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# Tally Ho



## Join us at our Club Meeting:

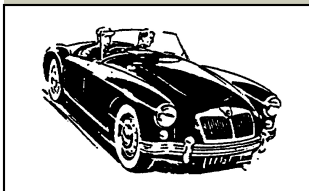
Meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month, starting at 6:30pm, at the Killlearn Country Club.

Occasionally, breakfast meetings are held at the Country Club.

Next month's meeting is July 16, 2005, 9:00am, at the Killlearn Country Club.

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## Prime Minister's Message

By Bud Nocera

June promises a lot of activity for the Big Bend MG Club. Our regular June meeting will be at 6:30 PM at Killlearn Country Club. The next group tour will be on June 25, with a drive organized by Bill Thompson to see the stage play of Huckleberry Finn in Colquitt, GA. Colquitt is about an hour and a half up U.S. 27 from Tallahassee. On the drive we will be passing through the metropolises of Havana, Attapulcus and Boykin. However we will not go as far as Damascus (GA), nor will we get to Hopeful (GA). And certainly we will not

be seeing Lucille (GA) this excursion.

The play is produced by the ensemble cast Colquitt County residents known as Swamp Gravy, named after the original play they staged in the old cotton gin building in Colquitt. The old cotton gin is now transformed into a proper theater and Swamp Gravy is now nationally recognized for their excellent performances and original plays about life in the South. The play *Huckleberry Finn* is, of course, the Mark Twain tale of a boy as he heads down the Mississippi River to escape the "civilizin', Christianizin' influences of proper folk". It promises earthy wisdom, down-home humor, biting social satire and a new musical score featuring guitars, fiddles, and banjos.

If we get enough club members to go we can get the group ticket price of \$20 per person. We will leave in the late morning and stop for lunch en-route, possibly in Havana. Bill will need to know if you are attending by the 15<sup>th</sup>.

Soon Raphael will be holding another tech session, this time in his new, improved quarters which will be across Capital Circle from his old digs. Date and time will be dependent on how soon he can move into the new location. Speaking of Raphael's move, we Big Bend MG members have the opportunity to help Raphael. Sometime in June, on a Saturday morning, he will need our help to move all the bits, pieces and equipment across the street. Hopefully we can all pitch in and work for a few hours that Saturday. Raphael will notify us by email when moving day will take place.

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## Minutes of Meeting

### Big Bend MG Club Minutes

The May 10th meeting of BBMG club was called to order at 6:30 by Rafael Gonzalez. The treasurer's report was read and accepted. Old business: The club is still considering a new meeting place. Members are urged to do a little research for a new facility. Peter Koenig gave us an update on the TR4A and hopefully it will back on the road soon! It was also suggested that the treasurer's report be posted on the club's website. New business: The next tech-session at Rafael's will be postponed till he gets settled into his new location. Bill Thompson will guide a driving tour to Colquitt, Ga. on June 25th. J.P. & Wanda brought home 3rd in class at the Pensacola show. Mike Miller passed around some pictures from the Sebring show. Don Schmidt and Tom Phares entertained us with stories from the MGA excursion to Key West. Mark Renneker and Nancy Ayotte each won a doorprize of a nifty MG watch. Marilyn Hamrick won & split the pot of \$19 with the club. The meeting then adjourned for dinner.

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The “you-know-what” season is upon us again. This is a good time to take a look at your Little British Car’s insurance policy and perhaps make a call to both your antique auto insurance company and your homeowner’s insurance company. Do you have enough damage coverage to protect your investment should that storm-spawned tornado take your car to Oz? Indeed, is your LBC covered for flooding and storm damage? Would the antique car insurance company and your homeowner’s insurance company put you into a tug of war over who pays for the damage? Better to know now who will cover what, and how much will be paid, should the worst happen to your wire-wheeled investment.

Let’s all get to the June meeting! See you on the 14<sup>th</sup>!

Best regards,  
Bud Nocera  
Prime Minister

**Tech Tips from the Little British Car Company**

[www.lbcarco.com](http://www.lbcarco.com)

**MGB Seat foam replacement**

This Tech Tip is from Rod Nichols.

Most B owners I have talked to that have replaced seat foams and diaphragms are finding they have been elevated to new heights! If you find yourself in the same dilemma, here's a solution:

Cut a checkerboard pattern in the bottom of the seat foam, using an electric carving knife. Make the cuts were about an inch and a half deep, and spaced 1 to 1/2 inches apart, then pull out every other square. This will allow more "compression" of the foam, as it allows it to 'spread'. This was only done in the rear part of the seat foam (under yer buttocks) and gives excellent support to the thighs. The trick is, save the pieces and you can replace them if you go too far.

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#### 2005 Meetings At A Glance

June 14, 2005 - Killearn Country Club Dinner Meeting, 6:30pm  
July 16, 2005 - Killearn Country Club Breakfast Meeting, 9:00am  
August 9, 2005 - Killearn Country Club Dinner Meeting, 6:30pm  
September 13, 2005 - Killearn Country Club Dinner Meeting, 6:30pm  
October 15, 2005 - Killearn Country Club Breakfast Meeting, 9:00am  
November 8, 2005 - Killearn Country Club Dinner Meeting, 6:30pm  
December 13, 2005 - Killearn Country Club Dinner Meeting, 6:30pm

#### **Remember:**

Dues for the year have increased to \$25 and were due by the end of January. If you have not paid yet, please Mail a check (payable to Big Bend MG's) to Wanda Brown, 1981 Charlais St., Tallahassee, FL 32317.

If you have paid the original \$15, please send the balance of \$10 to the above address.

## Welcome to the Big Bend Mgs Club

The purpose of the Big Bend MGs club is to encourage the members in the acquisition, preservation, restoration, exhibition, and use of the MG automobile.

We're on the Web!

See us at:

[www.bigbendmgs.com](http://www.bigbendmgs.com)



## Upcoming Events – British Car Clubs

**June 25, 2005**

Planned: a day road trip to Colquitt, Ga. on Saturday June 25th to see the 2 pm play of "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" at the Colquitt Miller Arts Theatre. We will leave at 10 am from the Burger King Restaurant on North US 27, just past the truck route, and drive to Colquitt for lunch. Members who are interested in going must purchase their own tickets by calling 229-758-5450 and ordering by phone. It's advised that this be done right away due to the plays selling out. Their web site is [www.swampgravy.com](http://www.swampgravy.com) for further information. This will be announced again at the June meeting.

**October 6-9, 2005**

Location: Hiawassee, GA. 100 miles north of Atlanta near the NC state line All MGs welcome. Registration is Thursday and Friday. Car show on Saturday with banquet and entertainment on Saturday night. Many self guided tours and rallies in the North Georgia Mountains. Please contact Wayne Stewart for details: 770-992-2498. Ellis Carlton, Publicity Chmn. 770-457-4561. E-Mail addresses: [callelaine@mindspring.com](mailto:callelaine@mindspring.com) (or) [calineel@aol.com](mailto:calineel@aol.com) Bud Nocera will plan a special scenic mountain leaf peeping tour for Big Bend MG Club members who go on this long weekend trip, including a lunch stop at his home in the mountains near Ranger, NC.



Do you know what kind of car this is?

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