



The Dipstick

The Tidewater MG Classics

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The Tidewater MG Classics is a club dedicated to the preservation, appreciation and maintenance of the MG Automobile, and the fellowship of the club members.



Marque Time

A great meeting was held on March 6th. Thanks to Sue and George and all of you who were there. The list of name tags has been submitted to the engraver. I've been informed that a new template must be made for the MG Club logo so there may be a slight delay. This is a good time to order you name tag, if needed. Call me and I'll add your name to the list.

Tire kicking weather is soon to arrive along with daylight savings. This will give you a good excuse to arrive at the meetings a bit earlier. There are several car shows and other club events scheduled so keep a close watch on the "Dipstick".

Frank

"The Dipstick" is the official newsletter of the Tidewater M G Classics

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UP-COMING CLUB ACTIVITIES...

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| Tue | Apr 2 | Monthly Meeting
POT LUCK
Nita Schoon & Scott Bradford
(804) 463-6593 |
| Sat | Apr 13 | Chesapeake's Hot Rod Jamboree (See Flier) |
| Sat & Sun | Apr 19
Apr 20 | GOF South ,
Crystal River, Fla
(813) 367-2929 |
| Sat | Apr 27 | Britfest 96
Moss Motors
Dover, N. J.
(201) 361-9358 |
| Wed | May 1 | Monthly Meeting
Andy & Cynthia |
| Sat | May 4 | British Car Day
Statesville, N.C.
(See Flier) |
| Fri-to Sun | May 10
May 12 | Import Car Show
Carlisle, Pa.
(717) 243-7855 |
| Sun | May 19 | All British Show & Swap
Richmond, Va
J. Barnhardt
(804) 758-2753 |
| Tue | Jun 4 | Monthly Meeting
Judy & Bob Miller
(804) 497-2214 |
| Sun | June 2 | Red Mill British Car Day
Clinton, N. J.
R. Miller (908) 735-5417 |
| Sun | Jun 23 | British Car Bowie, Md. |
| Wed-to Sun | Jun 26
Jun 30 | MG-'96
Indianapolis, Ind.
(800) 723 MGMG |
| Wed | Jul 3 | Monthly Meeting
Host Needed |

Got a Question, problem, complaint, comment, or anything for *The Dipstick*, call Gregg Coogan at: (804) 464-0543

Need a Change of Address? Contact Mark Childers, the Membership Chairman at: (804) 473-1757



CARFEST AT CITY PARK
OPEN TO ALL CARS - NEW, RESTORED, OR CUSTOM
Sponsored by : Mark Carey and Sheriff John Newhart

SATURDAY, APRIL 13th, 1996
9:00 AM UNTIL 6 PM

RAIN OR SHINE

**GENERAL ADMISSION IS FREE
BUT DONATIONS ARE APPRECIATED**

THERE'LL BE BANDS, FOOD, CARNIVAL RIDES, A PETTING ZOO, A CARICATURE ARTIST, DISPLAYS, VENDORS, PARTS FLEA MARKET, A HEALTH FAIR, AND MUCH-MUCH MORE!

REGISTRATION BEGINS: 6:00 AM

DASH PLAQUES FOR ALL ENTRANTS

NO JUDGING, BUT ALL ENTRANTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN PRIZES TO BE AWARDED VIA RAFFLE SYSTEM
LIKE - \$1000.00 IN POWDER COATING FROM VANWIN COATINGS, \$600.00 VIPER ALARM SYSTEM / KEYLESS ENTRY/REMOTE START/ VRS AND INSTALLATION FROM AUTO SOUND AND SECURITY, \$400.00 IN PINSTRIPING AND FLAMES FROM TEX'S SIGN SHOP - AND MANY MORE!

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EVERY PRE - REGISTERED ENTRANT WILL RECEIVE A COLOR EVENT ART POSTER, DASH PLAQUE, AND AN EXTRA RAFFLE TICKET FOR MAIN PRIZES!

(EVERY REGISTRATION RECEIVES ONE RAFFLE TICKET TOWARD MAIN PRIZES. PRE-REGISTERED ENTREES RECEIVE A TOTAL OF TWO TICKETS. EXTRA TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR \$15.00 EACH.)

MAIL APPLICATION TO: MARK CAREY - 1114 VIRGINIA AVE, CHESAPEAKE, VA 23324
Please make checks payable to: THE SHARON CAREY FUND

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone () _____

Circle One: CAR TRUCK VENDOR PARTS FLEA MARKET

Year _____ Make _____ Model _____

Entry Fee (1 Entry per Application)\$ 15.00

Pre - Registration Fee\$ 15.00

Car club Pre - Registrations (must be sent in all at once)\$ 13.00 (Per Car)

All Pre-Registrations should be in by March 31st.
FOR MORE INFORMATION: (804) 543-5373

By signing this form, the City of Chesapeake, the show promoters and all other persons, groups, firms, corporations or entities related to this event or the Sharon Carey Medical Scholarship Fund are not responsible for injuries, loss, theft, or damage to any vehicle, and by registering, you are entering to display at your own risk. By signing, you release all of the above from any and all liability.

Signature _____ (Application must be signed to enter show)

Meeting Minutes

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Frank opened the meeting and called it to order at 8:04 promptly. He thanked George and Sue Ulrich for their hospitality and recognized no visitors. The minutes were approved and the newsletter was corrected to include Terry Bond as creator of the best in show winner at the model car show.

Ira "I didn't know Moses but I knew his younger brother" Cantin also noted that as a clarifying point of reference that he was NOT

as old as Vince "I was there when dirt was created" Groover.

Treasurer: Receipts: \$65 Expenses: \$261.89 Balance: 875.91

Activities: Shelly is planning a drive-out for Sunday April 14th to Mel's Diner in Grandy North Carolina. Details elsewhere.

Membership: John noted the handing off of the reigns to John Severin. Also, our membership stands at 119 and a new roster is in the making.

Newsletter: Greg enthusiastically relayed that he was getting up to speed on the newsletter. However, he has experienced great frustration that more members do not contribute items. Come on everyone. submit material to him by the 15th of the month. Anything...shop tips, scandalous rumors, claims of greatness, deals found on parts. Just submit items and he'll make you look good. If you win the Pulitzer Prize we'll all get to share in your riches and will help you mount it to your hood as an ornament.

Technical: Mark Childers is available to bench test alternators. He may even try to break/fix it for you.

Regalia: Greg was pleased to announce that the hump (responsibility) of regalia has been taken by Mark Childers. Very few jackets are left. Many can coolers. Buy lots of regalia now, Christmas is right around the corner.

Clubs: Mike and Jennifer Ashe visited a Chili cookoff with the Mid-Atlantic A's in Washington DC.

Old Business: HELP...HELP... We still haven't found/located the membership accordion folder. If you stole it, found it, PLEASE see that it's returned!

New Business: Frank noted that the April Meeting was changed so check the updated schedule.

Mark Cary sent in information for the April 13th Hot Rod Jamboree in Chesapeake. There's a \$15 registration fee. Ira noted that his old personal friend Thomas Jefferson was born that day also.

Anyway, it's a fundraiser so call Frank for information.

The Berkely car show will be in Berkely, the Bowie show will be in Bowie. Ignore all rumors.

Name tags are available from Frank "I'm not just the President, I'm King of Name tags" Linse. See him to order one. There only \$5.00 so order one or two as spares. They also make cool tie clasps and hair berets.

Spare: Chuck Hudson showed off Doug Dooley's scientific method for cooling lips that are inflamed via chili.

Marque time: Mike Brennan e-mailed from Japan to relate his sighting of an MGF and that he's still working to register his B-GT.

Chuck Squires is considering rescuing a car out of the "MG Graveyard". It's all top secret so details will be arriving at some point. He also read a letter from John Harvey who is doing well in England where the weather is perfect for expediently rotting MGs. Sadly, there are few MG clubs like we have in the states. Several tales were also spun regarding Chuck's TCs ability to automatically open its door on high speed turns while autocrossing.

Bob McLaren has been trying to find parts for his C-GT automatic. He finally bought a spare transmission for the necessary parts.

Jim Villers has a friend who is selling a 70 B for very cheap as a fundraiser. The car's original with authentic rust in all the factory-installed places, but is currently not running. A new top's also available. Call Jim for more details.

Doug "I never met a 69B I didn't like" Kennedy told of marathon sessions with Vince Groover to finish the restoration of his red B. Just the finishing touches before it's up for sale.

JT brought sale flyers from SEVEN Enterprises that included specials for club members. (SECRETARY'S COMMENT: Seven's supported us well, so send them your business)

Ira Cantin noted that Chris Calloway (479-0224) had a father who was sitting on a lot of old parts so call him.

Frank know's of a 47 TC for sale in Pennsylvania 481-1229 (local #) if you're interested.

Bill Keeler has his car running, has installed a leaf screen that he's extremely proud of, and is moving right along on his restoration.

Jim Vilers spoke of POR paint, but because it was related to the use on his teutonic Mercedes and not the the technologically superior and aesthetically beautiful MG, the details can't be discussed.

The raffle was held for an Applebee's gift certificate generously donated by the Kennedy Foundation.

Mike Haag won, and we all pigged out on munchies.

Marque Time redux

As related to the search for \$30 PAs, the following were found:

2 b Coupes

10 b Roadsters, 5 with chrome bumpers, 4 with rubber ones and 1 without. Colors ran and bled to a fair variety, i.e., brown with gold striping, antique French's mustard, newer French's mustard, almost fresh French's mustard, rust red/red rust depending on quantity of either, green over cream (where chrome is missing), maroon and white, black racing stripes with appealing white overcoat and even an adorable baby blue. Interiors were of the unique type rarely found on the MG or BMC showroom floor. Most traditional was the greenhouse, sheltering various of shrubs, one being a wild raspberry bush. (Flowers should bloom in May, turning to fruit by mid-June and ripened to succulent perfection by early July. They are well sheltered from the stormy blast and wrath of the birds, so be patient.) There was also the traditional Solid State radio. That may mean it's rusted in place. Most had moon roofs. Interior finishes ranged from the falling leaf pattern to gumball prickly. Electrician's tape custom applique was de-rigueur. One coupe was known to have been running at the stroke of 12:36:27 AM/PM (?). Mileages were extracted from all but one (it had a blue shroud of... draped over its windows: 04866, 11161, 15773, 21861, 44115, 46157, 55220, 57005, 58228, 63465, 64068 and that's what I learned about the Bs. but what about the Midgets...?)

6 of them, 3 chrome bumper, 2 rubber and 1 sans bumper. Colors were pretty mundane but in fair condition for the rest of their condition: copper, red, white and maroon. they were all marooned among the Bs. Crackel finish was the interior standard with most having the fall leaf seat material pattern. Moon roofs were not evident as much as in the PSG. Most had good sets of run flat white walls and one red one had been repowered with a squirrelcage. Mileages ranged from 23197 to 82474.

And then there were the 2 Dolefull true Sprites. BRG and Red. One was ready for Solo II, bearing its forever racing No. 07,

and then I found a true damsel in distress, a 67 BMW 2000CS. I certainly would cause some jealousy if I brought her home. She looks so forlorn, sitting there in her weeds, wearing flats and a honeysuckle shawl. I have to know more about her.

Oh, I almost forgot to tell you that I was unable to ascertain that there was, or was not, a PA there. The proprietor of the furrin cars, bob Wallace, was still in Barbados, and Ron Harris could only answer to the thunder of muscle mufflers.

However, I did flnd some PP. A dog sent a message on my tyre during the hour I was in the back doing this research paper.

I hope it was appreciated. *Safety Fast*, Chuck Hudson



Your
Name

Name tags are available for sale. Price is \$5.00 per tag. Order at next meeting or send check or money order to: Frank Linse, 301 E McGinnis Circle, Norfolk, Va.

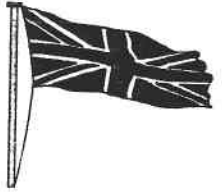
1970 MGB FOR SALE Red roadster with black interior. Fresh battery, brakes and tires. Carbs rebuilt. Good runner. \$2500.00 Call Mark @ 473-1757 or Dig Pgr 626-9686

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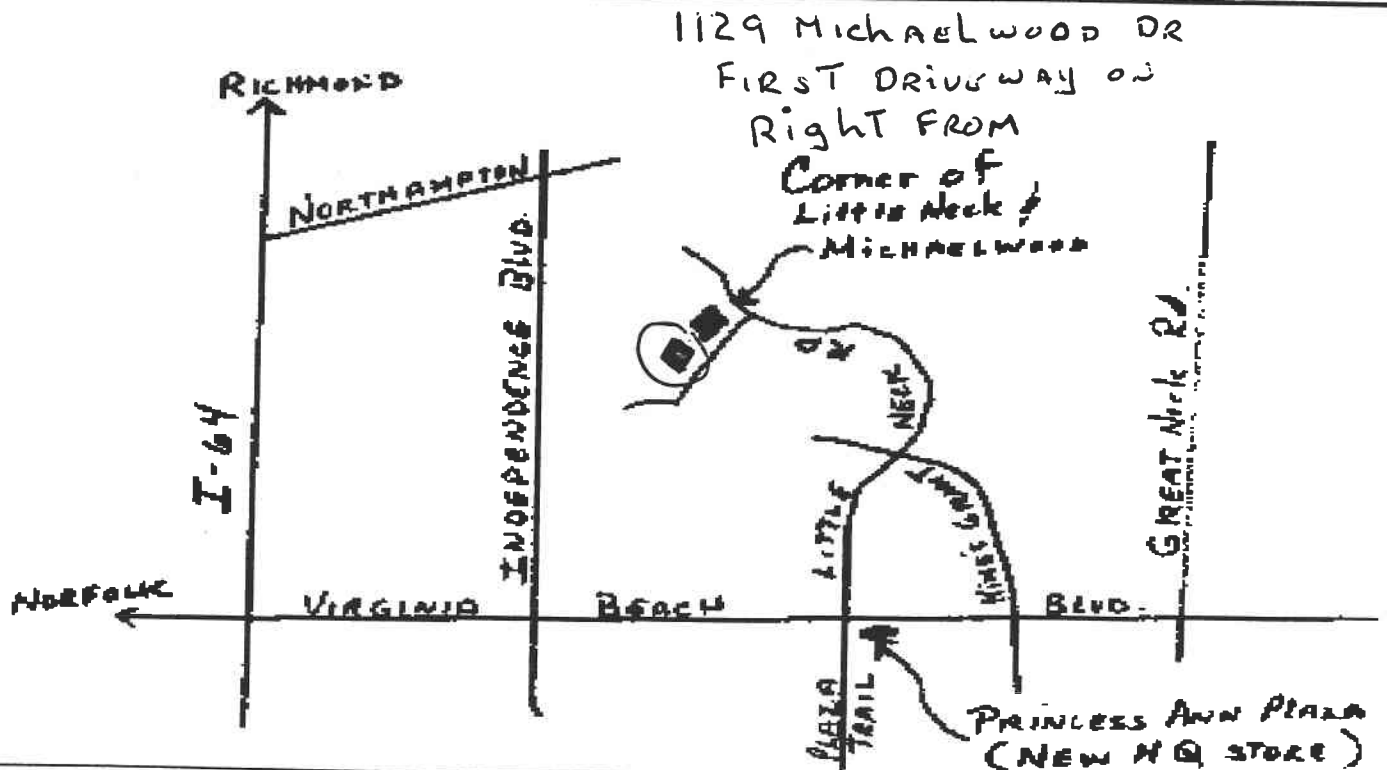
Scot Coogan

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Next Meeting

Tue. , April 2, 1996 Kick tires: 7:30 PM> Business Meeting 8:00 PM.
Hosted by: Nita Schoon & Scott Bradford , 1129 Michaelwood Dr.,





The above map directs you to downtown Statesville, the location of British Car Day and Weekend in the Village festivities.

Entrance to and registration for the British Car Day Show takes place on West Broad Street in the vicinity of Mitchell Community College.

- Registration begins at 10 a.m. and closes at 12 Noon.
- Voting for awards opens at 10 a.m. and closes at 2 p.m. Judging will be by popular vote.
- Awards presentation at 3 p.m.
- Dash plaques provided to first 100 registered participants.

Come join us...

The Piedmont British Motor Club invites you to join us at our first annual British Car Day in historic downtown Statesville.

British Car Day is being held in conjunction with Statesville's fun-filled "Weekend in the Village" festival.

Make plans now to come to Statesville on Saturday, May 4, to see lots of beautiful British cars, visit with other British car enthusiasts, and enjoy the "Weekend's" festivities.

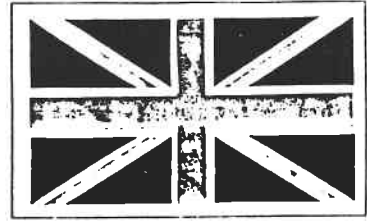
If you wish to spend the night, Statesville offers first class accommodations including two Holiday Inns, Days Inn, Red Roof Inn, Hampton Inn, and much more.

Weekend in the Village is always a lot of fun. Festivities include, among others:

- Over 200 craftsmen from across the Southeast exhibiting handmade goods for sale;
- Live entertainment featuring a variety of country, rock, jazz, gospel and beach music as well as various dance and music troupes;
- Food — local civic organizations will have a wide variety of foods to satisfy any appetite;
- Children's activities — face painting, dunking booth, air walk and more.

This is a British car event you don't want to miss! The Piedmont British Motor Club looks forward to seeing you on Saturday, May 4, in beautiful downtown Statesville for their first British Car Day show.

Questions? Call Tom Dickerson, British Show event chair, at 704-872-4292.



Piedmont British Motor Club's



Held in conjunction with Statesville's

Weekend in the Village

May 4, 1996

Statesville, NC

featuring British car show,
arts, crafts, food, entertainment,
and much more



Registration Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Make, model and year of automobile: _____

Club Affiliation: _____ City, ST. _____

Registration: before April 18 - \$10; after April 18 - \$15

T-Shirts: please indicate size and number desired

Med x \$10 = \$ _____

Large x \$10 = \$ _____

XL x \$10 = \$ _____

XXL x \$10 = \$ _____

PBMC Window Sticker: \$3 x _____ = \$ _____

Total Amount Due: \$ _____



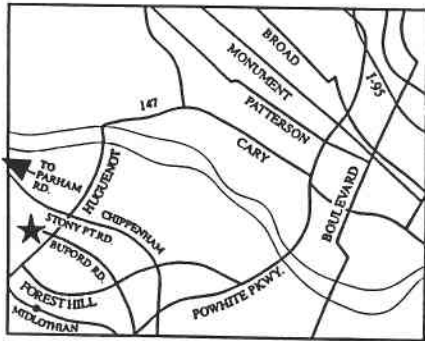
Make check payable to:
Piedmont British Motor Club
Clip this form and mail with check to:
Piedmont British Motor Club
650 Opal Street
Statesville, NC 28677

Release and Waiver: In consideration for the right to pay the event fee and participate in the Piedmont British Motor Club British Car Day, I hereby release the Piedmont British Motor Club, its officers and members, as well as the organizers and sponsors of the Weekend in the Village event, and the City of Statesville, from any and all liability resulting in damage to my car, and/or property, and/or person, while participating in this event or traveling to and from this event. My registered car is covered by suitable liability insurance.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

DIRECTIONS To the Car Meet

Turn from Huguenot Road onto Stony Point Road and look for the British Car Meet signs.



Join us Sunday, May 19 for the Fourth Annual BRITISH CAR MEET. Bring your British car and a picnic lunch. Homemade lunches will be sold by the Stony Point School's Alumni Association. Visit our vendors and enjoy the lovely 28-acre grounds of historic Stony Point School. •Pre-Meet Dinner Social at the Fox & Hounds British Pub 10455 Midlothian Turnpike Saturday, May 18, 1996, at 7:30 p.m. Open to all entrants and club members.

4th Annual British CAR MEET



Sunday • May 19, 1996

Richmond, Virginia
The Public is invited



FUN DAY!

PRESENTED BY: The Richmond Triumph Register, A Chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register

WHERE: Stony Point School
3400 Stony Point Road
Richmond, VA 23235

WHEN: Sunday, May 19, 1996
Rain or Shine
Field opens at 9 AM
Registration closes at 12:30 PM

AWARDS:
Judging by Registrants

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Best of Show

First in Marque/Series with 6 or more cars Pre-registered
Second in Marque/Series with 9 or more cars Pre-registered
Third in Marque/Series with 12 or more cars Pre-Registered
M. O. F. I. (Most Opportunity for Improvement)

- WHAT ELSE:** Door Prizes
Dash Plaques
Registration Packets
- FOOD:** Food & Beverages sold by Stony Point School Alumni Association, or you may picnic
- MORE INFO:** Jamie Barnhardt
1-804-758-2753
or
Ken Nachman
E-mail-KMNTRG@aol.com

REGISTER EARLY!

Mail before May 1, 1996

Payable to RTR and Send to the following:
Richmond Triumph Register
c/o Ken Nachman
9130 West Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia 23294

I WILL ATTEND THE
PRE-MEET DINNER SOCIAL

- CLUB MEMBERSHIP: \$20.00
CAR MEET
- PRE-REGISTRATION: \$10.00 Each Car
- VEHICLE for SALE: \$20.00 Each Car
- VENDOR SPACES: \$25.00 Each

After May 7, 1996, add \$5 to prices above

Name _____

Street _____ Phone () _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Make _____ Model _____ Year _____ Series _____ Commission# _____

Make _____ Model _____ Year _____ Series _____ Commission# _____

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Neither I nor my Heirs will hold the Richmond Triumph Register, The Vintage Triumph Register, or Stony Point School liable for any injury, death, or damages occurring while engaged in, traveling to/from club events.

SIGNATURE: _____ MUST BE SIGNED TO ENTER SHOW

Membership Notes

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Mark Childers & Debbie Goodwin
5013 Carnation Av
Virginia Beach, VA 23462
473-1757 or Dig Pgr 626-9686

Two years have gone by in what seems like the blink of an eye. John Severin is taking over as Membership Chairman, effective the first of April. At the same time, we will "Regalia" with stories about all the neat TMGC stuff we'll be selling now that Gregg Coogan has his hands full with "The Dipstick". While we don't plan on making any major changes to the way Gregg was minding the store, we would appreciate suggestions.

Thanks to everyone who helped us out along the way, specially Ned Kuhns, who entered all the original membership information into a database several years ago.

A new membership/social roster is in print and will be available at the April meeting. For those who have access to Dbase3+ software, we can also download the social roster. Simply bring a formatted 3-1/2" diskette to any meeting and exchange it for a data disk. Again, in an effort to conserve limited treasury funds, there will be no social roster mailouts except to out-of-town members.

HELP!!! THE BROWN ACCORDION FOLDER CONTAINING MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR TMGC AND OTHER CLUBS, AS WELL AS SOME SENTIMENTAL MG STUFF, INCLUDING DEBBIE'S 'NEW' NAME TAG—WHICH SHE NEVER EVEN GOT TO WEAR—HAS NOT BEEN SEEN SINCE THE NOVEMBER MEETING AT THE HUDSONS'. IF YOU KNOW WHERE IT IS, PLEASE MAKE A RANSOM CALL TO OUR HOUSE. THANKS....

Safety Fast! Mark and Debbie

The Dipstick



The Tidewater MG Classics



Gregg Coogan
5104 South Lake Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23455



April, 1996

First Class Mail

