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A Hot Time in Durango, Colorado GoF West 2002

Fire, wind, smoke, closed roads, fire damaged restaurants and assorted other hurdles greeted the 125 entrants to the GoF West 2002 in Durango, Colorado. But, not to worry, MG people are used to things not going quite as planned and



The Missionary Ridge fire could be seen from the Durango, DoubleTree Hotel

quickly settled into a fun week of cars, surroundings and the companionship of fellow enthusiasts. On the other hand, the organizers and workers for the event, started at a run and continued through the week that way, stopping only to grab a bite to eat and sleep when the eyes could no longer stay open. All of the venues associated with the GoF were in some part affected by the fires along Missionary Ridge, just northeast of Durango. Smoke and flames could be seen from

By Bill Bollendonk



Two of the many fine TC's on display

the parking lot of the DoubleTree Hotel and several times the wind was from the north, moving the smoke into Durango. The eyes burned and the air was foul but the meet went on, pretty much as planned.



A fine day for the car display on the grass at Santa Rita Park on the Animas River

The first timer's car display was held along the Animas River, adjacent to the Hotel and 14 MG's were proudly placed there during the first evening's activities that included cocktails and orientation. It was disappointing that not all of the 28 pre-registered first timer's were there. Tuesday morning found most of the cars on the grass at the Santa Rita Park for the main car display and the weather conditions could not have been

better. The funkhana was to be held on the grounds of the Durango High School, but the fire fighters had the area covered with tents and equipment, placing the funkhana in the position of finding another place to operate. The Durango Chamber of Commerce jumped through hoops and got all of the required permits to allow the funkhana to be held on the parking area of the Santa Rita Park. The Chamber of Commerce, the City of Durango and the Parks and Recreation Department could not have been more helpful with all of the rearranging required during the GoF.

The Durango and Silverton Narrow Gauge RR was not running during the week, due to the extreme



***Gene Roth and John Hancock don T shirts
at the start of the funkhana***

dry conditions and the worry of additional fires along the rail line that follows the Animas river northward into Silverton. A shortened trip was provided and many of the 250 riders from the GoF group took advantage of that to ride the train and to see some of the beauty along the "highline" area, about half way between Durango and Silverton. Others took the bus to Silverton, to visit one of the oldest mining towns in Colorado.

The tour/rallye planning took the biggest hit during the GoF, as the roads planned for the event had to be changed several times to accommodate the fire problems that caused road closures and detours. Also, the lunch planned at the end of the tour could not be



Ah, shade for the funkhana watchers

held, as the restaurant was closed, as fires burned all around Vallecito Lake and threatened the restaurant. But since the Silverton lunch could not be held, Richard and Carolyn Wilcox, the owners of the funnel cake shop in Silverton, who prepared lunches for the train riders, agreed to bring them to Durango for the tour finish, also changed to end in Santa Rita Park. Richard and Carolyn, MG owners formerly from Tulsa, had moved to Silverton several years ago for a change of lifestyle. Richard had driven his TD on the Ocean to Ocean and the Circuit of Britain and was very happy to help with the GoF redirection.

The auction night activities were greatly en-



John Hibben and son, Jake smile for the camera

GoF West 2002 Committee Chairpersons

Chairman:	Bill Bollendonk
Registration:	John & Mary Lou Hibben
Hotel and Catering:	John Scott/Bill Bollendonk
Awards:	Jack Kahler
Auction:	Tom Cox
Regalia:	Bob & Jackie Rittenhouse
Rallye/tour/photo:	Rick & Suzie Mills
Activities:	Jim Gorman

Computer methodology:	John Hibben
Finance:	Terry & Tina Moreland
Tech sessions:	Bob Rich
Publicity:	Don Sass
Funkhana:	Kerry and Ken
Car displays:	Mike & Carol Francks
Hospitality:	Chuck & Terri Wiley

hanced by Syd Saperstein's very fine auctioneering and the results were much better than hoped for. Syd always gets the group in the right mood to keep the bids climbing and this year was no exception. Many thanks to Syd for his fine job.

The awards dinner is always a highlight of the



The "foto shoot" backdrop goes together

GoF and many of the entrants took home awards for their efforts during the car display, funkhana, tour and the photo and crafts displays. There were two couples from New Zealand attending the GoF

and John and Brenda Hancock took the high point honors for outstanding placement in all of the events. John and Brenda are not strangers at the West GoF's, as they have been to many during the past years. A fine presentation was given by Jerry Austin on the plans for GoF West 2003 that will be held, on and about, the Queen Mary in Long Beach, California. Registration information was made available during the farewell breakfast, as GoF West 2002 was concluded on Friday morning. It is always sad when it's over, but there is next year.

From my perspective, as event chairman, it was hectic with all of the work-around planning, but it could not have been accomplished without the outstanding support of the members of the RMMGTR GoF committee. To them I say, thanks for a super job!

See you all on the Queen!

Bill Bollendonk

CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER

First order of business has to be a huge "Tip of the Hat" to Bill Bollendonk, Tom Cox and the Rocky Mountain MGT Register for the outstanding GoF 2002 they put on at Durango. This was an exceptional event on it's own, but when you factor in the huge forest fires in the back yard of the GoF site, it was truly a remarkable achievement.

Thank You !!!

The Steering Committee has been busy this year and has made several changes to the Red Book (the "how to" manual for GoF events). We have established a TEN AGAIN blue print based on a suggestion from Floyd Inman. The concept is to return to the general locale every 10 years. We are working on a 5-year rollout and have tentative plans/ideas thru 2007. You will hear all about 2004 at the Queen Mary this year.

Each year at GoF there is an Advisory Council Meeting that is open to all. The pur-

pose of this forum is idea exchange and to nominate and elect 2 members to the Steering Committee for 3 year terms. Each Club has one vote and I would encourage at least one Representative from every club to attend. Terry Sanders and Jerry Austin have decided not to seek reelection. There will be opportunities for another 2 energetic and enthusiastic MG'ers to serve. Many thanks to Jerry and Terry for their input and support over the past 3 years.

VMG is hosting this year's GoF on the Queen Mary in Long Beach, and I know that they are looking forward to having you join them there. They have been working hard to insure another great GoF !!!

See you on the Queen and don't forget to bring your Photos, Models and Handicrafts !!!

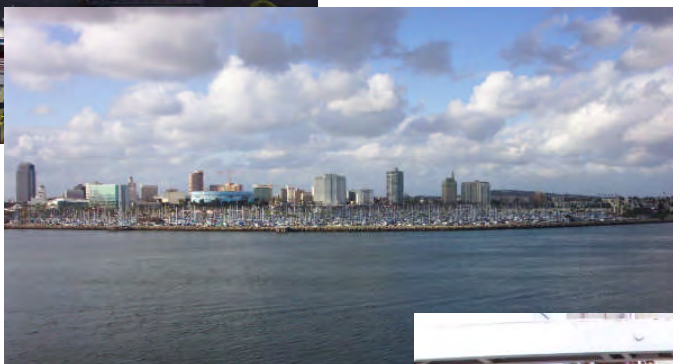
Cheers, George

GoF West 2003 Plans are Steaming Ahead

Well, folks, plans are moving right along for this sure-to-be exciting meeting at the Queen Mary in Long Beach, California. We Vintage MG Club members are steadily bringing together our plans to not only entertain you



and your families, but to provide you with options that you can fit into your plans when you take in more than just a week of GoF action.



The Long Beach skyline from the Queen Mary deck

In addition to the usual auction, funk-hana, car display, etc., there will be such new things as a parking lot shop for making emergency repairs for those whose cars experience a breakdown. There will also be at least one local garage for those repairs that may require a bit more intense attention.

As we earlier promised, for those of you who plan to take advantage of the Queen Mary's offer of providing GoF room rates for a week before and a week after our regular festivities, there will be at least two interesting local jaunts:

(a) First, for you men folk, **a tour of VMG club members' garages!** You will be able to visit and be inspired by some pretty unique facilities, including Carl Cederstrand's wonderful shop and parts storage room.

(b) Next, for the ladies, we plan a **really outstanding shopping tour to either that fabulous city, Beverly Hills, and the much-heard-of Rodéo Drive and Wilshire Boulevard or one of the exciting malls along the Pacific coast in Orange County.** Whichever the choice, it will be a day to remember!

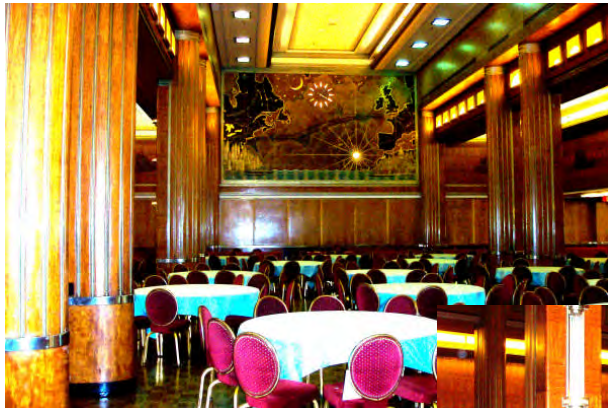
We are also working on more. So stay tuned, we may have some surprises ready for you when you arrive early. We plan to have one of the greatest GoFs West that MG people from around the world have ever experienced.

Please don't forget those special hotel rates that the Queen has given us. For an inside cabin, the tariff is just \$85.00! But these are lim-

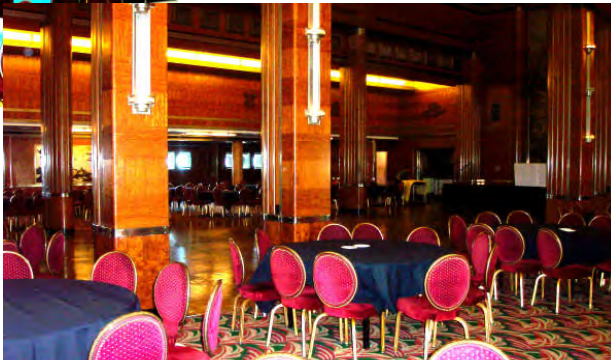


*A view along the main deck.
No roller skating, please!!*

ited in availability, so reserve early. For a state-room with one of those round, ocean liner windows, the fee is but \$125.00 per couple. There are also suites available. The phone number for those of you who are not in Southern California is toll free (800) 437-2934, while you folks in California can try that number, and if you can't get connected, the number is (562) 435-3511. Be sure to mention that you are part of GoF West 2003.



The GoF Steering Committee has set up a Web Site that you can all visit at any time. The address is simply **GoF-West.com**. Here you will find news (including this edition of the GoF Gazette), other features and an application blank that you can print and send in to register for the event you will want to try



Two views of the main ballroom, where we will have our banquets. Bring your dancin' shoes!!

not to miss. Here, too, will be links to the Web pages for this and future GoFs West.

We hope you will send your entries in soon so you will be listed in the GoF roster booklet, which will close in May, 2003. And please register the accommodation of your choice with the Queen.

Thanks, and best regards to all from **Jerry Felper** and **Jerry Austin**, Co-Chairs. We look forward to seeing you in July.



A view of the engine room aboard the Queen Mary



A PRE-WAR MG TRIBUTE—A SPECIAL TREAT

Those of us who have been around T-series MGs for a few years (or perhaps a lot more) have certainly had at least some exposure to the really old MGs. Names like Magenttes, Magnas, Tigresses and Montlhery Midgets are not totally unfamiliar. Even the alphabet soup of MG models ranging from 14/28 to WA make a certain amount of sense to many of us. Who among us hasn't admired photos of those fantastic and exotic racing MGs of yore in books such as Mike Allison's "Magic of MG" or heard stories of the phenomenal racing successes that MGs achieved during the golden age of motor racing?

How many of us can really claim to have ever seen more than a very few of these wonderful and interesting cars together at one time? GoF West '03 will be another golden opportunity to see one of the largest ever U.S. gathering of pre-war MGs. The support of the North American MMM Register of overhead cam Midgets, Magnas, and Magenttes together with Chris Nowlan's considerable efforts to get the word out to prewar MG owners everywhere should insure a world class turnout.

Some of the pre-war cars expected have never attended a GoF event. Some have been active in vintage racing circles. Others are serious concours restorations occasionally exhibited at the most prestigious classic car shows or simply lovingly preserved in private collections. No stone has been unturned to bring together the best of the best!

At press time, over twenty prewar MGs are registered including C-types, J2's, and perhaps Airline Coupes. This will be a great opportunity to see many of the MG models built, displayed together at one time. We hope that you will agree that GoF West '03 will be an event not to be missed.

(Adapted from the Winter 94/95 Gazette)



GoF West 2003

July 21 - 25, 2003

Queen Mary Long Beach, CA

Hosted by: The VINTAGE MG CLUB of Southern California

Activities and General Information

Make GoF West 2003 a true family adventure in Southern California. This GoF could be the chance of a lifetime for families to cruise aboard one of the finest, most luxurious ocean-going vessels ever built. Wouldn't it be a wonderful adventure for young and old to actually sleep in one of the staterooms where royalty and scores of famous and historical people, including thousands of our servicemen have slept, during many starry and even some stormy nights? Arrangements have been made with the Queen Mary for special room rates, not only for during the GoF period but also for the weeks preceding and following GoF. This means you and your family can make the Queen Mary a base for all your visits to the major points of interest in the Los Angeles basin. The Queen Mary has available special inexpensive transportation to the major amusement and theme parks, such as **Disneyland and California Adventure, Universal City, Knotts Berry Farm**, and many other vistas. Arrangements can be made right at the Queen Mary. For additional information on Long Beach see <http://www.queenmary.com>. Also see <http://www.visitlongbeach.com>

In the immediate area of the Queen, reachable by a *free* shuttle service, are the World-Class **Long Beach Aquarium of the Pacific, Seaport Village** shopping and dining areas, and a large selection of fine restaurants and upscale hotels along the Long Beach oceanfront. Multifaceted Long Beach architecture along Ocean Avenue is mind-boggling to say the least and a drive you should try to make.

If a full- or half-day visit to such very interesting sights and eating establishments that are on **Santa Catalina Island** is your pleasure, a site for transportation to the island is right in the Queen Mary parking area. Also, do not forget one or more of several very interesting tours of the Queen Mary herself, including the engine room, or the **Russian submarine** moored next to the ship. And there are both **Daytime and Dinner Boat Trips** through both the Long Beach and Los Angeles Harbors, together one of the busiest ports in the world.

The least expensive accommodations we've had in years have been reserved for our GoF West 2003 event. Deluxe outboard cabins with at least one porthole are just \$125.00 per couple, but you must book your own reservations directly with the Queen. The Queen's Toll-Free number for folks outside California is (800) 437-2934. For Californians, the Number is: (562) 435-3511. Just ask for the reservation desk and mention you are booking for GoF West 2003 to get the special rate. And don't forget, you can get the same rates for a full week before and a full week following GoF. One more bit of good news: there will be free parking for all MGs!

Activities at the GoF will feature, at least as of this mailing, the **Funkhana, Flea Market, Regalia Shoppe**, a super **Rally/Tour**, the traditional **Auction and Dinner**, that exciting **Awards Banquet**, and the **Winners Circle and delicious Brunch**. Other events are still in the planning stages, including at least one **Shopping Trip** at some fabulous Southern California locale and a **VMG Member Garage Tour**, too, so there is bound to be fun and excitement for all. Our Hospitality Room will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., except the evenings of the Auction and Awards Banquet and Friday morning.

GoF West 2002 Trophy Winners

The following is a list of folks that took home a trophy for their contributions to making the GoF west 2002 a very successful event. I think you would all agree, however, that everyone that was there and participated in this great event was a winner. Congratulations to all!!

Photo Awards

Photo – General Int'st	1st	Bob Rich
Photo – General Int'st	2nd	Bill Hawkins
Photo – MG Action	1st	John Hancock
Photo – MG Action	2nd	Dave & Jean Barnett
Brian Alder Award	1st	John Hancock

Crafts & Sewn Goods

Sewn Goods	1st	Nancy Kahler
Crafts	1st	John Hancock
Crafts	2nd	Rosemary Guttormsson

Monterey Cup 33 Vintage MG of Southern California

San Diego Cup 54% Rocky Mountain T Register

Santa Barbara Cup 11,173 1st Vintage MG of So. Cal.
9683 2nd Minnesota MG T Register
5088 3rd British Motor Club of Utah

Funkahana

TC & Earlier	1st	121	Mike Castle
	2nd	43	Graeme Fisher
	3rd	36	Gene Roth
TD, TF & Y	1st	127	John Clifford
	2nd	107	Arnie Sybrant
	3rd	85	Donna Palmer

Rallye / Tour

Pre '56	1st	26	John Hancock
	2nd	39	Larry Long
	3rd	78	Tim Cane
Modern	1st	108	Bill Walton
Dead Last but finished!		28	Dick Mason

Sacajawea 763 Miles 112 Muriel Machovec

The High Point Award 26 John Hancock

Long Dist. Award 1789 Miles 53 Stefan Guttormsson

The Car Display

First Timers	1st	126	Pierre Moreau	Jan Whatley
M M M	1st	114	Mickey Saperstein	Stella Saperstein
	2nd	37	Mike Francks	Carol Francks
Other Pre-War	1st	10	Tom Cox	
	2nd	43	Graeme Fisher	Terrie Thompson
TC's	1st	129	Mike Bailey	Sharon Bailey
	2nd	18	Donald Sass	Eleanor Perry
	3rd	35	John Hibben	Mary Lou Hibben
	Hon/Men	33	Pete Thelander	Fran Thelander
	Hon/Men	76	John Seim	
	Hon/Men	44	Jim Sullivan	Jan Sullivan
	Hon/Men	36	Gene Roth	Deana Roth
TD's	1st	77	Werner Spier	Cheri Spier
	2nd	34	Dennis Bowman	Shirley Bowman
	3rd	78	Tim Cane	Kay Cane
	Hon/Men	132	Lana Wellington	
	Hon/Men	30	William Winter	
	Hon/Men	86	William VanMoorhem	Julie VanMoorhem
	Hon/Men	71	Michael Sindicic	Mary Sindicic
TF's	1st	97	Gary Kenneday	Sharolyn Winn
	2nd	126	Pierre Moreau	Jan Whatley
	3rd	1	Willie Williams	
	Hon/Men	85	Donna Palmer	John Willey
Modern	1st	60	Jim Nuzum	Mary Lou Nuzum
Premier	1st	29	Kathy Inman	Floyd Inman

GoF West 2003

July 21-25, 2003

Queen Mary, Long Beach, CA

Schedule of Events

Monday, July 21

Noon	Arts, Crafts, Models, Photos Setup
Noon ~ 6:30 p.m.	Arrival, Registration, and Check-in
Noon ~ 6:00 p.m.	Hospitality Room Open
1:00 p.m. ~ 5:00 p.m.	Regalia open
All Day	Optional side trips
7:30 p.m.	GoF Orientation

Tuesday, July 22

8:00 a.m. ~ 6:00 p.m.	Hospitality Room Open
8:00 a.m. ~ 5:00 p.m.	Registration open
9:00 a.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.	Regalia open
9:00 a.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.	Arts, Crafts, Models, Photos
9:00 a.m. ~ 9:30 a.m.	Line up for Rallye/Tour
9:30 a.m. ~ Noon	Rallye/Tour
4:00 p.m. ~ 5:30 p.m.	Ladies' Tech Session
4:00 p.m. ~ 5:30 p.m.	Gents' Tech Session
6:00 p.m. ~ 7:30 p.m.	Cocktail Hour and Silent Auction
7:00 p.m. ~ 10:30 p.m.	Auction and Dinner

Wednesday, July 23

7:00 a.m. ~ 9:00 a.m.	Car Display Lineup (Please be Prompt)
9:00 a.m. ~ 2:00 p.m.	Car Display, Including First-Timers (No-Host Food Available)
8:00 a.m. ~ 10:00 a.m.	Hospitality Room Open
1:00 p.m. ~ 8:00 p.m.	Hospitality Room Open
12:30 p.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.	Regalia open
2:00 p.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.	Ashwood Derby Preliminaries
3:00 p.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.	Al Moss' MG Mechanics Contest
4:00 p.m. ~ 5:30 p.m.	Tech Session
5:30 p.m. ~	Open
7:00 p.m.	Arts/Crafts/Photo/Model Voting ends

Thursday, July 24

7:00 a.m. ~ 10:00 a.m.	Auto Jumble
8:00 a.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.	Hospitality Room Open
8:00 a.m. ~ Noon	Funkhana
9:00 a.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.	Regalia open
1:00 p.m. ~ 2:00 p.m.	Ashwood Derby Finals
1:00 p.m. ~ 2:30 p.m.	Tech Session
2:30 p.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.	Advisory Council Meeting
4:00 p.m. ~ 5:30 p.m.	GoF Steering Committee Meeting
6:00 p.m. ~ 7:00 p.m.	Cocktail Hour
7:00 p.m.	Awards Banquet

Friday, July 25

8:00 ~ 10:00 a.m.	Winners Circle Car Display, Breakfast Goodies
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MINUTES GoF West, Inc. Advisory Committee Meeting

Durango, Colorado June 25, 2002

Meeting was called to order by Colin Fitzgerald at 1:05 PM

Present from the Steering Committee were:

Colin Fitzgerald
Floyd Inman
Terry Sanders
Jerry Austin
Syd Saperstein
Gerald Felper

Voting Membership in Attendance:

Classic MG's of SC.....	Warren Wendt
Vintage MG.....	Shirley Bowman
BMCU	Doug Wimer
Pre '56 Vancouver.....	Gary Rombough
Rocky Mtn "T" Register.....	Bill Bollendonk
TC Motoring Guild.....	George Kershaw
Sorry Safari.....	Terry Sanders
San Diego MG Club.....	Mike Campbell

Minutes from previous meeting were read accepted.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Syd. See attached. Accepted by attendees.

Bill Bollendock reported that GoF West 2002 had collected \$1,200.00 to be presented to the Durango Fire-fighter's Fund.

Gerald Felper offer a report on GoF West 2003 at the Queen Mary and all appears to be on track.

Colin Fitzgerald reported that the Calgary Club had indicated that they would not be able to sponsor the GoF West 2004. It has been suggested that we ask the Seattle

Clubs to sponsor the event, however, should that fail to materialize by the end of July 2002 we would look at other alternatives. Those suggested were Lake Tahoe/Reno or perhaps Sun Valley. Further discussion and a decision will be made by the November meeting.

Nominations for two Steering Committee members were open. Nominated were:

Lane Rollins and Larry Long

Motion to close nominations was made and seconded. Nominees were elected by acclamation.

Discussion was opened for New Business.

A brief discussion was opened on the Gazette. It was suggested that we once again offer personal experiences be submitted by attendees.

Shirley Bowman expressed concern over the dates we have been holding the GoF West. Principally that there are many that do not attend due to the event being held too early in the year. Next year's event will be held the last week in July.

Jerry Austin noted that the November Swap Meet will be held at the John F. Kennedy High School in La Palma on November 24.

GoF West.com – Our official web site is up and running.

There was a lengthy discussion on trying to build enthusiasm within the MG clubs and trying to sell GoF West sponsorship.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:05 PM.

Floyd Inman, Secretary

MINUTES GoF West, Inc. Steering Committee Meeting

Durango, Colorado June 25, 2002

Meeting was called to order by George Kershaw at 2:10 PM

Present from the Steering Committee were:

George Kershaw
Jerry Austin
Colin Fitzgerald – Requested Attendance
Floyd Inman – Requested Attendance
Terry Sanders
Larry Long
Syd Saperstein

Syd Saperstein opened a discussion on monies expended by Chris Nolan for penalties assessed by the IRS in years during his tenure as Treasure. It was decided to reimburse him in full as we have now received our Tax Rebates.

Officers for the coming year will be:

Chairman:..... George Kershaw
Vice Chairman:.....Jerry Austin

Treasurer:Syd Saperstein
Secretary/Editor:.....Larry Long
Statistician:.....Lane Rollins
At-Large/Club Coordinator:..... Terry Sanders

Terry asked that all look closely at the Mailing List, edit to their knowledge and submit.

Long Beach 2003 asked for another \$2,000.00 advance. It was approved and will be provided after July 7 expiration date of CD.

Larry Long, as editor, will take control of the Red Book.

Thank You's were offered to Colin Fitzgerald and Floyd Inman for their years of service to the GoF West.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 PM

Next meeting to be at the Swap Meet in November.

Floyd Inman, Secretary

MINUTES GoF West, Inc. Steering Committee Meeting La Palma (At the Parts Exchange), 24 Nov., 2002

Meeting was called to order by George Kershaw at 10:00 AM.
George presented the agenda (attached) for the meeting.

Present from the Steering Committee were:

Chairman: George Kershaw
Vice Chairman: Jerry Austin
Treasurer: Syd Saperstein
Secretary and Gazette editor: Larry Long
Club Liason & Mailing List Terry Sanders
Member-at-large: Lane Rollins

Other attendees were:

Colin Fitzgerald
Mike Campbell
Jerry Felper, Chair GoF West 2003
Ann Hazel, Chair, GoF West 2004

Secretary's report:

The secretary reviewed minutes from the previous meeting and they were accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's report:

- 1) The Treasurer presented a recap of event status costs for GoF Wests 2000 through 2004 (chart attached) to give a better understanding of the flow of funds and the need for advance money for upcoming GoFs. He suggested the need for a cushion in reserve to keep future event registration fees tied up.
 - 2) The Treasurer presented a balance sheet (attached) showing the total assets and liabilities at \$21,541.85. He mentioned that the \$4,200 for future GoF advances will be paid back; that the \$598 expenditure for equipment was for the credit card machine; and that the \$213.56 for the 1000 mile patches should be expensed.
 - 3) With respect to the balance sheet, the Treasurer mentioned that income must be kept under \$25,000 for income tax purposes.
 - 4) A statement of operations for 1/1/02 through 11/15/02 was presented (attached) and discussed. The \$49.00 for accounting software was for Turbo Tax. The \$600.00 for insurance is for one year and covers any GoF west sanctioned event. Jerry Austin takes care of the web site with expenses thus far of \$241.40.
 - 4) The treasurer will look to see if insurance will cover all officers of the corporation and the Board. He will also check for errors and omissions.
- The report from the Treasurer was accepted as submitted and discussed.

Old Business

The Committee has not yet received a final report from GoF West 2002. This will be requested from Bill Bollendonk. A recognition letter will be drafted by Larry and George

and sent to Bill Bollendonk and the Rocky Mountain MGT Register, thanking them for their efforts in conducting the GoF West 2002.

Committee assignments were discussed with the result as shown in the foregoing attendees list.

Current Business

The Committee heard a report from the GoF West 2003 committee, wherein they reported that everything was going well. There are 50 reservations at this time. There is a plan to send good publicity, maps, etc. soon. A guide will be prepared to guide attendees to the Queen Mary on surface streets, rather than on freeways. It was noted that the North American MMM Register plans to hold their annual event during the GoF.

The secretary reviewed changes to the "Red Book." These are shown in summary in the attached. All changes were approved with the exception of para 201.7, which will be revised to state "The local sponsor may request and receive from GoF West, Inc., up to 30% of the net profits...". This was approved unanimously. A paragraph regarding the orientation will be added. The secretary received copies of all charts for the Red book. The amendments to the Red Book will be made prior to the next committee meeting.

Terry Sanders gave the Committee members copies of the most recent mailing list, which was compiled from several lists. He asked the Committee to check through the list for errors and omissions and to forward the data to him.

New Business

The committee heard a report from Ann Hazel regarding GoF West 2004. Planning for that event is apparently going well at this time.

With respect to the "Ten Again", Larry Long reported that he is looking into venues along the "Central Coast"--i.e., from Monterey to Ventura/Oxnard for GoF West 2005. There is a very definite possibility of making this happen, and Larry will report on status at the next meeting. The possibility of having GoF Wests 2006 and 2007 in Oregon and Utah respectively was discussed with no conclusions.

The next meeting was planned for April 5th at the Queen Mary. It is expected that the GoF West 2003 committee will show the Steering Committee the layout of the planned GoF at that venue.

The next issue of the Gazette was discussed, and it was agreed that it should probably be sent out in January.

The agenda item of New Comers Orientation was deferred until the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Larry Long, Secretary

MG PIN EXCHANGE

It might be fun to start a Pin Exchange at GoF this year. Could be a fun way to get to meet new people and expand your Pin Collection ! If you are interested, bring your extra Club, GOF or MG Pins We'll have a Pin Display in the Regalia Area but Trading would be any where you can make a Deal !

MINUTES GoF West, Inc. Steering Committee Meeting

Queen Mary, April 5, 2003

Meeting was called to order by George Kershaw at 11:30 AM. George presented the agenda (attached) for the meeting.

Present from the Steering Committee were:

Chairman: George Kershaw
Vice Chairman: Jerry Austin
Treasurer: Syd Saperstein
Secretary and Gazette editor: Larry Long
Club Liason & Mailing List: Terry Sanders

Other attendees were:

Jerry Felper, Chair GoF West 2003
Ann Hazel, Chair, GoF West 2004
Dee Austin

Treasurer's report:

- 1) The Treasurer presented an update to the recap of event status costs for GoF Wests 2000 through 2004 presented at the last meeting (chart attached).
 - 2) The Treasurer presented a balance sheet (attached) showing the total assets and liabilities at \$21,629.76, not much change since the last meeting.
 - 3) A statement of operations for 1/1/02 through 11/15/02 was presented (attached) and discussed. The only expenditures since last meeting were bank service charges, and income was interest.
 - 4) It was suggested that the template used in the Red Book be changed to reflect the actual accounting method used by the Treasurer.
- The report from the Treasurer was accepted as submitted and discussed.

Secretary's report:

The secretary reviewed minutes from the previous meeting and they were accepted as submitted.

Old Business

Re: Red Book. A suggestion was made to revise Red Book page 2, para .7 from:

"Incentives: If desired, the sponsoring club(s) or group(s) may receive from *GoF West, Inc.*, an award based on the net profits from the Event activities. Net profits are determined as the gross income less gross expenses less

\$3,000.00. The \$3,000.00 will be retained by *GoF West, Inc.*, to cover its estimated annual operating expenses."

To: "If desired, the sponsoring club(s) or group(s) will receive 15% of the net proceeds from the GoF West event. This incentive will be paid upon receipt of the completed Final Financial Report not later than 75 days from the end of the event."

A motion was made to approve the amendment and was passed unanimously.

Current Business

Re: GoF 2004:

Ann Hazel reported that all preparations are going well for GoF 2004, and there were no major comments or suggestions made at this meeting.

Re: GoF 2005:

Larry Long presented findings of his search for venues on the Central Coast for GoF 2005. At this time, 2 specific locations are being considered (Ventura and Shell Beach) with all other locations discounted due to lack of hotel or banquet facilities. Both have good accommodations and it now a matter of determining which locale will give the best value for the GoF. A decision will be made within the next month.

Re: GoF 2003:

The Committee heard a report from the GoF West 2003 committee, wherein they reported that everything was going well. There are 139 registrants to date, with 4 in-spirit. 150-160 registrants are expected, with 350 cars. 125 rooms are now being held at the hotel.

The committee was led on a tour of the sites on the Queen Mary where the banquets, registration, etc., will be held. All appeared satisfactory to the committee and there were no concerns expressed.

The next issue of the Gazette will be sent out by the end of April.

New Business

The next meeting will be held during the GoF at the Queen Mary at 4:00 PM on July 24.

The meeting was adjourned sometime after the tour.

Respectfully submitted, Larry Long, Secretary

Auction Items Needed for GoF West 2002

As you probably know, the auction during the GoF west provides, in part, needed seed money for following GoFs. We would like to make the auction of GoF West 2002 one of the best ever, and are now asking for donations for the auction. Any item will be accepted for auction, but it is desirable that the item be MG related, or at least car related (preferably British car). Please don't give us old worn-out or greasy parts; they kind of mess up the clothing in the suitcase on the trip home. You may bring the items to the auction, or send them to John Seim, 7 Mann Street, Irvine, CA 92612. You can e-mail John at "kingseim@earthlink.net".

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Mickey and Stella Saperstein with their 1932 F3 Tourer



Mike Francks and his PA 2-seater



The MMM line-up at GoF West in Durango, CO

