

The Dashpot

January 2020

Lots to review this month, including a review of November and December activities, as well as a word from our President and a couple of great articles in Bounder magazine!

November Meeting News:

This meeting was held at KS on the Keys (a lovely spot with lots of room). It was our Annual General Meeting and once the old traditional stuff like the Financial Report and the Membership Review were complete, we got into lots of other interesting stuff. The 2019 Event review slideshow.... a peek into the 2020 event lineup... an overview of the Executive Committee status and a reminder about the CAA special Corporate offer to members of the Ottawa MG Club.

In the middle of the 2019 Event review slideshow, there was a presentation of a Technical Spark Award to Adrian Sawyer (Adrian is a very worthy, competent MG technical chap and a former OMGC Technical Director). And to round out the 2019 Event review slideshow there was another award presented to Michael Turnbull & Heather McGregor for their almost comical 'we-got-lost-again-antics' during the driving year; and thus they were presented with a Directionally Challenged Trophy. Congratulations to the recipients.

New club members Dave & Lynne Whitehead offered us a very interesting slideshow and chat about their participation in the Hagerty 2019 Maple Mille driving event. They had a great time at the event and we really enjoyed hearing all about it.

To top off the meeting, President Trish Adams awarded the Hugo Leech Memorial Award trophy to Dave & Lynne Whitehead. Not only did they complete the Maple Mille - the previous weekend, they went to their first British Invasion in Stowe. MG was one of the marques, and their 1974 chrome bumper MGB was in Class 8 1970 -74 Bs, along with a few other cars from our Club. Altogether, there were 31 cars from far flung places in the States and Canada in that class, and Dave and Lynne's car was the runner up. Congratulations!!

> The Next Monthly Meeting of the Ottawa MG Club:

Thursday, January 16th The Glen (Stittsville)



January 16

Monthly Meeting

February 9

OMGC Valentines Gathering

February 20

Monthly Meeting

March 19

Monthly Meeting

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April 3

Kimber Festival 2020

November Event News:

OMGC Trivia Challenge:

The OMGC Trivia Challenge was held on November 24th. Unfortunately, we were bested by the Triumph club, but it was close! See the photos here.

CAA Membership deal:

Take Advantage of Special Corporate Rates with CAA

Click on this link to read about the rates, and the advantages of joining the CAA, and the easy process to become a CAA member with the special rates being offered to Ottawa MG Club members.





December News:

The OMGC Christmas Party 2019 was held at the Britannia Yacht Club on December 7th.

There was a full house of participants and everyone sure looked like they had a marvellous time. Lots of smiles; lots of laughs; some tall tales; a couple of true stories; a roast... all very entertaining!

Thanks so very much to club member Joy Curnoe for making the great food/party arrangements, and a big thank you to Len for the challenging and entertaining games. It wouldn't be an OMGC Christmas party without Len's brainteasers.

Click here to see some photos:

http://www.omgc.info/wordpress/index.php/nggallery/2019-photos/Christmas Party 2019?page id=4947

Smiles For Seniors Program: The response From OMGC Folks At The Christmas Party Was Tremendous! Club member Pierre Ranger (OMGC Rep for the Smiles For Seniors Program) has indicated the 2019 program was a great success.

Twenty-seven seniors received gifts via the program from OMGC "Elves".

And other club member "Elves" donated bulk items for seniors' stockings.

Pierre sends his thanks to each and every contributor to this worthy program.

Club Financial Update: The 2019 financial statement is now available of the website, and can be seen here: http://www.omgc.info/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/OMGC_Finances_Year_End_2019.pdf

And now a message from our President:

Happy New Year, OMGC members. I hope you're all looking forward to another season of fun drives and friendship as we share our enthusiasm for our little British sports cars.

As you've heard several times over the last couple of months, 2020 is going to be a special year for us as we celebrate our 30th anniversary. This warrants a special "emblem" that can be used in various ways: regalia, badges, decals, signage etc., so let's have a contest to design it! Please submit your ideas to me by Saturday, February 1. I will call on four other "judges" to help me decide the winner. This contest is open to all – you don't have to be a graphic designer to enter – a drawing showing your concept is acceptable to start with. There will be a fabulous prize for the winner – please note: the prize will reflect that it's "fabulous" with a small "f"! For inspiration, here are: our official OMGC logo, and then examples of our 20th and 25th anniversary emblems, and our Canada 150 emblem.









Articles in Bounder magazine:

This past year, two fantastic articles have appeared in Bounder magazine.

The first one, from the fall 2019 edition of Bounder features our very own Julia Fortey, and details her journey into MG ownership and the restoration experience. Read about it here:

http://www.omgc.info/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Bounder_Fall_2019_Julia_Fortey.pdf

The next article, from the Winter 2019 edition, features an interview with club president Trish Adams. It can be seen here:

http://www.omgc.info/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Bounder Winter 2019 OMGC.pdf

For anyone interested in reading the entire magazine, links are provided below:

Fall 2019: http://online.fliphtml5.com/tdses/ffpn/
Winter 2019: http://online.fliphtml5.com/tdses/qmqf/

The Bounder magazine website is http://www.bounder.ca/