



MG Car Club—Florida

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July, 2007 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS: by Ed Price

If you did not make last months outing you missed a great evening ride and a great dinner with lots of laughter. Do not, repeat Do Not miss this months gathering. Sure to be more of the same. PS Be sure to ask our hosts about the raccoon souvenirs.

JUNE EVENT: by Norm Ridgely

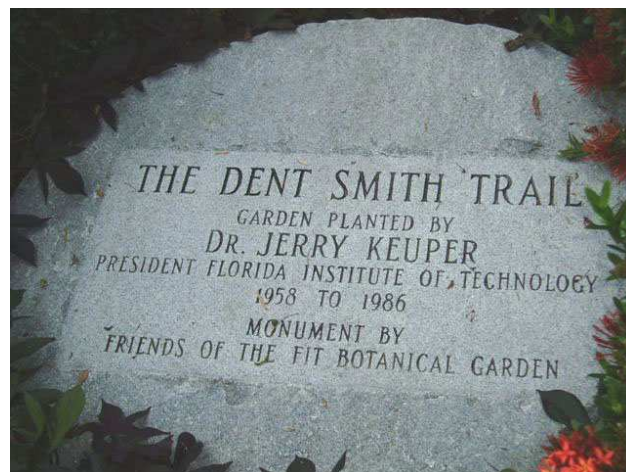
Our first EVENING event of the summer was a COOL one! Twelve of us in 7 cars (if you count what Dave Alexander drove as a car) met at



the UBS Building on Harbor City Blvd. At 6:30 p.m. We departed at about 7 pm for Ballard Park to the north. Dave led the way (just kidding, Dave, nice Mini) followed by Ed & Pam Price, Frank & Helen Kingston, Norm & Pat Ridgely, Ben Stone & Danica Perhacs, Saul Klein and Norm & Cheryl



Smith. From the park, we proceeded roundabout to the FIT campus where we toured the Botanical Gardens although not all of it was open to the



public. It was an interesting tour and we discovered a covered foot bridge and the original 1883 Melbourne 1-room school house. (I believe that is where Saul started teaching. **) Then it was off to beautiful downtown historic Melbourne for window shopping (for some), dining

(for some), and ice cream (for all). By 10 pm everyone was on the way home, having enjoyed a cool night out with their LBCs plus one BMW. Next month, Merritt Island.

**** (Actually, I never taught there, BUT in 1890, I DID invent and install the World's FIRST wooden microcomputer in that school.. -Saul)**



HOW TO INTERPRET ANTIQUE CAR ADS

If It Says:

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| Older restoration | Can't tell it's been restored |
| Rare Model | Nobody liked them when they were new either |
| One of a kind | Made it myself |
| Needs engine work | It's been frozen for 30 years |
| No rust | Body and fenders missing |
| One owner | Never have been able to sell |
| No time to complete | I can't find parts anyhow |
| Good investment | Couldn't depreciate anymore |
| Rough | It's too bad to lie about |
| Top good | Only leaks on rainy days |
| 90% complete | Just needs a body |
| Rebuilt engine | Has new spark plugs |
| Needs minor overhaul | Needs new engine |
| Completed Glidden Tour | On a trailer |
| May run | But it never has |
| Low mileage | Third time around |
| Lost storage | Neighbors getting on a petition |
| Uses no oil | Just throws it out |
| Needs interior | Seats are gone |
| Many new parts | Keeps breaking down |
| Drive home | If you live next door |
| Best Offer | About what I expect to get |
| Dependable transportation | If you take the bus |
| Towable | Better follow and pick up parts |
| 29 coats hand rubbed paint | Took that much to cover the rust |
| Always driven slow | Won't go any faster |
| Prize winner | Hard luck trophy three times in a row |
| Ready for show | Just washed it |
| Stored 25 years | Under a tree |
| Real show stopper | It's orange with purple fenders |
| Verified ownership by royalty | The royal gardener used it to haul manure |
| Professional restoration | A professional hod-carrier repainted it with a broom |
| Rare Madam X model | You know what kind of madam owned it |
| Yellow beauty | It was originally a taxi |
| Clean | It sat out in the rain yesterday |
| Easy restoration | The parts will come off in your hand |
| Interesting trades considered | Anything is more interesting than this thing |
| Mint condition | The U.S. Mint might be able to put it back into condition |
| Motor quiet | I'm using 60 weight oil |
| Concourse condition | Had it waxed |
| Drive it away | I live on top of a hill |
| Can be towed | Has four wheels — no tires |
| Drive anywhere | Within ten miles of home |
| Has classic lines | Box on wheels |
| Desirable antique | Nobody likes it but me |
| Stored twenty years | Motor is frozen |
| Extensive re-chroming done | Had the front bumper buffed |
| Extra parts | I finally gave up on it |
| Sharp | Whitewall tires |
| Need money | Found a better one |
| Leaving for Army | Finance company getting mean |
| New top | Less than 5 years old |
| 90% restored | It's been washed and waxed |



MGCC-F – UPCOMING EVENTS:

SUNDAY, July 15th - 3rd Sunday – We will gather at 3 PM at Frank & Helen Kingston's home on the south end of Merritt Island for a POT LUCK DINNER. It will be a late lunch/early dinner with good conversation. We will have a Honey Baked Ham and Frank's famous Roasted Turkey to serve. Everyone please bring a dish to share. You can bring anything from a salad to a dessert. The address is 10590 S. Tropical Trail (south of Pineda Causeway).

Saturday, August 18th – 3rd Saturday – We will tour to a new bird sanctuary at a very unusual location and then will retire to dine. This will also be an evening event. DTF.

Saturday, September 22nd – 4TH Saturday - FOX LAKE BRITISH CAR SHOW in Titusville. Please volunteer!!! We need a lot of workers for this event. This is our only source of funding so that we can keep our annual dues at \$10.00. Contact Dave Alexander (north area) at iamcaptain@mindspring.com or 321-728-0019 or Norm Ridgely (south area) at normridge@yahoo.com or 772-567-2231 and ask how you can help.

Saturday, Oct. 20 – Hosted by Danica Perhacs and Ben Stone in Vero Beach – Nominations for Officers and Board will be announced. Luncheon and top/tonneau repair session. DTF.

Saturday, Nov. 19 – Tour in Brevard County, then a luncheon meeting – ELECTIONS. DTF.

Sunday, Dec. 9 – Another fabulous Bok Tower trip to Lake Wales, with an opportunity to visit the “Christmas at Pinewood” Estate. DTF

OTHER EVENTS:

1st Sunday of each month: Breakfast Club at Gleason's Restaurant, 4270 Aloma Ave, Winter Park.

July 16th/19th – MG 2007 (NAMGBR) Napa Valley, CA

July 23rd/27th – GT32 (NAMGAR) – Whistler, British Colombia

August 2nd/5th – MGs in Bennington, VT

September 7th/9th – Southeastern Fall GOF – MK XIV, Lake Chatuge Lodge, Hiawassee, GA. Great event in north Georgia mountains. Lyman Delk, Chairman, lilydelk@aol.com (SEE MORE INFORMATION)

October 12th/14th – Rendezvous 2007 by Big Bend MGs, Tallahassee, FL. This is an outstanding event with a great touring area. The sponsoring club has set up an “MG Rescue Squad” to render assistance and provide a car dolly within a 100 mile radius of Tallahassee. (SEE MORE INFORMATION) www.bigbendmgs.com

October 19th/21st EuroAuto Festival – Greer, SC (at BMW plant) – Great Show!! Factory tour.

For questions on any of the above, call Norm Ridgely (772) 567-2231.

MEMBER PROFILES:

The Editor would like to do a member profile each month in the newsletter, or present a history of a member's car (such as Helen Kingston's in the March issue). Those interested, please contact Pat Ridgely. Phone and e mail listed at end of this newsletter.

FEEDBACK:

The Officers and Board members would like to hear from members concerning their views on current functions and events (likes, dislikes, etc.) and any ideas for the future. This is your club and we want everyone to participate and enjoy. So, please contact anyone on the list on the last page to have your voice heard. Thanks!

CLASSIFIED ADS:

Ads are free of charge to members, run for three months unless renewed and/or canceled by the member. Ads will be reserved to British automobile related items.

FOR SALE – 1964 MGB (“pull handle” roadster with the GTS Sebring flares) and 1965 MG Midget (“Special Tuning” front air dam all molded onto the body) by Tom Dobyns at 321-723-3388. Both need work to varying degrees. Call Tom for more information.

Send your ad to Pat Ridgely at pridgely83@yahoo.com or P. O. Box 651068, Vero Beach, FL 32965 by the 25th of each month for publication in the following month's newsletter. In your e mail, please reference MGCC-F ad so it's not considered spam.

We need as many articles written by members as we can get. Submit yours to Pat Ridgely at pridgely83@yahoo.com or P. O. Box 651068, Vero Beach, FL 32965. Thanks for your help.

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