MG Classics of Jacksonville

BRITISH CAR CLASSIC

21 OCTOBER 2017





Left: Pat Shotwell hears her MGB-GT start for first time since engine rebuild.
Above: Pat backs out of garage after engine rebuild.
Below: The "Queen Bees" – Pat & Lily's MGB-GTs





Photos by Stan Kinmonth

Next Meeting

Monday, 7 PM, 30 October 2017

Mediterannia Restaurant

3877 Baymeadows Rd
Jacksonville, FL 32217
904-731-2898

Near the intersection of
Baymeadows Rd & San Jose Blvd

MG Classics of Jacksonville
277 Hollywood Forest Drive
Fleming Island, FL 32003
To:

Stamp

September MG Classics of Jacksonville Meeting

By Mike Kazmierski, Vice President

Vice President Mike Kazmierski called the meeting to order at 7 PM on Monday, 25 September at La Napolera Mexican Restaurant in Orange Park.

Thirty members signed in.

After welcoming remarks, Mike asked for Stan Kinmonth for an update on the First Coast Car Council.

Stan reported the FCCC will host the Cruisin' to the Creek show on 7 October, and the Brewery Show on 7 November. Both are fundraisers for the Ronald McDonald House organization.

Stan also provided information on a drive on 7 Oct in the Washington Oak Park area that the Triumph Car Club is planning. Details will publish when finalized.

Sign-up sheets for the above events were circulated (Results: nine for Cruisin' to the Creek, and none for the Triumph Club drive).

Stan also talked about the Military Vehicles show the last weekend of February 2018 in Mount Dora, FL.

Mike presented the calendar of events starting with the club-hosted British Car Classic on Saturday, 21 October. BCC chairperson, Drew DeCandis provided an update. New information consisted of minor change due to the developers concern that the car show and Fall Festival activities. As a result, the two activities will be divided over the weekend with the BCC occurring on Saturday as scheduled, and the Fall Festival changed to Sunday. This will shift the location of the BCC to the adjacent field. Other planned activities are unchanged including the presence of food trucks. Jeff Sager will be the MC and will be providing music. Drew showed the event logo design and discussed shirts and early registration. At the time, early registration consisted of 23. Drew plans to visit the site to evaluate cable needs and confirm the show layout. He welcomed other members to attend, as well. Drew indicated the need for volunteers for registration the day of the show and street-signage to direct traffic to the show area. He was advised to check with Jim Hall who stores the club's signage.

Mike continued with the calendar of events, including the historic Twenty-Four Hours in Daytona on 11 November, and the Amelia Island Concourse, including the associated Cars, and Coffee. Ian Massey emphasized the need to register early for Cars, and Coffee since participation is limited. Bob Phillips elaborated on volunteer opportunities for the full show.

The club's holiday party was mentioned. Reservations can still be made through the club Treasurer, Jeff Sager.

After the calendar of events, Mike discussed planning for the election of club officers for 2018. No one expressed interest in becoming an officer despite the entire slate of current officers not continuing. Per the Club By-laws, the Nominating Committee is chaired by the current Vice-President. Mike asked for volunteers for the Nominating Committee; Jim Bak volunteered.

Other businesses discussed included an email received through the website for a Midget car cover for sale; Kathy Albers asked if anyone needed a name tag; and Bob Wrenn pushed club patches, and car badges.

The raffle of a free entrée and soft-drink beverage by the host restaurant occurred. Initially, Margo Richards won, but she had already paid her bill, so she re-gifted it. Ed Witlen won the redraw.

Jeff Sager won the 50/50 drawing of $34.

Future meeting locations are: October at the Mediterrania, and November at the Fish Company.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

The Re-building & Installation of Pat's Engine

Richard Gross and Alex Levy (from the Triumph Club), along with Wayne Snook and Stan Kinmonth reassembled Pat's engine.

Rick Sevsech went through the overdrive transmission, then Pat and Linda Dillard retrieved the transmission and delivered it to Stan's garage.

Wayne, Richard, and Stan mated the two and reinstalled the engine and transmission into the car. It was later discovered that the clutch fork was in backwards. Wayne, Kim Dyson, and Stan removed the two, separated them and reinstalled the clutch fork, and re-mated and reinstalled the engine and transmission.

On Saturday, 30 September, Wayne and Stan made final adjustments and Stan test drove the car. Pat was called and soon arrived to claim her MGB-GT.

Upcoming Events

October

7 FCCC Cruzin' to the Creek Car Show

21 British Car Classic

23 Drive It Home Raffle

30 Monthly Meeting

November

4 Old Karts & Arts Downtown Green Cove Springs Festival

11 Cecil Pines Antique Car Show

21 Ancient City Auto Club 33rd Annual Auto Show

27 Monthly Meeting

December

9 MG Classic of Jacksonville Christmas Party

No Monthly Meeting

Don't Forget

Weekly Cruise-ins throughout the area, &

Second Saturday of the month Cars & Coffee Cruise ins at the Avenues Mall.

Murray Hill Preservation Association

Halloween Parade

- *Needs 3-5 cool cars, preferably convertibles, to ride in the parade and carry local celebs.*
- ***Can any members help them out?***
- *Event is Sunday October 29*
- *Parade starts at 7. (I assume PM)*
- *You'd need to be there by 6:30…you'd be done by 8.*



Reply Direct To: jason@tetlak.com

FCCC – Cruise In Recurring Schedule

Cruise Ins are family-friendly car gatherings open to all years, all makes and models.

It's a relaxed format and a chance to share your car with a wide variety of people.

First Saturday Cruise In

Time: 5 to 8:00 PM

Location: **At Home Depot**, 1919 Wells Rd., Orange Park, FL 32073

Note: Located behind the Chick-fil-a.

Second Saturday Cruise In

Time: 5 to 8:00 PM

Location: **Medical & Merchants Center Of Mandarin**, 11701 San Jose Blvd., Jacksonville, FL 32223

Sponsored by: National Carburetor, Winn Dixie, and Bruster's Ice Cream

Third Saturday Cruise In

Time: 5 to 8:00 PM

Location: **Dick's Wings & Grill,** 474313 E. State Rd. 200, Fernandina Beach FL 32034

Hosted by: The Amelia Cruizers, Fernandina Beach

Fourth Saturday Cruise In

Time: N/A

Location: N/A

Fifth Saturday Cruise In

Time: 5 to 8:00 PM

Location: **Dick's Wings & Grill**, 474313 E. State Rd. 200, Fernandina Beach FL 32034

Hosted by: The Amelia Cruizers, Fernandina Beach

NOTE:

- Cruisers come and go as you please at our legendary weekly cruise-in events.
- Cruise-in times are from 5-8 PM year-round unless otherwise listed.

Cruisin' to the Creek

31st Annual Car & Truck Show

Saturday, October 7, 2017 9am-2pm

$25 Car Pre-Registration, After September 30th - $30

All proceeds benefit: This is a rain or shine show. Free to the public.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

FIRST COAST CAR COUNCIL Jacksonville Florida



Ring Power CAT

RICOH

i'm lovin' it

We will have Best Represented Club Award (Minimum 10 Cars)!!!

Dash Plaques to the first 350 pre-registered vehicles. Top 40 awards plus specialty awards. 50/50 drawing, door prizes, oldies music. The First Coast Car Council consists of over 30 car clubs in Northeast Florida working together to host the show. The show is open to all makes and models of vehicles. Clubs are encouraged to pre-register with 10 or more vehicles, to select reserve parking on over 23 beautiful, shaded acres at Trout Creek Marina 6550 SR 13 St. Augustine Florida in St. Johns County. We welcome out of town individuals and clubs to join us for a great day of fun!

VEHICLE ENTRY FEE $25 PRE-REGISTRATION MUST BE POSTMARKED BY 9/30/2017 (AFTER 9/30, REGISTRATION IS $30) OR PAYPAL TO FIRSTCOASTCARCOUNCIL@GMAIL.COM

REGISTRATION INCLUDES: REGISTRATION FOR EVENT, A DASH PLAQUE (FIRST 350 REGISTERED), AND A DOOR PRIZE TICKET

IN LIEU OF THE $25 ENTRY FEE, SOME PARTICIPANTS MAY CHOOSE TO HAVE A BUSINESS SPONSOR THEIR VEHICLE TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES OF JACKSONVILLE FOR A $100 SPONSOR FEE (TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION)

THE $100 SPONSOR FEE INCLUDES: REGISTRATION FOR THE EVENT FOR VEHICLE OWNER, SPONSOR RECOGNITION IN PROGRAM, SPONSOR PLAQUE, AND SPONSOR RECOGNITION DURING THE EVENT

REGISTRATION FORM

Participant's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Vehicle Make: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____

Club Affiliation: _____ Email: _____

$100 Sponsor Name: _____

Address: _____

WAIVER OF LIABILITY: I, for myself, my heirs, my assignees, executors and administrators, do hereby waive and release any and all claims of any nature which I may have against the First Coast Car Council, INC. it's officers or members, Ronald McDonald House Charities of Jacksonville, Ring Power, the Trout Creek Marina, and all participating sponsors and supporters, for any injuries or damages which I may suffer, or any damages, destruction or loss of my property including loss from theft, arising from or connected in any way with the 31st Annual Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show to be held on Saturday, October 7, 2017.

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST SIGN WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Signature: _____

All applicants are subject to review before approval by the First Coast Car Council, for further information send inquiries to firstcoastcarcouncil@gmail.com



For Sale: Two Unused Heavy-Duty MGB/TR Headlight Wiring Harnesses

Victoria British Catalog Description

Heavy-Duty Headlight Harness

Heavy-Duty Headlight Harness draws power directly from the battery whereas the original wiring draws its power from the headlight switch. Harness has separate relays for low and high beams and features OE-style headlight sockets for easy installation. No splicing or cutting required. Call or go online and order yours today!



PART	DESCRIPTION AND APPLICATION	REQD	PRICE
10-679	HEAVY-DUTY HEADLIGHT HARNESS		$44.95

These regularly sell for $44.95 plus shipping.

They plug into existing headlight socket, tap into a hot power source, and use relays to send power to the headlights.



The only power going through the light switch is to the relays; the switch is **NOT** carrying the full load of the headlights.

To install, each of the individual blade terminals has to be removed from each headlight socket, passed through the hole in the headlight "bucket", then reinserted into the socked housing, which the bulb is then plugged into. The overall socket will not pass through the existing hole on the headlight bucket. Other than that, it is just mounting the relays and connecting the other wires.

Asking: $22 (bit less than half) each.

Contact: Stan Kinmonth

904-276-1418; stantr6@comcast.net

BRITISH CAR CLASSIC MARK XXIX

Sponsored by:
MG Classics of Jacksonville, Florida



21 October, 9 AM - 3 PM

Rivertown Community Center

90 Lanier St, Saint Johns, Florida

All British Cars Welcome

People's Choice Trophies Based on Model & Year

One Free T-Shirt for Each Participant that Pre-Registers Before October 1st

Entry Fee: First Car: $25; Second Car: $15

Register on Line at: www.mgclassics.org

For More Information Contact:

www.mgclassics.org

Drew DeCandis at: (904) 287-3072; decandis@comcast.net

BRITISH CAR CLASSIC MARK XXIX

October 21st, 2017, 9:00am to 3:00pm

Rivertown Community Center

90 Lanier St., St. Johns, FL, 32259

Corner of Long Leaf Pine Pkwy. and Orange Ave., 1/2 mile south of Bartram Trail High School

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Open to all British cars

$25.00 entry fee for first car, $15.00 each additional car

One Free Event T-Shirt for Each Participant that Pre-Registers Before October 1st

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People's Choice Trophies Awarded for Classes Based On Model Year

Show starts at 9:00am, voting ends at 1:00pm

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Mail this form, or register online at www.mgclassics.org

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Club Affiliation: _____ T-Shirt Size: S M L XL 2XL 3XL

Car 1 ($25): Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Car 2 ($15): Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Write any additional cars ($15.00 each) on back of form

Make checks out to **MG Classics of Jacksonville**

Mail to: MG Classics of Jacksonville, 2031 Theta Court, Orange Park, FL, 32073

For more info, call Drew at 904-287-3072 or visit www.mgclassics.org

Club Officers & Board of Directors Members

The bylaws of our club state the officers of the club are

President,

Vice President,

Secretary and

Treasurer.

We do not use the term "chairman."

With the exception of the Permanent Member, the Board of Directors positions are all voted on each year.

There are no term limits for board members but they do have to be re-elected each year along with the new officers.

The board consists of the following:

Permanent Board Member

Two at large members

One member for each of the following car models

MGT Series

MGA

MGB

MGC

MG Midget

In addition, the Immediate Past President is a board member, and serves until he/she relinquishes the position to a new outgoing president.



NEW CLUB OFFICERS

President	Richard Gross
904-282-4099	krgross.gross@gmail.com
Vice President	Mike Kazmierski
904-535-5697	mkazmierski@bellsouth.net
Secretary	JoLee Gardner
904-904-7507	jolee.gardner@ch2m.com
Treasurer	Jeff Sager
904-278-7118	jeff@lujay.net

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Permanent Member	Neil Nelson
904-264-3676	nwnel@yahoo.com
MGT	Wayne Snook
904-264-3154	mgbdriver73@att.net
MGA	Bob Wrenn
904-230-8396	mgowner@bellsouth.net
MGB	Jim Hall
904-282-1658	h597279@yahoo.com
MGC	Jim Bak
904-868-7895	jim49@gmail.com
Midget	Kathy Albers
904-382-5339	Kathryn_albers@yahoo.com

For Sale - 1977 MGB




Clean Title
Excellent Condition
Completely Restored
$30,000 Plus Restoration

Asking: $10,000 OBO

Contact: Marie Farrell
786-540-4291; 786-540-4291
mcfmcf4321@gmail.com

NOTE: MARIE IS ALSO SELLING A **1976 MGB.** IT'S NOT OPERABLE & NEEDS WORK.
ASKING: $2,000 (INCLUDING NEW PARTS)

NEW

For Sale: 1980 MGB



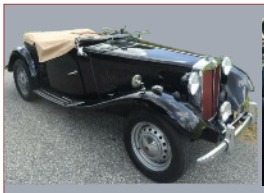
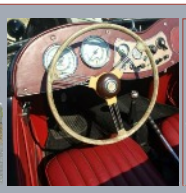

- 43,500 Original Miles
- Maintenance Records Available
- Car Located in Ponte Vedre, Florida

Asking: Open to Offers

Contact: Ray Davenport
904-810-8442
raydavenport6@icloud.com
Sue Fronk
912-580-2578
fronkwagon @aol.com

Owner would like the car to go to a good home.

For Sale: 1953 MG TD


Car Located in St. Augustine, FL

- Black Exterior - Red Interior
- Tan Canvas Top, Tonneau, & Side Curtains
- Complete Frame Up Restoration
- All New Wood
- Machine Shop Rebuilt Engine
- MGA 430 Gear Rear End
- Same Owner 35 Years
- Awesome Paint
- Luggage Rack, Wind Wings, Badge Bar, & Driving Light
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Now: $19,999

Contact: Phil Topcik at:
904-716-1679; endofil2@gmail.com

1976 MGB For Sale





Car located in St. Augustine, FL

- Excellent One-owner Car
- Garage Kept, Less Than 100,000 Miles
- Fully Restored 2003-05
- Originally Damask Red - Now Corvette Yellow
- Engine Rebuilt by Local MG Classics of Jax Expert
- Zenith/Stromberg Replaced with Twin SU HS4 Carbs Rebuilt by John Twist
- Lowered Suspension
- Truck-liner Lined & Sound Insulated Trunk
- New: Clutch, Radiator, SS Exhaust System, After-Market Rims & Tires, Upholstery & Carpets, Sports-style Steering Wheel, Anti-theft/Battery-saver Switch, Fuel Tank, & Hood

Asking: $12,000 OBO

Contact: Stan Wakefield
904-614-4905; sta.wake47@gmail.com

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For Further Info Contact:

Kathy at:

Sopranokcromley@ comcast.net

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Three Views of the Rims

FOUR POWDER-COATED WIRE WHEEL RIMS

For Sprite or Midget

Asking: $875.00

(Cost to Obtain/Restore)

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(904) 208-1078; HejmanowskiCJ@Hotmail.com

MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville, FL

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Raffle Prizes needed. Bring them to the Event.

21 October 2017

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912-655-7705;
dbr21960@gmail.com
7181 Cedar Point Road
Jacksonville, Florida 32226



Neil Nelson
(904) 264-3676; nwnel@yahoo.com

Wayne Snook
(904) 264-3154; mgbdriver73@att.net

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MG Classics of Jacksonville Members
10% Discount

If you need something, contact Wayne or Neil.

Local Moss Distributor Sale Items

Red Rear Side Marker Lens & Gaskets
A pair for '70-'80 MGB
$25 (Regular $46.76)

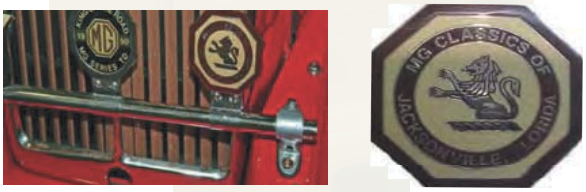
Dash Top Repair Panel
'68-'71 MGB
$49.95 (Regular $63.99)

MG Classics of Jacksonville Club Car Badge

FRONT BACK SIDE



3" X 3" BADGE



HIGHLY POLISHED CLOISONNÉ/CHROME

Contact Bob at:
(904) 568-7512
mgowner@bellsouth.net

Members: $30
Non Members: $40

Understudy Needed

- The Club needs an understudy for Neil Nelson as the collector of prizes for GOFs, and other events.
- For many months, the newsletter has run an advertisement for that understudy.
- It's about time someone stepped up and took the job. It's not that hard.
- ...Need more info – contact Neil at:

904-716-6550; nwnel@yahoo.com

4th Annual OLD KARTS & ARTS DOWNTOWN STREET FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH 2017, 10 AM to 4 PM

Historic Downtown Green Cove Springs on Walnut Street!



CAR-TRUCK-MOTORCYCLE SHOW

ARTS & CRAFTS, MUSIC, FOOD & CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Enter your Antique, Classic American or Foreign Car, Truck or Motorcycle

(Class Trophies and Best in Show, Chairman's and Sponsor's Choice Awards)

Entry Fee: $25.00 in advance, $30 day of the event.

- **Music, Special Appearances, Health Screenings, Meet New Friends**
- **Rent a booth to display and sell your arts and crafts & promote small businesses**
- **Variety of Food Trucks**
- **Door Prizes and 50/50 raffle.**
- **Children's entertainment to include Face Painting and other Fun Activities**
- **Health Screening by Orange Park Medical Center.**
- **Event T-shirts available for $10**

Registration on Reverse Side or on-line at **www.clayccoa.com**

To become an event sponsor contact **Steffanie Plank**

steffaniep@clayccoa.org // 904-531-5038

Council on Aging of Clay County

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE COUNCIL ON AGING OF CLAY COUNTY

TITLE SPONSOR

Orange Park MEDICAL CENTER

EVENT REGISTRATION

$25 per Vehicle If Pre-Registered or $30 Day of show

1st Car/Truck/Bike YEAR_____MAKE _____

☐ Stock ☐ Modified Model _____

2st Car/Truck/ Bike YEAR_____MAKE _____

☐ Stock ☐ Modified Model _____

Purchase an Event T-Shirt ($10) ☐ Yes (Circle Size: Sm, Med, Large, XL, XXL, XXXL)

Art and Crafts Show Registration:

(Preregistration/Prepayment required)

CHECK ONE: ☐ SPACE ONLY **$35** ☐ SPACE, TABLE + 2 CHAIRS **$45** ☐ CHAIRS **$5 each** (number ____)

Craft Vendors Must Bring in all Set Up the night before Event between 3pm – 8pm. Setup must be complete by 8:00am on the day of the event

Vendors, what will you Be Selling? We do not want to duplicate companies! _____

No food except for take-away food items (Jelly, Honey, etc.) may be sold by Vendors*

Participant Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: CLAY COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING
604 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, FL. 32043, ATTN: Big Event
Register on-line at: www.clayccoa.com

CAR SHOW FEES $ _____ CRAFT SHOW FEES $_____

TOTAL Fees Enclosed $_____

I hereby agree and hold harmless Clay County Council on Aging, event sponsors and all other participants and other event sponsors and participants harmless from any liability, claims, demands, cause of action losses arising directly or indirectly or by reason of said event and I state that I am the owner of the vehicle entered in the car show and that said vehicle carries at least the state minimum liability insurance on said vehicles(s) and that said insurance is currently in effect.

Signature: _____ Date:_____

Cecil Pines
Antique Car Show and Open House







Join us at Cecil Pines and celebrate 15 years of classic car fun for the whole family. It's a day filled with something for everyone with food, music, drawings, and even a fun house for the kids!

While you're here, tour a lovely home and the neighborhood and you'll discover a peaceful place with a welcoming spirit where you can enjoy the simple pleasures of retirement living.

Saturday, November 11, 2017
10 am to 2 pm

Cecil Commerce Center

ADMISSION IS FREE

All donations benefit
American Cancer Society

Cecil Pines
Adult Living Community
a front porch community

6008 Lake Cove Avenue in Jacksonville
www.cecilpines.org • (904) 771-8839
Find us on Facebook!
Cecil Pines Antique Car Show and Open House

We are an equal opportunity housing provider.

Ancient City Auto Club

33rd Annual Auto Show

Saturday, November 18, 2017

REGISTRATION 8 AM — 11 AM
GATES CLOSE AT 11 AM
RAIN OR SHINE

- 1st—3rd Place Trophies in ALL judged classes
- Door prizes
- 50/50 drawing
- "Goody Bags" for all pre–registered
- Dash plaques for all registrants

Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind
207 N San Marco Ave, St. Augustine, FL
Alcohol and tobacco not permitted on campus

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Do More. Be More. Achieve More.

For more info call:
Donna Sherrod 904-501-0061
Or visit us at: http://local.aaca.org/ancientcity/

FREE ENTRY FOR ALL VEHICLES NON-MODIFED 1942 AND OLDER

ALL OTHERS PAY ENTRY FEE

$20 Pre-Registration (Until Nov. 3rd) **Entry Form** **$25 Day of Show**

Checks payable to: ACAC **Mail to:** Donna Sherrod, 8249 Colee Cove Branch Rd., St. Augustine, FL 32092

Name: _____
Address: _____
_____
E-mail: _____
Contact Numbers: _____
_____

I release Ancient City Auto Club and/or The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind from all liability for damages or injuries sustained while participating in the Auto Show. Signed:_____

Modified: Yes/No Vehicle Year:_____
Make: _____ Color:_____
Vehicle Class # : (see reverse side) _____
Model & Body Style:_____

AACA/CCCA - Certified HPOF or National Winner? Yes/No

Features:

~~~NEW FOR 2017~~~

PARTICIPANT JUDGING ONLY

FOR ALL VEHICLES

1993 AND NEWER

WITH 20 AWARDS TOTAL TO BE PRESENTED

Vehicle Classes

Stock

AACA/CCCA-Certified HPOF or National Winner	1
32 and Older — All	2
33 to 48 — All	3
49 to 58 — GM	4
49 to 58 — All Other	5
59 to 68 — GM	6
59 to 68 — All Other	7
69 to 80 — GM	8
69 to 80 — All Other	9
80 to 92 — GM	10
80 to 92 — All Other	11
92 and Older — Mustang and Thunderbird	12
54 to 67 — Corvette	13
68 to 82 — Corvette	14
83 to 92 — Corvette	15
92 and Older — British	16
71 and Older — Foreign	17
72 to 92— Foreign	18
92 and Older — Trucks	19
92 and Older — Motorcycles/Scooters	20

Modified And Other

36 and Older	21
37 to 59	22
60 to 78	23
79 to 92	24
54 and older – Trucks	25
55 to 92 — Trucks	26
All to 92 — Corvettes	27
All to 92 — Mustangs	28
All to 92 — Factory Special Kit and Modified	29

- Parking and Judging by class
- ACAC member cars will not be judged

Stay overnight and enjoy the opening of the *"Nights of Lights"* at 6:30pm.

Selected by National Geographic as one of the ten best holiday lighting displays in the world.



Christmas Party - 9 December

SANTIONI'S
ITALIAN RESTAURANT
ESTABLISHED 1987
Pasta · Pizza · Grill

3536-15 Highway 17
Fleming Island, FL 32003
904-264-1331

Tickets: Only $15/person

We are expecting a big turnout so buy your tickets now from:

Jeff Sager 2031 Theta Ct. Orange Park, FL 32073

Please Note: Tickets are still available.

The Board subsidized costs, so we can have a great Christmas party.

We shall have our own private room and bar.

Dinner will be buffet style featuring meat and pasta options.

Your presence will contribute to the success of this special event.

For more information contact Mike Losey at:

(904)613-0203 or Mlosey@mikelosey.com

MG Classics of Jacksonville

(Founded in 1971)

Membership Application / Renewal

The purpose of the 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, due and payable in January of each year. Membership is delinquent if dues have not been paid after March 1.

For **new members**, annual dues are prorated as follows:

Jan 1—June 30:	$25.00
July 1—Sept 30:	$16.50
Oct 1—Nov 30:	$8.25
Dec 1—Dec 31:	$25.00 (includes following year)

_____New _____ Renewal

Please provide the following information:

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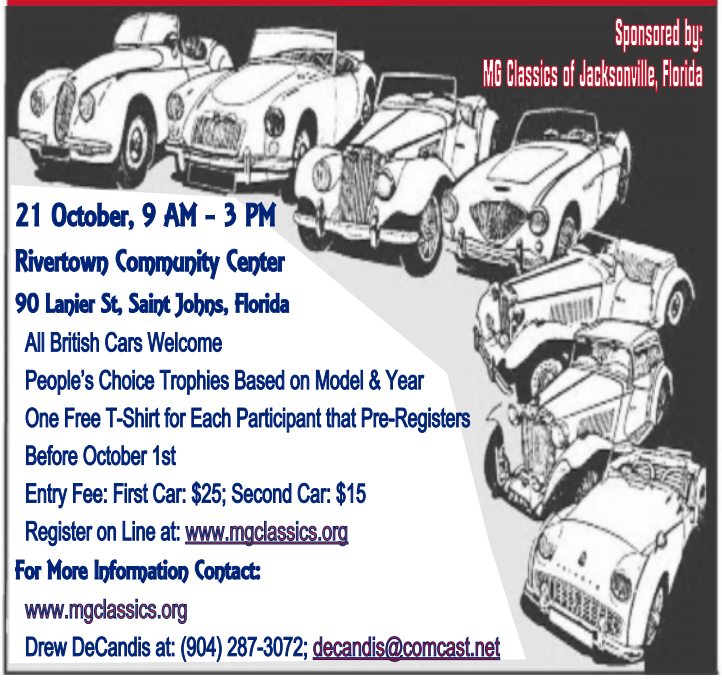
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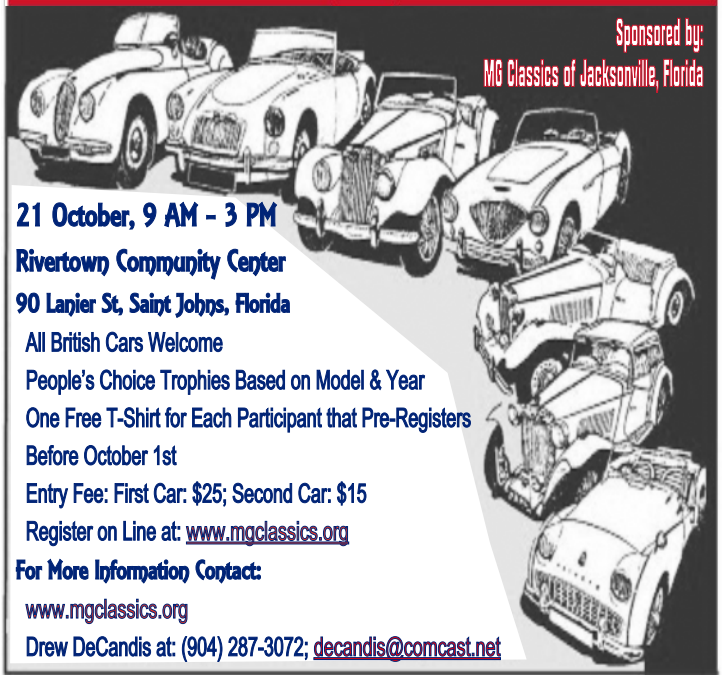
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Growing up in Michigan



Dave Burrows

Since an early age, I was fascinated with cars. I bought my first car at age 16 with a friend who was also under age. We had to sell it as our fathers got together and neither one would insure the other boy on his policy -- smart men!

I had several interesting cars before I got married; 1954 Ford convertible, 1957 Chevrolet convertible and a 1956 Jaguar 140 MC. Then marriage and five wonderful children--a 1955 Ford and various company supplied boring 4-door sedans.

The British invasion

While assigned to Chicago in 1969, I bought a rough 1964 MGB Roadster to keep me busy. It did, and with a factory manual I became a dangerous mechanic once I figured which end of the spark plug went into the hole. A business transfer to Milwaukee followed where I joined the Great Lakes Sport Car Club. The members were heavily involved with road racing sanctioned by the Midwest Sports Car Council. I raced with them at Blackhawk Farms in Illinois and the Sports Car Club of America at the midwest and eastern road courses. I became proficient at maintaining my race cars, including engine rebuilding. The cars raced were two MGBs (one by Huffaker), three Triumph Spitfires (two by Group 44) and a split window Corvette by Kaplan Engineering. While racing from 1971 to 1988 and 2001 to 2006, I restored other British cars to help pay for my racing expenses. They were MG, Triumph and Morgan cars.

Flatheads

I never lost my desire to own a flathead with dual "Smitties". I had flathead Fords on my radar. After retiring I moved back to Michigan in 2011. That summer I attended a car show in Traverse City and saw Mike Nickels' 1934 Ford Woodie and later went to his shop. Mike restores and manufactures wood for all car makes and models for customers all over the globe. Woodie—what a way to get a flathead and a beautiful car—I told Mike I wanted to have one. He showed me some back issues of "The Woodie Times" classifieds and suggested that I take out a subscription, which I did. I asked him to put me into his schedule, which stretches out very far.



1948 Merc

The Chase

After some months of searching, a 1948 Mercury looked promising but was too far away -- Little Rock. In the spring of 2013 I had a trip planned to deliver my 1967 MGB to one of my daughters in Houston. The route from Michigan to Houston went through Little Rock -- imagine that! And the Merc was still available. I discussed the car with Mike and he told me what to look for and what questions to ask. At Easter time I loaded up the MGB on a trailer and drove to Little Rock to look at the Merc. After discussing the Woodie on the phone with Mike, I completed the purchase and left the car there for my return trip from Houston. I delivered the MG, spent Easter with my four daughters and then returned to pick up the Merc. I bought a middle seat from the seller's friend, loaded up the spares and continued to Traverse City. I left the Merc and trailer with Mike. We used the trailer to store the chrome which had been restored and also the parts we removed for the restoration. I lived one hour away so I drove to the shop several days a week to work on the car.

The Restoration

I asked for a #2 job as I once did a #1 job on a MGA twin cam. The MGA was so nice that I was afraid to drive it. It didn't take long to find a new owner. Mike has a group of guys who hang around the shop and like to work on his projects. Thanks to them the restoration got started right away. Especially helpful were: Mark,

Bud, Tom and two other Mikes. Prior to taking the car to the sand blaster, we removed all the wood, the engine and trannie and cleared out the engine compartment. The car interior was also cleared out except the windshield; the hood and fenders were removed. The car slipped half way off the open trailer on the way to the sand blast shop. Several guys at the intersection helped us reload the car. Wow! That could have been a disaster. We picked up the car the next day and were more careful with the tie downs.

Mark primed it immediately as the surface was turning to rust already. Mike made a completely new top and several pieces that were beyond repair. He did the wood work, Mark the painting while the rest of us did the mechanical restoration. Mark found only three small spots of rust; all on the floor. The pieces that he replaced measure about 6"x 12" altogether. We replaced the "Pete and Mikes" dropped front axle, the floor shift transmission and the wide rear wheels from Mike's bone yard. Mike's brother made the rear seat. I moved to Saint Augustine, FL that fall, 2013. Mike and Bud worked on the Merc and other cars during the winter. I returned in the spring to help finish the car. We were scheduled to go to the Early Ford V-8 Eastern National Meet in late June of 2014. We trailered the car to the meet in Gettysburg, PA. It looked great and ran pretty good for its first outing.

I trailered the Woodie to my St Augustine home in the fall and continued to tweak the running performance. A good friend had been an A/C contractor in NY before moving here. We installed A/C. It's a must in Florida. The car wasn't running up to its potential. I diagnosed it as a fuel problem. I rebuilt the carb, fuel pump, tried new jets, replaced the fuel lines and gas tank; it wasn't a fuel problem. All the work took me into the summer of 2016.

The Merc had been accepted into The Great Race which started in June 2017. The clock was ticking. My neighbor Dudley New grew up with flatheads and was very helpful during the fine tuning phase. We talked to many flathead engine experts. Jim Weiss and Bob Beach from The Ancient City Automobile Club were also tremendously helpful.

The only remaining solution was timing. The distributor had been rebuilt prior to installing it in Traverse City, which is the reason we didn't look at it and also due to the impossible location on the engine. When we pulled the distributor out, we measured the point gaps. One side was .006 and the other was .000. Since I'm aiming for convenience and ease of adjustment, I converted to a 1949 Ford distributor with the ignitor electronic ignition. This involved several modifications to get the engine belts forward and out of the way of the top mounted 1949 distributor. Modifications involved: water pumps, front timing cover, crank spacer and a hose from the oil filter canister to the front cover. I completed this about 90 days prior to The Great Race.

In addition to many local runs my crew (Suzanne) and I made several long trips. One was to the Sunnyland Antique Boat Festival at Mount Dora, FL. It was a 300 mile trip and everything worked fine.

<u>The Great Race</u>

The Great Race is a time/speed/distance rally, unlike the Cannonball Run. It is a rally for pre-1972 vehicles.

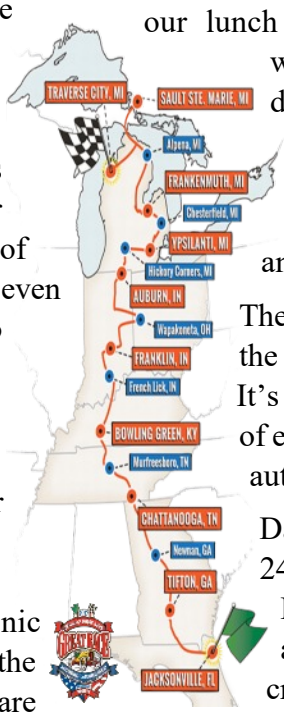


The winner will be within seconds-plus or minus-of the computed base time and totaled over the nine day event. The days are broken into legs which are up to 7 legs per day. Thus a perfect day will be 7 legs at 0 for each leg = 0. This equates to 7 aces. Ace decals are proudly shown on the vehicles. All vehicles have a time modification %--the older the car, the more allowance. (Taken from "Woodie Times", June 2017)

The oldest cars this year were a 1916 Pikes Peak Hill Climber, a 1916 Hudson Super Six, a 1916 Chevrolet Phaeton, a 1917 Peerless Speedster and a chain driven 1918 American LaFrance Speedster. The major sponsors are: Hemmings Motor News, Hagerty Insurance, Coker Tire and Reliable Carriers. The total entry was 120 pre-1972 vehicles. Total prize money was $150,000 with $50,000 awarded the grand

champion. The previous 31 Great Race routes included The Eclipse at the White House, the Statue of Liberty Centennial Celebration, Disneyland, Disney World, Route 66, the Grand Canyon as well as stops in Canada and Mexico.

This year the race was 2,300 miles along the Dixie Highway—from Jacksonville, FL to Traverse City, MI (my race was close to 2400 miles as we got lost once a day). Next year's race will be from Buffalo, NY starting from the Pierce Arrow Museum and ending in Halifax, NS. It's already overscribed, so get your entry in for 2019. Teams and cars come from every corner of the United States (including one from Hawaii), seven teams from Japan, two from England and two from Canada.



Computers, calculators, laptops, maps and Garmin/GPS are not allowed. The navigator receives the day's course instructions a half hour before departure. Vehicles start and are supposed to end one minute apart. The navigator is allowed one stop watch. The electronic speedometer works on a magnetic pick up off the left front wheel. The speedometer and a clock are calibrated each morning. The factory supplied speedometer and odometer on the dash are covered.

Pre-Race Preparation

Besides greasing, oiling and fixing; I put out spares for almost anything that could go wrong: spare engine belts, hoses, light bulbs, distributor cap, filters for oil, gas and air, grease gun, carb, coil, electronic ignition, hand tools. Floor jack, two extra sets of gapped spark plugs, two cases of drinking water—and clothes for a month as I was staying in Northern Michigan after the race. After I loaded everything, the Woodie was sitting low on the springs. I began to unload, keeping only the bare essential items. Some of the teams had all of these items in their crew car. My navigator, Rick Grant, is from Dayton, OH. He had seen the Merc but had never been a passenger. I saved room for his suitcase. That filled up the area that had been occupied by the third bench seat. I installed a clothes rod which helped. The crew, Rick and Suzanne, and I attended the pre-race instruction classes and actually did a warm-up trophy run. Jim Weiss and Bob Beach helped with the car and were on hand for the Saturday start.

The Race

Over the nine days and 2300 miles we had organized stops in 19 cities. Crowds lined the streets as we made our lunch and dinner stops. Each antique car is welcomed under the trestle with a flowery description of the car and team. Corky Coker who owns the great race was the MC at each of the two or three stops each day. It was great to see Wayne Carini there too, in an official capacity.

The local people at each city stop usually served the meals as well as handed out goodie bags. It's an instant festival. There was a great deal of enthusiasm from the crowds. Some asked for autographs in their official programs.

Day 1 - We started from Jacksonville on June 24 at 10:30 am. The last car got off at 12:30 PM —remember 120 cars – each a minute apart. That night we had an enthusiastic crowd in Tifton, GA. Rick and I got an "ace". We thought it would be easy to get a lot more aces during the race. We were wrong as we got close only several times being 1 and 2 seconds off.



Crossing the Starting Line

Day 2 - Sunday, June 25: lunch stop in Newnan, GA, home of several great race teams. Pit stop: Armuchee, GA, where we viewed a private collection of Ford cars belonging to the great racer, Wayne Vick. Cars ranged from Model T trucks to A's to flatheads. Overnight: Chattanooga, TN, hometown of the Great Race and sponsor Coker Tire. We dined in the hospitality area

of the Coker Tire Museum. We enjoyed great barbeque and a tour of the vast and endless museum which showed car restorations from start to finish—consisting of cars, motor cycles and motor scooters.

Day 3 - Monday, June 26: lunch stop in Murfreesboro, TN at Cannonsburgh Village on an 1800's historical site. Overnight: Bowling Green, KY, hometown to the Corvette Assembly Plant and the National Corvette Museum. Best known as the hometown of Holley Carburetor, who sponsored the evening meal. Earlier during the day one of the competitors drove his car off the road into a deep ravine and landed on its side. The car was hauled out by a wrecker and was able to finish the entire race.

Day 4 - Tuesday, June 27: lunch stop at French Lick, IN, hometown of NBA great Larry Bird, the French Lick Resort and the French Lick Scenic Railway. Dinner stop in Franklin, IN. This is a beautiful small town with the usual restored courthouse in the central city square. We drove about 25 miles to overnight in Indianapolis.

Day 5 - Wednesday, June 28: lunch at Wapakoneta, OH, hometown of the first man to step foot on the moon, Neil Armstrong. We enjoyed lunch and a local car show. To Rick's surprise, a half dozen of his friends from Dayton made the 60 mile trip to surprise him. Overnight: Auburn, IN. In the early days of the automobile, it was Indiana not Michigan that led the way. There were more car companies in Indiana than any other, and no town was better known than Auburn for turning out those cars. The Auburn, Cord and Duesenberg were built there. We stopped at the ACD Automobile Museum. I had visited it 15-20 years earlier and was amazed at its growth; possibly 3- 4 times more cars and all beautifully restored. On the property is a new National Automotive and Truck Museum.

Day 6 - Thursday, June 29: pit stop at Shipshewana, IN. This small town has the most incredible collection of Hudson automobiles. Eldon Hostetler started the museum just several years ago. Lunch stop: Hickory Corners, MI, home of the Gilmore Car Museum. It is North America's largest auto museum; almost 400 antique automobiles and motorcycles in a 190,000 square foot exhibit on a 90 acre historic campus. Special features include a 1930's Shell Gas Station and a 1941 Silk City Stainless Steel Diner. Gilmore has a youth program and they entered a car being driven and navigated by their students (X-Cup Class); overnight in Ypsilanti, MI, the town with the last Hudson dealership and home to Willow Run Airport. The airport was completed by Ford in 1941 for production of their B-24 bomber. Dinner was hosted by the Ypsilanti Automotive Heritage Museum.

Day 7 - Friday, June 30: the fourth of July holiday starts this day. Almost everyone in southern Michigan is driving on I-75 and is heading up north. We wove our way through the traffic over to Chesterfield, MI to Stahls Automotive Foundation Museum for a tour and magnificent lunch. The Stahl family entered two cars in the race. There are many gas pumps and all sorts of automotive signs. The automobiles are Duisenberg, Auburn, Packard, Stutz, Mercedes, Tucker and Marmon, just to name a few. All were beautifully restored. If you are traveling in southern Michigan, Stahls and Gilmore are must visits! Overnight in Frankenmuth, MI. This town has a strong German heritage and is structured to resemble Old Bavaria. The Christmas store is open 364 days a year and is the largest of its kind in the world. For dinner we received generous coupons valid at any of the restaurants.

Day 8 - Saturday, July 1: we had been running the A/C since day 1. It was getting cooler outside as we approached Alpena, MI which is on Lake Huron. We turned off the A/C, rolled down the windows and got some Lake Huron fresh air. Lunch was provided by the Alpena Yacht Club. After lunch we rejoined I-75 northbound to cross over the majestic Mackinaw Bridge which joins the Michigan lower and upper peninsulas. Our overnight was the Soaring Eagle Resort in Sault Saint Marie [known as the "Soo"]. As we approached the bridge, traffic was backed up approximately 50 minutes. Remember this is the Fourth of July weekend. As we expected, the last leg was aborted so we cruised into the Soo in a fast, easy fashion. After the downtown car show we drove to our hotel. Canada is on the other side of the Soo Boat

Locks. A fireworks display from across the locks was visible after dark.

Day 9 - Sunday, July 2: we drove the Mackinaw Bridge again to finish the race early afternoon in Traverse City, MI. This crossing went without any delays. Traverse City is the hometown of Hagerty, one of The Great Race's major sponsors. Also my Woodie was restored there at Nickels Automotive Woodworking. Our arrival for the finish of the great race coincided with the National Cherry Festival. There were lots of people to greet us. Our other crew member, Suzanne, two friends from the Jacksonville MG Club, Geoffrey and Paula Ashcroft, Rick's wife and daughter, Chris Morley and Mike and Bud from the Woodie Shop were there and gave us a royal welcome.



Geoff & Paula Ashcroft

The Thunderbirds gave an impressive air show. Hagerty provided lunch and they put their best foot forward for the awards banquet and award ceremony. Our finish was in the upper 2/3 bracket so we were not in the money. All competitors received an Olympic style medal which was inscribed "to finish –is to win".



Crossing the Finish Line

Day 10 - Monday, July 3: coffee and good byes at the resort. The Hagerty Private Car Collection was open to all the race teams. I turned the Woodie over to Reliable Carriers, another major sponsor, for delivery to my home in St Augustine. I just wasn't ready for another 2300 mile trip! Off to Higgins Lake for relaxing and unwinding. Higgins is a beautiful spring fed lake located one hour east of Traverse City. Rick and his family left for Higgins on Sunday. Suzanne drove us to the lake after I completed my business with Reliable Carriers.



Reliable Carriers

The Great Race was a wonderful experience and a "must do" for any vintage car person. We developed many friends from here and abroad. Corky Coker and his team spend a lot of time and work to make things run smoothly. It takes hundreds of people and thousands of hours to guarantee that kind of success. I imagine that the 2018 Great Race plans are almost complete and that 2019 plans are in the works. Sign up now for 2019!

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