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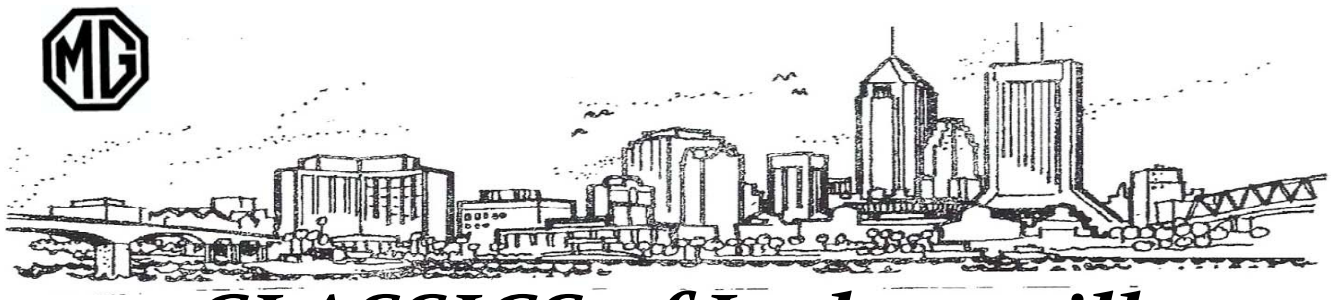

CLASSICS of Jacksonville

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Old Prez Sez

This is my final Prez Sez article as President of MG Classics of Jacksonville for 2012. It has been a great year for our club. We have been very busy for most of the year planning our GOF for 2013. The GOF is coming together nicely thanks to those who have stepped up to the plate to head up the various committees, but we still have a lot to do. I would like to recognize and thank some of our members who have made my job easier and provided essential and great services to our club.

Karen Altomare has been our treasurer for several years and has done an excellent job collecting dues, running the 50/50 at the club meetings, collecting the money and paying the bills for events we have sponsored and printing and mailing paper copies of the newsletter to our members who don't have on-line access. And these are just a few of the things she did for our club. Karen soldiered on even after her husband Ed passed away, and she sold her MG. Thank you for a job well done Karen.

Henry Hirschman organized and led several "Lunch Runs" through some great country roads in Clay, St. Johns and Putnamcounties throughout the year ending at equally wonderful eating establishments. These events were very well attended by our members and others. Thank you Henry for some great drives and fellowship.

Jim Nolan stepped up to the plate and began producing an excellent newsletter when it became necessary to find someone who would accept that responsibility. Jim has featured the restoration projects of several of our members as well as a special edition to honor Wayne Snook for his 80th birthday. Thank you Jim for a superb job.

Stan Kinmonth continued to get our newsletter distributed via the internet to those who have computers when Jim completed the final draft. Stan was also our "Rep" with The First Coast Car Council. Thank you Stan for your service to our club.

Congratulations to our new slate of officers for the coming year. We will be led by **Jim Bak** in 2013. This is not a new experience for Jim He was president of our club in the early 90s and did an excellent job. Thank you to all of our new officers for accepting these positions of responsibility.

We had 27 members at our Christmas party at the Holiday Inn. The food was good and the fellowship even better. We had fun as usual with our "unique" gift exchange directed by **Neil Nelson and Wayne Snook.** A very Merry Christmas and happy and prosperous New Year to all of you.

Jim Hall

The "Lame Duck" Prez

Yes, Jim, it Was a Great Year,
Thanks to Your Hard Work and Dedication.

New Prez Sez

Here I am again, heading up the MG Classics of Jacksonville. I think it's been about eighteen or nineteen years since I last held this position. My old friends Wayne and Neil called on me to assume the duties of running this club yet one more time and I humbly accepted their request. I have not been a very active member lately and maybe this is just the kick in the pants I needed to get me back as an active member, or maybe they just are tired of listening to the screeching of a microphone. Whatever it is, here I am and I will try my best to get this club rolling again. I want to schedule some rallies, tech sessions and make the meetings fun and worthwhile for people to leave the comforts of their homes and enjoy an evening with some other enthusiasts and enjoy some good fellowship and friendship with some other fantastic MG Club members. I have included a survey somewhere in this newsletter to hear from you, the membership, on what you want this club to provide for you and to make it worth the dues you pay. Please be candid and let me know what you want to get out of the club this year.

Please look elsewhere in this newsletter for details on the upcoming "Drive to Fernandina and Amelia Island" with our good friends of our sister club in the Orlando area. Come out for a nice drive and good friendship and enjoy a night or two at an Oceanfront hotel, and don't forget to make your reservations for the GOF which we will be hosting this April in Ocala.

Looking forward to an exciting 2013 with the MG Classics of Jax, I am here to serve you the members.

Safety Fast

Jim Bak

MG Classics of Jacksonville

SURVEY: - EVENT PREFERENCES

1. Meeting Start Time: 7, 6:30, or 6 pm

2. Meeting Locations:

- ½ East & ½ West of River
- Anywhere Near I-295
- List Other Loctions:
- Recommended Restuarants:

3. Tech Sessions: 1/mo, 1/qtr, 2/yr, 1/yr

4. Rallies: 1/mo, 1/qtr, 2/yr, 1/yr

5. One-day Lunch Drive: 1/mo, 1/qtr, 2/yr, 1/yr; Sat, Sun

6. Weekend Drives to Nowhere Special (ETD Sat am - Hotel - ETR Sun pm**):** 1/mo, 1/qtr, 2/yr, 1/yr.

7. REMARKS:

Report Preferrences To: mgjim49@yahoo.com

Sample Email Report Format

1. **MST:** 7 pm
2. **ML:** Anywhere near I-295, Anatolia.
3. **TS:** 1/qtr
4. **R:** 1/qtr
5. **LD:** 1/qtr; ½ on Sat; ½ on Sun**.**
6. **WEDNS:** 2/yr
7. **Rem:** Start the meeting at 7pm, so folks who are still working, or have a long drive can get to the meeting on time.

January Drive To Amelia Island

Start: Friday, January 18, 2013.

End: Sunday, January 20, 2013.

The **Classic MG Club of Orlando** is organizing a driving event from Orlando to Amelia Island. They'll be passing through our area and have ask ed if we would like to join them They're planning a **two night stay in the Amelia Hotel at the Beach** (operated by our very own Holly Germano). Anyone interested can do both nights or just Saturday night.

The Orlando folks plan to leave Orlando on Friday at or about 10 in the m orning. The Orlando caravan should meet up with our MG'ers at:

Jason's Deli

2230 3rd Street South (A1A)

Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250,

(904) 246-7585

At Around 2 or 3 Friday Afternoon.

Then the carvan will drive to to Amelia for fun and relaxation. All times are *"MG times."*

Another caravan is probably going to be organized for Saturday morning as well. If you are interested in joining in contact:

Amelia Hotel:

www.ameliahotel.com;

877-263-5428.

MG CLASSICS:

Jim Bak - mgjim49@yahoo.com;

904-868-7895

Don't Miss the January & March 2013 issue of: *Classic Motorsports*.

MG Performance: Does your MG need a little more performance to be fun or to keep up with modern traffic? Check out our feature on MG performance mods.The January issue of ***Classic Motorsports*** will be on sale soon. Subscribe or renew now to ensure you won't miss this issue! **Make sure to use the offer code CNLS**. Click here for a **free test drive** of ***Classic Motorsports*.**

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The 2013 *Classic Motorsports* Mitty will

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- At Road Atlanta, Braselton, Georgia.
- Tickets Are Available Here.
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For more info, go to: www.themitty.com

Or better yet, contact MG CLASSICS member Jim Hall**. jimdeehall@att.net .**

Amelia Island Concourse - March 8-10, 2013

The Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance gained significant international prestige when it was nominated for Motoring Event of the Year by the 2011 International Historic Motoring Awards. "The Amelia" was on a short list with some giants like The Quail, Motorclassica Essen, the London to Brighton Run and Pebble Beach. Humbling and very heady stuff.

The 2013 calendar is rich with pivotal events in automotive and motorsport history. They're working practically non-stop to make the 18th annual Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance even bigger and better.

The March 8-10, 2013 Concours will celebrate the 50th anniversary of Porsche's legend, the irreplaceable 911. It's also the 50th anniversary of the Corvette Sting Ray. Both these pivotal and extraordinary cars will have seminars in their honor. The Concours will also celebrate the 50th anniversary of Italy's Lamborghini marque.

Go to http://www.ameliaconcours.org for more information.

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GATHERING OF THE FAITHFUL, SOUTH XLVII

HILTON HOTEL, OCALA, FLORIDA

19-21 APRIL 2013

REGISTRATION		**NAME TAGS** – LIST PREFERRED NAMES / NICKNAMES & HOMETOWNS	
NAME:			
ADDRESS:		CITY	STATE:
ZIP:	PHONES / EMAIL:		

MG CAR SHOW ENTRIES - INDICATE SPECIAL CLASS, IF APPLICABLE: **1 - FIRST-TIMER, 2 - PREMIER, & 3 - PRESERVATION**

ENTRY	YEAR	MODEL	CLASS	REMARKS – LIST MODIFICATIONS, IF ANY, AND ANY OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION.
FIRST				
SECOND				

HILTON HOTEL - 3600 SOUTHWEST 36TH AVE, OCALA, FL 34474. – **DIRECTIONS:** LOCATED JUST EAST OF EXIT 350 INTERSTATE-75

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Reservations: Phone: 1-352-854-1400; 1-800-HILTONS (445-8667). **Online:** www.hilton.com/ocala
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Check In/Out: 3:00 PM / 12:00 PM
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"To view T shirt design, go to web site: www.mgclassics.org, or next page.
A very limited number of shirts will be available at the GOF, so order when you register.

SIZE	S	M	L	XL	2X	3X	4X	TOTAL @ $18	TOTAL @ $20	TOTAL
MEN'S								$	$	$
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PRICE	$18 EACH				$20 EACH			T SHIRT - TOTAL		$

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REGISTRATION (INCLUDES FIRST CAR) - $40.00 AFTER 22 March 2013			$35.00	$
ADDITIONAL CAR - $30.00 AFTER 22 March 2013	NUMBER		$25.00 EA	$
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MUSEUM OF DRAG RACING TOUR TICKETS: – **ADULTS** = $12 __. **60 & OVER** = $10 __. **13-18** = $10 __. **5-12** = $3 __ .				$
HORSE FARM TOUR TICKETS	NUMBER		$25.00 EA.	$
	TOTAL - REGISTRATION			$

TOTAL ENCLOSED (Registration & T Shirts) - Make check payable to: *"MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville"* **$**

SEND TO	*MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville*, 2031 THETA CT., ORANGE PARK, FL 32073
ONLINE	**ONLINE REGISTRATION & INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT**: www.mgclassics.org .
PAYMENT	**PLEASE MAIL CHECK WITH REGISTRATION**.
INFORMATION	**JIM HALL** - 904.282.1658, 904.613.9591; jimdeehall@att.net

MG Classics of Jacksonville

(Founded in 1971)

Membership Application / Renewal Form

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:

Owner's Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Home Phone: (_____)_____ Other Phone: (_____) _____

Email: _____

Please email my newsletter to help MG Classics save printing & postage costs: _____

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

_____

MG Automobile(s) Currently Owned (use other side for more):

	Year	Model	Condition
1.			
2.			
3.			

Make Checks Payable to: MG Classics of Jacksonville

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

Club Use:

Date Received: _____ Dues Received: $_____ Added to Roster: _____ Added to email List: _____

2013 Dues Are Now Due

MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville

Events Calendar

Date	Event	Location/Information
January 2013		
18-20	*Orlando Club Road Trip To: Amelia Island*	mgjim49@yahoo.com See article in Newsletter
28	*MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville* Meeting	Pizza Palace Baymeadows www.pizzapalacejax.com
April 2013		
19-21	*Gathering of the Faithful*	Hilton Hotel, Ocala www.mgclassics.com

Remember your 2013 MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville Club dues are now due.
Complete the enclosed **Membership Application / Renewal form** and mail it with a check made payable to the MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville to: **Treasurer, MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville, 2031 Theta Court, Orange Park,** FL 32073

NEW CLUB LEADERSHIP

President:	**Jim Bak**
Vice President:	**Bob Wrenn**
Secretary:	**Phyllis Brinkley**
Treasurer:	**Jeff Sager**
Board of Governors	**Remains the Same**



MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville
227 Hollywood Forest Drive
Orange Park, FL 32003

First Meeting of the New Year:
Monday, 28 January 2013 @ 6:30 PM

Pizza Palace Jax
BAYMEADOWS.

Location:
3028 Baymeadows Rd
Jacksonville, FL
Near San Jose, Blvd

Directions:
Take Exit 5 on I-295
Go North on Florida 13 / San Jose Blvd for about 3 Miles.
Turn Right on Baymeadows Rd. It's on the right.

Website & Menu: www.pizzapalacejax.com

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FRIDAY BUFFET: – **MENU:** Pulled Pork, BBQ Chicken, Potato Salad, Cold Slaw, Baked Beans, Rolls, and Peach Pie. Drink station with Ice Tea, Coffee, and Water. **PRICE:** $25.00 Per Person. **Cash Bar:** Before and during buffet. **BEGINS:** 6:30 PM.

SATURDAY BANQUET: – **MENU:** Top Sirloin Roast, Tilapia Piccata, Vegetable Lasagne, Rosemary Potatoes, Grilled Vegetable Medley, Tossed Salad, Fruit Salad, Rolls, Three layer Chocolate Cake, and Key Lime Pie. Drink Station with: Ice Tea, Coffee, and water. **Cash Bar:** Before and during banquet. **BEGINS:** 6:30 PM.

SATURDAY TOURS: 1:30 to 5:00 PM



DON GARLITS MUSEUM OF DRAG RACING: – **GO TO**: http://garlits.com/ for videos, slide shows, and details on this great museum. This website is a little difficult to work with, but just go back to "Home" if you get lost. Make sure you view the slide show as well as the videos. A visit to this museum alone is worth a trip to Ocala. **HENRY HIRSCHMAN** will lead a caravan to the museum. **THE CARAVAN WILL DEPART FROM THE HOTEL at 1:30 PM on Saturday.** Return to the Hotel on your own. **DISCOUNT TICKETS:** Under Five - free, Five to twelve - $3. Thirteen to eighteen - $10. Adults over eighteen - $12, Sixty and over - $10. Order tickets when you register.

HORSE COUNTRY CARRIAGE COMPANY & TOURS: is located in the heart of Ocala's finest farms. **GO TO:** www.hcccandt.com for details on the tour. You will be impressed. Driving through the gates you will feel you have stepped into a private resort surrounded by mighty live oaks, majestic palms, and best of all - beautiful horses. **LOCATED AT KIMBERDEN FARM**, a premier hunter & jumper training facility, it is a true oasis for horseman and horse lovers, alike. The tour includes visits to other farms. After the tour, you can sit on the patio under the live oaks to watch the horses and riders training. **NEIL NELSON** will lead a caravan to the farm. **THE CARAVAN WILL DEPART FROM THE HOTEL at 1:30 PM on Saturday**. Return to the Hotel on your own. **TICKETS:** $25 per person. Order tickets when you register.



T-SHIRT DESIGN



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GOF LOGO



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In consideration of and for the right to participate in the 47th Annual Gathering of the Faithful, I, on my behalf and on behalf of all members of my party attending the event, release the ***MG CLASSICS of Jacksonville Club, Florida Inc.***, all of the participating clubs, event sponsors and the ***Hilton Hotel, Ocala, Florida*** 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 & PASSENGER SIGN & DATE				
PLEASE PRINT NAMES				

On The Links

Links Associated with British Cars. Bob Wrenn provided the following links to some great videos, articles, publications, and photos of interest to British car enthusiasts.

Slide Collection of British Cars



1934 MG PA

To see slides of a variety of cars like the one above go to:

http://photogallery.classiccars.com/#!v=gallery&g=98&gi=183216&xo=ccn

Check out the Series on the British Invasion. This may be a little difficult to find, but if you hang in there, you will find it. A good place to start is to check the "HOME" tab. While you are at it, you may want to view some of the other car series. They are very interesting also.

A Fantastic Collection of Cars

The cars in this collection may not be British, but they are beautiful. Check them out here:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_M0-xrF2kpA&feature=plcp

The garage these cars are stored in is not too shabby. I like rich people with good taste.

MGC 4x4 Off-the-Road Roadster

Off the road driving may not be your thing, but you will get a kick out this MGC in this video that has been built to go cross-country.

Check it out here: http://vimeo.com/16016419



MGC 4X4 Off the Road Project

Hey, you have to admit the chap in the video was having fun. Rumor has it, that Jim Hall is secretly planning a MG 4X4 with a V-8 engine as his next project.

A Great MG T-Type Enthusiast's Newsletter

The link below is well worth checking out even if you are not into T-Type MGs. You will be impressed.

Totally T-Type 2 (TTT 2) is a **free** bi-monthly technical publication compiled for MG T-Series owners by John James, the creator and original editor of the MG Car Club T Register publication, **Totally T-Type.**

Issue 15 (December 2012) of Totally T-Type 2 has been published! You can download it or view it at:

http://ttypes.org/ttt2

If you have Skype, you can add **johnjamesmg** to your contact list and get in touch that way!

The MG TD Wood and Metal Skeleton

This video shows how the wood and metal skeleton of a T-Series car are being built and assembled. It's a little long but very interesting. Kim Dyson makes T-Series dashboards. This video shows how multiple dashboard are made using a CNC router. Check the link out here:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OEqpqZj8FPw

1969 New MG Price List

To review the 1969 MG price list for MG's go to:
http://mgcarz.com/MG_price_list.pdf

Thanks Bob - you do good work.