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A FACELIFT FOR LITTLE CAR

By Rich Kohlhepp

s we all know, it's been a long, cold, hard winter. As I start to write this, it's sunny and 38 degrees but it's also March 28th. I had planned on doing a lot of work on my 73 Spit during the cooler months, but as you can see by the picture, I don't have a big heated garage to work in. For most of the winter I had no access, or desire, to attempt any work. Finally, at the end of March, I knew I couldn't put it off any longer if I wanted to finish on time for any of our upcoming events.

My plans were to do the following:

- 1- Put in a new clutch, pressure plate, etc.
- 2- Clean up the engine compartment.
- 3- Undercoat.
- 4- Install some sound deadening material.
- 5- Some body work and a new lacquer paint job.
- 6- Install the new carpet.

I had made a trip north to Hibernia some time ago to a huge restoration shop that sold lacquer paint and primer. I was taken aback at the price of \$300 a gallon for paint and \$200 a gallon for primer. While I was there I had to decide if I wanted to win trophies and paint the car red, or repaint the car white. I chose to do the classic white because the car was white when I saw it in the showroom and fell in love with it. Maybe some day the car can be judged on merit and not color.



The long cold winter severely impeded Rich's planned restoration work

The first thing I did was remove the interior, then the transmission. When I unbolted the pressure plate, the fun began. As I was pulling it off, I saw the flywheel move toward me. I thought to myself that it's not supposed to move that much and decided to make some phone calls. While talking with Bob Canfield, he said it sounded like the thrust washers had fallen out and to look in the oil pan. **NOT what I wanted to hear!** Looking in the shop manual, I found I had to remove the flywheel and the rear engine plate. I was



This photo shows the cramped working conditions with which Rich had to contend.

then able to slide the oil pan out. Bob was right. The two washers were in the pan, luckily still in one piece and not broken. I then took off the rear main cap. More bad news... it had to be replaced. I couldn't find one from any of the major supply houses so I turned to eBay and found one there for a reasonable price. As I waited for the parts to arrive, I removed all the trim from the body and installed the sound proofing material.

It's now April 2nd and most of the parts have arrived, including a new oil pump and bearings. I figured I may was well change them now because with the mileage on the car they could be the next to go. It's 56 degrees, and I figure with a few more days like this, I should have things back together. With any luck I can have the car painted as

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Minutes of the PEDC General Meeting (May 4, 2011)



Submitted by Carol Kyle for Secretary Wayne Simpson

President Rodney Ford called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM with 42 members in attendance. Rodney welcomed new member Richard Meyers, who reported that he intends to soon unveil his white, with red interior, 1957 MGA, which he has owned for 32 years.

Rodney mentioned that on Saturday, May 7th, there will be a memorial service for his father in Watchung, NJ at 11:30 AM. He also mentioned that the PEDC family recently lost two members: founding member Frank Clarici, and Janet Smith, whose memorial service will be at 1PM May 14th in Freehold, NJ. Rodney also stated that current member Alan Gruskos, who had been recently hospitalized, is now home and doing well. Rodney suggested that the club form a Sunshine Committee for sending flowers and cards to members who are ill or to their families in the event of death.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Peter Richardson reported a balance of \$3,100.42 in the club account.

Old Business

Allenhurst Car Show at Shore Antiques Center: Rodney reported that the show went well this year. He mentioned that the scones were supplied by Cravings Bakery in town and that the local fire department supplied the beer and soda. He also mentioned that the band did a good job in its rendition of British Invasion 60s and 70s songs. Pat Wignall stated that Rose O'Connor-Myer loves hosting these classic British sports car events and hopes to do it again next year, this time with British dog breeds invited, too.

Point Pleasant Beach Cruise-In: Rodney thanked PEDC member Paul Bonsper for hosting the event on May 1st. Although we had a small turnout of 18 cars, a good time was had by all who attended.

<u>Jersey Freeze Ice Cream Run:</u> On Thursday, May 19th, Wayne and Mary Simpson will host the first ice cream run of the season to Jersey Freeze in Freehold. Members are warned to bring cash, as credit cards are not accepted. Come on out for some good old-fashioned fun.

Father's Day Show: Pat Wignall reported that she is working on getting posters made for the Father's Day show in Spring Lake Heights. She is holding a photo contest, so members are encouraged to e-mail her a photo of their car to be used on the poster. The deadline to e:mail photos is Wednesday, May 11th. Rodney stated that at the next general meeting, in June, there will be a sign-up sheet for the Father's Day barbecue at the Johnson's house after the show. The sheet will help us plan on who is bringing what to the barbecue.

Laurita Winery Drive: Kurt and Altha Morton are hosting a drive to Laurita Winery August 20th. Plans may include a \$7-per-person wine tasting, lunch, and a tour of the vineyard. We have to be out by 5PM.

New Business

<u>Toms River 2011 Cruisin' Downtown</u>: Rodney mentioned that Toms River will be holding its cruise nites the second Wednesday of the month from May through September in downtown Toms River. This year they have a rain date (the next day). Carol Kyle brought handouts for members who are interested in attending.

<u>Air Museum Drive</u>: In late May Jon Spare will be hosting a drive to one of two air museums in NJ. Details to follow. (Editor's note: Air Museum Drive has been rescheduled to July, details to follow.)

Thomas Edison Museum Drive: On June 26th Bob Canfield will host a drive to the Thomas Edison Museum in West Orange, NJ.

<u>Invitations to Other Car Club Events</u>: Rodney mentioned that K&T Vintage Sports Cars, Ltd., Allentown, PA, welcomes groups that would like to attend their tech sessions. One such session will involve mounting tires on wire wheels. Perhaps we'll get a group of PEDCers together to attend a tech session. If interested, let an officer or club member know.

British Car Week: From May 28th to June 5th, celebrate British Car Week. Get out and drive 'em! http://www.britishcarweek.org/

Miscellaneous Non-PEDC Car Events: Rodney mentioned the following events that are coming up in the next few months:

May 7th – car show in Lewes, DE

May 14th - Manasquan car and truck show benefit, 9 AM – 3 PM. Register at 7 AM; \$20 registration fee.

May 21st - Sentimental Cruisers Car Club of Ocean County show at Captain's Inn, Forked River

June 4th – All-British Marque show, together with a Jaguar Concours, "Cars of England at Oakbourne Mansion," Westtown, PA

June 5th – Brits on the Delaware show

June 7th – Point Pleasant Beach Cruise Nite, with streets closed off

June 12th – Hellerstown, PA show

July 8th – Collector Car Appreciation Day: get out and drive those LBCs!

August – Jaguar show in New Hampshire

Miscellaneous

Ed Jones reported that his TR7 has been painted black and is ready to be wet-sanded.

Rodney mentioned that the Izod Center at the Meadowlands is hosting a June 11th Doo-Wop reunion. Featured acts will include the Chiffons, the Crests, Jay Black (of Jay Black and the Americans), the Duprees, the Planotones, and others. Contact Rodney to get \$5 off the tickets.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

FROM THE DRIVER'S SEAT...

Rodney Ford, President





ow that driving weather is here, well except for the rain, everyone should check their tyres. I don't mean just that they are round, have tread and have the correct air pressure. Be sure and check how old your tyres are. At Pete Cosmides' Motorcar Garage Tech session last February, Tyres were the topic. It was explained that many factors affect the aging of tyres; age, inflation, alignment, road damage, infrequent use and tyre manufacturer to name a few. Not all tyres are of the highest quality. How do you determine the age of a tyre? Look for the DOT marking on the sidewall. It will be followed by letters and numbers. On tyres made before 2000, the end of the sequence will be three numbers. For example 159, this would indicate the 15th week of a year ending in the number 9, could be 1999, 1989 or older. Starting in the year 2000, things get easier, the sequence will end in four numbers. Again the first two numbers indicate the week the tyres were made, the last two, the

year. Here are two examples:



This tyre was made in the 27th week of 2006



This one, in the 25th week of 2003.

...a club
member had a
tyre disintegrate
out on a drive
doing
considerable
damage to his
Jaguar!"

The tyre industry considers a tyre to be old if it is five to six years past the date of manufacture. If you have tyres of this age, you should consider replacing them. Especially if they show signs of dry rot, cracking, bulging, hardening or unusual wear.

This can also happen on the inside of the tyre. It many look fine on the outside, but could be deteriorating on the inside. If you have tyres with the three digit code or no code at all, please do not drive them on the highway! About five years ago, maybe six, a club member had a tyre disintegrate out on a drive doing considerable damage to his Jaguar! It was an older tyre that aged from the inside. While you are checking your LBCs, don't forget your daily driver and motorhome or trailer if you have either. Thanks again to Pete Cosmides for reminding us of an overlooked item on our cars. And try to make it to his next open house; it is worth the trip.

From the Navigator's Seat...

Mike Browne, Vice President





ince most of us are classic car owners, it is wise that we keep up with the latest news, laws, insurance requirements and other things that affect our cars and our hobby in general. For example, many of us have our cars registered with the state "QQ" or historic registrations. For most of us, this type of registration works out best for us in many ways, but it has its limitations. Also, if we have that type of registration, only a rear plate is legally necessary! Many of us also find that having classic or antique car insurance gives us "more bang for our buck" and works out best.

There are some things however, that you have to dig for to find out information. Some things are not widely publicized... for whatever reason. One of those things has been the removal of an additive to motor oil called ZDDP (Zinc Dialkuldithiophosphate). For the past 70 years this has been an important additive to motor oils. It has an excellent track record at protecting the sliding of metal-to-metal cam lifter interface. Historically, ZDDP has been added to oils in amounts that have resulted in creating a "sacrificial film" on cams and flat lifter contact points in response to the extreme pressure

and heat at the contact point. It has protected our cams and lifters for 70 years! Studies show that depending on the severity of duty, after 2000 to 4000 miles, the level of ZDDP is depleted to a point where changing the oil is necessary. According to the SAE Tech bulletin #770087, "operation of a flat tappet engine without adequate EP additives such as ZDDP quickly leads to lifter foot scuffing and came lobe wear. Camshafts are typically only surface hardened leaving the core ductile for strength."

Of course, the next thing that comes to mind is, "WHY DID THEY TAKE ZDDP OUT OF TODAY'S OIL????" The EPA has for years been trying to reduce the emissions from automobiles. They have offered "credits" to auto manufacturers who implement these efforts early as well as enforce penalties for violation of emission reduction standards. The EPA program called for cars having catalytic converters. Well, ZDDP shortens the life of catalytic converters!! Therefore, the EPA program called for 100,000 mile catalytic converter life by 2004, 120,000 miles by 2007, and 150,000 miles by 2009! Well, that is all

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history. Auto manufacturers have put pressure on their oil suppliers to achieve these goals and in the process they have succeeded in taking out most if not all of this additive out of our oils that we normally use! Since Castrol GTX oil became known to me, that is what I have exclusively used in my LBC. Now, Castrol GTX does not have this additive. I didn't know this! Club member, Mike Kusch made me aware of this not that long ago.

So, there is now a controversy of sorts surrounding the amount of zinc in motor oil. Many classic car enthusiasts and engine experts believe the lower levels of zinc in motor oil are causing excessive wear in older style push rod and flat tappet engines. This is happening despite the fact that all new motor oil is supposed to be backward compatible. This has caused many classic car owners to accept that modern motor oil is NOT adequate to protect older engines.

SO...WHAT CAN WE DO? I think the wise thing to do is research this yourself. I am not a mechanic, but I read up on this online and have come up with the conclusion that it is necessary for our cars to use motor oils with ZDDP in it. I have switched to Valvoline VR-1 racing oil. There are other oils that have the additive in them. Brad Penn and Joe Gibbs Racing also make oil with the additive in it. Castrol synthetic FOR CLASSIC CARS has ZDDP in it. Most are a little more difficult to find, but most automotive stores either have it, or can order it for you. It is usually a little more expensive, but in my opinion, it's worth it. However, it IS only fair to warn everyone that these oils do NOT have detergents in them. So, check with your mechanic or maybe run CD2 in it to clean it before changing the oil? But I would look into options as far as that goes because we want all our LBCs to keep running!!

There are also companies that produce a ZDDP additive that you can buy. But you should be careful to mix the correct ratio to mix in your crankcase. I also understand that most of these are compatible with synthetic oils and well as non-synthetic oils.

Bottom line (as far as my research has shown) is that IF you drive a car that has an engine that was designed prior to the 1990s, your non

-roller lifters require ZDDP to prevent premature deterioration.





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Facelift Continued...

a friend has offered the use of his shop and air compressor to get the job done. Hopefully I remember how as it's been 25 years since I painted the car last.

Hope to see everyone on the Renault drive if all goes as planned.



Rich found this missing thrust washer in the oil pan, just like Bob Canfield predicted.



Little Car is finally ready for a new coat of white paint. It also looks to be smiling, probably enjoying the spring time weather after a long grueling winter.

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LOCAL CRUISE NIGHTS...

here are a plethora of cruise night opportunities close by. These venues offer an excellent opportunity to take your car out of the garage, drive it, and show it off. You can also mingle with other like-minded people and discuss cars. You can admire other cars too. Your car won't care. This principle doesn't apply to admiring persons of the opposite sex as your spouse will likely have a problem with that. Anyway, here are details on three big cruise-in events held throughout the driving season. Now get out there and promote British motoring, and have a great time while you're doing it!

Toms River 2011 Cruisin' Nites

When: 6-9PM, the second Wednesday of the month, as follows:

June 8 (rain date June 9)
July 13 (rain date July 14)

August 10 (rain date August 11)

September 14 (rain date September 15)

Details: Owners with vintage automobiles from 1986 and older are eligible to participate. Report to the staging area on Hadley Avenue, off Hooper Avenue, between 4-5PM, facing south to Washington Street. Representatives from the Vintage Automobile Club of Ocean County will be on hand to direct participants. Parking on Washington Street begins at 5PM until 6PM, or until the street is filled. NOTE: Vehicles are not permitted to leave Washington Street prior to 9PM. Vehicles wanting to leave prior to 9PM will be directed to the designated "Early Out" spots on Robbins Street and Allen Street at time of arrival. To obtain a dash plaque and compete for a "Best in Show" trophy, owners must register at the Downtown Toms River event booth on the corner of Washington Street and Court House Lane. Registration is free. There will be live bands, entertainment, street vendors, and contests. Restaurants and retail stores are available along Washington Street and Main Street. Free admission and parking



Rodney Ford's Triumph TR7 Spider and Joe Laudis's TVR Taimer on display a Toms River Cruise night last year. Joe has since sold his TVR.



Cruise Nights at Wall Stadium

Family friendly "Friday Night Cruise Nights" return to Wall Stadium Speedway for the 2011 season! The Shore Speedway will host these highly popular classic car events on the final Friday evening of each month. June 24, July 29, August 26 and September 30 are the remaining dates.

All "Friday Night Cruise Nights" start at 5:00 p.m. Admission is free of charge for both car show participants and those who visit the speedway to admire the classic and custom cars. Food will be available from the speedway's refreshment stands and participants will get the chance to cruise around Wall Stadium's famous third mile high banked oval as the track's pace car will lead groups of cars around the track though out the evening. Music will set the cruise night mood.



Secretary Wayne Simpson prepares to take the 1/3-mile high-banked oval at Wall Stadium Speedway in his Inca yellow Triumph TR7. President Rodney Ford follows in his Triumph TR7 Spider, and George Ruhnke brings up the rear in his bright red Triumph TR3A.

Saturday Night Car Cruises at







The Blue Moon Kruizers host "Saturday Night Car Cruises" at Chick-fil-A in Howell (Route 9 North, just north of Lanes Mills Road by Lowes and Stop 'n Shop) every first and third Saturday of the month from 5—8PM. The event includes a Fan-belt Toss game and Hula-hoop contests for the kids. They also play music throughout the evening. Trophies and Door Prizes will be awarded prior to the night's conclusion. The Kruizers request a donation of non-perishable food for the Howell food pantry or yarn for the "Knit for the Needy" program.

Chick-fil-A host their own car show on the Saturday nights that the Kruizers aren't running their event. These nights are more informal and don't include trophies. They do offer games with chances to win prizes and free food. It's still an opportunity to get out there with your car and mingle with other car "nuts."

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Marc Meccia brought his Morris Minor to the Chick-fil-A cruise night this May. He was one of only three British car owners there that night. Help us better represent British motoring by attending events like these.



Bob Brown's MGB sits comfortably nestled in among the American iron during the Chick-fil-A cruise night.



A 1959 Austin Healey Bug Eye Sprite on display at Toms River Cruisin' Nites last month.

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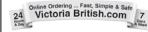
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Show/Event Schedule for 2011

<u>June</u>

- -6/5: **British Car Week**, Everywhere
- 6/4: Cars and Motorcycles of England, Oakbourne Mansion in Westtown, PA, Host: Del Valley Triumphs, Info: Contact Bruce Schechter email: bschechter@comcast.net, registration form: Download flyer
- 6/4: Atlantic Highlands 3rd Annual Car Show, on First Avenue, hosted by Chamber of Commerce, 11AM—5PM, rain date is 6/5, Go to www.atlantichighlands.com for info and registration form. \$15 for pre-registration, \$20 day of show. Email the show coordinator, Susan Fairgrieve, at ahcarshow@gmail.com or call her at (732) 643-4279
- 6/5: **16th Annual Red Mill British Car Day**, Red Mill Museum Village, 56 Main Street, Clinton, NJ, sponsored by the M.G. Drivers Club of North America, limited to 100 pre-registered British vehicles due to the size of the show grounds. Info and application: Richard Miller 908-713-6251 or **mgdriversclub@hotmail.com**, Website: **www.mgdriversclub.com**
- 6/5: **3rd Annual UPS United Way Car & Bike Show**, UPS Facility, 4 Fairgrounds Rd., Trenton, NJ, 10AM—3PM, proceeds benefit The United Way, for additional info go to: http://unwupscarshow.info/
- 6/11: **A Touch of England**, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ, Hosted by: New Jersey Triumph Association, for more info contact Emery Duell, phone: (201) 934-1141, **Email**, **View Website**
- 6/12: **18**th **Annual British Motorcar Gathering**, Host: Keystone Region MG Club, Reservoir Park., Hellerstown, PA, Club/Event Website: www.keystonemg.com...
- 6/18: **1st Annual Car Show & Flea Market,** 350 Lakehurst Road, Browns Mills, NJ. Host: Pemberton Lions Club, 11AM—3PM, rain date: 6/19, all makes and models, trophies and ribbons awarded, for registration and info call (609) 893-2657 or 893-2950
- 6/25: **4th Annual Veterans' Car and Bike Show**, benefitting Samaritan Hospice, location: Cherry Hill High School West, 2101 Chapel Ave. West, Cherry Hill. NJ, 9AM-2PM, rain date: 6/26, \$15 registration, all proceeds benefit veterans' hospice care, website: www.cherryhillveteranscarshow.com, for more info call John Giacoboni @ (609) 780-6640

July

- 7/16: **Brits on the Delaware,** hosted by TVRCCNA, Kintnnersville, PA, 10AM, all foreign marques welcome, pre-registration \$10, day of show \$15, Pre-registration cut off July 9, go to http://www.tvrccna.org/userfiles/BRITS_FLYER_2011.pdf, awards/dash plaques, for additional information Call Tony Hess 610-346-9026 aghbop@aol.com.

August

- 7th Annual Pennypacker Mills British Car Day, Hosted by the Delaware Valley Classic MG Chapter, Pennypacker Mills Historic Site along the Perkiomen Creek just below Schwenksville, PA. For more information: http://www.dvcmg.com/
- 8/11-13 **The Roadster Factory Summer Party**, Armagh, PA. Hosted by the Roadster Factory. For additional information and on-line registration go to: http://www.the-roadster-factory.com/
- 8/17: **Pt. Pleasant Boro Rotary Club 22nd Annual Car Show**, Crystal Point Yacht Club, Rt. 70 & River Rd., Pt. Pleasant, NJ, rain date 8/13, 6PM—9:30PM, Pre-registration: \$20, day of show: \$25, for additional info: e-mail **PPRotarycarshow@yahoo.com**
- 8/21: **16th Annual Antique Rolling Iron Auto Show**, Historic Allaire Village, 4265 Atlantic Ave. (Rt. 524), Farmingdale, NJ, rain date: 8/28, gates open at 8AM, trophies presented at 3PM, open to all vehicles 1986 and earlier, pre-registration: \$15, day of show: \$18, dash plaques to first 250 vehicles, over 40 awards, for additional info and a registration form call (732) 919-3500 or go to: http://www.allairevillage.org/events/description/RollingIron.html

<u>September</u>

- 9/10: **Flying W Annual Car Show**. Flying W Airport, Medford, NJ, details still forthcoming, call (609) 267-8787 and/or check their website at http://www.flyingwairport.com/calendar.dws
- 9/10: **Fallfest**, Bridgewater Township, Somerset County, NJ, Hosted by: NJ Triumph Association, Eastern NY MGA Club, and the Austin Healey Sports and Touring Club, for more info contact Allen Rosenberg, phone: (732)742-4642, **Email**, **View Website**

October

- 10/1: **British Motor Club of Southern NJ Annual Show**, NJ Motorsports Park, info: www.bmcsnj.org, for additional info, contact show coordinator Ted Lane, lanead@comcast.net, 856-691-6631
- 10/1: Out of the Woodwork, Hosted by TVR Car Club NA, Mercer Co Park NJ 9AM—3PM, all foreign marques welcome, cost is \$20, for a registration form go to http://www.tvrccna.org/userfiles/WOODWORK_FLYER_2011.pdf, for additional info call Tony Hess 610-346-9026 aghbop@aol.com.

Show/Event Schedule for 2011 Continued...

November

11/5 **16th Annual Pumpkin Run,** Flemings Auto Parts, 353 Zion Road, Egg Harbor Township, NJ, 8AM—4PM, rain date: 11/12, registration at gate: \$15, no pets, website: http://www.flemingshows.com/PUMPKINRUN.html, for general information call Harry @ (609) 927-9541 or Barbara @ (609) 381-7686

I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream!

Answer the call at our next ice cream run on 6/23 at 7 PM.

Yellow Brick Road Ice Cream Carousel,

1857 Hooper Avenue,

Toms River. See you there!

Drive to Tommy E's Museum!

On **June 26th** Bob Canfield will be hosting a drive to the **Thomas Edison Museum in West Orange.** The drive will begin at 8AM from the WaWa on route 34 in Farmingdale (just south of the route 33 circle). We will take our LBC's up route 18 into Somerset County where we will climb the Watchung Mountains. From there the group will follow a route through country roads, stopping for a break in Warren, and arrive at the museum about 11AM. The drive will cover about 68 miles and take approximately 2 hours. The museum has a gated parking lot across from the museum entrance. The entrance fee is \$7.00 for adults (cash or check only), and free for under 16 years old.

We will tour the laboratory complex to see where Edison developed many of the inventions for which he eventually held over 1000 patents. After that we will drive about a mile to tour Edison's Glenmont Estate. This is the 29 room Queen Anne mansion where Edison and his second wife raised their family.

<u>Please let Bob know if you want to join the caravan</u>. The museum requires a reservation for groups of 10 or more. See more information at http://www.nps.gov/edis/index.htm</u>



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First Ice Cream Run!

ay 25th saw the PEDC's first Ice Cream run of the 2011 season, an overdue return engagement with Jersey Freeze in Freehold. The turnout was good and the weather was excellent. Apart form the ice cream, we were given a number of treats, from the presence of Bill and Kim Geissel and their two kids (no, they didn't all come in Bill's TR6), to the sight and sound of Tom and Marcia Blackwell's Morgan three wheeler. Best of all perhaps was the re-emergence of Carol Kyle, looking spry and pain free, just 2-1/2 weeks after hip replacement surgery. She even took some of the photos you see here.

This month's IC run is in Toms River hosted by Rodney Ford. Look atop this page for details (highlighted).



Tom and Marcia Blackwell are looking pretty stylish in their right-hand drive, 1948 Morgan F4 Three-Wheeler.



PEDCers enjoying a beautiful spring night at the Jersey Freeze. Ken Kyle and Mike Browne, sitting on the bench in the background, appear distracted by something.



Line up of participating PEDC cars at the Jersey Freeze.

SECRETARY'S NOTES ...

Wayne Simpson, Secretary

British Invade Shore Antique Center

n April 17th, we were treated to the second British Invasion of Allenhurst, sponsored by Shore Antiques. Once again the weather cooperated and about 18 cars came to create a display of antique British iron. Rose O'Connor-Myer of the Antique Center hosted the event with her customary enthusiasm. There were refreshments in the form of delicious scones and beverages inside the store and the volunteer Fire Dept held a BBQ outside. Also outside, a live band did a great job keeping the 60's alive with "invasion" era music.





The Antique center itself, an amalgam of several different dealers, tours like a museum with all sorts of curiosities from the past, with the exception that you can generally touch the exhibits, and if you feel strongly enough about something, you can open your wallet and take it home with you. There is a room with an extensive collection of old music on LP, cassette and (if you must) CD. Pretty much everything from antique clothing and art to baseball memorabilia is represented.

Although the attendance was not quite up to last year's level, we



Line up of British cars at the Shore Antique Center.

hope Rose was pleased with the turnout and we look forward to a return engagement next year.



Shore Antique center proprietor Rose O'Connor-Myer poses by a "HOT" TR6 in vintage clothing.

Shore Acres' Wheel and Keels

I've always felt that classic cars and sailboats share a lot in common. They are both antiquated means of transport, largely impractical and immensely enjoyable. It's always impressed me how many sailors are also into classic cars, so it shouldn't surprise anyone that a local yacht club is putting the two together.

On Saturday May 14th, the Shore Acres Yacht Club in Brick did just that with their annual Wheels & Keels classic car and boat show. This year, they were celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association and gathered together as many of the BBYRA's classes as possible along with about 50 classic cars from all eras and descriptions.

The weather conspired to keep a fair number of the boats away, with cloudy skies, cool temperatures and fresh southwesterly breeze that set up a stiff chop on SAYC's exposed bulkhead where the boats were to be displayed. However, a few boats were in attendance along the inner bulkhead adjoining a marina next door. Many of the smaller racing classes (Sneakbox, Melges M and E Scows, Club 420) came in on trailers and were well represented.

Things were different out in the parking lot, where a wide variety of cars showed up. There we saw everything from Fords and Chevys of the 20s and 30s to Muscle cars from the 70s, a new Dodge Viper and a classic Fire Truck. From Europe, there were Mercedes SLs, a Porsche Targa, a VW Beetle Cabriolet and of course, several



European line up at this year's Wheels & Keels Show. Red convertible punch buggy; no punch backs!

of our beloved British sports cars supplied by members of the PEDC.

Next year, the organizers envision a sort a "USA vs Europe Smackdown" with 30 cars from each side of the Atlantic, and we'll invite SAYC show chairman John Frayne to one of our meetings to tell us about it as the time draws nearer. Surely we can supply at least 10 cars so the UK will be well represented.

Tuxedo Motor Sports - No Jacket Required

On a recent trip to the Sterling Forest region of New York State, I was driving South on Rt 17 through Tuxedo when I saw a vintage Porsche 911 sitting in the parking lot of a building marked "Tuxedo Motor Sports". Initially, I blew right by it but after a short distance, I decided I would regret not turning around to see what the place was about.



Tuxedo Motor Sports is a repair and restoration shop specializing in classic cars. They'll do any kind of car, but from the contents of the shop, they cater to and love the Little British Car. Founded in 1948 as a custom parts supplier, they began doing full restoration of classic cars, especially British ones, in the late 1960s. They've been at it ever since.

Some of you may be familiar with them as a rebuilder of Lucas distributor vacuum modules, and although they recently sold this part of their business, the new owners are still closely associated with TMS. I was treated to a tour of their facilities, and although they work on any brand of car, the shop was dominated by MGs, Jaguars, Austin Healeys and Triumphs in various states of restoration. One unusual subject was a big block conversion of an AMC Gremlin. Really, I asked? "It was what the owner always wanted, so we gave it to him" I was told.

And just to confirm the fact that we really do live in a small world, the owner of TMS knows of our club and our annual show. It



A Jaguar XK 150 coupe undergoing a full restoration.

seems at one time he owned and restored one of the historic Bed & Breakfast Inns in Ocean Grove. He still visits the area and attended our show last year as a spectator. "Great show!" he commented. He extended an invitation to us to come up as a club at any time and tour the facilities, perhaps as part of a tour of the area. Although it would be a long drive (about 2 hours each way when I did it) the area is truly beautiful and would be a worthwhile, if long drive. Maybe as part of the overnight drive we've been threatening for so many years.



More British cars in various stages of repair at Tuxedo Motor Sport, a Triumph GT6 (foreground) and an MGA.



An rubber bumper MGB nose to nose with a modernday Shelby Mustang, who wins this game of chicken?



A Jaguar and an AMC Gremlin at the same repair shop.

June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Drive Your	British Car V	Veek —	1 Meeting @ Woody's 7:30pm	2	3	4 Cars of England Show—Westtown, PA
5 Red Mill British Car Day—Clinton, NJ	6	7	8	9	10	11 A Touch of England—Ho-Ho- Kus, NJ
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Car Show & Flea Market— Pemberton, NJ
19 Father's Day Show, Spring Lake	20	21	22	23 2nd Ice Cream Run of the Season!	24	25 Veterans' Car & Bike Show, Cherry Hill, NJ
26 Tommy E's Museum Drive	27	28	29	30		

2011 PEDC Schedule of Events:

<u>June</u>

6/1 Membership Meeting

6/19 Father's Day Show in Spring lake

6/23 2nd Ice Cream Run, Carousel (Ford)

6/26 Thomas Edison Museum (Canfield)

7/6 Membership Meeting

7/21 3rd Ice Cream TBA (Moutenot)

7/? NJ Air Museum Tour (Spare)

August

8/3 Membership Meeting

8/18 4th Ice Cream Run TBA

8/20 Laurita Winery Drive (Morton)

September

9/7 Membership Meeting

9/15 Final Ice Cream Run TBA

9/17 Ocean Grove Show

October

10/5 Membership Meeting

10/? Fall Foliage Drive (?)

November

11/2 Membership Meeting

December

12/? Holiday party









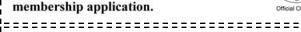














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Cars for Sale



'65 MGB: Chrome bumper, pull handle model. Restored 6 years ago on texas car. Poly bushings. New rear springs and shackles. Spax tube shocks in front. Monza exhaust and Pacesetter header. New S Us. New Cooper tires on minilite look knockoffs. Newer synchro trans. New red canvas top. tonneau and boot O K. All new red interior panels and black carpet. Period console and Mountney Wheel. Alpine am/fm/cassette with box speakers. Excellent driver. Always garaged and maintained. Located in Howell N J. I'm moving and downsizing my collection. \$9,500. Marc 732 551 8092 or email minormec@optonline.net for pictures.



1979 MGB: Two owners from new, always garage kept since new, 109K miles, all systems working except windshield washer, original Russet Brown paint, some dents, dings and small rust spots, paint is cracking, looks better in photo than in person, soft top needs replacement, Weber DGV Carb, starts, runs, drives and stops well, seat covers and door panels replaced by original owner, smooth crack free dash, good tires, newer alternator and battery, Asking \$5,500. Owner hates to let it go. Located in Brick and available for test drive and inspections by serious buyers. A reliable Driver, Call Gerri, 732-691-2142.



1953 MG TD "2 X Best TD at PEDC Show" Pearl color with caramel 5-yr old restoration - body off, ground up Very few TD's in this condition "Must Sell" You know what they're worth! Price: \$19,500. (908)910-3915 petergilberti@comcast.net



1985 TVR 280i, V-6, 2.8 Bosch injected, four wheel disk, power brakes, windows, antenna. Red convertible with black top, tan seats, signed by Trevor Williams, new tires & exhaust, owned by current owner for 12 years--garaged. 62,000 miles. \$9400, negotiable. Call Andy 732-278-9125

Parts for Sale

Many MG B Parts For Sale. These are used parts, mostly from Rubber Parts Cars that I have accumulated. A partial list includes; 2 four speed transmissions, 3 intake/exhaust manifolds, 3 zenith/ stromberg carbs, 2 windshields, both door windows, both window actuators, 1 complete front suspension, 1 rear axle, 2 front suspension cross members, 1 transmission cross member, 1 set of beautifully refinished rubber bumpers, 2 starters, 2 alternators, 2 passenger doors, 2 front sway bars, 1 rear sway bar, 1 set of tail lamps & lenses, 1 refinished early stow away top frame, 1 late top frame, 1 windshield wiper motor with rack & wheel boxes, 1 radiator, 1 radiator over-flow tank. 1 valve cover, 1 complete set of gauges, 1 heater box, 1 pedal box, 2 pairs of rebuildable front brake calipers, 2 pairs of leaf springs, 2 pairs of front coil springs. Plus many other small parts and pieces. Please call or email me for reasonable prices and detailed descriptions of the parts you need. Thanks, Bill Miller, 732-778-3274, bmillerreoinnj@comcast.net.



Tools for Lending



If you have any unique, seldom used specialty tools that you'd be willing to share with other club members, let me know, and I'll post it here. This is an opportunity for members to help members.

Manual Tire Changer. Contact Scott Erichsen at josco@optonline.net

Triumph Spitfire Spring Compressor. Rich Kohlhepp has manufactured a specialty tool to replace the coil over shocks on a Spitfire, and he's willing to lend it to PEDC members. Contact Rich via e-mail at krak1804@hotmail.com if you 're in need.

Bob Canfield has offered to loan the following tools to other members. Contact him at **joisuzu@optonline.net** if you're interested.

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WICKER PICNIC/WINE BASKET – Two place settings, suit-case style, varnished w/leather hinges and latch, fabric lined, 16" W X 12" D X 7" H, complete with 2 mugs, 2 wine glasses, table cloth, cheese board, paring knife, corkscrew/opener, insulated thermal bottle pack, unused excellent condition. Price: \$120 + shipping. Call (610) 296-4878 or (610) 277-2121

HUMP-TOP WICKER PICNIC/WINE BASKET – Two place settings, double handles hamper style, varnished ivory color, ideal boat/auto presentation piece, fabric lined, 15" W X 11" D X 13" H, complete with: 2 plates, 2 wine glasses, 2 knoves, forks, spoons,; tablecloth, 2 napkins, cheeese board, paring knife, corkscrew/opener, 2 food containers, 1 exterior fabric bottle holder, unused & perfect condition. Price: \$155 + shipping. Call (610) 296-4878 or (610) 277-2121

THERMOS SET FOR SALE

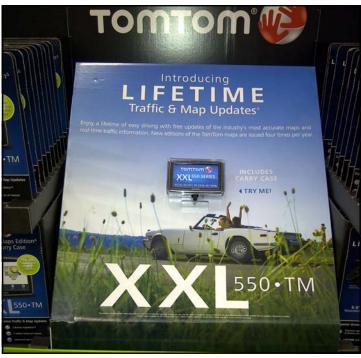
Two thermos bottles with cups, large food box container, all vertical in vintage carrying case with handles, 15" high X 12" wide X 5" thick,

excellent condition, a fashionable beverage/snack accessory kit for any classic car or boat.

PRICE: \$38 plus UPS shipping. Call for photos or inquiries:

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A TomTom ad featuring a Triumph Spitfire—just another reason to declare it the official Sat Nav of the PEDC.



Brits on the Beach 2011: 14th Annual British Car Day Presented By Positive Earth Driver's Club

at Historic Ocean Grove, NJ Saturday, Sept. 17th, 2011

We're back for 2011!

Join us for our third go-around in Historic Ocean Grove's Main Ave. business district, with a variety of restaurants, cafés, antique and gift shops just off the show field. Walk the beach and boardwalk just 2 blocks away. Space is limited, so register early. Don't be left out!

Judging by Participant's Choice
Classes and number of awards per class to be
determined by pre-registration
Dash Plaques for the first 120 cars registered
Silent Auction style drawing for Door Prizes
Music from all eras by DJ Tim Ewing
Rain or Shine!

Registration: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Judging: 12:00 - 2:00 PM

Door Prizes: Throughout the day

Show Awards: 3:30 PM

Complete Information and show news at www.PEDC.org, call us at (732) 477-3878 or e-mail

info@PEDC.org

NOTICE: Space on our show field is limited to 130 cars. Previous shows have filled our venue to the point of overflow. For this reason, we encourage you to register early and avoid disappointment.

Brits on the Beach Show Registration Form

Please make checks payal	ble to "PEDC" and	I mail to: PEDC Car Show,
242 Spruce	ewood Drive, Brick	, NJ 08723

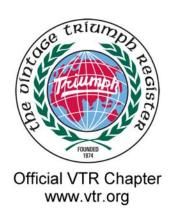
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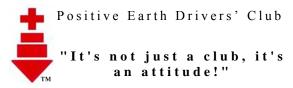
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Our Next monthly meeting is Wednesday, June 1st, 2011 @ 7:30 PM. New & prospective members are always welcome. See our web site for directions.

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