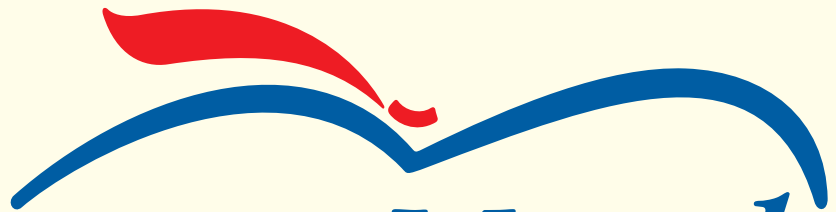


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- Minnesota Morgans** (Healeymog@yahoo.com)
- Glacier Lakes Quatro Club (www.glacierlakesqclub.org)
- Minnesota SAAB Club (www.mnsaabclub.org)
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- North Star BMW Car Club (www.northstarbmw.org)
- Mercedes Benz Club of America, Twin Cities Section (www.mbca-tc.org)
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- Metropolitans from Minnesota (www.metropolitansfromminnesota.com)
- The Regulars Twin Cities Vintage Scooter Club (www.minnescoota.com)
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- Minnesota MG Group** (www.mmgg.org)
- Vintage Sports Car Racing** (www.vscr.org)
- Minnesota MG T Register** (www.mnmgr.com)
- Volvo Sports America Minnesota Chapter (David Olson, olson199@umn.edu)
- Mini-Sota Minis, Pizza Eating, and Psychiatric Self-Help Assn**
- 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. Send info/rumors/whatever on clubs not listed to andylindberg@earthlink.net. Thanks in advance. There is no charge for the listing.

IMM on the Web: The Minnesota Triumphs Sports Car Club has posted the *InterMarque Monthly* on its website. Brent Kiser, web mechanic, tries to get new editions up as quickly as possible. For your *IMM* fix, click to www.mntriumphs.org.

GT Cars

Specializing in British & Italian Autos

Open House

March 12

photos by Daniel Buchen and Greg Gelhar,
words by Yr Edtr and Greg Gelhar



Above: Cal Olsen of A&C Dent Works (612-275-6780) gives a demonstration of painless dent removal. You need a steady hand and a trained eye for this work.

Right: Mike Karch is no dummy. He knows that for every carb his customers consume, they are going to need that much more horsepower to keep up their cars' performance. The fat pills were free; horsepower enhancements are not. (Actually, Mike is just a gracious host.)



Above: Al Hagen of Yesterday's Autos (www.yesterdaysauto.com) and Mike Karch of GT Cars (www.gt-cars.com). Al enlightened the group on the ins and outs of the multi-million dollar Barrett-Jackson Auction.





Back in the garage,
there was something
for almost everyone's
taste.



Left: A non-red Ferrari. Subdued, but still potent.



Right: The Triumph crew, Larry Stephenson, John Kallaus, Greg Gelhar, and John Myers

Miscellaneous Mumblings

by Andy Lindberg, editor, publisher,
gopher

Go-Kart Deadline

If you want to race in the Jaguar Club's intermarque March 19 go-kart championship, you'd better get off your kiester and register toot sweet. No registrations are accepted, permitted, or otherwise tolerated on the day of the race. See the flyer a few pages from here. Also, remember to show up on time or you won't race either.

No News is a Short Newsletter

Have you ever dreamed of seeing your name in print? Have you ever pined for recognition and fame? No? Too bad. Send me your articles and pictures anyhow. Inquiring minds want to know about: your club activities; your new old car; and your latest mechanical triumph/disaster.

We like original material so don't send Peter Egan's "the hammer, originally a weapon of war..." or similar items that float around the internet. Otherwise, our publishing standards have some leeway. Many thanks to those who have already contributed and hope to soon see many other names in the "Contributors" list on page 2.

Book Report

I just finished *Bugatti Queen* by Miranda Seymour. You may have seen it in the bookstores as it's being marketed as a "crossover" book. The publishers hope it will appeal not only to auto/racing enthusiasts but also to a larger female audience. I can't tell you whether Oprah would like the biography, but from

a vintage car enthusiast's standpoint, it's darn good.

The story of Hellé Nice (nee Hélène Delangle) began in a small French town at the turn of the century. She left home early and moved to Paris to seek fame and fortune as a professional dancer. Before her career took off, Hélène earned a few extra francs posing for naughty French photographs. (Parental guidance: Naughty pics appears in book.)

In 1920, Hélène passed her driver's test, used her modeling money and bought a Citroën (probably a Type A). She then



for herself as a dancer, friends took her to Brooklands where they raced their Grégoire cars. Dancing was still her job, but automobile racing became her passion.

By 1929, Hellé Nice (as she was then known) was at the top. Then a skiing mishap damaged her knee and ended her dancing career. She took up car racing full time. On June 2, 1929, she won the Grand Prix Féminin at Montlhéry in an Omega-Six. On June 14, she took the Actors' Championship in a Bugatti 43A.

With the money, she bought a yacht and a Hispano-Suiza.

Ettore Bugatti lured her to Mosheim with the lure of a Bugatti 35C in which to challenge the world speed record. In December, she did 197.7 kph (122.6 mph) at the icy Montlhéry circuit. She was, for a time, the most famous woman in France and did a lot to promote the Bugatti "pur sang" marque. Nevertheless, Ettore still charged her 40,000 francs for the car, peeving her no end. (Thirteen years after her 1984 death, this Bug sold for \$486,500, including several of Nice's scrapbooks.)

In 1930, she went to the U.S. and drove the deadly board tracks then popular. She wasn't allowed to compete against the guys so was limited to exhibition laps. She never wore a helmet because the audience liked to see her blond hair. Once, after crashing at some poorly maintained venue, she climbed out from under the car, brushed herself off, and waved her white beret to the crowd. They went wild.

Nice never made it to the absolute top



took off on a 1,000 mile tour of France. In 1921, as she was beginning to make a name

in European racing. In the early part of the 1930's, she was almost, but not quite, as good as Nuvolari, Chiron, and Etancelin. Very, very good, but not the best. She also offended some people. There was no doubt that Nice was a dedicated and hardworking racer but she was also a showoff. The crowds loved her but competitors like Chiron hated her guts. Hellé also liked men and probably had as many male lovers as Maurice Chevalier or Stirling Moss had females. This didn't go over big in some circles. Especially circles in which her current lover's wife was a member.

By 1935, a major change in international racing was underway. Mercedes and Auto Union, aided by the German government, were pouring huge amounts of money into the sport. The days of the gentleman (and lady) racer were coming to an end. Nice, then piloting an Alfa Monza, could see it as well as any.

She accepted an invitation to race in Brazil and steamed there in 1936 with her Monza and a new lover, a young mechanic by the name of Arnaldo Binelli. On July 12 she competed in the São Paulo Grand Prix, a street race. Spectators lined the course like human hay bales. On the last lap, Nice was chasing a Brazilian favorite for second place. Suddenly, something hit her wheel and the Alfa went into the crowd. She was thrown from the car, landed on a man who died from the impact, and was presumed dead herself with a cracked skull. At least five spectators died and dozens were badly injured.

She returned to European racing in 1937, but was not able to achieve her past levels of achievement. Then the war broke out. She and Arnaldo took up residence in a villa near Nice on the Riviera. When the hostilities ended, she hoped to return to racing, but Louis Chiron (who had hid out in Switzerland during the fighting) called her a Nazi collaborator. There does not seem to be any evidence that she was, but no conclusive proof that she wasn't either.

Before long, Arnaldo had squandered their fortune on half-baked get-rich quick schemes. Then he left. Hellé was able to get a few drives, but in Renaults rather than Bugattis. It was a slow downhill road from then to the end of her life.

Hélène Delangle had an interesting life, but is this a good book? The main problem with it is that so many details of her life are missing. The book's subtitle ("In Search of a French Racing Legend") hints of this problem. Other than that, and the fact that I was always losing track of which point of time was under discussion, it gets five stars.

Donnybrooke Vintage Revival

This year's Vintage Revival will be held over the Memorial Day weekend. If you've ever thought about attending this super event, make plans to do it now. Rumor has it that the racetrack has been sold and construction of condos and a golf course begin after the racing season. This could be the last annual Donnybrooke Vintage Revival. Don't miss it!

John Sprinzel at Grand Rapids Vintage Sportscar Rendezvous

Rally great John Sprinzel will be able to attend Rendezvous due to the generosity of event hosts, the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club. Sprinzel took up rallying in 1955 and campaigned professionally in Healeys, TR's, MG's, Rovers, Fords, Peugeots, and Saabs. His greatest successes, however, came at the wheel of Austin-Healey Sprites and he also formed the Speedwell tuning firm specializing in Sprites.

Unfortunately rally driving is not as lucrative as Formula 1, so Sprinzel is not a zillionaire. Maybe it was the time he spent as a pro wind surfer at his Hawaii home.

At any rate, MAHC is footing the bill for his transportation to and lodging at Rendezvous. Being a nice guy, Sprinzel donated two of his prestigious trophies for the traditional Rendezvous silent auction. The funds from these two items will go to defray the Healey club's expense in bringing him here.

First Names

Some of the greats of the automobile industry named their companies and cars after themselves. Whether this was due to an over-active ego or an inability to think of anything better is not known. Nevertheless, they almost always used their last name. For how many of the following can you provide the founder's first name?

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| _____ Abarth | _____ Healey |
| _____ Austin | _____ Jensen |
| _____ Bentley | _____ Morgan |
| _____ Benz | _____ Morris |
| _____ Bugatti | _____ Opel |
| _____ Chevrolet | _____ Porsche |
| _____ Citroën | _____ Renault |
| _____ Delorean | _____ Rolls |
| _____ De Tomaso | _____ Romeo |
| _____ Ferrari | _____ Royce |
| _____ Ford | _____ Toyota |

Extra points will be awarded for the first names of others by the same surname who headed the same company. First prize is a year's free subscription to the InterMarque Monthly. Second prize is a year's free subscription to the InterMarque Monthly. Third prize is... Well, you get the idea.

I haven't seen the trophies and don't even know in which events they were won. I can tell you without a shadow of a doubt, however, that they will go for a fraction of what their eBay reserve would be. Bring your check-book. Vote early and often.

InterMarque Spring Kick Off/ Car Show/Banquet

As of the last time I checked my e-mail, we have nine Jaguar enthusiasts, eight MGers, seven Triumph fans, three Citroënistes, two Jensen folks, two Austin-Healey advocates, and one Lotus admirer pre-registered for the InterMarque Banquet.

Not to be critical or anything, but some clubs need to get on the stick here. This could be one of the premier events of the year and you don't want all the attendees saying, "Gee, it's too bad so few of those (fill in your marque here) can come out and play anymore."

For Sale



TR3A w/overdrive. Completely restored. Spa White with blue interior. Over 10,000 invested. Everything done. Calif car with no rust ever. Engine run in with synthetic oil, fresh change. 600 miles. Fully synchronized trans, wire wheels, new windshield. Too much done and spent to list. \$23500.00 OBO. Pat 612-388-0505

1974 Triumph TR6 with turbo blower. Larry Nimmerfroh 952-294-4314 (April)

1975 MGB black, refinished. Immaculately beautiful road car. Full

chrome trim - sides, luggage rack, MGB logo on trunk. Immaculate engine bay with Weber two stage carb. Entire powertrain overhauled professionally in last year (engine, tranny, overdrive, universal, differential). New cassette radio. Top, tonneau like new. Needs to be seen. Viewable now in warm storage. \$10,000. Larry Nimmerfroh 952-294-4314 (March)

1979 Lotus ESPRIT S2. Rare and increasingly collectible now that the ESPRIT is no longer being made after a 28 year run. Car has been seen at many local events: Father's Day Stone Arch Car Show, Healey Hill Climb, Red Green and many other tours, Healey Auto Cross, Wheels and Wings. Just over 34,000 miles. Thousands of dollars of upgrades in the past year and comes



"handles like it's on rails" promise. Body is a rare French Blue and in decent condition, very few stress cracks, and none of them major. Price is VERY reasonable at \$7500 with all parts included. Please call Aaron at 651-274-6265 (March)

Lotus ad, 1964



INTERMARQUE CALENDAR

INTERMARQUE SHOWS & EVENTS

APRIL 16

Midwest Motor Sports Open House Sauk Rapids, MN Location: everywhere that somebody has the guts to drive their Brit machine in the real world. The object of this 9th annual event is to show folks that these old fogies can still get out and polka. So, if you've got one, drive it to Starbucks, drive it to Menards, drive it to work, and just drive it. The Queen Mum sends her thanks. Info: www.britishcarweek.org

MAY 22, 2005



InterMarque Council Show & Banquet

Noon to 4:30 p.m. Plymouth Radisson, Plymouth, MN. Hosted by the Inter-Marque Council so vintage foreign cars of all makes, models and nationalities are invited. Same great deal as last year. Lots of cars, lots of fun. The first eighty or so cars to show up get to park on the lawn. After that you have to find a place in the parking lot so get there on time (but give us some time to set up). Car show is free (\$0.00). The banquet is only \$15.00/person. Money for the banquet will be collected at the door but please RSVP to andylinberg@earthlink.net as the Radisson needs a headcount.

MAY 28 - JUNE 5

British Car Week Location: everywhere that somebody has the guts to drive their Brit machine in the real world. The object of this 9th annual event is to show folks that these old fogies can still get out and polka. So, if you've got one, drive it to Starbucks, drive it to Menards, drive it to work, and just drive it. The Queen Mum sends her thanks. Info: www.britishcarweek.org

MAY 31 & JUNE 1 - 2

Morgans Over America Stillwater, MN on May 31 and Duluth on June 1 and 2. Not really in intermarque event, but if you want to see a lot of these quirky cars, they'll interrupt their coast-to-coast odyssey for lunch in Stillwater and two nights in Duluth.

JUNE 11

German Car Fest Rice Park, St. Paul, MN. See them all: Porsches, BMW's, Mercedes, VW's, Audis, et al. Info: Paul Bergquist 952-937-1822 pbassocinc@aol.com

JUNE 12

Classic Car Club of America Show Rice Park, St. Paul, MN. Info: George Arthur 651-436-3227 garthur1660@yahoo.com

JUNE 16 - 19

Vintage Sportscar Rendezvous 2005 - "Rally at the Rapids" Sugar Lake Lodge, Grand Rapids MN. Rally, drag race, show your car, and have a great time in a fun location. Hosted by Minnesota Austin-Healey Club. Info: Greg Lauser 715-262-9813 glouser@pressenter.com See the flyer for all the exciting details!!

AUGUST 13

Ellingson's ALL British Car Show & Swap Meet 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Ellingson's Car Museum, Rogers, MN. Hosted by the Minnesota MG Group. View the cars, talk to the owners, buy & sell parts, and tour the museum. Show you car for \$3; swap meet spaces are \$5 each. Info: Jim Pennoyer 763-536-5472

AUGUST 20

Wheels of Italy Italian car and bike show. Watch for announcement of location. Info: wheelsofitaly.com/

AUGUST 25 - 27

Paradise Shores - Rally in the Valley 2005 Hosted by Steve and Diane Rindt, THREE Big days!! The fun begins on Thursday this year. Do the "Double Back Rally" on Friday morning; enjoy the "Pool Side Party" that evening. Saturday morning board the "Pride of the Bay" for a tour of the lake. Get out the spit and polish for the "Wax On/Wax Off" car show, followed by the Funkhanna, "Texas Style" Banquet and the famous "Rally in the Valley" Awards Ceremony. Info: Steve & Diane Rindt drindt5953@hotmail.com, 715-832-8316 or www.mmgg.org

SEPTEMBER 10

Wheels & Wings Classic Motorbooks, Osceola, WI

RECURRING INTERMARQUE EVENTS

InterMarque Breakfast Every Saturday morning! Square Peg Restaurant, 2021 East Hennepin in the Hennepin Square Building. Humungous parking lot! Breakfast starts at 8:30 or whatever time you want to show up.

INTERMARQUE RACES, RALLIES, & TOURS

MARCH 19, 2005

InterMarque Go-Kart Challenge 8:30 a.m. *BE THERE ON TIME OR YOU WON'T RACE!!!!!!* Pro-Kart Indoors, 1201 97th Ave. NE (Hwy 65), Blaine, MN. West of 35W and north of new Hwy 10. Hosted by the Minnesota Jaguar Club. *ABSOLUTELY NO ON-SIT REGISTRATION!!!!!!* A great way to lose your mid-winter stupor. Info: Dave Meek 612-799-5555 and see the flyer in this issue.

APRIL 17

Autocross/Solo2 7:15 a.m. Valley Fair Parking Lot, Shakopee, MN. Hosted by Nord Stern Porsche and Minnesota Autosports Club. Nord Stern classes for Porsches and Met Council classes for others. \$35 pre-registered; \$40 day of event. Info: www.myautoevents.com

APRIL 23

Spring Novice Rally Info: Ed Solstad 612-822-0569 esolstad@presenter.com

MAY 13 - 15

Australia/US Healey Challenge, Round 1 **This date is now definite.** Road America near Elkhart Lake, WI Sanctioned by SVRA. This is the first in a series of five races between US Healey racers and their down-under counterparts. Other races are at Watkins Glen, VIR, Blackhawk Farms, and Mid-Ohio. Minnesotan Jeff Johnk is one of the key people behind this exciting race series. Info: www.auhc.net And if that isn't enough, Saturday night features a special appearance by **Sponge Bob Square Pants!!** You'd have to be a flounder not to be there. Info: auhc.net

MAY 15

New London to New Brighton Mini Run This event is a recreation of the English Mini London to Brighton Run which is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year. Hosted by the MINI-sota Motoring Society. More info later.

MAY 28 - 29

Donnybrooke Revival 2005 Vintage racing at historic Brainerd International Raceway. Memorial Day weekend. Racing on the track that hosted Can-Am, Formula 5000, and IMSA racing, and where Mark Donahue set a closed-course speed record. In addition to vintage racing, there will be three classes of current-era racecars and a high speed "Performance Driving Clinic." Lunchtime track tours and a big post-race celebration. Current annual tech and selected licenses, including VMC licenses, will be recognized. You do not have to be a member of SCCA to participate. Enjoy the famous racetrack now as it may close soon. Info: Tom Fuehrer 952-937-8601, tfuehrer@mn.rr.com, www.scca-lol.org, www.vscr.org.

JUNE 4

InterMarque Intermediate Rally Info: Ed Solstad 612-822-0569 esolstad@presenter.com

JULY 9

Afton Alps Healey Hillclimb IV Rain date: July 10. Hosted by the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club. Not a race but not a walk in the park either. Full color flier and registration soon.

JULY 14 - 17

Brian Redman International Challenge Road America near Elkhart Lake, WI Sanctioned by VSCDA. This is the biggest vintage race of the year in these here parts. Some of the best cars in the world will be there. Race car concours on Friday night; sports car concours on Saturday. In town and free to the public. It costs to see the races but it's worth it. Info: www.vscda.org and www.roadamerica.com

AUGUST 6

Coulee Classic Rally Info: Ed Solstad 612-822-0569 esolstad@presenter.com

AUGUST 20

Healey Gymkhana Brown & Bigelow parking lot, St. Paul, MN Fast or slow, you'll enjoy a drive through the cones. If you go off course here, you won't have to call your insurance agent. Always a lot of interesting cars. More info later.

SEPTEMBER 17 - 19

Elkhart Lake Vintage Festival Elkhart Lake, WI Sanctioned by VSCDA. The fall festival is always fun. Not as many expensive cars and pit poopsies as the BRIC, but not as crowded and much friendlier. The weather is usually better also. Info: www.vscda.org and www.roadamerica.com

SEPTEMBER 24

Dog Days of Summer Tour Rain date: September 25. Everybody's welcome, from rusty Yugos to 100-point Rollers. A true inter-marque event hosted by Tom Hazen and the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club. More info later.

MARQUE NATIONALS & UPPER MIDWEST REGIONALS

MARCH 31 - APRIL 3

Jaguar Clubs of North America Annual General Meeting Location: Orlando, FL Host Club:

- Jaguar Club of Florida. Info: www.jcna.com/
- MAY 27 - 29** **5er Fest 2005** Location: BMW Zentrum, Greer, SC Host Club: Peachtree Chapter BMW CCA. Featured cars: E12 and E28 BMW's. Info: www.5erfest2005.org/
- JUNE 17 - 19** **Citroën Rendezvous** Location: Saratoga Springs, NY 29th Rendezvous. Info: www.driveshesaid.com/
- JUNE 24 - 27** **Fiat Freak Out 2005** Location: Osage Beach, MO Fiat-Lancia Unlimited national convention. Info: www.flu.org/
- JUNE 26 - JULY 1** **Carolina Conclave** Location: Winston Salem, NC Austin-Healey Club of America. Host Club: Triad AHC. Info: Gary Brierton 336-249-8869 gbrierton@hotmail.com
- JULY 1 - 3** **Mini Meet East 2005** Location: Dublin, OH (near Columbus). Info: www.mme2005.com/como_home_001.htm
- JULY 7 - 10** **Great Northwest MG Adventure** Location: Olympia, WA North American MGB Register 14th annual convention. Hosted by the MG Car Club Northwest Centre. One of the events is a tour to Mt. St. Helens, however, "due to the vagaries of nature and the temperament of Mt. St. Helens" this tour may be changed. For info, see www.mg2005.com.
- JULY 26 - 30** **A Time for Triumphs** Location: Clock Tower Inn, **ROCKFORD, IL**. Vintage Triumph Register National Convention. Event runs Tuesday afternoon through Saturday morning to give attendees more travel options. Hosted by the Illinois Sports Owners Association. Info: www.vtr2005.org
- AUGUST 11 - 14** **SAAB Owners Convention** Location: Stratton Mountain, VT Hosted by the New England SAAB Association. Info: www.saabconvention.org
- AUGUST 25 - 29** **LOG 25** Location: St. Louis, MO Lotus Owners Gathering
- JUNE 18 - 23, 2006** **Northeast Ohio Conclave** Location: Akron, OH Austin-Healey Club of America. Info: Wayne Ward 440-235-8326 wardwe@aol.com
- JUNE 22 - 25, 2006** **MG2006** Location: East of the Mississippi. This is the every five year gathering of all MG's. Info: INFO@MG2006.com

REGULAR CLUB EVENTS

- British Iron Society** Informal gathering, **every Saturday** morning at Courtyard Cafe, 3105 North Broadway, Fargo, ND. Info: Don Carlson 701-293-6882
- Mercedes Benz Club of America, Twin Cities Section** Informal dinner and discussion, first Wednesday of the month, 6:45 p.m., Lion's Tap Restaurant, Hwy 212 and Cty Rd 4, Eden Prairie. Info: 952-829-0848
- Minnesota Austin-Healey Club** Pie and/or Pint With the President, **first Wednesday** of the month, 7:00 p.m. or before. Fort Snelling Officers Club. Info: Tom Hazen 612-237-1883 tom_hazen@adp.com or www.mnhealey.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.mnmgtr.com
- Minnesota SAAB Club** Monthly Meeting, **first Thursday** of the month, 7:30 p.m., the Whatzit near Har-Mar, the restaurant just as you turn in to the movie theaters. Info: Chris Luick 507-252-1888 or www.mnsaabclub.org
- Minnesota Minis Pizza Eating and Psychiatric Self-Help Association** Regular monthly meetings at irregular times and locations. Check www.mini-sota.com or cbaumann@lkdilink.net or 320-963-5681.
- Minnesota Triumphs** Monthly Meeting, **second Thursday** of the month (except Nov. & Dec.), 7:00 p.m., Fort Snelling Officers Club. Info: John Withrow 952-736-8391 or www.mntriumphs.org
- 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
- 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@pressenter.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



Jaguar Club of Minnesota

5th Annual Classic Go-Kart Challenge

Organized by Jaguar Club of Minnesota – Open to All Sports Car Clubs

Saturday March 19th. All drivers need to be at the track by 8:15 AM. Mandatory drivers meeting at 8:30 AM. Racing begins at 8:30 AM and goes to 11:00 AM. Coffee & rolls will be provided at registration. Awards will be presented during lunch at a local restaurant immediately after the event.

Event is limited so sign up early. Fastest lap times will determine grid positions for each heat. Each heat group assignment will be based upon prior experience. All club members are welcome to support their drivers.

Event is limited to licensed drivers. Helmets provided, personal DOT approved helmets with face shield approved. Drivers waiver required.

ProKart Indoors – 11700 Troy Lane, Maple Grove, MN 55369 – (952) 808-7223. (North West Metro) Check out www.prokartindoor.com for detailed directions

Awards – Join us for lunch & awards afterwards. We will announce the location at the go-kart event.

Participants are considered signed up when their checks are received. **No cancellations or refunds.** Drivers must find alternate in event of being unable to drive. **Jaguar Club reserves the right to deny participation to applicants that do not understand the “spirit” of the event or have exhibited inappropriate behavior in the past.**

ABSOLUTELY NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION!!



Very popular event – register early as we always fill up.

Please make checks out to **Jaguar Club of Minnesota.**

Send you checks to:

Jaguar Club of Minnesota, c/o David Meek, 10267 Meade Lane, Eden Prairie, MN 55344

For questions call: **David Meek – 612-799-5555** **NOTE NEW Maple Grove LOCATION!**

Drivers meeting at 8:30. If you're late you won't get to race!

Driver #1 (\$33.00 Per Driver until 2/28 - \$50.00 after March 1st)

Name	Prior Experience		
Street Address	Prior Go-Kart hallenge?		
City	State	Zip	Phone ()
E-Mail	Club Membership		

Driver #2 (\$33.00 Per Driver until 2/28 - \$50.00 after March 1st)

Name	Prior Experience		
Street Address	Prior Go-Kart hallenge?		
City	State	Zip	Phone ()
E-Mail	Club Membership		



Spring Kick Off 2005

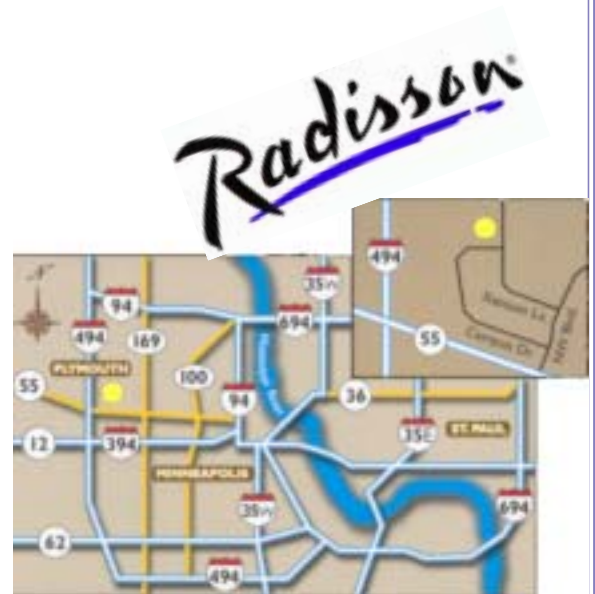
InterMarque Council Show & Banquet

May 22, Noon to 5:00 p.m.

The Upper Midwest's biggest gathering of vintage foreign cars of all makes, models, and countries of origin. Bring your car to the free admission show and stay for the cheap (\$15/person) banquet. Trophies will be awarded in several categories, but bring your car even if you don't think it's pretty enough to be a show car. We love all of them. Don't have one of these cars? Come on over and take a look. We won't let you park your Aztek on the show field, but your admission is still \$0.00.

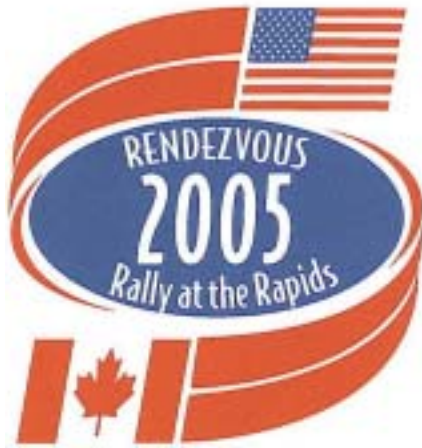
Same location as last year, the Plymouth Radisson. The map to the right should help you find it.

The Radisson would like a rough count of how many people will attend the banquet. Please e-mail andylinberg@earthlink.net to RSVP.



You're all invited!!





RENDEZVOUS 2005

**15TH ANNUAL
CELEBRATION OF VINTAGE SPORTSCARS**

JUNE 16-19

SUGAR LAKE LODGE, GRAND RAPIDS, MN

Thursday 3 p.m. Registration begins & 7 p.m. Hospitality
Friday Driving events & Charity Car show in Grand Rapids
Saturday Driving events, Popularity Car Show, Tea, & Awards Dinner
Sunday Breakfast, Tours, & Goodbyes

Name _____ Spouse/Guest _____
 (Print first and last name/names as they should appear on badges)

Children Attending _____
 (Include names & ages of each child)

Street _____
 City _____
 State/Province/Zip Code _____ Club _____
 E-mail address _____ Phone _____

(If you want a confirmation of registration, include e-mail address – none will be sent otherwise.)

Vehicle/s to be registered _____
 (Year) (Make) (Model)

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Registration Fee: \$45.00 After 5/15/05: \$50.00 (All fees in U.S. \$) \$ _____

(Basic registration fee includes one vehicle, two adults, one child under 18 & one free T-shirt.)

Each additional person: \$5.00 x _____ \$ _____

Each additional vehicle: \$5.00 x _____ \$ _____

Free shirt size _____ 2nd shirt _____ 3rd shirt _____ Added shirts: _____ x \$10.00 \$ _____

(T-Shirt Sizes: Small, Medium, Large, XL, XXL)

(For XXL– Cost is x \$12.00)

Saturday Awards Banquet:
 \$28.00/adult x _____ \$ _____

\$15.00/child (under 13) x _____ \$ _____

Number Attending Saturday's Complimentary Ladies Tea _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Make checks to MN Austin Healey Club (U.S. funds) and send with completed form to:
 Fran Stein, 6483 Bowman Circle, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076

Registration questions to: frannie.s@comcast.net. Other questions to: glauser@presenter.com

Cancellations before May 15, 2005, are subject to a \$10.00 fee. No refunds on or after May 15. After May 15, registration packages will be sent to those who paid but were unable to attend.

Call Sugar Lake Lodge directly for room reservations @ 1-800-450-4555. In addition, the Sawmill Inn (800-804-8006) is holding 30 rooms until May 16 at prices between \$78 - \$84, plus tax. Ask for the "Rendezvous 2005" group rate on their rooms. Next door to the Sawmill Inn, the Country Inn & Suites (218-327-4960) is holding 20 rooms until June 1 at a price of \$75 per room (1 – 4 people), plus tax. Ask for the "Rendezvous 2005" group rate on rooms there. This event is being hosted by the Minnesota Austin-Healey Club

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

**The Minnesota MG Group presents:
The annual Ellingson's ALL British
Car Show & Swap-meet**

*Show your British car for \$3.00
Swap-meet spaces are \$5.00 e.a.*

Do you own any of the following cars?

AC, Albion, Allard, Allegro, Alvis, Austin, Bantam,
Bentley, Bristol, BSA, Capri, Daimler, Healey, Jaguar,
Jensen, Land Rover, Lanchester, Leyland Motors, Lon-
don Taxi, MG, Mini, Morris, Morgan, Nash, Oxford, Ri-
ley, Rolls Royce, Rover, Standard, Sunbeam, Triumph,
TVR, Vangaurd, Vanden Plaus, Wolseley, or any other
car built in Britain?



Come to the annual,
All British Car Show and Swap-meet

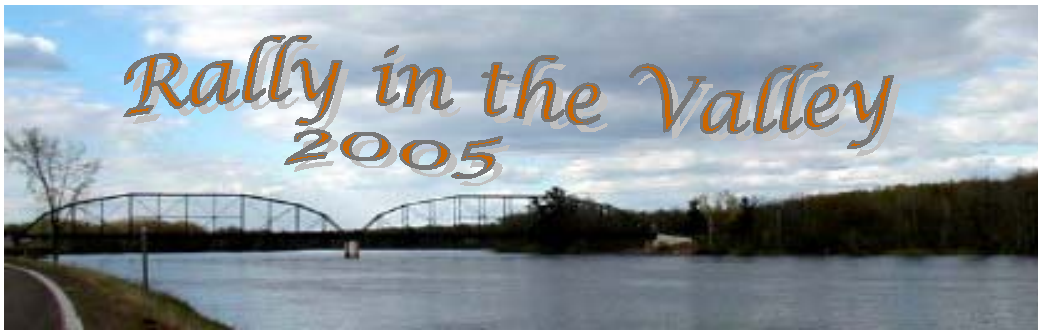
- * View the cars
- * Buy & Sell Parts
- * Talk to the owners
- * Tour the museum

**August 13th
2005**

9:00am to 3:00pm



Ellingson's Car Museum
20950 Rogers Dr.
Rogers, MN 55374-9191
Corner of Hwy 101 and I-94 in Rogers
Contact: Minnesota MG Group,
Jim Pennoyer (763)536-5472



August 25, 26 & 27

Join us at "Paradise Shores" in Holcombe Wisconsin

PLANNED SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday August 25 -- Resort check in, register for "Rally in the Valley," dinner (supper) on your own (@ Paradise Shores), Natter-n-Noggin around the campfire (lake side).

Friday August 26 -- "Double Back Rally," lunch at East Bay, part 2 of the "Double Back Rally," "Sea Food Buffet" @ Paradise Shores, and pool side party (Natter-n-Noggin).

Saturday August 27 -- Tour the lake on pontoon "Pride of the Bay" or go antique/craft shopping, Wax on/Wax off Car Show, Funkhanna, social hour in the Lounge, banquet "Texas Style," & the famous "Rally in the Valley" awards banquet ceremony.

Sunday August 28 -- Farewell breakfast.

Register before July 25th, 2005!!

Make your reservations @ Paradise Shores ASAP 1-800-657-4512 or www.paradiseshores.com
 Alternate lodging @ Americinn 715-532-6650. Visit the MMGG web site for photos from last year. (www.mmgg.org) For questions, contact Steve or Diane Rindt at (715-832-8316) or drindt5953@hotmail.com

*Send Checks and Registration Form to:
Register Before July 25th 2005
 Diane Rindt
 4271 North Shore Drive
 Eau Claire, WI 54703*

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____

Vehicle/s to be registered:

Year _____ Make _____ Model _____

Friday & Saturday Breakfast Buffet:

\$18.00/adult	x	_____ =	
\$9.00 /children 4-12yrs	x	_____ =	
(Prices includes BOTH days)			

Friday Lunch @ East Bay (choose from the following):

Grilled Chicken Breast: \$7.75/person	x	_____ =	
Sirloin Steak Sandwich: \$13.25/per person	x	_____ =	
Italian Beef: \$8.75/person	x	_____ =	
Classic Burger: \$7.25/per person	x	_____ =	
Chicken Caesar Salad: \$12.00/per person	x	_____ =	
Taco Salad: \$9.75/per person	x	_____ =	

Saturday "Texas Style" Banquet

\$20.00/adult	x	_____ =	
\$10.00 /children 4-12yrs	x	_____ =	

T-Shirts: Men's & Women's (S, M, L, XL \$16.00) (XXL \$18.00)

Men's (Size _____):	x	_____ =	
Women's (Size _____):	x	_____ =	

Registration Fee: \$35.00 per/couple	x	_____ =	
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Event Total: _____