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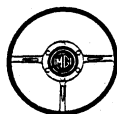
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## Behind The Wheel

Richard Neale, President

### 1st Annual Southeast British Car Festival.

If you didn't attend, you missed a great show. Dennis and his committees did a fantastic job. The weather was questionable at times, but we got a break on Saturday. We had quite an array of cars, over 70 some cars. This count will be updated. We received lots of comments on the show, all said they were looking forward to 2008. A special thanks to Jack Dowling and R.S. Andrews Services, Inc.; for sponsoring the trophies. This was much appreciated!

### Reminder: Fall Tour XIV October 6th, 7th and 8th.

This will be a great drive. Having driven the Cherohala Skyway, I suggest you make sure your car is in tour condition. You may want to disconnect the WHOA signal.

**The November meeting** is when we elect officers for the coming year. You are encouraged to take part in directing the club this coming year. If you'd like to run for an office, just give me or any current officer a call. There is another article by the VP on this subject on page 4.

The Christmas Committee is working on our annual **Christmas Party**. More information to follow at the next meeting and in the newsletter.

**Next club meeting is October 15<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 at The Harp Irish Pub.**

*Safety Fast*

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## Membership Update

By Nancy DeLoatch

### Welcome New Members:

John Perkins	Canton, GA	80 MGB
Tom & Terry Schaben	Sandy Springs, GA	76 MGB
Arvid & Melissa Vasenden	Athens, GA	72 MGB-GT
George & Marilyn DeLong	Chattanooga, TN	Shopping for MGA
Dan DiMartino	McDonough, GA	
Wayne & Elaine Stewart	Roswell, GA	Welcome Back!

Please extend a gracious welcome to all of our new members as you meet them at upcoming events.

We now have 148 memberships. So far, in the 2006 calendar year, we have had 41 new members join our club.

## THE FALL MOUNTAIN TOUR XIV

By Jerry Cram

Well, this is it. By the time you read this the Fourteenth Annual Fall Mountain Tour will only be a few days away. As you may remember, this year we're headed to Maggie Valley, North Carolina, about twenty (20) miles from Cherokee, land of gift shops, antique shops, etc; as well as the world famous "Wheels Through Time" motorcycle and auto museum. Also, if you feel lucky, Harrah's Casino is just over the hill back in Cherokee

We'll be staying at the "Smoky Falls Lodge", a log cabin theme inn right on the creek. Check their website at: <http://www.smokyfallsdodge.com/> They have recently completed a new covered gazebo with dozens of rockin' chairs perfect for our rockin', drinkin' and story tellin' pleasure.

Paulette has arranged for us to have a special room rate that will include an all-you-can-eat catered Bar-B-Que dinner on Friday night and a full (also all-you-can-eat) country breakfast both Saturday and Sunday mornings (therefore, the rate you will be quoted is different from those on the website)

The dates for this year's trip are Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, the most beautiful time of year to visit the mountains.

As of September 11<sup>th</sup>, we have fourteen (14) rooms reserved. If you wish to join us, and have not already done so, you may make your reservations by calling the inn at (877) 926-7440. Ask for either Kristin or Lydia and be sure to identify yourself as a member of the Peachtree MG Registry.

ATTENTION -- ATTENTION -- ATTENTION. A new wrinkle this year, for the first time ever, we will not meet in our regular spot. This year, we will meet at the McDonald's restaurant in Cumming, GA. To get there, go North on GA 400 to Exit 14 (GA Hwy 20) and go West (this is a cloverleaf type exit, so you will actually turn right at the top of the ramp) go 1/4 mile to Old Route 19 and look left. The McDonald's can be seen from there. We will meet at 8:00 am Friday morning, October 6<sup>th</sup> and depart at 9:00 am sharp. Paulette and I have already ridden the route for this year (twice) and you will be pleased to learn that the entire trip, from start to finish, will be new and different scenery, including one of the most spectacular sections of paved highway anywhere in the south. The new Cherohala Skyway !

The little "traveling" game that we've enjoyed for the past three years will be repeated for the drive up and, as before, the winner will receive free dinner for two (on Saturday night) courtesy of the club.

If you have any questions, especially if you're a new member or have never been on this trip before, give me or Paulette a call anytime at the office (828) 675-0891, at home (828) 675-0890 or on my mobile phone at (828) 284-2575.

Looking forward to another great drive in the mountains with lots of good friends on a beautiful autumn weekend.

## Southeast British Car Festival 2006, Dillard Georgia

### Car Show Awards

MG TA/TC	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Bob Stanek, 1946 MGTC
MG TD	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place, Charlie Mitchell, 1953 MG TD MkII 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, Lyman Delk, 1950 MG TD 1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Ellis Carlton, 1952 MG TD
MG TF	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place, Dan Kimberland, 1955 MG TF 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, Don Harmer, 1954 MG TF 1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Wayne Stewart, 1954 MG TF
MGA	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place, Cliff Jones, 1957 MGA Coupe 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, Brock Garland, 1960 MGA 1 <sup>st</sup> Place, William King, 1959 MGA Twin Cam
MGB Early	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place, Patty Rosenberg, 1969 MGB 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, Pat Ballard, 1971 MGB 1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Larry Norton, 1973 MGB
MGB Late	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place, Michael Bannan, 1979 MGB 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, Ralph Wharton, 1979 MGB 1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Mike Miller, 1979 MGB
MGB GT	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place, Tom George, 1972 MGB GT 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, Jack Dowling, 1972 MGB GT 1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Gerald Medford, 1973 MGB GT
MGC	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Dick Wohlwend, 1979 MGC GT
MGB V8/V6	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place, Mike Cook, 1979 MGB V8 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, Pat Dempsey, 1980 MGB V8 1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Chris Gore, 1979 MGB V8
Midget	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, Rhonda McCartney, 1974 MG Midget 1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Brad Alpers, 1962 MG Midget
Morgan	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Tom Schmitz, 1967 Morgan 4+4
Triumph TR3	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Michael Allison, 1960 Triumph TR3
Triumph TR6	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Gregory Baumann, 1976 Triumph TR6
Jaguar	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Joseph Garrion, 1973 Jaguar E Type
Austin Healey	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Lou Ballard, 1963 Austin Healey 3000
Sunbeam	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Ted Stewart, 1967 Sun Beam Alpine
Rolls Royce	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Steve McDonald, 1927 Rolls Springfield
Modified	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Tim O'Brien, 1973 MGB Modified
Brittania Open	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Alvin Appelman, 1974 Jensen Healey
Brittania Closed	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Ken Gregory, 1936 Riley Kestrel
Mini	1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Steve Cripps, 1984 Mini Cooper
Diamond in the Rough	Frank Blumberg, 1976 MGB V8
Valve Cover Race	Mike Cook
People's Choice	Ken Gregory, 1936 Riley Kestrel
Peachtree Award	Michael Allison, 1960 Triumph TR3

#### **Peachtree Club Remaining Events**

*By Brad Dryden*

Events for the Club Sponsored Events for the remaining of the year appear to be somewhat sketchy. These are noted below. Let's try to get some closure on them at the October Club meeting at the Pub, so please attend to help us plan. We will also send out emergency emails to inform of last minute details if needed.

#### **October Events:**

- **Fall Tour**, Friday October 6<sup>th</sup> to Sunday October 8. Done deal. If you have not made reservations yet, it may be too late.
- **Club Meeting at the Pub**. Sunday October 15 at 5:30. We need to spend time discussing the remaining events for the year.
- **Poker Run**, October 21, Nothing really settled on this one. We need an organizer.

#### **November Events:**

- **Chattanooga Car Show**, Friday November 3 through Sunday November 5.
- **Tech Session**, Saturday November 18<sup>th</sup>. Nothing really settled on this one. Talk is of an engine swap at Jim and Rhonda McCartney's home in Acworth. Mike Cook is organizing this and will get us more information.

#### **December Events:**

- **Club Holiday Party**, Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00PM. Planning has begun, reservations have been made. We need to speak with Patty Rosenberg and Nancy DeLoatch for their status. I believe it is at the same location as last year.
- **Polar Bear Run**, sponsored by the Atlanta Triumph Club, Saturday December 30. More information on page 8.

Any other events or get-togethers can be planned. Bring your ideas.

# The Spare Tyre

By Brad Dryden

**Attention Please!** Your involvement in the Club is needed. It is time to start thinking about election of officers which will happen at the Christmas Party/Club Meeting in December. But of course, before we elect our Club Leaders, we need to nominate Members. At the risk of being a boring read, (and I know it is old stuff to many) it is important that all Club Members understand this portion of the Club business and to please consider getting involved in your MG Club, in order to help make it the kind of Club we all want.

According to our Club Bylaws, "Members shall be able to place any name in nominations from the floor and these shall be placed on the "ballot" at the November meeting. All names in nomination shall be advertised in the December newsletter of the Club for all members to vote on. Only those present at the December meeting shall be allowed to vote." The term is one calendar year.

## ***Your Club positions and duties are as follows:***

**Club President:** "The president shall preside at all meetings of the Club and shall be the chairperson of the Directors meeting". Responsibilities include general leadership of the Club. "The vice president shall assume the role of president the following year and serve for one year as president". Therefore, looks like yours truly will be the Club's President next year. Sorry about that. But I promise to do the very best that I can for the Club.

**Club Vice President:** The duties of this position are to support and back-up the Club President, and to oversee that Club Events are planned and communicated to members. Holders of this position will be moved to Club President the following year.

**Club Secretary, Club Treasurer:** "The secretary shall be the custodian of the minute books of the Club and shall accurately keep minutes of all meetings of the Club and the Directors. The treasurer shall have the authority and responsibility for the safekeeping of the funds and securities of the Club." This past year, the two positions were held by Steve Logan.

Our bylaws also specify that other officers as may be elected by the members of the Club as required to run the Clubs business. As such, we also need nominations for...

**Membership Director:** Duties surrounding this very important position is to maintain the Club's membership information and to grow the Club's membership. This past year Nancy DeLoatch held this position.

**Technical Director:** Duties surrounding this position is to provide technical information to the Club. Since Club membership is primarily made up from non-professional mechanics, this very important position will oversee the organization of Technical Events and technical newsletter information. Mike Cook was the Tech Director this past year.

**Historian:** This position is responsible for documenting Club Events so that we can all look at the great times we have had in past Club activities. This past year Tim O'Brien held this position.

**Regalia Director:** This position is responsible first to promote the Club for membership growth and camaraderie, and second as a Club fundraiser. Brad Alpers has been our Regalia Director this past year.

**Newsletter Editor** – This position is responsible for editing and distributing the monthly Club Newsletter. John Kreimer has held this position over the past year.

**Webmaster** – This position is responsible for maintaining the Club Website for the purpose of communicating events, Club promotion and event information, membership promotion, and general MG information to the MG world. Patty Rosenberg has held this position over the last year.

So, please consider getting involved. Let me know by or at the November Club meeting on November 12, of whether you would like to be nominated for one of these positions. All positions but the President, will be voted on. Its fun, not usually a lot of work, and you get to help contribute to making this the kind of Club you would hope for.

## ***OK, if you have made it this far into the article, I offer you this humorous reward (or punishment):***

An MG breaks down along the motorway one day, so the driver eases it over onto the side of the road. He jumps out of the car, opens the boot, and pulls out two men in trench coats.

The men stand behind the car, open up their coats and start exposing themselves to the oncoming traffic. This results in one of the worst pile-ups in history.

When questioned by police about why he put two perverts along the side of the road, the man replied, "I broke down and was just using my emergency flashers!"

## **“On the Road” at Home – or – An A Fayre to Remember**

*By Lou Ballard*

The Norcross Station and Historic Downtown area was an ideal setting for another British Car Fayre located on the square and supported and sponsored by “**Taste of Britain**” and the **British American Business Group**.

It was much larger this year than past including all makes of British Cars (over 100) including MGs, Austin Healeys, Triumphs, Morgans, Bentleys, Jaguars, Rolls Royces, Aston Martins, Lotuses and Rovers. It was certainly larger due to the beautiful weather, as well as the drawing for two British Airway tickets donated for a drawing at the end of the day. Pat and I decided to register both cars to give a better chance to win the tickets, but it didn't work. We did spend an enjoyable day greeting friends from other clubs and hopefully enlisting new members into our two clubs. One person who expressed interest in joining the AHC was an Englishman named “Phil Hill”. I didn't ask him if he was related to the famous race driver. Later we joined a few Healey friends and drove to an Italian Restaurant called “**Giovanni**” for an Exotic Car Cruise Inn. There were Maseratis, Ferraris, Lotuses, Porsches, etc. mostly newer models. They did show curious interests in our cars. It ended up being a very long and enjoyable day.



**Pat and Wayne Stuart talk about MGs at the Fayre**

**See ya “On the Road”**

## **Spridget Owners Unite!**

*By Jim Johnson*

First, I am a new member of the Peachtree MG Club though we have not yet arrived in Georgia to take part in club activities. I retire this month and we hope to be settled in the Adairsville – Cartersville area by spring 2007. We are looking forward to club events.

I also have the honor of chairing a recently assembled Ad Hoc committee which plans on putting together a major international rally to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the MG Midget/Austin Healey Sprite.

As you probably know, the first Austin Healey Sprite rolled off the factory line on May 22, 1958 and became the “father” of the MG Midget a few years later. An international group of “Spridget” owners has been gradually congealing over the years via the internet and email lists. The time has now come for them to organize and celebrate the Spridget Golden Jubilee.

Within the next few months a venue for the event will be chosen and dates set. Presently we are looking at venues which are centrally located in the US and therefore accessible for Spridget folks from all over the country. A number of Spridget owners from the UK and Australia have also expressed interest in attending and we will most likely have John Sprinzel (of UK Spridget racing fame) as our honored guest. We expect as many as 500 to 800 cars to participate. A web site will soon be online and pre-registration materials will be available in about six months. The projected time frame is late May or early June, 2008.

I thought that Peachtree MG Club members might be interested in this bit of Brit car news and will update you with more information as it becomes available.

Best regards,

Jim Johnson  
1968 Midget - Dodge City, Kansas



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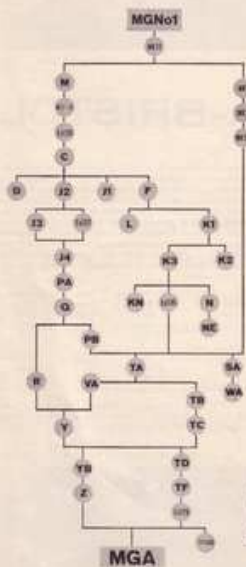
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## Trivia from the September meeting:

By Mike Cook

- 1) "The Mother Road" is better known as .....
- 2) Nitrous Oxide is also known as .....
- 3) Cake Urchins and Sea Biscuits are also known as .....
- 4) Tuscany is part of what country? .....
- 5) "The Daily Slate" was read by .....
- 6) Singer Gordon Sumpner is better known as .....
- 7) The first Rolls Royce was the .....
- 8) What part of Betty Grable was insured for \$1m? .....
- 9) Annie Mae Bullock is better known as .....
- 10) What does a Pecan grow on? .....

(Answers on page 9)

**Rollin' - Rollin' - Rollin' Down the River**  
**With Captains of the Southern British Car Club**  
 November 3-5, 2006

**Historic Chattanooga Choo-Choo**

**ROLLIN' DOWN THE HIGHWAY**

**FRIDAY, November 3, 2006 4:00 PM until >>>>**  
**Chattanooga Choo Choo ~ Grand Central Station**

**REGISTRATION**

**Southern Style Dinner ~ Mid South Concert Band**

**NEW EVENT ~ VALVE COVER RACES**

ROLL onto the parking lot in front of Grand Central Station where registration begins at 4:00 pm. We will serve our Southern style dinner at 6:30 pm. This meal always includes the best homemade desserts in town. Our events for the evening will be music during the meal provided by the Mid South Concert Band. Following the meal we will offer a FIRST for our show with VALVE COVER RACES inside Grand Central Station. The races will be conducted by our pros, Mike Cook and Barry Rosenberg from Atlanta. For rules and specs for the racers, check out our web site.

Prizes will be awarded for First, Second and Third Place in the Valve Cover Race and also for the 'Most Creative' Designed Racer

**WEEKEND EVENT OPTIONS >>>>**

The main entrance of the Choo-Choo Complex houses the CARTA Shuttle Garage where all visitors may secure a free ride to other downtown attractions. You may wish to visit WAREHOUSE ROW OUTLET MALL, THE TENNESSEE AQUARIUM'S newest addition, THE CREATIVE DISCOVERY MUSEUM or the I-MAX THEATRE. Antique lovers can find several shops to visit and restaurants are available in all locations. Go at your own pace, the shuttle runs every 10-15 minutes. Just look for the shuttle signs throughout the downtown area and board and exit at your leisure.

**SATURDAY November 4, 2006 ALL BRITISH CAR SHOW**

**GRAND CENTRAL STATION**

8:00 am Car Cleaning (bucket and hose provided)  
 9:00-10:00 am Cars placed in your class at Show Area

**SATURDAY, November 4, 2006 1:30 PM until 3:00 PM**

ROLLIN' DOWN the countryside of the greater Chattanooga area with SBCC club members as your guides. We will supply you with written directions, a printed map and a local guide for every 6 - 8 cars. We don't want anyone to ROLL off the mountain side and miss our evening plans.

**3:30 PM**

ROLLIN' RIGHT ALONG - We are changing our schedule this year and as soon as we return from our guided tour, plan to meet inside Grand Central Station for the Awarding of the Car Show Trophies.

**ROLLIN' DOWN THE RIVER Saturday Evening Banquet**

6:30 pm Buses leave Grand Central Station  
 7:00 pm Board the Riverboat  
 7:30 pm Riverboat departs  
 10:00 pm Riverboat returns to dock  
 10:30 pm Buses return to Grand Central Station

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND** - We will have our Saturday evening banquet as we go Rollin' Down the River aboard the Southern Belle Riverboat. Since we will present our awards in the afternoon we will be able to enjoy our meal, the live entertainment on board and walk around to see the night view of Chattanooga. We will once again furnish, at no charge, transportation to and from the Riverboat for a your convince aboard school buses.

We have a complete deck of the Riverboat reserved for our group. The club has committed to 125 reservations for our dinner cruise. The SBC Club MUST receive your paid reservations for the Riverboat by October 25, 2006. There will be no refund after that date unless we are able to sell your ticket.

A cash bar will be available during the cruise for those 21 and older. Be prepared to show ID. The dinner aboard the riverboat will be served as a buffet consisting of Prime Rib or Shrimp Creole, side items, bread, tea or coffee and desert.

**DON'T MISS THE BOAT!!**

Make your reservations today.

**SUNDAY MORNING HOMEWARD BOUND**

Grand Central Station  
 7:45 AM until 10:30 AM Complimentary Coffee and Donuts

Come join us for coffee, orange juice, muffins and fruit inside Grand Central Station before you ROLL your way back home.

**1:00 pm VOTING ENDS**

ROLL on the Show Grounds with your car looking its best for our popular vote car show. The Classes are as follows:

A	JAGUAR 4 DOOR	N	MGB 1974 1/2-1980
B	JAGUAR 2 DOOR	O	MGB - GT
C	TR2, TR3	P	AUSTIN HEALEY (EARLY)
D	TR 250, TR4	Q	AUSTIN HEALEY (BJ 8)
E	TR6	R	SUNBEAM/TIGER
F	TR7 & TR8	S	SUNBEAM/ALPINE
G	SPITFIRE	T	MODIFIED
H	MGA	U	MORRIS
I	MG-TC	V	MINI
J	MG-TD	W	OPEN
K	MG-TF	X	LOTUS
L	MGB 1962-1969	Y	MIDGET
M	MGB 1970-1974	Z	SPRITE

Cars may be reclassified (drivers choice of class) at 9:45 a.m. if only one (1) vehicle is present in any given class. Additional classes may be formed when two (2) or more vehicles are present at 9:45 a.m. There will be a special parking area for all cars that are not pre-assigned to a class until 9:45 am.

Trophies will be awarded as follows: two (2) cars in a class will receive First Place only, 3-4 cars in a class will receive First and Second Place trophies, five (5) or more in a class will receive First, Second, and Third Place trophies.



**FOR LADIES ONLY**



Ladies take time to visit our local vendors located inside Grand Central Station during the show Saturday and start shopping for those unique Christmas gifts. The vendors have items such as jewelry, candles, purses, decorations and great fall and Christmas ideas.



**REGISTRATION INFORMATION AT A GLANCE**

First Car Registration (Received by October 25th)	\$ 20.00
First Car Registration (Received after October 25th)	\$ 25.00
Additional Cars	\$ 15.00
Friday Dinner (per Person)	\$ 5.00
Saturday Banquet & Riverboat Ride (Per Adult)	\$ 32.00
Children ages 3- 12	\$ 19.25
T- Shirts: Small, Medium, Large, X-Large	\$ 10.00
XXL Size Only	\$ 12.00

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Please return completed registration form with your check to:



**Southern British Car Club**  
 P.O. Box 298  
 Ooltewah, TN 37363



For Additional Information: [www.southernbritishcarclub.org](http://www.southernbritishcarclub.org)  
 Perky & Charles Long 423-614-8897 or sbcc@wildblue.net

**Registration form is on page 10**



## Tech Article – Getting Ready

By Barry Rosenberg

This will be a short article this month. There are several reasons for this. Lack of time, as I write this article, we have our big show in Dillard this coming weekend and I have a lot to do to get ready for it; I am very sick as I write this with a cold that hit like a freight train Saturday afternoon; I am lazy. That is enough excuses. So, what will I do to get ready for a show?

Not as much as you would think. Besides all the show stuff Patty and I have to do; build a bird condo for the raffle: what-is-it board; valve cover racing stuff like sending out rules (it does no good to have them in the packets as they cannot build a car once they are here); two tech clinics to plan and test: meal tickets to print and cut (Patty); ballots to print (Patty); registration (Patty); name badges with schedules on the back (Patty); baked goods (Patty again); you see how much work it takes. And we are planning on taking two cars.

Our red 69 MGB is going because Patty really likes that car and our new 1976 factory MGBGT V-8 is going because I need the carrying space. We have to take boxes of show paperwork, a picture printer, what's it board and stand, Nigel Whitworth, valve cover racer, tech clinic stuff, tools, clothes, etc. It is enough to fill a small truck. Sure wish I had the trailer here to load this stuff in. And there is no way I can take my large canopy; the polls are too long to fit in the GT.

So what will I do to prepare the cars? Well, they were last driven to Gatlinburg and that was not so long drive so they should not need oil changes or tune-ups. The brakes and clutch worked fine so those should be ok. Most of the electrics worked; at least the important ones did like lights and wipers. They have been parked inside since Gatlinburg so they should still be clean.

Except the GT that is. It has been parked in my basement where I have been building a bird condo for the raffle. Here is a tip for you woodworkers out there. When using your belt sander, install the dust bag on it if you have your car sitting next to you with the windows, sunroof and hood open. It is amazing how much dust those little bags can catch. I just wish I had mine on at the time. So that means the GT gets a bath. The 69 need only a sprits with a detailer and it will look good enough to me.

Patty may vacuum her 69 but don't look for me to do that to the GT. It will get a quick wash and that is it. So, to concentrate this article down to the nitty gritty of getting our cars ready for a show; one gets vacuumed and the other gets washed. See, it pays to keep your cars in decent running condition all the time. Patty and I can concentrate on all the other show stuff we have to do instead of trying to get our cars prepped. Or, if you are like some, back together, in time for the show.

Fall is coming and the driving season is upon us. If your car had been kept up during the summer, you would be ready. After fall is winter. This is the time to repair your car for the next year. Then you can just get in and drive. Go ahead and plan your winter projects like changing the oil (please, only do this about every 3,000 miles or once a year and not more often); fix the brakes, the lights, the wipers, etc. Be ready for next year. What I will plan for next year is to pull the engine on the GT and redo the engine compartment. There is a terrible exhaust leak and I have a new set of headers that will get ceramic coated and installed. You have to pull the engine to remove them.

So, while the engine is out, I might as well clean and detail under the hood. Everything works fine so I will not have to fix anything, although a new clutch could find its way to the flywheel as long as it is exposed. But, that is it. Just paint and detail and fix the exhaust. With our new home starting soon in Ellijay, I will not have time for much else.

Now, if any of you want to buy this car, then I won't have to do this. You can make it your winter project. And I will throw in the new headers. So, get your car ready. We want to see you driving it with us on our trips. Drive carefully.

### **POLAR BEAR RUN VII**

**Saturday, December 30, 2006**

From Alfa to 240-Z, they'll all be at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Georgia Polar Bear Run

This year's destination is the Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum near Birmingham, Alabama

Look for updates online at [www.GaTriumph.com](http://www.GaTriumph.com)

For more information contact George Forster at 770-845-4484 or email [GeorgiaPolarBear@hotmail.com](mailto:GeorgiaPolarBear@hotmail.com)

### **Did you know? 50 years ago this month --**

October 17 1956 – The MGA Coupe and ZB Midget made their public debut at the Earls Court Motor Show. The Midget was also available with the Manumatic (semi-automatic) transmission (which was later refitted with a manual transmission by many owners)



## Me and The B

By Tim O'Brien

I have been reading articles in some of the car magazines I get that there is a great concern by many of the hobbyists such as myself that many of the environmentalists are out petitioning their respective politicians to do away with all cars, regardless of their age, that don't meet the most current federal or state guidelines for safety and emissions. It seems that the car guys that are most affected by this legislation right now are the hobbyists that have modified their cars, such as the hot rodders and the replica or kit car builders.

The hobby car builders are lucky enough to be represented by some large organizations such as SEMA that have so far kept some of the most severe legislation from being passed. I read that some states have actually considered laws that would require all cars that are hobby built or modified to comply with the laws required for a motor vehicle manufactured on that date the modification was made. An example would be that if you modified your car in 2006 the law would require you to include all the safety features that any other car would have to have if it were built on that date. Like airbags, for instance. That is tough but I get the idea "the save the ozone crowd" is not trying to get all the old cars to comply, they are more interested in trying to get rid of all the old cars. At least keep them off the streets and inoperable or confined to museums where they can no longer strangle the unknowing public with their murderous belching of hydrocarbons.

Many will say, "Well, that's the hot rodders' and kit car builders' problem and we don't care about them anyway, in fact, anybody who violates the originality of these fine English machines should suffer the penalties of the law". This is probably right, but most of these fine old unaltered machines are dripping oil on the ground and billows of blue smoke from burned oil are blowing out of the tail pipes and the "Carrie Nation" of clean air doesn't like that either.

If legislation is passed to control the hot rodders and kit car builders, who do you suppose is next to have their head put on the environmentalists' chopping block?

I can see it now: great campaigns will be initiated that will require all drivers of English sports cars to put stickers on their cars warning of the dangers the car can present when it is running. Many deaths from severe sunburn and other ozone-depleting maladies will be blamed on our little British cars.

Many late model cars that originally complied with the smog and safety requirements will start to fail the emission testing and their failure will be blamed on the secondhand exhaust they were forced to consume because our cars were sharing the road. It doesn't look like a bright future for gear heads. It may all come down to we will all have to surrender our cars to the clean air crowd and get one of the Hybrid cars, or maybe we can all get a new English electric car made by Lucas. What kind of an image does that conjure up?

### **Guy Fawkes' Day is November 5<sup>th</sup>**

In Britain, people light bonfires and let off fireworks on November 5th. Traditionally this is done to remember the time when Guy Fawkes tried (but failed) to destroy the British Houses of Parliament with gunpowder in the 17th century. Please contact your local fire department before you light any bonfires.

### **September Trivia Answers:**

1) Rte 66. 2) Laughing Gas. 3) Sand Dollars 4) Italy 5) The Flintstones 6) Sting 7) Silver Ghost 8) Legs 9) Tina Turner 10) Hickory???

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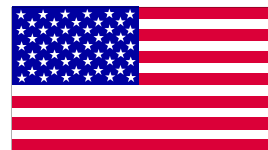
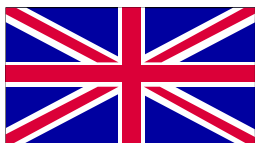
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## **LAST LAUGHS**

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A Highway Patrolman pulled a car over and told the driver that because he had been wearing his seat belt, he had just won \$5,000 in the statewide safety competition. "What are you going to do with the money?" asked the policeman.

"Well, I guess I'm going to get a driver's license," he answered.

"Oh, don't listen to him," yelled a woman in the passenger seat. "He's a wise guy when he's drunk."

This woke up the guy in the back seat who took one look at the cop and moaned, "I knew we wouldn't get far in a stolen car."

At that moment, there was a knock from the trunk and a voice said, in Spanish, "Are we over the border yet?"

**Don't forget the monthly meeting!!** (*What if you missed something very interesting?*)

Next meeting will be  
Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>  
5:30 p.m.

**Harp Irish Pub**  
**1425 Market Blvd**  
**Roswell**

Harp is located in the shopping center near the corner of Holcomb Bridge Rd and Old Alabama in Roswell near GA-400. Call 770-645-0118 for directions, or go to their website [www.harp-pub.com](http://www.harp-pub.com) for directions, menu, etc.

**Don't miss these events!!**

(see Brad's article on page3)

- **Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>, Fall Mountain Tour, Jerry and Paulette Cram, sponsors.**
- **Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> 5:30, Club Meeting at *THE HARP IRISH PUB***
- **Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup>, Poker Run??**
- **Tuesday the 31<sup>st</sup>, Halloween (don't forget to light your pumpkin)**
- **November 3-5, *Rollin Down the River* in Chattanooga (see page 10 for registration form)**



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