MG Classics of Jacksonville

Pres Sez – Feb 2015

We returned to **The Bella Vita Italian Reataurant** for February's meeting with a strong turnout. The Club welcomed new and prospective members and then got down to business. **Priority Number 1: British Car Classic organization!** The Club desperately needs a chairperson for this club-sponsored event. When to hold this event is a problem. There is a lot going on in October. Therefore, the specific date has yet to be determined.

The GOF host hotel is full. Several club **members are reserving rooms at the Best Western as an alternate.** It is conveniently located near the show site and well-priced. **The Club will caravan to the GOF. Henry Hirschman will lead the way** as the Club's unofficial Rally Master. More details will be provided at the March meeting.

Thanks to The Classic MG Club of Orlando for asking us to join them on their **Amelia Island overnighter**. Between meals, trips were made to the various shops, local museum and Choo Choo's vast garage. All were impressed with his large collection of vehicles - MG and not. Although the weather was horrible, it worked out well. Many gathered in the hotel lobby to talk about different events and share stories. All tried to remember back to connect the years past, but it often took the whole group to piece the stories together. Commonalities were uncovered, and old friendships re-energized. Thank you to the CMGC, those that attended, as well as Choo Choo, Holly, and their staff for the hospitality. Choo Choo is the owner of the host hotel and also the Crab Trap Seafood Restaurant where we ate on Friday night.

MG Sightings: the weather has not been good for putting the top down. Still, at the beach in the Marsh Landing area, I saw a couple of brave souls testing the waters in the heavy fog and pouring rain. A red chrome-bumper MGB, as well as a nice-looking MGA (also red), were spotted on the 28th. I did not recognize either driver. Therefore, if either, was you—let me know as I am always trying to bring the club members from the Beach together.

March's meeting will be on Monday, March 30 at Taps, Fleming Island. Join us for good food and beverages, and great friendship. *The club needs a chairman for BCC, so your attendance is recommended. We all know what happens when one is not present.*

Safety Fast!

February Meeting Minutes

President, **Mike Kazmierski** called the meeting to order at 7:00 at **Bella Vita Italian Restaurant**. Forty-one people were in attendance.

New member, Tom Colbert, owner of a '55 TF was welcomed.

Stan Kinmonth reported on the **First Coast Car Council** past and upcoming events. Shows and cruise-ins are listed in the newsletter.

Bob Phillips gave an update on the upcoming **Concours d'Elegance at Amelia Island**. The Club will make an effort to sign up for the Amelia Cars & Coffee in 2016. It's too late for the 2015 event.

The Club needs someone to head up the 2015 **British Car Classic Show.** October is very booked so alternative dates, and places were discussed as possibilities. There was some discussion of combining with the **Jaguar Club** at Town Center, but may be a conflict with the **GOF in Macon, Georgia.**

Jim Nolan published a **Club Roster** for all to peruse and correct, as needed. Submit your ***"selfies"*** to Jim as soon as you can. A revised roster with club member pictures will be published soon after the March meeting. The ***"selfies"*** are important because they will help old and new members know each other better.

The GOF South is April 17th-19th at the Mission Inn Resort & Club in Howey-In-The-Hills. Rooms at the Mission Inn are sold out, but some members are booking rooms at the nearby Best Western. Henry Hirschman has volunteered to lead the caravan.

Jim Hall circulated a signup sheet for people to volunteer to help with **GOF 2016.**

Jim Nolan won $41 in the 50/50 raffle.

The next monthly meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on **March 30th** at **Taps Bar & Grill**, 1605 CR 220, Fleming Island. We will check into the possibility of holding our April meeting at Fisherman's Galley.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Albers

The Great Dixie Brit Car Rallye

Saturday, March 28, 2015

Start Location

Challenge Enterprise Plaza

500 Kingsley Avenue, Orange Park, FL

Just West of US 17
Near Interjection of Kingsley & Plainfield Avenues

Important Information

- **Mandatory Driver/navigator Briefing: 10:00 AM**
- **Launch First Car: 10:30 AM**
- **All Cars to Have Driver & Navigator**
- **No Alcohol to Be Drunk until after the Event**
- **Only British Cars Allowed to Participate**
- **Course Instructions to Be Provided on Morning of Event**
- **Detailed Rallye Rules & Instructions to Be Emailed Prior to Event Date**

Awards

First, Second & Third Place Awards for each Class
Classes: Pre 1960, 1961-1980, 1980- Present

Remittance

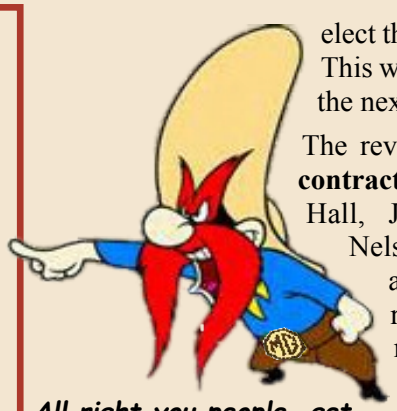
Please mail completed entry form with a *check made payable to*: JCCNF to the below address:
2015 Rallye C/O Jim White
500 Perdido DR,
Orange Park, FL 32003
Or
Register on-line: www.jccnf.org/index.php
Click on "2015 Rallye" Icon on Home Page

An Entry Form is Attached

Board of Directors Meeting

The Club Officers and Board of Directors met last Saturday to discuss club business. Among the topics covered were: **Election of Board of Directors**; **the GOF 2016 Contract**; **the Christmas Party**; and **the British Car Classic**. The club members will be briefed on these topics at the March meeting. Then, they can decide what courses of action to take.

The By-Laws require **Board member** elections at the Christmas Party, but that didn't happen. Therefore, the Club needs to determine who is willing to serve. The membership then needs to nominate and elect the new Board members. This will probably be done at the next meeting.



All right you people, get those MG's ready to Rallye.

The review of the **GOF 2016 contract** did not take long. Jim Hall, Jeff Sager, and Neil Nelson among others already did a detailed review. Simply stated, most of the changes from the Club's review of the last submission were not incorporated in this version. Therefore, GOF Chairman, Jim Hall will send it back to the Hotel representative to have the changes made.

The Club leadership recommends the **Christmas Dinner, and Gift Exchange** should be held **on Saturday, 12 December** at the **Hilltop Restaurant** in Orange Park**.** This will be submitted to the Club at the next meeting for review, comment and final decision. A copy of the proposed contract will be given/emailed to the membership at a later date.

Progress on the **British Car Classic** was made. The recommended course of action is to have the BCC in conjunction with the much bigger **Green Cove Spring Downtown Festival on Saturday 10 October.** Essentially, the BCC would be a separate show within the larger event. This means only British cars could participate; MG Classics would solely manage the BCC, and the site would be different from other car displays. Drew DeCandis, an MG Classic's member, is a mover and shaker in the GCSDTF. Mike Kazmierski will discuss the finer details with him and next, brief the Club on the outcome at the March meeting. Then, they can decide what to do. **One problem remains. We need a member to coordinate this event.** Remember, this person will not be alone. Once that person is identified, the usual suspects, and maybe a few others will join the team to perform all the jobs that need to be done (e.g., registration, master of ceremonies, show area layout, etc.). Hey, some of you retired folks have more time on your hands than you know what to do with. You've run things before. This is not a big task when you consider the help you will be given. So, why don't one or two of you step up and show the younger members how to run something? How else are they to learn. Remember, most of them have "day jobs;" therefore, it is more difficult for them. Fortune favors the bold.

The Great Dixie Brit Car Rallye
Saturday, March 28, 2015

Jaguar Car Club
Of North Florida
www.jccnf.org

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Telephone Day: _____ Telephone Evening: _____

eMail: _____ Club Affiliation (If Any): _____

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____ Color: _____

DETAILS

Start Location: Challenge Enterprise Plaza, 500 Kingsley Avenue, Orange Park, FL 32073
Off Hwy 17 – Cross Streets: Kingsley & Plainfield (On Left traveling West from 17 on Kingsley)
Time: 10:00am – Mandatory Driver/Navigator Briefing: 10:30am – Launch First Car
Cost: $30 Each Car
Important Rules:

- All Cars to have a Driver + Navigator
- No Alcohol to be drunk until after the event
- Only British cars allowed to participate
- Detailed Rallye Rules & Instructions to be emailed prior to event date
- Course instructions to be provided on Morning of event

Awards: 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place awards for each class (Pre 1960, 1961-1980, 1980-Present)

REMITTANCE

Please mail completed form with a Check made in favor of JCCNF to the address shown below:
2015 Rallye c/o Jim White
500 Perdido Drive, Orange Park, FL 32003

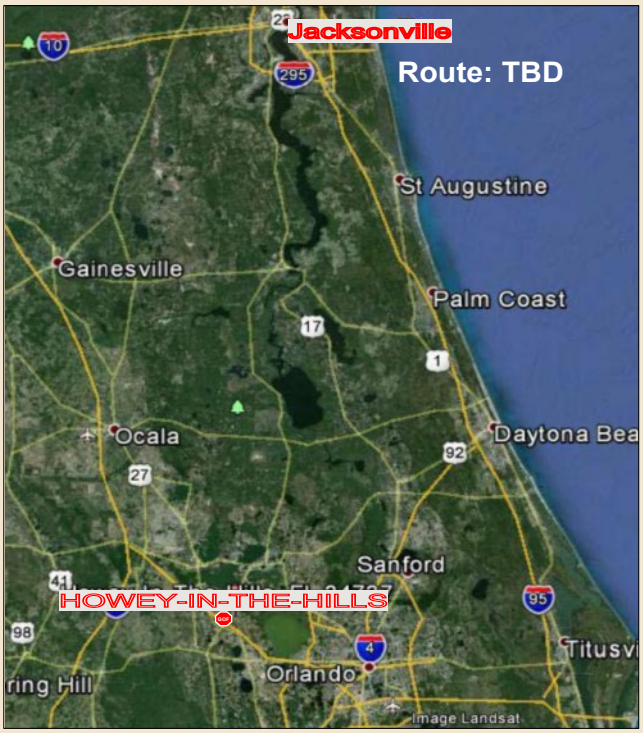
OR

Register On-line: www.jccnf.org/index.php Click on '2015 Rallye' Icon on Home Page

No 'Rain checks' but Rallye maybe re-scheduled at the Organizing Committee's discretion if severe weather experienced on Original Schedule date



Howey-in-the-Hills Location



GOF SOUTH 2015

The Classic MG Club is the sponsor of this year's **GOF, South,** Lake County, Florida.

Website - www.classicmgclub.com - is good source of late-breaking news.

For specific information, go to: arcpa@mpinet.net

No Rooms Left at the Inn

Recommended Nearby Hotel

Best Western Plus

Lake County Inn & Suites

1380 E. Burliegh Blvd (Hwy 44)
Tavares, FL 32778
(800) 780-7234, (352) 253-2378

Alternate Hotel Locations



HELEN & HENRY HIRSCHMAN
WILL LEAD THE CARAVAN TO HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS

MORE INFO TO FOLLOW
AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE



British Car Classic 2015

MG Classics of Jacksonville is the sponsor of this year's the British Car Classic.

The Club discussed this important event at the January and February meeting, but little was finalized. Meanwhile, some progress has been made.

The venue will probably be the **Green Cove Springs Downtown Festival**. The date: **Saturday, 10 October. This should be determined at the March meeting.**

We still need a volunteer, or two to coordinate this event.

Once tha leader is determined, other volunteers will step up to handle: registration, show layout, graphics & T-shirts, publicity, master of ceremonies, door prizes (think Christmas re-gifting), trophies, and other tasks. So, it's time to volunteer. Many hands make lite work. This is an all-hand's evolution.

Volunteers
British Car Classic - October 2015
Needed

Some Events to Think About

- March 13-15 ~ Concours d'Elegance, Amelia Island, FL
- March 21 ~ Jaguar Club of Florida Concours d'Elegance, Celebration, FL
- **March 28 ~ JCCNF Great British Dixie Car Rallye, Jacksonville, FL**
- **April 17- 19 ~ GOF, South 2015, Howey-in-the-Hills, FL**
- September 19 ~ Shrimp & Grits Festival, Jekyll Island, GA
- **October ~ British Car Classic, Date & Location to be determined**

Recurring Cruise-ins

8-5 pm, unless otherwise indicated.

1st Saturday ~ Kmart, Orange Park (Kingsley & Blanding).

2nd Saturday ~ Mandarin Medical Plaza11701 San Jose Blvd, North.

3rd Saturday

- **2-5pm ~** Pep Boys, 204 Blanding Blvd, Orange Park, FL
- **5-8pm ~** Dick's Wings, A1A, Fernandina, FL

4th Saturday ~ Suspended until Further Notice in Support of the Main Street Cruise In.

5th Saturday ~ New Location Is the Loop in Fernandina (Corner of Sadler Road and 14thStreet in Fernandina)

REGISTRATION

rev 2/20/2015

GOF SOUTH MK. XLIX, APRIL 17-19, 2015

Rooms at the Host Hotel are Sold Out
MISSION INN RESORT & CLUB
(352) 324-3101

Nearby hotels ... book your reservation soon !!

BEST WESTERN PLUS Lake County Inn & Suites
1380 E. Burleigh Blvd. (Hwy 44), Tavares, FL 32778
(800) 780-7234, (352) 253-2378 *Some members of MG Classics are staying here.*

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES, Tavares - Leesburg
3601 Burleigh Blvd (Hwy 441), Tavares, FL 32778
(800) 315-2621, (352) 742-1600

Registrant: _____

Address: _____

City: _____State:___ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Guest: _____

Guest: _____

Guest: _____

Include all in your party for name badges

VEHICLE INFORMATION

1st Entry: Year _____ MG Model _____

2nd Entry: Year _____ MG Model _____

Are you a First Timer? _____ Club Affiliation _____

REGISTRATION FEES

Car Registration + 2 persons ($45.00 after 3/27/2015)	**$40.00 Per Car**	$_____
Registration of additional guest	$10.00 Per Person	$_____
Ladies Tea 10:30 to 11:30 Saturday morning	$10.00 Per Person	$_____
Meet and Greet Friday evening Barbeque	$20.00 Per Person	$_____
Saturday evening awards buffet	$40.00Per Person	$_____

Please indicate how many per dish Beef_____ Chicken_____ Vegan_____

Tee- Shirts – (M)___(W)___ Med ____LG____XL____XXL____ @ $17.00 Per Shirt $_____

Please indicate number required

TOTAL ENCLOSED (make check payable to "Classic MG Club") **$_____**

The show will go on rain or shine no refunds after 04/07/2015.

RELEASE AND WAIVER: In consideration of and for the right to participate in the 49th Annual Gathering of the Faithful, I, on my behalf and on behalf of all members of my party attending the event, release the Classic MG Club of Orlando Inc., all of the participating clubs, event sponsors and the **Mission Inn of Howey in the Hills**, from any and all liability for damage to myself, my party, my car, or other property, while traveling to and from the event and while attending the event.

Driver and Passenger sign below:

Signed:_____Date:_____

Signed:_____Date:_____

Send check or money order to Dodie Beach 3516 Seaford Lane, Casselberry FL 32707 made payable to the Classic MG Club. For more information, contact Al Cook at 407-678-6814 or e-mail arcpa@mpinet.net.

Visit our website at http://www.classicmgclub.com/

For Sale: 1978 MGB

Palm Coast, Florida

Was ~~$6,900~~ - Now $5,900







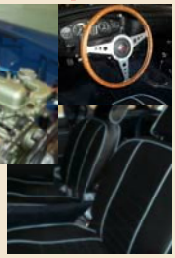
Custom Paint - Dark Choclate Brown
Interior - Tan with Black Carpets
Tan Top/Black Tonneau
Badge Bar/Storage Cover/MG Blanket
LE Road Wheels/Spare
Spare Parts/Fluids/Repair Guides
Regularly Serviced
71,700 miles
Looks/Drives Great; Must See to Appreciate

Contact:
Van Snider
Owner Motivated - Make Offer
386-313-5781; vsbs68@gmail.com

For Sale - 69 MGC - $28,000







- Mineral Blue
- Recent Frame-on Restoration
- Engine & O/D Trans - Rebuilt by University Motors - Jun 14
- New/Rebuilt: Windshield, Brakes, Interior, Top, & Tonneau By Prestige
- Less than 200 Miles Since Restoration
- 3 SU Carbs
- 5 New Dayton Chrome Wire Wheels with New Coker Whitewall Tires
- Moto-Lita Steering Wheel
  New or Refurbished Brite Work

Contact: Dave Burrows - St, Augustine, FL
904-940-8086; MGBMan@sbcglobal.net

79 MGB V8

For Sale $20,000 Or Best Offer











- Custom Black Exterior Paint
- 98 Rebuilt Rover 225 HP V8
- 95 Camaro 5-Speed Manual
- Custom Seats
- Custom Dual Exhaust
- Custom Wheels
- Ice Cold Air Conditioning
- Removable Hard-top
- Completely New Wiring
- Four- wheel Disc Brakes
- Upgraded Brake Master Cylinder

Contact: Jim Hall - Green Cove Springs, FL
904-282-1658 or 613-9591
jamesdeehall@att.net







FOR SALE 1969 MGC

- Completely Restored
- Rebuilt Suspension, Brakes, Motor, & Cooling System
- Rebuilt GM 700R4 3-Speed Automatic Transmission

Asking: $18,000 Firm

Call Brian Bushcow in Jacksonville, FL

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Bob Phillips



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1756 Montessa Terrace

Jacksonville, Florida 32226

904-751-6496; bphill3001@aol.com

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See Kits on Website

www.mgfivespeed.com

Jim Hall

904-282-1658 or 613-

Flash Mob

MG Classics has been Invited to Display Their Cars at:

Lake Ashbury Baptist Church Spring Fling

Henley Rd (CR739) – About 2 Miles South of CR220

Saturday, 10 AM - 2 PM, 28 March

To Display Your Car Arrive Between 9-10 AM

No Awards, Food Available

Contact: Jim Hall at 904-282-1658

For Further Info

MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville
277 Hollywood Forest Drive
Fleming Island , FL 32003

Monthly Meeting

7 PM. Monday, 30 March 2015

Taps – Fleming Island

1605 CR 220

Fleming Island, FL

From I-295, Orange Park - Go South on US 17
Turn Right on SR 220
Taps Is on the Left
In the rear of the Home Depot Mall