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MARQUE TIME

The April meeting was a wonderful and relaxing way to spend an unseasonably cool, Wednesday evening with MG friends over looking the Western Branch of the Elizabeth River. A good turnout of our MG Peninsula members and also "the Spring Tourers" still on a "road trip high". I would like to thank Jerry and Joann Goldman for hosting the April meeting in their beautiful home. Be sure to check the web site www.mg.org "The Latest" and the "online club calendar" for up to date info on events and meetings. We have our first "Ice Cream Social" in May.

Again, if you have any intention of going to MG 2001, you need to make hotel reservations and submit your registration forms. Information and forms can be found on WWW.mg2001.com. If you are unable to get online, contact me for info and forms. All the MG registers; New England T, North American MGA and North American MGB will participate together in this event. Also the Boulders car show, May 6th and the Williamsburg car show on May 19th. Wow, spring must really be here and the beginning of the British car show season.

I would like to say that if you missed the Aprils Fool tour or also known as the "Spring Tour" you missed a great adventure. I was a well-planned and well-executed fun road adventure. I want to thank Dan and Beth all they did to make this a successful and fun

event. Dan invested a lot of time and effort in the planning of this event and the little road trip book was worth the price of admission. Hopefully the article that Peggy promised to write, will be in this Dipstick and will answer questions like how many engineers does it take to fix a MG? Why are law enforcement officers so interested in MGs? How fast will Dan's MG really go? Did Thomas Jefferson really give young Dupont the business advice: "saltpeter, that is the future"? What Presidents home did a millionaire's family buy? Was our Appalachian woman tour guide as tough as she looked? If when good dogs die they go to heaven do good horses do the same? Did we find the "lost drive-in" at Fork Union?

In the last installment of "One MG Owner's Epic Adventure" our hero was at the initial start up point but could not find his oil pressure. As we return to the garage where the MG is still up on jack stands. Our hero was showing the scars of slaying dragons, a confrontation with "Prince of Darkness" and battles with windmills. He was now in search of the "Holy Grail" of MG owners, oil pressure, real oil pressure. Not the lack of oil pressure, pegging the bottom stop of the oil pressure gauge, but somewhere above that 50-lb. mark. Oh oil pressure, oil pressure where forth art thou. And as predicted by the druids and the oracles there was oil pressure. The oil pressure was up and strong and all I can say it must have been the Viagra. *Safety*

Fast! Barry

MAY EVENTS

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| 1 (Tue) | Meeting @ Cynthia & Andy's |
| 6 (Sun) | British Car Show "The Boulders", Richmond, VA |
| 17 (Thu) | Club Ice Cream Social/Drive Out |
| 19 (Sat) | Classic British Car Show in Williamsburg, call (757) 229-4869 for more information. |

April's Minutes

The April meeting was held at the waterfront home of member Jerry Goldman along the banks of the western branch of the Elizabeth River. Several MGs were parked along the waterfront, but it was a little too dark and cool to do much "kicking of tyres" prior to this meeting. Before Barry could call the meeting to order, Jerry told his joke of the day, one about gangsters and lawyers. It was actually funny. Barry dropped the gavel at 8:10 and opened the meeting by thanking the Goldmans for their hospitality. He also officially thanked Peggy for hosting the Wicker Basket Affair and the March meeting, and he thanked Dan Kirby for organizing and

April's Minutes continued:

leading the recent Aril Fool's Tour.

Guests: None

Membership: Alan wasn't there, nothing to report.

Treasurer: Chuck noted a \$10.00 math error in the Treasurers report in the March minutes. Jim Villers later verified that the correct amount carried forward into March was \$2211.20, vice the \$2,221.20 reported. The corrected Treasurer's report for March shows the club brought forward \$2,211.20, took in \$0.00, disbursed \$0.00, with a balance carried forward of \$2,211.20. Clear as mud? This probably would have been avoided if your humble substitute sec

retary hadn't neglected to check the math before writing up the March minutes. Good help is so hard to find these days!

Newsletter: There was no March Dipstick. The April Dipstick contained the error mentioned above in the minutes, so they were not approved. Recommend that both the March and April minutes be approved at the May meeting.

Regalia: Frank was missing, so no regalia to report and no raffle was held.

Activities: Peggy began by discussing the April Fool's Tour. Everyone who went agreed it was a great event and we would like to do another. Much discussion took place about the tour and future possibilities.

Peggy mentioned the Spring Tech Session on Sunday April 22nd at Frank Linse's house. Dan talked about the upcoming ice cream driveouts, a low key outing in the middle of the week. He will provide more info at the next meeting. Speaking of which, the May meeting will be hosted by Andy & Cynthia on Tuesday, May 1st. The September meeting is tentatively planned for the day after Labor Day at Dave Barrow's house, to be held outside if possible.

Barry talked about registering early for the May car shows at the Boulders and in Williamsburg. Mike Ash talked about the VA Jaguar Club meeting/show on Saturday April 21st at the Chamberlin Hotel in Hampton.

Spares: Nothing to report.

Clubs: Nothing to report.

Archives: Sue is continuing to work on the archives, time permitting.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Dan talked about the need to plan early if we wanted to do a Fall Tour. More discussion ensued about trips and car shows.

Marque time: Jim Villers mentioned he should be getting his B back from the painter soon. Jim Simpson talked about the chrome bumper conversion being done to Frank Worrells' car, and Jim talked about his website for his Midget, with a link to Franks' site for pictures on the conversion project. More talk about the tour, B&B's, eating, Keswick Hall, yada yada. Barry talked about his latest efforts to get his car back on the road. Much discussion took place concerning oil pressure and newly rebuilt engines. Many tips and suggestions were provided to build up oil pressure in rebuilt engines being started for the first time.

Mike Ash made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jim Simpson seconded.

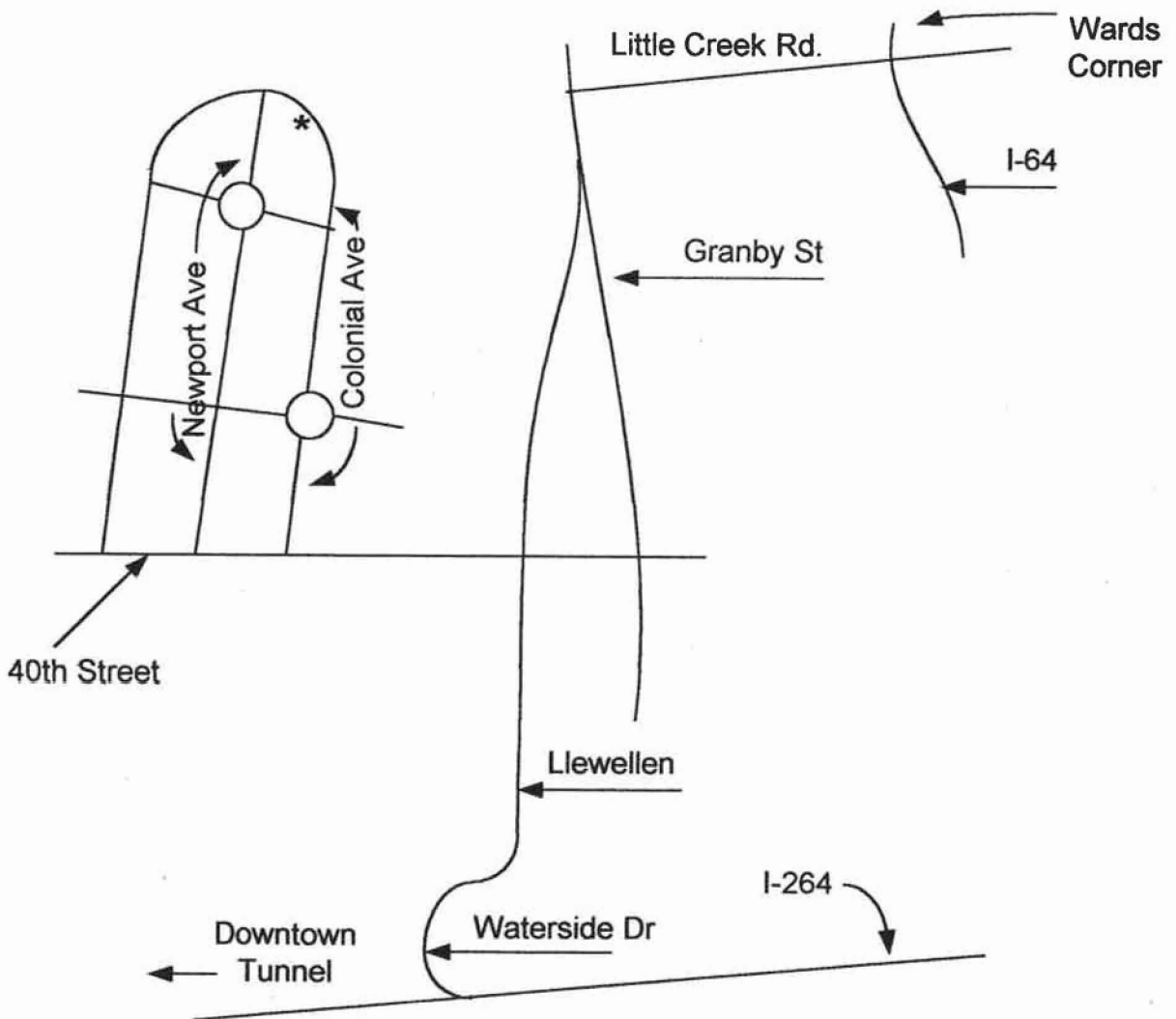
Monthly Meeting
Tuesday - May 1st, 2001

Cynthia & Andy Wallach's

545 Mayflower Road
Norfolk, VA 23508
622-8315

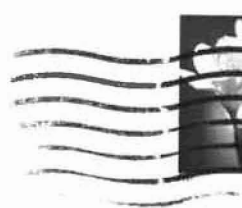
7:30-8:00 Kick Tyres

8:00 PM Meeting



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