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Greetings, miscellaneous rambling, and the news.

MGA generator was not generating too well, time to replace. Now my first thought was I could get a repro from Moss, couple of days, decent price. But then I would have another used generator sitting under the bench with the other one and a spare starter. I didn't want to add another anchor to the pile, and I wasn't about to rebuild them. Graham let me know of Henry's alternator and car electrical shop. He has been doing rebuilds for a long time. So, I gathered up a generator and a starter and off I go.

Henry's is about twenty miles away, from the western suburbs to the northern suburbs. I decided to use the local routes and avoid the turnpike, not to save the coin, but a more leisurely drive. Well, it was a drive. Using MapQuest I traveled through many neighborhoods, over rivers, through woods, aged another year, bathroom breaks, food and fuel and finally pulled over to recheck my directions, I was in the parking lot!

One of my thoughts was, how did we do that in the old days, find our way. I did love charts and maps and enjoyed using them. And traveled around much of the east coast using them with generally much success. Do you remember going to AAA and getting maps? How about getting a trip-kit? I once got one to travel from Philly to Fort Collins CO. A lot of pages flipping, basically go west 2000 miles then turn right at Denver. But they were fun! Oh, what the new generation misses, like getting there late!

Back to the generator and starter. Henry took one look at them, "Oh some nice Lucas items". I knew he was the man. After a couple of weeks, I returned, this time taking the turnpike which cut the ride to about a third of the time. They work and look brand new. Great job. And the price about the same as the repro's, a fraction of the cost of the "new" Lucas.

Past Events



Christmas Party: December 16, 2023

The DVCMG Christmas Party was once again an event truly enjoyed by 35 members. The Bay Pony Inn always puts on a fine dinner and is a great gathering place. The party started with cocktails, conversations, and a nice spread of appetizers. Always have a good time catching up with fellow members and spreading holiday cheer. We then enjoyed a delicious four course

dinner. Thank you to Jaimee for her continued efforts to organize this very appreciated event. After dinner, the highlight of the evening, our entertainment, the raffle! A very big thanks to Robin and Jeff for procuring the gifts. They were great, of

course MG / British related but who doesn't love that! Tom MC'ing the raffle with Jeff is always entertaining, he puts just that special spin on the gift distribution. After some parting farewells the group went on their way to enjoy the holidays.

Barb's Barn Pick: December 2, 2023

It was a misty moist morning and cloudy was the weather but the faithful gathered to help Barbara clean out the barn. Brian, Tom, Dick and Sandi, Louise, Graham and Susie, Chuck and Linda scoured the contents of the two-story barn and garage for lost and forgotten items. Meanwhile reminiscing about the old times spent with the pin stripper Ernie and Barbara. Many came home with items to see a new life. Lots of MG toys, smaller parts, some other workshop tool bench items, and other eclectic finds. It was nice to see Barbara and spend some time together.



Annual Meeting: November 12, 2023

Graham Gill, Jay Kaufman, Tom and Jaimee Rippert, Dick and Sandy Suffredini, Pat and Patty Cawthorne, Adam and Eva Ilnicki, Jim and Diane Sanders, Peter and Nancy Yaskowski, Jeff Rose, Brian Gumpert, Lew Phillips, Warner and Nancy Doerner, Chuck Daniels gathered for our one business meeting of the year.

Currently we have 85 members, about holding steady. Membership is a concern for many clubs and British car organizations. We recently have five new members and welcomed them to the club. Jay, our treasurer reported we have holdings going into the new year to support our events. The annual renewal season has started in 2024!

Moving on to events, the DVCMG event posting on the website was discussed. The labeling such "in progress", "looking for host" and what to do when an event is cancelled may see changes, or not. Not to look like the cancel culture. A member only calendar for on the website with an event for many of the months of the year was drafted. A second calendar listing more general events: other car shows in the towable distance, more casual events not needing reservation was also drafted (see attached). For that, there is the new addition of a casual GT, no reservations required, just get to gather on the other events calendar. Please check the website for more details.

Our major event The DVCMG Skippack Village British Car Show will be September 21, 2024, Skippack Village PA. It will follow much the same format as previous shows, some minor changes possible, maybe adding a hurricane date!

DVCMG Skippack Village Car show 2.0. October 28, 2023

As our planned Car Show for September 24 was postponed due to a hurricane we pulled together and rescheduled. The village was very happy to accommodate our plans. Dave Markel and one of his assistants visited the show and expressed their interest in promoting our show. It was not the full-blown car show as planned but it was very enjoyable, and everyone had a great time, especially me. I didn't have all the concerns and the directing that the usual car show takes.

There were 15 cars, representing most of the models of MG, from the T series to the modern MGF. Many members from Philly MG Club attended and we enjoyed gathering. Awards were presented for the best costume, Erin and Dave, favorite car, a very nice Mquette, and most regalia!





Membership

Our membership year has expired with the New Year. Dues are \$25 for 2024. If you are unsure of your membership status, get in touch with me. ~ *Chuck Daniels* crdaniels55@gmail.com

You can renew on-line, or you can send a check to Jay. No need to include the form, just your name and contact details. However, if there are any changes in your information, garages or would like to just update your information send it along. I will send out updated lists after the new year. They are especially useful for our chapter contacts and to connect with someone that has a similar model.

Welcome New Members	Upcoming Events	Sports and Racing	Family and Friends
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ben Preddy • Ernest Long • John Hekking • Kevin Scott • Thomas O'Brien 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sellersville Show • GT February • Anniversary Party <p>Check out our new calendar listing our events for the year in this newsletter. Some duplication of events for members only, but has additional events such as the GT's, the Racing Schedule, and other casual events not needing RSVP's</p>	<p>Jim has sent their schedule for racing in the 2024 season. It's included on the new calendar. Members are always welcomed and encouraged to join the crew track side.</p>	<p>We send our best wishes and a healthy New Year to our members. We know a few of our members are enduring trying times, and health issues. Keep them in your thoughts.</p>

Parting Shots

Welcome to 2024. It should be dozy. Thank you to Robin for editing and to Linda for this spiffy new format.

Remember we're not old, we're CLASSIC! ~ *Chuck Daniels* crdaniels55@gmail.com

If you have any stories to share in our newsletter, they don't have to be linked to a DVC event, let me know.

2024 Calendar of Events

Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
9. Tuesday GT?	10-25. Simone Best of Britain "British Muscle, the British V8".	12. Tuesday GT?	5-7. DVCMG Solar Eclipse Tour Contact Patty Cawthorne	3-4. DVCMG Spring Sprints Lime Rock CT. The Race Teams	1. DVT DVJC Hope Lodge	12-13. DVCMG White Mountain Vintage GT, Club Motorsports, Tamworth, NH. The Race Teams.	?-?. DVCMG Mini Golf/Joyce Farm Contact Peter Yaskowski	5-8. DVCMG Wildwood Contact Fischers	5. Treasured Motor Car Tour Shop New Freedom, PA Contact Jeff Rose	17. DVCMG Annual Meeting Contact Patty Cawthorne	17. DVCMG Christmas Party Contact Jamie Rippert
11. DVCMG Sellersville Contact Brian Gumpert	13. Tuesday GT Collegeville Diner 1:00	16. DVCMG Anniversary Party Contact Patty Cawthorne	9. Tuesday GT?	4. Lewes British Motorcar show	9. Hellertown Keystone 30 th British Motoring Gathering	Stay cool in the pool, take a trip to the shore.	18. Cars and Cigars, Park Bistro 3-7	4-7. DVCMG Watkins Glen Contact Jeff Rose		28. Happy Thanksgiving!	28. Happy Holidays, Happy Hannukah, Merry Christmas!
19. NEMGTR Natter Noggin 2024			21. Cars and Cigars, Park Bistro 3-7	10-11. Carlisle Import Show				14. DVCMG Car Show Prep Contact Chuck Daniels			
20. In Door Swap Meet Agricultural Hall Allentown			27. DVCMG Tech Session Contact Doerner's	14. Tuesday GT?				15. DVCMG Austin Healy Encounter Contact Jeff Rose			
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								27-28. DVCMG Fall Finale Lime Rock, CT. The Race Teams			