

Michigan MG T Club General Membership Meeting  
Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills , Michigan  
December 7, 2010

Attendees:

Tom Booth	Lois Booth	Bob Tappert
Larry Kuivenhoven	Sandy Kuivenhoven	Shari Pellic
Tom Parent	Pat McHugh	Andy Abraham
Guy St. John	Jim Northrup	Linda Northrup
Paul Kress	Lou VanKoningsveld	Elaine VanKoningsveld
Mike Liberty	Gail Liberty	Beverley Martin
Dick Cywinski	Tom Sorensen	Rita Patrick
George Patrick	Mark Aldrich	Lee Jacobsen
Bill Larson	Dick Axford	Cary Gersh
Roger Melton	Tom Norman	

No "T" cars (or their drivers) braved the 26F weather to attend the meeting.

The meeting came to order at 7:35PM. The meeting minutes for the November meeting were approved. Sandy Kuivenhoven said she has not given up yet in her search for the October meeting minutes.

Chairman Report – Sandy Kuivenhoven

Sandy introduced Paul Kress as a visitor who attended as a guest of Jim and Linda Northrup. Paul replied that he was not an MG owner, but that could change.

Vice-Chairman Report – Roger Melton

Roger arrived late and did not get a chance to offer any comments.

Treasurer Report – Lou VanKoningsveld

Lou stated that the Club has \$7270 in the treasury.

Membership Report – Tom Sorensen

Tom stated that membership still remains at 99 memberships. However, later in the evening, Pat McHugh announced that he had signed up Craig Faulk as member 100. Craig also happens to have been member #1 many years ago. Everyone was reminded that 2011 dues (still only \$15.00) will be due in January. Members that have not yet signed up at the national level of the New England MG T Register are encouraged to do so. Membership in the national club gives our local Club insurance benefits when we host car events (i.e. 2011 GoF). In the next few months, Club members that have not joined the national Register will be given a personal reminder to do so.

#### Webmaster Report – Cary Gersh

Cary reported that the Club can now accept dues payment via the new website. The registration form for the 2011 GoF is very near completion and will be available on the website soon. The member forum feature is now working and will be password-protected. In the near future, after verifying all the functions of the new website, the Club's former Google Groups site will be abandoned.

#### Events Report – Shari Pellic

The next big event will be the annual Hibernation Party on January 22, 2011. It will be at the same location as last year's party: Karl's Cabin in Plymouth, Michigan. The invitations were recently mailed to all the members. RSVP notes were included in the mailing. The cost will be only \$35.00 per person. Please send in your checks (made out to Shari Pellic) soon. This will also be the time to hold the Club's annual election of officers. The current office-holders have agreed to stay on for another term, but others are encouraged to run for an office if you think you might enjoy the power and prestige of holding office. In a slight departure from last year's party, there will not be a fund-raising auction of donated items. The Club's board has asked that things that would have been brought to this auction be saved for the GoF auction in July. However, there may be a few regalia items put up for auction just for fun. Bring money, just in case. Next spring, Lee Jacobsen will be hosting the Club's annual Champagne Brunch at his home in Dearborn, Michigan. More details will follow on this great event.

#### 50/50 drawing

Rita and George Patrick did their usual fine job selling 50/50 tickets. The \$19.00 pot went to Jim Northrup.

### Quiz Time

Sandy reviewed the results of the quiz she had prepared using samples of “fluid leaks” that could come from a T car. There were 10 fluids in little glass vials for everyone to inspect throughout the evening. The big winner was Lee Jacobsen who correctly identified 4 of the 10 samples. It would appear that Lee’s expansive fleet of MGs has given him a lot of knowledge in viewing and assessing stuff that leaks out of an MG. Tom Norman was runner-up having correctly identified 2 of the 10 samples. Lee and Tom each were awarded a quart of Castrol 20W50 motor oil. How appropriate.

### Waitress Award – Violet

The Club’s board approved giving our regular waitress a Christmas gift to thank her for her excellent service for all our Club meetings. Violet received gift cards from Starbuck’s and from Bed, Bath & Beyond. Thank you for your friendly service this past year.

### Demonstration of High-intensity-discharge headlights – Jim Northrup

Jim brought in several types of headlights and showed the membership what they looked like. The High-intensity-discharge (HID) lights offer 3 times the lighting power over conventional lighting. The HID uses Zenon gas and electrodes that create the bluish light. E-bay sells MG style HID lights for about \$140 per pair. Lights are important on our “T” cars: you should always have a good view of the tow strap at night.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Norman

Recording Secretary