

The Minnesota MG Group Gazette

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MMGG Fall Colors Drive and Schells Brewery Tour to New Ulm



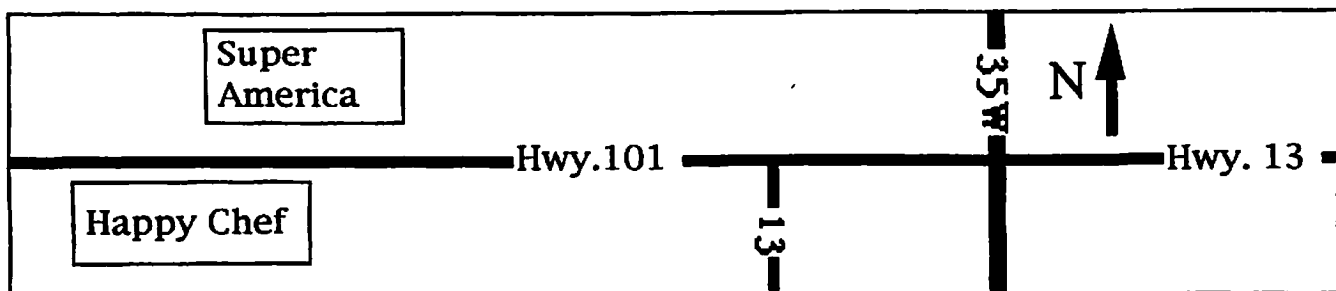
Dave Stovall

On Sunday October 8th at 8:30 AM, we will meet at the Happy Chef parking lot on Hwy. 101 in Shakopee for a scenic drive through the winding roads of the beautiful Minnesota River Valley on our way to Oktoberfest in New Ulm. We will be touring the August Schell Brewery, with some sampling of their fine Deer Brand Beer and my personal favorite, 1919 Root Beer. Following the tour, we can find a park somewhere for a picnic, or attend one of the many Oktoberfest events.

Hopefully the weather will cooperate, as of this writing, the temperature is only 38 degrees, so the leaves will be changing quickly. Our drive will take a couple hours so we will leave by 9:00 AM from Shakopee.

Again this year, I have invited the Minnesota Triumphs (new #1 at W&W see page 2) to join us for this fun event.

Hey group, maybe we can outnumber them here and pretend it's Osceola. -ed.





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Includes 1 year subscription to the MMGG Gazette.

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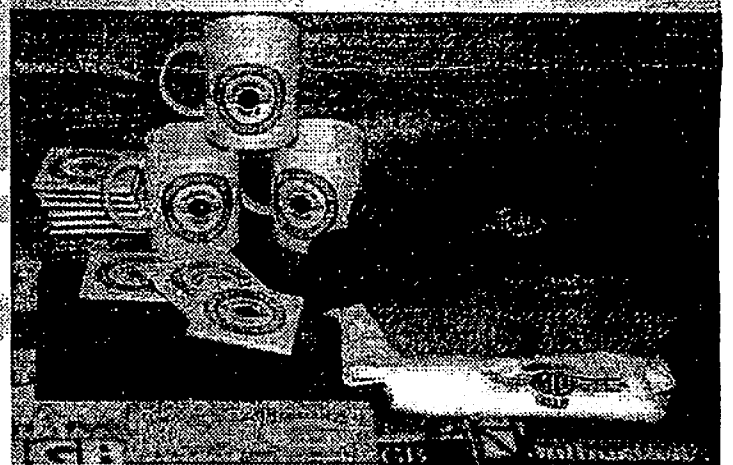


REGALIA

MMGG Grille Badges - Let others know you belong to the BEST car club around. Badges may be purchased at club events for \$9, or by mail from Roger Karnopp for \$11. Send check to Roger at 1295 Deerwood Dr., Eagan, MN 55122

Club Logo Patches - Embroidered patches with the MMGG Logo. Contact Color Weave, 8020 University Ave., Fridley, MN 784-0708.

Shirts, Caps, Cups & Coasters - Golf Shirts in a choice of red, white or blue are \$13. Blue baseball style caps are \$6. Both have embroidered MMGG logo. Coffee cups with the MMGG logo are \$5. Coasters with logo are \$2.50. All are available at club events. Help support your club by purchasing official MMGG regalia at our next event.



THEY DID IT!

Dave Stovall

Yes, The Minnesota Triumphs finally out numbered us at Wheels and Wings. They didn't even get recognized by Classic Motorbooks for it, so I'm taking it upon myself to congratulate all the members of the Minnesota Triumphs for their outstanding participation at this years event.

I don't know the exact number in attendance for each club but The Minnesota Triumphs had over 40 cars there, and we had around 35.

I guess the one saving grace was that our club president, Roger Karnopp and his immaculate 1960 MGA, was awarded the first place trophy for best British car at the event.

All in all, it was a great event with perfect weather, and our host, Randy Byboth would like to thank all the MMGG members who made it another fun day in Osceola.

Minnesota MG Group 1995 Member Application/Renewal

NAME		SPOUSE	
HOME PHONE		WORK PHONE	
ADDRESS			
CITY		STATE	ZIP

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP IS JUST \$20.00

CAR 1	YEAR	COLOR
CAR 2	YEAR	COLOR
CAR 3	YEAR	COLOR

Make Check Payable To:

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MMGG Marketplace

All Marketplace ads are free to MMGG members, and will run for three issues or until otherwise notified. Non member ads are \$5.00 for three issues. All phone numbers are 612 area codes unless otherwise noted.

FOR SALE - Numerous late model MGB parts, including transmission and engine from 1979 "B", console, dash with gauges, tail light, rear end components, wheels, etc. No reasonable offer refused.

Hoss Beale W-631-7855 H-484-5877 *aso*

FOR SALE - 76 MGB. Brought to MN from central Florida. Body is in excellent cond. Weber carb, 92,000 miles, noisy lifters maybe, hasn't been looked at yet. Asking \$1750. Kerry Kisling 588-8354 *son*

FOR SALE - 80 MGB, British Racing Green, tan interior, new top, stored winters, great body, runs. MN collector license plates, 50M. \$5400 Mike Cregan 872-4661 *son*

FOR SALE - 1958 MGA red roadster. Runs good, looks good asking \$4000/OBO. Eugene Kirsch 489-1618. *ond*

FOR SALE - Right front fender for MGB. Has only one small dent. Make offer. Al Kelsey 891-3452. *ond*

HELP AVAILABLE - If you missed the MG driving season this year because you didn't have time or your restoration is still not finished, Motoring Goodies may be able to help. I will have limited space available for work this winter to get your car on the road to drive or to show. Please call Bob Figenskau at 935-7909.

FOR SALE - 1957 MGA 1500. Red with biscuit interior, wood dash and wire wheels with new Michelins mounted. \$10,900 OBO. Bob Figenskau 935-7909. *ond*

**Mrs.
Newsletter
Editor Update**

Dave Stovall

September 10th, 1995.

For those of you who don't know, Vicki was back in the hospital (again). She has had many medical problems in her life, but this was about the scariest for us. She has had diabetes since she was 13 and since hitting 35, the problems associated with that disease are becoming more and more apparent.

On Aug. 31 she complained about breathing problems and chest pains. I was at work, so our daughter Megan called 911 and the paramedics took Vicki to the hospital. She no sooner was wheeled into the emergency room and her heart stopped. The ER staff worked on her for 15 minutes and finally her heart started beating on it's own again. That 15 minutes took about 10 years off my life. She was diagnosed with congestive heart failure brought on by other complications related to her diabetes. She spent 5 days in intensive care and was finally released to the general admissions floor where most patients recover from surgeries, etc.

The following day she was transferred to another hospital for a series of tests to see how much damage was done with her second heart attack. (She had her first one in 1985 at the tender age of 29! resulting in double bypass surgery).

The test showed she had a new blockage in one of the smaller vessels in her heart and the doctor couldn't tell if any heart tissue was damaged after the most recent heart attack. She will be tested in a few days to see how much damage was done.

Needless to say, her emotional state is in dire need of an uplift, for those of you who know her, maybe you could send a card to let her know there are people out there who are thinking about her, we consider all of you as great friends and I'm asking this for Vicki, not for me.

Thanks,
Dave

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**Winter Storage
For Your
Sports Car!**

**GENE
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445-3728**

Don't turn your sports car into a clutter shelf over the winter. Eliminate the risk of door dings, salt water puddles sneaking under your treasure and get your garage back. Store your car in a safe secure 2500 square foot building with a full concrete floor. Limited space is available. MG storage fees are only \$150.00 for 6 month's piece of mind. Liability insurance is vehicle owners responsibility. Call Gene Cooper in Prior Lake for information and directions. 447-3728.

**MG 96
UPDATE**

Dave Stovall

Due to numerous requests, we have changed the participation dates for Indy 96 for the MMGG. We will be arriving on the opening day of the event, which will be **WEDNESDAY JUNE 26TH, 1996.**

If you are one of those lucky members who have a hotel room reserved be sure to send your deposit to Al & Sharon Kelsey as soon as possible. *(Mine's on the way guys).* -ed.

In November, we will have the first of many meetings to establish routes, hotels, spare parts, support vehicles, set up future tech sessions, etc, for the trip to Indy next summer. Watch for updates in upcoming issues of your Gazette.

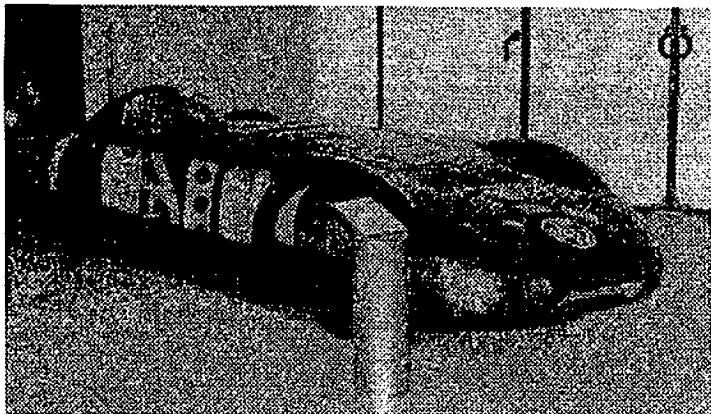
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Jeff Ingebrigtsen

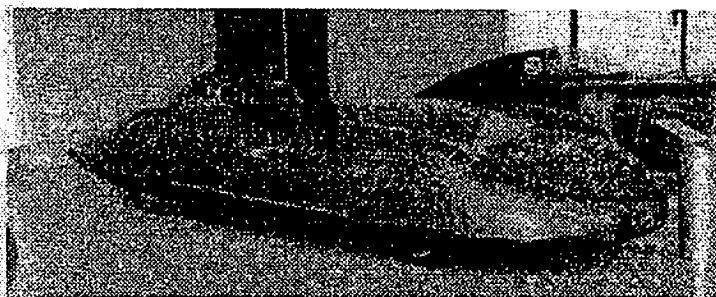
I had felt that inner desire to find my MGA's roots, to set foot on its native soil, and to pay homage to Old Number One and it's most famous descendants. I had been wanting to do it for a number of years. Finally, in the spring of '95, a round trip ticket to London was \$445, and I had just received my tax refund. There were no more reasons not to go. A focal point of my trip would be the British Heritage Auto Museum near Birmingham. It is a brand new museum for the most famous that came from the family of British Leyland. That included MG, Austin Healy, Mini Cooper, and Triumph. The three Monte Carlo winning Mini Coopers were there, along with other historically significant British sports cars, but it was the MG family that I wanted to see most and I was pleased with the display.

Of particular interest to me were the MG speed record cars. These are the MG powered stream-



liners that set land speed records at Bonneville and other dry lakes.

The earliest streamliner was EX135. It is based on an MG K3 and was constructed in the 1930's. It now has perspex panels on the body so we can view the cars' innards. Next in line was EX179. This car was built on an MGA prototype frame in the early 50's and was powered by a TF1500 motor. EX179's body was very similar to EX135. Later in life it masqueraded as an Austin Healy with a

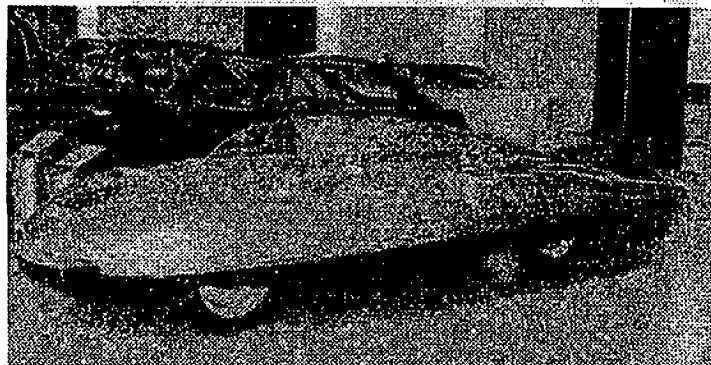


948cc Bugeye motor. The pinnacle of MG streamlining was the tear drop shaped EX 181. It was constructed in the mid 50's and was powered by a supercharged MGA Twin Cam engine. Sterling Moss and Phil Hill both piloted this car, with Hill taking her up to 254 mph at Bonneville, a record that stood for over 30 years.

I had always marveled at the feat of 254 mph from an MGA Twin Cam engine, and there was that engine just sitting on an engine stand.

The car itself resided on the museum's lower level, with the earlier streamliners.

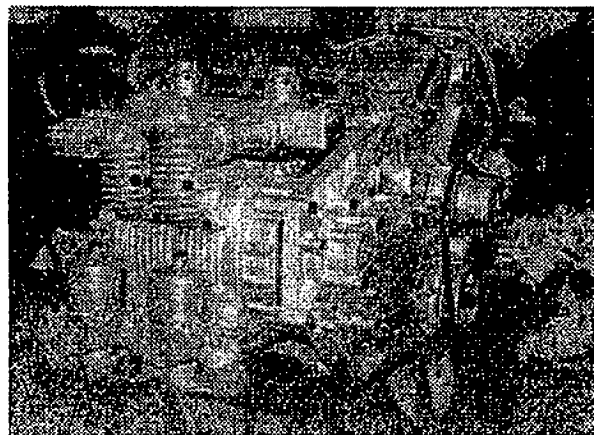
Also of great interest to me was MG EXE, the



1980's MG concept car that served as a test bed of technology for MG's to come. This car was on the cover of Autoweek Magazine in 1985, and it was fun to see it in the flesh.

There was one of every post war MG model on display, usually unique such as the last MGB to roll off the assembly line. That car actually sits in the middle of the museum gift shop.

And standing proud amongst them all is Old Number One, the first MG ever, the patriarch, a spindly looking display of nuts and bolts that led to "The sports car America loved first". Keep Smilin' and Keep the Faith.



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Fall Color Tour
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8:30 AM



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