

## Bay State MGA Club Annual Meeting 2012 Report

The BSMGAC met on Sunday, February 12th at the home of Steve and Laura Fabrizio. It was a cold and windy day, so, even though it was bright sunshine and the roads were clear, I did not drive my MGA to the meeting (just too cold!) It was 50 degrees just two days before and I was hopeful that I would drive it, but I just could not bring myself to do it. It has been a very mild winter with little snow, so, there have been opportunities to get the cars out and some of the members mentioned that they had their cars on the road from time to time. I am planning to take mine out today as it is going to be almost 50 degrees again and it is Valentine's day. The club members started arriving around 1:00 pm and we had a pot-luck snack and caught up with what everyone had been doing. There were some members I had not seen it quite a long time, so, it was great catching up. The meeting was called to order at 2:12 pm and we had a report on membership and treasurer. Our membership is down, but we have enough money. We discussed some things we could do to increase membership as well as to get members who have not renewed back to the club. We are open to any ideas, so, please feel free to contact the club at [bsmgac@bsmgac.org](mailto:bsmgac@bsmgac.org) . There is also a nice cover letter and membership form on the web site (<http://www.bsmgac.org>) that can be printed out and left on windshields of prospective members. Dues remain a bargain at \$20 which includes the subscription to the British Marque Car Club News (<http://www.britishmarque.com/britishmarque/index.cfm>).

One of the items brought up is the need for a new Web master. Lynn Fueling has been maintaining our web site and member database for many years (and doing a great job!), but he has indicated it is time for him to step down. If you are interested in taking over from him, please let me know. I will be contacting him to discuss the various responsibilities.

The next item of discussion is the election of officers. Before I could even ask for nominations it was proposed to keep the current executives, so, here is our current officers:

President: Fred (Jack) Horner

Vice President: Dick Fabrizio

Treasurer/Membership: Judy Pruitt

NAMGAR Rep: Larry Mazoway

We had a lengthy discussion about past events and the events for 2012. Some of these are not official BSMGAC events, but members may wish to participate

April 5th: Drive Your MGA Day, USA. There is no planned event, but perhaps some will want to get together for this

April: TBD another "dust off the car and drive" event

May: Tech Session TBD

June 3rd: British Cars by the Sea, CT

June 24th: British Car Day, MoT, Brookline, MA  
July : TBD: MGA Club Summer Picnic and Driving event at Steve and Laura Fabrizio's, Franklin, MA (with an invite to the MG T Party)  
July 9-13: NAMGAR GT-37 in Dayton, OH  
August: TBD: British Cars of NH Show of Dreams, Wolfboro, NH  
August 18th: MG Car Day at the MoT, Brookline, MA  
September 14-16: British Invasion, Stowe, VT  
September driving tour: TBD, suggestions: winery tour, Please let me know if you have other ideas.  
October 14: Invite from MG T Party to MS Mt. Washington Fall Foliage Cruise on Lake Winnepesaukee, Weir's Beach, NH

We ended the meeting at 4:15 pm and then enjoyed more time talking about MGs. Steve and Laura had made some great chili and, so, we enjoyed that before we headed back home. It was great to see Dave Holbrook again and discuss his issue with sinking carburetor floats. He thinks it was a result of the Ethanol fuel eating the solder, so, if anyone has more information about that, perhaps we can discuss it at the tech session. Carl Berg was present as well sporting a new shirt with the club logo on it, (some of us had our old shirts which the club used to sell); now, members can order their regalia from Pro Stitch of Cape Code (see the club web site).

I hope to see all of you at our various club functions this year. Please feel free to email me ([fredmhorner@gmail.com](mailto:fredmhorner@gmail.com)) if you have any questions about the events or if you have a proposal for something new. Also, if you have technical questions or need a used part, please ask.

Safety Fast

Jack Horner