



TC Motoring Guild CLASSIC CHASSIS

April 2023



Winter Do-It-Yourself Tour photos.
Members had lots of fun doing this. More
photos on pages 6-7 in this issue.

And if you missed this DIY Tour, you have until this Saturday, March 25th, to do the "100" DIY tour and submit photo(s). Photo should have something to do with 100. See website for more info. Send photo and description to: djedgar1970@gmail.com



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Rob's Ramblings



Never do this.....

When I bought TC5464, it had a custom 1500 XPAG engine built and installed by the previous owner and Mike Goodman in about the late nineties. The car also came with the original numbers matching engine. Due to the pandemic, it was a number of months before I was able to collect the "spare" engine. At first I put it on a floor dolly and shoved it under my workbench. It should have stayed there. After a while I thought it would be cool to mount it on an engine stand where it would be garage art. This was mistake number one. Since it was a greasy mess resembling a giant raisin, I decided to clean it up. This was mistake number two. I had at one point removed the tappet chest cover on the 1500 in the car to inspect the cam and Tappets. As expected, there was quite a bit of wear. After staring at the "spare" engine for another few months, I decided to remove the tappet chest cover and see what they looked like. This was mistake number three. As expected they were toast. I should have stopped there, but thought what the heck, I'll roll it over and look at the bearings and crank and see what this thing



really needs. The biggest mistake of all. It didn't take long to have the engine exploded all over my shop space. The crank was ground 30 under on the mains and 20 on the big ends. Since it would have finished out at a dicey 40 under, I bought a new billet crank....and pistons....and sent the oil pump to Butch Taras....new crank/cam sprockets...cam....push rods...Tappets....ARP fasteners...gaskets...and on and on. The block had been bored 100 over so I had it sleeved and bored 60 over. It got decked, line bored and the rods got circled. Then the

head got surfaced and new valves and seats installed.

There's a million other things I'm forgetting and it's probably best that I do. I have a big fat folder with every invoice which I can't bring myself to total. Now I had a beautiful engine sitting on a stand. Well.....I guess I should put it in the

car. So I removed a fine running engine and installed it. It runs great and hardly leaks. Other than that big fat folder, I enjoyed every minute of it. I learned an awful lot about my car. Now I stare at the 1500 on the stand and think.... it has 170+ compression and 60-70 psi oil pressure, all it needs is a clean up and new cam and lifters..... SOMEBODY SLAP ME!.

Rob Zucca

Rob Zucca
TCMG President 2023

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Tuesday,
March 28th

6:00pm*

Building a Ski Lift



A documentary film by TCMG member Charley Williams on the construction of a ski lift in Northern California. Anyone interested in nuts and bolts should find the process fascinating! The permit process took longer than the actual construction.

Link below is for the Zoom meeting on March 28th
zoom.us/j/82549411466

***** Pacific Daylight Time Meeting to start at 6pm but Zoom should open up about 5:45pm to visit.

Drive your TC at least 10 miles on March 28th and earn a Sargent point for a simulated drive to the meeting.
Return your drive at the meeting to get credit.

Dues Time

The last 12 that have not renewed yet will be notified in a separate mailing.

Per our TCMG By-Laws, dues for 2023 are due at our Annual Meeting in December and grace period is up at our March meeting. Dues are \$26 for local members* and \$22 for others.

** Local is zip codes 90000 to 93300*

Dues can be paid from the TCMG website at:
tcmotoringguild.org/membership/renewal

Or via Zelle or Paypal by sending funds to the TCMG email:
TCMG@TCMoringGuild.org

Checks payable to TCMG work too when mailed to:

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Winter Do It Yourself Tour

DIY Winter Tour was to photograph your TC in a Holiday or Winter setting. Photos were to include something related to Winter, or the Winter Holidays. To get a Sargent point, TC must have been driven at least 5 miles. Five drove the 5 miles, but sharing other submitted photos too.



Steve & Linda Simmons found lots of lights (and snow too) within Thousand Oaks.



This large Santa was relocated from Carpinteria to Oxnard years ago, so Cliff Lemieux parked in front of it.



Most holiday lights were taken down by the time David Edgar got out but did manage to find this one still up.



Richard & Sandra Loe show us winter in their area of Missouri (Yes they are driving their TA)



Kregg Hunsberger drove around with his Christmas Gnome (who also insisted on getting behind the wheel)



John Bowyer with TC in his front yard showing Texas winter in his location. Bare trees and no snow.



Pete & Fran Thelander only went few blocks to get this photo.



Dave & Bobbi Spiegel got a shot of their TC by a bus stop decorated as a winter cottage.



Doug & Laura Schirripa were in New Zealand so did not have their TC but did take the MGB out to Sky Tower there which was having a Feel the Magic of Christmas exhibit. Sky Tower is 1,076 feet tall (tallest manmade structure in the Southern Hemisphere). They harnessed up at the top for a Sky Walk outside. Tower also has a Sky Drop where you can descend down in 11 seconds. They did not do that.



Rob & Susan Doudrick from N.C., did not take their TC out due to snow (note the snow in the background).



Carol Pelton created this winter gnome. Talented lady. No driving involved but can you spot two MGs?

Your newsletter editor is slipping and forgot to put the Winter DIY Tour photos in the last issue. They were shown at the January Zoom meeting however.



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Welcome to Our Newest Members

Welcome

Jon & Diana Acosta

1860 Valparaiso Avenue
Menlo Park, CA. 94025
Phone: 530-400-5738

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1949 TC 9875 XPAG 10571
"Supra" Red / Beige



Also owns a 1967 MGB GT in Sandy Beige that is mostly original and also restoring / converting a 1969 MGB GT to replicate the 1969 Sebring cars with a factory-style rover V8. Jon is the son of Deb & Mark Acosta (previous owners) and TC was passed down to him. The love for MG's extends to their whole family. Shown with daughters Alaina and Corinne.



TC Birthdays (Build Dates)

April 8, 1948	TC 5221	Bill Traill
April 10, 1949	TC 9875	Jon & Diana Acosta
April 14, 1947	TC 2556	John & Phylis Williams
April 14, 1948	TC 5230	Ed & Dee Koskie
April 14, 1948	TC 5238	Jim & Kim Ellis



Build dates listed are when the TCs were assigned a number and started down the assembly line.

Happy 74th, 75th & 76th Birthdays

TCMG Directory Update



The new 2023 TCMG Directory is being prepared right now. But please check your 2022 directory to make sure your information is still current. Let me know if there are corrections so we can fix before printing.

Seems we announce this each year and right after the new directory is mailed out, we get a half dozen corrections. If you cannot find your directory I'll send a PDF copy to you. Just let me know.

David
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News From Northern California



Winter here in the North State has been grand. Shasta Lake is looking like a lake again and it's great to see all the snow on the mountains. With that said I can feel spring in the air and that means car show season. There are three coming up that I particularly like participating in. Redding's Kool April Nights is a weeklong event that brings thousands to town. As you can imagine they are mostly "muscle" cars, but my TC is always acknowledged, and I never tire of hearing "I use to have one of those." It's also fun driving around town feeling like I've been transported back to the 50's.

The second show will be in May. It's the "Dixon all British Show" put on by the United British Sports Car Club of Sacramento. I had the pleasure of attending last year and was rewarded

with a First in Class. I didn't take many pictures while there but this one of the Morgan I just couldn't pass up. If you look closely, you can see my green TC in the background.

The third will be in July at Grants Pass. It's the "Fabulous 50's Charity Car Show" put on by the Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers. Again, mostly muscle cars but the venue is grand, and I always hear appreciative comments about the TC. I also like the charity aspect of these car shows and appreciate what they do for their communities.

So, I'm getting out the wax and polish and short sleeve shirts and look forward to seeing everyone in October at GoF West 2023 in Carlsbad, CA.

Charley Williams

Charley Williams, TC 6126



Morgan photo from the 2022 show. In addition to Charley taking 1st, TCMG member Howard Schempp placed 2nd with his TC as well.

Show this year will be April 21st.
See UBSCC.org for more information



Charley with his TC from our photo files.

GoF West - Register Now and Save



GoF West 2023

**Oct 16-20, 2023
Carlsbad, Calif**

It is official, GoF West will celebrate it's **51st annual event!**

Registration fee increases April 1st so register now and save

Celebrating 100 Years of MG
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GoFWestInc@gmail.com

GoF West was begun in 1973 at Santa Barbara, CA by Al Moss, Pete & Fran Thelander, Warren & Ann Wendt, Mike Walsh, Jan Verbiesen & Gary Rand

More information will be posted on the GoFWest.org website as available.

See the latest issue of the GoF West Gazette. Packed with information on this All MG event

GoFWest.org

Registration fees go up as of April 1st so register now and save.

February 28th, TCMG Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 PM by President Ron Zucca.

Pete Thelander introduced guest Royston Goodman, an MG enthusiast living in Scotland. Royston is a member of the Octagon Car Club. There were no other guests or new members attending the meeting.

Twenty-five TCMG members participated in the Zoom meeting. Four members, Edgar, Lemieux, Jones, and Loe, drove their TCs the minimum 10 miles prior to the meeting to qualify as “driving their TC to the meeting”, earning 1 Sargent Award point each.

Kregg Hunsberger told the group he was not going to be able to drive his TC anywhere for sometime due to it being substantially damaged in a traffic accident. It has been decided TCMG member Garret Hanes will be doing the rebuild of Kregg’s TC at Garret’s restoration facility. There was a brief discussion between Kregg and various members about the insurance issues Kregg is facing.

Joyce Edgar said the only mail received since the last meeting was the latest issue of the Safety Fast magazine.

Secretary Richard Loe reported the minutes of the January meeting were published in newsletter. There were no additions or corrections suggested by the members present. The minutes of the January meeting were accepted as written.

Treasurer Joyce Edgar reported on the bills which had been paid during the month. She related there are still some members who have not paid 2023 dues. Several of those who have not paid have indicated their intention to send their dues soon. The 2023 Roster will be available shortly.

Programs: Curt Sorensen told the members Charley Williams will be doing the March program on the building of a ski lift and Cliff Lemieux will be doing the May program on genealogical research. Curt says we still need programs for July, August, September, October, and November.

Events Chair Steve Simmons was not present (he was driving home from work and did arrive in time for the program) so Rob Zucca reported for Steve. The theme for the DIY tour for March will be announced by Steve tomorrow (March 1). The Joe Douglass Memorial Wildflower Tour is tentatively scheduled for March 26. The date may be changed depending on how the wildflower blooms develop.

There was **no old business** to discuss.

New Business: Rob reported on the Lame Duk Kup event. 8 TCs showed up at the start and 7 TCs participated in the tour to the destination, the King Gillette Ranch, where there was a funkhana to determine the winner of the Duk for 2023. After a grueling competition involving parking TCs (and an MGA and a modern car) blindfolded, David and Joyce Edgar earned the privilege of caring for the Duk until next year. The competition was followed by a picnic which was enhanced by delicious cookies made by Linda Simmons.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 PM (PST).

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Loe

Richard Loe, 2023 Secretary



Top row:

Joyce Edgar, David Edgar*, John Bowyer (TX), Richard & Sandra Loe (MO) *

2nd row:

Pete & Fran Thelander, Dottie Smith, (NH), Curt & Jan Sorensen, Charley Williams

3rd row:

Mike Hughes, Rob Zucca, David Reid & Terry Schuller, Alan Chalmers

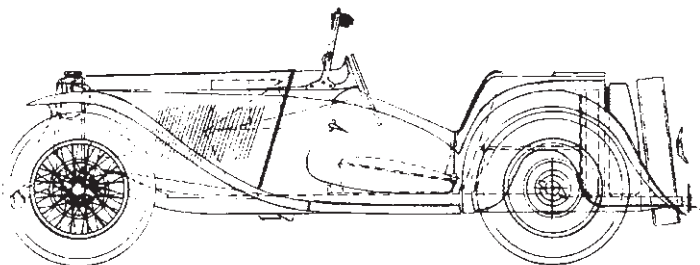
4th row:

Cliff Lemieux*, Roy Jones, Walt Prowell, Royston Goodman (Scotland-guest)

5th row:

Mike Simmons, Kregg Hunsberger, Malcolm & Joy Buckeridge, Steve & Linda Simmons

At our Zoom meeting, 26 were in attendance (representing 18 memberships and one guest). Three drove their TCs that day to simulate a drive to the meeting, got Sargent Points and are marked with *.



TCs For Sale

1948 TC 6439 XPAG 4395 Cream / Red

Selling due to Ron's health (would love to keep it, but just being realistic).

818-523-3788 (Diane's cell) Call or text

Unconfirmed but this may have a 1500cc conversion.

Ron says he would like to see it stay in the club, so special pricing only for TCMG members at \$28,000



Bill Young's TC

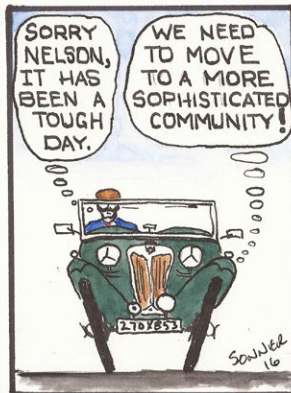
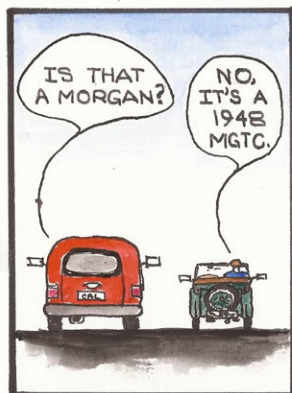
I have owned this car for over 35 years. It has been an absolute joy. Mike Goodman rebuilt the engine over 25 years ago, but probably only about 5000 miles have been driven since. It is painted Acura NSX Red – the paint is outstanding. The dash is Hawaiian Koa wood. The top has been down for 35 years – it's there but probably needs replacing. I also have the original side curtains and other extra parts. This car is not a show car, but a very respectable driver. Arthritis forces the sale.

The car is in Sonoma, CA- \$27,000.

Bill Young (707) 939 8173 or billyoung1228@aol.com

1948 TC 5700 with 1500 conversion.
It needed some minor repairs before and believe all have now been addressed.

Gordon & Mimi Glass
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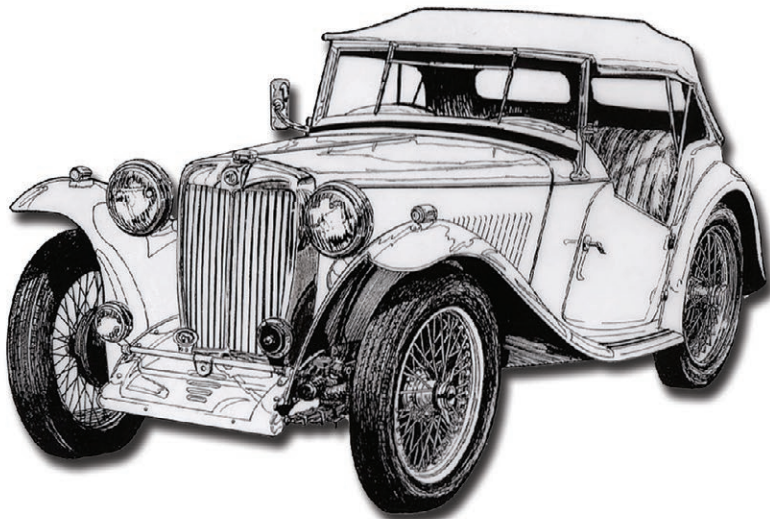


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