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June 29th-July 3rd

GoF West Heads to Mount Hood in Oregon for 2020

By Donna McNabb

Please join us for GoF West 2020 on the shoulders of Mount Hood in Oregon, June 29 to July 3. Registration is now open! (see page 16 for Registration From)

There are three reasons why people come to the Gathering of the Faithful annual convention:

- 1. To reconnect with friends and make new ones
- 2. To see the country where they may not have been before, or revisit favorite spots
- 3. To enjoy the fun and challenge of the convention's events

The 2020 event will feature the usual activities, and a few new ones.

- Of course, there is a car show to display your pride and joy (or work in progress). We are fortunate to have the car show on the beautiful lawns adjacent to the golf course.
- ♦ The funkhana is a contest of precision driving in a parking lot with silly challenges thrown in. How can it be anything but FUN – it's in the name! Hilarious to run, and hilarious to watch!
- There will be a gimmick rally in which you tour the countryside looking for answers to questions. You can win a trophy.
- Our technical sessions will feature a cut-away engine, gearbox, and carburetor to show how they really work. There will be other sessions sure to pique the interest of the gearhead.
- Several non-car related activities will also be offered. These include a croquet tournament and a lawn bowling tournament on the competition-quality, laser leveled grounds for these sports.
 We will also make use the miniature golf course.
- Bring your photos, arts, crafts, and models to display and win trophies! We love to see your handiwork.
- ♦ Bring an item for the auction this is a great way to reuse and repurpose what you don't want anymore. Your old stuff is someone else's treasure!
- We will have self-guided tours of the area that you can do in your spare time. See waterfalls, the historic Timberline Lodge, fruit trees, alpacas, and lavender in Hood River, a pub tour of craft beers and wineries in the Hood River Valley, or even a longer drive to see Mt. St. Helens.

Please come to the beautiful Pacific Northwest. The weather is sure to be mild; there is an abundance of trees, mountain views, and wildlife; and there are 3 golf courses on site. After the event, you can enjoy a little time at the ocean (beaches are only 2 hours away!) or the largest fireworks display east of the Mississippi in Vancouver Washington on the 4th of July.

Club T MG is your host for this event. We welcome you to Oregon. Join your friends in this reunion of



sorts, and you will be sure to meet new MG enthusiasts from the more northern regions of the West. We welcome any model of MG from any year. We guarantee you will have a good time - there is something for everyone at GoF West 2020.

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Registration is open now
- Start preparing your MG
- All MGs are welcome!
- We hope to see you there

Snowy view of Mount Hood, Oregon.

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GoF West Steering Committee Chairman's Chat

GoF West 2019 was a blast. So many thanks to Larry Long and Mike Campbell for taking the lead in heading up and organizing the event. They truly are deserving of lots of kudos for this year as well as

quite a few other past years too. I think GoF West would have faded into the sunset if it wasn't for them. That said, they did have lots of help from local clubs including the Arizona, MG Club, Arizona MGT Roadrunners and Prescott Mile High British & European Car Club.

Helpers included Art Kaplan, Syd Saperstein, Dave & Gretchen Boyer, Kevin Campbell, Rich Flammang, Bucky McChesney, Barbara Young, Karen Bull, Joe Pendergast, John Pekala, Barbara Long, Tim Long, H Garcia, George Bean, Doug Pelton, Ken & Ginny Martin, Don & Ginger Pottenger, Dan Cook and Peter Holbrook. Many others also pitched in on the spot as well. A HUGE THANKS to all.

While the heat of Arizona may have scared off many from attending, Prescott was very pleasant indeed. Of course getting to Prescott involved trips through desert lands, but it was well worth it. Everyone I met there was having a fantastic time and enjoyed all the MG friendly people, oh and the MGs too.

2020 will be cooler for sure at Mt. Hood Oregon Resort in the shadow of Mt. Hood and close to the Columbia River. June 29-July3 are the dates so mark your calendar and start planning now. More teasers and registration form can be found in this issue as well as on our GoF West website < GoFWest.org >. Share it with your fellow MG club

members, enthusiasts and if you have smaller children, or grandchildren, encourage them to come to join the fun as many activities are planned to be kid friendly.

Our first GoF West was in 1973, which means 2022 will be our 50th anniversary. Plans are already being assembled to mark this momentous occasion. If you have ideas you think we should incorporate, please share them. We are looking forward to a grand celebration.

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Safety Fast, David Edgar GoF West Steering Committee Chair



David's daughters and granddaughters at GoF West 2017 Funkana



Many thanks to outgoing GoF West Steering Committee Chairman for all his hard work for GoF West during his term!

What is GoF West?

"GoF West" stands for "Gathering of the Faithful". The GoF West which began in 1973 is the name given to an annually premier event held to promote MG cars in the Western United States and Canada attracting hundreds of MG Lovers. This event is open to all models of MGs. There are other GoF organizations across North American including Central, South and West. It is held in a different location each year for five days with car display, arts & crafts, photos, Funkana, flea market, rallye, and tech sessions. Valve cover races have been a recent addition. On one evening there is an auction to gather funds for future events along with a dinner. The final evening is an Awards Banquet. The morning of the last day is the Winner's Circle for the winning MGs.

FROM THE DRIVER'S SEAT

by Dave Boyer (President) and H. Garcia (Vice President)

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Instead of my monthly "From the Driver's Seat" message, I have asked H. Garcia to provide a recap of the GoF West -2019 Event held in August at beautiful Prescott, AZ. H. was our site coordinator and worked closely with the GoF Steering committee. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the volunteers from our club, the Arizona MG "T" Roadrunners and the Mile High British Car Club for their great job in putting this great event on. I received numerous positive comments from the attendees. Great job volunteers. Take it H.

On Friday morning, August 16th GOF West 2019 - Prescott came to a close, bringing with it an end to a year's worth of planning and hard work by several local British car clubs. During the week, volunteers from The Arizona MG T Roadrunners, Mile High British Car Club and our own Arizona MG Club worked to put on a first-class event that was enjoyed by MG enthusiasts from as far away as Minnesota and Oregon.

The event kicked off on Monday with a first timer's car display consisting of 13 different MG's ranging from MG TD's to rubber bumper MGB's. The display took place on the beautiful patio of the Prescott Resort & Conference center overlooking the town of Prescott below.

Tuesday morning was the day of the big car display. GOF West working with local liaison Joe Pendergast was able to secure the closure of Goodwin St, the southern side of historic courthouse square. Cars began gathering at 8am for a show that was enjoyed by many members of the public. Voting was conducted by registrants of the event and tallied to be later announced at the awards dinner. Tuesday afternoon featured the first technical session, conducted by AZ MG T Roadrunner member Doug Pelton, owner of From the Frame Up. This discussion centered on tips for a successful restoration. Opposite this talk, there was also a session on creating your own dyed scarf.

On Tuesday afternoon several club members were alerted to the fact that it was former club president George Bean's birthday. An impromptu dinner was planned, and 16 club members/co-drivers were gathered at the Raven Cafe in downtown Prescott. After dinner, cupcakes were enjoyed by all on the patio back at the resort.

Wednesday morning was the Rallye. 26 MG's set off on a drive around town lasting about 90 minutes. Trouble from the route included stories of a car running out of fuel, and a flat tire. In addition, one car lost a clutch and was unable to continue. Although it was a warm day, participants enjoyed a challenging set of questions and plenty of scenic views.

On Wednesday afternoon George Bean held a tech session on wiring in MG's, focused on "keeping the smoke in the wires." His well-organized session included plenty of audience participation and left attendees with a wealth of new information on how automotive electrical systems work. Opposite George's session was a tea party that was also well attended.

Wednesday evening was the annual auction dinner, which helps provide funding for the following year's GOF West event. Several Arizona MG Club members went home with MG related finds from rare books to stained glass art to tools and car parts.

Thursday was packed with events, beginning with simultaneous Valve cover racing, an autojumble, a Funkhana, and a carless Funkhana. The valve cover races took place indoors on a warm day in Prescott.

For the uninitiated, a Funkhana is a series of short events testing the skill and patience of a driver and his navigator. The carless Funkhana is a similar event which can be entered solo or as a team, but obviously without the vehicle. The morning's events were well attended and enjoyed by all.

After a lunch break a summary Advisory Council meeting was held to let all attendees speak their mind about what they enjoyed, and what they thought could be improved. There were few complaints from the crowd, and many positive comments about the week's events. To close the Advisory committee meeting new members of the GOF West steering committee were solicited. AZ MG Club Vice President H Garcia was nominated by fellow club member Ginny Martin. H was duly elected to the steering committee and will help advise future GOF events.

The last event of the day was the big awards dinner. A beautiful array of trophies were provided thanks to the hard work of Ken and Ginny Martin. Over 90 awards were given out in many classes across the weeks' worth of events. Please check the GOF website in the coming weeks for a full list of award recipients, but among AZ MG Club winners were Dan Cook, Dave and Gretchen Boyer, Ken and Ginny Martin, Rich Flammang and Penni Putao, Don and Ginger Pottenger, H Garcia, and George and Delores Bean. Apologies if any other winners within the club were missed. The club also won the Monterey Cup for the most members attending, the AZ T Roadrunners winning the San Diego Cup for highest percent-

age of members attending.

With the event at its end, the Arizona MG Club board and GOF local organizers would like to say a special thanks to all of the following volunteers for their efforts in putting together a very successful event. (article continues on page 4)



H. Garcia - VP of Arizona MG Club and Member at Large of GoF West Steering Committee at GoF West

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FROM THE DRIVER'S SEAT (continued)

Event Coordinators:

- * Auction item collection/coordination Dave & Gretchen Boyer
- * Valve Cover Races Don & Ginger Pottenger
- * Funkhana John & Beth Pekala
- * Car Display Rich Flammang & Penny Putao
- * Rallye & Local Coordination H Garcia
- * Trophies Ken & Ginny Martin
- * First Timer's Display Buckey McChesney
- * Tech Sessions George & Delores Bean and Gretchen Boyer

AZ MGT Roadrunners and British Mile High Club members that volunteered at one or more events:

- * Mickey Saperstein
- * Wayne Taylor
- * Art & Lee Kaplan
- * Doug Pelton
- * Randy Coupleman
- * Danny & Barbara Young

AZ MG Club members that volunteered at one or more events:

- * Peter & Priscilla Holbrook
- * Dan Cook
- * Richard Miller
- * Dennis & Madeline Kemp
- * Don Mapes
- * Andy and Sharon Kurtz
- * Leah Cole and Jim McDowell





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FROM THE DRIVER'S SEAT (continued)







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GoF West 2019 AWARD WINNERS

MODELS

Best Single MG Model (1st Place)
Best MG Model Display (1st Place)
Best Diorama (1st Place)

PHOTOS

General Interest (1st Place) General Interest (2nd Place) Humor /Action (1st Place) Humor /Action (2nd Place)

ARTS and CRAFTS

Sewn Goods (1st Place) MG Craft (1st Place) MG Craft (2nd Place)

MG Related Collection (1st Place)

VALVE COVER RACER DISPLAY

First Place Second Place

VALVE COVER RACE

First Place —Regulation Class First Place —Unlimited Class

CARLESS FUNKHANA

Couple (1st Place) Couple (2nd Place) Single Category (1st Place) Single Category (2nd Place) Bill Koeler George Kershaw Larry Long

Pete & Diane Weber John & Shirley Mapes Jane Parker John & Shirley Mapes

Ginny Martin Sandra Loe Mickey Saperstein Ed & Judy Reynolds

Doug Pelton Scott & Juana Campbell

Scott Campbell
Doug Pelton

David & Joyce Edgar Richard & Sandra Loe Will Handley H Garcia



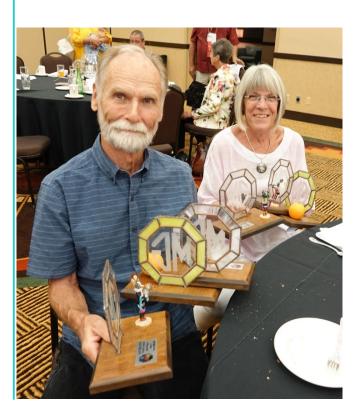
First Place MG Craft - Sandra Loe



First Place in Valve Cover Display & First Place in Valve Cover Race (Unlimited Class) - Doug Pelton



First in Valve Cover Race (Regulation Class) & Second Place in Valve Cover Display - Scot Campbell



Richard & Sandra Loe who scored several beautiful glass octagon awards. Sandra is the President of the TC Motoring Guild.



Fran & Pete Thelander



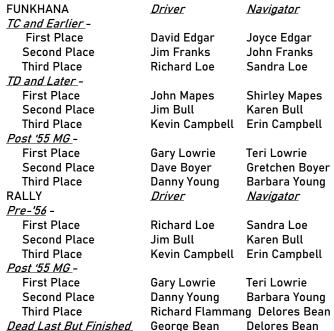
Richard & Sandra Loe



Scot (driver) & Erin Campbell



Gretchen & Dave Boyer



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Judy & Ed Reynolds



Barbara & Danny Young

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GoF West 2019 AWARD WINNERS (continued)

CAR DISPLAY AWARDS

FIRST TIMER

First Place Bill & Carol Koeler
Second Place George & Delores Bean
Third Place Don & Ginger Pottenger

PREMIER CLASS

First Place Kevin Campbell & Erin Camp-

bell

PREWAR (Including MMM)

First Place (Tie) Mickey Saperstein First Place (Tie) Randy Coupleman

MG TC

First Place Ed & Karen Winkler
Second Place Sherwood & Jane Parker
Third Place Jim Franks

Merit Award Scot & Juana Campbell

MG TD

First Place Bill & Carol Koeler
Second Place Jim & Karen Bull
Third Place Peter & Diane Weber
Merit Award Will & Sara Handley
Merit Award Carl & Mary Hagland



First Place MG TD & First Place in First Timers Display - Bill & Carol Koeler



First Place 1948 MG TC - Ed & Karen Winkler





First Place Prewar MG (tie) 1932 MG F3 - Mickey Saperstein & 1935 MG PA - Randy Coupleman





First Place Premier Class 1952 MG Arnolt - Kevin Campbell & Erin Campbell

Left to right: Erin Campbell, Scot Campbell, Mike Campbell, Jo Lynn Campbell and Kevin Campbell (Three generations of Campbell Family)

Photograph credit to Joyce Edgar for Campbell Family picture and Arnolt automobile that was taken by Jim Burns.

CAR DISPLAY AWARDS (CONTINUED)

MG TF

First Place Cindy Weiss & Terry Sanders

POSTWAR VARIANT

First Place Art Kaplan

MGA

First Place Richard Flammang & Penni Putao

Second Place Dan & Karen Cook
Third Place John & Beth Pekala

MGB / MGC

First Place Dave & Gretchen Boyer Second Place Ken & Ginny Martin

Third Place H Garcia

PEOPLES CHOICE Mickey Saperstein

Photograph credits to Larry Long for all Car Display winner pictures except for Randy Coupleman's picture who was taken by Jim Burns.



First Place 1955 MG TF - Cindy & Terry Sanders



First Place MG Postwar Variant 1959 MG Magnette - Art Kaplan



First Place 1960 MGA - Richard Flammang & Penni Putao



First Place MGB/MGC - 1969 MGC - Dave & Gretchen Boyer



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GoF West 2019 AWARD WINNERS (continued)



Sacajawea Award Winner - Cindy Weiss



First Timers Car Display

SPECIAL AWARDS

Long Distance Award: Presented to the participant who has driven an MG the farthest distance from their residence to the Event, to be determined by actual map mileage, not logged mileage.

2019 Winner—Pre '56 Car: Robert Tremayne2019 Winner—Post '55 Car: Steve Brandt

Sacajawea Award: Presented to the participating lady driver who accumulated the most miles driving to the Event in an MG within five (5) days of the first day of the Event.

2019 Winner: Cindy Weiss

Hard Luck Award: Robert Tremayne

High Point Award: Perpetual Award, plus a small permanent award presented to the participant with an MG who has accumulated the highest cumulative score for the three competitive events of Car Dis-play, Funkhana and Rallye, as determined by the Awards Chair.

2019 Winner: Jim and Karen Bull

PERPETUAL AWARDS

The Monterey Cup - Perpetual award given to the Club with the largest number of members in attendance.

2019 Winner: Arizona MG Club (13)

The San Diego Cup - Perpetual award given to the Club with the greatest percentage of members in attendance.

2019 Winner: Arizona MG T Roadrunners (15.7%)

 $\label{thm:continuous} \textbf{The Santa Barbara Cup} \text{ - Perpetual award given to the Club with the highest cumulative mileage of MGs driven to the GoF.}$

2019 Winner: Vintage MG Club of So Cal (1711 Miles)



GoF West 2019

Two MG TDs Travelling East

By Will Handley

Why would anyone drive an MG TD with the hood up on a sunny day? The answer is that you do this when driving across the Mojave Desert in August. Our trip from Tehachapi in California to Prescott in Arizona to attend the GoF West MGs gathering took us straight across the Desert where the daytime temperatures were in the mid-40's centigrade and shade from the sun was essential. We had planned our trip around departures at 4.00am so that we would have a couple of hours driving during the night and not more than four hours before the day got too hot on each of the two days that we planned for the 1,000 mile round trip. Our planned stop on both the outward and return trips was in Twentynine Palms, CA as this was approximately halfway along our



route. Even so, by the time we had completed our planned maximum of six hours travelling the days were getting extremely hot.

Both TDs ran faultlessly for the whole trip although a certain amount of speed management to keep the engines from overheating was necessary at times. This reduced our running speed on uphill sections but did allow us to make up time and cool off on the downhill. This was better than the performance of the occupants of the cars, who had to treat their overheating problems on reaching our mid-trip stopover by recharging our systems with several bottles of Anchor Steam Brewery's finest.

The GoF (Gathering of the Faithful) took place at the Prescott Resort and Conference Center, which had all the facilities one could ask for, including an attached Casino. The Casino turned out to be a huge asset as their special deals for beer and breakfast were much appreciated.

Attending the event were some 70 odd MGs (49 post-war T-Series variants, 8 MGAs, 7 MGB/Cs, 1 ZA, 1 ZB and 3 prewar MGs (F3, PA &TA), plus several local MGs that made periodic appearances. Participants who came, not only from



Arizona and California, but also from as far afield as Washington State, British Columbia, Kansas and Texas enjoyed a full program of events including Technical Sessions, a Car Display in the center of Prescott, a Rally, Car Jumble, Funkhana (the light hearted version of a Gymkhana, Auction & Raffle as well as two dinners towards the end of the week.

Prescott is a very pleasant city and being high up in the mountains is significantly cooler than most of Arizona. That said, the sun was hot and driving in the middle of the day was mostly done with the "sunshade" up. Prescott also has several excellent watering holes for visitors, mostly centered around the Courthouse Square. We were able to make a couple of visits to our favorite, the "Palace Bar" which stocks some excellent and not overpriced beers and serves good food and left feeling much refreshed.

Our return journey was free of incidents but noticeably hotter than the outward trip. Incidentally both the outward and return trips started at over 5000 foot AMSL and then a descent to about 200 foot AMSL around the half-way point followed by a climb back up to 5000 ft. This would be a challenge for any classic car but both the TDs took it in their stride even in temperatures reaching over 107°F / 42°C.

Our thanks go to the GoF organizing committee who did a first class job of making all the arrangements so that the week ran smoothly and everyone had a great time.

Next year's GoF West should be great fun and also much cooler as it is being held at foot of Mount Hood in Oregon where the summer climate is not so extreme.



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GoF West Heads North to Oregon in 2020 GoF West 2020

Monday, June 29 through Friday, July 3

Oh Happy Day!! Club T MG is pleased to welcome you back to Oregon for GoF West 2020, returning to the foothills of Mt. Hood at The Resort at the Mountain in Welches, Oregon. Nestled in the western highlands of Mt. Hood just an hour east of Portland, The Resort at The Mountain is the premier Oregon golf, ski & meeting resort. It is an ideal venue for a GoF.

The Resort is driving-distance close to many historical sites: Mount St. Helens, Timberline Lodge, the Barlow Trail, the Columbia River Gorge with beautiful waterfalls, and the Historic Columbia River Highway built by Sam Hill. The Resort itself has luscious greenery, walking trails, a great pool, and of course, a view of Mt. Hood.

The Resort at The Mountain features tastefully decorated rooms and suites, each with a deck or patio over-looking the forest,

courtyard or a fairway. Fast Internet connectivity is available in guest rooms, and a high speed wireless connection is also available in most buildings and public areas.

Mt. Hood Oregon

The resort offers a modern fitness center featuring Keiser equipment, Stair Master and Life Cycle, and is equipped with stately locker room facilities for both men and women. The Resort's Recreation Department offers a wide variety of activities to supplement your GoF West experience, such as tennis, volleyball, badminton, croquet and lawn bowling, and an 18-hole lighted putting course. In addition, there are always hiking and nature walks, whitewater rafting, mountain biking, fishing and fly fishing, kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding, and rock climbing - all in close proximity to the resort.









Multnomah Falls is a 611 foot tall waterfall located in the Columbia River Gorge.

There are plenty of options in the area to keep you busy during your stay, or you can just sit back and relax. Within minutes of the resort you can enjoy a variety of activities in the Mt. Hood National Forest, such as wildlife viewing, hiking, mountain biking and fly fishing.

The recreation department will happily provide information on these outdoor activities, along with maps of area trails for your hiking, walking, or jogging pleasure.

Portland is just 60 minutes away, and offers numerous opportunities for day trips, including sightseeing and shopping, the Zoo or OMSI, as well as evening activities including the opera, ballet, symphony and other shows. It's difficult to find more spectacular scenery than Oregon's Columbia River Gorge, not far from The Resort. And there are several wineries in the Willamette Valley.

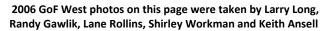


GoF West 2020 will feature familiar events such as a First-Timers car display, the Funkhana, Car Show, Rallye, AutoJumble, Tech Sessions, Awards Banquet, Auction, and more. There will be a few new events, too, just to keep your interest. Watch for further details in the next issue of the Gazette.

Join us in Oregon June 29 – July 3, 2020. All MGs are encouraged to register for this 48th annual event. We look forward to your company. Donna McNabb, Club T-MG

Watch for up-to-date information at the GoF Website - Link: https://gofwest.org/gof-west-2020









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GoF WEST 2020 Registration Form WELCHES, OREGON June 29 – July 3, 2020

Monday through Friday
Registration Fee
\$45.00 USD before April 16, 2020
\$55.00 USD after April 15, 2020
In Spirit \$25.00

Cancellations after February 29, 2020 will revert to In-Spirit registration. No Refunds after May 15, 2020

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MG Club Affiliations (if any):			
First GoF West with an MG? Yes			
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HOTEL INFORMATION
Mt Hood Oregon Resort
68010 E Fairway Ave
Welches, Oregon 97067
503.622.3101 www.mthood-resort.com

Rooms are \$139 per night plus applicable taxes. Please refer to code 'GoF West 2020' when registering to obtain these rates. Call 1-800-733-0800 or 503-6225-3101. The cut off for this rate is May 26, 2020.

Please send completed form and payment to Marian Downs, 2123 18th St, West Linn, OR 97068. Make check payable to GoF West. For additional information, please visit the website at www.GoFWEST.org or e-mail madownsilver@gmail.com or call 503.657.0492.

What to See Around Mount Hood

Towering over northern Oregon and within eyesight from the streets of Portland, Mount Hood stands at 11,240 feet and is the highest mountain in the state. This dormant stratovolcano is home to ski resorts, summer recreation areas, and historic tourist attractions and is the centerpiece for the more than one million acres of Mt. Hood National Forest. The main attractions of Mount Hood National Forest, including the Timberline Lodge and the Mount Hood Cultural Center, can be reached from downtown Portland by car in less than 90 minutes.

Scenic charms in the national forest range from waterfalls, hot springs, and glaciers to varied wildlife and alpine wildflowers. In winter, it's the snow that draws the crowds to the slopes. In summer, the evergreen landscape of Mount Hood National Forest offers activities that are a little more varied, including abundant hiking trails, climbing opportunities, and numerous campgrounds.

The **Mount Hood Scenic Loop** is a pretty river-and-mountains drive that takes in Portland, **Hood River**, and **Mount Hood National Forest**. The first stretch connects the state's largest city, Portland, with quiet villages and waterfalls along the **Columbia River Gorge**. At Hood River, this riverside drive takes a southerly turn on SR 35. The road heads toward the mountain, leading past agricultural land and the Hood River Valley to connect with US Hwy 26. Also called the Mount Hood Highway, this route passes a number of historical sites, small communities, and attractions such as the Salmon River at **Wildwood Recreation Site** on its return toward Portland.

The Timberline Lodge was constructed in 1937 and designated as a **National Historic Landmark** in 1977, the Timberline Lodge



grew from depression-era beginnings into a prominent part of the national forest. Although the lodge has modern amenities, much of its décor and design has been preserved for the last 80 years, offering a step back in history with each visit and overnight stay. Cinema fans will also find familiarity with the Timberline Lodge, as it was used as the exterior of the hotel in Stanley Kubrick's *The Shining*. The Lodge is located at 27500 E Timberline Road, Government Camp, Oregon and their Official site is www.timberlinelodge.com. The Timberline Lodge is a hub of activity within Mt. Hood National Forest throughout the year. During the summer months, hikers can access both the Timberline Trail and Pacific Crest Trail from right out the backdoor. During the winter, the **Timberline Lodge and Ski Area** operates seven lifts, including five quad express chairs, for access to mainly intermediate and beginner runs. Timberline Lodge

operates as a year-round ski facility thanks to the summer snow of the **Palmer Snowfield**.

Perched atop one of the most spectacular viewpoints along the Columbia River Gorge, the charming **Vista House** offers visitors interpretive exhibits, a gift



shop, and a snack bar. You can wander the grounds or climb to the roof to take in the scenery in all directions. The Vista House was built in 1918 and soon became a tourist destination along the historic Columbia River Highway. The architecture and details of Vista House represent that bygone era of automobile travel. Located at 40700 Historic Columbia River Hwy, Corbett, OR 97019. Website: http://www.vistahouse.com/.

Mount Hood Cultural Center & Museum can be found in the heart of Government Camp and is a perfect place to stop by and visit when in Mount Hood. The museum displays the history of skiing, snowboarding, early exploration, settlement and the natural history of Mount Hood. Find exhibits like the Mt Hood Gallery which includes an interactive 3D mountain model, an exhibit on the evolution of skiing at Mount Hood, a miniature replica of a fire lookout, and more! Located at 88900 East Government Camp Loop Road, Government Camp, Oregon, 97028.

The free Bradford Island Visitor Center at the **Bonneville Lock** and **Dam** offers great views of the Gorge and the chance to get face-to-face to the fish that call the Columbia River home, whether it's an ancient six-foot-long sturgeon that lives on site or agile rainbow trout making their way up the fish ladder. The best fish viewing times are from April through October, along with September for the salmon run. There's also an online fish camera. At the visitor center, families can also learn about the hydropower generated by the Bonneville Dam, built in the late 1930s. At the nearby hatchery you can see and feed young trout. Located at 70543 NE Herman Loop, Cascade Loop, Cascade Locks, Oregon, 97014-0150.



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Advisory Council Meeting Minutes - GoF West 2019 Thursday, August 15, 2019 at the Prescott Resort and Conference Center

Meeting was called to order at 1:15pm by Larry Long the Chair.

Attendees: (** indicates voting member, assumed since there was no indication on the list)

** Larry Long, Paradise British Car Club

** Donna McNabb, Club T MG

** Mike Campbell, San Diego MGT Club

** Dave Boyer, AZ MG Club Gretchen Boyer, AZ MG Club

Pete and Fran Thelander, Observing Sandra Loe, TC Motoring Guild

** Richard Loe, TC Motoring Guild

Ginny Martin, observing

** Terri Bounty, AZ MGT Roadrunners

Ed Reynolds, observing

Ken and Karen Blake, observing

** David Bradley, Vintage MG Club
Rich Flammang, AZ MG Club
Penni Putao, AZ MG Club
Steve Brent, Club T MG

George Kershaw, Vintage MG Club Ginger Pottenger, AZ MG Club Don Pottenger, AZ MG Club David Edgar, TC Motoring Guild Joyce Edgar, TC Motoring Guild ** Jim Nuzum, Sorry Safari

GoF West, Inc., Chairman Larry Long opened the meeting by explaining to the attendees what the meeting was all about, and noted that there was a limited amount of time for comments to be made. This meeting is not intended to resolve any issues. Any action to be taken will be taken by the Steering Committee.

Larry introduced the current members of the Steering Committee:

Larry Long, Chair

Bob Freitas, Vice-Chair

Valerie Howard Hogue, Secretary (absent)

Mike Campbell, Financial Officer

Donna McNabb, Chair, GoF West 2020

Following are comments as recorded by Larry:

There should be more people at the registration table.

There should be a shorter registration time.

There needs to be more people at the hotel registration desk.

At the buffet, the food needs to be replenished when the amount gets low.

There was good value for the money spent for the buffet.

The engineering staff at the hotel was very good and helpful.

The car wash was good.

The vegetarian meal was not good.

More information about the events needs to be sent to the first timers.

Perhaps use "You Tube" to show what past events were like.

We should put information about each event on the web site.

We should list email addresses for both the parties in a couple's registration.

The tech sessions were good.

The ladies tea was good.

The rally was good.

We should start the funkhana, et al, earlier in the day.

The funkhana time slot was too long (but may have needed it if more showed up).

We should put out a monthly newsletter advertising the event and concentrating on the single events in each issue. Although not brought up at the meeting, there were only two complaints brought to the Chair prior to the meeting:

- ** There was no "infused" water at the entrance to the hotel. Larry asked the hotel to do this, but he neglected to follow through to see that it happened.
- ** A comment was made that we did not get the lowest rate. Apparently, an on-line site offered a rate that was \$1.00 less than the advertised GoF rate. This was mentioned to the hotel manager and he subsequently lowered the rate.

(Comment: The SC used Helmes-Briscoe to negotiate the rates at the hotel. Their negotiations usually result in the lowest rate possible. GoF registrants should be reminded to make hotel reservations through the method suggested

on the registration form instead of going on-line to try to find a lower rate. Sometimes the hotel will not give credit for a room reserved in a method authorized by the hotel.)

Larry Long explained how Helms Briscoe Event Planners have been hired for several years now to do the legwork on getting a selection of venues near our selected location. They do all the negotiations based on our requirements in exchange for a cut of the room rental revenue. It gets us the best deal and is very little effort on our part.

The Steering Committee is comprised of seven members for a rotating three year term. This year we need three people to fill the Committee. The meeting was opened for nominations for members of the steering Committee. The following were nominated and the nominations were accepted by a show of hands. There was no opposition:

H (Hilario) Garcia

David Edgar

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Larry Long, Chair, GoF West, Inc.

GoF 2019 Steering Committee Meeting Minutes August 18, 2019

Recorded by both Larry Long and Donna McNabb since Val Hogue was absent.

The Steering Committee meeting followed the Advisory Committee meeting immediately and was called to order at 2:04pm. Those in attendance were:

Larry Long, Chair, GoF West, Inc.
Mike Campbell, current SC elected member
Bob Freitas, current SC elected member
H Garcia, newly elected SC member
David Edgar, newly elected SC member

Donna McNabb, current SC member as 2020 host

Larry opened the meeting by welcoming the newly elected members to the Committee. He then asked permission to recap one outstanding item that he and Mike have been involved with: The final financial negotiations with the Hard Rock Hotel in Reno, the venue for GoF West 2018. He recapped that there is only one outstanding item that remains to be resolved: That of the price of the meals served. Since he has been corresponding with the hotel regarding this, he asked permission to continue to arrive at a resolution instead of turning it over to the new Committee. It was moved and seconded that he continue this and keep the SC informed of the outcome. Motion passed.

Prior to the new Steering Committee taking the floor, there were several comments made by Donna McNabb regarding the Committee and how it operates. The 2020 Committee must ask for seed money; it is not automatically distributed.

Larry then opened the meeting to have the new Committee members decide on their respective positions on the SC. Following are the results:

David Edgar, Chair
Bob Freitas, Vice Chair
Valerie Howard Hogue, Secretary and Gazette editor
Mike Campbell, Financial Officer

H Garcia, "At Large" representative Donna McNabb, Chair, GoF West 2020

There was a very long and contentious discussion of the motivation for clubs to put on GoF, and how we can make it more attractive to them. Many opinions were voiced, and Donna felt, that a balance is needed between Steering Committee oversight/control/red book and a sense of 'ownership' and creativity by the club. No consensus was reached or even conclusions drawn.

Donna gave an overview of the GoF 2020 events planned in Oregon. It looks to be a full and fun event.

The #1 registration auction money goes to the 2020 event to pay the winner's registration, and seed the auction revenue.

Larry Long left the meeting at this point since he was not on the SC any longer and had GoF West host duties to attend to. This caught us all off guard and thus forgot to thank him for his service to the SC.

Future GoF's in the works are 2021 in San Diego if Mike Campbell can work out something with the Town & Country Hotel. He would ask the San Diego T Register to host. But nothing is cut in stone yet. The 50th anniversary event is in 2022. Pete Thelander is working on the Vintage MG Club of Southern California to host that one.

If these two proposals work out, then it would be two Southern California GoF Wests in a row. While not desirable, at least we have interest in hosting which is rare.

There was a suggestion to have some kind of kids event to get them involved. Encourage folks to bring their kids and grandkids. Several ideas were floated.

Steve Kellogg is the webmaster. Contact him to get the 2020 registration form out.

Doug Pelton did a good job promoting the 2013 Event in the Gazette. You can use his model to promote 2020. Meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm.

GoF West Inc.

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If you have an interesting supporting GoF West events, we currently have two "At Large" Members seats open. Contact a Steering Committee member.

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A Finally Look at GoF West 2019















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We want to make certain that everybody knows that if you own an MG, no matter what year or model, you are invited to attend every GoF West event. We hope to see you there.