THE TIDEWATER MG 'T' CLASSICS

THE DIPSTICK NOVEMBER 1985

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"T" NOTES

On behalf of the entire membership, I wish to thank Vince for his dedication and guidance during the pact two years as President. THANK YA - VINCE. Also a special thanks to Pam for her support and assistance.

Thanks also to Ann and Ross Haines for hosting the October meeting. We had a good turn out and I encourage everyone to attend the meetings and talk "a little shop".

The major event for November will be the William and Mary Homecoming on Saturday, November 16th. It should be a fun-filled day — starting with a parade, followed by lunch and a drive-out, and ending with an outing at the Suters in Williamsburg. We still need some cars for the parade, preferably $T^{\prime}s$, but any open car will do. If you can make it please give Jennifer a call at 495-0307.

See you at the November 5th meeting hosted by Andy Wallach.

Mel

MEMBERSHIP: You will find a roster of current members enclosed with this DIPSTICK, so please keep it in your 'phone book so's it's handy when you need it!

NOTE: Deadline for DECEMBER newsletter is Nov 23

NOTE: The editor will be out-of-town from Nov. 14 - Nov. 23 late. Please get all information for the December letter to her house, mail or dropped-off, by the deadline.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE: At the November meeting we will be asking for volunteers to host the monthly meetings and tech. sessions during 1986, so that we can put out a calendar of events in the December DIPSTICK. So please consult your spouses and prepared to volunteer!

OCTOBER MINUTES

The October meeting was held at the home of Ann and Ross Haines. The attendees were: Vince: Ross & Ann: Ed Hazard: Tom Hall: Patrick Masterson; Frank Slaby; Andy; Bob & Pat; Mel & Judy: Hank; Jim Banvard; Mike & Jennifer; Robert Davis: and Tom & Jeanne Lund. Guests were: Paula & Tom Russell and Jim Hutton owners of '79 MGB's.

Robert had a very informative spaces report. He had just returned from England with boxes of good MG stuff. He visited the Buele Flea Market and picked up lamps, rotor buttons, head lamp switches, distributors for T series, and some other things I didn't recognize. Robert suggested that the club provide money the next time someone goes to England because parts are easier to get and have competitive price tags.

Jennifer reported the following activities:

October 19 - Piq Roast (corrected date from previous news).) November 5 meeting at Andy's home.

November 16 - W & M Homecoming parade followed by picnic lunch then Suter's pig roast and free tickets to the football game.

The newletter deadline is October 23, 1985.

Under new business were the elections. The following slate was presented by the Nominating Committee Chairman, Robert Davis. President - Mel Baker; Vice-President - Tony Perino; Secretary -Andy Wallach: Treasurer - Pat Beauter. There were no changes to the nominating slate and all members present at the meeting unanimously voted on the slate as presented by Robert. The voting process was so quick that no one nominated had a chance to back out, much to Robert's relief.

T-Time: Tom Hall is still working on his restoration and Andy is still working on his TF. Mel has information on T series mode: ity cars and also wooden cars.

The meeting was adjourned and everyone regathered in Ann arepsilonkitchen for munchies and more drink.

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REPORT ON THE CAR SHOW AND PICNIC BY MEL BAKER

Saturday, September 28th, was a beautiful day for an outing. although a little too windy to set out long-stemmed crystal for a concours bichic.

Wine MG's and one Porsche met at the Oceana NAS pichic grounds for an afternoon of car competition and gastronomical delights. fichic lav-outs hanged from silver and chystal wine goblets lare. rine china to inno mai (but very effective) wicker baskets.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

November 5 - Tuesday - Meeting at Andy Wallach's

7:30 p.m. - Kick Tyres.

8:00 p.m. - Business meeting followed by

refreshments.

November 16 - Saturday - William and Mary Homecoming
Details later in newsletter

December 4 - Wednesday - Festive December meeting At the Raphaelis

7:30 p.m. - Hang holly garlands on all T/s

8:00 p.m. - Brief business meeting

Details at November meeting or in December newsletter

THE PIG ROAST

Linda and Bob Pellerin arose on Saturday morning at the horrible hour of 5 a.m. to start roasting the pig at 6. My sympathy to them both. But, luck was with us, it neither rained nor did the weather set any cold records for the date as it has been prone to do at Pellerin sponsored pool parties.

Folks began gathering at 3 p.m. on the 19th to sip wine, beer, and soft drinks, munch on apples and potatoe chips and hush puppies, sniff the fragrant aroma of roasting pig, and catch up on old friends' latest activities, and make new friends. It was great to see the Barrow's. The German's brought friends who had just moved down from Rochester, N.Y. Linda's parents were there. Also attending were the Banvard's, the Groover's, Tom Hall, the Beauter's, the Baker's, the Haines', Andy Wallach and Jennifer, Roy Wiley, the Gordon's, Jerry & Margie Moore, Pat Masterson, the Pellerin's, and Terry Kelly. (If anyone's name has been omitted, please offer the correction at the next meeting. My memory is short and I did not take notes. So my apologies...)

The "pig" was great - either in slabs or diced up with barbecue sauce on it. The beans, cole slaw, and macaroni salad were good accompaniments. I, for one, was stuffed. Everyone had the same opportunity to leave in the same stuffed condition.

Thanks a bunch, Bob & Linda....

Brenda

FOR SALE

1960 MGA COUPE 1600 - RESTORED - \$3.900

MGA TWIN-CAM COUPE - RUNNING - \$4,200

For more information contact:

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CAR SHOW AND PICNIC (CONT'D)

The most unusual display was probably Andy Wallach's, which was a tool box with all the drawers filled with food and drink. (Ed. note: I heard that he drank "Ripple" and the kids drank Kool-aid from baby-food jars).

The voting for both, cars and the best picnic spread, was quite lively and resulted in a tie for first place in more than one category. A toss of the coin was used as a tie breaker.

Results of the voting are as follows:

T Series:

- Judy and Mel Baker First Place Second Place - Mary and Ira Cantin Third Place - Jennifer and Mike Ash Honorable Mention - Pam and Vince Groover Honorable Mention - Paul Thierqurdt

MGA Series:

First Place - Sandy and John German

8 Series:

First Place - Judy and Mel Baker Second Place - Jennifer and Mike Ash

Picnic:

- Jennifer and Mike Ash First Place - Judy and Mel Baker Second Place - Pam and Vince Groover Third Place Honorable Mention - Andy Wallach

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Old favourite's new look for the Nineties

MG roaring back—ready to challenge Ferrari



THE world-famous MG sports car, killed off in 1980, is to make a comeback - and this is the way it could look.

The 170-mph prototype MG EX-E

was unveiled at the Frankfurt Motor Show yesterday by Austin Rover chief Harold Musgrove, who said: 'This is designed to be feasible for production.'

The idea is to launch a The idea is to launch a new MG range, with a top price of £25,000. In the 1990s to compete with Porsche and Ferrari. But last night Austin Rover hinted that the first production model could come off the line in 1987. From MICHAEL KEMP in Frankfurt

The MG EX-E, with a V6 three-litre engine, can accelerate from 0-62 mph in under five seconds.

Features include an auto-matic check-speed and warning control system, fog radar, which snows the

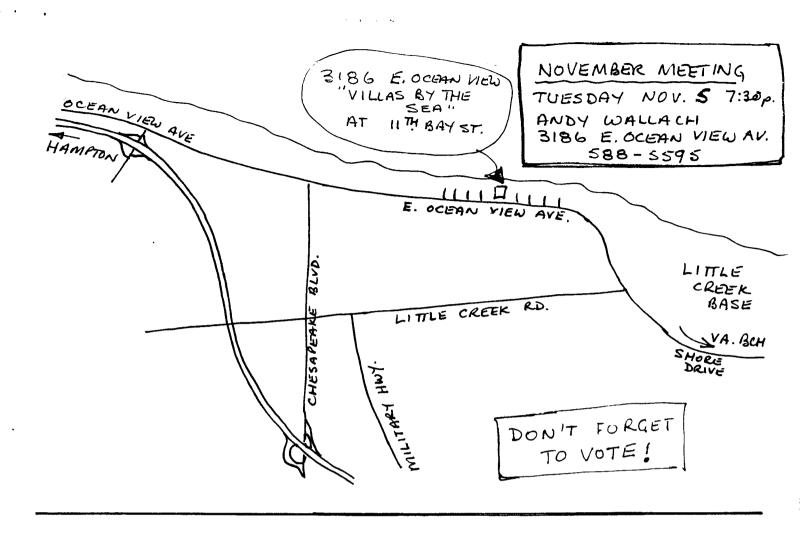


Inside the prototype

road ahead and automatically warns when it is not clear; reversing radar for sate parking; rain sensi-tive wipers that switch on and off automatically, and a credit card 'key' for operating door and igni-

operating door and igni-tion locks.

Its electronics can diag-nose mechanical faults which are flashed on to a miniature TV screen in the instrument panel.



WILLIAM & MARY HOMECOMING PARADE - Saturday, November 16. The parade begins at 9:30 a.m., and we will gather at the office of our "Williamsburg Connection", member Jim Suter, at 8:30 a.m. for coffee and doughnuts. Here we will get our placement numbers for the parade, tickets for lunch and the football game (if you have ordered them) and then we will all drive together to the start of the parade and pick up our passengers. This means we should leave Virginia Beach/Norfolk NO LATER THAN 7 to 7:15 a.m. If anyone wishes to caravan up there, please talk to Mike or me after the meeting on Tuesday, or call us later in the week, so that we can tell you where and who to meet for the drive up.

<u>Directions to Jim Suter's office</u>: Take I-64 to the Camp Peary exit; turn left at the top of the ramp (you'll get shot at if you turn right!). Stay on that road for about 1 mile, following DMV signs, until you come to a little shopping center in a fork in the road. Jim's office is the Quick Copy next to the 7-11 there. See you there at 8:30! (The phone # is 220-0366, in case you get lost).

ITINERARY:

8:30 Meet at Quick Copy for coffee, etc.

8:45 Depart to find place in parade line

9:30 Parade through colonial area to Alumni House for...

LUNCH (Cars will be guarded during lunch and game)

2:00ish Those not going to game are on their own, or may join a group for a drive down the Colonial Parkway and the Country Lane for a liesurely couple of hours until it is time to go to the...

4:30 Pig Roast at Jim & Jackie Suter's house; those at the game join us when it's over. Printed directions to Jim's house will be handed out when we meet for coffee in the morning.

A total of 20 cars is expected to participate in this event, including several of our commades from the Richmond area and the Healey Club. Some of us will be staying overnight after the pig-roast, so if you would like reservations, please let Mike or me know BY THE NEXT MEETING, please (495-0307).

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