

The

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Group Gazette

December 1999 - January 2000

Holiday Party



Season's Greetings

**MMGG HOLIDAY PARTY!!
SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 2000**

Time to celebrate! The annual HOLIDAY PARTY/ MG BUCK AUCTION will be held at Benchwarmer Bob's: 251 W. Burnsville Parkway in Burnsville.

We will gather at 6PM on January 15 for a Social Hour (snacks will be provided) with a Buffet Dinner to follow at 7PM.

The buffet will include entrée choices of baked ham, roast beef, and roast turkey. The buffet cost, including tax and gratuity, will be \$17.00.

Locate your MG Bucks and REMEMBER to bring them with you; the MMGG Auction will begin after dinner.

Please RESPOND by Friday, January 7 with the number attending to Dan &/or Jeanette Shidla—612-831-0291 (leave message on machine if we are not available) or E-Mail to ddpss@worldnet.att.net If responding by mail, please make your check payable to "MMGG" and send it to 10305 Morris Rd, Bloomington, MN 55437

Presidents Corner

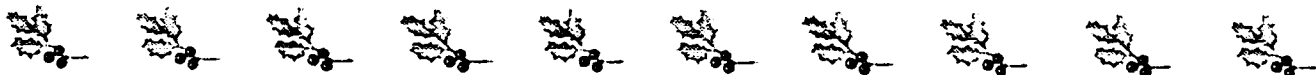
Doug Madson

Mary & I want to thank all of our members who joined us for our 2000 planning meeting on November 14th at Lancaster Links in St Anthony Village. About 35 MMGGers were there and fueled with hot tea and scones put together our tentative 2000 events schedule in about two hours. You will find the results of that effort elsewhere in this issue of the Gazette. Most of the slots have been filled, but if you see a spot where you might be of help, please call Simon Bosworth and let him know. Also if you have any other ideas about the schedule, call Simon.

As you can see 2000 will be a busy year for MMGG. We have a full slate of activities that should have something for everyone. We will be doing some more intermarque activities including hosting a Spring Intermarque Banquet. MMGG will also go on several road trips including caravans to Thunder Bay, Cleveland, Duluth and Marshall Mn. If you haven't gone on an extended trip in your MG, this could be your year. Mary & I have had some great trips with our MGs and the ones that included other MMGGers hold some special memories. Reservations have been secured for host hotels at all our road trip destinations and if you are interested see the tentative schedule for the the MMGGer to contact. The people you meet and places you go are always a little more interesting when done in your MG.

It seems like the holidays come around quicker every year and this season is no exception. As we all rush into the new millenium and look forward to a secure and safe future for ourselves and our families, our friendships also come into focus. We hope to see you all at MMGG's Holiday Party in January, but in the meantime, Mary & I want to take this opportunity to wish you all the joy and happiness that the Holidays bring.

Safety Fast, Doug



Annual Meeting

11/14/1999 Lincolnshire Links.

Despite the weather there was a good turnout of MGs. Tea and biscuits were served, and we got down to business. We discussed 1999 events, what worked and what we wanted to repeat, and what we wanted to avoid. See the preliminary schedule on page 8. We have a lot of events this year including several overnight trips. There

has been quite a lot of discussion about events with other clubs. We have always invited other clubs to participate in the May rally and the August show and swap meet, as well as other events.

There are events hosted by other clubs that invite us to participate, so it should be a fun-filled season. Brian McCullough, who is also a member of the Austin-

Healey Club, is compiling a master schedule for all the local clubs for the season and when it is complete, it will be published here. I will publish updates as we get them, but will probably not publish the master schedule every month so keep your copy when you get it.

We discussed increasing the "routine" event budget from \$150 to \$200. For the time being this was tabled, but if any event host feels they need that much, it can be approved by the president and treasurer.

The need for new software for the newsletter editor will be explored and information gathered and discussed with MMGG officers. For the time being I think the software is OK, but I might have a few other (less expensive) items on my wish list.

Tool Control (Yes, the club owns several tools that are available for use by club members.) The complete list will compiled by Dick Wallrich and these may be

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MEMBERSHIPS

Initial membership is \$30 (this gets you up to two name badges- additional name badges are \$5.00 each)

Dues are \$25 per household per year for established members. Includes 1 year subscription to the MMGG Gazette.

Fill out the form on page 3 and send it with your check payable to "MMGG" to:

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The Minnesota MG Group Statement of Revenues and Expenses for 1999

	10 Months Ended	
	October 31	
Revenues		
Member Dues		2,825.00
Sales of Regalia etc.		<u>1.00</u>
Total Revenues		2,826.00
Expenses		
Newsletter		433.90
Name Tags		400.00
Supplies / Lables / misc. printing		35.18
Events		
Holiday Party	283.35	
Spring Kick-off	5.55	
April Tech Session	112.13	
Swap Meet	18.24	
Dave Wentz	200.00	
Wheels & Wings	55.01	
Fall Color Tour	78.06	
Kevin Healy	16.83	
Ken Merrill	52.79	
MG 2000	<u>243.40</u>	
Total		1,065.36
Bank Charges		53.55
Total Expenses		<u>1,987.99</u>
Net Revenues		838.01
Cash		
Beginning Balance - January 1, 1999		3,110.05
Net Revenues		<u>838.01</u>
Ending Balance - October 31, 1999		3,948.06

The Annual Meeting

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moved to Dick's Bus garage after discussion with Roger Karnopp. Now we own a pressure washer, a welder, and a spot welder. For more information on these items contact Dick Wallrich. There was discussion about additional tools and equipment, an engine hoist was suggested (Jerry Strands will investigate costs and types) and a King Pin Reamer (I would hope we would get reamers for A's B's and Midgets) Reamers are about \$200 each from the usual catalog sources. If you have thoughts about tools, please come to an event or contact any club officer and let them be known, we welcome

your input

We added Web Site Coordinator as a position in the club by-laws. Presently Al Kelsey holds this position, and Kevin Healy will assist him.

The club by-laws were changed to show the annual meeting in November instead of January or February. This is to bring them into line with current practice.

Then we broke for lunch, admired the second-youngest member of the MMGG, and returned to the Links for 2001 Planning.



President Doug Madson presented a complete agenda at the annual meeting held in St. Paul. It should be a great season of driving with the 2000 schedule of events.



Dan Shidla (with special thanks to Jeanette) gave the treasurer's report. The Group appears to be alive and well financially. The report appears in this newsletter.



About 35 members were on hand for the Annual Meeting held in St. Paul on November 14th. The food was good and enjoyed by all. Next up is the Holiday Party on Jan. 15



The proprietor of the Lancaster Links provided a jovial welcome to the Annual Meeting. The tea and scones were a delightful new experience and enjoyed by all.



Classifieds

FOR SALE :

1975 MG Midget. 23,000 miles. Excellent condition. Price Negotiable.
John Lauzon
Bessemer, MI
(906) 667-0051
(Bessemer is on the U.P. near the WI border)

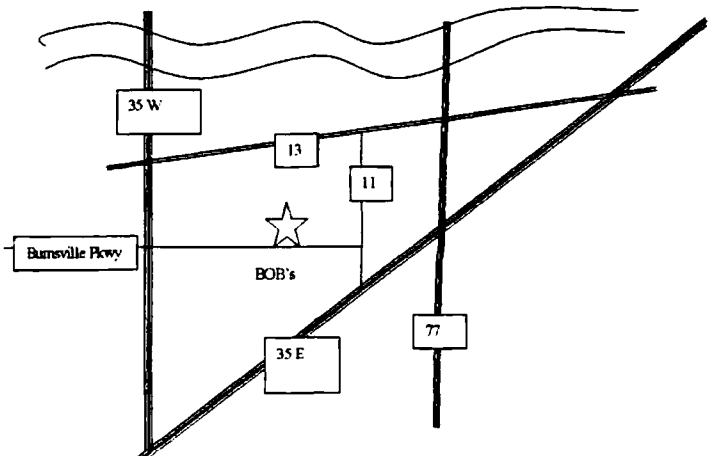
FOR SALE :

1974 MGB Roadster. Hardtop and ragtop. Excellent mechanical condition. British Racing Green with detailing. 4speed, luggage rack.
\$3500 or best offer
(612) 828-9931 Marlene or LeRoy
Eden Prairie

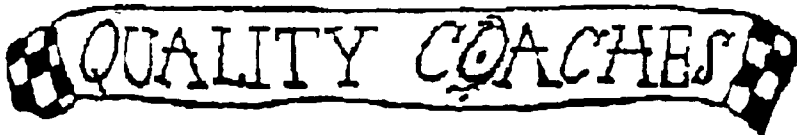
SERVICE:

Motoring Goodies will soon have an open bay available for your MG work. Complete restoration or major renovation a specialty. Benefit from my years of experience with T-series MG's. Highly competitive hourly rates and the highest quality workmanship is my gurantee.
For your appointment, please call B ob Figenskau at 612-935-7909

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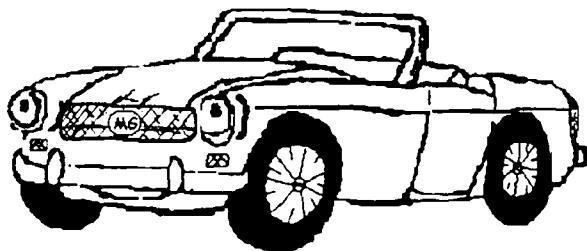


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If you want to know - Ask! These people have expressed willingness to answer questions and offer advice about these cars, whether you are looking to repair or purchase, it always helps to know more.



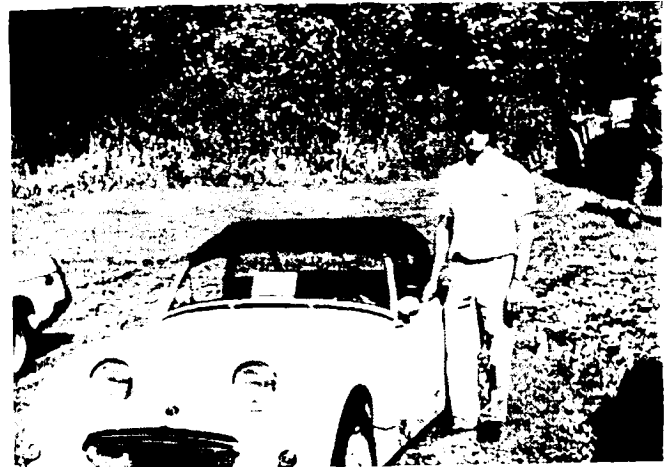
MMGG Membership Form

Name		Spouse/other	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Address			
City		State	Zip
Please tell us a little about yourself and your car(s) :			
			Dan Shidla- MMGG
			10305 Morris Rd.
Initial Membership is \$30, make check payable to MMGG and send to:			Bloomington, MN 55437

New Members



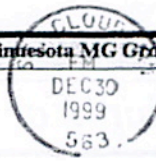
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2000 Schedule (most dates are tentative - events in bold are official MMGG events)

Date	Event	Host	Place
Jan 15	Holiday Party	The Shidlas	Benchwarmer Bob's
Feb 26	Tech Session	Randy and Cindy Byboth	Quality Coaches
March 25 or 26	Kick-off Brunch	Tim and Nancy Crain	Lord Fletcher's?
April 15	Tech Session	Dick Wallrich/Randy Byboth	Dick's Garage/St Paul
May 21	Mearn's Maneuvers	Phil Vanner/Ken Merrill	
	InterMarque Banquet	Jon Masley	
June 26-28	Great River Road Rally	MN ALFA Romeo Club	St Paul and South
June ? 10	Brit Day?	Dave Wintz	Mankato
June 9-11	Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous	TB Vintage Sports Car Club	Thunder Bay, Ont
June 15-18	MG 2000	Emerald Necklace MG Register	Cleveland, OH
July	Picnic/Car Show	Bosworths/Olsons	St. Paul
July 18-21	GOF	MN MGT Register	Duluth
	Chicago Historics		Elkhart Lake
Aug 5-6	Henle's Hacienda	Larry and Barb Henle	Marshall, MN
Aug 12	Swap Meet show	Vanners/McCulloughs	Ellingson's, Rogers, MN
Sept. 9	Wheels and Wings	Jerry and Nancy Strand	Osceola, WI
Sept. 16	Mercedes event	Dan and Jeanette Shidla	Linden hills, Mpls
Oct 6 or 7	Fall Colour Tour	?	Owatonna?
Nov 4	Annual Meeting	Doug and Mary Madson?	
January '01	Holiday Party	Jon Masley	

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