



The Dipstick

The Tidewater MG Classics

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The Tidewater MG Classics is a club dedicated to the preservation, appreciation and maintenance of the MG Automobile, and the fellowship of the club members.

Marque Time

A short but busy meeting was held in July. Since none of the committee members were present not much new business was discussed. The annual dues of \$25.00 are payable this month.

The next tech session is scheduled for Sunday, August 18th at Bob McClaren's. This could be your last chance for tune-up and other minor adjustments prior to the drive to Berkeley. Bill Keeler talked briefly on his trip to Indy, more to follow next meeting.

Registration forms for Berkeley are in this newsletter so register early. The club will be well represented at this show and we will have our banner and tent in place.

There are also a few forms for Waynesboro left, call me if you are interested!

Lastly, the Antique Auto Club of America is having their special National Fall Meet in Chesapeake Sept. 5-7. Estimating 600 cars, AACA membership is required but the show is open to all spectators. A rare opportunity to see some truly classic iron of every make and vintage.

Frank Linse

*Remember-Dues are now Due
Send yours in or bring it to
the next meeting. Help us
maintain the type of club you
wish to belong to.*

UP-COMING CLUB ACTIVITIES...

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| Tue | Aug 6 | Monthly Meeting
Libby & Bill Keeler's
636 Montebello Circle
Chesapeake 547-2709
Indy '96' Slides |
| Fri to
Sun | Aug 9
Aug 11 | Roadster Factory
Summer Party
Armagh, Pa
(800) 234-1104 |
| Sun | Aug 18 | Tech Session
The McLaren's
5612 Susquehanna Dr
Va Bch 490-2114 |
| Weds | Sep 4 | Monthly Meeting
The Viller's |
| Sat &
Sun | Sep 14
Sep 15 | 12th annual Richmond
British Car Days
Central Va MG Classics Ltd
Berkeley Plantation |
| Sun | Sep 29 | Annual Pig Roast
The Holcomb's |
| Tues
Sun | Oct 01
Oct 05 | Monthly Meeting
Fall British Car Fest
Shenandoah Valley
British Car Club
(540) 943-5697 |
| Weds | Nov 06 | Monthly Meeting |

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of the Tidewater M G Classics*

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Meeting Minutes

Frank opened the meeting promptly at 8:05 after a brief shower that scared all the weather weenies away. He thanked Bill and Leslie for the hospitality of their beautiful home.

The minutes were accepted without argument.

Treasurer's Report: Receipts: \$132.50, Disbursements: \$216.40, Balance \$549.03

Several Committee Chair people were absent so reports were brief.

Activities: Although Shelly was not present there was discussion of a tech session in August. Unfortunately, a site could not be agreed upon. There appears to be no new activities planned as of this date until the pig pickin in September. Greg Coogan will continue to list autocross events in the area. It was also mentioned again that the Berkeley show in September will limit the number of registrants.

Newsletter: Greg AGAIN asked for contributions. Come on, get him your interesting stories, news, notes, and priceless bon-mots.

Regalia: BUY COOLIES NOW. Scientific studies have shown that they keep your brewed beverages significantly cooler while you're stuck under your car trying to loosen the oil drain bolt.

Old Business: Not much worth reporting.

New Business: Even less worth reporting.

Marque Time: Mark Childers and Vince Childers are restoring a 69/70/71 BGT(they can't decide the year) in Blaze Red. Let them know if you're interested.

Barry Tyson had an ad from a friend who is selling a 58 MGA coupe with spare engines and parts for \$6500.

Frank reported that former member Tom Sawyer is doing well in Canada and is busy restoring several B's and other cars.

Mark Childers did some repair work for Dave Barrow who sends his regards.

The raffle was held for a new club jacket. Mike Haag won the raffle but turned down the prize because he won a similar prize last year! Great spirit Mike. The second drawing was won by Scot Coogan. We all sighed in disbelief before adjourning the meeting to chow down.

Autocross Calendar

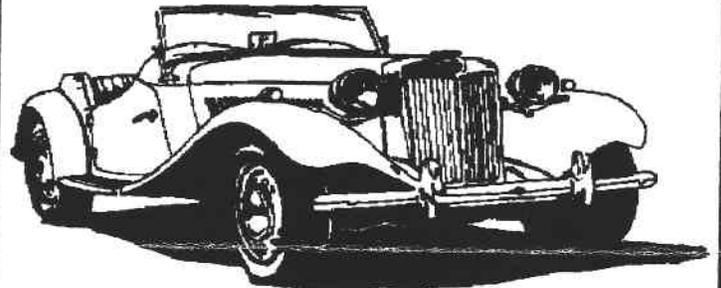
Aug 11	Sun	Too Hot Autocross TSCC C. Sanders Tenative @ Fentress
Aug 18	Sun	Fort Lee, Va VMSC K. Van Horn
Sep 08	Sun	Va Mtr Sports Park Dinwiddie, Va VMSC K. Van Horn
Sep 15	Sun	Downtown, Wilson, N. C. Tarheel SCC Tenative, Festival
Sep 22	Sun	Old Dom Reg SCCA Ft Monroe
Oct 06	Sun	Back to School TSCC
Oct 20	Sun	Old Dom Reg SCCA Ft Monroe
Oct 20	Sun	Old Rocky Mount (N C) Airport Tarheel SCC
Oct 20	Sun	South Side Speedway VMSC (804)598-4009
Nov 10	Sun	Tidewater Winter 4-# 1 TSCC-Fentress
Nov 17	Sun	Old Dom Reg SCCA Ft Monroe
Nov 23 & Nov 24	Sat & Sun	State Champ AutoX Va Mtr Sprts Prk Dinwiddie, Va VMSC
Dec 15	Sun	Tidewater Winter 4 #2 TSCC-Fentress

Motor Faster



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tonneau included. 71,000 miles - \$2200.00 call Dennis
Sobota**

**1973 MGB GT Olde Eng White w/red leather. Full
restoration 6 K ago. 106,000 miles. Overdrive, wires,
am/fm-cassette, good dash. Good oil pressure. 483-**

The weather gremlins had decided to have fun with us on the 9th of June, the day we had scheduled for our run to Mel's Diner in Grandy, North Carolina. Lots of clouds, and a shower before I left home, but British cars are used to the rain, they may not be able to keep it out, but they are used to it. Four cars of people met at the Military Circle McDonalds: Mark Childers, Susan Bond Doug and Eiko Wilson (all the way from Williamsburg) in MG's, and Shelley and Angeline Pellegrino in a Trans Am. We finally decided that no one else was going to show up so we optimistically hit the road with tops down. Halfway down the Great Bridge bypass the skies opened so everyone pulled over to pessimistically put tops up. But once we got into North Carolina it was nice and sunny, and getting on towards hot.

We didn't have to wait long for a table at Mel's and the food was almost too much to eat in one meal. The decor and the poodle skirts on the waitresses made it feel like we'd been riding in time machines, not MG's. After checking out the gift shop, Mark led the way, and led, and led. He pulled into the rest area at Kitty Hawk where Shelley told us we were taking the ferry out of Currituck, not Nags Head. Back up the road we went, and made it to the ferry just in time. The water was a little choppy and we could see rain all around us on the way over, but didn't have to drive through any till we were back in Virginia. It was a damp trip, but lots of fun. Thank you Shelley for organizing it!

Lots of Scots The Tidewater Scottish Festival is a great place to spend the day. This year the cars were parked in the same place, under the pine trees, but everything else had been rearranged. Across the road from us was the Highland Market Place. Had to go through it to get anywhere else and I just happened to see several great things to buy. We were close to the main ring and could hear the loud speakers so it was easy to run over to see the goings on that interested us. Actually we didn't do much running. It was another scorching day, and we were thankful for the light breeze that cooled us off under the trees.

This year there were 3 pipe bands, quite a few individual pipers competing for prizes behind us, and a great rock/Celtic band later in the afternoon. The caber toss competitors seemed to be a bit more successful than last year, some of the throws were pretty good. I never did get to the Border Collie ring at the right time to see them run, but I did see the Scottish Country dancing, and the Highland dancing went on all day. It was also nice to just sit in the shade and talk to friends about MG's! MG members in attendance were: Frank Linse, Bob McClaren, Russ Geister (prospective member), Ed Meadows and Maureen Bangley, Jerry and Linda Swartz, Mark Childers and Susan Bond.

Much as I enjoyed the day, I hope the organizers rethink the field layout for next year. We were originally supposed to be out in the sun, but Ed Kehrig said "No way!" and parked us in the shade. Unfortunately, the terrier dogs and their owners were also in the shade and didn't seem too happy to share it. When they started their show, some of the spectators demonstrated their lack of respect for antique cars and other people. I sure hate to rope the cars off to keep people off of them, but sometimes it can't be avoided. Most of the people really enjoyed seeing the cars and I think they really add to the day (Of course, I may be a bit prejudiced. We took our car to many Highland games and county shows when we were in Scotland). I'll keep in touch with Ed and let you know the plans for next year.

by Susan Bond

English Motorcar



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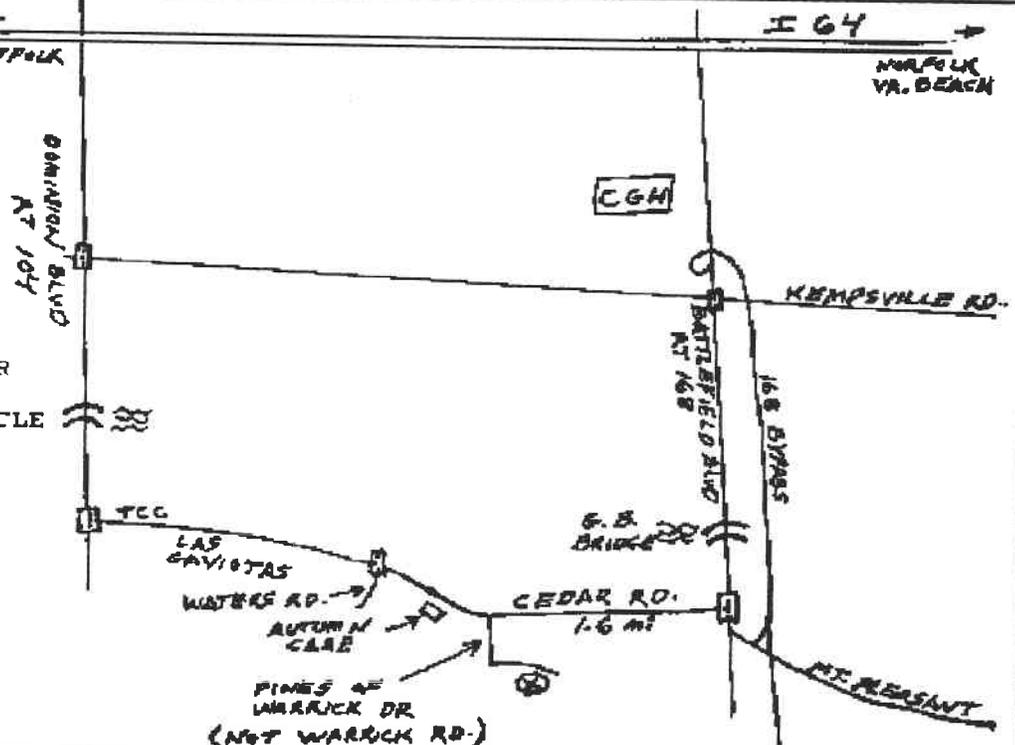
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Next Meeting

Tuesday, August sixth. Kick tires 7:30 PM Business meeting 8:00 PM. Hosted by; Libby and Bill Keeler. H 547-2709 636 Montebello Circle, Virginia Beach, Va. 436-3595-W

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MORFOLK VA. BEACH
AUG MEETING
TUES, AUG 6, 1996
KICK TYRES 7:30PM
BUSINESS 8:00PM
HOSTED BY:
BILL & LIBBY KEELER
636 MONTEBELLO CIRCLE
CHESAPEAKE, VA
547-2709



The Tidewater MG Classics
 Preserving the Marque since 1973
 1996-1997 Membership Application and Renewal Form

Annual membership renewals are due on 1 July, 1996. The Following information is for club use only. Social registers (containing information marked with an asterisk) are distributed yearly to all members. Except for the names and phone numbers of club officers and chairpersons, membership roster data is not released outside the club.

New members: Please fill in all data.

Renewals: please fill in line 1, update 2-5 and MG ownership/registry data.

1. *First _____ & _____ *Last _____

2. *Member Since _____ Former TMGC
 office/chairs _____

3. *Significant other/reciprocal club name _____

4. *Street _____ *City _____ *State _____ Zip _____

5. *Home Phone (____) _____ *Dig Page/Fax (____) _____ Work Phone(____) _____

6. MG ownership and registry data: _____ Restored, For Sale

	*Year	*Model	Color	Purchased	National / International Registry and Registry #	Daily Driver, Antique or custom tag, etc.
Car #1	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Car #2	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Car #3	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Car #4	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Car #5	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Dues Schedule

July 96-July97	1 Jan-1 Jun
\$ 20.00 local	\$10.00 local
\$ 15.00 out of town	\$7.50 out of town

* Other clubs: no fee with reciprocal membership for TMGC. Please mail newsletter and correspondence to Editor - "The Dipstick".

* Local: Va Beach, Norfolk, Chesapeake, Portsmouth, Hampton, Newport News, Suffolk, Williamsburg.

* Out of area membership covers cost of Dipstick mailings.

* National Association Officials: no fee; Association newsletter ICO Editor "The Dipstick" is requested.

* Please remit payment with this application to TMGC Membership Chairman.

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Office use only: Date rcvd _____ Amt rcvd _____ Date funds forwarded to treasurer _____
 Added to social roster _____ First Dipstick mailed _____
 Date affiliate newsletter recieved _____ Social call for next meeting/info _____

Twelfth Annual Richmond British Car Days presented by: The Central Virginia MG Classics, Ltd. (Rain or Shine)

Saturday, September 14, 1996

Arrive 11:00-4:00 Richmond Airport Hilton
Registration open in lobby

11:00-4:00 Hospitality Room

12:00-2:00 Road Rally (Battlefield Tour)
(Free for pre-registered cars)

11:00-5:00 Vendor display by Seven
Enterprises, Ltd.

11:00-5:00 Chamber of Horrors Display
by Motorhead, Ltd

2:30-3:30 Rust & Body Repair Tech Session
by British Car Service, Inc

4:00-5:00 "Motorhead Inspection" tech
session with electrical discussion
by Motorhead, Ltd

3:00-Until End of Summer Party with live
music and Hors D'oeuvres
(Served between 8:00-10:00 pm)
on Hiltons Flight Deck with pool
and jacuzzi.

Sunday, September 15, 1996

Show Location: Historic Berkeley Plantation
Route 5, Charles City, Va.

Class Awards: Classes and awards are based
on pre-registration (judging
by registrants)

Special Awards: -Best of Show
-Berkeley Award
-Most Opportunity for Improvement
-Oldest Car
-Longest Distance Driven

9:00 AM Registration and field opens

12:30 PM Registration Closes

2:00 PM Judging Ends

3:30 PM Presentation of Awards

Richmond British Car Days Registration Form Early Registration Deadline is September 1, 1996

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Make _____ Model _____ Year _____ Series _____
Make _____ Model _____ Year _____ Series _____
Local Car Club _____

Yes, Register me for the Saturday Road _____
Rally (Free for all pre-registered cars)
of tickets for the Saturday party @\$15.00 _____
(children under 12 free)
of vehicles for pre-registration @\$12.50 _____
Vehicles(after Sept 1st)@\$20.00 _____
Vendor pre-registration @\$20.00 _____
Vendor (after Sept 1st) @\$25.00 _____
of vehicles for sale @\$20.00 _____
Full page ad in program booklet @\$75.00 _____
Half page ad in program booklet @\$50.00 _____
1/4 page ad in program booklet @\$35.00 _____
400 copies reg packet ads @\$75.00 _____
Total amount enclosed \$ _____
Yes I would like to offer door prizes for show participants
and will send them by September 1 _____

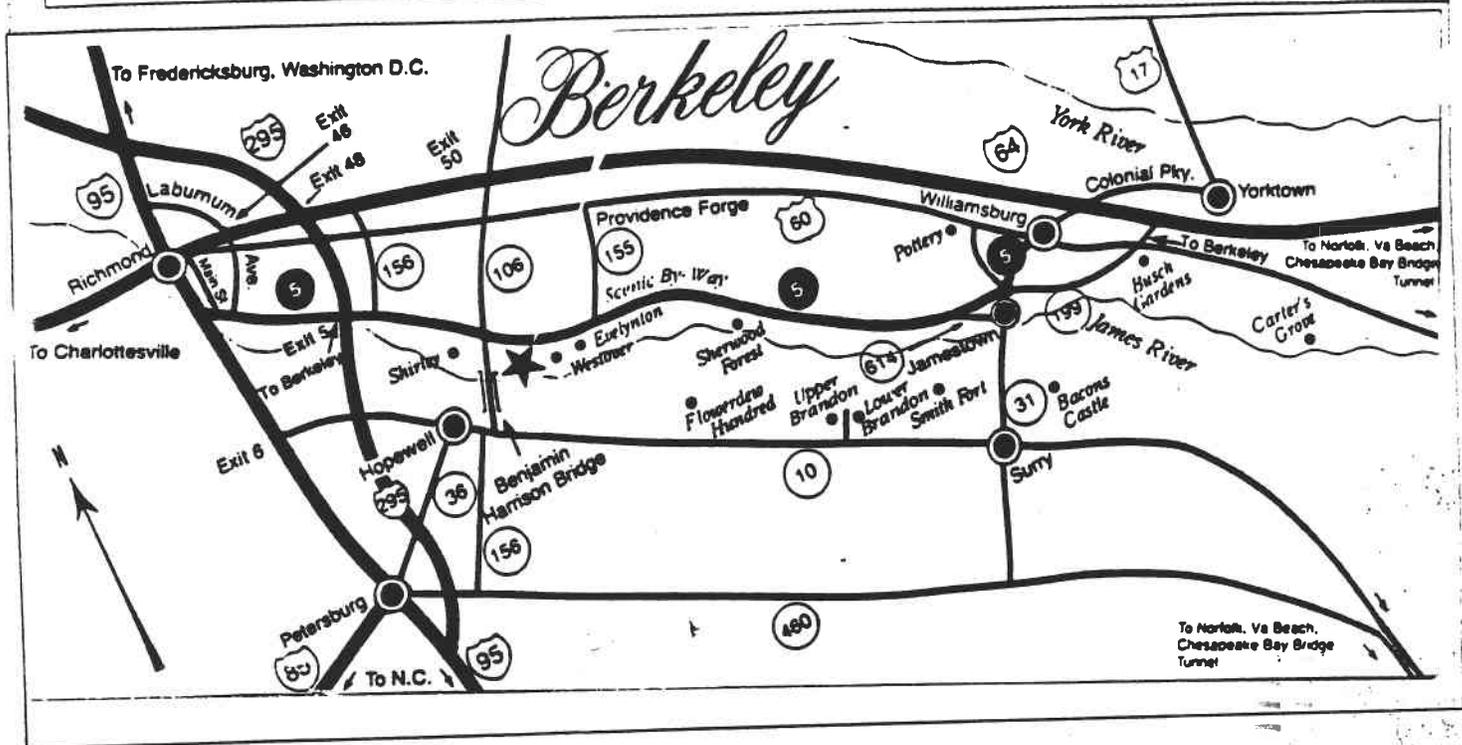
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Central Virginia MG Classics, Ltd**

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**Richmond British Car Days
Glen Allen, Va 23059
(804)759-3262 for reg confirmation
(804)745-3305 for further info**

WAIVER OF LIABILITY must be signed to enter show.
Neither I nor my heirs will hold the Central Virginia MG
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injury, death or damages occurring while engaged in/or
traveling to or from this event.

Signature _____
Apportion of the proceeds will be donated to charity.

BRITISH CAR DAYS-BERKELEY cont.



Dont' forget to send in your dues and form!

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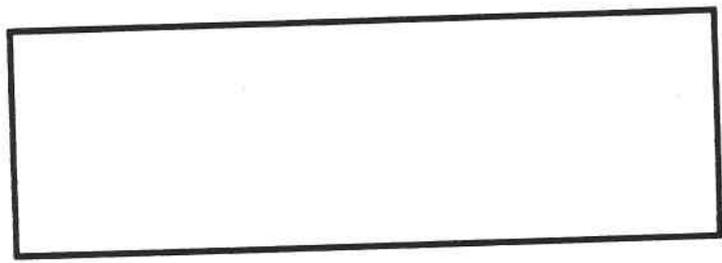


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