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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MGs OF BALTIMORE, MD





The Annual Chlli Run was held at the home of Jack and Liz Long on February 11 and it was a beautiful day as you can tell from a couple of these photos. Rumor says we are a social club that likes to meet, eat, and drink and like cars on the side.



From El Presidente:

Wow, what a nice winter so far, 60 & 70 degree days in February. I want to thank Jack & Liz Long for hosting this year's Chili Run and what a nice day that was. We had a great turn out with about 45 people in attendance and I believe 13 different chili's and a bevy of other treats that the members brought to be shared.

As most of you know, we will be having a MGs of Baltimore 40th Birthday Brunch on Sunday, April 23rd from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Mountain Branch Golf Club on Mountain Rd. (MD-152). This cost to members is \$24.50 per person and must be pre-paid by April 1. (See the flier in this edition of the newsletter) So far the response from members has been fantastic with over 50 paid. The space we now have can handle up to 80 so get those checks in.

Eric and Dennis have put together a Rallye School set for Saturday, April 8th. Brush up on your skills and be ready to take home a prize at the "Get the Dust Off" Rallye scheduled for Sunday, May 7th. (Look for the Rallye School flier in the newsletter).

Finally, **Last call for dues**. We have about 20 members that still owe dues for 2017. You will be getting a postcard and e-mail unless we have a bad e-mail address for you. **If you don't get an e-mail or postcard you don't owe.**

MGs of Baltimore, Ltd. Car Club, Celebrates 40 Years of Safety Fast (A Brief History of MGOB) 1977 to 2017

The MGs of Baltimore, Ltd. Car Club was founded in 1977 by a group of MGB owners who felt that they needed a local car club that was in tune with their cars. At the time of its founding MGB's were considered by many in the MG world to be modern cars and were not always welcome to play with their older brothers and sisters. The Club has been open to ALL MGs since the beginning and we now include all British cars. The club logo has now evolved into the Colonial Flag of Maryland (Lord Calvert's) with the familiar MG Octagon in the lower right-hand corner. The original design was the outline of the City of Baltimore map with the letters MGB in an octagon.





North American MGB Register





North American MGB Register

The only MEMBER-RUN organization for MGB, MGC, Midget,1100/1300 and Post Abingdon Car owners.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP \$30 (\$45 overseas)

• Dash plaque • Membership card • Window decal

• Six bi-monthly issues of The MG Driver, a 68-page informative magazine.

• Annual national convention – a four-day MG party!

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PO BOX 876 · Downers Grove, IL 60515-0876 Toll-free phone: 800-NAMGBR-1 www.namgbr.org The award winners for chili and other foods were:

HUNKA HUNKA BURNIN' LOVE - Patti Shields

BEST DESSERT -Kurt Nagel

BEST CHILI - Mike Lutz

BEST APPETIZER/SIDE DISH, - Vicki Hineline









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MGOB Chili Run and Burnin' Burnin' Love Award

In 2009, the original award reappeared. It was salvaged before being awarded to Mike lutz. The Jeffersons modified the original Picton design to make it flashier and of course technology was employed to make it lighter and faster.

Now we have both the original and duplicate Elvis. Of course to win this coveted title, which must be returned at the next year's event, the winner must eat one complete bowl of their own cooking

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2015	Len & Lee Picton	Jack Stern
2016	Richard & Carol Jefferson	Mike Lutz
2017	Jack & Liz Long`	Patti Shields



MY HEAT GUN WAS MY BEST FRIEND.

For as long as I've owned my '54 MG TF, the crash pad on the dash has had pretty bad red vinyl upholstery, so bad on the left end I had fastened a piece of black vinyl over it. That temporary fix lasted too long.

I recently ordered an upholstery kit from Moss and started changing out the vinyl in the rear tub. To my surprise, there was, I thought, red dye on all of the old stuff. I took photos before I started but didn't realize what I had gotten into. As panels went into place, I discovered a gap at both sides of the tub so I cover the gap with other material. I worked up the right side of the car and had read about what was ahead.

Instructions say take the dash board out of the car. Well, after studying the situation, I said nope I'm not doing that. I managed to get the right side front inside panel in place after another surprise. I had pulled the carpet and padding back to make installation of the panel easier since it was to go down into a groove at the bottom. "Why won't this #\$%&* thing go down. Since the seats were already out of the car, it was easier (somewhat) to get down in that corner with a light. Hmmm.

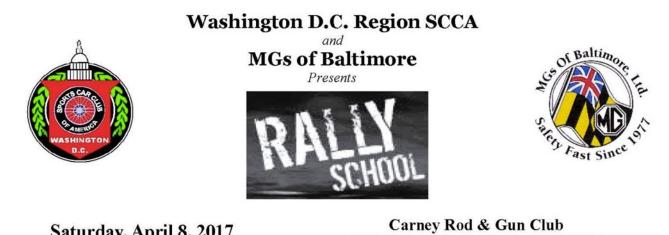
There is still a layer of carpet in that groove. I guess the last person who did this job took a shortcut and left the old carpet in the car. With that now pulled out, I was able to get the right side panel in place but had to remove one bolt from the dash end. So with that panel in place, the next piece in the direction I was going was the dash crash pad. OH yeah !

Well if you know the TF that crash pad is about 1.25" wide and runs in a series of curves from one end to the other. Fortunately I was able to get one wrench or another on all the nuts on the back side of the cowl (?) There are lights under that groove also so I had to be careful of wires and bulbs. I managed to get the crash pad off. It is made up of some plywood about 3/8" thick and a rolled rubber piece over that.

Let me preface this next bit by saying "Never again, never".

I had a strip of vinyl fabric from the upholstery kit to cover that pad. Never again !!! The first curve is the middle of the pad and as I worked one way then the other, I found wrinkles upon wrinkles. So I backed up some and restarted pulling and pushing as I stapled the vinyl to the back of the plywood. I managed to get to one end of the pad after a lot of restarts, pulling and tugging. About halfway through that process I wondered if the vinyl would hold up to a heat gun and what I could do with that. I tried and it helped.

I started on the other half to the crash pad. For some reason it was harder than the first side. about half way through that half, my hands started to cramp and they still are some 2 hours later. Yeah I iced them and had dinner. Ok, back to work. (Yeah I'm sorta nuts.) I did get the rest of the pad covered but not without incident. Clipping the back I cut too much and had to make a patch that may not show. Tomorrow I'll add the piping to the crash pad. I had to remake that too since I accidentally cut through the vinyl while it was on the car. That should end this cycle of grief. Roger Marshall



Saturday, April 8, 2017 12:00 pm to 6:00pm.

9721 Hilltop Dr, Parkville, MD 21234

Come out and join instructors from the MGs of Baltimore and the Sports Car Club of America to learn or brush up on the skills of automotive road rallying. We will spend the first half of the session giving students the basics of rallying and route following, with a focus on how to have fun rallying. Afterwards you will head out onto the roads to run a short rally (about 30 miles). This will give teams the opportunity to apply some of the information just learned. The rally will finish at a location serving food and "adult" beverages. There will be a short debriefing to answer questions on things that came up during the driving portion while the rally is scored and the "winners" announced. The registration fee includes a thumb drive containing our "How to Rally" book with over 75 pages of material for your permanent reference. You may want to bring your laptop along to the class to follow some of the instructions. In order to cover all of this material our schedule is tight—preregister and be on hand by 12:00 noon sharp. All instructors are previous rally winners-learn from those with first-hand experience!

Preregistration required! Registrations are due by April 1st. >> \$30 per vehicle / Two persons per vehicle << Vintage, Historic, and Modern Vehicles Welcome.

Ouestions/more info? Contact: MGOBrallymaster@gmail.com

Please note: This a Road Rally School-NOT Rally Cross!

To register complete the entry form below and mail it with a check payable to "MGs of Baltimore, Ltd." SEND TO: Dennis Blevins, 1213 River Rd, Quarryville, PA 17566 (lucas2mg@yahoo.com)

Driver:	Navigator:	
Address:	Address:	_
City/St/Zip	City/St/Zip	
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I herby warrant that the entered vehicle is on the road legally, is being used by the entrant with the owner's permission and is covered by liability insurance of not less than \$20,000/\$40,000/\$15,000 or the minimum requirements in the state of registry, whichever is higher.

Minors (under 18) must have an SCCA waiver form signed by both parents. Please contact lucas2mg@yahoo.com to obtain this form.

Driver signature:

Navigator signature:

Directions: From I-695 northeast of Baltimore: Take the Harford Rd (MD 147) Exit of I-695. East on Harford Rd (MD 147). Turn Right onto Summit Avenue. Turn left onto Hilltop Dr. (Hilltop is the 3rd left from Summit). The gun club is on the left.



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FINDING OUR 1965 MGB ROASTER

by MGOB member Duff Fowler.

It was the summer of 2012 and Larry Heaps had just infected Barbara Fowler with the MGB Roaster bug. One little ride to help Larry select wine for winners of some MGOB event. She came back from that ride and said "I could use one of those". Well that started our MGB adventure. We purchased a 1967 B that ran strong (ask Mike Lutz he owns it now) but had some rust issues. We loved everything about the car but it had no



After three years we decided to search for a replacement with minimal rust and with an overdrive transmission. We looked for several months and even flew to Los Angles and the Hollywood Hills to look at an MGB. We were on the web and the MG experience but to no availn June of 2015 we had a trip planed for Maine with some friends. It was the Wednesday before the Saturday we were going to drive to Maine and I was looking at my new Hemmings Motor News magazine. There are a couple of sections I always check out, one being the MG's. I'm looking down at the For Sale MG's and there is a picture and a caption I start reading to Barbara. " 1965, 5 main bearing motor, overdrive transmission convertible with 61,000 miles." Bottom line, I looked up at Barbara and said, "This is the exact car we are looking for, and I wonder where it is?" I look down and it was in Maine! We were going to be there in three days, but where in Maine? I wasn't going out of my way; we were on vacation with friends. With the phone number from the ad I made the call to get the location. I was dumbfounded; it was located enroute to our destination. I said we would look at the car Saturday afternoon.



I looked underneath, ran a magnet around the whole car and drove it running through all the gears and electric overdrive. It needed some TLC and new tires. We settled on a price, rented a U-Haul trailer in Portland, ME and Barbara pulled it right through New York with our F-150. We've had it two years now and just had it painted with new carpet and upholstery to follow. With the help of MGOB club members the car is well sorted out and should be ready for spring. continued next page As an aside, it was owned by a school teacher (Mrs. Black) for forty years and basically in storage for the remainder. The only options were an ash tray and the overdrive. The frame was drilled for a sway bar but not the front "A" arms, an option she did not buy. The sway bar has since been added as well as a complete new braking system. I converted the cars ground to Negative, had the Tach polarity changed to negative ground compatibility and added a modern radio

The MGB and the new friends we have made through the MG's of Baltimore Club have added a whole new dimension to Barbara's and my retirement years. An MGB Roadster drive puts a smile on your face.



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20th Annual Britain on the Green April 30, 2017

The Capital Triumph Register is proud to announce that the 20th Annual Britain on the Green (BOG) will be held at historic Gunston Hall, the colonial home of patriot George Mason, on April 30, 2017. BOG, which welcomes all British cars and motorcycles. is now well-established as one of the premier all-British shows in the metropolitan DC area.

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend as we expect this year to be the best ever! In addition to hundreds of beautiful British vehicles on display, we'll have live music, a Food Truck Alley, a sponsor/ vendor Midway for your automotive needs, activities for children, and tours of the Gunston Hall mansion and gardens for participants and spectators.

Participant's Choice honors will be awarded in 25 or more classes of British cars and motorcycles. There will also be a number of special awards including Best Resto-Mod, Best Survivor. Best Display, and of course, Best of Show. Finally, we will have a special 20th Anniversary Award and Hagerty Youth Judging.

So please plan on joining us on April 30th for the 20th Annual Britain on the Green. It is a great day to bring out your car, celebrate the arrival of spring, and kick off the British car show and driving season with friends, family, and fellow enthusiasts.

Online pre-registration is scheduled to open on February 15th. Remember, pre-registration speeds your entry, ensures your place on the show field, and determines classes and awards. In addition, pre-registrants receive the collectable 20th Anniversary show poster by famed artist Joseph Craig English. All for \$25, a savings of \$10 from Day-of registration.

Further information on Britain on the Green can be found at: <u>http://www.capitaltriumphregister.com/bog/</u>

Date/Time: April 30, 2017 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM Location: Gunston Hall 10709 Gunston Road Lorton, VA 22079 http://www.gunstonhall.org/ **Sponsored by: Capital Triumph Register** http://capitaltriumphregister.com/ http://www.capitaltriumphregister.com/bog/ Britain on the Green 2017 website: Capital Triumph Register contact: John Buescher 4519 North 19th Street Arlington, VA 22207 bog@capitaltriumphregister.com 703-522-6571 **BOG Show Car Registration Prices:** Pre-registration received by April 16, 2017: \$25 per car Registration after April 16, 2017: \$35 per car **BOG Spectator Admission Prices:** Adults: \$10 Children 6-18: \$5 Children under 6: free Family of 5 (2 adults, 3 children): \$25

1958 Austin Healey BN6 \$36,500 (near offer considered)

Fitted with later BJ8 engine and center shift overdrive transmission. Low miles on engine/trans rebuilds (Merryman's). Beautiful paint work (Healey blue w/charcoal coves), near perfect blue interior with proper leather seats and MotoLita wood steering wheel. Matching (blue) top and tonneau. Side curtains appear unused. Alloy wheels fitted with Michelin (Coker) XZX tyres. Quick fill "LeMans" gas cap and louvered bonnet add to the visual appeal. Well detailed engine bay, ready to show.

Alan Tucker <u>actucker@centurylink.net</u>







1970 MGBGT \$9200 (near offer considered)

Well restored car with West coast history. Low miles on rebuilt engine and OVERDRIVE transmission. Fitted with wire wheels a Michelin tyres. Interior covered with Dynamat sound proofing prior to refitting. Very nice paintwork, new rubber fitted on reassembly. Runs and drives 100%. Shows quite well. This is a great road car ready for touring.

Alan Tucker actucker@centurylink.net



1972 MGB Roadster, 60,400 original miles, \$7200 (near offer considered)

Resprayed 2009, all new rubber fitted during reassembly. Spax adjustable front shock conversion with ³/₄" sway bar. Miata seats, Mountney 14" 4 spoke steering wheel, Weber 32/36 carb, Monza header and sport exhaust, "special tuning" front valance, Parish plastics hard top, etc. New clutch fitted Jan/2017. This is a well sorted example with proper panel gaps that shows quite well.

Alan Tucker <u>actucker@centurylink.net</u>





68-74 MGB engine, 1875CC (will fit 75-80 with front engine plate change)

Fresh bottom end, decked 18V block, .010"/.010" 18GH crank, .060" bore with NOS Hepolite pistons on 18GH rods (floating wristpins), fully balanced, new Chambers "BL3" cam, new APT tappets, new tri-metal King bearings, new oil pump, timing chain, Gaco seals, Payne gaskets, etc. Fitted with aluminum crossflow cylinder head, high lift roller rockers, T6061 valve spring retainers, alloy valve cover with matching breather box, lightened and balanced flywheel with 8" clutch (stock is 7.5"). Includes SU manifold, carbs additional (HIF6 or HS6 available). Also includes plastic fan blade, 43D distributor w/Pertronix and misc ancillaries. This is a lot of motor, hot rodded in the true "British" fashion. \$5500 with 1 year warranty.

Alan tucker <u>actucker@centurylink.net</u>





UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to Interfaith Food Pantry of Morris County. Please support this worthy cause by bringing a non-perishable food item from their current needs list found at www.mcifp.org. Thank you.

Britfest...2017 / Entry Form

Make checks payable to: "The MG Car Club Central Jersey Centre, Mail form and checks to: 12-68 Fourth Street, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

Name:
Address:
City:
State: Zip:
Email:
Telephone:
Car Make:
ModelYear:
Car Pre Registration (closes 4/15/17): \$15 • After 4/15/17 and at the Gate: \$20
Vendors: spaces at \$25 per space =
Vendor Total:
Registration:
Grand Total: *(20'x20' space MUST Pre Register)
I hereby release the MG Car Club Central Jersey Centre, Inc. and its sponsors from any liability as a result of my participation in this event
Signature Date
www.mgccnj.org
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22nd Red Mill British Car Day

Presented by the Austin-Healey Sports & Touring Club - NJ

Red Mill Museum Village Clinton, NJ

Join Us in Beautiful Hunterdon County.

Visit the wonderful Red Mill Museum Village, shop in downtown Clinton's many quaint stores, experience the Hunterdon Art Museum and marvel at the many gorgeous British cars! There will also be a picnic basket competition.

New this Year!

Award classes will be by Make and Model of vehicles registered.

Sign up early as there is only space for 100 vehicles. **All vehicles must be** preregistered.

Sunday, June 4, 2017 10 am – 3 pm (rain or shine!)

Spectator Admission \$10.00 (Discounts for Seniors, Vets and Children) Benefits Red Mill Museum Village

Car show registration of **\$20.00** must be received before **May 22nd, \$25.00** after that date. MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: AHSTC-NJ

Steve Feld phone 973-525-9054 healey4459@gmail.com

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MGOB CLUB TOOLS FOR MEMBERS USE

The club has some specialty tools that are available to the membership. Listed below are the tools that are currently available.**Guidelines** The MGs of Baltimore Ltd. owns certain tools, and membership entitles you to the use thereof. **You do so at your own risk**. If you don't know how a certain tool works or how it is used, seek the advice of a member proficient in the use of the equipment or tool.

- The person borrowing the tool is responsible for it until it is returned to the club. It cannot be directly handed off to another member without the approval of the caretaker of the tools, Randy Kegg.
- 2. Club Tools are available only to current members of MGOB.
- Tools are borrowed for a reasonable period of time, typically two to four weeks.
- The club will maintain a logbook that will keep track of the whereabouts and status of the tools.
- Persons not returning tools will be subject to unspeakable consequences. (You don't want to know.)

The person responsible for club tools is Randy Kegg. He can be reached at <u>Randell_Kegg@msn.com</u> or 410-592-3733.

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TOOLS TOOLS TOOLS

The club maintains a variety of tools that may be borrowed by members of the club. Randy Kegg is the tool mister and borrowed tools must be returned to HIM unless otherwise agreed.

Engine Stand (2)

Engine lift with tilt device (2)

Whitworth wrenches

Whitworth sockets

Whitworth thread file

MGB Kingpin Reamer

Sandblaster (Suction from a bucket type)

Rostyle Wheel Paint Mask (MGB)

Midget Kingpin reamer

SU Carb Throttle shaft reamer for MG T,A, B carbs

SU Carb Throttle shaft reamer for Midget carbs

Click Type Torque Wrench 0-150 ft-lb. Standard 1/2" Socket set

Hub Puller

Rear Hub sockets for MGA and early and late MGB

Harmonic balancer puller

Camshaft Degree wheel with TDC finder, etc.

Timing light

Dwell/Tach Meter

Differential flange removal tool

Brake line bender – tubing cutter – bubble type flaring tools

Slide Hammer for bushings, bearing caps, and axle extraction

Lift-A-Dot Upholstery punch tool

SU Carb Synchronizer

Pickle Fork for Tie Rod ends

MGB Clutch Alignment Tool

Front Suspension Toe-In Adjustment Tool

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MGOB meets on the first Tuesday of each month at Jimmy Dee's Restaurant and Lounge at about 6 PM for dinner and the meeting starts about 7:30 PM

MGs of Baltimore Affiliations

North American MGB Register North American MGA Register American MGB Association MG Car Club UK MG Owner's Club UK

MEMBERSHIP

Submit changes in address etc to

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New Members

Jeff & Sharon Shackelford -1980 MGB.

Anthony & Jackie DeBella -1974 MGBGT V8 & 1960 Sprite (returning member)

Scott Duncan -LotusTVR and 74 MGBGT

Sam Demisse - 71 Austin America

Richard Moure - 1970 MGB, 1975 MGB; 1965 MGB & a 1968 TR250

CALENDER FOR 2017

MARCH 7th - MGOB meeting,

APRIL 4th - MGOB meeting. 22nd The Williamsburg British Car Club 18th Annual British and European Car Show

MAY 2nd - MGOB meeting, 17th - 19th - Carlisle Import & Performance Nationals. Carlisle PA Fairgrounds - 717-243 - 7855

JUNE 6th - MGOB meeting — — 4th, OBCD at . Lilypons Water Gardens. see flier above. 10th- Britfest 2017 MD POLO GROUNDS, 3600 Fallston Rd, Jarrettsville, MD

JULY 4th - MGOB meeting

AUGUST 1st - MGOB meeting.

SEPTEMBER 5th - MGOB meeting, 30th - MGs On The Rock

OCTOBER 3rd - MGOB meeting.

NOVEMBER 7th - MGOB meeting.

DID YOU KNOW? Today at the MVA I was told that tags for a 50 + year old car require only a front plate and must be renewed every 2 years. I also learned that for a car 60 or more years old can get a one time tag and sticker.

Alex Ollerman substituted for Randy for this Tech Session. His topic was bushings, specifically suspension systems. Alex discussed the different type of materials in bushings and how they react.