

The Dipstick



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MARQUE TIME

Thanks to Andy Cynthia for hosting the June meeting on the leek at their beautiful home over looking the Lafayette River. The weather was perfect and the turnout was great.

It was a dark, cool and dreary day when we departed for the Boulders car show in Richmond. A day that felt English in nature, a day that make a British car feel at home. By the time we reached Boulders the drizzle had stopped and only the overcast remained. The turn out was sufficient but not as large as previous years. Our club members were garnered several awards. Jim Simpson was awarded a 1st place for his MG midget, Doug Wilson a 1st place for his 1976 MGB, Ed Meadors was awarded Hon. Mentioned for his 1973 MGB and 2nd place for his 1967 MGBGT.

As I write my Marque Time I am making final preparations to drive my MG to Cleveland to MG 2000. it will be the longest distance that my MG has been from home. I am doing all the rituals that you do before you take a MG on a long trip hoping to ward off the bad spirits that would cause a break down on the road. Fixing all those little things you never got around to fixing like the replacement of the leaking clutch leaking cylinder. And for some reason I decided to fix the windshield washer system. A system that has never worked since I have owned the car. I sure that this will be a critical system on the road and will prevent any other problems I might have on the road. Something's really don't make any logical sense, for example the changing of the oil ritual. I don't know why I do this because my MG constantly changes the it's own oil all by it's self with no assistance from me. And what about the notorious electrical system, Lucas Prince of Darkness, what preventative thing can you do to that. Well any way hopeful my MG will reward me with reliable service since I have treated it so nice this week.

Last month I mentioned that I would provide the text of 46.2-730 of the Code of Virginia as amended by HB 441 for antique motor vehicles that takes effect on July 1st. I hope it doesn't cause confusion. It just adds another option if you want to use your antique vehicle as a daily driver. Section E. of the text is what has been added.

---SAFETY FAST--- BARRY

Upcoming Club Activities

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| Jul 5th | Wednesday Meeting at Jerry Goldman's 393-9854 |
| Aug 2nd | Wednesday Meeting at David Sheppard's 496-0787. |
| Sep 5th | Tuesday Meeting at Bill Seib & Leslie Paul's 420-9523. |
| Sep 24th | Richmond 17th Annual British Car Show Browns Island |
| Sep 30th | Wings & Wheels Car & Air Event at Hummel Air Field in Topping, Virginia |
| Oct 4th | Wednesday Meeting at Paul Thiergardt's 497-0455. |
| Oct 6-8th | Shenandoah Valley British Car Club 20th Annual Festival |
| Nov 8th | Wednesday Meeting We still need a host. |

This is the location on the web from which the text was taken:

<http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?001+ful+CHAP0259>

CHAPTER 259

An Act to amend and reenact § 46.2-730 of the Code of Virginia, relating to license plates for antique motor vehicles; use of certain antique motor vehicles for general transportation purposes.

[H 441] Approved April 2, 2000

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 46.2-730 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 46.2-730. License plates for antique motor vehicles; fee.

A. On receipt of an application, the Commissioner shall issue appropriately designed license plates to owners of antique motor vehicles. These license plates shall be valid so long as title to the vehicle is vested in the applicant. The fee for the registration card and license plates of any of these vehicles shall be ten dollars.

B. On receipt of an application, the Commissioner may authorize for use on antique motor vehicles Virginia license plates manufactured prior to 1973 1976 and designed for use without decals, if such license plates are embossed with or are of the same year of issue as the model year of the antique motor vehicle on which they are to be displayed. Original metal year tabs issued in place of license plates for years 1943 and 1953 and used with license plates issued in 1942 and 1952, respectively, also may be authorized by the Commissioner for use on antique motor vehicles that are of the same model year as the year the metal tab was originally issued. These license plates and metal tabs shall remain valid so long as title to the vehicle is vested in the applicant. The fee for the registration card and permission to use the license plates and metal tabs on any of these vehicles shall be ten dollars.

C. Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 46.2-711 and 46.2-715, antique motor vehicles may display single license plates if the original manufacturer's design of the antique motor vehicles allows for the use of only single license plates or if the license plate was originally issued in one of the following years and is displayed in accordance with the provisions of subsection B of this section: 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1945, or 1946.

D. Antique Except as provided in subsection E of this section, motor vehicles registered with license plates issued under this section shall not be used for general transportation purposes, including, but not limited to, daily travel to and from the owner's place of employment, but shall only be used:

1. For participation in club activities, exhibits, tours, parades, and similar events; and
2. On the highways of the Commonwealth for the purpose of testing their operation, obtaining repairs or maintenance, transportation to and from events as described in subdivision 1 of this subsection, and for occasional pleasure driving not exceeding 250 miles from the residence of the owner.

E. Notwithstanding the foregoing provision of this section, antique motor vehicles displaying license plates issued pursuant to subsections B and C of this section may be used for general transportation purposes if the following conditions are met:

1. The physical condition of the vehicle's license plate or plates has been inspected and approved by the Department;
2. The license plate or plates are registered to the specific vehicle by the Department;
3. The owner of the vehicle periodically registers the vehicle with the Department and pays a registration fee for the vehicle equal to that which would be charged to obtain regular state license plates for that vehicle;
4. The vehicle passes a periodic safety inspection as provided in Article 21 (§ 46.2-1157 et seq.) of Chapter 10 of this title;
5. The vehicle displays current decals attached to the license plate, issued by the Department, indicating the valid registration period for the vehicle; and
6. When applicable, the vehicle meets the requirement of Article 22 (§ 46.2-1176 et seq.) of Chapter 10 of this title.

If more than one request is made for use, as provided in this subsection, of license plates having the same number, the Department shall accept only the first such application. Only vehicles titled to the person seeking to use license plates as provided in this subsection shall be eligible to use license plates as provided in this subsection.

June Minutes

Barry opened the meeting promptly at 8:06PM Lucas Standard Time. Andy and Cynthia were thanked for hosting the meeting on this fine evening. Bob Elrod with his 80B was welcomed as a visitor. George "Bradford", Peggy's new hubby was also welcomed. Scott Coogan and his mammoth-engined B were also welcomed back.

Membership: Alan Watson is prepping new membership forms. When you get it fill it out COMPLETELY. He'll also prepare a cross-referenced roster so be specific and include your profession if you want some extra business. Sorry, "super genius" is not an appropriate profession. Currently we have 91 paid dipsticks going out.

Treasurer: Receipts: \$56 Disbursements: \$40 Balance: 1741.00 The regalia guy is investigating ways to spend our money.

Minutes: Approved.

Newsletter: Ed was not present.

Regalia: Frank has some new goodies coming in August. Golf shirts in a variety of hues will be on the way. See him for size and color preference.

Activities: Chuck mentioned that we were invited to the Strawberry Fest at 7AM so we passed. Jim and Betty Villers have volunteered to host the Holiday Party on Friday December 8th. We also need a host for the November meeting.

Spares: Mark was not present.

Clubs: Mike was not present but Barry and Mike Haag are driving to Cleveland for MG2000! Good luck guys.

Old Business: The old business was a little under the weather so there was none.

New Business: We need to pay \$35 registration fee. Mike was also complimented on his hard work.

Marque Time: Barry mentioned some of the auto show winners from recent events.

Jim Villers has a new compressed air grease gun. It's nice when working under the car.

Alan mentioned that the Triumph club is holding a camping trip and we are invited.

Barry went to the Car Club Council. The Council needs a spokesman who lives in Hampton. Apparently that misguided city wants to pass an ordinance limiting inoperative cars. He also has a lead on a 78B if you're interested. Wire wheels, overdrive, "some" rust, unknown price,

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unknown phone number.

Bob McLaren was invited to Classic Cars of Williamsburg. It's a restoration shop and was pleased to show its work. Bob reported that it was a fine trip and he will try to hook the club up for a similar visit.

Jerry's joke of the month: It elicited a 6 on the laughter scale. If you were Catholic it elicited a 3.

For sale.....5 MGB wire wheels and 4 splines, hub adaptors, like new. Call Ron Worthington (804) 642-5998 or e-mail rhworthington@ccsinc.com

The raffles for a hat and T-Shirt were taken. The Secretary didn't win so I didn't pay attention.

The meeting was adjourned and we were split in two faster than a federal court judge's decision

Phase One Imported Car Parts

My name is Nick Webb, son of Stephen Webb who used to own Phase One Imported Car Parts. As you and the club members have probably heard, Phase One is no longer open.

Since the fall of Phase One I have started a new internet oriented business that you and your fellow club members might be interested in. It is named Second Generation Auto Parts. What I specialize in now is what is commonly called NOS, or New Old Stock parts. I buy old inventories from auto parts stores that have gone under and try to turn it over on the internet through eBay and eventually our own online catalog.

My proposal to you and the other MG club members is this. As I am unearthing these old auto parts that fit various MGs I will make a list before I put it up on the internet for you and your members to have first dibs on. The prices will be great...trust me. This is working out really well with the local Triumph club.

Check out our website: www.importpart.com watch it over the next month or two because we will be adding an online catalog that allows you to search by car and category.

Thanks for listening,
Nick Webb.

Editor's Note: If you want to email him personally and find out what he might have, his email address is: importpart@netzero.net

Shenandoah Valley British Car Club
20th Annual Fall British Car Festival Registration Information
October 6-8, 2000

(Please Print)

Name: _____

Street: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Buffet Dinner includes Beverage/Dessert \$19 per person

Reserve _____ spots for me!

Evening Phone _____ Day Phone _____

Organizational Affiliation (if applicable) _____

Registration fee: \$15.00 per vehicle entered

Vehicles(s) coming to the Festival _____

(Fee is based on a per car basis)

Production Year _____ Make _____ Model _____

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I am planning to participate in the following:

Friday

Opening Reception (no charge) # attending _____

Saturday

Visit to Virginia Metalcrafters # attending _____

Awards Banquet #attending _____

Sunday

Caravan to the Monticello
 Wine Festival, Boar's Head Inn,
 Charlottesville, Virginia # attending _____

Fees

Per Car \$15.00 \$ _____

After 9/18/2000 \$20.00 \$ _____

(Awards per class are based on registration forms received prior to 9/18/00)

Awards Banquet (Saturday Evening)
 (Confirmation regarding attendance must be received no later than Noon, October 7, 2000)

of Adults _____ x \$19.00 \$ _____

(tax and gratuity inclusive)

of Children _____ x \$10.00 \$ _____

Vendor Space: No charge EXCEPT for \$20.00 fee to vendors selling autos. \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____

In an effort to increase vendor participation again this year, there will no charge for vendor space. However, we would appreciate a donated item for use as a door prize on the field during the show. Please contact Bill Krzastek 540-949-7879 with details of your donation.

Mail form with check or money order to:

SVBCC
P.O. Box 323
Waynesboro, Virginia 22980

Sorry! No refunds of dues/fees can be accommodated

"Special Premiere" Class

For those who want to compete with the best

Check here for entry

I am aware of the hazard(s) inherent with motor vehicle events and specifically do hereby release and indemnify the organizers, supporting sponsors, The Shenandoah Valley British Car Club, Ltd. and the Fall Foliage Festival, collectively and separately from any and all liabilities and/or property damage incurred by me or my guest(s) while participating in this event.

Signature _____ Date _____

For Your Information

Arrive at Holiday Inn Conference Center Registration from 4:00-8:00 p.m.

"Free" Reception from 7:00 p.m.-Until
(light snacks and beverages provided)
Live Entertainment in the Pub & Eatery

Saturday's Activities

Buffet Breakfast – \$6.95 plus tax/gratuity
Caravan to Show from Holiday Inn, departing at 9:00 am for Ridgeview Park
Car Show begins at 9:00 am
On Field Registration until 11:30 am
Complimentary Van Shuttle Service to Virginia Metal Crafters (antique reproductions)
Participant Voting ends at 2:00 pm
Reception at **Holiday Inn**, 6:00 pm
Awards Banquet, at 7:00 pm

Sunday 's Activity

Caravan to the Monticello Wine Festival, Boar's Head Inn, Charlottesville, Virginia - 11 am to 5 pm.

Extending Your Vacation?

If you would like additional information to help plan an extended stay while visiting the Shenandoah Valley, we suggest the following:

Staunton and Vicinity	540-886-2351
Waynesboro and Vicinity	540-949-8203

Accommodations

Host Hotel

Holiday Inn Golf and Conference Center

Featuring: Modern, Well Appointed Rooms

Mulligan's Pub and Eatery- Live Entertainment Nightly

Indoor Swimming Pool and Special Parking Area

Reservations

Call 800-932-9061

All rooms – single/double \$78.00 plus tax. *72-*

You must mention the **Fall British Car Festival** to get this reduced rate.

We have reserved only 70 rooms for this year's festival at the host hotel and October is a peak tourist season for this area.

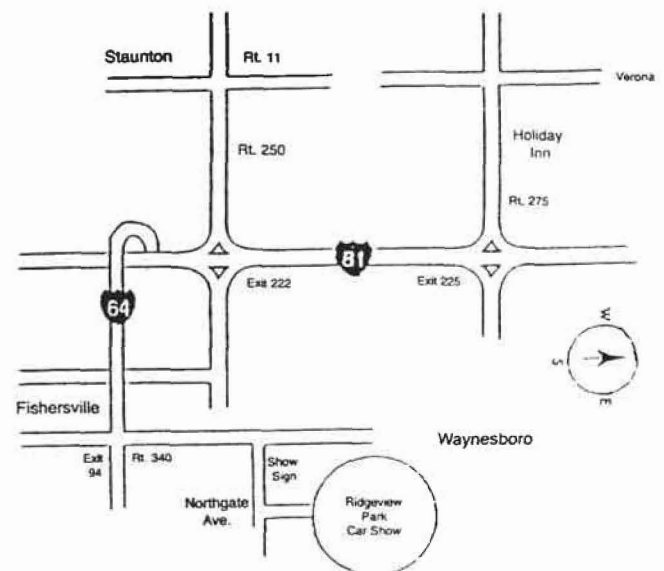
Register early!

Reservations made after September 6, 2000 will be provided on a space available basis.

Overflow Accommodations:

Ingleside Resort Hotel, Verona 540-248-1201

Call for room rates and availability.



Keep this page for event information
and map reference

FOR SALE !!!

1970 Midget, yellow in color, runs good, but it needs some work to get it on the road. A new Weber dgv carb and manifold, new dash and seat covers, needs carpet and interior panel kit. Asking \$1600 or best offer. Contact Ken Spivey at 474-0331, or email him at cvcreations@dc.freei.net

ELVA COURIER 1959 with MGA engine. Complete (and completely disassembled). All original parts including interior, top, tonneau. Seats newly redone. 1500cc race engine built by Abacus ready to go, plus three blocks (1500,1600,1622). Body has been gel coated and is in primer. Has removable roll bar. Was to be a race car project for daughter but just bought a Turner. Autocross history in DC region. It will be an easy bebuild. \$12,500

1951 COOPERMG. Reg nr NTO650. Significant racing history in England. Pictured in the Cooper "Bible" by Nye up on two wheels. New Cooper wheels from Australia, new A suspension arms. Very light and fast with XPAG engine. Serious competitor at Pittsburgh VGP. Dark blue color. I paid \$55,000 and have much more invested. Luckily Stevie (my wife) doesn't read these newsletters. Lets talk.

MGTC 1948 BRG/green interior. A true zero miles frame up restoration to the highest standards. Everything new and rebuilt. The nicest paint job you've ever seen. Totally rebuilt engine and all mechanicals. New leather, top/tonneau. This is a brand new TC in every respect, and will need nothing. Instant show winner. \$24,500

1934 MGND. N0304. N magnette with two seater 'K' body. Very nice condition. Dark blue color with tan interior. Supercharger under bonnet. Removeable roll bar that fits under hood. A great pre war race car, but is now a street car. \$39,500

As you can see I'm (reluctantly) thinning down the collection along with my retirement this summer. Hank Giffin 757-423-5985 (new nr end of June 757 583-8350 (email until 1 Sep hgiffin@cnsi.spear.navy.mil) Norfolk VA

ITEMS OF INTEREST

From Bob McClaren: A company named Burlen has taken over the manufacture of SU items and parts. Their web address is "www.burlen.co.uk"

Again from Bob: This is the internet address for Haynes Manuals in the UK. I just used it to order a manual for my Mk 2 Jaguar. "www.haynes.co.uk"



2000

Car and Air Event A Tribute to "Chesty" Puller Hummel Air Field Topping, Virginia

Saturday, September 30, 2000 - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. -
Rain or Shine

Special Exhibits, Arts & Crafts of all Types

1st, 2nd & 3rd Place Awards in the following classes

(Participants' choice)

Automotive - American, European, British, Exotic

Aircraft - Classic, Antique, Experimental, Ultralite

Grounds open at 7:00 a.m. - Parking Fee is \$3.00 - Vendors must be set up by 8:45 a.m.
(No Flea Market or Yard Sale Items in Craft Area)

NO ALCOHOL OR DRUGS ALLOWED ON GROUNDS - NO PETS, PLEASE

For more information call: (804) 758-2753 or (804) 758-2551

E-mail: wingsandwheels@hotmail.com

Web site: <http://fly.to/wingsandwheels>

Automobile/Aircraft Registration: \$7.00 before September 1st (\$10.00 after) - special gift for first 300 entries

Vendor space: Local charitable organizations - \$5.00; Craft Vendors - 10 x 10 - \$20.00; 10 x 20 - \$30.00

Commercial/Food Vendors - 10 x 20 - \$100.00*

*Food vendors must supply proof of liability insurance and notify Middlesex Health Department at least two weeks prior to show.

There will be a 50% surcharge for all vendor registrations postmarked after September 1st

Make checks payable to: **Friends of Hummel Air Field**

Mail to: Friends of Hummel, P. O. Box 202, Topping, Virginia 23169

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Class of vehicle (Circle One): American - European - British - Exotic Year: _____

Description _____

Class of aircraft (Circle One): Classic - Antique - Experimental - Ultralite Year: _____

Description _____

Vendor (Circle One): Local Charity - Craft - Commercial

Vendor space required: Craft - 10 x 10 _____; 10 x 20 _____; Food - 10 x 20 _____

Description _____ **TOTAL ENCLOSED \$** _____

I agree not to hold Hummel Air Field, Middlesex County, Innovative Restorations, or any persons or sponsors connected with this event responsible for any loss, damage, injury or death to myself or my property occurring while engaged in, or traveling to or from the event.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

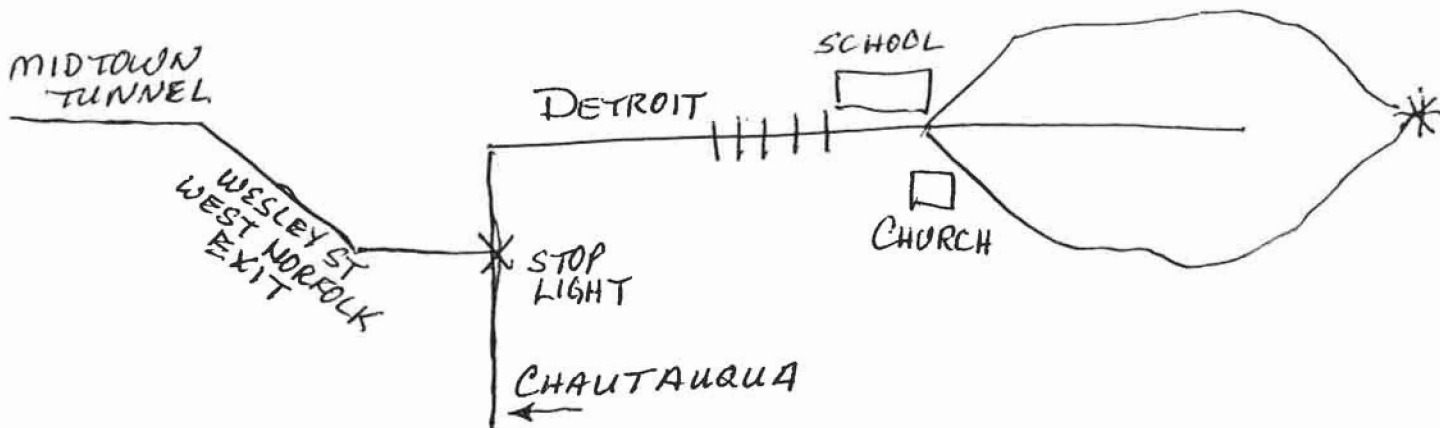
MUST BE SIGNED TO ENTER SHOW

**Wednesday July 5th Meeting at
Jerry Goldman's
120 Monitor Road
Portsmouth 23707
393-9854**

Kick Tyres 7:30

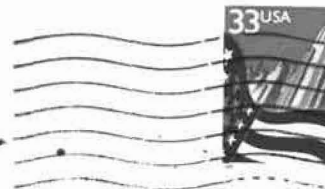
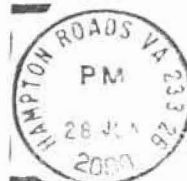
Meeting 8:00

Directions: Exit Midtown Tunnel - Take West Norfolk Exit (Wesley St)
At stop light (Chautauqua Ave.), Turn Left.
Go one block to Detroit Street, Turn Right
Follow Detroit Street several blocks past Port Norfolk School and
Portsmouth Christian Church. You will run into a brick
entrance - Merrimac Point
Go right and follow the road on the water to 120 Monitor Road.
All roads in this neighborhood lead to the water.



The Tidewater MG Classics

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**Wednesday Meeting
July 5th
At Jerry Goldman's**

Officers and Committees

President	Barry Tyson	488-7304
V. President	Mike Haag	393-6410
Secretary	Doug Kennedy	460-5037
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