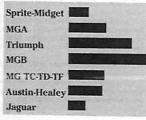


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The final computing of the survey has come to an end, leaving us with a tremen-dous amount of insight into the quality of our customers. Since so many of you responded to our survey, we were able to piece together a fairly precise profile of our typical customer and British sports car en thusiast.

We were surprised at how many of you own more than one British sports car. More than 42% of those responding have two or more! We're sure that you're wondering where you fit in the British car owner's spectrum in the United States. MGs are the most predominant, followed by Triumph, Austin-Healey, Sprite-Midget and Jaguar. Of the MG series, MGB is out in front, followed by MGA and MG T-series, which are tied at second place, and MGC at a lower proportion. Interestingly ehough, the number of MGA, T-series and Austin-Healey owners are almost dead even. The number of Sprite



Which British sports cars you own, by type. Midget owners was slightly higher than the Jaguar XK120-140-150 owners, but not by much

Marque loyalty is not as strong as we all thought, with love of British cars extending across the board. Many MG owners also have a Triumph or two and so on. As for the condition you reported your cars to be in, we must admit that it's perversely encouraging to know that many of you have just as much work to do on your cars as we have to doonours

British sports car enthusiasts are in every state, with the greatest number on the west coast. In terms of individual states, after California, New York is second in line with the most British sports cars, followed, for no specific reason that we can identify, by Texas, Pennsylvania, Washington, New Jersey and Illinois. The state with the least British sports cars is (not surprisingly) Alaska. Your responses showed vividly that no matter where in the U.S. you drive, you're in British sports car territory. You'll just run into less fellow enthusiasts in the far north than the south, and less in the east during the winter months

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In This Issue

Survey Says... Moss Goes International-U.S.A. Meets U.K.

In our continued search for greater parts availability for your classic British sports car, we have recently acquired a major new resource. The Classic British Sportscar Group (CBSS), of England, is now operating in conjunction with our existing English and American facilities. This move has brought into the Moss organization a number of highly respected firms that have been market leaders in the U.K. for many years. Among them are the Triumph oriented firms of Cox & Buckles, Ltd. and Triumphtune, Ltd., and MG oriented firms of Naylor Bros. MG Parts, Sprite & Midget B. C. V8 Centers in Richmond, Birmingham and Bristol, Abingdon MG Parts, Barry Stafford's MG Center and Classic Reproductions. Our very close working relationship with these companies and others in the U.K. enables all our locations, both here and overseas, to benefit from the combined expertise, sourcing ability and financial resources of the new larger organization. Under the multi-talented direction of Mr.

Peter Buckles, our U.K. parts sourcing abilities should improve immeasurably. The Moss Europe staff includes some of the most knowledgeable in our industry: MG "professors" Graham Paddy, Pete Beadle and Phil Richmond, together with Triumph wizards Peter Cox. Pete Wigglesworth and Terry Hurrell will be working in sourcing, product development and quality control which will benefit both sides of the Atlantic. Our combined parts sourcing capacity

and ability to purchase in quantity has al-lowed us to lower thousands of prices and locate hundreds of new products that were previously obsolete. Our increased purchasing power is helping to turn the tide on rising costs and we're passing the savings on to

you, our valued custom We're currently working on a great many new prod ucts that were previously unrealistic to reproduce, due to the smaller previous sales potential and at times, very significant tooling cost. You'll find a significant number of recently hard-to-find parts throughout our current Price Update; much-needed parts that we've been able to retool to factory specifications under the auspices of British Motor Heritage.

Moss Motors is a charter member of the British Motor Industry Heritage Trust, a non-profit organization dedi-cated to the historical preservation of material relating to all types of British manufactured motor vehicles. Moss Motors and our new U.K.-based affiliate are also members of the commercial arm of the B.M.H.I.T., known as British Motor Heritage, which is again, a subsidary of the Austin-Rover Group, P.L.C.. Being close to where it's at", our U.K. partners have developed a very close working relationship with British Motor Heritage and have spearheaded a tremendous number of new products produced from from original tools by the original manufacturers, British Motor Heritage's quality assurance programs are ex-tremely stringent. We (Continued on page 7.)

Direct Order Entry Speeds Delivery

Walking through the sales department at Walking through the sales department at Moss hast week, I happende to overhear salesman Eric Schiff's conversation with a telephone customer. "And your customer number, si?...Okay...John Doe... and you're still located at 2233 Birch Hill Way, San Jose, Cuttoeri du 2020 File California, 94330?" "Great, now what can I get for you today?" When I looked over expecting the usual top speed hand written order, I saw him punching computer keys diligently. That's right. Computer keys. Those of you who order from Moss on a

regular basis are probably aware of the diffi-culties that we've had in the past: not having your current address or immediate stock availability always at our fingertips. We've just begun our sales computer order entry, and it's going to make ordering parts painless, easy and fast! We can't yet promise when all the bugs will be ironed out, or when the entire sales staff will be operating on computer. However, our initial attempt, with several sales people at a time working directly with the computer, has been over-whelmingly successful.

How does it work? Usually when you call to order a part, you give the sales person your customer number, your billing and shipping address, your telephone number and then start your order. Now, after you

give your customer number, your sales person punches it in and presto, all your current information appears on the screen. The best part is yet to come. Normally, we can tell you if it looks like we have a certain part in stock, but if we're running low on something, we can't always promise that it won't be gone when your order is pulled. Our direct order system will allow the sales person to check stock, and even verify stock, since your order will be printed out as soon as you get off the phone, to be pulled and packed immediately. As always, you'll still have the option of backordering



Computer order entry will make all the difference in the world!

a part that's temporarily out of stock. We estimate that this new system will speed regu-lar orders up by 50%, but there is still our Guaranteed Next Day Delivery program for those of you in desperate need. (And what British sports car owner hasn't been at one time or another?)

We're hoping to be completely on line by late summer. It's been a great challenge to change over to direct computer entry, but we're sure that all this hard work will pay off for both you and us. Streamlining our order processing system will allow us to spend less time on paperwork and more time on you and your British sports car. You'll spend less time on the phone ordering and we'll get your parts to you faster and more efficiently than ever. Let us know how we're doing- we value your comments and suggestions.

Decal Inside!

Show your colors with this limited edition decal! Put it in your car window and at your next British sports car event, find your Moss representative and register for prizes and gift certificates.

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(Comments, responses, gripes? Send us a letter and let us know what you're thinking! We want your input to let us know what we're doing right ... and where we could use some improvement!-Ed.)

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Loose Timing Chain- A Detective Story

a three or four degree range. I donned my Sher-

lock Holmes cap and pipe and stood pondering the problem for about five minutes and suddenly

said, "Why of course, it's

obvious!" (plus a few other words I will not re-

print here). I realized that I had a time consuming

iob ahead of me, but that

too expensive.

parts of the engine. Apparently the vibration was being transmitted through the cam-

shaft. I also noticed that it was difficult to time the engine with my timing light, be-

cause whenever the noise occurred the engine timing would wander erratically over

By Gary Bothe Pensacola, FL

It was a dark and stormy night ... that's the ay all good mystery stories begin, so I'll use it, even though most of my chronicle occurs in broad daylight. I am going to give you the facts and see if you can figure out what the

problem is. A while back I had my Midget 1500 worked on to fix a bad clutch throwout bearing. While they had the engine out, I asked them to replace the front and rear engine oil seals and the oil pan gasket as well. The rear seal is accessible once the transmission is removed and the front seal is located inside the timing cover. After I got my car back, I noticed that it had a noise it did not have before it was "fixed". It was an intermittent clacking, jerking noise that came from the front of the engine and showed up mostly while the engine was idling. Also, it would not idle as smoothly as it had done previously. Just to make sure it

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wasn't something simple like a bad wa-ter pump or alternator bearing, I removed the fan belt and started the engine. The noise was still there. As another precaution, I removed the valve cover and adjusted the valves. Once again the noise was still there. I took the distributor out

and checked it over,

and finding nothing wrong, I replaced it. I noticed that while I was re-timing the engine, whenever the noise occurred I could feel a strong vibration with my hand on the dis-tributor. This vibration was not as noticeable when my hand was touching other



(Our switch to packing with newsprint instead of flowpack peanuts has brought a large number of letters and calls-all positive! I'd like to point out that although we are not purchas ing peanuts any longer, many of our suppliers are. Therefore, we have made the decision to keep reusing these peanuts. Since they are not biodegradeable, we have opted to recycle them. Instead of taking up space in a landfill they can be put to good use. If you receive one of the rare packages we send out with flowpack peanuts, don't be alarmed, just do the same! Let's work together to keep our environment clean! -Ed)

Congratulations!

Gardena, CA

Huzzah! To Moss Motors for discontinuing the use of flowpack peanuts. Oliver Rapier

The New Trend...

I send you this letter in appreciation for the steps that you have taken toward saving our environment, with your decision to stop using non-biodegradable packing materials It is very encouraging to see such organiza-tions accepting the responsibility for this waste, and, most of all, actually doing something to alleviate this problem. Perhaps if other manufacturers knew of your actions they would be willing to adopt similar practices. We need to become more aware of the implications of ever increasing amounts of waste, and of the fact that before long we will have no place left to dispose of this waste. Again, I wish to commend you for your deci-sion to discontinue the use of non-biode-gradables, and sincerely hope that others vill soon follow in your footsteps. Wendy Meyn

Kent State Conservation Club

No More Styrofoam!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the fine service I've received from your company in the past few years.

The main impetus for this letter, how ver, comes from your decision to switch to newsprint to pack your orders. As I'm very concerned about the current state of the en vironment, your move away from styrofoam is very encouraging. I also appreciate the fact that you made all your customers aware of the reason that you were switching to newsprint.

Once again, thanks for your efforts, Kevin Orth Gaithersburg, MD

Do Our Classic-fieds Sell Cars? Inter-Office Memo to the Editor

Just a short note to let you and our read-ers know that the Moss Motoring Classicfieds really do work. I've been involved with this newsletter since its inception and I've often wondered if our readers get a high response to their ads. When it recently became necessary to sell my trusty Triumph

problem (repositioning the chain tensioner) took five seconds! If there ever was an example of the value of doing something right the first time around, this was it. Moral number two: when somebody else works on your car, watch 'em like a hawk. Number three: if

you can fix it your-self, do it.

Part of the week's work involved im-proving other details which became obvi-ous and/or accessible while the front of the car was apart. Anytime you work on your car, take the opportunity to check out everything else you run into on your way into and out of the

major problem. In my case, in addition to fixing the chain tensioner I replaced two radiator hoses and the fan belt, thoroughly cleaned and painted the radiator end tanks (not the radiator core-that just interferes with cooling), the coolant overflow tank, timing cover and water pump, and then care fully reassembled everything. For example, 1 found that the radiator had previously been installed with only six of the eight bolts intended for the job, and two of those were loose

I now know more about my car than I did before, and feel more competent in working on it. I hope that this story will encourage you to dig into your own cars when the need arises.

(Gary will receive a gift certificate for his contribution.)

(The Midget 1500 engine is a Triumph de-sign and the problems Gary has experienced are common to most Triumphs.-Ed.)

TR6. I half-heartedly (I wasn't completely ready to part with it just yet) wrote an ad for the Winter 1988 edition. The response was amazing! The phone started ringing the day after the newsletter arrived from the printer as a few advance copies had been placed on the sales counter in our Goleta showroom while the remainder went to our Mailing Service. A week later I was fielding calls from serious buyers as far away as San Francisco, Colorado and Arizona. Two weeks after the newsletter's release, I had received nearly thirty five responses to my ad! Pricing the car realistically probably helped, but the large number of British sports car enthusiasts who read Moss Motoring certainly didn't hurt. Dave Polarek

In Search of Trevor Wright

Help! This past weekend I attended the wap meet in Portland, Oregon and sold a Judson supercharger to a nice young man whose name is Trevor Wright. Trevor is a Canadian citizen and I would like to locate him. I inadvertently forgot to give him the heat shield and crankshaft drive pulley that fits the supercharger. Since this is an extremely rare accessory, I would like to locate him to arrange to ship it to him. Since everyone I know buys parts from Moss Motors, I thought you could help a fellow enthusiast out and either contact him and provide my phone number or call me so I can give him a call. I am sure he is a customer of yours. Your help is greatly appreciated. I can be reached at (208) 384-6355-work, or (208) 378-4626home.

Thanks Steve Thomas 2851 N. El Rancho Boise, ID 83704



with luck, it would not be

Judging from the symptoms, I concluded that somehow during the process of replacing the front engine oil seals, the timing chain tensioner, located inside the timing cover, had either been incorrectly positioned or was lost altogether. As a result, the timing chain was loose and creating a noise as it slapped back and forth. The loose chain would account for the erratic timing as well. I removed the radiator, fan belt, and front engine mount bolts and raised the front of the engine about four inches. This allowed removal of the crankshaft pulley and the timing cover. Son of a gun... there it was! The chain tensioner was folded back along the curve of the timing cover, neatly out of the way and serving no useful purpose whatsoever.

Dismantling the front end of the car to get at the problem, and then reassembling the mess again took this inexperienced me chanic about a week of spare time work, several nightmares and a couple of desperate phone calls. Actually fixing the

You Can Do It In An MGB Across Country!

By Ken Smith

Club and Event Coordinator

We recently received an interesting letter from Phil Smith of Upper Sandusky, Ohio, who last year completed a five week, 10,000 mile camping trip to the west coast and back, accompanied by his wife. Coincidentally I, accompanied by my wife, recently transferred out to our California Corporate Headquarters and made the 3,200 mile journey from Con-

necticut in five days. We've also covered some 20,000 miles each year in the USA and Europe for the past 10 years. "So what?", we hear some of you ask Both of these long, long journeys were ac-complished in what some might term Britain's most popu-

(Welcome to New Mexico.

lar small sports (Welcome to New Me car-the classic MGB! However, the purpose of this feature is not to start a discussion on the merits of the MGB vs. other fine cars, but to pass on to you some of the helpful hints and wrinkles that the Smith's, both Phil and Ken, discovered, for those others of you contemplating a longer journey than the usual Saturday jaunt. Listen in on Phil and Ken as they discuss their findings on getting a 'quart into a pint pot' and staying out of trouble

Phil, "First of all make sure the car is properly serviced with "new" everything, in terms of plugs, points, oil, etc. The basics are covered in several books; we found Lindsay Porters's book, MGB Guide to Purchase and D.LY. Restoration to be quite useful, both in terms of readying the car and for a listing of parts and

tools that are helpful.Wecarrya Haynes Manual as well."

Ken, "I agree 100% Phil, and what I've done is to extract the key bits of information, such as timing details plug gaps, etc., and have them handy in the glove box. For example, carrying all the extras and being fully loaded, I keep my tire pressures at 28psi front and 32psi rear for high speed long distance travel.

Phil, "I think we'd both agree that in the "B", storage space is at a premium. We made a vinyl roll bag to carry our

tent and bed roll on the luggage rack. We also made extra space by changing the two 6 volt batteries to a single 12 volt, and utilizing the battery box, lined with thin aluminum for extra "not needed on voy-age" storage! Weather sealed with strip caulking, this space proved ideal to store our extra distributor, fuel pump and

hoses. For our tools, we made canvas roll-up bags then stored these in the space between the rear wheel wells and the fenders

Ken, "Now, while I agree with you on some of the tools, Phil, we tend to go in a rather different direction. I assume from what you say that your spare wheel still resides on the floor on the trunk? Well, ours travels on the luggage rack! We invert the wheel, so the outside faces the trunk lid, suitably protect the luggage rack to avoid scratches, and then in the well of the spare we put all the emer-

gency goodies we might need at the roadside. In here is a spare fan belt, points, plugs and wheel wrench. This avoids having to get everything out of the trunk in an emergency and allows you to make room in the trunk for a decent sized suitcase or tent. The wheel is held onto the luggage rack with strong bunjy cords (the more the merrier) and the assembly is topped off by covering the wheel with a spare vinyl elasticized wheel cover, so no prving eyes can see the bits hidden inside the wheel. If you are still determined to carry your suitcase on the luggage rack, be sure to wrap the case in strong plastic bags. I remember British Leyland used to market a suitcase cover complete with zipper, for just such a purpose. (If you ever see one at a flea market snap it up!) All this is to protect your case from the elements, including torrential rain. I

> luggage rack as opposed to the suitcase, as the reduced height of the wheel gives bet-ter rear view visibility

distance MGB has a lug fenders by removing the crescent shaped splash plate inside the wheel arch, and stowing extra anti-freeze and water in suitable containers (on top of the sill), just inside the front fenders, It really is amazing what you can get into those corners of the trunk, but beware! We found out the hard way in Klamath

Falls. Oregon that you must be careful around the areas of the wiring harness in the trunk! A plece of our luggage wore through the insula-tion on the tail light wire, leading to a short circuit and destruction of the rear wiring harness. Fortunately, the main harness didn't suffer terminal damage. Two or three hours with a pocket knife, 16 gauge wire and lots of electrician's tape got us on the road again.

Ken, " I couldn't agree more, watch those wires! I feel there are three main areas to consider when packing the MGB. First, be-hind the seats and on the battery shelf. Second, the space you've just mentioned, the trunk, and thirdly, the use of a luggage rack. Most of us drive with the top down during the summer, so insure the top folds properly, and takes up the minimum amount of space as it was designed to do! In this space left after the top is down, go two large "squashy" sports hags, and these contain our overnight gear. If you have to make a motel stop, these are the only two bags you need from the car, every-thing in and on the trunk stays undisturbed. Under the top you will find you can also stow several small items behind the bags, such as vanity cases, make-up bags, cameras etc. Make sure that if inertia reel seat belts are fitted, they still come out and retract once all this stuff is in the car. Place a large towel over the exposed part of the top before you fit the hood cover or tonneau. This will save the plastic window of the top from getting scratched. We prefer to use the tonneau cover when on the move, then when we pit stop, we can just throw the top over the seats to cover things from prying eyes!

Phil, "Sounds good to me, and I think a note on safety might not come amiss here. For instance a master on/off switch makes good sense, as well as being a theft deterrent.

Ken, "I feel that sentiment from the heart! (Remembering the

"B" that disappeared in San Antonio!)

Phil. "...and we also fitted our MGB roadster with a Moss roll-bar, just in case! In addition, we in-creased our visibil-ity to other drivers by putting some re-flective scotch tape around the rear of the car. It might just give you that extra second at the roadside in the dark to get out of the way! Ken, "Anything that assists the MG

This is

(Westward through Arizona!)

Slogan "Safety Fast" is an excellent idea. For instance, in Europe it is illegal to undertake a journey without carrying a reflective rear tri-angle. If you come to a stop on, say the German Autobahn, you must place it 150 meters behind the stricken vehicle, facing traffic Even though it may not be a law here, it's a good idea and stows down the side of the wheel arch well in the trunk. There are several smaller spaces which can be used to carry safety equipment, as it is not the slightest bit of use burying the fire extinguisher or first aid kit in the trunk! They must be immediately at it the fire extinguisher under either ion't lorget that the later "B"s came with hand

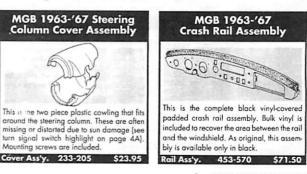
a map pocket in the passenger foot, well above the inner sill. Why not fit one or two for maps, torch, spark plug wrench, and any bits and pieces. Installation of "seat savers" serves two purposes, it gives you four extra big pockets per car and stops you burning your buns on seats exposed to the hot sun. Buy a smaller cooler: one that fits in the passenger footwell, without restriction, and five or six cans of soda will be close at hand. Cover the cooler with a towel and your pas-senger has a lovely footrest. Again speaking of towels, take plenty, small and large, just for mopping up! Not only rain (which will always get in your MGB!) but also for perspi-ration, leaks and soda spillages. Towels are one of the best things ever invented for an English sports car owner! Again, on some of the earlier de-smogged cars there are little areas under the hood where items that are unaffected by the heat can be carried, like spare plugs and points. Be sure to wrap them in aluminum foil and secure them with cable ties if necessary. When you pack the trunk, make sure all the "squashy" (there's that word again) items go over the wheel arches. Several pairs of shoes in plastic bags will fit up here, as well as small water carriers and spare oil. It's amazing just how much room there is if you pack properly, and remember, large and flat items should go in first, foled by small and flat items and emergency lou clothing." Phil, "Well, It's been interesting to com-



pare notes and I hope we meet on the road on some long distance trip in our MGBs!"

Ken, "Phil, we at Moss thank you very much for your input and we'd like you to accept this Moss gift certificate with our compliments. We look forward to meeting you and your wife on the great American

chase and D.I.Y. Restoration, can be purchased under our part number #211-365. For details on roll bars, luggage racks, tune-up parts and more, call our sales department tollfree.-Ed.)



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(You really can get all this in an

MGB roadster.)

would prefer to carry the spare wheel on the on the interstate!"

Phil, " Very interesting, but I guess it's a matter of personal choice, and we are as-suming that every long gage rack! But back to the space problem. In the past, I've utilized the inside of the front



Heard any interesting tech tips lately? We're interested in publishing new and exciting hints and tips if applicable. Send your tech tip contributions to the Editor, and, if we can use them, you'll receive a \$20.00 gift certificate.

Familiarity Breeds Blindness By Larry Dussack



(Note above arrows.)

Have you èver had your TD or TF quit on you for no reason? A stupid question, I know, but after what I just discovered, a valid one...My TD would quit after about 3 days of normal driving. It appeared to be electrical, so I would check the distributor every time. After years of this, I would open the hood and move the tach drive out of the way to see the distributor better. Finding nothing wrong, I would check fuses, fuel level, etc. and then it would start right up again. After a number of these incidents, I finally got it through my thick head, saw what was happening, and reset the distributor so the tach drive box would not fail against the contact nut and short it out...again.

(Larry will receive a gift certificate for his contribution.)

(Since T-series distributors incorporate a helical drive gear which meshes with the cam shaft, it is possible to have the distributor timed correctly in any of 4 different positions, 90° apart. Reference to any factory illustration will show that the distributor should be sinated so that the ignithon coil feed terminal is in the 4 o'clock position when viewed from above. This insures that the tach cable and or tach reduction gearbox can't ground out the terminal-£d.)

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T-Series Aluminum Valve Cover Noise By David Rosser

Richboro, PA

The following might be of help to MG 'T' series owners with cast aluminum valve covers. We began to notice excessive valve gear noise (even by old MG standards) in our 1952 MG TD. Pulling the valve cover and re-setting all clearances did not help; the noise was worse! A complete tear-down of the top and valve gear indicated no abnormal wear and all oil ways open. Back together and re-set gaps. The noise was worse!

Then, as I started to pull the valve train again so that I could pull the tappets and push rods. I noticed that the inside of the valve cover had a series of half moon gouges all down one side. Almost every valve spring top was hitting the valve cover. The rear stud of the two that act as anchors for the valve cover was a) loose and b) bent slightly. As it loosened more, it caused the valve cover to shill to the left. Each time I replaced the cover and black knob on top I

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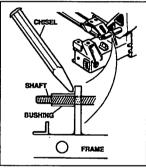
caused the cover to shift a bit more and thus cause more spring to cover contact. With the original steel cover it might not matter, but with the extra aluminum thickness, you have nasty contact and nasty noise. A full time mechanic might have caught this problem quickly, but then we are not full time mechanics?

(David will receive a gift certificate for his contribution.)

(Due to the extra thickness and enhanced sound deadening qualities of aluminum value covers, a bent or loose securing stud certainly can cause the problems that Mr. Rosser writes about. Replacing or struightening the studs will usually cure the problem, but if the values still hit the value cover, you can easily correct this by taking a die grinder to the offending spots on the inside of the value cover. Our TC and TD coffin style value covers, as well as other period accessory value covers normally offer far superior sealing for the value cover gasket and allow for removal and replacement of the cover without replacing the gasket, particularily if gasket cement is only used between the gasket and the cylinder head.-Ed.)

Front Suspension Rust Problems By Gordon Buckman

Seattle, Wa



(The left front is illustrated here. The same is true at the inner ends of all four lower control arms.)

After 23 years I just replaced the bushings on the front suspension on my 1966 TR4. I would like to pass on a tech tip which solved a tough problem for me.

The steel sleeve on the front of the lower wishbone shaft had rusted to the shaft. After trying everything from tapping with a hammer to WD-40 I loosened it by the following method.

Using a sharp chisel, place it against the shoulder of the shaft and the apparent end of the bushing. Rap the chisel with a hammer two or three times and the bushing will be forced towards the end of the shaft. Once it has broken loose, a few taps will free it. Be careful not to pound too hard and nick the shaft!

(Gordon will receive a gift certificate for his contribution.)

(This is a common problem with the TR2 through TR4. When the lower control arms and nylon bushes are removed, this steel bush is almost always stuck firmly onto the fulcrum pin-Ed.)

The Real Cost of a Car Circa 1956

It isn't the initial cost or even the upkeep that flattens the bank account of the sports car owner. Instead it's those *hidden* costs. We offer in evidence the polgnant record of our office accountant, a systematic and orderly type. The first entry was written in a firm, sure hand,

May 1-8	-Expenses for old auto while shopping the foreign-car lots
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May 8	-Frowers for whe to miroduce subject of bargain TC just round
May 9	
	-Dinner for wife to lure her by carlot to see TC
May 10	-New hairdo for wife after demonstration ride
May 10	-Bought TC
May 11	-Bought babushka for wife so hair wouldn't blow
May 12	-After dramatic scene, traded babushka on special hardtop
May 13	-Friend who claimed to be expert demonstrated speed shifting.
	New third gear
May 14	-Wile bought sweater to match car
May 18	-Raced with TD on way to work. Speeding citation
May 19	-Wile bought slacks to go with sweater of May 14 19.95
May 20	-Had car modified to Mark II specs. Raced TD on way to work.
	Speed citation and modifications
May 21	-Neighbor's five-year-old son drew crayon picture on uphoistery.
	Leather cleaner
May 22	-Settled out of court for clobbering neighbor's son
May 23	-Wife bought shoes to go with slacks which went with sweater that
•	matched car
May 24	-Expert friend showed me how to adjust carburetor. Replaced four
	burned pistons
May 25	-Evening at O'Brien's after argument resulting from returning
	handbag wife had bought to go with shoes which went with slacks, etc 4.75
May 26	-Raced with TF 1500 on way to work. Speeding citation
May 27	-GB plates, Badge bar, badge starter set
May 30	-Had car modified to TF 1500 specs
June 10	-Added up all figures listed above. Told wife she'd have to
	economize. Evening at O'Brien's
June 15	-Expert friend demonstrated proper cornering technique. Repair
	right front lender 19.00
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July 1	-Taught wife to drive TC. New clutch
July 2	-Gave wife second lesson. Evening at O'Brien's
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	ticle was reprinted from a 1956 motoring magazine. Although attitudes
	lly!) and prices have since changed, the trials and tribulations of buying that
special s	ports car remain the same!-Ed.)

Response to "Bad Weather."

By Alex Heckert

Ridgefield, CT.

I'm writing in response to Dick Hankinson's article on fair weather sports car fans. I have been Vintage Racing my '62 MGA MKII "DeLuxe" for five years. During that time I have only seen the event stopped once for wet conditions. This was prompted by fears of lost insurance coverage. The sport had witnessed a fatal crash a couple of weeks earlier when a fellow lost control of his Cobra. There wasn't a single competitor that was happy about the decision to stop the race. Unfortunately, the Ilability attitude in the U.S. has the insurance companies on the defensive. That same year events were run in the rain at Sebring, Moroso, Lime Rock, and Watkins Glen. Ican't tell you that fair weather wouldn't have been more enjoyable; it would have, but we still ran. That was in '87 and I thought 'I'd never see another dry racetrack.

Dick doesn't mention which race was delayed for rain, but he does say it was a street race. These temporary tracks are mixed blessing, they provide additional opportunities for racing, but generally provide less margin for error. In Vintage Racing you will find various levels of driving skill, from professionals like Brian Redman to the other end of the spectrum. Since the racing of old cars is supposed to be for fun, the decision to not race in the rain may have saved some of the less staunch of heart from making the tough decision independently, therefore saving face. The rewards aren't large enough in Vintage Racing to warrant risking life and property. It's important to keep one's perspective in that regard. Sure, we race in the rain, but i would say there may be circumstances when a more intelligent course of action would be to sit in the trailer and bench race.

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Author: Philip Porter Photos by: Tim Andrew

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With the increasing interest in entering Concours and the showing of British classic cars, it becomes more important than ever that the authenticity of the examples entered is cor

rect. Some people would argue with the word "authentic", but most feel that there is no Jaguar or pre-1955 MG left that still has the original exhaust or fan belt! If there are, then those cars are probably not up to entering a high class Concours! In this superb volume, Philip Porter takes

us through a restorer's and owner's guide to what he sees as 100% originality. Make no mistake, his great experience allows him to accurately judge the definitive XK color, trim and equipment. Nothing is missed in the compilation of this book. Philip, a Jaguar devotee since he was a small boy, has en-

listed the assistance of other Jaguar experts, who really know the XK in terms of showing and restoration, and could state without contradiction, the proper color of the engine block as well as the correct instrumentation.

I feel that one of the high-lights in this book that places the XK in the spotlight is the photography of Tim Andrew. (Nikon fans take note!) I've met Tim on several occasions and have been an admirer of his work over

some years. This time he has outdone him-self; the 150 superb color shots in this book are almost work's of art! The settings, the lighting, and the sharpness really enhance Philip's diligent research, and every photograph was judged and approved by the resident panel of experts, including ex-works personnel. Every Jaguar XK owner and car lover will find something of delight in the nearly 100 glossy, high quality pages

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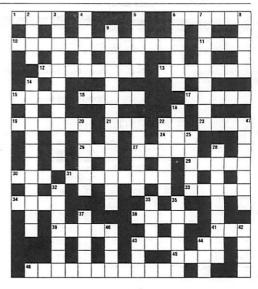
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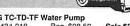
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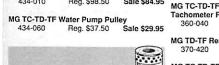
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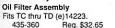
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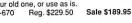


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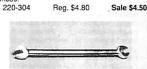
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Mossimotoring A British Sports Car Apology

"They're just buckets of

bolts, aren't they?"

By Michael D. Kuehn Tucson, AZ

metime ago I was walking to my car, a 1962 TR3, when, for no apparent reason, I was assaulted --- verbally assaulted: "Is that thing in the shop a lot?" the voice from nowhere demanded to know. Well, I must admit I was taken by surprise. I turned warily to face my attacker. He was a youngish man, perhaps in his mid-twentles, and had no visible trace of the mockingly wicked natured I was sure lay within. It was all I could do to hold my voice below a murderous scream: "No!" The fiend must then have sensed my pique, for he fumbled for his keys

as he measured his steps to his badly faded red Honda Civic. But as he got in his car he got off a parting shot: "Oh,

'cause I had a friend who had one, and it was in the garage all the time." I reeled from the blow; this ancient enemy cloaked in a young man's body and parried by terse but brutal response with that confutation most feared by British Sports Car enthusiasts; the dreaded anecdotal evidence. I crawled be-hind the wheel of my Triumph (what an ironic name, I thought at the time) and con-sidered how it was that I had been so easily dispatched. A derisive cackle sputtered and coughed from the Red Menace as it sped away. I looked up and caught a fleeting glimpse of what I thought to be a string of tiny Union Jacks carved into the rear panel. I have little doubt that the string is now one greater.

Does this sound familiar? Of course it does. If you are a member of what I like to call the British Sports Car Fraternity then only the names have been changed in this story. Substitute your name and change the marque to MG, or Austin-Healey, or Jaguar — well,



(Photo: Glen Cormier)

you get the idea. And what about my at-tacker, your attacker? They take many guises, these masters of deception, these modern-mongering prophets of utility and efficiency. Some take the clever masks of moms and dads as they bamboozle their children away from British Sports Cars with devilish phrases like "It's for your own good" and You want something more reliable, don't you?" As wives they coyly charm, "We could use a new sofa," or "But where will the children sit?", irrefutable lines sure to disarm that British Sports Car seeking husband. And there are others, still more sinister, perhaps ;your amiable co-workers, who, when they learn that you own a British Sports Car, will go for your cultural throat with all Car, win go for your cultural introat with an the zeal of a vampire bat in a room full of necks. "They're just buckets of bolts, aren't they?" "You really can't get parts for them any more." "They're cute, but you can't rely on them." "What would you want one of them for?" The bite of these fiends is as varied as their form. varied as their form.

So what is the point of this tale, you might well be wondering by now? It is not to pub-

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licly whine. It is not to abase myself before my readers as some sort of atonement for once again failing the Fraternity. It is not to rally the Fraternity into some sort of witchhunting frenzy against our persecutors (though if that were the result, totally unintended, of course...) The point is none of those things. It is this: To respond, once and for all, to the unwashed mass of Japanese appliance worshippers. This is, then, an apology, in the classic sense of the term, that is, a written defense of some idea or philoso-

phy. In this case, a defense of British Sports Cars and the driving ideals they embody

Just what is it that lures people, siren-like,

to these automobiles? If I could articulate those reasons, I surmised, it would put me on the right track to my sought-after de-fense. Well, I thought, British Sports Cars have been around a long time; some people get off on old things, not to mention old, foreign things. After all, before Datsun be-came Nissan, before the advent of electric mirror defoggers and insanely jabbering warning devices, before Federal Regulations - no, I take that back, nothing is that old -well, before most of that, there was the British Sports Car.

Okay, so they're old, relatively speaking, and certainly uniquely British. What else? Most had two seats, a greatly unappreciated invention for keeping unwanted family members at home where they belong. Now that's good, isn't it? Other British Sports Cars had what their makers called "occasional seats, padded metal dishes the size of pie tins, no doubt for the occasional dwarf or carnival contortionist who happened to tag along,

Small boots (that's "trunks" to you non-Anglophiles) were incorporated on most British Sports cars (some sources say to aid the slumping luggage rack industry);stowinglug-gage was still a breeze, though, once you maneuvered around the spare tire, jack, tool kit, and battery. And if you carried your side curtains, hood

frame, and tonneau in the boot dwarf could always carry a suitcase on his lap. The hood (read "top"), though never ac-tually designed to be used, could, in a pinch, be swiftly erected by no less than three people, to raise the hood on a two-seater car - think about it). British Sports Cars with their hoods firmly in place could, if standing still, withstand even

the fiercest drizzle with only a modicum of leaks. And who can forget the charming scuttle shake," that not-too-unpleasant

vibration which was the car's way of telling its driver, "This is no smooth road you've got us on!" It is a feeling not unlike, I imagine, that of escaping earth's gravitation on a loaded dump truck. Not even available today as an option, it was

standard on most British Sports Cars. So what have we got so far? They're old British two-seater automobiles that shake and leak while carrying no luggage to speak of, though perhaps an occasional dwarf. So

far, so good. Or is it? Did these characterizations make you wince to the point of a grimace, shake your head in disgust, or grip your Toyota keys tightly to your bosom and recite the preface to laccoca? Or did they bring an approving smile to your face, a respectful nod to your head? Therein lies the difference between the British Sports Car Fraternity and the rest of humanity: a different set of values by which the world is judged, espe-cially automobiles. For those like the driver of the Red Menace in my story, cars are to be judged by their utility, efficiency, and comfort. Those are nice traits to have in a La-Z-Boy, says the Fraternity, but not an automo-bile. Utility? A good

quality for a toaster or a trash compactor, but who said art had to be first and foremost useful? Efficiency? Forget it it's just another lib-eral do-gooder buzzword like seatbelt, airbag, lead-free, or, their favorite, mandatory, which, when modifying any of the above makes them

(Photo: Deb Anderson) exceedingly happy and proud to be protecting the rest of us.

And now the big one, comfort. It's practically

an American industry in itself, to keep us warm when it's cold, cool when it's hot, and dry when it's wet. What do you people want, a NASA clean room on wheels? Those of us of the Fraternity believe that little discomfort is a healthy thing, and that a driver should be wet when it rains, cold when cold, and hot when

it's hot. Anything else is just plain unnatural. Okay, if utility, efficiency, and comfort don't comprise the yardstick by which the Fraternity measures automobiles, what does? Ah, this is the tough part. It's also the part that explains why we're struck dumb when confronted by those pompous prophets of the modern auto and all their verbal assaults. Utility, efficiency, and comfort are all fairly tangible criteria; they're easily under-stood, easily applied. But when a British Sports Car enthusiast is forced to defend his passion according to those criteria, he or she is tricked into playing the game by someone else's rules. Of course we can't defend ourselves by those terms; those aren't the qualities we cherish. To the wind-in-theface/rain-in-the-lap crowd, utility, efficiency, and comfort count for little when compared to quaintness, steadfastness, historical character, unique styling, aesthetic and sensual quality, innovative simplicity, driving pleasure and excitement. These are qualities understood and appreciated by the heart more than the head, by emotion rather than strictly reason. They account for the soul of

Take quaintness, for example. If the word didn't exist, it would

have to be invented, for it's perfect to describe British Sports Cars: Unusual or old-fashioned in a pleasing way. A 1951 MG TD

is unquestionably quaint, but so is my 1971 TR6, which was old-fashioned the day it came off the assembly line in Canley. Like the makers of some great wines, the British sold no cars before their time (and then sold them far past their time!). And steadfastness? You bet. Though their

reputation for being a bit cantankerous is probably well-deserved, British Sports Cars are, nonetheless, steadfast. Equipped with

sturdy frames, engines that could go on for-ever (and do), and substantial sheet metal, their ability to take a beating from overly en-thusiastic as well as irresponsible owners cannot be denied. Finicky on the finer points, perhaps; but steadfast and sturdy on the broader points.

British Sports Cars also possess histori-cal character, a traceable lineage that links them with the people and places of another time, of a simpler, more glorious past. In most cases they were the product of a single man's vision, men like Donald Healey, William Lyons and Sydney Enever (unlike today's design by committee and public opin-



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a British Sports Car.

you really are driving!

ion). And each marque was strengthened by legendary tests with names like Le Mans Brands Hatch, Nurburgring, Targa Florio, Alpine Rally, and Mille Miglia

And unique styling? It has always been a BritishSportsCar trademark. No econo-boxes here. There are enough compound curves in a Jaguar XK-120

or an Austin-Healey 100-6 or an MGA to make even Kim Basinger jealous. Far from trying to look like every other car. British Sports Cars took pride in their individuality, their unique-ness. And this is only a part of the aesthetic and sensual quality of British Sports Cars. Finely polished wood, substantial metal, leather, wool — they used sincere materials, sensual materials to build their cars. It's a kind of quality that goes beyond merely making sure the factory robots are hanging the doors correctly.

Innovative simplicity. On this point British Sports Cars have been as incongruous a the phrase itself suggests. Basically simple and straightforward in design and construction, British Sports Cars also advanced some of automotive history's great innovations: disc brakes, rack and pinion steering, dual overhead cam engines

But the quality undoubtedly closest to the hearts of British Sports Car enthusiasts is the driving pleasure and excitement these cars provide. British Sports Cars embody driving as it was meant to be, an exciting, often times chancy, seat-of-the-pants experience, with all the senses fully engaged. For when you drive a British Sports Car, you really are driving! Nothing comes easily. It takes effort, concentration. You put your whole mind and body into the task at hand. A clutch you have to stand on, gear changes not for the faint of heart, steering that is often times unforgiving and that can de-mand muscle and stamina. But to the driver who expends the required effort comes a manyfold reward: The thrill of powering a piece of automotive history down the open road; the feeling that you are totally engaged in the activity, not merely being led along by your nose by some computerized appliance.

And then there is the simple joy of forming that special bond with A British Sports Car. A true member of the Fraternity doesn't merely own his or her car, nor merely drive (Continued on page 7.)



They are a state of mind,

a passion, a love,

a way of life.

Mossing

More on MGB Rear Clunk

By Robert Mason Fairhope, Al

My main reason for writing concerns the article on the MGB rear clunk. This article, while very good in what it says, is a bit too simplistic in what it explains in the way of the complete procedure, and if not further detailed, could easily cause quite a bit of grief to the novice who tries the procedure as explained in the article. Over the years, I have completed, or helped others to complete, somewhere in the neighborhood of 50 of this operation, and while not really difficult in itself, the person attempting this operation for the first time, and following Chris Nowlan's John Twist-inspired article to the letter, may well run into trouble that will be irreversible. I will attempt to clarify

how I do this. Raise the rear of the car and place jack

stands under the front of each leaf spring hanger. Allow the axle to drop to its lowest point, suspended by rebound the

straps, and drain the differential oil. With the handbrake on, remove the left rear wheel, hub split pin, nut and hub, followed by the

handbrake cable from the left and right brake levers, and from the differential cover plate. Now remove the cover plate.

Now comes the very critical part which was passed over in Chris Nowlan's article. Rotate the differential unit until the small roll pin can be removed with a small drift. Then, rotate the differential unit until the roll pin hole is at the top of the unit. With a hammer and drift, slowly tap the main pin-ion pin upwards, but only until the small roll pin hole is just visible, and clear, of the top of the differential cage. Now, rotate the differ-ential cage and the protruding pin rear-

wards until the pin is facing downwards. Insert a suitable bar into the small roll pin hole and twist/turn/pull the large pinion pin downwards until it is free from the differential cage. Some pins are much tighter than others, so do whatever/use whatever is necessary to free the pin - persevere, and it really will come out. Under no circumstances should you attempt to drive the pinion pin out into the nose (front) section of the differential casing, and do not drive the pinion pin much above the point where the small roll pin hole is visible above the top of the differential cage. If you move the pinion pin too far, it will make contact with, or will

not clear, the inner surface of the differen-tial casing, and the differential cage will then be impossible to move in either direction Once the pinion pin is moved too far upwards, there is no way to move it back into the differential cage so as to rotate the cage itself.

The copper thrust washers easily fall to hand, as do the small gears. Now we must remove the side gears through which pass the axles, so as to remove/replace the fiber side thrust washers (you may find that the old thrust washers have simply disap-peared, with their remnants in the gear oil). To do this, you must partially pull one of the axles; I recommend the left hand axle. I pull the left side because if you remove the alloy strap which holds the left wheel brake pipe to the axle case, you will have just enough slack to ease the left backing plate, complete with wheel cylinder, brake shoes and brake line still attached, over the end of the axle. This movement is needed for enough clearance to re-

move the side gears to install the fiber thrust washtion ers, but it is far easier to simply remove the axle, as you can then inspect the axle bearing, followed by replacement of the axle oil seal Sam when installing the axle.

As the English say, installation is the reverse of removal! It is a rather straightforward procedure, but it is also quite easy to damage the copper thrust washers while installing the pinion pin into the differential cage if these copper washers are not lined up exactly with the pin. The pinion pin can only be installed from the bottom, moving upwards, and the top copper thrust washer is a bit difficult to center, to allow the pin to pass through the copper washer without damage (it would be nice to have an extra copper thrust washer available, just in case?).

The entire process isn't too difficult, but if possible, I would recommend doing it the first time with someone who has already done it. It really does eliminate the "clunk" reducing pinion rotation down to 1/8 inch or less. I commend you for your insight in offering the article for publication and I offer the above only for a bit more clarification of the procedure.

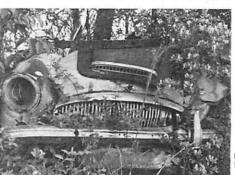
(Robert will receive a gift certificate for his contribution.)

Photo Contest Part II-The Honorable Mentions

(Due to the incredible amount of photos we received , we are pleased to add a special honorable mention section in this issue of the Moss Motoring. Winners listed here will each receive a \$25.00 gift certificate. Once again, thanks for your tremendous response.)



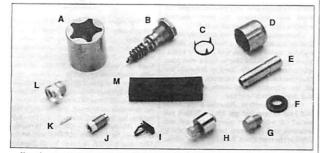
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Bobby Peyton, Fredericksburg, VA



Identify These Parts and Win



If you're one of the first 10 people to correctly identify these thirteen random British sports car parts, you'll win a Gift Certificate for \$10.00 to be used on any counter or mail order. Send answers to: Mr. Gudgeon Pynne, Moss Motoring I.D. Contest, P.O. Box MG, Goleta, CA 93117.

MGB Factory Handbooks U.S. & U.K. Spec.

We have reprinted the four additional MGB owner's manuals which complete the entire range of MGB U.S. spec. owner's manu-als. During the 1970s, Brit-ish Leyland issued a new manual every year. Subse-MGB quent issues were simpli-fied slightly and incorpo-

rated minor specification changes, making a slightly reduced number of manuals necessary.

Handbooks by model	years:	
1963-'67 (All spec.)	210-840	\$9.95
1968-'69 (U.S. spec.)	210-910	\$8.95
1970-'72 (U.S. spec.)	210-920	\$8.95
1973-'74 [U.S. spec.]	210-930	\$8.95
1975-'76 (U.S. spec.)	210-940	\$8.95
1977 (U.S. spec.)	210-950*	\$3.95
1978-'80 (U.S. spec)	210-960*	\$9.25
1970-'74 (U.K. spec.)	210-970	\$9.50

*These are factory originals, not reprints.



Moss Motors and Your British Sports Car Club

Each year we receive many requests for support and assistance from British sports car organizations throughout the United States. We have always recognized the value of people joining together in our common cause of British sports cars, and whenever possible have encouraged the formation and membership of British car related clubs and associations. Many of us here at Moss Mo-tors are members of local and regional clubs. some of us belonging to several, depending on how many different cars we are driving

and restoring. With this in mind we have appointed Ken Smith as our "Club & Event" coordinator. Ken will be based at our corporate headquarters in Goleta, CA, but many of you will be meeting him this year in your home town, as he will be travelling throughout the U.S. to represent Moss Motors at club events. Hailing from England, Ken was formerly with the Classic British



(Look for Ken at future

club events.)

SportsCar Group, and brings to us over 25 years of experience in organizing and reporting on the club scene both in here and in Europe. We're all very pleased with his joining our

and know he'll be of invaluable help to us. Please feel free to contact Ken with news

of your club events and happenings. We are always pleased to receive your reports, event results and photographs for possible inclusion in the Moss Motoring. However, for the Moss club support scheme to work smoothly, we really need your help and your adherence to the following guidelines:

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1.) All requests must be in writing; please direct all correspondence to:

Moss Motors' Club Corner PO Box MG, 7200 Hollister Avenue,

Goleta, CA 93117

2.) In order to be able to offer any assistance to your event, we must have at least 6 eeks advance notice.

3.) We would really appreciate your help in updating our British car club data base. Please send us details of your club, its officers, where and when you meet, what events you are planning, and whom we should contact with Moss information. We will establish a club officer mailing list, and with your club's approval, we would be happy to add member's names to our general mailing list.

Look for Ken Smith, along with other Moss employees representing Moss Motors at even more events in 1989! We have many exciting plans and competitions to make owning your British sports car more enjoyable than ever before!

Let's hear from you soon-Best wishes for happy motoring this summer!

(As we go to press, we have learned that the Austin-Healey Conclave at Niagra Falls, Canada, is completely full. No more registrations are being accepted. This has got to be the first time in U.S. club event history!-Ed.)

Events Calendar

In the interest of British sports car owners throughout the country, we are interested in publishing major British car events in our quarterly events calendar. If you would like to list an event in the Moss Motoring, please send a short description, including date and telephone number. We will list as many events as possible to ur available space. Send your entries, attention: Moss Motoring Events Calendar. Our next deadline closes August 31, 1989. Note: Events and dates are submitted by club members. Moss Motors, Ltd. can not be held responsible for accuracy. (So please confirm all events by telephone before travelling.)

June

- Moss Motors' MG Marque Day, Goleta, CA (805) 986-1041
- 21-25 New England MGT Register GOF Mk XLVIII Nashua, NH (413) 737-8611 21-25 Austin-Healey Conclave '89 Niagara Falls, Canada (312) 281-6426
- 27.30 14th Annual West Coast Healey Meet, Rippling River Resort, OR (503) 758-3265
- July
- 12-14 GOF Midwest, St. Louis, MO (314) 846-1035 16
- British Car Day, Brookline, MA (617) 336-7661 GOF West, Sun Valley, ID (805) 967-4546 16-20
- 22
- British Car Day PA, Schenley Park, PA., (412) 441-6483 AMGBA National Convention, Springfield, OR (312) 437-3897 20-23
- 20.23 NAMGAR GT 14, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, IN (317) 831-1666
- 26-30. Triumph Challenge & Convention, Albany, NY, (800) 833-3505
- Moss Motors' Triumph Marque Day, Goleta, CA (805) 968-1041 29

August

- 2.5 Jaguar Concours d'Elegance, Bend, OR (503) 620-6913
- 3-5
- 5th Triumph Canadian Classic, Kingston, Ontario, (613) 542-8110 Moss Motors' Austin-Healey Marque Day, Goleta, CA (805) 968-1041
- 12.26
- MG '1000 Miles Round New England', (617) 631-0237 Austin-Healey Club Encounter & Flea Market, Somerset, NJ (201)755-3794 Monterey Historic Auto Races, Monterey, CA (408) 373-1811 17-20
- 18-20
- 18-20 American MGC Register Nat'l Convention, Cleveland, OH (516)751-8107 6th Annual British Car Festival, Providence, RI (617) 679-8252 18-20

September

- 15th Annual Cape Cod Austin-Healey Meet (416)593-5489
- 24
- All British Field Meet, Portland, OR (503) 244-2580 All British Car Day, Kansas City, MO (913) 648-0635
- The British Meet, Palo Alto, CA (415) 566-6103 10
- British Car Festival, Des Plaines, IL (312) 885-7789 10
- 21-24 New England MGT Register GOF Mk XLIX Saratoga, NY (413) 737-8611 October
- British Car Day, Del Mar Race Track, San Diego, CA (619) 453-3864
- The British Meet, Woodley Park, Van Nuys, CA (415) 566-6103 British Car Show, Westminster, VT (617) 679-8252

7.9 5th Annual British Sports Car Fest, Mud Island, TN (901) 362-5434

- 13-15 TRSC Triumphest '89, Lake Arrowhead, CA (818) 448-3431
- 6th Annual British Sports Car Fest, Memphis, TN (901) 362-5434 13-15

Best of Britain IV The typical British weather at the Moss Motors "Best of Britain" day held at our east coast warehouse in Dover, N.J. in early April failed to dampen the spirits of hundreds of who braved the elements to enthusiasts



(All-British weather at Moss, NJ. (Inset: MG SA takes home the show!)

bring their cars to this increasingly popular event

Early morning rain eventually gave way to weak sunshine and the sparkling array of MGs, Triumphs, Austin-Healeys and Jaguars on view to delight the hundreds of people who came to the show. "Best of Britain" also attracted a wide

variety of vendors to the Flea Market where such diverse bargains as ex-factory publicity

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found. Your re-porter also saw

box on sale for \$700! Regalia, literature and spares were in abundance from dealers who came from as far away as Ohio and Delaware

frantic and the Moss staff coped coura-geously with a constant line of customers attracted by the extra discount available for the day!

The star of the cars was undoubtedly the

Jaguar "C" type (which someone thought was a kit car!). Walter Genther brought his super MG SA from Wappinger's Falls and the MG YB attracted much attention when it was raised off the ground on its built-in "Jack-all" System. Triumphs were in force from TR2 through TR8, and the Austin-Healeys present were super examples of Donald Healey's leg-acy to the British motoring scene. Two MGB GT V8 conversions were on view and at-tracted much interest, and the eternal question... "How do l?", which Glen Towery (who has now undertaken 17 such conversions) tried to answer.

Club support was excellent with large numbers arriving in convoy from far flung outposts of the classic car world, Connecticut to Pennsylvania, and the self-judged car show was acclaimed by every entrant whether they were winners or not!

Once again the event was superbly organ-ized by our friends in the New Jersey MG 'T' register, under the direction of Jerry Keller. Moss Motors would like to thank everyone who attended the 4th "Best of Britain"- the club members, dealers, caterers, and most of all, the volunteers who made an otherwise dull day so much brighter.

One final question ... How did a red, white and blue racing Fiat get into a British car show? Oh well, never mind. Everyone was welcome and all vowed to return again in 1990 for the next Moss "Best of British" show

(If you've recently attended a British car event, write us and tell us about it! If we use your article in the Moss Motoring, you'll receive a gift certificate for \$40.00-Ed.)



This year's western G.O.F. is being held in Sun Valley, ID, July 16-20. One of the most beautiful spots in the country, Sur Valley is the perfect place to vacation while attend-ing the G.O.F. Hosted by Chairman Howard Goldman, owner of Moss Motors, and his wife, co-chairman Dottie Goldman, this promises to be one of the British sports car events of the year! Not only will you get your share of traditional MG events, you'll have a full schedule with tennis, golf, fishing, river rafting, backpacking and outdoor ice skating available. Families take note: there are ing available, ramines take note there are complete facilities for children and teens. This year's G.O.F. is open to all T-series owners, and club members will be attend-ing in full force. For details on registration and lodging, please call Jan Skopecek at (415) 655-1391.

postcards from British Leyland (getting rarer every day!), to a complete steering column assembly for an early TR2 were

an original Dopke model

'TD" in original

Behind the Moss counter the scene was

Nois Manning

The 1st Annual Moss Journalism Awards Attention club magazine editors and

newsletter compilers!

Each year we here at Moss receive hundreds of British car club magazines, newslet-ters and flyers. Many of them are superbly produced and full of interest. Our intention is to reward those individuals who put in so much spare time and hard work to produce these publications.

Hence the "M.M.J.A.'S" (Moss Motors' Journalism Awards), pronounced "Moja's". Write for details and your entry form today! The results and prizes will be announced at the end of this year. A panel of distinguished judges will take

into account presentation, layout and con-tents and come to a decision based on all these relevant factors

Survey, continued from page 1.

We found the majority of our customers are men, but more and more women are be-coming enthusiasts! The average enthusiast falls between 30 and 50 years old, with an above average income. The majority of you do your own repairs, both routine and major, and there's a good chance you belong to a car club. You read Road & Track or Car & Driver, right down to the ads in the back When it comes to buying parts for your car/ s, you find Moss Motors to be the vendor of your choice, but sometimes use others for convenience or price. You think that our sales staff is fairly good but could use a little fine tuning in technical areas. The average order delivery time? It takes you about a week by ground shipping after you phone in vourorder



Your comments were very helpful to us and your concerns taken very seriously. You would like more technical information on all fronts; more parts availability; a better backorder system and more competitive prices. As you know, one of the major reasons be-hind this survey was to find out what areas you thought we needed improvement in. Since you've given us the ability to focus more closely on both our strong and weak areas, we've been able to come up with several effective changes and improvements.

How are we dealing with your concerns? Our recent U.K. acquisition (see front page story) has given us unparalleled technical expertise and a considerably increased research staff. We've already added hundreds of tech tips to our archives and hope to publish them in book form in the future. In the meantime, you'll find more technical information than ever before in our catalogs, flyers and of course, the Moss Motoring.

As for increased parts availability, we've just added hundreds of previously obsolete parts to our inventory (see our Summer 1989 Price Update) and will continue to add more and more as we assimilate additional stocks from our new English warehouses. You'll also reap the benefits of our combined purchasing power, as we are now working on a great many new products that were previously unrealistic to reproduce due to the smaller previous sales potential and at

Don't worry if yours is a small club and your publication modest! There will be various categories depending upon the size and resources available to the individual clubs, catering from under 100 members to over 1,000 members! So don't be shy. Send for an entry form for the Moss Journalism Awards now to:

Ken Smith, Club Coordinator Moss Motors, Ltd. P.O. Box MG

7200 Hollister Avenue Goleta, CA 93117

Results and awards will be published in Moss Motoring. Write in for your application and be a part of the exciting 1989 M.M.J.A.'s.

times, very significant tooling costs. As for competitive pricing, we are always looking for ways to lower our prices! Our ability to purchase in quantity really comes in handy

Many people wrote in with questions on how our backorder system works. Our backorder system was created to help save you time and money in two important ways. Sup pose you call up for some carburetor parts: a gasket set and some needles. If the needles ere temporarily out of stock, and a backor der was not an option, you'd have to spend find somebody who had them. You might end up calling Moss every couple of days (we receive shipments daily), trying to catch us when the rights parts were in stock. Imag-ine the frustration if you discovered that we had received them, only now the sale was over, or we were out again. If the carb parts were on sale and temporarily out of stock when you ordered, or a price increase occurred, choosing to backorder would save them at the sale or old price in your name, to be sent to you immediately following stock delivery. The important thing to remember is that backorders are an option. There is no non-refundable deposit or service charge. That's why you can cancel a backorder at any time until the part is actually shipped. What was outstanding among the re

turned surveys was the outpouring of compliments for the service we offer, as well as encouragement to continue the good work. Here are several examples of the positive feedback we (blushingly) received: (From California) "First let me say you already are serving me better; you sent a questionnaire. Nobody else has done that...As far as MGs go, you can nearly build one out of your catalog!...Your publications are better that anybody's. Moss Motoring is anybody's. Moss Motoring is unparalleled...Your catalogs blow the com-petition into the weeds...You are on your way to becoming the biggest and best friend of English sports cars in the country...I have already given away several of your catalogs..."(From Virginia) "...on a recent order I was called twice to discuss availability of a part...I was really impressed." '(From Texas) "...Your convertible top...fit better than the original...without your business I would have sold the car long ago." (From Ohio) "...excellent quality, sales, knowledgeable personnel, great catalogs, helpful hints, newsletter. You guys do it all and do it right. You are a credit to the sports car industry and hobbyist. (From California again) "Moss Motoring (newsletter) is so good that I order from Moss just to stay on the mailing list." We feel that the survey was a great suc-

cess! The largest impression you've made on us is how dedicated you are to British sports cars and how loyal you are to Moss Motors. Thank you for your responses, and

Reflections

By Will Orobko Salt Lake City, UT

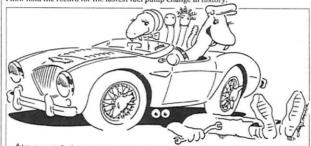
Not so long ago, I was driving through eastern Washington, Oregon and Idaho. It was summer and the weather was hot-very hot.

Coming into Yakima, Washington, late one night, I spotted a rest stop and turned in to use the telephone. The first sign my headlights picked out read "Caution-Beware of Rattlesnakes

I decided not to use the telephone.

The nest day, in Idaho, the fuel pump gave up. Fortunately, a spare fuel pump is one of the Items I always carry in the trunk. So, it's not too much trouble to jack up the car, put in some blocks and start removing the pump. As I lay there under the car, fiddling with the gas lines, I suddenly remembered the sign I had

seen the night, and not many miles, before, I now hold the record for the fastest fuel pump change in history



"HEY BUDDY, CAN YOU HURRY IT UP ... I'VE GOT A BRITISH SNAKE SHOW TO MAKE!"

more importantly your support. We hope that you will feel that your suggestions were noted and most often, acted upon. As always, your continued support and feedback is requested. -

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are making every effort to incorporate their standards and procedures for all of our reproduction parts. Our aim is to offer only parts which are virtually indistinguishable from what the factories produced when our cars were new.

We are now more committed than ever to bringing you the world's most comprehen-sive range of quality British sports car spares. Keep in mind that not all British sports car spares are created equal. We're pleased to find that thousands of items we stock are priced at less than the published prices of any of our competitors. Some of our products are more expensive than others in the market place: however, we won't compromise our quality standards for price. We urge you to compare price, quality and service. We think you'll agree that Moss is hard to beat in every respect! We've been here to serve you since 1948 and with your support we'll still be here long after the heirs to the British Leyland empire declare the last Austin-Healey, Jaguar, MG or Triumph part to be obsolete. moss

MGB Seat Savers

Save your seat covers with a set of our MGB seat sav ers. Washable heavy-duty poly/ D slip on and off in seconds! Covers have storage pock-ets in rear of backrest. 237-330 1963-'68 Black \$74.90 1963-'68 Tan 237-340 \$74.90 1969-'80 Black 237-350 \$78. 1969-'80 Tan 237-360 \$78 90

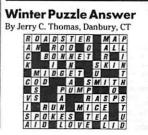
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Well, I've said my plece, gotten it off my chest, so to speak, and in the process I've come to this realization: The more buffoons that tout the merits of the modern automo-bile, the more Old British Sports Cars that will be around for the rest of us to enjoy. So why argue/ why try to convince the modernmongerers of anything? To the people who really count, British Sports Cars need no defense. So the next time some pompous, appliance-worshipping buffoon, reeking of cheap vinyl and pine scent auto freshener, tells you with a smirk that unlike your car his technological-wonder-on-wheels possesses utility, efficiency, and comfort, you can proudly respond with a clear, forceful voice, "Big deal!"

(Michael will receive a gift certificate for his contribution.)



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