



The Dipstick

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Marque Time

A great meeting was held at Andy and Cynthia's.

Four new members were in attendance and a new addition to Chuck Hudson's collection, a three hundred horsepower MG Metro.

Old and new business was discussed. Chuck needs some additional funds in the form of donations for the Soap Box Derby Enterprise.

Information on NAMGBR is available if you wish to join as an individual. Call me if you need more info.

I am starting a new list for name tags @ \$5.00 each. Call me if you want one.

I also have recieved a packet of flyers for the Waynesboro British Car Show in October.

Don't forget the Tech Session at Richard Jolly's on Sunday June eighth on doing an SU Carb rebuild. Be There!

THANKS FRANK

**Name tags are available .
Price is \$5.00 per tag. Order at next meeting or send check or money order to:
Frank Linse, 301 E McGinnis Circle,
Norfolk, Va. 23502**

up coming club activities...

- Tues June 3 Monthly Meeting**
Judy and Bob Miller's
5448 Mt. Jackson Ct
Va Bch, Va
497-2214
- Sun June 8 TECH SESSION**
Richard Jolly's
Newport News, Va.
- Sat June 28 1997 Tidewater**
- Sun June 29 Scottish Festival**
CHESAPEAKE , VA.
Contacts, Susan & Terry
Bond
- Sat June 7 British Car Day**
Charlestown, S.C.
803-849-9707
- Sun June 22 British Car Day-Bowie MD.**
Allen Pond Park
- Thurs Aug 14 University Motors**
- Sun Aug 17 Summer Party**
Grand Rapids, Mi,616-682-0800

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Meeting Minutes

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Frank Linse Chief Club President called the meeting to order promptly at 8:11 PM. He welcomed Scott Daniels, Bill Walters, Frank Kerry Hurley, and Rudy Sayer who were attending their first meeting.

Minutes were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report: Revenue, \$266 Bills, \$482.50 Balance, \$610.23.

Activities: Shelly was missing in action.

Membership: John Severin welcomed Frank and Kerry Hurley as newmembers. He also mentioned that Chris McElfresh who is a documentary filmmaker is looking for classic MG owners to film as part of a project. If you're interested call him at 547-0547. The home page is just about ready to be completed so John is optimistic that it will be completed before his B is finished.

Check www.mg.org for updates.

Newsletter: Greg was not present but he was complimented for his work. SEND HIM SUBMISSIONS.

Technical: Bob McLaren mentioned that Culpeper's in Portsmouth does EXCELLENT radiator and gas tank work. They also did Mark's Magnette tank and he added that they did a fabulous job.

Regalia: Mark has goodies for sale and was low keying his pitch.

Spares: Robert Davis discussed rubber gaskets for MGA float bowls. However, he was wearing a t-shirt from a nude beach in Australia and the secretary was too distracted by the graphic on the back to pay attention. I will mention that "Broken Head Beach" in New South Wales does seem like quite an attractive destination.

Old Business: After admonishing Bill Keeler for his rowdy distraction, Frank discussed the caravan to the Stony Point show. If it's rainy the caravan may be an every-car-for-itself event.

Frank also mentioned that we are now affiliated with the North American MGB Register! Vince Groover also added his two cents and recommended the MGB Driver magazine. We all shared the secret handshake, received the NAMGBR brand and took the oath of obedience before thanking Frank for helping us become affiliated. Then, Bob McLaren added that we were also affiliated with the "C" register.

Frank shared some information for the Waynesboro show which is the 3-5 of October this year.

Chuck Hudson reported that the Soap Box Derby car has arrived and will try to arrange for a meeting date to build the car.

New Business: Frank has a tech session scheduled with Richard Jolly on the 8th of June at Richard's shop on 32nd street in Newport News.

Chris Holcomb is looking for cars to ride in a parade on the 17th of May. If you're interested in this and are reading it in the newsletter then it's too late so don't call him.

Chuck Hudson is looking for Soap Box Derby donations.

Mark Childers discussed the progress that he's been making on his B. The secretary saw the car and can attest that it's coming along well.

Vince Groover passed around a connecting rod that was bent about 45 degrees as the result of running in a B without oil. It was ugly so go check your oil!

Mark then again mentioned that he was in "DEEP TROUBLE" because he is getting married June 7! He graciously extended an invitation to us all, passed around invitations, and hopes to see us at 2:00 at Haygood United Methodist Church (4718 Haygood Road). The Secretary will not be in the country on that date and wants to pass along all the best wishes possible from the Kennedy Family on what will undoubtedly be a wonderful day for Mark and Debbie.

Chuck Hudson passed around a couple catalogues and a TSO.

Peggy Bradford presented some materials related to antique plate driving restrictions.

Mike Brannon had returned from Japan and reported that the Japanese were much more civil drivers than Americans! He also had a

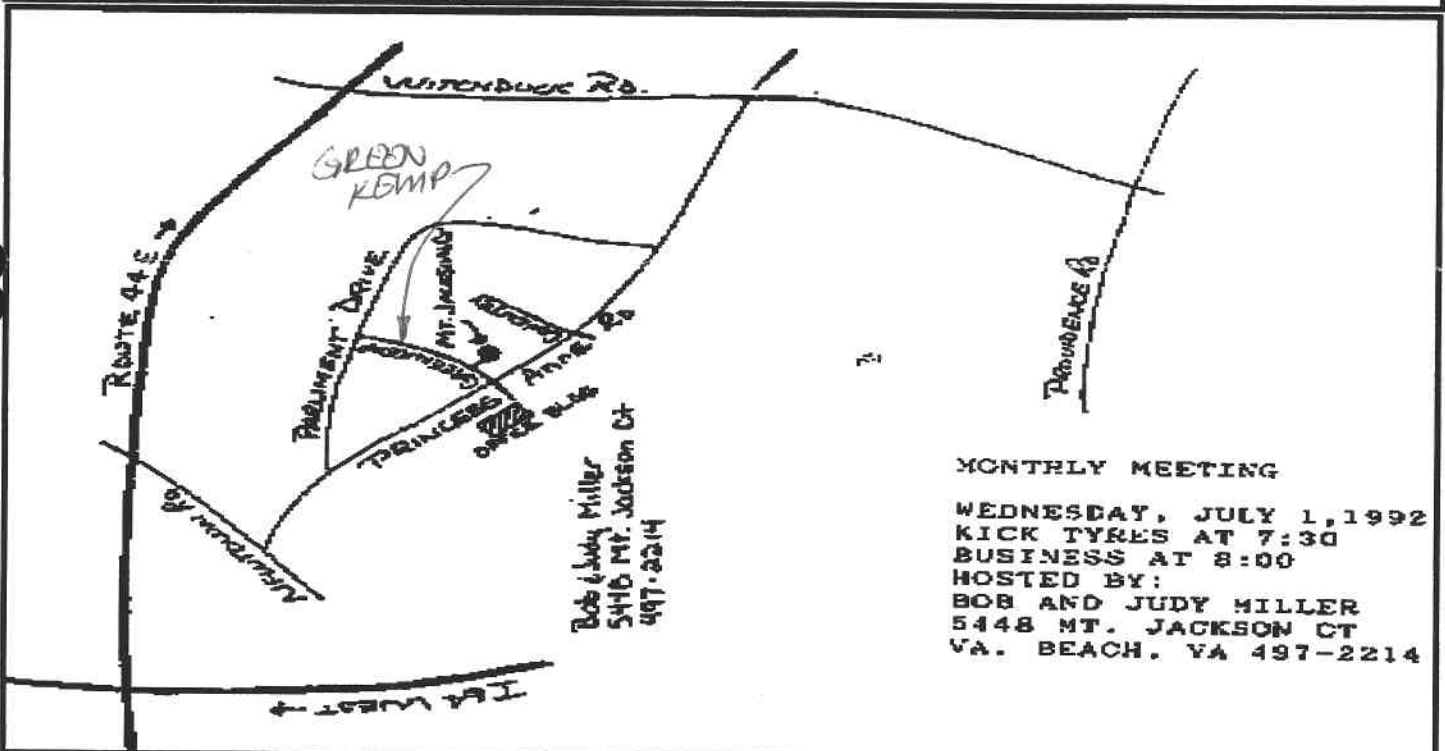
toughtime getting his MGB-GT registered there and that Moss Motors was a big help when his gas tank was skewered by a forklift in transit. He also had good luck with Special Interest Car Parts but The Roadster Factory couldn't be reached via e@mail. He also told many stories related to the trials and tribulations of getting the car registered which included having the fenders pushed outward with hydraulic rams to clear the spin-on hubs! He's also struggling along on the remote control B and is finding it as difficult as a real B!

Chuck Hudson added that he did drive his MG Metro 6R4 to the meeting. The mini rocket is one of only a few in the US and just screams along on its four-wheel drive, six cylinder mechanics.

The raffle was drawn, Bob McLaren won a video, we all grumbled, and the meeting was brought to a close so we could all chow down with volume equal to Chuck's rocket ship of a racing MG..

Next Meeting

**Next meeting Tuesday June 03, Kick tyres @ 7:30,
Business Meeting @ 8:00 ,Judy & Bob Miller,
5448 MT Jackson Ct, Va Bch, Va, 757-497-2214**



AUTOCROSS CALENDAR

- June 1st ODR/SCCA, Fort Monroe, Hampton, Va, Summer '5' series**
- June 15th TSCC, Fentress Airfield, Chesapeake, Va**
- July 1 st ODR/SCCA, Fort Monroe, Hampton, Va Summer '5' series**
- July 6th ODR/SCCA, Fort Monroe, Hampton, Va Summer '5' series**
- Aug 3rd ODR?SCCA, Fort Monroe, Hampton, Va Summer '5' series**
- Sep 7th ODR?SCCA, Fort Monroe, Hampton, Va Summer '5' series**

1997 Calendar of Events

The following is a list of some of the British car events this season. Dust off your MG, join your appropriate national register, and join the fun. You will be glad you did.

April 26, Britfeast '97, Moss Motors, Dover, NJ. (201)361-8314
 May 3, British Car Day, Statesville, NC. (704)872-4292
 May 4, Rally & Wine Tour, Baltimore MD. (401)882-6896
 May 18, British Car Day, Richmond, VA. (804)758-2753
 June 7, British Car Day, Charleston, SC. (803)849-9707
 June 8, British Car Day, Hellertown, PA. (610)865-3419
 June 22, The Original British Car Day, Allen Pond Park, Bowie, MD.
 June 25-29, NEMGTR GOF-Mk 63, Newton, MA. (607)432-6835
 July 10-13, NAMGBR convention, Buffalo, NY. (716)683-9380
 August 14-17, UM Summer Party, Grand Rapids, MI. (616)682-0800
 August 23-24, Virginia Wine Festival, The Plains, VA. (540)943-5697
 Sept 13, MGs on the Green, Charlotte, NC. (704)455-3500
 Sept 13-14, British Car Day, Berkeley Plantation, Charles City, VA. (804)527-3934
 Sept 24-28, NEMGTR GOF-Mk 64, Binghamton, NY. (607)432-6835
 Sept 26-28, Indy British Motor Days, Indianapolis Speedway, IN. (317)357-8641
 Sept. 27, MGs on the Rocks, Baltimore, MD. (410)882-6896
 Oct., Fall British Car Festival, Waynesboro, VA.

This is a small sampling of what is happening nationwide. Remember, your MG was made to be driven, and there is a whole world of MG friends for you to meet!

Bill Keeler

Safety Fast!

British Car Day- Stony Point School- Richmond, Va.

Sunday May 18th was a beautiful day.

There were four MG's departing from Military Circle. Bob Miller and Bill Seib with MGB's and Frank's MGA with Frank and Bob Mc Laren aboard. Last but not least was the MGF belonging to the Straw's with Beth Straw and Peggy Bradford. En route they met Mike Haig and Barry Tyson also in MGB's. Ed Meador and Frank Hurley were also encountered en route.

After arriving at Stony Point and dusting off the MG's we settled down to a warm but exciting day surrounded by British cars. Sue Bond, Bill & Greg Keeler, Doug & Eiko Wilson, J. D. Hawthorne, and the Woodson's were also present.

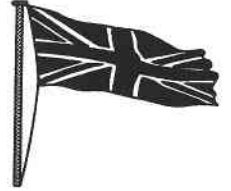
The MGF was given a place of honor under the tent which allowed Beth and Peggy the advantage of some shade.

The club did well at awards time with the following members being recognized: Bill & Greg Keeler won honorable mention in the Premier Class. Doug & Eiko Wilson won 1st place with their MGB. Frank Linse took second place with his MGA Coupe. Bill Hoggard won 1st place with his MGB, Bruce Woodson, J. D. Hawthorne and Henry Cristoff each won honorable mention

The day ended on a happy note but the ride back was quite warm. We all made it.

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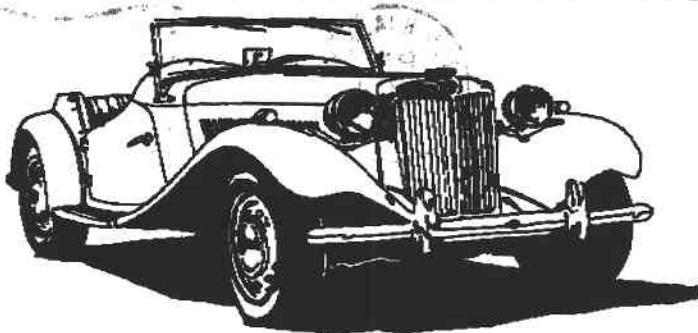
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483-5273-H, 579-2176-W

Stuart Bennett, Chesapeake

1974 MG MIDGET

Was running, sat for one year, has new top - interior \$2000.00

Jim Blaylock, Virginia Beach

671-1936

Club Notes

**JUNE MEETING - TUESDAY, JUNE THIRD,
JUDY AND BOB MILLER'S
5448 Mt. Jackson Court, VA BCH, VA
LETS' GET THOSE MG'S POLISHED AND ON THE ROAD!!**

British Car Day, BOWIE, MD JUNE 22ND, 1997

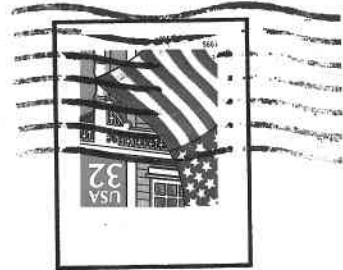
**DONT' FORGET TO SUPPORT OUR SOAP BOX DERBY
PROJECT IN ANY WAY THAT YOU CAN !**

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