

Michigan Chapter of the New England MG T Register

June 4, 2013

Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills, Michigan

Attendees:

Larry Kuivenhoven	Sandy Kuivenhoven	Tom Booth
Lois Booth	Shari Pelic	Gail Liberty
Mike Liberty	Jim Northrup	Melanie Klemmer***
Linda Northrup*	Lou VanKoningsveld	Elaine VanKoningsveld
Bob Ruzzin	Larry Pittman**	Mitzi Pittman
Bruce Mann**	Willie Mann	Tom Sorensen*
Roger Williams	Dan Wilkers**	Dave Miller*
Bob Tapert	Gene Ledbetter	Roger Melton*
Beverley Martin	Rita Patrick	George Patrick
Dick Cywinski*	Lee Jacobsen*	Doyle Meredith
Dick Axeford	Carol Axeford	Cary Gersh
Akira Imai	Jim Mueller*	Tom Norman

*Drove their MG "T" car **Drove other MG ***Drove an Austin Healey

Sandy Kuivenhoven called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

There were no new members needing recognition, but there were a few members that had not attended a meeting in a while. Brief introductions and apologies were exchanged. Jim Mueller happened to be one of these members. He mentioned that he was offering for sale an engine hoist (aka cherry picker) that he no longer needed. We are pleased to report that by the end of the meeting Jim had successfully sold the engine hoist.

Chairman's Report: Sandy Kuivenhoven

Sandy thanked Lee and Karen Jacobsen for recently hosting the Club's annual Champagne Brunch at their home in Dearborn. Everyone joined in with Sandy and gave them a round of applause.

Sandy announced that she and the rest of the Club's Board will be reviewing the renewal of the Club's insurance policy. The annual expense for this coverage is now estimated to be about \$470.

She pointed out to the attendees that Malcolm Castle had dropped off a large collection of older Club material dating back many decades. The material consisted of older Club newsletters as well as car-related magazines. This was free for the taking, in that Sandy had no desire to take the stash home with her.

Sandy brought everyone up to date regarding the Meadowbrook Theater event coming up soon. After researching the event, it was determined that tickets would cost anywhere from \$93 to \$114 each. Interested individuals were still encouraged to attend, but due to the rather high cost of the event, the Club will not be organizing to attend.

Finally, Sandy reminded everyone to view the humorous video sent out with the latest edition of the T-Times. It shows a man 6'5" crawling out of an MG J2 (with the top attached, no less). On a similar note, Club members should watch Lee Jacobsen get in and out of his Tickford sometime. If memory serves, he actually removes the steering wheel temporarily to make it happen.

Vice Chairman's Report: Mike Liberty

Mike had to leave early and was not available to give a report.

Treasurer's Report: Shari Pelic

The Club has approximately \$8600 on hand in the treasury. Shari mentioned that she needed some assistance in getting the Club's tax filing completed. The critical item appeared to be an IRS password Shari could not find.

Membership Report: Tom Sorensen

There are 71 memberships and 128 members

Webmaster's Report: Cary Gersh

Cary proposed to the Club that using Facebook rather than the current Forum might be easier for communication within the Club. There was a spirited discussion about privacy issues, and how to control information regarding individuals within the Club. Cary agreed to review what might be done to satisfy the need to communicate as well as respecting the privacy of Club members. More to follow on this topic.

T-Times Report: Shari Pelic

Shari was pleased to announce that the latest version of the T-Times went out the day before.

As a side note, the ad for two cars in the T-Times belong to Rick Peete. His name and number were left out of the ad by mistake.

Librarian's Report: Lee Jacobsen

The library resides with Lee at his Market Street office in Livonia.

Additionally, Lee stated that he has more parts for someone to build a Valve Cover Racer. Remember that the Club will be featuring the Valve Cover Races this year at the Alden Sports Car Show (near Torch Lake in northern Michigan) in August.

Events Report: Shari Pelic

The next event will be visiting the Buffalo Ranch and Cascade Falls near Jackson Michigan next weekend. The outing includes a visit to a great steak house in the area.

The annual Motor Muster at the Henry Ford will take place Saturday and Sunday June 15 and 16. By a quick show of hands, it appears that at least 8 members of the Club will be attending the event. Tom Booth made a pledge that his TF will be fielded in this event next year.

Mad Dogs and Englishmen is coming up soon (July 14) at Hickory Corners near Kalamazoo.

This year's GOF will be in St. Louis. Several Club members are planning to make the trek with their MGs. It runs July 15-19.

The new event this year will be the "All-British Car Weekend " in Frankenmuth. This will happen August 16-17-18. The Club has arranged to use the local race track for 6 hours on Saturday. There will be a tour of the brewery on Sunday. The Club has arranged special room rates at the Bavarian Inn.

The Put-in-Bay Road Race Reunion will take place August 27-28-29. This is near Cleveland.

The annual Battle of the Brits will again be at Camp Dearborn on September 8.

The Club's Fall Colour Tour will be October 6 and be a one day trip to Marshall, Mi. If the weather is not cooperating, the date may change to October 13.

The Club's Covered Bridge Tour will run on October 18-19-20.

Open Discussion:

Tom and Lois Booth thanked everyone who came over to their house to help the TF project along.

Ikira Imai informed the Club about his recent piston failure in his TD. He brought the bad piston to the meeting to show everyone. He is hot on the trail of getting his engine back together. He also announced that by late July, he will be returning to Japan for his work assignment. We hope that Ikira will continue his membership in the Club and strengthen the Club's "International" status. Best wishes with the motor rebuild and the relocation to Japan.

There was no 50/50 raffle this time. Save your dollars for the next meeting.

Sandy and Shari sneaked out to the cars on display and took photos of each car with the Queen of England (life-size poster). It should be good fun to see the results.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

The next meeting will be July 6, 2013

Everyone went out to the car display to see some really amazing cars that members drove to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Norman

(Filling in for Recording Secretary Richard Quick who was unable to attend the meeting.)