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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE:

Well, April is in the bag, and a full sack it was. Members attended two car shows, went on a drive and dine and sent quite a crowd to an excellent Italian restaurant. Yours truly had never been there before and got horribly lost. That's right, I really wasn't just making a grand entrance once everyone else was already there.



Earlier in the month Ginny and I stumbled across a little shop on US1, just south of the intersection with Babcock Street, Hometown Meats and More, which specializes in comestibles from olde Blighty. I purchased a jar of Branston Pickle and got the inspiration for this month's column.

In my never-ending quest to understand the "official" instructions on how to maintain our LBCs, it occurred to me that my diet might have something to do with it. Now we all are familiar with Fish and Chips, bangers and mash and possibly toad in the hole. Consuming these should activate the part of our brain pan that tries to understand the aforementioned instructions. However, the blokes that assembled our vehicles and composed the instructions, more than likely had consumed some of the following: bubble and squeak, faggot, clottie, rumbledethump, ploughman's, steak and kidney pie, suet pudding, black pudding, treacle sponge pudding, or trifle, and our lack of these things in our diet most certainly contributes to our inability to thoroughly understand their words to us. They may have even boiled up a joint with some tatties and mushy peas for dinner. There is solid medical evidence that diet affects memory so logically, it must also affect comprehension.

I can't guarantee it, but our drive and dine for May will terminate at the Pig and Whistle Pub in Cocoa Beach and those participating may just be able to partake of some of these British delicacies and nourish our deficient colonial grey matter. I, for one, am really looking forward to it. In the meantime, for dessert tonight I may have some jam roly poly or spotted dick topped with a dollop of clotted cream. Yumm!

Until next month,

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Brian

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Chairman Emeritus

Jerry Keuper
(In Memoriam)

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visit:

[MG Car Club--Florida](#)

May Birthdays:

05 Helen Kingston
06 Bill Insko
07 Mike Euziere
08 Mikael Dezego
11 Betty Gregory
14 Kay O'Keefe
16 Christine Ross
17 Adrienne Dowzall
19 Jeremy Parrett
23 Jim Netterstrom
24 Anna Howell

May Anniversaries:

03 Mark & Sue Davia
05 Norm & Pat Ridgely
08 Glen & Gail Lenhard
14 Robert & Maria Buck
23 Rich & Dawn Kiefer
27 Fred & Julie Braid

Upcoming Club Events:

May 15 Drive and Dine
May 19 Monthly Dinner

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UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS:

Have you been some place interesting, taken a scenic drive, dined at a restaurant you enjoyed? These are potential places, drives, dinners for club events! Please contact a member of the board and share your suggestion.

Input is always appreciated!

- **May 3, 2021 – MGCC-FL Board Meeting 6:00 PM.** Brian has initiated resuming the quarterly board meetings. The meeting will be held in the Kingston Garage, 1561 Maple Avenue, Melbourne, FL. All club members are welcome to attend, or you can send ideas/concerns to the board for discussion. The meetings encompass club business, finances and planning. Minutes are prepared and available by request.
- **May 15, 2021 – Drive and Dine!** Brian Mitchell has planned a fun drive and dine for May. He submitted the following: Drive: May 15, starting at the DAV Chapter on US1. Plan to depart between 0830 and 0845. Route will be: US1, Pineda Cswy, S Tropical Trail, N tropical Trail, Courtney, N Tropical Trail, Merritt Pkwy, SR 520, S Banana River Dr, St Lucie Dr, and, finally, A1A to The Pig & Whistle, ([The Pig & Whistle - Traditional English Pub/Restaurant In Cocoa Beach \(business.site\)](#)), 240 North Orlando Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931. Driving time is about two hours and distance about 45 miles. We may have some parking set aside for us. RSVP to Brian (bgspain@hotmail.com) by May 13th so he can advise the publican of our numbers.
- **May 19, 2021 – MGCC-FL Club Dinner 06:00 PM.** Bonefish Willy's was recommended by Rich and Dawn Kiefer as a good dinner option. Entrée selection would be limited to five choices; however, appetizers, desserts are open menu. Located at 2459 Pineapple Ave, Melbourne, FL 32935 with scenic views of the Indian River. Visit their website for menu and location information [Bonefish Willy's Riverfront Grille in Melbourne, FL! \(bonefishwillys.com\)](#). Please RSVP to Marilyn (delewis67@aol.com) by May14th if you plan to attend. More details to be sent via email next week after the board meeting.
- **July 2021 – MGCC-FL Monthly Dinner.** Judy Stedman POC.

OTHER EVENTS:

- Calendar of local car events and cruise-ins maintained by Mike Euziere. [British Car Driving Group](#)
- **May 13, 2021 – Friendly's Car, Truck & Bike Show 05:00 PM – 08:00 PM.** *Please see flyer below!*
- **May 22, 2021 – Merry Month of May Dunkin' Donuts Car, Truck & Bike Show 08:00 Am – 12:00 PM.** *Please see flyer below!*
- **May 20-23, 2021 -- Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance.** Please view <https://www.ameliaconcours.org/> for detailed information.
- **June 6, 2021 10:00 AM – Classic Car, Truck & Bike Parade** honoring Phoebe Leiman's 100th Birthday. Phoebe is a disabled widow of a WWII Veteran and she was a war time volunteer. Meet and Stage at Gemini Elementary school at 10:00 to be ready to drive by 10:45. *Please see flyer*

below!

- **June 19, 2021 – Dillard’s Father’s Day Car Show 12:00 -0400** Dillard's is hosting a car show on June 19th from 12-4 in the parking lot of the Merritt Island store with a DJ, raffles, and food set up for everyone to enjoy. A \$10 per car entry donation will go to Inheritance of Hope! Inheritance of hope is a charity that Dillard's partners with for most of their in-store charity events. They help take families with a terminal ill parent on retreats. If you'd like more info on the charity here is their website. <https://inheritanceofhope.org/about.html> The first 50 cars that enter will receive a swag bag that includes a \$10 off coupon to use in store that day! Registration opens at 11am. *Please flyer below!* To pre-register email dillardscarshow@gmail.com

CLUB PHOTOS:

www.mgcarclubflorida.org/mgclubflorida/Club_Photo_Album.htm

April 10, 2021 – Cocoa Village Car Show

Attendees:

Brian Mitchell

59 TR3A

John Perez

80 Triumph Spitfire

Tim Kingaby

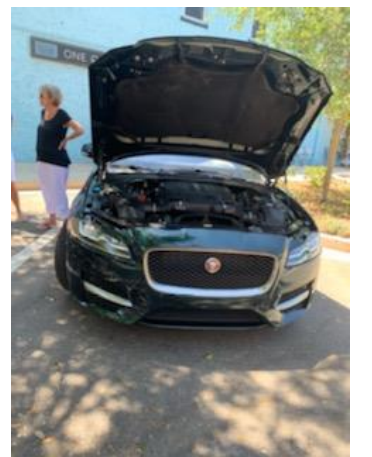
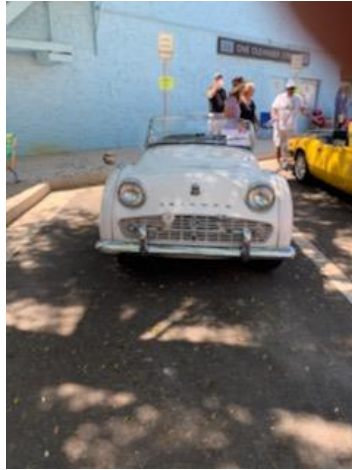
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***Robert & Maria Buck**
78 Land Rover Santana

***Bill McCaffrey**

73 Lotus Europa

***New Club Members**



April 10, 2021 – 36th Annual All British Car Show Sanford FL



Attendees
Bob & Donna Beiler
Rich & Dawn Kiefer
Terry Collins & Gina Carpenter
Paul & Judy Stedman
Ed & Pat Lankenau
Doug & Linda Rothwell
BJ O'Keefe



Award Winners
Rich & Dawn 66 - Spitfire Triumph
Bob & Donna – 50 Jaguar XK120
Terry Collins –
68 Jaguar XKE, 2010 Jaguar XKR



**Six of Ed Lankeau's Show Picks
Follow!**



April 17, 2021 – Drive and Dine!

Attendees: Brian, Dale & Marilyn, Linda & Cheryl (Linda's sister), Karin & Mike, Helen, John & Christine, Kourdt & Anna, Chris, Norman & Pat, Ken



Thank you, Brian, for planning this outing! Starting at the DAV in Melbourne with stops at the Dunkin' Donuts car show, Barrier Island Sanctuary, McLarty Treasure Museum, Pelican Island Preserve and then to Lunch at Mulligan's Sebastian!





**April 26, 2021 – MGCC-FL Club Dinner
Villa Palma Cocoa Village**



Ed & Pat



**Welcome New Members!
Robert & Maria**



Judy & Paul



John



Michael & Doreen



Donna & Norman



Norman & Pat



Frank & Helen



Gina & Terry



Larry, Joyce & Jean



Rich & Dawn



Brian



Bob & Donna



Chuck

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

If you see a British article, tech or otherwise, you would like to share or have a story to tell (Why you love British Cars; What is the story of your car; What piqued your interest in British Cars, etc.) or if you come across something that just makes you smile, please email me (delewis67@aol.com) and I will include it in the newsletter!

Ed Lankenau submitted the following "Brit" trivia:

Went from Denver to New York non-stop in 1956, NO INTERSTATES, in a XK-140.....about 38-39 hrs.....fun doing 110 in Kansas at 2 AM !!!!!!!



1919 Pierce Arrow "best of show" !!!!!!! Presidential limo.....0-60 10 min, down hill





Friendly's



Car, Truck & Bike Show

Hosted by Friendly's
1011 E. Eau Gallie Blvd
Indian Harbor Beach, FL

Discount Coupons for everyone
attending the show

Monthly Show
Second Thursday,
Next Show
May 13, 2021
5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Free Show
Bring what ya got.
Everyone Welcome..
Rat Rods. Golf Carts,
Under Construction,
All Years, Makes & Models are Welcome,
No Judging, No Trophies,
Just Good Fun!!



Questions?
Call "Friendly"
Bill Antonetz at
321 725-3648



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Merry Month of May Dunkin' Donuts Car, Truck & Bike Show

Come see the Coolest
People and Cars in Brevard
Dunkin Donuts
Beachside

1220 N. A1A, Indialantic, FL
Saturday, May 22, 2021
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM



Thank You, Jill



Thank You Kathy and Bella



Thank You Barbara



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Free Show
Bring what ya got.
If it Rolls, Roll it on in!

Everyone Welcome.. Pet Friendly
Rat Rods. Under Construction, Golf Ca
All Years, Makes & Models are Welco
Judging, No Trophies,
Just Good Fun!!

**Come join us for a
Classic Car, Truck & Bike Parade
Sunday, June 6, 2021
Honoring
Phoebe Leiman's 100th Birthday.**



Meet and stage at
Gemini Elementary School
2100 Oak Street
Melbourne Beach Fl.
at 10:00 AM
Parade will leave School at 10:45 to
1500 Pine Street, Melbourne Beach.

Phoebe is a disabled widow of a
WWII US Veteran and She was a
War Time Volunteer.

Thank You Pheobe for your Service.

Hosted by
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**DILLARD'S FATHER'S
DAY CAR SHOW**

SATURDAY
JUNE 19TH 2021
DILLARD'S MERRITT
SQUARE
12-4

Registration starts at 11 am
preregister by emailing
dillardscarshow@gmail.com

All types of cars welcomed
\$10 donation to Inheritance of Hope for entry
Raffles, music, chick-fil-a

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:

1974 Jensen Healey \$8,000

In last month's Hemmings a 'daily driver' (high mileage) 74 Jensen Healey was listed for \$12,000 My car is all original with the exception of the gas tank, lines, fuel pump and carburetor. It was climate controlled stored for many years. Original paint and all gages work. Asking \$8,000. It is the only Jensen Healey registered in Florida.

Contact: Michael Sherbin Phone: (321) 622-5080 Email: msherbin@hotmail.com



May 2021

1953 MG TD Kennedy \$6,500 OBO

Pictures: https://www.dropbox.com/sh/10i9gc8prcdrqm7/AADeRKjf6K7BTY_IWTr1691ha?dl=0

Contact: Lou Dominguez Phone: 772-323-9521 Email: Imdominguez23@yahoo.com

May 2021

1974 MGB \$28,000

One of the last few 74 MGBs with chrome bumpers. It is a totally restored MGB. It was a California car and never had any rust. It has about 3000 miles on a rebuild after the restoration. I have all the service records all the way back to the 1970's, the color is Vermillion, all new top, seats, carpet, interior, windshield, lights, radiator, SU carbs, clutch, steering rack, suspension links and bushings, tires, new dash. Comes with a spares motor, numbers matching.

Contact: Mike Doherty Cell: (321) 616-3825 Cell: (321) 222-8580



April 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 Inco (321) 259-8323

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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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)

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

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