

GoF West 2014 has come and gone, and by all the comments received by Mike Campbell and myself it was a success and enjoyed by all. The credit, however, belongs to the army of volunteers from the San Diego MG "T" Register and Vintage MG of Southern California as well as the cooperative and helpful staff of the Bahia Resort Hotel.

Beginning with the First Timer's Car Display we not only enjoyed meeting old friends over a natter & noggin but saw some wonderful examples of some of the earliest MGs to the latest, topped off by a black MG YA that had a paint job that was ten miles deep!



The Car Display the following day had a venue that was hard to surpass. What more could one ask for? A bright sunny day, a beautiful park setting surrounded by Mission Bay and the beach with sustenance provided by a gourmet food truck (sorry about the coffee), all mak-



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ing the selection of the best car in its class even more difficult.

The afternoon was even more interesting as the Regalia, Arts & Crafts, and Photos bloomed in the Hospitality area (staffed by our able "sailors"). Jerry Felper presented a Tech session addressing the intricacies of the SU Carburetor. They seem so simple when Jerry explains it.



Wednesday led off with the annual relationship test, oops, I mean Rallye. You had a chance to see parts of San Diego county that as



a normal vacationer you'd probably miss. It was enjoyed by all (well, almost all). The afternoon had something for everyone. A Bunco event enjoyed aboard a paddle wheel steamer (which, by the way, provided free rides in the evening). While the gents enjoyed a Tech session by Jim McGhee on wire wheels. He pointed out that the care and maintenance may be as important as any other article on your MG. I guess I'll stick with the disks on my TD.

The evening's activities were capped



with an outstanding buffet dinner and the ever popular Auction. Spirited bidders took home some nice acquisitions that added to their collections or a much needed part to complete a restoration.



Friday began with the Funkhana and Flea Market. The Flea Market brought in vendors with vintage parts that normally aren't seen and I'm sure that they did well. The high-

light of the morning was the Funkhana, laid out by Bob Christian and run by SD MG "T" members. It appeared all participants had a barrel of fun. For those not choosing to drive, there was a "Carless Funkhana" that tested your knowledge of MG related articles.

In the afternoon the Advisory Council and Steering Committee meetings were held. All clubs were asked to designate a representative to express the views of their members.



That evening the Awards Banquet featured a great meal and the presentation of nearly 100 awards (results elsewhere in this publication). Bob Christian, winner of the 50/50 raffle, graciously donated half of his winnings back to the GoF West 2014.

The week concluded with the Friday morning Winner's Circle on the front lawn of the Bahia, and the display was awesome.

Mike and I want to thank not only all the volunteers that helped make GoF West 2014 a success but also all the attendees.



Chairman's Chatter



First I'd like to thank all that attended the recent GoF West 2014 in San Diego and most importantly the team that put it on. They contributed much to the enjoyment of all and to the overall success of the event. Special kudos should go to Mike Campbell, his family and the San Diego MGers. A big thank you to them for a job better than well done.

As you may have discerned from my authoring this article, I am the newly elected Chairperson of the Steering Committee. Lawrie Alexander chose to step down as he is the Co-Chair of the upcoming GoF West 2015 in Rohnert Park, in the Sonoma Wine Country. I'm registered, are you? Read more about the event at [http://](http://www.gofwest2015.britcars.com/)

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Over the coming months the Steering Committee will be dealing with serious questions concerning the future direction of GoF West, Inc. These may involve changes in our By-Laws as well as the guide given to GoF West event Chairpersons called the "Red Book". Both are available on the GoF West web site at <http://gofwest.org/Library.html>.

Each year at the GoF West gathering participating clubs are asked to appoint a representative to the Advisory Council meeting. This is an important meeting and the council provides the sounding board for Steering Committee decisions. Members of the Steering Committee are also ready to receive your input via email. The members and their email addresses may be found at <http://gofwest.org/GoFWestOrg.html>. See you in Rohnert Park.

Cheers,

Dave

Safety  *fast!*

GoF Website:

The GoF West website continues to be improved. www.GoFWest.org

GoF West 2015 Rohnert Park, CA:

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GoF West 2015 - Rohnert Park, CA



Greetings to all from the: Sacramento Valley MG Car Club

Costigan and Alexander to Serve as GoF West 2015 Co Chairs

2015 Co-chair, Lindsay Costigan, brings to the event an enthusiasm developed over many years of MG ownership shared with her husband, Jim. Presently, their stable includes a TD which Jim has owned since 1962, an MGA 1600 Coupe, and an MGA 1600 Mk. II roadster (currently under restoration). Jim and Lindsay have owned their own very successful business for over 40 years, and both have been active in the Sacramento Valley MG Car Club since the mid-Nineties. For the last several years, Lindsay has held the office of President. With extensive experience of organizing and judging horse shows, as well as having hosted many MG club events, she brings to the planning of GoF West 2015 an eye for detail and a desire to make the event as "registrant-friendly" as possible.

Having attended 26 GoF West events, 2 of which he organized, 2015 Co-chair Lawrie Alexander

knows what it takes to put on a great GoF West! A member and past president of the SVMGCC since 1991, Lawrie also led the club in organizing the 1995 NAMGBR and 1999 NAMGAR national meets. He drove his TC over 2,000 combined miles to and from the last two GoF Wests (Carefree, AZ and San Diego, CA) from his home near Sacramento, and is a great believer that these events are for driving with and enjoying the company of fellow MG owners. As well as the TC, Lawrie currently owns a 1978 MGB and vintage races a 1952 TD special he built in 1977.

With these two super-keen MG people at the helm, you can rest assured that GoF West 2015 in Rohnert Park will give you a truly memorable week of well-organized MG activities in a delightful part of California!

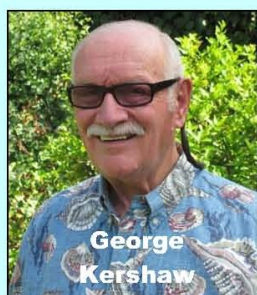


GoF West News

Each year at GoF West there are 2 important administrative events that take place: the GoF West Advisory Council and Steering Committee meetings. The following is a brief summary of the San Diego meetings:

Advisory Council: The purpose of the Advisory council is to provide grass roots inputs and oversight of the Steering Committee from the GoF West Regional clubs. All San Diego registrants and regional club reps were invited to attend.

The first order of business was to elect new Steering Committee members for end of term vacancies of George Kershaw and Mike Campbell. The floor was then opened to comments on for the 2014 event. A number observations and recommendations were made to support the overall event successes and suggested improvements to help with next year's event. Other topics discussed were: update on 2015, possible venues for future events, proposed changes to GoF West bylaws.



George Kershaw

Steering Committee: The first agenda item was a heartfelt thanks from all to George Kershaw for his many years of service and ceaseless dedication to GoF West and the Steering Committee.

Other business included: Treasure's report, Secretary's report, review of Advisory Council inputs, progress report on 2015, updates on Gazette and website, and follow on discussion of changes in the GoF West bylaws.

Officer	Name
Chairman	David Bradley
V. Chair	David Edgar
Treasure	Mike Campbell
Secretary	Pete Thelander
Member At Large	Doug Pelton
Member at Large	Rick Pullen

For more specific details of the above meetings read the minutes in the GoF West library at: www.GoFWest.org

YOU! - YES YOU! WE NEED YOUR HELP!

REGIONAL CLUB ROSTER

A complete list of all the regional clubs can be found on the website. However, this is a never ending challenge to keep the data current. Would you, yes you, please visit the website and:

- Confirm your club is listed and
- The correct link to contact your club is shown.
- Send confirmations/corrections to: editor@GoFWest.org



MG Owner
(Next generation)



FUTURE GOF WEST VENUES

The planning of GoF west events starts years in advance. The Steering committee is always looking for exciting places to for future events. Do you:

- Have a favorite place to visit that would make the perfect setting for a GoF West Event?
- Would your club be interested in hosting an event?
- Send suggestions to: editor@GoFWest.org

ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 23 August 2014

1. President (Pro-Tem) Lawrie Alexander opened the meeting by welcoming all in attendance and introducing the members of the Steering Committee. Appointed delegates from their respective clubs were invited to move down front to the conference table. They were:

MG Owners Club	Stuart Locke
Southern California MG Club	Adam Lombard
MG "T" Road Runners	Barbara Young
TC Motoring Guild	Steve Simmons
Sorry Safari Touring Society	Bobbi Tafaro
Sacramento Valley MG Car Club	Kevin Williams
Vintage MG Club of Southern California	Ken Thomas
2. The Steering Committee members whose terms were completed were George Kershaw and Mike Campbell. George was recognized and thanked for his service which was met with a warm round of applause. Lawrie then announced that he would be resigning his elected seat on the Committee because it would be a conflict of interest with his role as Co-Chairman of GoF WEST 2015, which also carried a Steering Committee seat. Mike Campbell offered to serve another term provided he not be asked to Chair another event. Nominations from the floor were Rick Pullen, and Dave Edgar. Steve Simmons declined nomination but offered to be available in a non-voting, advisory capacity. A motion to accept the proposed nominees passed by unanimous voice vote.
3. The floor was opened for comments on GoF WEST 2014. Hospitality was criticized for limited selection of food and drinks. It was pointed out that being in a "public" room, any beer or wine served were required to be purchased through the hotel management at very unfavorable prices. Also, it would have been nice to have Hospitality closer to Registration.

The hotel was excellent. The food was great. The staff was attentive.
The Rallye was good.

It was suggested that voting on Arts & Crafts, Photos and Models not begin until all entries had been received.

More staff needed to receive Arts & Crafts and Auction items upon arrival.

Make it clearer that voting on the First Timers is to be done at the First Timers Display, not at the general Car Display.

Make greater recognition of Registration #1.

A two point lanyard was suggested to prevent name tags from turning over or blowing in the wind.
4. Lindsay Costigan presented an update on the status of GoF WEST 2015. Their website is up and running. Contracts have been secured for the hotel and grass field intended for the Car Display. They intend to reach out to the MGAs and Bs to participate since the National MGA and MGB Registers are holding their meets at Niagara Falls, leaving the western MGA and MGB owners without a major meeting event next year.
5. Suggestions for 2016 and 2017 were discussed. The Queen Mary in Long Beach, the Pismo Beach area in south central coast and Reno were suggested, but no specific offers to host were forthcoming.

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6. A proposed By-Law amendment to remove the phrase "T-series and earlier" was discussed and tabled until a decision could be reached as to whether it had been submitted in accordance with the protocol for amending the By-Laws
7. There followed a discussion as to whether or not emails were to be considered "in writing" and Teleconferences constituted proper meetings. The subject was tabled to be carried over to the next Steering Committee meeting.
8. The floor was opened for new business. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Pete Thelander, Secretary

10 Oct 2014

STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR 23 August 2014

1. President (Pro-Tem) Lawrie Alexander opened the meeting by taking roll call. Present were Lawrie, Dave Bradley, Doug Pelton, Mike Campbell, Dave Edgar, Steve Simmons, Rick Pullen and Pete Thelander
2. Thanks were expressed to George Kershaw for his many years of service and dedication to the Steering Committee.
3. Terms of elected members were reviewed. Expiring in 2015 were Doug Pelton and Dave Bradley; in 2016 was Pete Thelander (Lawrie Alexander having resigned his elected seat); in 2017 were Mike Campbell, Rick Pullen, Dave Edgar and Steve Simmons. After some negotiation, Mike Campbell made a motion to assign the following officers which passed unanimously:

Chairman:	Dave Bradley
Vice Chairman:	Dave Edgar
Secretary:	Pete Thelander
Treasurer:	Mike Campbell,
At Large:	Doug Pelton and Rick Pullen
Co-Chairs for GoF WEST 2015:	Lindsay Costigan and Lawrie Alexander
4. Treasurer's report by Mike Campbell was made and filed on the results for the year's activities to date.
5. Since everyone had been present at the Advisory Council Meeting, the recommendations out of that meeting were accepted with no additional discussion.
6. Secretary's report on the last Steering Committee meeting via teleconference had been distributed by email and was accepted as published.
7. The only items added to the Advisory Council discussion of GoF WEST 2014 were Mike Campbell's preliminary estimate from the Auction and the room-night count with the hotel and meeting room charges were not known yet.
8. The review of GoF WEST 2015 was covered in the Advisory Council meeting. The only additional item was that Lawrie Alexander reported they would be using PayPal and not credit cards.
9. Several ideas for our event in 2016 and beyond were suggested. Larry Long had mentioned that he might be interested in doing one in Pismo Beach and Jerry Felper had mentioned returning to the Queen Mary in Long Beach might be possible. Dave Bradley said that the hotel search services of Helms-Briscoe had found the Bahia and

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suggested that anyone considering doing a future event make use of them.

10. Old Business

- a. WEB SITE: Doug Pelton reported that the 2015 website has been connected to the GoF WEST, Inc. site and updates continue to be incorporated
- b. GAZETTE: Doug Pelton will send a boilerplate template for the Gazette to Rick Pullen who will need inputs by 30 September to publish by the end of October.
- c. Doug Pelton reported that the publicity and effort to promote “kids and cars” seems to have taken hold within the club newsletters and other publications. He considers the subject closed under Old Business.

11. New Business

As a result of the discussion of suggested By-Law changes at the Advisory Council Meeting, everyone was asked to review them. There was a general consensus that they are out of date and in need of updating before undertaking any changes. Doug Pelton volunteered to do an initial scrub and have potential changes identified for the next Steering Committee meeting

12. It was agreed the next meeting would be by teleconference in late October.

13. The meeting adjourned at 3:49.

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STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tele-Conference - 30 Oct 2014

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm. Present on line were Dave Bradley, Lawrie Alexander, Mike Campbell, Doug Pelton, Dave Edgar, and Pete Thelander. Lawrie reported Lindsey Costigan was unable to be present, but he would be able to cover any 2015 issues. Rick Pullen was out of town,

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the 23 Aug '14 meeting at the Bahia were published by email on 10 Oct '14. A motion to accept was seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Mike reported that he had distributed his report approximately two weeks prior to this meeting. He indicated our balance was satisfactory and we had no outstanding obligations.

Gazette Editor's Report: Doug reported he would send a boilerplate template and any inputs he had for the next issue to Rick Pullen. Pete & Fran Thelander offered to help him in learning the MicroSoft Publisher program. The desire was expressed to have the next issue be published in mid-November.

Web Site Update: Doug reported no changes since last month. Next update will have the Gazette, meeting minutes, etc. Links to the GoF West 2015 site and other MG clubs for potential participation are working.

Possible By-Laws & Red Book Revisions: Several issues were raised at the Bahia Advisory Council related to the procedure for amending the By-Laws and Red Book.

A. By-Laws:

- a.. Can a Steering Committee meeting be conducted by conference call?
- b. Can the Advisory Council be re-convened if necessary?
- c. How many members constituted a quorum?

B. Red Book:

The Red Book will have to be changed to reflect any changes adopted in the By-Laws at the 2015 Advisory Council

Doug had submitted an initial draft re-write of GoF West bylaws to the SC for review. Doug requested comment on the draft bylaws by 15

November for consolidation and then further review at our next planned meeting at Rohnert Park. Once the proposed changes are finalized by the SC it will then be sent to the 2014 Advisory Council members for their review and inputs. Then final presentation and voting of By-Law revisions will be made at the 2015 Advisory Council.

GoF West 2015: Lawrie reported the program is set. 19 registrations and 115 room-nights have been booked. The rallye route is in development. Regalia will be ordered next week. Signage is in work. Lindsay will be talking to food trucks about providing food at our off-site activities. The money situation is OK, but he would like to have additional advance funds from the Steering Committee. The deadline of 31 October on the original registration form was clarified. That date was a deadline for us to notify the hotel of any change in the number of rooms to be held at \$128 for our event. Registrants will be able to book their rooms at that rate up to 15 May 2015.

GoF West 2016: Dave Bradley will talk to Larry Long about possibly being Chairman.

Old Business: The Office Assignments and terms were discussed and clarified.

Chairman – Dave Bradley	2015
Vice Chair – Dave Edgar	2017
Secretary – Pete Thelander	2016
Treasurer - Mike Campbell	2016
At Large – Doug Pelton	2015
Rick Pullen	2017

Co-Chairs 2015 – Lawrie Alexander & Lindsay Castigan

New Business: A motion was made, seconded and passed to present a special award to George Kershaw for his dedication to GoF West and service on the Steering Committee

Steering Committee Meeting at Rohnert Park: After much discussion, the weekend of 21/22 March 2015 was selected.

Adjourned: 8:53pm

Pete Thelander, Secretary
17 Nov 2014

One Man's GoF West 2014 Experience

By Lawrie Alexander

As the sun and wind scorched through my third application of sunscreen, I began to wonder if my decision to drive from Shingle Springs to Buellton, then on to San Diego the next day in my TC with the top down, was such a good idea after all! The funny looks I received at dinner on the Sunday evening, presumably because my face was radiating back to the world some of the heat it had absorbed, decided me that top up would be more sensible and less likely to spoil my journey. However, there were other hazards awaiting me, which I'll get to in a minute

I had set off for GoF West 2014 with Jane very early on Sunday, August 24th. Highways 50 to 80 led us to Davis in quick order, as the lack of traffic at that hour enabled us to cruise close to 70 mph. Arriving in Davis we met Jim and Lindsay Costigan who had their TD on their trailer and Kevin Williams whose MGB had developed a problem so he was in his Hyundai Tucson. Jane was delighted by that fact, and she spent the rest of the week riding with Kevin in air-conditioned comfort! Leaving at 9:00 we followed 80 to 680 to 101, stopped in Salinas for an excellent Mexican lunch, then motored on to Buellton. Apart from the aforementioned heat and wind, the journey was fine, and - with Jim aware of the towing speed limit - we maintained a comfortable 62 mph most of the way.

On Monday, we left Buellton after a disappointing "free breakfast" at the hotel and followed 101 down to Oxnard, where we turned onto PCH to look for cooling ocean breezes, less traffic and nicer views. All was well until we neared Santa Monica, where we encountered slow-going, heavy traffic due to roadworks. As PCH turned onto 10, we managed to get separated and I found myself now alone heading for 405. The traffic was still really heavy and traveling between 65 and 75 mph. My TC can manage this speed but soon I wished that I was anywhere but in the thick of these trucks, SUVs and modern sedans all driving as if they didn't even see me. Then things deteriorated further - well, actually, not "things" but the road surface. From where I joined the 405 till I arrived in San Diego, I might as well have been driving down a seldom-used cart track that had not been graded in years. My poor little TC was jerked from side to side by the uneven concrete, bounced

(in the air on at least one occasion) by potholes, broken slabs and terribly uneven slopes onto and off bridge surfaces. The concentration required to maintain my speed and my position in my lane was quite demanding, to say the least.

Then my first mechanical problem: arriving at the off-ramp I had been told would lead me to that part of Mission Bay where the Bahia is located, I went to shift into a lower gear and found the lever was stuck! Brute force finally made it move, but when I arrived at a traffic light I had great difficulty using the gears to get moving again. My first thought was that I had lost all my gearbox oil but there had been no untoward noises and it still seemed to work smoothly when I was actually in any of the gears. My next thought was clutch, and that was (partially) it - by pushing the pedal as hard as I could I was just about able to shift from one gear to another. "When I reach the Bahia", I thought, "I'll check the chain adjustment; maybe the constant bumping along the freeway caused the lock nut to come loose." Well, that would have been a good idea if I was anywhere near the Bahia! It transpired the off-ramp I had taken was not the correct one. A phone call to the Bahia concierge, telling him that I was by the Mission Bay Golf Course, elicited a set of instructions that turned out to be even more wrong!! So, now driving through urban traffic with lots of traffic lights, etc., with a gearbox that was close to impossible to shift, I proceeded to continue to get more and more lost. Eventually, I found a passer-by who told me correctly how to get where I wanted to go. That whole "lost" episode cost me an hour, a great deal of annoyanceand more than a few words a San Diego sailor would have been proud of!

Finally arrived at the Bahia and re-united with the rest of my group, a cold beer and some air-conditioning soon had me feeling better. First order of business was Registration, handled very efficiently and cordially by the VMG and SDMGTR crew. After checking into our room I looked at my clutch chain; disappointingly, the nut was still tight. I adjusted it further so that there was the absolute minimum of free play, which enabled me to shift gears so long as I pushed the pedal absolutely all the way to the floor. (The mystery of

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what had changed remains to be resolved in the future.)

After freshening up, we wandered around looking at MGs and meeting friends from past events. Other SVMGCC members had made their separate ways to the event (not in MGs, as they were heading to different destinations later in the week) and my son, Martin and his friend, Kenji, had arrived to see just what a GoF West is all about. They are both accomplished photographers and they will be taking all the pictures at our 2015 event. After attending the afternoon's outdoor Orientation meeting, we were 13 at dinner that evening and a great time was had by all - although I did receive more than a few jokes about my tomato red complexion and my inability to find a large hotel in a small part of town!

Tuesday morning, after breakfast, we headed over to the Car Show, held on a grassy promontory by Mission Bay. The sky was brilliant blue, the grass dark green and soft beneath our feet (and wheels), the temperature perfect, and the ocean breeze just right. There were even a goodly number of shade trees. Indeed, the perfect setting for a gathering of about 80 MGs. Pre-war cars were represented by Eric Baker's beautiful PB, a freshly (and very nicely) restored J2, a fabulous VA Tourer and Richard Bombard's magnificent TA which has a very neatly installed early V-8 engine. Maybe there were a couple more pre-war cars but I was so smitten by these 4, I cannot remember! There was an impressive number of TCs, including the ex-Al Moss Delivery van (resplendent with a surfboard on the roof rack!), several of which were fabulously beautiful. Maybe this was because few of them had been driven very far to the event; my 660 miles to San Diego subsequently earned me the Long Distance Award, a far cry from the days when TC drivers earned some of the 1,000 mile patches! There were also a lot of very pretty TDs and TFs, 3 Y-types, an excellent selection of cars in the Winner's Circle and a nice group of MGAs, MGBs, Midgets and even a pristine MG1100. Mike Campbell's son, Scot, had actually driven to the meet in his VA Tickford which is an "as found", almost derelict but completely original car; a wonderful restoration project for someone! After the Car Show, we did more walking and talking, a bit of resting, and then set off for Historic Old Town San Diego where we enjoyed a superb Mexican dinner in a lively restaurant.

Wednesday saw the traditional Rally take place. This was arranged by Mike Campbell's daughter, Sandi, and what a fabulous job she did! The route took us to many historic and interesting spots in and around town, without asking questions while we were negotiating busy streets and avoiding pedestrians. The questions were quite challenging, yet never did we feel that we were doing so poorly that we were wasting our time. An excellent rally, enjoyed in my TC with Kevin navigating, both of us worrying whether the clutch would continue working. Thankfully, it did.

Wednesday afternoon, there were some Tech Sessions and a Ladies "Bunco" event, then the Silent and Live Auctions in the evening. There were some very nice items to be had and bidding was lively. During the Live auction, I was called on to announce GoF West 2015; however, my run of "difficulties" continued as even this did not go off smoothly. We had prepared a DVD highlighting our event location and planned activities, but it took two different laptops and the assistance of several people to manage to get the video to find its way from the projector to the screen. Eventually it appeared and, I must say, was very well received. (If you go to www.GoFWest.org and click on the link to 2015, the video is just one of the drop-downs which cover our event.) Registration No. 1 went for \$250 and a number of people took Registration Forms so they could sign up early.

As usual, Thursday morning saw the Funkhana and Swap Meet take place. A small parking lot is not ideal for a Funkhana but the organizers had done a terrific job of fitting in some truly "Fun" challenges, and the many participants appeared to thoroughly enjoy it. Once again, the Swap Meet had a fine mixture of parts new and used; I managed to buy a pair of D-lamps for \$35 which I will modify with LED innards, the ones presently on my TC having the divider plate so being un-modifiable without cutting the plate out. After lunch the Advisory Council and Steering Committee meetings took place, and then the Awards Banquet in the evening. This year's awards took the form of medals and it was interesting to note how quickly some attendees had several hanging around their necks! Steve and Linda Simmons took home the High Point Award, the San Diego MG T Register won the San Diego Cup, the Vintage MG Club won the Monterey and Santa Barbara Cups, and The Hard

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Luck award had a very deserving recipient this year - Tom Harkenrider, whose engine put a con rod through the side on the way to the meet.

Once again, we were amazed at how quickly this long-anticipated event was finished. Friday morning saw the Winner's Circle take place, then people were packing their cars and heading home. Jim's truck and Kevin's Tucson proved very useful as we had to bring home with us a lot of the signage, pylons and other materials we will use at next year's event. Loading completed, we set off, planning to follow freeways all the way. Once again, I and my poor TC had to suffer the indescribably rough roads in SoCal, as we followed 405 and 5 through the L.A. metropolis and on towards Sacramento. Over the Grapevine, my water temperature manage to reach 95 p.s.i. in the oil pressure quadrant of the gauge, with no apparent ill effects as it cooled quickly once we reached the downhill section! By the time we reached Santa Nella, I had had enough of being banged around so Jane, I and Kevin stayed overnight there, to finish the journey home on Saturday morning. Jim and Lindsay

soldiered on and arrived in Lincoln that same evening. Overall, I drove 1,180 miles, averaging 27 mpg and I was impressed by the minimal amount of oil leakage from the TC. However, I have yet to check how many parts need to be tightened back into place after the pounding they took! I'm not looking forward to pulling the engine to trace the clutch problem but this will have to happen before I can use the car with complete confidence again.

All told, GoF West 2014 was yet another fine event in the long history of these annual gatherings. Co-chairs Dave Bradley and Mike Campbell, along with their outstanding crew of helpers, did an excellent job of making everyone feel welcome and the activities were very well planned and orchestrated. The location was well-chosen, the hotel an excellent venue for this event and the cars and people were, as always, delightful to be around. I had a great time but I have also decided that, much as I love my TC, it will never be driven on such long freeway journeys again if the destination is in Southern California!

GoF West 2014 Award Winners

MODELS

Best Single Model

1st Place	George Kershaw
2nd Place	Danny Young

Best Mg Model Display

1st Place	Rick Pullen
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Best Diorama

1st Place	David Gaston
2nd Place	Rick Pullen

PHOTOS

General Interest

1st place	Dell Hake
2nd place	Tom Harkenrider

Humorous/Action

1st Place	Rick Pullen
2nd Place	Rick Pullen

ARTS and CRAFTS

Sewn Goods

1st Place	Nancy Gaston
2nd Place	Marie Thomas

Crafts

1st Place	Howard Bucey
2nd Place	Ally Benbrook

MG related Collection

1st Place	Rick Pullen
2nd Place	Tom Harkenrider

FUNKHANA

TC and Earlier

1st Place	Steve & Linda Simmons
2nd Place	Pete Thelander & Peggy Grzywacz

	3rd Place	Richard & Sandra Loe		34rd Place	Bill & Marilyn Murrell
	<u>TD and Later</u>			Honorable	Dennis & Shirley Bowman
	1st Place	George & Nancy Jackson		Honorable	Charles Lusch & Suzanne Elmassion
	2nd Place	Bob Spencer & Dell Hake		Honorable	Michael & Elinor Sheck
	3rd Place	Ernie Page & Shirley Bowman		Honorable	Nancy Leavenworth
	<u>Post 1955 MG</u>		<u>MG TF</u>		
	1st Place	Danny & Barbara Young		1st Place	Ernie & Elizabeth Page
RALLY				2nd Place	Ally Benbrook
	<u>Pre-56</u>			3rd Place	Sherman & Daveen Kaplan
	1st Place1	Gary McCrillis & John Gibbs			
	2nd Place	Steve & Linda Simmons		Honorable	Joe Buckmiller & Debbie Henry
	3rd Place	David Moore & Chris Weber		Honorable	George & Nancy Jackson
	<u>Post 55 MG</u>		<u>Post War Variant</u>		
		Fran & Sandie McClain		1st Place	Brian Keene
	<u>Dead Last But Finished</u>	Ron & Mangelh Culler		2nd Place	Jim & Barbara Alcorn
	Non MG (Mini)	Gordon & Mimi Glass		3rd Place	Scott Leavenworth
CARLESS FUNKHANA			<u>Premier Class</u>		
	<u>Couple</u>			1st Place	Howard & Sandra Bucey
	1st Place	Dave & Joyce Edgar	LONG DISTANCE AWARD		
	<u>Ladies</u>			Lawrie Alexander	
	1st Place	Shirley Bowman	SACAJAWEA AWARD		
	<u>Men</u>			Linda Simmons	
	1st Place	John Seim	AL MOSS MEMORIAL HIGH POINT AWARD		
CAR DISPLAY				Steve and Linda Simmons	
	<u>First Timer</u>		HARD LUCK AWARD		
	1st Place	Brian Keene		Tom Harkenrider	
	Pre-war		MONTEREY CUP		
	1st Place	Bob & Donna Henselman		Vintage MG Club of Southern California	
	2nd Place	Sky & Ruth Hoffman	SAN DIEGO CUP		
	<u>MG TC</u>			San Diego MG Club	
	1st Place	Rick & Jill Pullen	SANTA BARBARA CUP		
	2nd Place	Don & Linda Harmer		Vintage MG Club of Southern California	
	3rd Place	Steve & Linda Simmons		1729 miles	
	Honorable	Philip & Carolyn Hammel		17 vehicles	
	Honorable	Mike & Linda Keeffe			
	Honorable	Pete & Fran Thelander			
	<u>MG TD</u>				
	1st Place	Ed & Judy Reynolds			
	2nd Place	Carl & Mary Haglund			

Rohnert Park , California Registration:

Visit the website at: www.GoFWest.org (preferred)

By mail: Use registration form below (alternate)



GoF West 2015 Registration Form

Event Dates: June 15 - 19, 2015

Event Location: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Sonoma Wine Country
One Doubletree Drive, Rohnert Park, CA, 94928, USA



If you plan to bring more than one MG car with which to participate in this event, please complete a separate form for each car and driver, and pay a separate registration fee for each of them.

For registration questions contact Val Howard Hogue at e-mail at gofwest2015reg@gmail.com or 916-616-8583.

Attendee Information

List names as you want them on your name tag and in the booklet:

Registration#

Driver's First Name:

Driver's Last Name:

Co-Driver's First Name:

Co-Driver's Last Name:

Names of any children attending with you:

Street Address:

City:

State / Province:

Zip / Postal Code:

Country:

Home Phone number:

Mobile Phone number:

E-mail:

Primary Club Affiliation:

Registration Fees

\$65.00 US till April 30th, 2015

\$75.00 US after that

\$25.00 US to register "In Spirit"

Note: Cancellations on or after April 1st, 2015 will revert to "In Spirit" and the balance will be refunded.

Payment Method

☐ Check payable to: GoF West 2015

Please complete this form and print, then mail it with your check to
"GoF West 2015 Registration" at
2120 DuPont Drive, Placerville, CA
95667-9343

Once your registration has been received you will get a confirmation with your registration number.

First GoF West with an MG? ☐ Yes ☐ No

MG Year:

MG Model:

MG Color:

Are you bringing a Trailer? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Hotel Information:

The Double Tree has offered us a very special room rate of just \$128.00 per night, plus tax. This has been guaranteed for the first 100 registrations through May 15th, 2015. Later registrants might receive the same rate or might be charged a higher rate. They will accept cancellations up to 72 hours prior to your scheduled arrival date, so if you are planning to stay there (and we hope you are!) please make your reservations prior to May 15th 2015.

Reservations can be made by contacting the DoubleTree directly through this link at the Booking Website: <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/gofwest>.