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Chairman's Corner

Dan Goodwin _____

The August MGCC picnic/meeting was a success. The predicted thunderstorms passed by earlier in the day and left the evening balmy and pleasant. It definitely seemed more like picnic weather than the chilly September events of the past two years. The food was also a success. There is strong support for keeping the event in August next year. Doug Scribner even suggested considering two picnic meetings next year...??

We have had some great events this summer. Just a reminder...we are still looking for the next Activities Director(s) for 2012. Mary Murray put out the request at the meeting. She and Susan Goodwin have done a fantastic job for 2010 and 2011. The good news is that some 2012 events are already in place, so their successors will have a jump start on event planning. Remember, nominations for 2012 will take place at the October MGCC meeting. Anyone interested in a board position is invited to throw his/her hat in the ring.

The MGA block has been primed and painted. It is now in the capable hands of George Haynes, who will reassemble the core components. It feels good to finally be on the rebuild side of this exercise. Lots more to do, but it continues to be a rewarding process.

The August issue of *Safety Fast* had an interesting article on the 2011 *MGLive!* event at Silverstone, in Northhamptonshire. The three-day weekend is the world's largest MG event and was definitely international in scope, even including members from the newly formed MG Car Club of China. Take a look at the event report in the August issue as it is passed around.

See you at the September meeting on **Tuesday, 13** September 2011.

Cheers,
Dan

MG Bruce

Don McConnell _____

I can't believe it is September. School opens soon so remember to watch out for busses stopping and children crossing the street "BE ALERT".

September is also time to step back in time, ah racing time that is. A trip to the US Vintage Grand Prix at Watkins Glen is always a treat. You can see vintage racw cars and imagine yourself driving one of these rolling pieces of art. Keep your eye's and ears open while at the Glen you never know who you might see or meet walking the area For that matter you might hear a story or two about old time racing. Later in this issue I take a step back to 1959 with some information on a race or races put on by the MG Car Club Western N.Y. Centre. If you look at the entrants list carefully there is a familiar name there that we all know.

Welding on my B named Bruce is at stand still, lots to do around the house, also looking for steady work takes a front seat. Hopefully in September and beyond the welding will pick up.

There are lots of activities coming up from now to the end of the year. Check out the rest of this issue for more details on those events.

Enjoy the fall season with your sports cars. See you at the Glen (come check out the model car Concours down town Friday) or at the September meeting.

Happy Top Down
DON

Activities

By Mary Murray and Susan Goodwin

The rain stayed away there were few bugs around and the weather was perfect for our club picnic meeting August 18th. There were many small little British cars in the parking lot, lots of camaraderie, and good picnic food to eat that evening. The GRTTC of Rochester had another rainy day for their car show on Sunday 23rd. A lot of MGCC members were there with their cars and we did very well with taking home many of the prizes. They had live music, good food and even though it poured we still had a lot of fun because we are all British car people and we are used to rain. **Just a reminder September's club meeting is Tuesday September 13, 2011.** The fall line up of events are in order and ready to go starting with the Vintage Car weekend at Watkins Glen from September 8th – 11th. This is followed by the British Invasion Car Show September 16th – 18th in Stowe Vermont. British Car Day at Bronte Creek Provincial Park in Ontario Canada will be Sunday September 18th. Many of our members attend these events year after year. October

will start with the Fall Foliage Tour on Sunday October 9th organized by the infamous Rizzo Travel Tours of Western New York. Their agents will provide more details at a later date. On Sunday October 22nd caravan around with George Leopard on the Garage Tour, enticing us with viewing some pre war cars as a starter, more details to follow. We do need one more event for October a Halloween Party or Halloween Rally. If anyone is interested in organizing this event contact Mary or Susan ASAP. Join Anne and Gene Faust at the Yacht Club for Brunch Sunday November 6th. Anne will provide more details at September's club meeting and have a sign up sheet available. This brings us to December with our last event the Holiday Party; the party will be at the Green Lantern Inn in Fairport New York on Saturday December 3rd. The cost will be \$25 per person we will provide more details later.



Return to the Streets!

Friday, September 9, 2011

Franklin Street, Watkins Glen

2011 Featured Marque



Datsun / Nissan

MGCC Minutes of the Meeting

By Willard Brown

August 18, 2011

Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM by Chairman Dan Goodwin.

Acceptance of Jul 21, 2011 Minutes – Minutes were accepted as reported.

New Members and Guests

- John and Shirley Forrester – Guests and former MGCCWNYC Members
- Loretta Mayer – Guest
- Bill and Cathy Wackerman - Guests

Treasurer's Report – Frank Stepanik reported club accounts' balances and that we are still paying expenses out of the club's reserve account while awaiting receipt of funds from the Car Show. A meeting is being scheduled with the Lions Club for disposition of Car Show receipts.

Activities – Susan Goodwin and Mary Murray

- August 21st - All British Car Show/UK Car Day at Genesee Valley Park. Early Bird admission is \$10. Contact George Haynes.
- August 27th - Laps and Lunch at present has only 9 persons signed-up to participate. Need at least 30 persons to keep reservations for lunch. Driver/car cost is \$32 and \$49 for driver and one other person. Contact Susan Goodwin.
- October 9th – Fall Foliage Tour will cost approximately \$15. Contact Tim and Rhonda Rizzo.
- January 28th – Valve Cover Races will have Large Bore and Small Bore Classes. Bring dish to pass and your own beverage. Contact Ted Hershey.
- See page 5 of this, September 2011, issue of *Spokes* for Activities Directors' report.
- See individual activity announcements throughout *Spokes* for upcoming events. Also see back page of *Spokes* for 2011 Calendar of Events.

Spokes – Don McConnell

- Will be starting soon to put together the 2012 calendar issue. Theme will be "Ladies and their MG's/British Cars".

- Don will stand in nomination for the *Spokes* Editor position in the 2012 officer's election slate.

Old Business – None

New Business

- New York legislature is in the process of formulating a bill to increase ethanol mix in gas from E10 to E15. The increase will not be good for early model sports car engines. Mike Parthum would like to work with other volunteers to be involved in activities to oppose the legislation. Persons interested should contact Mike.
- John Murray reported that conventional gas at \$4.55/gal can be purchased at Cook's Stations on Route 39 in Avon and at Routes 63 and 36 near York High School.

Adjournment – At 8:17 PM

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Lately we've done some crash repair – Ford Focus and Honda Civic, plus more restoration. A '94 Toyota Supra and '99 BMW Z3 received extensive paint work. A VW GTI is receiving paint customization. An early Mustang completed full body restoration. We added an experienced new employee, Steve Reyes.

Sales, Owner and Manager – George Leopard

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Minutes Attendance

August 18, 2011

Dave	Asmuth	Gil	Langswager	Dan	Suter
Bob	Abels	George	Haynes	Frank	Stepanik
Georgean	Abels	Ted	Hershey	George	Leopard
Chris	Baum	Geroqe	Hershel	Ned	Paulsen
John	Baum	Sue	Harrison	Michael	Parthum
Desi	Benet	Mike	Harrison	Carl	Prouty
Bill	Benet	Linda	McConnel	Dick	Powers
Linda	Bethune	Don	McConnel	Barb	Wild
Bill	Bethune	Mary	Murray	Dave	Wild
Willard	Brown	John J.	Murray	Barb	Zack
Karl	Burkhardt	Eileen	Makpeace	Leon	Zack
Alan	Costich	Tony	Makpeace	Guests	
Jeff	Clough	Rhonda	Rizzo	Jeff	Forrester
John	Fowler	Tim	Rizzo	Shirley	Forrester
Jenny	Fowler	Wally	Roworth	Loretta	Meyers
Dan	Goodwin	Marlene	Rzepkowski	Bill	Wackerman
Susan	Goodwin	Dick	Rzepkowski	Cathy	Wackerman
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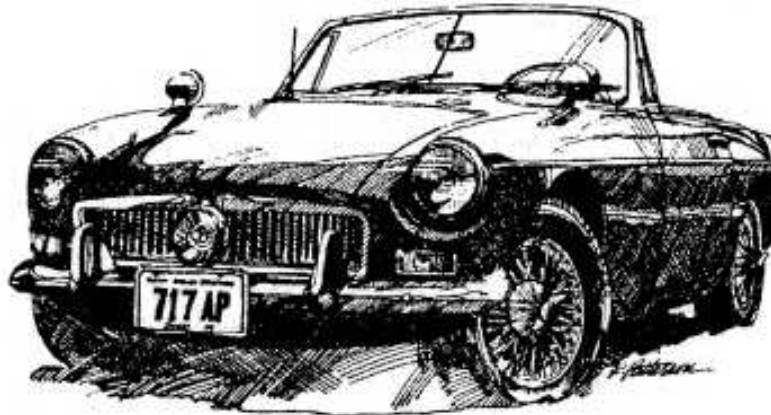
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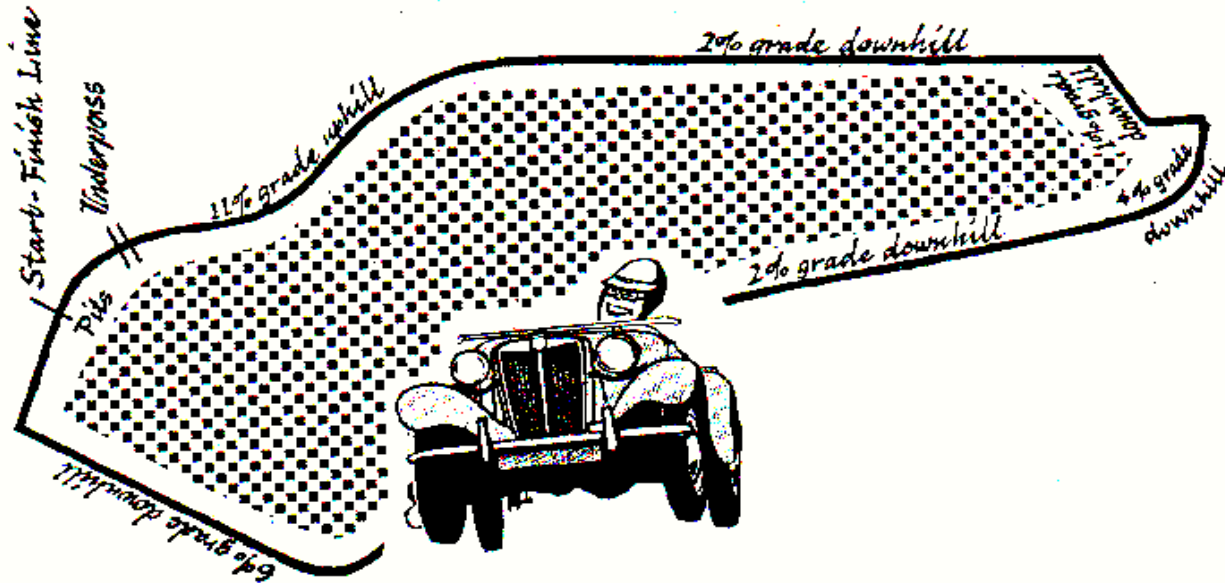


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FIRST ANNUAL MG RACE

From Lynn Randall

The next few pages are a copy of the program from the First MG race at Watkins Glen.
An interesting look into the history of the MG Car Club of Western New York Centre
and Racing at Watkins Glen



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PRESENTS

FIRST ANNUAL MG RACE



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FIRST ANNUAL MG RACE

ENTRY LIST

MG RAGE

WATKINS GLEN

22nd and 23rd AUGUST, 1959

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1	JAMES MITCHELL	Ecurie Apogee	MGA	F Prod
2	JAMES B. KANE	Same	MGA	F Prod
3	DAVID B. WILD	Same	MG-TD	G Prod
4	NORMAN H. WEBB JR.	Same	MGA	F Prod
4	CHAS. H. KREUGER	Norman H. Webb Jr.	MGA	F Prod
5	THOMAS E. NIPPER	Same	MGA	F Prod
6	HENRY VAN DEUSEN	Same	MG-Twin Cam	F Prod
07	JOHN R. STENDT	Elmar A. Wendt	MG-Twin Cam	F Prod
8	ART SMITH	Ecurie PIP	MGA	F Prod
9	ROBERT H. DEULL	Ecurie PIP	MG-TD	F Prod
10	JOHN G. HUNTER JR	Same	MGA	F Prod
11	ROBERT E. POUPARD	Same	MGA	F Prod
14	FRANCIS CARMICHAEL	Same	MG Twin Cam	F Prod
20	TED ROUNDS	Same	MGA	F Prod
129	ROSS DE ST. CROIX	Same	MG-Twin Cam	F Prod
26	STU NORTTIROP	Same	MGA	F Prod
029	BOB BUCHER	Edwin E. Sfl. Smith	MGA	F Prod
33	FRED MARIK	Same	MGA	F Prod
40	HAL DAVIS	Same	MGA (coupe)	F Prod
44	RAY GAUL	Gerald E. Oathout	MGA	F Prod
53	WALT DIVER	Same	MGA	F Prod
57	RICHARD C. WEBSTER	Same	MGA-1600	F Prod
62	SHERMAN L. DECKER	Same	MG-Twin Cam	F Prod
71	JAN ROSPOND	Same	MGA	F Prod
74	WILLIAM H. KING JR.	Same	MGA	F Prod
76	KARL F. BERGMANN	Ecurie CLOD	MG-TD	G Prod
76	CAROLYN A. BERGMANN	Ecurie CLOD	MG-TD	G Prod

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FIRST ANNUAL MG RACE

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PROGRAM OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 1959

8:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Registration and Technical Inspection
Smalley's Garage .. .Watkins Glen

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 1959

8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

Registration and Technical Inspection
Smalley's Garage

10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

Practice

1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Practice

3:30 P.M.

Novice Race (11 laps)

4:30 P.M.

Ladies Race (11 laps) if sufficient entries warrant.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 1959

12:30 P.M.

Compulsory .drivers' meeting at Grand Prix course.

2:00 P.M.

First Race, The Western New Yorker, 15 laps for MG cars 1250 c.c. and under.

3:00 P.M.

Second Race, The Hambro Cup Race, 15 laps for MG Cars 1250 to 1500 c.c.'s (Production cars only).

4:00 P.M.

Third Race, The B M C Cup Race, 30 laps for MG Cars; Twin Cam, Supercharged and Modified, first three winners of races one and two and production automobiles from previous races up to total of 30 cars in race.
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98	BILL McGOVERN	Harris W. McGovern	MGA	F Prod
98	EBEN DE GRASSE	Harris W. McGovern	MGA	F Prod
99	BRUCE NORTON	Same	MGA	F Prod
100	STEPHEN B. ANNIS	Scrideria Chipmonk	MGA	F Prod
101	KENNETH W. FRASER	Same	MGA	F Prod
126	SAM McATLISTER	Dr. Robt. Botkin	MGA	F Prod
179	JAMES CROKER	Same	MGA	F Prod
2A	ED LICHT	Ecurie Apogee	MG-TC	F Prod
	BRYANT JONES		MG-Twin Cam	F Prod

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180

36

200 Bill Terrell

Garage Tour – Saturday October 22 Pre-war Classics (mostly)

Preliminary Schedule

9:00 – Mark Chatlin & Richard Reesen – Franklins & others - Mt. Hope Ave.

10:30 – Doug Seibert's Garage - Rolls Royce & Bentley service – Clifford St

11:30 – Brian & Carol Burke – Packard collection - Webster

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I Couldn't Have Planned It Better If I Had Planned It

Lew Spencer, Jack Sears, Bob Bondurant, Carroll Shelby, Abbott's Custard

By Dick Powers

Last August, Bethel and I went to Colorado to spend a few weeks with Rachel and grandson Andrew. Before going, I usually check with my MG and Alfa friends out there to see if there are any automotive activities we should take in. No events this time, but they all told me to see the Shelby American Historic Race Car Museum near Boulder, CO. Boulder is only about an hour from Rachel's house and on a Saturday, we went to the museum. Upon arrival, we were surprised to find it was the day of the annual Shelby Foundation fundraiser.



I'm sure many of you know of Shelby's tie to the Cobra, Mustang and Ford GT-40 Le Mans wins, but possibly you don't know about the Shelby Foundation. His Foundation started as the Carroll Shelby Heart Fund (Shelby



had a heart transplant in 1990 and a kidney transplant in 1996) dedicated to providing support for organ transplants. Then the Carroll Shelby Children's Foundation, helping children who faced organ transplants. The Carroll Shelby Foundation continues to help children

battling life-threatening illness and will now assist children as they grow into young adults by funding scholarships and supporting educational programs in automotive and related fields.

Because it was the annual fundraiser, a grand car show was staged in the museum parking lot and a few of the famous Shelby racers from the past were in attendance. Naturally there were many Cobra's, Shelby Mustangs and a few GT-40's entered in the show, but there was a very impressive showing of Non-Ford iron too. There was a very nice 300 SL Gullwing and an Allard J2 signed by Shelby. These cars were very well done, but unfortunately they were next to a Cunningham C3 Continental Cabriolet that had been entered at the Pebble Beach. and Amelia Island Concours.



My favorite car was a short wheelbase Ferrari 250 GT Berlinetta. This very rare car had also been vintage raced for a number of years and invited to the Monterey Historics! My grandson Andrew's favorite was a Penske/Donohue Camaro. He wanted to get in and drive it, but the only car that he could get in was the Bondurant Corvette. Bondurant had a car there advertising his driving school and they were nice enough to let Andrew get in and "drive". There were about 200 high end cars in the show including more new Ferraris than I have ever seen in one place.



Inside there were about 20 very historic cars that included racing Cobras, Mustangs and the GT-40 Mk IV that Mario Andretti drove at LeMans. Possibly the most historic car at the Museum is the Shelby Daytona Coupe. This car had many international wins including LeMans, Daytona and Sebring. Inside the museum, Andrew had his favorite too, a Cobra just his size.

The event was more than just cars, as three of Shelby's drivers were also there. Lew Spencer, became famous for racing Morgans (Baby Doll 1-V) on the West Coast.

He was so good that Shelby hired him. Englishman, Jack Sears, was also there. Jack told me his first car was a Flat Rad Morgan. He raced Healeys and MGAs for BMC, Jags, Ford Cortinas and Cobras. His most satisfying win was with a Cobra at Brands Hatch in 1964. Bob Bondurant was there too. He was another great West Coast



racer and told me he started racing in a Morgan, but his early racing fame came through racing Corvettes. In '63, Bondurant out qualified the Cobras in the SCCA Regionals and soon after that, Shelby hired him. It was a good move for Shelby, because in '64 Bondurant and Gurney won the GT Class at LeMans in a Cobra Daytona Coupe and in '65, Bondurant, Jo Schelesser and Jochen Neerpasch won the FIA World Manufacturers Championship in a Cobra Daytona Coupe.



It was great meeting and talking to these racing "heroes" of mine. We talked about their past racing, including MGs, Morgans, Healeys, Jags, Fords and Cobras. All were very friendly and spent more time than I ever thought possible with this olde MG vintage racer. And then Carroll Shelby arrived and I was able to meet him too. It really was a dream come true.

If that wasn't enough, we had an *Abbott's* to end the day. Yes, an *Abbott's* from good old Rochester. Some folks from Rochester had lived out there for 20 years, but couldn't find something as good as an *Abbott's* custard. A few months ago, they obtained a franchise and the Chocolate Almond tastes as good there as it does here. Andrew liked it too! Along with the custard, they

also sell cans of Grandma Brown's Baked Beans and packages of Zweigles Hots.

I couldn't have planned that day better if I had planned it!



Back on the Road Again

By Dave Chase

Here is a Reprint from November 1999

Way back in 1996 I made the promise to myself that when I retired in October, 1996 I would start a total restoration on my 1959 MGA coupe. Although its appearance was not all that bad, there was some rust shown along the fender piping. The car was tired & needed a complete overhaul. With the help from George Haynes we stripped the car down, removed the fenders, doors, bonnet & truck and towed it all the way to New York Strip in Ontario, NY. There they media blast the metal instead of sand. When they called a week later and said I could come to pick up what's left, I got quite nervous. Come to find out there was a lot of fiber glass put on the car some 20 years ago before I bought it. With all that glass now gone, there was a lot of swiss cheese and in some places where new body panels are not available. I had already decided that I'd have all the metal work done by Jim Phillips in Honeoye, ie MCR2 renovations. Jim is quite talented in making metal panels. He also owns a frame straightener and is very precise in making sure the frame is straight and true. He also had to weld repair panels onto the frame. The body was removed at his shop along with the engine and then I steam cleaned the frame, before it was taken to Millars to be sand blasted. Now with everything clean of rust and grime, it was time to go to work. George & I took the engine and tranny to rebuild ourselves in his shop. Jim started on the body in November 1996 and was ready for paint in December 1998.

During this time Jim did a lot of welding on the body. The front nose was way out of the proper contour shape. The rear valence had to be replaced. The front valence he made from 3 others that I had been holding on to. He cut the battery cover lid & hinged the passenger side so I had access to my cooler which sits down in the spot where the battery used to be. He fitted both new rear fenders, which unbelievable to me, needed a lot of reshaping. Both body flanges where the front fenders bolt on had to be made and welded on. The front fenders had to be patched and new sills and rocker panels installed. A new trunk floor was welded in along with making new panels around the bottom of rear window openings. Both head light openings had to be removed and new ones had to be fabricated to weld to the fenders.

Jim found a person that knew the art of leading in the weld seams. To watch this man work was quite an experience and it's a shame that it's soon to be a lost art. Before leaving Jim's shop the entire body, inside and out was acid etched then coated with a urethane primer. We then took the body to a fella in Williamson by the name of Paul Winslow. We knew he did good work for he had just finished John Lambino's TC and it was beautiful. The

frame we had epoxy coated in Honeoye. Paul used a DuPont Croma One single stage because it required no clearcoat. The color I chose was the same as it was before, Mineral Blue, an original color for 1500 MGA Coupe's only.

In early February Paul was finished and it was time to put all the parts back together. This was probably the most frustrating part of the whole project, trying to find where I put these parts. Some I never did find and had to buy new. When the re-build started I got several offers of help from members of the club. I'll never be able express my gratitude to all who helped. George was with me constantly thru the 3 years helping me one day almost every week with phone calls in between. Others who helped and I hope I don't forget anyone, was Steve Sangster and Jim Priestley on the A/C and Gil Langswager on the wiring.

George kept saying the car would be finished in time for Watkins Glen 1999 and he wasn't far off. I doubted him but soon learned there's a lot of detail to putting a MGA Coupe together. Also what made the job months longer was the extra wiring and relays needed because of the air conditioning. The A/C package was purchased from Art Zeish from Texas. In 1996 & 97 he sold all the components to fit A/C in a MGA for about \$1400. His company made the special brackets, etc to complete the package. He stopped selling these kits in 1998 because of lack of interest.

After my trip in July of 1996 to a NAMAR meet in Indianapolis with my wife Nancy where the temperature never dipped below 95 in the shade. I knew and Nancy insisted we have air. Putting the A/C in involved hours of labor and several feet of color coded wire I bought from British Wiring, Olympia Fields, Ill. They have every imaginable size and color wire in both vinyl and cloth jacket.

About this same time the body was taken to Stinky, ie. Stinkeys Custom Upholsters on Ridge Road in Ontario to have the headliner and windshield installed. Stinky did such a great job we decided not to put the trim around the windshield and doors. Then to George's for marrying body to frame.

George & I did have the A up and running by August but there was much more detail work to do. However, after 140 shake down miles, we took off for John Twists last Summer Party in Grand Rapids, Michigan. This turned out to be a, serious mistake as we broke down twice in Canada and had to be towed both times. The first time was the new Crane electronics ignition (guaranteed for life til it stops working). The second unscheduled stop was a needle valve on the Weber carb that unscrewed itself and

probably wouldn't happen again in a hundred years. So what if we got to John's party one day late, it was a great party.

There have been other minor mishaps but all in all the car is done and in my eyes, it's beautiful. I know to some people the alterations I've made are a no no. To me, it's so that the car is safer and more enjoyable to drive. I put all this time and money into this car to drive, not tow on a trailer. North American MGA Register just recently endorsed a new guide lines that states that MGB parts may be used on an MGA with the stipulation that no structural changes be made to the frame or body.

Listed below are the changes I've made:

1977 MGB 1800 engine

Higher compression 8.8 to 1 pistons

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No lead cylinder head

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Fuel pressure regulator and gage

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Tripod headlights that I custom fit for halogen bulbs Interment windshield wipers

Dome & foot well lights activated when door opens Review mirror re-located to above windshield to enable sight over luggage rack

Brass sleeves in master cylinder-silicone brake fluid Seat frames tipped for more thigh support

So this has been my life the last 3 years. I now move on to something else. My MGB?, no. The B sure needs a re-build but all its going to get is a valve job. How much money went into the MGA? George says I don't want to know. I have all the receipts and I could add them all up in a short time but up to now my health has been good and I don't care to push it. I will say that if I ever was offered \$20,000 it would only partly cover the costs. But the car is not for sale and never will be in my lifetime.

I'm now ready to drive to the next GOF no matter where it may be and I'll enjoy and have fun no matter how long the Journey IS.

Noted Authors Lyons, Kirby and Lynch Helping to Celebrate Watkins Glen F1 Anniversary



WATKINS GLEN, NY – The International Motor Racing Research Center is proud to announce that three celebrated motorsports authors are adding their expertise and experiences to the Center's on-going celebration of the 50th anniversary of the first Formula One race at Watkins Glen.

On Aug. 27, Pete Lyons will speak about covering Formula One in Europe in the mid-1970s for Autosport and AutoWeek magazines.

On Oct. 8, the actual anniversary of the first U.S. Grand Prix at the Glen, Michael T. Lynch and Gordon Kirby will take the podium to salute America's World Champions, Phil Hill and Mario Andretti.

The talks will begin at 1 p.m. on both dates. There is no admission, and all are welcome.

"It's a great honor for the Center that these writers have agreed to share their knowledge and insight with us and our friends," Center President J.C. Argetsinger said.

"Throughout this year-long celebration of the debut of Formula One at Watkins Glen and the ensuing 19 years of the U.S. Grand Prix here, we have been committed to offering programs that not only educate but also entertain. So far, we have met that goal with some memorable events," Argetsinger said.

"We know that Pete Lyons, Michael Lynch and Gordon Kirby will continue in that vein and that our supporters won't be disappointed," Argetsinger said.

Lyons is returning as a Center presenter, having been the speaker at the October 2008 annual open house.

Lyons is known as the preeminent Can-Am scribe and the top American writer on Formula One.

His Can-Am book series includes "Can-Am," "Can-Am Photo History" and last year's release, "Can-Am Cars in Detail." That book won the 2010 Dean Batchelor Award presented by the Motor Press Guild.

Lyons' newest book "FAST LINES, Memorable Moments in Motorsports, by Pete Lyons from Vintage Racecar Magazine," will launch at Monterey on Aug. 19.

The Oct. 8 anniversary program of dual speakers will be the highlight of the year's calendar as the Center honors America's champions.

Lynch, co-author of "American Sports Car Racing in the 1950s," will focus on Phil Hill, champion in 1961.

Kirby will speak about 1978 champion Mario Andretti, subject of his "Mario Andretti: A Driving Passion."

"American Sports Car Racing in the 1950s," co-authored with William Edgar and Ron Parravano, is known

as the definitive work on the era. The book has won numerous awards, including the Dean Batchelor Award.

Lynch is noted for his work on the history of Ferrari race cars and is a contributing editor to Cavallino and a regular contributor to Forza, both Ferrari-specific publications. He has written for many other motorsports magazines and motorsports event programs. Online, his work is often seen on VeloceToday.com, a site specializing in Italian and French collector cars.

Kirby, too, is a winner of the Dean Batchelor Award, for his Andretti biography. The book also won the Independent Publishers Book Award in the sports/recreation division.

Other drivers about whom Kirby has written books include Bobby Rahal, Rick Mears, Greg Moore and the Unser family. With Emerson Fittipaldi, he wrote "The Art of Motor Racing."

Kirby is the U.S. editor of Motor Sport and a contributing editor to Road & Track. He is the American editor of Autocourse and former American editor of Autosport.

For more information about the International Motor Racing Research Center and its programs, call (607) 535-9044 or visit the Center's website at www.racingarchives.org.

Laps -n- Linger

By Peggi Heissenberger

Our Laps-N-Lunch at Watkins Glen was renamed. We did not meet the required 30 people for the luncheon so we opted for the (3) Laps alone and find lunch on our own. We met at Eastview Mall at 10:00 on Saturday 8/27/11 and casually rode together as a caravan of interesting cars getting a lot of attention along the way. Then one woman almost hit all of us head on as she drove on the wrong side of the road towards us!? George's lightning fast reflexes veered us out of the lane safely as did the next several cars traveling behind us! Well that wasn't the only excitement for the day. When we lined up for the laps I began to feel a little anxious about this. George and I were car #4 in the line up behind the pace car. Although I don't think the "B" would roll easily, I didn't want to find out what it would take to roll it. I didn't mind the speed on the straight aways but the curves scared the --- out of me. I have a new respect for race car drivers. Poor George drove all that way to have me gasp, grab the door and pray my way through the first two laps. I offered to get out for the last lap and let him have some fun but he insisted I stay in the car. We did allow the group to go in front of us for the last lap. My brother, Tim, came along in a '62 Plymouth Fury with his wife and daughter. They decided to stay behind us on the third lap to keep him

in check. His poor wife, Carol, was in the back seat (new leather with no seat belts because the car was not built with them) and nothing to hang onto. She just slid from side to side on each turn while trying to take a video!

After our laps Bill Benet lead a group of us around on the old original road course. Then we went off in several different directions. Some people stayed at the track, some went on to the wineries for "lunch", and we went to the park in the Village of Watkins Glen for a picnic lunch that my brother brought! After lunch George and I went into town and got some great deals and saw some quaint shops. We also stopped at Naked Dove Brewery on the way home for a tasting - mmm. The weather was incredibly wonderful! All-in-all it was a great day - other than having to take those laps!

Peggi Heissenberger

Upcoming Events

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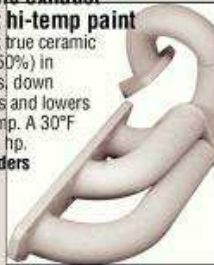


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JEFFERSON, NC, August 7th, 2011...A new book on sports car racing in the fifties has been published by McFarland & Co. Titled "They Started in MGs," it features eighty mini-biographies of drivers both well-known and little-known, all interesting characters. The forward of the book is written by racing champion John Fitch.

Driver biographies of special interest to Alfa Romeo owners include World F1 Champion Phil Hill, 3-time Alfa champion Chuck Stoddard, Alfa driving school instructor John Fitch, Alfa Mille Miglia competitor Henry Manney III, Alfa Sebring racers Cameron Argetsinger and Bill Milliken, Alfa 8C Zagato owner Haig Ksayian and Alfa Giulietta racers Ed Hugus, Harry Constant, Ralph Durbin and Bill Pollack.

A complete list of the drivers accompanies this announcement, but highlights would include racing patron Briggs Cunningham, Midwest Elva driver Suzy Dietrich, OSCA and SIATA driver Isabelle Haskell, Pike's Peak champion Porsche driver Bob Donner, Rowland Keith - the driver who beat Carroll Shelby, Carroll Shelby himself, Corvette champion Dr. Dick Thompson, Bridgehampton race founder Bruce Stevenson, MG Specials builder Ken Miles, Charlie Ellmers of the Funny Face Auto Racing Team and the 1955 SCCA HP Class winner George Valentine, MGTC.

All the drivers either began in or were inspired by the MG, usually a T-Series car. They either stuck with the marque or went on to other cars. These included Ferrari, Maserati, Jaguar, Aston Martin, Porsche, Alfa Romeo, Corvette, Mustang, OSCA, SIATA, Bandini, Nardi, Giuar, Kieft, Formula Vee, Elva, Lotus, Cooper, Honda F1, Austin Healey, and Triumph.

Most of the driver profiles are first-person. Interesting vignettes include Phil Hill and the EX-181 MG Streamliner: "I was the fastest guy in an MG," he recalled, "I set a record on the salt flats at 254.9. I loved Bonneville." Or Watkins Glen founder Cameron Argetsinger enumerating a list of his cars "...and I had a black Jaguar XK-120M with beige interior, just like Phil Hill's!" Then there was the Dick Irish F1 Kieft "tuned

by a Canadian wizard, its megaphone exhaust created an ear-splitting shriek and fumes from the alcohol fuel made your eyes water." California driver Bill Pollack comments on Fangio's test drive of the Corvette Sting Ray at Sebring: "He had just set the lap record in the Maserati. He got into the car and took off out of the pits like a rocket. He did the first lap so fast that the suits from GM couldn't believe their stop-watches." There's this and much more in "They Started in MGs."

There are 250 period racing photos in the 288-page book, from leading photographers, who include Alix Lafontant, Joe Brown, Bernard Cahier, Don Snelbacker, George Ivanyi, Tom Countryman, Irv Dolin, Stanley Rosenthal, Bob Canaan, Jim Sitz, Leo Cummings, Jack Campbell, Gerry Weyer, William Green Motor Racing Library, Hemp Oliver, and Karl Ludvigsen.

The book is written by Carl Goodwin, with many awards to his credit from the International Automotive Media Competition and from the Society of Automotive Historians. Goodwin is a regular writer for Classic MG, Vintage Motorsport, Classic MG, Vintage Racecar, Veloce Today, 356 Registry, Cavallino, Forza, and Automobile Quarterly. Goodwin has had a wide range of sports cars including MG, Austin Healey, Jaguar, Siata, Alfa Romeo, Porsche and Lotus. He has driven a Fiat Abarth Zagato and an Alexis 18B Formula Ford at American race courses including Bridgehampton, Lime Rock, Watkins Glen, Mid Ohio, Road America, Waterford Hills, Gingerman, Summit Point, Vineland NJ, Thompson CT, Lawrenceville IL, and Blackhawk Farms. His first race as a spectator was Put-in-Bay in 1953 and he joined S.C.C.A. in 1958.

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 5 Suzanne & John Cordeiro
 9 Richard & Bethel Powers
 12 Allen & Elaine Hess
 12 Peter & Joyce Pegoni
 13 Dan & Mary Ellen Suter
 15 Leon & Barbara Zak
 19 Ben & Carolyn Barlow
 25 Joseph & Joeanna DeBlaere
 25 Hollis & Doreena Hames
 29 Bob & Terry Welch

CONGRATULATIONS!**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

1 Eileen Makepeace
 2 Sue Kron
 4 Patricia Giambra
 7 Brian Fallon
 9 Will Salisbury
 10 Dick Rzepkowski
 10 Brian Smith
 11 Jim Priestley
 11 Doreena Hames
 16 William Brorein, Jr.
 16 Bruce Krobusek
 16 Gail Colegrove
 16 Sue DeVos
 17 David Leete
 17 Donald Sweeney
 17 Susan Krobusek
 22 George Heissenberger
 22 Mary Sweeney
 25 Gus Kovalik
 25 Tim Paul
 26 Bob Hamilton
 28 George Tennant
 28 Bridget Tierno
 30 Suzanne Keppeler
 ? Karl Burkhardt
 ? Mark Chaplin

HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVERYONE!!**OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

1 Brooks & Gayle Schneider
 6 Marty & Ben Trout
 8 Robert & Annabelle Tescione
 10 Dave & Barb Wild
 13 Brian & Julie Smith
 14 Scott & Gail Schipper
 15 George & Beverly Haynes
 16 Joe & Linda Fazio
 18 Ken & Penny Heusler
 24 John & Kathleen Kelly
 26 Julia & Russell Daykin
 31 David & Gracie Ott
 ? Sean & Jessica Seeley

CONGRATULATIONS!**HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVERYONE!!**

Official Regalia



Mg Car Club Western NY Centre

Sticker, Black/Silver	\$1.50
50th Anniversary Sticker	\$1.50
MGCC Mug	\$5.00
Car Badge	\$20.00
Badge Clip	\$5.00
Patch embroidered	\$2.50
Key Fob, large leather	\$4.00
Pin, cloisonné	\$3.00
Dash Plaque, 40th Anniv.	\$2.00
Sticker, front adhesive	\$1.50
Sign, magnetic (10")	\$15.00
Bumper Sticker	\$1.00
Name Badge w/MG	\$15.00
Vehicle Log Book	\$5.00
Fire Extinguisher	\$15.00



Car Badge
Sticker Patch

50th Anniversary Badge \$20.00
50th Anniversary Pin \$3.00

Also available is a wide selection of clothing items (shirts, jackets, ect.) embroidered with the club logo. Prices shown are for members only.

All items are available for purchase at our monthly Meeting, or delivery can be arranged.
Contact: Laurie Scribner 585-8725133 (weekdays).

MG Car Club Western New York Centre, Inc. Membership Application

Annual Family Membership Dues \$30.00 — All memberships expire December 31st.

Name Birthday

Spouse Friend Birthday

Home Phone Work Phone Wedding Anniversary

Address City

State Zip+4 Today's Date New ☐ or Renewal ☐

Cars owned & Year

Club Interests: Racing ☐ Gymkhana ☐ Rallye ☐ Restoration ☐ Car Show ☐ Social ☐ Touring ☐ Other ☐

Other hobbies, etc.

Occupation E-mail address

Available for Roadside Help? No ☐ Yes ☐ Days ☐ Evenings ☐ Nights ☐ Weekends ☐

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January 6 Board Meeting 20 MGCC Meeting 30 Wine & Cheese ,Valve Cover Races	February 17 MGCC Meeting 20 Bowling Party	March 3 Board Meeting 17 MGCC Meeting 20 Steak Roast & Auction	April 17 Swing into Spring 21 MGCC Meeting/ Basket Auction
May 5 Board Meeting 7 Tuneup Cliic 15 Beer Tasting Party 19 MGCC Meeting 20-22 Carlisle	June 1 Stuffing Party 5 Vintage Auto Festival 16 MGCC Meeting 12-18 MG2011	July 7 Board Meeting 10 GVAC Car Show (RIT) 21 MGCC Meeting 23 Multi-Club Picnic 24 Wagner Vineyards / Ginny Lee Restaurant	August 18 MGCC Meeting/ Picnic 21 UK Car Day 27 Laps & Lunch
September 1 Board Meeting 8-11 Watkins Glen 13 MGCC Meeting (Tues) 16-18 Brit Invasion Stowe 18 British Car Day Toronto	October 9 Fall Foliage Tour 20 MGCC Meeting 22 Garage Tour TBA Halloween Party	November 3 Board Meeting 6 Yacht Club Brunch 17 MGCC Meeting	December 3 Holiday Party No Meeting

Next Meeting
Tuesday September 13 2011 7:30 PM
Burgundy Basin Inn
1361 Marsh Road, Pittsford, New York



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MY SPORTS CAR!**