

# The Timing Light

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## BEHIND THE WINDSCREEN

Thanks to Ian O'Shea for recommending the Ft. Oglethorpe show on August 20th. It was hot, but we had a good time. Talking to people about their cars and learning some of the little quirks is most interesting. Ask Anthony why he has an extra fan belt strapped inside the engine compartment of his TR6. Met several people who were interested in the SBCC. One guy owned a 1961 Metropolitan and a couple that had a MGBGT damaged in the April storms. Everyone that attended received a trophy. Those in attendance were; Gil DuPre and Marge in his 1962 MGA, Ian O'Shea and Michelle in his 1954 MG TF, Anthony Henderson in his 1974 TR6, Sam Rymer in his 1979 MGB, and me in the '64 MGB. Vaughn Robinson drove his 1988 Alfa Romeo with Junior Collins. They also won a trophy in their class. I hope everyone got home OK. Sam and I were dodging rain drops on Hwy 11 going home.

The drive on August 27th should be a great trip to Little River Canyon. I hope a lot of members can make the trip, several have indicated they are going and it should be a great time. We will meet at the Race Way store on the corner of 25th and Broad at 9AM, Saturday, August 27th. If you can not drive you LBC then come in whatever will run. We want to enjoy you company.

The publicity in the newspaper was great. Not sure we can get that kind of coverage every week, but we might get some interest and new members form that article.

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## MINUTES OF MEETING

8-8-11

Southern British Car Club

7:30 PM, Golden Corral, Gunbarrel Rd, Chattanooga, TN

Present: Mike and Teresa Flood, Karen and Ron Johnson, Charlie and Karen Jones, Doug Forquer, Jim Poteet, Ian O'Shea, Gene McNeill, Rex Wheeler, Charles and Perky Long, Jim Landress, Anthony Henderson, David Wright, Sam Rymer, Bob Bratton, Robert and Diana Smith, Barbara Dempsy, Gil DuPre, Marge Dennis, Barry K. Snyder

Mike opened meeting.

Minutes accepted per Newsletter.

Treasurer Report made by Teresa Flood. On File.

Membership Chair says we have one new member.

### Old Business

Manchester Trip, July 16 had 20 people go.

Motion passed to remove the verbage in the first by-law changes. This will be published in the Newsletter, and voted on at Oct meeting.

Cost for the SBCC show are going up, but we will not raise out fees for the show.

### New Business

Mike talked about the interview of some members published in Paper.

Discussion on finding another site to meet.

Aug 20<sup>th</sup>, Car Show in Gad to benefit St. Jude's. We will meet at 8:30 AM at the Texaco (corrected to Shell Station) I 75 exit 350, Hwy 2A GA.

Aug 27- Little River Canyon

Sept 11<sup>th</sup>-Hixson Flight Museum

Sept-11- Joe Wheeler, AL

Sept 25 Pre-show drive

Nov 4 SBCC Show at Choo Choo

Minutes by David Wright

## Member Childhood Pic-

Last month's childhood picture was of Gil DuPre wandering around his neighborhood on a tricycle. Rumors that his parents moved away before he could find his way back home, three times, are thought to be untrue.

This month's childhood picture was made on Christmas Day 1942 and attest to the fact that this kid has now definitely attained "geezer" status.

The icicles on the tree are a hint as to his native land as they yell out tinsel town.

The kind of kid that would park his brand new tricycle in the corner and then begin to disassemble it and clean the parts would indicate this was a budding car collector in the family.

We could speculate that the fellows pajamas actually had built in socks and a bunny tail with a cute hood with floppy ears lying in a nearby chair.

The hair might give you a hint to his present identity as he still has more than his share, although it has changed color, but now that might be a "bottle" job.

If you have a childhood picture associated with your early years of mobility please send to [<mcneille@bellsouth.net>](mailto:mcnelle@bellsouth.net).



CHANGES TO THE SBCC BYLAWS TO AVOID POSSIBLE LEGAL ACTION WERE NOTED BY DAVID WRIGHT AT THE AUGUST 8 MEETING. THE CHANGE WOULD BE TO LEAVE OUT THE RED PORTION OF ARTICLE II AND III OF PAGE 1. AS PUBLISHED BELOW. THIS NOTICE WILL APPEAR IN THE NEWS LETTER FOR TWO MONTHS AND WILL BE VOTED ON IN THE OCTOBER MEETING.

## SOUTHERN BRITISH CAR CLUB OF CHATTANOOGA

### BYLAWS

DRAFT

05/12/11

#### ARTICLE 1 – NAME

SECTION 1. The name of the organization shall be: Southern British Car Club of Greater Chattanooga.  
Hereafter referred to in these by-laws as: SBCC

#### ARTICLE II – DEFINITION

SECTION 1. The SBCC is an organization created for the preservation and enjoyment of all British made cars **and enable the safe and lawful driving of all automobiles.**

#### ARTICLE III – PURPOSE

The SBCC is a regional organization dedicated to the maintenance, preservation, and enjoyment of all British automobiles. It supports the active use of these cars and encourages the exchange of technical, historical, and social information through the pages of its monthly newsletter, The Timing Light, annual car show, **charitable contributions**, and other SBCC activities.



**PHOTOS FROM THE AUGUST 20 CAR SHOW AT LAKEVIEW FT OGLETHORPE  
HIGH SCHOOL FOR BENEFIT OF ST. JUDES HOSPITAL.**







15th Annual  
Brits of the Shoals  
**Joe Wheeler Lodge & State Park**  
Rogersville, AL (800) 544-5639 event 1154

Sponsored by the  
**Shoals British Car Club — Florence, AL**

Join us at our lakeside location for the whole family.  
Picnic, beach, fishing, pool, and golfing facilities available.

**Friday Sept 9:** Pre-registration/picture taking — 4:00-6:00 pm  
Pool side—Grilling Hamburgers/Hot Dogs — 6:30 pm

**Saturday Sept 10:** Registration/picture taking — 9:00-10:30 AM  
Viewing and judging until 1:00pm  
Funkhana begins at 2:00pm — Cash Prizes  
Awards Banquet 7:00pm

*Featured Marque will be the Spitfire*

# Sept 9-10, 2011 British Car Show



[www.ShoalsBritishCars.org](http://www.ShoalsBritishCars.org)

Contact: Jean Mammen - PO Box 1058 - Florence, AL 35631 (256) 767-2032





Attach your check or money order and return to:  
**Shoals British Car Club**  
**P.O. Box 1058**  
**Florence, AL 35631**

# 2011

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ (How to appear on Name Tag)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (additional Name Tag)

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your British Club - Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fees are \$20 for the first registered prior to Sep 5<sup>th</sup> 2011, \$25 per entry after Sep 5<sup>th</sup> . \$10 for each additional entry.

**Entries:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Make:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Color:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Model:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Year:** \_\_\_\_\_

**2<sup>nd</sup> Make:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Color:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Model:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Year:** \_\_\_\_\_

(For more than 2 entries, attach a separate sheet)

**Total Registration Fees:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For Club Use Only	
Show Class	Photo ID
_____	_____
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**Friday - 4-6 pm – Preregistration & Picture taking** No Charge

6:30pm - **Poolside Hospitality:** \_\_\_ x \$8 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Buffet - Grilled Hamburgers/Hot Dogs

**Saturday – 9am-1pm – Showing & Voting** -----

2pm - **Funkhana** No Charge

7pm - **Awards Banquet:** \_\_\_\_\_ x \$25 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Fees Enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In consideration of the right and privilege to enter and participate in this event, I agree to release and hold harmless the Shoals British Car Club, its officers, members, Joe Wheeler State Park, and the City of Rogersville from any and all liabilities for injuries, damages or loss arising from my entry, attendance or participation, and traveling to and from this event. I also certify that the entry(ies) offered for registration is covered by liability insurance at least equal to the minimum requirement of the state in which the vehicle(s) are licensed and/or registered.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Contact Information

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The Foundry Park Inn & Spa  
 Official Host Hotel  
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 Athens, GA 30601  
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 www.foundryparkinn.com

Caroline Carlton  
 Registrar SE Fall GOF MK XVI  
 2009 Afond Court  
 Chamblee, GA 30341  
 770-457-4561

Dear Fellow MG Enthusiast,

The Southeastern MG T Register is hosting the sixteenth biannual Southeastern Fall Gathering of the Faithful on October 14, 15, and 16, 2011. The theme "Classic Cars, Classic City" will be a 1950's blast from the past and center around the fun of owning and driving our vintage cars.

Located in the heart of Athens, our host hotel, The Foundry Park Inn, is a beautiful historic hotel with on site restaurants and spa. Situated on an ideal location in Athens just blocks from downtown, guests can venture easily to shops and restaurants or take advantage of the stellar food and beverage options on site in the historic Hoyt House. **Please call the hotel directly toll free at (866) 928-4367 to reserve your room at the discounted GOF rate of \$112 per night. This discounted price is only valid until Sept. 14, 2011. You may also make reservations on their website at [www.foundryparkinn.com](http://www.foundryparkinn.com). Select the dates on the calendar, click on the group tab, and enter the group code SO1014 into the box.**

**Register for Event before 9/14/2011 to be entered in a drawing for one free hotel night!**

***Classic Cars...** Let's dust off those MGs and get them out in public! Join us for an impromptu car show at the drive in, or a more formal showing Saturday morning. Whatever your pleasure, we've got it covered.*

***Classic events...** Remember the days of picnics, group drives, and the crazy fun of the "Funkana"? We're bringing back these events, along with the popular Valve Cover Races. If you've never driven the obstacles of a funkana or watched someone else drive them, you're missing out! And for those who miss their "pine wood derby" days, the Valve Cover Races are like derby cars on steroids! We also haven't forgotten to include a lazy drive to a beautiful park and picnic site for those who like the open road and a relaxing lunch.*

***Classic Fun...** Whether your idea of fun is relaxing in the open air hospitality room, joining a spur of the moment hula hoop contest, or listening to live music at the Melting Point, you won't be disappointed. The 2011 GOF will be a blast from the past*

### Tentative Schedule of Events

#### **Friday, Oct. 14th**

- Registration 1:00-6:30
- Hospitality 1:00-6:30
- Drive In Car Show 7:00-dark
- 1st Timers Show 7:00-8:00

#### **Saturday, Oct. 15th**

- Registration 8:00-12:00
- Hospitality 8:00-12:00, 3:00-5:00
- Car show 9:00-12:00
- Micro Tech Sessions
- Group drive & picnic 12:15-2:00
- Scenic Tour of Athens 2:00-3:30
- Funkana 3:00-5:00
- Valve Cover Races 4:00-4:30
- Awards Banquet & Auction 6:00-9:00

#### **Sunday, Oct. 16th**

- Hospitality Breakfast 8:00-10:00

**Sorry, no refunds after September 14th, 2011**





## Southeastern Fall Gathering of the Faithful

Foundry Park Inn, Athens, Georgia

October 14-16, 2011

*Please see page 2 for hotel reservation information*

### OFFICE USE ONLY

Date rec'd:

Check #:

Name:	Spouse/guest:
Address:	Additional Guest:
City, State, Zip	Club Affiliation:
Phone	Email:

1st MG: Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

2nd MG: Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

**Registrations received prior to 9/14/2011 will be entered in a drawing for one free hotel night!**

Registration and Hospitality Pass:	\$35 for 1 person, \$40 for 2.....	\$ _____
Registration and Pass w/o car	\$10 for 1 person, \$15 for 2.....	X _____ \$ _____
Additional Hospitality Pass:	\$5 per person.....	X _____ \$ _____
Saturday Lunch at Watson Mill:	\$14 per person, offsite.....	X _____ \$ _____
Saturday Banquet:	\$35 per person.....	X _____ \$ _____
	\$10 per child 12 and under.....	X _____ \$ _____

**Guaranteed banquet and box lunch tickets must be reserved by October 5th, 2011**

Men's Crew neck T-Shirt	\$15 per.....	X _____ \$ _____
	S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2X _____	
Ladies V neck T-Shirt	\$15 per.....	X _____ \$ _____
	S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____	
		Total Due \$ _____

**Please make checks payable to SEMGTR  
Mail to Caroline Carlton, 2009 Afond Court, Chamblee, GA 30341-1803**

## 2011 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### AUGUST

Aug 27- Little River Canyon

### SEPTEMBER-

Sept 11<sup>th</sup>-Hixson Flight Museum

Sept 9-10, 2011 Annual Car Show , Joe Wheeler State Park Shoals British Car Club, Florence, AL - [www.shoalsbritishcars.org](http://www.shoalsbritishcars.org)

Sept 25 Pre-show drive

### OCTOBER

OCTOBER 8-9 Nashville British car Show <http://www.nashvillebritishcarclub.org/CarShowInfo>

October 8 **BRITZ BITZ BRITISH CAR AND MOTOR CYCLE** Put on by the Georgia Triumph Association at Sequoyah Highschool, Canton Ga. <http://www.gatriumph.com/>

OCTOBER 14- 16 Southeastern MGT Fall GOF MKXV, ATHENS GA. [WWW.semgt.gof@gmail.com](mailto:WWW.semgt.gof@gmail.com)

### NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 4-6 SBCC CHATTANOOGA AT THE CHOO CHOO CAR SHOW DETAILS LATER

## AUTO JUMBLE ADS

### For Sale:

#### BRITISH CAR PARTS

Little British Car Co, Ltd. / Vintage Motors,

Ltd.29311 Aranel, Farmington Hills, MI  
48334-2815

MGA: Bumpers- Complete set front and rear with [over rider's](#) need re-chroming free, Bonnet \$300, Left door \$200 Paul Batovsky 423-344-5713

FOR SALE 1973 MG B VIN  
GHN5UD298790G

Runs very well. Wire wheels, overdrive transmission, nice seats, top, and Carpet. Very little sign of rust. Shabby paint job looks good from a distance. Asking \$4000. Car is in Rugby TN. ERICAVI@HIGHLAND.NET

1961 MGA Roadster 1800 engine needs TLC  
Call Don Hammer for details. 865-494-7713

### For Sale:

Refurbished 1974 MG Midget. 69,910 original miles and 2 owners from new.

Still have the original window sticker. The following has been completed

- new paint (original color bracken)
  - rebuilt original engine
  - new suspension/brakes/etc
  - new minilite wheels and tires
  - new top
  - original interior with new carpet and some new panels (seats original)
  - bumpers, not shown, go with Midget.
- also have hardtop as an option if interested. In process of being restored.

For pricing and any questions please call or email [spridget@charter.net](mailto:spridget@charter.net) or 865-599-4305

Thank you  
Jim Watson

## Minor Classics

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## INTERESTING WEB SITES

1. [www.heritage-motor-center.co.uk](http://www.heritage-motor-center.co.uk)

This is a very interesting web sight for all British Cars and if you are interested in getting factory information

2. [www.namgar.com](http://www.namgar.com) North American MGA Registry

4. [www.birminghambmc.org](http://www.birminghambmc.org) Birmingham British Car Club

5. [www.6-pack.org](http://www.6-pack.org) TR6/TR250 Register

6. [www.namgbr.org](http://www.namgbr.org) North American MGB Register

7. [www.aaca.org](http://www.aaca.org) Antique Automobile Club of America

8. [www.mmoc.org.uk](http://www.mmoc.org.uk) Morris Minor Owners Club

9. [www.morrisregister.co.uk](http://www.morrisregister.co.uk) Morris Register (for prewar

Morris motorcars)

10. [www.ragtops.com](http://www.ragtops.com) Ragtops and Roadsters

11. [www.fbccs.org](http://www.fbccs.org) Foothills British Car Club in Greenville, SC

12. [www.britishcarclubmidlandscentre.com](http://www.britishcarclubmidlandscentre.com)  
Columbia,, SC British car club

## SUPPORTED CLUB AFFILIATES



## North American MGB Register

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Members receive MGA! Magazine, the bimonthly magazine devoted exclusively to the enjoyment, care, and preservation of the MGA, Magnette and Variants; and an annual Get-Together in various locations in the U.S.A. and Canada.



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# MONTHLY MEETING

SECOND MONDAY OF MONTH  
6:30 PM

NEXT MEETING

SEPTEMBER 12 , 2011

AT

GOLDEN CORRAL

ON

GUNBARREL ROAD