

BSMGAC MEMBERS GATHER IN GRAFTON, MA FOR TECH SESSION

The weather this spring of 2011 in New England has been more typical of what we might imagine spring in Old England might be like, cool and damp! True to form, Sunday May 15 dawned dry but the sky and the forecast did not look promising. But it wasn't enough to keep eight hardy members in five MGs from an opportunity to get their cars on a lift for a little maintenance. Hey, we even signed up a new member during the event so that makes nine in my book.

We met at John's garage in North Grafton at nine a.m. prepared to enjoy a feast, a Box of Joe and the best donuts in town. John was there with his MK II. Jack pulled in with his 1600 followed by Bernie in his MGB LE. Scott showed up sans MGA (a 1500 in progress) just before Judy made the corner with Ira as a passenger in her MGB. Carl drove his other car and Larry got the distance award arriving in his Yellow A all the way from southern Maine. Still no Rain.

The shop has two lifts so we were able to pump out our work in good time. Judy got her oil changed on one side while Larry had a rebuilt dizzy along with a Pertronix unit and coil installed in his still evolving Yellow MGA. It was a bit of a head scratcher trying to understand why Larry's new distributor did not line up in terms of firing order and position of the vacuum advance. Turns out the drive on the bottom of the unit was 180 out AND the drive gear in the block was off by about 45 degrees. It felt good to get it all fixed correctly. Bernie then brought in his B for some attention to its brakes.

By now it was after noon and pouring. Larry had no windows on his car and figured less water would come in his car if he was moving (how'd that work out for you Lar) so he left for Maine. Carl and new member Tom headed home too while the rest of us walked to a nearby pub for some well deserved lunch.

Given the weather we had a fine turnout, the company was the best and, oh yeah, we picked up a new member ta boot!

Keep 'em going,
John Hall

