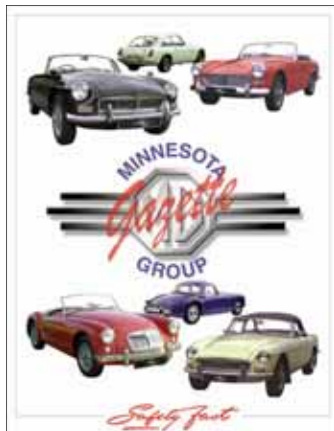




# Gazette

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## Gourmet Dining

### Le Cordon Bleu School at Brown College

April 20, 2007 6:30 PM

You are invited to join other MMGG members for dinner Friday, April 20, 2007 through the *Le Cordon Bleu* program at Brown College, Mendota Heights, Minnesota. We will meet in the Minnesota Room promptly at 6:30 P.M.

Brown College is one of several locations nationwide that offers students culinary education following the *Le Cordon Bleu* method. Students' will be preparing and serving a multi course meal. We have dined there 3 times and each time had a wonderful meal.

Here is what you need to know. We will be having a multi course gourmet meal. Expect your meal to cost between \$22.00 and \$28.00. Beverages are extra. Wine is available for \$5.00 a glass. You may also purchase a bottle if you wish. Gratuity will be donated to the scholarship fund. I do not need any payment in advance. **I do need to know if you plan to attend. YOU CANNOT SHOW UP AT THE LAST MINUTE.** There is limited seating. I have made reservations for 20 people. Let me know immediately if you will be attending. If we have more then 20 people interested, I will work with Brown College to accommodate all.

Contact Jon or Haidi Masley

651-779-8605 or

[jdmasley@yahoo.com](mailto:jdmasley@yahoo.com)

**Please let us know by April 12!**

Directions to Brown College: From St. Paul take I-494 south. Just before the river, take the Pilot Knob Road exit (CR-31). Turn right. Go up 1 short block. Turn left. In another block you are at Brown College. The Minnesota Room is in the college building on the left. From Minneapolis, take I-494 east. Cross the river, take the Pilot Knob Road exit (CR-31). Turn left. Cross over 494 and take a left at the 2<sup>nd</sup> light. Go another block and you are at Brown College. Brown College is located at 1440 Northland Drive, Mendota Heights, Minnesota.



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## The Left Hand Thread

By MMGG President Richard Wallrich




This month has me wondering about what the real future of MG is going to be. By all reports, it appears that the Chinese are going to reopen the MG plant at Longbridge England. The word now is that they are going to assemble MGTF's and the sedans for the initial startup. What they are not talking about is the plans for building MG's in Oklahoma anymore. The last reports about the US plans were that the people in Oklahoma had a hissy fit with the Chinese in England and packed up their toys and went home. I can't believe that any sane marketing plan wouldn't include cars in the USA and Canada. I was able to drive one of the ZT estate cars, (try station wagon) that we brought here for MG 2001. It was an extraordinary car to drive, handled like a sports car and had a lot of good ideas for hauling cargo. Wouldn't it be great to see the North American MG operations move to the soon to be closed Ford Plant?

On another note, I would like to welcome our new members. I suppose that it could be said that we are now a national local club (if it's possible to be such a thing) since Clare Crowell from Boston recently joined our club. Oh sure, Clare could have joined any group of loose nuts out on the eastern seaboard, but she chose to join our group of loose nuts Clare came down from Boston last summer and joined us at the Gatlinburg convention and she is already planning to come to Rendezvous this summer. Now if Clare can

come all the way from Boston, you can certainly make it up from your house. We certainly expect to see YOU at Rendezvous and the GOF Central this summer.

As everyone should be aware, we have always been a club representing four MG;s, the MGA,MGB, MGC, and the Midgets. Well now it is officially time for us to be the only MG Club in North America to say that we also represent the MGF. Yes that's right, thanks to Mark Brandow we are the only club in North America with not one but two MGF's now. Our own Madame Vice, Dawn Williams is now the very proud owner of a beautiful special limited edition MGF. Ken Merrill has brought up another point in that Quality Coaches has the only MGF technician in North America. So if you want your MGF fixed you can go to Randy Byboth or to Tijuana. It's your choice.

**THE RUBBER B'S**  
 EDITOR'S NOTES  
 TOM & BARB BELONGIA, EDITORS



The driving season is here! That was evident with the large turnout of MGs and MMGG members at the Spring Kickoff Brunch. Although there are still a few snow piles on the north side of some hills or at the local ski resorts, it appears the weather is actually matching the season. If you haven't uncovered your MG or tested the road yet, now is the time.

As you can see by the Calendar of Events and the number of registration forms published this month, it's also time to plan for the "big events" of 2007. You can choose to attend one or both of the "Grand Rapids events" of the summer. There are major events close to home or near the ocean, multiple day trips or great afternoons. And if you're hesitating in "signing on" to attend or host an event, don't miss the new Madam Vice column on page 9. MMGG's Vice President, Dawn Williams, has agreed to submit regular columns (We hope this means monthly, Dawn!) to further entice your participation in our organization.

There was a great turnout – over 80 members as we recall – at the Kickoff Brunch. We were excited to welcome the new members and "old" members we hadn't seen in a while and catch up on the happenings with all who attended. There were a few "new" cars that made their debut at a club function too. What is it about walking through a parking lot with open bonnets that gets us so excited?

The gourmet dinner, tech sessions are the immediate upcoming events. Thanks to all our hosts for getting us the details on their events early so more members can participate. Don't let this important step in event planning be overlooked.

Recently Discovered Component Failure Law:  
 Any component of a British Sports Car which is entirely unknown to the owner shall function perfectly, until such time that the owner becomes aware of the component's existence, when it shall instantly fail

**TECH SESSION**

On April 7th, Saturday we will meet at the Square Peg for breakfast. Afterwards we will be taking a caravan to the Minnesota Transportation Museum for a special behind the scenes tour. Roger Johnson of the museum will be our tour guide for the day. He promises to take us to areas of the roundhouse that are usually not seen by the general public. The last time we did this we had a ball crawling through the rail cars. Roger promises to let you crawl into a boiler if you like. I will ask for a donation of \$5.00 per person to donate to the transportation museum. If you don't want to do breakfast, just meet us there at 10:00 AM

**Dues are Due Now!**

Please pay your 2007 Membership Dues Now.  
**\$30 — if paid before the Kickoff Brunch**  
**\$35 — if paid after the Kickoff Brunch.**  
 Please help our Treasurer with the prompt payment of your 2007 dues.



MG Girl Regalia is available from Diane Rindt. Please contact her if you are interested in any of the following items or for special orders.

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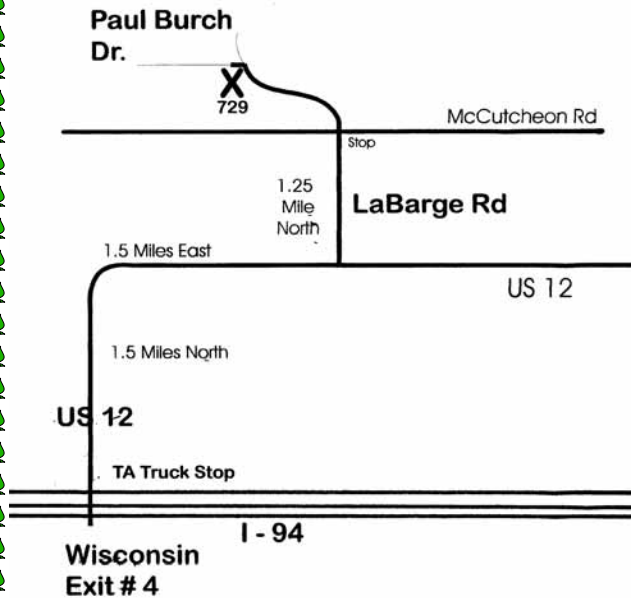


Special Orders also Accepted  
Choose from the original MMGG logo  
Or the new MG Minnesota logo (above)

Available from Diane Rindt.

## Memorial Tea for Sandra Rixen

All members of the MAHC, MMGG and other Intermarque Clubs are invited to a Memorial Tea for Sandra Rixen which will be held on Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 5 PM. The map provides directions.



Directions: I-94 to Exit #4. Go North 1.5 miles on US Hwy 12. Take Hwy 12 East 1.5 miles to LaBarge Rd. Turn left and go North 1.25 Miles to Stop sign. Proceed North to Paul Burch Drive, turn left on Paul Burch Drive, #729 on Left.

Sandy really enjoyed the afternoon teas and events she organized or attended with the members of these clubs and it is fitting that she be remembered at this event, held in the spring, her favorite time of year.

Come as you wish, when you wish. Some of Sandy's very talented friends have volunteered to host the event, so you will be fed and treated well.

**Steve Rixen**

# Dakota Expedition

Adventure, Romance, Cold Beer\*

Join the staff of the InterMarque Monthly on an adventure drive for arcane, unusual, bizarre, much-loved and well-used vehicles!

April 28 through May 3

The Expedition will leave the Square Peg Diner on the morning of April 28. Two days out, two days there, and two days back. Destinations include the Black Hills, Wall Drug, Mount Rushmore, the Badlands, and other fun stuff. Some freeway driving may be encountered but every attempt will be made to minimize it.

There are no entry fees, no sponsors, no rules, and no committees. In addition, there is no organized service or arranged lodging. Participation is at your own risk, fully understanding that breakdowns and roadside repairs are part of adventure travel in an old car. Obey all traffic laws or suffer the consequences!

The InterMarque Monthly staff will make this journey in a Citroën 2CV. Other bizarre and eccentric vehicles are encouraged to join the expedition.


If interested please contact:

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\* In the event that sufficient English cars join the expedition, an attempt will be made to locate a source of warm beer.

# Rendezvous at Ruttger's



## Grand Rapids, MN June 14-17, 2007

- SIGN UP NOW! -

Please join us for this annual Canadian/American vintage sports car celebration being presented again at beautiful Ruttger's Sugar Lake Lodge near Grand Rapids, MN. This is the birthplace of Judy Garland, so be prepared for a little Oz. Something for everyone: The Tin Man Gymkhana & Speed Run, Flying Monkeys Rally, Lakeside Charity Car Show, Interesting Tours, a Tech Talk, Ladies Event, Banquet, Auction and other Toto-ly awesome activities are being planned. Please call 1-800-450-4555 to reserve your room at Sugar Lake Lodge (mention 'Rendezvous' for special rates). Three days of nonstop fun and relaxation! Your host - The Jaguar Club of Minnesota

Put the pedal to the metal on the airport runway. Keep the oilcan handy for the Tin Man!



Follow the yellow brick road to the charity car show on the lake. Win the Ruby Slipper Award!



Join the Flying Monkeys for a fun road rally through the back roads of Oz. Watch out for Toto!



# Rendezvous at Ruttger's



## RENDEZVOUS 2007 17TH ANNUAL CANADIAN/AMERICAN CELEBRATION OF VINTAGE SPORTS CARS

**JUNE 14 - 17**

**SUGAR LAKE LODGE, GRAND RAPIDS, MN**

Thursday 14 3 p.m. Registration begins, at 7 p.m. Hospitality  
 Friday 15 Tin Man Speed Run, Guided Tours  
 Saturday 16 Flying Monkeys Rally, Bonnets on the Beach Car Show  
 Ladies Event, & Awards Dinner  
 Sunday 17 Farewell

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Print first and last name/names as they should appear on badges)

Children Attending \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Including names & ages of each child)

Street \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_  
 State/Province/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 (If you want a confirmation of registration, include e-mail address - none will be sent otherwise)

Vehicle/s to be registered \_\_\_\_\_  

Year	Make	Model	Color
Year	Make	Model	Color

Registration Fee: \$50.00 After April 1, 2007: \$85.00 (All Fees in U.S.\$) \_\_\_\_\_ \$  
 (Basic registration fee includes one vehicle, two adults, one child under 18 and one free T-shirt.)

Each Additional Person: \$5.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$

Each Additional Car: \$10.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$

Free T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Shirt: \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Shirt: \_\_\_\_\_ Added Shirts: \_\_\_\_\_ x\$10.00 \$

(T-Shirt Sizes: Small, Medium, Large, XL, XXL)

(For XXL - Cost is \$12.00)

At Otis' Restaurant two Breakfast Buffets are available one Hot @\$12.25, one Cold @\$9.74 which includes tax and tip

Saturday Awards Banquet:  
 \$32.00/Adult Buffet x \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian Meal x \_\_\_\_\_ \$  
 \$18.00/Child (4-12) x \_\_\_\_\_ \$

Ladies Event (still working on) number attending \_\_\_\_\_ \$  
**Total** \_\_\_\_\_ \$

Make check payable to The Jaguar Club of Minnesota (U.S. Funds) and send with completed form to:  
 Elaine Brahms, 4368 Livingston Drive, Eagan, MN 55123

Registration questions to: elaineb@dakcom.org. Other questions to: garthur1880@comcast.net  
 Visit our website at: www.jaguarminnesota.org for more information and updates.

Cancellations before May 1, 2007, are subject to a \$10.00 fee. No refunds on or after May 1, 2007. After May 1, registration packages will be sent to those who paid but were unable to attend.

**Call Sugar Lake Lodge directly for room reservations @1 800 450-4555.**

In addition, The Sawmill Inn (1 800 804-8006) is holding 30 rooms until May 24th at prices about \$79 - \$100 per room, plus tax. Ask for "Rendezvous 2007" for the rooms. Next door to The Sawmill Inn, The Country Inn (1 218 327-4960) is holding 20 rooms until June 1st at a price of \$85 per room, plus tax. Ask for "Rendezvous 2007" for the rooms. If you have a Triple A or AARP Card please present at time of registration.

For those of you that are crossing the Canadian/Minnesota Border you will need a passport!!!

**This event is being hosted by the Jaguar Club of Minnesota**

*Signs of Spring*



2007 Spring  
Kick Off

## INTER-MARQUE SHOW AND BRUNCH MAY 20



### 1. VINTAGE FOREIGN CAR SHOW (10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.)

The famous spring kick-off show returns to the walking path around the Radisson Plymouth. The show is **FREE**. Show cars, race cars, and works in progress are all invited. This year's theme is "007," and a special invitation is extended to any of James Bond's cars. (No RSVP is required for the show, but it helps us to prepare enough entry packets.)

### 2. AWARDS, BRUNCH BUFFET & GET-TOGETHER (NOON - 2:00 P.M.)

Starting at noon, there will be a buffet, awards ceremony, and intermarque get-together at the Radisson. The price is only \$15.75 per person. (Money collected at the door. Please RSVP if you wish to attend the banquet as the Radisson needs an estimate of the number of attendees.)

Please RSVP for brunch by May 15

Name(s):

Car(s):

Club (if any):

# Banquet Attendees:

Please send to Phyllis Galberth, 19390 Judicial Road,  
Lakeville, Minnesota 55044  
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#### Awards and Prizes

Trophy Awards (people's choice)  
 Best Open Car (1, 2 & 3)  
 Best Closed Car (1, 2 & 3)  
 Ladies' Choice  
 Masters' Class (past winners)  
 Unpolished Pearl  
 Paper Awards (judged)  
 MARQUE WITH THE MOST ATTENDEES  
 Best Bond Car  
 Best James Bond  
 Best Bond Girl  
 Plus tons of door prizes (must attend brunch to win)



## From the corner of Madam Vice Dawn Williams

During the last MG driving season I had the privilege of getting to know several club members by hosting events. When I joined the MMGG club I thought I would just have fun driving my car and going to parties that other people planned. I expected that it would take a lot of work to plan, prepare and host a car club event and I didn't know if I was up to that task. Well, I was right, it does take a lot of work but there is a huge payback along with it.

Last summer Wendy Sott and I hosted Wheels and Wings in Osceola, Wisconsin. We got up and were there claiming "The Hill" at 7am. All in the name of MMGG. I had talked with Wendy on several occasions before this event but now I think we have become friends. Early mornings do that to bring people together.

In December 2005 Val Wallrich and I hosted the Progressive Bus Tour and became good friends. What a good time that was. What fun Val and I had planning that party.

Then somehow three of us volunteered to host the MG Holiday Party this past January. During the months prior to the party, Diane Vinar, Cathy La-Clair and I had dinner once a month and managed to

make plans while we were talking, eating and drinking wine. What a great way to get to know people and make lifelong friends.

Hosting an event is a wonderful way to get to know your club members. If you think of something you would like to do and wish you had someone to go along, just contact our Newsletter Editors or Madam Vice herself and we'll get your event on the calendar. I encourage everyone to host an event and get to know other members. This is a great group that has a love for MG cars and for parties.

Just ask Madam Vice, she'll tell you.



### *WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:*

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1962 MGA 1600 MKII

**KEVIN & MICHELLE GREENHOW**  
EAU CLAIRE, WI  
1976 MG MIDGET

## Tech Tip:by Doctor Ernie (Dead Lake Motors)

Sometime after I'd already sent out the last tech tip on rear drum brakes, I reread that article. What jumped out at me was the complexity of what many people consider the simplest of all brake repairs. The old feeling of "fear the disc brakes" but dive right into "fix drum brakes" might be better regarded in an opposite light.

But now on to **Master Cylinders**: As you might already suspect if there's been over 100 automobile makes made, there's also probably that many variations in master cylinders made too. So you're going to have to read between the lines a bit here, but they all have three common features: an inlet that lets brake fluid enter the cylinder from a reservoir (either attached or remote), a piston that tries to compress the brake fluid when you apply the brakes, and an outlet that allows this pressurized fluid to be moved towards the brake cylinders through the brake lines. Of course these three basic features have an almost endless number of variations. To begin with the inlet has to have some type of check valve that closes so that the pressurized brake fluid doesn't just return back into the reservoir. This can be some type of check valve that's in or on the piston that is toggled or closed on first piston movement. Sometimes this is accomplished by just having one of the piston rubber seals simply pass the inlet port on the first movement. In all cases there has to be some design feature that lets all unwanted pressure from heat expansion to be vented back into the reservoir when no braking is desired. On some old cars there's also a pre-load valve at the master cylinder outlet port. It was told to me that this kept a slight pressure on the whole system, resulting in a firmer and higher brake pedal. Also the pre-load valve reduced the sucking of air past wheel cylinder seals on rapid cool down of any of the brake components. Going back to the master cylinder piston there are many things to watch for, even if there was only one cylinder ever installed on your "year, make, and model", there may have been numerous upgrades or even different companies supplying kits for that particular cylinder. So check seal dimensions carefully. For sure, one kit doesn't fit all possibilities.

When disassembling a master cylinder always lay

everything out in a line just as it is removed. Pay particular attention to the directions that all seals and springs face. Their correct reassembly is critical for proper braking. After disassembly clean all brake parts with "Brake Clean" aerosol cleaning solvent or dish soap and water (never with a petroleum solvent). After cleaning, honing the cylinder is almost always necessary to remove rust or corrosion pitting. If these pits are not honed out they will chew up new seals in short order. While I'm much more inclined to fix things than just replace them, I'm just the opposite when it comes to brake parts. It doesn't take too much for me to condemn a bad cylinder and just order a new or rebuilt piece. With the older cars that have single systems, it doesn't take much imagination to see that if your brakes go away at a stop sign with a Kenworth coming, it can ruin your whole day.

But sometimes you just have to fix the old cylinders (master, wheel, or caliper). In that case, if you for sure can get a seal kit, you can send the cylinder off to any of several companies that will resleeve it back to new dimensions with brass or stainless steel.

When you're ready with correct and clean parts, assemble the unit using brake assembly grease, or just plain brake fluid. (If you plan on using silicon fluid, use that). **Don't mix types of brake fluid.**

When installing a master cylinder make sure that the push rod or pedal travel stop is adjusted so that no pressure is applied to the cylinder piston when the pedal is fully up (foot off).

Most of these brake master cylinder statements apply to clutch master cylinders too, except these cylinders never use a pre-load valve.

If you have questions or comments please call me at 218-758-3344 or email [erwerst@arvig.net](mailto:erwerst@arvig.net) SAFE MOTORING!!!!!!

### Need a Nametag?

If you are a newer member and have not received your nametags, or are an existing member and lost yours, please request one from new member coordinator Bill McReaken (952-890-0102). If you leave a message, please be sure to **SPELL** both first and last names for each name tag and leave a phone number at which you can be reached. Lost nametags cost \$5.00. Send your check to Bill, made out to MMGG.



## The MGB Driver, magazine of the North American MGB Register, will now be published in full-color

For the first time in its 17 year history, the North American MGB Register is proud to announce that their club magazine, MGB Driver, will now be printed in full color. The magazine will continue publishing in its traditional size – 5 1/2” by 8 1/2” (so it can be carried in a glove box) and will now have brilliant full color photos to accompany the great articles for which the MGB Driver is known.

The **NORTH AMERICAN MGB REGISTER** was formed in 1990 as the result of a strong demand for a non-profit, democratically ran organization which would be run by MG enthusiasts, for MG enthusiasts, wherein: Each and every member has a voice on policy. The officers are elected by the membership and offer themselves for re-election at the Annual General Meeting. The finances of the Register are open to all members, at any time. The Register is dedicated to maintaining and expanding interest in Britain’s most popular sports car – the MGB, as well as the MG Midget and the MG 1100/1300. Membership is open to all, with no restrictions. Ownership of an MG is not a condition of membership. **ACTIVITY, ENTHUSIASM and DEDICATION** are cherished.

The North American MGB Register holds an annual convention with concours judging and popular vote awards. This year’s convention, MG 2007, is being held July 16-20, 2007 in Sonoma, California. Information can be found at [www.MG2007.org](http://www.MG2007.org).



# On the Road Again

*Sharon & Al Kelsey*

**Who:** You. Join the Kelsey’s  
**What:** University Motors MG Summer Party Extravaganza  
**When:** August 10 – 12<sup>th</sup>  
**Where:** Grand Rapids, Michigan  
 Hilton Hotel & Douglas Walker Park

Are you going into withdrawal, missing all those MGs at Gatlinburg? Or perhaps you are longing to attend your first larger MG event. John Twist’s University Motors MG Summer Party is the place for you. Hundreds of MGs (and some other British cars) gather on Friday, August 10<sup>th</sup> for a weekend of drives, parking lot ogling and fellowship, tech tips, a Saturday car show, and banquet.

But that is only half the fun. The other half is getting there. No matter how many times I caravan to an MG event, it is still a thrill to be with a group of MGs on the open road. We are planning on taking a southern route to get to Grand Rapids, MI this time. Relax. We aren’t going through, or even really close to, Chicago.

We are planning a day in Galena, IL, considering a stop in Moline, IL for the John Deere Historic Site, and making our way to the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum in Auburn, IN. No doubt we will find other interesting places for brief stops. Don’t be surprised if I find an ice cream shop on the way! We intend to arrive at the Hilton Hotel in Grand Rapids, MI on Thursday afternoon.

Let us know if you are interested in joining us in a caravan to Grand Rapids, MI. There are still many details, such as hotels, to arrange. A tentative idea of who is going will help in making those plans.

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# Calendar of MMGG CLUB Events

Let's have some fun!

Editors comments: This calendar will be continually modified and updated. The MMGG club is working closely with other British car clubs on a variety of activities. You are encouraged to attend any car club event.

- April 20, 2007**      **Gourmet Dinner or other social event** Hosted by Jon and Haidi Masley,.  
See the Front Page for details.
- May 12, 2007**      **Driving Event** Hosted by Dick Wallrich. Starting from the Square Peg at 8  
a.m. Route and details to follow.
- July 7, 2007**      **Chetek Car Show** Hosted by Diane and Steve Rindt.
- August 2007**      **John Twist's Annual MG Party** Grand Rapids, MN. A "not to be missed trip"  
hosted by Al and Sharon Kelsey. Contact them for exact dates and more infor-  
mation.
- August 11, 2007**      **All British Car and Motorcycle Show and Swap Meet** at Ellingson's Car Mu-  
seum in Rogers, MN. Hosted by Jim and Cindy Pennoyer. Not only are motor-  
cycles have been added this year as well as Valve Car Racing.
- August 19, 2007**      **MG Garden Party** Hosted by Lorna and Simon Bosworth and Jack and Kathryn  
Schneider. Early details hint at wine and appetizers. More information to fol-  
low.
- September 8, 2007**      **Wings and Wheels** Hosted by Barb and Tom Belongia
- September 22, 2007**      **Drive and Hayride Event** Hosted by Tom Billigmeier and Karen Lashbrook
- October 6, 2007**      **Fall Colour Tour** Hosted by Bill and Lorna McReaken and Bob and Lorie Jen-  
sen.
- October 27, 2007**      **Halloween Party** Hosted by Bob and Lorie Jensen
- November 10, 2007**      **MMGG Annual Meeting** By the MMGG officers. Location to be determined.
- January 19, 2008**      **MMGG Annual Holiday Party** We have already reserved the date for 2008.  
Please mark your calendars. Hosted by the Byboth's — Cindy and Randy, Tim  
and Mary Ruth and Steve

## Other MMGG Events in the Planning Stages or Available for Hosting in 2007

Family Drive-In Theatre Night (being planned by Jim and Cindy Pennoyer)  
Music by the River (being planned by Tom and Barb Belongia)  
Musical, Theatre or Showboat event  
Arboretum Tour and Drive  
Nature or Cave Tour and Drive  
Spring Blossom or Summer Highlights Drive

# Calendar of Other Events

Support Our Friends!

**On Going  
Saturday Mornings  
until further notice**

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

**MG Girls** meet the second Saturday of each month at the Square Peg too.

**May 6, 2007**

**Sandy Rixen Memorial Tea** In honor of Sandy Rixen. See page 4 for details

**May 20, 2007**

**Intermarque Council Banquet** Contact Phyllis Galberth for additional information. See page 8 for more information.

**May 25, 2007**

**Denny's Hot Cruising Nights Car Show** Denny's Restaurant in Hudson, exit #2, southwest corner. 5 to 9 pm. Prizes drawn hourly. Coupons for driver, free meal.

**June 15, 2007**

**Denny's Hot Cruising Nights Car Show** Denny's Restaurant in Hudson, exit #2, southwest corner. 5 to 9 pm. Prizes drawn hourly. Coupons for driver, free meal.

**June 14-17, 2007**

**Rendezvous 2007** to be held in Grand Rapids, MN See page 6 and 7 for forms

**June 30, 2007**

**Chetek Car show** Hosted by Steve and Diane Rindt

**July 16-20, 2007**

**MG 2007** Sponsored by NAMGBR in Somona, CA (Napa Valley Wine Region). For more information check your *MGB Driver* or contact NAMGBR.

**July 26-28, 2007**

**MG T Register GOF (Gathering of the Faithful) 2007** To be held at the Oakridge Conference Center, Chaska, MN. Plan to attend this “close to home event”.

**JULY 20, 2007**

**Denny's Hot Cruising Nights Car Show** Denny's Restaurant in Hudson, exit #2, southwest corner. 5 to 9 pm. Prizes drawn hourly. Coupons for driver, free meal.

**July 26-28, 2007**

**NAMGAR 2007** Whistler Village, British Columbia

**August 24, 2007**

**Denny's Hot Cruising Nights Car Show** Denny's Restaurant in Hudson, exit #2, southwest corner. 5 to 9 pm. Prizes drawn hourly. Coupons for driver, free meal.

**Sept. 9, 2007**

**21st All British Car Festival.** Moraine Valley Community College, Palos Hills, IL. For more information [www.britishcarunion.com](http://www.britishcarunion.com)

**Sept. 21, 2007**

**Denny's Hot Cruising Nights Car Show** Denny's Restaurant in Hudson, exit #2, southwest corner. 5 to 9 pm. Prizes drawn hourly. Coupons for driver, free meal.

**NOTE — All information for upcoming events — both Club Sponsored and Other Events — is due by the 15th of the month for publication in the next MMGG Gazette. Event hosts are responsible for supplying all the information for the event for publication. Please don't forget this important step in hosting your 2006 MMGG event.**

The MMGG *Gazette* welcomes all articles, features and letters. Please submit all as Microsoft Word documents. All articles, features and letters will be subject to editing but all efforts will be made not to change the meaning of the submitted document.

## For Sale.....Wanted.....Misc.

Kind of classified rules: Minnesota MG Group members ads will run free for three months, unless you tell the editor to drop them earlier or run them longer. The month/year the ad was placed is in italics below the ad. Commercial Ads as follows: Business Card—\$10.00 issue; 1/4 page—\$20.00 issue; 1/2 page—\$30.00 issue; full page—N/A. All commercial ads must run a minimum of 6 months and must be paid in advance. Send to Tom Belongia, 238 Glen Circle, River Falls Wisconsin 54022. Or at: [tom.belong@pressenter.com](mailto:tom.belong@pressenter.com). Make checks payable to the MMGG.

**For Sale** 1969 MGB orange with black interior, no rust, mag wheels. Engine rebuilt, runs great. 98k miles. Contact Emily Johnston, 608 9962264

*December 2006*

### Wanted

1. Very well used drivers seat cushion for 1973 or newer MGB
2. Set of used tires to use during restore of MGA.
3. Banjo type rear axle, mainly looking for ( 3.9 : 1) gear set / differential.
4. Information leading to the manufacture of a "body Rotisserie" for MGA Coupe

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| 6. Heavy Duty Mechanics Vise     | \$75.00  |
| 7. Battery Circuit Tester        | \$150.00 |

Contact Doug Spears at Park Bus Co. at 651-485-4823

*March 2007*

**New MGF Has Arrived! Silver and Red. Call Mark Brandow 612-306-0044**

**For Sale** 71 MGB - GT for sale due to family emergency. No Rust - had the car trucked from California 2 years ago. Medium blue in color. Original color was orange. Converted to 12 volt negative ground by previous owner. Original aluminum hood. All gauges work properly. Runs well. \$4,000 firm. Contact [kenvs@msn.com](mailto:kenvs@msn.com). Located in Apple Valley, MN. Ken Vallet-Sandre

*October 2006*

**For Sale:** 1977 MG Midget, BRG, tan interior. 40K miles. \$4995.

**For Sale:** 1979 MGB White and black interior. 10 year storage. New brakes and hydraulics. \$5750 OBO.

**For Sale:** 1974 TR 6 Yellow with overdrive. \$8000 OBO.

**For Sale:** 1955 MGTF Tan with Brown interior, \$15000.

**For Sale** 1974 MGB Orange with Black interior. Needs body work. \$4500.

**For Sale** 1975 Triumph TR6 Orange and Black. New breaks and Mag wheels. \$6000.

**For Sale:** 1970 MGB Red with White. New Clutch.\$2500 or best offer.

**For Sale** 1952 MGTD primerose with red. Older restoration and mechanically sound.

**Call Mark on his cell phone at 612-306-0044**

*November 2006*

**For Sale** 1970 MG Midget. New Clutch, rebuilt transmission. Asking \$4500. Contact Vernon Watkins at 812 3rd St NW. Waseca, MN 56093.

*March 2007*

**For Sale** 1964-65 MGB, orange with black, no rust. Stored in Afton MN. New tires, with wire wheels, clutch and transmission overhauled. Contact Jim Thurmes at 218 879 5798

*February 2007*

**For Sale** 1977 MGB solid body and frame. No rust, was a Missouri car. Very good top and nice interior. Needs a new ignition. Best offer. 715 425 7353

*November 2006*

# Minnesota MG Group Membership

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 our Spring Kick Off Gathering (mid-March). 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 or renew your membership. Please complete this form, write out a check for \$35 (or \$30 if paying before mid-March) and mail to:

**Minnesota MG Group, 3947 Bailey Ridge Draw, Woodbury, Minnesota 55125**  
**jdmasley@yahoo.com**

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