THE

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Newsletter of the M.G. Owners Club & the Peninsula T Register The Northern California Centre of the M.G. Car Club





Kimber Run. Photo Bob Stine

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About The Octagon and MGOC...

The M.G. Owners Club, formed in 1957, is the Northern California Centre of the M.G. Car Club, formed in England in 1930. The Peninsula T Register was formed in 1973 and is now an informal sub-group of the MGOC. We receive a copy of the MGCC's *Safety Fast*, available to members on loan from the Corresponding Secretary. The club is also associated with the North American MGB Register, the North American MGA Register, and the New England MG T Register. The MGOC holds a business meeting on the second Thursday of each month at an event known as the "Natter and Noggin" in the style of English clubs. *The Octagon*, our newsletter, is published monthly by the M.G. Owners Club. Opinions expressed in *The Octagon* are not necessarily those of the MGOC, its members, or Board of Directors.

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RECRUITING MEMBERS FOR THE MGOC

Have you helped recruit any new members lately? Bob Stine (650-349-5128) is in charge of new member recruitment and can send you flyers. The club roster is available to members from Mike Jacobsen upon request.

Forthcoming Events

MGOC in bold, SSTS: Sorry Safari Touring Society

May 5-6 - Vintage Auto Racing; Moss British Extravaganza, Buttonwillow

May 6 – Hillsborough Concours

May 10 – MGOC Club Meeting & Natter, page 23

May 12 – MGs by the Bay, San Leandro, page 7

May 18-20 – North Meets South, Paradise Club, Santa Ynez, CA

May 20 – All British Motorcar Show and Swap Meet at Dixon, page 19

May 20 – Delta Tour with the SSTS

May 20 -- Day on the Green Car Show, Los Gatos, page 21

May 12 – MGs by the Bay, MGOC, San Leandro

May 26 – June 1 – British Car Week. Get Out and *Drive!*

June 2-3 – Wine Country Classic, Vintage Racing at Sears Point

June 8-10 – Open Roads 2007, Lake Tahoe www.goldengatehealeys.com

June 17 (Sun) – **Tour Training Session/Trial Run** (for *MG2007*), North Bay, Mike Jacobsen

June 16 – **Dyno Day II**, Z Cars, San Jose, page 11

June 23 – English Countryside BBQ (See the April Octagon.)

July 2-6 – GoF West, Park City, Utah, Area clubs caravan

July 16-20 – *MG 2007* in Sonoma County, See *www.MG2007.org*

July 23-27 – NAMGAR GT-32, Whistler, B.C., MGOC caravan?

Aug. 11 – **MGOC Picnic**, Peninsula, Bob Stine

Aug. 11 – Classic Yacht and Car Show, Marin Yacht Club

Aug. 17-19 - Monterey Historic Races; Pebble Beach Concours, etc.

Aug 26 - Miniature Golf and East Bay Tour, John Hunt

Sept. 8 – **Possible Swap Meet**, All British, Shockey/Grossman

Sept. 8-9 – Palo Alto British Field Meet

Oct. 20-21 – Autumn Classic, San Juan Bautista, **SSTS/MGOC** caravan

Nov. TBD - Kart Races, MGOC, Bob Stine, Go Kart Racer in Burlingame

Nov. TBD – Canyon Tour, MGOC, John Hunt

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President's Ponderings...

Ramblin' on the Ranch – As was pointed out by the Editor last month I took some time off and went to Austin, TX. My daughter has lived there for some time and my younger son moved there recently, so I got to visit both families at the same time. It was pretty hectic because I was running back and forth between the houses and we took numerous excursions.

One of the excursion was through "Inner Space", a large cavern that was discovered under the freeway. It was fun, traipsing around underground and looking at all the formations there.

My other son is planning to visit the week before MGs by the Bay and will attend the show with Joanne and me. We're looking forward to spending time together again. He lives in Delaware. Having kids who live so far away is difficult but it makes it really special when you finally get to visit.

Adrenaline flowing towards MG2007 – The planning committee for this national event has started meeting every two weeks now to make sure everything will be ready for our visitors from all over the country. (I understand a group is coming from Canada and we'll even have participation from people traveling from England!) It's fun to read MGB Driver (the official publication of NAMGBR) and see so much excitement about the upcoming affair. Everyone involved is demonstrating an adrenaline rush in preparation for the many events and drives.

Upcoming Events

MGs by the Bay is nearly here! The MGOC will be celebrating our 50th anniversary at the show this year. Mike Jacobsen has designed a commemorative badge that I think you'll find very attractive. We've come up with a number of nice new pieces of regalia for our anniversary and for the MG2007 national event. A number of our members prepared for the upcoming Valve Cover Racing at the show. The tech session in March gave members the guidance they needed to create their valve cover racers and give them a decided edge.

Slot Car Racing Seems to have Run its Course – We started meeting at the slot car racing track across from The Englander prior to our monthly meetings a few months ago. Initial attendance was very good, but last month only a few members participated so we decided to leave the cars "in the pits" for awhile.

Time to Gear Up for Summer Activities – As you can see by looking at the "Forthcoming Events" elsewhere in this issue of *The Octagon*, these are just a few of the many activities we've developed for you this summer. Don't sit home and wish you were doing something fun...come on out and join us!

Fraternally, Bob Stine President, MGOC rastine@rcn.com

From da Ed...

Well, it is the end of April and to me that means it is time to get ready for MGs by the Bay which is now a little more than two weeks away. I have tried to get the car washed and cleaned the last two weekends but something always manages to be more important. With any luck I may even get to put a coat of wax on it for the show. Of course my procrastinating has nothing to do with getting the job done.

MGs by the Bay is always a great time to see some rarely seen club members (you know who you are!) and to also see some non-members who drive in just for the show.

As I sit here and think for a minute I figure this will be my fourth MGs

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by the Bay show as a member. I attended one at Jack London Square and all of the shows at San Leandro, I remember Jack London Square for the opportunity to go off and walk around a little and find something to do during the day. That was kind of important when my kids were younger and needed to be entertained on a regular basis. To me, San Leandro offers the perfect atmosphere with a beautiful view and cool breeze off the bay. As long as you like Mexican food, what more could vou ask for?

So whether you are a regular member or a rarely-seen member, or a non-member who just reads the Web site and comes to MGs by the Bay for a day of fun, see you at the show!

Let's Ride, Bob





8:30-10am: Registration 10am-2pm: DJ Music

2:00pm: Awards

Info: Dan Shockey (408) 923-3927

Bob Stine (650) 349-5128





MGs by the Bay

San Leandro Marina Saturday, May 12, 2007

This year's poster by Dan Shockey features the TC belonging to club member Steve Plath of San Anselmo as photographed by Nancy Shane. T-shirts feature a similar car design rendered by Nancy.



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MG 2007 Hotel Sold Out

by Dan Shockey, MG 2007 Committee

The North American MGB Register's annual meet, MG 2007, will be held in the Wine Country just north of San Francisco, from July 16 to 20, 2007. Participation appears good judging by the number of reservations made at the host hotel, the Doubletree Sonoma Wine Country, located in Rohnert Park, California. The pre-arranged number of rooms has already been reserved, causing the organizers to seek additional rooms from the Hotel, with still four months until the event. There are other hotels and motels near the host hotel and a KOA campground with cabins.

Clubs from the western United States are planning caravans to the event. At least two are planned as "roll-up" caravans, picking up additional MGs along the route. These roll-ups are planned starting from San Diego and from British Columbia. Since the North American MGA Register is holding their annual event, *GT-32*, the following week in Whistler, British Columbia, some participants are planning a loop to attend both events.

Event tours will get us out on the fabulous sports car roads of wine country. The *Mille de Mendocino* is an all-day tour along the coast north to the quaint village of Mendocino. The return trip will take us through the incredible redwood forests of California's north coast. Participants get a numbered rally plate. Other tours will be less ambitious and will take us to the widely varied destinations of coast beaches, coastal mountains, redwood forests, wine growing areas, and San Francisco.

Other events include tech sessions, including a "rolling tech session" by John Twist of University Motors, the car show, concours judging, valve cover races, and a gymkhana. A special event is a gourmet cooking class offered at Ramekins culinary school. The organizers are planning many special touches such as a caricature artist at the car show. Event banquets will include one at the historic Union Hotel in the tiny town of Occidental. Car show classes will include other British cars and other MG models besides the featured Midget and MGB variations. Any MG model with five or more in the show will have its own class. We expect to have classes for MGAs, MGCs and MGTs.

The MG 2007 organizers want even more MG people to come out. It is not too late to be a part of this fun event. Contact one of the organizers if you have questions or trouble making reservations. Our web site is www.MG2007.org.



Dyno Day Report

On April 21, a good group of MG enthusiasts got together at *Z Cars* repair shop in San Jose to test our cars on their rolling dynometer. The weather had threatened to dampen the BBQ and attendance but the rain held off and we had a lovely day.

We had an unusually good selection of MGs present: a standard late-model MGB, chrome-bumper MGBs, a Rover V8-powered MGB/GT, a supercharged MGB, an MGC, and a supercharged MG TC. We had expected a couple MGAs but the weather must have kept them away. *Z Cars* focuses on Datsun/Nissan Z cars and other a few other Japanese performance cars including some interesting drive train conversions. Thus they are familiar with cars like ours and SU carburetors. They are genuinely interested in the MGs.

The bad news was that the dyno computer quit working after we had done only three cars. Bill Webb's TC was on the dyno but we were unable to get readings for his supercharged car or for the other cars waiting. The 1947 TC was the oldest car they had ever put on the dyno. Perhaps the technology was not compatible with the computer. I had hoped to print a comparison chart of the various horsepower results. As expected the V8 was not huge on horsepower but had bags of torque.

Club member Bill Hiland of *On the Road Again* arranged the event and brought specially-made sausages and grilled them for us. Z Cars provided coffee, donuts, and muffins.

I think we had a good day and learned something. Thank you to Bill and to Z Cars. - Dan Shockey

Update: Dyno Day II scheduled: Saturday, June 16



Ready to Run, Dyno Day, Bill Hiland photo

The Cecil Kimber Birthday Run

Otherwise know as Fog Filled Fantasy Adventure

By Bob Stine

Never let it be said that MGOC members don't have game – at least not about the eight members who participated in the Cecil Kimber Birthday Run Saturday, April 7.

The much-ballyhooed tour was the brainstorm of Randy and Melissa Grossman.

As I pulled up in front of Grossman's house I noticed Ken Gittings parking his car a little down the street. As I waited for him to join me he commented that he couldn't find the address on Grossman's house. Since I've been there before I showed him which one it was. Meanwhile, Betty and Joel Johnson arrived and we all approached the house together.

"Aw, no!" Randy exclaimed as he opened the door." I was trying to get a hold of everyone and tell them we'd postpone the drive. It's supposed to rain today."

Not easily deterred, we convinced Randy we should continue with the plans. Soon thereafter, Marian and Tony Curto joined the group. Randy put the top on his MGA and the game commenced.

Before starting the drive, Randy conducted a one-question quiz about Cecil Kimber and the history of the MG. Marian, a self-proclaimed over achiever, was quite disappointed when Ken answered the question and was awarded the promise of a free lunch after the drive.



The hearty bunch of MGOC members on the 1st Annual Cecil Kimber Tour.
Next year will be drier!

Photo: Bob Stine

We drove for about twenty minutes before Randy's prediction gained credence. Fog rolled in so thick that we couldn't see more than 200 yards ahead.

We parked at a vista point on Grizzly Peak; announcements of the tour promised the greatest view in the Bay Area from this point – "...On a clear day you can see four bridges which cross the Bay," promised the promotion.

What we actually saw was ... a gray wall of fog.

We all agreed that this truly was an adventure and worth the time and trouble. While assembling for a group photo with (hidden) Oakland in the background we were informed that Marian and Tony's MGB didn't have a top... or windshield wipers. Now, **that's** an adventure. Yours truly was just too lazy to install the top on his car. Hence, while Randy and Melissa with their top installed and Ken, Joel, and Betty in their MGB GTs basked in the warmth of their cars Marian, Tony, and I continued to be pelted by large water droplets that had formed on the trees overhead.



Photo: Bob Stine

Zachary's Pizza in Berkeley proved a welcome respite from the dank weather. While we consumed deep dish pizza and soft drinks, the sun emerged and we were able to return home in relative good weather.

Thanks to Randy and Melissa for taking the trouble to create this tour.





MG 2007 Donations

Want to contribute to MG 2007 but can't find the time? Wish you could find the perfect way to help out the club? Why not donate that special MG part or car related product to MGOC to auction at MG 2007? Perhaps you have a business or know someone that can donate something to the club. We are looking for anything and everything that can be put into a silent auction. If you have extra car parts or new un-opened supplies please consider donating them to the club. While we can't give you a receipt for your 2007 taxes they are still going to a good cause. For details please contact Dan Shockey, 408-923-3927; or Sam Gearhart, 510-530-2267.



Photos by Bill Hiland

Dyno Day Photos



Rover V8 Engineered by owner Robert Milner



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http://wheels.blogs.nytimes.com/2007/04/26/chasing-the-quintessential-british-sports-car/

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New Members

Robert Pinder of San Jose has joined the MGOC. Robert has a '69 MGB that he's owned for a year, and he found us through a copy of *The Octagon*.

Mark & Nancy Malarin of Novato joined the MGOC. They are the original owner of a '75 MGB, and he knew about us from his North Bay British Car Club association.

Gary Crispino found us on the Web. He has a '75 MGB that he's owned for a month, and he's looking for people in the Club that can give him restoration ideas for his car.

Ron Simi has a '73 MGB tourer and a '79 TR7 convertible. He's had the MGB for 34 years and the TR7 for 28 years, and that sounds like "since new."

Welcome to the Club!



Minutes of the MGOC Meeting April 12, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. by President Bob Stine. Also present were: Dan Shockey, David Wright, Mike Jacobsen, Bob Trencheny, George Steneberg and Eric Baker.

March minutes accepted as printed.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: *MG2007* registrations are coming in, greatly boosting the current balances.

<u>Registrar's Report</u>: We have three new members for a total of 277 members. (212 regular memberships.) About half the new members saw us on the internet.

<u>Secretary's Report</u>: Dan sends email notices and reminders as required. We should have a back-up for when Dan is unavailable.

<u>Corresponding Secretary</u>: George is shredding credit card applications for the Club officers. The Air Systems Car Show in San Jose is Sept. 15. Bob Stine reported that new smog legislation seeks to make owners of cars that are over 15 years old get smog tests every year.

<u>Regalia Report</u>: David sold more Club clings. Dan brought the old club badge from Brian O'Connor and took two of the new badges for him to offer for sale, primarily to promote the club. Mike Jacobsen is working up a design for us on pins, stickers or patches. (See below.)

<u>The Octagon Report</u>: Bob's computer crashed but *The Octagon* went out on schedule. We now have three full-page ads that are taking a lot of space. We should reconsider rates for next year. Adding another sheet of paper takes us to the 2-ounce rate. We are printing fewer copies since so many get it by the internet. We now mail about 130 copies but postal rates are going up soon.

Web Site: The site was down a couple days recently. Let Bob T. know if you notice that. Mike asked that Robbie put the Club logo on the main page. Dan to send Bob a Club logo with a clear background. Bob plans to drop the sign-up since it doesn't really do anything.

PAST EVENTS

Napa Winery Tour: Led by Marla and Andy Preston. This was a test for MG2007. We encountered some problems so it was useful. A couple folks suggested that we eat at the V. Sattui Winery rather than split up in Calistoga.

<u>TD Wiring & Valve Cover Racers Tech Session</u>: (March 24) Robert Milner brought his just-completed new track. It was top-notch. We built a few racers and had fun running them against Robert's trick national event-winning racer.

Cecil Kimber Tour: Despite an emergency with one of Randy and Melissa's dogs, the event was run anyway. The turn-out was small due to bad fog. We encountered a lack of email capability since Dan was out of town. Ken Gittings won the surprise prize, a free lunch.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

<u>Dyno Day (April 21)</u>: Dan reported that room was still available. Bill Hiland's new business, On the Road Again, is providing a grilled lunch.

OLD BUSINESS:

50th Anniversary Regalia: We decided to push to get some items to sell at *MGs by the Bay*. We tentatively agreed to get 1" pins and a 3" dash plaque. Mike will send ideas and cost information to officers by email so we can get these done in time.

<u>MGs by the Bay Shirts</u>: Dan brought the design from Nancy Shane. Colors are black, green and tan and is similar to the poster design. We voted to put the image on the back and the club logo with the 50th anniversary tag in black & white on the front. This will add about \$1 to the cost of each shirt.

<u>MGs by the Bay Sale Items</u>: Since we located the left-over dash plates, and since we have left-over award wooden bases, we voted to assembly collections of the dash plaques on the bases and to sell them for \$20 each at the event.

<u>MGs by the Bay Awards:</u> Bob Stine has ordered these. We will put sponsor names on the small plates as usual. He showed us a new idea for making the plates useful for future events. The awards will be on 7" x 9" bases.

Event Insurance: The certificate is not here yet but is expected soon.

50th Anniversary: We have long discussed what, if anything, to do to commemorate our 50th anniversary this year with memorabilia. We are leaning toward a special dash plaque. Mike will have a proposal for the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>MG2007</u> Budget: Someone had asked whether the event had a budget. This was set up early in the planning. The event has its own budget, own bank account and own money, completely separate from the MGOC accounts. Mike has done an update to the budget based on current expectations. (*MG2007* meeting on Sunday. We are meeting every two weeks now.)

Music for MGs by the Bay: Bob Stine brought a printout of planned music for comment.

<u>Cecil Kimber Birthday</u>: It was duly noted that the meeting date was Cecil's birthday so we offered a toast to The Founder.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

<u>Slot Car Racing</u>: We decided not to do the slot car racing in May. We will be busy with stuffing *MGs by the Bay* packets.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. The next business meeting is to be held May 10, at the Englander.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Shockey, MGOC Secretary

All-British Meet at Dixon Sunday, May 20, 2007

Don't forget this big event. Lots of great cars, food, raffle prizes, a big swap meet. It is a bit of a drive but not far from folks in the East Bay. And you get to park on the grass in a country fairgrounds setting. See www.unscc.org





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Nanjing MG Production Update

Nanjing MG Motor Company expects to export its first cars in the second half of 2007. The company rolled out its first Chinese-made MG sports cars in March. Yu Jian Wei, president of Nanjing Automobile Group, said that Nanjing would add a new MG model later this year and another in 2009.

Nanjing MG has annual capacity to make 200,000 completed vehicles and 250,000 engines.

Eastern China-based Nanjing MG hopes to re-open MG Rover's mothballed plant at Longbridge in the English Midlands by May, to produce 15,000 cars a year – a little more than a tenth of MG's pre-collapse output.

Nanjing MG leaders have said the company may sell as much as a 50 percent stake to outside investors to help fund its expansion. The firm would need 2-3 billion yuan to increase capacity in the next several years.

Nanjing Auto began life as a military garage in 1947, and has said it hopes to sell 200,000 vehicles in five years' time.

It said last year that it would also build MG-brand cars at a plant in Oklahoma, making it China's first carmaker to assemble vehicles in the United States. Some reports have indicated production at the Oklahoma plant is scheduled to begin by late 2008.

Day on the Green Car Show

Sunday, May 20th

MGOC members have been invited to the Day on the Green Car Show at Lexington Elementary School in Los Gatos. This annual show has no entrance fee and has a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place Peoples Choice Award. All participants will receive a certificate of appreciation and a free meal for coming out and displaying their cars. The show is from 2:00 to 6:00 pm on Sunday May 20th. For details check the web site: http://tinyurl.com/2b2stx



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1968 MGB: Pretty British Racing Green with tan soft top. 92K mi. Runs very well. Includes: Sony Stereo, chrome wire wheels, and good tires. At 77K mi. (2002) rebuilt master cylinder, new brake lines, new exhaust, new carbs, leaf springs, rebuilt front suspension, replaced rear, and new wheel bearings. Rebuilt head. Tonneau cover. Records available. \$10,000. Member Dan Hampshire, Berkeley, (510) 843-5912.

1963 MG Midget for Restoration: Mostly straight and rust free and has wire wheels. Side curtain car; disk brakes. \$200. Member Dan Shockey, (408) 923-3927, mgmogul@earthlink.net

Parts:

Wanted MGTD engine in rebuildable condition for a friend. Member Robert O. Lange 650 341-6383, *rokmlange356@sbcglobal.net*

Aftermarket MGB hardtop: Flashy. Keep warm & dry! Member Eric Baker, Oakland, 510-531-7032.

Wanted MG TD Seat Slider: Member Walter Kilik (408) 996-0385, wallylk@juno.com.

MGB/GT wire wheels: Set of four. For Sale. Member Ken (510) 791-8445

MGB/GT 5/8 Dia. Sway Bar: For Sale. Member Ken (510) 791-8445

Parting: 1970 MGB/GT. Wire wheels, good hubs, most parts, clear title. \$500. Member Dan Shockey, (408) 923-3927, mgmogul@earthlink.net

Bolt On Wire Wheel Adapters: Set of 4 from TR4, Use for MGA, MGB. \$125. Member Dan Shockey, (408) 923-3927, mgmogul@earthlink.net

Light Brown Carpet Set – MGB/GT. New. \$200. Dan Shockey

For Sale: Wire Wheel Conversion: All the parts you'll need to convert a TD, TF, or MGA 1500 to wire wheels. Five wire wheels (excellent condition) with mounted tires, complete brake system, using MGA brakes (Superior), including wire wheel drums, shoes, and springs, cylinders, wheel bearings four 4 excellent knockoffs and one spare tire holder and knockoff, 1 MGA differential (excellent) fits TD, TF, MGA\Handbrake cables. All working and in good order. \$1000 for all. (Note Moss Kit \$3,195.) Member: Dick Scardamaglia: (707) 935-0654, scardamaglia@comcast.net.

Club Meeting & Natter May 10, 2007 (2nd Thurs.), 8 p.m.

The Englander, 101 Parrot Street, San Leandro (510) 357-3571 http://www.englanderpub.com/

For the May Natter we will meet at 8:00pm at The Englander. We will not be going slot car racing before the meeting. The members attending the April meeting decided to make slot car racing an occasional event every 2-3 months. Keep watching *The Octagon* and the MGOC web site for the next opportunity to go racing.

From Northbound I-880, take the Washington Ave. exit within San Leandro and turn right on Washington St. Travel 2.2 miles until you see Parrott St. Turn right on Parrott Street. You will see The Englander on your right.

From Southbound I-880, take Davis St. exit and turn left on Davis. Travel 1.3 miles, then turn right on E. 14th St. Travel 0.3 miles, and then right on Parrott St.

We will stuff registration packets for MGs by the Bay following the meeting.

MG 2007 Planning Meeting

Saturday, May 12th at 12:00 Noon

At MGs by the Bay

The next MG 2007 business meeting will be a working lunch at El Torito in San Leandro during MGs by the Bay. This meeting is for the principal MG 2007 officers and interested members. The meeting will last approximately one hour. Please be prepared to quickly discuss agenda items so we can get back to MGs by the Bay.

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