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SAVE THE DATE

**2nd Annual Bonnet and Boot
Pub Party
Saturday Feb. 21**

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
Phil and Karna Anderson

Phil and Karna divide their time between Hovland and Marine on St. Croix.
The PA which they've owned for 42 years is garaged in Marine.
The MGA is at their son Erik's home in St. Paul.
Erik also plans to be active in the club.
We hope to see them at the May MGA drive.

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The Minnesota MG Group was founded in 1987 and is dedicated to the preservation, restoration, maintenance and enjoyment of the MG cars. MG car ownership is not necessary to be a member of the Minnesota MG Group. Correspondence can be addressed to: Minnesota MG Group - 1316 Martha St N Stillwater MN 55082.

The MMGG Gazette welcomes all articles, features and letters.

Please submit as text in E-mail, or attach a Word Document or PDF file. All articles, features and letters will be subject to editing but all efforts will be made to not change the meaning of the submitted document. Please submit articles for publication in the *Gazette* by the **15th** of the month to smgreenway1@gmail.com



Message From the President



(Bob /Andy) Anderson
President MMGG

Hello MG Survivors of 2014:

The Holiday Party held December 13th was quite a success with approximately 52 members in attendance at Lost Spur Country Club and music provided by the Night Hawks Band. Hats off to Dawn Williams, Dave Braun and Diane Vinar for all their efforts.

Instead of a raffle - a drawing for prizes was held during the dinner part of the party. Several members donated items for the drawing, as well as several non-member like my mom (tea cup sets) and past MG owners Mary Schmidt and her husband (several MG manuals and books), beer steins by Bob & Lorie Jensen; as well as items from Victoria British, Moss Motors, Quality Coaches and Eau Claire British Car and of course the Merrill's brought fire extinguishers. My apologies to any I have forgotten.

I needed to do some business during the party to ensure our officers were duly voted in, so we voted in Dawn Williams as Vice President, Sue Greenway as Editor; and I as President – just to make sure there were no second thoughts among the membership or myself. So I think everyone is in, officially.

Thanks went out to our outgoing officers and volunteers; Diane Rindt – Editor (now Sue Greenway), Steve Rindt – Web Master (now Jim Gevay) and Bill McReaken – New Member Coordinator (now Jon Bergquist).

It is also important to consult the newsletter to see all the events lining up for 2015. Next up should be the Pub party at the Petroff's in February, the Kick-off Brunch in March and after that Spring should be around the corner and we'll be in need of Dave Braun's reminders for getting back on the road with minimal complications.

I may as well send out the reminder that the MMGG officers regularly meet the 2nd Monday of the odd numbered months (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep) at 6 p.m. Meetings are held at Shamrock's Bar & Grill on W. 7th Street in St. Paul. These meetings are open to all members who wish to raise issues or concerns, or find out what else is going on. Then the Annual Business Meeting comes up in November, and pretty soon we are back at the Holiday Party again.

I should point out that there will not be a January officers meeting unless the other officers wish to meet without me. I'll be away basking in the sun somewhere.

Other items mentioned at the Holiday Party were reminders to sign up some of the upcoming regional and national events. See the newsletter for details.

Also, please recall that membership dues are due by 15 April; a single reminder will go out after that reminding non-paying members that they have not paid.

And somewhere in the newsletter should be a welcome to new members, the most recent being Phil and Karna Anderson who live up near Canada but store their PA near Marine and their A near St. Paul. So I will wish all of you a Happy New Year and see you at the next event.

Bob (Andy) Anderson
President MMGG

Message From the Vice President

Dawn Williams
Madame Vice

I am writing my column as I wait for the clock to approach noon when I will get picked up to go to the airport. I am going to spend Christmas in Arizona with my sister Betts and her husband Duke.

When our Mom died this past spring, Betts and I said we couldn't do the Holidays the same as always. So before Thanksgiving they left for Globe, Arizona (in the White Mountains) and I left for Isla Mujeres. Two of my kids and their kids came and played with me on the beach and walked the Caribbean while the turkey cooked. Maggie and I had a great time with my 14 and 15 year old Russian grandsons, Max and Alexandr. It is always an experience when you are one on one with them. I am able to become transformed into a younger thinking, younger acting, silly and (they say) more fun Grandma.

On the island, there are no responsibilities, no meetings, no deadlines and no tenant problems. On the island, I am truly retired and can enjoy my family without outside distractions. As one grandson said to me a few years ago, "Grandma, I didn't know you were so much fun." That's the greatest compliment a Granny could have. Now I am off to Arizona for a grown up time with my sister. No grandchildren to play with. Darn. One of my presents to her is a morning for both of us, the day after Christmas, at a Spa in her city... Body massage and the works!! No Mom this year but we will talk about her a lot.

The MG Holiday party went off without a hitch. The dinner was outstanding, the company was even better and our own Nighthawks band was in great form. The music was fun. Diane Vinar and Dave Braun were my co-hosts and we had a great time planning this event. It is so easy to host events, they almost plan themselves. I hope everyone out there considers hosting a picnic, drive, party, or tech session in the coming 2015 driving season. Let me know, I will help you.

This year, the March 2015 Kick off Brunch will be co-hosted by Dick and Elena Biessiner. Thanks. Elena forgot to tell Dick about it but please put this on your calendar (but I forgot when it is). I know Dick will be there. Please read further in the Gazette, it might give you the date.

Rich and Deb Leslie (volunteered?) to co-host next year's Holiday party. Thanks. It is always a treat for me to co-host events because then I get to spend some extra time with that couple during the year.

The next event will be the second annual Pub party hosted by John and Joan Petroff at their home in February. All the more reason to read the Gazette from cover to cover. There are all sorts of invitations and dates to remember. There might even be a wedding in months to come. So keep reading.

I can't believe this year is about to end. There have been some sad times but also some times full of joy and new memories. The friendships that we have all made in this club are special. I look forward to 2015 and getting to know each of you better and sharing in your special times as we as our struggles. Please have a wonderful and safe Christmas and that your New Year is full of love and peace with your family and friends around you.

Notes from the Editor:



Sue Greenway

For someone who always thought she had the next great American novel in her...I am finding it somewhat challenging to come up with a short column! For better or worse...guess it is true that I am a woman of few words...

Probably the best place to start is with a big *THANK YOU to DIANE RINDT* for all the effort she's put into the newsletter over the past few years. Also a big a Thank You to the others who provide content on a monthly basis. Referring back to my initial comment – It is not easy to come up with new and fresh ideas every month and every month *Andy, Dawn and Dave* who provide fun and insightful columns. Hats off to them too!

I also have a newfound fear of the Microsoft Word program...just when I think I have my problem fixed another one pops up. Please be gentle with me as I learn the ropes!

One thing I could use your help with: What would you like to see featured in the 2015 Gazette? An Editorial Agenda would be great...a feature of some sort every month is the goal but need your help in getting to that point by understanding what you'd like to see!

Give me a call at 612-723-0354 or shoot me an email at smgreenway1@gmail.com. Would love to get to know you all better.

MMGG Christmas Party Photos



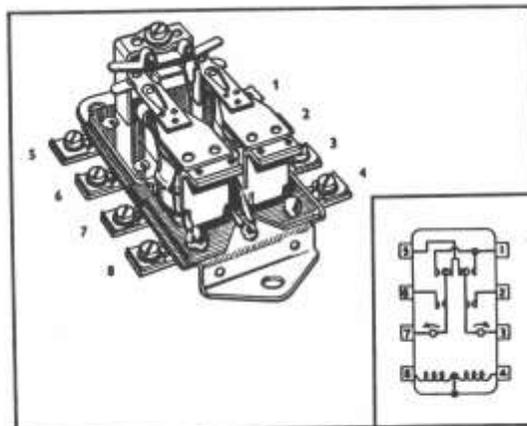
From the Garage

By: Dave Braun



I skipped writing last month because the Queen of Organizational Effectiveness and I have been on a wild roller coaster to accomplish our desired move to Webster, Minnesota. To recap; last summer we found a house we liked in Hastings, mostly because it met many of the needs for dealing with our small British car hobby. Soon we discovered it was much easier to find a new home than sell the old, and the closing date came and went without accomplishing the sale. In analyzing the proposed Hastings house, we found that it lacked a couple of things important to the quilting end of our lives, particularly plenty of daylight for the long arm quilting room.

We expanded our search a bit when it was discovered that Diane and I both secretly harbored a desire to live on a residential airpark, a place where one may keep their airplane at home, and fly from the 'backyard' so to speak. We canvassed all the airparks in the area (there are more or less four) along with many private runways, and determined we wanted to be in Webster, Minnesota, at Sky Harbor. The first home we looked at had a fabulous price with hidden problems and we still hadn't sold the home in Hastings. The second house we wrote a purchase agreement on, but couldn't quite close on time, and the seller couldn't wait for us. The third house, the one we appear to by buying, coincided with the sale of the Hastings home, so we packed up everything, put most in storage, and have temporarily rented Dawn's back apartment while we wait for the deals to be finished. The good news is that the three dogs and the three people are getting along quite well, the bad news is that we moved a couple of days before the Holiday Party, and this was preceded by four weeks of organized packing, mostly by Diane; while I concentrated on my day job. I also got the shop ready to pack, including putting the finished engine in the Spitfire and completing the Lotus Twin Cam engine and two sets of SU carburetors for other folks. Hence, there was no article last month.



The brake override relay and its wiring diagram in the inset.

This is the Brake Switch Override Relay diagram from Glenn's MG·Morris·Magnette Repair and Tune-up Guide, a book that I received at the MMGG Holiday Party. It reminded me that I have never discussed this device found on so many MGs and Morris cars prior to the MGB. Please refer to the diagram in the discussions that follows.

For a while I'll be without my reference books which often give me an inspiration for something to write about, and absent those, I would like to discuss the Brake Switch Override Relay (DB10 Relay in Lucas Parlance), something I always used to call the Turn (Directional) Signal Relay, until I got a book at the Holiday Party last night, *Glenn's MG-Morris-Magnette Repair and Tune-up Guide*, that corrected my thinking. I also appreciate the support offered by several folks at the party regarding the 'From the Garage' series of articles that I've submitted to the Gazette, this article being the 67th in the series! But, back to the topic at hand; the brake switch override relay box is found on older British cars with turn signals that have the same bulb filament used on the rear lamps for turn signals as that used for the brake lights. The brake switch override relay was pretty much standard on MGs from the 1953 TD onwards, and continued on until the advent of the MGB, with a slight interruption for the twin rear bulb MGA 1600.

The brake switch override relay is incorporated in the brake lamp / directional signal circuits to prevent simultaneous application of the brake and directional signal lights. When simultaneous application is made, the override relay operates to allow the proper stop light filament to flash and the other to remain steady. The box can most often be found on the firewall of the car, inside or outside, depending on the model, and whether it was installed as an aftermarket device. In my '52 TD it is indeed an aftermarket installation because for the first 25 years of ownership, I signaled my turns with my left arm. When I installed the Brake Switch Override Relay, I sourced original Lucas parts and located them as close as possible to those of the '53 installation.



The proper position of the Brake Switch Override Relay on the TD, on the firewall inside the cockpit. Although you might find it on the outside of the firewall, and certainly under the bonnet on an MGA. Note the eight terminals, here they appear upside down compared to what one would expect, because that's how I installed it.

On these types of systems the power for the directional signal bulbs comes to the flasher can first. Flasher cans have an X (or B) terminal for the power into the flasher can via the green wire; a P terminal for the panel indication via the light green wire; and an L terminal for the flashing load on a green with brown stripe wire. This means that the three terminal flasher type has to be normally off, while a regular Wagner 550 flasher will send a signal to the P terminal as normally on. The difference is that on our systems the light or the buzzer, if you go that route, will be out of sequence with the directional signals itself, which could be very annoying because it will be on when the light is not flashing, or most of the time. I found an EL-13 at NAPA that was normally off, it is a semi electronic flasher although I believe the EL-13 currently available is completely electronic which does not play well with the brake switch override relay.



The EL-13 flasher I managed to source at NAPA. You may need to try several flashers as the power for the indicator light on the panel must only be hot when the flasher is doing its thing.

Power additionally comes into the three terminal directional signal switch on the dash. A green power wire feeds to the center of the switch, and a green with yellow wire goes from the RH side of the switch for the RH directionals, and a green with blue wire goes from the LH side of the switch for the LH directionals. Recall in all of these discussions that a green wire is only hot when the ignition switch is 'on' and the green wire is also fused (it comes from an ignition-on white wire that goes to the fuse block).

Brake Function

The brake switch override relay has eight terminals, numbered 1-4 on one side, and 5-8 on the other. Inside the device are a pair of relay coils, a pair of double contacts, and a pair of single contacts. Power comes into terminal 5 on a green with purple wire from the brake switch. The brake switch contacts in the relay box are normally closed, and since only a single pair of lights have to be activated in the normally closed fashion (the brake lights) there are only two terminals seeing power, the 3 terminal with a white with brown wire going to the RH tail lamp; and the 7 terminal with a white with purple wire going to the LH tail lamp. As power from the brake lamp switch comes into the brake switch override relay via the 5 terminal, the brake lamp filaments illuminate.

Directional Signal Function

The wires from the turn signal switch also go to the brake switch override relay, the green with yellow wire (RH) and the green with blue wire (LH). These two wires travel to the brake switch override relay into terminals four and eight respectively. When power from the green wire at the directional signal switch on the dash is sent down one of the two switched wires, one of the twin coils in the brake switch override relay is energized, pulling the contacts from the normally closed brake side, to the normally open directional signal side. Power can now enter from the flasher can with the green with brown wire on terminal 1; and this power goes to the outside contacts for the directional signal side for which the coil is energized. There are two normally open contacts on each side, and in this way the front signal lights are illuminated with a green with white wire at terminal 2 for the RH side and the green with red wire at terminal 6 for the LH side of the car (depending on which relay is energized). Since one contact is pulled away from the normally closed brake light contact (as we noted, fed by a steady power at terminal 5 whenever the brake switch is closed) and the contact is now fed through terminal 1, which comes from the flasher can that has a heated bi-metallic element, terminal 1 sees intermittent, flashing power, and as a result

the lights on that side of the car, including the brake light, flash; while the other brake light fed by terminal 5 is steady. Turning the directional signal switch to the other side causes one relay to de-energize and the other to energize, pulling the contact to the normally open side and allowing the normally closed contact for the brake on that side to once again close, reversing the sides seeing the intermittent flashing power.



Sometimes it is easier to set up and test the brake override relay and flasher on the bench. I thought about building a special test box, but ended up just using the harness. I managed to set the relays and I worked out the logistics of the system before installing it.

Troubleshooting the Brake Override Relay

The book I received at the holiday party has some of the easiest to follow instructions for troubleshooting the Brake Override Relay that I've seen, and I would like to pass the instructions along. First check the bulb filaments. Turn on the ignition and check for voltage at the flasher can terminal B or X. It should be the same or close to the battery voltage. Then check for continuity between the wires leading to or from the override relay, according to the information I've provided, or you can check your wiring diagram (note- some wiring diagrams for the MGA omit a clear indication of what terminals 2 and 6 are doing). Connect the flasher can terminals B (or X) and L together and operate the turn signal switch. If the flasher lamps now light (but don't flash) the flasher can is defective. If the lamps do not light test the brake override relay as follows:

Use a jumper wire to connect terminals 1, 2 and 3 together; the left hand lamps should now flash. Use a jumper wire to connect terminals 1, 6 and 7 together, the right hand lamps should now flash.

Adjusting the Relay Air Gap

As I said, each armature controls three sets of contacts, two pairs being normally open, and one pair being normally closed (brakes). Once you've opened the relay box for setting purposes, the contacts may be identified as inner pairs which are next to the core, and are normally open; and outer lower pairs, normally open; and outer upper pairs, normally closed. When an inner pair of contacts is just touching, a relay should have an armature to core gap of 0.010" – 0.015". When an inner pair of contacts is separated by a 0.007 – 0.013" gap, the outer lower contacts must be separated by 0.012" – 0.018" gap. Adjustments are made by bending the fixed contact carrier as follows:

1. Insert a 0.010" gauge between an armature and its core.
2. Press down on the armature.
3. Adjust the height of the inner contact carrier until the inner pair of contacts are just touching.

4. Remove the gauge.
5. Insert the 0.010" gauge and lightly press down on the armature.
6. Adjust the lower contact carrier until the outer lower contacts are just touching.
7. Remove the gauge.
8. With the outer lower contacts just touching, adjust the upper contact carrier until a 0.015" gauge is a sliding fit between the outer upper contacts

That's pretty much it. I hope some of you, especially the MGA owners with brake override relays for the directional system, find this helpful if you ever have to understand or troubleshoot your system. As usual, if you find yourself a bit confused, enlist the aid of a mentor to help you out. It doesn't seem like a lot of electricity, but a 12 volt system can pack quite a punch if you energize it incorrectly!

Safety Fast!

Dave Braun



2nd Annual Bonnet and Boot Pub Party



Saturday, February 21, 6:30 PM

Bring your favorite Pub Grub!

**Whether British
Scotch Eggs-Bangers & Mash-Shepherd's Pie**

**Or American
Chips and Dip-Cocktail Weenies-Taco Salad**

Innkeepers for the Evening:

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Bodywork – **Open**

The “MG Girl Corner” MG GIRL with Author Tom Combs



MG Girl Book Club

Date: January 25, 2015

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Book: Wayfaring Stranger by James Lee Burke

Host: Dawn Williams

Address: 951 18 ½ Avenue NE,
 Minneapolis

Please RSVP to Donna at
Dawnbrody70@gmail.com
 Potluck, bring a dish to pass.



MMGG 2015 Calendar of Events



(BLUE TEXT INDICATES HYPERLINK TO WEBSITE OR EMAIL ADDRESS)

Date	Event Location, Details and Contact
Saturday February 21	MMGG Bonnet and Boot Pub Party – Hosted by: MMGG Members John and Joan Petroff. Location: 5017 Kingsdale Drive, Bloomington, MN.
Saturday - Sunday March 14 – 15	Workshop with John Twist Hosted by: Quality Coaches, Mark Brandow.
Saturday March 28	MMGG Spring Kick Off Brunch Hosted by: MMGG members Elena Biessner and Dawn Williams.
Saturday April 25	Tech Session at Midwest Motor Sports Hosted by: Dan Iburg www.sportscarguys.com Location: 728 8th Ave. South, Sauk Rapids, MN
Saturday May 2	Drive your MGA Day
Saturday May 9	MMGG Brunch and Drive Hosted by: MMGG members Bob and Lorie Jensen.
Saturday May 30	Crystal Cave Tour and Drive Hosted by: MMGG members Steve and Sue Greenway.
Friday June 19	MMGG Friday Sundae Drive Hosted by: MMGG Member Jim Gevay.
Saturday June 27	MMGG Tech Session Host: MMGG member Dawn Williams.
Friday July 17	MMGG Friday Sundae Drive Hosted by: MMGG Member Jim Gevay.
Saturday July 25	MMGG Garden and Pool Party Hosted by: MMGG member Ruth Marson. Location: 1920 Roselawn Ave West, Falcon Heights, MN.
Saturday August 8	Brit Fest Vintage British Car Show Hosted by: MMGG members Tom and Barb Belongia. Location: Downtown Hudson, Wisconsin.
Friday August 21	MMGG Friday Sundae Drive Hosted by: MMGG Member Jim Gevay.
Saturday September 19	MMGG Drive Hosted by: MMGG member Andy Anderson (Rain day September 20)
Sunday September 27	InterMarque Picnic Hosted by: MMGG and the Vintage Foreign Mortorcars of the Upper Midwest. Location: Cherokee Park 700 Cherokee Heights Blvd, St. Paul, MN For more information visit: www.intermarque.org
Saturday October 3	MMGG Drive and BBQ at the Lake Hosted by: Steve and Sue Greenway. Details will be posted when available.
Saturday October 17	MMGG Fall Colour Tour Hosted by: MMGG Members Steve and Diane Rindt.
Saturday October 24	MMGG Halloween Party Hosted by: MMGG Members Bob and Lorie Jensen.
Saturday November 7	MMGG Annual Buisness Meeting
Saturday December 12	MMGG Holiday Party

Saturday Morning British Breakfast at the Elsie's Bar and Grill	East Ender's Saturday Morning Breakfast at the Sail Away Café
<p>Open to all lovers of British cars. New Location Elsie's Restaurant and Bar Time: 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Most people get there early).</p> <p>729 Marshall Street N.E., Minneapolis, MN 55413</p>	<p>A group of MG'ers have started a semimonthly East Enders Breakfast group. For those MG (and any other) enthusiasts that want breakfast a little later and not have to drive to Minneapolis. Join us on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays each month, 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>1321 St. Croix Trail, Afton, MN. North of County Road 18 and St. Croix Trail.</p>

Other Car Club Events **2015**

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Date	Event Location, Details and Contact
<p>Monday – Friday June 8 – 12, 2015</p>	<p>NAMGBR 24th Annual Convention Niagara Falls, Canada Flier on page 16. www.mg2015.com</p>
<p>Thursday - Sunday June 11 – 14, 2015</p>	<p>SOUTH BEACH RENDEZVOUS on Lake Superior Ashland, Wisconsin Hosted by the Minnesota Triumph Club Flier on page 18. www.mntriumphs.org</p>





"The Magic in Niagara Falls"

There's no better place to showcase the 24th Annual Convention of the North American MGB Register than the outstanding Niagara Frontier and its centerpiece, Niagara Falls.

This is the most famous waterfall in the world!

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How appropriate for the unifying waters of the Great Lakes to symbolize our unified interest in MGs?

What to expect

- Registration at the host hotel
- Hospitality room at the host hotel
- Ladies' program
- Self directed drives
- Tech sessions
- Evening meet and greet
- Directed drives to the car show
- John Twist rolling tech session
- Dinner - a British themed dinner
- Niagara on the Lake tour
- Waterfall tour—Not JUST Niagara Falls
- Escarpment/Winery tour
- See the 'Rapids', the 'Whirlpool', take a ride on a boat to the base of the Falls or stroll behind the Falls from 'Table Rock'
- See where the daredevil Nik Wallenda walked across the falls on a tightrope
- Take a ride in a barrel over the falls [subject to availability and weather]

and featuring a not-to-be-missed show:

The Magic in Niagara
 Greg Frewin's "IMAGINE"
 A special MG-themed
 Theatre Banquet and Awards program

The MG Car Club of Toronto is extremely pleased to have been selected to host our third NAMGBR convention. The club's experience in hosting such events assures you an awesome program with lots of fun and camaraderie.



The car show at Ball's Falls on Wednesday June 10 will be [un-traditionally] the day before the banquet. On the way there you will be treated to a scenic one-hour directed drive through twisties and wineries led by our friends at the

Niagara British Car Club. Your return to base will then take another scenic route providing a variety of driving experiences.

Traditionally only half of the NAMGBR convention attendees come to the awards banquet. Possibly there is not enough interest, especially if you are not up for an award?



BUT NOT THIS TIME!

The buffet banquet will be blended with a spectacular, specially prepared, MG-Themed Las Vegas style Magic Show courtesy of Greg Frewin. Greg's crew are used to serving and entertaining up to 750 people per night with large screens to project the on-stage activities so everyone can see even from the back of the hall. Nevertheless, register early to be close to the action. Award presentations will follow the show. Come - enjoy the Magic.

Share the Niagara experience with us - Ladies, you deserve it!

Ladies! MG 2015 in Niagara Falls, Canada, is shaping up to be an exciting one.

We're planning an afternoon at *Niagara on the Lake*. Its natural beauty and history envelopes you the minute you arrive. The streets are framed with vibrant blooming flowers, unique boutiques and shops, enticing restaurants, historic buildings and charming homes.

We're also in the heart of wine country. We are planning a visit to a winery, or two, sample the wine and get expert advice from the vintners on food pairings.

Nothing is that far in distance or time in this area. With an endless assortment of attractions, historical points of interest, entertainment and dining experiences it's hard to choose just a few.

Therefore, we'll take you to some of these fascinating places and guide you to others.

With the sun shining all day and neon glittering at night, Niagara is one of Canada's brightest stars.

Come to MG 2015 and create memories and smiles of your own!

We look forward to having you with us!



Host Hotel

The Americana Resort and Spa
8444 Lundy's Lane, Niagara Falls
+1 (866) 707-0030
<http://www.americananiagara.com/>



196 rooms are available (Single/Double Occupancy, Taxes Extra):

- 175 rooms @ \$109 per night
- 21 rooms @ \$139 per night
- Buffet breakfast available in Jack's back room @ \$12.95 [buy one get one free]

Alternate Hotel

Ramada Plaza,
7389 Lundy's Lane,
Niagara Falls
+1 (905) 356-6116



110 rooms are available (Single/Double Occupancy, Taxes Extra)

- 70 @ \$ 85.00 per night,
- 40 @ \$95 (suite) per night
- Breakfast for 2 included

[number of rooms can be increased to a maximum of 200].

The MG2015 committee selected these hotels for their value and because of their willingness to co-operate and accommodate our convention needs. These hotels are approximately 10 minutes drive from the Falls. If you want to use a hotel closer to the falls please feel free to book it.

To avoid rooms being block booked in speculation, the Hotels will only accept booking of one room per individual name and credit card. Anyone booking multiple rooms must have a separate name and credit card for each room they are booking.

Host hotel:
AmericInn Ashland
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More information
to come at
mnrtriumphs.org



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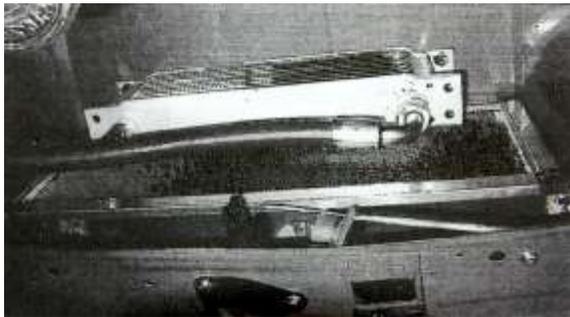
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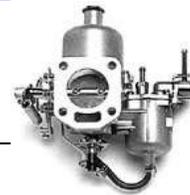
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Minnesota MG Group Membership Form

The Minnesota MG Group was founded in 1987 and is dedicated to the preservation, restoration, maintenance and enjoyment of all MG cars. MG car ownership is not necessary to be a member of the Minnesota MG Group.

Membership is \$35.00 with a \$5.00 discount if paid before the spring MMGG Spring Kick-Off Brunch, typically held in - March of each year. 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 before or by the day of the MMGG 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.

Check Box if you DO want your name, address, phone number and email information available in an MMGG Members' Roster

Check this box if this is a renewal and circle any changed information.

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