

THE DIPSTICK



AUGUST 1990

President.....Dave Bowling
Vice President.....Don Jones

Secretary of the Mo...Bob Miller
Treasurer.....Frank Benson

Editor.....Chris Holcomb

Marque Time:

The Barber home was the setting for an unusually large turnout for the July meeting. Several first time attendees and a few old hands added special points of interest to the car talk. Hank Giffin's beautiful '39 VA Tickford was the highlight of the tyre kicking session. Beth's delicious spread of refreshments were enjoyed by all!

We're having a lot of local car events of interest coming up - the big MGA convention in Williamsburg (July 19-22). American Old Car show at the Volvo plant (August 24). Richmond's British Car Day to be held at Evelynton Plantation on Rt. 5 (instead of Maymount) (September 23). Put a few of these on your schedule.

I'd like to extend special recognition to all the members who have worked so hard to keep our outstanding newsletter in print. First, our editor, Chris Holcomb has done the job of scraping all the contributions together. He has met all the assembly, printing and mailing deadlines without fanfare. Great job! Mike Ash has continued to be the mainstay contributor with his brilliant and timely tech articles. Jennifer's activity schedules and maps have always been helpful. The many volunteer "Secretaries du jour" have added a unique style of writing up the minutes. Thanks also to the numerous contributors of special articles and cartoons of interest. Thanks - and please keep it up!

Hope to see you on the road. Stay

Safety fast,

Dave

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Please welcome Ken & Carol Bingham as new members to the club. They reside at 1005 Soria Cr. in Va. Beach 23456 Phone # 721-3034. Ken & Carol enjoy a 51 TD.

Since the dues have been coming in I've come across several changes of address so rather than list all the changes now, I will make the updates a part of the new roster.

Craig

DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER DIPSTICK
MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 1990

MINUTES OF MEETING

JULY 3, 1990

The meeting was called to order by the President, Dave Bowling. Dave said he would try to cut through the procedural part of the program and give more time to the cars. Dave thanked our hosts for the evening Craig and Beth Barber. A special thanks to Peggy Bradford for her work on the trip to Bowie, Maryland for the 13th Annual British Car Day.

New member Ken Bingham with a 51' TD was introduced. Also attending a meeting for the first time was Mike Field. Peggy Bradford introduced her son Scott who wants to get back into MG's.

The minutes from the June 5, 1990, meeting were approved as written. Robert Davis stated his name was spelled wrong in the Marque Time article and the shock conversion kit also fits MGA's.

The Treasurer's report was given by Frank Benson. The beginning balance was \$1,009.39 with \$116.08 in receipts and \$132.22 in disbursements. The balance as of the meeting is \$993.25.

The committee reports listed below were presented at the meeting:

Activities - Jennifer Ash stated that the August meeting will be on August 8th at Ira Canton's house. This is not the club's normal meeting night but Ira cannot host the meeting on the first Wednesday of August. It was agreed by those present to keep the August 8th meeting date.

The NAMGAR GT-15 will be in Williamsburg July 19-22.

The club has received two invitations to the Naval Base Auto, Track and Cycle show on July 29th. If interested in attending call Jennifer.

Terry Bond said there will be an American Old Car Club Show the Volvo Plant on August 24th.

The next tech session will be at the Ashes' home on Sunday, August 26th at 10 a.m.

Membership - Craig Barber mentioned that the dues are starting to come in. Please make all changes of address on the form since the roster will be updated.

Technical - Mike again reminded everyone about the Tech Session on August 26th.

Regalia - Butch said the T shirts are available in blue and pink for \$9.00 each.

Spare - Robert Davis talked about the replacement tube shocks and brackets that will fit MG's from the TD through the B. The cost is:

Rear - \$33 for the brackets plus \$20 for shocks
Front - \$50 for the brackets plus \$20 for shocks

Robert has also found a source for custom made TF1500 cast pistons

The following new business was discussed:

Mike Ash has the minutes from the last MGA Board of Directors meeting if anyone is interested. British Car Day by the Richmond Chapter will be held on September 23rd at Evelynton Plantation (between Richmond & Williamsburg).

The Shenandoah Valley British Car Club is sponsoring a trip to England in February

The University Motors Picnic will be held on August 24-August 26th.

Marque Time:

Mike Ash has the name of an individual on Bow Creek Blvd who paints cars.

Jock said the MGB is getting some body work done. All he does is pay the bills.

Butch said his car is partially on the road.

Dave has distributor problems.

Jim said Brenda's car is missing its front suspension. He also has access to a video tape on SU carburetors if anyone is interested.

Paul Speaks is moving to LA and wanted to thank everyone in the club for their help and friendship.

Hank Giffin talked about racing his TC in the upcoming Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix.

Vince says he needs headlight buckets for a TD.

The raffle was won by Peggy Bradford.

Volunteer Secretary

The meeting was adjourned.

Bob Miller

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UP-COMING ACTIVITIES

- AUG. 8 (Wed) MONTHLY MEETING at Ira & Mary Cantins'; 7:30 p.m. (see map). If you have not paid your dues...be prepared to!
- 26 (Sun) TECH. SESSION at the Mike Ash garage (see map); 10 a.m. until y'all go home!. Bring your problems to work on. Mike will be getting into an MGA transmission, which is similar to an MGB transmission, for anyone who is interested in learning "how-to".
- SEPT 4 (Tue) MONTHLY MEETING at Robert Davis': 7:30 p.m.
- 23 (Sun) 6th ANNUAL BRITISH CAR DAY sponsored by the RICHMOND MG CLUB; this year the location has been moved to Evelynton Plantation (Route 5 out of Williamsburg). It should be a very good show, in a delightful setting (see flyer for registration details - PLEASE REGISTER EARLY so that maximum pewter awards can be made!)
- 30 (Sun) ANNUAL PIG-ROAST at the Chris & Shelley Holcomb Plantation! A big event in the Club's calendar; details next month...

The Sixth
Annual Richmond
British Car Day

THE BRITISH ARE COMING! THE BRITISH ARE COMING!



Presented by:

The Central Virginia MG Classics Ltd.,
Chapter of The New England MG "T" Register

Where:

Evelynton Plantation
Rt. 5, Charles City, Virginia 23030

When:

Sunday, September 23, 1990
Field opens at 10 a.m. - Registration closes at 12:30 p.m.

Awards:

Judging by registrants, noon to 2:00 p.m. - Awards at 3:00 p.m.
Pewter - Best of Show
Pewter - Evelynton Award (Special Evelynton Selection)
Pewter - First in Marque or Series with 6 or more cars Pre-registered
Pewter - Second in Marque or Series with 9 or more cars Pre-registered
Pewter - Third in Marque or Series with 12 or more cars Pre-registered
Plaque - Oldest British Car
Plaque - Distance Award
Plaque - "M.O.F.I." (Most Opportunity for Improvement)
Ribbons - Honorable Mention

Photo
Contest:

Bring your best black and white or color photographs for judging
Photographs may be unframed but your name should appear on the back.

What
Else
You Get:

Door Prizes - All Registered Are Eligible
Dash Plaques - All Pre-registered Cars & at Gate While Available
Registration Packet - (Full of Goodies) - All Registered

Food:
Sorry:

Food & beverages will be sold, or you may bring a picnic lunch
No pets or alcoholic drinks are permitted.

DIRECTIONS TO THE SIXTH ANNUAL RICHMOND BRITISH CAR DAY

From the north, take I-95 south to I-295 east (Norfolk exit). Take I-295 to the end, Route 5. East on Route 5 for 19 miles.

From the east, take I-64 to 199 exit. Follow to Route 5.

From the south, take I-95 north to Route 156 to Route 10. Left at Benjamin Harrison Bridge to Route 5. Right on Rt. 5.

From the west, take I-64 to I-295 east. Follow I-295 to end. Route 5 east for 19 miles.

Information: Write - Fred or Nancy Emig
or 601 Sheldeb Court
Registration: Richmond, VA 23235

Phone - (804) 272-6836
After 6:00 p.m.
Before 10:00 p.m.

Mail before September 10th
Make check to: Central Virginia MG Classics

Pre-registration - \$8.00
After September 10 - \$12.00
Vehicle For Sale - \$15.00
Vendor Space - \$25.00

NAME: _____ PHONE: () _____

STREET: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

MAKE: _____ MODEL: _____ YEAR: _____ SERIES: _____

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WAIVER OF LIABILITY - Must be signed to enter show

NEITHER I NOR MY HEIRS WILL HOLD THE CENTRAL VIRGINIA MG CLASSICS, THE NEW ENGLAND MG "T" REGISTER, THE MAYMONT FOUNDATION, OR THE CITY OF RICHMOND LIABLE FOR ANY INJURY, DEATH OR DAMAGES OCCURRING WHILE ENGAGED IN, OR TRAVELING TO OR FROM THIS EVENT.

Signature: _____



BARGAIN TRIP TO ENGLAND FOR THE BRITISH CAR ENTHUSIAST

The Shenandoah Valley British Car Club is trying to determine if there is sufficient interest to sponsor a trip to England designed especially for the British car buff.

Preliminary information indicates a possible tour group rate of approximately \$699 (double occupancy), which would include round trip air fare from Washington, transportation to and from the airport in England and first class hotel accommodations in London. This would be approximately 7 days and 6 nights during the month of February 1991.

Optional side trips could be offered such as:

- The National Auto Museum at Beaulieu
- a major auto show
- a regional Autojumble
- a trip to Abingdon

There are points of interest one could enjoy in and around London which would be no cost or low cost. They include:

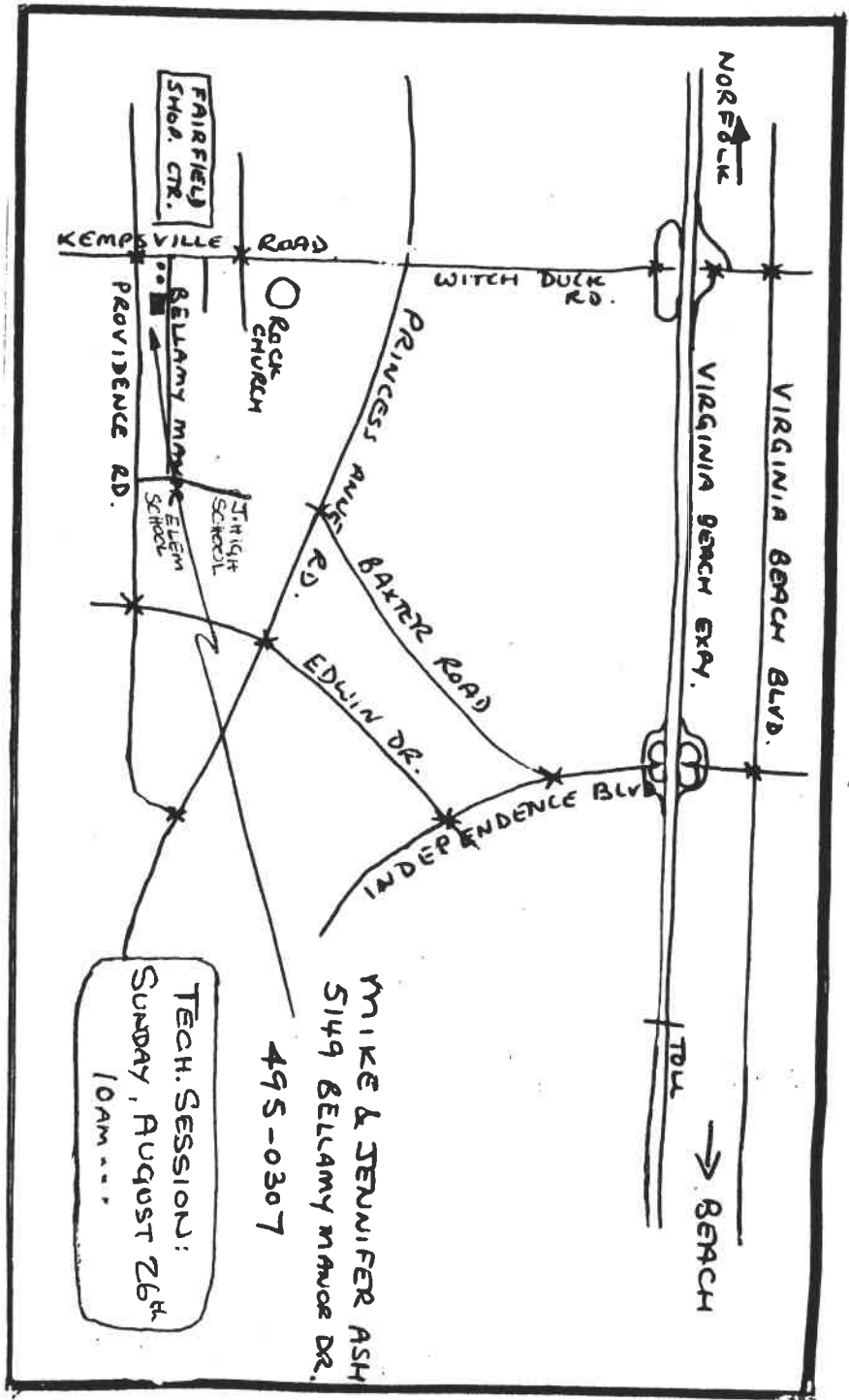
- St. Martin's Auto Model Shop
- the Transportation Museum in London
- parts suppliers

Other regional car clubs will be invited to participate. At this point we are trying to determine interest. We need a minimum of 30 folks to make it a reality. Talk it up! Non-car club members are welcome. Anyone you know who would like to take advantage of this opportunity is fine - friends and relatives alike. There will be plenty to do for non-car buffs too. Tours of London museums, etc. can be arranged.

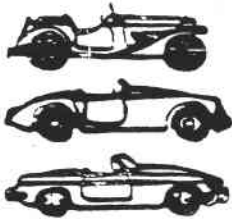
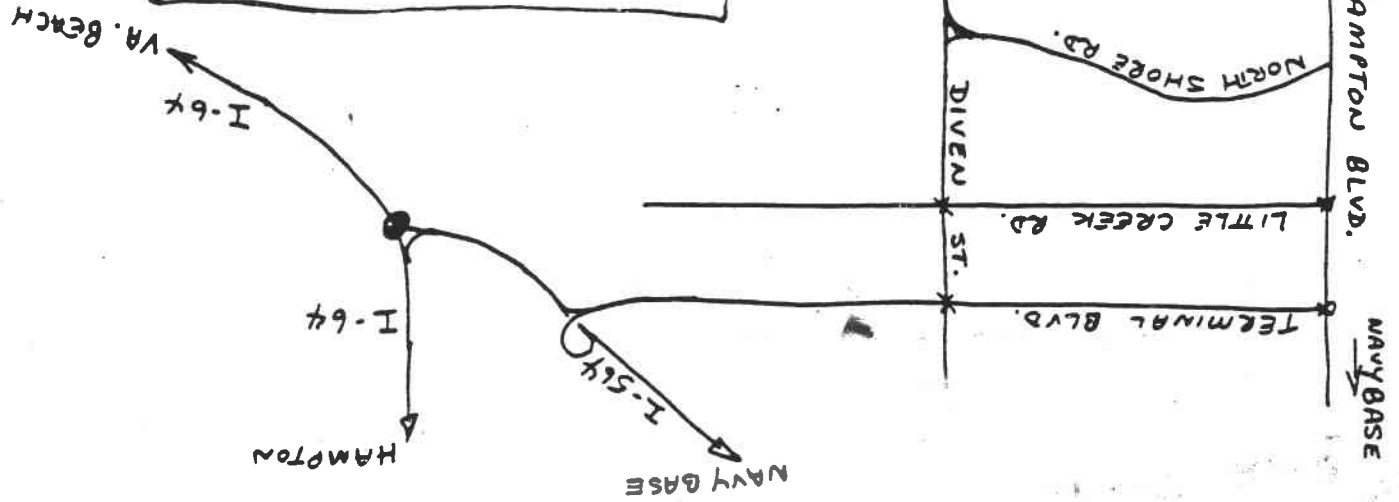
If you have always wanted to go to England and visit places such as described, this may be your best opportunity at the lowest price.

If you are interested in this possibility, fill out the tear sheet below and send it to Bill Vining by August 15th. If there is sufficient interest, Bill will develop a firm date, price and itinerary and send you the trip features and reservation information.

CONTACT MIKE ASH
FOR INFORMATION
498-7841 DAY.
495-0307 EVGS. + W/E



AUGUST MEETING
 WEDNESDAY, Aug 8th
 7:30 PM
 IRA & MARY CANTIN
 7418 CHIPPING ROAD.
 NORFOLK
 423-4546



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