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Important Dates to Remember

- September 1: 2nd PEDC drive to Laurita Winery, New Egypt, NJ. See page 19 for details.
- September 3: Monthly meeting at Woody's, Farmingdale, NJ, 7:30 PM.
- September 6: Drive through NJ Pinelands to Leeds Point. See page 11 for details.
- September 20: Our 17th
 Annual British Car Day, "Brits on the Beach," Ocean Grove, NJ, 10 AM 4 PM. See page 3 for details.

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"It's not just a club; it's an attitude."



Newsletter of the Positive Earth Drivers Club, a nonprofit, all-margue British car club in Central New Jersey



Default Win for PEDC at 3rd Annual Trenton Thunder Car Club Day

Wayne Simpson



THERE ARE TIMES WHEN

discretion really is the better part of valor. Such was the case when a group of PEDC folks set off on July 13th to attend a minor league baseball game at Arm & Hammer Park in Trenton.

I'm frequently chided for not putting the top down on my car often enough. The truth is I always store the car with the top up to prevent creases and wrinkles, and to make sure it doesn't relax and shrink to the point

where I can't fit it at all. So when Mary and I pulled into Woody's that morning to meet and lead our group to Trenton, we had the top up. We were running late and I didn't have the time to mess with it. The four cars waiting for us were all going topless. Despite the cloudy conditions there was only the slightest chance of rain in the forecast.

And so we set off: the Fords in their TR7 Spider, the Kyles in their XK8, Bob

Canfield with friend Phil in his Spitfire, and Jack Kelly in Bob's other car, the red MGB roadster, Jack's own B-GT being sidelined with brake problems. Clear forecast or not, it wasn't long before a few sprinkles of rain began dotting our windshield. When the sprinkles became a more steady drizzle I radioed the group and let them know it was up to them to decide when we would pull over

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Above photo: Before heading into the stadium we had a group photo taken. In the *back row, left to right*, are Nadine & Mark Berkowsky; Bob Canfield's buddies, Chip and Yankees fan Phil; Andy Moutenot; Bob Canfield; and Jack Kelly. In the *front row, left to right*, are event organizers and Yankees fans Wayne & Mary Simpson, Peter Richardson, Kathy & Rodney Ford, and Carol & Ken Kyle. *Photo by Trenton Thunder personnel*.

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to "un-convert" the cars.
"Sure" came the reply, "We'll let you know."

The rain continued and we were starting to get wet, so Mary and I rolled up the windows to seal off our car. The radio stayed silent. I reminded the group to let me know when it was time.

Above: Rodney and Kathy Ford. Right: First and second place Car Club Day winners were Mark Berkowsky's Spitfire and Wayne Simpson's TR7, respectively.

We were out of the "single swipe" rain and into lowspeed wiper territory. I knew what was going on back there. Whether it was optimism or the fear of shame, no one wanted to be the first to break and call for us to pull over. I tried to imagine what was going on in the four cars behind us. Rodney, the existentialist, was thinking, "It is what it is." Jack: "Hey, it's not my car" Bob: "Does Jack even know how to put the top up on an MGB roadster?" And the Kyles in their Jaguar, the newest of the lot, recently purchased and

resplendent in leather, no doubt gritting their teeth at the thought of the back seat getting soaked. Finally, after a long delay at a stop sign to cross CR 537, Bob broke the silence and whimpered, "I think it's time."

After awhile we ran out of the rain, and by the time we approached Allentown the sun was shining again. We stopped at a gas station on CR 539 to pick up Peter Richardson and Andy Moutenot in Peter's B-GT, then hopped onto I-195

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Far left: Partial PEDC lineup including Rodney Ford's TR7; Bob Canfield's Spitfire and MGB, which Jack Kelly drove: and Ken Kyle's Jaguar XJ8. Left: Peter Richardson, looking dapper after recent surgery, brought along an umbrella to ward off the sun in the stadium. It was a real sizzler that day, but we had a swell time just the same. Below: Trendon Thunder logo courtesy of wikipedia.com.



OCEAN GROVE, HERE WE COME!

Our 17th Annual PEDC British Car Day **Brits on the Beach**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2014

10 AM - 4 PM

This is our 6th year in Ocean Grove, a lovely seaside resort at the Jersey Shore, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. It's proved to be a great venue for us, with its quaint shops and eateries. The beach & boardwalk are just two blocks from the show field. Stroll the town and view their beautiful Victorian architecture, including the Great Auditorium built in the 1890s. Admission is free for visitors and spectators. DJ Rich Canfield will provide live music from all eras for all ages . . . so bring the family for a day of fun.



BELOW ARE SOME THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND:

- ✓ This is a rain or shine event.
- ✓ The show field was sold out at 135 as of August 14th. Cars registering after August 14th will be put on a waiting list.
- ✓ The registration fee is \$15 by September 14th or \$20 at the gate.
- ✓ Classes and the number of awards per class are determined by pre-registration.
- ✓ There will be no Prestige Class this year; however, there is a new Jaguar class for XK/XK8/XKR.
- ✓ Enter Ocean Grove by way of Main Avenue, where it meets the light at Route 71/South Main Street.
- ✓ Our show field, Main Avenue from Central Avenue to New York Avenue, will be closed to traffic.
- ✓ Check in and registration is 10:00 11:00 AM.
- ✓ Judging is by participant's choice, noon to 2:00 PM.
- ✓ The awards ceremony starts at 3:30 PM.
- ✓ A silent-auction-style drawing for door prizes is open to all registrants.
- ✓ Questions? Want to help out with the show? Contact Show Chairman Bob Canfield, <u>joisuzu@optonline.net</u>, 732.620.2378 mobile.

From the Driver's Seat

Mark Berkowsky, President



TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME.

That is the song we sing. Last month I told you about the car show Nadine and I attended at the Trenton Thunder ballpark where we won first place with our Spitfire. That entitled us to a "Thunder Experience," which included four tickets to a game, four Thunder baseball hats, four meal vouchers, and a behind-the-scenes tour of the stadium, not to mention the opportunity to throw a ceremonial first pitch.

August 21st was the night, and Nadine and I met our 5-year-old grandson, Eli, and his parents at the stadium for a night game. We arrived before 6 PM to take the tour and saw retired jerseys of many of the major leaguers who went through the Thunder organization, which was originally a Detroit franchise, then an affiliate of Boston, and currently related to the Yankees. That relationship we were told was agreed to for another 20 years. Their largest attendance was when Derek Jeter was rehabbing and playing in Trenton. The tour also included seeing the Thunder's indoor batting cages, with a trip through the dugout and onto the field.

It was time for the first pitch to be

thrown. Along with four other "pitchers" Eli was on the mound. With a large windup he threw the ball right to the catcher—almost a strike. There were other special events, including another ceremonial throwing out of the first ball by a former Yankee player with some impressive stats. When his name was finally announced I was shocked that this old guy on the mound was Reggie Jackson. I remember him when he was given the nickname "Mr. October" and was young and athletic. I didn't recognize him. Then I looked up his age and realized we were born in the same year. Impossible. He's old and I'm not, or so I think.

" . . . I was shocked that this old guy on the mound was Reggie Jackson. I remember him when he was given the nickname 'Mr. October' and was young and athletic."

But on to the game. We were given great seats, third row and slightly to the left of home plate looking directly down the first base line. The weather was great, mid-70s, no sun, with the forecasted rain holding off until well

after we arrived home—not like the blazing hot sun of our previous game. The Thunder won 3-0 with a couple of great innings against the New Hampshire Fisher Cats. Of course all of this was supported by a well-balanced dinner of a hot dog, popcorn, pizza, and, for dessert, funnel cake. The best part was that it was Thirsty Thursday, which meant beer was only \$2 each.

The evening finished with a fireworks display over the outfield. It was a very enjoyable evening for us, even though the 5-year-old made it only to the sixth inning when it became bedtime, and home he went with his parents. So thanks to the Trenton Thunder for the "Experience" and to Delaware Valley Triumphs and Wayne for the invitation to the Trenton Thunder Car Club Day car show that led to this opportunity. And by the way, Rodney, this time the "Star Spangled Banner" was sung the way it should be!

September will be a busy month for the PEDC. Our Brits on the Beach show will be here before you know it. I'm sure Bob will be providing information elsewhere in the newsletter, but I want to emphasize that the quality of the show is due to the volunteer support of our members. Be sure to let Bob know in what area you would like to help.

Get out there and drive 'em. See you at Woody's on September 3rd. ■



Heading home after our PEDC 2014 Father's Day show.

From the Navigator's Seat

Bob Canfield, Vice President

Helpful Attraction

When I first bought my Spitfire and started sorting out all of the to-do's to make the car safe and reliable (maybe a lofty goal for an LBC), I realized that the manual transmission and the differential did not have any filters to stop the buildup of mung (Jack Kelly's word for British sludge). In fact, the differential did not even have a drain to facilitate changing the gear oil. Since the materials and tolerances used to engineer these cars were not up to today's standards, I knew that I needed to pay attention to things that would help keep the driveline components from self-destructing. Things like metal filings (or even chunks) circulating in engine or gear oils could ruin a nice Sunday afternoon cruise along the Delaware.

I saw that Nigel at Spitbits, http://www.spitbits.com, showed a drain plug for the engine oil pan that had a magnet fitted on the inside. The idea was to collect any metal pieces and allow you to see if things were going to need attention soon. I bought one, and when changing my oil after the first year I saw some metal mung clinging to the magnet. I rebuilt the engine that winter. I still wanted an early warning system for the transmission and differential, but there were no magnetic plugs offered for these components. After doing some research on The Triumph Experience, http://www.triumph exp.com, I adopted an idea that I read about and bought some rare earth magnets from Radio Shack. See http://www.radioshack.com/ product/index.jsp?productId=2102642#i nTheBox. These are very small, very strong magnets that I simply stuck to the outside of the steel drain plug of the transmission and the fill plug of the differential. The next time I changed the gear oils I was able to see if there was any metal mung collected.

Besides helping to forewarn about IDCF (impending driveline catastrophic failure), I learned from Dr. Magnet

(Jack Kelly) that magnets are great tools for positioning carpet before fastening, holding bolts in place on the floor pan when installing seat rails, fishing out dropped nuts/washers/screws, keeping hardware for a specific job together until reassembly, and, of course, a good magnet in your beer glass helps keep it steady on the bonnet when you are working in the engine bay. OK, I made up that last one, but I am sure it would make an extended list of magnet uses in LBC repair.

Brits on the Beach 2014

As of August 14th we are sold out for the show in Ocean Grove. I have started a wait list and am asking anyone interested to send in a registration form without a check (if they get in they can pay at the gate). We also sold out the trophy classes (last year PEDC had to pick up 2 unsold classes). I am still looking for prizes and trinkets to add to the goodie bags.

" I realized that the manual transmission and the differential did not have any filters to stop the buildup of mung (Jack Kelly's word for British sludge)."

I will be sending out e-mails soon to remind those registered about the show. I usually receive some cancellations after that, due to conflicts, car breakdowns, or even cars that were sold since registering. Registrants who pay for a spot and cannot make the show will get their welcome envelopes sent in the mail so they have the windshield card and dash plaque.



I have a list of people who have volunteered to help with the show activities but am still looking for a few more. I especially need people for the prize tent and parking Noodliers. If you can help out please let me know. As usual, I am looking to get some new members involved. I am planning to have an organizational meeting for the show ministers before the next PEDC general meeting (5 PM on September 3rd). This will be a short meeting to make sure we have everything figured out

If you have any ideas that will make the show more enjoyable please let me know. Last year Dave Hutchison of Ragtops & Roadsters in Perkasie, PA set up a tent over his Jaguar XKE and talked restorations during the show. It was informative for attendees, and he managed to book some work from the day. If there is anything you can think of that may add to our show, please let me know.

I hope your summer was enjoyable. Now we get into some great driving weather! ■

Joe Grillo Wins Big at "Don't Forget the Vet" Car Show

Bill Geisse

ON JULY 19th THE OLD GLORY CRUISERS car club sponsored its Don't Forget the Vet car show at the Freehold Township Day Fair in Michael J. Tighe Park. The event was very well presented, and the primary theme of both the car show and fair was honoring and supporting veterans of all branches of the United States military and their sacrifice for our country. Numerous veterans were present.

The event was extremely well attended, with approximately 250 cars of all makes, models, and eras, including American, British and other imports, customs, hot rods, and more. The format of the event worked well, coordinating the car show with the fair. Plenty of food, attractions, live bands, and a great fireworks display kept event participants and visitors entertained.

Of most importance to my family and me was seeing our own PEDCer Joe Grillo and his beautiful righthand drive MGB LE recognized at the car show. Joe won the "George Watson – Private United States Navy" trophy and plaque. Private Watson was a Metal of Honor recipient, and this award was presented by the Old Glory Cruisers to Joe not only for the stunning condition of his yellow MGB LE, but also for the flags of the United States of America, POW-MIA, and United States Navy that he proudly displays with his car. It was impressive.

Joe, a veteran of the United States Navy, served on the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise. I noticed that when Joe received his trophy and



Joe Grillo, **above**, with his George Watson – Private United States Navy trophy and plaque. *Photo courtesy of Bill Geissel.* Joe and his MGB LE, **below**, at the Brick Police Athletic League (PAL) show in April.

plaque he seemed extra proud that his car (and he) achieved this award, which recognized a Metal of Honor recipient from the United States Navy. Please congratulate Joe for proudly representing PEDC and honorably serving our nation. ■





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Bob Canfield, **top**, and Ken Kyle, **bottom**, at the ball park wondering where all the other car club folks are. The PEDC had a great turnout with 7 British cars and 17 attendees, including the Berkowskys' son, daughter-in-law, and grandson and Bob's two friends. A good time was had by all.

Joining us at Junkyard Dogs were, from left to right, Dick Nobile (E-type Jaguar); hosts Ernie, Ida, & Luke Caponegro (TR7); Charlie Schirm (E-Type); DVTers Bob & Joyce DeLucia (TR6) and Sumra & Darlaine Manning (Sunbeam Tiger); Mort Resnicoff & Fredda Fine (MGTD); and Ken & Carol Kyle (XK8 Jaguar). Missing are Wayne Simpson (TR7); and, with their daily drivers, Curt & Altha Morton and Tom & Alice Albertalli. Photo by DVT Director Bob DeLucia.

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and completed the trip without incident.

It was supposed to be "Car Club Day" with groups of car people displaying their rides in a pre-game car show. Last year there were about 50 cars there representing various marques and clubs. This time, as we pulled into the show lot 40 minutes after we'd planned, there were only two cars present: Mark and Nadine Berkowsky's Spitfire and a "new" Thunderbird whose owner was nowhere to be found. Our friends from Delaware Valley Triumphs (DVT), with whom we had arranged our group tickets, were missing but they had an excuse as they were all attending a memorial service that morning for a member who

had passed away earlier in the week. A few people from DVT did arrive a bit later, but where were all those other clubs and cars?

One side benefit of being the only participants in the Trenton Thunder 's Car Club Day is that we won all the prizes awarded by the ball club. Thunder event staff chose Mark and Nadine's Spitfire as "best in show" with Mary and my TR7 as runner up.

Inside the Park, conditions were about as one might expect for Trenton in mid-July. It was hot, but the heat was moderated at times by passing clouds and breezes coming in off the Delaware River. We scattered for lunch at the various food services and took advantage of the other amenities

offered at the Park. Oh yes, there was a baseball game as well. For those interested, the Trenton Thunder (New York Yankees Class AA affiliate) beat the visiting Akron Rubber Ducks (Cleveland Indians) by a score of 5-1 in a tidy game played in a bit under 3 hours.

Given the light participation at Car Club Day, it's hard to say whether the Thunder will host another one, but if they do and we also choose to participate, we'll look into renting one of the airconditioned suites on the upper level so we can watch the game in cool comfort before heading home in our typically non-air-conditioned cars.

Delaware Valley Triumphs (DVT) Ltd. Joins Us on Hotdog Run in Brick

Ernie Caponegro organized what turned out to be a PEDC hotdog run to Junkyard Dogs June 26th. Joining us were friends from DVT, Director Bob DeLucia and his wife, Joyce, in their green TR6 and Sumra and Darlaine Manning in their white Sunbeam Tiger. Both couples were vacationing on LBI, and Wayne Simpson invited them to join us for hotdogs, burgers, and, later, ice cream at The Carousel down the street.





The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by President Mark Berkowsky with 45 members present. A motion to accept the minutes of the July 2, 2014 meeting was made, seconded, and approved by all present.

Treasurer's Report.

Treasurer Andy Moutenot could not be present as Karen's sister had just passed away. However, he did report to President Mark that the balance was approximately \$5,000.00, inflated somewhat because of incoming show money.

New Member. President Mark introduced our newest member, Steve Miranti.

Newsletter. Carol Kyle still needs articles and photos for future newsletters.

Website. President Mark said that Webmaster Martin Vickery could not be present for the meeting but that he continues to do a fine job.

Past Events

Tom and Alice Albertalli reported a nice turnout at the ice cream run to Jersey Freeze, Thursday, July 10th. Twenty-two cars and about

Minutes of the PEDC General Meeting August 6, 2014

Submitted Jay G. Helt, Secretary

30 PEDCers showed up.

Wayne Simpson reported on the trip to Trenton Thunder for Car Club Day. Our club was the only one to show up. President Mark and Nadine won first prize with their Spitfire.

Pete Linszky reported on the ice cream run he and Patti hosted to Jake's Cree Mee Freeze in Manalapan. About nine cars attended.

President Mark stated that we need an ice cream run sponsor for August.

Vice President Bob Canfield reported on the Brewery Tour August 2nd hosted by one of our newest members, Tinyee Hoang. They met at Basil T's Brewery in Red Bank for lunch and then went on to Carton Brewery in Atlantic Highlands and Kane Brewery in Ocean Township.

New Business

Ken Kyle announced that he and Carol are hosting a drive to Laurita Winery in New Egypt on August 10th. The tour includes a wagon trip through the vineyards, lunch, and wine tasting.

VP Bob announced a drive to the Rolling Iron Antique Auto Show at Allaire State Park on Sunday, August 17th. The gate opens at 8 AM, and a free tour of the village is at 12 noon.

VP Bob also reported on our show September 20th. Registered so far are 122 cars with only 13 spots left. He needs volunteers, two more class sponsors, and goody bag items.

President Mark noted that Joan Kinney is feeling much better and thanked her for being at the meeting.

The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, September 3, 2014, at 7:30 PM. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM. ■

Treaurer's Report

Andy Moutenot, Treasurer

As of August 8, 2014 the current balance in our PEDC checking account was \$5,420.82. Year-to-date income generated totaled \$3,976.00 and expenses were \$1,781.87, leaving a positive income to date of \$2,194.13. As in years past this current balance is near the seasonal high and will be drawn down as we begin to incur expenses for the car show in Ocean Grove. Approximately 60% of car show receipts are already in, based on figures and registration fees I have received from Bob Canfield.

Assembly, No. 1512 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 215th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2012 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman JOHN J. BURZICHELLI District 3 (Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblyman Diegnan, Assemblywoman N.Munoz, Assemblymen Prieto, Milam, Giblin and DeAngelo

SYNOPSIS

Permits historic motor vehicles to be used for pleasure driving one day per week.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel

AN ACT concerning historic motor vehicles and amending P.L.1964, c.195.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. Section 1 of P.L.1964, c.195 (C.39:3-27.3) is amended to read as follows:

As used in this act:

"Historic motor vehicle" shall mean any motor vehicle which is at least 25 years old [and which], is owned as a collector's item, and used [solely] for occasional travel and exhibition and educational purposes by the owner;

["Director" shall mean the Director of Motor Vehicles.]
"Occasional travel" shall mean driving a historic motor
vehicle not more than one day per week for other than exhibition
and educational purposes.

(cf: P.L.1964, c.195, s. l)

2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the sixth month after enactment.

STATEMENT

Under current law, owners of properly registered historic motor vehicles are permitted to operate them solely for exhibition and educational purposes. This bill permits the use of these vehicles also for occasional travel or pleasure driving, which is defined as not more than one day per week.

In order to be designated as an historic motor vehicle, a vehicle must be at least 25 years old and owned as a collector's item.

This bill also removes the definition of Director of Motor Vehicles from the statute as the Motor Vehicle Commission is now led by a chief administrator.

Kathryn and Rodney Ford

cordially invite you to attend

the Sixth Annual Stuffing Party

to be held on the 17th of September, 2014.

As you probably know, this is in preparation for the PEDC car show in Ocean Grove.



We stuff our faces first and then stuff the approximately 150 goodie bags to be distributed at the show.

Kindly bring a beverage of your choice and your enthusiasm to:

61 Robbins Street, Brick, NJ

Dress is casual. Conversation is snappy and fun. Dinner will be pizza (the usual fare) and will be served at 6 o'clock sharp or whenever the pizza delivery guy gets there. The stuffing festivities will begin at approximately 7:30 PM. Then, after making sure that the pizza grease is off our hands, we will begin work.

If you would like to attend, please call Kathy or Rodney at 732.840.3468 or e-mail Kathy at <a href="mailto:kathy.atka

All are welcome. We need all the help we can get!

QQ Plates Update

PEDCer Andy Ribaudo received a letter dated June 30, 2014 from NJ Assemblyman John S. Wisniewski of the 19th District regarding NJ Bill A2199, which would expand the use of historic vehicles for pleasure driving one day a week. Assemblyman Wisniewski has signed on as a primary sponsor of this bill, which affects all of us who own and drive little British cars—as well as other historic, classic, and collector motor vehicles with QQ plates. **Andy shares with us an excerpt from the NJ Assembly bill (see left).**

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British Invade Gettysburg

Roger Williams

MY SON AND I TOOK A ROAD trip Sunday, July 13th, to Gettysburg, PA, starting with a lovely 3-hour and 45-minute drive from Woody's, to sheek

lovely 3-hour and 45-minute drive from Woody's, to check out the Lancaster County MG Club's 14th Annual "British Invade Gettysburg" Motorcar & Motorcycle Show. At 82 degrees and sunny, the weather was perfect for the drive and the show. We stopped in Lancaster (great restaurants) for dinner and in York (cheap hotels) to rest up for the big day of showing, shopping, and touring

the battlefields after the show.

Proudly sporting my PEDCbadged shirt, I had a nice chat with Lanco MG Club President Bob Arlotto@yahoo.com. Bob reported that 168 pre-registered LBCs turned out for the show, this being their biggest group ever. These clever folks have their show at The Outlet Shoppes at Gettysburg, with ample food and shopping for those so inclined. LBCs lined the parking spots in front of the stores, and there were overflow latecomers that lined up single file down the center of the parking area.

The gates opened at 10 AM to a flurry of MGs, Triumphs, and Minis (classic and Bimmertype), with a few Austin-Healeys. Some of the more unusual entries were among the Lotuses: a '75 Elite, one of only 2,453 built; and the Bondish looking '78 Esprit in stunning showroom condition. There was a head-turning Morgan threewheeler, a 1947 Bentley, and a darling pair of Bugeye AHs. In an odd sort of way the totally plebian Austin American stood out for the mere fact that it has survived the rust!

My choice for the day was a beautifully restored 1960 948cc Minor 1000 (Series III) Morris Oxford Traveler, Clipper Blue with wood trim.

Many of these Southeastern Pennsylvanians and Marylanders had customized their MGs and Triumphs with both power enhancements and trim. Included were updated electronics and comfort features, but the bulk of the club





A 1947 Bentley, **above**, caught Roger's eye, as did the restored Morris Minor Oxford Traveler, **left**, and the Morgan 3-wheeler, **below**, which got lots of attention.

members stuck to the spirit of the original design and factorytype parts. As is always the case, there were plenty of opportunities for shop-talk banter amongst car owners.

The British Invade Gettysburg show resembles our PEDC Father's Day show in that the event is not judged nor are cars parked by marque. The Minis seemed to huddle together and a few MGs managed to line up, but most other marques did not. It is a very nice informal gathering of regional LBCs, lasting about

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PEDC Drive through the NJ Pinelands

Saturday, September 6th

ANDY & KAREN MOUTENOT, HOSTS

RSVP BY AUGUST 29TH KAMOUTS@COMCAST.NET

The drive starts at 10 AM at Buzby's General Store, CR 563 @ CR 532, Chatsworth, NJ and ends at Panini Bay restaurant for lunch. This is a sunnyday event only. If in doubt about whether the drive is canceled, please call 609.865.0298 for an update.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AND MAYBE THE JERSEY DEVIL AS WE INVADE THE PINE BARRENS WITH OUR LBCS.









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4 hours. Club members began to dissipate by 1 PM. This gave my son and me time to go off to Gettysburg and do the 3-hour audio battlefield tour.

The PEDC might want to consider organizing a group to attend next year's British Invade Gettysburg show, as this overnighter would be as much for the shopping and the historic touring as for the car event on its own. Imagine a group of PEDCers on the battlefield tour together. That would be a real British Invasion of Gettysburg! Certainly it's an easy turnpike drive to Lancaster, and a lovely drive through the rolling hills of the PA countryside.

Photos are available at Brits Invade Gettysburg. Login: woosterxjs@verizon.net.
Password: Lyons1922. ■

All photos for this article by Roger Williams.

Top: The 1975 4-seater Lotus Elite. **Middle**: MGTD. **Bottom**: A nondescript Austin America, surprisingly with no rust



From the Back Seat

Russ Sharples

On June 15, 2011 the North American MGA Register (NAMGAR) had a picnic at a site next to Lake Tahoe. It turns out Google™ took an Earth view picture that day. Check it out here: https://goo.gl/maps/UZPqL. You can see a bunch of MGAs and a couple of MG Magnettes.

Russ and his 1960 MGA at The Backdoor Garage in Sea Girt, NJ, Fall 2013.

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The Quest for Full Originality

Ken Wignall

Ken has added a TR6, right, to his fleet of little British cars (LBCs). It made its PEDC debut July 10th at our ice cream run to Jersey Freeze in Freehold, NJ. Below are some of the things he's done or will do to his latest acquisition.

- Installed a new old stock (NOS) front bumper from the UK, which I got on eBay.
- **Installed** new Cooper tires.
- Purchased a set of used 72-spoke wire wheels in excellent condition from Florida, freshly painted and balanced; changed the wheel splines.
- Tuned up the car.
- Located '69 seats with the year-specific, tilt-down headrests. [The car was stolen for a day in 1972. The police were called. The car was located behind a store, missing its front hood (bonnet) and the seats. Nothing else was touched. The owner couldn't get the '69 seats in 1972, so the insurance folks put in black '72 seats and had the interior all changed out to black.1
- Received an order from the UK, Rimmer Brothers, for new carpet with underpad and an interior panels kit. all in Shadow Blue, which was the original interior color.
- **Received** a beautiful replacement wood dashboard, which will be installed soon.
- Had a new VIN/Commission number plate stamped, as the old one is a mess.
- Found a pair of clean rear lights, not yet changed out.
- Found the original '69 factory black tonneau and convertible top/boot covers, used but in excellent condition, from a gent who took them from his 1969 years ago and stored them away.
- Purchased an original, new tonneau that I am now using, with the headrest inserts in it.



- Rebuilt the original, on-the-block, fuel pump.
- **Restored** the emergency-brake-handle mechanism, as it was not reconnected due to missing bits, when new brake cables were added recently.
- Got all the lights and switches working right.
- Added a used rear bumper until I locate a new one.
- Found an original rear TRIUMPH badge on eBay (not a reproduction) for the early TR6.
- Bought, on eBay, an enameled TR6 badge for the front grille from South Africa. It's a reproduction, as I'm not able to find an original. (I probably could if I kept searching, but Pat would have frowned on mortgaging the house to buy one.) The reproduction piece is a beauty, and thumbs up quality on the Triumph Experience website,

http://www.triumphexp.com.

- Bought a new trunk liner kit, not yet installed, and a used trunk floor board, which covers the spare tire compartment.
- Found a new dashtop and "bristleflex" fuzzy door seal, in Shadow Blue, pending installation.
- Created a plan for tons of little things that need to be done, such as replacing rubber strips and seals. ■



Jay's New B

Club secretary Jay "Some Call Me Joe" Helt pulled into Woody's at our August meeting in his new ride: a 1979 MGB. which he found in Schwenksville, PA and had repainted Sage Green. Jay is the third owner. "It has 58,000 original miles, a rebuilt engine, Weber carb, new top, stereo system, Enkei rally wheels, Monroe exhaust, and hood louvers," he says, continuing, "It rides like a dream." We hope to see Jay and the B in Ocean Grove this year.

PEDC Mid-Summer Brewery Tour

Tinyee Hoang

ON AUGUST 2nd PEDC

members enjoyed a day of tasting some interesting beers. We first met at Basil T's Brewery and Italian Grill for lunch in Red Bank. This was a rustic yet modern restaurant, with several fermenters sitting in the front. The menu boasted some traditional and modern fare, and the beer list featured a Gold Medal Stout, Pale Ale, Red Ale, Wheat, and Summer Ale. The stout was probably the best of the lot, featuring pleasant cocoa notes, nice

body and head, and a right amount of effervescence. As we enjoyed our brews we lifted our glasses in honor of Mike Browne who was celebrating his birthday that day. After lunch members took some time doing photo ops and checking out other cars in the parking lot.

It was off to Carton Brewing Company in Atlantic Highlands. We drove on a nice scenic route along the Navesink River. Carton Brewing is housed in a













small 100-year-old pinkbricked building. We met with Kat, who gave us the tour. We would learn that cousins Chris and Augie Carton wanted to build a brewery in their hometown and make tasty beer in the place where their tastes were formed.

This was a small brewery with a 15-barrel system. A barrel is 70 gallons or 2 kegs of beer. So each time they brew a batch of beer, they can make about a thousand gallons of it. Since they have a small operation they mostly keg their beers and sell to local restaurants, but sometimes they bottle their brews. After the tour visitors can sample their brews for \$5,

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Clockwise from the top: Tinyee stands alongside his Austin Mini Mk II 1000. Linda & Mike Browne and Charlie Schirm. Barb Willis, Ken Kyle's friend Dave McLeer, Bob Canfield, and Tinyee. Marcia & Tom Blackwell. Birthday boy Mike. Fredda Fine & Mort Resnicoff.

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which includes their Boat beer as well as 5 poker chips for tasting other varieties. The Boat is a session ale, meaning that it's a lowalcohol beer for everyday drinking. Since it's hopped with American hops it's a session IPA. Other varieties include Carton of Milk, a session milk stout, BDG-Brunch Dinner & Grub, 07XX, a double IPA, and they also had a new experimental beer, "Tippy," as they call it, which was an ale with Thai hot peppers. The tasting room upstairs is quite cozy and relaxed with upbeat rock playing in the background and comfortable couches for chilling.

The next brewery was Kane Brewing Company. Folks got back in their cars and headed for the ocean, or Route 36, to drive down in style. Although it was a bit overcast, it was still a nice drive. Kane Brewing is situated in a non-descript building, like most microbreweries, behind Seaview Square Mall. As you enter, you feel like you're entering a corporate office, and then you hear the sounds of boisterous people enjoying their flights! The brew house is larger than Carton's with several walls covered in stacks of oak barrels. Their focus was on











American ales and Belgianinspired ales, and all handcrafted beers are unfiltered and unpasteurized.

You can get their beers only from local restaurants and bars, as they are available only on draft. Their tasting room is the warehouse with many picnic tables available. There you can get a flight of 4 tastings for \$6 or get single

4 oz's for \$2 or 8 oz's for \$4. The list of beers is vast, with several porters, IPAs, brown ales, and barrel-aged stouts and ales. The best that I've tried was their Sunday Brunch, which is a coffee porter made with maple syrup and cinnamon—a good balance of coffee and spice without being overpoweringly sweet. This is a place I want to get back to. ■

Clockwise from top left:

Bob Canfield's Spitfire and Tom & Marcia Blackwell's 3-Wheeler Morgan are the first to arrive at Basil T's. Tom & Marcia. Bob helps Mort Resnicoff button up the MGTD as Fredda Fine offers moral support. Mike & Linda Browne arrive in their Mini as Charlie Schirm pulls up in his Jaguar XKR. Photos by Ken Kyle.

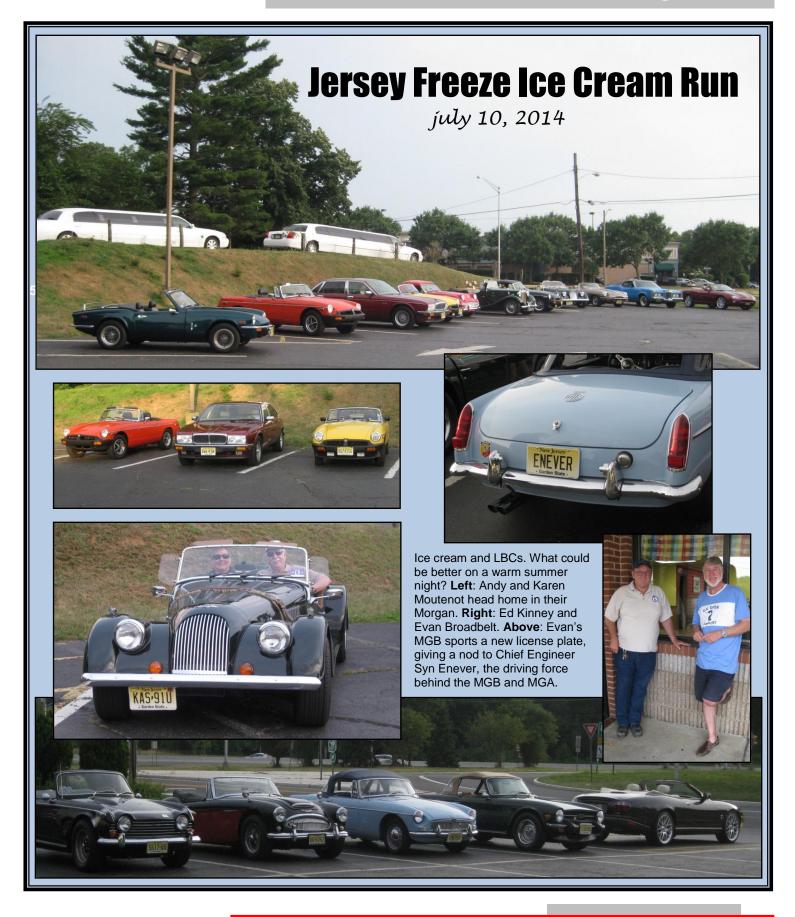
Visit these sites for more info: http://www.basilt.com/ http://cartonbrewing.com/ http://www.kanebrewing.com/

Welcome New Members

The following members have joined since July 2014:

- Charles & Lynn Jackson, Red Bank, NJ, MGTD, Austin-Healey Sprite
- Frank & Lynne Baldino, Rumson, NJ, Austin-Healey BJ8 3000
- Milan & Ivana Lazic, Millburn, NJ, Panther Kallista





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The Faces of PEDC: Barbara Willis







Barbara Willis joined the PEDC in 2013 and has attended a number of our events in her 1974 MGB, which her son found for her in New Hampshire. **Photos clockwise from top left**: Barb at our brunch in April. She and a friend, shown in the B with the top up, participated in our 2nd rally in August 2013 and received a 2nd place trophy for answering the most questions correctly. The other four photos are from our 2013 Father's Day show, including one with her daughter-in-law.

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EIGHT LBCs GATHERED

in the Woody's parking lot Sunday, August 10th, for a leisurely 45-minute drive through the back roads of Monmouth and Ocean counties. Our destination: beautiful Laurita Winery, tucked away in rural New Egypt, NJ, where we met up with three more LBCs and one latecomer. All agreed it was a perfect day for a Sunday drive.

Upon arrival we headed inside for lunch, comprising gourmet sandwiches, salads, and cheese platters, and then queued up for an enjoyable 30-minute wagon ride through the vineyards. Our guide and driver, Walter, really kept us in stitches with his amusing commentary.

All kidding aside, Laurita Winery deserves high marks for living up to its reputation as a responsible steward of its lands. Below are some of the things Walter shared with us that day:

- The entire operation, which produces about 12,000 cases of wine a year, is solar-powered, providing clean energy for heating and cooling, refrigeration, and hot water.
- Special care is taken to protect the wildlife that inhabits 200 acres of woodlands, pastures, and meadows surrounding the 40 acres of vineyards.
- Water conservation methods are used, tapping into a large natural spring



discovered on the premises during a project to enlarge the pond.

- The main structure of the winery was built with two 150-year-old barns, from another site, that the owners rescued from demolition.
- Only one of the 10 wines that Laurita bottles, Norton, is cultivated from an American grape. The other nine are cultivated from European vines grafted to Laurita vines.

After the wagon ride some PEDCers headed over to the

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white tent to listen to live music. Others bought wine to sip inside, looking out at the gorgeous view, or to take home as a reminder of a pleasant day together. If you missed this drive, don't worry. Bob Canfield is hosting a 2nd drive to Laurita on September 1st, Labor Day Monday. The winery got word that we had a great time on August 10th and were so pleased to hear it that they invited us to display our British cars there as part of their 6th anniversary celebration. See page 19 for details. ■

PHOTOS ON THIS PAGE
First row, left: Enjoying the wagon ride
are Art & Connie Roberts, Fredda Fine
& Mort Resnicoff, and Ken Kyle; First
row, right: Bob & Erin Brown; Second
row, left, lan & Sue Robinson and Tom
& Alice Albertalli. Second row, right,
Fredda and Mort; Third row: Pergolas,
terraces, and gardens just outside the
winery. Bottom row: From our wagon
a beautiful vista, including a
130-year-old corn crib.

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Top photo, front row, left to right.
Erin Brown, Mary Ann (Barb Willis's friend), Barb Willis, Connie Roberts, Fredda Fine, Alice Albertalli, Linda Browne, and Sue Robinson. Back row, left to right. Bob Brown, Mort Resnicoff, Art Roberts, Bob Canfield, Ian Robinson, Tom Albertalli, Ken Wignall, Mike Browne, Charlie Schirm, and Ken Kyle. Not shown are latecomers Curt & Altha Morton and Carol Kyle. Bottom photo: Visits to the winery include a free wagon tour of the vineyard, which is well worth taking.





2014 Calendar of Events ~ PEDC and Beyond

PEDC events are in bold red. Other British car events are in bold black. NOTE: Since many NJ towns and organizations host cruise ins and car shows in conjunction with festivals, community days, and fundraisers, it's impossible to list them all here, so we have decided to streamline the newsletter calendar to (1) our ownPEDC events, (2) other British car events in NJ and nearby states, (3) car events to which the PEDC has been invited through a club member, and (4) select events where British cars are expected to feature prominently.

September

- Labor Day Monday, Laurita Winery's 6th Anniversary Customer Appreciation Day, 85 Archertown Road, New Egypt, NJ. NOTE: The winery has invited the **PEDC** to display its cars from 12-5 PM. Bob Canfield is organizing a 2nd drive there, leaving Woody's at 11 AM. If interested in attending, RSVP to Bob directly, <u>joisuzu@optonline.net</u>, 732.620.2378 mobile. Admission is free. All PEDCers who attend will be given two complimentary bottles of Laurita Winery wines; otherwise, all glasses of their wines are \$5 a glass all day. Free hotdogs to all children under 12, free vineyard wagon tours, and free live entertainment. Kids' activities are planned.
- 3 Wednesday, PEDC monthly meeting at Woody's, Farmingdale, NJ, 7:30 PM, http://woodysroadside.com.



- 5 Friday, through Sunday, September 7th, **The Drive-In Watkins Glen, NY, the 17th Anniversary Gathering of the MG Drivers Club of North America**. Held in conjunction with the Watkins Glen Vintage Grand Prix, which is featuring the MG this year. For full details and registration call 908.713.6251 or visit this website: www.grandprixfestival.com.
- 6 Saturday, **Fallfest 2014**, Liberty Village Premium Outlets, 1 Church Street, Flemington, NJ, 9 AM 3 PM. Hosted by the NJ Triumph Association. Field opens 8 AM. Popular vote show for all British automobiles and motorcycles in 24 categories. Plaques for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each class as well as Best of Show. Dash plaques, goodie bags, and doorprize raffle tickets for all registrants. Rain or shine. Registration: \$15 by September 1st; \$20 at the gate. Free for spectators. For more info, e-mail austhealey@aol.com or phone 908.879.3993. Registration form: www.njtriumphs.org.
- 6 Saturday, PEDC Drive to Leeds Point in the Pinelands of South Jersey. Andy & Karen Moutenot, hosts. See page 11 for details.
- 13 Saturday, Cars & Coffee at The Grove, Route 35, Shrewsbury, NJ, 8-10:30 AM. Classic & exotic cars of all types.
- 13 Saturday, Car Jamboree & Automotive Flea Market, hosted by the America on Wheels Museum, 5 N. Front Street, Allentown, PA. 10 AM 3 PM. Car cruise-in for all makes, models, and years, in parking lot of the museum with concurrent auto flea market. Car registration includes one admission to the museum. Rain or shine. Registration: \$10 day of show. No advance registration needed. For more info: http://americaonwheels.org or phone 610.432.4200.
- 14 Sunday, Radnor-Hunt Concours d'Elegance, Malvern, PA, http://radnorconcours.org. Note: This is a 3-day event, starting Friday, September 12th. The concours is on Sunday.
- 17 Wednesday, **PEDC** Goodie-bag Stuffing Party for Brits on the Beach. See page 9 for details. Continued on page 20

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September (Continued)

- 20 Saturday, our 17th Annual PEDC British Car Day, Brits on the Beach, Main Avenue, Ocean Grove, NJ. See page 3 for details. This is our big event of the year! For a registration form, go to our website, www.pedc.org. Note: We are sold out; there is a waiting list for those who registered after August 14th.
- 20 Saturday, Cars & Coffee at Fast Lane Motor Club, 618 Summerfield Avenue at Bond Street, Asbury Park, NJ, 8 AM 12 PM. Indoors, rain or shine. Free coffee & donuts.
- 20 Saturday, British Motor Club of Southern New Jersey Annual Car Show, NJ Motorsports Lightning Track, Millville, NJ.

October

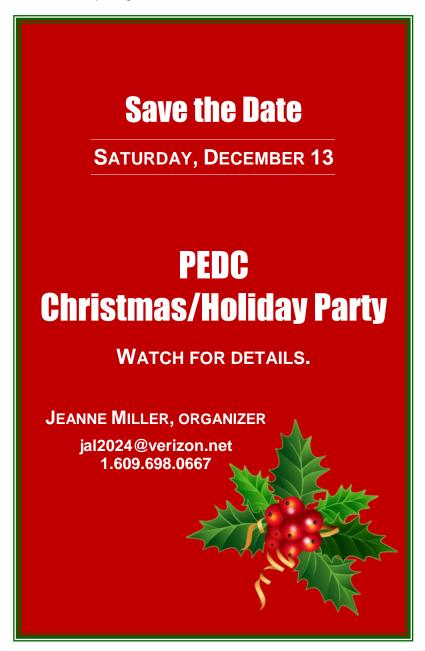
- 1 Wednesday, PEDC monthly meeting at Woody's, Farmingdale, NJ, 7:30 PM, http://woodysroadside.com.
- 4 Saturday, PEDC Fall Foliage Drive to Frenchtown, Ernie & Ida Caponegro, hosts. Watch for details.
- 4 Saturday, Monmouth County Concours, Hop Brook Farm, Holmdel, NJ: http://www.monmouthcountyconcours.com. (This could be a great PEDC outing if someone would like to organize a group to attend the event.)
- 4 Saturday, Annual Autumn Leaf Festival, an All-British Car Show hosted by the British Car Club of the Lehigh Valley, Moravian Academy, Merle-Smith Campus, 4313 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem, PA, 10 AM 3 PM. Pre-register for \$8; \$10 at the gate. For more information: http://www.bcclv.com/autumnleaf.html.
- 11 Saturday, Cars & Coffee at The Grove, Route 35, Shrewsbury, NJ, 8-10:30 AM. Classic & exotic cars of all types.
- 11 Saturday, "Brits at the Village," Peddler's Village, Lahaska, PA. Annual British car & bike show hosted by the Philadelphia MG Club, http://www.phillymgclub.com. (Possible lunch to be arranged by John Kosztyo for PEDCers.)
- 18 Saturday, PEDC Storm King Drive to New York State, Russ Sharples, host. Outdoor sculpture garden. Possible overnight trip. Drive begins in Hopewell, NJ. A 3½-hour drive from Hopewell to destination. Watch for details.
- 18 Saturday, Cars & Coffee at Fast Lane Motor Club, 618 Summerfield Avenue at Bond Street, Asbury Park, NJ, 8 AM – 12 PM. Indoors, rain or shine. Free coffee & donuts.
- 28 Tuesday, **PEDC's** 24th birthday.

November

Wednesday, PEDC monthly meeting at Woody's, Farmingdale, NJ, 7:30 PM, http://woodysroadside.com.

December

13 Saturday, **PEDC Annual Christmas/Holiday Party**. Jeanne Miller, organizer.





Official PEDC Regalia for 2014 ~ Price List

Club Apparel	Price	Other Club Items	Price
T-shirt, short-sleeve crew neck	\$17	Grille badge	\$20
T-shirt, short-sleeve crew neck with pocket*	\$ 19	Lapel/hat pin	\$ 4
T-shirt, long-sleeve crew neck	\$ 19	Windshield sticker	\$ 1
Golf shirt, short-sleeve	\$26	Marque patch	\$ 5
Denim shirt, long-sleeve, woven, button-down*	\$31	PEDC logo patch	\$ 6
Denim shirt, short-sleeve, woven, button-down*	\$31		
Sweatshirt, long-sleeve crew neck	\$27		
Sweatshirt, long-sleeve hooded zip-up*	\$42		
Sweatshirt, long-sleeve hooded zip-up (larger than XL)*	\$ 51	* Denotes special-order item. All special- order item prices may include additional shipping costs if not ordered with a bulk club order. Add \$2 for club apparel in sizes	
Wind jacket, long-sleeve hooded*	\$27		
Wind jacket, long-sleeve hooded (larger than XL)*	\$32		
Baseball cap, unstructured	\$14		
Cabbie hat, wool or cotton	\$15	larger than XL; add \$10 for a 2 nd I	ogo.
Visor	\$14		

Show your club spirit! To order the items above, contact Karen Moutenot, Regalia Manager, at kamouts@comcast.net or call her at 609.655.0554. All items are supplied to us through Fourth Gear, Ltd. Shown above is the current price list.

PEDC Dessert of the Month

Rodney Ford has many talents. In recent years he has honed his culinary skills, with great results, in preparation for our annual goodie-bag stuffing parties that he and Kathy have hosted a few days prior to Brits on the Beach. Who could forget the dessert of mini hamburgers and fries served up at the 2012 party? He got rave reviews, which spurred him on to create something special for our 2013 party: miniature cars driven by—what else?—Teddy Grahams! The body of the car was a Milky Way® miniature bar with Smarties® candies used as the wheels and windshield. Rodney used cake icing for the headlights and tail lights. We can't wait to see what the chef has in store this year.





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Classified Ads

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No classified ads this month.





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Mike and Linda Browne organized a group of 13 PEDCers in 8 LBCs at their Greenbriar Oceanaire Community Association (GOCA) Classic Car Club's 2nd Annual Car Show August 4th in Waretown, NJ. **Above, left to right**, is Peter Richardson and his TR6, Mike and Linda's Mini Cooper and Mini Cabriolet, and Art Becker's TVR. **Below** are Charlie Schirm's E-type Jaguar and Ken Kyle's XK8 Jaguar. Not shown are Rodney Ford's TR7 and Mort Resnicoff's MGTD, as well as Andy Ribaudo's Cougar.



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The Last Word: Get Out and Drive 'Em



What a sight this must have been in May in Middlebury, VT when New England MG T Series Register (NEMGTR) enthusiasts celebrated the club's 50th anniversary at its annual Gathering of the Faithful (GOF). *Photo courtesy of Mort Resnicoff*, who, with Fredda Fine, attended the event with his 1950 MG TD.