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MG VINTAGE RACERS' NEWSLETTER

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From The Editor:

Rumor has it that MGVR is laying low, flying under the radar, or just plain dormant. Nothing could be further from the truth, although your editor will admit to dogging it a bit (understatement) on the newsletter aspect of *the newsletter*. This mini newsletter is an attempt to lay rumors to rest and to let our fellow MG vintage racer know that all is well even if editor output is less than stellar. There is much to celebrate if you race a vintage MG-read on and I'll explain.

As I write this we are 12 days from the start of our Focus Event with VRG at the Jefferson 500 at Summit Point Raceway. To date there are 73 entries including T Series, MGAs, B's, one MGC, Midgets, and a few B GT V-8's. Those of you who have not received info on this event either need to update your email with your humble editor, or call me as I have sent several E-bulletins to those whose email addresses are current with MGVR.

There is more good news on the MG vintage racing front. Reports are that 16 MG vintage racers participated in this year's Mitty! Upcoming MG events include VARAC's Canadian Historic Grand Prix and the Sims Cup at Canadian Tire Motorsports Park (Mosport) slated for June 13-16. In July the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix is hosting an MG-Triumph Challenge Race as part of their July 20-21 signature event at Schenley Park-join your fellow MG vintage racer for the only event run on city streets! And of course let's not forget SVRA's Glenora Wine Cellars US Vintage Grand Prix and Collier Cup Race slated for September 4-8. How can MG vintage racing get any better than that? Well...it can so read on...

2014 marks the 60th anniversary of the Collier Brothers Memorial Trophy Race for MGs. In celebration of this milestone MGVR, in cooperation with SVRA announces their 2014 Focus Event at the Glenora Wine Cellars US Vintage Grand Prix at Watkins Glen September 3-7. To date we have heard from MG vintage racers from Australia, and the West Coast-you do not want to miss this event so save the date!

One last note: if you have not visited our website (www.mgvr.org) lately you should. Chris Kintner, MGVR Webmaster has updated the site to include new links and photos, including a focus event gallery and updated bulletins on our upcoming event at the Jeff. Chris also spearheaded club participation at this year's focus event-we anticipate record MG car club participation at the Jeff! Thanks, Chris!

That's enough editorializing...enjoy this mini-newsletter!

Safety Fast!

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ATTENTION ALL MG VINTAGE RACERS

“MG” Featured For 2014 US Vintage Grand Prix

This is just an **early advance notice** to **ALL MG VINTAGE RACERS**, so as you might work this event into your 2014 racing schedule, and let your MG racing friends know about it. The **Sportscar Vintage Racing Association** (SVRA) has designated **MG** as its **featured marque** for their 2014 **Glenora Wine Cellars, US Vintage Grand Prix**, the weekend of September 5-7 at Watkins Glen, NY. MG will also be the feature marque for the concurrent downtown Watkins Glen street festival. Plus the **MG Vintage Racers** have designated it as their "**Focus Event**" for 2014 - their planning on it has started already. The all MG "**Vintage Collier Cup**" race for MGs in this event has been designated as the "**Governor's Cup**" feature race on Sunday. The "**Collier Cup**" race was established in 1985 by SVRA for just MGs. This event will be celebrating the 60th anniversary of the "**Collier Brothers Memorial Trophy**" race established in 1954 for MGs by the SCCA in memory of the MG racing Collier brothers Sam and Miles. Back in 2004, when the 50th anniversary of that race was celebrated here, 143 MGs came to race at Watkins Glen, and it was also a national gathering for the **New England MG 'T' Register** and the **North American MGA Register**. Another large turnout of MGs for this special event in 2014 is anticipated. The following MG race awards are included in the Collier Cup MG race:

- **Jack Archibald 'T' Cup**: First Production T' Series MG
- **Bucher/Decker Cup**: First MGA
- **Denver Cornett Jr. Trophy**: First overall MG
- **Bill Glanville Cup**: First MG Midget
- **Collier Cup**: Honorary to a MG racer, as voted by fellow MG racers, for best MG spirit.

The announcement of MG as the featured marque was made by Jon McKnight, SVRA Director of Events. This will be an exciting opportunity to celebrate MGs, MG racing history, and to gather with many MG enthusiasts for a very special weekend in the beautiful Finger Lakes Region of New York state, which also affords many vacation opportunities. More information on this event will be forthcoming as it nears. It will be a special event not to be missed! Start your planning now!



2009 Collier Cup
Participants





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- 3. VINTAGE MG RACE ACTIVITY:** List one or more race events you entered in **2007** with your MG:
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Please fill in the amount you're sending: \$ _____ U.S. - - **Make checks payable to MGVR.**

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I will write an article on _____

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Signed: _____

Date: _____

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