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Mid-Atlantic Chapter, North American MGA Register

March 2010

## ▲ Chili Party - Annual Meeting March 20th ▲

We will have our Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at the home of Bruce and Jane Zivic in Fairfax, Virginia. This is our one serious meeting of the 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 to plan our *Drive to Lunch* outings and contributors to add a few articles per year to the *Distributor*. We are also seeking a volunteer to act as our liaison with the MG Car Club that will keep us apprised of MGCC events that may be of interest to our members. Be forewarned that members not attending our Annual Meeting may find themselves elected *in absentia* to a position of high authority and responsibility – so make plans now to attend!

Current officers of the Chapter are Bill Marshall - chairman, Liz Ten Eyck – vice chairman, Martha Ludtke – secretary-treasure, and Amy Rothberg – at-large member. If you would like to have your name included for consideration for any of these positions, please send an e-mail to Martha prior to March 20<sup>th</sup>. Martha's e-mail is [m.ludtke@comcast.net](mailto:m.ludtke@comcast.net).

And of course our Annual Meeting is also our annual Chili Cook-off Competition. We ask all budding chefs to prepare a pot of your best chili to share with fellow Chapter members and see who wins the member's blind taste vote for Best Chili of 2010. 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 and Kitchen Utensils Box with prizes awarded in each category.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> with a start time of 4:00 pm until ....

Please **RSVP** to our hosts Bruce and Jane Zivic your yes, no or maybe so that they may properly plan for the number of guests. Bruce's e-mail is [bzivic@zivicandhurdle.com](mailto:bzivic@zivicandhurdle.com). Their home is located near George Mason University in Fairfax. Their address is 5322 Black Oak Drive, Fairfax, VA. Parking will be a bit restricted at the house as their home is located on a pipe stem. There is ample parking on Black Oak Drive and we are asking that those who can park there to keep a few spaces available at the home for those unloading or, in the case of Butch Smith, who might once again be carried out on his shield after another devastating loss to the ladies in the quest for Best Chili of the Mid-Atlantic Chapter.



## ▲ MGCC Winter Romp ▲

For those looking to make Saturday a full MG event day, the MG Car Club will also be holding their annual Winter Romp on March 20<sup>th</sup>. It has long been the goal of the MGCC to be the first car club out of the gate in anticipation of the spring driving season.

Steve Boyce is the contact at the MGCC for this event and provides this introduction to the event.

*I think all of us have had enough of this very cold and snowy winter. It's time to rebel and what better way than to tag along on our first driving event of the calendar year – the 2010 edition of our Winter Romp. It's simply a get-together where we partake of some scenic roads; enjoy a few interesting sites, and break bread together at a good restaurant along the way. It's great for you and it's great for your MG – not good to let them hibernate for too long. We start in the morning and we get home by late afternoon.*

The meeting point will be the Wendy's in Manassas located just north of I-66 off Route 234 with a start time of 9:30 am. The exact route of the drive and lunch location has not been finalized, but please contact Steve with any additional questions. His home phone number is 703- 207-9048.

## ▲ Mid-Atlantic Chapter Dues are Due ▲

Please find attached a Membership Renewal Form for 2010. 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 at the address on the form.

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 as well.

For our newer members – those that joined our Chapter after September 1, 2009 – your membership dues at that time included your first full year with the Chapter so no additional dues are required at this time. If you are in doubt as to when you joined – or when you last paid your dues – please contact Martha at [m.ludtke@comcast.net](mailto:m.ludtke@comcast.net)

Martha reports the response has been good with most members renewing promptly. Your prompt response makes Martha's job much easier and allows us to plan our budget for the 2010 events sponsored by the Chapter.

## ▲ Classic MG Magazine ▲

*North American Classic MG Magazine* ran an article in their most recent issue on the 2009 NAMGAR GT-34 held in Hot Springs, Arkansas. The cover photograph of this issue shows a view of the MGA 1600 class on the show field – just across the street from our host hotel, *The Arlington*. Sharp eyes will spot the 1600 of our very own Butch and Judy Smith about center of the MGA gaggle. For more information on this bi-monthly MG magazine please visit their web site [www.classicmgmagazine.com](http://www.classicmgmagazine.com).

## ▲ Drive your MGA Day May 1, 2010 ▲

NAMGAR has designated Saturday May 1, 2010 as *Drive your MGA Day*. NAMGAR is encouraging all MGA owners across the country to get out in your MGA on May 1<sup>st</sup> to enjoy and be seen by the general public – letting people know these great cars still exist and perhaps introducing them to a new generation of enthusiasts.

Last year our Chapter organized a *Drive to Breakfast* with a short drive afterwards. We will make plans again this year and seek a volunteer to organize this *Drive*.



## ▲ NAMGAR Notes ▲

NAMGAR Chapter Coordinators Lee and Liz Niner prepare a *Chapter Contacts & Interest Group Contacts Newsletter* to keep Chapter Contacts aware of events happening at the national level. We are asked to share the highlights of these newsletters with our Chapter membership.

The big news of the recent newsletter is the announcement by the NAMGAR Board of Directors that they had approved an increase in the national dues to a rate of \$37.50 per year effective with renewals August 1<sup>st</sup> and beyond. We consider this to be a positive step as a large portion of the

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](http://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.

NAMGAR budget is directed to the production and distribution of *MGA!* magazine. Current Editor and Copy Editor Steve and Diane Mazurek have done a wonderful job with the content, graphics and use of color photography to make each issue of *MGA!* come alive – which of course comes at a price in terms of budget impact. In addition to the magazine, NAMGAR continues to provide a valuable service to all MGA owners with sponsorship of our regional and national GT events.

We hope everyone that is not currently a NAMGAR member will take advantage of current membership rates and join before August 1<sup>st</sup>.

On the subject of *MGA!* it is with sadness we note the passing of long-time editor Hal Roeth. Hal passed away February 11, 2010 after an aggressive recurrence of cancer. Hal was editor of *MGA!* for approximately 12 years and provided the strong foundation for the Mazurek's to work with.

Lee and Liz also provided a report on the status of NAMGAR Chapters. There are currently 49 affiliated Chapters – including the most recent addition of the Key West British Car Club. Of these 49 Chapters, 5 are MGA specific (which includes our Mid-Atlantic Chapter) 33 are all-MG and 11 are all-British. Membership numbers range from 36 to over 900 for the largest of the all-British Chapter.

And finally, it is not too early to plan to attend GT-35 in Delavan, Wisconsin July 26<sup>th</sup> – July 29<sup>th</sup>.



**Membership Application/Renewal Form**  
for the North American MGA Register

**Mid-Atlantic Chapter**

Washington DC - Maryland - Virginia

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)

**First car**

**Second 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

*Dues are \$20.00 per year.*

*Please make checks payable to "NAMGAR, Mid-Atlantic Chapter"*

Print this form and send to:

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