



TC Motoring Guild CLASSIC CHASSIS

March 2024



TC Winter Wonderland

Tom Wilson from Indiana sent this photo of his two TCs out in the pristine snow. Maybe those in the northern states say so what, but most of those of us in the S. Calif area find this amazing and beautiful. Probably wish we could have a chance to pose our TCs like this as well. There are exceptions, and I think of Malcolm & Joy Buckeridge who live at 7000 foot elevation in the mountains above Los Angeles and could not come down to our last TCMG event due to being snowed in.



What are some of your favorite MG related collectables? Find out why we ask on page five of this issue.



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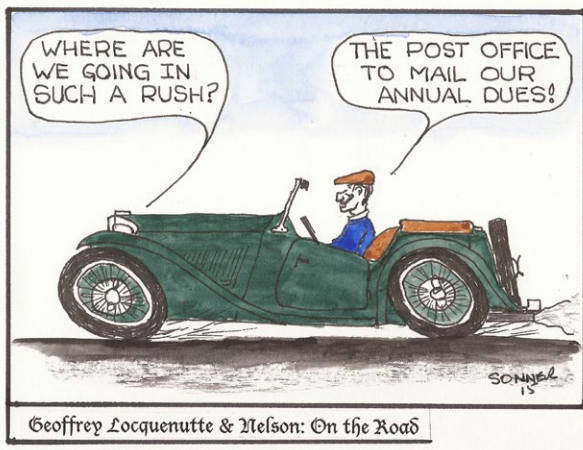


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**See page 5 regarding dues
and page 6 for a list not paid yet**

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Rob's Ramblings

Is it February already? It seems like our holiday party was last weekend!

If you take a peek at the list of officers and chairs you'll see our Programs Chair is still vacant (TBD) so here's the ask..... no, you don't have to be the "chair" if you don't want to, although that would be great, but feel free to throw suggestions for programs to myself or any council members. Tossing out ideas at our meetings is great too. Don't be shy. There are no silly ideas. Here's an idea, pick any old newsletter from the archive and take

inspiration from an old program and tweak it to make it your own. There have been some great ones! The chair position really is just keeping a list of suggestions and helping to firm up the calendar.

Beyond programs, the events for 2024 are filling in nicely. Take a look at the calendar. Thank you Steve!

Just in case someone wants to throw up their hand for Programs Chair, to be clear, the position doesn't come with a real chair of any sort. That's just a phrase.....

Start your engines, dodge the rain and get your TCs out there!

Rob Zucca

TCMG President 2024



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Tuesday, Feb. 27th



6:00pm*

Your Favorite MG Related Items

Our program will involve sharing up to three favorite MG related items. Choose items that aren't bolted to your car. It could be the first MG key chain you ever got, a perfect condition period shop manual, a first edition "The Red Car", a cross flow head you bought, but then removed, T shirt from your first GOF, MG models, literature, etc. Items don't have to be MG-centric, but should be related, like Lucas, SU, etc.

If you don't know how to screen share on Zoom, send photo of item to Joyce by Feb 26th so she can display them for you.

djedgar1970@gmail.com



Sample of what could be shared.
Be prepared to explain why you chose the item to share.

*Link below is for the Zoom
meeting on February 27th*
zoom.us/j/81766853057

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

Drive your TC at least 10 miles on Feb. 27th and earn a Sargent point for a simulated drive to the meeting. Report your drive to get credit.

Dues Time

Per our TCMG By-Laws, dues for 2024 were 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

For a list of those whom we HAVE NOT RECEIVED DUES FROM as of this publication, see the next page in this newsletter.

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:

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Some TC Projects



Cliff shows the ring gear from his TC that he just replaced. His TC was making a noise and turned out a third of the teeth were ground down on the ring gear. He was able to put in a new set of gears just before our Lame Duk event.



Scott & Cristina St Clair had From The Frame Up rebuild their TC engine with larger valves, 0.060" overbore, Bibby camshaft, modern seals and a few other little tweaks. Also put new gaskets and seals in the supercharger along with 4.625 rear axle ratio and a rebuild of the steering gear. So they are now driving it around to test out and break-in the engine.



Scott said the plugs look quite sooty and there's some odor of fuel, so think the car is running a little rich. I cleaned the plugs and started to lean the mixture incrementally and will watch the plug color.

Around the neighborhood, the new rear axle ratio is a little tall with the Lucas 4.75/5.00 x 19" tires, but we've gotten used to it. But at highway speed the 4.625 gearing is great!



Member Dues That Are Still Due

Thanks to all who have paid their 2024 dues already. The following members still have until the March meeting to

remit their dues if they wish to continue membership. Note the "local" vs "non-local" difference in amounts due.

Local Members (\$26 due) (zip codes 90000-93300)

| | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Coleman, David & Suzie | Ockwell, Charlie |
| Crandall, Jim & Norma | Ramos, Gus |
| Glass, Gordon & Mimi | Roman, Anita |
| Goodman, Mike & Sharon | Simon, David & June |
| Harrison, Daniel | Uniack, John |
| Marsala, Jim | Weisberger, Fred & Karen |
| McDaniel Peever, Beverly | |

Non-Local (\$22 due)

Gehweller, Richard & Nancy
 Kosters, Warren & Deborah
 Morse, Roger & Lynn Arnold
 Murphy, George & Lorna
 Roehrl, Charles & Susan
 Smith, Dottie
 Weber, Bob & Leigh
 Woodward, Mark

Lame Duk Miniature Golf Event



Jan 42nd
(AKA Feb 11)



Counting the St Clair's we had each of the TC colors present - Black, Red, Green, Cream and Blue

photos
by
Steve
Simmons
& David
Edgar

Was on the cooler side in the morning but warmed up by tee off time. Those that braved the cold in TCs were David & Joyce Edgar, Cliff Lemieux, Richard & Sandra Loe, Steve & Linda Simmons plus Michael & Wanda Hughes in their modern. Unfortunately dogs were not allowed on the course so the Hughes enjoyed a nice walk around the nearby lake. After the 18 holes of miniature golf everyone met at a local British pub for lunch.

Scott & Cristina St Clair participated in the DIY tour and took their TC for a round of golf as well but a different location (photo by Scott)

TCMG = TC Miniature Golf PGA = Pathetic Golfing Amateurs



David Edgar had the lowest golf score so won the prized Lame Duk Kup. The team of David & Joyce won the duck last year so Joyce presented David with it this year.

The diagram is an exploded view of a mechanical assembly, likely a watch movement. It is divided into two main sections across two pages of a manual. The left page shows the main body of the movement, including the lever, escapement, and various gears and jewels. The right page shows the finer details, including the balance wheel, hairspring, and other small components. Each part is numbered from 1 to 115. A yellow pencil is visible on the right side of the right page, pointing towards the diagram.



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A Kent face - commonly used in Scotland where a person has seen a person they know, such as "I saw a few Kent faces in the library." This idiom has nothing to do with the surname or the place. Is taken from an old English word that means "to know."

Welcome to New and Returning TCMG Members

Finocchiario, Peter

Canastota, NY 13032

1947 TC 2739 XPAG 46230 Red / Black

TC was featured on the show Chasing Classic Cars. Was restored by Abingdon Spares, LLC. Peter bought the TC on Bring-a-Trailer in November 2023. And looking on Bring-a-Trailer you can see [many more photos](#) of the TC.

Peter says this is his retirement car and a dream since childhood to own one. Has Alfin style drums, VW steering box, tubular shocks, high torque starter, spin-on oil filter, bucket style seats. (although original seats were included in the sale). Also has gaters wrapping the springs.



Rick & Judy Storms

San Anselmo, CA

1948 TC 6776 XPAG 7447 Red / Tan

1949 TC 8230 XPAG 8998 Green / Tan

Rejoined TCMG
in January



50 Years of Caring for TC 7474



*John and TC in Texas
when he brought it
home in 1974*

Fifty years ago, on January 7, 1974, I bought TC 7474 EXU in San Francisco and brought it home to Houston. I painted it in 1976, upholstered it in 1978, and kept it in good condition. I drove it back and forth to the University of Houston and to work daily for years. It still looks good and runs well. It won first place in its class in a local car show last year.

John Bowyer



January 23rd, TCMG Meeting Minutes

President Rob Zucca called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm PST and announced the meeting was being recorded. Rob welcomed newer members in attendance: **Duane Schmidt** from Maryland, **Dean Caccavo** from Placerville, CA, **Byron “Blitz” Fox** from Mill Valley, CA, and **Greg Hoeft** from Scottsdale, AZ & Illinois. There were 29 in attendance with seven driving their TC (Edgar, Lemieux, M. Simmons, S. Simmons, Sorensen, Thelander, and Zucca).

Joyce Edgar indicated no mail of significance had been received. We were surprised and pleased to see Joyce in attendance after having surgery on her hand earlier in the day. Joyce mentioned that the Nigel Shiftright TC is for sale.

2023 Secretary Richard Loe submitted minutes for the November 2023 general meeting and the December annual meeting as printed in the newsletter and asked for any additions or corrections. None were offered and the minutes were accepted as printed.

Joyce presented the year end and month **treasurer’s reports** that she had sent to the executive council. The council approved the proposed 2024 budget at their recent meeting. She offered to send a pdf to any member upon request. We have money in the bank. As a wrap up of 2023, TCMG sent \$2525.00 to FCRS representing member money donations. Also sent them the toys we gathered at the Holiday Party. Additionally Joyce reported TCMG has three new members: Greg Hoeft, Blitz Fox, and Dean Caccavo. Currently 62 members have paid their 2024 dues.

Rob shared that the executive council voted to change dues to \$25 per year, per membership starting in April 2024.

Future programs were discussed...we have no chairman. Great opportunity for any member to get involved from

the comfort of your own home. Tonight’s program will be members reporting on their on going projects. The Edgars have offered to present a program later this year on 2023 GoF West held in Carlsbad that they chaired.

Steve Simmons reviewed the event calendar including the Lame Duck Kup to be held in early February, a double day weekend, Conclave being organized by ARR, and GoF West scheduled for October in Folsom, CA. We will return to miniature golf and lunch at a local pub for this year’s Lame Duck competition. It was suggested that Conclave be the weekend before GoF somewhere adjacent to Folsom.

No old business was noted.

New business was the announcement that the Executive Council voted to change the November general meeting to the 3rd Tuesday so not to conflict with members’ Thanksgiving plans.

Completing the meeting were the **DIY tours** with theme being “Holiday Lights”. Submissions were received from Blitz Fox, Bob Weber, Dave Spiegel, Doug Schirripa, the Thelanders, the Edgars, Joel Taylor, Jim Bickley, Rob Zucca, Steve Simmons, Cliff Lemieux with additional holiday photos by the Loes, Gregg Hunsberger, and Gorden Bundy and June Wennekamp at the Holiday Party.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Loe

Sandra Loe, Secretary

Program presenters were: Cliff Lemieux, Greg Hoeft, Duane Schmidt, Joel Taylor, Gregg Hunsberger, and Steve Simmons.





Row 1: David Edgar*, Dean Caccavo, Richard & Sandra Loe (AL), Greg Hoeft (AZ)
 Row 2: Doug Schirripa (NV), Joyce Edgar, Rob Zucca*, Kregg Hunsberger
 Row 3: John Bowyer (TX), Joel Taylor (NV), Curt & Jan Sorensen*, Duane Schmidt (MD)
 Row 4: Steve Simmons* Daniel Harrison, Jonathan Lane (CO), Blitz & Mary Fox,
 Pete & Fran Thelander*
 Row 5: Allan Chalmers, Richard Fritz (CO), Mike Simmons*, Cliff Lemieux*
 Row 6: Scott & Cristina St Clair, Jim Yergin (VA)

* - drove 10 miles in TC on meeting day

Not shown - Tom Howes (AZ)

TC Birthdays (Build Dates)

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|--------------|------------|----------------------------|
| Feb 16, 1949 | TC 7930 | Jim & Norma Crandall's son |
| Feb 23, 1948 | TC 4861 | Blitz & Mary Fox |
| Mar 3, 1948 | TC 4923 | Michael & Wanda Hughes |
| Mar 8, 1948 | TC 4968 | Robert & Diane Berry |
| Mar 17, 1948 | TC 5058 | Michael & Jody Whalen |
| Mar 21, 1949 | TC 8230 | Richard & Judy Storms |
| Mar 22, 1949 | TC 8241EXU | Jim & Rachel Bickley |
| Mar 24, 1948 | TC 5108 | David & Joyce Edgar |
| Mar 24, 1948 | TC 5120 | Jim Yergin |



Happy 76th & 77th Birthdays

Build dates listed are when the TCs were assigned a number and started down the assembly line. **11**

DIY Tour - Winter and/or Holiday Lights

Bryon "Blitz" Fox



TC was not available but the Jag was, so why the TC is not in the photo with the lights.

Our first tour of 2024 brought us the challenge to get a winter or holiday light photo with their TC during the specified time period.. Got many members to participate but if they also drove their TC at least 5 miles, they received a Sargent Point. Looks like everyone had fun.

Doug Schirripa

Doug found a huge Santa in Orange Calif.



Richard & Sandra Loe

Santa on a motorcycle spotted on the way home from our TCMG Holiday Party



Dave Spiegel



A magical Christmas Eve ride in a special sleigh with granddaughter Maddy

Jim Bickley



Jim participated in one of the S Cal car runs through the hills in his Yellow Rose from Texas TC. Then also put some holiday lights on his TC a few days later.

Bob Weber



Bob and granddaughter, Genevieve, in a Christmas Parade in Georgia



Kregg Hunsberger



Kregg's TC is still out of commission but the Christmas Gnome that took his TC out for a drive last year (photo above), was seen on the road thumbing for a ride with the TC warrantee plate this year.

DIY Winter or Lights Tours Continued

Cliff Lemieux

*The most controversial
"Lights of '23
(Bud Light 6 Pack)*



Rob Zucca



Pete & Fran Thelander



*Thelander's TC with lights
in their neighborhood.*

Steve & Linda Simmons



*Steve & Linda
found a zillion lights.
One neighborhood
goes all out*

*(well except for
the one house
that just put
out "Ditto")*

*Rob thought it was
lighters (not lights)
to get a photo with.
(Leave it to Rob to
bend the rules)*

David & Joyce Edgar



*Edgars found
it hard to
find lights a
week after the
new year.*

Joel & Sylvia Taylor

*TC is apart but Joel decorated
the rolling chassis for fun*



Gorden & June



*Not their TC but posed with
one at our TCMG Holiday
Party in December. Not
real snow either, but a
backdrop.*

Dec 3rd TCMG Toy Drive

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December 28, 2023

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Sincere regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Sue Thalken'.

Sue Thalken
Board President

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Melanie Merians'.

Melanie Merians
Chief Executive Officer

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Note: The TCMG members were most generous and the combined donation to the FCRC was \$2,525.00 plus many donations of toys. Thank you to all.

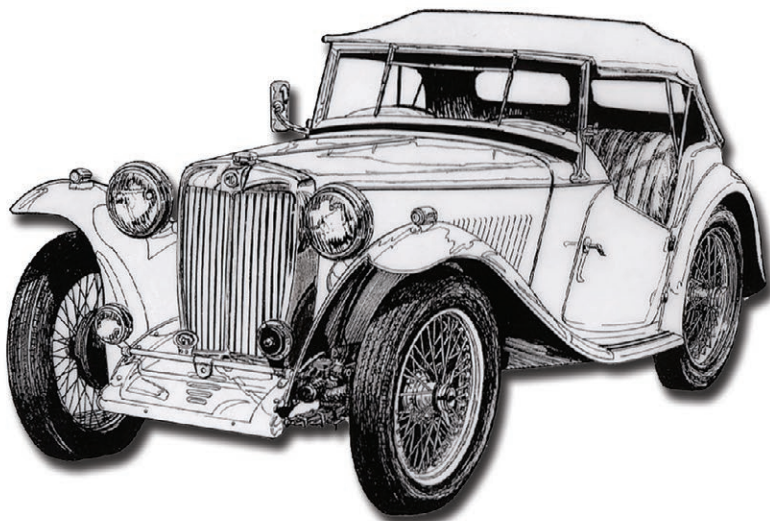


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have a 1500cc conversion.
Clutch chatters (been that
way for years). Side mirrors
are from a TD. Some
misalignment of windscreen
to top bow.



Nigel Shiftright TC For Sale



The Nigel Shiftright TC that Phil Frank once owned and was in Road & Track Magazine, is now for sale. Larry Pate (current owner) is finding health issues telling him it is time to pass his TC onto a new worthy owner. Note that Larry had From the Frame Up totally go over this TC a few years ago.

Contact Larry Pate for details:

larry.pate@gmail.com

TCMG Group Email

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this you will not receive any news from us. Once the TCMG list owner is notified and approves, plus you Confirmed your email, you will then receive all the latest club meeting, events and other club news to your email.

In addition to receiving club information you can also send a message to our all members on the list a request for advice on your TC, ask for parts wanted, offer TC parts for sale too.

Right now we have 91 of our 111 members on the list. If you have questions about joining, please contact David Edgar at:
djedgar1970@gmail.com

Club Regalia

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