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The purpose of MG Classics of Jacksonville is the enjoyment, preservation and maintenance of MG sports cars. Club membership is open to all MG owners. Associate membership is available to all MG Enthusiasts.

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Prez Sez Jeff Sager

Happy New Year everyone! This new year brings a few changes to our club's officer list. I've recently been given the opportunity to occupy the office of President of this fine club and Karen and I are very excited to get started. Thanks to everyone for offering their support and help – rest assured that we will be asking many people for much help in the coming year. Let me take this opportunity to especially thank John and Nancy Leenhouts for their hard work during the past year (and for John's agreeing to continue as an officer for another year). You won't find very many people with a more positive outlook on life or a more robust "Let's get-r-done" attitude. Thanks also to Karen Altomare for agreeing to watch over our treasury for another year, and to Tony Rosimini for agreeing to be Secretary. Thank you, thank you, and thank you!

As you'll no doubt note in the Events section of this newsletter, our regular last-Monday-of-the-month meetings begin again on January 29th at the St. Johns Seafood in Mandarin. I hope to see most everyone there. I've been approached with an idea about our regular club meetings that has a great deal of merit and I'd like to pass it along as some food for thought: Traditionally the meetings occur at 7:30pm on the last Monday of the month (except for December and on Holidays). This can present a problem for any number of members who may not have Monday nights open, or may not feel safe driving after dark (in the winter), or for any number of other good reasons. The new proposal is that perhaps just a few times a year, we should move our Monday night meeting to a Saturday or Sunday daytime meeting. This may bring in new faces that we don't get to see often and may give more people a chance to participate. Think about it. I'll bring it up again at the next meeting.

Unless you've just joined the club or have been living in a cave, you're probably aware that we are gearing up for the fast-approaching Gathering Of the Faithful-South Mk XLI. Our club is hosting the weekend on Jekyll Island April 20-22. This is a very important and fun event for MG owners from all over the southeastern United States. It is definitely NOT just a car show – it is an opportunity for people with similar interests (MGs) to gather, talk, learn, laugh, eat, drink, and be merry. As hosts we need to do all we can to ensure that all attendees have a good time. Committees have been formed and are meeting and doing the important committee things. If you want to be directly involved on a committee, please contact me or one of the other club officers and we'll put you in contact with someone that will welcome your help. We know that not everyone can give the time to participate so directly, but there is something that EVERYONE can help out with: If you are not already planning to make a donation of a goody basket or other raffle/door prize item then we would like to ask a simple favor. Some of the regular vendors have not been quite as forthcoming with their donations this year as in years past. It would be really nice if everyone in the club donated at least one item that could be used for door prizes or raffle items at the GOF. It doesn't have to be expensive or extravagant, or even necessarily car-related. The next time you're at Harbor Freight, or Sears, or Borders, or Hobby Lobby, or JoAnn Fabrics, or wherever, and you see something interesting that you think would be a nice thing that YOU might like to take home from a weekend MG Gathering – then just pick it up and donate it to the cause. You can bring it to the next meeting and we'll make sure it gets stored for the GOF. If everyone pitches in, it will make a huge difference.

I wish good luck and good times to everyone in this new year. Until next month - Jeff

Topless in January



Lost? I have my map & phone!

On Sunday the 14th, six Austin Healey's, six MG's, and one "other" made their way down to Tomoka State Park in Ormond Beach and back with many, many stops in between. It was "Topless In January" – a just-for-fun top-down drive organized by the Jacksonville Healey club to which our club was invited to participate. The weather mostly cooperated, the scenery was magnificent, and I believe everyone had a good time.

Most of us met up in Fruit Cove at the appointed time and we lit off south on U.S. 1 only 5 minutes behind scheduled departure. (Note to our club – see, it can be done "on schedule")! As soon as we hit St. Augustine, we moved over on to A1A for the scenic views. After some miscues and an unscheduled stop, we picked up two more participants in St. Augustine and continued south. Then with more and more unscheduled stops, in true British-car-caravan tradition, we managed to make it take two and one

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half hours to go 52 miles! And only four of us got lost! So far as I know there were only very minor car troubles like vapor lock and stuck fuel floats that really didn't impede any progress (and that was only my car). But as the wisest members remind us every time we do a drive – it's not the destination that matters, it's the journey.











Members from our club who participated included the Leenhouts (dual participants – drove their Healey), the Brinkley's (Roger, did you ever figure out how to turn the windscreen wiper on and off?), the Dockins's (in their hot-rod B), the Hirschmans (in their ever-reliable black beauty), the Altomares (Ed, remind us to hand out maps next time), the Keirsteads (in the only non-British, but pretty cool roadster), the



Chaluts (nothing, and I mean nothing, can ruffle Mike's feathers), and the Sagers (got lost, had to fix the carbs, and had to leave early, but enjoyed themselves just the same). Thanks so much to the Healey club for letting us participate. We owe you one and will endeavor to pay you back this year some time.

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(Founded in 1971)

Membership Application/Renewal Form

The purpose of MG Classics of Jacksonville is the enjoyment, preservation, maintenance, and appreciation of all MG automobiles. Full club membership is open to titled owners of all MG cars and the owner's immediate family members. Associate membership is available to persons who have an interest in the club but are not owners of an MG. A full copy of the by-laws of the club is available upon request.

The annual fee for dues is $25.00. Dues are due and payable in January of each year and are delinquent after March 1.

For new members annual dues are prorated as follows:

Jan. 1 - Jun 30	$25.00
July 1 - Sept. 30	$16.50
Oct. 1 - Nov. 30	$8.25
Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	$25.00 (pays for following year)

Please supply the following information:

Owner's Name(s): _____ ___New ___Renewal

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip Code: _____ Home Ph: (_____)_____ Work Ph (opt.): (_____) _____

Email address (Opt.) _____

Please email my newsletter to help the MG Classics save printing and postage costs _____

Special talents/expertise that you would be willing to share:_____

_____

MG Automobile Currently Owned (use reverse side for more):

	Year	Model	Condition
1.			
2.			
3.			

Club Use

Date Received: _____Dues Received: $_____ Added to Roster: _____

Make checks payable to: **"MG Classics of Jacksonville"**

Mail to: **MG Classics of Jacksonville**
c/o Karen Altomare, Treasurer, 6371 Eman Dr. N., Jacksonville, FL 32216-5647



Please email updates to: newsletter_editor@mgclassics.org Please provide your email address with your ad. Your ad will runas long as you respond to editors emails.

Automobiles For Sale

59 MGA 1500 Coupe

Rust free barn find (really). Not running but it is all there for restoration. Features: Extra MGB 1800 engine and five speed conversion kit to fit the 1800 engine, Engine needs rebuild before installation, Original engine & tranny still in the car, 3.9 rear end not installed, Has disc wheels. Car is green but needs complete paint job. No dents. Sacrifice at $8500. Jim Hall @ 904-282-1658 or 904-613-9591. Pictures available upon request

58 A/H BugEye Sprite

For Complete Restoration! Imported from Scotland. Titled as a 1959 model. The car has not been started or driven in 25 years. Pictures available. 2nd owner William(Bill) Nelson. 904-285-2886 around 1:35 pm.

1962 MGB

Car # G-HN3-L/656 (which means it is the 555th MGB evde. Included is the BMIHT certified copy which indicates that engine number also matches. Car was running when I pulled a seat out 3-4 years ago or so. Both floorboards are rusted thru, along with rockers and lower 4 inches of fenders. However, rest of body is in fair condition. Seats need to be rebuilt. non-overdrive 4 speed transmission. $1000. Please call with any questions. Tom Bott cell 904 955-4713 or home 904 260-4043 or tbott1@bellsouth.net

67 MGB

Black W/Black Interior (new), 92,000 miles, overdrive, electronic ignition, 5 new Goodyear tires, 12V pos grd, show quality car. Have to sell due to family illness. $11,000 OBO. Kimo Silcox 904-910-5381

71 MG Midget

It has been sitting in my Dad's yard (in Lake City) for 3 Years. Teal, wire wheels, chrome bumpers, 1275cc, Weber Down draft, Generator replaced with alternator, trans from ' 76', needs body work (I also have two more fenders for it.) Restoreable. First one with $800. Mike Cell # (904) 813-0605 - creighton_island _pirate@yahoo. com

72 MGB

Restoration nearly complete, must make room for next project for my bride, this is a disease and I'm not ashamed to ask for help. Rebuilt engine, carbs, brakes, suspension, shocks, all new rubber including Michelin tires, paint (as a shell), only minor cosmetic items remain - the heavy lifting is done, its ready for fun. $9,900 jp@boutinbrown.com (Tallahassee)

72 MG B

Has o/d and is nice, red with white wall tires, chrome rims, CD player, tonneau, boot, carpeted trunk, etc. Does not run hot! $6K.

72 Midget

Needs paint, everything works, even the trunk light which is unusual. $1,500 Jack Sterrett. 912-634-5791 Cell is 478-232-2908

79 Triumph Bonneville Spec.

Beautiful condition. 750cc, 5spd, dual disc brakes. Same owner last 11 years. Meticulously maintained. $5000 or trade. Jim White Hm: 269-9922 - Cell: 742-2933.

80 MGB

56,000 miles. Runs well. Tires and top in good shape. Garage kept for the past 3 years. Asking $6,000. Car is in Brunswick, GA. Mr. Stalvy: (912) 264-2999.

80 MGB

Rebuilt and resprayed green six years ago. Runs good, may need minor cosmetics. $4,900 OBO. Beth Dyher 407 415 5994

85 Jaguar XJ6

Car in good shape. Pearl White, new low profile Pirelli tires has not been driven much in past 5 years. Garage kept. John Stech 904-230-1770

91 Jaguar XJS V12 Roadter

2nd owner, less than 47K miles, enhanced cooling system, shocks, brakes, hoses, filters, tune up, fluids, battery, Pirelli tires new within the last 2K miles, black with tan interior. $18,000 jp@boutinbrown.com (Tallahassee)

Parts:

66 TR 4A

Parting out a recently dismantled, intact engine with 50k since rebuild, transmission (needs clutch), radiator, fenders, windshield, complete front end and rear end, gas tank, hood, etc. jp@boutinbrown.com (Tallahassee)

62-74 Front Bumper Bar with Overriders. VG condition. $75 takes it.

MGB Left/Right window glass w/lower channels & glazing VG condition, $75 both

MGB Left & Right window regulators in VG condition. 1 set of window regulators, (L/R windows) in VG condition. Tested & excellent working condition. I will also include used L&R rear window channel, $75 takes it all.

MGB window outer frames fair condition. These frames are no longer available & will fit bodies from 65865 on. Glass & inner frames are available also. $75 for all including glass.
Bill @ 904 737 9656 for info.

2 MGA Engs./Transmissions

One is from a 1960 and the other 1961. Conditions are unknown, but they will probably need to be rebuilt. Located near Ocala, interested buyer would need to pick them up (no shipping). Pictures can be emailed on request. Joe at originalroadtoad@aol.com.

New 3 Main and 5 Main Engine Blocks

Also, 5 main motor, Pull Handle doors, and a late B trunk. Drew: 904-287-3072 or drewdecandis @comcast.net.

TD/TF Rear Axle

3.9 Ratio $750 Exchange Other ratios available. Art Floyd 1-321-267-5698 or arvon@ prodigy.net

Miscellaneous

Stock TD wheel, TD differential, couple of boxes of original TD stuff & original TD manual.

Miata & Motorcycle

Jack Sterrett. 912-634-5791 Cell is 478-232-2908

Club Regalia

Club Polo Shirts
(Medium or Large)
$20 each

Club Car Badges
$35 each

MG Baseball Hats
(in red, white, or blue)
$10 each

MG Tool Bags
$10 each

Rubber Bumper CB Radio Antenna Mounts
$10 each

Miscellaneous Car Pins
$5 each (addition colors also)



To purchase regalia or to ask questions please contact:

Wayne Coker, Regalia Chairman, at:
904-543-0201 or
rwcoker@aol.com.

GOF South ~ Mk XLI

April 20-22, 2007









MG Classics of Jacksonville, Host

GOF-South 2007 Registration is now on-line at the MGCLASSICS website: www.mgclassics.org.

Information for Hotel Reservations is on the website also.

MG Classics Name Tag Order Received

The following members placed orders for club name tags and have not picked them up. If your name follows, please send payment of $7.00 for each tag ordered. They will be mailed to your address once payment is received. You may, of course, pick them up at the next club meeting. Mail check or M.O. to Bob Wrenn, 1471 Mallard Lake Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32259

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EVENTS CALENDAR

MG Classics Meeting is January 29, 2007. We'll meet at the St. Johns Seafood and Steaks in Mandarin this month. It is located in the Outback Plaza behind the Outback Steakhouse on the east side of San Jose Blvd, about a mile north of I-295. Their number is 904-338-9349.

Sebring MGA Reunion - 3/13-17 A special celebration of Sebring MGAs during the "12 Hours of Sebring". mgclassics.org website has links to complete information.

GOF South MK XLI - 04/20-04/21/07. It is our clubs turn to host the GOF South in 2007. www.mgclassics.org website has link to hotel and registration for the show.

NAMGAR Mini-GT Key West - 04/25-28,

The Conch Republic Independence parade will be the night of April 26, 2007 and NAMGAR Mini-GT registrants will be participating again this year. All LBCs are invited!

Fred Skomp has reserved 30 rooms at the Blue Marlin Motel, http://www.bluemarlinmotel.com, 1320 Simonton St., Key West 33040, (305)-294-2585 for April 25, 26, 27, 28, 2007. Simonton Street is one block off of Duval, on the South end, so 14 blocks puts you at Mallory Square, three blocks puts you at The Southernmost house.

The rate is $125.00 per night with free parking. We have up to 30 days prior to confirm reservations. More information later, but folks can start booking by mentioning NAMGAR. The contact name is Debbie Branham at (800)523-1698

Mid-Late Oct 2007

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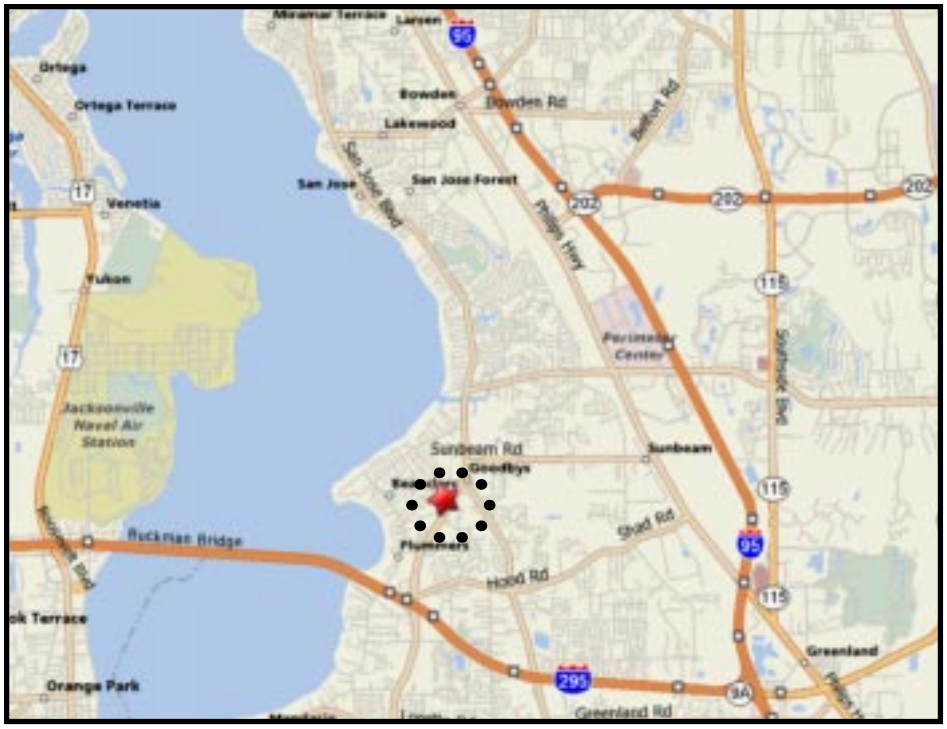
for All British Vehicles

MG Classics January 29 Meeting Place - St. Johns Seafood & Steaks, 9825 San Jose Blvd, Mandarin



Contributions to YOUR club newsletter are welcome and requested.

Thanks go out this month to Jeff Sager, SK Keirstead, Bob Wrenn, Karen Altamare and Neil Nelson

Submissions requested before the 10th of the month for possible inclusion.