



NEWSLETTER

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Update from the President of MG Classics of Jacksonville

October, 2022

Good news, bad news? The good news is that last week, Joyce and I returned from a ten-day long vacation, and I found that I had recorded a recent episode of Wheeler Dealers that featured the purchase of a 1967 MGB for **11,000 pounds sterling**, some subsequent repairs, and its resale to a gullible(?) Scotsman for **15,000 pounds**. It wasn't really in that great condition either. Wow! It seems that our cars may be worth considerably more in the UK than here in the states. The bad news is that the first leg of our Vacations by Rail on Amtrak from Chicago to Denver was like sitting in a dentist chair for 12 hours. The leg from Denver to Grand Junction across the Rockies was breathtakingly beautiful though.

A huge pat on the back and **extreme appreciation** is owed by every member of this club to Sybil Bradley and Bruce Sedelmeyer for the incredible success of the British Car Classic at the Kings Head Pub last Saturday. It was truly a memorable show, and it will be hard to top for the Triumph Club next year. Sybil and Bruce were assisted by a cadre of so many volunteers who will be noted in Fred's column about the event in this month's newsletter. I don't want to steal his thunder or repeat his work. However, two features deserve special notice; the vote tabulation that was completed in exactly one hour and three minutes, and the show field organization. Thanks to Richard Gross and his staff and to Mike Hogan and his staff. And thanks to heaven for great weather



and to the Kings Head Pub for being such a great venue.

The club election of officers and directors is scheduled for the November meeting. I recently emailed all members of the Board of Directors and I asked that they review the email they received and contact me with their decisions about standing for reelection in November. Only two of the current board members indicated a willingness to continue on the board. Three declined to continue. In order to maintain the Board composition of an odd number of members, we need three additional members. If you are a current member of the board and simply forgot to respond to the email, PLEASE let me know that you are still interested. Remember you must attend the November meeting to run for election. If you run for election, you must agree to attend at least four meetings next year and to take a leadership role in at least one club event next year. Any member who is interested in serving as a director, please contact me for further information.

The First Coast Car Council "Cruisin' to the Creek" event was canceled because of Hurricane Ian. It has been **RESCHEDULED** for December 3 at the Trout Creek Marina. We will discuss this event and our Christmas party at the **Annual Election of Officers for 2023** meeting on November 19.

I look forward to seeing many of you on **Saturday, November 19, 2022:**

10 am until 12 pm

Bannon Lakes Amenities Ctr

435 Bannon Lakes Blvd, St. Augustine

Safety Fast!

Mark



MG Classics of Jacksonville

September 17, 2022

Meeting Convened: 10:23 AM

Total Attendance: 23

Number of MGs: 4

New Members Present: Unk

Returning Members: None

Guests: Unk

Location: The Meeting was held at the **Bannon Lakes Amenities Ctr.**

Mark called the meeting to order @ 1023. 23 members were present. & cars were at the meeting that were brave enough to chance the weather. We had a moment of silence for the passing of Queen Elizabeth.

Mark talked about the Trout Creek car show and that the club would pay for 10 car spots to hold them so we could park together. Due to only a few cars that were participating the club decided to make a \$250 donation to the Ronald McDonald house this year.

The club has purchased 2 pop-up's for use to replace the old. (1) 10 x 20 and (1) 10 x 10. which was to be delivered on 9/17 to Mark. The cost was \$440. The club is willing to donate the old to any organization that could use it.

Mark stated that Ian is looking for Volunteers to take over as the Events Coordinator and membership chair as he will no longer be able to do it. Mike Hogan said he would look into being the events coordinator.

Mark said he would send in the club's vote for the NAMGBR election as I believe the candidates were all running un-opposed.

Mark brought up that we need to look at the Board of Directors after our election and we would need to amend the By-Laws. Too much happening now this close to the election/car show etc. More to follow.

The Christmas party is 12/10/22 at the Bannon Lakes Club house. The club is purchasing several casserole type food dishes and will also be doing a pot luck for those in attendance instead of the box lunches we did the last 2 years.

The Tech session is 10/15 at Legacy Auto, this will be our meeting for Oct.

The British Car show is at the Kings Head Pub on 10/22/22. Bruce and Sybil are still looking for volunteers.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Jim Ranieri (\$33) and \$34 went to the club. The Part at cost was won by Bill Easter.

The meeting was adjourned @ 1140.





The British Car Classic XXXIII at The Kings Head Pub, 22 Oct 2022

By Ian Massey

The weather Forecast for Show Day indicated a perfect day for the event, cool yet sunny all day. For the Setup Team scheduled to arrive prior to 6am it was a chilly start to the day driving our Event Classics with the tops down in the dark. However, all major items; canopies, tables, chairs, signs, and the multitude of Show paraphernalia required to run the Show efficiently had been staged in a room at the Pub on the Friday evening, courtesy Elaine. The parking spots on the Field had been carefully marked out the prior afternoon after Elaine had organized the mowing of the grass. Hot Coffee arrived; fortified by the coffee we were off to a running start to complete final setup for the anticipated early bird arrivals around 8am.

We had seventy Classic Cars pre-Registered and seven stragglers turned up on Show Day, making a total of seventy-seven Classics. We took a different approach with the event Class structure this year. We did not follow the longstanding tradition of defining the classes by year but set the classes by Marque. In this way we considered the partisan voting experienced at past shows would be eliminated. This worked out very well, it did however result in more classes and more awards to be procured.

The Parking crew did an excellent job getting the vehicles on the Field and parked in their Class with only an occasional backup entering the Show field when a number of vehicles arrived simultaneously, some of whom had not pre-Registered. Other than that there was an orderly flow onto the Field.

Traditionally the biggest problem has been the counting of Ballots. This year we changed the Ballot forms to simplify the marking procedures to reduce confusion and the counting team was well schooled in the counting process by Richard Gross, the Ballot Master. The Show was scheduled to run from 9am through to

3pm with a target end time of 2pm. Amazingly, all the Awards winners had been called by the event compare, Arthur Crofton and awards handed out by Sybil Bradley and Bruce Sedelmeyer, the Co-chairs, just prior to 2pm. A record in the modern history for this event.

As the cars left the field to return home, or the owners went inside the Kings Head for sustenance, the Cleanup Team went into action to clean up the field and parking lot. A big advantage of the constituents interested in Classic British Cars is that they use the trash bins so trash pickup was not necessary.

It took a small army of volunteers to plan, setup and make the Show a memorable event (for the right reasons). Acknowledgments are in order as volunteers spent many hours of their precious time working hard to insure the event was a success. Of course many, many thanks to Elaine for allowing us to hold the event at the Pub, it is fitting to hold a British Car Show at a British Pub, and the Pub staff for handling the Bar and Food Service. Not forgetting the Classic Car owners who polished their British Classics and headed to the event, without their participants there would be no Show.

On a special note, both Neil Nelson and Wayne Snook were able to make it to the event.

The cars were resplendent under clear blue skies and unblinking sunshine. Most of those gleaming in the sunshine were preserved in nearly factory original condition by their doting owners, e.g the 1967 Austin Healey that still sports its original convertible top in pristine condition and won its class. Others were better described as in the "made there under their own power" class, e.g. your editor's 1978 MGB, affectionately known as "The Parts Car". (It's a long story, but aren't they all?)

As at every classic car show this event was an excellent opportunity to reacquaint ourselves with the camaraderie and fellowship brought on by an affliction for trying to tame these greasy, loud, uncomfortable, unreliable, wallet draining demons and transform them into the docile, steady, impeccable steel steeds of our dreams. Of course we do this in the false hope that someone other than ourselves will be impressed.

Usually the only other person that is impressed is ones better half, though not in a good way. Ha ha ha ...

The show was a resounding success. As mentioned earlier the awards field was judged by the participants and the trophies were awarded to the deserving winners by just after 2 PM. The awardee list follows:

Class	Place	Participant	Car
MG-T Series	3rd Place	John Bacon.	1951 MGTD
	2nd Place	Dave Hodson.	1954 MGTF
	1st Place	Bruce Sedelmeyer	1951 MGTD
MGA.	2nd Place	Dave Gillespie.	1960 MGA
	1st Place	Joe Chambliss	1958 MGA
MGB 62-69.	2nd Place.	Ron Pallonari.	1967 MGB
	1st Place.	John Deasy.	1968 MGB
MGB 70-74	Hon Mention.	Chris Derreberry.	1972 MGB
	3rd Place	Len Geiger.	1973 MGB
	2nd place	Chris Dougherty	1971 MGB
	1st place	Richard Gross	1970 MGB
MGB 74-80	2nd Place	Loraine Puzanskas	1980 MGB
	1st Place	Ryan & Kristina Massfeller	1980 MGB
MG Midget chrome	1st Place.	Jeffery Schaefer.	1972 Midget
MG Midget rubber	1st Place.	Kathy Albers.	1979 Midget
Modified	1st place	Mark Cooley.	1970 MGB-GT. V-6
Variant	Hon Mention	Bob Phillips	1963 Sunbeam Alpine
	Hon Mention	Kurt Astroth	1974 Jaguar XJ6
	1st Place	Joe Petty	1962 Lotus Super 7
GT6, Spitfire, TR7	2nd Place	Bob Biondo	1978 Spitfire
	1st Place	Ron Titus	1967 GT6
TR250	2nd Place	Anthony Casio	1968 TR250
	1st Place	Terry Sopher	1968 TR250
TR6	2nd Place	Bob Noel	1971 TR6
	1st Place	Mark Ferris	1976. TR6
Jag early models	2nd Place	Michael Jackson.	1968 XKE
	1st Place.	Alan Winer	1955 XK140
Jag late Models	Hon. Mention	Todd Welch	2014 XK
	2nd Place	Ron Edwards	2007 XKR
	1st Place	Lawrence Snider	2003 XK8
Lotus	2nd Place	Steve Palmer	2006 Elise
	1stPlace	Kevin Foddrell	1994 Esprit S4
Austin Healy 100.	Hon. Mention.	Dyaarl Anderson	1958 106
	1st Place	Bill Young	1956 100
Austin Healy 3000	1st Place	Bob Barton	1967 3000
Daily Driver	1st place	Fred Woller	1960 MGA
Chairmans choice		Dave Simes	1953 Jaguar XK120
Best in show		Alan Winer	1955 Jaguar XK140



The Pristine Venue



Setup Begins at Crack o' Dawn



The Gatekeepers



The Eager Contestants Begin Arriving



T-Series Row



A Bunch a B's



Last Minute Prep's



The MGA Cadre



Some Brand-X Brit Cars



Brand Y Brit Cars



Best Navigator



THE END

The BCC XXXIII Organizing Committee**BCCS Co-Chairpersons**

Sybil Bradley

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Morning of Show team Sybil Bradley
Bruce Sedelmeyer
Leah Sedelmeyer-Spruill & Chuck (Engraving and decorations, MC's Plaque
Sarah Reed
Mike Hogan
Ian Massey
Paula Massey
Mark Spaulding
Fred Woller who also ran around helping anyone in need

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The selfless and dedicated members of MG Classics of Jacksonville and their press ganged families and friends made this outstanding event possible. Remember, the more the merrier!



15 Oct 2022 Tech Session at Legacy Motors

Thanks to Mark Albright for the donation of his well equipped garage & facility for club members use. All of our members are encouraged to take advantage of Mark's generosity. Very few auto clubs have this amazing opportunity to use a facility like Mark's with 4 lifts available all day.

Please remember to include the work you would like to accomplish on your Tech Session reservation. That will allow Mark to accommodate the best use of his facility.

The Tech Session can be used to do many of the following tasks, assisted by other skilled and knowledgeable club members who are always willing to pitch in. Examples of suitable tasks follow:

- Electrical gremlin troubleshooting
- Brake adjustments
- Brake bleeding

- Tire rotation
- Carburetor synchronizing
- Ignition timing adjustments
- Chassis lubrication
- Wheel bearing repacking or adjustments
- Generator / Alternator replacement
- Valve lash adjustment
- LED lighting conversions
- Etc, etc ...

Neil Nelson showed up in his spectacularly immaculate MGTC, and kicked tires with the rest of us vassals within the MG coterie. Doughnuts and coffee were provided. An impromptu discussion of the upcoming British Car Classic XXXIII capped off another excellent tech session. Oh, and some people actually got some work done on their cars.



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James Ranieri

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Latest Events of Interest

British Car Classic XXXIII, King's Head Pub, 22 Oct 2022
6460 US 1, St. Augustine FL 32095

MG Classics Meeting - 19 Nov, Bannon Lakes Amenities Ctr-435 Bannon Lakes Blvd,
St Augustine - **Annual Election of Officers for 2023**

GOF South 2023

April 21-23 2023

The Best Western Gateway Grand, Gainesville FL 32606



MG Classics Ads

Members:

To advertise your cars or parts for sale go to the Classifieds page on the website website: MGClassicsfl.org. Click on the Safety Fast logo to go to the Policy page. Fill out the forms and ad copy as directed. The ads can contain pictures of the car or items and a short description of the particulars of same. As a member it will be published at no cost for 90 days. Non-members may also submit ads for cars or parts, but the cost will be \$10.00 per month, renewable by the 5th of the month for the following month's newsletter. One may pay through the website by PayPal (Yes, PayPal will accept your credit card).

There are presently at least 3 MG's listed on Craigslist, the silver and burgundy TD above and 2 MGBs, all appear to be driveable in their present condition. The owners of the MGBs have them go to the website to post ads for their cars that will be exposed to enthusiasts.

Club Website Features You Can Use

Go To: <https://www.mgclassicsfl.org>

- Join MG Classics of Jacksonville
- Renew Your Annual Club Membership
- Review the Club Membership Roster (This Requires a Website Password)
- Obtain a Club Website Password.
- Use Your Credit Card or PayPal to Pay Club Dues, Fees
- Order and Pay for Club Name Tags
- Review Calendar of Events and Car Shows of Club Membership Interest
- Register for Club Sponsored Events
- Read the Latest Club Newsletter
- Read Earlier Newsletters in the Newsletter Archive
- Read Club Meeting Minutes in the Minutes Archive

- Read the Club Bylaws
- Read Automotive Technical Articles
- Read Car Related Classified Advertisements
- Apply and Pay for Classified Advertisements
- Vote on Club Initiatives and Surveys With the Online Ballot
- Link to Nearby Out of Area MG Club Websites
- Link to NAMGAR and NAMGBR Websites
- Link to Local British Car Clubs (Jaguar, Austin Healey, Triumph) Websites
- Review past Club Event Photo Albums
- Read/review Details on MG Classics of Jacksonville Hosted GOF South 2019
- And More ... just [click here](#)

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MG CLASSICS 2022 MEETING LOCATIONS

Date	Location	Address	City	Phone
29-Jan	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
26-Feb	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
26-Mar	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
30-Apr	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
28-May	Bannon Lakes Amenities Ctr	435 Bannon Lakes Blvd	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
25-Jun	Bannon Lakes Amenities Ctr	435 Bannon Lakes Blvd	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
23-Jul	Bannon Lakes Amenities Ctr	435 Bannon Lakes Blvd	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
27-Aug	Meeting Cancelled	Venue Conflict		
17-Sep	Bannon Lakes Amenities Ctr	435 Bannon Lakes Blvd	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
22-Oct	British Car Classic - King's Head Pub	6460 US Hwy 1 N	St. Augustine	+1 (904) 823-9787
19-Nov	Bannon Lakes Amenities Ctr	435 Bannon Lakes Blvd	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
10-Dec	Bannon Lakes Amenities Ctr	435 Bannon Lakes Blvd	St. Augustine	904-342-2471

2021 CLUB LEADERSHIP

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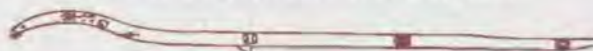
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MGs in the Marketplace

The market for our beloved marque is active as illustrated below by examples of competed on-line auctions from Bring a Trailer and Hemmings Auctions within the last month. If one is in the market to buy or sell, or knows someone who is, these two sites are among the best.

Hemmings Auctions:



1954 MG TF



SOLD
\$21,525



1951 MG



SOLD
\$25,725



1954 MG TF



SOLD
\$35,175

Bring a Trailer



**1974 MG MGB
Roadster**

Bid to \$9,000 on 10/26/22



**V6-Powered 1971
MG MGB 5-Speed**

Bid to \$12,250 on 10/26/22



**1960 MG MGA 1600
Roadster**

Bid to \$20,750 on 10/25/22



**20-Years-Owned
Supercharged 1952
MG TD**

Sold for \$22,202 on
10/24/22



**1952 MG TD Mark
II Project**

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**1958 MG MGA
Roadster**

Bid to \$14,250 on 10/22/22



**No Reserve: 1977
MG MGB Roadster**

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10/22/22



**1958 MG MGA
Coupe**

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