



Top three finishers 2014 Soap Box Derby with their winning cars
 Byron Golfin, Lee Fox, John Mangles



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MARCH MEETING MINUTES

BY RICHARD WESENBERG, SECRETARY

The MG Club of St. Louis

March 10, 2014

Three Kings in the Delmar Loop

Members attending: (Those in bold drove an MG to the meeting.)

Mike Fishman, Lee Fox, Chris Dresser, **Rich Berger**, **Glenn Owens**, Andy Ackerman, Mario Gioia, **Bob Bentzinger**, Bob Horzmann, Paul Howard, Kathy Howard, Tom Hurlbert, John Mangles, **Chuck Demick**, **Janet Demick**, Carol Mangles, Carolyn Westby, Pete Westbay, Robert Rushing, Robert Guinness, Bob Kramer, Rich Griffin, Renney Dohogne, James David, Richard Wesenberg, Byron Golfin, Carolyn M. Golfin, Jerry Svoboda, Luke Manier, **Cameron Butz**, **Marcus Tetzlaff**, and Don Gatheman.

Meeting was called to order @ 7:30 pm by Lee Fox, Chairman

Minutes from Last Meeting – Approved with two correction; Andy Ackerman is now the Membership Chair. Bob Horzmann is looking for the front bumper of a Triumph 2000 Sedan.

Treasury Report – Ranney Dohogne reported the General Account and Events accounts are \$4,000 ±.

New Faces –

Jerry Svoboda, 79 MGB

Projects –

Rich Berger put a new battery in his MGB, Size 26.

Bob Bentzinger is re-engineering his rotisserie using 2 engine stands and steel from Shapiro Metals. Does Obamacare cover this activity?

Lee Fox is working on the floors for his Midget.

Buy/Sell –

Lee Fox may have a Midget for sale.

Rich Griffin is looking for an MG TF1500 engine short block for his son's 54 TF.

Events –

Mar 16th - Pine wood Derby; 2:00 pm @ the Gashouse Grille; 12643 Olive in Creve Coeur. Bring the wife, kids, and/or significant other. Tech Inspection and then Double Elimination: The Fastest, Prettiest, Ugli-

est, and most Curious will be there. Bring your model. Slowest is TBD.

Mar 17th – Tech Session; at Adam's shop at 7:00 pm – Dual/Quad disk brake conversion for a Mod TD and your MGA,

Mar 20th – RUBCO at Denny's, 9:30 a.m. Email Events to Rich for a head count by Tues. events@stlouismgclub.com

Mar 22nd - Terry Fanning Rally; Meet @ Starbucks on Manchester in Ellisville @ Taylor and 100.

Mar 30th - Chicagoland MG Rally; Sunday, 8:00-2:00 pm, at the DuPage County Fairgrounds; Wheaton, IL.

Apr 05th - Missouri Endurance Rally; Saturday. Bob Rushing said this will be an open rally this time only – GPS, phone and/or laptop will be allowed. Pre-1982 cars only. All checkpoints will not be manned; Mandatory "Selfies" @ each checkpoint are required. Bring your digital camera or phone. See the Website for details and Registration.

Apr 14th - Next Meeting – Kirkwood Station Brewing Company – 105 East Jefferson Ave., Kirkwood 63122

Apr 19th - Cars and Coffee @ McKnight and Manchester @9:30 am.

Apr 20th - Easter Car Show; Forest Park. Meet at 8:30am to caravan in. See Website for registration and details.

May 3-4 – Spring Fling – Destination Booneville, Mo. Details developing. Share ideas with Rich @ Events.

Jun 15-19 - MG 2014 NAMGBR Convention; 8670 W. State Rd; French Lick, IN.

Old Business –

Bob Horzmann thanked the TR club for the Rally event. Six showed up for the Go-kart races. 28 sec/lap is the goal. Up to ten laps in four minutes per ticket.

Adjournment-

A motion was made and seconded at 8:38 p.m. to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by:

Richard L. Wesenberg, Secretary
St. Louis MG Club

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

by Lee Fox

Yeah, it's Spring!

If you haven't got your car out of its winter hibernation, now is the time. The daffodils are finally making an appearance and the trees are budding out. I'm so glad this long, miserable winter is finally (hopefully) behind us.

We've had a full calendar of activities of late, with more to come. A half dozen of us tried kart racing at Pole Position in Crestwood. The karts are electric and fast, but it was hard to beat some of the younger and "lighter" racers on the course. Not particularly inexpensive, but worth a try. The Pinewood Derby was well attended and I'm happy to say my little racer was the victor in a very close run off with Byron Golfin and John Mangles. Adam Key put on a great tech session on MG brake conversion options to add a little more modern stopping power to our old cars. The monthly RUBCO (retired/unemployed British car owners) breakfast was well attended and Bob Horzmann plotted a beautiful drive for the Terry Fanning Rally, with a delicious lunch stop at Cowan's in Washington. They say an army travels on its stomach and that's certainly true for this MG army.

The Missouri Endurance Rally is coming up April 5. This year's rally will have a twist that should make it even more interesting and fun. There will be just one rally, with everyone back by 9 p.m. and, for this year only, you can use modern navigation aids, such as GPS and cell phones. Please give it a go. I'm looking forward to it.

The Easter Car Show, and our friendly rivalry with the Triumph club, is on April 20. Sign up on the club website. Your car should be ready to go a day early so you can attend the first Cars and Coffee of the season on April 19. Cars and Coffee continues to grow and is a wonderful way to start off the weekend and see a wide variety of cars and their interesting owners.

On March 30, Bob Bentzinger, Andy Ackerman and I went on a kamikaze run to the Chicagoland MG Club Swap Meet in Wheaton, Illinois. The three of us left at 2 in the morning were back home in time for dinner. This was the first swap meet I've attended and was very impressed with the offerings. I picked up some needed parts for my Midget project.

The April club meeting will be at Kirkwood Station on April 14. If you haven't been to a meeting, come on by. We would love to see you.

Safety Fast!

Lee

Terry Fanning Rally

By Kathy Kresser

Proofread by Anice Etz

It was a cool and crisp morning on Saturday, March 22; however, nine classic and modern-day sports cars arrived for the drive to Washington. Rally master Bob Horzmann put together a thrilling ride through West County and then to Franklin County. The first five cars led the pack at a brisk pace; I am sure the sixth car did not see the tail lights for very long. This pack raced through the hills and powered through the hair-pin and dog-leg turns, hardly enjoying the surrounding winterscape.

There is truly a beauty to the forest at this time of year. The trees are barren, allowing one to see deep into the brown forest before the first signs of spring pop into action. We drove past by cows, horses, nice homes, the Labadie power plant, the Moonshine Equestrian Center and then the open, fallow fields soon to be planted.

The group arrived at Cowan's in Washington for lunch or breakfast, your choice. There was an attempt to obtain photos at the Riverfront Park with the Missouri River Bridge in the background, but drivers either changed their mind or could not find the spot. All in all it was a great ride. As usual, Bob found two roads I had not previously traveled. I always consider that part of his assignment.

Bob, thanks for your efforts in continuing this annual rally. He told me: "Fanning was a staunch supporter of the MG Club. He worked hard to convince law makers to repeal the emission inspection requirements for collector automobiles – goal accomplished. Fanning died of pancreatic cancer about nine or ten years ago. The MG Club established the Annual Terry Fanning Rally shortly after his death."



More photos from the Terry Fanning Rallye



Photo by Mark Morgan



Photo by Mark Morgan

Thinking Outside the Box

You are driving down the road in your MG on a wild, stormy, potentially life threatening night, when you pass by a bus stop and you see three people waiting for the bus:

1. An older lady who looks as if she is about to die.
2. An old friend who once saved your life.
3. The perfect partner you have been dreaming about.

Which one would you choose to offer a ride to, knowing that there could only be one passenger in your car? Think before you continue reading.

This is a moral/ethical dilemma that was once actually used as part of a job application. You could pick up the older lady, because she is going to die, and thus you should save her first. Or you could take the old friend because he once saved your life, and this would be the perfect chance to pay him back. However, you may never be able to find your perfect mate again.

YOU WON'T BELIEVE THIS.....

The candidate who was hired (out of 200 applicants) had no trouble coming up with his answer. He simply answered: 'I would give the car keys to my old friend and let him take the lady to the hospital. I would stay behind and wait for the bus with the partner of my dreams.'

Sometimes, we gain more if we are able to give up our stubborn thought limitations.

Never forget to 'Think Outside of the Box.'

Midget (chrome bumper), Sprite (chrome bumper), and AH 3000 Owners! Help Recreate History

Interested in helping to recreate this ad photo during a full moon? I have the MGA. I need a Midget, Sprite, and a 3000 (see photo). Full moons are normally @ the 15th of the month for the next few months. If interested, call Robert Guinness at 314-277-8766. Location and date to be determined.

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Easter Car Show, April 20, 2014

Hello All,

The time is near for submitting the sign up sheet to guarantee the MG Club gets a block of spaces for the April 20 Easter Car show.

If we have any last minute entrants who wish to participate please, please log on to the club website and submit your payment via credit card or paypal. Also send me an email at uca57mga@aol.com telling me the model and year of the car you are registering.

As in previous years the plan is to meet up at 8 a.m. at the Lindell Trust Co. located at the intersection of McCausland and Clayton Rd across from the Hi-Pointe theatre. We will depart for the show at 8:30 a.m.

Rich Berger

Cars for Sale

- '67 Chevelle, 396, 4 spd. \$950
- '67 Corvette conv. air, power windows, 427, \$2,300
- '59 Ferrari, 250 GT, 12 cyl. 2 passenger, excel. cond. \$4,950
- '53 Jag XK120 show car, \$3,395
- '64 MGB New red paint, new top, rack, very fast, \$1,000
- '59 MGA, engine good, body needs work \$500
- '58 Porsche, runs good, \$850
- '60 Triumph, 4 spd., looks, runs perfect \$300
- '64 TR4 wire wheels, new paint, tires, \$750
- '64 TR4 Rebuilt, mech. perfect, new tires, no rust \$850
- '56 Morgan Plus 4, excel. orig. condition, \$3,500

(Should add this was from a September 1973 copy of the Indianapolis Star!)

THE MG CLUB OF ST. LOUIS CALENDAR

Mon. Apr 14, 2014	St. Louis MG Club Monthly Meeting	TBD
Sat. Apr 19, 2014	Cars & Coffee	Starbucks on Manchester just west of McKnight at 8:15am
Sun. Apr 20, 2014	Easter Car Show	Forest Park
Mon. Apr 21	Tech Session	John Mangle's
Sat. May 3-4, 2014	Spring Fling drive	Booneville, MO. Contact Rich at Events for more details.
Mon. May 12, 2014	St. Louis MG Club Monthly Meeting	TBD
Mon. Jun 9, 2014	St. Louis MG Club Monthly Meeting	TBD
Sun-Thur., June 15-19, 2014	MG 2014 NAMBGR Convention	French Lick, Indiana. All details at https://mg-2014.com as the official event website or on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/NAMGBR2014
Mon. July 14, 2014	St. Louis MG Club Monthly Meeting	TBD
Mon. Aug. 11, 2014	St. Louis MG Club Monthly Meeting	TBD
Mon. Sept 8, 2014	St. Louis MG Club Monthly Meeting	TBD
Mon. Oct 13, 2014	St. Louis MG Club Monthly Meeting	TBD
Mon. Oct 10, 2014	St. Louis MG Club Monthly Meeting	TBD

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On the Lighter Side....

Grill badge for sale.

The ad didn't state if it would help protect your
electrical system!



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Kirkwood Station Brewing Company – 105 East Jefferson Ave., Kirkwood 63122
Social Hour begins at 6:00pm with meeting to follow.

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