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Prime Minister's Message

Rendezvous 2007 is finally here! It is exciting to look forward to this event with many people bringing their British MGs to Tallahassee to experience our hospitality and shared interest in this marque. A lot of planning and work has gone into hosting this event and now is our time to shine. If you have not for some reason registered yet, you can just come on to the kick-off barbeque on Friday evening the 12th or Saturday the 13th for the show and register there. Drive your MG and show your support. You don't have to show your car, but just bring it. People are interested in and like to see all types of MG sports cars - restored, un-restored, drivers and works in progress. I remember going to the last Rendezvous in 2001 and how I was so captured by these cars. Many memories came back from college days when to have an MG was fun and definitely attention getting. After being smitten, I immediately began to research and search for an MG. I finally found one in the Democrat classified ads and strangely enough, when I called about it, it belonged to a former co-worker at the State Department and fellow artist friend. He had driven it and had started to restore it but lost interest due to so many other commitments. I was excited to purchase it and start the reconstruction to bring it back to its earlier days. One of these days soon I hope to drive it over to his house and let him "be British racing green with envy" when he sees it.

This year is rapidly drawing to a close, with Fall coming up and cooler weather ahead (we hope...). I asked club members at the last Saturday morning meeting on September 15th what their preference was for the remaining meetings this year. October will be our Rendezvous 2007 which will replace the regular monthly meeting for October. November will be going into the holiday season and thoughts turning to Thanksgiving which will be on Thursday the 22nd this year. The consensus was to go ahead and have a meeting on the 3rd Thursday of November, the 15th at a restaurant to be announced, for those who want to enjoy the cooler weather and drive their MG to the meeting. Now, on to December which will really be holiday shopping and planning for Christmas, so we will not have a final meeting in December, but will postpone the holiday cheer until January. We recently had several new members to join BBMGs and I am happy to say each of them owns a driveable MG and have shown their enthusiasm during the last few meetings. Also, I continue to see MGs around town that I have not seen before so they are still out there. I carry a few of the MG business cards with me and if I am able to speak to them I invite them to a meeting, or at least leave a car under their windshield wiper with my number to call about our club.

See you at Rendezvous!

Bill

Locally Available Parts List

All members are again asked to provide a list of spare parts available for the participants coming from out of town who may have a problem on the road and require assistance from the MG Rescue Squad and then require replacement parts.

Bud Nocera was coordinating the list but in view of his recent surgery PM Bill Thompson is taking information and assembling the list. Email your list to Bill at: BThom32312@aol.com if you don't have email call him at: 850-385-6581.

Please don't put it off until tomorrow — PLEASE DO IT NOW!

Glenn's MG Repair
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 3120 39th Avenue N.
 St. Petersburg, Florida
 727/521-9890
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 Glenn@GlennsMG.com

Glenn Lenhard, owner of Glenn's MG Repair will circulate among the cars on display and perform on-site technical assistance for those attendees with troubled vehicles. His many years experience have served many BBMGs members over the years and will continue to do so.

Glenn's MG Repair is located in Saint Petersburg, Florida, with easy access from U.S. 19 or Interstate 275. The 5000 sq. ft. facility with fenced-in compound is located in a residential / business neighborhood on a cul-de-sac. A secure and well-lit parking area, and plenty of indoor storage for work-in-progress assures that your vehicle receives the best of care while there.

**Rendezvous
2007**

October 12-14, 2007
Tallahassee, Florida



BBMGs It's not to late too Register!
You can do it on-site thru Saturday the 13th!



*Ed Note: Some of you will remember this from the Tally Ho of the past!
The schedule has not required change this year so Register Now!*

SHIFTING GEARS WITH RENDEZVOUS 2001 — NOT 2007

What a grand place to visit Tallahassee, Florida is. If you didn't know that when Rendezvous 2001 was first announced late last summer, you need only ask reporters from CNN, NBC, ABC, Reuters...you name it. They all got to spend November 2000 in Tallahassee and the whole world was watching! You must have been stuck under your old MG, cursing Lucas and deep into repairs if you failed to see hours upon hours of Tallahassee landscape through November and December.

Big Bend MGs apologizes for not planning our first national gathering during Fall 2000. It was a whale of a party. There were no fewer than 100 satellite transmission trucks parked all around the capitol. There were no British Leyland trucks present, but a few Volvos. We could have interspersed our MGs amongst the big trucks. What a sight that would have been. Just a wee problem with no hotel rooms anywhere last year.

Then too, there's the Florida State Seminoles football team, 1999 National Champions. They tried again at the Orange Bowl to become a back-to-back champion team for both the last year of the old century and the first year of the new, to no avail.

Whatever way you cut it, it was an exciting autumn in Tallahassee. And we have learned what has the greatest impacts on MGs: Not a presidency, but a lost football championship!

Because of a shift in schedules for the Seminoles, Big Bend MGs will be double-clutching and adjusting plans backward one week for Rendezvous 2001. Our revised meeting time will be November 2-4, 2001 at the same magnificent location, Ramada Inn North in Tallahassee at the intersection of I-10 and U.S. 27. The activities will include the

same wonder events and friendship nonetheless.

If you've already registered, we'll be contacting you about the date change, if you were just getting that checkbook out to sign on — please accept the apologies of a nation led by football. It's not ballot chads, the Federal Civil Rights Commission exploring voter concerns, or even the early blooming camillias that moves mountains and MGs in Tallahassee, it's football.

We promise you a rousing weekend in town — but probably not as internationally newsworthy as a Rendezvous 2000 would have been.

Keep your eyes on our website, www.bigbendmgs.com for the latest exciting plans for Rendezvous 2001.

Ed note: Some early registrations have been received. We hope that BBMG members will be among these early registrants.



Rendezvous 2007



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*Ed Note: Some of you will remember this from the Tally Ho of the past!
Some of the players have changed and some passed but it is still a Great BBMGs Event - Register NOW!*

THAT'S RIGHT FOLKS! 2007 Is going to be similar but better!

For you MG owners and lovers who have never attended a "Gathering Of The Faithful", "Jamboree", "British Car & Bike Day", or any other MG event, this is your **BIG Chance**.

Some of the distinguished registrants include Bob Mason, NAMGBR Technical Advisor; Glenn Lenhard, Glenns MG Shop, St. Petersburg; MOSS Dealers: Dave Burrows (Fairhope, AL), Jim Hall (Green Cove Springs, FL), and Blair Engle (Tallahassee, FL). Rendezvous would not be complete without Mobile & Shop MG Mechanic Brian Presnell (Seminole, FL) and of course Paul Horgan (Havana, FL) owner of Paul's Automotive.

Right in your own backyard!

THATS RIGHT! Here in Tallahassee at the Ramada Inn - 110 and US 27N (North Monroe Street to the nontravelers).

Prime Minister JP Brown and a committee of your fellow members have put together an event to rival all events!

Starting off with a Big Bend MGs Welcome in the Hospitality Room and then a real Southern Bar-B-Que served by the "Club Eaters" under the supervision of the Big Bend MGs Senior Culinary Research Specialist (SCRS) Ms. Cheryl Gratt.

The Hospitality Room opens early Saturday morning for those early risers and car fanatics who have to put the finishing touches to their automobile before the "Peoples Choice Display and Voting".

The shady car display area and shelters will make it a most comfortable viewing.

Technical sessions are planned for the edification of all interested parties on various subjects.

A scenic drive starts at 2 PM and includes a stop at a "Bradleys Country Store" and the "Tallahassee Car Museum." (Bradleys makes and sells sausage that "Southern Living Magazine praises highly).

The Cocktail hour starts in the banquet hall at 6:00 pm followed by dinner at 7:00 pm. During the banquet "numerous door prizes" will be awarded, "Peoples Choice Awards" presented, followed by a "High Ticket Auction" and Raffle Drawing.

Sunday morning the Hospitality Suite opens at 7:00 am for early birds and those wanting to depart early.

What ever you do don't pass up this chance to Rendezvous with all of the MG Lovers,

MG Owners and Notable Personalities who are here and enjoying the 1st Rendezvous.

REGISTER NOW or Register on-site!

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Rendezvous 2007



The MG display area will be behind buildings "B & C". To be close to your car ask for reservations "down & out" in building "B" or "C". ("B" is closer to the display area.) Rendezvous Hospitality & Registration room is in "B 1217" & open until 9:00 pm on Friday.

Friday Afternoon & Evening - October 12

Upon arrival at the Ramada Inn, join us in the hospitality room "B 1217" where you will find Rendezvous Registration, complimentary beverages & snacks. We invite you to bring Auction items. Drop off your Auction items here. Hospitality room will be open until 9:30 pm. The Bar-B-Que picnic, 6 to 7:30 pm, will be held adjacent to the hospitality room & MG Display area. Silent Auction & Raffle tickets

Saturday Morning - October 13

Hospitality Room opens at 7 am.

Complimentary Coffee, Tea, Juice & Pastry.

MG Flea Market, Regalia. Silent Auction & Raffle tickets

10am MGs Displayed on the Grass & People's Choice voting begins (deposit in ballots box in display area by 2pm)

Saturday Afternoon - October 13

MG Display continues & People's Choice voting continues,

(deposit in ballots box in display area by 2pm)

Silent Auction & Raffle ticket sales continue

Scenic driving tour of beautiful countryside *or*

Mechanics Tech Session

Saturday Evening - October 13

6pm Cocktail hour - Cash Bar - Silent Auction & Raffle tickets

7pm Dinner & Outrageous Shirt Judging

Wear your most outrageous shirt for great prizes!

Silent Auction & Raffle Winners

Peoples Choice Awards

Door prize drawings

Noggin n' Natter at Hospitality Room afterwards!

Sunday Morning - October 14:

Hospitality Room opens at 7 am.

Complimentary Coffee, Tea, Juice & Pastry.

Safety Fast & Cheerio until next **Rendezvous !**

Information call

(850) 681-6332 ext. 35 or email: jp@boutinbrown.com



Make room reservations directly with the headquarters hotel:

Ramada Inn & Conference Center

2900 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32303

(850) 386-1027 • Fax (850) 422-1025

Don't Call Ramada National number for these rates

You MUST ask for "Rendezvous 2007" rate when reserving your room. THESE SPECIALLY PRICED RESERVATIONS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AFTER SEPTEMBER 13TH.

Reservations must be made prior to September 14th to get the special room rates starting at \$69.95 per room per night.

These reduced rates are available to *Rendezvous 2007* registrants only for 1 day before and after our event, if you want to come early and/or stay later. If the hotel fills, there are alternate accommodations listed on our Form.

Registration Fee

The fee is for one MG two people and their children up to 14 years. Fee includes Hospitality Room Complimentary Beverages, Snacks, Coffee, Tea, Juice and Pastry for all registrants.

REGISTER NOW!

Registration before September 14: \$30.00 \$ _____

Registration after September 14 \$35.00 \$ _____

Registration October 12 or after \$40.00 \$ _____

Friday Bar-B-Que Picnic @ \$15.00 ea. x _____ = \$ _____

Pork, Chicken, Bake Beans, Cole Slaw, Bread, Iced Tea

Saturday AM: Coffee, Tea, Juice, Pastry in Hospitality Room
Complimentary to registrants (number of participants) _____

Saturday Evening:

Register early because Banquet seating is limited.

"Rendezvous" Banquet @ \$32.00 ea. x _____ = \$ _____

Please check type & number of meal(s) desired:

__ Veggie Plate __ London Broil __ Chicken Cordon Bleu

Sunday AM: Coffee, Tea, Juice, Pastry in Hospitality Room
Complimentary to registrants (number of participants) _____

"Rendezvous" Regalia

These quality white with 3 color T-shirts and Sweatshirts are sure to be a big hit! Order now.

Sweatshirt @ \$18.00 ea. x _____ = \$ _____

Sweatshirts Size & Quantity

S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____

T-Shirt @ \$12.00 ea. x _____ = \$ _____

T-Shirts Size & Quantity

S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Make Checks payable to: **Big Bend MGs**

Please note: Guests are welcome, but must be registered to take part in any "Rendezvous" meal function or planned activity. The Hotel has rooms reserved for "Rendezvous 2007".

Other Area Accommodations:

Holiday Inn, Comfort Inn, Days Inn, Hampton Inn all handy.

Please register early. Advanced planning & ordering of items needed to host this event is much easier if we know the number of people who will be attending. **Thank You! BBMGs**

"Rendezvous" REGISTRATION

Please mail with your check made payable to Big Bend MGs: BBMGs, JP Brown, 346 Office Plaza Dr., Tallahassee, FL 32301

Name/s _____

Name/s _____

(Please print the first and last names of all attending)

Address _____

City State ZIP _____

Phone Number _____

E-mail address _____

Year/Model MG _____

Flea Market space needed? __ Yes __ No

Vendors must be registered • Free Flea Market space to registrants

Tables or chairs not provided for Flea Market spaces.

www.bigbendmgs.com for information & updates



Registration for *BRITISH CAR CLASSIC*



Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

1st Car _____ Model _____ Year _____ \$25.00 _____

Additional Car/s _____ Model _____ Year _____ \$15.00 ea. _____

I/we are presently members of: MG Classics of Jacksonville, Inc. Triumph Club of N FL Other/no club affiliation

Your One T-Shirt INCLUDED for those REGISTERING BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30th — S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___

Order Your/Additional Shirt/s S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ Additional T-Shirt/s @ \$10.00 ea. x ___ = \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

For Information call 904-278-7118 or www.mgclassics.org

Paid registrations received before SEPTEMBER 30th receive one FREE Event T-Shirt

Send with check made to: **MG Classics of JAX** 2031 Theta Court, Orange Park, FL 32073



Show Field opens at 9:00 am.

People's Choice Balloting ends at 12 Noon.

Trophies will be presented at 2:30 pm.

Trophies awarded for multiple classes based on year of manufacture, Best Of Show and Best MG (as voted by Triumph Club Members) and Best Triumph (as voted by MG Club members).

Paid registrations received before September 30th receive one FREE Event T-Shirt

Traditional British Pub Fare will be available in the King's Head British Pub from 11:30 am until 10:00 pm. All participants are encouraged to partake of this fine facility and remember to make sure you maintain your physical hydration!

The Pub will have a *draught station* located adjacent to the Show Field.

Hotdogs, hamburgers, drinks available from a local charity group outside.



MG Classics of JAX
presents
British Car Classic

Saturday, Oct. 20, 2007
9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Balloting Ends at 12 Noon

King's Head British Pub

Just 6 miles North of St. Augustine from the intersection of US1 and State Road 16 and just 16.8 miles South of the intersection of US1 and Palm Valley Road (SR 210)
(Look on the East side for the double-deck bus & flag)

To promote an appreciation for All British Cars

View all of the British Classic Cars on display

Don't forget to bring your camera and sunscreen!

First Car - \$25.00
Paid registrations received before September 30th receive one FREE Event T-Shirt
Additional Cars - \$15.00 ea.

www.MGCCQ.org.au Website Extract - (MG car Club Queensland, Australia)

DAY RUNS are very much a social event, allowing members to join with others in a friendly, fun day of just experiencing the fellowship of other MG enthusiasts. Destinations are varied and interesting. Some just take up a few hours of your Sunday morning, others take all day, and we also have at least one weekend away each year. Most participants drive their MG, but other makes are not excluded.

26 September - Mid-Week Run - By John Tait of MGCCQ

Twenty one cars and their eager crews assembled at the Nudgee Shell roadhouse for this fairly short spring run to Mount Mee State Forest for morning tea and then on to the seaside at Toorbul for lunch on a day with a predicted maximum temperature of 30+ degrees. The run followed major roads out to the morning tea stop. We didn't encounter any problems apart from the usual "spread" of cars by the time we reached the Dohles Rocks road exit from the Bruce Highway. We re-assembled the group at Narangba and continued on via Dayboro to the Mt. Mee tourist drive. Everyone seemed to enjoy the run up the twisty parts of Mt. Mee and all arrived with smiles at "The Gantry" picnic area at the end of Sellin Road. After morning tea, we headed off over the top and down the other twisty side of Mt. Mee to meet the D'aguilar Highway. From there we headed east through Wamuran, past the northern edge of Caboolture and onto Pumicestone Road. We arrived at the Esplanade at Toorbul adjacent to Pumicestone Passage just after midday and found plenty of cool shady areas to park the cars, enjoy lunch and chat.

Present were:

John & Marian Tait - Mazda MX-5

Bruce Richardson - MGBL

Nola Bamford & Carmel Marshal - MGB

Greg & Rhonda Hannant - MGA

Trevor & Joy Jones - MGA

Bruce & Tip Ibbotson - MGCGT

Trevor Mills & Fred Enever - MGB

Ian & Mary Bennie - MGB

Kerry Horgan & John Weinthal Mazda - MX-5

Steve Austin - RV8

Pat & Desley Collins - MGBGT

Suzanne & Mary Smith - MGA

Bill & June Spall Holden - Commodore

Malcolm Campbell & Renate Koehn - Mazda MX-5

Bruce Mutch & Joe Kaiser- MGBL

Owen McNeill - MGBGT

Allan & Joyce Tebbutt - MGB

Steve & Lesley Pyott - BMW

Joe & Pheona Kaiser - BMW

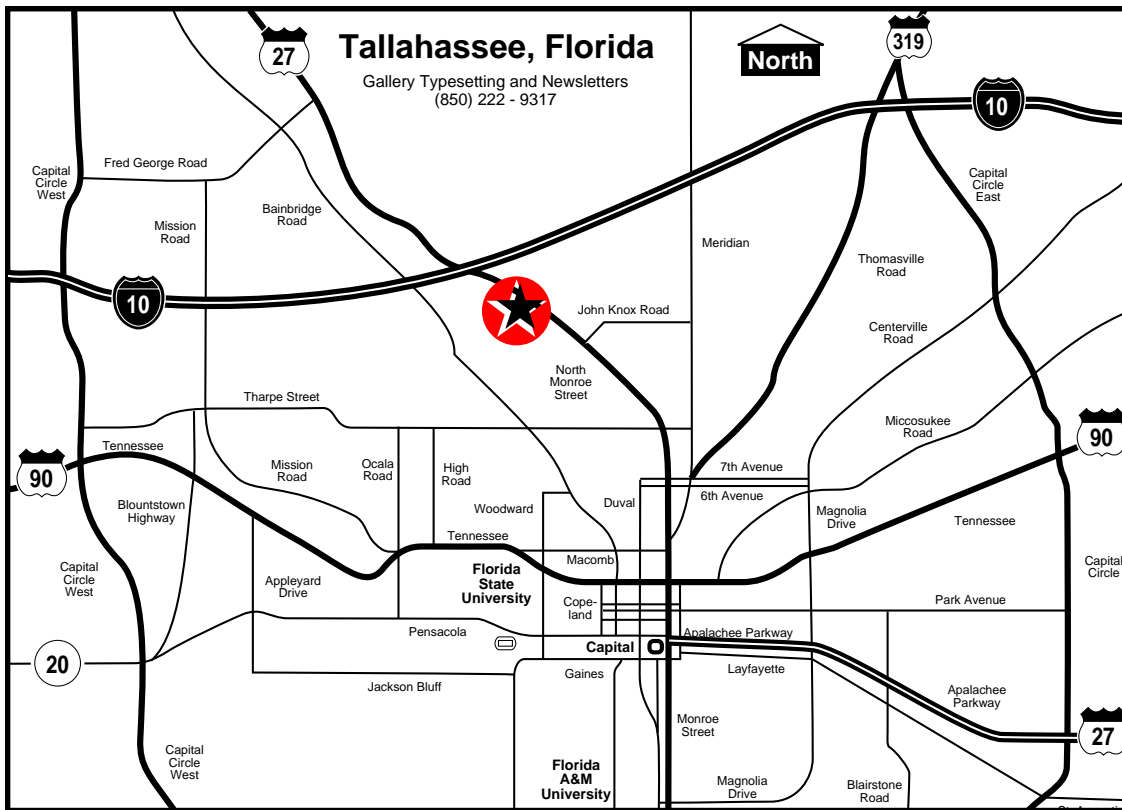
Ian Fettes - BMW Z4

Sandy & Charlie Provis - Holden Astra



Ed Note: Your editors have been members of MGCCQ for several years and each visit to Brisbane, Australia is highlighted by the Day Runs and Friday Evening Noggin 'n' Natter. Visit the website for more information about their owned Clubrooms and Hillclimb.

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The purpose of the BBMGs is to encourage the members in the acquisition, preservation, restoration, exhibition, and use of the MG automobile

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- It's not too late to ask the businesses you patronize to contribute a Door Prize or Silent Auction item to BBMGs Rendezvous 2007 - Do it TODAY!
- **Become a published writer - Contributions to Tally Ho are solicited always! Just put it on paper or email and your editor will clean it up if necessary and publish it! Your articles, stories, technical tips, pictures, or just plain lies are solicited for the newsletter. Please send to your editors!**
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- *Don't forget Big Bend MGs in your will. Have a lasting effect on MGs and BBMGs!*

COMING EVENTS

Oct 12-14 BBMGs Rendezvous 2007 An MG All Models Event

REGISTRATION FORM page 3, print & bring with you to Rendezvous 2007!

- Oct. 20, 07 **British Car Classic**, St. Augustine, Fla., hosted by MG Classics, Info at www.mgclassics.org & page 6. Print the form and bring it with you to a fun show!
- Oct. 27, 07 **23rd Annual British Car Day**, Historic Patriot's Point, Mt. Pleasant, SC. Information (843) 696-0910 or www.charlestonbritishcarclub.com. Host Hotel is Hampton Inn 1-800-Hampton or www.charlestonisleofpalmsuites.hamptoninn.com
- Nov. 17-18 **Harvest Antique Automobile Show** - At the Miami-Dade County Fair and Expo Center, 107 Ave. & Coral Way (SW 24 St.) Cars displayed indoors & 24 hour security. Corey Gold, show chairman 305-598-1456 or cdgold49@bellsouth.net
- Apr. 11-13, 08 **GOF-S**, Silver Springs, Fla., hosted by SunCoast Classic MG Club, Info at www.britishcarclub.net
- Nov. 7-9, 08 **JAMBOREE 16**, St. Petersburg, Fla., hosted by FSMGCC. Info at www.fsmgcc.????

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66 TR4a PARTS: Parting out the remains: windshield frame with glass, complete front and rear ends (wire wheels), drive shaft, steering column, front valance, gas tank, right inner fender, rear deck (the thing the gas tank pops out of), convertible frame, two seats, and radiator. No reasonable offer will be refused. jp@boutinbrown.com

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Rafael's AutoWorks - ASE Certified, 850-212-3689

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to contributors to this months *TALLY HO:*
Bill Thompson & MGCCQ
Where are the other BBMGs contributors?

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**BBMGs
Southern
Hospitality!**