



NEWSLETTER

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MAY 2021 Update from the
President of MG Classics of
Jacksonville

June 1st, 2021

Greetings all of you with a most
exquisite taste in automobiles!!

Summer has arrived as noted by
the high humidity and
temperature and the sunburn on the crown of my
exposed head! Car shows will start slowing down until
fall and we voted to roll back the start time of our club
meetings to 10:00 am at our last meeting with the hope
it will spare us a little afternoon heat.

One recent event that was amazing was the Cars &
Coffee at Amelia. Ian Massey has written an article that
includes a video shot by member Len Geiger and several
photos taken by Len. It can be viewed on the website
and is certainly worth a look! The weather was perfect
and we were given a perfect spot that kept us out of the
sun for most of the time and maximum exposure to
spectators. I know most of us left with dry throats from
talking to a steady stream of car enthusiasts. I'm already
looking forward to next year!

We were also well represented at the Clay County
Cruisers 'Rev it Up' car show. Though we did not win any
trophies we certainly received much praise for our
English

invasion from the spectators. Sadly, Fred Woller's MGA
ignition coil decided it was time to die just before
entering the Buckman Bridge so he was unable to attend
and made the trip home on the back of a tow truck. Ahh,
the joys of MG ownership! Mechanic, Bill Easter has Fred
back up and cruising down the road.

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Trophy at the Antique Automobile Club of America
(AACA) Villages Chapter Car Show in May against tough
competition from 90 Antique Cars. Oscar recently
acquired his 1953 winning TD, well done. A Photo of



Oscar's TD displaying his trophy is posted in the MGs' 'Out
and About' Web Album on the Website,

Join me in well wishes for VP Mark Spaulding and
Richard and Kathy Gross as they depart next Saturday on
a 10 day trip to Atlantic City, New Jersey for MG
International 2021. Mark is going to try to document the
trip and keep us apprised of their progress. Ian and I are
going to meet them at the Georgia welcome center off I-
95 to take some pictures and give them a proper send
off.

Our last meeting at Trout Creek Marina saw 19
members in attendance and 9 MG's that included very
recent members Paul and Caroline Hamill and their 1980
MGB. Welcome Paul and Caroline! I'd like to also
welcome our very newest member Mike Borns and his
1970 MGB. Welcome Mike!

Most of our members have been vaccinated so there is
less mask wearing at our outdoor meetings. However, I
would still encourage everyone to follow CDC guidelines
and precautions and honor the personal space of
members. Looking forward to seeing you all at the next
meeting June 26th, 10:00 am at the Trout Creek Marina.

As always please check the website calendar for
upcoming events and club information and then fire up
your classic MG and attend one! Safety Fast!

Safety Fast,

Bruce

Meeting Minutes | MG Classics of Jacksonville

Meeting Convened: 11am

Total Attendance: 18

Number of MGs: 9

New Members: Paul & Caroline Hamill (1980 MGB, Russet
Brown)



Returning Members: Johny Kirby (1977 MGB)

Guests: None

Location: The May Club meeting was held at Trout Creek Memorial Park & Marina in the open air on Saturday, May 29, 2021. The open air meeting was held to mitigate the potential to transmit the COVID virus.

The weather forecast called for afternoon temperatures of 90 Degrees. However, a cooling breeze wafted through the open sided pavilion and keep us comfortable.

The President welcomed new Members Paul & Caroline Hamill, and gave a mention of the fact that we hadn't had the pleasure of Johny Kirby's company since pre-COVID days.

Old Business

1. Information Update: Go to the MG Classics of Jacksonville Website Events Calendar and the Newsletter for current information updates. Name Badges, Club Patches*, and Club Car Badges may be purchased via the Website using your PayPal account, Credit Card, or a Personal Check. Note: We are unable to ship items so they must be picked up at a Club meeting or event.* New members are entitled to 2 free club patches with their membership.

2. Resource Directory: The Club Resource Directory continues to grow. The Directory lists various organizations and people who may be able to help you keep your MG roadworthy. We have added Bill Easter to the Directory following the recommendation of Jame Ranieri. Bill has resolved electrical issues for Dan Duke, is currently working on Lorraine Puzanskas's 1980 MGB, and scheduled to work on Fred Woller's MGA.

3. Cars and Coffee at Amelia Concours: Another Year has flown by and the delayed Cars & Coffee at Amelia has been and gone. For an overview of MG Classics of Jacksonville's entourage of MGs' at the event a brief article, impressive video, and a Photo Album may be accessed using the link on this Website Home page. The next Club newsletter will major on the event, and the Concours. We encourage more members to register their MG for Cars and Coffee Amelia 2022.

4. Club Meeting Locations: We continue to look for suitable alternative sites for future Club meetings as we have been informed that the Pavilion is likely to be removed sometime in the future. All members are requested to identify suitable alternatives that may be used and report them back to a Club Officer.

New Business

1. Event Activity: As we move into summer with its high temperatures and humidity the number of Car-centric events are starting to reduce. A few Cars & Coffee events in St. Augustine and Fleming Island remain on the Calendar. Unless COVID flares as an issue we expect a resurgence of activity in the Fall, including our local British Classic.

2. Event Trophy: Club Member Oscar Petree's 1953 MGTD won a Top Ten Trophy at the Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) Villages Chapter Car Show in May against tough competition from 90 Antique Cars. Oscar recently acquired his 1953 winning TD, well done.

3. Ice Cream Run: A suggestion was made to organize an Ice Cream run to Brewster's in St. Augustine on Highway 1. Keep your eye on the Events Calendar for details.

4. Club Meeting Time: As ambient temperatures rise over the coming months a Motion was put to the meeting that the Meeting start time is brought forward to 10am. In this way we avoid afternoon temperature highs and potential afternoon thunder storms. The motion was passed unanimously. The June Meeting will start at 10am and run until Noon.

5. FCCC Cruisin' to the Creek Car Show: The Club will reserve parking spots so all participating members from MG the Club will be able to park together at the Show. By paying for a block of at least ten spots in advance we can reserve group parking on the Show Field. It was agreed that the Club will purchase ten spots and the participants refund the Club with their entry fee.

6. MG International 2021: Mark Spaulding and Richard and Kathy Gross will soon set out on an adventure to attend MG International 2021 to be held in Atlantic City, NJ from June 14 through 17. Club VP Mark Spaulding outlined the game plan to drive to the event. Mark will drive his 1970 MGB and Richard will trailer his 1971 MGB. The contingency plan; if Mark's B breaks down it will be hauled onto the trailer and Mark will drive Richard's B. Sounds a good plan. If both Bs' breakdown! Good luck Mark, Richards, and Kathy.

7. MOSS Open Day: MOSS Motors has cancelled their planned Open Day scheduled for June 5 due to concerns about COVID.

New Members

Please welcome:

Paul Hamill - 1980 MGB



8. A Big Thank You to Jim Bak: Jim Bak gifted the Club a number of MG memorabilia items to raffle and raise money for the Club's reserve fund. Members will remember Jim as both a Club member, and who served three terms as President of the Club. Jim owned a MGC GT that was purchased by its new owner living in Australia. This is the fate of many MG's sold in the United States; shipped out of the US to new foreign owners. A MG is a sought after vehicle for foreign buyers who are willing to offer a higher price than domestic enthusiasts, and also absorb the cost of shipment. A big thanks to Jim who, sad to say, is no longer a MG owner. However, he does stay abreast with Club affairs by accessing the Website and Newsletters.

9. Articles for the Newsletter: Our Newsletter Editor, Fred Groenert, is always looking for stories, articles, tech tips etc. for our newsletter. If you have any such thing, please contact Fred

10. Raffle & 50/50:

50/50 Drawing: Lorraine Puzanskas was the winner of the 50/50 and returned home with the \$27 pot. She was so excited she left for home without her collapsible chair!

Part at Cost: Neil Nelson and Wayne Snook donated an "at cost" part from Moss Motors. Must be used within 30 days. Good for One item only. Winner - Fred Groenert.

Next Meeting

The June Meeting will be held at

Trout Creek Memorial Park and Marina

Date: Saturday, June 26, 2021:

Time: 10am to Noon

Meeting adjourned at 1pm although groups hung around kicking tires and talking MGs and Club Stuff

Submitted:

Sybil Bradley

Secretary

Approved:

Bruce Sedelmeyer

President.



Amelia Island Cars & Coffee 2021

Founded in 2013, The Amelia's Cars & Coffee at the Concours allows individuals with vintage, exotic, and collectible vehicles to gather on the same show field used to display vehicles entered in the following day's prestigious Concours d'Elegance.

Well, it came and went. A bunch of club members attended. All had a great time.

This event was an International Premier attraction in our backyard. MG club members don't know how much they are missing. It was just a wonderful day walking the grounds to view all kinds of classic & sports cars. I even enjoyed looking @ all the sports Cars that were parked along the highway that the visitors drove to the show for the day.

A "special thanks" to you IAN for as always "your never ending of promoting the MG club members to participate" in the Amelia Island Cars & Coffee event.

Richard Gross

We attended both the C&C and the Concourse where we have been volunteers for 15 years. On several occasions I have announced at club meetings that more volunteers

are needed and to contact me for details. No response. The Concourse is a truly great world class event and just about anyone who has an interest in automobiles can be found a volunteer position. You get to attend the show (avoiding a \$125 entrance fee plus free parking) and associated events, and lunch is provided.

We're still here to help anyone who wants to do this.

Geoff and Paula Ashcroft



The Crowd Starts to Mingle mid-Morning, Cars & Coffee at Amelia Concours, May 22, 2021

Club Member's Cars at the Amelia Island Cars & Coffee



Len Geiger's 1973 MGB, Cars & Coffee at Amelia Concours - May 22, 2021



James Rutter's 1978 Midget at Cars & Coffee at Amelia Concours - May 22, 2021



Club MGs' in Early Morning Line-up, Cars & Coffee at Amelia Concours - May 22, 2021

MG Classics Members!

Here is an idea from your frowny newsletter editor.
(Casting about for pertinent and relevant content for your newsletter.)

When you drive your car to an event (club meeting, other car event in the area, ...) upon arrival snap a picture showing the surroundings or festivities AND your car (occupants too are allowed), then email or text it to me for inclusion in our newsletter!!! Include a note about the event, yourselves, the date, etc. See your pride and joy in print!!!

Email: fgrrr@att.net Text: 9048747159

Club Member's Cars at the May Meeting





Dear MG Enthusiast;

First, we want to thank you all for taking the time to open, read, and in many cases respond to the email survey that we recently sent out to all Register members regarding factors that may affect your decision to attend MG International – Atlantic City 2021. We had a better-than-expected response rate and appreciated the input that you provided!

Today, we send this note to all members of the North American MMB Register, the New England MG T Register, the North American MGA Register, and the North American MGB Register to update you with correspondence that we received this week from both Meet AC (the Convention and Visitors' Bureau for Atlantic City) and from Harrah's (our host hotel for the event).

Richard Liddick (B Register), Tony Burgess, and I have visited Atlantic City twice since this pandemic took grip here in North America; once in April 2020 and once in October 2020. We have always been impressed with the way folks in Atlantic City have handled the pandemic and never felt "at risk" with our interactions with either workers or other guests of the hotels, restaurants, or venues that we visited.

The three of us will be making a final site visit (along with fellow Council members Tom Metcalf of the MMB Register, Blair Weiss of the T Register, and Tom Medeen of the A Register) to the city in late April to nail down any loose ends that may have presented themselves in preparation for "The Big Event" in June.

When both Harrah's and Meet AC were contacted for their input on Covid-19 concerns, it took less than 48 hours for us to receive their responses. It is obvious that they want our business and have worked diligently to make Atlantic City as safe as possible for us by following all guidelines and policies mandated by Local and State authorities. Please read their comments below.

Please help us plan for this event by registering for MG International – Atlantic City 2021 at www.mg2021.org sooner rather than later since we must release commitments we have on certain events by April 15 and may not be able to add more tickets after this time. Please remember that your Registration can be canceled by you before May 14 for a refund (see website for complete terms)."

Remember, too, that you can order AC2021 swag through our online store (in partnership with Wagner Signs & Apparel) at <https://mgint.itemorder.com/sale>. (We have swag available at online registration as well, but there are additional items (such as face masks) to be found at the online store.)

If you would like to reach out to us with any questions, please send an e-mail to MG2021INFO@gmail.com and we will get back to you as soon as possible (usually within a few hours).

We hope to see you for "MGs by the Sea" during MG International – Atlantic City 2021!



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Sybil Bradley

secretary@mgclassics.org



Latest Events of Interest

[MG Classics Meeting - Trout Creek Memorial Park and Marina, 06/26/2021](#)

[MG 2021 International - Atlantic City & GOF Mk 108 - June 14 - 17, 2021](#)

[Myrtle Beach Britfest - Myrtle Beach - 10/03-2021](#)

[MG Jamboree 22 - 2 Cool 2 Miss - Nov 19 - 21, 2021 in beautiful Safety Harbor, FL](#)



THE REGISTRATION WEBSITE IS NOW LIVE



MG Classics Ads

Members:

To advertise your cars or parts for sale go to the Classifieds page on the website website: MGClassicsfl.org. Click on the Safety Fast logo to go to the Policy page. Fill out the forms and ad copy as directed. The ads can contain pictures of the car or items and a short description of the particulars of same. As a member it will be published at no cost for 90 days. Non-members may also submit ads for cars or parts, but the cost will be \$10.00 per month, renewable by the 5th of the month for the following month's newsletter. One may pay through the website by PayPal (Yes, PayPal will accept your credit card).

There are presently at least 3 MG's listed on Craigslist, the silver and burgundy TD above and 2 MGBs, all appear to be driveable in their present condition. The owners of the MGBs have them go to the website to post ads for their cars that will be exposed to enthusiasts.

Club Website Features You Can Use

Go To: <https://www.mgclassicsfl.org>

- Join MG Classics of Jacksonville
- Renew Your Annual Club Membership
- Review the Club Membership Roster (This Requires a Website Password)
- Obtain a Club Website Password.
- Use Your Credit Card or PayPal to Pay Club Dues, Fees
- Order and Pay for Club Name Tags
- Review Calendar of Events and Car Shows of Club Membership Interest
- Register for Club Sponsored Events
- Read the Latest Club Newsletter
- Read Earlier Newsletters in the Newsletter Archive
- Read Club Meeting Minutes in the Minutes Archive

- Read the Club Bylaws
- Read Automotive Technical Articles
- Read Car Related Classified Advertisements
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- Vote on Club Initiatives and Surveys With the Online Ballot
- Link to Nearby Out of Area MG Club Websites
- Link to NAMGAR and NAMGBR Websites
- Link to Local British Car Clubs (Jaguar, Austin Healey, Triumph) Websites
- Review past Club Event Photo Albums
- Read/review Details on MG Classics of Jacksonville Hosted GOF South 2019
- And More ... just [click here](#)

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MG CLASSICS 2021 MEETING LOCATIONS

Date	Location	Address	City	Phone
30-Jan	Trout Jimmy Jams BBQ	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
27-Feb	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
27-Mar	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
24-Apr	Legacy Automotive	2487 County Road 220	Middleburg	904-282-6993
29-May	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
26-Jun	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
31-Jul	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
28-Aug	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
25-Sep	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
30-Oct	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471
27-Nov	Trout Creek Marina Park	6550 FL-13 N, St.	St. Augustine	904-342-2471

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MGs in the Marketplace

The market for our beloved marque is active as illustrated below by examples of competed on-line auctions from Bring a Trailer and Hemmings Auctions within the last month. If one is in the market to buy or sell, or knows someone who is, these two sites are among the best.

Hemmings Auctions:



British Open-Air Motoring Classic: 1953 MG TD

Location: Orinda, California (San Francisco Area)

- Restored 25 years ago, and well preserved
- Cherished by same owner for 25 years
- "Spritely and cheerful" on the road

Sold for: \$14,963



Restored, Show-Winning 1953 MG TD

Location: Chesterfield, Missouri

- Restored and refinished in 2000
- Additional restoration work from 2006 through 2014
- Striking MG Red over beige leather

Sold For: \$23,888



Elemental British Sports Car: 1947 MG TC

Location: San Pedro, California

- Restored in the 1980s by a renowned shop
- In the same family since the 1970s
- XPAG 1,250-cc inline-four with a four-speed manual

Sold For: \$34,650

Bring a Trailer



20-Years-Family-Owned 1957 MG MGA 1500 Roadster

Bid to \$16,750 on 6/17/21



1951 MG TD

Sold for \$12,750 on 6/14/21



31-Years-Owned 1969 MG MGB Roadster

Sold for \$16,500 on 6/14/21



No Reserve: 43-Years-Family-Owned 1951 MG TD Project

Sold for \$13,000 on



V8-Powered MG MGB GT Race Car

Bid to \$24,000 on 6/8/21



Modified 1967 MG MGB 5-Speed

Bid to \$14,250 on 6/7/21



1966 MG MGB Roadster

Sold for \$15,250 on 6/4/21



1953 MG TD

Bid to \$19,750 on 6/4/21