

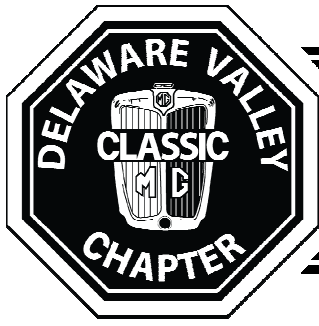
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Since it seems to sit right in that wonderful gray zone, and the DVC does not want to get into drawing a fine line on censorship... we have come up with a solution! We will let YOU, our dear Readers, decide which cover YOU like best for YOUR copy!

And so we present the Jan-Feb-Mar 2010 issue of T-talk with TWO optional covers!

Just print it, keep the cover you like best, and toss the other one out!

(For those printing double-sided, we have added extra pages to keep it in sync.)



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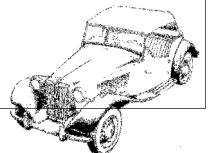
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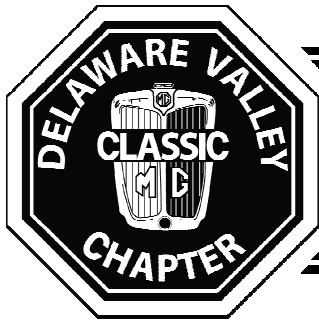
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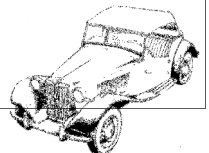
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Hey, DVC Member!!
Do you need a second opinion?
Then you better call on Dr. DVC !

We've all been there, scratching our head after hours under the hood — and the darn thing still won't start! Wanting someone there the first time you try something to tell you that you did it right - after all, brakes ARE kind of important. Wishing that the dog had opposable thumbs so that he could help line this thing up..

Well, now there is help! The DVC is chock full of people with all kinds of experience working on MGs. We have people who can spend an evening debating why you should trim 4/1000" off your dwibble-thwacker, people who can lengthen any short-circuit, and people who can make a car's finish so shiny you can shave in it (uh... sorry, ma'am). And we are always looking for a reason to get together, tinker, talk cars, and maybe down a pint or two. Put that all together and you have Dr. DVC!

Here is how it works... First, you request a house call with a tentative date; next, the doc puts out the call and assembles the team, and finally, the doc will confirm your appointment and let you know about how many medics will be coming! We are always looking for 'medics', so how about joining us when the call comes in! You don't have to be a master mechanic, just come out and join us for a tinkering good time! **Dr DVC**

(Check out the website, www.dvcmg.com, for more info!)



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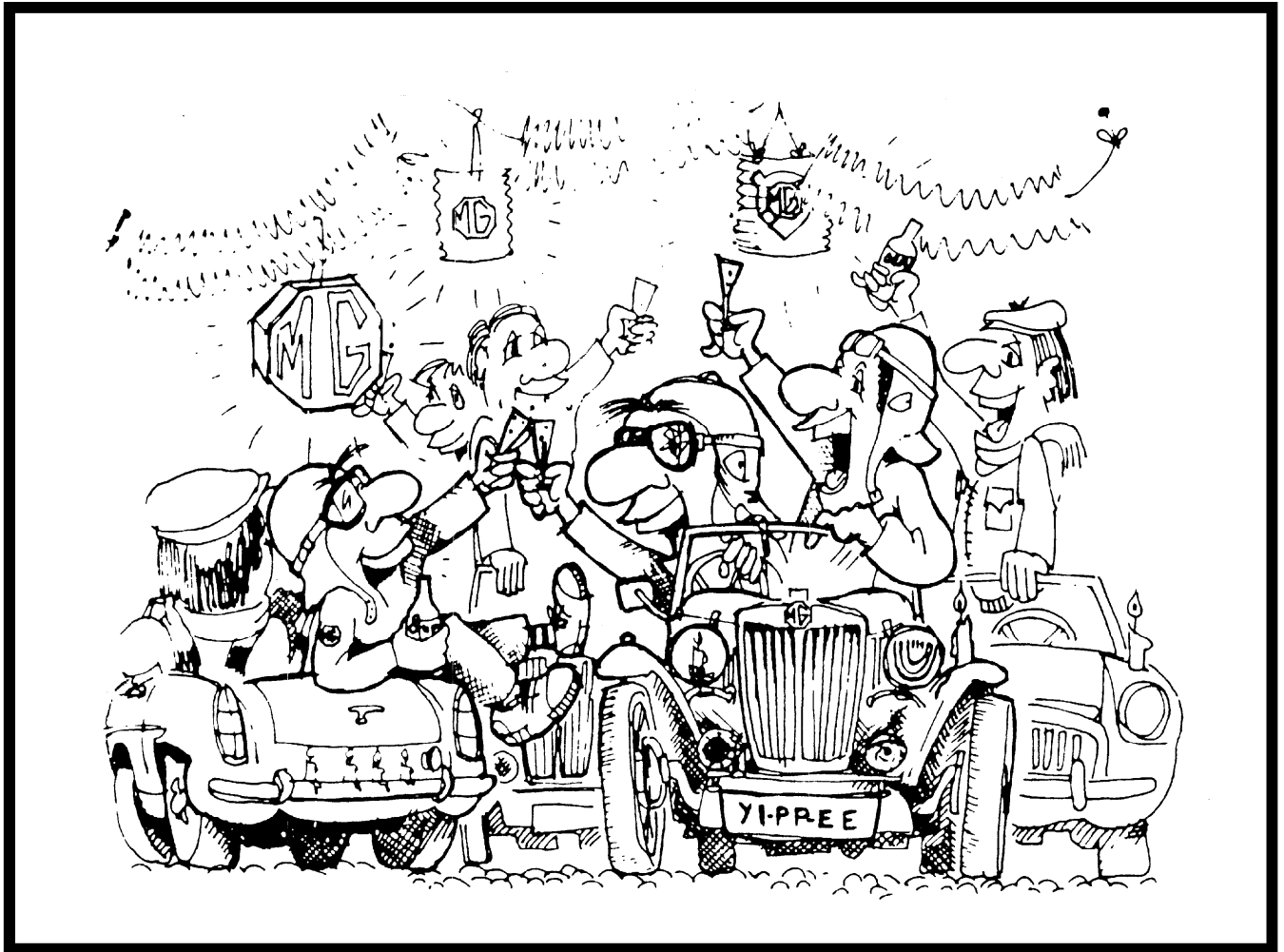
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Gala DVC 40th Anniversary

Saturday, March 27th, 2010

The venue hasn't yet been finalized, but with the Suffys and Rip-perts organizing this party, you know it's going to be a super affair in a great location. So mark your calendars and watch your snail-mail box for the Official Announcement and Invitation.... It should arrive sometime in February. This promises to be the social event of the year, so you just have to be there!!

*Cabin Fever All-British Vehicle
Collectables & Automobilia Show
Buy, Sell, Swap
Hosted By The Delaware Valley Classic MG Chapter
Sunday, January 31st, 2010 - 12 Noon To 3 pm*

PC PUB / Pizza Como
Route 663 just south of Route 29
(in the shopping center behind McDonald's)
Pennsburg, PA 18073

*3' x 3' Table (one prepaid table per vendor) - \$10
Or \$20/Table On The Day of The Show
(Limit of 2 Vendors At Same Table)
General Admission - \$2.00 At The Door*

*Display - Buy - Sell - Swap British Automobilia - Signs - Books Toys - Jewelry
- Magazines - Tools - Models - Clothes - Pictures Prints - Ads - Badges - Bro-
chures - Dash Plaques - Shop Manuals Sculptures - Tapes - DVD's - Glassware
- Accessories*

*Any Automobilia Related to British Automobiles
(No Dirty/Oily Car Parts Please)*

Food & Beverages can be purchased from the Pub

*Got cabin fever? Then drive on up to Pennsburg and spend the afternoon of
January 31st with your British car friends viewing, buying, selling and swapping
automobilia and collectables of your favorite British auto marques - AC - Allard
- Aston Martin - Austin Healy - Bentley - Daimler - Jaguar - Hillman - Land
Rover - MG - Mini - Morgan - Riley - Sunbeam - Triumph - Rolls Royce and
many others.*

*To reserve a table, please send \$10 check made out to "DVC" to
Liz Niner, PO BOX 510, Creamery, PA 19430-0510 by January 21st.*

October Bucks County Tour

John Thompson's Private Car Collection



Approximately 40 DVC members met at the home of Diane and Jim Sanders Saturday morning on October 24th for a fall tour of Bucks County. However, it was another 2009 wet weekend, it was raining, and raining hard. The club members gathered, then proceeded for a private tour of John Thompson's car collection. In an old factory on a small, back street in Dublin, there were over 50 cars on display. All having been restored to concourse quality. The renovated interior of the factory and rows of shining cars produced a remarkable and surprising contrast to the austere exterior and surroundings. The members enjoyed viewing vintage race cars and road cars. Many had been driven or owned by professional drivers or actors including Mario Andretti, Bobby Unser, Roberto Guerrero, Tony Curtis and James Garner. The collection was broad enough that many club members identi-

fied models of cars they had owned and driven, bringing back fond (and perhaps trying) memories.

Most members endured the harsh weather, and proceeded on a 22 mile drive of a usually scenic, but that day gloomy, Bucks County countryside. After the drive, the club returned to the home of Jim and Diane for food and drink which included welcome bowls of homemade chili, quite fitting for the cool, rainy day. Members of the club were challenged by a quiz on the day's activities. First, second and third places were won by Warren and Nancy Dorn, Jim and Janet Taylor and, and Bill and Ann McCurdy respectively. First place was a Beach Boys Little Deuce Coupe CD, second prize - a dancing dashboard hula girl, and third place - a pair of fuzzy dice. One thing that was noticed, at least on that day, the DVC members finished the Warsteiner Dunkel much earlier than the Bass Ale.



















Theme: Battle of the Sexes "Playoff"

Date: Saturday, February 13, 2010
Time: 5:00 PM until whenever

Place: Gregory and Janice Lake, Lakeland Farm
2552 Dark Hollow Road, Jamison, PA 18929

Snowdate: Saturday, February 20, 2010
Why: Who cares except to clear heads and roads for smooth driving days ahead!
Score: Tie at Men - 1 and Women - 1

Entrance Fees: Adults only, covered dish, BYOB (not BOB) (setups provided) and your DVC-MG spirit.

Join us for the 7th Annual DVC-MG gathering at Lakeland Farm. This year we will be bringing it up another notch by hosting the Battle of the Sexes "Playoff" competition. Although no costumes are required, you are encouraged to wear your favorite sports attire or, better yet, an outfit that will intimidate or distract the opposing team! Creativity will be rewarded! Boxing gloves and ear plugs optional.

The "Playoff" will pit the men against the women. Activities will include, but not be limited to, questions, games, contests, and "whatever". Come prepared to have a wild time!

Park in barn corral, bring towel if you want to use the spa, best cue stick for pool table and favorite dance partner (only extras we have are ghosts). Name tags may be helpful.

When you call to register for the "Playoff", please let us know your suggestions for competitive activities and prizes.

Navigation: From the N, S, E, W and MG Heaven, find intersection of Old York Rd. (Rte. 263) and Almshouse Rd., Jamison, Warwick Twp., Bucks Co., PA and you will be close - good luck. Go East on Almshouse Rd. and turn left at Dark Hollow Rd. (2nd street), go 3/4 mile, on left (after 2 developments) find black mailbox "Lakeland Farm" with balloons and red private drive sign, enter drive and go to the end to find 1764 stone colonial farmhouse. If lost, call as we may give you directions and may even come out and tow you in.

RSVP (French) CALL (English): Greg and Janice (215) 491-9945 with number of people attending (feel free to invite friends), what dish (that's food) you'll be bringing and your suggestions for competitive activities and prizes by Saturday, February 6, 2010.



DVC CHRISTMAS PARTY

2009

From the comments I heard, I believe everyone had a nice time at the DVC Christmas Party on December 14th. I know we did. It's always a pleasure to see everyone at the Christmas Party in their Holiday finest, chatting and making merry. This year's party was held at Village Caterers in Montgomeryville. The room was the perfect size for our group, the food was good and the staff was very accommodating. In the front of the room, Terri Tiley had all the raffle gifts on display for everyone to check out. And believe me, there were a lot of very nice things there. We also had a 6 ft. Christmas tree for DVC'ers to hang their very creative, MG themed ornaments on. Our famous Photographer/Events Chairman, Dick Suffredini, made an ornament for all who attended with their picture in it. Sandy hung them on the tree, and it was fun to watch everyone look for their picture. There was a very 'rare' ornament hanging on the tree (a picture of Jan Scherbekow without Billy Bob teeth or a spoon hanging on her nose).

The raffle started as soon as we were finished eating. Tom kept everyone in line with his new "DVC whistle". Thank you Ben and Dick for your help. Thank you Terri, for again gathering very unique raffle prizes. Your little twist at the end is always fun.... Linda Boorse was lucky enough to pick the box with the single malt scotch in it, while Ray Decesare was "lucky" enough to get the box with the "haggis" in it. Needless to say, Bill was very happy with Linda's choice.

After the raffle, our own Barre Williams presented pewter mugs to Pat and Patty Cawthorne. For many years, Barre and Eleanor have been presenting these beautiful mugs to a DVC member who shows true DVC spirit by volunteering their time and effort to help out in any way they can. It was so nice to see Barre this year and for him to be able to present the mugs himself.

Then, onto the ornament contest. I must say, all the ornaments were very clever, and we want to thank everyone who participated in the contest. There was a tie for 1st place between Chuck and Judy Goelz's 3D MG card ornament and Jim and Diane Sander's broken rocker arm with poem ornament. Judy took the English breakfast bag of scone mix, clotted cream and jam, while Jim took the MG racing valve stem covers. Second place (a set of flashlights) went to Pat Hunt, for her cute little MG needlepoint angel ornament. Dick let everyone know to take their picture ornaments home with

them.

That about wrapped it up for the evening. Everyone left wishing a Merry Christmas to all. Thanks to everyone who attended the party and a big thank you to everyone who lent a hand in making it all happen.

Jaimee & Tom











Guy Fawkes Bonfire and Costume Party (& Rally)

On Saturday, November 7, 2009, more than 80 DVC members and other friends converged on the home of Bill and Linda Boorse in Perkiomenville, PA for the annual Guy Fawkes celebration and bonfire. Attendees heard the tale of the 1605 Gunpowder Plot and watched as an effigy of Guy Fawkes was burned atop the bonfire. The crisp, clear fall night provided the perfect setting for the warmth of the fire, food, drink and good company.

A new feature preceded this year's bonfire, as 12 teams took to the back roads of western Montgomery County for the 1st annual Guy Fawkes road rally. This low key event covered about 20 miles of rural roads; finishing at the Boorse's in time for the lighting of the fire. Rally awards were given for best overall score (Warren and Nancy Doerner), closest time (Matt Oehler and Marissa Boorse); closest distance (Paul and Evonna Phillips) and most correct answers (Dick and Sandy Suffredini). Entrants included a spectrum of vehicles from GTI to Prius, but the dominant marque was MG.







TOOLS EXPLAINED..... Submitted by Lyn Hughes....

RILL PRESS:

A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

WIRE WHEEL:

Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, "Oh, shit!"

SKILL SAW:

A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

PLIERS:

Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

BELT SANDER:

An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

HACKSAW:

One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle... It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

WISE-GRIPS:

Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH:

Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race..

TABLE SAW:

A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK:

Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

BAND SAW:

A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminum sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST:

A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER:

Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER:

A tool for opening paint cans.. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws and butchering your palms.

PRY BAR:

A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

HOSE CUTTER:

A tool used to make hoses too short.

HAMMER:

Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent the object we are trying to hit.

UTILITY KNIFE:

Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

Sumb*tch TOOL:

Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling "Son of a b*tch" at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.

2010 DUES ARE DUE NOW

IN MEMORIAM

We regret to inform that another DVC member has passed away. Lou McAllister left us on April 15th. The DVC expresses its condolences to Lou's widow, Marian, who informs us that she has sold their MG TC to a friend in Wyoming. 50 years ago, when they were first married, for a time the TC was their only transportation. Rest in Peace, Lou.



GASOLINE

AND THE PROBLEMS OF OLD AGE!

A few years ago I recall all the fuss that surrounded fact that non-leaded gasoline was going to ruin the engine of you beautiful classic car. I had friends and colleagues who stayed up half the night worrying about the future of their car and buying just about every magazine on the market to see what the experts were saying about the loss of lead in vehicle fuel. As we all know very few engines ever got destroyed by the change in fuel production and for those who needed a simple solution various products suddenly appeared on the market that would replace the lost benefits of leaded fuel. I am still not sure if they do but as I said classic cars are still being driven all over the country so something must be right or the experts of doom and gloom were wrong!

We now have another set of experts who are concerned about the use of Ethanol in modern fuel with suggestions that this may well represent the same threat that none leaded fuel presented when it was first introduced. From all the data that I have read and there is plenty around, the worst thing about the Ethanol Blended fuel is that its life in the gas tank of a car is limited. After about three months in a non-vented tank it may start to separate, this means that the ethanol separates from the gasoline. This may sound serious but remember that the amount of ethanol in any gallon of gasoline is 10% or less so the effect is not that dramatic. What may be is that this separation can cause water to be attracted into the fuel tank by the process of separation, usually in a vented tank, how much is still open to debate and what its effect might be is also unsure. With pure Gasoline, i.e. fuel that has not been supported by ethanol, water can still develop in fuel tanks over any given

period of time as indicated by the rusty gas tanks that I have seen and replaced over the years. The answer to that problem is simple and not expensive. Remove the drain plug of your gas tank and drain off whatever is inside at least once a year, but make sure that the tank is down to its last cup full of fuel before you do this.

As and when I know that one or more of my cars will be under a dust sheet for a few weeks I invest in a bottle of fuel stabilizer, this increases the life span of the fuel. I have recently read that ethanol may damage aluminum; however I have yet to see any report that states this is correct. At worst it may cause some effect if more than 25 % is used and as no fuel that I have ever seen or purchased has more than 10% there seems to be no truth in this suggestion. There is one thing that I have learned over the many years that I have been involved with beautiful old cars, use the very best fuel you can buy. The additional octane will make sure the engine is running at its full capacity. One further tip that I have found useful, if possible find a location to fit an extra fuel filter in the feed line. Even with a modern filter some unpleasant stuff can get through and clog up the carburetors usually when you are on the road and its raining.

Apart from my cars I also have a boat and recall that a few years ago the boating publications were full of the threat to marine engines and fuel lines by the ethanol mixture. There may be some truth regarding rubber fuel connections although I have never encountered such things but just to make sure I replaced all the rubber lines with strengthened plastic lines and to date have not encountered any fuel problems.

We survived the loss of leaded fuel and I am sure the same will apply to ethanol, so don't start losing sleep over the fate of your baby tucked away in the garage under a dust sheet, it will be ready for the open road when ever!

Geoff Wheatley

Fellow British car enthusiasts,

Happy New Year! As we move into 2010 I wanted to invite you and your club members to the Northeast Georgia mountains in September of this year for our all British car show. The dates are Sept. 24-26th and I've attached a save the date flyer which can be added to your web sites, printed and passed out at your meetings, or shared via your club email lists. Additional details will be posted to our club web site in the near future and can be found @ www.peachtreemg.com.

Our host hotel will be The Dillard House, www.dillardhouse.com, and has some of the best food in Northeastern Georgia. We'll have tours, valve cover races, tech sessions, a hospitality suite, regalia, and oh, a car show on Saturday. Of course there is the always present story swapping and "how did you do that" sessions which aren't scheduled.

Please look over the information to see if you would like to join us for a great weekend. If you have any questions please feel free to e-mail me @ mgbnut1973@yahoo.com.

Best Regards and happy motoring,

Larry Norton
Vice President
Peachtree MG Registry

DVC SPRING TUNE UP AT SCHWAB'S MG GARAGE POTTSTOWN, PA

Date: Saturday, April 10, 2010

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Dave & Gloria Schwab
1401 Glasgow Street
Pottstown, PA 19464

Contact: Dave & Gloria

Phone: day: 610-858-6978

Eve: 610-323-8745

E-MAIL: Schwabfam1@gmail.com

Meet and greet all those ready and willing to get their cars ready for all the driving events the DVC has to offer. Bring those cars that won't start also, push, pull.... or trailers are available for pickup if needed.

We intend to have guest vendors of services and goods to stop by to meet the club. RSVP with ideas for Pot Luck lunch overlooking the beautiful Manatawny Valley.

Guys, work on your car without all the pain and trouble of "I've fallen and can't get up" - it'll be an uplifting experience with Dave's "lift." Bring a covered dish to share after working on the cars.

New Members - WELCOME !!

The following new members joined in 4th quarter 2009:

Edward & Deborah Singer	61	MGAC
Mike & Karen Kearns	55	TF
Garth Gill	59	MGA

Dave George sent an email advising of MG TD parts he has for sale. We can't vouch for them, so "caveat emptor"... but maybe Dave has something you need. Contact Dave at (239) 695-0303 or email him at dlgeorge001@earthlink.net

Moss Motors Part #243-780 Set of side curtain covers Tan Retail price \$399.95

243-735 Full Canvas Top 2 Bow Tan Retail price \$456.95

These are still in the original carton delivered to me. Asking for both \$700.00 plus shipping

Original Heater refurbished in full working order \$100.00 plus shipping

Original 2 bow frame canopy painted with new oak top rail \$220.00 plus shipping

Original 1 set of 4 side curtain frames (1 needs small weld) Painted \$350.00 plus shipping

Full set chrome strip kit for above \$80.00 plus shipping

Parking lamp fender chrome in fair condition \$25.00 plus shipping

Original Switch ignition/headlamp with 1 key (not refurbished) \$70.00 plus shipping

Original Lamp warning green with lens & bezel

Original Lamp warning red with lens & bezel \$40.00 pair plus shipping

1 New Lamp warning green with lens and bezel \$20.00 plus shipping

Original 2 End Panels for gas tank fully chromed \$120.00 plus shipping

Original Instrument panel fully chromed (not bronzed) \$150.00 plus shipping

3 Brake hoses Lockheed in boxes \$35.00 plus shipping

2 Original Brackets fully chromed/ to headlamps \$30.00 plus shipping

Gearshift lever original fair condition \$20.00 plus shipping

Radiator cap Full chrome \$45.00 plus shipping

THE FUTURE OF T-TALK

There have been previous announcements concerning changes to the T-Talk newsletter, and some confusion has resulted. This article is intended to clarify those matters and answer most of the questions that have arisen by presenting the latest information.

The major purposes of our newsletter are:

- a. Provide timely news and information about Club and other events, past and future
- b. Present the views of the Club leadership and membership
- c. Provide a forum for discussion of issues and technical advice
- d. Act as a force for uniting and motivating the membership
- e. Foster camaraderie and enhance enjoyment of our MGs

The DVC is not immune to the forces of change that we see all around us. As we approach our 40th year, and with an eye on the future, your DVC Board has determined that the functions described above can be better performed by the Club website. This decision modifies the earlier plan to keep the newsletter "intact" but present it on the website rather than distributing it in paper form. As the changes were being made, it became obvious that these functions needed to be completely re-worked to take full advantage of the new, more extensive capabilities of the website.

Some of the advantages are:

1. Event announcements can be presented and accessed more quickly on the website. Changes and corrections can be made promptly.
2. Event reports can be presented on the website in a more timely manner. Instead of waiting up to 3 months for the next newsletter, articles and photos can be up on the website in days.
3. More information, of better quality and usefulness, can be presented more quickly and more easily, freeing up scarce resources to provide more benefits to members.

Based on the above, a new website is now being constructed which will integrate the features and functions of the newsletter into the website format. The timetable for full implementation is 2nd quarter of 2010, or as soon as our webmaster can adequately prepare the new website. In the meantime, the existing website will continue to serve us, and copies of the conventionally formatted newsletter will be available there beginning Jan. 1st. This is consistent with the earlier announcement that the October 2009 issue you are now reading is the last that will be distributed on paper.

The transition to electronic format, however, will now be accomplished in two phases. Phase 1 will put a conventionally formatted newsletter on the website, with access to members only by means of a password. Detailed instructions will be on the website, and (if necessary) assistance in accessing it will be available. After Jan. 1st, 2010, simply visit www.dvcmg.com and click on the "CURRENT T-TALK" button. You will be prompted to enter the password information that will have been made available to you by then. As soon as the new website is available, Phase 2 will begin to take full advantage of the potential of the website format.

Questions concerning these changes can be emailed to the editor at ttalk@dvcmg.com.

Problems accessing material on the Club website can be addressed to the webmaster at webmaster@dvcmg.com.

Your Board sincerely believes these changes will give us a better, more informed Club. In turn, this will result in more fun and more benefits for us all. Thanks for your attention, cooperation, and patience while we make these important changes.

Safety Fast,

The DVC Board -

CHECK IT OUT.....

Here's an amazing website with access to short film clips that are sure to be of interest to any MG enthusiast.... Thanks to Geoff Wheatley, one of T-Talk's most prolific contributors...

<http://www.britishpathe.com/record.php?id=81695>

Doctor DVC

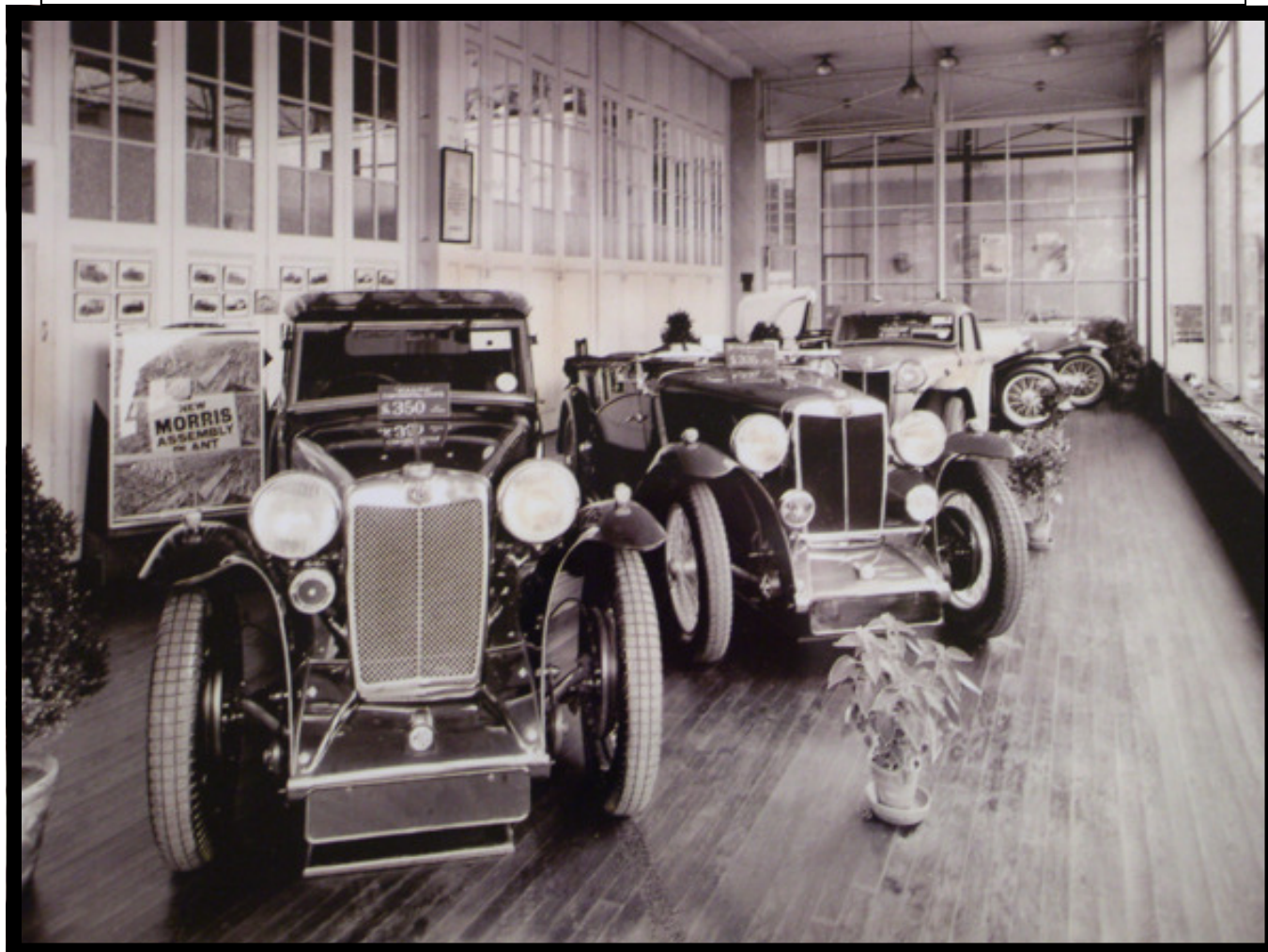
On December 17th , the good Doctor DVC was once more called for an emergency. Jim and Diane Sanders were laboring over the delivery of their latest baby and Doctors P. Phillips, B. Mc Curdie , and D.R. Schwab arrived just in time. With skilled hands and lots of care the baby was delivered to Maaco of Pottstown where it will receive a spanking new life as smooth as a baby's behind, with some redness to show. All this using DVC health plan A, without any support or guidance from the federal government. Thanks to the DRs..eh...or MGs.

... reported by Dave Schwab

**Saturday, May 1st. has
been proclaimed "Drive
Your MGA Day".... From Lee & Liz Niner**

New MG's for sale in the late 1930's, phot of the showroom of Page's Garage, somewhere in the UK.... Note the pricetag ... 350 Pounds !!

... submitted by Geoff Wheatley



Larry Cordeiro has sent us this link to many BMC Service Bulletins...
thanks, Larry....

<http://www.healey6.com/bulletin.htm>

Sarah Carr writes..... " Ethanol dissolves the fuel-tank sealers used years ago. When Durl was driving in the Great American Race (1986-87-88), some of the competitors had serious problems in mid-western states (apparently the only area where ethanol was added to the gas at that time) -- the tank sealer turned into something resembling melted mozzarella cheese and thoroughly clogged up the fuel system. Something to think about if you used tank sealer long ago..."

.... Thanks, Sarah

ANNUAL BUSINESS & PLANNING MEETING

If you're new to the DVC, you may have noticed a difference between this Club and others. Preferring to spend our time driving the cars or drinking beer, the DVC has only one business meeting a year. It's at this meeting, usually held in a members' home, that all the events for the following year are planned. This meeting is your chance to get in on the fun and volunteer to host and/or organize an event. DVC'ers don't look on hosting an event as a chore, but rather as an opportunity to come up with new ways to have fun. This year we had 32 members in attendance, and 10 MGs were driven as well: Our hosts were Dick & Sandy Suffredini with their TD, and in attendance were Tom & Jaimee Rippert—MGA; Dave Schwab -MGB; Bill & Ann McCurdie—MGBGT; Pat & Patty Cawthorne-MGA; Chuck & Judy Goelz-MGA; Lee & Liz Niner-MGA; Bob Tiley-TD; Ernie Feldgus-TD; and Warren Doerner-MGB. Also attending were Paul & Evonna Philliups, Mark & Jan Scherbekow; Jim & Diane Sanders; Greg & Janice Lake; Lew Phillips and friend Rita; John & Pat Hunt; Jerry & Lee Keller; Lee Wesner; and Dave Sarley.







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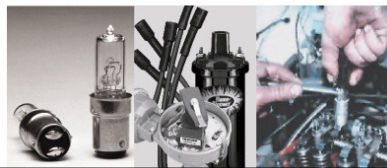
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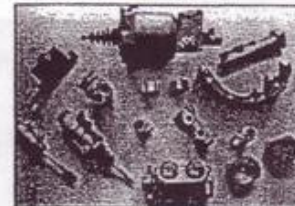
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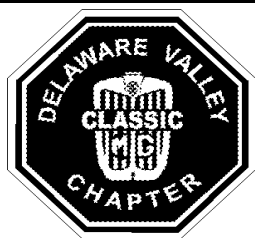


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If you're game hombre; first fill out the form below and then make out a check, money order, endorsed social security check or what the heck just put some pesos in an envelope with the form. Hey Cisco, Hey Poncho; allow a couple of weeks and then you too can affix your official DVC car badge to your grille or forehead. The badge is a hefty solid metal casting that is 3" wide with a nifty 1 1/4" wide mounting tab at the bottom. Besides, it's made in Australia (you know, part of the old British Empire) and is an absolute steal at this price. Besides, when you're driving down the street, girls (or guys) will be thinking "Wow is that MG and driver really cool or what!" Order your badge now. The DVC cannot be responsible for wild and uncontrollable behavior when the opposite sex sees that stink'in' badge on your really cool MG with you inside looking like a poor man's James Bond or poor woman's Emma Peel.



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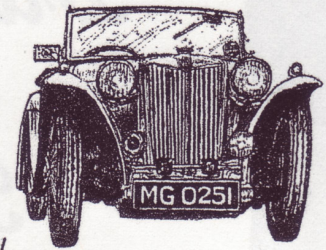
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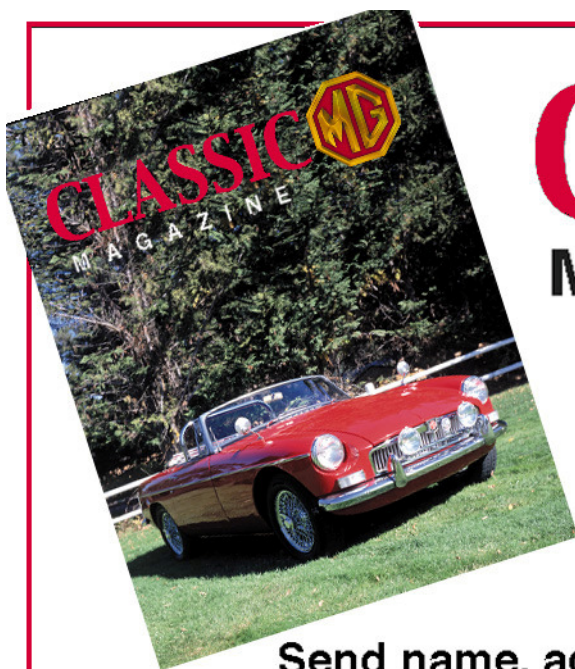
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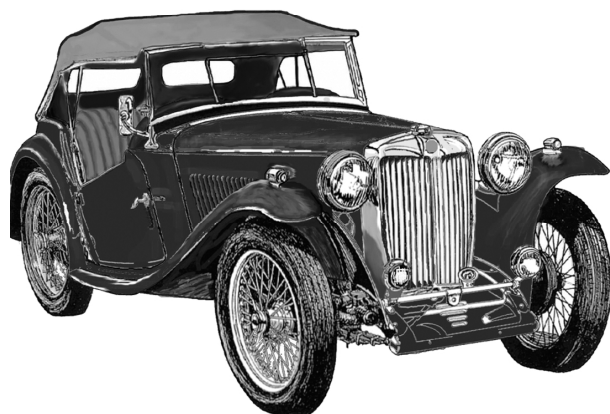
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