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### **Activity Report**

Looking for a date night? The Art of Racing in the Rain — coming to a big screen near you on August 9. Do you like dogs? Do you like cars? Do you like crying in public? This one is for you. This is an adaptation of the 2008 novel by Garth Stein, and chronicles the exploits of Denny Swift and his dog, Enzo. From the studio that brought you Marley & Me.

<u>Tech Session</u> – On Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, Rachel and Mathieu Huovinen



are hosting our Summer Tech Session at their Ocean View home – 9614 16<sup>th</sup> Bay St. Doors open at 10am. Tools, technical advice and extra hands will be available. BYO Parts and Problems. I know of at least one project – replacing a turn signal switch. Who knows what else may show up?

<u>Fall Tour</u> — Missy and Bob McKenna are hosting the Fall Tour with a late September drive up the Delmarva peninsula. There will be numerous historic stops in Eastville, Fort Delaware, New Castle and more. I think I saw info about taverns and early Happy Hours, too. Looks like a good trip, and I know a number of you have already signed up. Please contact Bob for additional details. If you are interested, I recommend you reserve your hotel rooms early, as the overnight lodging is in towns still busy with fall tourists. You won't want to miss out on this trip.

#### Activities continued...



Show season is upon us. It's time to sign up for Wings & Wheels (TRAACA event in Pungo) on 9/28 and the British Car Festival (SVBCC event in Waynesboro) on 10/4-5. What other shows will you be attending? Surprise your Dipstick editors with a review of the show and your travels to/from the event. You too can be a published author in the finest British Automotive publication in all of eastern Virginia.

Our August meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday**, **8/6** at Kathy and Mark Davidoski's home in VB. As usual,

Kick Tyres is at 7:30, followed by the meeting at 8:00. And also, as usual, there will be good food on which to nosh following the meeting. I look forward to seeing you there.

Our September meeting will be our traditional sunset dinner at Ocean View Fishing Pier on **Wednesday**, **9/4**. Weather permitting, we'll be on the top deck. Plan on arriving between 6:00 and 6:30, and order as you are ready. Staggered ordering will allow the kitchen crew and wait staff a little flexibility as they take care of us. It will also help if you can let me know if you will be attending. We don't want to run short on

seats, as we have done in the past.

Until we meet again, enjoy the ride!

Tad Carter



Red, white and blue LBCs



A's and B's as far as the eye can see.....

## TMGC July 2019 Meeting Minutes

as recorded by Robert Perrone



your president, Mr. Olcheski.

Again, I was pressed into service as acting Secretary for another TMGC meeting. And I don't mind a bit, really, but I do feel sorry for those in the club that elect to read this entry.

Having me substitute for our very capable Secretary, Cynthia, is somewhat like having to drive your kid's '96 Civic because your own car, a Jaguar E-type, is in the shop. But if you have any complaints, please see

But on to business. A big thank you to Ashley and Billy Stutz for hosting another meeting at their beautiful home. We truly appreciate members that are willing to let this rabble assemble, and do so willingly.

Our President, Bill Olcheski, called the meeting to order and got things underway. I think he wanted to move along because he wanted to get to the food, but that's just my own opinion.

I believe we had guests and/or new members. I jotted down the names John Kovak and Bill Cochran, but I'm not quite sure if they were new members or guests. Either way, we were glad to have them with us.

<u>Vice-President's Report:</u> Faith Peterson was, again, doing a fine job of attempting to recruit hosts for future meetings, and I believe she was already working on 2020. Way to go Faith! If anyone would like to sign up, or get more details on what meetings are available, please contact Faith.

<u>Treasurer</u>: Jim Villers gave his report on our finances. Our current balance was \$737.64, but dues from annual memberships should be rolling in, so that will be moving up soon.

<u>Membership</u>: Speaking of memberships, Andy said that we had several members renew for the upcoming year, but I was not quite clear on the details. From what I understood, we have had about 25% of the current members renew, but I'm sure Andy will provide more info by next month.

<u>Activities</u>: Tad has several activities planned. As always, check for the details in Tad's own contribution to the Dipstick.



History: Sue had some TMGC memories, although she may or may not have had them with her at the meeting. I was distracted while she was talking, so my apology to Sue.

Technical / Marque Time / New and Old Business: I don't recall much that was offered here, but then again, our esteemed President was asking me something right after he asked

if there was anything that anyone had for this part of the meeting. I didn't want to be rude to him, after all, because he was my ride, and it was a long but walk back to my house from the meeting location.

<u>Dipstick</u>: Unless I missed him, I believe that Mark Davidoski was not in attendance to remind us all that submissions to the Dipstick where due by the 20th of the month. And for once, I had mine in on time. Mark and Kathy must have been confused by that.

<u>Regalia</u>: Rose once again handled the 50-50 raffle as well as giving out all of the items given away that evening. I was the happy recipient of the "Route 66" sign that was made by Donald. It was actually won by Mike Haag, but he graciously gave it to me as a favor. Thank you, Mike!

There were several motions to adjourn, seconded by most of the assembled crowd. Thank you for putting up with your sub-par, sub-Secretary. Once again, back to you



Sharp dressed man!

# Attention: Here's a late note from Andy Wallach, our underappreciated Membership Chairman who is not feeling the love from enough TMGC members!!!

"Please throw in a reminder that dues for 2019-2020 are past due. If you haven't renewed, send check to Andrew Wallach, 545 Mayflower Rd, Norfolk, VA 23508 for \$20. If you do not plan to renew, please notify Andy by e-mail at <a href="mailto:wallach@whro.net">wallach@whro.net</a>"

#### Editorial comment from your Dipstick Editors:

Sure, life is complicated for all of us, what with Mueller's testimony, changes in vaping laws, streaming all of those Entertainment Tonight re-runs, and paying those HUGE personal property tax bills generated by our sweet MGs. But seriously folks, to have only 25% of the active (??) membership step up to contribute their \$20 annual dues this late in the year....confusing, to say the least. Please heed Andy's plea as stated above and GET WITH THE PROGRAM!



12 meetings like this for just 20 bucks - such a deal!!



# Marque Time

Greetings MG Enthusiasts,

I realize that it is not a leap year but an unusual event did occur this July. Tidewater MG Classic Car Club members were able to celebrate Independence Day twice. The second festivities occurred on July 10th at our monthly club meeting. Billy and Ashley had their home fully decorated in a patriotic theme and served a traditional picnic menu followed by red, white and blue popsicles and nutty buddies. Thank you for hosting a great, fun-filled meeting.

As I write this column the temperature is soaring to over a hundred degrees. When it reaches over a hundred at our house it actually feels like "leave the MG in the garage". Just don't forget the more pleasant evenings.

Please mark your calendars for our August club activities. Mark and Kathy will be hosting our meeting on August 6. LBC "RACE CAR" (I think that I wrote it backwards) driver Mathieu and Rachel are hosting the summer tech session on a soon to be posted date. I hope to see you at both.

Safety Fast, Bill President

#### TMGC Calendar – August 2019

Aug 6 – (Tue) Monthly Meeting – Virginia Beach Hosted by Kathy & Mark Davidoski

Aug 18 – Summer Tech Session – Virginia Beach Hosted by Rachel & Mathieu Huovinen

Sept 4 – (Wed) Monthly Meeting – Norfolk Ocean View Fishing Pier

Sep. 26 – 29 – Fall Tour – Eastern Shore VA, MD, DE Contact Bob McKenna for details

Sept 28 – Wings & Wheels – Virginia Beach

Oct 1 – Monthly Meeting – Virginia Beach Hosted by Renee & Bill Olcheski

Oct 4-5 – British Car Festival – Waynesboro www.SVBCC.net

Nov 6 – (Wed) Monthly Meeting – Hosted by Jack Speight

Nov TBA – Fall Tech Session

Hosted by Susan & Terry Bond

Dec TBA – Holiday Party – Hampton Hosted by Faith & PJ Peterson

**Bold-Faced Items are TMGC Events** 



## Waynesboro Show is coming up!

Just a reminder, the Shenandoah Valley British Car Club is having its 38th annual British Car Festival in Waynesboro, VA October 4 and 5. It will be held in Ridgeview Park.

There will be a reception Friday night from 6pm to 9pm. The show field will open at 9am Saturday morning, with door prizes and class trophies awarded at 3pm. Last year we had about 130 cars. All British cars and motorcycles are welcome, as well as some other marques with British connections.

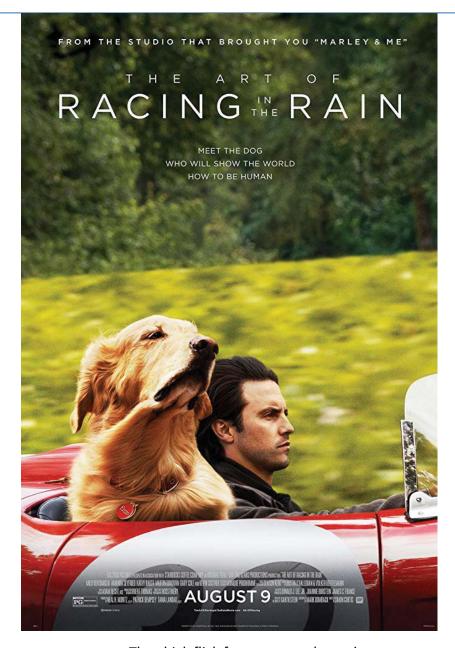
We hope to see you at our car show. The site is just minutes away from the south terminus of Skyline Drive AND the north terminus of the Blue Ridge Parkway; excellent roads to explore with your British Car.

#### Steve Fox

Here's the link to the festival web page. It has information on accommodations, directions, categories, and registration, as well as photos from past shows.

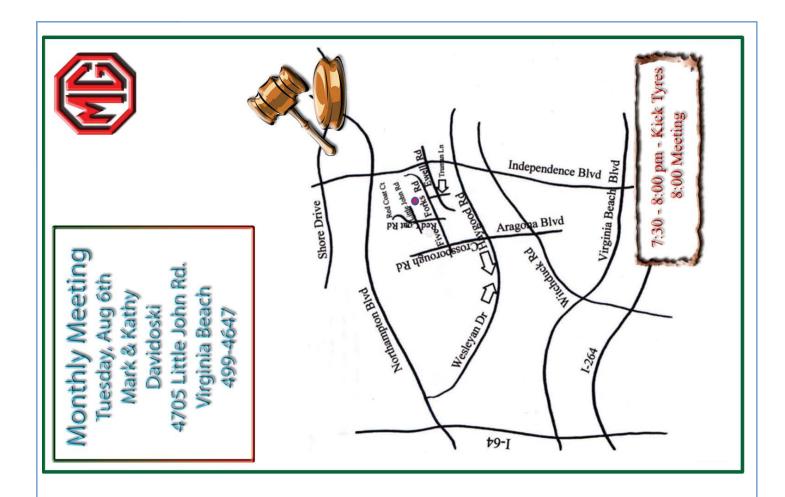
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