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▲ **May 17th Drive to Lunch** ▲

Our first *Drive to Lunch* of the season will be Saturday, May 17th. We will venture across the river with a nice drive planned through the more rural parts of Prince Georges County and end with a picnic lunch at Piscataway Park.

We will meet in Arlington at the McDonalds at 40 North Glebe Road, which is just off Route 50 where North Glebe Road and South Glebe Road join. We plan to meet at 9:00 am and be on the road no later than 9:30. For our Maryland members, please contact Amy at 703-963-5503 if you wish to set a meeting point on the Maryland side of the river. Any questions or if you get lost, Amy's cell phone is 703-963-5503.

▲ **MGCC Spring Tune Up** ▲

The MG Car Club will be hosting their ever-popular tune up and trip prep Tech Session also on Saturday May 17th. This is a hands-on tech session designed to get your MG ready for the driving season. The Club's experts will be on hand to assist with everything you need including carburetor tuning & balancing, choke adjustments, spark plug changes, valve adjustments (bring a new valve cover gasket), brake bleeding, oil changes (bring appropriate oil and filter for your vehicle), lube work and other maintenance items you are concerned about. The Tech Committee will check over your car as best as possible to spot potential problems. All you need is your MG and any parts you expect to use. Starting time is 9:00 am and they expect all should be heading home around noon. Of course, coffee and doughnuts will be available for the early risers.

The location will be in the Wal*Mart parking lot in Alexandria on Route 1 South.

▲ **Welcome New Members** ▲

We would like to welcome new members Bruce and Jane Zivic of Fairfax, VA to our Chapter. Bruce owns a very nice 1959 Twin Cam Roadster and they also have a nice MGB as a part of their fleet. Bruce and Jane are very active in their driving of the cars and we look forward to having them join us on our *Drives to Lunch*.

▲ Depot Days In Union Bridge Maryland ▲

The town of Union Bridge Maryland is having its annual Depot Days festival on Sunday, May 18th. As part of these festivities, Vintage Restorations will host an open house at their new facility in Union Bridge. John Tokar has offered free and convenient parking at his facility, thus providing an impromptu car show for the Depot Days.

Nelson Wilson of the MGCC is planning to lead a caravan from the Starbucks on Edwards Ferry Road at 9:00 am Sunday and will depart for Union Bridge promptly at 9:30. Plans are to cross the Potomac River on White's Ferry and enjoy the scenic countryside on the way to Union Bridge. If you would like to join the caravan, please contact Nelson by phone at 703-723-1419 or by e-mail at venuskid@aol.com so they know the number of cars to expect and also so he can contact you if weather forces a change in plans.

▲ Key West Regional GT Report ▲

NAMGAR held its fourth annual Regional GT in Key West Florida April 23rd through April 26th. These dates coincide with the Great Conch Republic Celebration week held each year to commemorate secession of Key West from the United States. While that secession was short-lived, the "Sovereign State of Mind" continues for residents of the Keys.

The number of MGAs representing the Mid-Atlantic Chapter doubled this year with Liz Ten Eyck joining Bill & Karen Marshall in making the long trek down. Yes, we cheated and trailered our cars most of the way in order to arrive fresh for the Olympic Games that awaited. The theme for this year's GT was the Key West Olympics and included bocce ball, miniature golf and line casting. Along with these events we attended a welcoming social, participated in the Conch Republic Parade which ran across the Key from the Atlantic Ocean to the Gulf of Mexico, had some time for sightseeing and enjoying the flavor of Key West and spend time driving in the Keys to and from our Olympic Game sites.

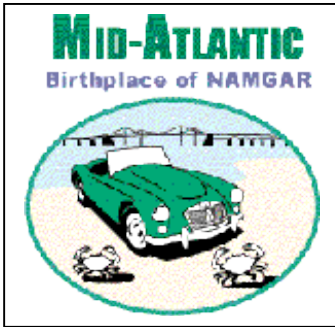
There were about 44 NAMGAR members from around the country attending with many returning from past Key West GTs. Our final evening was a 1950's themed Sock Hop and Banquet Dinner. While sad to report we were outperformed in the Olympic competition, Liz did strike gold with her Mark II taking first place in the public-vote car show.

▲ Original British Car Day ▲

The 31st Original British Car Day will be held Sunday, June 1st at Lilypons Water Gardens in Adamstown, Maryland. This car show is sponsored by the Chesapeake Chapter of the New England MG T Register. Voting is by popular choice and is open to all British cars and motorcycles. Pre-registration is available prior to May 15th for the special rate of \$15.00 per car or you may register on the day of the event for \$25.00 at the gate. Please contact John Tokar at 410-775-0500 or by e-mail at jtokar51@verizon.net if you did not receive a registration form by mail. The show field opens at 8:00 am with popular choice voting closing at 1:00 pm. Award presentations begin at 3:00 pm.

Lilypons Water Gardens is a wonderful location for a car show and includes activities for the whole family. Food and beverage concessions will be available or pack a picnic lunch to enjoy.

We plan to caravan to the event, leaving from the Leesburg area. Our meeting time and location has not yet been determined and will be sent by e-mail as we approach June 1st.



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