

ABCS Newsletter

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NEXT MEETING – March 12, 2009 – Rush Street Grill

Minutes of the ABCS Meeting for February 12, 2009

There were 28 members present at the meeting.

Paul Kern thanked everyone for their support after Ann's passing.

Bill Wilson reported a balance of \$466.32 in the Treasury. Bill also reported that the ABCS had made a Memorial contribution to the Christine LaGuardia Phillips Cancer Center in memory of our own dear friend Ann Kern.

Paul reminded us that the ABCS will be hosting the

4th Annual April Fool Bash on April 4th. The event will be held at Cherokee Park in Morristown. We are in need of volunteers. The ABCS will be providing hamburgers, hot dogs, buns and fixings. Everyone is to bring a favorite side dish or dessert. Time will be 11:00 AM.

The Mini is celebrating their 50th Anniversary with a big gathering at Townsend on April 22-25.

Peter Davis entertained us with a slide

presentation of some of the restoration on his Austin Healey and Triumph, which were damaged by fire. Peter also show the engine rebuilding on his Jaguar XKE Coupe.

Upcoming Events:

March 14 – Meet ETMGDC at Rogersville.

April 4 - April Fool Bash

April 18 – Combine drive to Clinch Mt. Winery with ETMGDC.

April 22-25 – Mini’s at Townsend.

April 25 – Miata Rally at Blowing Rock, NC.

On Saturday, February 14, a group of British cars

enthusiast gathered for a drive to visit the Lincoln Museum at Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, TN.

After visiting the museum we drove into Cumberland Gap for lunch at Webb’s.



NAMGBR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

The North American MGB Register (NAMGBR) was formed in late 1990 as the result of a strong demand for a non-profit, democratic organization which would be run by MG enthusiasts, for MG enthusiasts, where...

- The MGB Register would be dedicated to maintaining and expanding interest in Britain's most popular sports cars...the MGB and MG Midget. Each and every member would have a vote on policy.
- The Officers would be elected by the membership and would offer themselves for re-election at the Annual General Meeting.
- The finances of the Register would be open to all, at any time.
- The MGB Register membership would be open to all, with no restrictions, and where ownership of an MG would not be a condition of membership.
- ACTIVITY, ENTHUSIASM and DEDICATION would be cherished. At the founding meeting, attended by enthusiasts from three continents, it was agreed that MG Midgets and MG 1100/1300s would be welcome in the Register and would be actively supported by their own sub-registers. NAMGBR also sought and gained the approval and support of the parent MG Car Club in England, the oldest and original of all MG clubs. NAMGBR is the only national Register of the MGB and Midget in the United States, Canada, and Mexico officially sanctioned by the MG Car Club UK and is proud to count amongst its honorary members Don Hayter, who styled the MGB while Chief Engineer at the MG Factory in Abingdon, Geoff Allen a long-time factory employee, and Ken Costello, inventor of the MGB GT V8.

WHAT DO YOU GET FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP?

- The MGB Driver a bi-monthly 60 page magazine, packed with MGB Register news, technical information, photos, articles on the history and development of various MGs, letters from members, a calendar of events, cars for sale and much more.
- Technical advice from MG experts such as John Twist, Norman Nock and others. Have a problem? Call for immediate assistance or write and have the answer appear in the MGB Driver which might assist others.
- A unique Register blue and gold dash plaque inscribed with your personal membership number.
- Local, regional and national meets where you can join and socialize with like-minded enthusiasts. With over 70 local affiliated chapters you're never far from an MG friend.
- A mutual help scheme for members through a listing of willing participants. Stuck out in the boonies? Just call!
- A wide range of regalia and other items for sale to members to demonstrate your love of MGs.

YOU CANNOT AFFORD NOT TO "B" A MEMBER—JOIN NOW!

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North American MGB Register

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Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Country _____ E-Mail _____
Home Phone _____
Work Phone _____

May we list your phone number as an emergency contact should a Register member traveling through your area need assistance? Yes ___ No ___

Where did you learn of the Register?

Which local MG or British Car Club(s) do you belong to?

How many MGs do you own?
_____ MGBs _____ Midgets _____ 1100/1300s

What other British cars do you own?

Enclose your check or credit card information and return to:

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One year membership is \$30.00 US (\$35.00 Overseas) and includes our bimonthly publication—MGB Driver.

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