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MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville

The Prez Says:

Happy September, the August meeting held at The **Mediterrania** was a big hit. So much so, that all in attendance liked the food, location, room and service so much that we are going back there again this month.

Speaking of September, we should be getting some cooler weather soon, hopefully a little cooler for the drive to the **Southeast MG Festival at Dillard, Georgia** in the middle of this month. I hope you are planning on attending because it is a GREAT event in a SUPER location up in the Georgia mountains. It will be cooler than Jacksonville that I can promise!!

The **Tech Session** at Neil's garage was a huge success. Unfortunately, some of the parts turned out to not to be correct for the MG Midget front end rebuild, but Jim G. was able to do some engine adjustments that have that midget purring now.

A huge thank you to **Neil and Johnnie** for opening their home and garage for this event.

September's meeting will again be at The Mediterrania restaurant, which is next to Bella Vita on Baymeadows at San Jose Blvd. Thanks to our outstanding **Secretary, Kathy Albers** for finding this GREAT new place to meet.

I, with some help from **Henry and Helen Hirschman** are checking some new venues for future meetings to make it more convenient for our Southeast members in the St. Augustine area to attend.

Hope to see you at the **First Coast Car Council Car, & Truck Show, Swap Meet, and Festival at Trout Creek Park** on the 13th of September and on the **caravan to Dillard** on the 17th, if not, see you at the Mediterrania on the 29th.

Safety Fast,

Jim

August Meeting Minutes

President Jim Bak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Thirty-eight members attended the August 25, 2014 MG Classics meeting held at **the Mediterannia** on Baymeadows Road.

Stan Kinmonth updated the membership on upcoming **First Coast Car Council** events, primarily the **Cruisin' to the Creek Car & Truck Show, Swap Meet and Festival** This event is on Saturday, 13 September at the Trout Creek Fish Camp. Don't forget to sign up with Lily Kinmonth to donate blood.

The membership discussed other events, including the 25 October, **British Car Classic at the King's Head British Pub** and on the same day, The **Clay Council on the Aging Car, Truck, Motorcycle, Art Show & BBQ in Green Cove Springs.** On Saturday, 27 September, there is **Car Shows at Moose Haven,** Orange Park sponsored by the Clay County Bar Association. On Sunday, 28 September, there is a **Car Show at TPC Sawgrass, Ponte Vedre.** Details on all these events are elsewhere in this newsletter and on the web site.

Plans for an **overnighter** are on hold until after the first of 2015.

The Club welcomed **Eric Wiedman,** owner of an **MGB GT**, as a potential new member. Jeff Sager gave him a membership form, but he has yet to submit it.

A **Tech Session** will be held on Saturday, **30 August at Nelson's garage**. Jim Bak circulated a sign-up sheet for those planning to attend. President Bak will again grill hot dogs and hamburgers purchased by the club.

The **British Car Festival, Dillard, Georgia, is 18-21 September.** A caravan will leave Orange Park on Wednesday, 17 September, stopping over in Madison. It will return to Jacksonville on Sunday, 21 September. **Jim Bak, circulated a signup sheet for those planning to participate in the caravan.**
Someone recommended **Donovan's Irish Pub** at Plaza Palencia Commercial Center, 7440 US 1 North,

St Augustine, as a possible monthly meeting site. President Bak and others said they will check to see if it is a good option. http://www.donovansirishpub.com

Helen Hirschman won $38.50 in the monthly 50/50 raffle.

The **next meeting** will be at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, **29 September** at the **Mediterrania,** 3877 Baymeadows Road, Jacksonville.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Albers



18 - 21 September 2014

Dillard Caravan Information

The group going to Dillard will meet at 10 am Wednesday, September 17th in the parking lot next to the McDonald's across from the Dog Track in Orange Park. We will try to depart from there no later than 10:30.

If you plan to travel with us from that location and did not sign the sheet circulated at the last meeting, please call or email Neil Nelson so no one will be left behind. Neil's Email address is: nwnel@yahoo.com

The caravan will go north on I-295 North to the US 1/Callahan Exit. If you want to join the caravan at that point, let Neil know. So far, no one is joining us there.

Then, we go north on US 1 to Waycross. Jim Bak plans to meet us in Waycross where we will probably eat lunch.

Then it's on to Madison, Georgia for our overnight stay at the Hampton Inn. Dinner will be in Madison probably at the Chop House Restaurant.

Thursday, we finish the trip to Dillard.

We return to Jacksonville on Sunday without an overnight stop. Usually, we stop for lunch and dinner, so we should arrive in Jacksonville that evening.



Cruisin' to the Creek

28th Annual Car & Truck Show, Swap Meet & Festival

Trout Creek Fish Camp, SR 13 N, St. Augustine

Saturday, 13 September 2014, 9am - 2pm

www.carcouncil.org

Parking & Registration - Stan says:

1. **The parking area has been determined - we are under an oak canopy, right about in the middle of the show grounds. We should be seen by all who attend.**

2. **Remember, registration closes at 10:00 am.**

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The Tech Session

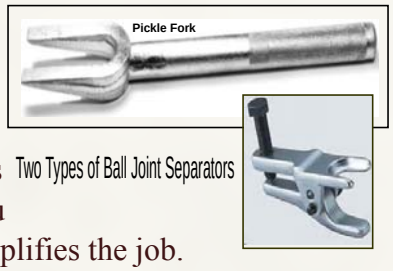
We did not get to the powder coating demonstration at the Tech Session. Most everyone seemed to be more interested in the front suspension rebuild of Cynthia Jordan's MG Midget. Jim Gallagher supervised the rebuilding by Cynthia and others, including Don Rochester's daughter Gabby.



Jim Gallagher instructs **Gabby Rochester on the finer points of impact wrenches.**

Richard Gross gave an excellent presentation on rebuilding MG suspensions. He used a portion of an MGB suspension assembly in his talk. He covered all the important points that should be considered during the rebuild process. He also covered assessing and troubleshooting suspension problems.

There was some difficulty in separating the ball joints because the "pickle fork" could not be found. This did not frustrate or deter long-time mechanic Jim Gallagher. He showed us how to do it when you don't have a tool that simplifies the job.



Two Types of Ball Joint Separators

Unfortunately, the new tie rod ends were not the right ones for the Midget. This sometimes happens when ordering parts for these cars. We have all been there. At least now, the horns work, and new steering rack seals are installed..

After the food was served most folks just wanted to sit and talk. We had a total of thirty-three people attend.

The food and fellowship were superb. As always, Jim Bak, did a great job cooking the hamburgers and hot dogs, and the ladies out did themselves with the side dishes. No one went away hungry.

Beside giving a great presentation, Richard Gross helped get the shop ready for the session. He spent two days helping Neil Nelson in this regard. Wayne Snook spent a day cleaning the shop and making it presentable.

Thank you Neil, Johnnie, Jim G, Richard, Wayne and all who pitched in, and made it a great "lunch and learn" fun day.



Richard briefs on MG suspensions.



A good time was had by all







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76 MIDGET



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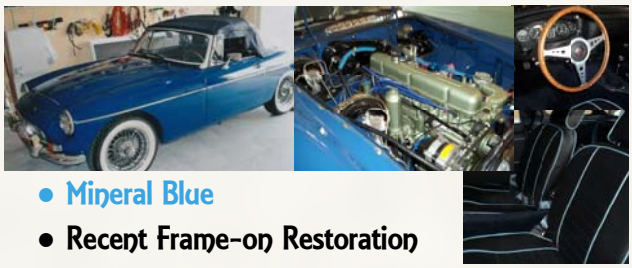
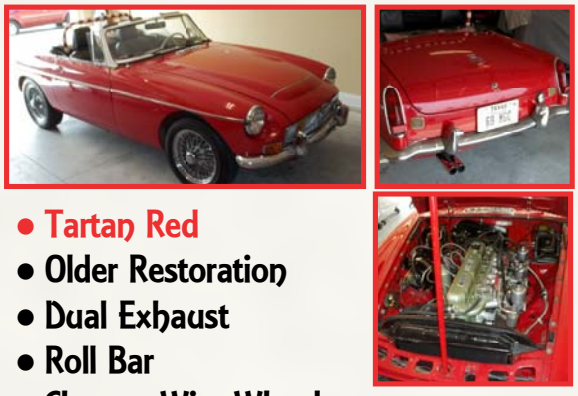


- Mineral Blue
- Recent Frame-on Restoration
- Engine & O/D Trans - Rebuilt by University Motors - Jun 14
- New/Rebuilt: Windshield, Brakes, Interior, Top, & Tonneau By Prestige
- Less than 200 Miles Since Restoration
- 3 SU Carbs
- 5 New Dayton Chrome Wire Wheels with New Coker Whitewall Coker Tires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

Contact: Dave Burrows - St, Augustine, FL
904-940-8086

For Sale - 69 MGC - $15,000



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First Coast Car Council Events

September 13 - FCCC 28th Annual Car Show. MGC PE.

September 20 - JCC Aromas Cigar "Stogies & Vettes" Show

September 28 - Ponte Vedra Car Show

October 11 - Clay County Cruizers Back to the 50's Car Show

October 18 - Amelia Cruisers Show

October 25 - Dixie Chapter Fall Classic Pontiac Car Show

November 8 - FCCC and Anheuser Busch Brewery Veterans Day Car Show. MGC PE

November 15 - 11th Annual Open Car Show hosted by Mopars of Jax and NE Fla AACA

November 22, 2014 Ancient City Auto Club Annual

Recurring Events Schedule

- **Cruise In, Orange Park.** First Saturday of each month. K-Mart Parking Lot, Blanding Blvd & Kingsley Ave. 5-8 pm
- **Cruise In, Mandarin.** Second Saturday of each month. 11701 San Jose Blvd. North on SR 13. 5-8 pm.
- **Cruise In, North Side.** Third Saturday of each month. River City Market Place, City Square Drive (Off I-95 & Duval Rd - Jax Airport / Duval Rd,). 5-8 pm
- **Cruise In, Main Street.** Fourth Saturday of each month. 5-8 pm.
- **Jax Beach Car Walk**. Fourth Tuesday of each month. 5-8 pm.

Cruisin' to the Creek

28th Annual Car & Truck Show, Swap Meet, and Festival

FIRST COAST CAR COUNCIL
Jacksonville Florida

All Proceeds Benefit:
Ronald McDonald House Charities

Saturday, September 13, 2014 9am-2pm



$25 Car Pre-Registration.
After September 1st - $30.
Free to the public.

Day of Show Registration
8-10 am only.

www.carcouncil.org Rain or Shine

Dash Plaques to the first 350 pre-registered vehicles. Over 50 Awards. 50/50 Drawing. Door Prizes. Oldies Music.

Vehicles will be judged in the following categories: Antique, Classic, Modern, Foreign/Tuner, Trucks and other vehicles. The First Coast Car Council consists of over 30 car clubs in NE Florida working together to host the show. This show formerly known as "Rollin on the River" is open to all makes and models of vehicles. Clubs are encouraged to pre-register with ten or more vehicles, to select reserved parking on over 23 beautiful shaded acres along Trout Creek in Saint Johns County. We welcome out of town individuals and clubs to join us for a great day of fun.

Free Demo Boat Rides, Tow Drags Team Pulling Challenge, Food Vendors, Fishing, Mascots, Clowns, Face Painting, Bounce Houses, Slow Drag Races, Motorcycle Poker Run, RVs, Four Wheelrs, Boat Show and More!



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Food Vendors Please email:
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NATIONAL CARBURETORS





SCHEDULE

NOTE: Recurring monthly events (e.g., Cruise-Ins) are not usually included in this schedule

Sep 12 TBD	**Nas Jax Car & Bike Show.** US Route 17, Jacksonville. Any Make - **Must Have Base Access.** www.thomaskubalewski2@navy.mill or www.stantr6@comcast.net **No Coordinator.** Provided for info only.
Sep 13 9 am - 2 pm	**FCCC Cruisin' to the Creek Car & Truck Show, Swap Meet, & Festival.** Trout Creek Park, SR13 (was Pacetti's Camp;1.6 miles south of Shands Bridge), St Augustine. **For Info: Go to:** www.carcouncil.org **Coordinator:** Stan Kinmonth www.stantr6@comcast.net
Sep 18-21	**Southeast British Car Festival - DILLARD, GA.** **Host Hotel - Dillard House Reservations:** 1-800-541-0671; www.dillardhouse.com . **Registration Forms:** http://www.peachtreemg.com/Dillard_2014.html **Local Area Information:** www.explorerabun.com **Coordinators:** Neil Nelson 904-264-3676; nwnel@yahoo.com
27 Sep	**Moose Haven Car Show, Orange Park.** The show is sponsored by the **Clay County Bar Association**. Moose Haven is located a couple of miles south of Exit 10, I-295 on Park Avenue (US 17). No further information available at press time.
Sep 28 9 am	**Ponte Vedre Auto Show,** TPC Sawgrass - 11 Championship Way, Ponte Vedre, FL For info ~ Go To: www.pvautoshow.com or Call: 904-285-2004. **Coordinator:** None.
Sep 29 7:00 pm	**September Meeting.** Mediterrania Restaurant, 3877 Baymeadows Rd., Jax. Near the intersection of Baymeadows Rd. & San Jose Blvd. Next to the Bella Vita Italian Restaurant. Specializes in substantial servings of Greek and Italian comfort food. www.mediterraniarestaurant.com **Coordinator**: Kathy Albers Kathryn_Albers@yahoo.com
Oct 25	**British Car Classic XXVI .** Kings Head British Pub, US Route 1, St. Augustine, FL. Six Miles North of US Intersection of 1 & SR 16. **For Info:** suennorm@comcast.net or Call Norm Reimer at 904-246-6044. **Early Registration Ends:** 1 Oct 14 **Sponsor:** Triumph Club of North Florida

Here's a link to a British Car Club Just down I-95 in Volusia County:
http://www.volusiabritishcars.com/

MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville
277 Hollywood Forest Drive
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Monthly Meeting

7 PM, Monday, 29 Sep 14

Mediterrania

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Near the intersection of
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For Menus and other Information, Go To:
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