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IMPORTANT NOTICE

The MGCC-F Board of Directors wishes to notify the membership that the Board has recently received two resignations. The first, dated May 9, 2012, was from Danica Perhacs who resigned her position as Car Show Chairperson. The second, dated May 10, 2012, was from Ken Gregory who resigned his position as President. The Board convened a special meeting on May 17th to discuss these actions. At that meeting, the resignations were accepted with regret.

In accordance with the club's By Laws, nominations will be sought for the position of the President to serve out the current term which ends December 31st, 2013. We also need another Director which is based on our membership numbers and By Laws. Ed Price, a past President, will serve as Ballot Chairman. Anyone interested in serving as either President or Director should contact Ed not later than June 22nd, 5 pm. The ballots will then be mailed by USPS to all members by June 26th. The ballots should be marked as to the members' choice ASAP and returned in the self-addressed stamped envelope in order to reach the Club's post office box not later than July 9th. If received after that date, the ballot will not be counted. Within 3 days after July 9th, the ballots will be counted by Ed and the other two members of the committee. The results will be emailed to those with email and by snail mail to those without. The results will also be posted on the Club's web site. Ed's contact info is: phone 321-632-2207 and email is eprice@sharingcenter.org.

The other item discussed at the Board meeting was the car show. It was decided that the show will go on as originally planned to be held on October 27, 2012 in Vero Beach. The event will follow the normal pattern. The Friday night "Meet & Greet" will again be at the Springhill Suites. In addition to socializing, a great barbeque, we will have something new: car races! So plan to bring your favorite die cast model car and see if you can outrun the other competitors.

Riverside Park will await us Saturday morning for another successful “Brit Bash”, a Celebration of British Motor Cars & Bikes.

The Board sincerely regrets these resignations. To say they were totally unexpected is an understatement. Board members, speaking for themselves and the membership, wish to express sincere appreciation to both Ken and Danica for their past service to the club. It is hoped that they will continue to join us in future club activities.

MAY TOUR TO “BIG DADDY” GARLIT’S MUSEUM

Five MGs and one Triumph pulled out of the McDonalds (Mim’s) at 9:30 am on

Saturday, May 19th, driving on back roads to Don Garlit’s Museum of Drag Racing and Museum of Classic Cars. Both museums are loaded with unbelievable memorabilia as well as outstanding vehicles. On



this tour were Pat & Norm Ridgely, Brian Mitchell, Linda Knoblock-Raupp, Saul Klein, Frank & Helen Kingston, and Leonard Coppold. After a stop in Sanford for refueling at the Dunkin Donuts (Frank actually got petrol), we arrived in south Ocala just after noon after 98 TROUBLE-FREE miles. Joining us in Ocala were club members, Sharon & John Spadaro, Ken Deleeuw (a new member & president of the All British Car Club of Volusia County, MGB V6) and Doug and Linda Rothwell (MGB), also from the Volusia club, and Tom & Sandi

Schulte from Gainesville (Pat’s daughter & son-in-law). Tom is the webmaster for the Indian River Region AACA in Vero and another car hound. This brought our number to 15. After touring both museums, we had lunch at the



nearby Cracker Barrel and then headed for home.

Everyone said they had a great time, really enjoyed the museums, and all returned home “trouble-free”.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

June 2 Harry & Terri Landes
June 3 Ray & Mary Pollock
June 6 Ed & Pam Price
June 22 Jeff & Jan Zorn
June 26 Richard & JoAnn Jensen
June 29 Tony & Donna Bevilacqua

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

June 1 Frank Evion
June 6 Jim Griffin
June 12 Hayes Harris
June 13 Charlotte Harris
June 18 Pat Grassick
June 21 Nancy Wheeler
June 23 Eugene Wheeler
June 26 Matthew Adams
June 27 Larry Dyal
June 28 Harry Landes

UPCOMING EVENTS - *indicates a club event

June 6-10 –North American MGB Register “MG 2012” – Dillard, GA –



This is the Register’s annual gathering and the first in the south in 6 years. At least 10 of our members are going, so why not join them. Norman has received a number of calls from interested members. He is compiling a list so if you wish to go, call him to get on the list so he can advise those who wish to drive up over two days or one day with others of the same interest. Norman, Saul and a few others, are planning on leaving early on Tuesday, June 5th, stopping for the night in Dublin GA, and arriving at Dillard on Wednesday, June 6th. The return will be leaving Sunday, June 10th and a possible overnight stop will be determined during the day. Pat & Norm did a “straight thru” Dillard to Vero Beach a couple of years ago in about 11-1/2 hours (via 441 to I-75 south of Macon, GA, then I-75 to Turnpike to SR 60). That was “drive” time, over 650 miles. MG2012 Website is www.mg2012.

*** June 16th – MGCC-F’s Annual Picnic & Photo Shoot – This is not your usual picnic. This is a contest as to who has the best presentation of an English style picnic. Refer to photo of last year’s winners, Pam & Ed Price. They will give you an idea of what the judges will be looking for. (If you just want to grab a sub and coke & come, that’s okay, too.) See article above.**

July 9-13 – NAMGAR – “GT37”, Dayton, Ohio

*** July 16th – MGCC-F Board of Directors meeting**

*** July 21st– MGCC-F Dinner & Social at Pizza Gallery, Viera, 4 pm – 6 pm. We tried for a later time, but in order to eat as a group and not have to guarantee \$1,000, this is our time slot. Thanks for being prompt – they have great pizza, full course dinners, wonderful menu, full bar, and it's always a good time.**

July 21-22 – 30th Annual Pittsburg Vintage Grand Prix (MG is the Marque of the Year) www.pvqp.org

*** August 18th – MGCC-F – late afternoon, early evening dinner party & social gathering at the Kingston’s on South Tropical Trail (details to follow)**

September 7-9 – Brits on the Shoals, Rogersville, Alabama

*** September 15th – MGCC-F Tour to the famous US Navy Seal Museum, Ft. Pierce (details to follow)**

*** October 15th – MGCC-F Board of Directors meeting**

*** October 26-27 – BRIT BASH – our annual British Motor Car Exhibition with the Meet & Greet the preceding night. (Info & Registration Form on our club website)**

November 1-3 – Southeast British Car Club, “Chattanooga Choo Choo”, Tennessee

November 2-4 – JAMBOREE, Homosassa, Florida – the Bi-Annual meet put on by the Florida Suncoast MG Car Club of St. Petersburg. This is always a fun event NOT to be missed. (details to follow)

*** November 17th – MGCC-F NEW EVENT! An ECONOMY RUN. Not as simple as who has a good MPG car (e.g. Saul Klein). This is a handicapped ride and it will be run in Brevard County. (Details to follow)**

*** December 15th – MGCC-F Annual Holiday Party at the Kingston’s on Merritt Island. (Details to follow)**

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

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!

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