

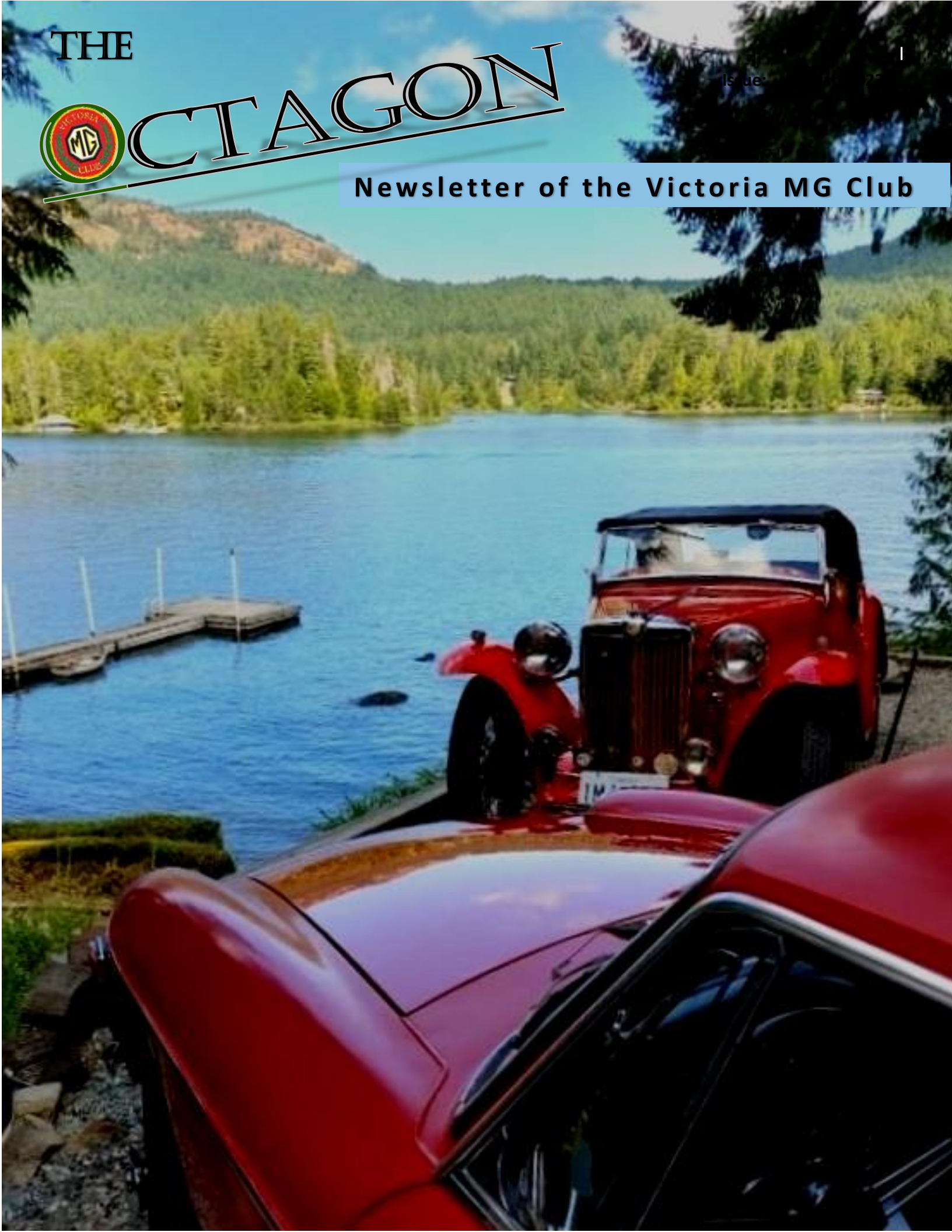
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OCTAGON

Issue

Newsletter of the Victoria MG Club





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PLEASE— Mark events on your Calendars

Cover Photo: Cars parked at the Lake Residence—Genny Cape

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Penny Cox

**Thanks to the following for their contributions to this month's newsletter
Ken Lockley, Malcom Baster, Randy Slade, Malcolm Ives, Derrick Sparks,
Stu Moore, Richard Turner, Russ Cape**

Extraction from the Societies Act Constitution of
THE VICTORIA MG CLUB"

The purpose of the society is:

- To promote the enjoyment of MG cars:
 - To encourage the preservation, maintenance and use of MG cars and:
 - To conduct gatherings of a sporting or social nature for enthusiasts of the MG marque
 - To encourage involvement of British and other marques in the Club

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OCTAGON DEADLINE:

Submissions:

Cut-off - 10th of the Month

Ads: 2 month maximum unless renewed.

NO PDF's please - they are not that easy to process.

Please use a Word type program



Aug

The Driver's View!

Next meeting

Presidents Message for May 2023

Presidents Message VMGC August 2023

Hi! Great VMGC Members,

Last months message ended with “we are off to Calgary” well, that was a great club event. We had lots of fun, travel, great drives, accommodation, beer and wine, Ferry rides and so much more. All of which was overshadowed by the great group of members we travelled with!

Our event planners certainly out did themselves this time, we went to places and saw things that we hadn't seen before, and even in the rain, hail stones, sunshine, thunderstorms mist and some smoke, makes you realize what a great place and Country we live in.

At the recent club, meeting, many things were discussed, many of which, are reported in the minutes which will be published in the Octagon.

The Octagon which is the main Club contact for many is always looking for items, pictures, articles, and wants and for sales to publish, the Octagon cannot exist without members input so if you have something that is newsworthy, please pass it on to Pat and register so she can put it into the newsletter and make it interesting for all of the members.

The Calgary NAMGBR was event hosted by the Calgary MG club of 62 members a great event for sure So my question to all is we are 75 members what could we do?? Come to a meeting , talk to other members and the executive of our club and share your ideas.

This Sunday there is another spectacular run planned by Ken Lockley and co. encompassing Railway tracks, locomotives rail cars, plants and a great restaurant to round it all out!! See the details in the Octagon? I think it may top the Kinsol Trestle visit?

Drive Safe and make every drive the perfect drive”

Malcolm

(BTW we are at 79 Members as of last night)



VMGC Meeting Minutes August 14 2023

This months meeting was held at Gayle Adams's

Meeting started at 7:22 PM

16 members present

President Malcolm Ives opened the meeting by thanking members present and Gayle Adams for use of her lovely property for our club meeting.

Membership Chair, Stu, reported we currently have 75 members, and only a few come to the meetings, and perhaps we could have a zoom meeting and in person meeting combined this idea will be discussed at the executive meeting and reported back to the membership

Treasurer reported our bank balance is \$8018.86 and our inventory value stands at approximately \$200.00

Newsletter Chair. Pat, reported that they are looking for more articles or pictures that could be of interest to our members . The newsletter editor would like to receive articles pictures and interesting event notices by email anytime within the month rather than everything at the end of the month.

Ongoing discussions about our website and Facebook page and how to make it more user-friendly and accessible, Great ideas were discussed, including taking the Facebook page from a business centred page to a group page. This apparently needs some manoeuvring so we don't lose any details and history. Quite a few members had input to this at the meeting, and some good ideas were discussed.

The Octagon should be published this coming week by email to the members.

VP had nothing to report this month.

Events chair reported that the recent road trip to Calgary to celebrate the hundredth year of MG and event Hosted by the Calgary Sports Car Club and NAMGBR what is a great success as a club we had a great turnout of people that drove to Calgary and back with many mini adventures and side trips. Plus we walked away

with four major awards.

There is a run planned for this Sunday information will be mailed to members.

The year is filling up with great events, all of which are well planned and should meet the interest and expectations of our members.

Motor sports Chair was unable to attend this month, but had sent a message that the Jaguar Club wants to do an event with our Club further details will be forthcoming.

There was a discussion regarding where to hold the annual Christmas party as time is getting short for booking a spot. Stu Moore (Events) has already made some inquiries after a discussion of the pros and cons of different facilities, the president asked if it wouldn't be a good idea to poll the members as to the best spot, it was felt this may be a long time consuming effort, and we possibly may run out of booking time, a vote was taken by the 16 members present and 11 members voted to go back to the six Mile pub which is one that we have used many times in the past. Stu said he would contact them and book for this year.

President reported that our club has had a good year, and whilst he was in Calgary with the North American MG registry people, he discussed with them the MG club sizes and trends in membership and, in comparison, our club is doing very well, and yes, our members are aging out as they are in other clubs and slowly but surely, the clubs are growing and younger members (curators of MG's)have been attracted into those clubs to cherish and use these iconic sports cars.

Stu reported we have a healthy inventory of club regalia grill badges, hundred year badges, caps, mugs, plus cloth badges, all of which are available to our members at a great price!

Meeting closed at 8:29 p.m.

Malcolm Ives, on behalf of our Secretary

The Meeting of the Group

At Revelstoke, BC



JULY - A MONTH TO REMEMBER!!

ROAD TRIP TO CALGARY AB - JULY 2023 NORTH AMERICAN MGB REGISTRY EVENT JULY 17-20th



At he Bomber Command Museum



Heritage Park Show



Lining up for John Twist session



John Twist at work



The Deerfoot iann



Following the leader



What more could give you a smile!



Accident on Freeway

Photos: Pat Sparks



Kinsol Trestle Bridge



How much better can it get!

A lovely walk to an historic site.

Magnificent views,

Terrific cloud formation

Great food.

Great company

Great day all around.

Thank you to Gayle for inviting us to her Lake Retreat.

Many thanks for photos from Genny Cape, Randy Slade, Malcolm Baster,, for both the Tresol and the Lake Shots.



*Afternoon at Gayle's
Lake Hideaway!!*



*Life couldn't
be better*

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CLASSIFIEDS

Marvel auctions in Richmond is auctioning a MGTF on Thursday August 17 at 6:00 pm. It is from an estate sale. Red with black hood.

See www.marvelauctions.ca for Thursday for photos.

This is a TD - Russ Cape sent the info to me. If you are looking for a T Series car, check out the auction site

Call Marty at 604-341-7501 or the office at 604-276-2715.



NAMGAR - North American MGA Registry

Two photos submitted - Can you answer any of Richard's questions?

The two photos shown are prints purchased by member, Richard Turner.

The first shows what was, apparently, a day's production of MG's. (To my mind, the finished products that they turned out daily.)

The second print, not as well known, is of racing cars and Richard writes: -

"This is a print I picked up in an antique fair in Australia - any ideas from MG members where and what this is. I am told one of the ladies was a famous actress". Richard Turner.





North of the Malahat— Aug 30th : ICE CREAM RUN GET TOGETHER

We will meet at the Northeast corner of the Valleyview Mall (corner Trans Canada Hwy and Cowichan Bay Rd, for a 3:00 pm departure. Destination: Sweet Meadows Market

Malcolm Baster e: spmanor@msn.com

SPRING– SUMMER EVENTS 2023 CALENDER

CALENDER OF EVENTS 2023

- August 20/23 Werner Grunderson Magic Trains in North Saanich. Follow by early Dinner at “Mary’s Blue Moon Café” - (see following page)
- Sept. 17/23 OECC Enrico Winery tour. Celebrating MG and Triumph Cars 100th year.

The following events are still being planned:-

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| Oct.1/23 | Club Event |
| Nov.5/23 | Club event |
| Dec/23 | Club Christmas Luncheon being planned.
Vote at General Meeting: For the 6 Mile Pub
Stu Moore will notify everyone once confirmed. |
| Jan. 1/ 24 | Annual New year’s Day Tour |

Events Team: Chair: Ken Lockley - Gayle Adams and Stu Moore.

Ken @ www.events@victoriamgclub.ca

Stu @ www.membership@victoriamgclub.ca

Gayle @ www.

August 20 Event and Directions

WERNER GRUNDERSON'S MAGIC TRAINS in North Saanich. Followed by an early dinner at *'Mary's Bleue Moon Café—Canora Ave. Sidney*

August 20 Directions



We plan on meeting at Tim Horton's uptown location, 2:15 PM. For a 45 minute drive to North Saanich. By arrangement with Werner Grunderson, he expects us **no earlier** than 3PM. We have time to see and experience Werner's amazing trains, construction and landscaping. He's happy to answer question's about what you see of his extensive layout and his knowledge of small plants and shrubs is fantastic.

His address is 1405 Oceanspray Drive. Bring your folding chairs and we'll have chance to view this one mans skill in building this incredible Garden Railroad.

We plan a dinner at Mary's Blue Moon Restaurant 4:30—5 PM. Hope to see you there. KL






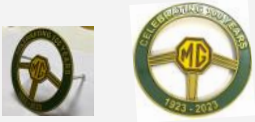
Please no early birds at Werner's, as a family function is planned before our allotted time of 3-4:30 PM

Questions? Ken Lockley www.events@victoriamgclub.ca

REGALIA

ALERT! STU ADVISES that ALL items are selling fast. If you want Regalia, call or email Stu e: membership@victoriangclub.ca (membership & regalia share the same address at the moment)

Stu has contacted a company that can em**bro**ider the badges onto shirts

Ball Caps	0	\$ 25.00	
Call Stu for info. 250-588-8682			
Grille Badges	17	\$ 15.00	
Name Badges	Always	\$ 7.50	
Jacket	14	\$ 10.00	
M.G. Mugs	3	\$ 15.00	
100 Year Grille Badge	2	\$ 22.00	

NAME BADGES ARE VERY HELPFUL AT CLUB EVENTS

PAYING BY E-TRANSFER:

You now have this option.

E-Transfer your \$25.00 directly to:

treasurer@victoriangclub.ca

We have auto deposit for the club account - no password required

PAYING BY CHEQUE:

\$25.00, made out to the **VICTORIA MG CLUB**

Please fill out the following form and mail it, together with your cheque

to: **VMGC, c/o R. Draeseke,**

405—105 Gorge Rd East V9A 6Z3 Victoria, B.C.

IF YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CHANGES PLEASE EMAIL

membership@victoriangclub.ca Thanks a million. (Follow the Application Form on this page.)

Victoria MG Club Membership Renewal and Application Form

PAYING BY CHEQUE:

Name: _____

Spouse/Partner Name: _____

Address _____

Postal Code _____

e-mail Address _____

Partner e-mail Address _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Cell: _____

Club Use Vehicle(s): _____

We have an on-line membership list which is NOT TO BE USED for solicitation, or distributed to non-members. It is meant for communication by Club Members only. So, by applying for, or renewing membership in the VMGC, I agree that I will not use other members' personal information for any commercial purpose. Please accept my/our membership application/renewal



Always happy to oblige, Stu is at the ready if you want to sign up and become a member!!

New Memberships are always welcome!

The runs are happening!!

Keep well,
Stay Safe

Stu:- membership@victoriangclub.ca

***Welcome to all the new members that have
just joined - and to those that have
renewed their memberships -***

Thank you!