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Ramsey, MN

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Minneapolis, MN

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26 March - Saturday
10 A.M.
Hastings, MN
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I want to start this article by saying that I’m proud, happy, and thankful to be the president of such a multi-talented club.

Lorie and I along with around twenty other club members attended the MG Garage Band’s latest performance at the Sail Away Café on Saturday the 5th of February and had a great time. Steve Rindt, Jack Schneider, and Steve’s nephew Stevie Rindt regaled us with a large repertoire of songs. They are improving with every performance. The addition of Stevie has added an extended range in their songs. Everybody there seemed to enjoy the night. The Sail Away provided an interesting and varied menu with friendly and helpful staff.

I was also able to talk to Jim Pennoyer, who volunteered to design our next edition of the MG bucks. Jim has created a very nice design and he gave them out at the Valentine Tea. Again talents we can use. I want to extend a big thanks to Jim for this extra work. We have retired the $1 bills this year and are instead using $5 bills for all events. We will also have larger bills to make it easier to both keep and count at the auction. I have asked Jim to make $5, $20, $50 and $100 bills. This should save us quite a bit in printing and paper.

I’m going to lay out some guidelines for giving out MG bucks so everybody knows what to expect and the people that are dispensing them have an idea who gets what. Some people, OK me, have been quick to get bucks for the MG paraphernalia that is worn to events, like watches, socks, pins, etc. This has to be limited in the future. So here is the new or at least proposed policy for receiving MG bucks, at least as I envision it.

I guess I can’t set these guidelines yet. It seems I’ve opened a whole can of worms here and have overstepped my bounds. But here are my ideas on this subject.

1. 5 bucks for each attending member to all events that the club participates in, including Britfest, Rally in the Valley, Wheels and Wings to mention a few.
2. 5 bucks for each vehicle that attends.
3. 5 bucks for wearing your name tag.
4. 5 bucks for wearing any MG item (excluding hats because we all have hats, there are objections to this part) such as pins, shirts, watches, or any other thing that has MG on it. Limit 5 bucks even if you have multiple items and days.
5. 25 bucks extra for hosting a tech session, or for hosting a drive, or other major event like those listed above.
6. 50 bucks extra plus 1 & 2 above for attending one of the national events that is put on by: NAMGAR, NAMGBR, THE T REGISTER, UNIVERSITY MOTORS, ETC.
7. 20 bucks bonus for attending smaller events out of state like Rendezvous. This is on top of the bucks listed in 1 & 2.
8. 100 bucks for recruiting a new member and the new member gets 100 bucks to get them started. This is the only time the $100 bill will be given out. These may seem like a lot of rules, but this way it is all spelled out and we have a set form to follow.

Not exactly the 10 commandments, more of a benefits manual.

Saturday, February 12th was the Valentine’s Tea and again it was a great success. There was way too much good food. So much for my diet. Thank You to the Schneiders and Bosworths for hosting this gala. I also want to thank Elena Biessener and her brother for getting the party room for the Tea.

IMPORTANT: READ ME!

I have been asked to request a new volunteer to handle the Regalia for our club. Cindy B. has been carrying this responsibility for quite a while and would like to just attend the outings for a while. We need someone to manage this important part of our organization, it is one of the only parts of the club that generates a little income. Please contact me or Steve Greenway.

Thanks for all the words of support that I’ve received from many of you.

See you all at the Kick-Off brunch.

Bob J.
First thing this month I want to ask a question. Do people view me as being as grumpy as the photo that Andy selected for this column makes me look? I certainly hope not. I think I need to start hunting for a better photo. That is the last time I’ll wear a goofy pirate hat to the Halloween party. You just never know when this stuff will come back to haunt you. (Yes, I realize it isn’t the hat that makes me look grumpy.)

Well, grumpy or not, I really want to thank everyone in the club for all the generous donations that we received for the auction at the Holiday Party. I think everyone in attendance had a fun time at the party whether they were bidding or just watching. Elena was wonderful as our auctioneer – thank you! I think the highlight was when she announced that “Dave’s was bigger than Bob’s.” Bob Jensen tried to comeback with some quality over quantity argument, but no one was listening at that point and Dave won the lamp with the bigger pile of MG Bucks.

This may have started a rivalry though and I can imagine that Bob may find a way to run out of waffles just as Dave gets to the head of the line at Wheels & Wings – so Dave, I’d suggest having breakfast before you get to Osceola.

Enough looking back, let’s look forward for a few minutes. It’s March so spring is only three weeks away (according to the calendar anyway – with luck the weather will cooperate too.) Spring is my favorite season; winter is past and shouldn’t be back for quite a while, everything is turning green, flowers are blooming, yet the humidity and bugs of summer haven’t arrived yet. And, of course, we can also start driving our MGs again. I’ve been doing lots of cross country skiing this winter to get out of the house and retain my sanity, but I’m anxious to get my bicycle and my “B” out and start using them again.

This is also a great time to think about hosting an event. There are some extra MG bucks this year for any member hosting a drive (I’m not sure how many though as the board hasn’t finished arguing about it yet.)

So far we only have one drive on the calendar for all of 2011? We have a nice selection of tech sessions and we have plenty of opportunities to eat. I think we’re overloaded with car shows, but our only organized drive – so far – is not until October. I don’t know about you, but I got my MG to drive, not to show. (Sue and I may organize a drive for August 20th.)

Please consider hosting a drive sometime this year. To coordinate, feel free to contact me at: VPresident@minnesotamg.org

Safety Fast!
Steve

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

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From the Garage

Dave Braun,
Tech Coordinator

Tech Session; John Twist of University Motors, John Twist Seminar
at Quality Coaches
March 12th Sat. 9:30 am to 5 pm
March 13th; 10am to 4 pm

Each session is $100.00 or $200.00 for both days. Please call or e-mail valw@quality-coaches.com with your reservation. Lunch is provided!

Tuning for Speed will address the important factors in the B series engine; that is, engine modifications, induction systems, various carburetors, ignition and ignition timing, exhaust, and tuning. There is a LOT of misinformation bandied about regarding competition equipment. John has a very good handle on what works and what doesn’t!

The second day will cover the Systems to the Rear of the Engine.: Gearbox, drive shaft, differential, wheels, brakes, and electrics - all based on form and function with a great amount of information about the "new and improved" components and whether they're worth the money (five speed gearboxes, big brakes, etc). This is not about racing - racing is its own world with its own rules. These two days will be about making your street car run more powerfully and perform better.

One of My MVTs (Most Valuable Tools)

By now some of you have been over to the Garage and taken a good look at the ‘Wire Wheel Conversion turned into a Full Restoration’ because it was the subject of last month’s tech session. Thanks to all who made the day a great success! (OK, I’m writing that in advance, but I was counting on you!) So a lot of you know I don’t mind getting my hands dirty. In fact, you can’t avoid it while taking apart almost any component on our MGs. But you also know that I don’t like getting excessively dirty while assembling an MG. Basically, if you go through all the effort of diagnosis, disassembly, planning your course of action, and buying the parts, why not go one more step and make the area cleaner than it was before you started?

I have an array of tools that help me with putting together a component or repairing a car ‘cleaner’ than it was before. I have a cheap sandblasting cabinet on wheels because no matter how well you seal one, it will still blow fine dust in the air that will convert your garage to something resembling Oklahoma during the dust bowl days. The wheels let me roll it outside, an idea I got from Mike Speidel. I also have a five gallon parts cleaner (purchased used) to degrease things that come off the car. I use Stoddard solvent because the environmentally ‘safe’ cleaners made my eyes water and stripped the paint off the inside of the tub. I also have a couple of wire wheels because sometimes you have to just get down to the metal. I even have a homemade soda blaster to clean delicate items like the SU carburetors people send me from around the country. The soda blaster is useful for temporarily turning the back patio white… until the next rain storm that is, but since the media is baking soda, it is safe for pets. I wear a breathing mask when I’m using it because I feel carbonated if I don’t.

A lot of parts are too small to wire wheel (the stories of wire wheels propelling a small part to be lost forever or worse, injuring the operator or going through the windshield of the project are all over the ‘net!) Likewise, using the sand blaster for small items, even with a screen box, is a hassle. When I restored Tommy, our 1952 MG TD, I sorely needed a way to de-rust and finish small parts such as nuts and bolts, brackets, clips, and the like.

The solution was one of my MVTs... the Eastwood Parts Tumbler. I use the standard duty item. The steps in the instructions are pretty self-explanatory; I start with the green pyramids, and finish with the dry shine media. Each media has its special tumbler that is sized to maximize the effectiveness of the media. I make sure that I’ve removed most of the grease from the parts through a good soaking in the
parts cleaner, so I’ve never tried adding Eastwood’s Metal Wash to the green pyramid rust cutters. The pyramids are good throughout their duty cycle, continuing to cut as the particles become smaller.

My usual process is:
• Degrease soak
• Paint removal soak (if needed)
• 30% parts to be cleaned to 70% material is the recommended ratio
• Up to 24 hours (three to seven hours is recommended, but I’ve never found the shorter time period to be as effective) in the green pyramid media with a small amount of water
• Rinse and retrieve
• Air or pat dry
• Sort into ice cube trays (you want to know if everything that went in came out)
• Up to eight hours (six to 24 is recommended) in the dry shine tumbler
• Sort again
• Chase threads with a dull die or tap if needed
• Silver cad plate, or paint in place, as required.

Over the years I’ve used it on everything small that can come off the car, even brake and fuel system parts; steel, iron, brass and aluminum. A small magnet helps find the steel parts so I sort through the media with the tip of a magnet on a small screwdriver as I transfer the media to a new container to visually spot the non-ferrous parts that the magnet won’t pick up. I tried a large magnet once, but the parts jumping up to grab the magnet scattered media everywhere!

Plating will be eroded away by the green pyramid rust cutting media, so when I need to just clean up some parts that already look pretty good, I use just the dry shine media. It may sound like a lot of effort to achieve clean, ready to paint or plate parts, and writing it all down almost made me tired. But it is much easier than it sounds, and vastly preferable to hand restoring all those little items.

The real pay off comes when it is time to reassemble the project. It is cleaner, easier, faster with a lot fewer mishaps; you can see what you are doing and how the parts are coming together. Because the parts are clean, any torque readings will be more accurate. Parts and fasteners that were not painted or plated prior to installation can be painted after with a spray or a brush. This works especially well on chassis parts and under the hood. You can check these tumblers out at http://www.eastwood.com/buffing/vibratory-tumblers/tumblers.html but they are also available at other outlets.

After painting the bigger parts, and reassembly on the MG, I always feel like I’ve accomplished more than just a repair. Cleaned assemblies are easier to maintain in the future, and look nicer too. So if you like to do your own repair work or modification work, consider my MVT. You will be glad you did.

Safety Fast!
Editor's Message

Well, I managed to take advantage of the Spring temperatures a week or so ago, to work on the MG without fear of breaking anything frozen.

It was time to put my rebuilt distributor back in the engine and start ‘er up, baby! Which of course didn't happen. So much for wishful thinking. The distributor went in so easily, I was just too hopeful that that is all it would take, after all it ran fine when I took it out!!!! But it sure turned over nice and fast. Glad I put in a battery maintainer.

Apparently, one really should make sure that the number one cylinder is at top dead center and the distributor is somewhat pointing in the general direction of the number one position on the distributor cap.

A few twists of the distributor to bring things into alignment and the hibernating beast snapped to attention with one twist of the key. Idling along like it really was Spring.

A few minor twists to get the timing just right, secure things down, and one last double check on the timing and another task off the to-do-list.

Now to get the horn working, the high beams back on, and wipers would be nice. Ahh, the ever present certainty of a continuing to-do-list.

I've apparently let my previously proposed Photo of the Month slip too much, so someone else decided to submit a photo. Included this month is a Mystery Photo of the Month. I'm not sure what next month will bring, but at least it will the identification of the photo, if no one gets it right.

Happy Guessing! See you at Spring Kick-off.

PS. Don't forget to be prepared to pay your 2011 dues by the Spring Kick-Off. After the Kick-Off gathering is over, so is the chance to pay the discounted membership dues; $30 before the Spring Kick-Off and $35 after the Spring Kick-Off.

Andy

Mystery Photo of the Month

Here we have a new feature to the Gazette, a mystery and a photo all in one.

Clue 1: Photo taken 52 years ago.
Clue 2: Person is a current member of MMGG.

1st correct answer (to editor) gets a Large Award.

Cool Guy! Leather cap, upturned collar - very cool in 1959 - not to mention ‘the shades’!

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Someone should step forward to be their sponsors - show them the ropes, set them on the correct path, guide them along.
Valentine Tea - 12 Feb 11 - Point of France, Edina

Photos by Clarence Westberg
Valentine Tea - 12 Feb 11 - Point of France, Edina

Photos Elena Biessener & Diane Merrill
## 2011 Calendar of Events (Revised 27 Nov 10)

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**Calendar of Events - Other Car Clubs**

**Saturday Morning British Breakfast at the Square Peg Diner**
Open to all lovers of British cars. Proprietor Phil Vanner, British car owner, welcomes you. New expanded dining room too - from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (most people get there early). After breakfast we linger in the parking lot, weather permitting, to “show off” our cars at: **2021 East Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis**

**East Ender’s Saturday Morning Breakfast.**
A group of MG’ers have started a semi-monthly East Enders Breakfast group. For those MG (and any other) enthusiasts that want breakfast a little later and not drive to Minneapolis. Join us on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays each month, 9 AM at: **Sail Away Café, 1321 St. Croix Trail, Afton, MN. North of County Road 18 and St. Croix Trail.**

**Saturday Morning - All Year Round - MG Girls**
We meet the second Saturday of each month at the **Square Peg Diner.**

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Reno - Tahoe, Nevada | www.MG2011.com  
MG2011INFO@aol.com |
| 16-19 Jun | Rendezvous  
Fargo, ND Holiday Inn | www.britishironsociety.com       |
| 26 Jun | Intermarque Picnic 1 p.m.  
Cherokee Park, St. Paul, MN |                                      |
| 28-30 Jul | Gathering of the Faithful (GOF)  
Kalamazoo, Michigan | T-Register Central Clubs          |
| 31 Jul | Intermarque Picnic 1 p.m.  
Cherokee Park, St. Paul, MN |                                      |
| 21 Aug | Rally in the Valley - Icongraphix  
Hudson, WI | Awaiting more information, but this is associated with a Wisc book seller, not the Rally drive event. |
| 28 Aug | Intermarque Picnic 1 p.m.  
Cherokee Park, St. Paul, MN |                                      |
| 25 Sep | Intermarque Picnic 1 p.m.  
Cherokee Park, St. Paul, MN |                                      |
The Garage Stuff Garage Sale at Dick Wallrich’s MG Garage

You’ve got a garage, you have projects, you got to get more stuff. Get your MG Mojo flowing to start the 2011 season with a garage sale of first quality garage stuff. You need it, you want it, you gotsta have it.

NO women’s clothes, NO baby junk, NO crappy glassware or dishes, NO figurines or goofy things with flowers on it.

**What:** Garage stuff for the sophisticated garage owner  
**When:** Saturday March 5th & Sunday March 6th  
**Where:** 16450 Kangaroo St. NW Ramsey, MN  
**Time:** 10am-5pm each day

**SPECIAL:** Each $5.00 purchase entitles you to a free beer in the MG Reference Library and Tiki Bar.  
**Follow the signs to the Super Secret Driveway—Call 763-208-1801 for more info**  
**You Need Stuff—You Want Stuff!**
It's Time for a New MG Season, & the MMGG Spring Kick-Off!

March 26, 2011
10 AM
The Onion Grille
(formerly the Levee Cafe)
100 Sibley Street
Hastings, Minnesota
$12 per Person
includes Tax and Gratuity

Please RSVP by March 21 to Diane Vinar
at (763) 438-6199 or email at dmvinar@yahoo.com

Join us March 26, 2011 in the beautiful river town of Hastings, Minnesota. Hosted by Dave Braun and Diane Vinar, the 2011 Spring Kick-Off promises to be one to delight the taste buds! We will meet at 10 AM at The Onion Grille (formerly the Levee Cafe) at 100 Sibley Street. Ample street parking and municipal lots are available. Come and see the newly remodeled venue, and enjoy our breakfast of Scrambled Eggs; Bacon & Sausage Pattie; American Fries; a Muffin Assortment; Fresh Fruit; and Coffee/Juice. Alcoholic Beverages are available at your own cost.

Take advantage of the Early Bird Dues if you haven’t already. It’s only $30 if paid by (at) the Spring Kick-Off, and $35 later.

To get to The Onion Grille, from the North, take Hwy 61 South, cross the river bridge, you’ll see the town just below you to your left. Take the immediate right turn after the bridge onto 3rd St West, go North one block and turn right on 2nd St., go East one block and turn left on Sibley Street. The Onion Grille (will it still say Levee Cafe?) is just on your left, and parking is just on your right, or in the street.

-OR-
Hop a barge at the St. Anthony Lock and Dam and proceed to Lock and Dam No. 2. Climb a rope up to the observation area. Walk through Lake Rebecca Park along Spring St. to Downtown.
**John Twist Seminar**

at Quality Coaches
March 12th & 13th
Sat. 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Each session is $100.00 or $200.00 for both days.
Please call or e-mail (valw@quality-coaches.com) with your reservation. Lunch is provided!!

Hello to all the members of the Minnesota MG Groups!

Mark has asked me several times to outline the technical seminar that I’ll be presenting in March at the shop.

Last year the first day was “The Complete Tune-up.” This year I’ll present “Tuning for Speed” in a shortened version of the seminar that Carl Heideman and I present here in Grand Rapids. Tuning for Speed will address the important factors in the B series engine (although all of this applies to the XPAGs as well) – that is, engine modifications, induction systems, various carburetors, ignition and ignition timing, exhaust, and tuning. It will be an excellent follow-up to last year’s course for those who attended – and it will be very instructive to those who are taking one of my courses for the first time. There will be something for everyone. I will probably steer away from an in depth discussion of the calculus describing the ramp on the cams – the ramp opening speeds viewed from the first and second derivatives – but we WILL discuss the various cams and their importance to good engine operation. There is a LOT of misinformation bandied about regarding competition equipment. I have a very good handle on what works and what doesn’t!

The second day will cover the systems to the rear of the engine: Gearbox, driveshaft, differential, wheels, brakes, and electrics – all based on form and function with a great amount of information about the “new and improved” components and whether they’re worth the money (five speed gearboxes, big brakes, etc).

This is not about racing – racing is its own world with its own rules. These two days will be about making your street car run more powerfully and perform better.

John

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**Calling all Sprigiteers!**

I wanted to get the word out about this summer's gathering of MG Midgets and AH Sprites in Wisconsin.

2011 marks the 50th anniversary of the MG Midget and the Sprite.

Midget Club USA is holding a Spriget celebration July 18th through 22nd at Elkhart Lake/Road America.

Sprites and Midgets from all over the U.S. and Canada are expected to come together for a week of celebration and competition.


Thanks
Scott Dougherty
tsdougher@comcast.net

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**MG 2011 promotional video**

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FkzSuA_MBYk](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FkzSuA_MBYk)

Excellent

Enjoy!

Richard Liddick,
Chairman, NAMGBR
MG2011       June 13-17, 2011

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The North American Council of M.G. Registers presents our fourth All-Register gathering to be held at “America’s Adventure Place”

Reno-Tahoe, Nevada

This will be an M.G. vacation guaranteed to provide lasting memories for all in attendance! Information regarding registration, activities and hotels will be on the website in the early 4th Quarter of 2010

WWW.MG2011.COM   e-mail: MG2011INFO@AOL.COM

Headed to the 2011 All-MG Event in Reno-Taho Nevada next June?

Make it the trip of a lifetime by participating in a historic drive across the heartland of America with fellow M.G. enthusiasts. For more information on this great Western Adventure, please visit: www.RallyeToReno.com

Safety Fast!
The British Iron Society of Fargo, North Dakota invites you to

Rendezvous on the Red

at the 21st Annual Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous
June 16, 17, 18, 19, 2011, in Fargo, North Dakota, USA

Fees are in US Dollars. Cancellation will be subject to a $10.00 cancellation fee. Refunds will NOT be offered on or after May 1, 2011. The club will provide registration packages to those who have paid the full registration fee but were unable to attend.

Questions? Please contact Gayle Soderquist at (701) 799-4863 or Richard Garske at (701) 306-7126 or email us at mail@BritishIronSociety.com.


Name________________________ Spouse/Guest Attending________________________

Children Attending (Name and age)________________________________________

Street________________________ City________________________

State/Province/Postal Code________________________ Club Name________________________

E-mail Address________________________ Phone________________________

#1 Vehicle to be registered
Yr Make Model

#2 Vehicle to be registered
Yr Make Model

Registration Totals

Basic Registration fee $60.00 until May 1, 2011  After May 1: $75.00
(Registration includes one Vehicle, two adults, one child under 18 and a car blanket)

Each additional person: $5.00 x __________

Each additional vehicle: $5.00 x __________

Buffet Breakfast-Friday & Saturday morning included with registration.

Banquet Saturday Night $35.00/Adult x __________

$20.00/Child 12 and under x __________

TOTAL IN US DOLLARS __________

Make checks payable to British Iron Society and send with registration form to: British Iron Society C/O Richard Garske 106 27th Ave. N., Fargo, ND, 58102

Hotel: Contact Hilton Garden Inn-Fargo for hotel room reservations @ 1-800-Hiltons. A block of rooms is held for the British Iron Society. Use code RC1 to identify the block of rooms. Ask for Chris Barton for assistance if necessary.
MINNESOTA MG REGALIA

Shirts in various styles and colors with custom-embroidered Minnesota MG Logos are now available for ordering. Items can be picked up at the next Event or shipped directly to the address you specify. A Shipping & Handling fee of $5.00 will be added.

Add an additional fee of $3.00 if you want your name stitched on your purchase.

To place orders contact: Cindy O’Brien regalia@minnesotamg.org

MG Girl Tank Top $12.50 each (members)

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MMGG Denim Shirts (Short and Long Sleeve) $35 each

Short Sleeve T-Shirts $15 each

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MMGG Blanket $20

Special News Flash - MMGG Metal Grill Badges Reduced from $20 to $10, while supplies last!

There are many more options of clothing not shown here when ordering MMGG Regalia. Ask Cindy if you want to see the various styles of:

Jackets (Summer/Fall and Winter) - Hats (Base Ball, Stocking Caps, Visors) - T-Shirts Short/Long Sleeve, Tank Tops - Denim, Polo, Dress Shirts - Sweat Shirts Plain/ Hooded, Pullover/Zipper
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L.E.D.s for British Classics can be purchased here:

[http://www.bmcautos.com/led](http://www.bmcautos.com/led)

Several videos on light replacement can be found at:

[http://www.youtube.com/user/BMCC75?feature=mhum#g/u](http://www.youtube.com/user/BMCC75?feature=mhum#g/u)

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**Wooden MG Necklaces & Earrings**

I sell MG Necklaces and Earrings that are made out of wood and the "MG" letters are cut out with a scroll saw. I sell the necklaces for $10 and earrings for $5. I added different colors of beads and all the necklaces are adjustable.

Rae (Mars) Michaelson - 651-494-4787 - rmmars@aol.com

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**Monza Free-Flow Exhaust System**

Includes new front pipe (Moss Motors) - 62-74 1/2 only MGB. Used 2000 miles $730.

73 Exhaust Manifold - $20.

1979 D. Gottlieb & Co. James Bond 007 pinball machine, good condition Value $600, Asking $800, will deliver.

Keith Pryor - 651.433.1366

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**Storage Space for Rent**

New building with scrubbed floors in a fenced area. Someone is working in the office 8 hours a day. $200 for season from late Oct to mid Apr. Can fit 25 cars. 1775 Industrial Blvd., Stillwater, MN (old Crashed Toys building) Mention MMGG for this discount price. Mark Schlenker 651.338.2376 for information. Joe @ 612.860.4627 to reserve a spot.
Introducing our second location!

We have just expanded our room and **now offer British Car Storage at our new location** North of Forest Lake between Wyoming, MN and East Bethel. We will remain in the shop most are familiar with but in order to serve our clients better, we have decided to offer the expanded facilities. Save yourself a Costly tow in spring and store your car with BMC this winter and we will start your car for it’s spring awakening ready it for your pickup.

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Quality Coaches, Inc.
Call Mark @ Quality Coach Inc. on his cell phone at 612-306-0044

1960 MGA White, Older Restoration, Call for more information

1974 MGB Orange w/rostyle wheels, runs and drives, needs work $4995

1979 MGB White with wire wheels. Needs a new owner soon $4,895

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1980 MGB LE Black beige interior, new fuel pump, factory air, looks like original paint, good runner $8995

1974 MGB Roadster For Sale: Original owner – 93,000 miles – 4 speed non-OD – Butterscotch exterior, brown/biscuit interior, black convertible top, roll bar – 8 spoke alloy wheels (original wheels available) – Total engine rebuild, clutch replaced, rear springs replaced around 79,000 – shocks replaced apx. 1 year ago – right front fender replaced, a left front fender is available – floor pans previously replaced – good exhaust – chrome bumper w/large big rubber bumper guards. $10,500 or BO. Steve @ 218.727.5911 for more information.


1978 MGB Roadster For Sale: 49,000 miles with factory wire wheels and new convertible top. The MG runs and drives, has no mechanical issues, tires are good, no rust, no cracked windshield, have driver's handbook, needs carpet and the driver's seat does not lock into position properly. $3500.00 or best offer. Call Brenda @ 320-366-3861 for more information.

New and Refurbished MGB Parts For Sale:

MGB Windshield - MGB Roadster windshield with new chrome plating on the frame, new Moss Triplex tinted glass and new seals. All assembled - $950.00

MGB Windshield - MGB Roadster windshield with refurbished frame with new Moss tinted glass and new seals. All assembled - $80.00

MGB Midget Windshield Frame - MG Midget windshield frame with New Chrome Plating and new post retainers - $550.00

MGB-GT Windshield Wiper Arms - Black - $20.00 ea.

MGB Wood Veneer Trim Set - center console and glove box door - MGB '72-'76 - Cherry or Walnut Wood - $110.00, Ash or Oak Wood $95.00

MGB Seat Set - Professionally installed new custom upholstery over refurbished frames, new foam and new seat webbing - plus new Teardrop style head rests. Black with Red piping. Complete and ready for installation - $1125.00

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MGB Brake Pipe Set - New copper-nickel set for '68 early '74 MGB - $ 65.00

Plus - Many other new or refurbished parts

Please Contact Roger Olson at 763-420-8159 or cell 612-963-1127 - www.rlfolson@embarqmail.com.

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Some MMGG members have already learned and have acquired the Bug-Be-Gone from Gary Laabs. Well Gary appears to have moved into mass production at some level, as he now is offering the screens for sale to MMGG members. Don't ya' just love those inventors in the club!

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Membership is $35.00 with a $5.00 discount if paid before the spring Kick Off Brunch - March 2011. 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, renew or change your membership. Please complete this form and include a check for $35 (or $30 if paying by Spring Kick-off Brunch).

☐ Check Box if you DO NOT want your name, address, phone number and email information available in an MMGG Members’ Roster

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Not indicating a preference will result in your information being added to the roster.

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