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September Activities Mark your Calendar Now!

Three events are being held this month. First and one of the most popular is the *Wheels and Wings* gathering held in Osceola, Wisconsin Saturday, September 8th. This is a must do event. Pack a lunch and come join the fun. See the article on page 4 for more detail.

We have been invited to display our cars at the *Burnsville Fire Muster*. This event is held Saturday night, September 8th. More detail are on page 4.

Finally on Friday night, September 14th, we are invited to display our fine little cars (next to those big American autos) at the *North St. Paul Auto Show*. This is a gathering held every Friday night in the summer. See page 3 for information on this event.

Although it is still Summer, the *Fall Colour Tour* is scheduled. See the article on page 5 and send in your registration promptly.

Diane Merrill Injured in Motorcycle Accident

Minnesota MG Group club member Diane Merrill was injured recently in a motorcycle accident while touring in Germany. See the Presidents column for more information.

Comments From The President

From The President:

First the enjoyment:

As the summer progresses we continue to experience fun and surprises with our fine old British vehicles. This years' weather has generally been ideal and the MG's have cooperated most of the time. Driving and meeting people is only part of the fun, however, resolving unusual "bugs" in the cars is an integral piece of the picture. Larry Henle's rear end vibration (in his MG), my transmission irregularities, etc. - most everyone has a list. But if he you need more, talk to Randy Byboth of Quality Coaches or Dan Iberg of Midwest Motor Sports and they will tell you stories of problems with resisters built into wiring harnesses, brakes locking intermittently etc. etc.

Modern technology would just take away too much fun.

Then the not so pleasant:

Diane Merrill, long time MMGG member, is in a hospital in Germany with an expected stay of six weeks. The good news is a recovery path is defined - the bad news - it involves an extended hospital stay in Germany.

Diane and Ken were on a motor cycle tour originating from Munich Germany. They were in a group of 25+ individuals, mostly from the USA, for a nine day tour throughout Europe. After completing approximately 1/2 of the planned route they had toured through Munich, Rottenberg,

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Heidleberg and were on there way to Switzerland. While maneuvering through a series of "S" curves in the Black Forest Diane missed a turn and crashed into a guard rail. She suffered a broken leg, hip and other injuries. Fortunately, medical help was prompt and she was quickly transported by helicopter to an excellent hospital in Krankenhaus (60 miles from Stuttgart). Repairs included pins and a plate to keep her hip in place; skin grafts are likely. Doctors have advised against any air travel until recovery has progressed substantially.

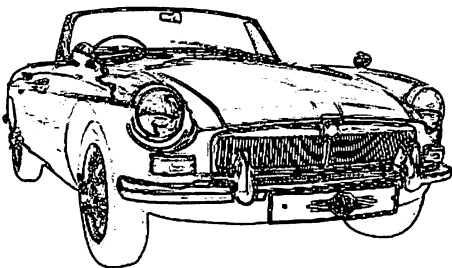
Ken says Diane's spirits are good and she is able to take calls, cards etc. She is also studying a German / English dictionary. Her address is:

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Direct telephone to her room is:
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Note the seven hour time differential from Minnesota to Germany - 10:00 AM in Minnesota is 5:00 PM in Germany.

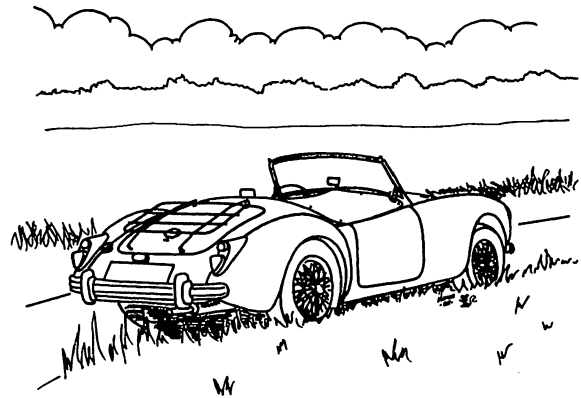
Diane and Ken had left Minnesota August 2nd; the tour began August 6th and the accident occurred Saturday the 11th.. Ken is now back in Minnesota.



North St. Paul Auto Show Friday, September 14, 2001

Join Minnesota MG Group members on Friday night, September 14 for some hanging out at the North St. Paul Auto Show. This event is held every Friday in the summer. We will meet at the corner of Margaret and 7th Street, parking in the Barber Shop/Hair Care lot. Come anytime from 5 PM on. Space is reserved for us. Bring your lawn chair, look at some great cars, celebrate Mayberry Night (Barney will be out patrolling). Dash plaques to the first 100 cars. Also you will get some great MG Bucks!

If you have any questions call Steve Byboth at 763-783-1959.



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~ Wheels and Wings ~

Saturday, September 8th - Osceola, WI (8:00 am to 4:00 pm)

This is one of our "Big Events" of the year (Not counting MG-2001). The event is put on by "Classic Motorbooks" and is their annual open house. Included with this are a car show, an airplane show and a tent sale where all books are 50% off. There are usually close to 1,000 cars of all types there and even with all that attendance, the MG club has been very successful in bringing home the trophy for the club with the most cars present. The Triumphs have been our closest rivals so let's keep up the good showing.

This gets to be a car show where spouses have plenty to do besides look at cars. The town of Osceola has their art and crafts in the park, there is a community fair with rides and games, the airfield has a display of both private and military planes and the steam train will be giving rides all day. There is also free bus service to take you from one event to the other.

We will have coffee, pop, cookies and muffins for snacks.

As usual, a group will meet at the Perkins on Snelling Avenue in Roseville for the drive to Osceola. It's on the East side of Snelling just South of Hwy 36. We're meeting at 8:00 AM and will caravan to Osceola soon thereafter.

If you have questions call:

Jerry Strand 715-386-5930 or Curt Robinson 612-825-9068

Burnsville Fire Muster Car Show Saturday Night, September 8, 2001 You Are Invited!

Hello, I'm Steve Foster and I'm with the Burnsville Fire Muster. We are planning on having a car show at the 2001 Burnsville Fire Muster. The fire muster car show would be Saturday night, Sept 8th. We would like to invite your car club to show your cars that night. On Saturday there is a parade with over 100 fire trucks and a festival. We are planning with a local television station to broadcast a segment about the car show and festival on Friday. If you have any questions or would like to participate please contact me via the e-mail (nc1steve@aol.com), or call me at 952-882-6275 or 612-616-4822 (Cell.)

The MMGG Fall Colour Tour – 2001 The ‘Twist & Turn’ Fall Colour Tour

Will take place on

Saturday, October 6, 2001 in Hudson, Wisconsin

Your Hosts: Tom & June Moerke, Wayne Soderbeck and Rae Mars

Meeting at the Hudson House in Hudson, Wisconsin at 9:00 a.m., Drivers meeting at 9:45 a.m., and Departure at 10:00 a.m.

Escape to Western Wisconsin and come with us on our “Twist & Turn’ Fall Colour Tour! We have laid out a truly beautiful, scenic route. You’ll be seeing, and stopping at, bubbling streams, rolling hills, winding countryside, steep bluffs and lots and lots of ‘twists and turns’ through rock cliffs and scenic woods in beautiful western Wisconsin. Please don’t forget your camera!

Will the Fall Colour Tour 2001 be on a better weather day than last year – YOU BETCHA! We’ll all meet at the Hudson House in Hudson, Wisconsin at 9:00 a.m. and we’ll leave to start our tour at 10:00 a.m. To get to the Hudson House: Take exit 2 off 94 East. Go to the right at the stoplights, which is Carmichael, and another right at the next stoplight (you will be on the frontage road – Crestview). Take this until you see the Hudson House on the left. Donuts will be provided. Bring your own coffee, or purchase at the McDonalds.

We have planned a delicious luncheon at the Lavender Rose (*see insert in this newsletter*) at 12:30 p.m., just outside of Bay City. (Phone: 715/792-2464). *Do not forget to send in your selection for lunch!* From there, you will have an opportunity to continue the scenic tour as you head homeward, or you can take your own route. We will provide maps to continue or if you would rather take the more direct homeward route, it is up to you. We highly recommend you take the last leg of the route. It is very rustic and extremely scenic. Either way, we know you will love the scenery and have an extremely enjoyable and memorable rally that we hope you will never forget.

Triumphs, Austin Healey’s, Jaguars, Morgans, and others are very welcome. Plaques to the first 30 arrivals (no matter what the marque)!

We will be giving out dash plaques, as well as maps and directions for the tour. Also, there will be drawings for prizes at the Lavender Rose.

Questions? Call Wayne or Rae at 715-425-5032 or Tom or June at 715-386-5341.

Hope to see you there!

Tom, June, Wayne and Rae

**Below is a list of the winners for
MG2001 NAMGBR held in St.
Paul, Minnesota**

MGB MK I 63-67

Bert Steele, Dallas TX
Dave Wittmer, Lexington, OH
David Wintz, Mankota, MN

MGB MK II 68-69

Steve Howard, Cincinnati, OH
Jim Manning, Bryan, OH
Bill O'Neil, Chagrin Falls, OH

MGB MK II 70-72

Roger Wiggins, Bloomington, MT
Everett Rainer, Dublin, OH
Bob Houillon, Wauwatosa, WI

MGB MK II 73-74

Chris Gore, Danlonega, GA
Dave Tulos, Grand Rapids, MI
Roger Olson, Maple Grove, MN

MGB MK III 74?- 76

Nick Pappas, Bryan, TX
Timothy A Crain, Edina, MN
Dirk Goettelman, Sturgeon Bay, WI

MGB MK IV 77-78

Mike Weisheit, St Charles, IL
Tony lacey, Silver Spring MD
Terry Nydeen, Albany, NY

MGB MK IV 79-80

Earl Campbell, Glen Ellyn, IL
Marsha Moore, Ponca City, OK
Wayne Kube, Plano, TX

MGB LE 79-80

Dave Handley, Strongsville, OH
Tim Swanson, Rockford, IL
Don Peery, Edmond, OK

MGB GT 65-74

Dick Brown, New Berun, WI
John Leese, Grand Rapids, MI
Larry Henle, Marshall, MN

MGB GT 74-75

Cecelia Bruce, Cranston, RI
Richard DeCrelvel, Gulf Breeze, FL
James Demerarh, Cambridge, WI

MGB V8 63-80

Robert Milner, Manteca, CA
Bill Jacobson, Burlington, WA
Todd Wyatt, Sartell, MN

MIDGET 61-74

Chuck Linick, Avon Lake, OH
Michael Vang, St Paul, MN
George Chase, West Chester, OH

MIDGET 75-79

Candice Cole, Walton, KY
Tom Kimmel, Plymouth, MN
Todd Engel, Eagan, MN

MG 1100-1300

C Schwingle, Naperville, IL
Dennis Klemm, Oxfordville, WI
Howard Volk, Brookllyn Center, MN

Winner of the 50/50 for \$460
Doug Gale, Burnaby, BC CANADA

Winners of the free room drawing
3 nights - Len Kosatka, Westlake, OH
2 nights - Priscilla Blanchard, Kent, OH

Winners of the free memberships
Oscar Gonzales, Oaklawn, IL
Catherine Swift, Corpus Christi, TX
Jim Kerr, London, ONT CANADA

Longest Distance driven in an MG
Robert and Sue Milner from
Manteca, CA

Racing at Elkhart Lake, WI

The Early Years, 1950-1952

Special to the MMGG from Mike Marini

New England MG 'T' Register and Milwaukee & Great Lakes MG Motorcar Group, LTD

Today we are fortunate to have so many great race courses, but of course it was not always that way. By 1948, road races were being held in the West at Pebble Beach, CA and in the East at Watkins Glen, NY. Many were interested in having a similar event in the Midwest, but no course existed.

About 1950, Sports Car Club of America member Jim Kimberly out of Chicago (originally from Neenah, WI) came up with the idea of having a race at the popular resort area of Elkhart Lake, WI. The Chicago Region of the SCCA liked the idea and several members (Jim Kimberly, Fred Wacker, Jr., Karl Brocken, and C. Bayard Sheldon) went to view the proposed course. They drove to the area and then Steve Wittman flew them over Elkhart Lake for an aerial view of the course location. Following the flight, they went to the Elkhart Lake Bank and met with President James Johnson. He was enthusiastic about the idea of a road race and got several local business people together who also liked the idea. The SCCA, Chicago Region and the Elkhart Lake business people moved forward and organized a road race event. Everyone was aware of the Wisconsin "right of access" law and realized it could stop the race. The law stated that any citizen could appeal to the Governor to maintain open access to their property, along any public road. This eventually contributed to the ending of the road races on public roads around Elkhart Lake, but it did not hinder getting the 1950 event underway.

1950

A 3.35 mile triangular road course was laid out on public roads just west of Elkhart Lake. The Elkhart Lake Businessmen's Association organized personnel necessary for the race. It was kept low key until on July 19, 1950 an article about the upcoming race appeared in the local Sheboygan Press newspaper. It featured a photo of an **MG-TC** with Fred Wacker at the wheel. At the same time, a letter was sent to the residents of Elkhart Lake telling about the race and asking for their help and support. The residents responded positively and provided the necessary help for the event.

On Friday, July 21, many interesting cars arrived in Elkhart Lake. Some of the cars that showed up were Hispano-Suizas, Duesenburgs, Auburns, Jaguars, Allards, a Ferrari, and some **MGs**. The owners treated the locals to rides in their cars and created a positive impression. This also gave the participants a chance to drive the course and they soon found out it was quite dangerous. The shoulders were narrow with steep drop offs on each side of the road.

On Sunday, July 23, 1950 the Elkhart Lake Businessmen's Association sponsored the road race in cooperation with the Sports Car Club of America. Six events were held on that day.

- ξ Event One was a 30-mile race for novice drivers in cars under 1500cc.
 - o First place went to Larry Whiting out of Lake Geneva, WI driving a Simca (30minutes, 30.1 seconds).
 - o Second place went to Fred Stratton out of Milwaukee driving an **MG-TC**.
- ξ Event Two was a 30-mile race for novice drivers in cars over 1500cc.

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- First place went to Ted Boynton out of Lake Forrest, IL driving an MG-TC (28 minutes, 58.4 seconds).
- Second place went to Tom Friedman out of Milwaukee driving a Jaguar XK-120.
- ξ Event Three was a 15-mile race for ladies driving cars under and over 1500 cc.
 - First place went to Sally Chapin driving Jim Kimberly's Healey Silverstone (15 minutes, 3 seconds).
 - Second place went to Mrs. Corwith Hamill out of Wayne, IL driving their family Allard.
 - Third place went to Mrs. George Severens out of Lake Forest, IL driving an under 1500 cc MG-TC.
- ξ Event Four was a Concours D'Elegance for all vintage cars. No prizes were given.
- ξ Event Five was a Vintage Race for the entrants to tour the course so the spectators could view all of the cars.
- ξ Event Six was a 60-mile race for the fastest cars being driven by experienced drivers.
 - First place went to Jim Kimberly out of Chicago driving a Ferrari 166 (56 minutes, 13.2 seconds).
 - Second place went to Fred Wacker out of Chicago driving Jim Kimberly's Healey Silverstone (57 minutes, 12.2 seconds).
 - Third place went to James Feld out of Milwaukee driving a Jaguar XK-120 (57 minutes, 12.2 seconds).

There were a total of 20 entries of under 1500 cc cars, 13 entries of over 1500 cc cars, and 7 antiques. Of the 20 under 1500 cc cars, 5 were MG-TDs, 12 were MG-TCs, 1 was an MG-Tourer, and there were 2 Simcas.

All agreed that the 1950 event was a success, and planning began for an event to take place the following year. Some changes would be made such as using a longer course and promoting it as an international event, rather than as a regional event as in 1950. The crowd size in 1950 was estimated to be between 1,500 and 5,000. Not bad for a little publicized regional road race event in 1950 in rural Wisconsin.

1951

For 1951, the event at Elkhart Lake would still be run on public roads, but the course was expanded to go around the lake. The new circuit would be 6.5 miles long. The first International Elkhart Lake Road Race was scheduled for August 25 and 26, 1951. The Elkhart Lake Chamber of Commerce together with the SCCA sponsored the event. Saturday would be the finish of an additional event that was added for 1951, which was the North American Elkhart Lake Road Rally, and Sunday would be race day.

The 1951 event was highly publicized and celebrities such as Dave Garroway, "Today" show host (Jaguar SS-100), Mary Hartline, bandleader of TV show "Super Circus", and General Curtis LeMay of the Strategic Air Command entered or attended the 1951 event. Most of the race cars were driven, not trailered, including the Cunninghams that were driven from Florida to Wisconsin. Other cars in for the weekend were two Ferrari's of Jim Kimberly, and two factory prepared Jaguar XK-120's that were

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driven by George Malbrand and Phil Hill.

The "right of access" law was on the mind of many people from the event organizers to those living on the race course. The General Chairman, C. Bayard Sheldon, personally visited everyone that would be affected along the course, and although most of the residents cooperated, one individual would not. He was upset about being confined to his home and filed a complaint with the Sheboygan County Highway Department who took no action. More would be heard from him in 1952.

Events held on Saturday, August 25, were the completion of the Rally ending in Elkhart Lake, a Concours D'Elegance, and a street dance in the evening. The rally could be run over various routes across the United States through specified checkpoints to the final destination of Elkhart Lake. The entrants could start the rally where they chose and the greater the distance to Elkhart Lake the more points they would be awarded. They could also choose their own traveling time and scoring was done according to when they reached each checkpoint. The winners of the rally were:

- ξ First place went to Morgan Sinclair driving an Allard from Santa Monica, CA (2,241 miles at 41 mph).
- ξ Second place went to H. W. Riecken driving a Ford from Cambridge, MA (1,195 miles at 39 mph).
- ξ Third place went to Paul J. Dillon driving an **MG-TD** from Babylon, Long Island, NY (994 miles at 35 mph).

The Sunday events and results are as follows.

- ξ Event One was a five lap novice race.
 - First place went to Roger Wing out of Bethesda, MD driving a Jaguar XK-120 at an average speed of 81.13 mph.
 - Second place went to Frank Bott out of Chicago, IL driving Dave Garroway's Jaguar SS.
- ξ Event Two was a four lap ladies race. However it was cancelled due to threatening weather. The race officials wanted to make sure there would be enough good weather to run the main event.
- ξ Event Three was a 30 lap feature race.
 - First place went to John Fitch driving a Cunningham (150 minutes, 20 seconds).
 - Second place went to Michael Graham driving a Cad-Allard (151 minutes, 18 seconds).
 - Third place went to Phil Hill driving a factory Jaguar XK-120 M
 - Fourth place went to George Malbrand driving a factor Jaguar XK-120M.
 - Fifth place went to William Spear driving a Ferrari.
 - Sixth place went to Phil Walters (who took over for Briggs Cunningham) driving a Cunningham. Note that Briggs started out on the front row, and Phil Walters who started out further back, took the lead on the first lap, but lost it on the third lap to John Fitch. Walters dropped out on the eighth lap due to mechanical problems.

The Class 5 (under 1500 cc, supercharged) was won by John Bentley of New York driving an **MG-TD** MK II, Class 6 (under 1500 cc) third, fourth, and fifth places were **MGs**, behind the first place Simca and the second place Siata.

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There were 98 cars entered in the 1951 races. The 1951 event was also a big success, so planning took place for another event in 1952. According to the Sheboygan Press, "For many persons ... it was the first visit to Elkhart Lake. They could not help but be impressed with the attractiveness of this resort area and the hospitality of the people who make it their home. They will want to come back and that is why Elkhart Lake will be the site of the road race next year." The crowd size in 1951 was estimated to be between 15,000 and 75,000. Elkhart Lake and the races taking place there were making a name for themselves.

1952

The 1952 races would again use the 6.5 mile public road course. The Elkhart Lake International Road Race and Monte Carlo Rally were held on September 6 and 7, and unlike the previous two years, races were held both days. A big emphasis was placed on the safety of the cars and the spectators to prevent any incidents. Noteworthy cars on display in 1952 were the Buick XP-300 (GM experimental car), Excalibur (designed by Brooks Stevens), and two **Arnolt MGs** (a coupe and a convertible by S. H. Arnolt). There were 238 cars entered in the races for the weekend.

Events held on Friday September 5, were the completion of the Rally ending on Lake Street in Elkhart Lake, a Concours D'Elegance, and a street dance in the evening. Notable winners of the rally were:

Prince Ranier III Trophy – Best Overall Performance

- ξ First place went to Dorothy Dickinson driving an **MG-TC** from Long Beach, CA.
- ξ Second place went to O. D. Joseph & Son driving a Jaguar XK from Belleville, IL.
- ξ Third place went to Robert H. Davies driving a Jaguar XK from Wellesley Hills, NY.

Nuffield Trophy – Best performance by a car under 1500cc.

- ξ First place went to Boyd H. Keys and John Wright driving an **MG-TD** from Dayton, OH.
- ξ Second place went to Mrs. Chas. Portman & Mrs. Jody Hutchison driving an **MG-TD** from Los Angeles, CA.
- ξ Third place went to Chas. B. Wilson driving an **MG-TD** from Columbus, OH.

Madame Junek Trophy – Awarded for the best performance by a lady driving the last 120 miles from Highland Park, IL to Elkhart Lake, WI.

- ξ First place went to Mrs. Tom Newcomer driving a Jaguar XK from Overland Park, KS.
- ξ Second place went to Mrs. Elizabeth Kramer driving a Jaguar XK from Chicago, IL.
- ξ Third place went to Mrs. Dick Dunseth driving an **MG-TD** from Springfield, IL.
- ξ Fourth place went to Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchell driving an **MG-TD** from Dearborn, MI.

The following events (and their results) were held on Saturday, September 6.

- ξ Sheldon Cup, a 15 lap race for cars of 1950 cc to 4000cc.
 - First place went to Phil Hill driving a Jaguar XK120C (average speed 89.5mph).
 - Second place went to Phil Walters driving a Ferrari (average speed 88.5 mph).
 - Third place went to George Weaver driving a Jaguar XK120C (average speed 88.2 mph).

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ξ Concours D'Elegance

- Modern Class (1933 to 1952) winner was Briggs Cunningham; 1952 Cunningham C3 Coupe.
- Vintage Class (1926-1932) winner was Brooks Stevens; 1928 Mercedes Benz Phaeton.
- Veteran Class (1911-1925) winner was H. C. Wuesthoff, Jr.; 1919 Locomobile 40 HP Touring.
- Edwardian (before 1911) honorable mention (no contest) was Frank Fricke; 1909 Huupmobile Roadster.

The Sunday events and their results are as follows.

ξ Kimberly Cup, a 15 lap race for cars 1950 cc and under.

- First place went to Bill Spear driving an O.S.C.A (average speed of 66.2 mph).
- Second place went to Karl Brocken driving a Porsche.
- Third place went to John Von Neuman driving a Porsche.
- Fifth (William Lloyd), sixth (Jack McAfee), seventh (Robert Salzgabre), ninth (Norman Carlson), and tenth (Fred Allen) place finishers drove MGs.

Note that nearly 20 MGs were in the race and John Gordon Bennett had an early lead in his blown MG until he suffered a broken piston. One serious incident took place when William Taylor spun in an MG at Siebkens Corner and ran into the snowfence. He hit several people behind the fence and then hit a telephone pole. Eight spectators and the driver were injured, though none seriously.

ξ Elkhart Lake Cup, a 201.5 mile race for cars 1950 cc and over.

- First (John Fitch), second (Phil Walters), and third (Briggs Cunningham) place finishers drove Cunninghams.
- Fourth (Phil Hill) and fifth (George Weaver) place finishers drove C-Type Jaguars.

The September 6 and 7 races in 1952 attracted 238 entrants and more than 100,000 spectators. But racing was not going to be allowed on public roads. The main protestor was not going to give up so the "right of access" law was going to be enforced and a different venue was needed. Local engineer Clif Tuftte had a vision and selected a 500-acre site near Elkhart Lake in 1953. A first-class road racing track and facility was constructed and Road America opened on September 10, 1955.

Come and enjoy the Elkhart Lake area and Road America during September 21, 22, and 23 when the **MG VINTAGE RACERS FOCUS EVENT** for 2001 is held at the VSCDA Elkhart Lake Vintage Fall Festival. MG is the Featured Marque for the weekend. You will be able to drive a first-class race course – Road America, AND you can tour the original road race courses. Come and enjoy old friends, great racing, and excellent bratwurst. The atmosphere becomes addictive and keeps people returning year after year.

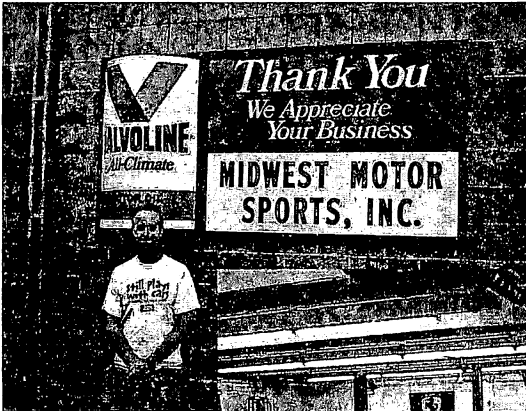
More will be said about Road America in **Part 2 of Racing at Elkhart Lake, WI.**

Information was obtained from Peter Laun's The History of the Elkhart Lake Road Races 1950-1952, and various articles from "The Sheboygan Press" and "The Milwaukee Journal".

Ellingson's Swap Meet and Car Show & Midwest Motor Sports Open House A GREAT TIME HAD BY ALL!

August events included spending time at Ellingson's Auto Museum in Rogers, Minnesota. Those in attendance picked up some good bargains for their cars. Randy Byboth (right) works at making that sale. Mike Hirschman (below left) does not have to work hard at selling MGA parts to new MGA owner Jim Pennoyer.

A week later, the crowd gathered at MMGG Club Member Dan Iberg's new shop in Sauk Rapids, Minnesota. Dan's open house was lots of fun, and we all walked away with some cool sun glasses, that go especially well with our cool, cool cars.



Club Equipment Available

The Minnesota MG Group has a number of tools and tents which can be used by club members (mostly free). They are stored at Park Bus Company/Columbia Transit Corporation (Dick Wallrich's place), which is located at 896 Hersey Street, St. Paul, MN. Telephone number is 651/644-1100.

The cost for using the wire feed welder will be \$5.00 per week which will be used to help pay for the gas and wire. All other items can be used for two weeks free, after which you will be charged \$5.00 per week.

The following is available:

- One engine hoist
- One engine leveler
- One high pressure washer
- One spot welder
- One wire feed welder

We also have:

- Two 10' x 10' tents in which any or all of the 4 sides can be removed. (To be used for club events only).

To use any of these items first call Columbia Transit Corporation to make sure someone will be available at the time you want to pick up the equipment. When you arrive, identify yourself as a MMGG member. You will be shown where the

equipment is stored. It is **very important** to sign out each time you pick up any tents or tools. Do NOT remove anything without first signing for it! Write your name, telephone number, date, and what you are borrowing on a piece of paper. Put the paper in Dick Wallrich's office!

When you are ready to return the equipment, again call Columbia Transit Corporation to make sure someone will be available at the time you plan to return the tools. Place the returned items in the same spot you took them from. On a slip of paper write your name, telephone number, date and what you returned. If you owe money, attach it with your paper and put it in Dick Wallrich's office.

The club recently acquired some new equipment available for you use on club events. Those items include:

- ξ One overhead projector.
- ξ Two bull horns.
- ξ Two Mic's with amplifiers.

If you need help with these items, contact Jerry Strand at 715-386-5930.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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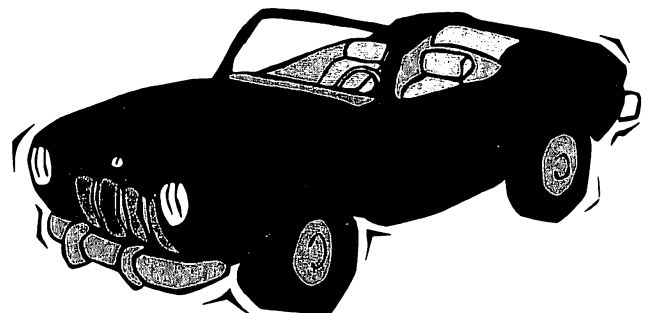
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Calendar of Events

September 8, 2001 Annual Wheels and Wings gathering in Osceola, Wisconsin. Hosted by Jerry and Nancy Strand.

September 21-23, 2001 Vintage Racing at Elkhart Lakes, Wisconsin. MG is the featured marque. See the MG Vintage Racers website for more information. Site address is www.mgvr.org. Also see www.vscda.org.

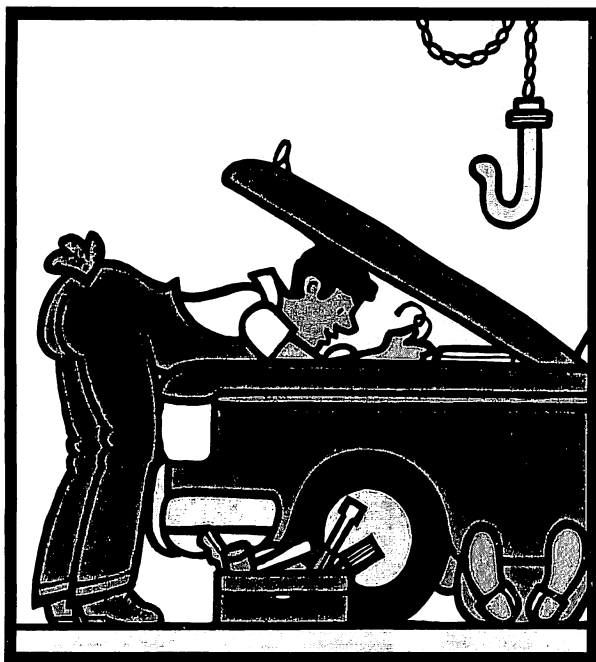
October 6, 2001 Annual Fall Color Tour hosted by Rae Mars, Wayne Soderbeck, Tom and June Moerke.

November, 2001 Annual Meeting hosted by Dan and Jeanette Shidla.

December, 2001 No activity scheduled. How about someone gathering the group for Christmas cheer at a pub? **Volunteers please.**

January 12, 2002 Annual Holiday Party and MG Bucks Auction. Hosted by Elena Pierce and Peggy and Brian Walsh, and held at 3M's Tartan Park Clubhouse in Lake Elmo, Minnesota.

July 3—6, 2002 11th Annual International Convention of The North American MGB Register in Grapevine, Texas. More information at www.MG2002.com (available in the fall of 2001) or email wkube@augustmail.com.



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Technical Advisors

The following people have expressed a willingness to answer questions and offer advice about these cars. Take them up on their offer.

T-types

Lew Palmer 651/436-7401

MGA

Roger Karnopp 651/454-1379

MGB

Randy Byboth 952/936-9335

Midgets

Dewey Frier 763/424-3286

Brian McCollough 651/462-0145

Bodywork

Dewey Frier 763/424-3286

For Sale.....Wanted.....Misc.

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For Sale: 1969 MGB GT. Wire wheels, runs good, some previous work done to body, extra parts. \$900.
 Brian McCullough 651-462-0145.

Wanted: 1973 or earlier MGB or MGB-GT. If you know of one contact Keith Pryor at 651/433-3607.



"If you love that car so much, why don't you sleep in it tonight?"

For Sale: 1967 MGB Roadster that needs TLC. Complete car with solid body. \$1500. Call Jeff Engebretson weekdays at 763/241-2408 and weekends as 612/730-3129.

Minnesota MG Group Membership Application

The Minnesota MG Group was founded in 1987 and is dedicated to the preservation, restoration, maintenance and enjoyment of all MG cars. MG car ownership is not necessary to be a member of the Minnesota MG Group. Initial membership is \$30.00 and \$25.00 for renewals. The membership year runs from January 1st to December 31st. New members joining after August 31st of any given year shall be granted membership for the remainder of that year and the next year as well. Use this form to join or renew your membership.

Please complete this form, write out a check for \$30.00 or \$25.00 and mail to:

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1092 Golden Oaks Drive
Hudson, Wisconsin 54016**

Name: _____

Name of spouse/partner/significant other: _____

Street Address: _____

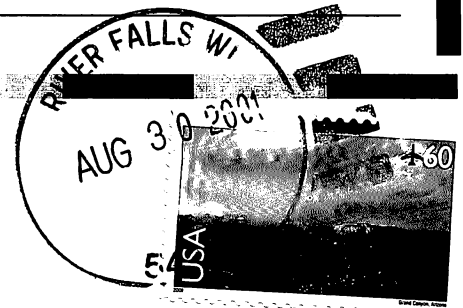
City, State, & Zip Code: _____

Telephone w/area code: (____) (____) (____)

Email address: _____

MG(s) Owned: _____

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