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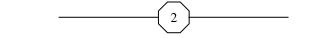






A 1913 Bugatti at the Blackhawk Auto Museum

February 2010



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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Feel free to call these members, who have volunteered to help with purchase, repair, and restoration of various MG models.

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Direct all questions about advertising to Mike Jacobsen at 415-333-9699 or *MikesMuseum@yahoo.com*. 2008 rates are: monthly (yearly): full page \$25 (\$240), half page \$18 (\$175), third page \$12 (\$120), business card \$8 (\$75). All ads expire on January 1, and fees for a partial year will be pro-rated to that date. Deadline for ad materials is the 10^{th} of the preceding month. The MGOC makes no claims as to the reputation or quality of work performed by businesses advertising in *The Octagon*.

MGOC FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Information on the MGOC finances is available upon request from the treasurer.

MAKING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE OCTAGON

Your stories, photos, tips, questions, and anything MGOC-related are always welcome in *The Octagon*. Please make your contributions by the 20th of the month preceding the issue in which you want them to appear. Please email all contributions to *mgowners@gmail.com* or send them to: MGOC, 7230 Silver Lode Lane, San Jose, CA 95120.

RECRUITING MEMBERS FOR THE MGOC

Have you helped recruit any new members lately? Bob Stine is in charge of new member recruitment and can send you flyers. The Club roster is available to members from Mike Jacobsen upon request.

MGOC.ORG

Upcoming events, MGOC history, photos, membership forms, *The Octagon*, and helpful links are posted on the Club Web site at http://mgoc.org.

Forthcoming Events

MGOC Events in bold

Feb. 6 – Annual Dinner, Basque Cultural Center, South San Francisco

Mar. 13 - Electrical System Tech Session, Walnut Creek, Craig Kuenzinger

Mar. 28 – April Fools Rallye, Santa Rosa, Empire Sports Car Association

Apr. 10 – Cecil Kimber Tour over Mt. Hamilton, Randy Grossman

Apr. 16-17 - North Meets South, Pismo Beach, Paradise British Car Club

Apr. 25 - Pacific Coast Dream Machines, Half Moon Bay

May 1 – Detailing Tech Session, Walnut Creek, Craig Kuenzinger

May 8 – MGs by the Bay, Danville Livery

May 16 - Friendship Day, Redwood City, Mid-Peninsula Old Time Auto

May 23 - All British Meet at Woodland (formerly Dixon), UBSCC

May 29 - Jun. 6 - British Car Week

Jul. 12-16 - GoF West, Big Bear Lake, Vintage MG Club



Though we're still firmly in winter's grasp, spring is just around the corner. Today's rainstorms are quickly becoming tomorrow's daffodils. Mired in the present, as we often are, we have but a dim apprehension of what's to come. But with each passing day, our hopes for the upcoming season grow.

For many of us those hopes include sunny-day, top-down, backroads tours to wine tasting. For others, those hopes begin with making the requisite repairs to join in on tours.

Never wanting to disappoint, we have planned tech sessions, tours, shows, and other gatherings for 2010. Almost 20 members gathered at the Annual Planning Meeting to lay out this year's exciting MGOC schedule.

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We start in March with an Electrical System Tech Session, led by our own certified master technician. Craig Kuenzinger (details on page 6). One month later we'll have our first tour of the vear: a combination of our popular Cecil Kimber event and Mt. Hamilton drive. And let's not forget about our annual MGs by the Bay show in May, which returns to the Danville Livery again this year.

Yes, we have a full and exciting schedule laid out. But, there's always room for more. If you have an event idea, no matter how big or how small, please send it our way.

You don't have to plan the event, and the Club will be happy to facilitate it in any way we can. We can even spread the word about small, last minute picnic tours. Just drop us a line. We'll be happy to help.

Please send your suggestions to *mgowners@gmail.com*.

Jeremy Palgon

President's Ponderings...

The Old Groundhog's Shadow

As I'm sure many of you know, good old Punxsutawney Phil back east in Pennsylvania saw his shadow. According to legend it means another six weeks of winter. Not that we've encountered the inclement weather other areas of the country have – torrential rains in the Southeast and all that snow in New England and the Mid-Atlantic states!

However, have no fear; it won't be long before our days are both longer and warmer. Soon it will be time to get our cars out on the road more often. To that end, many members gathered at the Annual Planning Meeting to discuss events for the upcoming year. We had a great turnout and have developed a fun-filled schedule of Club activities. As always, these will be posted on the Web site and published here in *The Octagon*. Be sure to check the events calendar now and again, and plan on coming out and joining us on a tour or at a show. We have events planned all over the Bay Area. I assure you they are exciting and always fun, with all the friends and cars.

I'm pleased to announce that we will again host our annual MGs by the Bay show at the Danville Livery, where we had such a great time last year. Arrangements are already being made and this show promises to be bigger and better.

I'm happy to report that registrations for our Annual Dinner at the Basque Cultural Center are up significantly from the last couple years. I'll be sure to report back on the festivities in a future edition. I am also pleased by the great response we've had so far to the Membership Survey. I assure you the board will closely review your responses and comments, and will act to implement those as we mold the Club, its schedules, and events.

Our club is strong and growing. We added a substantial number of new members during 2009 and, as the saying goes, "the more the merrier". I hope that all of you, veteran or new members alike, will come out, get involved, and experience the fun and camaraderie that is the MGOC!

Regards,

Sam Gearhart



Electrical System Tech Session Saturday, March 13 Walnut Creek

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Ever had problems with the electrical system in your MG?

Want to know how to rid yourself of bothersome electrical demons?

Member Craig Kuenzinger invites you to a tech session on automotive electrical systems. Craig is an ASE Master Technician in electrical (as well as ten other areas of automotive repair), and has been a technical instructor since 1974.

The tech session will cover alternators/generators, batteries, wiring, switches, horns, controls, lighting, and grounds. Craig will discuss and demonstrate how to make repairs and do maintenance. He will also have samples of basic tools and materials on hand. He'll also discuss what to have at home and in your car to handle the common problems of aging British cars with Lucas electrical systems.

The session will be geared to the level of interest of the participants. Craig plans to work on any electrical issues that arrive – so bring your car and its electrical demons.

When and Where: The tech session starts at 10 am on March 13 at the Kuenzinger's home at 1751 Lilac Drive in Walnut Creek.

Contact: Craig Kuenzinger at 925-934-3130 or mrcraigk@aol.com.

ESCA April Fools Rallye Sunday, March 28 Santa Rosa

The Empire Sports Car Club would like to cordially invite you to their 46th annual April Fool's Rallye. Rallymaster Bob "The Beard" Jenkins has devised a scenic and fun 35 mile route for this A-B type rallye.

A rallye is not a speed event. It's a test of a team's ability to follow instructions along the route while looking for signs and situations that fit the definitions of the rallye. There will be a brief rallye school at 11:00 am for all those new to rallying.

When and Where: 10:30 am in the Charles Shultz Museum parking lot, Santa Rosa. (Directions will appear in the March edition.)

Cost: \$15 per car. All proceeds go to charity.

Contact: Bob Jenkins at 707-546-6867 or thebeard@sonic.net.



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NORTH - MEETS - SOUTH 2010 FRIDAY AND SATURDAY APRIL 16 & 17, 2010

Cruzin' In Paradise II In Beautiful Pismo Beach

Come join us on the beautiful California Central Coast for this biennial event. All British cars are welcome and encouraged to attend. The goal of the Paradise British Car Club is that everyone have a great time and display our great little cars. Don't miss out on the fun. Mark your calendar today and tell all your British car friends. See additional details below.

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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Friday: Registration Party at the SeaCrest, 4:00 to 9:00 P.M. Meet and greet other British car enthusiasts, with complimentary beer, wine, soft drinks and Hor'dourves.

Saturday: Late registration 8:00 to 9:00 A.M at the SeaCrest.

Caravan from the SeaCrest Hotel to our scenic car show location. Leave the

hotel for the car show at 9:00 A.M.

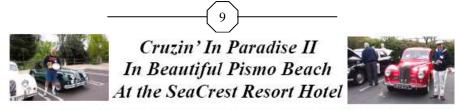
Car show 9:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. A Santa Maria style Tri-tip luncheon will be catered from 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Rally and Scenic Drive: 12:30 to 3:30 P.M.

Awards Banquet at Giuseppe's Italian Restaurant, 891 Price Street, 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. with awards following. (There is space for only 80

NORTH MEETS SOUTH 2010 REGISTRATION FORM

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The SeaCrest Resort sits atop a 150 foot bluff overlooking the California Coastline of Pismo Beach. Golf courses, tennis courts and gourmet restaurants are located nearby, and Hearst Castle and Solvang lie within 45 miles of this property. Pismo sand dunes offer recreational opportunities,

The SeaCrest Resort's amenities include a heated outdoor pool with ocean views, barbecue area, complimentary wireless internet and a sun deck. Guests can enjoy sunbathing at nearby beaches, surf fishing, skin diving or digging for clams. A stroll along the pier affords dramatic views of ocean cliffs.

The SeaCrest Resort offers 160 guestrooms. All Include balconies or patios, flat-panel Tvs with more than 40 High-definition channels, refrigerators, and coffeemakers. Clock radios come with Ipod docking stations. Select suites include jetted tubs and wheelchair-accessible accommodations. Rooms feature views of the ocean, pool or cliffs and coastal mountains.



Hotel Booking Information:

Special event rates--20% discount--obtained by mentioning that you are with the "North Meets South" Event *Telephone: 805-773-4608* Deluxe Ocean View room: \$111.00 Full Ocean View room: \$95.00 Non-Ocean View room: \$87.00 Complimentary Continental Breakfast included with all rooms.

A third night may be reserved on Thursday or Sunday for an additional \$69.00 Rooms must be reserved at least one month prior to the event or the special pricing may not be guaranteed.

Saturday Night Banquet:

Meal "A": Grilled Channel Island swordfish, finished with an Adriatico Salsa...... \$42.00 per person Meal "B": Braciole--Specialty of the House--slow braised Flank Steak, rolled and stuffed with garlic & herbs, simmered in a rich tomato ragu......\$35.00 per person

Directions to the Seacrest:

- From the south from 101: Take the Price Street exit, turn right at the stop sign on to Price Street. Hotel will be on the left.
- From the north from 101: Take the Price Street exit, turn right onto Price Street, follow it to the hotel on the left.







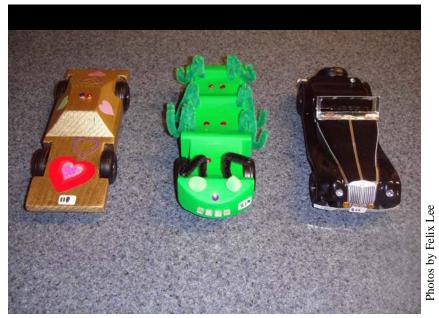
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Stephanie's Goldmobile, Samantha's Catercar, and Felix's MG TF



Photos by Bob Stine



Members discuss the proposed schedule



David, George, Craig, and Ken have a chat



Sam takes care of a spot of business



MG Owners enjoying coffee, donuts, and camaraderie



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Coming Up---Fun in the Southern California Mountains!!

Recharge and renew next July with an exhilarating mountain escape to Big Bear Lake in Southern California, where we plan to hold our 39th GoF West event. The Vintage MG Club of Southern California (with the guidance of the Steering Committee) has planned an exciting week of MG activities in the San Bernardino Mountains of Southern California. GoF West 2010 will be held Monday through Friday, July 12 to July 16, 2010, at the beautiful Northwoods Resort and Conference Center located at 650 Village Drive, Big Bear Lake, California 92315. Big Bear Lake is

located about 144 miles North of downtown San Diego and about 97 miles East of Los Angeles. All roads lead to GoF WEST 2010, none of which require traversing the dreaded LA freeways.



Cascading mountainsides, lush hills, crystal waters, plentiful wildlife, endless hiking trails—all of this will be yours to enjoy, along with the camaraderie of fellow MGers and the fun of the GoF West events. And discover it all and enjoy a refreshing stay at the most popular choice of Big Bear hotels, the Northwoods Resort and Conference Center.

You probably know what the events will be at the GoF, but I'll remind you enyhow: the car display, funkhana, and rally are the three biggies, but we'll also have an orientation early in the week, an auction — be sure to gather up those MG goodies for this — technical sessions, maybe a carless funkhana, first timer's car display, auction, competition in the models, photos crafts and arts displays, awards dinner and concluding with the Winner's Circle on Friday morning — and lots to eat! Central to all of this will be the centrally located traditional Hospitality Suite where old acquaintances may be renewed and new acquaintances made. Hospitality will be opened from early



Dave Bradley & Larry Long

morning into the day serving beverages, snacks, etc. for your enjoyment.

Now, along with all of this, consider what is available close by at Big Bear Lake and the surrounding area: golfing nearby at Big Bear Golf Course, Hiking and Biking over splendid mountainside trails, Horseback riding, Parasalling, Four-wheeling (try this in your TCI), Boating and fishing on Big Bear Lake, and Boutique shopping and dining in Big Bear Village, which is located only a short walk from Northwoods and fea-

tures many dinning and shopping opportunities, several pubs and a microbrewery.

Sound enticing? If you are not sold on this event yet, let us tell you about the hotel. The Northwoods Resort features an attractive combination of classic, rustic and modern throughout the hotel. They have:

- A Fitness Center fully-equipped exercise facility with 5 station universal, incumbent bicycle, Life Fitness 8500 Glidestep, sit-up bench and sauna.
- An Outdoor Heated Pool & Spa open year-round for a warm, soothing dip in the pool even in the wintertime. You won't find that at any other Big Bear resort!
- Over 9,000 Sq. Ft. of Meeting Space sleek event spaces for 10-400, great for all of our GoF meetings and dinners.
- Stillwells Restaurant scrumptious Big Bear Resort dining from dawn to dusk, and Stillwells Lounge – complement any evening with a joyful atmosphere and Happy Hour specials.

All of the rooms will be available for the discounted





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Our Destination: Big Bear Lake

rate of \$124.00 per night with triples at \$134.00, and Jr. suites at \$174.00, plus tax. With 147 rooms available, you will have a choice of accommodations including spacious guest rooms with king size beds, deluxe rooms and executive suites that offer sweeping landscape and hillside views, or opt for something truly special in one of seven spacious suites. Every suite features authentic décor, a full-size wet bar and the inviting warmth of a private fireplace—just look at the photos and I'm sure you will want to come! Soulful wood tones and handcrafted furnishings instill the tranquility of the Adirondack, while useful amenities like wireless high-speed Internet access and on-demand movies offer the contemporary conveniences that you will enjoy. Please refer to GoF WEST 2010 to get these rates.

We'll have more all of about this event in our Spring Gazette, including directions to the hotel and an agenda for the events. But, in the meantime, you need to reserve a room. Call the hotel directly at 1-800-866-3121. Be sure to mention that you are with GoF 2010 when calling. We have 100 rooms reserved, so be sure to call early. You should also register early for the GoF itself; a registration form is included on page 11, or you can register on-line by going to our web site at Gofwest.com and clicking on events to get to 2010 and the form.

For additional information regarding GoF West 2010, please contact Pete & Fran Thelander, 5492 Yale Ave., Westminster, CA, 92683, (714) 892-0703, email <u>pofwest2010@earthlink.net</u> or visit Vintage MG Club of Southern California at their web site <u>http://</u> www.vintagemp.com/.





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Ads are free to MGOC members and \$6.00 per month for non-members. Please send copy (and check **made payable to MGOC** if a non-member) to MGOC, 7230 Silver Lode Lane, San Jose, CA 95120. Members may also email ads to the editor at *mgowners@gmail.com*.

Cars for Sale:

1961 MGA Coupe, 1600 cc engine, 5 speed gearbox. California car, completely restored by third (and present) owner in 2002, rust free, body straight, no accidents, 7,800 miles since rebuild. Original body panels, new front spoiler below bumper. All good original chrome, new rubber gaskets for body and glass. Painted "Paprika Red" (Jaguar color). New clutch slave and brake master cylinders, 2004. Pictures and further information upon request. Asking \$25,000. Contact Member Viggo Riddersholm at (650)341-9064 or *vriddersholm@yahoo.com*, or Gordon Craig at *lismoregordon@sbcglobal.net*.



1974 MG Midget, asking \$8,000. Professional paint and bodywork - 3 years old (color: dark silver metallic). Datsun 5-speed, single rebuilt HIF6 carb, elec. Ignition, Pacesetter header, Monza muffler, Minilite wheels with 185-60x13 tires, upgraded 3/4 inch front sway bar, chrome rollbar, billet grill with bumper guard, stainless steel front brake and oil hoses, cloth seats, excel. carpet and stereo with 4 speakers. Old carbs, rostyle wheels, and trans. included. Runs great and sounds good. Very nice looking with lots of chrome. Conatct Member Mark Hertz at (925) 757-2070 or *damhertz@prodigy.net*.



1949 MG TC British racing green, right hand drive in excellent condition. \$35,000. Contact Member Larry at (415) 999-2362.

1980 Triumph TR8 Platinum Silver. 86k miles. \$12,000. Contact Member Frank Oglesby at (775) 322-5179 or *flogles@sbcglobal.net*.

1973 MGB GT. Nearly completed restoration. I redid the mechanicals, had body and paint done professionally. Upholstery is dark blue cloth as originally fitted. Has two nearly new six-volt batteries, correct rubber mats, and original carpeting. Has refurbished Rostyles with like-new 165-14 Dunlop radials. I have a professionally rebuilt OD gearbox, which is not installed, redone by Jerry Redmon of Napa Valley Auto Restorations. The car does need completion - some interior pieces need to be installed, and it needs some tidying. \$4,500. I'm in Napa Valley. Contact Member Don Scott at (707) 942-0546 or *don@napanet.net*.

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1977 MGB roadster. \$3000. Recent work done by Dan at Exclusive British European includes rebuilt carb. Many parts included in price, including new seat rebuild parts and new roll bar. For more information, visit *http://77mgbforsale.shutterfly.com* or contact Member Craig at *netrider117@yahoo.com*.



1953 MG TD. \$28,000. Purchased in 1972 with a possible racing background. Completely rebuilt in early 2000 and raced since then two or more times per year at Infineon and Laguna Seca. Toured with several sport car clubs in the Wine Country. Contact Member Ferdinand at ferdinands@att.net.



1977 MGB with 54,000 original miles, overdrive transmission, original "Sandglow" paint and autumn leaf interior. Well maintained by third owner. Price \$5,900. Contact Member Ellis at *Bovet177@gmail.com*.



1979 MGB Limited Edition with overdrive, \$5700. It needs a home where it is not a primary car and has cover. It's a nice MGB, therefore original! The car was garaged for 30 plus years. I am the third owner in 31 years. I bought the car recently to restore because I had such fun restoring a MGB GT years ago. Though it is the right car, it isn't the right timing. I'll come back to the restoration hobby when my paycheck returns in a stronger economy! No hack 100,000 miles (3,200 miles per year!) and ticking. Recent tune up and rebuilt carburetor, hoses, newer tires all with original LE Rostyle style wheels (five). Interior good: only one small tear in a headrest. New top with zip out back window. Contact Member Tyler at (415) 518-4048.

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Parts for Sale:

Four 15 x 5.5 Minilite Replica Wheels (Moss p/n 456-045), with appropriate lug nuts (264-965) and 195/65-15 Sumitomo HTR 200 tires mounted and balanced on them. Pristine condition and virtually new. \$600. S.F. Bay Area. Contact Rick at (510) 235-7410 or *cat_tail@comcast.net*.

MG TD parts: complete working transmission with rubber remote cover and metal transmission cover, drive shaft with u-joints, rear end with axles, front and rear shocks, and miscellaneous transmission parts that I picked up in case I needed to do a rebuild. I'm selling these items because I've upgraded my 1953 TD to a Moss Motors 5-speed transmission, MGA rear end, brakes, and rear springs. \$2200 OBO for all. Contact Member Bob Luebbert at (510) 276-0365 or *r.luebbert@sbcglobal.net*.

MGB-RD 1.8 Engine with associated parts, 1969, Engine number 18V890AEL006643. Age/Mileage unknown. I have converted this MG to electric drive, so I don't need the engine or the 4 speed (no-OD) transmission. I'm including the carbs, distributor, plugs, air pump, alternator, radiator, oil radiator, etc. Four speed transmission (no overdrive) also available. Runs well - check youtube - search for "MGengineSale". \$849 OBO. Contact Member Mike at (408) 431-1728 or *mikesdocuments@yahoo.com*.

Wanted:

Pre-1968 MGB roadster. Long-time MG nut seeking early B roadster. My preference is one that is a preserved original or one redone to original specifications; but I will consider most any steel-dash car, depending on its price and its needs. Contact Member Don Scott at (707) 942-0546 or *don@napanet.net*.

Club Meeting Natter & Noggin February 11, 7 pm

The Englander Sports Pub & Restaurant 101 Parrott Street, San Leandro http://www.englanderpub.com/ (510) 357-3571

The Englander is an enjoyable place where we have our own cozy room. The food is good so bring your appetites.

Directions to The Englander:

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 turn right on Parrott Street.



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