



T TIMES

Hibernation Party/Annual Meeting
Let them eat cake!



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Chairman's Corner

The results of the officers election are in and the winners are as follows for 2012:

Chairman: **Sandy Kuivenhoven**
Vice-Chairman: **Mike Liberty**
Recording Secretary: **Tom Norman**
Membership: **Tom Sorensen**
Treasurer: **Lou VanKoningsveld**

Also, all the committee chair people are returning for another year. They include:

Website: **Cary Gersh**
Technical Library: **Lee Jacobsen**
T-Times Editor: **Shari Pelic**
Events Coordinator: **Shari Pelic**
Regalia: **Lou VanKoningsveld**

The election was held at the Annual Meeting/Hibernation Party at Karl's Cabin. It was a great evening of dinner, burning centerpieces and a delightful auction. Disappointingly, no T-cars were driven. Many thanks to our Events Coordinator Shari Pelic for this fabulous event.

As you will see from the club calendar on the last page, we have introduced a few new club events this year. We already have George Patrick and Pat McHugh hosting the 13th Annual Fort Street Cruisin' Downriver event in June, and we are working on a Frankenmuth week-end and Drive-In Movie Night (dates to be announced).

Although 2012 will be a bit calmer, with not hosting a GOF Central, but we are planning on attending the one hosted by Chicago. Road Trip!!!

Our team of club members are still working on build a valve cover track so we can competitively race our hearts out (and win) in Chicago as well. We will promote practice races after the monthly membership meetings in the parking lot to get our game on. Also, we will be having a "Build a Valve Cover Car" tech session or two for those in need of a bit of encouragement to make the best (and fastest) car possible.

Also this year we plan on re-writing the club's Constitution and By-Laws.

Pat McHugh has experience in these matters and has

volunteered to oversee the project. Some of the material in the Constitution/By-Laws is outdated and they need to be revised to reflect more accurately the club's nature at the present time. If you have any interest in being involved in this project, please contact Pat McHugh.

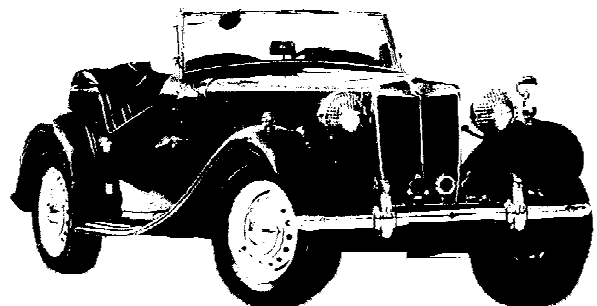
And although our T-cars are comfortably resting for the winter, it is not too soon to begin thinking about what needs to be done to get them up and running in the spring. If you have an idea or two for a tech session to address some postponed projects you have been putting off, now is the time to let the club know so we may be of assistance. That's what this club is about after all.

Membership renewal was due in January, so if you overlooked that, this edition has a renewal form enclosed. Also directories are to be printed and mailed out in March. We like to have a vehicle photo to accompany your information, so if you would like to forward one to the editor, Shari Pelic (spelic@simplexgrinnell.com), that will be included.

All in all, looks like a great year ahead for the club, hope to see some new or not-seen-in-awhile faces at some of the upcoming events.

Your club Chairman for yet another year,

-Sandy Kuivenhoven-



In Memory

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of **Paul Choroba**. He was one of the original members of the club back in 1971 and he and his wife Catherine remained members for about 10 years. Paul served as the club's first Vice-Chairman from 1972-1974.

Paul had a 1955 Arnolt and a Morgan.

He was born in Detroit, Michigan, retired from Ford Motor and then moved to Ramona, California. In his later years, Paul enjoyed rebuilding old cars, especially Morgans.



Photo of Paul's Arnolt from the March/April 1977 edition of the T-Times.

T-CLUB GOOD DEEDS...

December Membership Meeting:

Thanks to all who donated gloves and mittens to the "Mitten Tree". The forty-five pairs were given to the Salvation Army's Harbor Lights Shelter.

Hibernation Party:

Thanks to all that donated and/or purchased items at the auction hosted by John Deikis. This auction raised \$476.00 (including a \$100.00 donation from the club) for CURE Childhood Cancer.

February Membership Meeting:

Thanks to all who participated in the collection of canned goods (since February is National Canned Food Month) that were taken to the Open Door facility in Union Lake. We collected and donated eighty-eight pounds of canned food.

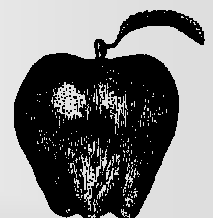


MITTEN TREE

AND FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT...

A product discovery and endorsement. We have found **GRAPLES**, a cross between an apple (which it crunches and looks like) and a grape (which it is what it tastes like) at Walmart Super Stores in the produce department. Quite yummy, 95 calories, 25 carbs.

Something new, fun to try out if you have the opportunity.



JUST IN CASE YOU FORGOT...

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

WAS DUE JANUARY 2012

Please fill out the renewal form and mail it back with your Annual Dues of \$15 to Tom Sorensen, our Membership Chairman.

**You can fill out your renewal form and pay via PayPal on our website.*

Thank you if you have already renewed!



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Annual Membership \$15.00
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Hibernation Party/ Annual Meeting



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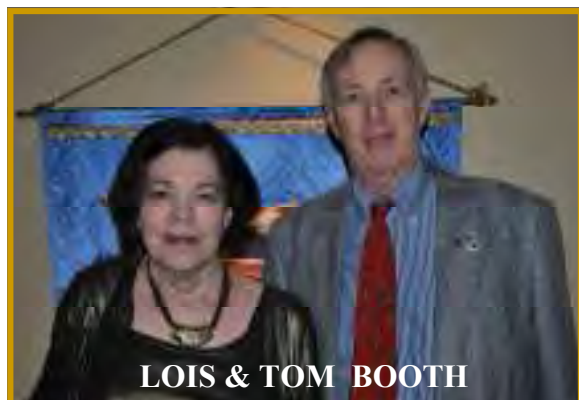
HILDA & BILL LARSON

THE PEOPLE

The Hibernation Party was held at Karl's Cabin in Plymouth, Michigan. All attending enjoyed appetizers , dinner, door prizes , speeches and awards.



MARY & JOHN GERVASI



LOIS & TOM BOOTH



ROGER MELTON & BEVERLEY MARTIN



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SHEILA & JOHN MARSH



RITA & GEORGE PATRICK



LEE JACOBSEN & ROGER MELTON



SANDY KUIVENHOVEN & RICK PEET

THE PEOPLE

Everyone there received a DVD of the T-Club's year in photos, highlighting the major driving and social events, including the GOF Central 2011.



SANDY & LARRY KUIVENHOVEN



JOHN DEIKIS-AUCTIONEE EXTRODINAIR



BETSY & RICHARD QUICK



SANDY KUIVENHOVEN & BOB LEINEN



KAREN JACOBSEN



THE PEOPLE





RECIPIENTS OF THE 2011 TRAVELING TROPHIES



RALPH MORSE AWARD for most participation in club events went to **Shari Pelic**. Not only is she our club's event coordinator, but she is also was the member who attended the most of them. Shari and her 1949 TC have had a busy year, attending her first GOF Central with her vehicle, undergoing a "Vehicle Balance" by Andy Abraham (featured in the last edition of the T-Times) and experiencing her very first flat tire on the TC (or any other car). We won't mention the "Police Incident". She has contributed greatly to the club over the years and her involvement in club events is just a mere reflection of her passion for those lovely little British T-cars.



SPIRIT OF MG AWARD for club and MG spirit was awarded to **Richard Quick**. He and his wife Betsy hosted a tech session in their back yard to work on his 1953 British Racing Green TD. His dedication to the restoration of this vehicle paid off that afternoon as, for the first time since about 1970 that the engine turned over and started. It was a great day, not only for Richard but all the other fellow club members who were there to share it with him. We hope to see his entire vehicle up and running with the other T-cars in the club this year or next. And who knew about aluminum foil! Congratulations!



RICHARDSON AWARD for the most miles driven in a T-car to club events went to the 3rd woman winner in a row, **Linda Northrup**. Now this is one woman driver, hot or cold weather, she is styling in her MGT. With the mechanical support of her navigator husband Jim, there is no stopping her from her destination. She attended club events, meeting, as she put it "as long as there is no snow or salt on the roads", she's behind the wheel, loving it! Linda's passion and love for her T-car was obvious at every turn of the wheel. With 1,644 miles under her tires, safety fast!



FOUNDER'S AWARD for new member enthusiasm was awarded to **John & Mary Gervasi**. One of the newer members to the club, they have participated in club events, volunteered their time in support of the club and have helped out other club members. John has shared his MG knowledge with people whose vehicle needs assistance, encourage members to get their cars back on the road again by offering to help in whatever way possible. Mary and John both were amazing in all their support at the GOF Central this year wherever needed. This award could not have gone to a more deserving couple and their 1952 TD MKII.



THE PARTY



THE 1953 MG ARNOLT

With the passing of Paul Choroba, we began to wonder what exactly is a MG Arnolt.

And the Coupe answer is:

The MG Arnolt utilized complete MG-TD chassis and running gear. It was hand-crafted by Arnolt in Chicago, using bodies by Bertone of Turin, Italy, and interiors by Connally of England. This particular car was a factory demonstrator and was owned by Arnolt until their demise around 1963. The MG-based Arnolt was the first of the company's offerings with subsequent production sporting a more rakish coupe body the Bertone and the two-liter Bristol engine. This later version achieved a number of sporting successes, including 1-2-4-5 at Sebring 12 Hour in 1955.

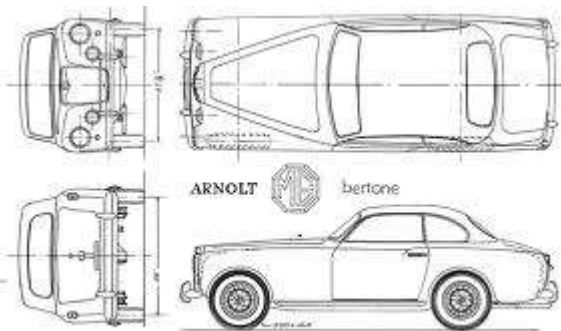
Engine: 4-cyl
Bore & Stroke: 2.618 in x 3.543 in
Horsepower: 54 at 5500 rpm
Transmission: 4-speed, selective
Planned Production: 200

Weight: 2100 lbs
Speed: N.A.
Wheelbase: 94 in
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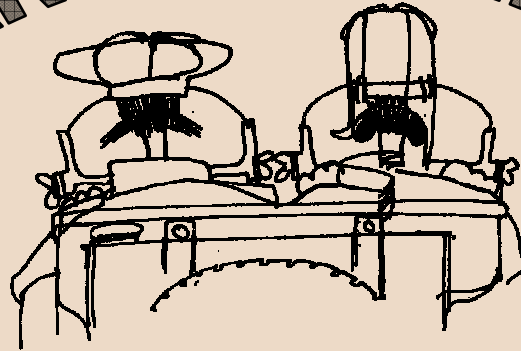
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MICHIGAN CHAPTER EVENTS



March 6	Monthly Meeting - BRASS POINTE (Farmington Hills)
March / April	Tech Session on MG Restoration (date TBA)
April 3	Monthly Meeting - BRASS POINTE (Farmington Hills)
April 14	Kimber Run (Delhi Café - Lansing, MI)
May 1	Monthly Meeting - BRASS POINTE (Farmington Hills)
May 20	Champagne Brunch - Lee & Karen Jacobsen
June 5	Monthly Meeting - BRASS POINTE (Farmington Hills)
June 16-17	Motor Muster, Greenfield Village
June 30	Fort Street Cruisin' Downriver - G. Patrick, P. McHugh
July 3	Monthly Meeting - BRASS POINTE (Farmington Hills)
July 8	Mad Dogs & Englishmen, Hickory Corners
July 24-27	GOF Central 2012 in Chicago
Aug 7	Monthly Meeting - BRASS POINTE (Farmington Hills)
Aug 11-12	Alden Car Show
Sept 4	Monthly Meeting - BRASS POINTE (Farmington Hills)
Sept 9	Battle of the Brits, Orchard Lake
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Don't Forget To Get Your Club Patches

The Club Patches sales are off to a good start. They measure 5 inches (wing to wing) by almost 4.5 inches top to bottom. Perfect for jackets, lawn chairs, car towels, etc.

The patches were privately funded. The profits will be donated to the Events Fund (see Events page for details). Cost is only \$5.00 per patch. Patches will be available to meetings and/or contact Lou VanKoningsveld or Shari Pelic to purchase yours.

