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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE:



For you members reading this, please appreciate what Marilyn goes through each month to get this missive put together. I am usually providing the last input which becomes the first page. Go figger. I am reminded of an old friend who was trying to move a large rock using an iron digging bar, with no progress. About that time, his very large, strong, friend Nathaniel came along and just shoved it to the desired location. The moral: Better Nate than lever! Sorry, had to do that.

We are all aware that British English is different from American English especially in the naming of auto parts: hood = bonnet, roof = hood, fender = wing, bumper = fender, generator = dynamo, ring gear = crown wheel (well, it does resemble a crown if you look at it a certain way). They also have a propensity to name things after their function: backhoe = digger, stove = cooker, elevator = lift; and some just defy logic: trunk = boot, line = queue, flashlight = torch (unless the full name, electric torch is used), baby diaper = nappy (again that is slang for napkin but those belong in your lap, not on a baby's bottom).

So where am I going with this. If you recall a previous column, I alluded to a certain amount of foul language required to either remove or re-install parts on our little beasties. It occurred to me in my sleep, where else, that British car parts cannot be expected to respond to American cussing (= cursing) simply because they don't understand it! Having lived in England around forty years ago, I did pick up a few phrases that I should be using when working on my LBCs. Some of them don't carry the same emotional response here as in the Olde country (sod off does not mean take the grass off of the lorry) and would not seem offensive to the casual observer not versed in Queen's English swearing. So, the next time I try to work on the TR7, which I am starting to refer to as my potential insurance claim, I shall endeavor to speak to it in a language that it can understand.

Covid19 is still with us, unfortunately but things are starting to happen, and adjustments are being made. Linda has arranged a soiree for this month, and I am working on a couple of south-of-here drives, so watch your emails. The AACCC show in March is featuring Ragtops and Roadsters, which a lot of us have. Important to note that it is PRE-REGISTRATION only, no day of show entries. We will be doing our usual meet-up and group entry.

Chairman Emeritus

**Jerry Keuper
(In Memoriam)**

For Club Info--Please
visit:

[MG Car Club--Florida](#)

February Birthdays:

01 Ritva Bowman
01 Joyce Wuensch
08 Robert Belanger
10 Julie Braid
12 Karin Pepper
16 Terry Collins
17 Saul Klein
19 Leigh Lynch
22 Greg Walsh
25 Paul Stedman
27 Pat Lankenau
27 Dave Alexander
28 Roger Jusseaume

February Anniversaries:

02 Frank & Helen
Kingston
12 John & Sharon
Spadaro
21 William Kalish &
Chris Hoch

Upcoming Club Events:

SOON!

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NOTE FROM LINDA KNOBLOCK-RAUPP (Immediate Past President):

Dear All,

I would like to volunteer for a February dinner out. My restaurant of choice is Palm Shores Bistro, 5060 US1, Palm Shores 32940. February 16th, Tuesday, at 6:00 PM. Should you like to attend please call me or email your RSVP. Mark your calendars! There is outside seating so it should be an enjoyable evening, would be great to get back to normal.

If anyone is attending the February 7th Space Coast Car & Truck Show at Space Coast Stadium, let's have a meet up place so we can drive in together and all park together. We were invited by Joe Rodriguiz. Details of the event may be found at [2021 1st Annual Space Coast Tailgate Festival – The Big Game – USSSA Space Coast Complex](#)

Sadly, we lost Nelson Nunez, and Ray Pollock. I sent cards from the club. Mary is arranging a Memorial of Life for Ray and I will let you all know when. Until then I wish you all well and hoping to see you February 7th and 16th!



Mary and Ray



Nelson and Beverly

I saw Terry and Gina Collins at the January Dunkin Donuts car show, their car looks wonderful! Let's see yours!



Linda Knoblock-Raupp, Call me! 321-757-0180, oldcarsnewcars@bellsouth.net

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS:

- Planning Club Events is tentatively resuming. If you feel comfortable attending, come with us, observe personal safety protocols, and have fun. There are several car shows planned in the community. Some are listed under 'Other Events' and Mike Euziere maintains a calendar of local car events ([British Car Driving Group](#)). Give some thought to what events we as a club could get together and do, and let the board know your suggestions. (See left hand column for Club Officials' email and/or telephone numbers). Input is always needed and welcomed!
- **February 16, 2021 – MGCC-FL Club Dinner 6:00 PM at Palm Shores Bistro (PSB), 5060 US1, Palm Shores, FL 32940.** Hosted by Linda Knoblock-Raupp. Outdoor seating is available. Please RSVP before February 16th to Linda by email: oldcarsnewcars@bellsouth.net or phone: 321-747-0180.

OTHER EVENTS:

- Calendar of local car events and cruise-ins maintained by Mike Euziere. [British Car Driving Group](#)
- **February 6, 2021 – Trinity Wellsprings Church 12th Annual Higher Power Car Show 09:00 AM – 3:00 PM** Located Trinity Wellsprings Church, 638 S Patrick Drive, Satellite Beach, FL. Registration Fee is \$20 with all proceeds going to The Haley Hodge Memorial Fund for Student Missions. Please visit [12th Annual Higher Power Car Show | Trinity Wellsprings Church](#) to register. Registrations also accepted day of show.
- **February 7, 2021 – Car & Truck Show Space Coast Stadium 10:00 AM.** Located in the Blue Parking Lot near Space Coast Stadium, sponsored by Space Coast Cars and Coffee and Veteran Cemetery Restoration. Lots going on that day at the stadium. Please visit [2021 1st Annual Space Coast Tailgate Festival – The Big Game – USSSA Space Coast Complex](#) for additional information. Also, Linda is coordinating a caravan into the show so all may park together. Please email her for details: oldcarsnewcars@bellsouth.net
- **February 7, 2021 – Burrito vs Pizza Cheesy Car Show 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM.** Big Island Burrito and Oceanside Pizza teaming up for this car show. Located at 810 & 814 Hwy A1A, Indialantic, FL. *See Flyer below!*
- **February 20, 2021 – President's Day Weekend at Dunkin' Donuts Car, Truck & Bike Show.** Located 1210 N. A1A, Indialantic, FL, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM. *See flyer below!*
- **February 20-21, 2021 – Strawberry Festival Car Show.** Vehicles must arrive between 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM, \$10 registration fee which includes admission to the Festival. *Please see Flyer below!*
- **March 4-7, 2021 -- Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance.** Please view <https://www.ameliaconcours.org/> for detailed information.
- **March 27, 2021 – Antique Auto Club of Cape Canaveral 'Celebration of Cars' 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM.** AACCC has planned the 2021 Celebration of Cars to be held at the American Muscle Car Museum, 3500 Sarno Road, Melbourne, FL. The theme this year is Ragtops and Roadsters. *Due to*

COVID-19 restrictions, this will be a PRE-REGISTERED ONLY event.

Registration form provided below. Updated registration form available on the AACCC web site, [Antique Automobile Club of Cape Canaveral - Home \(antiqueautoclubcc.com\)](http://www.antiqueautomobileclubofcapecanaveral.com)

- **April 3, 2021 – Wheels Across the Pond Car Show, Jupiter FL. CANCELLED <http://www.wheelsacrossthepond.com/>**
- **April 10, 2021 – 36th Annual All British Car Show Central Winds Park, Winter Springs, FL 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM. CANCELLED <https://www.allbritishcarclub.com/annual-car-show>**

CLUB DUES:

If you haven't yet submitted your payment for 2021 Club dues, please make check (\$15) payable to MG CAR CLUB—FLORIDA, INC. and mail to:

**MG Car Club – Florida
P O Box 410471
Melbourne, FL 32941**

CLUB PHOTOS:

[www.mgcarclubflorida.org/mgclubflorida/Club Photo Album.htm](http://www.mgcarclubflorida.org/mgclubflorida/Club_Photo_Album.htm)

Burrito vs Pizza Cheesy Car Show

You Gotta Drool over this Car Show.



Big Island Burrito and Oceanside Pizza
are teaming up to offer the
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Car, Truck & Bike Show on the Planet!



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Indianalantic Florida.
(Directly next to the
New Publix on A1A)

Free Show
Bring what ya got.
Everyone Welcome..
Rat Rods. Under Construction,
All Years, Makes & Models are Welcome,

Sunday, February 7, 2021
3:00 PM to 7:00 PM



Questions?
Call The Big Cheese Head
Bill Antonetz at
321 725-3648



President's Day Weekend at Dunkin' Donuts Car, Truck & Bike Show



What did Washington Say when he crossed the Indian River Lagoon Causeway?
" Which way to the Indialantic Dunkin Donut Car Show? "



Free Show
All Years, Makes & Models are Welcome,
No Judging, No Trophies,
Just Good Fun!!

Please Follow George to the Dunkin Donuts Car Show!

Dunkin Donuts Beachside
1210 N. A1A, Indialantic, FL
Saturday February 20, 2021
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM



Questions?
Although He Fell in the Lagoon, call
Bill Antonetz at
321 725-3648



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Dunkin Donuts Car Show Indialantic FL

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20 & 21**

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Free Hula Hoop Contest, Free Strawberry Relay, Yummy Treats & Much More!

Classic Cars & Trucks

**Winner receives a certificate & \$50 in Strawberry Bucks to spend at the festival.
Runner up receives a certificate & \$25 in Strawberry Bucks to spend at the festival.
Winners announced at 3pm each day.**

Vehicles must arrive between 10am and 11am.

\$10 Registration Fee per day - Includes Admission to the Strawberry Fest.

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE CHILDREN'S HUNGER PROJECT

Rain or Shine! Display your vehicle Saturday and/or Sunday.

Buckler Shows

386-860-0092

bucklershows@yahoo.com

March 27, 2021 – Antique Auto Club of Cape Canaveral ‘Celebration of Cars’



The Cape Canaveral Region A.A.C.A.
www.antiqueautoclubcc.com



Celebration of Cars

Saturday, March 27, 2021

10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Registration 8:30 to 12:00

Rain or Shine

Antique to Modern Auto Show

This year's special class: *Ragtops and Roadsters*

Food Vendors

Top 25 awards

Special class awards

Celebrity Awards

LOCATION:



1 Free museum ticket provided with each show vehicle registration

3500 Sarno Road, Melbourne, FL

Enter from Club 52 Melbourne Greyhound Park entrance

AMCM campus is smoke and vape-free

Proceeds to benefit Local Charities

Free show field admission to the Public

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State/Zip _____

Email _____

#1: Make _____ Year _____ Model/Body Style _____

#2: Make _____ Year _____ Model/Body Style _____

Vendor _____

Show Vehicle registration postmarked on or before March 15, 2021 \$20.00 per vehicle _____

Show Vehicle registration postmarked March 16, 2021 or later \$25.00 per vehicle _____

(Non-Food) Vendors (15' x 20') \$30.00 per space _____

Mail form to: Sue Evans, 760 Harrier Ct., Rockledge, FL 32955 **Make checks payable to: AACCC**

Registration Questions: 321-636-3140 Email Other Questions To: CelebrationOfCars@AntiqueAutoClubCC.com

I understand and agree that I am responsible for my vehicle and/or merchandise and do hereby release the Cape Canaveral Region A.A.C.A., all show sponsors, and The American Muscle Car Museum from any and all liability from any damage, personal injury or lost/stolen property at this event.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Club Member Contributions of Articles, Personal Interest Stories and Other Fun Information

If you see a British article (technical car info?) you would like to share or have a story to tell (everyone has a story!) or come across something that makes you smile, please email me (delewis67@aol.com) and I will include it in the newsletter!

MGCC-FL Merchandise



MGCC--FL Hats

\$25

Original logo from when club was first founded, with date and club name
Khaki color is a light weight material with Nylon adjustable tab closure.
White is slightly heavier but vented on both sides with Velcro closure.



MGCC-FL Patches

\$5

Anniversary Logo Design

POC for Purchase:

Helen Kingston (hjk10590@gmail.com)

Ads are free of charge to members, run for three months unless renewed and/or canceled by the advertiser. Send your ad to delewis67@aol.com for publication in the following month's newsletter.

For Sale:

1953 MGTD \$20,000

Clipper Blue with Tan Leather interior. Garage kept. Older restoration. Has side curtains and tonneau cover. Great little car. Needs some TLC. Asking \$20K Call Sharon@ 321-223-5919



February 2021

1972 MGB - \$500 (negotiable)

1972 MGB with clear Florida title. Many parts: engine complete w/dual SU carbs & manifold, oil cooler, radiator, dists, coils complete head & valve assembly, generator, etc. Transmission & rear end thought to be good, suspension parts all there. Bumpers are fair, instruments and door glass are good except right window. Many small parts, hinges, door handles, etc. Window regulators & vent window frames & glass are there.

Engine condition is unknown, engine is stuck, and I have not tried to do anything with it, top frame & top bows are complete except for front header bar. I bought this one as a package deal & used the canvas top, SS muffler & other parts in restoring another MG. Car rolls but has one tire which will not hold air.

Contact Bill Insko (321) 259-8323

1975 Triumph TR7 Coupe \$5,900



1975 Triumph TR7 Coupe, 1st year of the new “Wedge, the Shape of Tomorrow” design. AIR CONDITIONED, 5 Speed, 2.0 twin carb engine and running gear performs well. Triumph Yellow with excellent black interior, Mini wheels, concealed POP-UP headlights, rear spoiler, large trunk space. Great road car. 78,000 highway miles. Price \$5,900 firm. If interested, please call Len Coppold at (321) 752-0737 (FL)

**1975 MGB 75th Anniversary
\$8,000**

Dunnellon, FL 34432

1975 MGB with 60,000 miles. Same owner for past 10 years and garage kept. Great little car for fun in the sun! This is a 75th anniversary edition with everything working. It was built late in 1975, but titled as a 1976. Needs a good bath and a little TLC to do some serious cruising or showing. \$8,000 (negotiable). Clean title in hand.

Contact: Butch email: jem3252@yahoo.com phone: (352) 239-1402



1970 MGB \$6500 Rust Free

1970 MGB 3rd owner Florida car excellent driver. RUST FREE BODY, partial older repaint of original color, Original interior, 85,000 miles. New brake master, emergency cable, clutch master and slave, front rotors and calipers, front wheel bearings, rear springs, Apple rebuilt front and rear shocks, fuel gauge sending unit, excellent top and tonneau, new inner tubes, rebuilt radiator. All work done by an 18-year vintage racing driver to update and have safe running gear. Could be driven anywhere. Typical oil leak.

Contact Mike McLaughlin (407) 625-8382



Seats for 91 Lotus Elan \$550



These seats were in my Lotus for about two years. I replaced these seats with the originals. New, these seats were \$1200 Sparco & the back is adjustable. They have aluminum adapters on the bottom and are like new. I will let them go for \$550 for the pair.

Contact Kourdt Howell, email: Kourdt.howell@gmail.com, Phone: (328) 427-3072

Downsizing: MG & Triumph parts & projects

1967 MGB GT Partially disassembled Project car. Florida title \$2,000.

1970's Postal Jeep. Rusty body I6 engine, turns. \$500.

Two 1970's VW Project/parts cars. Both engines run. \$2,000 each.

1976 MGB RDS Project car. Custom steel dash, good rubber, good driver. Florida title. \$2,500.

1978 Triumph Spitfire. With weber/header, aluminum radiator, new wood dash, fiberglass trunk lid, factory hard top, rough body, good tires, Florida title. \$2,000.

Contact Dave Alexander (321) 213-7051 (Please leave a message, I will return all calls)

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