

# TC Motoring Guild CLASSIC CHASSIS

*Nov  
2019*



***TCs marking their spots at the  
63rd Annual TCMG/ARR Conclave***



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**Advanced Meeting Note**  
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is moving from the 4th  
Tuesday (Nov 26) to the  
3rd Tuesday Nov. 19th*

*October meeting is still the 4th Tuesday*

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## Sandra Says



Fall has arrived,  
evening  
temperatures  
are dropping,  
leaves are  
falling, pumpkin

patches have opened and  
Halloween candy is everywhere.  
So what are our UK counterparts  
looking forward to this month? It  
appears the American fascination  
for ghosts, goblins and witches  
has crossed the pond and  
Halloween is enjoyed  
with favorite candies  
including Maltese's,  
Aero, Cadbury Dairy  
Milk, Turkish Delight,  
and Wine Gums.

What traditional  
celebrations are observed  
each fall in the UK? The  
theme seems to be death.  
Halloween shortened from "All  
Hallows' Eve", has its origins in  
pagan festivals with people believing  
that, in the fall, the spirits of dead  
came alive and walked among the  
living. Therefore it was important to  
dress in costume to blend in with the  
dead and avoid being harmed by the  
spirits. Today in the UK Halloween  
is also known as Mischief Night,  
Nut-cracked Night, Snap Apple  
Night, and Thump-the-door Night.

November 1st is All Saints' Day and  
November 2nd is All Souls' Day,  
also known as Hollowtide, and are  
linked to Halloween. All Saints'  
Day is a chance to remember the  
saints who dedicated their lives to

Christianity. All Souls' Day is an  
opportunity to celebrate departed  
family members and friends. While  
many of us are familiar with Day  
of the Dead celebrations, Celtic  
tradition included bonfires being lit  
at night in order to light the souls'  
way to heaven. There was also a  
superstition that All Souls' night was  
a time that the dead revisited their  
homes. Therefore some people would  
leave lit candles outside their homes  
to help guide the deceased souls.

Additionally, Soul Cakes were  
baked by the rich households  
and distributed to the poor  
of the parish. Soul cakes  
are an English spice cake  
(something like a hot  
cross bun), sometimes  
known simply as 'souls'.  
On All Hallows' Eve, All  
Saints' Day and All Souls'  
Day, children went 'souling',  
from house to house, asking for  
soul cake: quite possibly a precursor  
to trick or treating.

Some combine these holidays by  
having a bonfire, dressing up in  
spooky costumes, carving vegetables  
for lanterns, apple bobbing, and  
going door-to-door for treats. None  
of these are "bank holidays" in the  
UK, rather just observances by the  
public.

With this said, come to our October  
meeting and see how TCMG  
celebrates Halloween.

*Sandra Loe*  
TCMG President 2019





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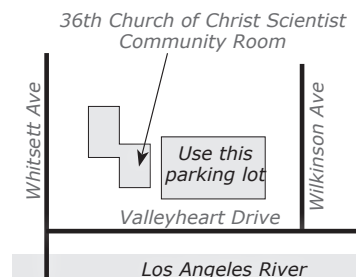


## BRITISH SLANG LESSONS by Curt

British		English
Wing	=	Fender
Fascia	=	Dashboard



*Entertainment still being planned out but it could be games, puzzles, bingo or who knows what.*



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**Tuesday,  
Oct 22nd**

**8:00 PM**

**Halloween  
Games/  
Activities**



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Board**



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## 1948 MGTC #3

Bill Young has owned four different TCs over the years. This is the story of his 3rd one. Stories of one and two were in September and October issues and 4th will come in next issue.



The father of a friend of mine (Chris) thought it would be fun to buy a MGTC, have it secretly restored and give it to his wife for Christmas. He found a pretty nice original car and over 5-6 months, had nice restoration done on it. Painted British Racing Green with tan interior, it was a very respectable car. He gave it to his wife for Christmas.

### SHE HATED IT!

She never drove it. He bought her a new Mustang and sold the TC to me. I kept it awhile and eventually sold it from an advertisement in the LA Times newspaper.

*Bill*



Bill with his 4th and current TC

## TC Birthdays (Build Dates)

Oct 16, 1945	TC 0273	Tom & Emily Wilson
Oct 16, 1945	TC 0279	Tom & Emily Wilson
Oct 16, 1947	TC 3830	Bill & Suzanne Young
Oct 18, 1949	TC 9972EXU	Charles & Susan Roehrl
Oct 20, 1947	TC 3844	Gus Romos
Oct 22, 1948	TC 6905	Steve & Meredith Kupferman
Oct 27, 1948	TC 6945	Sherman & Daveen Kaplan
Oct 30, 1946	TC 1697	Pat Marcotte
Nov 2, 1949	TC 10087EXU	Doug Pulver
Nov 5, 1946	TC 1733	John & Georgia Bowyer
Nov 5, 1947	TC 3976	Tony & Eiko Santarelli
Nov 5, 1948	TC 7042	Mel & Toni Appell
Nov 7, 1949	TC 10119EXU	Joel & Toshimi Shapiro
Nov 11, 1948	TC 7075	Roy Jones
Nov 11, 1948	TC 7090	Leo & Christine Rocca
Nov 12, 1948	TC 7091	Richard Hall



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

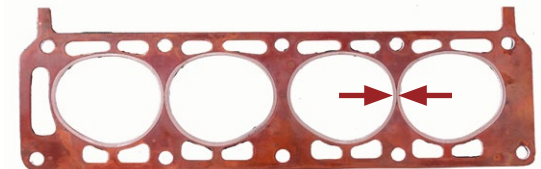
Happy 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd and 74th Birthdays

## Was Running Great, and Then...

Cliff Lemieux was driving his TC to the September TCMG meeting (a little over 65 miles one way), but it did not quite make it. It was running great when he picked up his friend, Bob, as well as cruised down the 118, holding it's own in the freeway traffic. But, engine trouble started when coming down Topanga, and as soon as they hit Ventura Blvd. in Canoga Park, Cliff decided to finally call it "quits." Trouble shooting later in the week showed no (zero/nix/nada) compression in cylinders 1&2!

Cliff called in the professionals and they found a blown head gasket between cylinders 1 and 2. Fairly simple fix but they also found the head was cracked between those cylinders and probably what caused the gasket to go. The head is now being stitched up.

Note there is only about a quarter inch between the cylinders at this point,



as well as other narrow spaces between water passages and the cylinders in other locations.

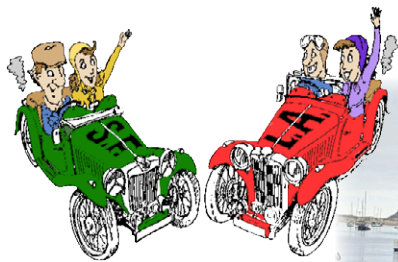


Geoffrey Locquenutte & Nelson: On the Road



## 63rd TCMG / ARR Annual Conclave

**Morro Bay - Oct 2019**



Monday line-up before heading home



Saturday evening  
Meet & Greet  
catching up with  
frineds.



### In TCs

David & Joyce Edgar  
Richard & Sandra Loe  
Ken & Carolynne Palmer  
Steve & Linda Simmons  
Barry & Sue Swackhamer  
Pete & Fran Thelander  
Bill Traill

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### In other assorted iron

Mel & Toni Appell  
Gorden Bundy & June  
Allan & Linda Chalmers  
Jim & Norma Crandall  
Ambre & Brianna Hanes  
Patrick Moran  
Terry Sanders & Cindy Weis  
Joel & Toshimi Shapiro  
Howard & Carolyn Shempp  
Curt & Jan Sorensen  
Ron & Diane Spindler

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Stops at Randy Stromsoe  
silversmith's and at Harmony



34 members with 7 TCs/TAs plus a smattering of other classics took part. Several members who planned to be there had to drop out at the last moment for various reasons, from mechanical issues to wildfires. Saturday evening was our usual Meet & Greet that went on for hours, with a huge spread of food and drink. Sunday we, headed up the coast and into the foothills to the workshop of a master silversmith for a tour. That was followed

by a visit to Harmony, with a population less than half the size of our group, for ice cream served from a vintage truck. The group then headed down the coast to explore coastal towns, have lunch and finally back to Morro Bay. That evening we enjoyed our banquet dinner with a view of sunset to the West. Our traditional lineup of cars and people, followed by good-byes and then off for home on Monday.

*Steve & David*



Enjoying the  
TCs and all our  
friends



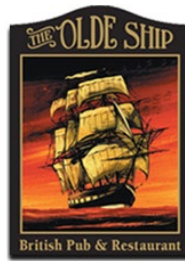
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*Forming process from flat bar to a spoon*

***TCMG Annual Meeting, Party, Toy Drive***

**Sunday Evening  
December 8, 6pm**

**Sportsmen's  
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**Reserve and Pay for Your Meal**

**Dinner is \$40** each if reserved by Nov 15th.

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**SPECIFY** your menu choices.

**Menu Choices**

- Atlantic roasted salmon with dill sauce
- Sliced tri-tip with a mushroom ragout
- Mushroom Ravioli

Meals include salad, dessert, coffee & tea service,  
tax and service fee

No Host cash bar will be available.



***TCMG Auction with  
Larry Einhorn as  
Auctioneer***

Please donate something  
you think your TCMG  
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The auction proceeds help  
subsidize the dinner

**Reserve Early  
and Save Money**

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is FCRC, **Foster  
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basketballs)

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school supplies to about 2,400 kids. It's  
a big occasion in a life without many big



occasions.  
But the best  
moment for these,  
often lonely and  
buffeted kids is  
when they are

allowed to pick out a toy for  
their very own!

I guess that's why it has become a Guild  
tradition to bring toys to our holiday party  
for FCRC's kids. What could be a better  
time to provide joy to those with very  
little?"





## September 24<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes



Our usual two TCs (Simmons and Loe).  
Third TC did not make it (see pg 7)



Sandra calls us to order

President Sandra Loe called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM.

She announced tonight we will have a raffle of two gift certificates donated by From the Frame Up. All proceeds from the raffle will go to charity.

Sandra read a poem "Car Sun Visors" by David Harris, welcomed everyone to the September meeting, confirmed the attendance sheet was being circulated, and observed there were no visitors or new members attending.

Sandra thanked David & Bobbi Spiegel for last month's program about touring New Zealand in a prewar MG, Steve Simmons for his work on the upcoming Conclave, Malcolm and Joy Buckeridge and Mel and Toni Appell for tonight's program, and Jan Sorensen and Steve for refreshments.

Only one member attending, Toni Appell, has a September birthday. Toni was born in Los Angeles.

The TCs belonging to local members Einhorn, Spiegel, Wilmer, Tooke, Loe, Oakwell, Bundy, Coleman, and Hunsberger were manufactured in September as was northern California member Storms' TC.

Sandra talked about notable world events which happened in 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, and 1949.

Secretary Richard Loe announced the August meeting minutes were published in the

newsletter and asked for any additions or corrections. There being none, the August minutes were approved as written by vote of the members present.

Treasurer Joyce Edgar told the members a copy of the current financial statements were on the piano. She let us know we could pay her for Conclave dinners. She announced we have three new members, that we have money in the bank, and she will answer any questions about the financial statements.

Event Chair Steve Simmons brought us up to date on Conclave preparations. He encouraged those who have not yet done so to make room reservations and pay Joyce for dinners. He discussed possible rallying points for the drive up to Morro Bay. He suggested either some inland location or Malibu. It was decided to rally at Stonehaus Restaurant in Westlake Village. We will leave there at 9:15 AM. Steve is anticipating at least 40 people attending Conclave with probably 4 TCs from ARR and 8 TCs from TCMG.

Sandra talked about programs. She again thanked the Appells and Buckeridges for tonight's program dealing with installing a 5 speed transmission in the Appells' TC. She reviewed upcoming programs and reminded everyone the November meeting will be a week early on the 19th rather than the 26th.

Since Karen Olson was absent, Sandra talked about the Holiday Party preparations, noting that everything was on track. The Holiday



Nice gathering of MGTC nuts.



Party will be December 8 at the Sportsmen's Lodge.

Newsletter Editor David Edgar said he welcomes submissions for the next newsletter.

Webmaster Steve Simmons likewise encourages submissions for the website, noting the website is updated at least twice every month.

Steve, filling in for Regalia Chair Linda Simmons, absent tonight, told us a few of the special TCMG spark plug holders are still available.

Historian Don McLish had nothing new to report, but he thanked the club for the get well card he received. Sandra told him how glad we were to see him back.

Sandra reminded us to buy raffle tickets, that Conclave will be October 12 through

October 14 in Morro Bay, next month's meeting will be the Halloween Party, and the VMG Parts Exchange will be November 24.

Joyce reminded us to make our meal choices for Conclave.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Secretary,

*Richard*



At the meeting's program, Mel Appell and Malcolm Buckeridge talked on the 5-speed transmission conversion for the MGTC. Mel talked on the why do it, and Malcolm talked on the how to do it.

At our September meeting members Mel Appell and Doug Pelton set up a raffle that made \$72 for the Foster Children's Recorcer Center. Members wanting to add more funds to this donation can send them to the TCMG Treasurer. One check will be submitted from the Club to go with the toys collected on Dec. 8, 2019.





## Club Regalia

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Future TCMG meeting programs

November 19 - Working in Africa by David Mathison

December 8 - Annual Meeting & Holiday Party