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NEW MEETING LOCATION: Until we get a better offer, we will meet on the Third Thursday, which this month is on **SEPTEMBER 21, 2017** at the recently opened **ACE CAFÉ**, located at 100 West Livingston, Orlando, FL 32801 (on the corner of Livingston and Garland). We plan to follow our regular meeting times, with a gathering/assembly at 6:30 P.M. and the meeting at 7:00 P.M. Dinner will be order from the menu and served after the meeting.

The restaurant has promised us that they will have reserved space for our MGs to park, close to the West side of the building. Other vehicles (non-MGs) are welcome to park for free in their large lot, if there is sufficient space. Get there early for the best spot.

GOF '18 Lonnie has sent around a summary of the plans decided upon at the meeting on Saturday June 24, 2017. The website is up and running, thanks to the hard work of Lonnie and Brian. The site includes an outline of the events, a registration form and information to make your registration at the Altamonte Springs Hilton go smoothly. It will help us (and you) to make your plans and reservations early.

TELL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT GOF-SOUTH

We need your help to spread the word about GOF-South. Will you please reach out to a few MG friends, no matter where they live, to personally ask them to come to GOF-South? Do it now so that they can make plans

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March 22-25, 2018

Hilton, Altamonte Springs, FL

See the details and register on the GOF-South website:

<http://www.gofsouth.com/>

Watch a three-minute overview of GOF-South:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vTHxyFV5zxg>

We can send the registration form and information to you by U.S. mail if you prefer. Send your request to gofsouth2018@aol.com or Lonnie Cook, 656 Terrace Blvd., Orlando, FL 32803 407-970-9679.

REPORT ON AUGUST EVENT: On Saturday, August 19, we gathered at “the snug” – don’t laugh, that’s what they call it – at Fiddler’s Green Irish Pub to both keep out of the heat, to meet our friends from the British Car Breakfast Club and to conduct our annual (and semi-famous) DARTS TOURNAMENT. As most of you know, Fiddlers is located in downtown Winter Park, where we are cautioned to drive with extraordinary care. As expected, this event led to rowdy behavior, mildly foul language and cheering. It started with a lively discussions of the rules for our 301 dart competition. Thank goodness for the rule book! The competition involved single elimination with the women playing women and men playing men. Ultimately, Stan Tuck won. The hearty souls that drove English cars displayed them while enjoying air conditioned comradery. Awards were made for the cars that were displayed, but definitely not the usual awards! Lonnie Cook was awarded the responsibility to pick up stray parts from his old Chevy Truck. Stay tuned for our next tournament during the summer of 2018!

SEPTEMBER DRIVING and DRIVING PREPARATION EVENT: Pete Rogers has generously arranged for our **September 9th Lift Day**. This popular event allows us to use the facilities at Sterling Equipment and Mfg. Company. The address is 803 Line Street Umatilla, FL 32784. Other activities will include a lunch and shopping for those who have decided not to be grease monkeys. See the attached flyer or phone Pete at 352-406-1948 for more information.

FUTURE EVENTS:

October is a great driving month. In keeping with MG time, our October overnigher will actually be November 3-5. We are going to Amelia Island and will stay at Choo Choo’s (Richard Germano’s) hotel, The Amelia Hotel, 1997 South Fletcher Avenue, Amelia Island, 32034, Tel (904) 206-5600 or (877) 263-5428. You may also email Jayla ja@ameliahotel.com. Among our planned events will be dinner on Saturday night at the Crab Shack and a visit to a wonderful car collection. We are hoping that the Jacksonville Club can join us. The special rates are \$95.00/night for standard rooms and includes a breakfast, but be sure to mention the MG club. This is a popular event so make your reservations as soon as possible.

OTHER EVENTS:

The Southeast MG T Register Fall GOF "Mayhem in the Mountains" is in Hiawassee, GA, Sept. 21-24, 2017. More info at <http://www.semgr.org/mayhem-in-the-mountains1.html>.

The British Breakfast Club announced that the ACE Café has set the second Tuesday of the month for tire kicking among all British Car enthusiasts.

The British Breakfast Club will be meeting at Golden Coral for the September meeting.

The All British Car Show Committee meeting will be held on September 5th at 6:30 pm at the Perkins in Winter Springs Fl, 701 W State Rd 434, Winter Springs Fl. If you want to get involved in planning the show for 2018 please come.

WILL BOWDEN: We are all missing Will and want to encourage you to go to the website <http://www.beckerfamilyfuneral.com/obituary/william-bowden>. The family is planning a memorial service, which will be announced as soon as details are available. Recently Jack and Brian Collins presented the Tidwells with Will's racing helmet. The story goes that friends of Jack and Brian saw the helmet and recognized that it might be of interest to them. Very thoughtful, they acquired the helmet and then presented this keepsake to Will's family.

FOR SALE ITEMS: Please send your information to the editor. Current offerings:

Pete Rogers reports that he has a variety of MG parts including: a TF luggage rack, lower style – new- \$385.00; Five disc, 4 lug wheels, 15” – like new with stainless steel trim ring - \$365.00; 2 Lucus driving lights- new clear with bar clamps - \$235.00; 1 under Tdash cover new for \$50.00; New rebuilt T transmissions with warranties for \$875.00 each; New MGB Weber carburetor conversion kit complete for \$435.00; Much more is available, just call Pete to ask. Pete's telephone # is 352-343-1855 and he can also be reached at pfrslot@gmail.com.

1970 MGB project car for sale. The car has a rebuilt engine and another spare block. Needs brakes and tires. \$1000 for car and \$200 for the hardtop. Contact Cynthia Aube aubetwogirls@gmail.com or call 912-980-2074 or 912-980-2240. Car is in Hinesville, GA.

Chris Galler is selling his 1967 MGB with overdrive. It's really a nice looking B. He has replaced the bumpers front and rear, gas tank, dashpad, audio system, rear tail assemblies and lenses, and headlamp trims, and trunk logos. His email address is chris.galler@avispl.com , phone: 407-491-8060.



Your Editor has 5 Boriani (Italian, accessory wire wheels) for an MGTD for sale. Included are 4 bolt-on adapters, 1 spare adapter and 5 good knock-off spinners. Call Al Cook (407-678-6814) for a description of condition and price. 4 of these have recently been on the road and one (the spare) needs some 'help.' There are also 2 rear wire wheel adapters with attached drums for an MGTD.

Jeff Corenblum is selling his 1980 MGB. The brake system has been redone, with new clutch/slave cylinder, new radiator, starter, rod bearing and Piston Rings. The car has a like new top and includes a Tonneau cover. Asking \$6950. Call 407-415-4773 or email Jeff at moose1050@aol.com .

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