



# GAZETTE

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## Gourmet Gathering Ursula's Wine Bar Friday - April 24, 2009 7 to 10 PM

Ursula's Wine Bar and Café, 2125 4th Street, White Bear Lake, Minnesota 55110, from 7 to 10 PM. Telephone: 651-429-9600. Web site: <http://www.ursulaswb.com>.

Hors d'oeuvre buffet will include a non-alcoholic beverage. I estimate cost to be \$20 per person, including tax and gratuity. Beer and wine are at your own cost.

### I NEED TO KNOW IF YOU WILL ATTEND

by **April 15.**

Jon Masley

651-779-8605

or

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

Ursula's has a deck we can use if the weather is nice. If driving North on Highway 61, be sure to turn Left/West on 4<sup>th</sup> street. Then continue West one short block. Ursula's is on the Right/North side of 4th Street.

I stress Left/West of Highway 61 because MapQuest/Google and GPS have Ursula's on the East side of Highway 61, its on the West Side of 61 !

Jon Masley, or Bob Ostlund (651-490-3332 or [bobonomallard@q.com](mailto:bobonomallard@q.com))

## Tech Session

Saturday, April 18  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Removing scratches from glass and  
Plexiglas Tech session

Hosted at **Dan Iburg's**  
728 8th Ave. S. - Sauk Rapids  
with **Jim Pennoyer** assisting

*Old members - support a new member*

**See page 6 for more details**





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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 - 1860 Roselawn Avenue West, Falcon Heights MN 55113. Visit us on the web at [WWW.MMGG.ORG](http://WWW.MMGG.ORG)

*The MMGG Gazette welcomes all articles, features and letters. Please submit as text in an E-mail, or attach a pdf if no editing will be required. 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. **Please submit articles for publication in the Gazette by the 15th of the month to [minnesotamgggroup@me.com](mailto:minnesotamgggroup@me.com).***



## THE LEFT HAND THREAD

MMGG President Richard Wallrich

**Well, here we go in to the 2009 season. Wow, 2009!**

Were we not just talking about Y2K? Anyway, I was looking through a stack of old MMGG Gazettes that John Twist sent back to me from University Motors. You see, John is quite a pack rat and he had a large stack of our old newsletters. He included a note saying that he just didn't have the heart to throw them out, so he mailed all of them back to us. I thought that it might be fun to look back and see what was happening in our little club **20 years ago** based on what was in old MMGG Gazettes.

**1989 April 15th:** The Rubber Ducky Autocross at the 3M parking lot in St. Paul. Saturday the 15th was for practice and Sunday the 16th was for competition. (The rubber ducky thing has been around longer than any of us thought.)

Some of the new members were Dan Ryan, Yellow 1959 MGA. Gordon & Sheila Matson, Maroon 1980 MGB, Rodney & Esther Turnquist, Red 1961 MGA

The kickoff brunch was held at the Hudson House 40 people attended, including many new faces that were the result of an ad in the Mpls paper advertising for new members.

The treasurer gave a report stating that the club had a balance of \$185.85, but after the new members from the kickoff were included, the balance was \$565.85 The dues were \$20.00 per year. (I guess the ad paid off.)

**1992 April 25th:** The Great Northern Historic Rallye Championship Triumph



Rally. April 26th was a tech session presented by Randy Byboth at Al and Sharon Kelseys house. Cindy O'Brien volunteered to be a host also, probably after she heard that Randy was going to be there.

New members include Mark & Ellen Tessmer, 1965 MGB, Mike Addy and Nancy Johnson 1960 MGA, Mike and Mary Carpenter, 1976 MGB, Mike and Jacki Mitchell, 1962 MGA.

It's fun to look back at the activities that happened in the past. Let's all look forward to many more events in the future.

An MG Midget pulled alongside a Rolls-Royce at a traffic light. "Do you have a car phone?" its driver asked the guy in the Rolls.

"Of course I do," replied the haughty deluxe-car driver.

"Well, do you have a fax machine?"

The driver in the Rolls sighed. "I have that too."

"Then do you have a double bed in the back?" the Midget driver wanted to know.

Ashen-faced, the Rolls driver sped off. That afternoon, he had a mechanic install a double bed in his auto.

A week later, the Rolls driver passes the same MG Midget, which is parked on the side of the road—back windows fogged up and steam pouring out. The arrogant driver pulls over, gets out of the Rolls and bangs on the Midget's back window until the driver sticks his head out. "I want you to know that I had a double bed installed," brags the Rolls driver.

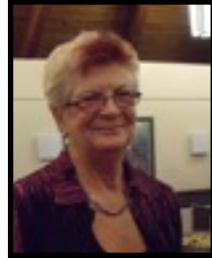
The Midget driver is unimpressed. "You got me out of the shower to tell me that?"

*from www.smilespedia.com.*



## FROM THE CORNER OF MADAM VICE

Dawn Williams



I had my F tuned up, got it back today and it's ready for the road. With this 60-degree temperature I am taking my baby to the highway. I saw someone with their top down today, made me remember that the Kick-Off Brunch was scheduled for the end of March. This is always a good event because we are all anxious to get our cars out of storage, dusted off and ready to roll. There are a lot of events this year and the MG Bucks will be coming off the press fast and furiously. When you go to events, remember to wear MG clothing or accessories and also your nametag. That will get you more bucks and at the Holiday party, they all count up.

The InterMarque Spring Kick-Off this year is at Como Park in St. Paul instead of the Radisson Hotel. The date is May 16 so please put it on your calendar now. The time is 9am - 2pm. If you are going to show your car you need to register it and be there by 8am to park. The grounds will be open at 7am and volunteers will be there to help place you. I am excited about this because a month ago I took one of my Russian grandsons to the Como Zoo and we both loved it. It is a wonderful place year round and each building of animals is better than the last and you can also start over, like Max and I did and do the buildings again. But enough of the Zoo, this event looks like it is going to be a lot of fun and the Zoo is only one attraction. The flyer is in this Gazette. This will be a picnic instead of a buffet meal. Bring your own and eat your own picnic. Tabletop grills are allowed (bring your own) but no alcohol and that includes beer and wine. The picnic area is inside of the car show so you should be able to watch

what is going on while you relax and eat with your car friends. Tables for regalia and crafts will be at the entrance so we should let Phyllis Galberth know if we are going to be showing our MG clothing and regalia items. We will also need some MG Girls to help woman the regalia table so please contact Cindy O'Brien to sign up and volunteer.

The event needs about 25 volunteers for parking, registration and other tasks throughout the day. We would like to see about 5 volunteers per club. If you are available please let either Phyllis or Aaron Courteau know, they will put you to work. Each club is going to be responsible for it's own clean up. We are going to want to bring our signs, the MMGG sign with the trees and the MG Girl sign. Only Vintage Foreign cars, cycles, scooter and vintage racers 1984 and older are the cars that can show at this event. I guess that means that my B gets to go and the F stays home. My B will be in heaven and the F will be pouting for a week. Isn't that just like a woman?

This will be the first show that we can use our car emblems that we introduced at the Holiday party. I am going to put mine on as I bought a set at the Valentine Tea. How about all of you? The set of 2 costs \$35.00 and they are a nice quality. We had them made so it fits very nicely on the lower section of the door of the B. We have an inventory of the signs and will have them at the InterMarque Spring Kick-Off so there will be ample time for you to purchase a set for your car.

The Masleys are again sponsoring a dinner in April. This year there is a change in location and offerings. Please see the cover page of Gazette for information on heading to Ursula's Wine Bar in White Bear Lake. Come on out and join us.

Dave Braun and his crew of tech specialists have been working hard to provide our club with some quality sessions this year and there



are quite a number of them scheduled. I hope all of you come on out and learn about what makes our cars run, in addition to keys. This is meant for both men and women in our club. I have always been impressed with Diane Vinar and Wendy Sott and the fact that they work on the engines of their cars in addition to redoing the interior. I would love to learn the difference between the whachamacallit and the thingabadoddle and I guess this would be the place to start. But all seriousness we do have some quality people in our club that are willing to help each other work on our vintage cars. Come on out and learn the basics together.

So much going on this summer, I can't wait to get on the road. Take care, drive safe and see you on the road.

### Safety Fast!

#### ***LED Taillight Replacement Option***

Steve Kolseth (1979 MGB) has noticed that the MG tail lights are not very visible, and is addressing this problem with a possible solution - an LED taillight replacement set.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TsZS65-ROI8>

For information about the light and an introductory discount to all British Car Club Members - Call or e-mail for details.

<http://www.classicautoleds.com>.

or

Steve Kolseth - 541-619-8335  
[steve@classicautoleds.com](mailto:steve@classicautoleds.com)

### **Editors' Notes**

Well here we are again, another month of activities and articles to somehow squeeze into the Gazette.

To keep the Gazette down to a small enough size to enable easier e-mailing to members, we've implemented a small change in how various activity announcements are distributed. We are trying to keep the Gazette to about 20 pages so we just don't have room for 6-10 pages of fliers and announcements.

So as you may have noticed in March, we will e-mail them out to members. This makes for better quality also, since we don't have to reduce file size too much for a single e-mail.

We will not be mailing these out by postal service. Which is another reason to keep your e-mail address current and get on the newsletter e-mail list.

Thanks to the members that have kindly accepted our requests to switch from a mailed version of the Gazette to an e-mailed version. This makes life easier in the Editor's office and keeps expenses down too.

With the Spring Kick-off Brunch behind us - with 68 members attending, we are off to a great start for 2009.

A topic proposed to be discussed at the Brunch didn't make it - and that is a request by a few members for an update Membership Roster to be provided to members. The question is 1) what information (name, mailing address, phone number, email address or ???), 2) to whom to make it available and 3) how to distribute it (emailed, 3 pages in a future issue of Gazette or posted to MMGG web site? What does the Membership think is appropriate? Email us your thoughts.



## FROM THE GARAGE

Dave Braun,  
Tech Coordinator



**April 18, 10:00 AM – 2 PM**

### **Removing Scratches from Glass and Plexiglass Tech Session**

at Dan Iburg's garage - Midwest Motor Sports,  
728 8<sup>th</sup> Ave S., Sauk Rapids, MN 56379

Hosted by **Dan Iburg** and **Jim Pennoyer**.

As Dan says "This is an annual thing- 10am to 2pm, lunch & door prizes. Historically bad weather, but we can hope!" So come to Sauk Rapids for authentic British Weather, fellowship and information as Dan demonstrates scratch removal from glass. Removing glass from an MGB or Midget can be very difficult. If it is possible to save the windshield or side windows while minimizing distortion... you would want to, right? Jim Pennoyer will follow up with a similar demonstration for plexiglass. This demonstration is great for the plexiglass in the sidecurtains of an MGA, windwings, or wind blockers. There are companies that offer this service, but after the demonstrations, you may wish to tackle it yourself. New members are especially welcome. Call your Tech Coordinator for more info. We hope to see you there!

### **ADJUSTING THE VALVES**

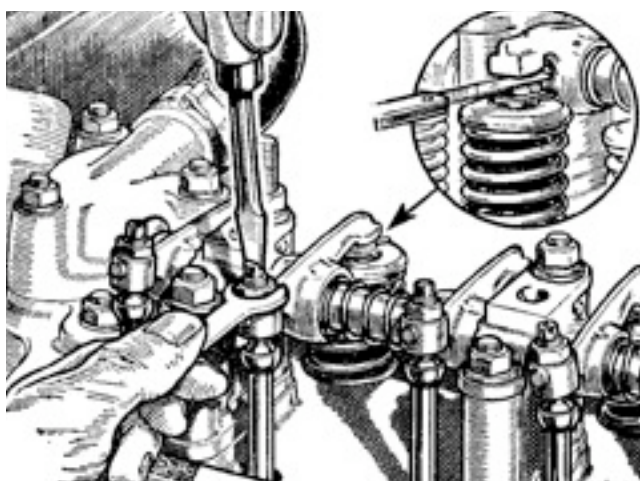
Getting my distributor back from Jeff Schlemmer of Advanced Distributors has made me think about timing, dwell, valve lash and the other tasks that surround a tune-up. Notice right off that I didn't mention carburetors. If you have an MG with SU made carburetors, once they are set up, you can almost forget them. Trouble will almost always be an ignition problem, or fuel delivery from the pump. Very occasionally, you will have a sticking float needle in the carburetor. We will talk about that some other time.

This month's item concerns setting the valves. The engine is a big air pump and the first tune-up item the average MG guy or gal should do is to adjust the breathing of their car. We're going to, assume compression is OK, but even if it is not, setting the valve lash will help. The valves open and close in concert with the pistons moving up and down in the cylinders. Too much or too little opening will waste the power stroke or strangle the engine. The crankshaft controls the up and down of the piston, and the camshaft controls the opening and closing of the valves, how fast they open (the ramp of the cam lobe) and how long they are open. For this reason the timing chain for the camshaft is timed to the crankshaft. The pistons go up and down twice for each power stroke, so the camshaft rotates once per every two engine revolutions. The tappets sit on the cam lobe and convert the rotary motion of the lobe into the straight motion of the pushrods. Just under the valve cover are the rockers at the other end of the pushrod and this is where you will find your valve adjuster, When one valve is open with the push rod hard against the rocker, another valve is completely closed, with a gap between the push rod and rocker. That gap is what we want to set. With the engine in fourth gear you can push the car a bit over three feet and see all the valves open and close.

The procedure is simple, and very satisfying. You will need a set of blade type feeler gauges, a medium flat screwdriver, an open end wrench that fits your adjuster locking screws, a wrench to remove the valve cover, and possibly a new cork gasket if you tear your old one, and a spark plug wrench.

Remove the valve cover and set it aside. With the spark plugs out, and the car in fourth gear, roll the car until valve number eight, closest to the back of the car, is fully open. The rocker arm will be completely compressing the valve spring. Hanging a wrench on the locking nut on rocker eight will help you see the movement of the rocker. Now adjust the completely closed valve number one, which is in the very front of the engine. Early cars used a 15 thousandths (.015 in) clearance when cold, later cars used .013 in. but check your manual to be

sure. You may need to know which engine is in your car, and possibly which camshaft, as things have been swapped about a bit over the years. If you have doubts, one of the tech reps can help you determine what engine is in your car. But .015 cold is not a bad place to start regardless. Loosen the locking nut and turn the adjusting screw until a .014 feeler gauge will slip right in, and a .016 feeler gauge will not. This 'Go - No Go' method is easier to detect than just using the .015 feeler gauge. Snug the locking nut down being careful not to disturb the setting of the adjusting screw, so you have to keep the blade of the screw driver on the screw



head. Pushing the car forward will make the next valve - number 3 - open, and you can repeat the procedure on closed valve number three. This rule of nine (the open valve and the adjusted valve add up to nine) will allow you to push the car the minimum distance to do the adjusting.

The full order is:

Valve fully open	Check and adjust valve
1	8
2	7
3	6
4	5
5	4
6	3
7	2
8	1

***The method for adjusting the valve rocker clearance and the correct position for measuring it.***

If you have to replace the cork valve cover gasket, clean the surface of the head very carefully and also remove all traces of the cork from the valve cover. Install the new gasket with a sealant like Permatex Form-A-Gasket No. 2 on the head side of the gasket only.

The B Series engine is especially responsive to good valve setting and breathing. Engine life, reduced cam lobe and valve wear, and performance are all benefits you can have just by setting your valves. Next month: Spark Plugs and Wires.



March Tech Session @ Wallrich's Garage

**May Preview**  
 Saturday, May 23 "Tuning your MG, the four basics." By **Jeff Schlemmer**

**MMGG Technical Advisors**

**Dave Braun – Tech Coordinator**  
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 Take them up on their offer.

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# SPRING KICK-OFF BRUNCH





## 2009 Calendar of Events (Revised 30 Mar 09)

DATE	EVENTS	HOSTS or CONTACTS
Apr 18, Sat	Tech Session, Scratches on glass	Dan Iberg's in Sauk Rapids (Jim Pennoyer Asst.)
Apr 24, Fri	Gourmet Gathering @ Ursula's Wine Bar - White Bear Lake	Jon & Haidi Masley @ <a href="mailto:jdmasley@yahoo.com">jdmasley@yahoo.com</a> 651.779.8605
May 23, Sat	Tech Session - Tuning MG the basics	Jeff Schlemmer
May 30, Sat	Drive	Dick & Val Wallrich
Jun 11-14	Rendezvous 2009	<a href="mailto:glauser@presenter.com">glauser@presenter.com</a>
Jun 20, Sat	Night at the Drive-In	Elena & Dick Biessener
Jun 25, Thu	Tech Session - Tuning MG the basics	Dave Braun
Jul 4, Sat	Chetek Car Show	Steve & Diane Rindt
Jul 11, Sat	Garden Party	Bosworths & Schneiders
Jul 16-19	Road American, Elkhart Lake, WI	
Jul 18, Sat	Picnic	Phyllis & Keith Galberths
Jul 22, Wed	Tech Session - Fitting an oil cooler	Bruce Anderson
Jul 25, Sat	Grand Round Tour	Dawn Williams
Aug TDB	Tech Session - Driving Tech	Brian McCullough
Aug 6-9	Rally in the Valley	Steve & Diane Rindt
Aug 15, Sat	Brit Fest @ Ellingson's	Jim & Cindy Pennoyer's
Sep 12, Sat	Wings & Wheels	D Braun, D Vinar & Tom & Barb Belongia
Sep 19, Sat	Drive to Arboretum	Bill & Lorna McReaken
Sep 26, Sat	Pig Roast	Jon & Haidi Masley
Oct 3, Sat	Fish & Chips	Tom & Barb Belongia
Oct 17, Sat	Fall Colour Tour	Steve & Kim Rixen
Oct 24, Sat	Tech Session, Winterize your car	Keith Galberth & Jim Pennoyer
Oct 31, Sat	Halloween Party	Bob & Lorie Jensen
Nov TBD	Tech Session - Suspension safety, etc	Quality Coach - tentative
Nov 7, Sat	MMGG Annual Meeting	
Nov 14, Sat	MG Girls Craft Day	
Dec TBD	MMGG Christmas Event	Val Wallrich & Dawn Williams
Dec 31, Thu	New Years Eve Party	
Jan 16, 2010	Annual Holiday Party	Merrill's, Bergquist's & Biessener's



## Calendar of Other Car Club Events

### **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**.

Date	Event	Host or Contact
Apr 18	VSCR Swap Meet @ Quality Coach 10 am - noon	<a href="http://www.vscr.org">www.vscr.org</a> for more information
Apr 25	Healey Spring Fling 2 p.m. @ Birmose Park in Hudson - 5 p.m. @ Laurel Supper Club E of New Richmond on Hwy 64 - Prime rib & cinnamon butter popovers are their specialty!!!	Tom Moerke (651) 402-2153
May 9	Scottish Fair	WE NEED INFORMATION
May 9	Healey Hillclimb VIII - Afton Alps Rec. Area 7:00 AM Check in opens - 8:30 AM Drivers Mtg	Tom Hazen <a href="mailto:myliberty@comcast.net">myliberty@comcast.net</a> <a href="http://forum.mnautox.com/forums/showthread.php?t=10664">forum.mnautox.com/forums/showthread.php?t=10664</a>
May 15-17	Carlisle Import & Kit Car Show	
May 15-17	Spring Races @ Elkhart	<a href="mailto:jeffj@centuryrefining.com">jeffj@centuryrefining.com</a>
May 16	InterMarque Banquet & Car Show Como Park Picnic Hill - Pavilion Parking Lots	Phyllis Galberth @ <a href="mailto:deegalberth@yahoo.com">deegalberth@yahoo.com</a> Aaron Courteau @ <a href="mailto:aaroncourteau@gmail.com">aaroncourteau@gmail.com</a>
Jun 11-14	Vintage Sports Car Rendezvous AmericInn Ashland WI	Tom Moerke <a href="mailto:tcmoerke@presenter.com">tcmoerke@presenter.com</a> MN Austin-Healey Club <a href="mailto:glauser@presenter.com">glauser@presenter.com</a>
Jun 20	Amery Speed Run V	Tom Hazen <a href="mailto:myliberty@comcast.net">myliberty@comcast.net</a> <a href="http://www.mmkg.org/scheduled_events.htm">www.mmkg.org/scheduled_events.htm</a>
Jun 24-28	MG 2009 NAMGBR @ Breckenridge CO	N. American MGB Register <a href="http://mg2009.com">mg2009.com</a>
Jun 28	InterMarque Picnic	Cherokee Park, St Paul
Jul 13-17	NAMGAR GT-34	N. American MGA Register, Hot Springs, AR <a href="http://www.mgcars.org.uk/namgar/shtml/events.shtml">www.mgcars.org.uk/namgar/shtml/events.shtml</a>
Jul 26	InterMarque Picnic	
Aug 22	Amery Speed Run VI	Tom Hazen <a href="mailto:myliberty@comcast.net">myliberty@comcast.net</a> <a href="http://www.mmkg.org/scheduled_events.htm">www.mmkg.org/scheduled_events.htm</a>
Aug 30	InterMarque Banquet & Car Show	



**2009  
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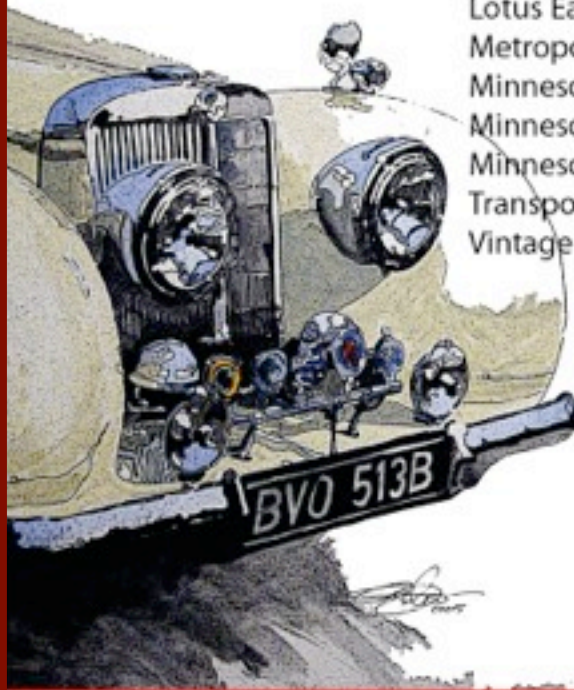
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Event Co-Chairs: Phyllis Galberth and Aaron Courteau

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- Transportation Artists and Authors Guild
- Vintage Sports Car Racing



**SATURDAY  
MAY 16 2009  
9:00AM - 2:00PM**

MOTORCAR PLACEMENT STARTS 8:00 A.M.

**COMO PARK PICNIC HILL  
AND PAVILION PARKING LOTS  
1360 LEXINGTON PARKWAY N  
ST. PAUL MINNESOTA**

**The Motorcar Exhibition:**

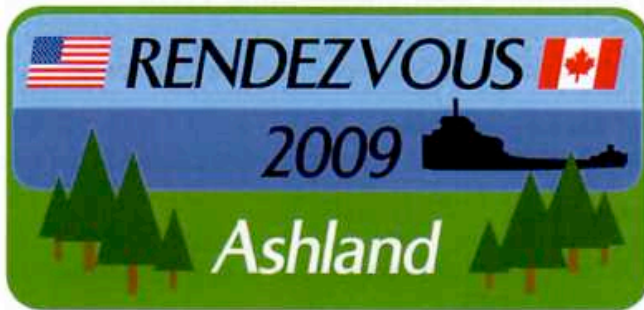
Open to all VINTAGE FOREIGN motorcars, motorcycles, scooters vintage racers **1984 and older**. Exhibitors are requested to PLEASE pre-register for the Motorcar Exhibition by e-mail to, Phyllis Galberth: [deegalberth@yahoo.com](mailto:deegalberth@yahoo.com) **BEFORE May 8, 2009**

**Exhibitors Social Gathering:**

Please bring your own PICNIC and enjoy a spring afternoon with vintage foreign motoring enthusiasts on Como Park Picnic Hill.

**Special Attractions:**

Local motoring club displays, artists and authors Exhibit from the Transportation Artists and Authors Guild, special photo opportunities for the exhibitors and more.....In addition there are terrific activities / sights in Como Park ( Zoo, Conservatory, Hamm Memorial Waterfalls).



19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
VINTAGE SPORTS CARS CELEBRATION  
ASHLAND, WISCONSIN

“A SUPERIOR EXPERIENCE”

JUNE 11 - 14

Thursday – Registration: 3-7 p.m. Hospitality Reception: 5-8 p.m.  
Friday -- Registration 8 a.m.-Noon, Driving tours to Bayfield & Madeline Island areas, Golfing  
Saturday -- AutoCross, Car Show, Walking Tour & Awards Banquet  
Sunday -- Breakfast & Goodbyes

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

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

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province/PostalCode \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
(Include e-mail address if you want a confirmation of registration – none will be sent otherwise.)

Vehicle/s to be registered \_\_\_\_\_  
(Year) (Make) (Model)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Year) (Make) (Model)

Registration Fee: \$50.00 After May 15: \$65.00 (All fees in U.S. dollars) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Registration includes one vehicle, two adults, one child under 18 & one free T/shirt)  
Each additional person: \$5.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Each additional vehicle: \$5.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Free shirt size \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> shirt \_\_\_\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> shirt \_\_\_\_\_ Added shirts: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(T-Shirt Sizes: Small, Medium, Large, XL) (For XXL & XXXL – Cost is \$13.00)  
Awards Banquet tickets: \$25.00/adult x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\$20.00/child under 13 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks to Minnesota Austin-Healey Club (U.S. funds) and send with completed form to:  
Greg Lauser, W12349 694<sup>th</sup> Ave., Prescott, Wis. 54021  
Registration questions to: [glouser@presenter.com](mailto:glouser@presenter.com)  
Cancellations before 5/15/05 are subject to a \$10.00 fee. No refunds after May 15.

I want to play golf with a Rendezvous 2009 group \_\_\_\_\_  
(A Rendezvous Golf organizer will contact you with details & greens fees information)

Contact AmericInn directly for headquarters hotel room reservations in Ashland, Wis. @  
1-715-682-9950 or [www.AmericInn.com](http://www.AmericInn.com).



## Welcome to Rendezvous 2009 – A Superior Experience – June 11-14

Where: The pristine shores of Chequamegon Bay on Lake Superior in Ashland, Wisconsin

### Ashland Accommodations:

Identify yourself as part of Healey Rendezvous 2009 for Special Room Rates (plus taxes) listed below.

- Headquarters hotel: **AmericInn Motel & Suites**  
 3009 Lake Shore Drive East Phone: 715-682-9950  
 80 rooms at \$109.00/night (on reservations made by May 11) include complimentary breakfast + pool.
- If AmericInn is full: **Lake Superior Lodge (Best Western)**  
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 Restaurant: Explorer's Point / Blue Heron Bar
- Hotel Chequamegon**  
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 Restaurant: Molly Cooper's Eating & Drinking Establishment  
 Molly's Fish Fry – Friday - \$10.95 to \$14.95
- Ashland Super 8 Motel**  
 1610 Lake Shore Drive West Phone: 715-682-9377  
 10 rooms at special rates (good through May 11) of:  
 One Bed Room - \$53.95 Thursday; \$62.95 Friday & Saturday.  
 Two Bed Room - \$80.95 Thursday; \$89.95 Friday & Saturday.

### My wife likes all the car-related activities planned, but what will I do?

- . Visit the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center, [www.NGVC.org](http://www.NGVC.org)
- . Visit the Ashland Historical Museum, 715-682-4911
- . Visit the Washburn Historical Museum, 715-373-5591
- . Visit the Big Top Chautauqua, [www.bigtop.org](http://www.bigtop.org)
- . Take the ferry to Madeline Island, [www.madferry.com](http://www.madferry.com)
- . Rent a moped on Madeline Island, [www.madelineisland.com](http://www.madelineisland.com)
- . Visit the Madeline Island Historical Museum, 715-747-2415
- . Cruise & explore the Apostle Islands, [www.apostleislands.com](http://www.apostleislands.com)
- . Visit, shop & dine in Bayfield, [www.bayfield.org](http://www.bayfield.org)
- . Visit the Bayfield Heritage Museum, 715-779-3272
- . Rent a kayak & explore Lake Superior from shops in Bayfield
- . Visit Cornucopia, [www.cornucopiawisconsin.org](http://www.cornucopiawisconsin.org)
- . Visit the Oulu Glass Studio, [www.ouluglass.com](http://www.ouluglass.com)
- . Gamble at Isle Vista Casino, [www.redcliff.org](http://www.redcliff.org)
- . Play 18 holes of golf (A Rendezvous Golf coordinator will contact you if register to do so)





# ANNOUNCING

## Rally in the Valley 2009

August 6<sup>th</sup> thru 9<sup>th</sup> (2009)

**What is the definition of "Rally"?**  
**(A gathering of people intended to arouse enthusiasm!)**

**"Rally in the Valley" is a European InterMarque sports car event.**

Sponsored by: The Minnesota MG Group.

Hosted by: Steve and Diane Rindt

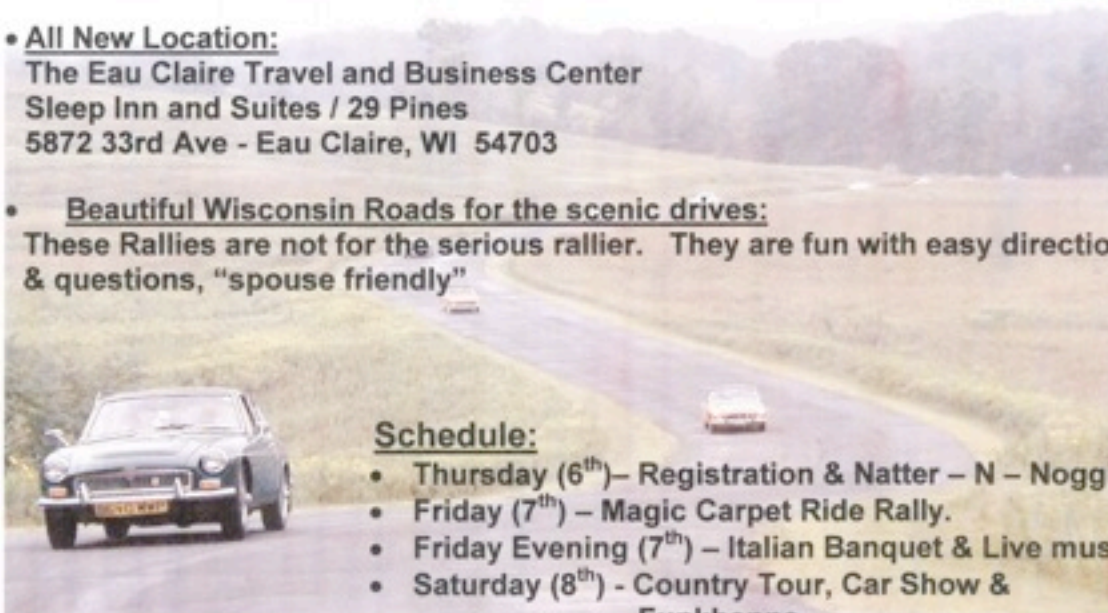
**2009 Theme, "Those Were The Days"**

• **All New Location:**

The Eau Claire Travel and Business Center  
Sleep Inn and Suites / 29 Pines  
5872 33rd Ave - Eau Claire, WI 54703

• **Beautiful Wisconsin Roads for the scenic drives:**

These Rallies are not for the serious rallier. They are fun with easy directions & questions, "spouse friendly"



**Schedule:**

- Thursday (6<sup>th</sup>) – Registration & Natter – N – Noggin.
- Friday (7<sup>th</sup>) – Magic Carpet Ride Rally.
- Friday Evening (7<sup>th</sup>) – Italian Banquet & Live music.
- Saturday (8<sup>th</sup>) - Country Tour, Car Show & Funkhanna.
- Saturday Evening (8<sup>th</sup>) - Awards Dinner/Ceremony.
- Sunday (9<sup>th</sup>)- Farewell breakfast.

For questions please contact Diane Rindt (715) 832-8316 or email [drindt5953@hotmail.com](mailto:drindt5953@hotmail.com)

**Make your reservations at: Sleep Inn & Suites Conference Center / (715) 874-2900.**  
**Ask for the "Rally in the Valley 2009" special rate. (\$79.99 a night for 2 Queen or 1 King)**



# Rally in the Valley 2009

August 6th, 7th and 8th at Sleep Inn & Suites - Eau Claire, WI

Name:			
Address:			
Email:			
Vehicle/s to Register:	Year:	Make:	Model:
	Year:	Make:	Model:
Friday & Saturday Breakfast Buffet: (Cost includes BOTH days.) Cost includes tip and tax.			
Adult (\$15.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____			
Friday Lunch: (Magic Carpet Ride Rally) Cost includes tip and tax.			
Adult (\$11.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____			
Friday Night: (Italian Banquet) Cost includes tip and tax.			
Adult (\$18.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____			
Saturday Night: ("Those Were The Days" Awards Banquet) Cost includes tip and tax.			
Adult (\$26.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____			
Rally in the Valley T-Shirts: ("Those Were The Days")		(Circle Size)	
Men's (\$15.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____	Size: S, M, L, XL, (2XL add \$2.00)		
Rally in the Valley T-Shirts: ("Those Were The Days")		(Circle Size)	
Women's (\$15.00) x Qty _____ = Total _____	Size: S, M, L, XL, (2XL add \$2.00)		
<b>Rally in the Valley Registration Fee:</b>			
(Before June 30, 2009) \$40.00 per / couple Total _____			
(After June 30 <sup>th</sup> ) \$45.00 per / couple Total _____			
<b>EVENT TOTAL</b> _____			
Make Check Payable to Diane Rindt. Send check & Registration Form to: Rally in the Valley - 4271 North Shore Drive, Eau Claire, WI 54703 (Register Before June 30, 2009) Confirmation of registration will be through your email address only. ***No refunds after July 12, 2009.***			

**Rally in the Valley 2009 – August 6<sup>th</sup> thru 9<sup>th</sup> – Eau Claire, Wisconsin**  
**Make your reservations at: Sleep Inn & Suites Conference Center / (715) 874-2900.**  
**5872 33rd Ave - Eau Claire, WI 54703**  
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Car show and Swap meet

**August 15th 2009**

The Minnesota  
MG Group presents:  
The annual Brit Fest  
All British Car, Bike Show &  
Swap-meet at Ellingson's Car  
Museum 20950 Rogers Dr.  
Rogers MN 55374

9:00am to 1:00pm  
Peoples choice balloting  
from 9:00 to 12:00.  
Trophies at 1:00



The Car show is  
**Free to the Public**  
Tour the museum for \$5.00



Show your vehicle for \$5  
Swap meet spaces  
\$10 per space  
Please **no** FOR SALE signs  
on any vehicles.

The areas largest  
**All British** Car &  
**Bike Show** and  
swap meet! Now  
in our **12th** year!



Ellingson's Car Museum  
20950 Rogers Dr.  
Rogers, MN 55374-9191  
Corner of Hwy 101 and I-94 in Rogers  
Contact: Minnesota MG Group,  
Jim Pennoyer (763)536-5472





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**For Sale:** MGBGT Driver's side quarter panel, NOS. Call Todd Wyatt (320) 980-2010 (*Mar 09*)

**For Sale:** 1969 MGB GT complete driveline for sale. Coming from a partial restoration and V6 driveline conversion. Nice running engine, good set of HS4 carbs, completely restored MGB Overdrive. The system as is will come with the carbs, starter, alternator, motor, distributor, Overdrive gearbox and driveshaft - will consider splitting. Maintenance records available. Installation into your MGB available if desired. Also available is an MGB 3 main short block that was partially rebuilt and stored a number of years ago. Please email: [brian@bmcautos.com](mailto:brian@bmcautos.com) or telephone 651.462.0145. (*March 09*)

**For Sale:** MG-TC Project Car - 1947 SN: 2351 with matching XPAG Engine SN: 3069. Much restoration work done: Frame-Engine-Transmission-Springs-Wheels & Brakes. Only wheel bearings and seals needed to assemble the "rolling chassis". Have all Body Panels (all restored except front fenders) and most of the wood pieces. Questions- call Tim Crain at 952-920-2489. Photos & complete list of what has been done, available. If still interested after that, then we can talk price. (*Apr 09*)

#### 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

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*Please Contact Roger at 763-420-8159 or Cell 612-963-1127, [www.rjlolson@embarqmail.com](http://www.rjlolson@embarqmail.com)*

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**For Sale** 1952 MGTD. Coming Soon - still under wraps & awaiting arrival. \$??,???

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**For Sale** 1962 Midget, MK I Green. Mag Wheels with a 1275 engine, 5 Speed Trans. This is a distressed sale. \$5,500

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Membership is \$35.00 with a \$5.00 discount if paid before the spring Kick Off Brunch - March 28, 2009. 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 mid-March).

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