## THE TIDEWATER MG 'T' CLASSICS



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JULY NEWSLETTER

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Hi there - Hot enough for ya?

If this letter seems to follow close on the heels of the last one, well it is - Since the July meeting was a week later than usual and this next one will be a day later than usual - please note (details will follow later in the letter).

Since the June newsletter was a bit scrappy, and the details of the meeting were not set out, I will mention here some of the items brought up at that June meeting. I will not go into the business details, as those were gone over at the July meeting, and will be most likely reported on in this letter. But the chatty items of interest were:

CONGRATULATIONS! -- To Peggy & Bob Pellerin on the birth of another son - David - who is a darling teeny, tiny bundle not much over 4lbs. at birth.

to Jim Banvard on his VA saloon, to be arriving in the not-too-distant future.

to Mike West on getting a TD which is keeping him very busy (and which he has since almost completely rebuilt)

WELCOME -- to Dave and Fay Rasmussen - new TD-owning members. Please add their name and phone number to your roster:

Dave & Fay Rasmussen 4922 Admiration Drive Virginia Beach, Va. 23462 Ph: 420-5711

The June meeting was held at the home of Bill and Bev Lassen, and we thank them for their hospitality and a delightful evening. Our meetings seem to be getting bigger and bigger, which is just great!

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JULY MEETING: This was held at the home of Jim and Brenda Banvard. It was a hot sticky night (for a change!) and there was a turn-out of 25 or more members, in a number of cars, but I forgot to count who drove what - sorry! Thanks to Brenda for the delicious food (or did Jim do all that work?!!) The matters that came under discussion were as follows:

- Treasurer reported balance of \$313.16
- Regalia Chairman, Buck Lampton reported that the badges are on their way on the next ship out of Naples. (We'll believe it when we see them Buck!)
- DUES ARE DUE, if you haven't already paid: \$10 in-town membership, regular or associate; \$6 out-of-town subscription
- -- T-Shirts will be ordered as soon as the treasury permits.

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It was decided to put in a bid for a GOF (national) to be held here at the Beach.

Jennifer reported on the GOF held at Dearborn, Michigan, and passed on the best wishes of the John Newmans, and the Bob Browns to all their friends back here in Tidewater. They miss the congeniality of our club very much!

Details of the running of the Funkhana were discussed. This was held on July 24th, and there will be a report on that later.

Future dates from the Activities Chairman - PLEASE PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR:

- AUGUST 4 which is a THURSDAY the next meeting at the home of Caroline & Jerry Tally, 7.30 p.m., at 726 Tenth Street, at the south end of the beach. Ph. 425-7763. (Mike says do y'all really need a map to find it? Just tool south on Pacific Avenue, and hang a right at 10th Street...that's what he says, folks!) If you get lost on those directions, call dial-a-prayer (425-7763)
- AUGUST 13- New Hope Auto Show, Pennsylvania (just North of Philadelphia)
- AUGUST 19- Pool Party at the Bay Island Pool, hosted by Bob Pellerin, just bring your swimming gear and something to sip on. Call Bob & Peggy for directions to the Pool, and it will also give them some idea of how many people will be coming. It should be a real fun evening.
- AUGUST 28- Fun Concourse and cookout/picnic at Robert Davis's house (we've be banished to the outfield after last year!). It will be in the field behind his back yard. There will be a minimal charge to cover the cost of hamburgers and hotdogs, which he will buy ahead of time. Bring your own salads and fixin's and we'll pool it all, if you like or we may discuss it further at the next meeting and let you know if we want you to bring something with you. (IT still wouldn't hurt to bring something if you don't hear from us!) At any rate, the meats WILL be provided.
- SEPT. 11 Tech. session, at Jim Banvard's garages 10 a.m. til....?
- SEPT. 17 I GAVE YOU THE WRONG INFORMATION IN THE LAST LETTER I used last year's announcement for the Whitestone Antique Car show sorry. It is Saturday September 17. It is a real old-timey country fair, with dancing in the streets later in the day. Please let Jim Banvard or Dan Boswell know if you are interested in going to this event, AT OR BEFORE THE NEXT MEETING, as if there is enough MG participation, there will be a separate trophy awarded for the MG class. But we must let the organizers know of our interest. Jim 340-6737; Dan 486-1293. I will run the new application, but if you sent the other, OK.

There were some farewells to be announced: Mike and Nita West will be going to England for two or three years, but we will still be very much in touch with these two good folks - they've paid their dues for 4 years in advance! Dave Parsons is heading for the uninsured of Raleigh, North Carolina; Bob and Nancy Brethauer will be heading for Cleveland, and Alan and Margaret Fisk(who only managed to come to a couple of meetings) are relocating in the D.C. area. Our best wishes to all of you. I know we will see Mike and Nita at the next meeting, but the subject happened to come up at the last meeting.

Welcome to New Members, Pam and Vince Groover - Vince was at sea, so Pam came along solo. They are soon to be proud owners of a YA, and we welcome them to the club.

Also, welcome to Peggy and Brad Bradford, who have been members for a month or so but just came to their first meeting. Here are their addresses for your rosters (new rosters will not be issued until October, so please don't lose this information)

Pam & Vince Groover 497-6904 4907 Overman Virginia Beach, Va. 23455 Peggy & Brad Bradford 427-3365 2102 Colony Lane Virginia Beach, Va. 23456

Again, welcome to two very old members, who were just coming to their first monthly meeting - I refer to Bill Games and Tony Imperioli - good to see you.

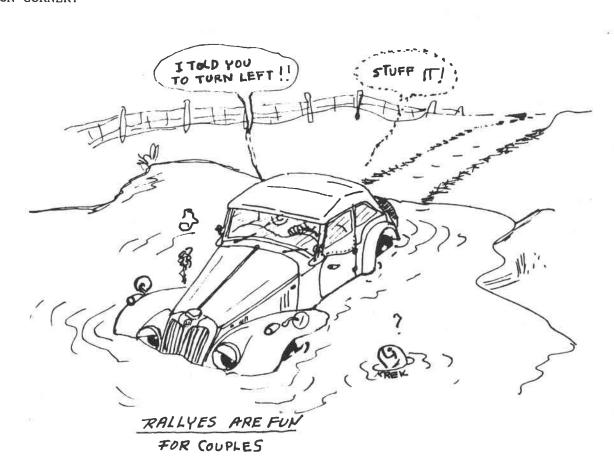
Two more dates that might be of interest: Mini-GOF in Atlanta either first or second weekend in October (this will be verified by the next meeting), and October 13, 14, 15 and 15, GOF MK XXV, Enfield, Connecticut. There are at least two cars going up there; let us know if you're interested.

SALES:

1953 TD, 2nd owner since '68, hard top; BRGreen; new top; quite original; rebuilt engine '74, 12,000 miles on new engine. Call Gary Cole 874-7372 (Newport News) - \$5,000

WANTS: 1 King of the Road Headlamp for a TD; call Bill Games 486-1300

## CARTOON CORNER:



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SEPTEMBER 17,1977

WHITE STONE SCHOOL GROUNDS

## ACTIVITIES DURING THE DAY

Antique Car Show

Flea Market (unlimited)

Game Stands

Bake Sale

Kiddie Rides

Bingo

Competitive Games for Children

Tug of War Contest

Crowning of Miss White Stone Fire Department

Movies for children

Live entertainment on the Grounds

Parade

Street Dance (8:00-12:00 P.M.)

Drawing of prizes to be given away

Food on Sale Through Street Dance (Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Coke, Box Suppers)

> Many Otner Activities Will Be Taking Place at The Country Fair. Come and Join Us For A Day of Fun.

RESTROOMS AVAILABLE FOOD AND

Enclosed: Car Registration \$3.00 each

Address Owner's Name

\$7.00 each Flea Market Registration FLASH - FLASH - The whole MG club has been invited to a party to help welcome home Richard Laning, who has been in the MEDITERRANEAN - teaching sailors and not pulling any duty whatsoever - lucky guy! His father called me up and asked me to pass the word along to the club. Remember the good food we had at his 21st birthday party? The address is: 7606 Bridgette Lane, Norfolk, Phone: 587-1719. FRIDAY, August 5th, at 8.00pm

REPORT ON FUNKHANA: This was last Sunday at the Norfolk Naval Air Station, and was held on their motorcycle-testing circuit. We had a lovely scorching hot day, and a turnout of 19 cars total; 8 TD's, 2 TF's, 4 MGA's 1 MGB-GT and a TR4 and a TR7, and a couple of non-sports cars. It was wonderful to see so many people there; funkhanas give us a chance to get around and do a lot of chatting and socializing, as well as mess around in little cars. The winners were our out-of-town members, the father/daughter team of Carroll and Peggy Davis, from Richmond, and we thank them for joining us. There was a tie for 2nd place - Levi & Elsie Tarr (MGA) and I'm not sure who else! (can't remember who came 4th, either, and as it's past 11 p.m., I'm not about to make any phone calls to see who did!)

It seems quite obvious that this sort of event is one that brings out the membership, and we will schedule more of this type of thing. We would like to thank Mike West for setting this up with the Base Commander, and also thank Robert Davis, Tom Lund and Richard Hall for all their work to make the event a success. It was great.

MINI-DRAMA - by Mike West (it says 'ere!) ... to be read in soft tones...

There they were...It was late afternoon and the shadows were falling warmly over the rows of restored MG's at the GOF. They walked hand-in-hand through the rows of cars, while she admired the details of the old MG's...and he admired her. Explaining the differences in the various MG types, she tried to show him the changes in the marque over the years. He listened attentively, looking deeply into her warm eyes... "..and this is a TC type;... that one is a TD type, and the brown one over there is a Y-type", she said. He turned and took her gently in his arms and said, "and you're MY type, darling". She hit him over the head with 3/4" Whitworth wrench!

DONT FORGET THOSE DATES, NOW,... Hope to see you all at the August Meeting - at Caroline Tally's... drive south down Atlantic or Pacific Avenue, turn right onto 10th street, and Caroline lives at No. 726. See you there at 7.30, THURSDAY, August 4th.

SOME MOTORING FIRSTS - by Merritt Horne (Courtesy of THE MUD FLAP, Tidewater Chapter AACA)

Henry Wells met Evelyn Thomas on May 30, 1896, and the world has never been the same since. They collided on a street in New York City that late spring day; he in his Duryea Motor Wagon, and she on her Columbia bicycle. When the dust cleared and the shouts of the spectators had stopped echoing off the buildings, Evelyn lay in the street moaning and clutching her leg in pain. Henry, in town from Springfield, Mass, was hustled off to jail. Henry, after all, was an out-of-towner, and the police were disturbed by the way he had bounced the local young lady off her bicycle. They weren't too sure what to charge him with.

At Manhattan Hospital, the medicos found Evelyn suffering from fright and a broken leg. She lay in bed regarding the plaster cast which encased her lower limb, unaware that she was the first person to be injured in an automobile accident. Her mishap was also the beginning of a violent, continuing contest for right-of-way, with pedestrians and cyclists aligned against that new and menacing person, the MOTORIST.

More next month....

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