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5th Annual All-British Car show

Welcome to the 5th annual All British Car Show and Swap Meet hosted by the Minnesota MG Group. Show hours today are 8am to 4pm. This years event will include a few new features. Included in these features will be the TRIUMPH line-up of automobiles as our FEATURED Marque, a first for our show! Also the Minnesota MG Gazette All British Car Show and Swap Meet Special Edition newsletter will be handed out with some special features for the show as well as listings for other local clubs, shops and points of interest.

We will be giving out trophies, adding judged classes along with the current peoples choice

classes, and raffled prizes! This years peoples choice trophy categories are:

- MG
- Triumph
- Jaguar
- Lotus
- Classic Mini
- MINI
- Inter-Marque
- Too Young to Drink
- Best of Show
- Diamond in the Rough

Please have ballots back to the ballot box by 1:30 p.m.

There are two judged categories: Original/Restored and Modified. Judging criteria is listed on page 5.

Trophies will be awarded about 2:00.

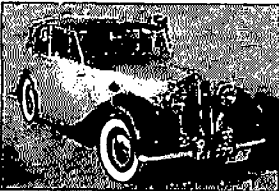
There is a swap meet of

various British bits and pieces in the rear lot. Come and find that part that you been looking for.

As always, our hosts, Ellingson's has a 1950's style diner, and a wonderful display of classic vehicles in their Museum.



1947 Triumph 2000



1949 Triumph 1800

Triumph Featured Marque

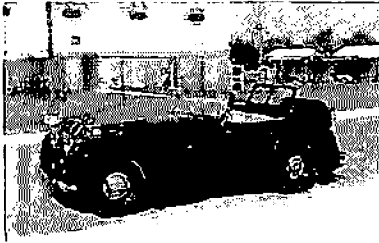
Seigfried Brittan started out producing Triumph bicycles in Coventry, England, in 1885. In 1921 Brittan took control of the Dawson Car Company and built a 1.9 litre model called the Triumph Light. In 1927 another model,

called the "Super Seven" was produced as a direct replacement for the Triumph Light. These Super Seven's, were also sold bare frame for other coachwork bodies to be fitted, including a Triumph coach-built saloon. Donald Healey drove some of

these Super Sevens quite successfully in trials and events, and became the company's manager in 1934. Approximately 17,000 Super Sevens were produced.

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Triumph Featured Marque—continued



1947 Triumph 2000

During the mid-30's Triumph were beginning to struggle financially, World-War II was about to begin and in 1939 the company went up for sale. T W Ward of Sheffield bought the company, but produced no cars.

After the war the Standard Motor Company bought what was left of the blitzed Coventry factory, and began the redevelopment of Triumph. In 1946 the Triumph Roadster was launched, the car went on to become one of the most memorable British cars of the post-war years. Standard's boss Sir John Black bought Tri-

Minnesota Morgan

With origins dating back to 1978, the Minnesota Morgan Club is today an active group of enthusiasts who enjoy driving and showing other sports car owners their Morgans - ?The First and Last of the Real Sports Cars? - a factory advertising claim that still holds true since Morgans

Minnesota Triumphs

The Minnesota Triumphs is a not for profit club which encourages and promotes the preservation, general enjoyment and maintenance of Triumph Automobiles for educational, recreational and historic interest. Minnesota Triumphs is the Minnesota chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register (www.vtr.org). Ownership of a Tri-

umph in 1944 aiming to take on Jaguar in the classy car market. Jaguar's boss William Lyons had built his business with the help of Standard, which had provided engines, gearboxes and chassis for his stylish SS-later Jaguar SS. Black proposed a takeover of Jaguar, this was quickly brushed aside. The new Roadster had to be all Triumph, out of the parts bin came the Standard 1800cc engine and matching gearbox, in fact Black had wanted a straight-six, but in a moment of madness had sold the tooling for Standard's own six-cylinder to Jaguar in 1937. At the time of its 1946 introduction the cheap-to-build 1800 was a unique concept, with its bench front seat and its two jump-seats in the boot. 5000 cars would be sold before its production run ended in 1949.

By 1952 Triumph needed to take on MG in the all-important export market, but Triumph needed a new car, Black made a bid to take over Morgan and was rejected.

Enter the TR range, the first prototype the TS20 was launched at

are made today in Malvern, England the same as back in 1909.

The club schedules an event or two every year, and then joins in on most of the InterMarque events that are scheduled throughout the year. While membership in the club is about 20 families, there are about 60

umph is not a prerequisite for membership, but ownership of several Triumphs is not unusual.

Club meetings are the second Thursday of the month January through October. People meet in the parking lot to kick tires at 6:30 PM on nice days. The meeting starts at 7:00 PM January through April and October. Meeting

the 1952 Motor Show, the car was not well received, undaunted, Black developed the car further and by 1953 the TR2 was born.

The car was a tremendous success and went on to be a huge dollar earner for the company. Perhaps of all the TR range the TR7 was least loved by enthusiasts, yet numerically it was the most successful of all. By 1970 the infamous British Leyland had a potential world-beater in the Triumph Stag, engine reliability was the ultimate demise of what should have been a true great. Overheating was the main snag, caused by a meagre radiator, which then usually resulted in a blown head gasket. Today enthusiasts and with specialist help, have the problem cured, by fitting up rated radiators and hardened cranks and most important, regular servicing. It is sad that Triumph got the engine so wrong first time around, because the rest of the car is superb.

- Triumph books USA, Triumph books UK

known Morgans in Minnesota.

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start time is 7:30 PM May through September. The Minnesota Triumphs meet at Fort Snelling Officers Club, which is located just south of the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, near the intersection of Minnesota Highway 5 and Post Road. The building is at the entrance to Fort Snelling State Park

Minnesota Triumphs - continued

The club newsletter, Triumphs and Tribulations, is published monthly January through October of each year. Annual dues are \$25. Full club information can be found at <http://clubs.hemmings.com/mntriumphs> or contact Bill Gingerich at wrgingerich@msn.com or 952-938-1432.

MMPEAPSHA celebrates birthday

Join the MMPEAPSHA group and help them celebrate their birthday. Look for the classic Minis in the show and join them for cake and refreshments. The *Mini-Sota Minis, Pizza Eating,*

And Psychiatric Self-Help Association is a relatively new club, started in a Pizza restaurant in the Twin Cities of Mini-Sota in August '99, with 5 members. We now have more than 230, and are still growing. Most of our members are in the Mini-Sota & Western Wisconsin area, but we also have members Florida, North Carolina, Tennessee,



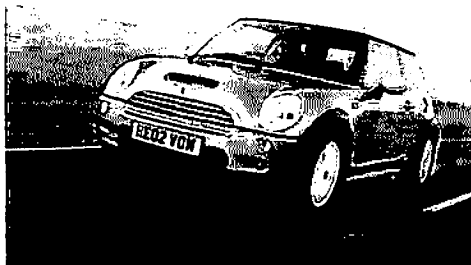
New Jersey, Ohio, Michigan, Missouri, Iowa, Illinois, Arizona, North Dakota, California, Washington, British Columbia, Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, Okinawa (Japan), Great Britain, The Netherlands & Italy. Hey, the more, the merrier! We have meetings and events every month (except December), and a monthly Email newsletter, *The Oily Edition*. Membership in **MMPEAPSHA** is open to all Mini/MINI enthusiasts (whether or not you own one). Membership is absolutely **FREE** (and worth every penny of it!).

Contact Jim Baumann at cbaumann@lkdlilinkl.net or 1-320-963-5681 or Karl Jenstad at jenstad@pro-ns.net or 1-612-869-7611.

MINI-sota Motoring Society

Welcoming the MINI with open arms to Minnesota and surrounding states, the MMS welcomes all MINIs/Minis to participate in driving, eating and cultural events.

Founded in the recess of Bob's Java Hut, a handful of MINI owners got together to just have coffee and check out each other's cars. Since then the group has grown to over 130 members.



2002 MINI Cooper S

We cater, but are not exclusive, to the MINI Cooper and MINI Cooper S. However, we welcome all cars and all people to come and enjoy a zippy S-turn and a stop at the apple orchard for a tour and a taste.

flick or filling our bellies with Wisconsin cheese and beers from Barley John's (conservatively). Members are also encouraged to attend TSD Rallies and autox hosted by

mnautox.com.

If you are interested in the event schedule and updates, please contact mlps_mini@yahoo.com.

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Nash Metropolitan Club

The Metropolitan From Minnesota chapter was formed in 1972. The club was organized so that people could share a common bond between the cars they loved, and the camaraderie among themselves. It was also a means of communicating information between members about problems they have encountered and ways to solve them. The club has held numerous events and outings over the years. Currently there are about thirty-five families in the club. We are always looking for new and active members. Three of the original founders are still involved in the club's activities today.

The Minnesota chapter meets once a month, either at members' homes or at a planned event. There is an annual banquet held in January. At this meeting we present awards for the past year and plan events for the upcoming year.

There is a local newsletter the "Monitor" that is published every two months. There is also a national newsletter, the "Met Gazette" that is published monthly by the Metropolitan Owners Club of North America national chapter "MOCNA".

Local dues are \$15.00 per year.



Nash Metropolitanans

MOCNA dues are \$20.00 per year. (You must be a member of MOCNA before you join the MN chapter).

The Metropolitan club of Minnesota is a great way to enjoy the cars and more importantly meet new friends. Please call Dennis Culp at 651-653-0352 or Lynn Schulte 612-334-3440 for club information.

Minnesota MG Group

The Minnesota MG Group was started in 1987 with the purpose of enjoying, maintaining and driving or MG cars. Group membership is open to anyone who owns, has owned or wants to own an MG or wishes that they owned an MG. All models of the MG marque are invited to be a part of the group. Club events are monthly and sometimes more than one event will be held in a month. Club events include

tech sessions, rallies, drives, social gatherings, national and regional meets. Club information can be found on the web at www.mmgg.org or in our monthly newsletter. Club membership dues are \$30.00 annually.

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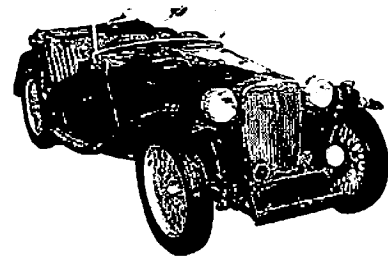
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Minnesota MG T Register

The charter of the Minnesota MG T Register states "To bring together those who have a common interest in the restoration and preservation of the T' series and earlier vintage MGs, and in so doing, further the spirit of the vintage MG, good fellowship, and develop greater interests in the Gathering Of the Faithful."

Although we are a car club, we focus on the people of the club. We are primarily a social organization in the planning and running of all club events. Typically, we try to hold at least one club function every month, with the driving season bringing several events each month. Activities include tours, picnics, driving tests, gimmick rallies, the annual

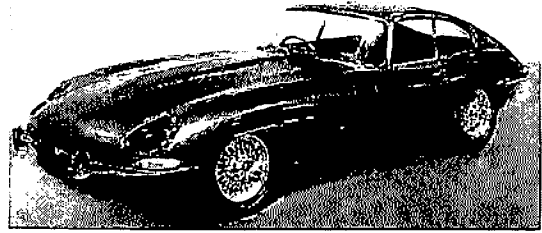


holiday party, and at least one Gathering of the Faithful (GOF, the regional T-series convention) each year.

Jaguar Club of Minnesota

The Jaguar Club of Minnesota is a social organization with a particular love for Jaguar automobiles. There are over 150 family memberships who participate in a variety of functions. These include our annual anniversary picnic, a winter holiday

dinner party, and many automotive activities from dinner drives to technical sessions. There is a quarterly newsletter, events every month and participation in many intermarque activities.



Membership Secretary, Ken Smith 952-220-0850.

For information contact out

Car Show Judging Information

The Minnesota MG Group has asked judges who are recognized experts with British cars to judge this years event using a point system when judging each vehicle on our show field, at the owners request.

All cars that are to be judged must have the windows closed, the convertible top up, the hood open, and the judging form filled out and left under a windshield wiper.

Each car in our two classes of *Original/Restored* and *Modified* will be judged by the same group of people using the same criteria for each vehicle.

Each car starts with a total of 100 points before judging. As the judges review the cars in their assigned class, they look for specific items in specific categories. If the items do not meet accepted standards, a deduction is made. The deductions are then added together and

subtracted from the 100 points. The resulting number is the score the automobile receives at our show. The highest score in each class is awarded first place.

The chart below shows the total amount of points that may be deducted in each category, and also shows specific point values that may be deducted.

BRIGHT WORK (10 POINTS MAX)

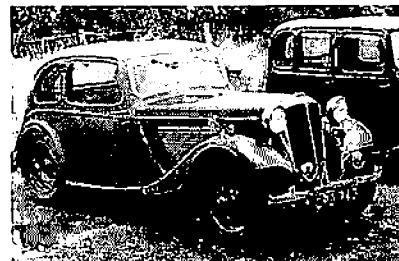
	Deduction
TARNISH / DISCOLORED	1
DENTS	1
SCRATCHES	1
BROKEN	1
RIVET / BOLT	1
MISSING	2
PLATING	1
INCORRECT STYLE / DESIGN	1
PITTED	1
GENERAL (SUBJECTIVE)	1

ENGINE COMPARTMENT (15 POINTS MAX)

	Deduction
HOSES	1
CLAMPS	1
WIRES / CABLES	1
STARTER	1
CARBURATOR	1
GENERATOR / ALTERNATOR	1
DISTRIBUTOR	1
COIL	1

Car Show Judging Information—CONTINUED

<u>ENGINE COMPARTMENT</u> <u>(15 POINTS MAX)</u>	Deduction	<u>BODY WORK (15 POINTS MAX)</u>	Deduction
HOSES	1	WAVES (DISTORTIONS)	2
CLAMPS	1	BODY FILLER	2
WIRES / CABLES	1	WELDS	2
STARTER	1	CRACKS	1
CARBURATOR	1	TEARS	1
GENERATOR / ALTERNATOR	1	DENTS	2
DISTRIBUTOR	1	WRONG PARTS (FIBERGLASS ETC.)	2
COIL	1	ALIGNMENT	1
VOLTAGE REGULATOR	1	INCORRECT SCREWS / BOLTS / RIVETS	1
SCREWS / BOLTS	1	ABRASIONS (SCUFFS / SCRAPES / ETC.)	1
BRACKETS	1	GENERAL (SUBJECTIVE)	(?)
FILTERS / CONTAINERS (OIL / AIR/ GAS)	1		
PAINT	1	<u>PAINT WORK (15 POINTS MAX)</u>	Deduction
LEAKS / GASKETS	1	SCRATCHES	2
DIRT / GRIME	1	BLISTERS / BUBBLES	2
GENERAL (SUBJECTIVE)	(?)	FISH EYES	2
		ORANGE PEEL	1
<u>TOP / HEADLINER / CURTAINS OTHER</u> <u>THAN CONVERTIBLES</u> <u>(10 POINTS MAX)</u>	Deduction	DULL FINISH	1
STAINS (DIRT, ETC.)	1	COLOR MATCH	1
TEARS / HOLES	1	RUST	2
SEAMS	1	PRIMER SHOWING	2
DISTORTIONS	1	WRONG COLOR(S)	1
COLOR (CORRECT)	1	WRONG TYPE PAINT (LACQUER / ACRYLIC)	1
PATCHES	1	GENERAL (SUBJECTIVE)	(?)
STAPLES/NAILS, ETC (SHOWING)	1		
MOLDING (ALIGNMENT, FINISH, ETC.)	1		
CORRECT SCREWS / FIXTURES	1		
CORRECT MATERIAL	1		
GENERAL (SUBJECTIVE)	(?)		



Car Show Judging Information—CONTINUED

The judging forms used the day of the show are the property of the Minnesota MG Group and are not intended for disclosure to the contestants once the vehicle has been judged.

Judging Disclaimer

To all Car Show Participants:

The Minnesota MG Group would like to thank you for your participation in our annual car show. Your presence at our show allows us to continue our support of the club.

We would like this opportunity to explain the judging criteria that we follow so that you will have a clearer understanding of how we determine the winners in each of our judging categories.

This is not a sanctioned course caliber event. Our judges are not certified antique or classic automobile appraisers. Limited resources do not allow us to retain the services of professionals for the task of judging. Our judges, for the most part, have been educated through the experiences attained

at this and other annual events. Should you choose to have your vehicle judged, it will be done against all others in its class. Winners are determined by the most points accumulated by each car, using a 100 point system.

The decision of our judges is final. Whether your vehicle does or does not win a trophy, we invite you to return next year. If your vehicle is not chosen as one of the winners, please do not take the decision of the judges negatively upon your vehicle's condition or appeal. Remember that the real winners at our show are you the car owners and the spectators that share our love of British automobiles.

Once again we thank you for coming to our show and we hope that the day provides an enjoyable experience for you. Your participation allows us to continue to hold and improve this annual event. In our eyes you are ALL winners.



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Inter-Marque Council

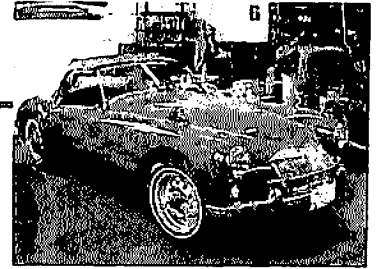
The Inter-Marque Council is a group of vintage foreign car clubs from the Twin Cities Minnesota area. The Council's purpose is to coordinate individual club events and to promote inter-club activities. At the present time there are nine member clubs: Citroen Car Club of Minnesota; Jaguar Club of Minnesota; Minnesota Austin-Healey Club; Minnesota MG Group; Minnesota MG T Register; Minnesota Minis Pizza Eating and Psychiatric Self-Help Assn; Min-

nesota Morgans; Minnesota Triumphs, Stella del Nord Alfa Romeo Owners Club; and Vintage Sports Car Racing. Although it is not, strictly speaking, the newsletter of the Council, the Intermarque Monthly does report on many of its activities and other intermarque happenings in this area. It is delivered via e-mail and is a pdf file. To subscribe send an e-mail message to andylinberg@earthlink.net. Please include the secret message, "Hey, subscribe me."

The Intermarque council sponsors a weekly get together at Billabongs pub and restaurant in Bloomington on the south frontage road of highway 494 between France ave. and Normandale Blvd (hwy 100). The weekly gathering is Sunday at 5:00pm. Every week is an adventure. Cars that have attended range from a Austin Moke to a Rolls Royce, MGs Triumphs, Healys, Jaguars and more.



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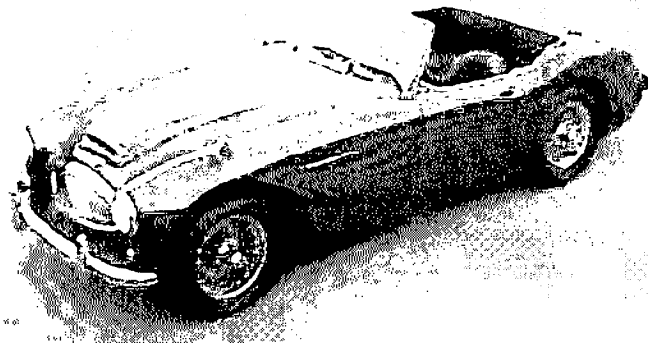
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Minnesota Austin Healey Club

The Minnesota Austin Healey Club is an affiliate of the Austin Healey Club of America, Inc., a national organization comprised of local clubs throughout the U.S. and Canada. The AHCA is dedicated to the maintenance, preservation, and enjoyment of Austin Healey automobiles, and Healey boats. Local clubs exchange newsletters to further disseminate information. Each individual has the choice of joining the Minnesota Austin Healey Club only, or both the Minnesota and National clubs.

We welcome your membership and look forward to seeing you and your Healey at the next event. If you have questions concerning the two clubs, please

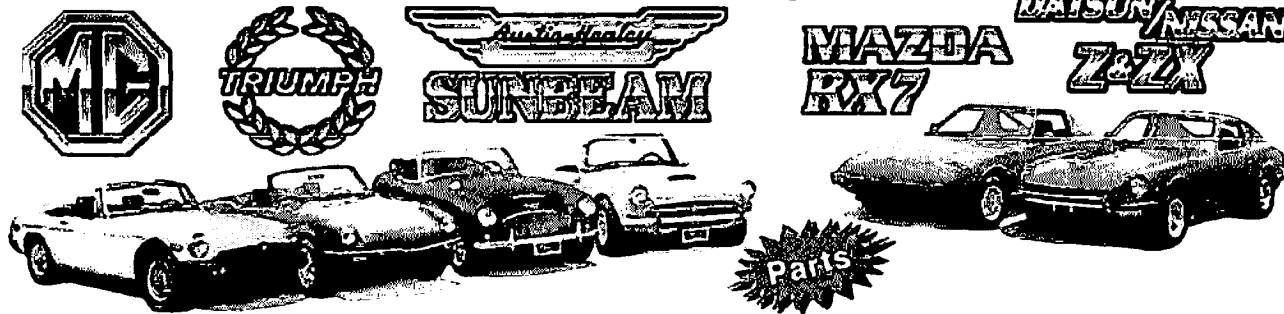


contact us. The Minnesota Austin Healey Club is comprised of friendly and enthusiastic individuals of all ages and walks of life. Their goal is to enjoy their Austin Healeys. Whether you are single or married, with or without a family, there is

something for everyone in the Minnesota Austin Healey Club. If you would like to join the club, please contact us at Curt Carlson, Box 6844, Minneapolis, Mn 55406 or on the web at <http://www.mnhealey.com>

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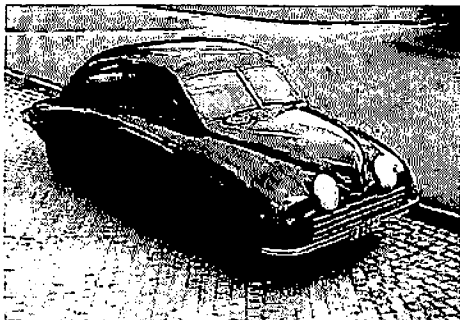
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