

THE DIPSTICK



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FEBRUARY, 1983

HAPPY NEW YEAR, GANG !

This is the year our club will be 10 years old, and as you will see from the calendar of events - which is a separate sheet to pin on your bulletin boards - there will be a celebration of this event in May. We have come a long way from that handful of ten or twelve enthusiasts who started the ball rolling, to a membership of over 60 families in an area covering Texas to Massachusetts, (and one in England) with a total of 75 T-type and vintage cars as well as numerous MG's of later years - A's, Magnettes, B's and B-GT's.

Over the New Year weekend, Mike and I took a trip up to Washington, DC, where we saw many old MG friends. We bring greetings from out-of-town members, Ron and Rosemary Eaton and Hank and Stevie Giffin. Also, we were in Richmond the following weekend and visited briefly with Fred and Nancy Emig who also send greetings. These two may even make it to an event in the near future !

This issue begins another edition of the Trivia Quiz, back by popular demand. Start entering right at the beginning - your scores are cumulative for the year. There is always a chance for the less-knowledgable to win after the know-it-alls have won - remember a member can only win one month! So start right away.

The deadline for articles, ads., etc. for the March "Dipstick" will be Saturday, February 19th. All material gratefully accepted !...JENNIFER

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UP-COMING CLUB ACTIVITIES: Two months at-a-glance...

- Jan. 29 (Saturday) "WICKER BASKET AFFAIR". This is a gourmet pot-luck dinner, an annual affair to raise funds for the club (to cover awards, prizes, and any increases in postage & printing of newsletter). It costs \$5.00 per couple, plus your favourite dish. Let Brenda Banvard know what you plan to bring before Jan.28. Call 340-6737 after 6pm. Beer and wine provided; if you need something stronger, byob.
- Feb. 1 (Tuesday) MONTHLY MEETING, at home of Mary & Walt Thompson. (see map at back) 7:30p.m.
- Feb. 12 (Saturday) PROGRESSIVE DINNER. This will be held at four homes, starting at 6 p.m.
1. Appetizers: Mary & Walt Thompson's, 6 o'clock
 2. Salad: Jennifer & Mike Ash
 3. Main course: Jim & Brenda Banvard
 4. Dessert: Ted & Vicki Spillman
- (There is no more than 6 miles from start to finish)

Please let Ann Haines know by Tues. Feb 1st as to which part of the meal you would like to contribute. The person in charge of that course will then get in touch with you to co-ordinate what is needed. The early deadline is really needed to co-ordinate this dinner. Everyone planning to attend is expected to bring a contribution to one of the courses, and when you call to let Ann know, we will automatically get a head-count for the dinner. PROGRESSIVE DINNERS ARE A HECK-UV-A-LOT OF FUN. Call Ann after 4:30 at 486-1496 - before Feb. 1st (See map for February meeting for directions to Thompson's for start of meal; we will follow each other to the next courses)

- Mar. 2, (Wed) MONTHLY MEETING at home of Andy & Carol Wallach
- Mar. 13, (Sunday) TECH SESSION, in garage of Mike Ash - 10 a.m.
- Mar. 26 or 27 ICE SKATING, at Virginia Beach's new rink. Firm date and details in next edition.

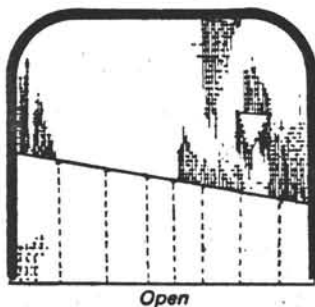
PROGRESSIVE DINNER...DEADLINE FEB. 1st...CALL ANN...486-1496...PROGRES

PARTS: We received a letter from Todd Clarke of Clarke Spares, informing us that he is now manufacturing small and large tool pouches, see ad below. If you want to see material samples, Ross will have them at the next meeting.



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303 W. Swamp Rd.
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8:30 AM to 4 PM E.S.T.

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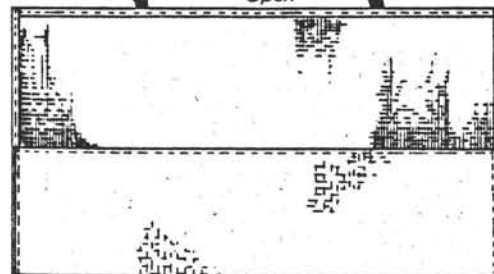


SMALL POUCH

Part No. T2
\$11.00

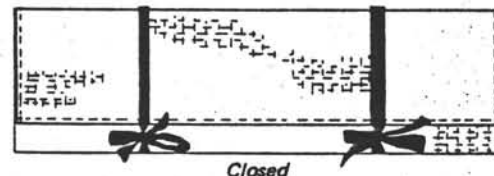


Also for TD,
TF, ZA, ZB, MK III,
early Midget
AH models,
TR 2/3 and others



LARGE POUCH

Part No. T1 - \$9.50



T3 - STRAP - to hold T1 Pouch to MGA boot wall.
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SPECIAL - T1 & T2 Pouches plus T3 Straps - 22.00

Pouches are produced from the authentic coated jute material with original binding, ties and stitching maintained. Very durable. Description page of original tools included with bags. Send a SASE for material samples.

Prices effective 9/2/82 to 2/1/83
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*These Beautiful Reproductions make
an Ideal Christmas Gift*

DEADLINE...DIPSTICK ARTICLES...CARTOONS...ADS...SAT. FEBRUARY 19th...

CHRISTMAS PARTY REPORT: We had a lovely get-together at Ross & Ann's lovely colonially-decorated home, with good food provided by our many talented cooks and Andy Wallach! (only kidding, Andy). The trivia quiz prizes were distributed, and we all endorsed Hank Giffin's cheque (1st).

We also invited Carol, (who prints this newsletter, gratis) and gave her a gift certificate to show our appreciation for her help. (By the way, I'm sure we'll hear from Hank if he has difficulty cashing his cheque!)

JANUARY MEETING: Carolyn and Gene McHugh hosted this meeting, which was very well-attended for that time of year. We all had fun watching the 3-day old puppies squeaking away in a corner. Seems Carolyn and Gene adopted this lovely little dog from the pound some weeks before... and you can guess the rest!! The minutes of this meeting will be printed as soon as I get them from our ~~am~~ super-efficient secretary. I personally think it self-explanatory that what usually appears on page one, is on page ~~four~~3 this month. It would have been further back, but I very graciously left room here. Ta-da!....The minutes.....

Well if I wait another day the Editor has threatened to omit my portion of the nifty newsletter.....and what would people do without "Thompsons Tidbits".....if anyone answers that they will be the new secretary! Well the meeting was opened....though I did not hear the opening statement....and the minutes were approved. Of course the usual cheap shots were taken but I managed as I brought reinforcements.....well one reinforcement. Lots of laughter came from the crowd when I announced that there were people who actually paid to read my literary masterpieces. It is the truth!

Sandy had an official report from our treasury but wasn't able to attend as Richard cut his hand.....mind you I only take minutes.....everyone wanted to know what that had to do with Sandy????????? It's a tough crowd, they have absolutely no sympathy for anyone. We have a balance of \$786.75 as of 31 December 1982. Thanks Sandy, we really did miss you.

Jim Banvard the Activity Chairman just gave us a brief rundown of the events for this year.....it sounds like a very nice year. Jen will publish the calendar on a separate sheet so keep it in a safe place and put us on your schedule.....we're really a fun bunch.....don't always believe rumors.

Ann gave a neat presentation of the Progressive Dinner..... this event should be most interesting and quite tasteful. Jen will give all the details in another portion of the newsletter.

How can anyone diet and be a member of this group.....another eat-a-thon!!! The annual and I mean annual BANVARD's WICKER BASKET..... a gala event you won't want to miss.....we voted to keep this event as a fund raiser and continue to charge 2.50/person. A motion was madewe fund for paper products, beer, soft drinks, (minus toilet tissue) for both the Christmas Party and the Wicker Basket. The motion was seconded and carried.

Elsie did a marvelous job on the Regalia Report:

Car Badges.....	58 @ 10.00	580.00
Patches.....	179 @ 2.00	358.00
T Series Handbook.....	13 @ 10.00	130.00
Tote Bags.....	26 @ 4.00	104.00
Hats.....	16 @ 8.50	136.00
Shirts.....	149 @ 4.50	670.50
	Total	1,978.50

There was much discussion on Antique Plates.....Jim presented a lot of thought provoking questions. He will give a detailed report that will be printed in this newsletter. Gee Jennifer, seems to me that I got off easy this month.....THANKS!!!!!!

After the meeting adjourned, we all attacked Carolyn's non-caloric pies and desserts - you did tell us the truth, didn't you Carolyn? - thank you. they were delicious!

FROM OLD 6733:

The Trivia Quiz is back by popular demand. As a refresher I'd like to remind everyone of the rules which were established for the first Trivia Quiz:

1. A new quiz will be prepared each month, February through November.
2. Quiz open to all members of Tidewater MG"T" Classics Club.
3. I will grade each entry and give results to editor for inclusion in the succeeding newsletter.
4. All entries must be submitted by the 15th of the month.
5. Each monthly winner will receive a \$5 gift certificate for club regalia. There will be no repeat winners. If a previous monthly winner should win, the gift certificate will go to the best entry submitted by someone who has not yet won.
6. Cumulative scores will be maintained and the members answering the most questions correctly for the duration of the quiz will receive the following cash awards: 1st - \$25; 2nd - \$15; 3rd - \$10.
7. Yearly awards will be made at the club's Christmas Party.
8. Answers and sources will be included in each succeeding newsletter.
9. I want to emphasize that the questions which appear in the quiz have been developed from research, not personal knowledge of MG's. Therefore, the accuracy of the answers is only as good as my sources. The whole idea of the quiz is to have some fun while learning more about those little cars we all love.
10. Each quiz will have my address on the back so you can mail it to me; or you can give it to me at the meeting that month.
11. If you have any good sources for questions, mail them to me or let me have them at one of our meetings (sources, not questions !)
12. Most questions will come from past TSO's and club newsletters. Some newer members may want to borrow these back issues from an older members in order to find some of the answers. You may even want to pool answers to improve your success ! (QUIZ IS ON PAGE 5. Ed.)

YOUR MONEY....by Jim Banvard

The city of Virginia Beach billed many antique car owners for city license (decal). Upon receipt of my antique car license fee bills, I made some enquiries regarding whether or not the city can legally bill for license on vehicles licensed with the state as antique vehicles. The information that I received indicates that the city cannot require you to purchase city decals on your antique vehicle which is registered with the state as an antique.

The references which apply are: Section 46.1-104 of the 1950 Code of Va. - Provides for issuance of antique motor vehicle licenses. Section 46.1-65 of 1950 Code of Virginia - Prohibits a city from imposing a license tax greater than the amount of the license tax imposed by the State.

These two sections of the Va. Code were researched in March, 1967, by a lawyer.

Should you receive a bill from the city on your antique auto, I recommend that you call the City Treasurer's Office and express your concern with the procedure. When I called, I was told to write, "Antique Car" across the face of the bill and return it to the Treasurer's office with no payment.

WICKER BASKET - 7o'CLOCK JAN 29th - CALL BRENDA 340-6737 - CO-ORDINATE

TRIVIA QUIZ NO. 11 - February, 1983

101. The MG -K3 placed _____ in the 1933 Mille Miglia: a) 1st,
b) 2nd; c) 5th; d) 23rd; e) 64th?
102. According to Kick Knudson, who has the world's largest collection
of MG's?
a. Sean Thompson _____
b. Jim Banvard
c. Syd Beer
d. George Eyston
e. Bert Denley
103. What was the standard body color the MG Q-type? _____
104. Who was the president of the Tidewater M.G."T" Classics club in
June, 1978? _____
105. How many major GOF's does the T-Register sponsor each
year? _____
106. M.G. Midgets date back to what year? _____
107. William Richard Morris was later known as? _____

108. How many cars were displayed at the Colonial Clutch? _____
a. 44
b. 46
c. 48
d. 50
e. 52
109. In what city and state is Moss Motors Located? _____
110. According to Dick Knudson, how many MG-TC's were imported into
this country? _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____

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Virginia Beach
VA. 23452

GOF-SOUTH, Mk.XVII: Nation's Oldest City - St. Augustine, Fla. Accommodations at the Ponce de Leon Lodge & County Club. Some of the activities... Friday night Minorcan Dinner, St. Augustine Arts & Crafts Festival.... Usual car show, Funkahna, beer, Saturday night banquet, as well as the St. Augustine Annual Blessing of the Fleet on Sunday. Application form below. (Request Hotel reservations at same time)

GOF
XVII
South

REGISTRATION

Name _____ First and last names for identification tags please

Street _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____ Miles from hometown _____

Your MG Chapter name _____

Is this your first GOF South? _____ Will you enter the First Timers Car Display Friday evening? _____

What cars are you bringing? (1) _____ (2) _____

How many children in your party? _____ Will you need a babysitter? _____

Registration fee \$15/ car Single Occupancy \$41 per night
Double Occupancy \$46 per night

Walk-in registration - All Cars \$18.00 each In Spirit Dash Plaques \$3.00
Awards Banquet Saturday Night \$12.00 per person.

GOF Registration..... \$ _____ Awards Banquet..... \$ _____
In Spirit Plaque..... \$ _____ Total Amt. Enclosed. \$ _____

contact: Al Burgess ROUTE 1, BOX 88D, St. AUGUSTINE ,FL. (904) 471-0190
FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS, TOO.

CHANGES & AMENDMENTS TO ROSTER:

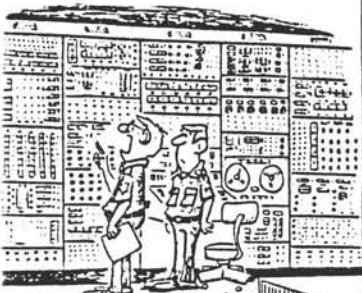
New Address - Ted & Louann Hughes
(old members - just forgot dues!) 935 Shirley Ave
Norfolk, Va. 23507
PHONE: 625-0412

Wrong Phone No: Carroll Davis
(misprint) (Richmond area)
804-727-1446

We will publish new members' addresses and phone numbers, etc. in this section each month, so please up-date your rosters from this.

FUN - FARE ..

MOSS MOTORS??

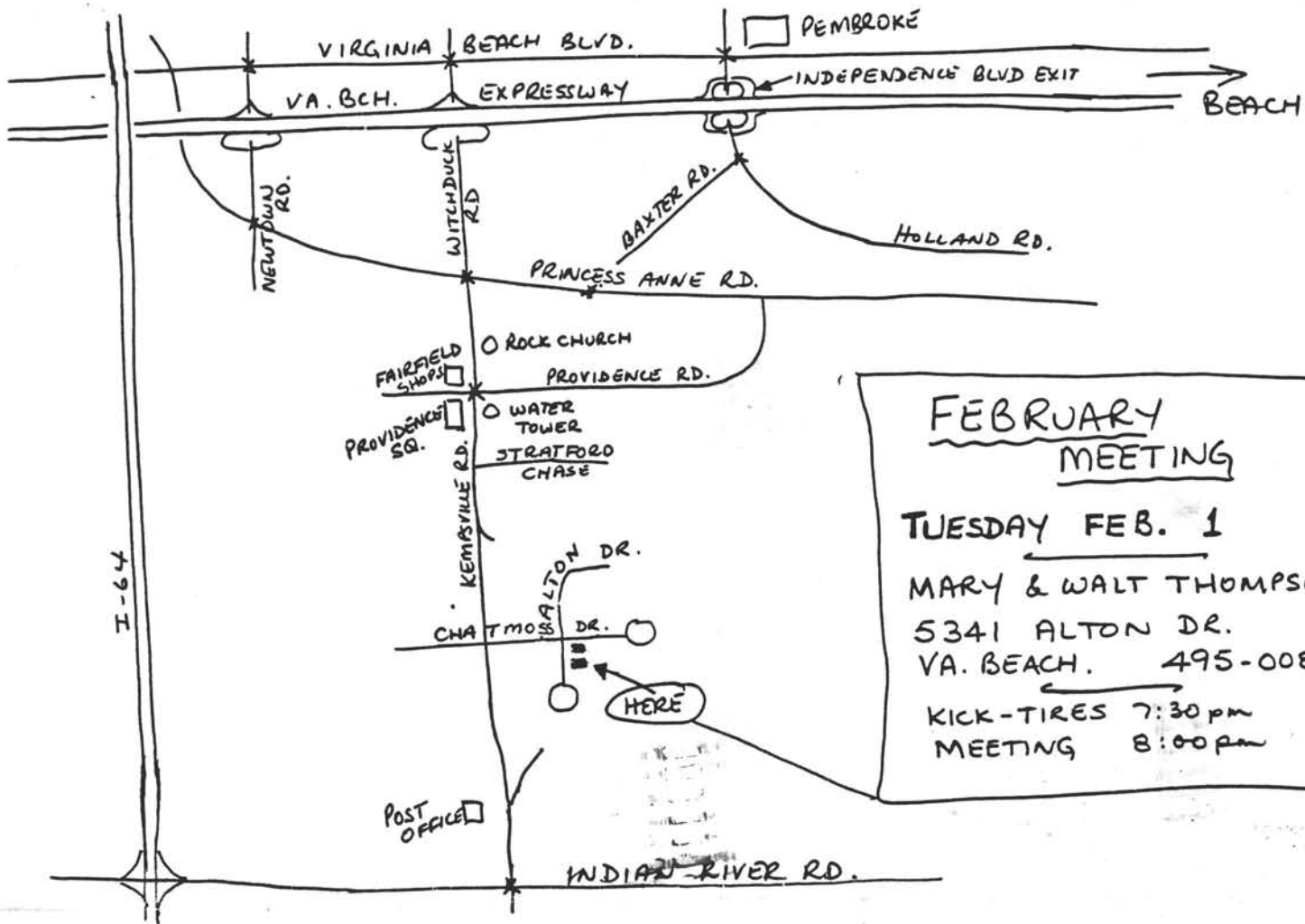


Thanks to this modern equipment, orders that took days to fowl-up now take only minutes."

Lifted" from the Chesapeake Squaresigger)



On the back of the separate CALENDAR OF EVENTS, 1983, I have printed information of a raffle Mike and I have participated in each year. It was begun by the parents of a young member of the MGA Register who died of cancer They decided to donate his freshly-restored car (his pride and joy) to be used as a prize in a fund-raising raffle, the proceeds going to cancer research. This raffle was run by Penn State students, and was such a success that it has become an annual event, a car now being purchased each year. I believe Raffle Chairman Steven Keesey is the father of the young man who died.



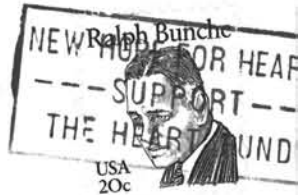
FEBRUARY
MEETING

TUESDAY FEB. 1

MARY & WALT THOMPSON
5341 ALTON DR.
VA. BEACH. 495-0085

KICK-TIRES 7:30 pm
MEETING 8:00 pm

TIDEWATER M.G. "T" CLASSICS
c/o. M.G. ASH
5149 BELLAMY MANOR DRIVE
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. 23464



ROSS & ANN HAINES
633 PINE TREE DR
VA BEACH VA 23452

2/1/83

- 1- Guests & new members
- 2- Secretary's report
- 3- Treasurer's report ELS's check to Sandy
- 4- Events - circulate list
- 5- Regalia
- X6- Panto
- X7- Librarian
- 8- Editor Feb 19 cutoff Kemp Davis' check never cashed
(See Bepp & find out where it is)

Old Business

✓ Tool Pouches

New Business

- ✓ Most discount promotion 10% \$49 on next order
(1 Feb - 14 Mar) 25% \$750 (by Sept 83)
- ✓ MG sketches

Input for newsletter!

