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THE MORRIS GAZETTE

TO:

*The Official Newsletter Of The
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Car Club.*

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

General Meeting(7:30pm) _____ Nov. 26th
 Christmas Party _____ Dec. 13th
 No Meeting in December/ No December Meeting!!
 Cafe DuMonde Cruise _____ Jan. 4
 Tech Session _____ Jan. 18
 General Meeting(7:30pm) _____ Jan. 28
 Middendorf's & Antiques _____ Feb. 9
 General Meeting(7:30pm) _____ Feb. 25
 Wayne's Country Drive _____ Mar. 14
 Taste of Bavaria _____ Mar. 29
 Sonic Drive-In _____ Apr. 4

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DETAILS OF COMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS PARTY

When? December 13th (Friday) Where? Metairie Manor(4929 York)
What? Fun How? Pot Luck (Bring something)
Once again there will be no Alcohol. The club will provide
non-alcoholic beverages. The location is the same as Rogers
retirement party, so it is very large and has a Jukebox. If anyone
has a nice stereo with tapes or records that they could bring let
Roger know.

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CAFE DU MONDE CRUISE

After the long Holiday vacation its time to crank up those British
cars and go cruising. Meet in the back Lakeside Shopping Center
parking lot at 4pm on January 4th. We will cruise to the Quarter
and enjoy some coffee and beignets. Call Guy Foster for details.

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BRITISH CAR TUNE UP

This will be a tech session for the beginner. It will cover doing
the simple tune up; plugs, points, timing, carb adjustment, etc.
The location for this event is undetermined so watch your December
News letter. The date is firm. Saturday, January 18 at 10am.

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MIDDENDORF'S & ANTIQUES

Middendorf's is famous around these parts for their seafood, so we
will cruise there for lunch and then on to the Antiques(weather
permitting). Meet at the Picadilly in Kenner at 11am on Feb. 9
Call Roger for details

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WAYNE'S COUNTRY DRIVE

Wayne loves those country drives on the North Shore, so he is going
to put together a very interesting Spring time country drive.
Bring your lunch and a map(the map is for Wayne). Meet in the rear
Lakeside Shopping Center parking lot at 10am on March 14th. Call
Wayne for details.

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Ruth Ellison
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Dan Cantor
21 Chateau Magdelaine
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1962 Austin Mini

Keith & Karen Vezina
3221 Main Av.
Kenner, La. 70065
H 443-5056 W 246-7924
1976 MGB

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
OCTOBER 29TH, 1991

Meeting called to order at 8:00pm

Introduction of guest

Tabatha and Edwin

Keith

Jack Westerhouse

Election of officers at the next meeting

Rodger Talley's quiz in the newsletter

Terry Dempre talked about the E.E. Reynolds Rallye

Jackson, Miss. car show discussed

British Tea by the Daughters of the British Empire

A few of the new "Golf" shirts are available, see Wayne

Also the new club Decals are available

Christmas party was discussed

James Carter took 2nd place at the Alabama Car Show

with his MGA

50/50 won by ?????



DON'T MISS THE CHRISTMAS PARTY
DECEMBER 13, 1991



PLANTATION TOUR

A small but hardy group turned out for our Plantation trip to the Thibodaux area. We were led down Hwy 90 by George and Arlene Barton. The weather threatened, but the rain held off until we were almost to our destination. The Laurel Valley Plantation store was not open so we killed some time looking over the old tractors and the farm animals. Jim Jones wanted to know if the tractors had Lucas electric. Joe Rogers (city boy) especially enjoyed the three legged goat. Mike Brown got wet because he didn't bring his side curtains. After lunch George and Arlene and James and Deborah Coronato decided to head back. The rest of us went on to Madewood Plantation home. Darlene and John Hennesey enjoyed this part of the trip. I thought I heard Darlene say she wanted to live in one. I didn't hear John's answer.



ROVER



E.E. REYNOLDS RALLYE

A good time was had by all who participated in the annual E.E. Reynolds Rallye. After a drive across the Causeway, the rallye began. Nine cars started and nine cars finished. As always, a few got lost. No names mentioned but I hear that one car found its way to Slidell. Terry Dempre, as last years winner, organized this years rallye and did a very fine job. Everyone I spoke to enjoyed the drive. This years winner was Julian Feibelman (driver) and Jack Lare (navigator), second went to Keith Vezina (driver and navigator) and third to Fred and Shirley Denn.

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BRITISH MOTORING CLUB NEW ORLEANS ELECTION OF OFFICERS

PLEASE BRING THIS BALLOT TO THE NOVEMBER MEETING
OR MAIL SO IT IS RECEIVED BY THE NOVEMBER MEETING.

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MIKE BROWN -----

RICHARD BAKER -----

JIM JONES -----

DELVIN PRICE -----

VOICES

THEY ARE USUALLY NOT VERY LOUD AND I DON'T ALWAYS UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY ARE SAYING. BUT THEY ARE MOST ALWAYS THERE. IT'S THE VOICES FROM THE CAR.

WHEN I FIRST BROUGHT THE CAR HOME FOR REBUILDING IT HAD BUT ONE VOICE. THEN AS I BEGAN TO DISASSEMBLY THE CAR, THE VOICE BECAME TWO VOICES THEN THREE AND ON AND ON. EACH ASSEMBLY, EACH PART WITH A VOICE OF ITS' OWN DEMANDING ATTENTION.

REMOVE ME, SAND ME, FIX ME, REBUILD ME THEY CRIED! THEY EVEN SEEMED TO ENJOY BEING REPLACED WITH A NEW PART. FOR AFTER THE NEW PART ARRIVES AND IS INSTALLED, THE OLD PART NEVER SPEAKS TO ME AGAIN.

NEW PARTS CAN HAVE VOICES ALSO. THEY CRY OUT INSTALL ME, INSTALL ME! WHAT IS THIS "ALICE IN WONDERLAND"? THEN ONCE INSTALLED, THEY HAUNT ME SAYING-"DID YOU TIGHTEN THAT BOLT?"-"ARE YOU SURE THAT THE ADJUSTMENT IS CORRECT?"

EVEN PARTS THAT ARE MISSING FROM THE CAR CAN HAVE VOICES. THEY MAKE ME SEND FOR CATALOGES IN WHICH I MAY ATTEMPT TO FIND A REPLACEMENT PART. I READ THESE CATALOGES OVER AND OVER AGAIN HOPING TO FIND THAT PART WHICH I DIDN'T FIND THE OTHER 100 TIMES WHICH I READ THROUGH IT. I MUST DO THIS IN AN ATTEMPT TO SILENCE JUST ONE MORE VOICE.

THE VOICES DON'T CARE IF THE GRASS ON THE LAWN GETS THREE FEET HIGH. THEY DON'T CARE IF IT'S 2:00 AM AND I HAVE TO GET TO WORK THIS MORNING. AND THEY WORK HARD TO KEEP MY WALLET EMPTY.

LORD HELP ME IF A PART IS NOT AVAILABLE. THE VOICES WILL BE EVEN LOUDER THAN BEFORE. IT MUST BE SOMETHING UNDERNEATH THE OLD GREASE AND ROAD GRIME WHICH CAUSES THE VOICES TO OCCUR. FOR IF I NEVER CLEAN A PART IN THE FIRST PLACE, I NEVER HEAR IT'S VOICE. IF I CLEAN OFF A PART, THE VOICE COMES IN FULL BLOWN STEREO!

I KEEP HOPING THAT ONCE THE CAR IS "COMPLETED" (IT NEVER IS) THAT THE VOICES WILL GO AWAY. BUT I KNOW BETTER. THEN THEY WILL GANG UP ON ME AND IN ONE BIG VOICE SAY: "TIME FOR ANOTHER CAR!"

HOWEVER, ALL IS NOT DOOM AND GLOOM. THERE IS GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE THE SAME PROBLEM AS I HAVE. THEY ALL WON'T ADMIT TO HEARING VOICES BUT THEY DO MEET ONCE A MONTH IN A SUPPORT GROUP. THE GROUP IS CALLED A "CAR CLUB".

JIM JONES

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Our range is too numerous to mention here and our ever changing and increasing stock of parts demands to be constantly updated. In consequence we are pleased to present to Clubs like yourself, our periodic parts bulletins. Place our updates in this folder and keep for easy reference.

However, if you are searching for those unobtainable parts not mentioned in our selection, why not drop us a line in the post (please enclose SAE) or ring us on 08846 243.

Chris' son, Stephen, runs S.D.Edmond Motorsport from Blackborough House and supplies race and rally parts by Mail Order and collection. He also fully prepares race and rally cars and is interested in the current trend towards classic car rallying, complementing nicely Chris' business. Stephen's wife, Debbie, runs the parts and accessory shop for rally enthusiasts. Stephen can be contacted on 08846 625.

Our Blackborough House Restorer's Paradise is open for Business from 9 'til 6 daily and we accept telephone enquiries up until 8 p.m. Sunday closed.

TECH TIPS

FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE NEW TO BRITISH CARS, HERE IS HOW TO OBTAIN SPARES CATALOGUES. GO TO A MAGAZINE SHOP, LOOK IN THE BOOK FOR ADDRESSES, AND PURCHASE A FEW MAGAZINES ON BRITISH CARS. WITHIN THE PAGES ARE ADS. OF MANY SUPPLIERS FOR SPARES. DO NOT RULE OUT COMPANIES BASED IN ENGLAND BECAUSE YOU THINK THE PRICES WILL BE TOO HIGH.

AS AN EXAMPLE, THE WATER PUMP FOR AN MGC ENGINE IS HARD TO FIND HERE IN THE STATES AND SELLS FOR ATLEAST \$200.00 OR MORE. A BRITISH CATALOGUE LIST IT FOR 45 POUNDS OR LESS THAN 100.00 DOLLARS.

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BE CAREFUL AFTER YOU BUY THESE MAGAZINES, YOU CAN GET HOOKED ON THEM!

MR. GOODSPANNER

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