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ON THE COVER: A composite photo shows the best of both worlds to be found at MG2023, "MGs in the Foothills." In the background are Cauldron Peak and Mount Patterson at Peto Lake. In the foreground is downtown Calgary, as seen from Tom Campbell's Hill, overlooking Princess Island Park. | *Photo illustration by Charles E. de Bourbon*

On the cover, lower left: Jim Herbert's MGB-GT on Highway 762 during the Calgary MG Car Club's annual highway cleanup project. **Lower right:** When MG2020 was cancelled because of COVID-19, club members gathered for their own event at Stanley Park in Calgary.

Club photos by Duncan MacFarlane © exposure404photography



MG2023 Convention Chairman Andy Hardie in his 1969 MGC-GT along the Elbow River near Bragg Creek. one of the four stops on our Ice Cream Drive. See Page 13

INUKSHUK

Guiding you at MG2023 with safety, hope and friendship

An Inukshuk (*'i-NOOK-shook*) is a human-shaped arrangement of stones balanced carefully on top of each other without the benefit of cement to hold them together.

They were traditionally used by the Indigenous people of Northern Canada, Alaska and Greenland — **the Inuit** — as directional markers. There are both large and small Inukshuk, all built with different shapes and sizes of rocks and stones, making each one unique.

The word comes from two base words in the Inuit language: *inuk* referring to a person, and *shuk* meaning substitute.

These stone sculptures were important as a point of reference for navigation, as a marker for hunting grounds, to denote a food cache, and to mark sacred places.

Everything looks the same covered in snow, so the Inukshuk were visible when the ground was covered. They could endure extreme weather and ultimately helped people survive. The skill of building an Inukshuk was passed down from one generation to the next, with each one having a specific purpose and meaning.

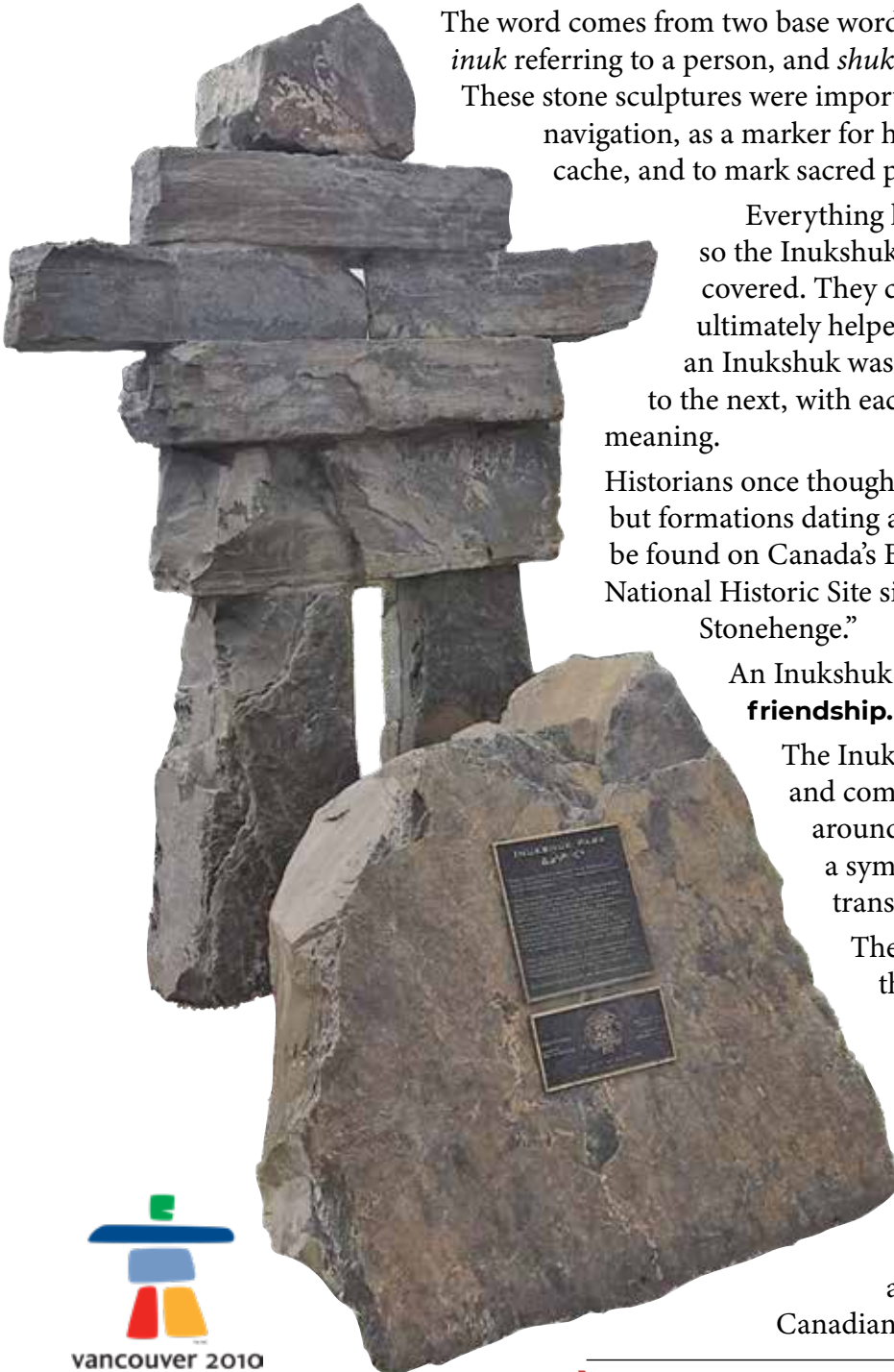
Historians once thought Inukshuks were relatively modern, but formations dating as far back as 2400 – 1800 B.C. can be found on Canada's Baffin Island, a site that has been a National Historic Site since 1969 and has the nickname "Arctic Stonehenge."

An Inukshuk **signifies safety, hope and friendship.**

The Inukshuk mirrors the spirit of friendship and community that Canadians are known for around the world. Inukshuks have become a symbol of hope and friendship that transcends borders.

They were the inspiration for the logo of the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver, British Columbia (*lower left*). The Canadian Embassy in Washington, D.C., boasts a large Inukshuk.

And so — just as an Inukshuk does — the Calgary MG Car Club plans to help travellers to MG2023 navigate their way around our city and province, showcasing our truly Canadian values of friendship and community.



→ **VISIT PRESTWICK 'INUKSHUK' PARK**, just 10 minutes from the hotel, at 799 Prestwick Circle SE, Calgary. See *directions* on Page 15.



WELCOME FROM YOUR HOST CLUB

calgarymgclub.org

Hi Everyone!

Welcome to MG2023, an event that brings together MG marque enthusiasts from all over North America — and the UK. It is with great pleasure and excitement that the **CALGARY MG CAR CLUB** welcomes you to our great city of Calgary, Alberta.

MG2023 serves as a platform for the exchange of knowledge, the forging of new friendships and a whole lot of fun, and it represents a gathering of owners, enthusiasts and technical experts.

This is the first time that NAMGBR's premier MG event will be held in Calgary — and only the sixth time in all of Canada!

With its vibrant energy and entrepreneurial spirit, Calgary is the perfect backdrop for such an extraordinary gathering. Nestled in the stunning foothills of the Canadian Rockies, this city has a long history of fostering friendships, volunteerism and a “get 'er done” attitude. As we gather here, we are reminded of the rich legacy that this city holds, from the original Indigenous peoples to the early settlers and ranchers to the development of the petroleum industry, to the booming tech sector that now holds such promise in our city, province and country.

Over the course of the next few days, MG2023 will provide a diverse range of engaging sessions, thought-provoking presentations, interactive tech sessions, fun events every day, great drives in the surrounding countryside, a car show at Heritage Park and a windup banquet.

I would like to express my deepest gratitude to our leads, Andy Hardie and John Towler, as well as thanks to all of our committee members (See Page 26-27), sponsors, and volunteers who have worked tirelessly to bring MG2023 to fruition. Without their dedication and unwavering commitment, this gathering would not have been possible.

To all the participants, I encourage you to make the most of this exceptional opportunity. Make new friends, learn about our little British cars and absorb the wealth of knowledge that surrounds you.

But most of all — have fun.

Once again, welcome to MG2023 here in Calgary. May these days be filled with fun, friendship and information.

Thank you.

** The Calgary MG Car Club logo features Alberta's floral emblem, the wild rose, which you will see almost everywhere in the province, brightening the countryside with flashes of pink.*

Duncan MacFarlane
President | Calgary MG Car Club



MAYORAL WELCOME



Mayor Jyoti Gondek

A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR GONDEK

On behalf of my City Council colleagues and all Calgarians, welcome to all MG motorists attending MG2023!

Our city is proud to host this incredible convention for the first time, bringing together MG enthusiasts from across North America and the UK to share their passion for the MG British style of motoring and to preserve the MG marque.

2023 also marks the 100th anniversary of the first MG automobile ever produced and a century later, the MG brand and lifestyle continue to excite.

This conference promises to be exhilarating, with a packed agenda of day trips and good conversations with friends. For those visiting Calgary, I hope you take the opportunity to explore everything our city has to offer, from our incredible outdoor spaces to the wonderful dining and notable arts and culture experiences.

My deepest appreciation to the Calgary MG Car Club for sharing your time and energy to make this event a success. Your hard work and hospitality have paved the road for a memorable MGs in the Foothills.

Have a wonderful time!

Sincerely,

Jyoti Gondek
Mayor of Calgary





July 2023

The Executive Board of the North American MGB Register (NAMGBR) would like to welcome members and guests to MG2023. This is our 31st annual international convention — The first one was held in Toronto in 1992. (*Read the history of NAMGBR on Page 32.*)

The North American MGB Register along with our local partners the Calgary MG Car Club, have worked long and hard to put this event together.

In fact, planning started back in 2018 and our Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held here in 2019. The COVID-19 pandemic delayed our plans by a few years — MG2020 was cancelled, and rescheduling in Calgary was delayed due to previous commitments for the 2021 all-MG meet in Atlantic City and MG2022 in Peterborough, Ontario, last year.

But we are thrilled to be back in Alberta. We have many fun things planned to make this a most enjoyable MG experience.

While attending the convention, remember when attending the welcome reception on Monday evening, take time to stop by the NAMGBR table and say hello to the officers and coordinators. Many of us will be available during the week in Registration.

If you have any questions or comments concerning the Register, we would love to hear from you. Our club is member-driven, and your comments help us to improve.

Also please take a moment and thank the many presenters and local volunteers for helping make this convention the great event I know it will be. There is nothing like hearing from the participants what a great time they are having.

So, again, welcome! Meet old friends, make new ones and have a safe, enjoyable time.

Safety Fast!

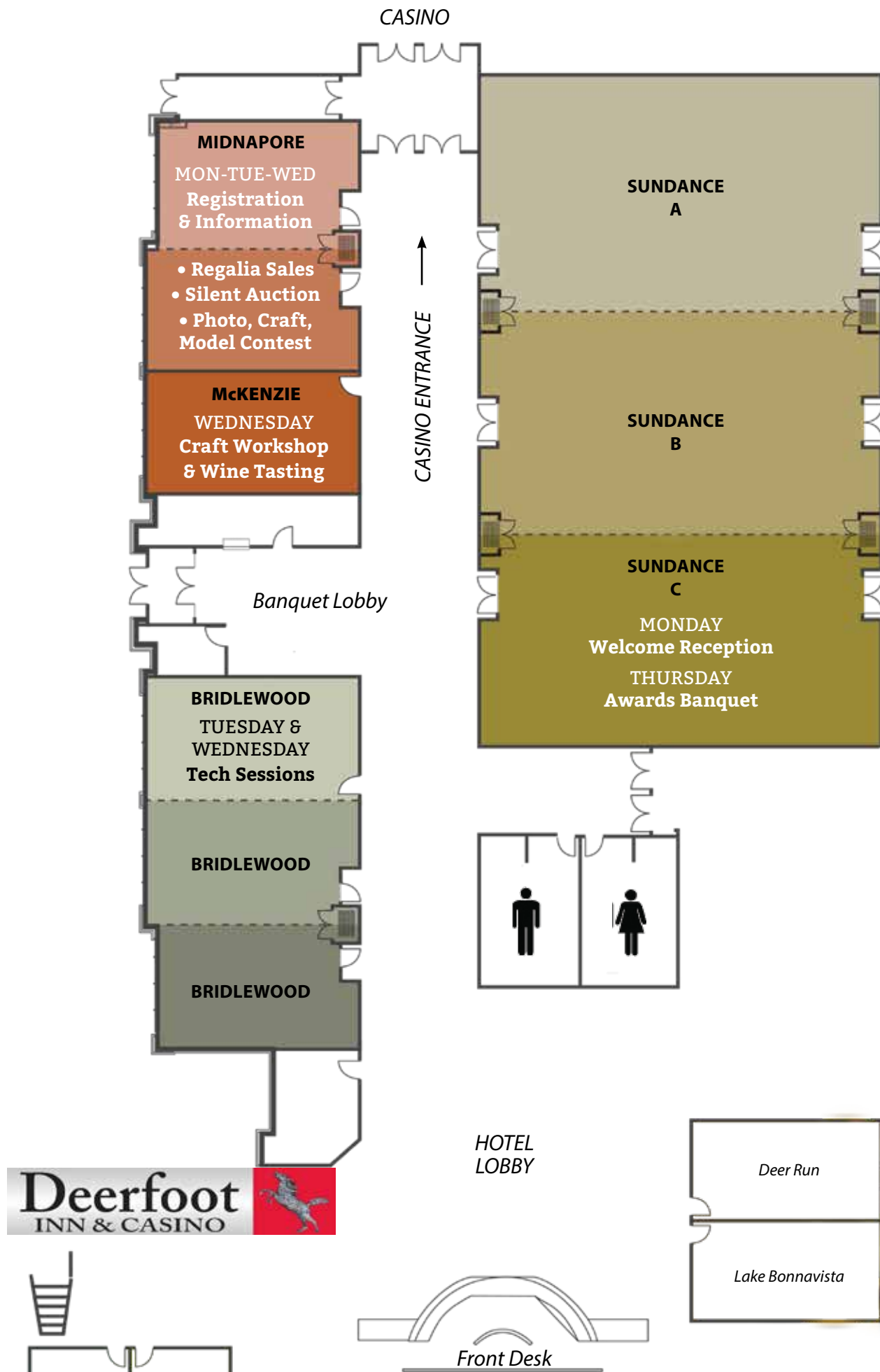
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Larry Norton | Chairman
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Robert Rushing | Editor, *The MG Driver*

MG2023 EVENTS AT A GLANCE

17 MONDAY	18 TUESDAY	19 WEDNESDAY	20 THURSDAY
	<p>8:30 am-5 pm Midnapore Room REGISTRATION, AUCTION etc.</p> <p>8:30 am-4:30 pm Bus departs front of hotel Memorable Guided BUS TOUR OF CALGARY * Inc. PaSu Farm lunch, shopping</p>	<p>8:30 am-5 pm Midnapore Room REGISTRATION, AUCTION etc.</p> <p>8 am-5:30 pm Bus departs front of hotel BANFF BUS TOUR * All-day trip to one of Canada's most scenic areas of the Rockies</p>	 <p>Heritage Park Historical Village 1900 Heritage Dr. SW Calgary 20 min from hotel</p>
<p>1-5 pm Midnapore Room • REGISTRATION & EVENT INFORMATION • SILENT AUCTION • PHOTO, CRAFT & MODEL CONTESTS • REGALIA SALES</p>	<p>8:30 am-4:30 pm GUIDED DRIVING TOUR Royal Tyrrell Museum & Dinosaur Valley **</p> <p>9 am-4:30 pm GUIDED DRIVING TOUR Highwood Pass **</p> <p>9 am-1 pm GUIDED TOUR Bomber Command Museum of Canada**</p> <p>9-10 am • Bridlewood TECH David Yager 'FROM MIRACLE TO MENACE'</p> <p>10:30-11:30 am • Bridlewood TECH John Towler A WHEEL STUD STUDY</p> <p>1-2 pm • Bridlewood TECH John Stevenson/Rich McKie EVOLUTION OF MODERN MGs</p> <p>1-5 pm GUIDED TOUR Bomber Command Museum of Canada **</p> <p>Any time LOCAL DRIVES & TOURS Get a copy of directions at Registration</p> <p>5:30-6:30 pm MEET 'N' GREET RECEPTION Open to all • Cash bar Ranchman's 9615 Macleod Trail S, Calgary</p>	<p>9-10 am • Bridlewood TECH Ralph Zbarsky LBL 591 E SEBRING GT</p> <p>9-11:30 am McKenzie Room Trish Harrison CRAFTS WORKSHOP * Build an Inukshuk & Card Making</p> <p>9:30 am-2:30 pm Hotel parking lot John Twist ROLLING TECH SESSION</p> <p>Any time LOCAL DRIVES & TOURS Get a copy of directions at Registration</p> <p>1-3:30 pm McKenzie Room Chef Scott Harison WINE TASTING & FOOD PAIRING *</p> <p>1-2 pm • Bridlewood TECH Jim Miller 3-D PRINTING PARTS</p> <p>2:30-3:30 pm • Bridlewood Room TECH Mike Connolley MODERN MGs</p> <p>4 pm Silent Auction Ends Midnapore Room</p>	<p>8 am-3 pm A DAY AT HERITAGE PARK Historical Village & Heritage Plaza Attractions, exhibits, shops, historical tours, rides, fun park</p> <p>NOTE: Whether attending the show or spending the day at the park, you must arrive before 9:30 am with MG2023 name badge, for free admission to the park.</p>  <p>9 am-3 pm MG2023 CAR SHOW "MGs in the Foothills" Noon Rocker Cover Races Visit Gasoline Alley Museum before 5 pm</p>
<p>ALL EVENTS at Deerfoot Inn & Casino, unless otherwise noted. <i>Event / tour details Pages 8-15</i> <i>Room map, Page 7</i> <i>Area map, Page 9</i></p> <p>ALL BUSES DEPART FROM THE FRONT OF THE HOTEL</p> <p>EVENT KEY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tech Sessions Bus & Guided Tours Self-Guided Tours 'Co-Driver' Activities Open events (cash bar) Dinners <p>PAID EVENTS * TICKET or WRISTBAND REQUIRED ** DRIVING TOUR FEES COLLECTED AT LOCATION <i>Check at Registration for paid event availability</i></p>			<p>Rest and refresh!</p> <p>6-7 pm NATTER 'N' NOGGIN RECEPTION Sundance Lobby Open to all Cash bar</p> <p>7-8:30 pm MG2023 AWARDS BANQUET * Sundance Ballroom Turner Valley Banquet Buffet</p>
<p>7-8:30 pm WELCOME & FIRST-TIMERS RECEPTION Sundance Ballroom Open to all Light snacks & cash bar</p>	<p>6:30-8:30 pm MEET 'N' GREET DINNER * Ranchman's 9615 Macleod Trail S, Calgary 20 min drive from hotel</p>	<p>DINNER ON YOUR OWN Explore fine restaurants in the Calgary area</p>	<p>8:30-9:30 pm Sundance Ballroom MG2023 AWARDS CEREMONY Open to all to participate in the presentations</p>



GENERAL INFORMATION

Registration & Event Information

Deerfoot Inn & Casino • Midnapore Room
Mon 1-5 pm | Tue 8:30 am-5 pm | Wed 8:30 am-5 pm

The Registration Desk is staffed during the day Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Have a question? Ask here. Pick up directions for self-guided drives and info about things to do in the Calgary area. Ask about paid activity availability. See the board to post FOR SALE or WANTED notes.

■ **Photo, Craft & Model Contest** | Entries are on display in the Midnapore Room during Registration hours. Vote for these MG-related creative efforts on the ballot in your packet.

■ **Silent Auction** | Check out the goodies for sale to the highest bidder in the Midnapore Room during Registration hours. Write down your bid (*Canadian \$*), then return to see if you've been outbid. **Auction closes Wednesday at 4 p.m.**, when top bidders will be revealed.

Note: Auction winners must collect items at this time.

Local or event help

■ **Azim Bhatia** | 403 651 1533

■ **Jim Herbert** | 403 819 3330

Deerfoot Inn & Casino | www.deerfootinn.com

Dining | *Mohave Grill*, family restaurant, Sun-Thu 7 am-9 pm, Fri-Sat 7 am-10 pm • *Cactus Lounge*, Mon-Thu 4 pm-midnight, Fri-Sat 4 pm-2 am • *Wild Horse Pub*, 9:30 am-2 am • *Wild Horse Cafe* ("grab and go") 9:30 am-2 am. • **Waterpark** | 7 am-midnight •

Fitness centre | 24/7 • **Casino** | Slots, table games. Senior Day specials Tuesday and Thursday.

Car wash

A car washing station is located in the south parking lot near the southeast corner of the Deerfoot Inn.

Local British car shops

■ **Auto-Mann** | 4528 Manilla Rd. SE, Calgary | 403-243-9556 | www.auto-mann.ca

■ **SCP Automotive** | 5508 4th St SE, Calgary | 403-640-4411 | www.scpautomotive.ca

Health care

■ **Alberta Health Services • South Health Campus** | 4448 Front St SE, Calgary
Full-service provincial hospital with 24/7 emergency services.

■ **MCI • The Doctor's Office** | 4701 130 Ave. SE, Calgary (130th and Deerfoot Trail SE)
Walk-in clinic | 9 am - 7 pm | 403-451-7407

The MG2023 Car Show & A Day at Heritage Park

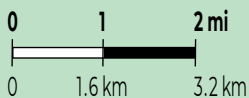
Heritage Park Historical Village | www.heritagepark.ca

The MG2023 car show will be staged Thursday at Heritage Park, located about 20 minutes northwest of the Deerfoot Inn, **from 8 am to 3 pm**. This 127-acre historical park offers many attractions, with shops, bakeries, a landmark hotel, ice cream parlor, heritage homes with interpreters, paddle wheeler boat and train rides. And don't miss the Gasoline Alley Museum. *See Pages 16-17 for Heritage Park map with location of show field and guide to attractions.*

➔ **IMPORTANT NOTE:** On Thursday you must enter the park **before 9:30 a.m.**, wearing your **MG2023 name badge**, for free admission. This applies to those entering the park for the car show AND those going to enjoy the park for the day.

ALSO: Cars will be restricted from leaving the park **until the end of the show at 3 p.m.**

➔ **DON'T FORGET** to bring your windshield card to the show. **Don't forget** to bring your ballot book. *We suggest you put them in your car now, so you don't forget.*



MG2023 EVENTS

→ **NOTE:** Sign-up for many of these events was required in advance at the time of MG2023 registration, and **some events may be sold out.** Information provided here is for the benefit of those registered to attend.

If you haven't signed up yet and are interested, check on availability at Registration.

You may also find tickets on the "FOR SALE / WANTED" board at Registration

NOTE: Tech Session schedule and descriptions Pages 14-17.

MONDAY 17

OPEN EVENT | WELCOME & FIRST-TIMERS RECEPTION

7–8:30 pm Sundance Ballroom

All are welcome to this free opening night social event, which especially welcomes those attending a North American MGB Register convention for the first time. This is also a chance to catch up with friends, or make new ones. *Light snacks and cash bar.*

TUESDAY 18

GUIDED DRIVE | Royal Tyrrell Museum / Dinosaur Valley | www.tyrrellmuseum.com

8:30 am–4:30 pm | **Advance sign-up required • CAD \$21 adult | \$14 senior, collected on location**

Round trip 300 km / 186 mi. (3–4 hrs)



If you find rocks, bones and very ancient history interesting, this guided drive will take you through lush farmland to an enormous gash in the Earth's crust at the Drumheller Badlands, also known as Dinosaur Valley. Also a visit to the Royal Tyrrell Museum of Palaeontology, where the fabulous displays will make your jaw drop.

Limited to two groups of 12 cars.

Fuel, snacks and restrooms en route.

Memorable Guided CALGARY BUS TRIP & LUNCH | www.visitcalgary.com

8:30 am–4:30 pm | **Wristband and lunch ticket required • CAD \$65 / US \$50**

- 8:30 am Bus pick-up at Deerfoot Inn
- 8:50 am Prestwick Inukshuk Park
- 9:15 am Spruce Meadows Equestrian Facility
- 10:05 am Scotsman's Hill • Olympic Plaza • City Hall including original, built in 1911
Bow Tower and *Wonderland* sculpture, a 12-metre (39-ft.) mesh head
Palliser Hotel | 110 years old, recently renovated
Calgary Tower | 191 metres (626-ft.) tall
Chinatown • Crescent Heights Lookout
- Noon Lunch at PaSu Farm Restaurant: Soup, salad, beef or ham sandwich or quiche lorraine.
- 1:30 pm Cross Iron Mills shopping excursion (*Drawing for \$100 gift card.*)
- 4:30 pm Return to Deerfoot Inn



GUIDED DRIVE | **Highwood Pass Loop** | www.thecowboytrail.com

9 am–4:30 pm | **Advance sign-up required • CAD \$15 per car for Kananaskis Conservation Pass**

→ **Pass MUST be purchased in advance online at conservationpass.alberta.ca/kcp**

Round trip 327 km / 203 mi. (4 hrs plus lunch)

Highwood Pass, at an elevation of 2,217 metres (7,273 ft) it is the highest paved road in Canada, providing a fantastic opportunity for viewing the Canadian Rockies. Drive on to Longview and stop for a late lunch on your own. *Small groups. Fuel, snacks and restrooms available.*

GUIDED DRIVE & TOUR | **Bomber Command Museum**

www.bombercommandmuseum.ca | **Advance sign-up required • CAD \$13 per person**

9 am–1 pm • Morning tour | 1 pm–5 pm • Afternoon tour

Round trip 148 km/92 mi. (1 hr 20 min)

Private tour of the 1946 De Havilland Mosquito restoration project and the Bomber Command Museum. Volunteers are restoring the aircraft to its peacetime specification for arial reconnaissance and mapping. The museum also houses a fully restored Avro Lancaster Bomber and other WWII artifacts. **Note:** *The museum is closed to the public on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, so do not plan to go there on your own on those days. It is open Thursday through Monday.*



TUESDAY NIGHT MEET 'n' GREET | Ranchman's, 9615 Macleod Trail S, Calgary

About a 20-minute drive from the hotel | ranchmans.ca

5:30 pm Open Event | **Meet-n-Greet Reception • Cash bar • All welcome**

6:30–8:30 pm **Meet-n-Greet Dinner Wristband required • CAD \$38 / US \$30**

Beef on a Bun (plated, not buffet) at Ranchman's, an old-time saloon with great food and entertainment, including western line dancing and a mechanical bull to ride like a rodeo cowboy. Vegetarian burger available on request. Dinner price includes one soft drink. *Cash bar.*

WEDNESDAY 19

BUS TOUR | BANFF NATIONAL PARK | parks.canada.ca/pn-np/ab/banff

8 am–5:30 pm | **Wristband required • CAD \$106 / US \$80 each**

All-day bus trip to Banff National Park, located in the Rockies about 90 minutes west of Calgary, following the Bow River Valley via Lake Minnewanka. Banff was founded with the completion of the transcontinental Canadian Pacific Railway in 1867, and the national park was Canada's first. The town is surrounded by stunning mountain scenery, and filled with great shopping and restaurants, and home to the famous Banff Springs Hotel and hot springs. Ride the gondola to the top of Sulphur Mountain for views of the town and the Bow River Valley before heading back to Calgary.

CRAFTS WORKSHOP

9–11:30 am | McKenzie Room | **Ticket required • CAD \$20 / US \$15**

Trish Harrison of the Calgary MG Car Club will lead a class in making small stone Inukshuks, distinctive Inuit markers that signify safety, hope and friendship. A session on creating greeting cards follows, using skills that may be used in scrapbooking and stamping. *Limited to 30 people.*



WINE TASTING

1–3:30 pm | McKenzie Room | **Ticket required • CAD \$38 / US \$30**

Chef Scott Harrison presents a flight of five wines for your tasting and comparing pleasure, followed by a discussion of how to pair your choice of wine with food. *Limited to 30 people.*

THURSDAY 20



CO-DRIVERS DAY AT HERITAGE PARK | www.heritagepark.ca

8 am–3 pm | Heritage Park Historical Village, 1900 Heritage Park SW, Calgary

Co-drivers will want to ride along to the site of the MG2023 car show at a 127-acre historical park filled with things to do all day. Shops, bakery, historical hotel and restaurant, ice cream parlor, heritage homes with costumed interpreters. Ride the paddle wheeler on Glenmore Reservoir, ride the steam engine train, visit Gasoline Alley Museum, and enjoy the midway.

→ **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Admission is **FREE** for those wearing an **MG2023 name badge** and entering the park **before 9:30 am**. This applies to those entering the park for the car show **AND** those going to enjoy the park for the day.

→ **SEE MAP** on Pages 16-17, which shows all the attractions and car show location.

MG2023 CAR SHOW AT HERITAGE PARK

8 am–3 pm | Heritage Park Historical Village, 1900 Heritage Park SW | Fairgrounds, Celebration Field
Rocker cover races at noon | *See race rules and show classes, Pages 24-25*

→ **IMPORTANT NOTE:** On Thursday you must enter the park **before 9:30 a.m.**, wearing your **MG2023 name badge**, for free admission. This applies to those entering the park for the car show **AND** those going to enjoy the park for the day. **Bring your dash card and ballot book.**

ALSO: Cars will be restricted from leaving the park **until the end of the show at 3 p.m.**



WHILE AT THE SHOW...

Gasoline Alley Museum at Heritage Park

www.heritagepark.ca/exhibits/gasoline-alley-museum

10 am–5 pm | Heritage Plaza, south of MG2023 show field

One of the best automobile collections in Canada is located at Heritage Park, the site of the MG2023 car show. The three-story museum brings to life auto history from the turn of the 20th century to the 1950s. In addition

to cars, it features Canada's largest collection of restored gas pumps, as well as vintage petroliana.

Entry is free once you're in the park — so if you're interested, head down there during the show.

OPEN EVENT | NATTER 'N' NOGGIN RECEPTION

6–7 pm | Deerfoot Inn & Casino, Sundance Ballroom Lobby

Pre-banquet cocktail hour **open to all**. *Cash bar.*

MG2023 BANQUET

7–8:30 pm Sundance Ballroom | **Wristband required • CAD \$72 / US \$55**

The Turner Valley Dinner Banquet Buffet features salads with choice of dressings. Slow-roasted round of beef au jus and roast chicken with red wine, bacon, pearl onion and mushroom sauce. Potatoes and fresh seasonal vegetables. For dessert, fresh sliced fruits and berries, mini pastries, brownies and squares, assorted cakes, tortes and mousses.

OPEN EVENT | 2023 AWARDS CEREMONY

8:30–9:30 pm Sundance Ballroom

Open to all after the dinner service to participate in the presentations. *Cash bar.*

Awards from the MG2023 show will be presented, as well as a few other surprises.



SELF-GUIDED DRIVES AND TOURS

Calgary is on the doorstep of Banff National Park, and Alberta is home to a number of other UNESCO World Heritage sites. **Pick up directions at Registration** for any of these self-guided drives, all starting at and returning to the Deerfoot Inn. Note: All admission prices are in Canadian dollars, and may be subject to tax (GST).

The Ultimate Ice Cream Run

Roundtrip 182 km / 113 mi (2½ hours . . . Plus stops!)

Calgary MG Car Club members have an exceptional affinity for ice cream, also known as “Vitamin X.” We therefore had to include one longer drive to four of the best ice cream parlours in the area. The route also includes some really good scenery to enjoy between helpings of ice cream. If four ice cream stops are too much, consider singling one out for a shorter run. But, hey! There is no such thing as too much ice cream. Correct?



Day Trips and Longer Drives

NOTE: All of these drives should be considered full-day trips

■ **Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump** | Secondary Highway 785, Fort MacLeod

www.headsmashedin.ca

Roundtrip 330 km / 205 mi (3 hr 15 min) | **CAD \$15 adult, \$13 senior**

This UNESCO World Heritage Site provides insight to the Plains Buffalo culture. Here Indigenous hunters drove buffalo over a cliff and into wooden corrals below, where others butchered the kill.

■ **Waterton Lakes National Park** | parks.canada.ca/pn-np/ab/waterton

Roundtrip 498 km / 309 mi (5 hr 15 min) | **National Park Fee CAD \$10.50 adult, \$9 senior**

The prairies of Alberta meet the peaks of the Rocky Mountains, with clear lakes, thundering waterfalls, rainbow-coloured streams, colourful rocks and mountain vistas. Across the U.S. border is Glacier National Park in Montana. Together they form Waterton/Glacier International Peace Park.

■ **Frank Slide** | Hwy 3 Crowsnest Pass, Blairmore | www.frankslide.ca

Roundtrip 404 km / 251 mi (4 hrs) approx. | **CAD \$15 adult, \$11 senior**

Site of the deadliest landslide in Canadian history at Crowsnest Pass. Visit the Frank Slide Interpretive Centre to learn what happened on April 29, 1903, when Turtle Mountain fell, and the impact on coal mining and the town of Frank.

■ **Columbia Icefield and Icefield Parkway** | www.travelalberta.com/listings/columbia-icefield-1999

Roundtrip 774 km / 481 mi (8 hrs) | **National Park Fee CAD \$10.50 adult, \$9 senior**

The largest icefield in the Canadian Rockies, draped over the continental divide on a high plateau along the Alberta-B.C. border. Access within Banff National Park, so national park fees apply. Commercial viewing options available: Athabasca Glacier Tours or Columbia Icefield Skywalk.

Shorter Drives in Southern Alberta

■ **Eau Claire Distillery** | 113 Sunset Blvd SW, Turner Valley | eauclairedistillery.ca

Roundtrip 122 km / 76 mi (1 hr 35 min)

Local craft distillery featuring whiskeys and gins from local grain and plants. Tastings daily. If open, the “Prohibition Experience” speakeasy next door at the Alberta Temperance and Moral Reform League Office is worth a visit. Close by is “Hell’s Half Acre,” the region’s first gas wells. Best to visit in the afternoon.



■ **Okotoks Erratic** (The Big Rock) – Highway 7, Black Diamond
www.alberta.ca/okotoks-erratic-big-rock.aspx

Roundtrip 74 km / 46 mi (54 min) | **Free**

Largest glacially deposited rock anywhere in the world. A free and quick stop on Highway 7, which can be done as a side trip on the way back from Eau Claire or other locations.



■ **Bar U Ranch National Historic Site** | Township Rd 17B & Township Rd 17A, Longview
parks.canada.ca/lhn-nhs/ab/baru | **CAD \$12.50 adult, \$10.75 senior**

Roundtrip 173 km / 108 mi (1 hr 45 min)

A working ranch preserved to show how it was done, this National Historic Site has attracted visitors to the Alberta ranching experience for years.



■ **Eamon's Garage** | 64137 Hwy 543 East, High River
www.highrivergarage.com/eamons-garage


Roundtrip 88 km / 54 mi (1 hr 15 min) | **Admission by donation**

This restored garage was the last gas stop on the way to Banff from Calgary many years ago. They could grind you a valve there, they have the tools.

■ **Leighton Art Centre** | 282027 144 St W, Millarville | www.leightoncentre.org
 Roundtrip 68 km / 42 mi (1 hr 18 min) | **CAD \$10/car recommended donation**

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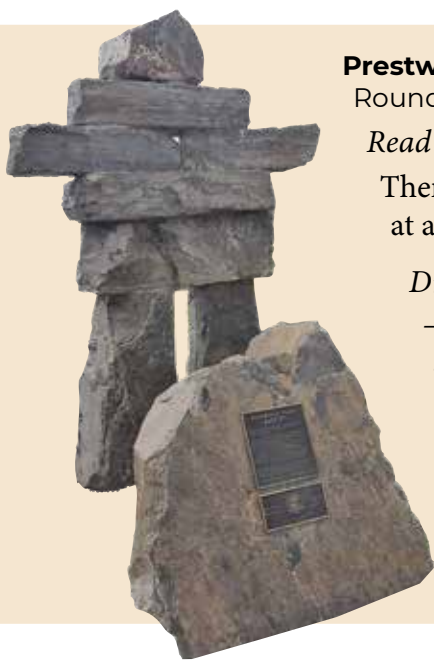
Tour some of Calgary and see the city while you are here. See locations on map, Page 9.

■ **Spruce Meadows** | 18011 Spruce Meadows Way SW, Calgary
www.sprucemeadows.com | **Free to visit and tour**
Roundtrip 32 km / 20 mi (30 min)

World-class equestrian facility, host to top-level international show jumping and dressage competitions. The best route out of town south of Calgary goes past here, worth a stop.

■ **Hangar Flight Museum** | 4629 McCall Way NE, Calgary | www.thehangarmuseum.ca
Roundtrip 49 km / 30.5 mi (48 min) | **CAD \$15 adult, \$11 senior**

Learn about western Canada's aviation history at this hidden gem near the airport which brings aviation history to life.



■ **Prestwick Inukshuk Park** | 799 Prestwick Circle SE, Calgary
Roundtrip 11.6 km / 7 mi | **Free**

Read all about Inukshuks on Page 2.

Then take a short drive to see four of these remarkable solid stone markers at a free public park just 10 minutes south of the Deerfoot Inn & Casino.

Driving directions:

- Take Deerfoot Trail South to McKenzie Towne Boulevard SE.
- At traffic circle take the 4th exit onto Prestwick Blvd SE.
- Left onto Prestwick Dr. SE.
- At the church, immediate turn right onto Prestwick Street SE.
- Turn left onto Prestwick Circle SE, and drive down this street to Prestwick Inukshuk Park.

■ **Calgary Zoo** | 210 St. George's Drive NE, Calgary | www.calgaryzoo.com
Roundtrip 36 km / 22 mi (38 min) | **CAD \$34.95 adult, \$32.95 senior**

A favourite family destination, the zoo is internationally recognized for animal care and habitat design practices and for its Wildlife Conservation Centre. And this summer only, the zoo gardens are home to 10 larger-than-life topiary-like sculptures, or "WildScapes."



■ **Fort Calgary** | 750 9 Ave SE, Calgary
www.fortcalgary.com
Roundtrip 33 km / 20.5 mi (35 min) | **CAD \$10 adult, \$7 senior**

The reconstruction of Fort Calgary, on the site of the original structure at the confluence of the Bow and Elbow rivers, provides a history of Calgary from all points of view.

■ **The Military Museums** | 4520 Crowchild Trail SW, Calgary | www.themilitarymuseums.ca
33 km / 20.5 mi (40 min) | **CAD \$15 adult, \$5 senior**

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Town Centre



- 19 Montefiore Institute (Synagogue) ~ 1916
- 20 Prince House ~ 1894
- 21 Sandstone House ~ 1891
- 22 Vulcan Ice Cream Parlour & Rotary Historical Hall ~ 1910
- 23 Claresholm General Store ~ 1905

- 24 Botsford Harness Shop & Antique Portraits ~ 1906
- 25 Gledhill's Drugstore ~ 1908
- 26 Wainwright Hotel & Bar Room ~ 1907
- 27 Shepard Station
- 28 Atlas Lumber Yard & Office ~ 1901
- 29 Traders Bank of Munson & Masonic Lodge ~ 1912
- 30 Wing Chong Laundry ~ 1906
- 31 Club Café

The Fairgrounds



- 1 Kinsmen Playground
- 2 Conklin Lakeview Amusements
- 3 Midway Treatery
- 4 Chautauqua Tent
- 5 Celebration Tent
- 6 Didsbury Bandstand ~ 1910
- 7 Eugene Coste Park

Natural Resources Area



- 8 Warden's Cabin ~ 1931
- 9 Dingman No. 1 Discovery Well
- 10 Road Construction Equipment Barn ~ 1931
- 11 Narrow Gauge Railway ~ 1902 & 1909
- 12 Coal Mine & Waterwheel
- 13 Coal Mine Office ~ 1885
- 14 Prospector's Tent
- 15 Innovation Crossing
- 16 Bruderheim Windmill ~ 1920

Heritage Crossing

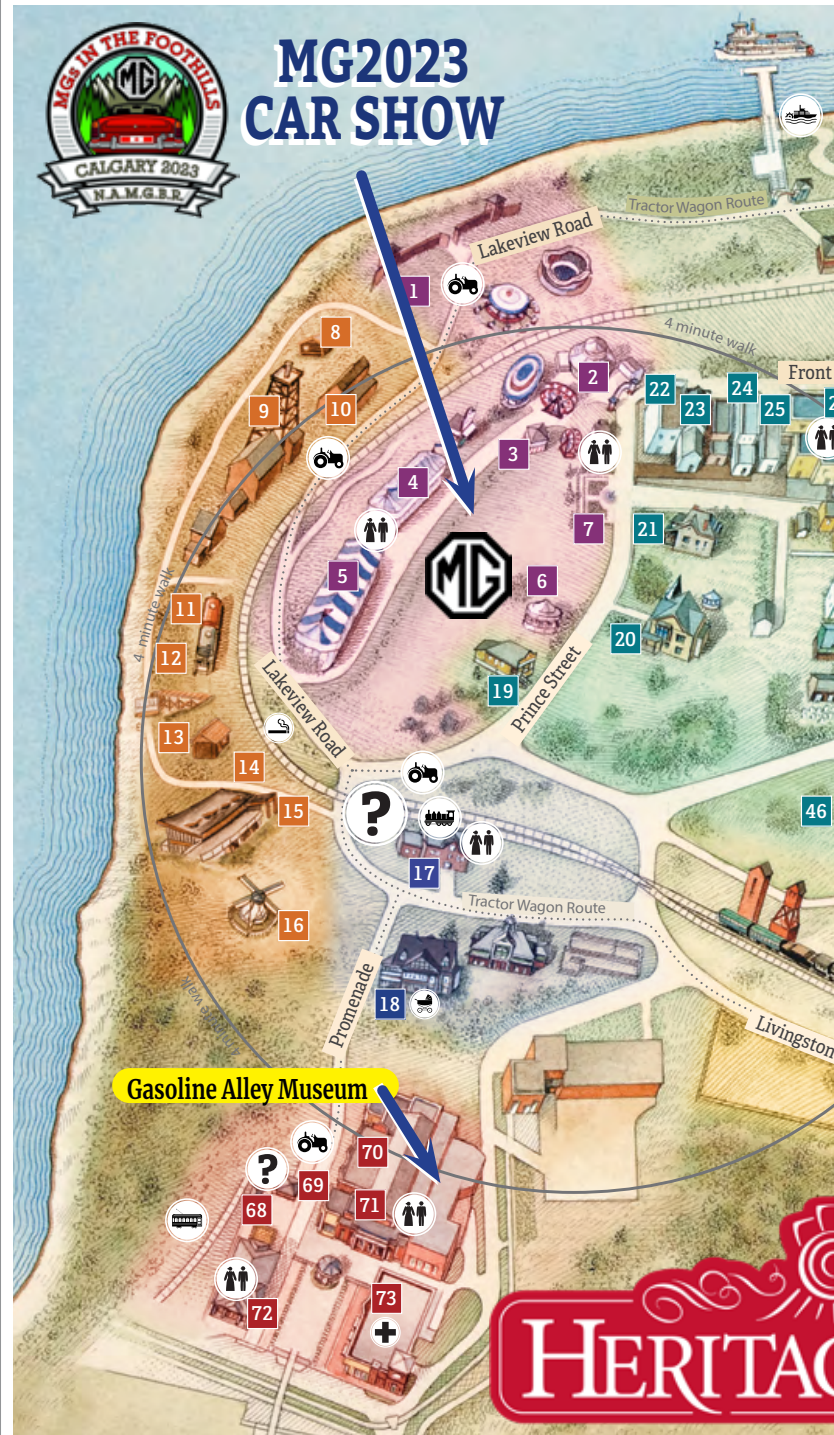


- 17 Midnapore Station
- 18 Famous 5 Centre of Canadian Women

Heritage Plaza



- 68 Enmax Electric Streetcar System
- 69 Admissions & Membership Sales
- 70 Gasoline Alley Museum
- 71 The Selkirk
- 72 Canadian Pacific Railway Station/
Railway Café
- 73 Haskayne Mercantile Block Gift Shops



Guest Amenities



Washroom



Information



First Aid



Wheelchair
Accessible



Infant
Care














Smoking
Area



Access
Shuttle

- 32 Flett's Blacksmith Shop ~ 1904  
- 33 Nanton Livery & Veterinary Practice ~ 1905  
- 34 Calgary Town Hall ~ 1885     
- 35 Post Office & Telephone Exchange ~ 1908  
- 36 Alberta Bakery ~ 1912  
- 37 Barons Snooker Parlour ~ 1910 
- 38 Thorpe House ~ 1886 
- 39 Strathmore & Bow Valley Standard ~ 1909  

- 40 Airdrie House ~ 1906 
- 41 Weedon School ~ 1910   
- 42 Rectory ~ 1899 
- 43 St. Martin's Anglican Church ~ 1896  
- 44 Banff RNWMP Barracks ~ 1887 
- 45 Cottage Hospital ~ 1907 
- 46 Canmore Opera House ~ 1898  



The Rail Yard



- 47 Railway Roundhouse  
- 48 Railway Car Shop 
- 49 Shonts Grain Elevator ~ 1909 

Agriculture Area



- 50 Gunn's Dairy Barn   
- 51 Burnside Ranch House ~ 1904  
- 52 Heritage Education Centre / Burns' Barn 
- 53 Rodeo Grounds
- 54 Nightingale Colony House ~ 1909 
- 55 Bowell Station  
- 56 Laggan Station  







The Settlement



- 57 Our Lady of Peace Mission ~ 1875  
- 58 Hudson's Bay Company Fur Trading Fort ~ 1860  
- 59 First Nations Encampment 
- 60 Mackay Cabin ~ 1884 
- 61 Wolffe & McVittie Cabin ~ 1882 
- 62 Gleichen Schoolhouse ~ 1888 
- 63 Berry Creek NW Mounted Police Barracks ~ 1903 
- 64 Millarville Rancher's Hall ~ 1903
- 65 Drew's Saloon & Stopping House ~ 1886 
- 66 Livingston House ~ 1883 
- 67 I.G. Baker & Co. Store ~ 1874   

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-  Restaurant
-  Café
-  Beverages
-  Shopping

Exhibit

-  Exhibit

TUESDAY TECH SESSIONS

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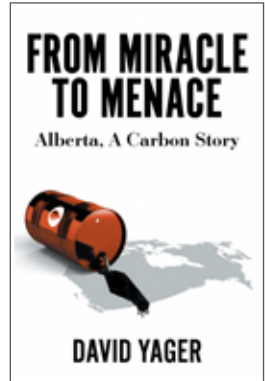
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‘From Miracle to Menace’

TUESDAY 9-10 am • Bridlewood Room

Hear Alberta’s carbon story, with a focus on its oil sands

David Yager will discuss his book — “From Miracle to Menace: Alberta, A Carbon Story” — which analyzes how climate change, carbon politics and global energy demand have impacted the province and the future of Alberta’s – and Canada’s – most important resource industry.



ABOUT THE SPEAKER: David Yager is a semi-retired oil service executive and entrepreneur. Since 1970 he has worked in multiple oil service segments, and from 1987 to 2012 was a founder, senior officer and director of three publicly traded oil service companies.

Through Yager Management Ltd., he consults as an executive finance and management advisor to oil service companies as well as presenting oil and gas industry overviews and trends to companies and industry organizations.

He was the national leader of oil services for the MNP LLP, a large business consultancy, from 2012 to 2016. He is current acting CEO of a wellbore methane mitigation technology company.

David has been active in business journalism and energy policy analysis since 1979, and has written many energy policy position papers for oil service trade association. He is a regular commentator about the industry in newspapers, magazines, TV and radio.

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JOHN TOWLER



A Wheel Stud Study

TUESDAY 10:30-11:30 am • Bridlewood Room

This session will focus on wheel stud failure and the underlying reasons for it.

John will present the results of an investigation he did into a wheel loss incident experienced by a fellow MG club member, discuss the pitfalls and dangers of incorrect wheel nut tightening, and offer recommendations for the correct tightening procedures on MGs as well as on everyday cars.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER: John is a professional mechanical engineer with a background in the aerospace, power generation and oil and gas industries.

He is consulting in the field of forensic engineering, investigating failures of mechanical equipment for clients in the insurance industry and legal profession.

Since selling his first car, a 1970 Ford Escort, John has owned a variety of MGs, Triumphs and Land Rovers, and is now driving a 1997 MGF.

The Evolution of Modern MGs

TUESDAY 1-2 pm • Bridlewood Room

The talk will begin with a history of MG evolvement from 1980, when the last MG was imported to North America, to 2005, when British ownership ended. The development of the MGF and RV8 will be explained, and maintenance, parts and cost of ownership discussed, with a question-and-answer period to follow.

Note: John Stevenson will livestream his presentation, with on-site contributions from Rich McKie.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS: John Stevenson has been collecting MGs since he was a boy. His interest in modern MGs started in 1993 when he saw the new RV8 at the Scottish Motorshow, and he imported his first one from Japan in 2013. Along with MGFs and an MG TF Steptronic (automatic), RV8s and MG ZT saloons, he owns rare turbo models, a 1985 MG Montego and a 1985 MG Metro. John is a founder of the Canadian Modern MG Rover Car Club, and Post-Abingdon coordinator for the MG Car Club of Toronto.



Rich McKie bought his first MGB new in Vancouver in 1974, followed by an MGB-GT, which led to working for Wembley Motor Works. After a brief dalliance in the aircraft industry, he was hired in 1984 by MG specialists Octagon Motor Group, where he restored T-series and MGAs and maintained MGBs. He restored his own basket-case MGA twin cam and rehabilitated a barn-find MG ZB Magnette. In 2007 he bought a 1955 ZA Magnette, which he highly modified. Rich bought the first MGF in British Columbia, and then the first MGF-VVC. Now he has moved on to big modern MGs with a ZT190 saloon and a ZT-T tourer, imported from Europe. He belongs to the Canadian Modern MG Club.



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RALPH ZBARKSKY

Sebring & Mille Miglia MGB-GT LBL 591E

WEDNESDAY 9-10 am
Bridlewood Room

Ralph Zbarsky is custodian to an interesting collection of competition-spec British Motor Corporation cars, including the Abingdon Works-entered Sebring/Targa Florio 1967 MGB-GT LBL 591E.



Ralph will share the details of finding this iconic car and restoring it to its former racing glory.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER: Unlike his father, who was an award-winning scientist and researcher who shared his laboratories with three Nobel laureates, Ralph had little interest in medicine. A boyish compulsion for dismantling and reassembling mechanical and electrical devices eventually gave way to a fruitful career in the field of electrical engineering.



The 1967 MGB-GT known as LBL 591E, now owned by Ralph Zbarsky, races at the Sebring Targa Florio in 1968.

JIM MILLER | MODERN TOURING

Making MG Parts with 3D Printing

WEDNESDAY 1-2 pm • Bridlewood Room

Jim Miller, owner of Modern Touring, will share his experience manufacturing MG parts using 3D printing in a livestreamed presentation.

He will explain the different types of 3D printers and how they work, the basic process of producing a part and the software needed, the types of printing materials available, and when a 3D printed part is a good option.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER: Jim worked in the consumer goods industry for 32 years where he led the design of electrical, mechanical, manufacturing, and quality systems.

Jim purchased his 1978 MGB in 1991 and did a V8 conversion in 2000.

Modern Touring designs 3D-printed parts for the collector and sports car market, making parts for performance or comfort enhancements along with replacements for hard-to-find plastic parts.

Some of the parts he makes are sun visor anchors/clips, vent window air flow locks, seat belt slip holders, window handle extensions, seat hinge covers, and MGB-GT rear window hold-open locks.



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MGs and spectators line up for John Twist's Rolling Tech Session at MG2022 last summer in Peterborough, Ontario.

JOHN TWIST | UNIVERSITY MOTORS ONLINE

Rolling Tech Session

WEDNESDAY 9:30 am-2:30 pm
Deerfoot Inn car park

Put your MG in line for John Twist's famous "Rolling Tech Session," where he'll examine every car in turn, make observations, discuss problems and solutions, and fix what he can on the spot.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER: John began his automotive repair career in 1973. After training in England, he opened University Motors in 1975 and fixed MGs for 42 years in Grand Rapids, Michigan, John closed the shop in 2017, transitioning to University Motors Online to share his expertise through the website, in-person seminars, online videos, Zoom sessions, phone consults, and car shows.

John's experience, skills and willingness to train others are legendary in the MG community. He was inducted in the British Sports Cars Hall of Fame in 2017. In 2023, MG celebrates its 100th anniversary and John Twist celebrates 50 years as an MG mechanic.

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Technical Aspects of Modern MGs

WEDNESDAY 2:30-3:20 pm • Bridlewood Room

Lifelong MG enthusiast Mike Connolley will discuss:

- The Rover “K” Series power unit used in most modern MGs from Longbridge, and the myths and realities of this often maligned engine.
- Construction and development of the aluminum sandwich engine.
- Design issues and modifications, maintenance, reliability and performance.
- MGF and rebuild care and practicalities. ■ Selection of the correct gaskets for longevity.
- The SAIC MG “N” Series variant developments.



ABOUT THE SPEAKER: Mike is a retired fire officer from the UK who has owned and fettled a wide range of vehicles in the last 50 years. He emigrated to Canada in 2006 and started acquiring a new assortment, which led to joining the Edmonton Classic Sports Car Club and becoming friends with several members of the Calgary MG Car Club.


A couple of MGBs later, Mike bought his first MGF in Lancashire, and he imported it from the UK with a Mini and another MGF. Since that time he has acquired several more modern MGs from the UK and Japan and has become a source in Western Canada for parts, servicing and information as well as cars.

Active on the *MG Experience* forums, Mike was one of a small group who decided that Canada needed to share information and enthusiasm for modern MGs. That led to the birth of the Canadian Modern MG Car Club, whose membership extends to the UK, USA, South Africa, Australia, and Europe.


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ROCKER COVER RACES

THURSDAY Noon | At the car show

Official Rules for North American MGB Register Events

THE COURSE

- The course shall consist of a launch incline eight feet long, followed by a level run of 20 feet.
- The launch incline shall be divided into two lanes, each 18 to 24 inches wide.
The incline shall be two feet high at the rearmost part and level with the course at the front edge.
- The front edge shall be mitered so as to provide a smooth transition from the incline to the run out area.
- The official starting line shall be two feet from the rear edge of the incline.
A mechanized starting gate may be provided.
- The run out section of the course shall consist of two lanes, each three feet wide.
The lanes shall be clearly marked.
- The finish line shall be marked 20 feet from the front edge of the launch incline.

THE CARS

- The cars shall have no power source. All motive force is provided by gravity.
- Cars shall be based on an actual rocker (valve) cover from a British automobile engine.
- Wheelbase shall be no more than 24 inches.
- The car's wheelbase must fit within the starting gate and the ramp's rear-edge.
- The car's body may hang over the front starting gate or rear edge of the ramp, but the wheels must fit within the starting area of the track.
- Wheel track shall be no more than 14 inches.
- Cars must have four wheels, each no more than six inches in diameter and *all wheels must be in contact with the ground.*
- A car may not jettison any type of object *onto the ramp* on its descent.

THE RACES

- As practical, awards will be presented in a Junior Class (16 and under) and an Adult Class.
- Cars will be run in heats of two cars each.
- One alignment run down the course will be allowed prior to each heat.
- The cars are to be launched with their front wheels on the starting gate.
The first car to have its front wheels cross the finish line is the winner of that race.
If neither car makes it to the finish line, the car going the farthest in its lane wins.
- If the wheels of a car should touch the lane markers, or cross over the lane marker, the car shall be disqualified. The competing car immediately becomes the winner for that race.
- The car that wins two out of three races in that heat will be declared the winner and will advance to the next round, until all are eliminated except one car.

Page opposite: Calgary MG Car Club at the European Classic Car Meet last year in Stanley Park, Calgary.

THURSDAY 8 am-3 pm

Celebration Field
Heritage Park Historic Village
1900 Heritage Park SW, Calgary



→ **DON'T FORGET** to arrive before 9:30 am with your name badge on for free admission to the park

→ **DON'T FORGET** to bring the dash card for your windshield.

→ **DON'T FORGET** to bring your ballot book so you can vote.

MG2023 CAR SHOW CLASSES

North American MGB Register

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|----|--|----|---|
| 01 | MGB Mk I 1962 to 1965 (Pull Handle) | 17 | MG 1100/1300 (All Years) |
| 02 | MGB Mk I 1965 to 1967 | 18 | MGC Roadster (All Years) |
| 03 | MGB Mk II 1968 to 1969 (Chrome Grille) | 19 | MGC-GT (All Years) |
| 04 | MGB Mk II 1970 to 1972 (Recessed Grille) | 20 | MG Post Abingdon
(not MGF or MGTF) |
| 05 | MGB Mk II 1973 to 1974
(Honeycomb Grille) | 21 | Modern MG / Post Abingdon
(MGF & MGTF) |
| 06 | MGB Mk III 1974½ to 1976 | | |
| 07 | MGB Mk IV 1977 to 1978 (Early) | | |
| 08 | MGB Mk IV 1979 to 1980 (Late) | | |
| 09 | MGB LE 1979 to 1980 | | |
| 10 | MGB-GT 1965 to 1971
(Chrome Bumper, Non-Vented Dash) | | |
| 11 | MGB-GT 1972 to 1974
(Chrome Bumper, Vented Dash) | | |
| 12 | MGB-GT 1974½ (Rubber Bumper) | | |
| 13 | MGB-GT Factory V8, 1973 to 1976 | | |
| 14 | MGB Modified V-8, V-6, Etc. | | |
| 15 | Midget/Sprite 1961 to 1974
(Chrome Bumper, Square Body) | | |
| 16 | MG Midget 1975 to 1979
(Rubber Bumper) | | |

Other British classes

- | | |
|----|-----------------------------------|
| 22 | MGT & Prewar MGs – All Years |
| 23 | MGA – All Years |
| 24 | Other British – All other marques |

SPECIAL AWARDS

Selected by NAMGBR Executive Board and Coordinators

■ Spirit of Abingdon

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■ Don Hayter Award for Most Original MG

Most original-appearing NAMGBR-class MG on field

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THE CALGARY MG CAR CLUB

MG2023 Core Organization Team

Here is a brief introduction to the “core team” of people from the Calgary MG Car Club working on MG2023. There are many others who are supporting this group, and we welcome you one and all to our small corner of the world. We hope you enjoy your time here and take home fond memories of western Canada. | Safety Fast! **The MG2023 Core Team**



ANDY HARDIE | MG2023 CONVENTION CHAIR

An ex-pat Brit who emigrated to Alberta at age 19, Andy was brought up in a family that raced and rallied Minis and Austin-Healeys in England. He bought a brand-new Flame Red MG Midget in 1972, and he still has that car today, along with a 1969 MGC-GT sourced in the U.S. late in 2011. A veteran of six NAMGBR conventions starting with MG2013 in Corvallis, Andy and his wife, Donna, look forward to renewing old friendships and greeting everyone in Calgary. Andy embodies the spirit of this event and has been the inspiration and driving force for the Calgary MG Car Club core organization team for almost 10 years. You can expect to see Andy *everywhere* at MG2023.



JOHN TOWLER | MG2023 CO-CHAIR

John is a past president of CMGCC and, like Andy, is an ex-pat Brit who has been involved in the organization of MG2023 since it was MG2020. (Canceled by COVID-19, you may recall.) John recently replaced his much-loved MGB with an MGF. John has been key in several aspects of organization, from location to regalia. A semi-retired forensic engineer, John has a tech session planned that is a bit of an eye opener for MG owners.



HENRI LEFEBVRE | MG2023 FINANCIAL CHAIR

Henri came west from Quebec in the mid 1970s, and joined the Calgary MG Car Club 28 years ago when he bought his first MGB-GT. He has been our treasurer for many years. His current MGB-GT of 17 years has taken he and his wife, Nicole, to five NAMGBR conventions, beginning with 2011 in Reno, then Corvallis, Niagara Falls, Louisville, and San Diego. Note: Henri created the bases for the souvenir Inukshuks co-drivers will be building in Wednesday's Crafts Workshop.



ALF TAYLOR | MG2023 MEDIA COORDINATOR

Alf, a native Calgarian, grew up in a house that saw many British cars. His father had MGB, Daimler, TR3, several Rovers and a Jaguar during his years growing up here. He worked with British Auto Parts and Campart Distributors in Calgary early in his working life before careers with CP Rail and Calgary Transit. Long retired, he sold his 1971 MGB last year and he and Judy are now MG-less, but are still very involved with the club. Note: Our MG2023 promotional video is Alf's work.



DUNCAN MCFARLANE | REGALIA COORDINATOR

Duncan is president of Calgary MG Car Club, and is responsible for regalia for MG2023. A proud MGA owner for many years, he has been active in club events since joining. Along with MG2023 shirts, hats, pins etc., he is responsible for the most important regalia item: the beer!



AZIM BHATIA | ORGANIZATIONAL ADVISOR

Azim came to Canada from Uganda as a teenager. His love of British sports cars saw him acquire a 1973 MGB, which he still owns, as well as a 1994 MG RV8. A club member for about 30 years, he is a past CMGCC president, and now, as membership chair, he is an enthusiastic ambassador. A veteran of four NAMGBR conventions, Azim and his wife, Helen, have been key event planners, and will be active at Registration, welcoming all.



HELEN BHATIA | COORDINATOR OF OFF-SITE EVENTS

Helen has embraced Azim's love of all things MG, and has been a CMGCC club member since 2010 and club secretary for many years. She has magically become the club's Auction Mistress. She has been involved early with the team, setting up the Tuesday night social at Ranchman's and Wednesday's Mountain Tour to Banff.



JIM HERBERT | TECH SESSION COORDINATOR

Jim, a native Albertan, is another long-time MG owner. He and Linda are active participants in club events. He is also the president of the Specialty Vehicle Association of Alberta, an organization representing all collector car clubs in the province. In addition to setting up a stellar group of presenters, Jim has been involved with coordination insurance in Canada for both CMGCC and NAMGBR.



DEAN HARRISON | DRIVES COORDINATOR

Dean, born and raised in Calgary, has a background in both time-speed-distance and stage rallies from back in the 1960s and '70s. At that time, he also had a parallel desire for an MG. Twelve years ago he bought the 1968 MGC that he and Trish drive, and he has been active with the club ever since. He has compiled a variety of guided and self-guided drives for MG2023, which he hopes you enjoy.



TRISH HARRISON | CO-DRIVER EVENTS COORDINATOR

Trish's love of cars started at a young age riding in her Dad's Austin Peanut. When she recognized the Halda rally computers in Dean's car, that was it — right to the altar. It didn't matter: race, rally, pit crew, Trish was there. (Ask her about the collision with Jackie Stewart). She thanks the gang who have helped with the crafts, wine tasting and sightseeing run for co-drivers. Our show venue — Heritage Park — is due to her negotiation skills.



CHARLES CHAMPAGNE | SPONSORSHIP & VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Charles' involvement with MGs began as a teenager when he owned a 1972 MGB. After selling it, he always wanted another one. With his close friend John Stanichak, he began looking for a replacement about 10 years ago. After John's untimely passing, he and his wife, Sharon, acquired John's 1980 MGB and brought it back to the club. Aside from chasing sponsors, Charles has the huge job of scheduling and wrangling all our volunteers.



CAM and JILL LAMBERT | SUPPORT TEAM

Early in 1999, Cam and Jill purchased a 1973 MGB-GT and joined the Calgary MG Car Club. Over the years they have headed many country drives and have enjoyed participating in other events. Cam has also made trophies for several of the club's events.



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Tony & Lynne Burgess

NORTH AMERICAN MGB REGISTER CONVENTION & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING COORDINATORS

Tony & Lynne Burgess are the national convention and annual general meeting coordinators for the North American MGB Register.

Tony also serves as the secretary, treasurer, and director of operations for the North American Council of MG Registers after serving as executive director of the Council for four years and as chairman of the all-Register MG2001 meet in St. Paul.

Tony was born in Wales, so his love of British cars comes naturally. The Burgess garage houses a 1980 MGB, a 1969 “British Open Classic” Mini, a 2005 “new” MINI, a 1960 Morris Minor Traveller and a 1960 Morris Minor Tourer.

Tony is chairman of the Morris Minor Registry of North America and is very active in national, regional and state British car events from his home in Westerville, Ohio, a suburb of Columbus. He and Lynne have hosted about 30 “Tony’s Tag-Alongs” to all parts of North America and trips to the U.K. for fellow Anglophiles.

Their first MG was a 1975 Golden Anniversary “B” which rolled past 100,000 miles on their way to MG2002 in Texas during a “Tag-Along.”

Tony is a retired vice president of information technology at JPMorgan Chase Bank. He and Lynne have two adult children, John and Kelly. John is a tax attorney and lives in the Sarasota, Fla., area with his wife, Stacey, son Brady and daughter Molly. Kelly and her husband, Rich, live in London, and she works for SKY News.



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Calgary MG Car Club cars at the annual Canmore Highland Games, one of the largest such events outside Scotland.

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Larry Norton | CHAIRMAN



I joined the North American MGB Register in 2002, and have served as publicity coordinator and secretary, and since October 2021, as chairman. I also serve on the North American Council of MG Registers.

My relationship with MGs began in high school when a friend bought an MGA coupe. When he wanted to double date [without me and my date], he would borrow my Ford Falcon — which fortunately left me to drive his beautiful “A.”

I bought my first MGB, a 1966, in 1972. Through the years I have had four MGs: an MGB-GT, which I still have, a round-wheel arch Midget, a 1948 MG TC, and my most recent one, a 1996 MGF.

While a member of the Texas MG Register, I served as membership coordinator before a move to the Atlanta area and joining the Peachtree MG Registry, which I served as technical coordinator, vice president, president and on the board of directors. Most recently I was the club’s treasurer.

Gayle and I now call Dacula, Ga., our home, and have lived there since 2005. I have been retired for almost 10 years and enjoy working on and driving my GT and MGF every chance I get, socializing with friends, and traveling around the world.

I have attended many of the national NAMGBR conventions over the years since my first one in Gatlinburg in 2006. The MG world is very much about the “Marque of Friendship.” Please enjoy your time at the MG2023 convention.

Bruce Wyckoff | SECRETARY



I am serving my second tour of duty as secretary of the North American MGB Register, after serving for two terms between 2012 and 2016.

I have also served as vice chairman (1990-1994) and chairman (2005-2009).

My wife, Connie, and I purchased our first MG — a 1975 Midget — in 1981, and we owned the car until 2016. Although our British automobile collection has varied over the years, we currently own a 1974½ MGB-GT, a 1996 MGF, and a 1967 London taxi cab.

Connie and I also hold the distinction of having attended every NAMGBR convention ever held, back to the first one in 1992.

When I’m not attending to the duties of secretary for NAMGBR, I am the food safety and quality Manager for the Daybreak Foods, Inc., facility in Holland, Mich., where I watch over the wellbeing of 2 million hens and the eggs they lay.

Jeremy Holdsworth | VICE CHAIRMAN

I was born and raised in the suburbs of Toronto, and MGs have been a constant presence in my life since my earlier memories.

I grew up in an MG family. My father, Keith Holdsworth, was a very active contributor to the North American MG scene in the '80s and '90s. He became heavily involved first with our local MG Car Club of Toronto, serving on the executive board for several years including a term as club president. He was also a founding member of NAMGBR back in 1990, and served as vice chairman 1999-2000.

I am proud to follow in his footsteps. I believe I am the first second-generation NAMGBR board member, and very proud to be the only Canadian amongst the register's executive directors.

I am an airline pilot by trade, and fly the Boeing 737 for Canada's flag carrier, Air Canada.

Whilst I do love airplanes, I also love MGs. In my garage you will find a 1954 MG TF, 1957 ZB Magnette, and a 1973 MGB. (And I sometimes hijack my father's 1997 MGF.)

I am quite involved with my local club in Toronto as the next generation coordinator and advertising director. I am also a member of the MG Car Club UK and the New England MG T Register, in addition to NAMGBR and my local club.

I love to chat about MGs and airplanes and enjoy most the socializing that takes place in the parking lots after the sun goes down. If you see me wandering around there, please come and say hi! I would love to chat and get to know all our members on a more personal basis.

Have a great week and welcome to Calgary, Canada's gateway to the Rockies.



Simon Dix | TREASURER

I grew up in the UK and have always had a love for MG, and the MGB in particular. After emigrating to the USA in 1995, I bought my first MGB in 2004 (a big birthday year). About a year later, I joined the MG Club of St. Louis.

Ownership and club membership has been a life-changing thing, I've made great friends and received so much help and knowledge sharing. Other than putting petrol in a car, I knew nothing about them when I first joined! But through the club and its wonderful members I've learned a lot and am officially dangerous with some bits of knowledge, typically related to the late model MGBs.

It was through the St. Louis club I discovered NAMGBR, mainly through my now great friend Robert Rushing. This then led to real road trips and attending annual conventions — my first was MG2006 at Gatlinburg. I've tried to give back through helping with tech stuff (my other interest). I've done websites for many things and a stint as the St. Louis club's newsletter editor and events chair. I'm now on my second stint as the NAMGBR treasurer and recently rebuilt the NAMGBR website, for the second time.

I do love to drive my car, and while NAMGBR did it, I've supported the concours judging. As Robert had pointed out, my 1977 MGB was very original and I became very interested in it, and realistically a little obsessed with originality.

Despite the dropping of concours I try to keep my car very original while still enjoying it. It's been driven 5,000 miles round trip to conventions in Reno, Nev., and Corvallis, Ore., and still did well in concours. Hopefully, it'll be there in Calgary too, as that's how we're getting here for MG2023!





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ABOUT THE NORTH AMERICAN MGB REGISTER

The North American MGB Register was founded in December 1990 in Grand Rapids, Michigan, by a group of MG enthusiasts wanting a democratically run national club.

Some of the charter members were John Twist, the late Ken Smith, Jerome Rosenberger, Bruce Wyckoff, Keith Holdsworth and the late Dick Knudson.

The original mission statement read:

“The ultimate purpose of NAMGBR is to provide complete support to the MGB driver. This goal will be met by offering a democratic organization that is thoroughly accountable to its members. Credibility will be enhanced through sanctioning by the MG Car Club of England. Additionally, it hopes to be of assistance to stranded members by offering a service list and technical tips. It will also serve as a means of coordinating the events of its members and affiliated clubs. Financial statements will be available when requested.”

NAMGBR holds a national convention each year hosted by a local chapter. The first one was hosted by the MG Car Club of Toronto, Canada, in 1992 and was known as MG 92. Since that time, each of the group’s annual conventions have been called “MG” plus the year of the event.

Every five years since 1996, NAMGBR has held its convention in conjunction with all-MG events sponsored by the North American Council of MG Registers. The last such event was MG International Atlantic City 2021.

NAMGBR has an open Annual General Meeting each October where the officers, coordinators, and registrars present a report of the past year’s

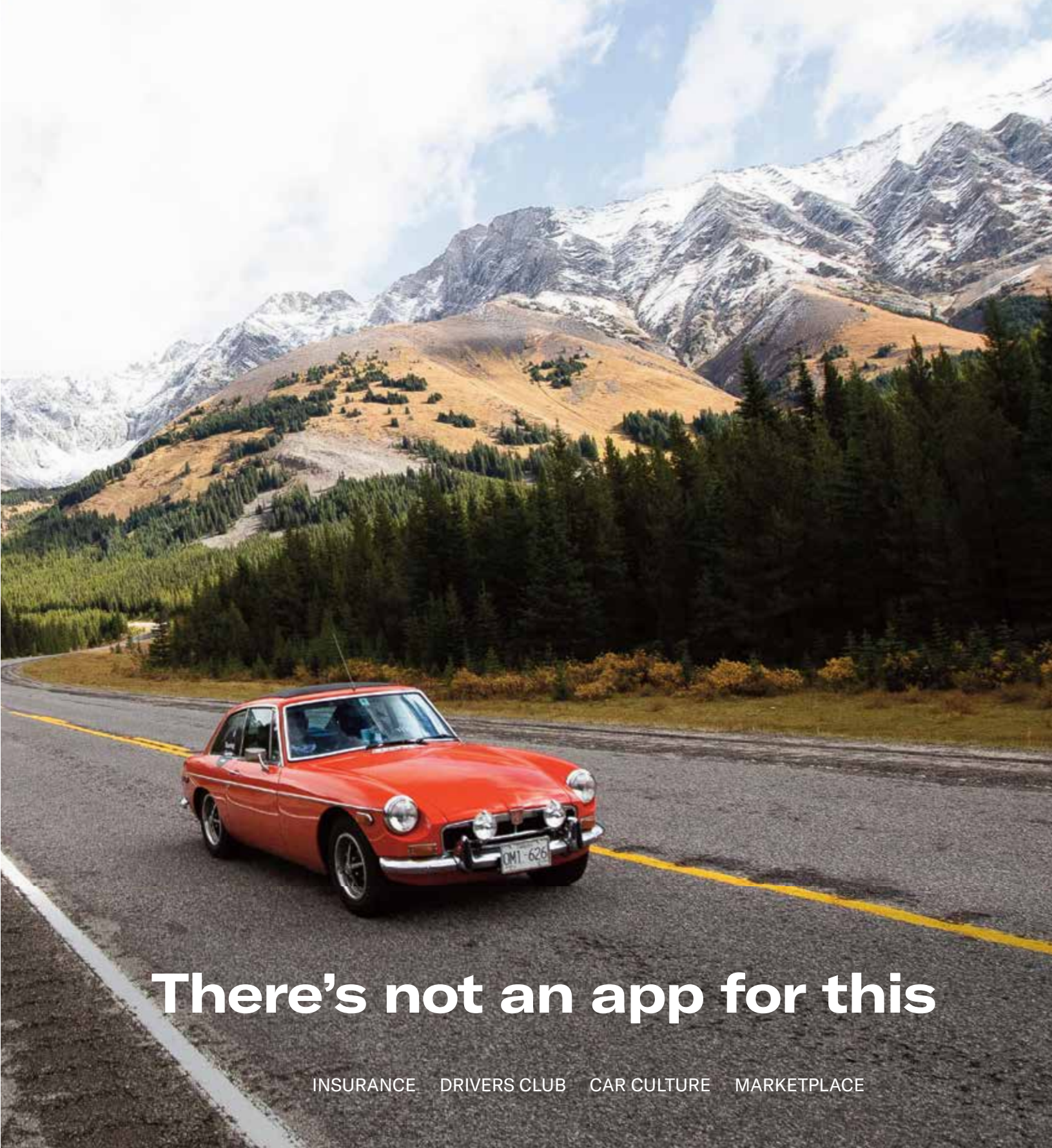
operations to members and local chapters in attendance. The AGM is generally held at the site of next year’s convention and is hosted by the sponsoring chapter. It is at this meeting that members and chapter representatives have an opportunity to ask questions about operation of the club directly to the officers. It is also at this meeting that the ballots cast by the local chapters are counted for the election of officers and any proposed changes to the bylaws.

The North American MGB Register is a registered 501(c)7 not-for-profit corporation, with around 1,900 members across North America, in the U.K., the Netherlands, Germany, Australia, Israel and other parts of the world. Sub-registers have been established for the MG Midget, MGC, MG 1100/1300, MGB LE, and post-Abingdon cars, just to name a few.

There are more than 100 local chapters, with one or more being found in just about every state and province. A complete listing can be found on the NAMGBR website.

NAMGBR’s bimonthly magazine *The MG Driver* is an all-color publication packed full of articles about MG events as well as information about how to keep your car on the road, and more.

NAMGBR’s annual *Mutual Aid Directory*, which is published in the late spring, lists members who have agreed to assist fellow MG owners in the event that they are experiencing problems while traveling in their area. The publication also features shops recommended by members that work on MGs. Every effort is made to have this publication sent out before that year’s convention and the summer driving season.



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