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## **British Car Day Pictures and Results**

#### **Picnic Pictures**



# From the President

Terry Looft

Hello MGers.

This has been a busy month for a lot of us, and there is still more to come. BCD is now behind us, and as always, it was another great show. I don't believe it was our biggest turn out with some fears of possible showers, but the weather took care of us. No rain and nice temperatures. We can't thank everyone enough for all the hard work done to make it another great successful BCD. It is really a group effort by both clubs to make this show work year after year. THANKS!

Next up is the picnic at Dick Gooddman's home on Sunday. We always have a good time, and I hope to see a lot of little British cars there. Do we need to find someone to work the grill, though?? Adding to the busy month, Torey and Sandra, who live in Iowa, now have a new addition to their family.



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#### **Club Membership Information**

Membership dues of the Southwestern Ohio Centre of the MG Car Club are eighteen (\$18.00) per year, payable during September and October. On January 1st. the names of delinquent members are removed from the roster. See *Carole Looft* for further membership information.

#### MG Car Club Monthly Meeting

The Southwestern Ohio Centre of the MG Car Club meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the K of C Hall, downtown Dayton, on Bainbridge Street, at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be:

Wed, August 24, 2011

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# Upcoming MGCC Events

#### Aug:

24 – Meeting at K of C Hall

#### Sep:

18 – Concours

28 – Meeting at K of C Hall

#### Oct:

26 – Meeting at K of C Hall

See meeting minutes for other area activities!!

Colette was born on the 4<sup>th</sup>, and all are doing well.

We can't forget the 'cruise-in' on Sunday August 21 at the Pub at the Green. This will be their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual get-together, and each year it has grown and continues to be a fun gathering. Come join us for eats and drinks. This past month we have had a larger than normal amount of new members join the club, (thank you Tony and Jeff) and I'd like to personally welcome all of you. I hope you are able to join us for some of our activities and also attend our meetings.

This upcoming meeting we'll be talking about possibilities for our Fall Drive - be thinking about ideas for that. That's all to report this month, see you at the meeting and get those cars out and drive them!



Terry

PS (As always, free beer for new members and for anyone who brings a new member to the meeting.)

# Welcome New Members

Carole Looft

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looking for an MGA coupe	65 MGB	53 MG TD

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# Pictures from British Car Day 2011



Larry Youngblood talks MGBs with a show visitor.



Dave McCann calls out door prize winners and flags down potential new members.



The concession stand workers kept everyone fed.



Bob Hanseman and his MG TD.



Ed Wolfe shows off his "new" MGB at his first BCD as a club member.



"But officers – I know I put enough money in the parking meter – honest."  $\,$ 



Bill Hammond chats with the Hodges family.



Charley McCamey made his own shade.



Ron parks and grandson Cameron.



"Bad back? What bad back?"



"They'll never find me back here!"



"Mamma Mia\*-- is this a car show or what!!"

\* Italian for 'holy c - - p'

Photos by Ron Parks and Steve Markman

# **BCD** Winners

Skip Peterson

#### **MGT**

1. Steve Powell '48 MG TC

AE. Charlie Bunnell

AE. Denny Klingler

AE. Jeff Fields

#### MGA

Mac Macleod
 AE. Matt Merriweather

AE. Louie DiPasquale

#### MGB 63-67

1. William Hunter '63 MGB

AE. Dave Estell

#### MGB 68-74

1. Steve Howard '68 MGB

AE. Ron Parks

AE. Stephen Ramsey

AE. Dwight Patrick

AE. Jim Walker

AE. Skip Peterson

AE. Tom Crouse

#### MGB GT

1. Ben Grabow '74 MGB

 $MGC \quad (0)$ 

#### MGB '75-'80

1. Larry Youngblood '79 MGB

AE. William Bitner

AE. Gary Wagner

AE. Cheryl Ross

AE. Jeff Hoering

#### Midget

1. George Chase '70 MG Midget

AE. Tim Shaw

AE. Bruce Duncan

AE. Ken Light

#### Jaguar XK

1. Ron MacLean

#### TR 2 & 3

1. Debbie & Tom Ferratt '58 TR3

AE. Tom Nevius

#### TR 4 & 250

1. Mike Smith '68 TR 250

AE. Kevin Scarpa

AE. Ben Zwissler

#### TR 6 '67-'72

1. Brent Kelsey '72 TR

#### TR 6 '73-'76

1. Vic Snivley '75 TR 6

AE. Joe Gerst

AE. Herbert Puls

AE. Carol Rutledge

AE. John Smith

#### TR 7 & 8

1. Keith Hartman '80 TR

AE. Alice Owen-Clough

#### Spitfire I-II-III

1. Debbie Burleigh '64 Spitfire MK II

#### Spitfire IV

1. Ronald Glett

#### Spitfire 1500

1. Louis DiPasquale '80 Spitfire

AE. Curtis Hayes

#### Spitfire'78-'80

1. John Timpone '78 Spitfire

#### GT 6

1. Bill Brown '67 GT 6 AE. John Johnson

#### **British Conversions**

1. Eddie Cole '80 MGB

AE. Dave Gribler

AE. Mike Moor

AE. Phil Johnson

#### Jaguar XKE

1. Dave Luecke/Ric Sander '67 XKE

AE. Andy Manganaro

AE. Terry Roberts

AE. Rich Compton

AE. Tim Suanamblo

#### Jaguar XJ/Sedans

Doug Roberts '64
 Jaguar

AE. Dana Springer AE. Bruce Healey

AE. Turk Logan

#### Austin Healey 100

1. Craig & Sue Rice '54 A-H 100/4

#### Austin Healey 3000

1. Bernie Grabow '66 A-H 3000

AE. John & Karen Steck

#### Austin Healey Sprite

1. Patricia Duffey '61 Sprite

#### Land Rover

1. Nick Wilson 2001 Discovery AE. Taj Ma Garaj

#### Lotus

Scott Rodriguez '65
 Lotus Elan
 AE. Steve Veris

#### Classic Mini

1. Tim Suanamblo '68 Mini Innocenti

AE. Lou Alvino

AE. Sue Strieby

AE. Ronald Johnson

#### New Mini

1. Tony & Janet Shoviak '07 Mini

U/ Mini

AE. Bernie Williams

AE. Todd Jones

#### Sunbeam Alpine

1. Bob Webb '63 Alpine AE. Dave Bobak

#### Sunbeam Tiger

1. Andy Manganaro '67 Tiger

AE. Doug Jennings

AE. David Tiettmeyer

#### Morgan

1. Don & Lois Bigler '57 Morgan

#### Open Class thru 1965

1. David Hill '64 Austin Princess

AE. David Evans

#### Open Class '66 and later

1. Sean Lowe '81 DeLorean

AE. Dick Edwards

#### Premier Class

1. Richard Davis '59 Jag XK150

AE. Tony & Janet

Shoviak

AE. Greg Sipe

AE. Dick Dearing

AE. David Roberts

AE. Dale & Carolyn Livingston

#### Diamond in the Rough

1. Jeff Nist Mini

Rangers Choice Steve & Jayne Powell

1948 MG TC

#### Royal Air Force Award

Craig & Sue Rice 1954 Austin-Healey 100/4

#### Taj Ma Garaj Most Unique Vehicle

Dave Evans 1934 BSA three wheeler

#### Best of Show

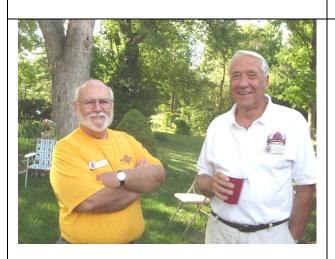
Dave Luecke/Ric Sander 1967 Jaguar XKE

# Pictures from MGCCSWOC Picnic















Southwestern

...and one more from BCD 2011

...and a big thanks to Dick and Kathy Goodman for hosting the club picnic *again* this year!!

Photos by Steve Markman

# Classifieds

**Free classified policy:** We are happy to run your auto-related ad for three months free of charge, but may cut older and non-MG related ads as space requires. Please contact the editor when your item sells or if you wish to continue the ad for an additional three months.

For Sale: 2011 BCD T-shirts. We have a few shirts left over from BCD. (1) small, (1) medium, (4) x-large. \$10.00 each. Email Carole at <a href="mailto:clooft@earthlink.net">clooft@earthlink.net</a>. (8/11)

**For Sale:** Four (4) 15" Dayton wire wheels with spinner knockoffs. Excellent condition. Came off of a Jaguar, but probably fit other cars. \$800 each, or make offer. 937-241-0792. (8/11)

**For Sale:** 1977 MGB. Excellent condition with 77,500 miles. Second owner with restoration completed in 2005. Has electric overdrive and many extras. Paint restored to original "Evening Primrose" yellow color. Featured car in November 2010 Octagon News letter. Asking \$6500. Call Bob Carson (937) 335-1017 Troy, OH or e-mail <a href="mailto:rhcarson@gmail.com">rhcarson@gmail.com</a> for pictures. (6/11)

# MG Car Club Minutes, July 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Sam Hodges

Terry lightly hammers the meeting to order at 7:35. Terry, "It's on time." *Hmmm*. Terry taps again...

**President Looft** (*Haven't actually used his full title in a while, thought I'd give it a go.*) "At the Pub Run we had 34 members. It worked out well..."

Okay, just for the record, whoever took notes for me needs to try using at least full phrases if not full sentences! Jeez! It's like trying to write the minutes by reading a dictionary... I'm just gonna have to wing it.

Terry, "We've got the annual club picnic coming up on Sunday, August 14, 2011 at Dick Goodman's home in Beavercreek. Bring your MG, a covered dish, your lawn chair, and show up around 4:00 pm. At the recent Cincinnati British car days, we had 24 members make the trip down. Kathy Goodman took home a first place, Louie won People's Choice."

**Vice President's Report.** Dave McCann, "And while I was on my way to Cincinnati, I lost my trailer on way down. *OK*, so I think it was the supplies trailer, but I can't tell from the notes! Arrgh! Everything is fine. Apparently, the safety chains & everything gave out. The trailer actually passed me on the road. After that, I took the hint, turned around and went home."

Ah... Now I see. There's a complete and total failure to use personal pronouns that's making me pull what little hair I have while writing these minutes.

**Minutes** were next. Dick Goodman motions to accept the Minutes as read. Looking at the "notes" there was some discussion, but I couldn't make heads or tails out of it... Grrr.

**Treasurer's Report**. Yet again, Glen is on vacation. Is the next report going to look something like this... "**Treasurer's Report**. <u>Total Income</u> to the MGCC consisting of: Squat (\$0.00) = **A Total Income of \$0.00**. <u>Total Expenses</u>: Two tickets to Hawaii (\$1,500) Car Rental Fees (\$490.00) + Hotel accommodations (\$1,505.00) = **A Total Expense of \$3,505.60**. **Total Loss to the MGCC was \$3,505.60**, that when subtracted from our existing Treasury balance of \$2,733.80 equals a new <u>Treasury Balance of</u> **\$-1,756.20** ..." (Don't check the math too hard because it WON'T add up since I'm just making stuff up to be funny since I don't have a real report from Glenn this month…but it is odd that he's not here…) Or maybe there was one and it also didn't get relayed to me???

**Membership**. Carole Looft reported that we have 6 new members for a total of 110 total. Carole, "Okay, so one of them is our next door neighbor." Skip "I want to check these addresses..." Jennifer, "3 more neighbors and you're there." Diane, "I have some neighbors who might be interested..." Terry, "Have them sign up at BCD." Skip, "Terry's going to hold the door to the port-o-john shut until they sign up." *I smell voter registration fraud going on here. An excerpt from last month's minutes,* "...Ron has the record at 113 so we've got 11 to go. In August, the cost will be \$1.50 so wait until then to sign up people." Somethin' just don't smell right to me...and I don't just mean the port-o-johns...Hmmm...

**Activities with Eddie**. BCD's Friday night set up, 6 pm at Eastwood (*you missed it*). August 14, the aforementioned MGCC Picnic at Dick Goodman's at 4:00p.m. Come early and help clean toilets. August 21 at The Pub is the British Car and Bike Show. It starts at 3:00, owner party at 5:00. The 2011 Holiday Party has been tentatively firmly scheduled for December 10 – time to be announced.

**Sunshine Committee.** Phil Johnson has been in hospital twice. Out now & doing OK. Phil Day has brain cancer, minimal chemo. Sunshine is getting a card to Phil. *Or maybe it was both Phils? Did the note taker actually GO to the meeting?!? I could make up stuff and be more factual!!!* 

**Newsletter**. Steve reported that there were four MGCC members in attendance at the annual Centerville Americana Festival, Louie, Joe, Charlie and Steve Markman himself.

**Webmaster** John Scocozzo reported that we have 53 registered for BCD online. Running about the same as last year for registrations at this point, but  $1/3^{rd}$  have done it online – *including me*.

**BCD**. WHIO may have aired a spot about the British Museum & BCD last Sunday. *Again, couldn't tell from the notes...* Saturday (which Saturday is anyone's guess) at noon Skip will be on Auto Talk and will have a spot in the GO section of Dayton Daily News. Gates open at 7 am, bring a bag of ice if you can, help with 2-way radios if you want, help with concessions, Linda will bring the club tent. The American MGB Association will be there. The "Little British Car Co" is staying in California. Triple C Motor Accessories was planning on staying in Pennsylvania but a bunch of people came up to him and asked why he wasn't coming, so he decided to come anyway. Good prices on everything, lots of memorabilia, authentic keys can be made, lots of t-shirts and accessories.

Skip, "We're known for our welcoming atmosphere – keep up the good work!" Lois is starting to do drink delivery in the little red wagon. Might want ask vendors if they want anything and take it to them, (hint to any teenagers...).

Beer Break, no beer break, beer break -8:00 8:16 – meeting called back to order.

**BCD**. We might want more water if this heat continues.

**NAMGAR**. Dave Gribler, "We signed the rental agreement with Dayton History last week and they have a new event manager. We signed a Taj Ma Garaj contract for a Wednesday night banquet. Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> will be a 'Ladies Tea'. I met with Ron to finalize the schedule (schedule for the show, or the Ladies Tea??? Arrgghh!). I also met with the Marriott to finalize some details. Nancy Edgerton, "We're working on catering (prices & menus) for various events." Dave Gribler, "Website hosting has been set up, now we're waiting on the content and we're hoping to have something up in a couple of weeks."

The Dayton Air show will be the preceding weekend, could be good, could be bad. Hopefully we'll draw a few more people who might come early to see the show. As for deadlines, we need a registration form in a couple of months. Sam's working on Article(s) for MGA magazine. If possible, we should do a test run on the fall drive. Carole needs help with the Fun-khana. Lois, "Eddie's in charge of the Car Wash. Keep eye out for canister vacuum cleaners." Joe Hooker, "I've got a shop vacuum that I got at a garage sale."

**New Business**. The Pub is having their 3<sup>rd</sup> (?) Annual British Car meet on August 21<sup>st</sup>. Charlie McCamey, "I want a magnetic name tag." Terry Looft, "I'll do it for \$4." Bob, "I can testify to the quality conversion." Dar, "Just make sure that when you put it on, you don't get your tit caught in it…" The usual MGCC jokes & mayhem ensue… *Between this comment and Happensack's descriptive, 'jugg-u-lar' hand motions from a while back, I'm starting to see a theme develop here*.

Lois Gribler, "I will look for clocks that I can use for NAMGAR favors."

Joe Hooker, "I need new mailing covers." Lois moves to get Joe his covers. Terry puts to vote, passed.

**Tech Tips**. Dave McCann (holding up a broken clip) "Don't use these for your trailer. Another tip, don't drive through Madison with ear plugs in. Dave Jr. got a \$90 ticket for wearing them." Skip then recruits the McCann Clan for announcing and door prizes at BCD. Anyone who would like to spend any time announcing is welcome to do so. Terry wants a headset with mic that he can wear at the grill.

Tech Tips cont'd. John Wolfe, "Dead Possum Ugly hand soap works really well. Linda says it gets his hands clean, even though his hands smell like French fries. Store will ship."

If anyone has an MGA that has replaced brake sending unit with the Moss ones that last 30 days, now you can change brakes over to electronic type (Bosch-type relay). The pressure relay is not good so you'll have to make your own. Dar has a diagram.

Next meeting is August 24, after the picnic. Usual rules apply for the picnic. Bring covered dish, tables, chairs, grills, etc. Eddie is planning a dart tournament.

Mike Rawls won gumball rallye.

Meeting adjourned at some anomalous, amorphous time that wasn't recorded. I'd like to thank my stand-in for taking notes for me, and since I gave her so much grief in these minutes, these will probably be my LAST minutes, will and testament...