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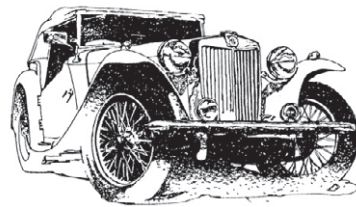
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## Curt's Comments



As I sit down to write this month's article, I have two words on my mind; "reset" and "escape". These words are associated with two separate activities in which I participated during the past week. The first, "reset", came to mind following my participation in a, Rotary International Club sponsored, high-school student ethics training event. The second, "escape", came to mind during my attendance at this year's annual Monterey (California) Jazz Festival.

During the ethics training event, I had the opportunity to interact (close-up and in-depth) with a small group of young adults. Later in the day, as I re-lived the experience and reflected on their in-depth discussions, I became convinced that I had been underestimating the value of those young adults, and others like them, to the future of our country. In other words, I believe that I experienced a positive "reset" in my perspective on matters of that kind.

During the three-day/night Jazz Festival, Jan and I (along with two other couples) attended numerous

end-to-end performances by various jazz groups. For me, the experience became almost addictive and I lost track of time and care for anything other than the experience and matters associated therewith. In other words, I believe that I experienced an "escape" from the real world and all of its problems. As an aside, I believe that driving a TC provides a similar "escape", especially when driving down a lonely country road.

The concepts of "reset" and "escape" are different from one another, however, both are important to one's wellbeing. So, stay healthy, drive your TC frequently, play and/or listen to your favorite music and, when the opportunity presents itself, engage a young adult in a meaningful conversation. If you are lucky, you may experience both an "escape" and a "reset". It worked for me!

Cheers,

*Curt Sorensen*

TCMG President 2018



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## BRITISH SLANG LESSONS by Curt

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English

Lost the plot = Gone crazy

Wanker = Idiot



**Tuesday,  
March 27th**

**8:00 PM**

## T-Series Fuel Systems

by Mike Gooman



Mike Goodman

Our meeting program is a video by TCMG member and MG guru Mike Goodman on T-Series fuel systems. The video dates from 1986, produced by David Coleman and filmed by Doug Wimer, and covers all aspects of the fuel systems found in TCs including fuel tank fuel pump and carburetors. Design and maintenance as well as various safety aspects will be discussed.

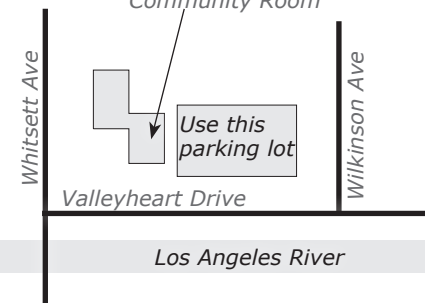


TCMG Meeting Spot  
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36th Church of Christ, Scientist  
Community Room







**TC Motoring Guild** TCMG@groups.io

### Group Description

For sharing information related to the TC Motoring Guild club based out of Los Angeles, California. The TCMG is devoted to perpetuating the use of the MG TC sports car. The messages on this list deal mostly with club tour and meeting notification and also club business.

*In with  
the New*

## New TCMG Group Email System

Our TCMG group emails are set up so our members can receive current club news such as last minute event changes, announcing new events, club reminders and more. It can also be used to ask TC technical questions or to sell or ask for TC parts. Each member can post on their own to all on the list.

Same announcements can be done with our newsletter, but that does not work with time sensitive material.

Our TCMG group emails with Yahoo Groups has run it's course. We lost control over it, and as of this newsletter, it is history.

A new group email system has been started and is run through Groups.io

A majority of our have already switched and signed up for it already. If you want to be included and receive club the latest news, go to:

<https://groups.io/g/TCMG>

If you are not a member of the new group yet, click on the "Apply for Membership" button. I will approve our members and then you are in. That simple.

If you have questions, please contact:

*David* at [djedgar@pacbell.net](mailto:djedgar@pacbell.net)

*Out with the Old*



## JULIAN DOUBLE DAY SPRING EVENT

*Wed, May 30 to  
Friday, June 1st*

Join us in the little town of Julian which is nestled in the mountains of San Diego County. The historic Main Street is the place to stroll while enjoying the ambiance and a little shopping.

Going for a mid week tour due to the higher prices and larger crowds on the weekends.

If you have any questions contact:

Gorden Bundy or June  
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### SCHEDULE

#### Wednesday

3:00 PM – check in

4:00 PM – Hospitality in lobby

Dinner – On own (several restaurants close by)

#### Thursday

Continental Breakfast

10:00 AM – Drive to Borrego Springs for shopping, lunch, visitor's center

Dinner together in Julian

#### Friday

Continental Breakfast

Line up for picture

## TC Birthdays (Build Dates)

Happy 69th, 70th and 71st Birthdays

March 21, 1949	TC8230	Richard & Judy Storms
March 24, 1948	TC5108	David & Joyce Edgar
March 24, 1948	TC5112	Robert & Nancy Koons
April 7, 1948	TC5179	Willie Williams
April 8, 1949	TC5221	Bill Traill
April 12, 1949	TC8441	Ernie & Elizabeth Page
April 14, 1947	TC2556	John & Phyllis Williams
April 14, 1948	TC5230	Ed & Dee Koskie
April 14, 1948	TC 5238	Jim & Kim Ellis



Build dates listed are when the TCs began near the beginning of the assembly line and assigned a number.



## Andes Pico Adobe Tour



Two TCs braved the weather

Nine members with two TCs (driven by Simmons and Loe) braved the threatening weather for our tour to Andres Pico Adobe. The rain cleared early in the morning so we stayed dry for the entire event and even got sunshine by mid day. After a fantastic BBQ lunch at a 60-year-old eatery, we drove to the Adobe, built in 1834. Our tour guide took us through all the rooms, explaining the various historical artifacts and the history of the property which used to span across the entire valley. Richard Loe tried his hand at making his own



Leaving the Bear Pit

adobe bricks, apparently the first non-child to make this request in some time. We all disputed the non-child part. Our tour continued through the courtyard and gardens, and on to the Lankershim Room, built in 1904 and full of yet more historical displays. We concluded with a tour of a 1914 railroad shanty at the rear of the property, also filled with period-appropriate items. Another great day of driving TCs and visiting old friends!

Photos and story by Steve Simmons



Richard compares the size of his TC to David Speigel's Grand Prix



Touring the main room of the Adobe



8 Curt and Richard ponder putting an XPAG into this 1800's ox cart



A lesson making adobe bricks.

## First TC in California

To make it easier to read the text of the article is below. While no date of when this came out, it was probably around 1963.

### MG TC

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**First Model in Calif.  
Owned by Dr. Bates  
By Frank Mason**

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Monterey, Calif., Nov. 9 —

The first TC model MG in California, originally owned by Alton H. Walker of Pebble Beach, is now owned — and driven — by Dr. Talbot Bates, 920 Cass Street, Monterey.

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Prior to that date there were a few specimens in California of the TA and TB models, but no TCs. Walker had driven an Austin Ten during the war and admired British cars. When he heard that the MG Midget, discontinued during hostilities, was to go into production, he made inquiries which got immediate attention in Abingdon and were relayed to MOTORSPORTS, New York representatives at that time for the MG.

As a consequence of Walker's interest — and a deposit of \$500 — Kjell Qvale, who was then a Willys dealer (Jeeps and trucks) in Alameda, delivered to Walker the first TC to arrive at San Francisco.

After driving it for several years it was sold and later came into the possession of Dr. Bates, the present owner: and is now a high-mileage veteran — not for sale. The TC Motoring Guild which has undertaken a national registry of TC owners, has placed the Walker-Bates car on top of its list.

In checking the MG TC Owner's Register book put out by the TCMG in about 1964, Talcott Bates is listed with TC 3601 and XPAG 4282. Article says Talbot (which sounds right) while the register shows Talcott. Wonder where the TC is today. And TCs were on the East coast earlier than on West coast.

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## For Sale

All chrome Moss Motors TC luggage rack in excellent condition. It is unmounted from TC and in the garage now. It would be tough to ship and better for someone to pick it up in Union, New Jersey.

If you know anyone interested I have a TC luggage rack for sale, \$300.00

Arthur Lloyd (908)-209-2939  
ArtLloydIII@aol.com

We welcomed Arthur here last month but did not have photos to share then. Note that photo above was before Arthur bought the TC and rack is now unmounted.



## Last Call for 2018 TCMG Dues

A few of our members have been so eager to renew dues that they have paid twice. They had forgot they had already paid. But we are doing great this year and down to 8 not renewed yet (listed below).

**Note to Everyone** - Double check your TCMG Directory to see if your info is correct. If you have changed addresses, phones, emails, or bought or sold a TC, please inform us so we can update our database. Send changes to Joyce at [djedgar@pacbell.net](mailto:djedgar@pacbell.net) or:

The Motoring Guild has made it easier by making PayPal available. Just go to:  
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**Or** do a bank transfer to: [TCMG@TCMotoringGuild.org](mailto:TCMG@TCMotoringGuild.org)

Those that have not renewed as of press time:

Brinkerhoff, Kevin & Julie  
Dickinson, Reed & Phyllis  
Fuller, Edwin  
Gardner, Jan

Kershaw, George & Kevin  
Maxwell, Marilyn  
Ramos, Gus  
Ratnayake, Hema & Janakie

Hate to see anyone go, but dues not paid by March 27th will result in membership being dropped for 2018.

## Dues Time

Of course we still take checks and cash. \$26 for local members\* and \$22 for non local (unless you want all local event mailings and then it is \$26).

Send to:

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\* Local is zip code 90000 to 93300

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## February 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

President Curt Sorensen welcomed everyone and surprised us with news of having had snow in Westlake Village earlier in the day. The attendance sheet was circulated and the guest, Michael Appell, was introduced. Michael came to help his parents, Toni and Mel, with technical aspects of their program to be presented later in the evening.

Curt extended thanks to the Appells for program on "Cruising" and to Jan Sorensen for the refreshments.

There were no member birthdays, however there were four member owned TCs which were originally assembled in the month of February production years.

We were reminded to check the front table for items of interest including: the Treasurer's report, hospitality sign up sheet, program list, "all things new" list, AV equipment list, and a flyer for the Westlake Village car show.

The minutes of the January meeting were submitted as published in the newsletter. They were accepted with no corrections

or additions. Steve Simmons provided the details for the tour of Andres Pico Adobe scheduled for March 11th. We will meet at Bear Pit BBQ restaurant at 11:30 AM for lunch and proceed down the street for a 1:00 PM tour. Chair reports continued with: Curt reviewing the proposed program schedule, David Edgar asking for contributions for the Midget Chassis and reporting that most members have chosen to receive the newsletter

by PDF with only 12 hard copies being sent this month, Steve presenting the new improved jacket patch selling for \$8, Steve confirming the website is updated twice a month,

Don McLish reported on a call from Jim Ogden in San Diego concerning an old dash plaque he believes is from an early conclave.

Jan Sorensen asked for volunteers for refreshments, and Joel Shapiro offered to bring goodies for the March meeting.

Continuing with old business here was a report on the Annabel Goldstein service and a discussion concerning the Holiday Party/Annual Meeting. On a sunny afternoon, a small group of TCMG members (and one TC) attended Annabel's service. It was decided that Lucy McCanne would contact the Sportsman's Lodge and investigate a possible December 9th event.

The new business portion of the meeting started with David updating the members on the group email site. He is investigating two possibilities and will send out invitations for the site that seems better.

Richard Loe suggested an avenue to recruit new local members might be to supply people advertising "TCs for sale" with TCMG information to pass on to the new owner when the car sells. Steve will design an information sheet and Richard will

send them out. David McCanne and Joel mentioned additional sites to search for "cars for sale."

Before adjourning the meeting, Curt reminded everyone of our tour on March 11th and Conclave October 12-14. At 8:45 we broke for refreshments.

The evening continued with Toni and Mel's presentation "Cruising". They have done

extensive cruising in their own and crewed on friend's boats. The presentation included trips to Catalina Island, Alaska, Panama Canal, and the Galapagos Island.

Respectfully submitted,

*Sandra Loe*  
Secretary



President Curt

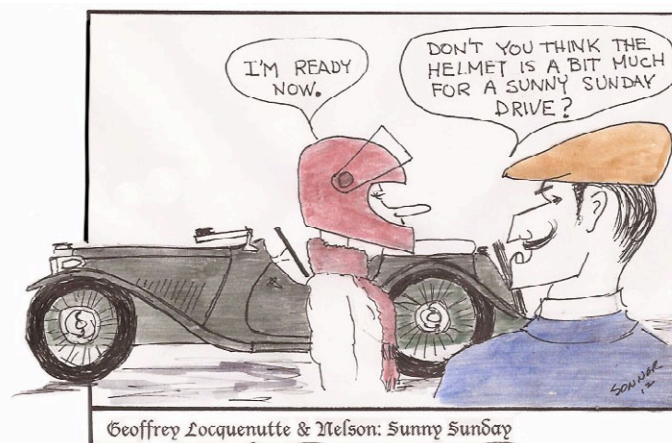
*A nice crowd came out for the meeting and to hear of the Appell's adventures cruising the world.*



*Thank you Jan Sorensen for the great spread of goodies to wet our palate.*



Mel and friends



Geoffrey Locquenutte & Nelson: Sunny Sunday



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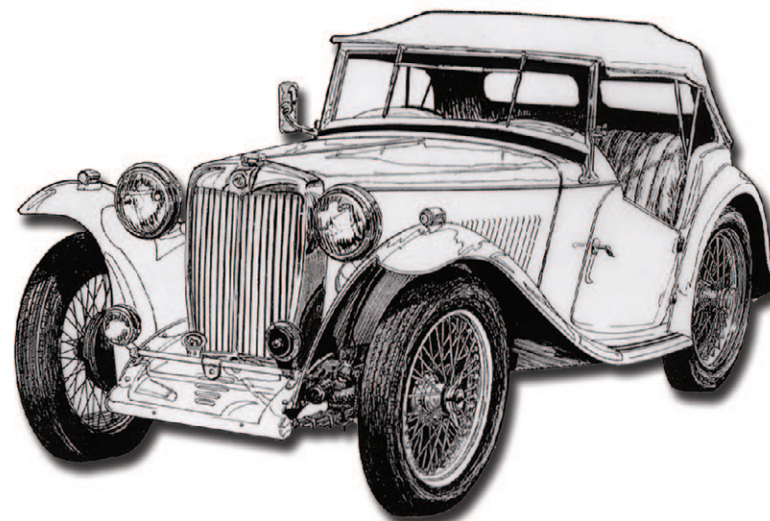


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