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MEETING LOCATION: NOT AS USUAL: This month's meeting date is on December 21, which is the third Thursday. Our regular meeting is being replaced by the Seasonal (and semi-famous) **TOUR OF LIGHTS**. We will still meet on the third Thursday, December 21st, not at the ACE Café, but at Paul and Ann Plasschaert home at 1430 Wellington Terr. Maitland FL 32751 starting at 6:30PM, drive into the empty lot next to the house. We welcome and encourage you to decorate your MG with lights, signs, or any other gaudy displays that appeal to you. We will follow a pre-planned route to view neighborhood light displays in the surrounding communities, after which we will dine at Smokey Bones at Howell Branch Rd and Semoran Blvd (SR 436) where we will have warned the owners of our arrival. For those of us who do not have MGs in running condition or are unable to meet for the Tour, you can meet us at the restaurant at 7:30pm.

REPORT ON FLANKEY PICNIC: On November 19, MGers and other honored guests met at the Flankey Horse Farm located at 8098 Gillam Road, Apopka 32703. We had an extraordinary turnout (38 folks who had to brave truly "iffy" weather) to display our cars, kick tires, and enjoy the company of other car enthusiasts. Our repast included specialties from our members and ethnic foods. Camile and Kerry said a big **thank you** to all those who helped to set up, take down and cook the many delicious treats we enjoyed.

GOF-SOUTH UPDATE: Following our meeting on Saturday, October 28th many of our members have homework to get ready. We are still looking for sponsors and donors, and working to obtain good and valuable items for our silent auction, door prizes and goodie bags. All are encouraged to both register for our event and to register to stay at the Hilton. Visit our website at <http://gofsouth.com> and call the Hilton at (407) 830-1985. Donated items do not have to be car related. Please don't wait. Call Carol McCormick 407-257-1953 to discuss your donation and for shipping instructions.

Suggested items include:

- Gift cards for good restaurants, theme parks, travel, spa, services.

- A week at your timeshare.
- Valuable items for MGs or shop.
- Re-gift: Don't return unwanted holiday items - donate them to the silent auction.

Ask your company or nearby businesses. Perhaps they will donate items or gift certificates to the auction in return for publicity at the show and in the program. Or bypass the auction and donate cash to GOF.

Reminder - **Book your rooms at the Hilton now.** Rooms with discounted room rate are going fast. Let Lonnie know if you cannot get a room. Click on "Hotel" on the GOF website <http://www.gofsouth.com/> to book your room or call the hotel at (407) 830-1985.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

December 9, 2017, there will be an open house at the Payne's, At 20612 Angels Landing Ct. Clermont, Florida. Richard and Nancy have invited our club to share in the festivities from 4:00 – 8:00 P.M. Please call 352-394-4969 to RSVP.

Loyal MG Club members Jack and Brian Collins and Ceres Motorsports will be hosting the All British Car Club Winter Holiday Party at their shop located at 640 Kane Court, Oviedo, Florida, on **December 10, 2017**. The club will provide main dishes and some other items. Please call Dodie Beach 407.695.2981 or email at flutterby670@aol.com to indicate what you will be bringing to this celebration.

The Classic MG Club of Orlando will have our Holiday party and gift exchange on **December 16, 2017** at the Cooks, 8554 Amber Oak Drive, Orlando, FL. To help people locate our house, we will begin at 4:00 in the afternoon. The club will provide the main dish and nonalcoholic beverages. Members are to bring a side. Please coordinate with Kathy and RSVP by December 9th by calling 407-678-6814. Mark your calendars now for this event which will arrive **before** the usual third Thursday meeting that month. The gift exchange can be any unmarked gift valuable or not so valuable! We are still looking for the naked lady vase. These may be traded so don't despair if you get something very original.

FUTURE EVENTS:

We will be having a driving event instead of an overnighter in January. Rates were too high and availability too low. Plans are being firmed up as we read this newsletter.

On **February 17, 2018**, we will again meet up with our traveling T Car Friends from Virginia for a Meet & Greet and picnic. This year, the picnic will be held at Lake Idamere Park in Tavares. As they did last year, John and Sharon Spadaro will head it up, but I am sure they would welcome any help we could provide. More information later, but John has prepared a flyer to remind us to put this on our calendars for early in the new year.

AMELIA ISLAND MEMORIES: Glen Moore took a number of photos on our recent tour to Amelia Island which can be viewed at the link: <https://classicmg.blogspot.com/2017/11/blog-post.html> Check it out!

FOR SALE ITEMS: Please send your information to the editor. After a plethora (50 € word), last month, we now have a few choice offerings:

Steve Fuller from the Miami area has a 1946 TG TC. It is described as a factory trials car restoration/rebuild homage. It was the 229th TC built at Abingdon. New body tub and new factory racing colors paint; period-correct modifications include cycle fenders, al-fin brakes, coffin valve cover, XK 120 headlight lenses, vintage plinth-type aero screens, J-2 Midget seats, engine-turned dash, knobby tires - plus curtains, top, tonneau, and an extra pair (2) of wire wheels. Within the last month it has received a new water pump, hoses, speedo cable, brake shoes and newly serviced carburetors. Always garaged and was daily-driven to work for five miles round-trip for the past fifteen years. History of 'GoF' participation. Not quite perfection...but Safety Fast! \$32,000 obo.

Also available and for sale separately (to the vehicle purchaser) is a newly rebuilt Shorrock supercharger (with a correct SU carburetor), ready for installation. Some engine mods to strengthen bottom-end will be needed first. Inquire for details.

Contact Steve Fuller if you have questions, certainly - 305 446 4488.



Nancy Taylor (ntaylorart@yahoo.com or 941-350-6491) has a 1977 MGB. Beautiful car, well loved and cared for by owner of 31 years. A move to the mountains and the need for a four wheel drive vehicle necessitates this sale. The color of this car is blue green metallic. The engine has been rebuilt and it has been rewired. It has new seat covers, carpet, door panels, arm rests and visors. It also comes with an installed tow bar, hitch and car cover. See below

Check it out <https://sarasota.craigslist.org/cto/6394283635.html> more pictures



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