

MINNESOTA MG GROUP Gazette

December 2000

Election of New Club Officers

Thanks to those of you that attended the Annual Meeting and helped with event planning for 2001. One important agenda item that was not completed was election of officers for the next two years. Our current Vice President Simon Bosworth has indicated he preferred running for reelection to that office instead of running for president.

In order to facilitate the election of new officers, a nominating committee of the current officers decided to offer a slate of officers for the next two years. The following slate will be offered for your consideration at a short business meeting at our Holiday Party on January 6th.

President: Dan Shidla
Vice President: Simon Bosworth
Treasurer: Jerry Strand
Registrar: Mike Hirschman
Secretary: Dave Stovall

If there are any other MMGG members that would like to be run for any of the above positions please give me a call toll free at 1-888-253-0880.

Thanks,

Doug

President's Farewell Message

As I turn over the *helm* of this great group to the next MMGG president, it is appropriate to reflect on year 2000 and the events that brought us together.

I think we had a great year. The January Holiday Party was well attended with about 75 MMGGer's in attendance. Our traditional auction with the MG "bucks" was, as usual, a lot of fun. The February tech session at Quality Coaches was also well attended and Cindy Byboth's chili was hearty and delicious. Tim & Nancy Crain did a great job with our "kick-off" Brunch at Billibongs in March and the display of MG models and memorabilia by Dave Stovall and Jim Lymburn was fascinating. Over 20 MGs ventured out in probably the largest gathering of MGs ever, so early in the season in Minnesota. The April tech session at Dick Wallrich's garage was also well attended and informative as usual.

MMGG hosted the Intermarque Banquet in May that was the final stop for our annual Mearn's Manuvuers rally held the same day. Not only was it great to see all the marques together, but it has also become the first chance for new restorations to have a "coming out" for all to see. June found several MMGG cars in Thunder Bay for the Rendezvous. (turn to page 2 to continue)

Happy Holidays!

Presidents Farewell Message Continued

The weather was absolutely awful, but the warm hospitality of our friends to the North made for a memorable weekend. Brit Day in Mankato was as usual a great event with a full day of activities. The July picnic was nice event that is only going to get bigger.

MMGG traveled to Marshall, Minnesota (just this side of Omaha) for a great overnight event at Henle's in early August. The next weekend MMGG hosted it's second multimarque event of the year, the Car Show and Swap Meet at Ellingson's in Rogers, Minnesota. There was a record turnout for both cars and swappers.

The second Saturday in September always finds MMGG at Classic Motorbooks for the Wheels and Wings bash. MMGG and The Minnesota "T" Register brought a record 53 cars to this great gathering. The year's driving events culminated in the Fall Colour Tour. It was a blustery day even for Minnesota in early October, but the 35+ cars had a nice drive into Southeastern Minnesota and a great gourmet lunch just over the Mississippi across from Red Wing in Wisconsin.

A great year for MMGG. A year that reflects an enthusiasm for the marque and the desire to enjoy the fellowship of good friends that has grown over the years.

Mary and I were called away unexpectedly just prior to the Annual Meeting in November and we want to thank Dan & Jeanette Shidla for filling in at the last minute. Our new Grandson, Gabriel, had open heart surgery at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor and after an amazingly short recovery of a week is now at home with Kate & Mike. He has become a human dynamo, eating, crying and doing the things normal infants do. What a miracle! For those of you who kept him in your thoughts, we will always be grateful.

As my tenure as president comes to a close I want thank all of you for your support and enthusiasm. As I have written before, Mary and I have found some of our best friends in MMGG. We look forward to more good times with old friends and making new ones.

Comments from the Editor

Happy Holidays to you from your new editor of the Minnesota MG Group Gazette. I look forward to working with a great group of volunteers to put out this publication each month.

First, I would like to give a big "Thank You!" to Phil Vanner, our previous editor. His contributions and effort put forth on the newsletter, as well as the Mearn's Rally and the Swap Meet, are very much appreciated. Volunteers like Phil are the life blood of this club.

Second, we need to hear from you. What do you want in the newsletter? Can you provide articles? They do not have to be perfect. We'll clean them up, but please send them to us. Our e-mail addresses and telephones are below.

This publication will be a work in progress, so expect changes from month to month. Meanwhile, I have to start learning a desktop publishing program. Happy Holidays and may you have a wonderful, healthy 2001.

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MMGG Membership Application Form

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Please tell us about yourself and your car(s):			
Initial Membership is \$30.00. Renewals are \$25.00. Make check payable to MMGG and send to:		Dan Shidla – MMGG 10305 Morris Road Bloomington, Mn. 55437	

Annual Dues Reminder

Dues for the calendar year 2001 are now due. If you have not yet sent your check for 2001, please do so immediately. Look at your mailing label. If it doesn't say "01", your dues are due. Fill out the form above and send to Dan Shidla.

Interested in Visiting England?

Ken and Diane Merrill are interested in visiting Silverstone, England in 2003. Are you interested? They are in the early stages of thinking about this trip. If so give them a call at 651/455-5681 or e-mail them at ALIRORA31@AOL.COM.

2001 Calendar

Month	Event	Location	Host(s)
January 6, 2001	Holiday Party	3M's Tartan Park Lake Elmo, MN.	Jon Masley and Stacy Skare
February	Tech Session	Quality Coaches Minneapolis, MN.	Cindy and Randy Byboth
March	Kickoff Brunch	TBA	Tim and Nancy Crane
April	Tech Session	Columbia Transit Bus Company	Need a Host(s)
May	Intermarque Banquet and Rallye	TBA	MN Triumphs
June			
July 1 - 4	MG2001	St. Fair Grounds St. Paul, MN.	MMGG Members
August	Swap Meet & Show	Ellingson's Museum Rogers, MN.	Phil Vanner
September	Wheels and Wings	Osceola, Wisconsin	Jerry Strand
October	Fall Color Tour	West from Metro.	Need a Host(s)
November	Annual Meeting	TBA	Dan and Jeanette Shidla
December			
January, 2002	Holiday Party	TBA	Elena Pierce, Brian and Peggy Walsh

Holiday Party Reminder

The MMGG Holiday Party will be held January 6, 2001 at 3M's Tartan Park in Lake Elmo, Minnesota. Cost is \$18.50 per person and your check should be made out to **MMGG** and sent **NOW** to:

Elena Pierce
2460 Skillman Avenue
North St. Paul, Minnesota 55109

Questions? Call Elena Pierce at 651/777-8088 or Jon Masley at 651/779-8605
Your buffet dinner will include thin sliced Round of Beef with Gravy, Boneless Breast of Chicken with cornbread stuffing topped with mushroom cream sauce, au gratin potatoes, vegetable, dinner rolls, a salad bar consisting of tossed greens, broccoli salad, fresh melons, and a beverage choice of coffee, tea, milk, or soft drink. Social hour will begin at 6 P.M. (cash bar) with dinner starting at 7 P.M. After dinner there will be a short business meeting and then the MG Bucks auction. Don't forget to bring those lavender colored MG Bucks handed out at various MG functions. See you there!!



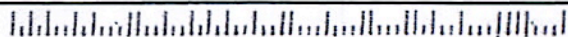
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Don't Forget!
Sign up now for the
Holiday Party
January 6, 2001

Details inside!