



The Registry

February 2023

Peachtree MG Registry

The official monthly publication of the Peachtree MG Registry,



Welcome New Members

John Mannino

David Lilburn

Boyd Johnson

IMPORTANT NEWS

Our next monthly meeting is Sunday, February 12 at Vintage Pizzeria. We will **start at 5:00** and we must conclude by 6:30 because another group has booked the meeting room at 6:30.

Thanks for your understanding

Vintage Pizzeria

[5510 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd, Dunwoody, GA 30338](https://www.vintagepizzeria.com/)

Wanted:

Newsletter Editor

Contact Erick if you are interested. I will be stepping down shortly.



PMGR Dues for 2023 are now due.
Go to the PMGR store to pay with credit card or other options.



Vice President's Message

Dave Peck

Let's talk about events. I saw quite a few Club MGs at the Polar Bear Run on January 7th. The weather was great and so was the turnout. I think there were about 75 classic foreign cars. We met at the Mall of Georgia in Buford and drove to Madison GA. I drove the '69 Long Nose version of the MGB GT.

The Club monthly meeting was held at Vintage Pizzeria in Dunwoody on Sunday the 8th. I counted 25 in attendance, which is commendable for a January meeting. We discussed some options for upcoming events and enjoyed dining with fellow enthusiasts. At future meetings, we will have a raffle for a discount on your meal. You will get one raffle ticket if you drive your MG, and a second ticket if you wear your Club name tag. We have a meeting room reserved for the second Sunday of every month. **The next meeting is scheduled for February 12th from 5-7 pm.** I hope you can attend.

SAVE THE DATE: **On Saturday, May 20** we will tour the Savoy Auto Museum in Cartersville, GA. We will meet probably around 11:00 am for a tour and then lunch. The Club will cover everyone's \$15 admission fee. If you haven't been to the Savoy, the cars are rare and beautifully restored. The museum is only about a year old. The Savoy has a special exhibit of rare British cars from the 50's and 60's. This is a list of cars that have committed to come: 1962 AC Ace-Bristol; 1956 Austin Healey 100/4 M; J2 Allard; 1950 Alvis TB 14; 1952 Arnolt MG and 1954 Arnolt Bristol Bolid; 1948 Jaguar XK 120 (Alloy), 1963 Jaguar E-Type FHC; and 1962 Lotus Elite. These cars are on loan to the Savoy from sometime in March to the end of June.

Safety Fast,
Dave

FEBRUARY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7 Lunch Iron Horse noon	8	9	10	11
12 Membership Meeting 5:00 meeting begins	13	14 Lunch Iron Horse noon	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Lunch Iron Horse noon	22	23	24	25 Visit to Bob Wagner, Tech Session
26	27	28 Lunch Iron Horse noon				

Birthday Celebrations

February

Appleby	David	02/21
Couch	Tom	02/25
Curtis	Brad	02/06
Dennison	Michael	02/25
Dennison	Becky	02/15
Horansky	Robert	02/19
McHugh	Dennis	02/17
McMillan	Margo	02/25
Prince	Sharon	02/19
Russell	Joyce	02/23
Scarpucci	John	02/04
Seeley	Janice	02/02
Stewart	Karen	02/23
Thompson	Peter	02/06
Unger	Jim	02/10
Vawter	Ginger	02/07
Vogt	Henneke	02/11
Whiting	Gary	02/17

March

Atkinson	Susan	03/18
Cheshire	James	03/18
Clark	Phillip	03/21
Cohen	Stephen	03/16
Dafrico	Arlene	03/24
Estes	Robert	03/14
Hartlein	Rick	03/20
Hartlein	Marjorie	03/29
Johnson	Duane	03/09
Johnson	Dierdre	03/31
Krueger	Bud	03/25
Levy	Debbie	03/28
Macolino	John	03/22
Morgan	Beasley	03/08
Norton	Larry	03/23
Somerville	Dennis	03/09
Stewart	Ted	03/30
Still	William	03/01
Stovall	Moose	03/12
Van Laningham	James	03/01
Walton	Anne	03/19



Tech Session News

Tech Session with Bob Wagner **SEP** Saturday, February 25

After a pandemic and a move from Decatur to Cumming, we will bring back a winter favorite and visit Wagner Motor Sports.

The Peachtree MG Registry will provide lunch at 11:30 am. And while you're munching on your sandwich, Bob will show us a special movie of the 1966 Le Mans 24 Hr. race.

Yes, that was the year that GT40's ruled the grueling 24 hr. race and subject of the 2019 hit movie Ford vs. Ferrari with Matt Damon as Carroll Shelby and Christian Bale as Ken Miles. Bob recently discovered this footage, which has only be seen by very few people. Bob can explain it much better, so come and join us on the 25th. There are probably no MG's in this movie but both Both Carroll Shelby and Ken Miles drove MG racing cars early in their illustrious careers. Below is Ken in his Flying Shingle special in the mid-50's (top) and Carol Shelby in his TC from the early 50's (bottom).

After the movie, Bob will show us around his new shop and what he's been working on lately. With many years of experience in British cars and motor sport, Bob will also have insightful answers to your technical related questions.

Details: **SEP** Saturday, February 25, 11:30 am
Wagner Motor Sports **SEP** 305 Pine Lake Dr. **SEP** Cumming, GA 30040 **SEP** Ph: 678 517 4976

Please contact Reinout Vogt at 847 342 9804 or reinoutvogt@gmail.com for any questions about the day.



Upcoming

Feb. 25: Visit to Bob Wagner, with special footage of the 1966 Le Mans, in Cumming, GA

March 25: Spring Tune Up at Barry Rosenberg's shop in Jasper, GA.

May 13 Springtime in the Smokies, Townsend, TN

Tom George will host a drive, probably sometime in June.

June 12-16 NAMGAR, Memphis, TN

June 20-23 GOF Central, South Bend, IN

Carolina British Classic XV Car Show

April 1, 2023 at the Historic Carolina Speedway

[HTTP://WWW.BCCMC.COM/CAROLINA-BRITISH-CLASSICS-XV](http://www.bccmc.com/carolina-british-classics-xv)

2001 Charleston Highway, Cayce Columbia, SC 29033 (from I-26, take Exit 115)



Panhandle British Car Association

Brits on the Bay

All British Car Show

April 14-15, 2023

Historic Seville Square, Pensacola, FL

Cecil Kimber Rally

April 16, 2023

Save the Date

Atlanta British Motor Car Day

May 7, 2023

330 Town Center Ave

Suwanee, GA 30024

(See flyer)



Spring Tune-Up
Saturday March 25

Tuning your car for the driving season and general Q&A

We will start about 9:30 a.m. with a light breakfast of coffee, juice and donuts (maybe a few sausage biscuits). Then we will go over tuning your car that will include work on your distributor, valve adjusting, setting timing, carb adjusting, etc. After we are done playing, about 12:00 noon, we will have burgers, dogs and the fixings. Then you go home.

What to bring:

Tools - such as torque wrench, various open and box end wrenches, screw drivers, timing light if you have one and anything you think you may need. If in doubt, contact me ahead of the tech session and I will recommend what you need.

Parts - valve cover gasket (no Lotus 907 or Stag engines), points, plugs, wires, cap, rotor, etc. If you do not have the parts, I will place one order from Moss and order what you need and let you have it at my cost. Contact me at least three or four weeks before the session to discuss what you may need.

Any questions, please do not hesitate in contacting me. I look forward to seeing y'all, ^[SEP]Barry

Details:

Saturday, March 25, 9:30 a.m.
 British Car Service, Barry Rosenberg
 568 Bent Tree Drive^[SEP]Jasper, GA 30143
 britcars@bellsouth.net
 Ph: 770 689 7573

PS1: The Peachtree MG club would appreciate it if you would bring a \$5 or \$10 donation to our charity. It is not required for your attendance but would be nice.

PS2: Please remember to RSVP

Please contact Reinout Vogt at 847 342 9804 or reinoutvogt@gmail.com for any questions about the day.

Directions:

If you do not have GPS; thru town, Take 515 north to Jasper. Turn right on Highway 53 (Church Street). There is an Ingles on your right at the intersection. Follow 53 until you cross Main Street and go thru that light to the next light where there is a Walgreens. Get into the left turn lane and turn left off of 53 at the Walgreens. This is Burnt Mountain. Cross the tracks and turn right at the 3 way stop by the Shell station. This is Cove Road. Follow Cove about 6 miles to Bent Tree Drive on your left. Just before Bent Tree Dr. Is a fire station on the right. There is a sign on the left at Bent Tree. Go down Bent Tree until you see a white church on your right. The brown shop and house past the church is me. If you pass the lake, you went too far.

There is a more scenic route if you do not mind twisty roads, use GPS for that route.

EBB AND FLOW
An Exhibition of Works
By
Barbara S. Flexner



EBB & FLOW

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Opening Reception
Sunday, January 29, 2023
3:00 - 5:00 pm

Artist Workshops
Sunday, February 5, 2023
12:00 - 2:00 pm
and
Monday, April 17, 2023
12:00 - 2:00 pm

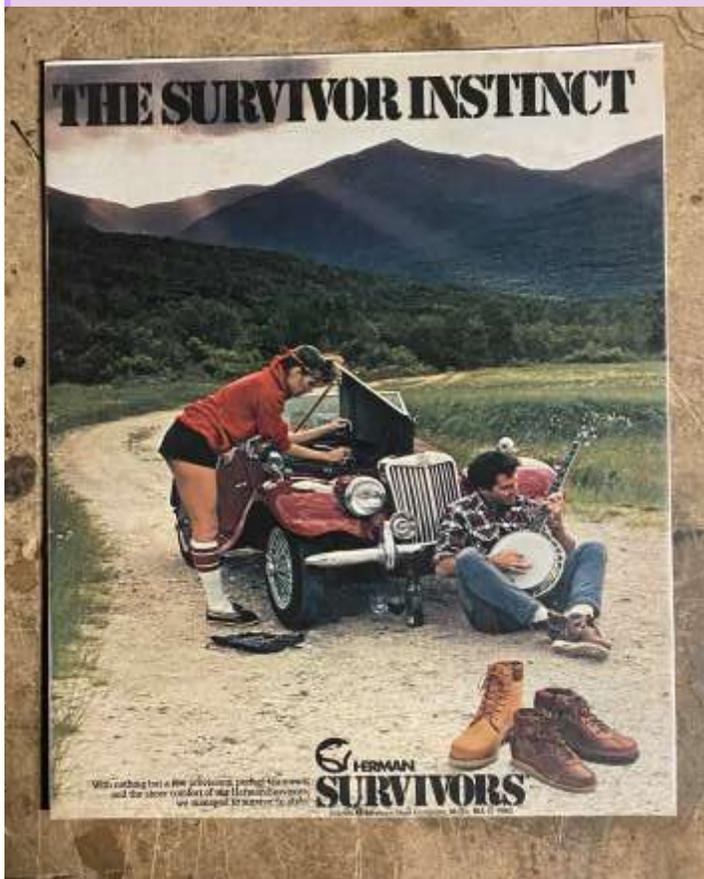
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Our long-time member, Barbara Flexner is proud to announce the opening of an exhibit of her Art at the MACoM Atlanta facility, 700-A Mt. Vernon HWY NE in Sandy Springs. The works in the exhibit represent her activity over the past 4 years including during the pandemic. Barbara continues to experiment with new ideas and the use of watercolors. Of particular interest to her is the newest set of paintings entitled Magically Resonant Images. You can check out her work in miniature on her website Barbaraflexner.com

The exhibit will run from now through the end of July. Arrangements can be made to view the works by appointment only. [To schedule a viewing or gathering, please contact MACoM at \[info@atlantamikvah.org\]\(mailto:info@atlantamikvah.org\)](#) As part of the exhibit, Barbara is offering 2 workshops on February 5th and April 17th from 12:00 to 2:00 PM.

MGs in Advertising



Circa 1982
Joseph Herman Shoe Co.
The young lady looks to be fiddling with the carbs on her TF 1500, while her companion admits to being no mechanic. With half a bottle of wine consumed and the empty glass on her side, she's probably making things worse. They may be enjoying the long walk home in their new Herman Survivors.



Best of Britain is at Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum,

· Philadelphia, PA ·

2023 is the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the MG Car Company in Abingdon-on-Thames and the Simeone Museum will be honoring this legendary marque with the “Best of Britain” devoted to just MGs. We are hoping to have over two dozen examples in the show, spanning the pre- and post-war models. **The show will run from February 11 to February 26, 2023.**

To find the very best examples we can, we are asking you to send us your nominations for cars you think would be appropriate. Please send us your submissions using the form below and include the year and model MG, owners name and contact information, along with a photo or two representing the car. Also include any details on the history of the car you think are especially interesting. We will select one example of each variation of MG so not all nominations can be accepted. Following on Dr. Simeone’s philosophy, extra consideration will be given to original “preservation” cars.

Visit the link below to submit your car and for more information.

<https://bit.ly/3TJ7m9Y>



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Atlanta British Motorcar Day is Sponsored by the sixteen Atlanta Area British car and motorcycle clubs. This charity event has been held annually since its inception in 1984. We are an all-volunteer event, so please help us out by registering early and arriving on-time.

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ALBERTA



The Calgary MG Car Club is proud to have been chosen to host the North American MGB Register's annual convention in 2023. The event will take place in the City of Calgary, Alberta, Canada from July 17-20th inclusive.

Our host hotel is The Deerfoot Inn and Casino in the city's southeast. <https://deerfootinn.com> We are planning on site and off-site activities for the duration of the convention and urge participants to plan early arrivals and/or late departures, to avail themselves of the many varied activities and attractions this vibrant city has to offer.

Within the city, the world-famous Calgary Exhibition and Stampede ends its 10-day run immediately before the convention, we have penguins, and periodic "penguin walks" as well as a dinosaur park and the garden conservatory with its amazing variety of butterflies at the Calgary Zoo and many on site attractions and activities at Heritage Park with its steam train, sternwheeler, and static attractions where you can spend hours or days gazing back into Alberta's Pioneer history.

Outside the city there are many sights and attractions to enjoy, including the Bomber Command Museum of Canada at Nanton, Tyrell Museum of Paleontology at Drumheller, and world-famous National Park destinations, Banff, Lake Louise and Columbia Ice Fields, not to mention hundreds of miles of roads and trails, with their breathtaking vistas, coursing through the foothills of the Rocky Mountains virtually at the city limits.

Please mark your calendars, pack your passports and bags, and plan the vacation of a lifetime to this spectacular part of the world, while enjoying the camaraderie of like-minded MG enthusiasts.

Come early, stay late and take advantage of our legendary western hospitality, and the amazing reduced hotel rates offered by our host facility.

Come horse around in Calgary with us next summer.



July 17-20, 2023

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E-mail: info@mg2023.org

Registration:

<https://mg2023.regfox.com/calgary>

Polar Bear Run January 7, 2023



Greeting Card from Reinout

This card is a reproduction of a sales poster printed by The Nuffield Press in 1953. The artist was J. Pelling, whose name was cut off the card but appeared on the original poster. The card was printed by Vintage Ad Gallery in 2003 and the copyright was British Motor Industry Heritage Trust Ltd.

The artist captured speed and racing perfectly, with the use of perspective and the gravel shooting up from underneath the tires. Without the windshield, you can just picture the concentrating eyes behind the goggles of the driver-racer. What a great piece of art. Interesting are the flags in the background. Although not perfectly clear, it looks like an American, Union Jack, and the French flags. Would that have been the artist's interpretation of an International race or would it been on MG's direction to target certain markets. Surprising is also the inconsistent use of trade names and their spelling. Clubmember Jim McCrory has quite a collection of MG TF brochures and sales material. In those pieces you see TF, sometimes it is

T.F., and 'Series T.F.' or "T.F. Series". This card has it: Series 'T.F'. Note that there is only a period after the T, not after the F. Why would you need quotes to begin with? Single or double quotes? And the whole name or only TF? Sloppy, I guess



Postcards from Karel

An MG ZA in front of The Lygon Arms Hotel, in Broadway in The Cotswolds, an area just South of Birmingham in the UK. The hotel dates back to the early 1600's and there was a coach-inn in the same location as far back as the 1300's. This postcard, with ZA by the hotel sign-post is probably from the 1950's



Tech



Tech Article: February; 2023,

How many of us have an old British car sitting in our garage? I have one, a 1967 TR4A IRS that needs a full restoration. TR4s have been my favorite car ever since I got my driver's license. Sorry for your other old British car owners

but TR4s are the best balanced OBC produced in their era. It had an almost perfect 50/50 weight balance front/rear.

But that is not the topic for this article. All of us having a project car sitting is. I would say the majority of owners of these cars have seen at least 50 if not 60 New Year's celebrations. Most of us have children and grandchildren. Some have great grandchildren. Why aren't we getting them involved in making the old relics live again?

This can have a two fold effect; one would be to get another young person interested in our hobby or passion. The other would be spending a lot of good times with said younger generation. Of course, working with your children would be an extra bonus.

If I cannot get my granddaughter interested, I have a niece who is very willing to help. The TR4A had been sitting in a barn since 1978 and when opening the hood, you could not see the engine under all the pine straw and leaves. There is not much rust, well not much BAD rust, on the car. I only see one panel that would be easier to replace than repair.

Before I start work on the car, I will write a full list or two on the items that need repairing, replacing or rebuilding. I will definitely not be building a perfectly restored 1967 TR4A; there are too many modifications I want to make. Too many items I can upgrade and make better while still maintaining the appearance and character of the original car.

When you take on a project like this, one should make a list of each item to be done from rebuild-

ing an engine to pulling the body and a thorough paint job. So far, my list is relatively short as it has not been written down, it only exists in my mind. It is easier to make changes up their than on the computer.

Having been doing old British cars for as long as I have, I know how things work, what it takes to rebuild and what it costs. I also know how bad so many of the reproduction parts have become. I will avoid as many of these as I can and make as much stuff as possible.

For instance, I know replacement brake calipers are available, but Wilwood makes such great units, 4 pistons per caliper and 7 lbs. less weight each, there is no need to use originals. I will make a much better brake system with aftermarket parts like these as I have a lathe and am not afraid to use it.

Cutting and machining metal and welding or brazing is easy and effective in producing so many parts. An example are the lower control arms on the whole TR3-6 range which are very heavy castings. I mill out the inner webbing on my arms to make them lighter. There is a possibility I may make new ones from aluminum.

I know what it takes to build a very strong TR4 engine and what it costs. New non-stock rods and pistons will cost upwards of \$1,000. A proper crankshaft damper can be another \$600. There is still all the other work required to make a TR4 engine rev freely and not break that the cost gets higher than replacing the old cast iron thing with a newer light weight aluminum engine from a Ford or GM.

The newer engines put out over 220 horsepower in stock form and will do close to 300 with minor work. And a lot of them come with a 5 or 6 speed transmission that would never break in a lightweight TR4. Of course, this will require an upgraded differential as well.

Many of you may never have heard of a company called Coparts. They get all the insurance companies totaled cars and auction them at great discounts. They have about 3 locations just in the Atlanta area and they are all over the United States. You can look up the year car, make and model you seek and the list pops up telling you if they ran when they got them, what

type of damage and show pictures.

Let's say I want the engine and trans from a Saturn Sky. Look up the brand, Saturn, then the model and year. A 2009 Sky can be found on many web sites for around \$10,000, running and driving. On Coparts, you can find one maybe hit in the side and still have a running engine and trans for less than \$1,000.

Watching the Coparts web site, you can find most any car, even Ferraris, not that I would use one of those engines. Buying one of those cars would give me the engine, transmission, differential and fuel injection in one complete package and at a huge saving over rebuilding a very heavy: slow turning and low horsepower TR4 engine.

As I progress on this route, I will write about my adventures as time permits. I hope to take lots of pictures and do detail explanations of items

as they get restored or replaced. I also hope to keep a detailed, itemized list of costs. I know this is probably a mistake because we never want to know how much we spend on our fun, but I want to be able to pass along my full experience with this build. It will probably be my last full build of a little old British car.

I am looking forward to my tune up tech session as early in the spring as it can be scheduled. Hopefully we will be able to teach you how to tune and adjust your car and feed you a pretty good meal. Watch for the dates and time. So, until I see y'all somewhere soon.

Barry Rosenberg
British Car Service
770-689-7573



For Sale

You can find more information and photos on
www.peachtreemg.com **"For Sale" tab.**

Please contact the seller if you have questions.

1975 White MGB-V8 Roadster with a 215 Rover V8 engine and Rover 5 Speed Transmission. Currently located in Valrico, Florida. Sale price is \$10,000. Contact Manuel at (813) 390-3721 or mdiaz@seconstructionservices.com

1952 MG TD \$26,000

Dennis McHugh 404 545 5570

1969 MGB + Trailer \$2250

Robert Williams ncsail-or62@gmail.com

Lucas "Flame Thrower" Driving Lights

Lanny LDM9654@gmail.com

1974 MGB \$2200

**John Cork 404 202 4565
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 770 778 0843**

1978 MGB \$10,000 OBO

**Warren K Neuburger 404 431 9285
<http://wneuburger.gmail.com>**

1948 MG TC \$33000 OBO

**John Russell 828 349 5222
jr@northcarolinamountains.com**

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1960 Austin Healey Bugeye Sprite \$16,000

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