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Newsletter of the M.G. Owners Club











MGOC member Joanne with MGBs all lined up for last year's Mt. Hamilton Tour. See Pages 10-11 for this year's Tour to Santa Cruz! (Photo by Bob Stine.)

April 2001

About The Octagon and MGOC...

The M.G. Owner's Club, formed in 1958, is the Northern California center of the M.G. Car Club, formed in England in 1930. We receive two copies of the MGCC's Safety Fast, available to members on loan from the Corresponding Secretary. The club is also associated with NAMGBR, the North American MGB Register, and NAMGAR, the North American MGA Register. The MGOC holds a business meeting on the second Thursday of each month. We gather socially on the third Thursday of each month, at an event known as the "Natter and Noggin" in the style of English clubs. The Octagon, our newsletter, is published monthly by the M.G. Owner's Club. Opinions expressed in *The Octagon* are not necessarily those of the MGOC, its members, or Board of Directors.

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Business Meeting

April 12, 2001 (Thu) at 8:00pm George Steneberg's house 9 Pomona Ave. El Cerrito, CA 510-525-9125

Board Meeting at 7:30p. All are welcome!

Natter 'n' Noggin

April 19, 2001 (Thu) at 8:00pm

Pizza Chicago 2968 South Norfolk Foster City, CA 650-345-9400

Directions:

The Natter will be April 19 at Pizza Chicago (great pizza!) near Bob Stine's home in Foster City. It is just off 101 at the Hillsdale exit, next to Blockbuster. Take the Hillsdale exit towards the Bay. Turn right at first light. Pizza Chicago will be in the shopping area on your right.

Newsletter Submissions Wanted!

Would you like to see photos and/or tales of your car in this newsletter? The Editor of *The Octagon* is always looking for original stories, pictures, and tips to include in your newsletter! Content can be submitted electronically (preferred) to mgoc@felixwong.com or to Felix Wong, MGOC, 38947 Bluebell Dr., Newark, CA 94560. Thanks!

Attention!!

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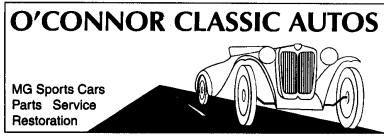
New Moto Lita 3 spoke 15" riveted wood rim **steering wheel**. No Adapter. **\$125**. Will deliver to the next club event or buyer pays shipping. Dennis Gray, 415-922-2063, *dennis.gray@creativeplanet.com*.

Various **MGB/GT body parts**, good glass, rear / front suspension. Call with needs. I need to get this out of my driveway. Dennis Gray, 415-922-2063, dennis.gray@creativeplanet.com.

For sale: **1967 MGB** Convertible, BRG, wire wheels, O.D., new Dunlops. Starts first crank; strong runner. Single battery, negative ground. No leaks. Same owner past 23 years. All receipts. \$3,500. Alan, 650-367-5838.

JLS Volunteers Needed!

The Club needs your help to run this year's MGs at Jack London Square show. We need volunteers in the morning to staff the registration table and direct parking, in the afternoon to help clean up, and all through the day to answer questions and sell regalia in the Club booth. Shifts are only two hours long, so you'll still have plenty of time to see the show. If you can help, please contact Mike Jacobsen at 415-333-9699 or at MikesMuseum@yahoo.com to arrange for a job and a shift. Thanks!



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Direct all questions about advertising to Mike Jacobsen at 415-333-9699. 2000 rates are: monthly (yearly): full pg. \$25 (\$240), half page \$18 (\$175), third page \$12 (\$120), business card \$8 (\$75). All ads expire on Jan. 1st, and fees for a partial year will be pro-rated to that date. Deadline for ad materials is the 10th of the preceding month. The MGOC makes no claims as to the reputation or quality of work performed by businesses advertising in *The Octagon*.

MAKING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE OCTAGON

Your stories, photos, tips, questions, and anything MGOC-related are always welcome in *The Octagon*! Please make your contributions by the 10th of the month preceding the issue in which you want them to appear. The editor's address is: Felix Wong, 38947 Bluebell Dr., Newark, CA 94560. Or, you may email contributions to *mgoc@felixwong.com*. Preferred electronic text formats include ASCII text or any version of Microsoft Word; preferred image formats include TIFF, GIF, JPEG, PICT, and BMP.

RECRUITING MEMBERS FOR THE MGOC

Have you helped recruit any new members lately? Bob Stine (650-349-5128) is in charge of new member recruitment and can send you flyers.

You can cut out this coupon and give it to prospective members

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN THE MG OWNERS CLUB!!

For a sample copy of our monthly magazine, *The Octagon*, and a membership application, please call or write our membership secretary:

George Steneberg

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Membership/Mailings

We have changed to a new system for generating mailing labels. Please check that your label is correct. If there are any mistakes, send the corrections to Mike Jacobsen, 320 B Monterey Blvd., San Francisco, CA 94131; *MikesMuseum@yahoo.com*; 415-333-9699. Thank you!

We are looking to seeing everyone at future meetings and events of the MGOC and having your stories, photos, and tips printed in *The Octagon*!

Calendar of Events

MGOC (which is us!) events are in **bold** type. Abbreviations (if used): CSRG – Classic Sports Racing Group, SSTS – Sorry Safari Touring Society, HMSA – Historic Motor Sports Association, ESCA – Empire Sports Car Association

General British Car Events

Apr 7, 2001 (Sat)—**MGOC Tour to Santa Cruz**. (Rain Date: Apr 14, 2001).

May 6, 2001 (Sun)—The Greater Los Angeles Concours Europa British & European Car Meet. Woodley Park, Van Nuys. For more info call 310-392-6605 or email rfeibusch@loop.com.

May 12, 2001 (Sat)—MGs at Jack London Square. Note the date change! Jun 18-21, 2001 (Mon-Thu)—GoF 2001 Napa Marriot. 707-963-2313, bill707@aol.com.

Jul 2-6, 2001 (Mon-Fri)—MG2001: An MG Odyssey. http://www.mg20001.com.

CSRG Events

May 26-27, 2001 (Sat-Sun)—Sears Point (Memorial weekend).

June 23-24, 2001 (Sat-Sun)--Thunderhill Raceway Park (west of Willows on Hwy 162 off I-5, a 2-3 hour drive)

September 8-9, 2001 (Sat-Sun)--Thunderhill

October 13-14, 2001 (Sat-Sun)—Sears Point

November 10-11, 2001 (Sat-Sun)—Thunderhill (their season finale)

Minutes

MGOC Business Meeting, March 8, 2001 (Thu) by Dan Shockey, Secretary

Members attending: Nina Barton, Bob Stine, George Steneberg, David Wright, and Dan Shockey

President Nina Barton called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m.

❖ MGOC Regalia ❖

Description	Qty	Each	Total
MG Owners Club Regalia			1
Pennant – Red "MG Owners Club", cream canvas, 9½" high by 17" long		\$10.00	
Grille Badge – MGOC logo, 4" high, mounts with one stud through grille		\$30.00	
Patch – 3" diameter, embroidered black MGOC logo on white		\$6.00	
MG Car Club of England Regalia			
MG Car Club Grille Badge – 3" dia., mounts with studs through grille		\$45.00	
MG Car Club Grille Badge – 3" dia., mounts with bracket to badge bar		\$45.00	
Key Fob – Black leather fob with cloisonne MG Car Club logo		\$10.00	
Lapel Pin – ¾" by 1" enamelled metal MG Car Club badge		\$6.50	
Outside Window Decal – 5" by 5½" brown & cream MGCC logo		\$1.00	
Inside Window Decal – 2½" by 3" brown & cream logo; reads "Member"		\$1.00	
Inside Window Decal – 2½" by 3" brown & cream logo; reads "Member" and "Marque of Friendship"		\$1.00	
Round Mug – British Racing Green with gold MGCC logo and rim		\$10.00	
Octagonal Mug – Octagonal green mug, cream interior, gold MGCC logo and rim		\$12.00	
MGs at Jack London Square Posters & Plaques			
Dash Plaque – 1999, black on gold, MG TC		\$2.00	
Dash Plaque – 1998, blue on gold, MGB/GT		\$2.00	
Dash Plaque – 1997, red on gold, MGOC logo w/ "Britain Meets the Bay"		\$2.00	
Dash Plaque – 1996, green on gold, MGA with Jack London		\$2.00	
Dash Plaque – 1995, white on black, MGOC logo and Tribune Tower		\$2.00	
Poster – 1999, features a blue MGB roadster and the JLS History Walk		\$5.00	
Poster – 1998, features a yellow MGB/GT with the yacht Potomac		\$5.00	
Poster – 1997, features a red MG TF with "Britain Meets the Bay"		\$5.00	
Poster – 1996, features a green MGA with Jack London		\$5.00	
Poster – 1995, features a red MGB, a Union Jack, and Amtrak bridge		\$5.00	
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- Send orders to: MGOC Regalia, 5518 Thomas Ave., Oakland, CA 94618-1752.

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MGOC Regalia!

Our club has MGOC regalia that is available for purchase by anyone. Below is a sampling of available regalia; more items are listed on the order form on Page 17. Please contact David Wright at 510-653-3831 for more information.



 $Key\ Fob - \$10;\ Pin - \6.50



Octogonal Mug - \$12
Round Mug - \$10



Pennant − \$10

Approving the Minutes

Mike Jacobsen corrected the Treasurer Report as recorded in last month's Minutes. It says that the "Balance is down due to a new purchase of grill badges." That is not quite correct. The checking account balance is down due to the original and only purchase of MGOC grille badges, back in 1999.

Secretary Report

Dan sent letters with event and registration info to sponsors and past attendees (non-MGOC) for the Jack London Square event. Dan needs to call Moss Motors and also follow up with the other sponsors. He is also to send an email reminding members of the Natter on March 15th.

Treasurer's Report

(Mike via email) We have positive balances in our checking and savings accounts.

Octagon Report

(*Felix via email*): The editing of the Octagon has gone very smoothly and I have nothing to report. I will drop advertisers who don't reply to Mike.

Mike: George trimmed the list of businesses and other clubs that receive the Octagon, so we now have 14 on our mailing list. These 14 plus the 148 members make 162 issues to be mailed in April.

Mike has been searching for a printer on the Peninsula since he has taken

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over mailing the Octagon, but he cannot find one anywhere near as cheap as the one that Eric used. The next-closest bid (Kinko's) was still \$40 more than we had been paying, and for 30 fewer issues. Mike is continuing the search, but we may want to consider returning to the former printer. The problem is getting the copies to Mike after printing. Any ideas?

Since the Octagon lists Mike as the advertising contact, he will be mailing out renewal notices to all the current advertisers. He will ask Felix to drop those that don't reply.

MGs at JLS

(Mike via email) Dash plaques: I received the dash plaques today

Registration (Mike): Jennifer has both Word and PDF versions of the registration form to post on the website.

Volunteers: We need to get the JLS show volunteer request in the next Octagon.

Parking arrangements: We have discussed this year's parking arrangements with Jess Ann of the Port of Oakland. We do not like being so spread out with a large gap between the two sections. The Port likes to spread the cars out. This year there will be some construction, too. Jess Ann will provide "More Cars this Way" signs to help. We talked about placing the older cars down toward the lawn area, to try to draw folks in that direction. The consensus seems to be to leave the arrangement as is but we will discuss further.



"What year is it?" he wants to know in a voice I can barely hear.

"'64," I yell back, "What year is yours?"

"'67," he yells.

"I have one of those too!" I shout over the noise of our engines.

"Where are you from?" he wants to know.

"Santa Cruz!" I yell.

"Later, man!" he yells back, and accelerates away. This time I am able to keep up, but finally at the 85 off-ramp we part ways as I take Hwy. 85.

I tried to savor the experience, and cruised out onto 85 doing about 80 and enjoying the speed.

Ahh, it made the whole drive worth it, it was like being transported to another time for a while, and it was so nice to see this young guy who obviously was enjoying a car that was made years before he was even born. And it certainly was a challenge to catch up!

I hope that maybe someday he'll join a club like ours.

MG Joke

Original Source Unknown Submitted by Mike Jacobsen

An MG pulled alongside a Rolls-Royce at the traffic lights. "Do you have a car phone?" its driver asked the man in the Rolls.

"Of course I do," was the haughty reply.

"Do you have a fax machine?"

The Rolls driver sighed. "I have that too."

"Do you have a double bed in the back?" the MG driver wanted to know. Ashen-faced, the Rolls driver sped off.

That afternoon, he had a mechanic install a double bed in his car.

A week later, the Rolls driver passed the same MG, parked on the side of the road with its back windows fogged up and steam pouring out. The arrogant driver pulled over, got out of the Rolls and banged on the MG's rear window. "I want you to know that I've had a double bed installed," bragged the Rolls driver.

The MG driver rolled his window down and frowned at the Rolls driver. "You got me out of the shower to tell me that?"

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A Safety Fast Adventure

by Marty Ray

Highway 17 winds through the Santa Cruz mountains and has been notorious over the years for accidents, autos overheating in the summer, and other hazards on the road. Many people are afraid to drive the road.

And yet it's a beautiful road, a high-speed sports car road, winding as it does through the redwoods and over the mountains with a variety of wonderful vistas. Sometimes I think it's my favorite highway. It takes good concentration to drive it well, and there isn't much room for error. Just the kind of road an MG likes!

I set out one evening to go over to Menlo Park in my 1964 MGB roadster. Cruising along through Scotts Valley in overdrive top at about 70mph, I see headlights bearing down on me in my mirror. Better move over, I thought.

And so I did, and here comes this beautiful '60s MGB cruising past me! The car is blue with wire wheels and spinners, has a roll bar and no top evident. The driver is a young guy, maybe 25, with a short surfboard in the passenger seat. He waves. I wave back. He cruises onward.

Here I am thinking, hey, I want to see this car! It's nice! So I pull out and try to keep up. For a while I can, but he's obviously driving fast, and pretty effortlessly too. I manage to keep up until we get to the first big hill, where the speed limit drops from 65 to 50mph. The B driver pays no attention to the limit, either limit in fact! I try to keep up, having now become interested in just seeing if I could keep up with another B. But the B driver narrowly slips between some cars and motors on up the highway, leaving me stuck behind the other law abiding motorists. After a time I find a hole and get past them, and I see the B up ahead and try to catch up. It's not easy!

And so it went over the whole highway. This guy was driving at speeds of 70-75mph and slipping in and out of the other law-abiding motorists who were doing what might be considered more reasonable speeds! I kept almost catching up and then he would slip away again! I could see him up there, off and on. I kept trying to work my way up to him, but it was pretty hairy and I felt sure that other drivers would be none too pleased by this display. I kept trying to watch out for the police, who have been patrolling Hwy. 17 more vigorously these days. I felt sure this MG driver was at risk of getting a ticket. Down by the Lexington Dam there was a Highway Patrol cruiser on the roadside having a talk with some poor motorist. All the traffic slowed when they saw him, including the MG driver, with whom I almost had caught up. Finally, after the somewhat difficult bends below the dam, I managed to catch up with him near the Los Gatos off-ramp.

I pull up alongside and lean close to the open window as we drove in parallel at about 70mph.

"You sure drive fast" I yell, "it took me forever to catch up... I thought for sure we were going to get a ticket."

T-shirts (Mike): The following totals were created by extrapolating from the pre-registrations of the past three years: Medium, 18; Large, 60; XLarge, 78; XXLarge, 24. This totals 180 shirts, or 15 dozen. Nina is checking t-shirt printer prices.

Cardboard: Bob has found one source for \$1.33 each. David wondered if we couldn't save the cardboards from year to year. (We save only the unused ones now.) Does anyone have a place to store a 4 foot stack of 4'x3' cardboard?

Balloting: Mike is working on a new procedure to make our ballot counting at the show more accurate. He plans to have it ready to show at the April meeting. Basically, he wants to flag votes for cars in the wrong class. Doing this may take a change in the way we input votes. We need to announce the winners earlier, at 2pm rather than at 3.

Registration packets: Dan will need to have the flyers and such from the sponsors to include in the handout packets. Mike can gather all the other materials needed to make up the packets. The May 10 meeting will be a "packet stuffing" meeting.

Posters/Artwork: Dan showed the nearly-completed artwork that features George's J2. It will be completed by 3/18. We have talked to two printers. They may need up to 2 weeks to print the posters. If anyone needs one right away, we can print a few on 13" x 19" paper. We will do versions of the art for use on the t-shirts and awards. We will get a minimum of 200 posters.



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Awards: Nina is checking sources and prices for these. Dan and Nancy will provide artwork by 3/19.

Event insurance: Has Mike completed this paperwork for this? Dan to check.

Old Business:

Name Badges: George getting more made. The price has increased so he will check other sources.

Events:

General: The Rain Date has created confusion. Nina ran the Behring Museum tour on both dates as a result. We agreed to not have rain dates in the future. Nina reported there was interest in the tour to Pierce Manifolds in Gilroy. This was dropped in favor of the Santa Cruz Tour planned by Bob Wall. Dan will try to schedule the Pierce tour for July.

April: Tour to Santa Cruz. We will drop the rain date as above. There has been a lot of interest in this. (Thanks, Bob)

May: MGs at Jack London Square (See above)

June: The GOF will be in Napa June 18-21. We decided to add an MGOC event for those who want to drive up for the car show day only. The GOF car show will be at the Sabastiani Winery in Sonoma on Wednesday, June 20. We will meet somewhere along I-80 in Berkeley to drive together. Nina and David are interested. There may be other folks willing to take a day off to do this. (Note: To show your MG or variant, you will need to register for the GOF.)

July: Add the Pierce Manifolds (Gilroy) tour if possible. (Dan Shockey)

August: Annual Picnic. We discussed using one of the parks on the Peninsula, closer in. Huddart Park may be rather expensive. Bob Stine will check into Skyline Park and others.

Next Meetings:

Club meeting April 12 at George Steneberg's in El Cerrito.

The Natter will be April 19 at Pizza Chicago (great pizza!) near Bob Stine's home in Foster City. It is just off 101 at the Hillsdale exit. (650-345-9400, 2968 South Norfolk, next to Blockbuster. Take the Hillsdale exit from Highway 101 towards the Bay. Turn right at first light. Pizza Chicago will be in the shopping area on your right.)

Natter 'n' Noggin Report

The Englander in San Leandro March 15, 2001 (Thu) by David Wright

Natters are on the second Thursday of each month. This second Thursday, March 15th, saw the following club members assembled at the Englander for the purpose of having a noggin and nattering together:

- Ken Smith
- Dennis Gray
- Bob McCov
- Steve Jacobs
- Skip and Verna Kelsey
- David Wright

The Englander staff, very helpful as usual, gave us a spacious back room to ourselves. Some ordered food and there was a nice choice of beers available including my favorite Bass!

The usual, mostly MG-related nattering was enjoyed by all. A plan to tour to the mid-June GF at Napa was one of the subjects. (More information about this will appear in the May Octagon.)

As usual, an enjoyable evening was had by all.



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Tour to the Behring Museum, Part 2

Continued from the March edition of The Octagon

March 3, 2001 (Sat)

by Nina Barton

Saturday, March 3, 2001, dawned sunny, turned cloudy, and when I drove down to Toot Sweets Bakery in Berkeley, I wasn't sure how many, if any, intrepid souls would show up to drive on the rain date of the Behring Auto Museum tour. Our first outing garnered six adventurers in four cars, the second, six adventurers in five cars. MGB GTs were definitely in preponderance for this event, with five showing up for the event (six if you count mine twice), one MGB roadster, one MGA, and a 2CV Citroen.

This time of year is really glorious for a tour, even if you do have to contend with rain all the time. We've had enough rain to make the scenery lush and green, and by the end of February all the early trees and flowers are in bloom. We drove up through Berkeley, and went through Tilden Park past Inspiration Point, and down Wildcat Canyon Road into Orinda. In Orinda, we got on the freeway for five miles, then got off in Walnut Creek and drove out Tice Valley Boulevard, winding until we hit Danville Road. Up a couple of blocks, then a left on Stone Valley Rd., which takes you out into the foothills of Mt. Diablo. The first weekend of the tour, it was pretty hazy, so you couldn't see as much of the scenery as you could the second week, but it was still a nice drive. Head out Diablo Rd., into Blackhawk. Occasional glimpses of expensive houses, a bit of the golf course, the country club, and pretty soon we're there.

Tour One, we wandered into the shopping center and found a coffee bar/sandwich place which was quite nice. I was cold the first trip, so soup and spiced cider warmed me up very nicely. Tour Two, we opted for the all-American hamburger. There was more action within the Behring Museum on the date of the first tour, the place being filled with Boy Scouts and their parents and siblings. The second tour was quite quiet, which made it nice for ogling the cars. A special treat for me was driving one of the member's cars, which was prepared slightly differently from my mostly stock engine. All I've done was to take off the smog equipment on my car, and this one had a slightly bored out engine and improved brakes and suspension. It was great to check out the differences.

As the weather continues to get nicer and more springlike, I look forward to tours to come.



The MG Owners Club



Presents The Eighth Annual

MGs at Jack London Square

Saturday, May 12, 2001 at Jack London Square, Oakland

This annual event is a gathering of MGs from across Northern California.

The show opens at 10:00 a.m., rain or shine, with trophies awarded at 3:00 p.m.

Same-day registration will open at 8:30 a.m.

Featuring: Music, raffle prizes, contests, trophies, MG vendors, food & drink, plus more!

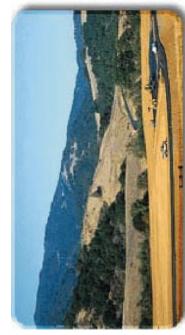
Awards: Judging is by popular vote, and trophies will be awarded for Best of Show, Best Unrestored, and for each class, with classes determined according to the number of cars registered by May 1, 2001.

Entries: All MGs are welcome, from daily drivers to complete restorations. The entry fee is \$20, which includes a dash plaque and an event T-shirt. Additional cars registered to the same owner are \$5 each, which includes a dash plaque only. All cars must arrive by 10:00 a.m. sharp! This is necessary due to the amount of pedestrian traffic at Jack London Square. If you arrive late, we cannot guarantee placement of your car with others in its class.

Return the portion below with the entry fee. Photocopies of this form are acceptable.

One form is required for each MG registered.

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Drive with Us Through Towering Redwoods to the Beach Boardwalk at Santa Cruz April 7, 2001

to Santa Cruz. The route will go through Saratoga and up Highway 9. At the top, we'll take a quick break to regroup, then go down the other side. From Hwy 9, we'll veer onto Hwy 236. This is one of the best sports car roads around. We will follow 236 to Big Basin State Park and stop nearby for a It's time for another cool drive. We had a great drive up Mt. Hamilton; now lets go over another hill

Our route will continue on 236 and Hwy 9 through a few small towns, Ben Lomond and Felton, and break from the drive with a mini car show (nothing organized). We can lunch there. Bring some cash on into Santa Cruz. We'll roll on down to the pier and park all of our cool LBC's in a row and enjoy a to park on the pier. There are several outstanding roads over the hill and back to the peninsula. Up the coast on Hwy 1 toward San Francisco, back the way we came, or over Hwy 17.

Who?: Anybody with a British car (the more the merrier)

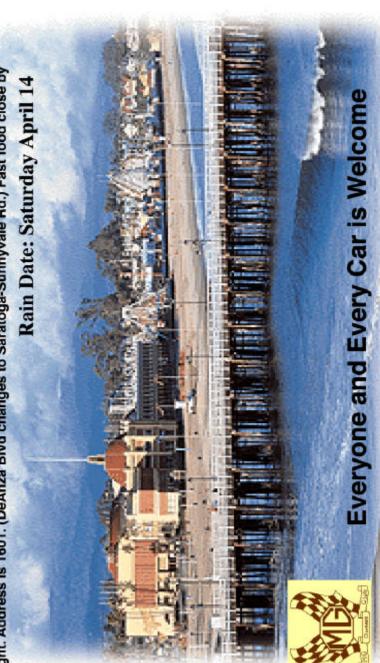
What?: Cool drive in the hills over to Santa Cruz

When?: Meet by 9:30 a.m., Depart at 10:00 a.m.

Why?: Because it's fun

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Where?: Meet off Hwy 85 in Cupertino. From Hwy 85 south of I-280, take the DeAnza exit south. Go past the AAA office. We will meet at the Cupertino Corp. Center, just past Minton Lumber on the right. Address is 1601. (DeAnza Blvd changes to Saratoga-Sunnyvale Rd.) Fast food close by



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