

The Octagon Wheel

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FROM THE CHAIR'S SEAT

Our January event was the Barrett-Jackson breakfast at Chompie's in Scottsdale. And, yes, I did make it there at 8:00 in the morning! It was a fun get together. The restaurant service was wonderful and the food was delicious. It was my first visit to a Chompie's restaurant. It won't be the last. Thank you, Warren for arranging this event.



February 9 brings the Valentine Rallye. Look for further information in this newsletter. Plan to attend. Our weather should be perfect for bringing our little cars out for a cruise.

The Phoenix Scottish Games and British Car Show is March 7 & 8 at Steele Indian School Park in Phoenix. We were extended an invitation to come show our cars. It would be great to have a good representation of the Roadrunners members. It sounds like fun. Live music, food vendors, games. For more information go to www.phoenixscottishgames.com

Have you started gathering parts to sell at our Sunday, April 26 All British Car Parts Swap meet? We, jointly with the AZ MG Club, are working to get the word out. We will invite the clubs and participants of the BWOOG to join us. It will be held at Tichenor Coachworks 650 West

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2020 MG EVENTS

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| FEBRUARY 9 | Valentine Rallye |
| MARCH 21 | Election Meeting |
| APRIL 18 | Memorial Rites of Spring Rallye |
| APRIL 26 | All British Car Parts Swap Meet |
| MAY 16 | Annual Board Breakfast & Event Planning Meeting |



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McKellips, Mesa. Spaces only will be \$10!

Your Board discussed our dues at the last meeting. It was suggested to raise the dues to \$35 and have a \$10 penalty if over 90 days late. Our Treasurer, Bonnie, said there are often dues several months overdue. There was discussion about changing the due date to January instead of March. It might be easier to remember and hopefully all would be paid before the end of our fiscal year. More discussion will be held at the next Board Meeting.

Happy Motoring,
Terri

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

We have a new member this month.

Joel English 1955 MG TF 1500
12014 N. 134th Place
Scottsdale, AZ. 85259
H: 602-370-5030
E-mail: joeldavidenglish@gmail.com

Please add Joel's information to your roster.

We hope to meet our new member at a future event.

CLUB REGALIA FOR SALE



**WHITE T SHIRTS WITH COLORED LOGO
VARIOUS SIZES \$16.00**

**LARGE COLORED EMBROIDERED LOGO
PATCHES 8" X 6" \$5.00**

**SMALL COLORED EMBROIDERED LOGO
PATCHES 6 1/2" X 5" \$4.00**

ENAMELED CAR BADGES \$35.00

Contact Danny Young at
602-218-5460

Pre-Auction Breakfast



For as far back as I can recall, Warren and Debbie Kusters have been making arrangements with Chompie's for a Pre-Auction Breakfast for the Roadrunners! I recall way back when there were just about 8 of us! We have come a long ways since then! It is always nice to be able to order our choice from the menu, and for Warren to take care of collecting our order price, plus tax and tip! We sincerely Thank Warren and Debbie for their dedication to this event every year in January!

Those who attended the event this year were: Warren and Debbie Kusters, Mark and Bonnie Mater, Danny and Barbara Young, Greg and Ursula Hoeft, Ed Battershell, Ed Winkler, Ken and Ginny Martin, Barry Briskman, Mickey Saperstein, Wyatt Tichenor and his dad, John, Keith Gallagher, Terri Bounty, Dave and Gretchen Boyer, Randy Koontz and Annette Cordova, Doug Pelton, Frank Diaz, and Phil Dooley!

There were 25 of us, just think how far we have come when years ago there were just 8 of us in attendance!

Warren is so well informed on the various valley car auctions, the entrance fee, and the parking fees of each one! We have chosen to watch Barrett-Jackson on TV, as Ginny's right knee would not be able to walk as far as would be necessary if we attended any of the auctions!

We assume that those of you who came to Chompie's without your wives could mean that you had plans to attend one of the Auctions after breakfast!

We again Thank Debbie and Warren Kusters for always helping the Roadrunners by organizing this wonderful event at Chompie's!

Ginny Martin



**Top Left: Dave & Gretchen Boyer drove the only MG to Chompie's, (Way to go guys!)
Remainder of photos are Roadrunners enjoying breakfast and car talk at Chompies.**

FOR SALE

1952 MG TDC Mark II

I received this car from my parents estate, **Barbara and Orville Granquist**.

Orville bought the car on Sept. 17, 1973 from Charles Roush.

It was restored by Dave's Import Service to original condition inside and out September 6, 1990.

Driven 205 miles. Kept in parents garage.

Car returned to Dave's Import by me on Nov. 9, 2017 to get the car back on the road.

Service at Dave's complete with mileage from restoration at 581. New tires all around.

Although we love the car, a two-seater is just too small for our family.

Asking \$15,000 OBO

Contact info: normajohansen@cox.net or 480-595-8120, our home phone. Ask for Dan.

Car is garaged in central Phoenix at my parents home. Interested buyers can contact us to make arrangements to see and drive the car.





ROLLING RIGHT ALONG

Safety  *fast!*

NEXT CLUB EVENT

**No Board Meeting
This Month**



**Nigel Shiftright says it's Jolly
Good Time to Pay your Dues!!!**

Calling all car nuts,

"Cars at Casa" Paloma has resumed it's Second Saturday Display for the 2019 season. The parking lot is reserved from 8:00 to 10:00 AM. As usual we will be providing a free coffee from A.J.s Fine Foods to car owners and their passenger.

As a reminder, "The Shoppes at Casa Paloma" retail center is located on the South side of Ray Road between 56th and 54th Streets. The best, and most dramatic, entrance is turning south off of Ray Rd. between "Roy's" and "Buca de Beppo" restaurants. Feel free to pass this on to every other car nut you know.

Next event is on February 8th.

CARS & COFFEE AT PINNACLE PEAK

Show is held the 2nd Saturday of the month.
7 to 10 am.

**Location: The Villages at Pinnacle Peak
10458 E. Jomax Rd. Scottsdale, AZ. 85262
(E. Jomax Rd. & Alma School Rd.)**

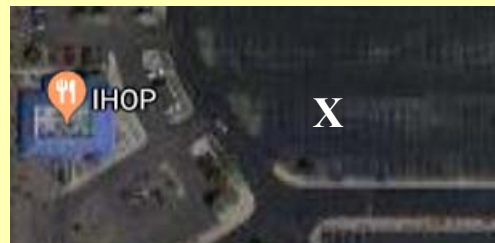
Valentine Rallye

Ken & Ginny Martin have organized a scenic (At least part of the way) Valentine Rallye for your enjoyment on Sunday February 9th.



We will meet at 9:15 am, at Arcadia Crossing Center located at the Southeast corner of 44th St. and Thomas Rd.

We will be located at the South end of the Center in the large main parking lot, East of the IHOP Restaurant, look for the Gray Suburban.



We'll kick some tires and take care of some Rallye business before we send you on your way. If your MG isn't running, drive your Yank Tank and enjoy the ride and lunch.

Please RSVP to Kens cell : 480-209-7431 or e-mail, kmartin410@cox.net by February 7th, so that they can make arrangements with the Restaurant and print up enough Rallye instructions for everyone.

**HOPE TO SEE
YOU THERE!**



Roadrunners, our 2020 Annual Dues are now due. Last year we were still receiving dues in July. Please let's get our dues in promptly so that we can avoid last years situation. Please be sure to include the dues form with your check.

Thanks



DUES ARE DUE

**2020 Annual Dues Payment, \$25.00
Make payment to: Arizona MG "T" Roadrunners**

Mail to: Bonnie Mater
1848 E. Buena Vista Dr.
Tempe, Az. 85284

Your name (s) _____

Your address _____
(as you would like it to appear in the roster)

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Home phone _____

Cell phone _____

MG "T" series owned, Type _____ Year _____

Type _____ Year _____

Other MG's owned _____

E-Mail address _____

Any corrections or changes from last roster? _____

**PLEASE BE PROMPT WITH THIS SO WE CAN COMPLETE THE NEW ROSTER IN A
TIMELY MANNER, AND GET A COPY TO YOU.**

Under Construction

Doug & Carol Pelton 1948 TC

Jan & Carole Rons TA "Encore" Special



Sherwood & Jane Parker 1955 Arnolt Coupe

Terri Bounty 1955 MG TF

Randy Copleman 1953 MG TD MK II

Barry Briskman 1947 MG TC

Mark & Bonnie Mater 1953 MG TD

Danny & Barbara Young 1958 MGA Coupe

Dave & Gretchen Boyer 1951 MG TD

Mickey Saperstein 1913 Malcolm Jones cycle car

ROADRUNNERS RECOMMEND



Below are services that our members have used and recommend.

Who: Advanced Distributors
What: Rebuilds and Recurves our Distributors.
Comments: Reasonable price, fast turnaround, Jeff really knows our engines.
Recommended by: Sherwood Parker
Contact: www.advanceddistributors.com

From the Frame Up: Club member Doug Pelton's company. He specializes in the hard to find TC parts. Contact him @ 602-690-4927 or www.FromTheFrameUp.com

Arizona Brake and Clutch. 602-256-7966, 2211 N. Black Canyon Highway, (that is on the east side access road). Take in your old shoes and they will be done in a week. Smart money says take in a drum and they will arc the brakes to your drum.

I have found very reasonable pricing and service for powder coating at: Affordable Powder Coating. They did a mesh grille for the TC for \$40. They have a separate company at the same address for Ceramic coatings (like Jet-Hot). They did my Header, Header pipe Muffler and tail pipe for \$212 and it was ready in 5 days.

Affordable Powder Coatings & Extreme Coatings 2111 W. Fillmore St. Phoenix, AZ 85009 602-272-7646	2111 W Fillmore St. Phoenix, AZ 85009 602-272-0268
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Copperstate Alternator
 3807 N 35th Ave. (35th Ave and Indian School)
 602-253-4155
 Sherwood had Starter and Generator done. Reasonable turnaround. Reasonable price.

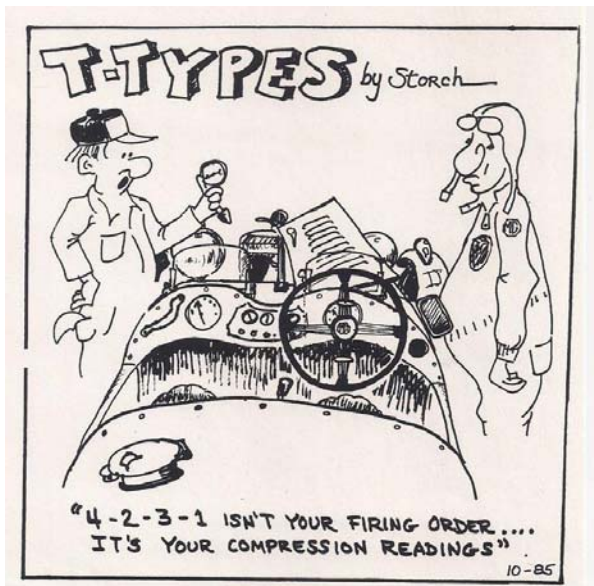
Sherwood had a good experience getting 2 crankshafts cleaned and Magnafluxed with these people. It took about a week and the cost was reasonable at \$49.00 for 2.

Continental Diesel, Inc.
 2734 W Palm Lane.
 Phoenix, AZ 85009

Jim McGhee is California Wire Wheel. If your wire wheels are worth saving he can do it. Reasonable labor costs. The only down side is he is in El Cajon, California. But it was worth it to take my Borrans to him.
 Jim McGhee C: 619-733-4946 Sherwood

Sherwood Parker also recommends.
Tichenor Coachworks
 650 W. McKellips, Mesa
 480-434-5887

DUES ARE DUE



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