



Greetings, miscellaneous ramblings, and the news.

I don't know about you but for me one of those things I had to do, not an exciting bucket list, was to drive on the left side. We have British cars; shouldn't we have the homeland driving experience.

I think men, some men, well me, have these ridiculous, out of the blue desires to do somethings. I can imagine women have a similar thing to do, but I don't know what they are. Probably less stupid.

We picked up a rental car in Dublin, a Dacia, real brawler. Linda says none of the three remaining hubcaps match, one being zip tied on. I noticed the left-hand side was trashed. Well, I figured I couldn't do much more damage unless I was taking it to demolition derby or drove it into the Liffy. And how might I have!



More about the car(s). They have cars we have never seen or even heard of. Yes, I saw some I recognized, Volvo, Jaguar, Mercedes. I rode in a modern MG taxi! But the low-end cars? I know Opel, and did see an MG dealership, wish I had the time to shop. Never seen a Dacia. At our first stay I asked the valet about the warning light on the dash. The Dacia was in the queue with Mercedes, Jags, what a sight. He says "No worry it will go out. Dacia, aye that's a good car, electrics not too good". It was good on petrol and watertight.

Now on for touring. The M 5 and motorways were okay, but once out of Dublin the local roads were terror, mostly the screaming as the hedgerows brushed her window. The roundabouts were okay; they

know how to do them even with the clockwise spin. From Dromoland off we go, car trip to West Ireland coast, the Cliffs of Mohr, then along the coast, Pub stop, a Dolmen site. The roads are narrow for sharing with other cars, but giving way to the tour buses was tight. Our second stay involved a trip through the countryside, in a storm, not the usual rain, a storm, towns were flooded, it was harrowing. And the Dacia had a flat tire, no s—t, the one that didn't have a hubcap, must have taken the big hit. But we made it to Mount Juliet. Next day a trip to Kilkenny, my daughter and family follow in their car. "Dad you narrowly hit that guy and the bus squeezing through town". Yup, but I didn't. Final trip was back to Dublin. Nothing eventful there, back on the Motorway to the car park. Kissed Dacia goodbye and hailed a cab, off to Jameson. Fun time.

(I hope you enjoy my stories. Please let me know if you have a story you would like to tell. No real strict theme, somein about cars, British, you get the idea)

Transmission Chatter/ Tech Talk

Not much chatter here, kind of the winter hibernation season, especially if you don't have a heated garage.

I have been working on an inside project, redoing the seats for the 1500 MGA. I made new wood frames, waiting on the upholstery to finish.

I did get a note from a new member, Rich Loughran. He has a 53 TD that he reports has a problem with the brakes and some starting issues. He would appreciate some help getting it back on the road and would be happy to have some folks drop by and give him a hand. Rich said he would provide a case or two of a favorite beer.

That's it, had me at beer, and he must have an insight into the DVCMG bpm, beers per member. Let's see if we can help him out.

Let me know what you have going on, love to hear from you.

Past Events

Golf Outing

What a great day to be on the links, even the mini links. The group got started, some on one course, some on the other. A kitty was collected for the best score on each course, and the winners were determined. Linda on the Spooky course and Dick on The Castle course. There was a good showing of MGs with the majority being GTs. Three, one of which was the MGC GT with an automatic. What Great Touring cars, just right for Autumn Drives.

After the rigorous workout on the course the group retired to the Trappe Tavern. Lunch was great. Good food, good service, cold beer, who could ask for anything more.

Thanks to Peter for organizing the outing



Annual Meeting November

The faithful gathered at the Cawthorne's for the annual planning meeting. Not much business, but some great planning. Thanks Patty and Pat for hosting and for lunch.

Lots of good events in the pipeline. With the car show ending, so also did the prep / stuffing gathering and the post car show gathering. But many stepped up to carry on the much-enjoyed events and others offered up some new events.

Returning events include the Sellersville theater (Thanks Brian), Anniversary party (Thanks Patty), the Tech Session (Thanks Doerner's), Independence Day (Thanks Ilnicki's), Wildwoods (Thanks Fisher's), Golf outing (Thanks Yankowski's), Annual Meeting (Thanks Suffredini), and the Christmas Party (thanks Jaimee, Diane, Nancy),

And some new events.

One of the new planned events I am excited about is in “Picnic in the Park” (Thanks Roses). An informal car show but without all the details: no rentals, trophies, parking, field set up, vendors. This is planned for June at Green Lane. And we will invite other clubs to join, put out a flyer on social media. This will be fun for me (not all the car show stuff), I hope for you too.

Other new events include a movie night (Thanks Kaufman’s), Cars and Coffee (Thanks Roses), Lancaster tour (Thanks Kaufman), Chili Cook off (Thanks Lyn), Rippert Rally (Thanks Tony), Sandusky tour (thanks Suffredini’s), Wine tour Bonfire (Thanks Singers).

2026 is shaping up to be a great year, hope to see at some of these events.

There is so much, I hope I did not leave any event or anyone out of the list.

Holiday Party

What great time! This year we went to the Plumsteadville Inn and had a earlier start time, noon. The venue was very nicely decorated and comfortable. The food and bar service was excellent. Following the lunch, it was time for the White Elephant. Good time, some great and funny gifts, Blinker Fluid anyone?

A survey was carried out planning for next year’s holiday gathering, lunch/dinner? Four to one the choice was lunch. We will be having lunch again next year and Jaimee is checking now for a return to the Bay Pony.

Thank you to Jaimee, Diane, Nancy, Robin (I am always afraid I left someone out).





All had a great lunch.



No, no one shouted “SQUIRREL” we were looking for the mark on a chair for winner of the table piece.



And for the White Elephant, the pee pee extender made a return!

Upcoming Events

Sellersville

Anniversary Party

Winter GT. January 14 Andy's Diner. 11:00

Sports

No MG events at this year's Winter Olympics. Any ideas here?

Treasury

Jay and Peggy gave their report at the Annual Planning Meeting. We realized a gain of \$995 this year. Current holdings are \$4326.64. Thanks treasurers.

Membership.

Dues are due.

Yes, it is that time of year again. Our membership year runs from January 1 to December 31.

\$25 cash, check, online. Sorry we are currently not accepting sheep, that was Jack the border collie's suggestion.

No need for any form, just a simple note if you use mail. That is unless you have some updates to your membership, new car... There is an online option too.

If you have questions about your membership, please let me know. One of my hats is Membership Chair.

Welcome New Members	Family and Friends
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gregory Maughan• Rich Loughran	Happy New Year to all. Wishing you the best in 26!

Parting Shots

I can't believe it. This marks the 17th edition of the resurrected DVCMG Newsletter. Moving on to the fifth year is quite a pleasure for me, I hope for you too.

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.

DVCMG 2026 Calendar of Events

Please contact Jeff Rose if you have any questions, comments, or suggestions concerning the calendar. zbm1958@comcast.net.

Remember to RSVP events requiring. It is very important.

And please note events are subject to change, look for any changes in updates.

Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June
14. GT Andy's Diner Conshohocken 11:00	11. GT Andy's Diner Conshohocken 11:00	11. GT Andy's Diner Conshohocken 11:00	8. GT The Duck	13. GT The Duck	6. Picnic in the Park. Green Lane Roses
16. Sellersville Show and Dinner	Penn Cinema. Information to follow when movie titles are announced.	14. DVCMG Anniversary Party Contact Patty Cawthorne	18. DVCMG Cars and Coffee Tour 10:00 Roses.	16. Lancaster Tour, Trip to Intercourse. Jay and Peggy.	10. GT The Duck
			25. DVCMG Tech Session 10:00 Contact Doerner's	30. Chili Cook Off Lyn Hughes 1-5	27. Hank Rippert Memorial Rallye. Tony R. Rain Date June 28.

July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
8. GT Duck 5:00	12. GT Duck 5:00	9. GT Duck 5:00	14. GT 5:00 The Duck	11. GT 5:00 The Duck	5. Holiday Party.
25 Independence Day Party. 3:00 . Ilnickis.	23-27. MG Convention Sandusky Ohio. Suffredini.	10-13. Wildwood Contact Fischer's	10. Golf Outing. 10:00 Contact Peter Yaskowski.	15. Annual Planning Meeting. Suffredini's	9. NO GT for December
			24. Wine Tour, Bonfire. Singer		

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