

NEWSLETTER

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Jaanuary 15th 2021

Happy New Year my fellow MG enthusiast's! I hope this finds all of you in good health and fine spirits and more importantly getting your classic MG ready for the 2021 season and many hours of cruising.

I'll start off by informing you that we have canceled January's club meeting.

Initially because Trout Creek Marina informed us that there was the Jimmy Jam BBQ Slam and Car Show scheduled for the same date as our meeting. But after some thought and in lieu of the dramatic rising COVID-19 cases in our state I felt it best to wait until February to resume meeting, with the expectation the surge would subside and the risks lowered.

As can be seen on the website under Club 'meeting details' there is an opportunity for those still wanting to gather (socially distancing of course), to either participate in the Jimmy Jam car show or just show up to eat some great BBQ and look at some cool cars. I believe this will be a well attended event so anyone interested should certainly weigh the risk and take all personal precautions as outlined by the CDC.

With the arrival of the COVID-19 vaccines I am optimistic we will gradually start to return to some sense of normalcy. That Tech Sessions and club drives and picnics will return and more of our senior members will be able to get out and attend some of these events and our monthly meetings. I will say that I have been very pleased with our meeting attendance these last 6-7 months and note the Christmas party was a huge success. This format of meeting on a Saturday outdoors for lunch has proven to be very effective and has provided an outlet for our members to enjoy the camaraderie and sharing of passion for our cars. There certainly has been a much greater show of MG's at our meetings and that is our main mission, to drive our cars and preserve their legacy.

In closing please visit our website often to check for updates and news and look at the calendar for events and opportunities to get out and drive these cars we love.

Safety Fast,

Bruce

Meeting Minutes

MG Classics of Jacksonville

Meeting & Christmas Party: December 13, 2020

Meeting Convened: 2pm

Total Attendance: 34

Number of MGs: 15

New Members: None

Returning Members: Geoff & Paula Ashcroft (Fleeing the Snow in the Frozen North)

Guests: Doreena Ranieri, Bethany Zrucky

Location: The December Club Meeting was the Annual Christmas Holiday Party to wind-up the Year. The Party was held at Trout Creek Marina in the open air on Sunday, December 13, 2020. The open air Party was held to help mitigate the potential to transmit the COVID virus.

Thirty-Four Members attended the Party bringing Fifteen MGs, most of which were dressed in Christmas Livery. The weather was Perfect; bright, sunny, and warm. An Oasis of Sunshine following a wet week.

Kudos to Vanessa Albright for organizing the Catering of a Boxed Christmas Meal that was exceptional, and Roberta Sedelmeyer for baking Zillions of Cookies and helping with the setup.

The Proceedings:

Inauguration of the Officers: The Christmas Party is the time to Inaugurate the new Slate of Club Officers for the coming Year, with the main feature; giving the incoming President "The Shaft". An annual Club Tradition. Bruce Sedelmeyer was duly "Shafted" and Inaugurated as the Club's 2021 President. No stranger to the Shaft, Bruce was unanimously elected for a third term. The Officers helping Bruce with the management of the Club through 2021 are as follows: Vice President, Mark Spaulding. Mark is a Newbie to the Officer role; Secretary, Sybil Bradley, another Third Termer, and looking after the Finances, Mike Hogan. Mike has done a Sterling job for three consecutive years tracking the reporting the ebb and flow of the Club's financial transactions. Want to see the Mug Shots of the Executive committee; Click Here.

New Business

Bruce went on to recap 2020 and his expectations for 2021:

"The Strangest year ever! For me, it started with triple bypass surgery Feb 3 and 3 months of rehab. Covid-19 hit about the same time and shut down our usual monthly last Monday of the month restaurant meetings. This lasted until May when a few of us hopped in our MGs and cruised up to Fernandina for an impromptu lunch outside at one of the parks. This worked well and we tried it again in June with a larger group at this very location (Trout Creek Marina). Our “New Normal” meeting was born".

"We have met here every month since June with excellent results. I would like thank Ian Massey for his hard work in negotiating our contract with Ring Power to secure this site for our meetings thru to April 2021. Covid-19 resulted in the cancelation of most of the regular car shows, Cars&Coffee events, and most notably the 2020 GOF. With a Vaccination due to be released soon it is difficult to forecast how 2021 will play out as far as a return to normalcy. I personally believe we will continue with more of the same for a while especially with our club due to the Member age profile and vulnerability. It is my desire that we continue doing what we have been and hopefully we can find one or two other locations to mix things up a bit".

"2020 saw the passing of a beloved member Choo-Choo Germano, long time member and all around great guy, and long term member James Albright. We are also missing Neil Nelson who has missed just 2 Christmas parties in the last 49 years both due to his wife Johnnies illness".

"Wishing all Club Members and their families a Healthy and Prosperous 2021".

MG International 2021: Vice President Elect, Mark Spaulding, commented that he was organizing a Caravan to MG International 2021, Scheduled for June 2021. For more information: Click Here.

Parade of MGs: One of the advantages of holding our meetings and this Party during daylight hours on a weekend is that it attracts a significant number of MGs. The Party organizing committee decided that it was not appropriate to hold the traditional Gift Exchange to help mitigate COVID Virus transmission. It was requested that Members decorated their MG in a Christmas Livery and the best decorated car would receive an Award. It was a close result as the event featured some fine Christmas livery. By a nose (or Radiator Grill) the Award went to Cherry Jones and her 1952 MGTD.

Raffles and 50/50:

Various items were donated by Jim Hall, Neil Nelson, and Bruce Sedelmeyer for a series of Raffles that took place.

The Part at Cost Raffle donated by Neil Nelson and Wayne Snook was won by Paula Massey and the 50/50 win of $53 went to Lily Kinmonth.

Comment: The format of the Outdoor meeting promotes more interaction between members rather than indoor meetings in a restaurant. There was significant interaction between members during the Party. Officially the Party ended at 4.30 but there remained groups of members talking MGs and other items after the Party Close.

The Next Club Meeting

The Next Club Meeting will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2021 at Trout Creek Marina. For Details and Registration Click Here. **Editor’s note: The January meeting has been overcome by events. Trout Creek Park is hosting the Jimmy Jam BBQ at the pavilion. There is a car show. It’s $20 to register. Click here if you are interested**

Meeting adjourned at 4.30pm.Submitted:
Approved:

Sybil Bradley	Bruce Sedelmeyer
Secretary	President

New Members

Please welcome:

Charles McDarris and his Mineral Blue 1972 MGB

Dan Duke and his Red 1980 MGB

Ron Edwards and his 1980 MGB, 1973 MGB, etc.





Great turn out for the Christmas party and Club Meeting held on December 13th 2020.

Many members brought their cars. (See below)

This was even a larger group than the 2019 Christmas Party.

Special thanks go out to Bruce and Roberta Sedelmeyer, Mark and Vanessa Albright for their dedication, organization skills and extra effort that put the together a memorable event for the club and members. Well done.



























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Please report your membership to:

Sybil Bradley

secretary@mgclassics.org

Latest Events of Interest

MG Classics Meeting, OBE -Jimmy Jams BBQ Creek Marina, 01/30/2021

Myrtle Beach Trip 2021 - Myrtle Beach - 10/03-2020

Cars & Coffee at Amelia Concours - May 22, 2021

MG 2021 International - Atlantic City & GOF Mk 108 - June 14 - 17, 2021

Postponed (til 2021?



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14 – 17 JUNE 2021

THE REGISTRATION WEBSITE IS NOW LIVE





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 2021 MEETING LOCATIONS

Date	Location	Address	City	Phone
30-Jan	Trou Jimmy Jams BBQ	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
27-Feb	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
27-Mar	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
27-Apr	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
18-May	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
29-Jun	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
27-Jul	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
29-Aug	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
26-Sep	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
24-Oct	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
28-Nov	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471

2021 CLUB LEADERSHIP	
OFFICERS	
President	Bruce Sedelmeyer
Vice President	Mark Spaulding
Secretary	Sybil Bradley
Treasurer	Mike Hogan
DIRECTORS	
Permanent Member	Neil Nelson
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Events Chair	John Galeani
GOF Chairman	Richard Gross
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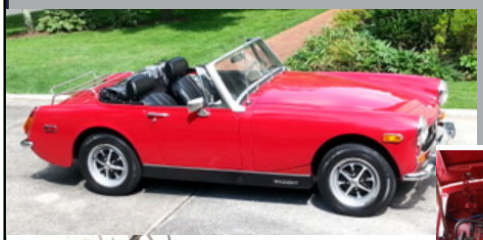
1974 MG Midget Atlantic Beach, FL







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1952 MG TD For Sale Located in Ocala,FL





- Recently Painted Original Ivory / Cream by Street Dreams of Ocala
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Saturday, May 22, 2021

Founded in 2013, The Amelia's Cars & Coffee at the Concours allows individuals with vintage, exotic, and collectible vehicles to gather on the same show field used to display vehicles entered in the following day's prestigious Concours d'Elegance.

Unlike Sunday's main event that is limited to a select group of vehicles with unique historical significance specifically chosen to tell a thoughtfully-scripted story, Saturday's Cars & Coffee at the Concours features a diverse group of vehicles that celebrate the automotive enthusiast's spirit. Proud owners of beautiful collectible and exotic vehicles awake early, shine up their prized automobiles, drive to The Golf Club at Amelia Island and gather with like-minded enthusiasts on the first, tenth, and eighteenth fairways for a cup or two of fresh coffee.

Cars & Coffee at the Concours is free to spectators, but participants must submit an application with the fee for showing a car. The event generally fills up in early November or December.

Cars & Coffee is fully subscribed for 2021

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:



Small Car with a Big Restoration:

1974 MG Midget Mark III

Location: Carbondale, Pennsylvania

Professionally restored in 2013

Glossy two-stage candy apple red paint

The last of the chrome bumper MG Midgets

SOLD FOR: **$11,235**



Single-Family-Owned, Freshly Restored

1962 MGA 1600 MK II

Location: Greer, South Carolina

Original owner sold it to his brother-in-law and reacquired in 2011

Restoration from 2012 - 2018

New top, new interior, new paint and rebuilt engine

SOLD FOR: **$30,450**



Rare, Limited-Production Export-Only Model:

1949 MG TC EXU

Location: Fleming Island, Florida

One of only 494 export model TCs built for the United States

Same owner for 30 years, with a full restoration performed in 2017

Award-winner at regional car shows

Reserve Not Met



Mechanically Sound Drivable Classic:

1951 MG TD

Location: Glastonbury, Connecticut

Kept by previous owner for 50 years

Recently refurbished interior and convertible top

The elemental spirit of the postwar British sports car

SOLD FOR: **$12,863**



Refurbished and Road Ready

1957 MGA Coupe

Location: Chicago, Illinois

Repainted and new interior fitted by a previous owner

Just three owners from new

Recently refreshed cooling and braking systems for reliability and driveability

SOLD FOR: **$19,688**



Recently Refurbished and Upgraded

1973 MG B

Location: Bay Harbor Islands, Florida

Datsun 280ZX 5-speed conversion

Rebuilt 1.8-liter engine

Extensive electrical, body and interior work

SOLD FOR: **$12,482**

MGs in the Marketplace

Bring a Trailer



1955 MG TF 1500

Sold for $32,000 on 1/19/21



1959 MG MGA Roadster

Sold for $32,000 on 1/19/21



1949 MG TC

Sold for $33,250 on 1/18/21



No Reserve: 1958 MG MGA Roadster

Sold for $15,250 on 1/12/21



1953 MG TD

Sold for $21,750 on 1/11/21



No Reserve: 1973 MG MGB GT

Sold for $7,100 on 1/11/21



1970 MG MGB GT 5-Speed

Sold for $27,500 on 12/28/20



One-Family-Owned 1955 MG TF 1500

Sold for $35,500 on 12/24/20



69-Years-Owned Supercharged 1949 MG TC EXU

Sold for $35,000 on 12/23/20