

THE TIDEWATER MG T CLASSICS

# THE DIPSTICK



JUNE 1990

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### Marque Time:

Jock and Anita McGrigor hosted the May meeting at their home on Lake Christopher. At least 700% more MG cars were present this month for tire kicking rituals; and Don Prior attended two meetings in a row! Members' and guests' accounts of MG problems encountered and partially solved were most interesting. Anita had just flown in from a visit with her brother down under, but managed to polish the house to perfection and lay out an impressive table of refreshments. Thanks, McGrigors!

Peggy Bradford and Bill Keeler are still working hard for us to plan a fun weekend trip to Bowie, Maryland on Saturday, June 23. All that is really needed now is your commitment to participate in this major quarterly activity. You don't have to travel by MG or enter the car show - so please - get off the couch and send Peggy a check for your room reservation .

Jim Jackson put on the May tech session. He's still commuting by midget on weekends from Beltway land and has become an expert on using Route 460 from Petersburg to avoid bridge traffic. Didn't see a lot of work but enjoyed the refreshments and meeting Mike Ash's visiting cousin, Bryan, from England. Thanks Jim and Lorraine.

Hope to see you and your MG's on the road. Til then, stay

Safety fast,

*Have*



### MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Enclosed in this months newsletter you will find a membership renewal form . Yes, I know it's hard to believe , but it is that time of year again . If 91 appears on your mailing label , you are up to date for the new year , if not , in-town dues are \$15.00 , and out of town dues are \$10.00 for the year .

DEADLINE FOR JULY DIPSTICK MONDAY JUNE 25.

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MAY 2, 1990

The meeting was called to order by president Dave Bowling at 8:05 PM

Thanks was in order to Anita & Jock McGrigor's for hoasting the May meeting.

New Members & Guests were more than welcome

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING ~~were~~ accepted & second

TREASURER's Report

Mike Ash gave the report do to the absence of the treasurer report accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORT

- A- Spares always in order
- B- Tech Session May 20, 1990 at Jim Jackson's
- C- News Letter
- D- Regalia won by Vince Groover
- E- Activities Peggy Bradford & Bill Keeler plans underway for a rally
- F- Membership

Old Business (Sewing Machine) Robert Davis has volunteered to put machine to rest for awhile

New Business Jock McGrigor stated that anyone in the club if needed can use his UK address.

Marque Time: Vince Groover spoke an a few cras for sale. Robert Davis spoke on save those Milk cartons because they come in handy when storeing your spare parts.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM

Paul P. Thiergardt

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NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to welcome the following MG enthusiasts to the club :  
Arthur William Gibbs ,-born March 28th and weighing 7.5 lbs. . Cindy said that he's already driving a sports car safety seat and looks great in British tweed .

Rick and Patricia Carter own a 78 MGB and live at 502 Dundas Ct. Chesapeake , Va. 23320 Phone \* 547-7166

Robert and Kim Bell own a 71 MGB and live at 8346 Tanager Pkwy Norfolk , Va.

# ACTIVITIES

- JUNE 5 (Tue) MONTHLY MEETING at Brenda Banvard's home, co-hosted by Jim Villers; 7:30 p.m. (see map)
- 23-24 BOWIE WEEKEND/RALLY - see info. elsewhere in this newsletter. You will also find BRITISH CAR DAY REGISTRATION form in this newsletter.
- 27-July 1 NEMGTR G.O.F. Mk.50 - Syracuse, NY. T-Register members, get your cars ready, and your applications in!
- JULY 3 (Tue) MONTHLY MEETING at Craig & Beth Barber's  
19 - 22 NAMGAR GT-15. Williamsburg. MGA Register members, get your cars ready and your registrations in!  
26 - 29 AMGBA - Mini-Con East. Atlanta, Ga. MGB Register members, get your cars ready and your applications in!
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## TECH SESSION - by Mike Ash

Jim and Loraine Jackson hosted a Tech Session on Sunday, May 20. It was a beautiful sunny day, more conducive to little top-down motoring rather than carb. tweaking! Maybe that accounted for the low turn-out.

When I arrived, Jim Villers and son, Jim, were already there and working on Jim's daughter's MGB. Jim was aided by Vince Groover who was there with his Y-type. I had brought the TF with the intention of changing the clutch linkage rod, but I never actually got around to working on it. I had broken the rod while driving through Middleburg, Va., on the way to the Chesapeake Chapter gathering in western Maryland a couple of weeks before. Fortunately, I had been able to install a temporary rod to continue the journey, but I need to get a permanent clutch rod in the TF before our summer trips.

Vince had just got his Y-type out after a couple of years off the road. He had had to rebuild all of the brakes, but they still were not working too well. I don't think he tried to solve the problem at the tech session. Jim Jackson changed the oil on his own Midget, and spent the rest of the time assisting others or giving conducted tours of Loraine's Midget, which is for sale. Jim Villers worked on the tuning of his MGB. I think that the main problem was the adjustment of the points. He then turned his attention to getting the air conditioner to work. I don't know if he was successful in that endeavor.

Steve Sasser showed up in his recently-on-the-road Midget, which is looking good. I do not recall that Steve did any work on his car. Dave Bowling brought his TD and discussed the alignment of the hood. He is going to try shaving down the rear rubber strip to try to achieve a better fit. A prospective member, whose name I do not recall, stopped by in a very nice looking red early MGB roadster.

Since not much was going on, I drank a couple of beers and partook of some of the Jackson's excellent refreshments, and then left around 1:30 pm. I understand that Robert Davis with ZB Magnette and Hank Giffin with VA Tickford arrived after I left. Robert also found that correct adjustment of the points on his car cured the performance irregularities.

I hope that I have not forgotten anyone, but that is all of the activity that I can recall or have since heard about. Our thanks to Jim and Loraine Jackson for their hospitality and for the excellent refreshments. Another successful, if quiet, Tidewater MG Tech Session!

# The Original British Car Day

Thirteenth Annual Meet

Sponsored By the Chesapeake Chapter of the New England MG "T" Register

SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 1990 at Allen Pond Park in Bowie, Maryland (RAIN OR SHINE)

FEATURING: ANTIQUE, CLASSIC AND NEW BRITISH CAR DISPLAY, ANTIQUE & CRAFT DEALERS, FLEA MARKET.

FIELD OPENS AT 8:30 A.M. — JUDGING BEGINS AT 12 NOON

All British Cars and Motor Bikes welcome, Car Parts Vendors, Antique, Flea Market and Craft Dealers are also invited. Last year over 600 cars were on display and more than 115 awards were presented to the car owners. The show was attended by more than 4,000 people.

A dash plaque is guaranteed to all preregistered cars and every car will be placed in a class for judging and award purposes. Cars not parked in assigned class will not be eligible for awards.

## AWARDS:

First place pewter for each marque or series with at least 6 PREREGISTERED cars.

First and second place pewter with at least 9 PREREGISTERED cars.

First, second and third place pewter with at least 12 PREREGISTERED cars.

Honorable mention ribbons.

Judging done by registrants (Popular Vote).

The field opens at 8:30 AM, the judging begins at noon and the balloting is closed at 2:00 PM. The awards will be presented at 4:00 PM.

## "FOR SALE"

A special area will be set aside for all "For Sale Cars." \$25.00 preregistered, \$30.00 at the gate. "For Sale" class will have awards based on number preregistered. All "FOR SALE" cars must be driven onto the field. No "For Sale", etc. signs will be allowed in award classes display area.

## VENDOR SPACES:

Minimum size for one space is enough area for a van and two tables. \$20.00 preregistered, \$25.00 at the gate. Absolutely no selling, vending in display areas. Any advertisement of this event without written consent is prohibited.

## ADVERTISERS:

Send 600 inserts before June 16 along with \$50.00 and we will put one in each registration packet. Inserts/flyers, etc. may only be distributed from a vendor space.

## CAR ENTRANT:

Car classes will be based on number preregistered by June 8th. Preregistration by June 8 is \$8.00. After June 8 by mail and at the gate the fee is \$13.00. The field will be limited to 700 cars. No race prepared cars will be accepted. No car trailers allowed on field.

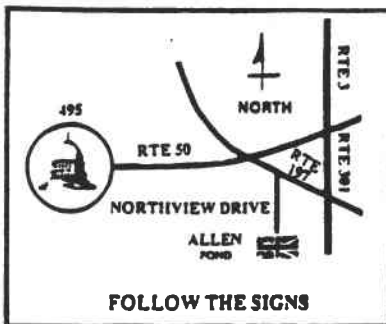
## SPECTATORS:

\$1.00 per person admission and children under 12 accompanied by an adult are free. Parking is \$1.00 for car.

## FOOD:

Food and beverages will be sold at the show and picnic areas will be available.

All Profits from British Car Day Will Help Sustain Local Non-Profit Organizations.



CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Phillip Ash 8128 Jerrylee Dr. Norfolk Va. 23518 Ph. #588-7239  
Robert & Faye Davis 1016 Pleasant Ridge Dr. Ches. Va. 23323 Ph. #421-3504  
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ONE CLASSIFICATION PER FORM

Mail before JUNE 8 to:

RUTH RENKENBERGER  
5 Miller Fall Court  
Derwood, MD 20855

Please make check payable to:  
Chesapeake Chapter, NETR

For information call:

(703) 323-1260  
(301) 948-8269

PRIORITY EARLY REGISTRATION FOR \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB MEMBER  
NAME (owner) \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE OF CAR \_\_\_\_\_ SERIES \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR \_\_\_\_\_

VENDOR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

WAIVER OF LIABILITY — MUST BE SIGNED TO ENTER. NEITHER I OR MY HEIRS WILL HOLD THE CHESAPEAKE CHAPTER OF THE NETR, LTD., OR THE CITY OF BOWIE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES DONE TO ME OR MY CAR WHILE ENGAGED IN, OR TRAVELING TO OR FROM THIS EVENT.

	CLASSIFICATION:	PRK-REG.
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAR ENTRANT	\$8.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAR PARTS VENDOR	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	ANTIQUE VENDOR	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	FLEA MARKET VENDOR	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAR FOR SALE	\$25.00
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SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

# Rally To Bowie

JUNE 23-24



DAISIES NEVER TELL!

**ITINERARY:** Leave Saturday morning, June 23--rally to an undisclosed termination for lodging, with a wonderful evening cruise available at \$5/person. Depart for Bowie, MD Sunday morning, individually or in caravan. At Bowie we will experience the ultimate in British Car show, flea market and fun, fun, fun. Showing your MG is encouraged but not required. Head for home late Sunday afternoon.



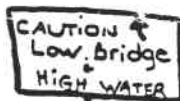
I WONDER JUST HOW LOW THIS BRIDGE IS?



CHESAPEAKE BAY

**REMEMBER...**  
Register separately for British Car Day. Use registration in last "Dipstick" Newsletter.

**FOOD:** Saturday: Lunch - Picnic or stop along the way.  
Dinner - Dine at any of the fine local seafood restaurants, Roy Rogers, or anything in between.  
Sunday: Breakfast at motel or locally. On your own the rest of the day--picnic or purchase food at the park stopping along the way home for dinner.



## ABOUT THE RALLY...

Don't be concerned if you've never ran a rally. This is low-key, relaxing and fun--a leisurely drive, stopping at flea markets, antique shops, winery and other points of interest. Time and speed will NOT be a factor--enjoy the day. An exciting, unique "Twist" is incorporated in this rally adding interest and alot of FUN and activity for all participants--driver, navigator, AND passengers.

Although driving your MG is strongly encouraged, it does not preclude driving any car if your MG is unavailable or too small for your family so please participate regardless what car you're driving. Come and have FUN.

**LODGING:** Special rates--\$60.90 (includes tax) for room with King or 2 Doubles. Extra person(s) no charge. Camping is available. call Peggy for information.

JUNE 4th IS DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS. Coordinate reservations after this date with Peggy as rooms and rates are not guaranteed after this date. Call Peggy Bradford, 427-3365 (H) or 445-1309 (W).



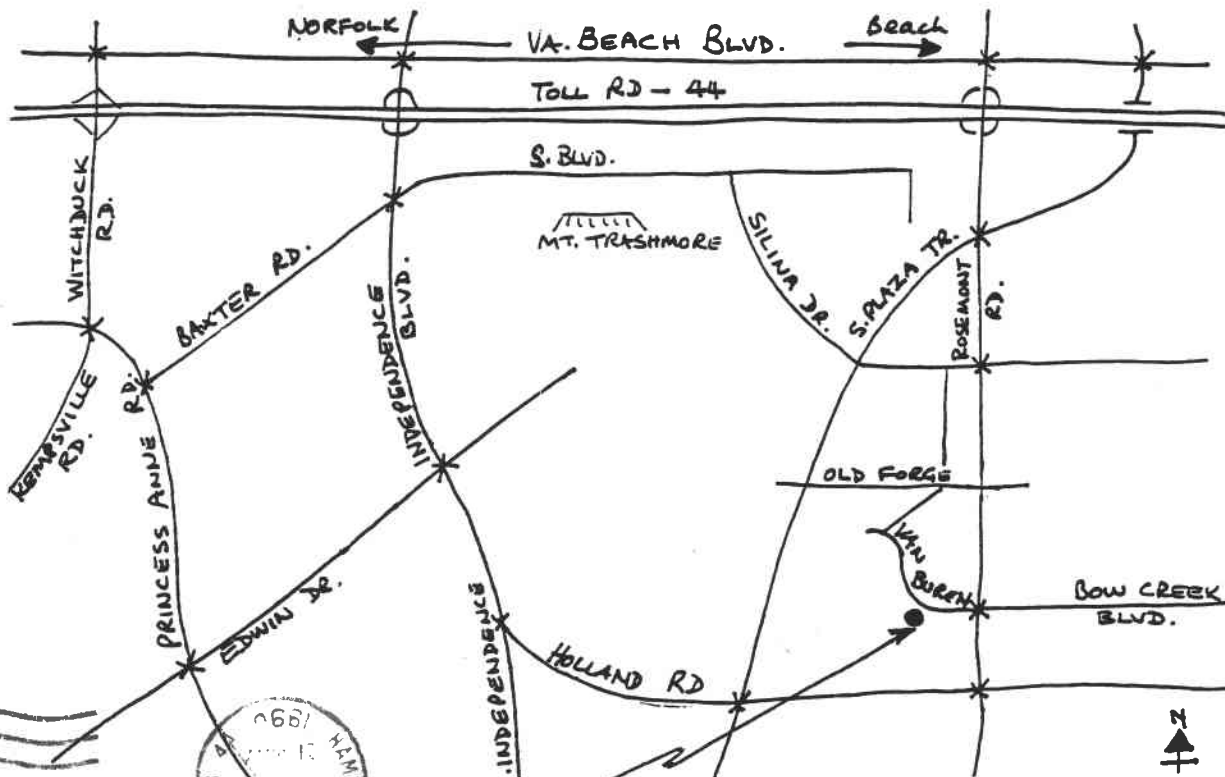
Confirm your participation. Make check to "Tidewater MG 'T' Classics" for lodging (\$60.90), specify type of room (king or 2 dbl), mail to:

Peggy Bradford  
3202 Dunnebrook Court  
Virginia Beach, VA 23456

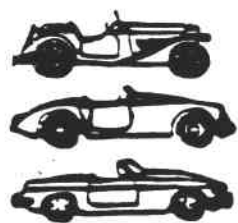


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JUNE MEETING (TUESDAY, 5th) 7:30 pm  
 BRENDA BANVARD'S  
 3633 VAN BUREN DR., VA. BEACH Ph: 340-6737



FIRST CLASS