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Dayton, Cincinnati, and Cleveland BCD Pictures

MGCC Picnic Info

From the President

Ron Parks

My monthly weather report to you has rain in Cincinnati, rain on the trip home from Cleveland and a hot but good day for BCD Dayton. We started out for Cincinnati with our tops down, put them up at TGI Fridays in Dayton, put them down when we arrived at the show to sunny skies and then put them up again in a hurry when a rain storm swept through the show grounds. The Cincinnati show certainly was a day of ups and downs. Several of our members received awards and then the Goodman's nearly lost a wheel on the trip home. See article elsewhere in this issue for more details. It was cloudy all day at the Cleveland show, with rain threatening late in the day. My top stayed down until rain hit me somewhere north of Mansfield. I made the right decision to stop and put the top up, because it began pouring just a few miles farther down I-71. As most of you know from my email and an article elsewhere in this issue, four (4) members of our club par-



Southwestern Ohio Centre of the MG Car Club

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 8:00pm. The next meeting will be:

Wed, August 22, 2007

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Upcoming Events

Aug:

22 – Meeting (K of C Hall)
26 – Picnic at the Goodmans'

Sep:

16 – Concours d'Elegance (Carillon Park)
26 – Meeting (K of C Hall)

ticipated in the Cleveland BCD and three of us won 1st place awards. I need to make a correction to results I had sent in my email message: Jeff Zorn's motor cycle is a **BSA**, not a Norton. My apologies to Jeff. Our own Dayton BCD saw a hot day, but aren't we thankful it wasn't as hot and humid as Sunday, the following day, was? We had at least two members win first place awards and several others take home awards of excellence. Thanks to all of you who chipped in to help out! The cars got parked, the burgers got flipped and sold and we all seemed to manage to have a good time too! We did it again! Now we can all reward ourselves with a nice picnic at the Goodman's on the 26th.

And, the driving season is not over yet. VP Dave McCann will be presiding over the August meeting, as I will be missing in action, fishing in Canada. He will be discussing a possible Pub Run/Drive to Rothschild's near Urbana. He will also have information about the Indy show the weekend of September 22-23. And, perhaps a fall tour idea will surface?

Have a good meeting. I'll see you at the picnic.

Welcome New Members

Jim Thomas

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Hamilton, Oh 45011
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'74 MGB GT

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'80 MGB

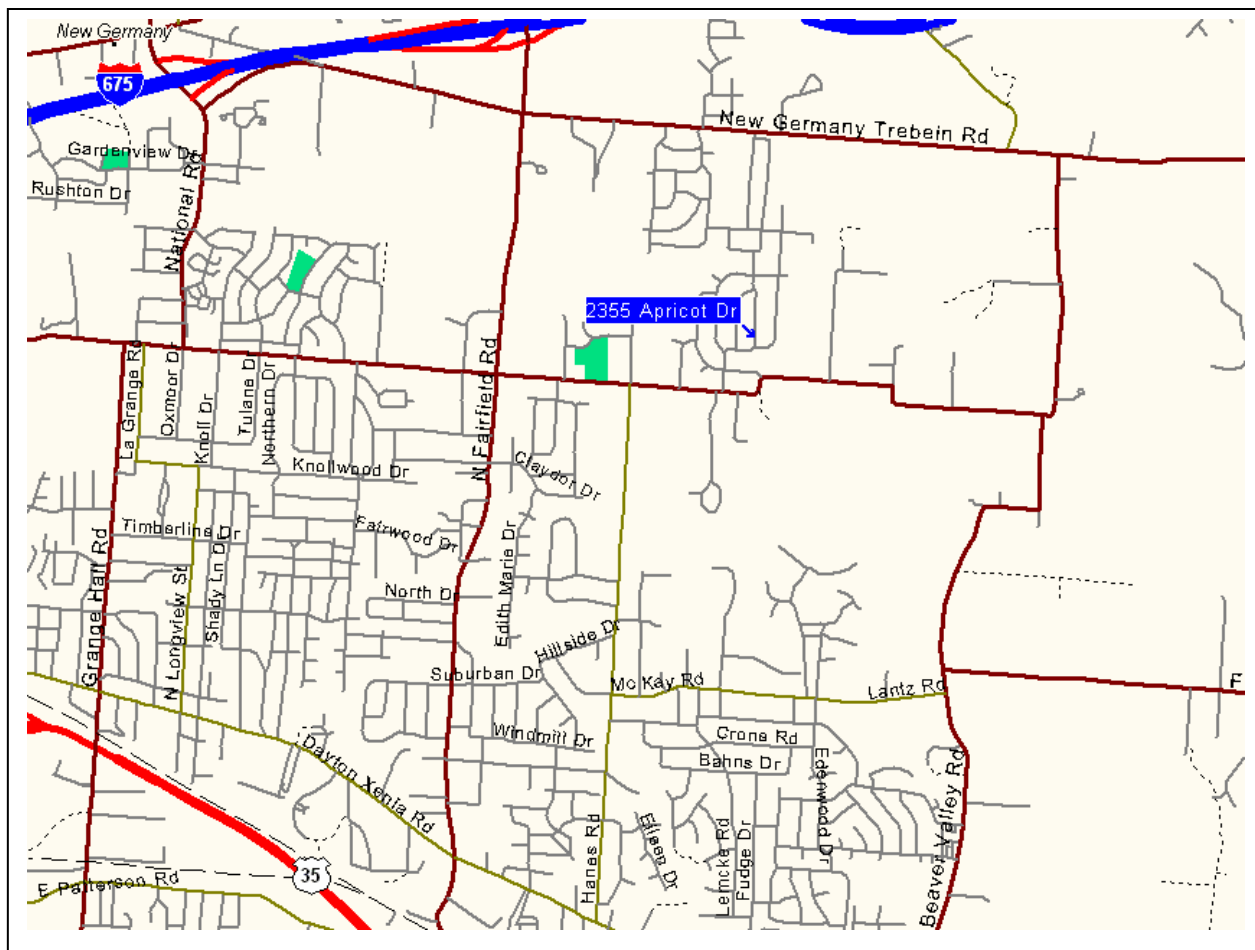
Don't Miss the MGCC Picnic August 26th!!

Date: Sunday, August 26th
Time: 4PM
Place: Dick Goodman's
2355 Apricot, Beavercreek 45431
Phone: 937-426-4161
Bring: A dish to pass and your MG!



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<p>Directions: From I 675: Take the N. Fairfield Rd Exit (Mall exit) Travel South past the Mall and Target (1.4 miles) to Kemp Road (there is a Speedway on the Southeast corner) Turn left on Kemp (0.8 miles) and Turn left on Banyon Turn right on Apricot (second right) and follow the curve around to the left The house is a white brick on the left. Look for MG's</p>	<p>Directions From I-35: Take the N. Fairfield Rd Exit Travel North past Krogers (2.3 miles) to Kemp Road (there is a Speed way on the Southeast corner) Turn right on Kemp (0.8 miles) and Turn left on Banyon Turn right on Apricot (second right) and follow the curve around to the left The house is a white brick on the left. Look for MG's</p>
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British Car Day a Big Hit...Again!!



Cars arriving in the morning



Terry and Fred grilling burgers, brats, dogs, etc, while the rest of us showed off our cars.



Phil Johnson's MGB. Something looked different under the bonnet!



Steve Powell and Dar Planeaux, first place winners last year, in the Premier Class.



Concession workers. The real stars of the show were those who worked hard to make it happen!



MGs, MGs, and more MGs.

BCD 2007 winners

Total number of registered cars 309 (numbers in parenthesis - total at show)

MGT (12)

1. Jim Cooley 49 MGTC
AE. Steve Markman 50
MGTD
AE. Jayne Powell 55 MGTF
1500

MGA (6)

1. Louie DiPasquale 60
MGA
AE. Polly Turner 56 MGA

MGB 63-67 (6)

1. Tony Shoviak 66 MGB
AE. Dave Estell 65 MGB
MGB 68-74 (16)

1. Skip Peterson 72 MGB
AE. Dave Utz

AE. Graham Cooper
AE. Bob & Gloria Cook
AE. Fred Shaneyfelt

MGB 75-80 (19)

1. Eddie Cole 80 MGB
AE. Terry Looft

AE. Dave Edwards
AE. Scott Creigh
AE. Charlie McCamey
AE. Kathy Goodman

MGB/C GT ()

1. David Evans 72 MGB
GT

AE. Terry Schulte

MGC (2)

1. Pat Wasserman

Midget (10)

1. George Chase 70 MG
Midget
AE. Jeff & Carolyn Sigrist
AE. Jim Conrad

TR 2 & 3 (10)

1. Bruce Hogeland 59 TR3A
AE. James Spears

AE. Mark & Tonda Macy

TR 4 & 250 (7)

1. Larry Combs 68 TR 250
AE. Mike Smith

TR 6 '67-'72 (6)

1. Dave Proctor 71 TR 6
AE. Richard Seaton

TR 6 '73-'76 (20)

1. Vic Snively 75 TR 6
AE. Harry Mague

AE. Steve Trego

AE. Roger Vattison

AE. Greg Donegan

TR 7 & 8 (11)

1. Kimmit Renkin 80 TR 8

AE. Ted & Eden Allison

AE. Alice Owen-Clough

Stag (5)

1. Bruce Clough 73 Stag

2. Glenn Minucci

Spitfire I-II-III (5)

1. Mike Ross 68 Spitfire

AE. Roy Owens 64 Spitfire

Spitfire IV (2)

1. Forrest Gwinn 72 Spitfire

Spitfire 1500 (7)

1. Jeffery Barth 76 Spitfire

AE. Kevin Coughlin

AE. Ralph Weiss

AE. Richard Campi

Spitfire '79-'80 rubber

bumper (3)

1. Louis DiPasquale 79

Spitfire

GT 6 (3)

1. Bill Brown 79 GT6

Jaguar XK (2)

1. Ronald MacLean

Jaguar XKE (5)

1. Dick Dearing 64 XKE
coupe

AE. Denise & Adam Fete

Jaguar XJ/Sedans

(8)

1. Richard Copmton 84 XJ6

AE. Joan Wright & Jon

Monies

AE. Terry Atwell

Austin Healey 3000 (7)

1. Larry Beasley 64 Austin-
Healey 3000

AE. Charlie Warner

Austin Healey 100

(3)

1. Greg Sipe 55 Austin-
Healey 100

Austin Healey Sprite (6)

1. Pat & Bobby Duffey 61
Bugeye

AE. Kim Coons

Sunbeams (8)

1. John Engle 67 Tiger

AE. Bob Webb

AE. David Tiettmeyer

Metropolitan (8)

1. Bruce Carter 62

Metropolitan

AE. Rex Current

AE. Karen Turner

Classic Mini (12)

1. Terry Masters 74 Austin
Mini pickup

AE. Joan Jensen

AE. Matt Cook

AE. Marc Palmus

New Mini (7)

1. Tom Pomeroy 05 Mini

AE. Jeff Ellis

Morgan (2)

1. Charles Miller 70 Morgan

Open Class thru 1965 (12)

1. Don Williams 57 Morris
Truck

AE. Steve Emerson

AE. John Beach

AE. Scott Rodriguez

Open Class '66 and later

(9)

1. Phil Johnson 76 MGB
roadster

AE. Mike Bayman

AE. Dave Lawson

Lotus (8)

1. John Ludy 71 Europa
 AE. Steve Veris
 AE. Dave Kushner

Premier Class (12)

1. Richard Davis 59 Jaguar
 XK150
 AE. Scott Fitzgerald
 AE. Doug Ramsey
 AE. Steve Powell
 AE. Bernie Grabow

AE. Ron Parks
 AE. Dar Planeaux

Diamond in the Rough (3)

1. Richard Ludwig 59 TR 3

Motorcycles (7)

1. Thom Douglas 50 Triumph
 AE. Michael Stephenson

Longest Drive

Mel Finch Kansas City

Rangers Choice

Kevin Jensen 61 Morris
 panel truck

Royal Air Force Award

Scott Rodriguez 65 Lotus
 Elan

Taj Ma Garaj Most Unique Vehicle**Best of Show**

Greg Sipe 55 Austin-Healey
 100

A **special thanks** to all those who helped organize, and those who volunteered during the day, and those who did both, to make the show such a success!

MGCCSWOC at Cincinnati BCD

Ron Parks

The MG is all cleaned up, the top is neatly folded and strapped under the boot cover; I'm just going to leave it down, even though it is a little cloudy. That was my thought process as I departed home on Sunday morning July 15, 2007, heading South on I-675 to meet up with the MG Car Club Southwestern Ohio Centre group at TGI Friday's near the Dayton Mall, where VP Dave McCann was to lead the group to the Cincinnati British Car show in Fairfield Ohio. And a very pleasant ride it was--temperature just right, wind in my face and MG exhaust note in my ear! I passed a couple of Triumphs, a TR6 and a TR4A, somewhere between the Wilmington and Rte 48 exits. They had their tops up. Upon arriving at TGI Friday's, where several MGs were already gathered, someone said that radar was showing thunderstorms to the Southwest; exactly where the group was headed. So, we made the collective decision to put our tops up. Although the tops went up, we didn't know at the time that this would actually be the first down of the many up's and down's of the day.

The trip to Fairfield was fairly uneventful, although we lost Bill Hammond when Ole Blue buzzed right on by our rest stop at the Shell station/mini-mart. Remember, we had put our tops up in Dayton fearing rain spoil our trip. Well, just barely a sprinkle on the trip down. We arrived at the show field to blue skies with a few puffy white clouds. Isn't this great, we said. We'll put our tops down for the show. This was another of the up's for the day, followed immediately by another of the downs, as Cathy and Dick Goodman's radiator boiled over on their MGB LE as they pulled into



Jim Conrad, Eddie Cole, Louie DiPasquele & Ron Parks show off their awards.

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the show. We determined that Mr. Lucas was to blame, as the electric fan and several gauges and lights were not working. Several theories were put forth during the afternoon. Dave McCann even called his son, Dave Jr. in Idaho or wherever he was at the time, to ask for help. He looked on a wiring diagram he had with him and suggested jumping power from somewhere and theorized that a relay was most likely the culprit. In the end it was decided that nothing would be done and that the Goodman's would follow Dave McCann home and I would lead the rest of the group separately. The thought was that, at highway speeds the car would run cool enough to get them home. More about the trip home later.

So, the cars are parked and on display. Tops are down, bonnets (hoods) are up, boots (trunks) are emptied and opened and we're walking around looking at all the cars and voting. This is definitely another of the up's of the day. However, it didn't last long. Dark clouds rolled in. It started to sprinkle, then rain. We all ran back to our cars, quickly put the tops up and put everything back in the boots. Everything got wet. Most of us sat in our cars until the rain stopped, although some went to the registration tent or other shelter. It rained for maybe 15 – 20 minutes at the most. Another down! The rest of the afternoon was nice, but I wasn't about to put the top down, yet again. Besides, everything was wet.

There were some very unique cars at the show: A Diamler 2 seater, a 1936 AC 2door coupe with a rumble seat and a Jowett Jupiter. Most of us were unfamiliar with these cars, but Bill Hammond was aware of just how rare they are.

After the votes were tallied, our club had three first place awards and three awards of excellence to take home. Eddie Cole won first place in the MGB Rubber bumper class with his beautiful MGB LE. Louie DiPasquele took first place with his MGA and I won the first place award in the MGB Chrome Bumper class. Awards of excellence went to Larry Youngblood in the MGB Rubber bumper class, Kip Sloan in the MGB Chrome Bumper class and Jim Conrad in the MG Midget class. This segment of the day was definitely one of the up's. With the awards won and the pictures taken, we were ready to head home. Little did we know that another of the downs of the day was about to befall us.

Some left early and went home on their own. The rest were caravanning. As I mentioned earlier, the Goodman's were to stay with Dave McCann for help in case their B over heated. They left first followed by the rest of the caravan. I saw the Goodmans' car pulled over on the side of the highway on I-275 and so pulled over to see what the problem was. Cathy had been driving and said the car was moving so erratically that she could barely control it to get parked off the highway. This was in a construction zone with narrow lanes and a cement barrier in the center; a very bad place to have to stop. We looked under the Goodmans' MGB to see if anything looked out of place, such as drive shaft or exhaust loose or something. After finding nothing, Dick Goodman got into the driver's seat and proceeded on, followed by me and the rest of the caravan. After a short time, I saw what I thought was a rock fly from beneath their car. I had to swerve to miss it. Then I saw a lug nut fly off their left




After narrowly missing a tragedy, the Goodmans' MGB is loaded on a flatbed truck for the rest of the trip home.

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rear wheel and the wheel began wobbling. I called Cathy Goodman right away on the radio and told her that they were losing a wheel and to pull over NOW! They did and as you can see in the photo, not one single lug nut was on the wheel. That is how close we all came to tragedy. This is the last down of the day, but I think we can count it as an up, since we all made it home safely. I don't know if I believe in fate or not, but so much could have gone wrong and didn't, that I have to believe it just wasn't our time to go. Had the wheel come off, we all would have been involved in a multiple car pile up. But amazingly, the wheel didn't come off and we were able to get off the highway and call AAA. A police officer came by soon to block the lane while the car was loaded on the flatbed. We have a lot for which to be thankful!

Several lessons come to mind here:

1. Radios are immediate communication as opposed to cell phones, which would have taken too long in this particular situation.
2. If your car is handling erratically, check out everything, wheels, springs shocks, drive shaft; everything; before driving it again. It's doing it for a reason!
3. When you put your lug nuts on your

wheels, check the threads inside to insure nothing is inside that could bind up. Even using a torque wrench may not indicate a true reading if the threads are bound up on rust or something else inside the lug nut.

4. Check the tightness of your lug nuts frequently.
5. Watch out for each other as we drive on our tours.

All in all, we had more up's than down's on the day, as we all made it home safely after enjoying a day doing what we love to do. That is, looking at, driving, and talking about British cars!

And, MGCCSWOC Attends Cleveland BCD

Ron Parks

Four members of the MG Car Club Southwestern Ohio Centre represented our club at BCD in Cleveland on Saturday July 28th. And, three of the four won first place awards. Jeff Fields took first place in the MG T class with his beautiful '49' MG TC, Jeff Zorn won first place with his BSA motor cycle and I won first place in the MGB Chrome bumper class. The forth member to participate was Pete Stroble, who along with his wife Nancy, entered the museum's Sunbeam Imp. This year being the 100th anniversary of Hillman/Sunbeam, there were 30+ cars spread across a couple of classes. They all paraded into the show together. It was a pretty sight! In fact the best of show car was a

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late 30's Sunbeam Minx. This car looks something like an MG TD. While Pete did not place with the Sunbeam Imp, he and Nancy made many good contacts, promoting the museum and mingled well with the Hillman crowd. Attendance was down some this year; there were probably less 200 cars on the show field. It was a good time and the rain held off until the trip home.



Jeff Fields and his 1949 MGTC



Ron Parks and his MGB



Jan and Jeff Zorn



Pete Stroble with the Museum's Sunbeam Imp.
Where's Nancy?

Classifieds

For Sale: 1973 MGB Red. Great condition, nothing mechanically wrong with it that I am aware of. New leather interior, new chrome bumpers, new springs, new shocks and new bushings, plus the previous owner had the engine rebuilt. A great little car. I need the garage space for another car.. I have \$9500.00 invested in the upgrades but asking \$7500.00. rayflanagan@windsteam.net or 440-864-4476.

For Sale: 1959 MGA 1600. Not running but not in terrible shape. It's been garaged since it was last driven in the late 70s; a perfect vehicle for a restoration. Asking \$2000. (937)416-7167.

For Sale: Aftermarket hard top for an MGB made by Dynacraft. Nice condition, black both in and out with plexiglass windows. Asking \$250.00. 614-879-5681 (Madison County.)

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For Sale: 65 MGB roadster. White with black interior and wire wheels. Includes hardtop and extra parts. Engine and tranny rebuilt. Solid car, an 8 mechanically, a 4 or 5 cosmetically. Needs some work but runs and drives well. Owner has run out of time and space. Price is negotiable. Owner is looking for someone to save the car, not part it out. Will provide photos by e-mail. Contact Bryan Fite at angus@donet.com.

For Sale: 76 MGB Roadster. Dark blue, solid, no rust, new tires. brakes. For, pics, details, price, etc, contact whammond@woh.rr.com bill (937)434-9967

For Sale: MGB LE, G. Dale Packer, 2624 Sungale Court Lexington, KY 40513, 1-859-967-6888, dale.packer@insightbb.com

For Sale: 1965 AH Sprite owned since 1973 and always garaged, new tires, owner was a professional bodyman and had taken the sheet metal off to restore, most panels restored and some new. Located in Troy, OH. Call Ken Keirsch at 937-339-0487.

For Sale: 1979 MGB LE (Black). Purchased 7 years ago. Garaged since the purchase. At that time, new tires, battery, seats recovered, etc. Since the purchase, new breaks, alternator, battery, rebuilt the carburetor, new rocker panels installed, renovated the interior with carpeting, and other small repairs that were needed, both to the body and engine. Frame has rust on it, both doors showing signs of rust, and a little fender rust. Electrical system needs work or just cleaned up. Runs well. Have had my fun, would like to sell. Car located in Lexington Kentucky. Asking \$2000. G. Dale Packer, 1-859-967-6888 or E-Mail dale.packer@ymca.net or dale.packer@insightbb.com.

For Sale: 1976 MG Midget, approximately 50,000 miles, new top, new tires, new paint and in great shape. \$3,200. Xenia, 937-376-4350 or 937-266-4351.

For Sale: 1977 MGB, Yellow/gold color. New left front shock; tune up; hand brakes repaired; new radiator hose and some other things. Approximately 89,000 miles. I'm asking \$7200 OBO. Paul Webb, 937-778-8615.

For Sale: 1973 MGB. Very original. Blue with black interior and tan top. Very nice condition. Rebuilt engine. Always kept in garage. Must see to appreciate. \$7000. Call Rob Pence, 937-435-4980 or 513-425-9598.

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MG Car Club Minutes, July 25, 2007

Diana Hodges

Meeting called to order at 8:01.

Small crowd tonight... Pres. Parks reported during the **President's Report** that he has pictures of the Pub Run to the Rusty Bucket and the Cincinnati BCD caravan. At said event, Larry Youngblood won an Award of Excellence for his gray MGB. This is the car that was completed by the JVS program as one of their projects. There were 20 MGCCSwOC cars that made the trip to Cincinnati. Louie, Ron, and Eddie Cole won first place trophies. *(If any of this is wrong, blame Secretary, Diana Hodges...)* The Trophies were miniature gas pumps. Ron, "Louie, did you notice that the pumps say regular. Shouldn't they say 'Super'?" Louie, "I prefer regular..." Terry Looft, "I think Louie prefers Ethyl." Ron, "Is that the babysitter's name?" Terry Looft, "Louie wants to pump Ethyl..." *(I make up a good deal, but I can't create banter like that folks...)*

On a more harrowing note, on the way back from the Cincinnati BCD, the Goodmans' almost lost a wheel on I-275. They noticed a bad vibration, Ron was following them, and by the time they got the car pulled over, they had lost all the lug nuts from the driver side rear.

Tech Tip: Check your nuts before every trip.

On another unrelated note, Ron reported that he's leaving on Friday from the Springfield rest stop around 11:15 for the Cleveland Car Show... *(Why do I report on things that happen the weekend after the meeting!?)*

Vice Pres. McCann, "We should limit these convoys to 7-8 cars. They were all over the place... Hammond was on his own little mission - following his GPS *(or was he listening to the voices?)*"

Louie wants to know how to put his top up EASY. Cincinnati was an exercise in practicing putting your top up and down. VP McCann now has an umbrella that plugs into the trailer hitch... "Hey, I had that hitch put on for the "supplies" trailer, I had to do something with it."

Thanks to Bill for putting together the pub run. There were 15 cars that showed up.

Louie Dipasquale, "Ron, how's the triumph coming?" Skip Peterson, "I object..." Terry L. "...out of order..." Ron, "I got new wheels for the MG. I had to borrow some jack stands since I've got 6 stands and 4 of them are already under the Triumph. I also replaced the rubber seals, so now I have good seals on the car." Skip P., "Define 'good rubber seals... on an MG'?"

Vice President's Report: V.P. Dave McCann, "The Loofts' never drive their MG's to the meetings. I think that they should drive some of their cars..." Apparently, during their recent trip out to California, Terry said that they put about 2,500 miles on their car. Round of applause. The Gribblers' are currently in Whistler, British Columbia so they might have a claim to the title of most driven.

Ron met a guy in Enon that has 2 MGAs and a TD. He's a member of the Central Ohio group but Ron's working on increasing his total membership count. Turns out that his daughters actually babysat for the parks when their kids were younger.

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Minutes: Apparently you people don't realize how this works. I don't make mistakes. Someone alleged that there needed to be a correction made to last month's minutes. Rumor mill has it that it was actually V.P. McCann that made the suggestion that Graham give the report in Pounds, not Ron as had been previously reported. Bill Hammond motioned to accept the Minutes. Louie D. Seconded. Eddie Hill, "Huh?" Terry Looft, "Just say no..." Eddie, "Nein..." Minutes Approved. (*Any more corrections will not be accepted.*)

Treasurer's Report was next. Total Income: Membership Dues (\$0.00) + Sweatshirt sales (\$0.00) Regalia (\$0.00) = **A Total Income of \$0.00.** Total Expenses: Octagon News (\$139.82) + Hall Rental Fees (\$45.00) + Gumball (\$5.00) = **A Total Expense of \$189.82. Total Loss to the MGCC was \$189.82,** that when subtracted from our existing Treasury balance of \$1,132.36 equals a new **Treasury Balance of \$942.54.** Bob Charles motioned to accept the report. V.P. McCann seconded. Ed "Zeno" Hill was heard snoring in the corner. Report approved.

Membership: Currently we're sitting at 107 members right now. Steve Rosselle was in attendance. "I was sold when I saw 'beer break' in the newsletter." (*He'll fit right in...*)

At this point, Skip interrupts the meeting with an urgent call from the Gribblers' from British Columbia. Skip's phone doesn't have a speaker phone, so Ron relays: They left Friday at about 7:30 p.m. They arrived in Whistler, B.C. Monday at 2:30 a.m. They averaged 48.5 mph. The only stops on the way out were for an hour and a half because they just couldn't stay away any longer. "You're getting old!" Ryan Looft. And they stopped for two hours to see an old friend along the way. Coming back they stopped and replaced a generator pulley, and a heater valve.

Terry L, "Hell, we replaced one on top of a mountain!" Exhaust, Oil and fuel leaks were also repaired. About 100 cars total were in attendance. There were 5 coupes, 4 twin cams, a Sebring car from 1960 and EX 186. Dave McCann Jr. is there, Dar and Mary Planeaux are expected to arrive tomorrow. Dave G., "Haven't had to use the head gasket yet..." Carole Looft, "Are you going to be home tomorrow?" The Loofts' just returned home from their trip on Monday and reported going through 2 heater valves themselves. Skip, "Who needs those things. Ought to just put a blanking plate over the hole and be done with it."

V.P. McCann, "Next year, both National shows are in PA. NAMGAR is Seven Springs.

NAMGBR is going to be in Valley Forge in conjunction with the MGC Nationals." Mark your calendars. Dave McCann volunteered to lead the caravan. (*Dave, Dave, Dave... you're V.P. You know how we do things around here...*)

Sunshine Committee is next. Skip P., acting in proxy for Jennifer, "We haven't heard anything about anyone." Dick Smith, "Matt Schneider's still in the nursing home. Apparently uncontrolled diabetes and he's not making a lot of progress."

Newsletter. Newsletter Editor Steve Markman, "With all of the events that I'm hearing about, I should be seeing a lot


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more pictures. If I don't use them in a month or so, then kick me or do something else to get my attention.”

Tonight, in a special guest starring role, The Hankey's show up acting in the role normally performed by the Gribblers...

Activities:

Aug 2-4: British V-8 meet in Willoughby Ohio

Aug 5: Car show in Lebanon.

Aug 9-12: MG Summer Party at University Motors.

Aug 26: Central Ohio MG Owners

Aug 26: Goodmans' Summer Picnic.

Sept 16: Concours

Sept – 20-23: TR 6-pack in Hershey, Pennsylvania

Weekly events:

British Breakfast Club meets the first Saturday of every month at the Quaker Steak and Lube.

Every Friday there's a Cruise-in at the Dayton Mall

Bob Charles motioned at 8:32 for **Beer Break!**

8:55 – Beer breaks over – Stop drinking beer!

Old Business: Stuff's still for sale... Window decals, sweatshirts, etc - see Carole Looft.

BCD: There was a BCD meeting yesterday evening. Currently there are 172 cars pre-registered. Last year we had 156 by this point. We're probably going to have 13-15 vendors... Terry L. “We're going to turn this into a real event if we're not careful...” Skip, “What we need is ice and croc pots. We're going to have a special on chili dogs ‘\$.25 for the chili dog - \$1.00 to get you to the hospital...” Friday night is of course the bag stuffing at the park. Be there around 6:30. Last year we had 334 cars on the show field, Louie, “Does that count Spitfires?” Terry, “We're looking for numbers, we'll count anything.” Phil Johnson, “Does that count Miatas?” Club, “NO!”

Concours was next on the agenda. There was a meeting the other night and they got together and walked through the park. Gloria Jones Hacker did the artwork.

Supplies Trailer. Carole Looft. was thinking that we should hold off on the decals if we're going to strip the trailer and work on it. Maybe we could get together and do the stripping ourselves...” Ryan L., “...you mean the car right?” Ron, “I hope it's warm in that building.”

New Business: Loofts tell tales of their trip to California. They drove out to Napa Valley then drove back...” Everyone in attendance received a little bag and the ceramic plaque. Pike's Peak was closed due to heavy fog. It was hot. It was a California show, mostly, with about 150 cars. A Georgia couple got the award for longest drive. They did get a certificate for going over 2000 miles. The Loofts' actually drove 3000+ miles due to some sightseeing on the way out.

Museum of British Transportation: Last Sat. was the open house. There are two cars that belong to Thomas Melville, a Triumph roadster and a Daimler. They were in attendance and enjoyed the showing. The Museum put in a bid on a building on Clinton St. and the bank accepted the offer. They now need to arrange financing to secure the deal. The building has about 9,000 Sq. Ft. total. About 6,000 easily

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usable, the other 3,000 can be reworked into usable space. The raffle car went to Cincinnati and they sold tickets for it down there. The Sunbeam Imp is going to Cleveland to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Roots Group.

Jennifer and Skip went to Elkhart Lake to go to the vintage races. (*I see that being retired has it's advantages...Geez...*) Skip reports that Road America is great, "...it's beautiful. The town's got about 7 streets and about 1200 residents. Friday night there's a Concours in town for the race cars. They just fired up at the track, and with a police escort, just drove them into town. There was a class for vintage grand prix F1 cars. There were 21 cars on the track with an estimated value of \$50 million. It was great!"

VP McCann motioned that the club furnish a keg for the Goodman's picnic. Louie seconded the motion. Carole, "Dick's got a Kegerator. We might want to check with him to see what he'd prefer. Full keg, pony keg, quarter barrel..." All people voted on the motion and agreed to pay for Goodmans' keg regardless of what the actual type of keg is.

Note to Graham: 2 kegs for BCD will be listed as "refreshments" and "operating expenses".

NAMGBR sent us advertising cards. If you know of any vendors, grab a card.

For Sale: Bill Hammond's selling Old Blue. He put an ad in the Dayton Daily and he's already received two e-mails...from China he thinks...

Dick Smith - The day of the BCD, the Mini club is having a drive in movie in Kettering. If you're interested, call Dick. Mini Court in Kettering is the street. They're showing the Italian Job.

Tech Tips - If your starter switch fails, Steve will sell you the right part to fix it.

Gumball Rallye - Bonnie Hankey won

Motion to adjourn by V.P. McCann. Louie seconded, meeting adjourned at 9:27.

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