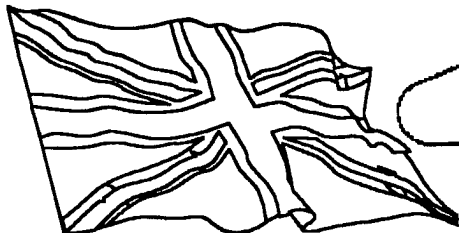


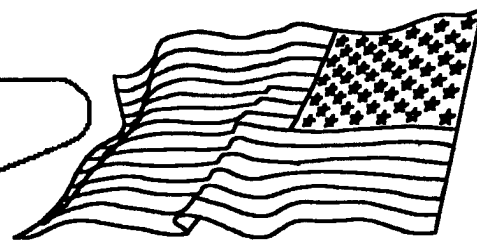
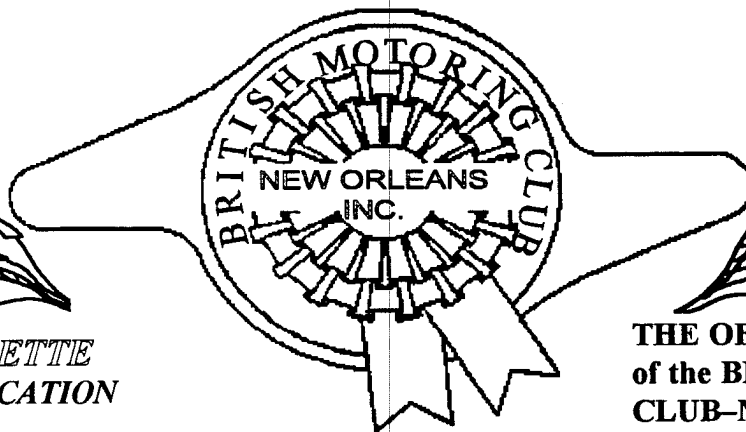
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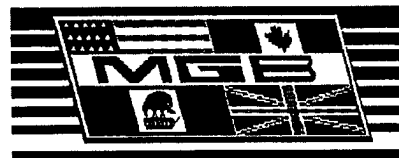
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North American MGB Registry Chapter

GUEST SPEAKER THIS
MONTH - TIM SPIKER
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September 1995

BMCNO EVENTS CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 AIRLINE MOTORS
10	11	12 OFFICER'S MEETING	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 SWAP MEET
24	25	26 GENERAL MEETING	27	28	29	30

CLUB EVENTS - CHANGES IN BOLD TYPE

- AUGUST 29** **GENERAL MEETING** – New Orleans Hamburger & Seafood located at 817 Veterans Memorial Blvd. in Metairie at 7:00pm.
- SEPTEMBER 9** **AIRLINE MOTORS RESTAURANT** – Mix with American car owners and eat at newly re opened Laplace icon. Convoy leaves from Picadilly Restaurant / Campo's on Veterans Memorial Blvd. in Metairie at 7:00pm.
- SEPTEMBER 12** **OFFICER'S MEETING** – Anne's place at 7:30pm.
- SEPTEMBER 23** **ANNUAL SWAP MEET** – Get your stuff together for sale! To be held at Gambino's Foreign Cars at 4422 Airline Highway, Metairie from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

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MINUTES of the GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING for JUNE

The meeting was opened by the club president, Cliff Hughes at 8:00pm. The vote by all full club members to ratify the new club Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws was taken. Both changes were passed unanimously with a total vote of 38 ballots. 35.6 ballots were necessary for a quorum under the existing rules. Roger Gibson announced that he had sent the MBG pictures taken in the French Quarter for the North American MBG Registry's Driver Magazine's October front cover.

Wally Messina gave a report on the Bush Seafood Run. Fred Mayer gave a report on an air show, for what ever reason. Cort Musgrave asked for volunteers to work in "No Man's Land" at the upcoming car race in New Orleans.

Cliff spoke on the club's Car Day Tee Shirt Design Contest. Jaguar will be the featured British marque for 1996.

Steve Wilson, Vice Chairman of the National Triumph TR6/250 Club, promoted his club's 6-Pack Trails for 1995 to be held in Biloxi, Mississippi on September 28th thru October 1st. Call 601-452-9484 for information.

Thanks were given to Attorney Ken Kerber, who attended our meeting, for his help with the club's new Articles and By-Laws. The meeting was closed by Cliff at 8:50pm.

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OPINIONS EXPRESSED IN THIS NEWSLETTER DO NOT NECESSARILY REFLECT THOSE OF THE CLUB OFFICERS - BUT THEY COULD!

OTHER CLUB'S CAR DAYS

- August 26th, 1995 English Motoring Club Jackson, Mississppi - Highland Games and British Car Day. Contact John Simmers at 601-634-2803/638-0968.
- September 23rd, 1995 British Motoring Club Montgomery, Alabama's 1st British Car Day - Wynton Blount Park. Contact Hamer Phillips at 334-277-3645.
- October 7th, 1995 South Alabama British Car Club's "5th Annual South Alabama British Car Day" - USS Battleship Alabama Memorial Park in Mobil, AL. Contact: Ben Caddell at 205-661-9388.
- October 14th, 1995 Memphis Car Show - Wilson World Hotel grounds, Memphis, TN. Call 1-800-872-8366.

CAR CLUB DUES

If your dues are due, send them in now before you miss out on your next MORRIS GAZETTE!

Car club dues are \$30.00 for the first year of membership and \$25.00 a year thereafter. Correspondence membership is available for those members who live out of town and is \$15.00 a year. If you are unsure if you owe dues or not, check the mailing label on your current Morris Gazette. It has the date that your membership dues will expire and that date will be highlighted in yellow two months before that date.

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LONG TRIP PAYS OFF

The Schrantz's, Mike and Mary D, trailered their MGA Coupe up to the NAMGAR and UNIVERSITY MOTORS shows this month. At the NAMGAR show the MGA Coupe was the featured British car and their Coupe took 1st in Class out of the 21 Coupes in their class. A total of 28 MGA Coupes were in attendance at the event. Good show! At the UNIVERSITY MOTORS event, their MGA Coupe took 6th in Class out of a field of 28 Coupes of all marquees of British Coupes, not just MGA's. A total of 550 British cars were at the event. Another fine showing! Lony and Carla Taylor's '60 MGA 1600 Roadster took 1st in Class at both shows. Great going! These two cars were the only ones from our club in attendance at either show and both came home with 1st in Class awards.

A NOTE FROM THE PREZ

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank the club members for their vote at last month's meeting to continue the presence of THE BRITISH MOTORING CLUB OF NEW ORLEANS. The vote was unanimous to change the BY LAWS AND ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION. I spoke with Ken Kerber this afternoon, and all paperwork has been submitted to the State for processing. We should have all of this wrapped up by the middle of September.

Plans are going smoothly for the NAMGBR fall meeting in New Orleans near the end of October. Our club along with NAMGBR will reserve a street car for a fun filled evening, with several planned stops along the route. I would like to see a good participation for this event.

Chuck Slack with IMPORT PARTS has asked that we set up a SUNDAY in October for a sale of MGB, MGA, and AUSTIN HEALEY parts at his Kenner location. A tentative date is set for OCTOBER 15. He will also be selling shelving from his warehouse at a reduced price. So, you can buy some obsolete parts, and shelving to store them on!!

It is time to begin thinking about nominations for officers and directors for our election in October. Several current members have expressed an interest in running for office next year, and we do need volunteers to serve for '96.

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IN MY TRAVELS by Jim Jones

The Schrantz's '64 Jaguar MKII body has been blasted and primed. After some minor body repair, a few small holes appeared, after blasting the car will be painted. Then the glass will be reinstalled, trim refixed, and the interior replaced. Hang in there Mary D, you will eventually have a British car to drive once again!

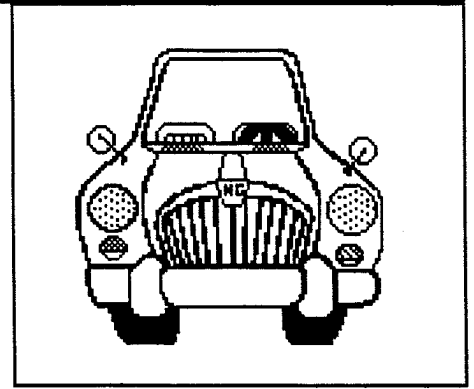
On the 5th of this month, I helped Mike rig his trailer to carry his MGA Coupe to the 19th Annual University Motors Summer Party in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The MGA Coupe is to be the featured car at the event this year, good luck to the Schrantz family.

Although the Jag is not completed yet, Peter Brauen has done some of the frame repair necessary on Mike's Austin Healey 100-4. This is hard, hot, dirty work that requires a lot of skill to do properly. Body panels will only mate correctly if the frame is positioned right.

I have found out that James Coronato does some racing with his Triumph Spitfire. I am going to his place to see what he has. I'll bet that he has some stories to tell. You think that he might write some articles for the newsletter?

I talked to Peter Brauen on the phone the other day and he says that Fred Mayer's TR6 engine transplant is close to completion. Most of Peter's parts cars are going to the crusher, just too many hulks and not enough space. If you act quickly, you may still be able to buy some of those parts. Peter has had a receiver hitch installed on his Rover Sedan. His concern was how low would the rear end of the car sag when the trailer with a load on it was attached. When he did hook everything up to the car, the rear end sagged a lot. But once the Rover was driven, a magic British designed compensating mechanism in the Rover's rear suspension raised everything back up level. I say "magic", because I do not understand how it works and that bugs me.

Cliff and I stopped by Frank Berry's place in Madisonville to get a look at his Mayflower Sedan. He has just had it painted two tone gray and it looks great. Frank said that it will be ready for next year's Car Day.



TECH TIP by Mr. Goodspanner

Never use gasket sealer on cork gaskets, valve covers, tappet side plates, etc. Well, almost never. Uncured gasket sealer on cork gaskets will cause the gasket to squeeze out of position when you tighten the cover down. The result is an oil leak. If you are using gasket sealer to hold the gasket in position while installing the gasket, let it cure first. Be sure that the mating surfaces for the gasket are clean.

Some suppliers are making available gaskets of a red rubber compound that were formerly made of cork. These gaskets are much thicker than the originals and should be installed dry. I judge them to be superior to cork. They are easy to work with and do not leak oil. Remember, do not over tighten or they will all leak oil. Valve covers that have been distorted by over tightening can be reformed by using a hammer and a vise.

WELCOME NEW CLUB MEMBERS

New members are entitled to a BMCNO T-Shirt and a Name Badge with Holder. The T-Shirt & Badge Holder will be shipped to new members free of charge by the club treasurer. The Name Tag will be included with the Morris Gazette.

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'67 MGB-GT, Red.

RACING CHALLENGE by Jim Jones

I've heard it from club members, other club members, etc. "Your club is a social club, not a car club."

They are all correct! Social events are the kind of events that our club members attend. Talk and eating events work for our club and the most members show up for these events. You cannot knock an attendance of 65 members and their guests with 20 British cars at an event like the Middendorf's Run! Hell, I have been to car shows with less than 20 British cars registered.

And speaking of attendance, that is where the problem arises. The officers of our club over the years have scheduled events which involved British cars and their drivers; Rallies, Hound and Hare, Timed events, etc. The attendance has always been poor from one car to, if luck holds, six cars. The unfortunate club member who plans and oversees these events will not do it again and who can blame them!

Yet, club members still ask why the club does not schedule "racing events". The officers of your club believe that these types of events should be sponsored by the club. Club members who are interested should contact one of the officers of the club and make arrangements to attend an Officer's Meeting. The club will sponsor the event, consider providing necessary funds, list the event and run articles in the newsletter. The interested club member will plan, oversee, and schedule the event. If all the club members who continue to ask about car/driver events will attend, the event will be a success.

This is one area of activities where your club officers cannot seem to succeed. We have held some really good events built around eating and socializing: Middendorfs, Taste of Barvaria, Bush House of Seafood, Christmas Party, etc. and with the help of club members, have held a wonderful Car Day for five years running! For car/driver events to be successful, individual club members with car/driver interest must get together and be actively involved in them. Call your buddies and get in touch with the club officers today!



SELF-DESTRUCTING STARTERS by Ken Gillanders

From The Triumph Tribune, April 1995
Triumph Register of Southern California



There has been of late a rash of unusual starter problems involving the later type "short" starter that was fitted to later TR3A's, 3B's, 4's, and 4A's. They all involve the drive assembly which protrudes from the back of the starter and extends beyond the flywheel when installed.

Apparently, the nut at the back of the drive assembly comes loose and cuts the cotter pin, thus allowing the spring pressure to push all the drive pieces into the transmission bell housing, around the flywheel and clutch, with potentially disastrous results.

We have no explanation as to why this happens, but we have seen this occur immediately after starting and also while running, and either way the damage is horrible. At the Fall SCCA Runoffs at Atlanta last year, this happened to a TR4 while under way and it blew a 5" X 8" hole in the bell housing, tore one ear off the clutch and did a lot of flywheel damage as well. I have seen two street TR's that suffered this failure as well, but there does not seem to be a common thread among the circumstances.

I recommend that any time you take the nut off the drive, use Loctite "Stud Lock" to put it back on, and be sure to use a roll pin of the correct size to lock it on. For vintage racers, it is further recommended that you tack weld the roll pin to the nut. The starters involved in these incidents had not been recently rebuilt, and in all cases broken pieces of cotter pins were found among the debris.

SOUTH ALABAMA BRITISH CAR CLUB
5TH ANNUAL BRITISH CAR DAY
OCTOBER 7, 1995

USS BATTLESHIP ALABAMA MEMORIAL PARK
Mobile, Alabama

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, OCT. 6

7:00-8:30 PM Pre-Registration at host Motel and Welcome Aboard party.

SATURDAY, OCT. 7

8:30 AM 12:00 Noon On site registration at Battleship Park.

12:00 Noon JUDGING BEGINS

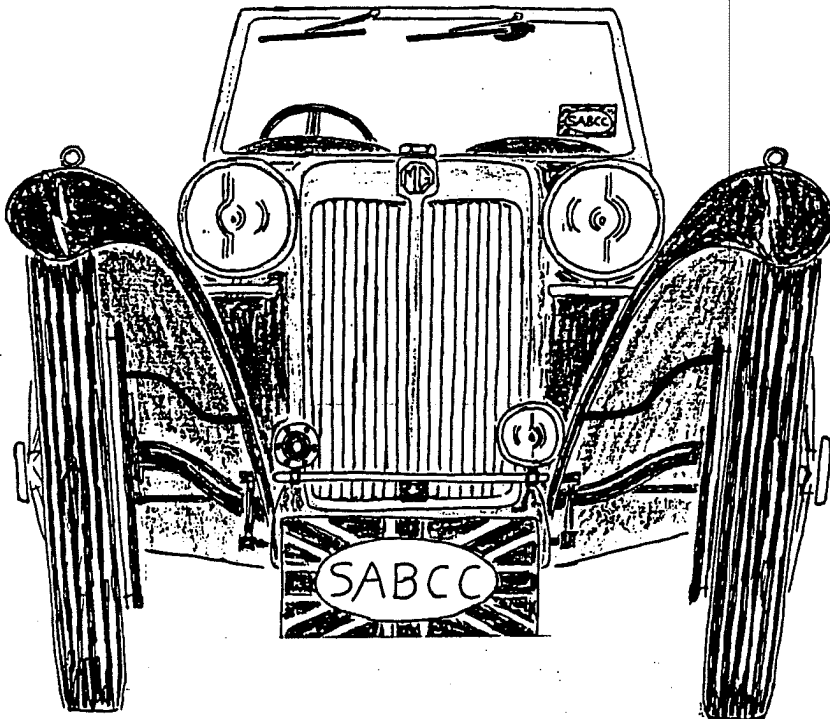
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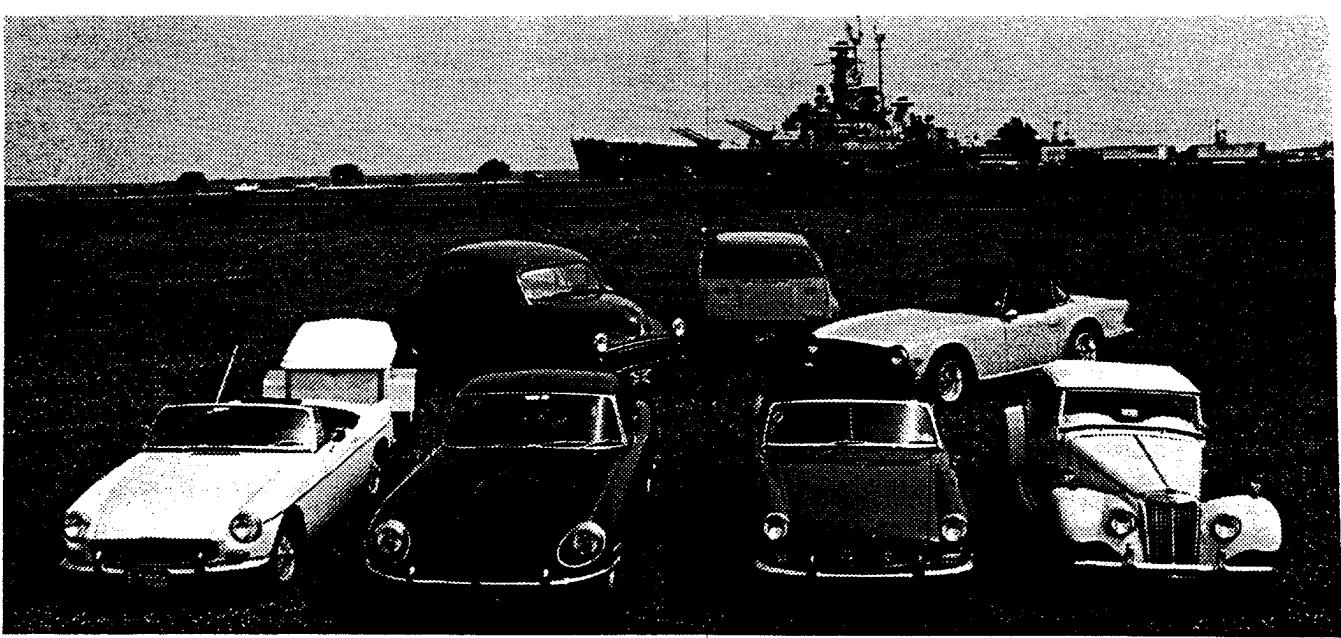
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