



T Party TIMES



May, June & July 2023

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GOF 109
KINGSTON/OTTAWA CANADA
"RALLY UP THE RIDEAU"
JUNE 14-18TH

Famous Racing Quotes:

"No, I don't drive her to win, I just drive her as fast as she will go."

Juan Fangio

From the Editor

I certainly hope this cold & rainy April weather is going to be just a memory come May. Both my MGs are ready to rock & roll, I'm just waiting on the warmer weather to finally show up! We have three pages of events, drives and car shows listed for this upcoming driving season so prep those cars well, it's going to be an epic summer!

Some sad news, we have lost a long time member and good friend. Abby Neal, wife of Steve Neal of Skyhook Engineering fame has died. You will remember Abby and her wonderful supercharged MG YA which always brought her great joy. Steve and Abby's story of their round trip out to California in the YA was a fabulous telling of a once in a lifetime trip. For my part I will remember Abby as a gentle and kind women who handled well the responsibility of keeping Steve in line over the years! Fair winds and following seas, Dear Lady, it was a pleasure to have known you.

Safety Fast!



MG T-Party & Bay State MGA Club

2023 Calendar of Events

Known dates/Interesting Events



The events in bold are drives and shows of interest to the T-Party & BSMGA Clubs while a collection of other shows of interest in the region are also listed for your planning purposes.

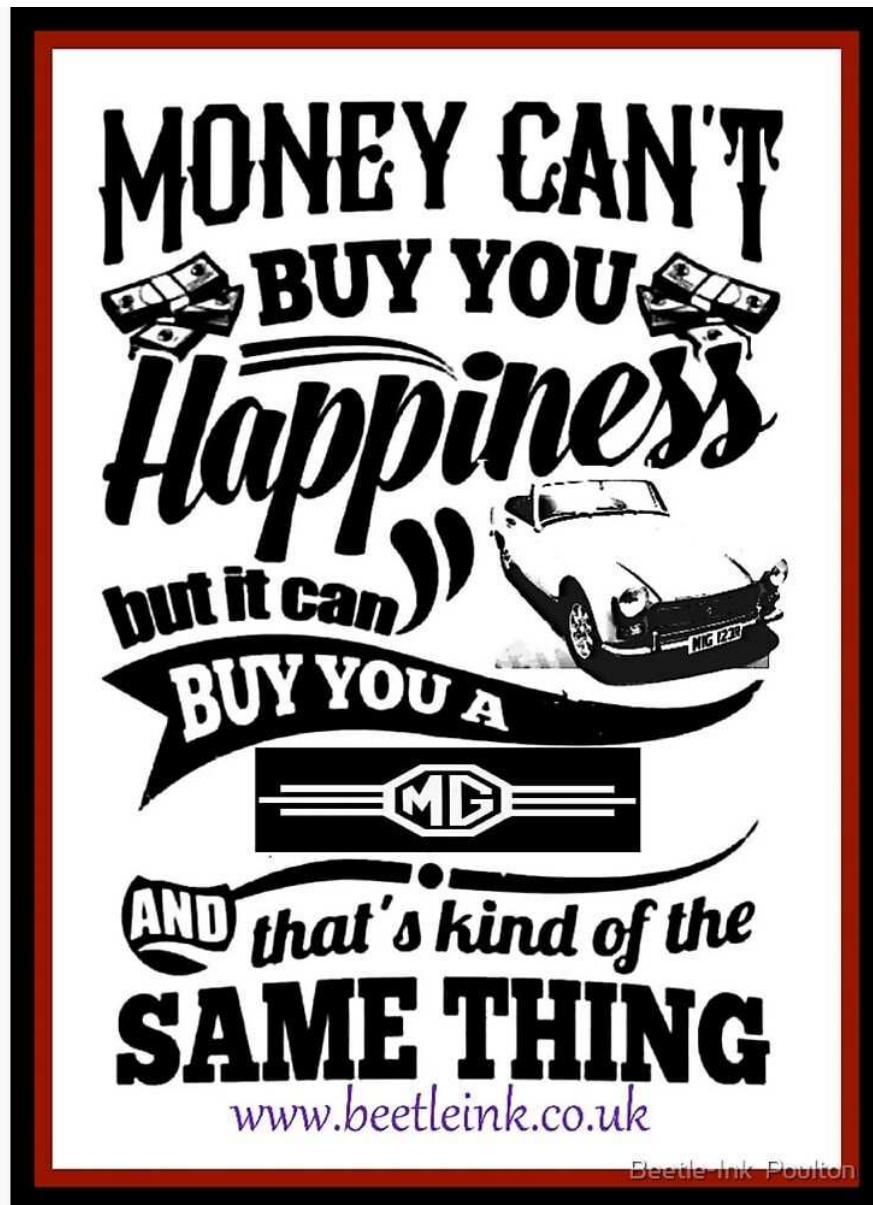
- Sat May 6th Lift Day @ Brit Bits, Rye, NH www.britbits.com
- Sat May 13th **Bay State MGA Club Lift Day/Tech Session** @ Jack Horner's home, 74 Nutting Rd., Westford, MA
- Sat May 13th **VSCCA Wilbraham Mtn. Hill Climb**, Wilbraham, MA
www.springfieldtoboston.com/wilbraham-hill-climb
- Sun May 21st **Alt. Rain Date** for BSMGA Club Lift Day@ Jack Horner's
- Sun May 27th **Addison Gallery of American Art, Philips Academy, MA & Picnic Hike at the Ward Reservation. Andover, MA**
addison.andover.edu
- Sun June 4th **British by the Sea**, Waterford, CT
www.ctmgclub.com/BBTS.html
- June 9-10th **British Motorcar Festival**, Bristol, RI
britishmotorcarsinbristol.com
- Sat June 10th Main Street Show & Shine Evening Show, Andover, MA
(5:30PM—8:30PM)
- June 14-18th **GOF 109, Kingston, Ontario**
www.nemgtr.org/gof-mk-109/gof-mk-109-schedule.html
- June 17-18th “Tanks, Wings & Wheels”, Collings Foundation, Hudson, MA
- Sat June 24th “Wings & Wheels Car Show” 14 Airport Rd. Newport, NH
- Sun June 25th **British Car Day**, Museum of Transportation, Brookline, MA
- July 7-8th VSCCA White Mtn. Vintage Grand Prix, Tamworth, NH
- Sun July 9th BSAAC Show, Endicott Estate, Dedham, MA
- Sat July 15th **Bahre Collection, Founders Day**, Paris, ME
www.hamlin.lib.me.us/founders_day.html

2023 Calendar of Events Continued

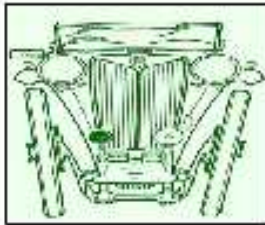
- Sat July 22nd **BCNH Show of Dreams**, Hudson, NH
bcnh.org/show-of-dreams
- Sun July 23rd **Misselwood Concours**, Endicott College, Beverly Farms, MA
www.misselwood.com/concours-delegance
- Sat July 29th? **Schooner Sailing Trip, Gloucester or Salem, MA?**
- Sun July 30th Alt date for Sailing trip
- Sat Aug 5th **Cruisin' for Crustaceans**, Newick's Lobster House, Dover, NH
- Sun Aug 6th **Vintage Racing Stable Concours D' Elegance**, 200 March Rd, Sanbornton, NH vintageracingstableconcours.com
- Sat Aug 12th British Car Show, Mansfield, MA Airport with aircraft fly-in (\$20 car Admission)
- Aug 12-13th **VSCCA Mt Equinox Hill Climb**, Arlington, VT
- Sat Aug 26th **Arthur Bentas & Friends Memorial Car Show**, Chelmsford, MA (Frank Cronin details TBD)
- Sun Aug 27th Rain Date for Bentas event above.
- Sept 1-4th **Lime Rock Park, Historic Festival**, (racing held on Sep 2nd, Sunday in the Park Car Show Sep 3rd) MG 100 years Gathering!
<https://limerock.com/events/historic-festival-41>
- Sat Sep 2nd **Castle in the Clouds Car Show**, Moultonborough, NH
- Sat Sep 9th **Alternate Date** for Arthur Bentas Memorial Car Show (TBD)
- Sun Sep 10th Rain date for Bentas event above.
- Sep 15-17th **British Invasion , Stowe, VT**
- Sat Sep 23rd **Scenic Drive to the American Precision Museum**, Windsor, VT
Americanprecision.org
- Sun Sep 24th The Boston Cup, Boston Common. www.bostoncup.com
- Sat Sep 30th? **Historic Rail Excursion**, NH? (TBD)
<https://hoborr.com/winnipesaukee-scenic-railroad>

2023 Calendar of Events Continued

- Sun Oct 8th **M.S. Washington**, Sunday Brunch Cruise Weirs Beach, NH
<https://cruisenh.com>
- Sun Oct 15th **VSCCA Castle Hill Pre-War Hill Climb**, Ipswich, MA
- Sun Oct 22nd? **Parkers Maple Barn Run**, Mason, NH
- Sun Dec 3rd **Annual Holiday Party@ Princeton Station**, North Chelmsford, MA



Chairman's Cable



Spring Flings and other Meritorious (Motoring) Merriments

Here in New England, after a long dark Winter, we all crave the return of Spring, warm weather, and sunshine glorious sunshine. But it's more than just a craving for change for change's sake. It's a pent up, primal need for the life affirming, regenerative magic xylem elixir of rebirth—like the return of Maple sugaring season's sweet sucrose-rich sap flow restoring life and sending forth something green and new. Okay, to be clear, I am *not* suggesting anything salacious here; rather, something entirely safe, salutary, wholesome, and dare I say, matrimonially salubrious.

"A sap-run is the sweet good-bye of winter... It is the fruit of the equal marriage of sun and frost."

—John Burroughs, *Signs & Seasons* (1886)

My "*safe and effective*" (as the FDA might confidently, if somewhat suspiciously, say) *prescription* for what ails you—the aforementioned "*Spring Fling*" to which I above refer, is simply to:

**FALL IN LOVE AGAIN
WITH YOUR LITTLE
BRITISH CAR.**

Recapture that playful infatuation and emotional bond you first felt for your dear little machine that has played such a centripetal, grounding, centering force in

your life, always drawing us in. Indeed, if it has been too long, maybe, give the little dear a good spring cleaning, vacuuming, and polish, to lavish some much-needed attention, where it will do wonders for reawakening that special bond between man and machine (or woman and machine, as the case may be). *And then go for a drive.*



It was great to see so many members make it out to Wilmington on April 16th to attend our event planning meeting and potluck. We still are finalizing the events calendar for 2023 activities and will be filling in some of the finer details yet to be determined, as the time for each outing approaches. As previously noted, this year marks the **100-YEAR CENTENARY OF THE MG MARQUE**, and several venues are planning on celebrating this special occasion, including at Lime Rock Park later this fall. Arkells Brewery Ltd (Est. 1843), based in Swindon in Wiltshire, England, with 2023 marking their own 180th birthday, has even commissioned a special beer to honor our dear MG's Centenary.



For more on the historic significance of Mr. Arkell, a gentlemen regarded to have ordered the very first MG sports car sold to a private customer: <https://tvnes.org/2023-the-100th-anniversary-of-mg-sports-cars/>

Planning Session

Bob Dougherty



once again itching to get back out on the road! As you will note on pages 2-4 we have a plethora of events to take



us through the summer and into the fall. The events in bold are drives and shows of interest to the T-Party & BSMGA Clubs while a collection of other shows of interest in the region are also listed for your planning purposes. And, if that wasn't enough, also note how many open dates we have available for "pop-up events" where someone may plan a drive/picnic/lunch just because they want to get together. As always, keep your ears to the ground and check your emails for add on "pop up" drives and infor-

mation on scheduled drives as plans are finalized. This is going to be an active driving season!

Many thanks to Roy Crane for hosting and a thank you to all who brought pot luck dishes, the food was delicious!





The BSMGAC will hold its annual Tech Session on Saturday, May 13, 2023 with a rain date of Sunday, May 21, 2023 at the home of Jack and Jan Horner starting around 10a.m. Our address is 74 Nutting Road, Westford, MA. A main topic has not been decided yet.

We will have the garages ready for working on cars and the lift will be available to put cars up to do work or inspections. If you have a particular project in mind, please let me know and if it requires parts or materials (such as oil and filter, or tune up parts), please bring them along). I do have some spare parts and materials, but I may not have what you need. If you need to talk about what parts you might need for your project, please call my cell at 978-399-4059 and we can discuss.

Hot Dogs and Hamburgers are planned for on the grill around noon and if anyone wishes to bring chips, donuts, potato salad, desert items, etc., please feel free to contribute.

Although many of our ladies may not be interested in the technical part of the session, they are all welcome to come and share in the day and are of course welcome to join in the tech session as well. The Lift will be available to put cars up as well as a couple of garage bays and driveway space.

Directions:

From North or South on Route 128 (I-95) take Route 3 North from Burlington, MA, or from I-495 North or South take Route 3 North from Chelmsford, MA. Take Exit 86 (Route 40) and at the bottom of the ramp turn right (under Route 3) and head West toward Groton. Go about 3 miles and take a left at the United Gas Station on the Left. This is Nutting Rd. We are the 6th house on the right after the condos on the corner. We are number 74. If you get lost, call 978-399-4059 and we will help you get to the house.

Feel free to come anytime during the session and enjoy the company of other MGA enthusiasts and British car owners. Even if your car is not on the road or your car does not need anything, you are still welcome to come and kick tires and enjoy the get together. This is as much a social get together as it is a working session. As in years past, the tech session is also welcoming members of the MG T Party.

Safety Fast,
Jack Horner

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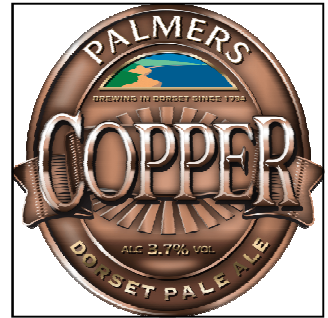
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Source: <https://palmersbrewery.com/>

*******Sale...Sale...Sale...Sale*******

MG T-Party Regalia

It's time to move some Regalia! We've had very limited sales since 2008, and \$2000+ of inventory is doing us no good sitting in a box!

Please contact Bob Dougherty at rdoc2mg@gmail.com for sizing information and availability

- Men's Windbreaker w/MG T-Party logo (Retail \$70!) **\$30 includes shipping**
Med/Large/X-Large
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- Golf Shirts w/T-Party logo **\$20 includes shipping**
Med/Large/XL
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- T-Party Logo Grill Badge **\$25 includes shipping**
- T-Party Cloth Patches **\$1 includes shipping**
- T-Party Logo Pins **\$1.50 includes shipping**



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Supplemental Regalia available from KP Creative Stitches

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