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## **OCTAGON**

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















Don Davis' MGB GT Wins at San Juan Bautista

**November 2007** 

Photo Courtesy of Bill Meade

#### 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 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 Events in bold

Nov. 18 – MG Parts Exchange, Fullerton, Vintage MG Club Dec. 2 – **Holiday Party**, San Francisco, Mike Jacobsen Jan. 5 – **Annual Dinner**, The Van's in Belmont, Bob Stine



#### From the Editor...

It seems that this Autumn has found many an MG sitting forlornly in the garage. Perhaps the threat of unpleasant weather, post MG2007 burnout, or simply a desire to sleep in on the weekend has kept people away; but whatever the cause, attendance at club events has been low of late. With the ever popular Holiday Party and Annual Dinner upcoming, I fully expect that to change. I look forward to seeing you there.

After an intensive and exhaustive search by the nominating committee, a full slate of new officers has been nominated for next year. Please use the ballot at the bottom of page 23 to cast your vote.

You may have noticed that I have a recently acquired affinity for panoramic photographs. I do hope you enjoy them. Unfortunately, the inclusion of this month's panoramas left me little room to include another deserving photograph. Like Don Davis' MGB GT (cover photo), Jose Vega's MGB also won an award at San Juan Bautista. Lacking space elsewhere, I present that picture to you below. Jeremy Palgon



Jose Vega's MGB wins at San Juan Bautista Photo Courtesy of Bill Meade



#### President's Ponderings...

#### RSVP...What's That?

I had to cancel the Kart racing in Burlingame. To reserve the track, we needed a minimum of six participants. As of the day before the event the only confirmed participants were myself, Mike Jacobsen, and Lindsay Caffin.

I was as surprised by the call I received that Saturday as the caller must have been when he arrived at the track and discovered we weren't there. He called me to ask where we were.

Apparently, people no longer understand what RSVP means. I don't remember the actual meaning either. I know it's a French acronym and the translation means, basically, "Please let me know whether or not you plan to attend." Why is this important? It is usually requested because the host needs to know firm numbers in order to adequately plan the event.

In this case, without confirmed names the event had to be cancelled. For dinners, parties, and other events the numbers are needed to provide the correct amount of food, beverages, seats, and supplies.

I've been working phone banks for the November 6<sup>th</sup> election for the past month. Volunteers are asked to let us know when they plan to work. Since many didn't, we found ourselves frequently making hurried trips to a restaurant or delicatessen for additional food – or throwing away food ordered for folks who didn't show up.

Please, when someone asks you to let them know your plans, have the courtesy to respond.

#### Brisbane Marina Festival Draws Large Crowd

I went to the Brisbane Marina Festival again this year. I believe they had considerably more people and cars than last year. It was a good time. The car show included many muscle cars and a lot of classic American cars...and three MGs. Viggo Riddersholm showed his MGA and I had my MGB there. The third MG was an "A" owned for two years by Don Milne (not sure about the last name). I talked to him about the club and gave him an application. Hopefully, we'll see him at an event soon.

#### **MGOC Officer Election**

I wasn't able to attend the October membership meeting because I was working at the phone banks. I haven't had a chance to find out what transpired at the meeting. But I'm confident that we have a new slate of officers to be elected in December. Thanks to those who have volunteered to steer the club for the next year!

#### Annual Dinner Jan 5, 2008 at The Van's

Don't forget, the annual dinner will be held on January 5 at The Van's in Belmont. Please RSVP ASAP. Call me at 650-349-5128 and let me know if you plan to join us. It's always a very good time.

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



# The 34<sup>th</sup> Annual MG Parts Exchange



Presented by The Vintage MG Club of Southern California



#### Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2007 7 am to 1 pm

The largest all MG parts exchange in America is located in Fullerton at:

College Park, College of Communications, 2600 E. Nutwood Avenue, Fullerton, California (across the street from CSU – Fullerton)

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Closest Lodging: (across street) Fullerton Marriott at Cal State University,

2701 E. Nutwood Ave, Fullerton, 714-738-7800

Contact: Don Kosup, 714-828-5688, dkosup@aol.com

More Information: http://www.vintagemg.com/parts\_exchange\_info.htm



# **MGOC Holiday Party** & Toy Drive Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1-4 pm



This year's holiday party is in San Francisco. Come on over for some holiday cheer, join us in telling MG stories, and celebrate the season with Club friends. This year the Club is again sponsoring a toy drive. Bring a new unwrapped toy and we will deliver all the toys to a local firehouse that is collecting them.

Please bring a dessert or hors d'oeuvres to share with the Club. If you have a favorite tea, please bring that too. The Club will provide other beverages.

Location: 115 Pinehurst Way, San Francisco

Please RSVP: Mike Jacobsen

Phone: 415-333-9699

E-mail: MikesMuseum@yahoo.com

**From the East Bay:** Come over the Bay Bridge and follow the signs to 101 South toward San Jose. From 101, take 280 South toward Daly City at the interchange past Cesar Chavez Blvd. Exit at Ocean Avenue and take the first right on the exit ramp. Continue west on Ocean for about a mile to Pinehurst. Turn right onto Pinehurst. 115 is on the second block, the third house from the corner, on the left.

**From the Peninsula:** Come up 280 and exit at Geneva Ave. Turn left at the top of the ramp, and follow Geneva until the signal where it tees into Ocean Ave. Turn left onto Ocean and continue west about a mile to Pinehurst. Turn right onto Pinehurst. 115 is on the second block, the third house from the corner, on the left.



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#### MGOC Annual Dinner

#### Saturday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008

No-host Cocktails at 6 pm Dinner at 7 pm

#### The Van's

#### Restaurant on the Hill

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http://thevansrestaurant.com/ 650-591-6525

#### Menu

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#### **Overseas Visitor Dinner**

#### **By Nina Barton**

It's always nice to meet new people. When Bob Stine told the monthly meeting members that he was planning a visit with Lindsay Caffin, a fellow MG aficionado from Japan, it seemed like a good idea to have a group get-together. Bob had mentioned that he was planning to take Lindsay around San Francisco in his MGB roadster, so I suggested that anyone interested meet at Liverpool Lil's for dinner. We thought we might have as many as 10 for dinner, but in the end there were five of us: Lindsay, his wife Karin, Bob Stine, David Wright, and myself.

Liverpool Lil's is an interesting old place. I first discovered it in my days of living in San Francisco in the late 70's and early 80's. It's a dark, pub style place, with that typical San Francisco character - a bit loud, but friendly.

Lindsay told us about long drives through the outback of Australia, and watching out for Kangaroos on the road at night. The distances they drive are quite a bit longer than what we usually do, and there is much less traffic on the roads. David was happy to share stories of the current rebuilding of his MGB race car; and we all swapped our MG stories.

We discussed the newer MGs, which had never been released here, and how that might have made a difference in the fan bases of our two clubs. Apparently clubs are much larger over in Australia and Japan. David and I were quite impressed at the size of the clubs, and their ability to purchase buildings large enough for members to work on vehicles and host tech sessions at. It seems quite different from what we have in the United States.

Lindsay and Karin regaled us with stories of Japan, where she is a teacher at an international school. Lindsay drives an MGRV8, and said that if anyone ever gets to Japan, they should look him up for a ride.

Photo Courtesy of Bob Stine



Left to right: Lindsay Caffin, David Wright, Nina Barton, Bob Stine, Karin

# MG: The International Marque of Friendship

#### By Lindsay Caffin

My wife, Karin and I have been married for 40 years. We are from Adelaide, South Australia, and now live in Osaka, Japan. I enjoyed thrashing around the hills behind Adelaide in an MGTD before I got to know Karin.

We honeymooned in our British Racing Green MGA 1600. Somehow the MGA didn't make it home under its own power; a broken crankshaft on the last leg of a wonderful trip put paid to that. In those now far off days, we were "broke" and it took all our efforts to get the car home and going again.

Life wanders around in funny ways. We spent time in the Outback of Australia, a region not really suitable for MGs (especially older models). MGs disappeared to the backburner, forgotten. We were no different than a million other guys, with families, homes, and college becoming more important.

I retired. For the life of me, I have no idea how I came to think that owning an MG might be a good idea again. I looked at some Japanese sports cars. Maybe I was thinking about reliving my youth, who knows? Karin was not impressed. I think that she secretly wished for a Morgan.

The internet is dangerous and by happenstance the fickle fingers of fate found an MG TD which just seemed too good to pass up. And the rest is history.

But my love affair really started with reading the book *The Red Car*. Find it, read it. I hope that it will re-kindle your memories like it did for me. As a high school drop-out, my only hope of having a sports car seemed to parallel the story line in this book. I had a friendly backyard mechanic and we enjoyed each others company while fixing cars.

Harry Piles' book *Drive 'em till the Roads Dry Up* fired me up. He wrote about driving an MGTC around the world. What a guy! What a yarn! I was hooked. I hope that you get the chance to read this book because he shows what special people MG owners are, especially those living in the USA (who were singled out for their camaraderie and support).

My life in Japan had been pretty dreary until I met up with the MGCC here in Osaka. These guys really know how to have fun. I thank them for taking us into their club and including us in their activities. Here we met Kenji, a really nice guy who supported us in getting to know Japan a little better. Kenji suggested that we meet Bob Stine.

You have to marvel at how the little MGs have overcome the international barriers. Maybe George W. Bush and John Howard should drive one?

Thank you, Bob, for treating both Karin and me to a wonderful time at Liverpool Lil's and, despite the pouring rain, showing us your parts of the world. Thank you also to David Wright, and Nina Barton. I reckon that you both might have some more tales to tell about owning an MG.

Bob Stine, what an ambassador you are, not only for the MG Owners Club but for the USA. Thank you for your wonderful hospitality and for showing us around San Francisco. If any MG club members are ever traveling in our vicinity, please let us know and we will show you around our part of the world, wherever we may be.

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## San Juan Bautista California Autumn Classic



MGs and an assortment of British cars line San Juan Bautista's 3<sup>rd</sup> Street (above)

Photos by Jeremy Palgon



Mission San Juan Bautista (above)

A row of past award winners (below)



# **Brisbane Marina Festival Draws Large Crowd**

#### By Bob Stine

As I mentioned in my Ponderings, I went to the Brisbane Marina Festival again this year. The fun thing about this event is that there are so many different interests represented. In addition to the car show, with its wide variety of cars, there was a boat show, radio controlled car races, boats you could board, and a boat ride around the harbor. Additionally, I saw a plethora of radio controlled boats, displays by artists, the Brisbane Police Department, and other vendors.

Of course, there were several food booths and a couple very large air-

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filled slides for the kids. This year they even had a vendor from Segway of San Francisco. We got to try out the Segway. That was an interesting experience.

I recommend this event. It's a really good change of pace.



#### **Brisbane Marina Festival**

**Photos by Bob Stine** 







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#### **MGOC** in Indiana

#### By Dan Shockey

Three members of the MGOC attended the British Car Meet in Indianapolis in September. Nancy and I came with our 1953 TD; and Dave McCann and his father David McCann brought their red MGB from Ohio.

The gimmick rally/tour on Saturday morning was Nancy's first long ride in the TD. The TD is running really well and I got a new top on it to appease the rain god. Its last tour was through Wine Country and across the Golden Gate Bridge! Dave and David focused on winning the rally while we were content to not get lost. The McCann Clan came in second in the rally. Good job!

We had a stop at a bed & breakfast dedicated to MGs. It was a 150 year old brick home with rooms names like "The TC Room". The roads and scenery were quite nice - though not California, of course. We got to drive slowly around the Indianapolis 500 track that afternoon.

The Sunday Show was on grass across the street from the Indy 500 track. They featured MGAs and T-Series cars this year so the TD got a great spot in the shade all day. The McCanns made their own shade with a large umbrella attached to the trailer hitch on their MGB.

It was a good show of perhaps 200 British cars with good vendors. I enjoyed meeting lots of nice folks. One guy lives near us in Illinois and worked at Caterpillar with Nancy's brother. An old friend and co-worker of mine at Delco (now Delphi) surprised me by showing up. He has an MGB now. Dave proudly displayed his MG2007 tile; and I saw folks there who had driven out for our event in Sonoma.

The most amazing thing for me was that not only was Dave's father there but also his mother, his sister, his brother-in-law, and his young niece and nephew (Dave's sister and her family live in Indianapolis).



The McCann Clan and Nancy Shane prepare to depart on the rally

#### **From Our New Members:**

A few of my friends have questioned why I was interested in a car older than I and which in popular folklore is often best remembered for its reportedly finicky electrics. Other friends immediately relate their fond MG memories with envy when I tell them about my recently acquired 1972 British racing green MGB.

Somewhere my Mom has a picture of her holding me as an infant in front of my Dad's green MG Midget. Unfortunately, my arrival meant trading it in for a family car, but my interest in MGs had to have been planted before I can even remember. By the time I could drive, MGs as we know them had been out of production for several years and a classic roadster was not a practical car in the northeast.

This is my first MG, although I did come close to buying a Midget in college. Spotting a car parked with a for sale sign sent me to the library to dig up used price guides, Consumer Reports, and old enthusiast magazine articles. I particularly remember a cover article about the newly available British Motor Heritage body shells. At that time there was definitely a gaping hole in the market for a fun and attainable roadster. Only a test drive in the rain brought me back from the brink of buying a rusty convertible without a parking space in snow country.

My arrival in the Bay Area last year renewed the possibility of owning my own MG. So I started browsing Hemming's, Craigslist, and the general internet. I discovered the MGOC web site; and dropped by the MG 2007 gathering to enjoy the car show. I found everyone there to be very welcoming and informative as I started to formulate the details of the car I was looking for. Without much experience working on cars, I didn't want to dive into the deep end for a complete restoration, but did eventually find a rust free car that I can learn from as I go.

With the invaluable help of club member Marty Ray, I had the confidence to take the plunge into MG ownership. I'm now looking forward to enjoying both the road and garage in its company.

#### **Darrin Jewell**

My '71 MGB has been in the family for 15 years. It was my father's project, but he passed away last year from cancer at the age of 55, so I have "inherited" the car. We were in the final stages of the restoration when he passed, all that was left was finishing up the engine rebuild and dropping it in the car. My father and the car lived in Roseville, CA so he was involved with the Sacramento Valley MG Club. Now it's down with me in San Jose, that way it gets some TLC every once in a while instead of sitting in a garage for months on end (my mom is too short to reach the pedals...so she doesn't drive it).

A few months ago I entered the car in the Palo Alto show, that's where I met several nice people who told me about the MGOC. So I signed up. I'm looking forward to the activities and meeting people!

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### Minutes of the MGOC Business Meeting, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Nina Barton at 8:03 pm. Also attending were Randy Grossman, George Steneberg, Bob Trencheny, David Wright.

The September minutes were approved as printed in *The Octagon*.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: No report. The Treasurer was absent. Registrar's Report: No report. The Registrar was absent.

Secretary's Report: Nothing new to report.

<u>Corresponding Secretary's Report</u>: George reported that we have an invitation to have an event in Sacramento next year at an automobile museum. George also received a letter from the MGOC Register. They are offering our officer's liability insurance. Decided to table discussion until the next meeting.

Regalia Report: No requests for any new items.

*The Octagon*: Bob Trencheny reported that Jeremy is not having any problems.

Web site: No report. The Webmaster was absent.

#### **Past Events**

Mt. Hamilton Tour: No Report

<u>Filoli Tour</u>: No Report **Upcoming Club Events** 

## Overseas Visitor Dinner: Friday, October 12, dinner with Lindsay Caffin (a friend of Kenji Matsuoka's visiting from Japan & Australia) at Liverpool Lil's. Nina in charge. Four people will be attending a dinner at 8:15 pm

hosted by Bob Sine.

<u>Kart Racing</u>: October 13. Time 1:00 pm (Note: 2:00 was not available, so I had to change it to 1:00). Price: \$45. Includes 5 minutes for qualifying, then a 15 minute race. Call 650-692-7223 with questions.

- a. Note that I've only heard from three people that they are planning to go. Is anyone else going? (RAS)
- b. Not enough interest, so we will back out of the event.

Annual Tea: Sunday, December 2, from 1 to 4 pm, at Elaine's 115 Pinehurst Way, SF. We will organize another toy drive and ask folks to bring a new, unwrapped toy.

Annual Dinner: at The Van's on Jan 5. Bob Stine in charge.

#### **Old Business**

<u>Folding table</u>: Purchased by Bob Stine for \$51.93.

<u>Final accounting for MG2007</u>: No report. The Treasurer was absent.

#### **Discussion Items**

MGs By the Bay location: Suggestion was made to have a full discussion at the Nov. meeting.

<u>Nominating Committee</u>: for officer election. Committee was formed. Nina will forward names of nominees to Jeremy and the rest of the Committee.

MG Vintage Racers events: George Steneberg. It will occur in March.

Next Meeting and Natter: November 8<sup>th</sup> at The Englander.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 pm.

Submitted by Randy Grossman.

#### **Classified Ads**

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 *alistaircookie@gmail.com*.

#### Cars:

1972 MGB – \$5950 – Mechanically sound 72 MGB with chrome bumpers, improved SU carbs, console, glove box, etc. Car runs great and is mechanically sound. It needs a little TLC. Minimal body work (garaged) and new paint will make it an outstanding classic! Most mechanical work done was by MG service of Kensington...receipts available. Serious buyers only please as you will not be disappointed. Please contact Member Tom Branca at tbranca@peralta.edu for info and pictures.

**Two '59 MGA Racecars** and a big stack of parts. Contact Member Tom Morgan at (650)588-4960.

**1952 MG TD MARK II** – \$18,000 – Frame off restoration in 1982. 9.5 on a scale of 10. Runs well with just over 6,000 miles since restoration. Ivory with green leather upholstery. MARK II refers to a limited number of TDs with the engine that eventually went into the TF (larger carburetors, dual fuel pumps, and a little more horsepower). Comes with all sorts of tools, cover, floor jack, stands, filters, spark plugs, etc. Contact Member Peter Applegate at (415)383-0700 (Marin Co.)

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MGB/GT 58" Dia. Sway Bar: For Sale. Member Ken (510)791-8445.

**For Sale:** Lots of parts for a '67 roadster: engine and non-OD transmission, windshield, exhaust, chrome, windows, electrical. Non-member Chantal (650)570-5350.

**For Sale:** Complete top bows for an MGB. Excellent tonneau cover for an MGB. Two good tires. All for \$350. Member Roger (415)927-4209.

**For Sale:** Five steel wheels from 1976 MGB roadster, 4 with trim rings, \$40 OBO for all five. SU carbs, manifold, and heat shield for MGB, \$60 OBO. Pair of early MGB rear axle shafts with splined hubs for wire wheels, \$100. Map pocket with tan carpet, free. Black tonneau cover for pre-headrest MGB, some small repaired tears, good serviceable condition, \$50. Assorted right-angle speedometer drives, box-lot, \$5. Late-model MGB rear license plate holder with attached license plate lamps, \$10. I also have a bunch of FIAT 850 & 600 parts. Must pick up lage parts in SF. Contact Member Tom at (415)203-9160 or *thomasknapp@att.net*.

**Free: Four Rostyle Wheels**, fair condition, must pick up in the East Bay. Member Ken (510)791-8445.

**Free: Rubber Bumpers**, both front and rear, from 1976 MGB roadster, very good condition. Must pick up in SF. Contact Member Tom at (415)203-9160 or *thomasknapp@att.net*.



# Club Meeting Natter & Noggin

#### November 8th, 2007 (2nd Thurs.), 8 pm

The Englander Sports Pub & Restaurant 101 Parrot Street, San Leandro <a href="http://www.englanderpub.com/">http://www.englanderpub.com/</a> (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. 14<sup>th</sup> St. Travel 0.3 miles, and then right on Parrott Street.



A beautiful day at the Brisbane Marina

Photo by Bob Stine

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