



UPDATES

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Hi all, here is a brief "UPDATE" for MG Car Club Florida members and interested persons. A complete, comprehensive MGCCF "Florida Octagon" Club newsletter will be published & distributed quarterly.. Please visit our club's website at www.mgcarclubflorida.org - Calendar/Events, hundreds of photos and numerous newsletters are on-line ...

March Events - One down, at least two to go!!

Saturday, March 2, 2013, MGCCF members joined the Mini Club for a driving tour and "tea" at a 100 yr old house in Merritt Island. Great event, with over 30 "Crazy" Mini drivers and over 20 of our members joining in on the fun! A more detailed article in next month's newsletter.



Saturday, March 16th - Our "Official" MGCCF March event- AACA Vero Beach Car Show! Several of our members have registered their cars, and all members are invited to attend the show as spectators (or register..). A "Caravan" group is going to meet in Indialantic, at 9am with departure down A1A at 9:30am. Meet us in the parking area for Coldstone/Starbucks (5th Ave and the ocean).



Show details @ <http://local.aaca.org/indianriver/2013carshow.php>

Saturday, March 30th – Wheels Across the Pond 7th Annual British Classic Car & Bike Show, Jupiter, celebrating 100 years of Aston Martin, www.wheelsacrossthepond.com -several MGCCF members attending ..

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS - 2013

April 20 – Tentative Economy Run event – Details TBA

October 18-19th – “Brit Bash” Vero Beach – Stay Tuned for details of our “BIG SHOW” ..

OTHER EVENTS – 2012 AND 2013

April 6th – All British Car Show, Winter Park, FL- Several MGCCF members attending

April 19th—24th – Gathering of the Faithful South XLVII, Hilton Hotel, Ocala, FL www.mgclassics.org - Several MGCCF members attending

May 29th-June 2nd – British Car Week National Meet, Hot Springs Village, Arkansas www.britishcarweeknationalmeet.org

June 10-14 – NAMGAR GT.38, 2013 – Ashville, NC www.gt38-namgar.org

October 9-12 – AACA National Meet, Hershey, PA

October 10-13 – Southeastern Fall Gathering of the Faithful, Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, GA

October 26 – Tampa Bay Austin-Healy Club, Safety Harbor, Annual Car Show

Showcase of MGCCF Members' British Cars



What The - - - !!! - Dave Alexander

The MGB GT's name is "Patches", (formerly "Raggedy Anne" renamed the week before the photo shoot) for obvious reasons. She is a collection of parts from 1965, 1968, 1973, 1979 and smaller bits from???? years/models MG.

The story behind the arrow ... BTW it has not been painted over yet:

At last month's Photo Shoot event, remember we had some members turn around because they did not see us on the field. So I took the GT, parked it at the front circle and "spray painted" that arrow sign to give them some direction. I had the spray can with me figuring I might have to park at the entrance to the park, and do the same.



1966 MGB - Larry & Nancy Dyal
Dark Met. BRG/Black, Built 1965
249,500 miles, Purchased New 1965
Mostly original, Detachable hard top
Daily driver over 20 years ..



1980 MGB LE - Linda Knoblock

Black/Tan, Built 1979

Purchased 2001

New steering wheel, convertible top, paint job, tires and a few mechanical adjustments. Drive & Enjoy!!

My car formerly belonged to Lee Molet, who left his car at our repair/paint shop for a number of years. Upon returning back to the states, I begged him for it! We painted one of his other vehicles and the MG was mine!!



1979 MG Midget 1500- Saul Klein

MG Black Tulip/Black, Built 4/1979

42,700 miles - Purchased 3/2007 with 26,600 miles showing. Spitfire **Overdrive** J-type installed Feb. 2012, Weber DGV, de-smogged engine, Pertronix ignition, Body color painted bumpers, DIY new black vinyl zip-out hood/top.

Future plans - maybe replace springs & shocks.

Drive, Drive, Fun!

Our son Ross, gave me a 1970 MGB as a retirement present in July, 2000. In 2005 Ross gave me a 1989 Jaguar XJS V12 conv., and we sold the MGB to my neighbor. After a year or so, I really missed the "MG driving experience" where you get a "grin" on your face at 50 mph, versus the need to go over 100 mph in the Jag to just get that same grin. So, I searched on cars.com and found my 1979 Midget in Mt Dora Florida. The carburetor had been replaced with a Weber at a local garage, and not installed properly, messing up the crankcase ventilation, etc. causing oil to badly spray out the dipstick tube. Also, the brakes needed repaired. After I took a test drive, I realized the potential of the Midget, and settled on a "good" price. I have put over 16,000 wonderful miles on "**Sir Malcolm**", having only to "correct" the crankcase pressure problem (a rubber hose), and replaced the complete brake system, including master cylinder. In April 2008, I had Malcolm's original Leyland White re-sprayed "MG Black Tulip", a dark purple, including the "rubber" bumpers. We have been to many events, including trips to Tallahassee, Miami, and Jekyll Island Georgia. Oh, and I do get that grin, starting around 40 mph in the Midget ... ;-)

Safety Fast!

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