



Little Classical Gas

Monthly Newsletter of Canadian XK Jaguar Register/Canadian Classic MG Club

February 2008



Spring Run and Brunch

Past Presidents Jennifer Orum and Tonya Harford are finalizing the arrangements for the Spring Run & Brunch which will take place Sunday, March 16. Cars will be gathering at the Burnaby Lake Clubhouse and cruising over to the North Shore en route to Peter Welch's fabulous MG collection at Thunderbird Marina. The brunch/lunch spot is still being finalized. Details will be announced at the February 11th General Membership meeting. For further information, contact Jennifer at jlorum@shaw.ca

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2007 JCNA NEWSLETTER AWARDS

Each year the Jaguar Clubs of North America sponsor newsletter awards for JCNA-affiliated clubs. Madelaine Donatiello (CXKJR President) and Jennifer Orum (Temporary Classical Gas Chief Editor) have been asked to submit nominations.

Nominations can be submitted for articles or photographs that appeared in *Classical Gas* during 2007 in the following categories (up to three nominations per category):

1. Photography
2. Event reports: Articles describing an event, with the intention of entertaining readers and building enthusiasm for attendance at future club events
3. Heritage: Historical and nostalgic articles written to entertain and to inform readers about the history of Jaguars, Jaguar owners, the local club etc.
4. Technical articles: Clearly written, informative articles about care, maintenance and restoration of Jaguars.
5. Travel: Accounts of automobile road trips, solo or group.

Articles should be at least a full printed page or minimum 250 words. In the case of photos, entries must be single featured photos, not groups of photos or illustrations.

British mechanic finds car's problem an easy nut to crack

British driver Clifford Bird had a nagging car problem that was driving him absolutely nuts, says the Norfolk Eastern Daily Press. Bird, who lives in the town of Diss, drives a silver MG he likes to keep in tip-top shape.

After the car experienced problems with soggy acceleration, the 75-year old owner took the vehicle to a local garage, expecting to receive a bill of \$818 for replacing the vehicle's catalytic converter. Instead, the mechanic produced a bill for an hour's work — and a gigantic sack of peanuts found inside the air cleaner.

Mechanic John Grose removed about 2.5 kilograms of nuts from the filter, noting that mice probably squirrelled them away, travelling through a narrow access pipe.

The garage's final report: "Engine running as sweet as a nut."

(from the Province—January 11, 2008)

NEXT CLUB MEETING:

Monday, 11 February 2008

NEXT CLUB EVENT:

Sunday, 17 February 2008

Octagon Motors Tour

10:00 am



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Classifieds

WANTED Secure (inside) car storage for one car. Contact Bob at either Work 604.980.4891 or Cell 604.728.1740 ***

1958 MGA Coupe project—frame done—extra frame with body—all parts—Running gear rebuilt by Octagon. Asking \$2000 without motor and transmission as rebuilt or \$4000 with. Contact Dennis Coates at 250.319.4808 or email at dpc@mjb-law.com ***

1990 Jag XJS Convertible—150,000km, Grey with black top, grey interior. Great shape \$9,000 OBO. Call Steve Walker at 604.812.4430 ***

FOR SALE 40 year collection of Jaguar memorabilia, models, model kits, posters, dash plaques, sales promo's, pins, badges, jackets, hats, etc. You name it I probably have a collection of them, many years of other Jaguar club newsletters including Jaguar Driver, Jaguar Enthusiast, Jaguar Journal, also a collection of all of the Avon cars marketed by Avon Canada. Contact Jerry Parkhill, 604.794.3652, parkhill@uniserve.com ***

1975 MGB Roadster. About 15,000 miles on rebuilt engine. Decent shape. Red. Roll Bar. Runs well. Asking \$4,500 obo. Contact Ken Wright at 604.535.0048 **

1966-70 MG Midget Vintage Racer. VARAC Class winner in 2006 and 2007. Overall Driver's Championship 2007. Fastest MG In Canada. Rebuilt with a perfect "Texas Shell" and all new parts, Winter 2006. Full race motors (2), Longman, Weber, etc. SCCR gearbox, Huffaker front brakes, offset rear springs, top links, watt's link. full cage, fire system, Dunlops and Goodyear rains on Revolution wheels. Nothing but the best. Excellent, 2nd shell and enough bits to build another one. \$23,000. Contact John DeMaria, john_demaria@homedepot.com or 416.533.4648 (Ontario) **

Rotor Arms now available from Hunter Classic Sportscars, Victoria, BC. Supplied by Distributor Doctor and have a 3-yr guarantee. For more information contact Craig Hunter at cahunter@shaw.ca (or email LCG for a copy of original email) **

Book for Sale Car Maintenance Series; MG Cars-A practical guide to maintenance and repair covering models from 1934, by C.P.Davidson. Published in London 1958. It refers to the J series 1934 to the 1.5l Magnette and MGA models. Would be willing to sell provided a reasonable value can be established. In very good condition-still has original cover/binding. If you are interested, please contact James M. Convey cnv291@aol.com **

Two 1969 MGB Roadsters One is complete except for bumpers, grill and soft top. Floor boards & fender bottoms are rusty. The other is in pretty good shape body wise, all rusted parts have been welded in but no motor, tranny or glass. I am asking \$1600.00 for both cars and prefer to sell them as a pair. If anyone is interested they can call Don at 604.274.5925 or email dlkerr@shaw.ca *

MGB Parts for sale: 1. 1968-80 4 speed sincro gear box gears look OK. 2. 3 main brg mgb short block disassembled, crankshaft has been reground and aligned needs pistons, no camshaft. 3. MGB early roadster window frames with glass. all the above open to reasonable offerers. 1975 MGB body panels, metal repairs no bondo (in primer) front frnders \$300. each or both for \$500.. Rear \$200. or \$350. for both, doors \$200ea or \$350. trunk lid has holes for factory luggage rack \$100. Contact Cy Taylor (Summerland) 250.494.5444 or summervolv@shaw.ca *

1969 MGB Roadster with Overdrive. Fully rebuilt with picture album. Black on black with leather seats. Factory hardtop. All original, except chromed wheels. Asking \$14,500 obo. Contact Lim at 360.664.4428 *

Multiple parts:

FREE - MK-X 14" Wheel. One original 14" steel wheel from a '62 Mark X. It was in the trunk as a spare for years, then ended up in my garage. It's not rusted or bent, still has a cross ply tire on it. It may also fit MKII or S type.

FREE- MK-X Borg Warner Automatic. A somewhat weathered auto box that I want rid of. It was in good condition, and I was going to fit it in my MK X. I think it's '64 -'66 vintage. It's the "newer" generation, with the standard shift pattern of PRNDL, not the older one with the oddball shift pattern (which my '62 MKX had). It should be rebuildable. If you can use it you're welcome to it..

FREE- MK-X Ball Joint Kit. A new Quinton Hazell QJS 221 RK Front Suspension Ball Joint kit for a Mark 10 Jag.

FREE- MK- X Window Regulator** A wind up widow regulator mechanism. New original part.

FREE- MK-X Rear Window Rubber. This rubber has never been installed. It's in reasonable condition, not cracked, but getting a little stiff. Some armor all or silicon would soften it up.

FOR SALE- Two Chrome Side Mirrors, new - GT Style suitable for XK Jag. Email for pics. \$25 each

Contact Peter Laing (Cloverdale) 604.574.5681 or at prologic@telus.net *

HAVE SOMETHING FOR SALE OR THAT YOU WANT?

Feel free to email littleclassicalgas@gmail.com to have your classifieds posted in the next issue of LCG. Unless otherwise requested, they will be listed for 3 months.

New Member(s)

JAG 785 Alan Petrie & Anji Jones
Parksville, BC

1971 Jaguar E-type FHC 4.2L Regency Red
1980 MGB/GT (RHD) Coupe Blaze





Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY 2008

3	Super Bowl XLII Party	Ian and Doreen Newby's 1pm onwards 3474 262nd St, Aldergrove	Potluck event. Call 604.856.8477 for more info
11	Club Meeting	Burnaby Lake Clubhouse	3760 Sperling Ave, Burnaby
17	Octagon Motors Tour	10am 1538 Venables St, Vancouver	Contact Al Riches for add'l info
24	Heather's Wine and Cheese	Bill and Nan Heather's 2-5pm 325 54th St., Delta (Tsawwassen)	Bring a bottle of wine to share Call 604.943.5303 for more info

MARCH 2008

10	Club Meeting & Model Night	Burnaby Lake Clubhouse	3760 Sperling Ave, Burnaby
15	JCNA Spring Regional Meeting	TBD	Contact Doug Ingram dougi@shaw.ca
16	Spring Run and Brunch	See details on page 1	Contact Jennifer or Tonya for info
28-29	JCNA AGM—50th Anniversary	Pittsburgh	www.jcna.com/agm/2008/index.php
30	Club Easter Bunny Fun Rally	Starts from Guildford Mall, Surrey Bring something for the food bank	Contact Dave Williams 604.942.1392

Club Meetings are held the second Monday of each Month, except where noted with *
Club Events are listed in Bold Type—Listings are reprinted from our website, and are subject to change.

A Note from Al Moss

I regret to inform you that HCP (High Country Party), which was supposed to take place October 7-9 this year, has been cancelled, or, more properly, placed on backorder until, hopefully, next year.

If everything works out for 2009, I will inform you later this year. In the meantime, have a Great '8! (Please pass this on to any of our poor friends who don't have internet (e-mail) access. Thanks)

I have no idea why, but I have been busily writing an autobiography. This great tome will be 175 pages, with over 100 photos, mostly in color. It will cover my car, motorcycle and horse-related activities, plus a history of Moss Motors. (Naturally, all interspersed with a bit of Al Moss humour).

I hope to have the book finished and printed sometime next month (February). I will also have my new website up and running at the same time: <http://www.racermoss.com> (I think all you need is: racermoss.com) Please check it out later!

THIS SPACE FOR RENT (actually it's free!!!)

If you want to inform club members of timely information, have it included in Little Classical Gas! Just submit your info to littleclassicalgas@gmail.com before the deadline.



**Canadian XK Jaguar Register
Canadian Classic MG Club
Model & Paraphernalia night for
MARCH IS MODEL MONTH our 13th + fun filled year!!!**

The "Rules" for the event

Basic concept - There are trophies for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place based on voting undertaken by the members present **March 10th, 2008**

Judging/voting will be by members/guests choice voting on the night of the event & ballots will be provided.

- All displays will be given a number on the night of the event and members present will be able to "vote" for their favorite display/layout of models & or paraphernalia.
- This approach means that members do not need to have the biggest number of models all out parking lot style - or who has the most toys!. BUT, rather using a few or a bunch of models &/or paraphernalia in an effective display to win the hearts of the voters that night.
- Again this year there will be time & space for MODEL SWAP & SHOP - so bring your spares and be prepared to dicker-trade-buy & sell!

Interested??? We need participants and we need some help - if you are interested please fill out the bottom bit - tear along the dotted line & give to MIKE POWLEY any time before the February 11th 2008 meeting and the Model night meeting & display **Monday March 10th, 2008**

Need more information? Call or E-Mail **MIKE POWLEY** call (604) 542-0921 or E-mail mpowley@telus.net

.....**DOTTED LINE**.....

Name:	Phone number:
Address:	E-mail:
I will display:	And/or I can help with ballot counting and/or set up of displays:
How much table space do you need?	