

Calendar of Events

Zemurray Gardens Tour _____ Apr. 7th.
LAMGCC Crawfish Boil _____ Apr. 29th.
Empire Trophy Rallye _____ May 5th.
British Cruise Nite _____ May 19th.
Plantation Run _____ Jun. 16th.
Elmwood Cruise Nite _____ Jul. 28th.
Tape and Cruise _____ Aug. 11th.

Car Club Regalia:

LAMGCC T-shirt.....\$6.00
LAMGCC Polo shirt.....\$13.00
LAMGCC decal.....\$1.50
Jacket Patch.....\$2.00
LAMGCC Drinking Glasses..\$2.50

Other items such as grille badges, tankards, etc, must be paid for in advance and ordered from the mother club in England.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING. FEBRUARY 28, 1990

Meeting started at 8:05pm.

Joe Tiemann announced the upcoming Tech Session.

The tour to Zemurray Gardens discussed.

Joe Tiemann suggested that we drive our MG's more for Lent.

Introduced new members.

Roger Gibson gave presentation on the Port Hudson Tour.

The Tech Session to be given at Steve Lindsloe's shop was discussed.

Mike Loden presented the treasury report. \$1135.24

Delvin Price was the lucky winner of the 50/50 drawing.

Roger Talley brought along a film of the Zemurray Gardens tour of 10 years ago.

8:50pm meeting officially closed and Joe Tiemann opened the floor to dancing.

TECH TALK:

On 1977 and later MGB's, the vacuum advance is only operative in fourth gear, and fourth gear overdrive.

On 1980 MGB's with electronic ignition, do not run the control lead from the electronic module over the top of your distributor cap. This can cause erratic timing when the high voltage from the coil jumps to the control lead.

When painting or boiling out the engine block on your MG, the engine ID plate can be removed easily, and without drilling. The rivets that hold this plate to the block are threaded, allowing them to be unscrewed with a pair of pliers. To re-install, simply tap these rivets in place with a small hammer. They will "thread" themselves back into the block.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

James D. Jones
253 Concord Dr.
Laplace, La. 70068
w-587-2418
h-651-2937
James owns a 1974½
Red MGB.

Marilyn Bateman
907 Florida Ave.
Bogalusa, La. 70427
w-735-5731
h-735-0104
Marilyn is on the
lookout for a
rubber bumper MGB,
preferably a 1980

Bryan Landry
2217 Hyman Pl.
New Orleans, La. 70131
w-368-1011
h-393-0724
Bryan has a white
1969 MG MIDGET

Watch for road hogs and roadsters

Old chrome, ragtops are in

By James R. Healey
USA TODAY

British roadsters and big domestic cars of the 1960s seem to be the best bets for car collectors looking for a good buy or a quick buck, experts say.

Roadsters are primitive sports cars outfitted with tops that don't just fold down but come completely off. Interest in those cars has been ignited by the introduction of the Mazda Miata sports car last July.

And yesterday's road hogs are tickling collectors' fancies because they're so outrageous compared with the trim, tidy, sensible autos prowling the byways today.

Here's a look at recent picks by a pair of auto authorities:

► The 1961-'65 Oldsmobile Starfire is recommended by Hollywood auto auctioneer Rick Cole and by *Automotive Investor*, a monthly newsletter for the serious-minded who trade old cars as if they were stocks and bonds.

Cole says go for the convertible; *Automotive Investor* says a hardtop is fine. Priced as low as \$6,000, the Olds could triple in value next year, the newsletter says. Cole figures it'll take five years to jump that much.

"Big American convertibles seem to be a hot area of growth," says newsletter editor Richard Langworth. "Not necessarily muscle cars but big bombs; the premium cars with lots of chrome and stainless steel and bucket seats."

Another good bet, according to *Automotive Investor*: 1957-'65 Chrysler Imperial convertible. Now: \$7,500-\$16,000. Next year: \$10,000-\$19,000.

► U.K.-built MG sports cars also find favor in both the newsletter and Cole's latest Gold List — cars priced under \$25,000 that he expects to zoom in value in five years.

Automotive Investor likes the 1963-'68 MGB roadster, and the '66-'74 MGB GT coupe.

The newsletter says you should be able to find an MGB for \$6,000 to \$10,000. In just one

year, it should jump in value to between \$8,500 and \$12,500.

Says the newsletter: "A good one is a bargain compared with a (Mazda) Miata after dealer pack," or markup. Miata's base price is \$13,800, but it is so popular that dealers have been charging thousands more. Cole prefers the 1955-'62

MGA, a two-seat, bare-bones sports car that helped spawn the U.S. love affair with low-slung foreigners.

He says an MGA roadster costs \$5,000 to \$8,000 now; at least \$35,000 in five years.

Another Langworth British favorite: '64-'68 Sunbeam Tiger — \$12,000 to \$20,000 now;

\$20,000 to \$25,000 in a year.

Auto buffs like the Tiger because it came with a compact, powerful, Ford V-8 engine and Ford transmission. The V-8's power makes the small car very quick. And — in a world of unobtainable exotic auto hardware — an engine and transmission that you can fix by visiting the corner Ford store are godsend.

Automotive Investor polled a group of collectible-car experts to come up with its list.

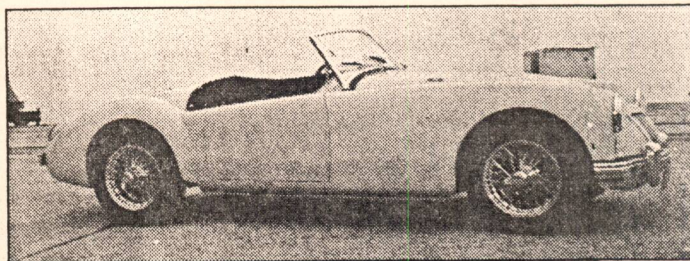
"We're going to embarrass all of them a year from now and make them explain why their predictions didn't come true," jokes Langworth.

Rick Cole's hot picks

Here's the latest Gold List from auto auctioneer Rick Cole. He picks cars that you can buy now for less than \$20,000 that he expects to balloon in value in five years.

Model	Current price range	5-year projection
Austin-Healey 3000 1960-'67	\$15,000-\$20,000	\$50,000+
Jensen Interceptor coupe, 1972-'76	\$10,000-\$15,000	\$30,000+
Triumph roadsters TR2 through TR4A, 1953-'67	\$3,000-\$8,000	\$35,000+
MGA Roadster 1955-'62	\$5,000-\$8,000	\$35,000+
BMW 2800CS, 3.0 CS manual trans., 1971-'74	\$9,000-\$14,500	\$25,000+
Alfa Romeo Giulietta Spyder Veloce, 1956-'62	\$8,000-\$15,000	\$25,000+
Chev. Malibu SS396, SS454 conv., 1966-'72	\$10,000-\$15,000	\$35,000+
Lotus Elan convertible 1965-'68	\$10,000-\$15,000	\$25,000-\$30,000
Olds. Starfire convertible 1961-'65	\$6,000-\$8,000	\$25,000+
Edsel convertible 1958-'60	\$12,000-\$15,000	\$35,000+

Source: Rick Cole Auctions, North Hollywood, Calif.



By Dave Destler, British Car Magazine

MGA: "The MG legend continues into the 1960s version of this classic roadster," says auto auctioneer Rick Cole.

TECH SESSION:

The Tech Session on March 10, this year was a great success. this year it was set up a little differently. We had two scheduled topics, one being a brake job, and the other on the adjustment of S.U Carbs.

Peter Brauen gave us an excellent presentation, by using Fred Mayer's beautiful MGB as the Guinea Pig. Lucky for him, since this demonstration was that of a complete brake job. - Done Right!

John winter gave his expert advice on S.U. tuning and maintenance, covering mixture adjustments as well as many other tricks of the trade.

Both these topics were covered thoroughly with permanent record being kept with Wayne Aucoin's video camera. Copies are being made of this Tech Session for the benefit of Car Club members. There was also talk of possibly taping the clutch replacement on Steve Lindsloe's MGB. Maybe we could start a repair tape library! (Just a thought)

Thanks to Steve Lindsloe for donating his shop for this presentation and putting up with us again another year.

Zemurray Gardens Tour:

The MG Car Club will be going on its Zemurray Gardens Tour on April 7th. We will meet at our usual spot, at the Whitney Bank on Causeway Blvd., behind Lakeside shopping center. We will meet at 10:00am and will be leaving at 10:30am sharp. So be gassed up and ready to go! Admission to the Gardens is \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for kids. Don't forget to bring your picnic lunch.

Don't forget our annual Crawfish boil is coming up soon. Let us know if you will be able to attend since this is a direct reflection as to how much crawfish we should get. There will be a sign-up sheet at the meeting. The Crawfish boil is scheduled for April 29th.

FOR SALE

1970 MGB - needs paint, top, and interior. Runs. \$1200.00
Call Harold Beinhauer at Beinhauer's Sports and Touring
Garage 1-601-452-4649

1977 MGB - Damask Red with tan interior. Dual carb conversion
set-up. Good condition with new top installed. \$2000.00
Call Bruce Rogers at 1-673-3011

1978 MGB - Maroon with a tan interior and air conditioning.
Good shape \$2000.00. Bruce Rogers at 1-673-3011

1975 MGB - Green with black interior. Car has aftermarket
removable hard top. \$2000.00 Bruce Rogers at 1-673-3011

1974 MGB/GT - Teal Blue with black interior. Chrome bumpers.
new paint and reworked cyl. head. Car has overdrive and
runs great. \$1800.00 Bruce Rogers at 1-673-3011

1969 MGB/GT - Blue with black interior. Complete original
condition for restoration. Wire wheels. Motor frozen.
\$900.00 Bruce Rogers at 1-673-3011

Three MORRIS MINORS - Two 2-door sedans and one convertible.
The convertible is disassembled for restoration. Will
take \$600.00 for all. Will consider trades. Call Bruce
at 1-673-3011

WANTED

Wanted for 1970 MG MIDGET - Smog pump, gulp valve, rail, and all
other related pollution control equipment. Call Fred Fabre
at 1-356-5466/1-357-3552

Wanted for early MGB - Exhaust manifold. Fred Fabre at 1-356-5466/
1-357-3552

Wanted 1980 MGB - Need not be a Limited Edition model. Call
Marilyn Bateman at 1-735-0104.

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