

The Dipstick

The Newsletter of the Tidewater MG Classics Car Club



Dedicated To Preserving The Marque Since 1973

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Marque Time

Our thanks to the Sayers for hosting the June meeting. A great turn-out put parking spots at a premium - it was a bit of a hike to kick every tyre, but well worth the effort. The subsequent meeting was nearly as rewarding as chow-time.....

There are some incredibly nice cars in our registry - award winning, head turning examples that need no apologies for a few nicks and scratches - the result of being driven as a sports car should: from winding entry roads to the daily dash to work and back. Driving road ragers and DOT flagmen takes a toll on the finish... Dings happen. My B took a 5/8" nut across the top of the right headlight, clear thru to the metal - on its maiden voyage no less - courtesy of a dump truck.

Some of us have inflicted a true battle scar on otherwise perfect brand new paint job while putting a car together... When I installed the side chrome on my B, the pop-riveter fell from my hand at a gravity defying 45 degree angle. At the moment of impact, I swear I heard the paint scream.... Ten minutes later, to avoid going crazy, I simply rationalized that it speeded up the process of wearing out the novelty of owning a car with a flawless paint job. Now that the novelty has *really* worn off, I've begun to wonder why we don't see these little dings as historical markers.... along the lines of leaving a cigarette burn in a old restored Philco radio because back in '45 Uncle Hal set a fresh-lit Lucky on it to run-tell Aunt Louise that the War was over, and plumb forgot about it...

Drive 'em if you can, shine 'em - or work on 'em until you can - if you can't. Enjoy the summer - top down, and fast....

Safety First!

that is.... Mark

Upcoming Club Activities

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| June 27,28 | Tidewater Scottish Festival |
| July 7 | Club Meeting - Frank Linse's |
| July 8-12 | NAMGBR "MG 98" Hagers-town MD |
| Aug 5 | Club Meeting - Bill Keeler's |
| Aug ? | Tech Session - Bob McClaren |
| Sept 1 | Club Meeting - John Jones' |
| Sept 13 | Pig Roast and Rally - Alan Watson's |
| Sept 20 | British Car Day - Berkeley |
| Sept 26 | AMGBA Meet '98 Charlotte, NC |
| Oct 4 | British Car Festival, Waynes boro |
| Oct 7 | Club Meeting - Dave Shep-pard's |

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ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS

June's Meeting Minutes

June Minutes

The June meeting started promptly at 8:07 as Mark welcomed everyone and thanked Rudy Sayre for his wonderful hospitality. New members included Roosevelt Moseley who we're counting as new-old. Mike and Carlene Studley, Lerot McNair, Jim Holmes, and Bill Goff were welcomed as real new members. Bob also slipped in that he has sent out six or seven applications for new members a couple returned them and are newly paid members. However, the Secretary can't type fast enough to get them all down.

Treasurer's Report: Receipts, \$540 Disbursements, \$1397.52, Balance \$383.08 PAY YOUR DUES!

Minutes: Bob Millers work was accepted with glee.

Membership: Bob says go recruit some members!

Clubs: Peggy brought some info from the New England T Register and some other for new business.

Tidbits: Mark is working on a Triumph. We looked on in puzzlement then got back to business.

Publicity and social events: Chuck received a rousing round of applause for all his great work. He thanked us for our praise and got down to business. Chris Bradford was introduced as our soapbox derby driver. It is June 6 at 10:00AM at Little Creek Amphibious Base and we discussed driving out to show our support as well as volunteering to aid the derby. Chuck received six phone calls from people as a result of the newspaper article who wanted to be members or sell their car!

Changes: no road rally this month but we're working on a rally to the Pig Roast on the NEW DATE OF SEPTEMBER 13 since the old one conflicted with the Berkely show. Croquet at the Hermitage is postponed because there are too many weddings already scheduled there. Mark chimed in that the Hagerstown show is on July 8-12. Bill Keeler mentioned that there are a number of openings there for the racing school on that Friday. Bill added that the Advanced Auto was having a show on August 29 on South Battlefield Boulevard. NEW MEETING LOCATION FOR JULY: FRANK LINSE'S HOUSE! Scottish Festival June 27&28 at the City Park in Chesapeake is always a popular event for us. We get to park in the shade. Bob passed around a sign-up sheet. Peggy brought along a letter from the Windsor Area (NC) Chamber of Commerce telling us about a car show that is planned.

Dipstick: Give Bob Miller a map to your house since people were crying that tonight's map wasn't clear enough.

Regalia: Frank took a minute to tell us that he ordered 32 new coffee mugs (\$5). One was tonight's raffle prize. He still has some grille badges and jacket patches. He passed along his invite to next month's meeting where Tom Sawyer will be a guest. Switching somewhat to marquee time, Frank knows of a 78 MGB for sale for around \$3500. Frank also has knows of some wire wheels for sale for an MGB and rostyle for a Midget.

Technical: Needed. Apply at the next meeting.

Old Business: The club discussed the web page and the need for some updating. Bill Pearcy expressed some interest. Vince was absent so we moved on.

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New Business: Bill Seib asked if we wanted to drive our cars for the homecoming this fall at Norview High School. This was met with scowls of displeasure when people thought their boots would get scratched. Still, we'll consider it.

Mark discussed some insurance that is now at \$185 and will drop to \$100 when it turns 25 years old.

City of Virginia Beach thanked us for being in the classic car night.

Marque Time: Bob discussed that the President of the MGC register was seriously hurt in an accident in his MGC-GT. Parts are now available (no joke).

Chuck Hudson mentioned that he saw a Fiat with the plate "MG NOT" A young girl also called him to tell us that she was buying her father a club membership for father's day. Chuck also has a lead on a 78 Midget.

Someone shouted rain and we all rushed out of the house madly calling for adjournment on the way so that we could pull up our convertible tops in record time!

25 th ANNUAL GATHERING - FOUNDING AND FIRST YEAR MEMBERS



L left to Right: Mike Ash, Tina Pasley, Roy Wiley, Roosevelt Mosley (phone) Hank Giffin, Bob Kenny
Front: Jennifer Ash

Tidewater MG Classics
Preserving the Marque since 1973
1998-1999 Membership Application and Renewal Form

Annual membership renewals are due on 1 July 1998. Information provided is for club use only. A social roster (containing information marked with an asterisk) will be distributed in Sept/Oct 1998 to all members. Except for the names and phone numbers of club officers and chairpersons, membership roster data is not released outside of the club.

New Members: Please fill in all pertinent data.

Renewals: Please fill in name and any changed information.

*First Name _____ & _____

* Last _____

*Address _____ *City _____ * State _____

* Zip _____ + _____

*Home Phone () _____ E-Mail _____

*** MG Ownership and Registry Data:**

| | *Year | *Model | National/International Register |
|---------|-------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| Example | <u>1947</u> | <u>TC</u> | <u>NEMGTR # 1295 (Example)</u> |
| Car #1 | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Car #2 | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Car #3 | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Car #4 | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Please send your completed application with a check payable to
“Tidewater MG Classics” to:

TMGC Membership Chairman
c/o Bob McClaren
5612 Susquehanna Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23462-4017

Dues Schedule

July 1-June 30 - \$20.00 Local / \$17.50 Out-of-Town

New Members January 1 - June 30 - \$10.00 Local / \$ 8.75 Out-of-Town

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

Out-of-town: membership covers cost of mailing “The Dipstick.”



Windsor Area Chamber

5th Annual Windsor Car Show Windsor, N. C.

September 19, 1998
Registration Begins at 8:00 a.m.

46 Trophies - All Classes of Cars - Mayors Choice Award

Bring Your Family and Enjoy The Day At

**Cashie River Wetlands Walk - Windsor Mini Zoo
Picnic Area - Entertainment
Tuscorora Indian Museum (NEW)**

APPLICATION: Advance registration is \$ 8.00, show day \$ 10.00. Vendor's booths available at \$ 25.00.

PAYABLE TO: Windsor Area Chamber, P. O. Box 572, Windsor, NC 27983

I plan to enter the following vehicle:

YEAR _____ **MAKE** _____ **STYLE** _____
NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ **ST:** _____ **ZIP:** _____
PHONE: _____

P.O. Box 572 / 102 N. York St. / Windsor, NC 27983 / (919) 794-4277

1st Annual Virginia Wesleyan College

Drive Your Way To A Cure

Charity Auto Show

September 12, 1998

8:30am-4:30pm

Sponsored by:
The Health and Human Services Club
and
Mustang Club of Tidewater



To
Benefit

The American Cancer Society: Breast Cancer Research

For more information, contact Ms. Helen Grekuis @ (757)481-9363

Entry fee per vehicle is \$15

8:30am-12:00.....Registration

12:30-4:30pm.....Judging



Trophys will be awarded
First 100 vehicles will receive dash plaques



KHEDIVE AUTO PRESENTS



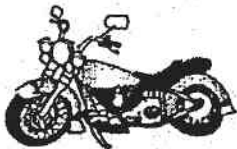
Lucky 7

Shriners
Fun & Shine
Annual
Car Show

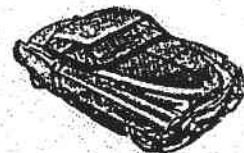


SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH

Noon til 4:00 P.M.



KHEDIVE TEMPLE



645 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake, VA

DIRECTIONS: I-64 to Greenbrier Parkway North, 1st stoplight
TURN LEFT by U-HAUL onto WOODLAKE Drive!

- DASH PLAQUES - FIRST 150 ENTRANTS
- PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD
- 15 DEALERS CHOICE TROPHIES

FOR INFORMATION CALL

Greg Cowell / 482-4556 Jack Peed / 543-6032 Charles Nissen / 340-1331



Stop. Go. Pennzoil.

ADVANCE AUTO 2ND ANNUAL CAR SHOW

621 S. BATTLEFIELD BLVD
SATURDAY AUGUST 29, 1998
9:00AM – 4:00PM

OPEN TO ALL CARS, TRUCKS, MOTORCYCLES, AND CUSTOM VEHICLES.

TROPHIES TO BE AWARDED FOR

- BEST IN SHOW
- BEST CLUB PARTICIPATION
- MOST DONATIONS
- 1900-1949 CLASS
- 1950-1974 CLASS
- 1975-1998 CLASS



ALL CARS MUST BE ON SITE BY 10:00AM TO QUALIFY TO WIN A TROPHY

SPONSORED BY THE FINE FOLKS AT:

DOMINION AUTO 485-3432

HICKORY AUTO 421-2257

VANS OF GREAT BRIDGE 482-9112

MUSCLE PARTS 717-1957

WILLIAMS AUTOMOTIVE AND RV SERVICE 547-8900, 434-0385

FOOD AND DRINKS AVAILABLE AT CHARGE AND OTHER FUN ACTIVITIES

ADVANCED REGISTRATIONS \$8.00

DAY OF THE SHOW \$10.00

ALL DONATIONS GO TO JUVINILE DIABETES FOUNDATION.

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CLUB: _____

PHONE # _____

Year _____ Make _____ Model _____

Make Checks Payable to Advance Auto

Designed by
Ron Spadafora
(757) 833-7702



THE GATHERING - OUTSIDE

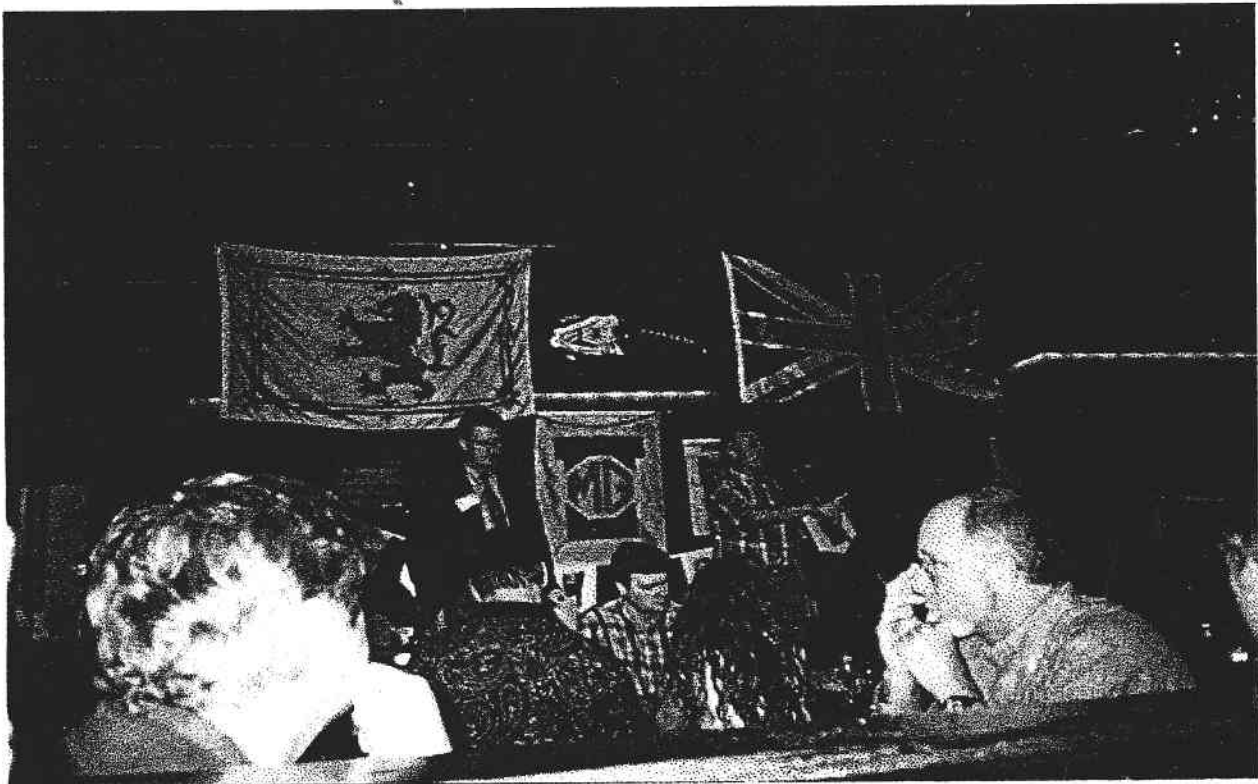


Not a finer looking row of MG's



Fixing the Bond's GT

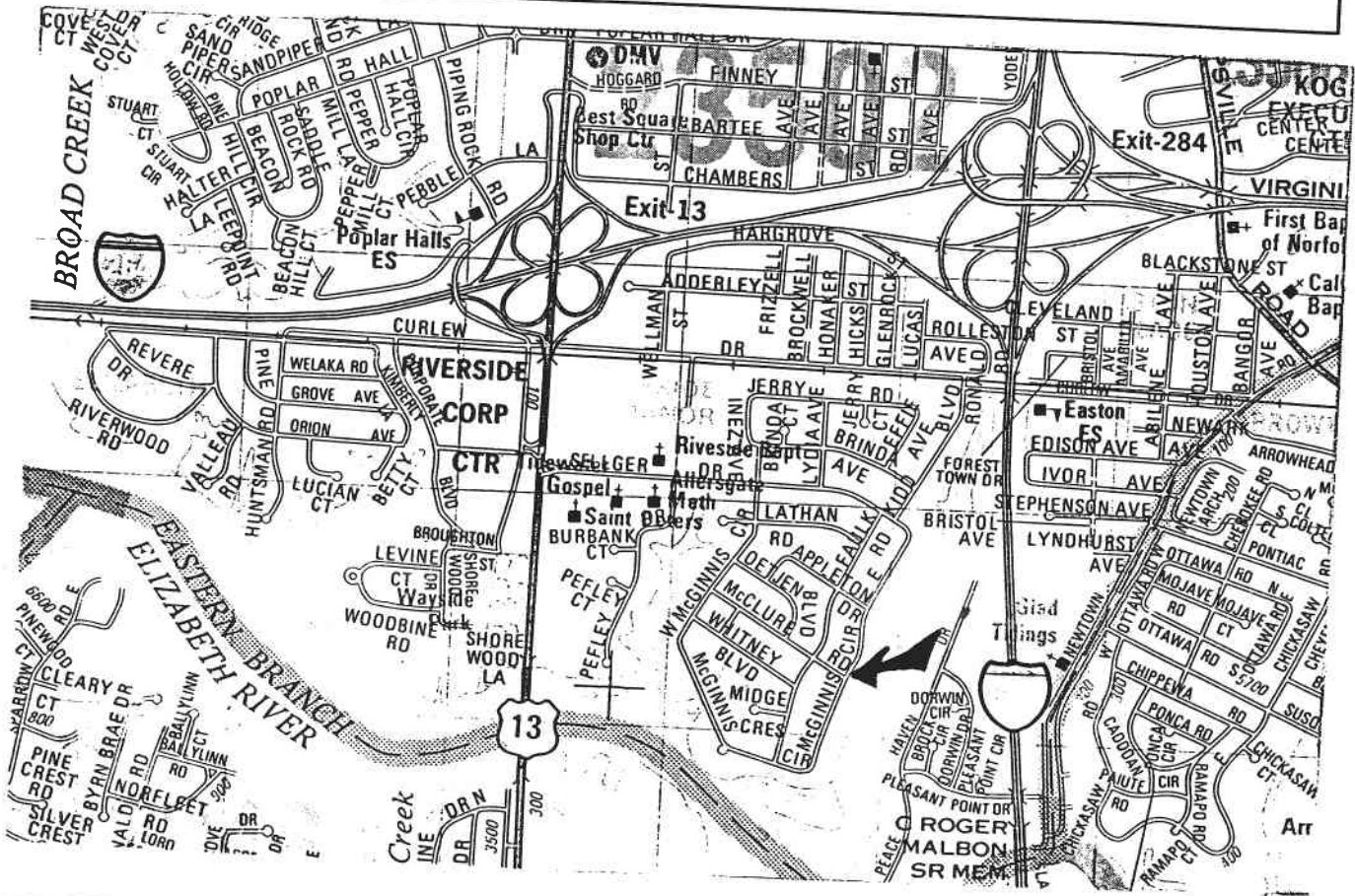
THE GATHERING - INSIDE



MEETING NOTICE
JULY 7, 1998

KICK TYRES 7:30 **MEETING 8:00**

FRANK LINSE
301 E MCGINNIS CIRCLE
NORFOLK 461-7783



SIMPLE TRUTHS

- * It will always cost more than you think
- * A universal part universally doesn't fit anything
- * The shortest distance between two brake-line fittings is never a straight line. If it is, you've obviously overlooked the inherent law
- * When dropped, the nut will always fall into the lest accessible spot. If you are especially gifted, the nut will drop down the intake manifold!

AMGBA OCTAGON

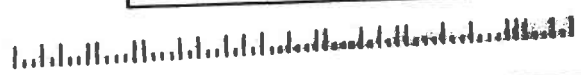
The Tidewater MG Classics

Bob Miller
5448 Mt. Jackson Ct.
Va. Beach, VA 23462



FIRST CLASS

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Officers and Committees

| | | |
|--------------|------------------|----------|
| President | Mark Childers | 473-1757 |
| V. President | Barry Tyson | 488-7304 |
| Secretary | Doug Kennedy | 460-5037 |
| Treasurer | Jim Villers | 481-6398 |
| Editor | Bob Miller | 497-2214 |
| Membership | Bob McClaren | 490-2114 |
| Activities | Chuck Hudson | 425-6882 |
| Technical | Volunteer Needed | |
| Clubs | Mike Ash | 495-0307 |

NEXT MEETING

JULY 7th

FRANK LINSE'S

7:30 pm