness '94, and once again have challenged us to come up north to their CHILI COOK-OFF and try to win back some of the bragging rights for 1994. In anticipation of our "Raid", the "Richmond Rascals" have called in reinforcements, asking the Richmond Triumph Club, the British Motorcycle Club and the Metropolitan Club to help them defend. Let's go kick some ... tyres! Anyone interested in an organized "Raid on Richmond" (ie, caravanning), call Bob McClaren 490-2114 by Saturday march 19.

- Bob McClaren



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