



# The Dipstick



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## Activity Report – August 2015

I was out driving around town over the weekend on a quest for Moss Challenge points and lamenting the fact that our July travel schedule was a little light (OK, empty). Passing one of the highway traffic alert signs, I was reminded of some of the challenges we Southsiders face during tourist season – “I-64 W Congested - 6 ½ Mile Back-up to Granby”. While summer travel on the open road is a joy, in this case, getting there isn’t half the fun.

**For your immediate consideration:** We have a few more seats available for our August 23<sup>rd</sup> trip to **Barksdale Theatre** in Hanover. We will enjoy another Neil Simon play, *The Last of the Red-Hot Lovers*. Final details are pending, but plan on a 9am departure from Tidewater and lunch somewhere on the road before the 2pm matinee. Unsold tickets are being turned back to the theatre on Monday, 8/3, so get in touch with me quickly if you want to join us for this trip.

While we are all hanging out waiting for the next trip, we have our **Summer Tech Session** coming up on the 9<sup>th</sup> at Linda and Jim Freeh’s home in Chesapeake. Veteran members know the drill, but for new members, this is a chance to get some help with projects to keep your car on the road. Starting at 10am, there will be plenty of hands and lots of knowledge for solving just about anything you can throw at us. Tools and knowledge are in great supply, but you should bring your own parts. Come on out and bring a project, lend a hand, or learn a new skill.



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## ***Show Season is upon us.....***

On **September 12<sup>th</sup>**, you can stay local at the AOH Car Show in Virginia Beach. With 10 different classifications, there should be something for everyone. Contact: [webmaster@spd1aoh.org](mailto:webmaster@spd1aoh.org) .

Classics on the Green returns to New Kent Winery on **September 20<sup>th</sup>**. Wine tasting and classic cars in a beautiful setting - no wonder this is one of the favorite shows of the year. Contact: [www.ClassicsontheGreen.com](http://www.ClassicsontheGreen.com)

The Tidewater AACA Wings and Wheels will be at the Pungo Airfield on **Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup>**. Contact: [local.aaca.org/Tidewater/](http://local.aaca.org/Tidewater/)

And then we have one more road trip to the mountains for the British Car Fall Festival in Waynesboro on **October 2-3**. This is always a fun weekend with plenty of music, good food, vendors and a wide variety of cars. Contact: [www.svbcc.net](http://www.svbcc.net)

And after all of those show, it is time for our October drive to Hollywood Cemetery. But I am out of space, so news about that drive will have to wait until the September Dipstick.

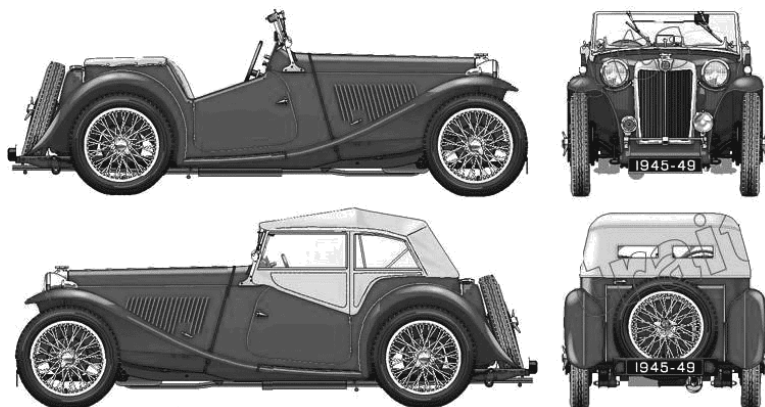
Thank you to Pete Olson and family for hosting our **July meeting** at his home. You did an amazing job at flood recovery and still managed to treat us to a nice evening and plenty of food.

Thank you to Jim and Betty for hosting our **August meeting** on Tuesday the 4<sup>th</sup> at their home in VB. The over/under for LBCs in the driveway is 18. Get there early to get in the photo.

Our **September meeting** is slated for the Ocean View Pier in Norfolk on Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Details on the back page of this issue.``

*Enjoy the ride!*

***Tad Carter***



## **Dipstick Calendar – August 2015**

**Sep. 2 – Wednesday - Club Meeting in Norfolk at Ocean View Pier**  
**Dinner at 6:30, Meeting to follow**

Sep. 26 – Wings & Wheels  
Tidewater AACA

Oct. 3 – SVBCC British Car Festival – Waynesboro  
Feature marquee - Morgan  
[www.svbcc.net/carshow.html](http://www.svbcc.net/carshow.html)

**Oct. 6 – Tuesday – Club Meeting in VB**  
**Hosted by Renee & Bill Olcheski**

**Oct. 17 – Saturday – Hollywood Cemetery Tour**

**Nov. 1 - Sunday – Fall Tech Session – Chesapeake**  
**Hosted by Susan & Terry Bond**

**Nov. 4 – Wednesday – Club Meeting in VB**  
**Hosted by Jenny Windsor and Bob Vann**

**Dec. 5 – Saturday - Holiday Party in VB**

**Dec. 15 - Tuesday – Holiday Lights Drive**

## **Dipstick Calendar – Distant Future**

June 13-17 (2016) – MG2016 - All Registers **(TMGC Convoy forming now!)**

Louisville, KY

**Aug. 21 (2017) – Monday - Daytime Drive-out for Solar Eclipse Viewing**

**Bold-Faced Items are TMGC Events**

## Summer Tech Session

August 9<sup>th</sup> at Freeh's Garage and BBQ

A welcome cold front settled in just in time for the Summer 2015 TMGC Tech Session, hosted by Linda and Jim Freeh at their country home along Centerville Turnpike. Several members were on the scene promptly at the 10 a.m. opening bell, followed soon thereafter by many others. A total of 15 TMGC cars were in attendance, including six MGBs, two MGAs, one TC, an MGC-GT, an MGB-GT (RHD with blower!), a standard B-GT, an earlier Sprite with 1098cc engine, a Spitfire and one Jaguar saloon, all in company with their proud owners and/or admirers.

As an added bonus, a steady stream of vintage and modern muscle cars came and went throughout the day, driven by various members of the Freeh clan and their young friends.

Several "technical things" were accomplished while Linda put out her famous pulled pork BBQ luncheon with all the trimmings. John Terschak was observed deep within the cockpit of his MGA, busily pulling the driver's seat out for closer inspection of the steering column. Bill Olcheski was seen in a garage bay checking out his undercarriage after a chance encounter with an unexpected culvert. And Frank Linse was observed adjusting the mixture on the aft carburetor of Mark Davidoski's B-GT.

In addition to those mentioned above, attendees included Bob Ross, Roy Wiley, Stephen Daniel, Mike Haag, Bill Yoshida, Donald Ladd, Mark Childers, Bill Blair, Jim Bettis, David Ford, Al Hazlett, Tad Carter (with son-in-law Frank), Craig Cummings, Matt Houvinen, Susan & Terry Bond, Fred McCall, and Dan Ray (with pictures of his 1973 MGB project in Black Tulip, freshly painted by Jesse's Rod Shop.)

Thank you to Linda and Jim for hosting yet another memorabletech session on a perfect day. The luncheon was superb, the beer was cold, and every car left under its own power – another win!

*by Angus S.U. McLeyland, special correspondent*



Bill combines undercarriage inspection with a balanced diet.



Tad -- Master of his Domain

TMGC Aug 4, 2015 Meeting Minutes  
*Faithfully recorded by Bruce Easley*

Our industrious, illustrious President, Steve LaPaugh, called the meeting to order at 8:15 PM, and began by thanking Jim and Betty Villers for hosting the gang. Steve inquired whether there were any new members or guests, and yes, there were several: Mark and Mary, Leslie, Jason with his '51 MG T model, and Woody and Janice with their "B" roadster. Welcome!

Minutes from the previous meeting were voted as "approved". Vice President Robert Perrone told the group that one of the member families has a daughter who is quite ill, and Robert has accepted an "ice bucket challenge" in support. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

Treasurer Jim Villers gave his monthly report, with \$683.00 in receipts and \$129.00 in disbursements, leaving \$2,372.72 in our vast treasury. Still solvent!

Tad Carter provided the group with his listing of upcoming events, including the coming Sunday's Tech Session (barbecue to be provided), the Aug. 23 theatre drive, and several upcoming car shows. See his news column for more details. Our next meeting on Sept. 2 will be a dinner meeting at the Ocean View Pier restaurant. Historian Sue "007" Bond had her numerous scrapbooks on display at the meeting on the Villers' coffee table, for those wishing to take a drive down memory lane. Bill Yoshida's membership update revealed he has passed along \$650.00 in dues renewals, plus another \$200.00 he received tonight. We have 99 paid members, 3 pending, and 186 cars!!

Our Dipstick editor, Mark, thanked Jim Villers for getting the last issue to the post office on time, but there was a brief delay to the on-line edition due to internet *issues* (pun intended). He asked for and received volunteers to write articles for the New Kent car show and the Pungo Wings and Wheels show.

Marque Tyme comments: Jim Villers brought our attention to the "Quick Lift" which is used to raise and support his MG for maintenance in his garage, and encouraged members to check it out and ask questions. Dave Kinsey discussed the current national news regarding "hacking" control of new cars while being operated, and informed us of another great feature of old MGs – they can't be hacked! Also, Yahoo recently had an article on the top 10 best convertibles under \$10,000.00 and the MGB is Number One. Other news – the Bond's 007 MGB GT got "Best Foreign Car" at the Portsmouth US Coast Guard Car Show!

It's Election Tyme for TMGC. Mark Davidoski, David Kinsey and Mike Haag are the Nominating Committee for officer candidates; call them with your nominees or input.

Our monthly raffle was held, with members and guests winning such coveted prizes as headlight seals, a leather steering wheel cover, a Bosch Blue Coil, First in Line for the Evening Repast, and the 50/50 split for raffle money. Lots of happy winners! Meeting adjourned for more food, beverage and Mingle-ing with good friends.~



Attentive, well-behaved audience



Packing in the MGs at Villers' Garage



TMGC lot attendant hard at work

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### ***TMGC Officers***

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## Membership Update for September 2015

**2016 Memberships:** We are doing quite well with this year's renewals. As of 20 August there are 105 paid memberships for 2016 including new memberships and renewal. There is also 1 "Promise " to renew. If you haven't yet submitted your 2016 dues you are now considered to be in a "Delinquent" status. Dues are still only \$20 annually. I plan to be available at the September meeting to receive dues and update memberships. There are still 19 memberships from 2015 that have not yet renewed for 2016.

I sent a "Delinquency" e-mail prior to the August meeting, and will send another notice to those who have not yet sent in dues prior to the September meeting. If anyone has decided to not renew their membership, please let me know by phone or e-mail and I will remove your name from the mailing list.

Renewal forms are always available on line at the club's web site at [www.mg.org](http://www.mg.org). I will also have blank renewal forms available at meetings for your convenience. Please fill out a copy and send it along with cash, check or money order. Highlight any changes from last year's information. If you have no changes to the data you provided in the past you only need to submit the \$20 in dues, and I will transfer your prior data to the 2016 roster and use the same info for the Annual Directory.

### New Memberships:

Woody Gohen & Janis Goheen  
Virginia Beach, VA 23454  
1979 MGB

**Cars:** Total cars – 187 (If all remaining members renew)

**Cars & Types:** 182 of the following types of MGs:

MGA	A- Coupe	B	B-GT	C	C-GT	TC	TD	TF	Midget/Sprite
29	2	86	16	1	3	7	21	4	13

Other/Variou MGs – 7 (1-Cooper MG/ 2-VA/ 1-YB/ 1-ZB/ 2 ELVA Courier)

**Dues:** I turned over \$650 to Jim Villers on 24 July and \$240 on 04 August. I currently hold a \$50 check and \$20 in cash for turnover to Jim

**2016 Annual Directory:** I hope to have the new Directory available by the October meeting. A digital copy of the 2016 Directory will be sent to each member by e-mail when it is published. A limited number of paper copies are available "by request". If you received a paper copy last year we already have you marked to receive one again this year. Please send an e-mail at - [williamryoshida@verizon.net](mailto:williamryoshida@verizon.net) - if you no longer desire to receive a paper copy. If you want to be added to the list to receive a paper copy of the Directory please send an e-mail requesting one.

*Cheers, Bill Yoshida*



**MONTHLY MEETING**  
**Wed. Sept 2nd**  
**Ocean View**  
**Fishing**  
**Pier**  
**Upper Deck**

- Take I-64 (toward RICHMOND/HAMPTON if coming from Beach or Chesapeake, toward HAMPTON/NORFOLK if coming from Hampton)
- Take 4TH View St. exit - 273 - toward OCEAN VIEW
- Turn RIGHT (if coming from Beach or Chesapeake ), turn LEFT (if coming from Hampton ) onto 4TH View St. Ocean View Fishing Pier is straight ahead.



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