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Mid-Atlantic Chapter, North American MGA Register

March 2009

▲ **Chili Party and Annual Meeting** ▲

We will have our Annual Meeting on Sunday, March 15th at the home of Toby and Helen Frizkee in Fairfax Station, VA. This is our one serious meeting per year where we elect or reconfirm our Mid-Atlantic Chapter officers for the upcoming year. We operate under a system of an Executive Committee with a Chapter chairman, vice-chairman, secretary-treasure and one designated at-large member. We also seek volunteers for our Drive's Coordinator and an editor of our newsletter, the *Distributor*. Members not attending the meeting may find themselves elected *in absentia* to a position of high authority and responsibility. So make plans now to attend!

Traditionally, our Annual Meeting is also our annual Chili Cook-off Competition. Prepare a pot of your best chili to share with fellow members and see who wins the members' blind taste vote for Best Chili of 2009. We also encourage members to bring an appetizer, salad, side dish, corn bread or dessert to share.

In addition to our Chili Competition, we will have our traditional Car Parts Box, Kitchen Utensils Box and our Trivia Board with prizes awarded in each category. Butch Smith says to brush up on your NAMGAR GT trivia is you want a chance at Trivia victory. All cell phones will be checked to make sure you do not have Steve and Diane Mazurek on speed dial.

Again, mark the date Sunday, March 15th on your calendar with a starting time of 3:00 pm. We ask that you RSVP to the Fitzkee's at tlfitzkee@hotmail.com with either a Yes, No or Maybe.

▲ **Next Up: MGCC Drive to Lunch** ▲

In keeping with our tradition of allowing others to do the heavy lifting, we are once again tagging along with the MG Car Club on their next driving event to be held on Saturday, March 28th.

Plans are to meet in Leesburg, Virginia at the Starbucks Coffee House located in the Battlefield Shopping Center at 9:00 am. The caravan will depart Starbuck promptly at

9:30 am, so arrive early if you plan to have a lingering cup of coffee. Plans are to take White's Ferry (small toll required) across the Potomac River and drive some beautiful country roads to our destination of Kemp's Mill in Williamsport, Maryland. Kemp's Mill is a historic structure owned by MGCC member Dick Nye. Lunch will consist of beef Stroganoff, prepared by our host, and will be held at the Mill.

Our Maryland members can make plans to meet us along the route if you do not wish to cross the Potomac to reach Virginia.

Please RSVP to MGCC member Nelson Wilson at venuskid@aol.com by Wednesday, March 25th if you plan to attend so Dick can plan for the number of guests.

▲ **Just Past: MGCC Winter Romp** ▲

A number of Mid-Atlantic Chapter members joined the MG Car Club on their annual Winter Romp held Saturday, February 28th. The MGCC always prides itself for being the first car club out of the gate and kicking off the driving season while there is still a chance of snow to brighten the event.

This year we met at Carderock Park, just over the American Legion Bridge in Cabin John, Maryland. With 14 MGs in the caravan, we found our way along back Maryland roads as we headed towards New Market, Maryland and the town's wonderful collection of antique shops. Once in New Market, we dined at Mealey's and then spent an hour "antiquing" before starting our return drive home via Route 15, crossing the Potomac River at Point of Rocks and ending our drive in Leesburg, VA.

Although the weather was chilly and quite breezy, no snow was reported anywhere along the route.

We thank Steve Boyce of the MGCC for planning the route and keeping the caravan together throughout the day.

▲ **NAMGAR in Key West** ▲

There is still time to make plans to attend the NAMGAR Regional GT in Key West, Florida. The dates are Monday April 20th for a late arrival in Key Largo, with final activities held Saturday, April 25th and an early departure for home Sunday morning. We have a number of Mid-Atlantic Chapter members planning to make the trip. This will be the final NAMGAR Regional GT to be held in Key West for some time as plans are to move the GT to different areas in the Florida region for the next few years. More information is available at www.namgar.com or contact Bill Marshall at manassasmga@gmail.com.

▲ Britain On The Green ▲

For those Chapter members not enjoying Key West in April, the Capital Triumph Register will kick off the 2009 car show season by hosting their 12th annual Britain on the Green, Sunday, April 26th from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm.

More information can be found at www.capitaltriumphregister.com. On-line registration is also available. As in past years, the show will be held on the grounds of Collingwood Library and Museum in Alexandria, Virginia.

▲ MGA Tales ▲

Submitted by Butch Smith:

I pulled up to the gas pump to fill up my 1600 for the trip to GT-33. VARRRROOOOM came a 20-something in one of those Honda Civics with the 4-inch, really loud muffler. We locked eyes and he said ... “Hey Old Timer, nice wheels!” Ouch. I responded “Kid, this sports car is older than your old man, but thanks for the compliment”. He nodded that he understood. Let’s hope some kid this age will continue the interest in our LBC’s.

Editor’s Note: Many of us have similar stories to tell about what we experience when our driving our MGA’s. Please send your stories to mga@mga-midatlantic.org if you would like to share them with the Chapter.

▲ New Members ▲

We have gained two new members in the past few months. As mentioned in last month's *Distributor*, Kelsey Kallapos has acquired a project MGA, which she plans to restore with the help of father, Keith. Kelsey received a full rolling chassis as a gift from fellow Chapter member Larry Newman. This chassis will require full mechanical restoration – then there is the question of acquiring a body and interior to compliment the chassis!



Also joining us is Tran Vi. Tran owns a 1960 Iris Blue 1600 Coupe. Please extend a warm welcome to these new members as they attend our Chapter events.



▲ Fall Regional GT ▲

Our friends at the British Car Club of Northeast Pennsylvania will host a second NAMGAR Regional GT this September with arrival and check-in beginning the evening of Wednesday, September 23rd, with an Awards Banquet scheduled for Saturday evening, September 26th.

For those not able to make the long distance travel to the Regional GT in Key West in April or GT-34 in Hot Springs, Arkansas this July, a Regional GT in the Pocono's may be the perfect MG travel event of the year. Travel time should be between 6 to 8 hours depending on the roads selected making it an easy one day drive in each direction.

More information can be found at their website, www.bccnepa.com. If enough interest is shown, the Chapter will make plans to caravan to the event.

▲ Dues are Due ▲

Please find attached a Membership Renewal Form for 2009. Our dues are once again \$20.00 for the year, and checks should be payable to NAMGAR Mid-Atlantic Chapter. Please mail your check to our treasurer:

Martha Ludtke
114 Wickham Terrace
Winchester, VA 22602

As a part of our association with NAMGAR as an affiliated chapter, we are required to provide NAMGAR with our membership numbers as well as the number of chapter members that also hold NAMGAR membership. If you are a member of NAMGAR, please indicate this and if possible, include your car's NAMGAR registration number.

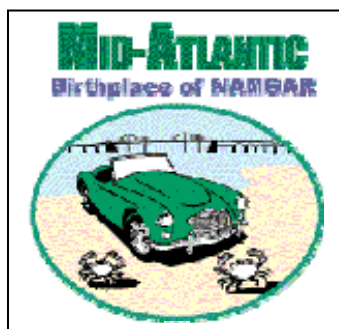
We want your MGA...
to be registered with NAMGAR!



Membership is \$30 per year. The application form is available on-line at www.namgar.com or from: NAMGAR Registrar, 7522 SE 152nd Ave., Portland, OR 97236-4861.



Members receive *MGA!* Magazine, the bimonthly magazine devoted exclusively to the enjoyment, care, and preservation of the **MGA, Magnette and Variants**; and an annual Get-Together in various locations in the U.S.A. and Canada.



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Membership Application/Renewal Form
for the North American MGA Register

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New Member

Renewal

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State: _____

Zip Code: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

Evening Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Car Information (please complete to the best of your ability)

1st car

2nd car (if applicable)

Style (coupe or roadster): _____

Style (coupe or

roadster): _____

Model: _____

Model: _____

Year: _____

Year: _____

Color : _____

Color: _____

Chassis (VIN): _____

Chassis (VIN): _____

Body Number: _____

Body Number: _____

Engine Number: _____

Engine Number: _____

Are you currently a national NAMGAR member? : Yes _____ No _____

If yes, NAMGAR Car Registration Number(s) _____

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