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# Chairman's Corner

Dan Goodwin \_\_\_\_\_\_

The 40<sup>th</sup> Sports Car & Vintage Auto Festival was a huge success! The weather was on our side this year and we had a great field of cars on display and good attendance for the show. Details on the show can be found elsewhere in this or the next issue of Spokes. I would like to take this opportunity to thank George and Peggi Heissenberger for their tireless efforts as co-chairs of the Car Show. The past three years have seen some ups and downs, regarding weather, attendance, etc., but overall we have moved to a more effective format for the festival. George and Peggi are "retiring" this year, but are more than willing to assist in the transition to new leadership for the 41st show in 2012. Volunteers?? Thanks to the Heissenbergers and all of the members of the MGCC and Victor Lions Club who pitched in to make 2011 a success!

I picked up the crankshaft and related parts for the "A" this week. Farmer balanced them and now everything is ready for reassembly. Still more to order from Moss and other sources, but at least progress will be more tangible and encouraging. The "B" languishes...a few items that looked OK at first glance now indicate a need for replacement. Nothing major...just odds and ends. With any luck, both vehicles will be running by the end of the summer.

Some interesting events are planned for the next few months. Pick your favorites and join in on the activities. Enjoy the season!

Cheers, Dan

# **MG Bruce**

July is here. Where did June go? The Car Show makes it go fast. The weather was great for the show. It was good to see lots of car and lots of people enjoying them. Congratulations to all club members who brought home trophies.

From now till the end of September there are shows and cruise nights for all to enjoy. There are even those occasional warm nights with the top down and off for a little ice cream. It can't get any better

The latest on my B named Bruce. I have been laid off, and have been able to get back to a nominal routine (no shift work or weird schedules). So I was able to take a Saturday and spend the day forming patches for driver's side wheel arch. I call it my car therapy. Some days it works very well. Well there is progress on Bruce.

Enjoy this month's issue we have a pictorial review of the Sports and Vintage Auto Festival as well a run down of the show class placements. There is a short review of the Mobile One Ride Swap and a continuation of the "Sag of a Restoration". Enjoy the month and see you at the Meeting.

Happy Top Down

Don

Five Englishmen in an Audi Quattro arrive at the Italian border.

The Italian Customs agent stops them and says, "It's illegal to put 5 people in a Quattro."

"What do you mean it's illegal?" ask the Englishmen.

"Quattro means four," replies the Italian official.

Quattro is just the name of the automobile," the Englishmen retort disbelievingly. "Look at the papers: this car is designed to carry 5 persons."

You can't pull that one on me," replies the Italian customs agent. "Quattro means four. You have five people in your car and you are therefore breaking the law."

The Englishmen replies angrily, "You idiot! Call your supervisor over—I want to speak to someone with more intelligence!"

Sorry," responds the Italian official, "he can't come. He's busy with 2 guys in a Fiat Uno."

Rado

# **Activities**

By Mary Murray and Susan Goodwin

Our summer driving season started with the Stuffing Party at the Wilds. Thanks again for letting us all invade your home to get ready for the Vintage Auto Festival, stuffing the registration envelopes with all the car show paraphernalia and assembling the trophies.

We had a beautiful sunny day for the car show the Sun Gods were upon us. There were a lot of autos to look at, venders to shop at, and food to stuff ourselves with. Thanks to all the MGCC people who work so hard along with the Victor Lyons Club to plan and work this event year after year. The show was a success we all had fun and absorbed plenty of vitamin D from the sun.

Thanks to Betty Langswager for arranging with Micky Finn's restaurant to accommodate us for our after show get together party. Everyone who attended seemed to like the idea of going to a nearby restaurant after the car show to relax and have a bite to eat. So, next year may be we will do the same.

We need people to sign up and attend the Multi Car Club Picnic on Saturday July 23rd in Queenston Heights Park, Queenston Ontario, Canada. Contact Susan Goodwin by e-mail

(mrgoodwin@frontiernet.net) or phone (585-889-2646) if you are planning to attend, also see ad in Spokes for details.

The following day Sunday July 24th there is the joint adventure Lunch Cruise to Wagner Vineyards Ginny Lee Restaurant with the MGCC and GRTTC, see Spokes for details.

In August we will be going to Watkins Glen for Laps and Lunch more details to follow with the date and time.

Mary and Susan would like to let everyone know that we will not be continuing as your Activities Directors after this year. We are letting you know our decision early so that some other folks can start thinking about becoming the clubs new Activity Directors.

# Annual Multi Club Picnic

Date: Saturday July 23, 2011

**Time:** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Cost:

Location: Queenston Heights Park
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\$5 per car upon arrival at the park

**Meet:** 7:15 am Kohl's Department Store parking lot

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# MGCC Minutes of the Meeting

By Willard Brown \_\_\_\_\_

# June 16, 2011

Call to Order - Meeting was called to order at Membership - Jim Priestley 7:37 PM by Chairman Dan Goodwin.

Acceptance of May 19, 2011 Minutes – Minutes were accepted as recorded by acting Secretary for May, Mary Murray.

Treasurer's Report – Frank Stepanik = Reported club accounts' balances. We are solvent.

# **Activities** – Mary Murray/Susan Goodwin

- See page 5 of this/July 2011 issue of Spokes for Directors' report.
- See individual activity announcements throughout Spokes for upcoming events. Car Show-George Heissenberger Also see back page of Spokes for 2011 Calendar of Events.
- July 8<sup>th</sup> is National Collectors Car · Appreciation Day. Please drive your vintage/sports car on that day. (From Spokes Editor, Don McConnell)

# Watkins Glen Vintage Gran Prix Festival – Dave · Wild

- Festival date is September 9 11
- Knapp Open Roadster Tour = slots full
- Founders Tour = slots full with waiting list
- Glenora Run = slots full
- Concours de'Elegance = slots open
- Tour de'Marque (Datsun/Nissan honored car) = slots open
- Glenkhana (sponsored by Burning Asphalt Hot Sauces) = slots open

Concourse de'Lemon = slots open

- Signed-up 2 new members through the Car Show.
- New Membership List and Roster and Roadside Help List are available for members.

# Regalia - Doug Scribner

- In the future, will be brining the clothing-forsale rack only every other meeting month.
- Have vintage car show posters for sale from approximately 1995 forward.
- Vintage car show dash plaques from prior years are also available.

- See Car Show Co-Chairs' full report in this issue of Spokes.
- Preliminary accounting of total profit = \$12,300.
- George and Peggi will not be chairing the 2012 Car Show.
- The next committee meeting is June 23 at Victor Denny's at 7:00 PM.
- Many thanks were extended by members present to all persons who contributed to help make this year's show a success.

# **Spokes** – Don McConnell

- We encourage members to send in articles even if they come from other car clubs.
- Book reviews are desirable for inclusion in future issues.

# **Old Business**

- Need research of past meeting minutes to determine the decision that was made about our club's representation at the funeral services of members who pass away. We need to insure that it is followed. Dan Goodwin will conduct the search.
- Need members who are in arrears of paying for Spoke advertisements/ads to become current.

# **New Business**

- Central NY MG Car Club is sponsoring a car show this Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup>.
- A thank you note was received from Adam Kress who was the recipient of this year's Robert R. Philip Memorial Scholarship.

Adjournment – At 8:28 PM

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Randy has 35 years experience working on all makes and years of European cars, and owned Phoenix Garage in East Rochester for 15 years. He spent 3 years traveling with a BMW team as a race mechanic.

Tom has been a "Jack of all trades", an experienced machinist, NASCAR Sprint Car mechanic, and has worked with me for several years doing major work on everything from an E-Type Jag to a Lancia Fulvia.

# **Restoration** - Justin Raymer

A young guy with years of experience building show quality cars. He has restored several Shelby Mustangs which have won significant shows and were featured in enthusiast magazines. He restored my E-Type and is currently doing a '58 Alfa Giulietta, a '63 Jag Mk2, a '67-427SS Impala, and a '68 Mustang California Special which I can show you.

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**1972 Porsche 911T** – Nice driver with '73 engine (7R case) on webers, drive now, go nuts R-Grp upgrading next Winter

1975 Porsche 914-2.0 - Never rusted, mint interior, dual webers, Bursch exhaust - a work in process

# **Meeting Attendance**

May 19, 2011 \_

Gil

Bruce	Austin
Desi	Benet
Cheryl	Baldwin
Bill	Baldwin
Lane	Boughton
Willard	Brown
Dave	Chase
William	Brorein
Al	Fink
Gene	Faust
Anne	Faust
Johnny	Fahner-Vihtelic
Susan	Goodwin
Dan	Goodwin
Harriette	Hokeson
Lucy	Hokeson
Hollis	Hames
Peggi	Heissenberger
George	Heissenberger
Jeff	Kath
Betty	Langswager

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Don	Mc Conell
Mary	Murray
John	Murray
Paul	Osborne
Carl	Prouty
Rhonda	Rizzo
Tim	Rizzo
Vivienne	Rizzo
Art	Salo
Doug	Scribner
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If you need help, Dan Goodwin and Hollis Hames are coordinating a 'helpline' for members in need of assistance with car projects. Volunteers are asked to contact them with information on availability and areas of expertise. Dan and Hollis will try to match frustrated mechanics to one or more members from the pool of those with experience.

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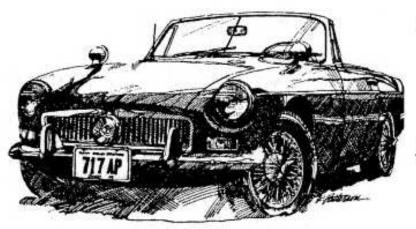
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by Dick Powers

Last June 12, a few of us again went to the WNY British Car Club's Euro Car Day.



Touring from Rochester were John and Mable Thompson (VW), Ned Paulsen in his TR-3 and olde me in the Alfa Sprint. After a nice breakfast at a diner in Batavia (along with the NYS Police), we continued our tour on Rt. 5 to Clarence, NY and then a back road to the grove behind the Rose Garden Restaurant in Williamsville. Bill Baldwin joined us there in his



Lotus 7. We had a little rain, but everything cleared and the show attracted around 200 cars.





This year, the featured car was the Jag XKE (its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) and about 10 were there. Other large classes were for MGs, TRs and Lotus. Our club member Jay Lockrow was there with his TR-6 and racing friend, Joe Puma, was there with his MG Midget racer.







After the popular votes were counted, the WNYMGCC folks did well - Jay and Ned a 2<sup>nd</sup> with their TRs, Bill a 1<sup>st</sup> in Lotus and my Alfa Sprint took a 1<sup>st</sup>. Last year, we did the same, except



that John and Mable were in their Riley and took a 1<sup>st</sup> in class and *Best of Show!* 

We all toured home on the back roads and some stopped for dinner in Batavia.

Again in 2011, We did it our way!

# The Great Mobile 1 Seat Swap

By Don McConnell

June 14<sup>th</sup> was the day, Watkins Glen was the venue. The drivers were Tony Stewart and Lewis Hamilton. Tony from NASCAR and Lewis from Formula 1. Both are champions from their respective sports. The Idea was for Tony to drive a McLaren MP4--23 from 2008 and Lewis to drive Tony's NASCAR Chevrolet.

The weather that day was pretty typical for Watkins Glen cold, rain and or fog. So what else is new? By 10:30 / 11 am the weather started to break up some what. There was a good crowd estimates of around 10,000. There was activity on track in preparation. Tow trucks and rescue vehicles trying to dry the track as much as possible. About 12 noon there was a press conference, audio was piped to butside speakers, held in the new press building with former formula 1 driver David Coulthard as an MC. After questions about how each had advised the other of their cars handling. It was time to take to the track. The first activity was to the start finish line for some photo ops. The next thing was to enter your own car, Tony in the NASCAR Chevrolet and Lewis in The McLaren. Lead by the pace car driven by David Coulthard they were taken on one lap warm up. Then Lewis was first for two laps in the MP4-23. What a sweet sound of the F1 engine round that Glen Circuit. Music to ear. After Lewis's two laps he pulled into the pit. Next was Tony for two laps with the Chevrolet. Definitely not the same sound. So now both have run the warm up now it was time to set up the cars for the other driver. With seating set up Lewis was first out in the

Chevrolet. This guy was having fun, talk about drifting coming out of the corners. He even did a doughnut and smoked the tires at the end of his drive. Next was Tony. After a squeeze into the McLaren he did his laps. He was a bit cautious for the first lap then began to open it up. At the conclusion both drivers indicated they had a lot of fun and were glad the cars were still in one piece. The fans were treated to some entertainment. Other than cold and wet all went home happy. This leaves us all to ask will F1 be back at the Glen? Probably not but we can wish.

# **GRTTC & MGCC Lunch Cruise**

July 24,2011

# Wagner Vineyards, Lodi NY Ginny Lee Restaurant

Starting at Canandaigua Wegmans East Parking Lot
Departing: 10:00 am Distance: 61 miles Driving Time 1hr 30 min
Maps & Directions will be provided

# Menu

Soup du jour, Green salad with dressing, Penne Pasta, accompanied with Marinara & Alfredo Sauces Chef's Marinated & Grilled Boneless Breast of Chicken, Bread & Rolls
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# Saga of a Restoration Part II

By John Spagnoli \_

Reprint from August 2001

The next spring restoration was returned to in earnest. This was probably the best period of the restoration since most things went well. The braking system was easy and went together by the book. Although the guy at Abingdon who as sembled the pedal assembly linkage must have had three hands and eight inch long fingers. Now with four new tires and freshly painted rims, I had a rolling chassis. Since I had other things to do the rolling frame sat idle for a few months. I basked in the glory of having a restoration started and literally dragged people off the street to show off my efforts. I had by now learned a new language and was impressing the postman, UPS driver, my neighbors and every door to door salesmen with such terms as trunion, grommet, fulcrum pin and bonnet and waxed ecstatic on the differences between metric and British Standard Fine. Time was now spent getting the engine components rebuilt. Thanks to Jim Pillittier's class I rebuilt the transmission without any left over parts. A word of caution, I'm sure you have seen the bumper sticker that say in bold letters "S\_ HAPPENS." Try disassembling a transmission. When things come apart they really come apart. Little springs, ball bearings, needle bearings, shims and about 2000 other different but visually indistinguishable parts, fly about. Worst of all, the manual strongly suggests that some transmission assemblies should not be taken apart without the venerable John Twist in residence. These are the assemblies that fly apart with the first movement of your hand. Now on to the carburetor's. Relatively easy to rebuild especially if you have seen the video "How to rebuild SU carburetor's. "No major problems but a good deal of patience is important to set the needle and get the correct sequence in installing the jet bearing.

Rule #5 "Read the instructions ... First!" It always amazes me that parts can be placed upside down and yet the unit closes up snugly and looks correct. Then there are things that look incorrect but are not. There is only one way for the throttle disk to go in and the throttle shafts in the two carburetor's are different altogether. Experience is a great teacher, some day I'll measure first and cut later. Speaking of cutting throttle shafts, sometimes a proven slow method beats a simple new and quick method. Instead of placing the shaft in a vice and cutting it and leaving a rough end that needs to be filed. Jim showed me the way the "professionals" do it. The shaft is placed in the chuck of a drill stand and rotated while holding a hacksaw blade against the rotating rod. With the correct pressure the blade cuts through the rod like butter. With too much pressure, the rod bends like a pretzel. Anyone want to guess what I ordered from Moss the next day? Starter, generator, oil pump, water pump are all easy rebuilds and appear to work well. Applied the correct paint scheme to each and the

"rebuilt" tag was becoming more visible on the shelf. Shortly thereafter a note came from the engine rebuilder indicating the block was finished and I could pick it up.

Rule # 6; Do not keep a running record of your expenditures" or if you insist on the record place a cardiologist phone number in your address book. Shortly thereafter my engine block was back and a newly machined cylinder head was installed. What happened to the original head you ask? The alleged rebuilt head that came with the car (Remember rule # 1) had several noticeable cracks around the holes where the valve guides fit. Apparently the last person who installed the valves was only proficient with and 8 lb. sledge hammer. So once again I opened my wallet and purchased a good used cylinder head, had it machined and put in new valves. Once fitted to the block the engine was complete and ready to be installed on the dusty and semi neglected frame. Or so we thought. As you remember, I had a few MG friends who's sanity was questionable but were still walking the streets. So we decided to celebrate the mounting of the engine on the frame. It was very early spring but hot dogs for all and a liberal dose of exaggeration affected all the experts. I was basking in more MG sunshine! The engine went in, transmission attached and drive shaft connected. Piece of cake! I told you the restoration was a snap. There is an old Italian saying "Revenge is sweeter when eaten cold." Somewhere up there in the sky over England, is the God of MG's. He or she watched me and my experts defame the months of MG restoration by saying it was a snap and he or she was about to offer some reality to the arrogant Spagnoli. With the drivetrain in and cold weather still here I started to strip the paint from the body. Jerry Powarski was to do the paint and told me to get the body ready for him. I started to strip off the old paint and primer with aviation paint remover. A messy job at best. Did you know that paint remover dissolves industrial strength gloves, softens calloused skin, clears and unplugs nasal passages and dissolves synthetic cloth shirts! Two months later with very soft hands, open nasal passages and a new shirt the body tub was delivered with the rolling frame to Jerry. Sending the frame and tub to Jerry made my garage look empty but was a milestone in that I had arrived at an important plateau, paint. The period of time that the tub and frame were at Jerry's was a period of revelation for me since the major pieces were out of my hands. I continued to strip paint from smaller body parts and decided to fix a few items that appeared to be fine. But I had time on my hands. I tackled the distributor first. This did need attention since the shaft was loose in the bushings. A new shaft was unavailable at that time so I asked for advice. Knurling was the answer. Another great new word to impress and dazzle on Eurocar day. Knurling is the

process of raising the surface of a shaft by putting hundreds of tiny gouges in the metal. Something akin to raising the surface of a steel bar when making a file. After it was knurled I started to fit it back together and found that I forgot where I put all the small parts, counter weights, springs and roll pins. On to the Abingdon catalog for more parts.

Rule #7; Abingdon and Moss listen patiently, offer sympathy and send parts, in exchange for money. Once the distributor was together I decided to tackle the steering rack. It was ok as is but I was on a roll so it was disassembled. To make a long story short, after I bought new shims, spacers and springs, the damn thing would not go back together correctly. I put the old parts back in and put the rack on the "rebuilt shelf." Several months later Jerry called and said the tub was painted and that I could pick up the car. By this time I had convinced Fran Hogenkamp that we could really enjoy the winter by working on my TF in his basement. Within minutes of his agreement, the TF was on the way to his house. Truthfully, it was a wonderful winter. We put all the pods on the engine, finished the steering, wired the chassis, thanks to Jim Black, and wired in the dash. By spring the car was ready to start. We rolled the car out of Frans basement, had a fully charged battery, added engine oil, water, and rigged up a two gallon fuel tank. On that fateful day the group of

regulars and a few non-believers gathered as we started the car or more correctly, tried to start the car. We did all the correct things. Built up oil pressure by cranking the engine without spark plugs. Got fuel to the carbs. Got spark but the car would not start. Spent all evening trying, retested all systems, no success, not even a pop. The next night we decided to try to pull start it in the high school parking lot. Not only did it not start but the school officials offered some less than favorable advice. Panic set in.

Rule #8; When things get bad remember they most likely will get worse. Perhaps this was the low point of the restoration. More next month





# SPORTS CAR &VINTAGE AUTO FESTIVAL 2011 Class Results

By Don McConnell \_

Classes are listed

1 st 2nd 3rd

Club Members in Bold and apologies to those missed

Class Sponsors are in Parentheses next to their class

Best MG of Show George Herschell 1966 MGB Roadster

AA
Drew Frech
1939 Packard V12 Touring Sedan
Dick Child
1941 Ford Super Deluxe 2 door
Wayne Smith
1915 Milburn Light Electric

AH James Lyons 1966 Austin Healey 3000 Mk III Ned Paulsen 1960 Austin Healey 3000 BN7 Howard Koch 1959 Austin Healey 3000 MK I

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This special day coincides with the first of two days of opening weekend activities at Watkins Glen International, when the public is invited to drive the famed race track for a fee that will benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Keyser will bring to the podium a motorsports resume that includes author, filmmaker, photographer and race car driver. Keyser has been one of the Center's strongest supporters since it opened in 1999, and his inaugural talk is highly anticipated.

Keyser will discuss his experiences, including Formula One, and show some of the greatest photographs from his collection. The talk will be at 3 p.m.

The day actually kicks off at 9 a.m. with a continual showing of a documentary about the making of "Grand Prix" at the Center, getting race fans ready for a viewing of the film later.

At 1 p.m., the Center staff and all present will join in a very special birthday party, helping Bill Milliken, a founding father of racing at Watkins Glen, celebrate his 100th birthday.

Last year, the Center proudly hosted a 99th birthday party for Milliken. This year is even more special for many reasons, not the least of which is Milliken's instrumental role with Formula One at Watkins Glen as chief steward for the United States Grand Prix from 1961-70, after which he was technical advisor to the Watkins Glen Grand Prix Corp.

Keyser's talk will follow the birthday party at 3 p.m.

Keyser had been working as a reporter and a freelance photographer when he attended an SCCA drivers school in 1969. Starting in 1970, he competed in IMSA and FIA events, finishing third in the 1972 IMSA Camel GT Challenge series in a 2.5 liter Porsche. When not racing he was shooting photos that comprised his 1973 book "The Speed Merchants," followed by a documentary film by the same name.

He placed second in the Camel GT Challenge series in 1973, third in 1974 and eighth in 1975, driving a number of different Porsches. After more victories and driving for numerous teams, he retired from active racing in 1981, devoting himself to motorsports photography, books and film.

A special presentation of the movie "Grand Prix" will cap the day's activities at 6 p.m. The movie will be shown at the Glen Theater on Franklin Street in downtown Watkins Glen, a beautifully restored historic theater.

"Grand Prix," starring James Garner, Eva Marie Saint and Yves Montand, won three Oscars. Directed by John Frankenheimer, this 1966 MGM film is considered by many to be the best movie about racing ever made. The \$5 admission to see "Grand Prix" will be donated to the Center.

For more information about the Center's plans or about the yearlong celebration of the 50th anniversary of Formula One at Watkins Glen, visit the Center's website at www.racingarchives.org or call (607) 535-9044.

For more information about opening weekend activities at Watkins Glen International, visit the track's website at www.theglen.com.

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The Racing Research Center is noted for the quality of it's monthly speaker series, Center Conversations, and the 2011 list promises Formula One fans some fascinating sessions.

The talks will kick off on Feb. 26 with Center historian Bill Green and motorsports author Michael Argetsinger. They will set the stage for Formula One in Watkins Glen with a look at Formula Libre, the precursor races, and then focus on Oct. 8, 1961, through film and slides.

# April

Celebrated motorsports writer Pete Lyons will speak on the 16th, discussing his years working in Europe covering Formula One.

# May

On the 7th, racing great Bobby Rahal will talk about his racing experiences in Formula One and at the

Indy 500, which is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year.

# July

In July, the Center pays homage to the American drivers who competed at Watkins Glen, with a talk by Kevin Hughey, a Watkins Glen native and race historian in his own right.

# To Be Announced

Tributes to Mario Andretti and Phil Hill, America's World Champions, will be among other programs during the year. Details will be announced as they are confirmed."

# Collector Car Legislation Up Date

By Don McConnell

In effort to keep those of us who collect and restore Vintage Automobiles. I have below an update on the legislation for the one time registration fee for historic vehicles here in New York State. I have tried to list local representatives who are involved in this are If I have missed some one I apologize.

# URGENT LEGISLATIVE ALERT

New York Bill to Provide for One-Time Historic Vehicle Registration Fee Approved by Senate Transportation Committee; Moves Next to Finance Committee

Legislation (S.B. 3213) to provide that historical vehicle owners only pay a one-time registration fee of \$100 upon initial registration was passed by the New York Senate Transportation Committee. The bill will now be considered by the Senate Finance Committee.

We Urge You to Contact Senate Finance Committee Members (List Attached) Immediately to Request Support for S.B. 3213

- The reduced registration fee would be available to owners of historical vehicles owned and operated as an exhibition piece or collector's item and used for club activities, exhibits, tours, parades, occasional transportation and similar uses.
- Under current New York law, a historical motor vehicle is either a vehicle manufactured more than 25 years ago or one which has unique characteristics and which is determined to be of historical, classic or exhibition value.
- The \$100 one-time fee would replace the current annual fee of \$28.75.

DON'T DELAY! Please contact members of the New York Senate Finance Committee immediately by phone or e-mail to request their support for S.B. 3213.

Please e-mail a copy of your letter to Steve McDonald at stevem@sema.org. Thank you for your assistance.

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# Boy hood Memories of an MG

By Dan Suter \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have some photos of you with your first MG or with your dads MG or other British car. We can share the memories here. Please feel free to submit your stories and photos. This length is fine.

This was taken in front of my parent's house in Irondequoit, around 1972







The next was taken around 1988 with me behind the wheel and my younger brother David standing next to the car. The car had suffered a holed piston in 1985. Over the winter in 1988, we rebuilt the engine with assistance from George Haynes. This photo shows one of the first drives after the engine was completed. The dust from storage is still evident all over the car!



This photo was taken in front of our house in Penfield, October,1995. I had just returned from driving the TD along the garage tour and left it at the street to shuffle cars and clear a path into the garage. It struck me that the car looked just like the 1972 photo, so I shot a similar pic



# Car Show Results Continued

By Don McConnell

National Award Winners

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There will be over 20 separate classes. Cars may enter the field starting at 9am. Judging is by popular vote and will start at noon. Dash plaques will be given to the first 125 entrants and trophies will be awarded by 4pm.

The show is free to the public, although there is a fee for those entering a car. There will be food and beverages available, as well as games and door prizes for children and adults alike. We also have a 50/50 split raffle and a Chinese auction you have to see to believe!!! Bring the whole family for a day of fun!

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May	June	July	August
5 Board Meeting 7 Tune-up Clinic 15 Beer Tasting Party 19 MGCC Meeting 20-22 Carlisle TBA Autocross	1 Stuffing party 5 Vintage Auto Festival 16 MGCC Meeting 12-18 MG 2011	7 Board Meeting 10 GVAC Car Show (RIT) 21 MGCC Meeting 23 Multi-club Picnic 24 Wagner Vineyards / Ginny Lee Restaurant	18 MGCC Meeting Need an Event 21 UK Car Day
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1 Board Meeting 8-11 Watkins Glen 13 MGCC Meeting (Tues) 16-18 Brit. Invasion Stowe 18 British Car Day, Toronto	9 Fall Foliage Tour 20 MGCC Meeting 22 Garage Tour TBA Halloween Party	3 Board Meeting 6 Yacht Club Brunch 17 MGCC Meeting	3 Holiday Party No Meeting

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