



Capitol City MG Club



August 2001

Scorched Earth: Another Texas M G Summer

It's been a slow summer for MG events. Not a bad idea, since it's too darn hot during the months of July and August to do much of anything but sweat. By about 10 pm, the temperature is tolerable, but you've lost the will to move. Come to think of it, we haven't had any significant rain since the last MG event, so maybe our August 25 event — meeting up with the San Antonio Club at the Salt Lick— will bring some much-needed moisture to the area. I don't have a central theme in this month's article, but there's a lot of catching up to do with events that have occurred in the last couple of months.

A CORRECTION: At the July meeting, **TOM ENGLAND** mentioned that in last month's newsletter, I printed an incomplete list of members who attended the Walburg Ramble. You see, TOM ENGLAND and his lovely daughter had attended the event, but the fool newsletter editor forgot to include them in the write up. I apologize for the error.

MEMBER HAPPENINGS: Sad news, MGBGT owner John Smith's mother passed away recently, he should be at the August meeting if you want to offer condolences. Happy news, Scott Thronberg and Tracy Becker are going to get married, probably in October or November, and will have a huge reception of some sort probably in Feb, after deer season, and we will want everyone to bring their MGs to the reception. **Congratulations,** Scott and Tracy!

AUGUST EVENT: Meet up with the San Antonio MG Club at the Salt Lick on Saturday, August 25, at 11:30 and after lunch travel to Roger and Jan Porch's house near Wimberley, where we can go for a swim in the Porch family's pool. About 4 miles as the crow flies, but 14 miles by road.

HARE & HOUND RALLY RESULTS: This was a really fun event, although attendance was sparse. Hosted by Alan Ferretti, members followed clues to find the correct route through the course. An all-star team of Andrew and myself eclipsed the field, finishing the course within .3 miles of a perfect score. The game couple of Brad and Pat Lee finished a *distant* second. **Tom England** was not there. Alan will be hosting some kind of fun rally on Saturday, October 6, the day before the ABCD.



ABCD IS HEATING UP: We had our first planning meeting in July and we are meeting again on August 16. Art Graves is doing a great job of organizing the show. I'll have more details at the meeting on the 21st. As George Peppard said on the A-Team: "I love it when a plan comes together." You can see the latest information about the show at the 'official website': <http://www.txabcd.org> .



Help is on the way: a triple decker sandwich of brand-new MGs headed for the dealer.

More Club Stuff:

We still have club golf shirts left over. Call Judi Shimek at the shop at 454-2047 and she will bring them up there for purchase.

The Glorious Britain Collectors Pin set, generously donated by Tracy Becker, was won in the raffle by Ron Shimek. The special prize for this month's meeting will be announce by e-mail just before the August meeting.

Be sure to look at the bonus section on page 4, there are some offers to tempt you, but accepting one of the offers may cost you your club membership. Tom England did not have any parts for sale for this month's newsletter.

"And in the eighth month came the time of the dunning, and there was a great wailing and gnashing of teeth, and all of the creatures, including the antique beasts of burden, were stricken with terror, and the very earth cracked beneath their feet and tyres. But in the next month came the time of the greening, and the treasurer saw that it was good, and all of the paid-up members were blessed with knowledge."—The Abingdonimicon ca 12th century A.D.

If you haven't paid dues yet this year, this could be your last newsletter. Members must pay \$15 per year, but I also send complimentary copies to other club newsletter editors and advertisers.

If your newsletter has says "EXPIRED" on the mailing label, that means that my records indicate that you have not paid this year's dues. If this note is in error, please notify me and I will correct it. If the note is not in error, please pay up as soon as possible to continue receiving your newsletter. You can reach me by e-mail at embee@io.com or phone me at (512) 442-4088.

If you want to continue receiving the newsletter and getting all of the benefits of membership in the Capital City MG Club, mail in a payment (form on back page) or pay in person at the next meeting.

Advertising renewals are also due: Business card ads are \$35 per year, 1/2 page is \$100 per year, and full page is \$150 per year (would mean extra pages for the newsletter) I will contact the advertisers SOON!



Skip Laughlin's 1972 Mini Countryman wagon: see it at TXABCD on Oct 7

July Meeting:
Tuesday the 21st at
Threadgill's restaurant, Riverside and Barton Springs Road
at 7:30 p.m.
Come early to enjoy the fine food and drink and company of fellow MG'ers

For Sale, 1968 MGB with low mileage and all original parts. She runs great and would love to be restored to her original beauty. I'm asking \$5,500 and live in Kerrville. Contact Tom Claiborne: tclaiborn@yahoo.com if interested. [SEE Page 4 for more ADS](#)



Coming Events



Saturday, August 25—Meet up with the San Antonio Club at the Salt Lick: We will meet with them @ 11:30 am at the restaurant. I'm trying to get together a group to meet and drive out from the 'Y' in Oak Hill. Contact me if you want to drive with the group. MB embee@io.com 442-4088



Coming September 23rd, the Fall GOF in Kerrville. At the YO Ranch. Also in September, Helotes Classic Car Show.



October 7, 2001: The Texas All British Car Day in Round Rock. All marques welcome! Let's improve on the 121 cars we had in 2000. Details at the 'official' web site:

<http://www.txabcd.org>



The TF project is moving along: There will be a special prize for club members who can identify this picture.



Anyone wishing to plan an event or add it to the calendar, please call the newsletter editor at 442-4088 or by e-mail: embee@io.com The club web page is at <http://www.geocities.com/ccmgc>



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their hospitality at our
monthly meetings.

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your server !

TEMPTATIONS: Stuff for sale or Trade

Graham Davies has the following items: 15" wire rims (used) that will fit a mgb. If anyone wants them they can take them away free. MGTD restored 15 years ago and has been in rest since then. It will be here from Sat Aug 4th Its Red / Beige interior & top. Graham will get it running then sell it. Any offers. Best of British is located at 3412 Andtree Blvd Austin, Tx 78724. Phone #[512-926-1182] Email him at minigray@ev1.net

This month's special. Editor's comments are in [' '] s.



*****[Luke: Come to the **Dark Side**]*****

Hello. I found the website for the Capital Car Club for MGs. I have owned several in the past and am looking to reacquire a 1962-69 MGB. I can trade a 1990 Mazda Miata Package B with all available factory options for that year (PS [I just drove here from Bristol and boy, are my arms tired], PW, AC [What's that?], Cruise [Tom?], Alloys [Minilites?] ,Limited Slip Diff., etc.), 75k miles, White/Black. The Interior/Exterior of the car are in excellent condition. —Matthew Mughnerini — mmughnerini@hotmail.com
[It's a tempting offer guys, but only if you own more than one MG ...]

CCMGC Membership Application

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(attach pages if more space is needed)

Send completed application to address below with \$15 to register. Thank you.

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Next Meeting Tuesday, August 21, 7:30 p.m.