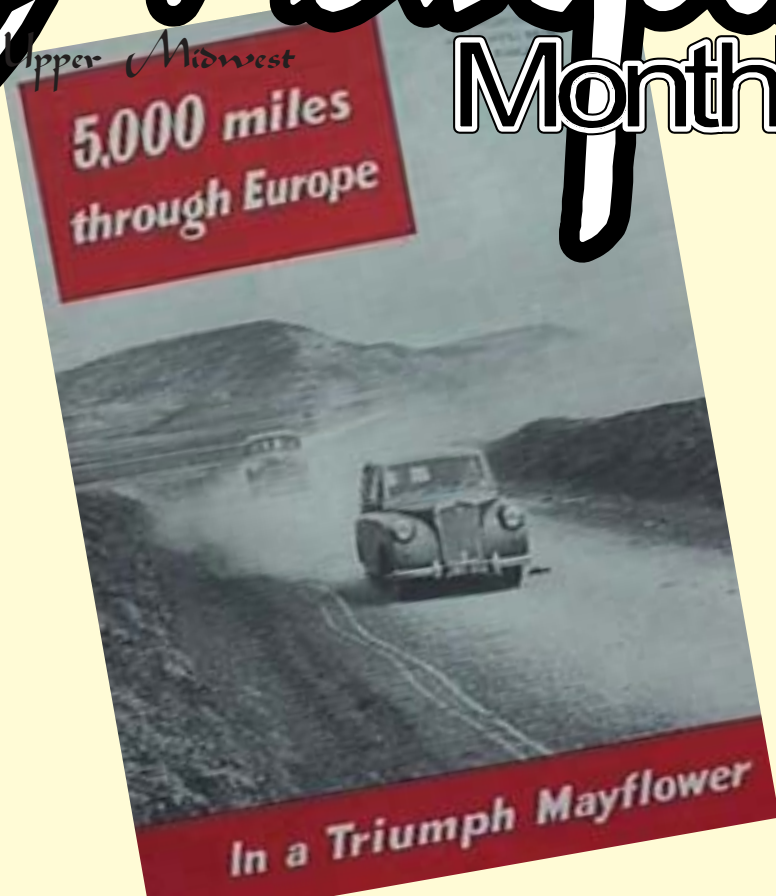


# Inter Marquee Monthly

*Vintage Foreign Cars in the Upper Midwest*

This is another of our increasingly common mid-month publications. This time we have attached two fliers, listed below. Also, since our one paid advertiser actually paid us, we're giving him this appearance gratis. And in case you're wondering about the graphic to the right, that's how I feel after I put out one of these newsletters, like I'd driven 5,000 miles in a Triumph Mayflower. Andy



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### **August 23**

Fox and Hounds Tour, Pepin, WI

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**Jaguar Club of Minnesota**  
(952-220-0850)

Lotus Owners of the North -  
LOON (tlp50@earthlink.net)

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Minnesota SAAB Club  
(www.mnsaabclub.org)

**Minnesota Triumphs** (clubs.  
hemmings.com/mntriumphs/)

Nordstern Porsche Club (www.  
nordstern.org)

North Star BMW Car Club  
(www.northstarbmw.org)

The Regulars Twin Cities  
Vintage Scooter Club  
(www.minnescoota.com)

**Stella del Nord Alfa Romeo  
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Twin Cities VW Club  
(www.twincitiesvwclub.com)

**Vintage Sports Car Racing**  
(www.vscr.org)

Volvo Sports America Minne-  
sota Chapter (612-789-  
0851)

Z Owners Club of Minnesota -  
ZOOM (www.zownersofmn.  
org)

Clubs listed in bold are members of the InterMarque Council. We would like this to be as complete a listing as possible. Does anybody out there know whether that Morris Minor Club ever get off the ground? Send info/rumors/whatever on clubs not listed to andylindberg@earthlink.net. Thanks in advance. There is no charge for the listing.

Have a comment? Send letters to the Editor to InterMarque Monthly, 923 St. Clair Ave., St. Paul, MN 55105 or andylindberg@earthlink.

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# All British

## Car Show & Swap Meet

**Saturday, August 9, 2003**

**8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Ellingson's Auto Museum**

**Rogers, Minnesota**

**Featured Marque:**



**People's Choice Awards**

MG  
Triumph  
Jaguar  
Lotus  
Mini (BMC)  
MINI (BMW)  
Inter-Marque  
Too Young to Drink  
Best of Show  
Diamond in the Rough

**Judged Awards**

Original/Restored  
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A special edition of the Minnesota MG Group Gazette will be given to all participants. It includes special features for the show as well as information on local clubs.

# Fox & Hounds Tour



**Saturday, August 23, 2003** (rain date Aug 24)  
**12:00 Noon at the Pickle Factory in Pepin, Wisconsin**

Is that your favorite road sign? You will pass more than **50** of them on this tour. We'll be driving the most scenic, hilly, curvy, and wooded roads in the area. Guaranteed fun for your vintage ride!

Fox & Hounds holds an honored place in the history of British motoring. The "fox" (tour leader) will head out alone, with the pack of "hounds" pursuing after a one-minute head start. Complete and easy-to-follow route instructions and a detailed map will be provided. To reduce tailgating and passing, the "hound" cars will line up in order of anticipated driver enthusiasm, according to their self-chosen spot on the Official Scale of Driving Effort. The most motivated drivers will be in front.

The lunch will be a "pay your server" affair, then after a short meeting, the tour will start at 1:00. It takes about two hours when driven at **Happy Speed**. The tour is less than 100 miles, but your total travel distance for the day will be about 270 miles from Interstate 494.

**Best of all, this tour is FREE!**

Directions: From 494, it's a scenic 60-minute drive to Pepin. Take Hwys 10 and 61 south and east out of the Twin Cities. Turn left to stay on 10 East, heading toward Prescott. Cross over the drawbridge in Prescott and turn right onto Wisconsin Hwy 35 South. Pass through Diamond Bluff, cross Hwy 63, go through Bay City, Maiden Rock, and Stockholm. In Pepin, turn right at the BP gas station (good time to fill your tank) onto Prairie Street, then over and down the hill, jog left on First Street over the tracks into the marina parking lot. We will be dining in the downstairs "Bottom of the Barrel" area. See you there!

Questions? Contact Tom Hazen at 612-237-1883 or [tom\\_hazen@adp.com](mailto:tom_hazen@adp.com)

#### The Official Scale of Driving Effort

- 0/10 - Up on blocks or, more charitably, a crouching tiger in the garage
- 1/10 - Get out and push
- 2/10 - Grandma going to church on Sunday
- 3/10 - Just out for a pleasant drive
- 4/10 - Rev it up a little on the straight-aways
- 5/10 - Honey, slow down! You'll wake the baby!
- 6/10 - **Happy Speed**
- 7/10 - Really put your foot into it
- 8/10 - Zoom Zoom Zoom
- 9/10 - Second in class at Elkhart Lake
- 10/10 - Wide open 'til you see God, then BRAKE!

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# INTERMARQUE CALENDAR

## INTERMARQUE SHOWS & EVENTS

- AUGUST 9** **Ellingson's All British Swap Meet and Car Show** Rogers, MN. Hosted by Ellingson's. See the semi-complete flier on the opposite page or try [www.mmgg.org](http://www.mmgg.org) or Brian McCullough at 651-462-0145 or [bmcmmc@mnautoc.com](mailto:bmcmmc@mnautoc.com). Participants' choice and judged categories. Running or non-running, bring it out to Ellingson's on August 9.
- AUGUST 23** **British Wings & Wheels** Oshkosh, WI. 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Hosted by AirVenture Museum. Over 100 British cars expected plus a special display of British airplanes from the Museum's collection and a number of visiting planes. Info: [www.airventuremuseum.org](http://www.airventuremuseum.org)
- SEPTEMBER 6** **Wheels & Wings** Osceola, WI. Hosted by Classic Motorbooks.
- SEPTEMBER 7** **Chicagoland British Car Festival** Palos Hills, IL. Hosted by the (Chicago area) British Car Union. 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 17th annual. West of I294, between 107 and 111 Street on 88 Avenue. Info: [www.britishcarunion.com](http://www.britishcarunion.com) or 630-773-4806
- SEPTEMBER 13** **Wheels of Italy** "The Midwest's only all Italian car and bike show." Location someplace in the Twin Cities area. Web site is not operating yet (as of 7/8). For info contact Phill Slavik 763-537-4773.
- SEPTEMBER 14** **Battle of the Brits** Sterling Heights (Detroit), MI. Hosted by Detroit Triumph Sportscar Club. 21st annual. 2002 event fielded 432 cars and 202 motorcycles. Info: Sue Snyder 586-979-4875 or [snydleydog@yahoo.com](mailto:snydleydog@yahoo.com).

## RECURRING INTERMARQUE EVENTS

**InterMarque Informal Car Show** Every Sunday, April 13 through October, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Billabong Aussie Bar & Grill, Bloomington. Come on out and bring your whatever. Located on the south frontage road of I-494 between Highway 100 and France Avenue. Billabong phone is 952-844-0655.



**Test Days** Second Saturday of the month through October. Minnesota Highway Safety Center near St. Cloud. Get a taste of driving a road course, improve your driving skills or test your sports car. Entrants need a helmet and seat belt, plus a rollbar for open cars. You don't have to be a racer to enjoy the fun. Instruction is available for newcomers. Info: Bill Groschen 952-746-8880 or [www.uscr.org](http://www.uscr.org).

## INTERMARQUE RACES, RALLIES, & TOURS

- AUGUST 10** **Svenska Klassik Rally** Can you say "lutefisk?" No? Well don't worry, you won't find any on this rally. The rally will be run by Dean Nelson, of the SAAB persuasion, and will take place north of the Twin Cities. Expect a beginner-friendly event. Hosted by Stella del Nord Chapter of the Alfa Romeo Owners Club. Contact Dean Nelson [dnelson@machine.com](mailto:dnelson@machine.com) or 651-636-3771.
- AUGUST 16 & 17** **GRRR Alleggerita Tour & Dinner Cruise** GRRR Lite. Meet in Prescott and follow previous GRRR routes to La Crosse for a dinner cruise on the steam powered paddleboat Julie Belle Swain. Neat stuff! Whatever the final details, the event will involve the great roads and scenery that past GRRR participants have come to know and love. Hosted by Stella del Nord Chapter of the Alfa Romeo Owners Club. If you're interested in joining, get in touch with Ed Solstad 612-822-0569, [esolstad@presenter.com](mailto:esolstad@presenter.com), or [www.GRRRally.com](http://www.GRRRally.com).
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**SEPTEMBER 13**

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**SEPTEMBER 19 - 21**

**Elkhart Lake Fall Vintage Races** Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI. Not as crowded as July's Brian Redman International Challenge and the weather is usually better also. Several intermarque convoys are planned so you can go to the event with others on your own schedule, on your own favorite route, and/or at your own preferred speed. Info: [www.uscda.org](http://www.uscda.org) and [www.roadamerica.com](http://www.roadamerica.com).

**SEPTEMBER 19 - 22**

**"Last Hurrah" Challenge Tour** Leaves the Twin Cities on Friday for Ashland, WI. Then there will be a counterclockwise circumnavigation of our inland ocean. Organizer Ken Smith says that the tour will be conducted at Jaguar speeds and that space is limited. For the former, we recommend a supercharger on your TC; for the latter, contact Ken at 952-220-0850.

**SEPTEMBER 27**

**M&M TouRally** Hosted by the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club. Info soon.

**OCTOBER 4**

**Minnesota MG Group/Austin-Healey Club Fall Colour Tour** Combined event. Details later

**OCTOBER 11**

**Minnesota Triumphs Fall Colour Tour** Info: 715-386-5134 (Chris O'Brien), 715-386-2013 (Patrick O'Brien), or 715-386-6609 (Sean O'Brien).

# MARQUE NATIONALS & UPPER MIDWEST REGIONALS

**AUGUST 6-10**

**Vintage Triumph Register** Armagh, PA. Hosted by The Roadster Factory. Info: [www.vtr.org](http://www.vtr.org)

**AUGUST 22-24**

**Volvo Sports America National Meet** Niagra Falls, Canada. For Volvo P1800 owners.

**SEPTEMBER 4-7**

**SAAB Owners' Convention** Hershey, PA Hosted by the Central Pennsylvania SAAB Club.

**JUNE 20-25, 2004**

**Austin-Healey Conclave** San Antonio, TX Info: Bonnie Ayer 210-340-0377, Edie Lowery 281-469-2610, or Anne Johnson 713-664-6445

**JUL 20 - AUG 18, 2004**

**Rolls-Royce Centennial World Tour** Baltimore, MD to Monterey, CA. Hosted by the Rolls-Royce Owners Club. Celebrates "the Meeting" of Charles Rolls and Henry Royce on May 4, 1904. Info: Peter Lind (707-967-8202 or [bonpete@earthlink.net](mailto:bonpete@earthlink.net)) or [www.rroc.org/worldtour](http://www.rroc.org/worldtour)

## REGULAR CLUB EVENTS

**British Iron Society** Informal gathering, every Saturday morning at CashWise in Fargo. Info: Don Carlson 701-293-6882

**Lotus Owners of the North (LOON)** Informal gathering, third Sunday of the month, 5:00 p.m. at Billabongs. Info: Terry Pitts 651-450-0921 [tlp50@earthlink.net](mailto:tlp50@earthlink.net)

**Minnesota Austin-Healey Club** Pie With the President, first Wednesday of the month, 7:00 p.m. Bakers' Square, Highland Village, St. Paul. Info: Tom Hazen 612-237-1883 [tom\\_bazen@adp.com](mailto:tom_bazen@adp.com) or [www.mnbealey.com](http://www.mnbealey.com)

**Minnesota MG T Register** MG Luncheons, every Tuesday, 11:15 a.m. American Legion, 6501 Portland Avenue, Richfield. Info: Bob Figenskau 952-935-7909 or [www.mnmgr.com](http://www.mnmgr.com)

**Minnesota SAAB Club** Monthly Meeting, first Thursday of the month, 7:30 p.m., the Ground Round at the Har-Mar Mall in Roseville. Info: Chris Luick 507-252-1888 or [www.mnsaabclub.org](http://www.mnsaabclub.org)

**Minnesota Triumphs** Monthly Meeting, second Thursday of the month (except Nov. & Dec.), 7:00 p.m., Fort Snelling Officers Club. Info: Bob Lee 715-425-2580 or [clubs.bemmings.com/mntriumphs/](http://clubs.bemmings.com/mntriumphs/)

**The Regulars, twin cities vintage scooter club** Semi-monthly gathering (weather permitting). First and third Sunday of the month, 2:00 p.m., Pizza Luce, Lyndale and 32nd in Minneapolis. Info: [www.minnescoota.com](http://www.minnescoota.com)

**Stella del Nord chapter Alfa Romeo Owners Club** Monthly Gathering, second Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m. Various locations. Info: Ed Solstad 612-822-0569 or [esolstad@presenter.com](mailto:esolstad@presenter.com).

**Twin Cities VW Club** Monthly meeting, first Wednesday of the month, 7:00 p.m., West Side VW. Meeting usually lasts 30 to 45 minutes and attendees gather afterward at TGI Fridays on I-394. Info: [www.twincitiesvwclub.com](http://www.twincitiesvwclub.com)