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President's Corner



The MG Car Club of England, Rocky Mountain Centre

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Ah, Summer. Time for all things beautiful, like the lovely 70's era midget on this issue's cover. Now is that color Bronze Yellow or Bracken?

Neil and Dorothy are currently chasing fish around off the coast of Cozumel, which allows me to use a controversial cover for this issue.

Sanity, propriety, and good taste will be restored when he gets back.

-GP



Laura Magnuson has come up with an easy way to volunteer online for slots at the upcoming GT-47 event in Colorado Springs!

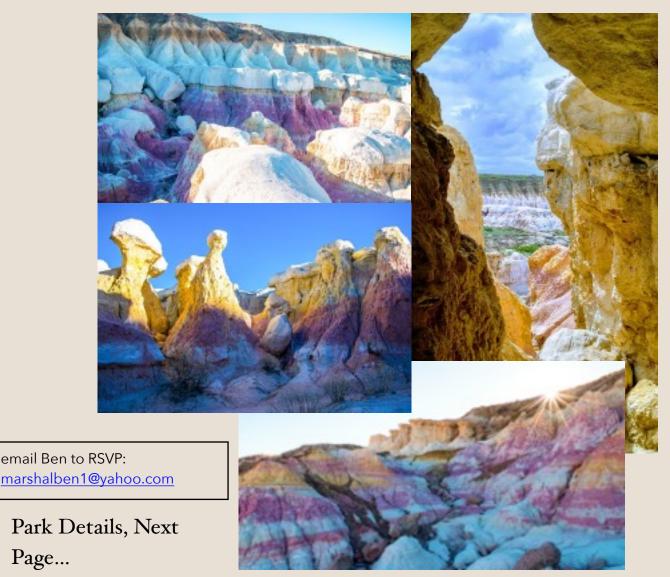
Please click on this SignUpGenius link to view volunteer options: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4EAEA82EA4FC1-gt47</u>. Make your (multiple) choices and volunteer with friends or meet new people. Once you submit your choices, you'll receive a confirmation email. Want to sign up for even more opportunities? Just click on the link again to check availability. Need help? Reach out to Laura: woodylm@msn.com or 720-272-2794.

The "Get Out and Drive" Drive

Ben Greene has put together a most excellent drive for Memorial Day Weekend

"I've been hinting about it for months and now it is here. Time to get out the cars, dust them off and blow out the cobwebs. Join me on a drive to the Paint Mines in Calhan." - Ben Greene

Date: May 28, 2022 Time: Meet 9 am; wheels up at 9:30 Starting location: 9751 S. Parker Road, Parker, Co. Sprouts parking lot Destination: Paint Mines, Calhan Ending location: Sedalia Duration: About 150 miles Lunch: Monument, Rosie's Dinner



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7000 B.C.

Protohistoric Period and European Contact A.D. 1450 - 1900's

The Protohistoric Period concluded the prehistoric era. The people of this period were hunter-gatherers and part-time horticulturalists who pursued a more nomadic lifestyle after the introduction of the horse.

5000 B*

Euro-American settlers began to move into the area in the 1800's and to trade with the American Indians (Apache, Arapahoe, Cheyenne, Comanche, Kiowa, and Ute) who lived here. The metal arrow tip shown here is an example of one of the prevalent trade items. During the 1880's, Euro-American settlers homesteaded this land. In the early 1990's, the colorful clay was mined to make bricks for buildings in Colorado Springs and Pueblo. Grazing and agricultural use by longtime local residents played an important role in the history of the Paint Mines.



THE STORY OF THE PAINTMINES

For well over 100 years, Coloradoans have enjoyed Paint Mines scenery as well as its geological, archaeological, historical, and ecological resources.



Geology

The Paint Mines are named for their colorful clays that were collected by American Indians to make paint. Brightly colored bands, caused by oxidized iron compounds, are found in varying amounts throughout the may different layers of clay. When the outcrops erode, a hard capstone allows columns of clay to be preserved beneath them, creating fantastic spires called hoodoos. Selenite (gypsum) contributes to the color, and white quartzitic crystals dazzle the eye.

Natural geologic outcrops occur in the Dawson Formation that formed 55 million years ago during the Tertiary age when the region was wetter, warmer, and tropical. The Dawson Formation also contains the petrified tropical hardwoods used as materials for stone tools by prehistoric people. 2500 B.C.

Archaic Stage 5500 B.C. - A.D. 100

The Archaic Stage followed the Paleoindian Stage and was characterized by distinctive stemmed, corner-notched, and side-notched stone points fastened on darts. Throwing sticks called *atlatls* were used on the end of the dart to increase the projectile force. A rehier proplet

projectile force. Archaic people relied on a wide range of foodstuffs, hunted game animals such as deer and pronghorn antelope, and gathered locally available plant foods. Archaic sites have grinding stones, known as



manos and metates, that were used for processing plant material for food.

Ceramic Stage A.D. 100-1450

The Ceramic Stage (called the Developmental Period by archaeologists) was the time of the Plains Woodland culture. This culture was heralded by the appearance of pottery, the adoption of the bow-andarrow, and a greater dependence on

domesticated plants such as corn, beans, and

Ecology

Paint Mines ecology represents the connection among all elements of the park. The geologic formations create natural drainages abundant with wetland and riparian habitat.

The open plains dominate the area and support a mix of native short-grass and mid-grass prairie communities typified by blue grama and buffalo grasses. Some stream bottoms retain enough water to support vegetation such as mountain mahogany, low sagebrush, chokecherry, wild rose, and a variety of grasses, sedges, and reedy plants. A few junipers and pines are also found here.



Before the Euro-American settlers arrived, the area supported large herbivores including bison. Pronghorn antelope, mule deer, and coyote are found in this area today. Small mammals, such rabbits, as well as

as raccoons, skunks, and rabbits, as well as burrowing rodents, are also present. These diverse habitats support a variety of birds including owls, Swainson's hawks, ducks, Canada geese, mourning doves, magpies, and western meadowlarks. Various species of frogs and reptiles, including the short-hormed lizard are also present.



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HISTORY

Archaeological studies indicate that humans have inhabited the Paint Mines for nearly 9,000 years. The plants, animals, and colorful clays encouraged prehistoric people to return to the area, year after year, for centuries. The Paint Mines are considered significant in the prehistory of the area, and this park is listed as an Archaeological District in the National Register of Historic Places. Throughout the history of the Paint Mines, people are known to have visited the area to gather the colorful clays, tinged with red, orange, yellow, purple, and gray hues, to produce ceramics.

Paleoindian Stage 7000-5500 B.C.

The earliest people to live in the Paint Mines area are commonly known as Paleoindians. These people were likely the descendants of the first Americans who migrated over the Bering Land Bridge from north-eastern Asia. The Paleoindian people hunted large game species such as mammoth, caribou, deer, and large bison, some of which are now extinct.



Paint Mines Interpretive Park

29950 Paint Mines Road Calhan, CO 80808

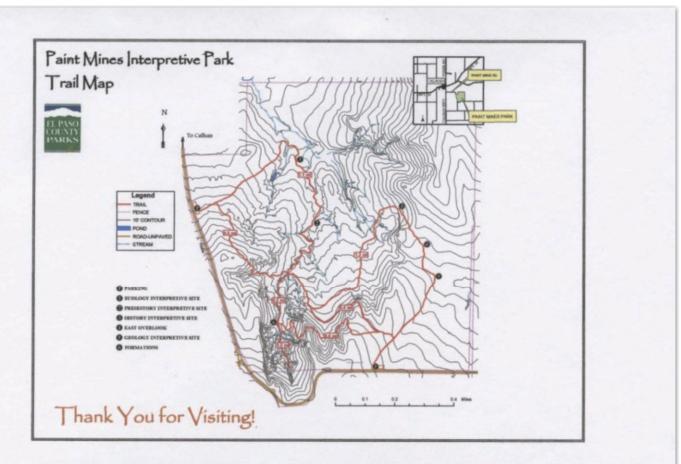
Life has been a tapestry Of rich and royal hue. An everlasting vision Of the ever-ohanging view. — Carole King



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The Paint Mines are home to many beautiful animals, reptiles, flora and fauna. During your visit, keep an eye out for these...



Short-Horned Lizard (Phrynosoma douglassii)

This type of homed lizard is a member of the iguana family. As an adaptation to the dry, cool climate, the short-homed lizard has as many as 30 young at a time that are ready to live on their own from birth.



Buffalo Grass (Buchloe dactyloids)

Historically, this native prairie grass was a primary food source for the immense herds of bison once found on the Great Plains. It also provided early Western settlers with sod used to build their houses.

Suggestions for further reading;

- Steve E. Cassells, 1997. The Archaeology of Colorado (2nd ed.), Johnson Books, Boulder.
- George C. Frison, 1991. Prehistoric Hunters of the High Plains (2nd ed.), Academic Press, San Diego.
- Larry L. King, 1987. The History of Calhan and Vicinity 1888-1988, Gaddy Printing Co., Simla, Colorado.
- Audrey DeLella Benedict, 1991. A Sierra Club Naturalist's Guide, The Southern Rocky Mountains, Sierra Club Books, San Francisco.

Lark Bunting (Calamospiza melanocorys)

Known for its spectacular dance and song, the lark bunting was designated the Colorado State Bird in 1931. This member of the sparrow family has distinctly different breeding plumages, as the male is lack with snowy white wing patches, while the female is gray/brown striped.

Park Rules

- This fragile environment requires many years for nature to restore it once the vegetation and soil have been damaged. These rules have been established for your safety and enjoyment and for the protection of this unique resource.
- · Park Hours: Dawn to Dusk
- All plants, wildlife, rocks, minerals, and historic artifacts within park boundaries are protected by law. Do not remove, destroy, or disturb any of these features.
- · Pets, horses, and bicycles of any kind are prohibited.
- · Please stay on designated trails at all times.
- Entering the Paint Mine formations is prohibited. Avoid gulches and gullies during wet weather. Climbing is prohibited.
- Motorized vehicles must remain in parking area.
- · Overnight parking is prohibited.
- Please remove your own trash and litter.
 Alcoholic beverages and glass containers are prohibited.
- Discharge of guns, BB guns, pellet guns, or paintball guns is prohibited.
- · Fireworks and explosives are prohibited.

Plan On MOAB

By Rebbecca MacIntyre

Hotels are The Biggest Challenge this year, so Book Early.

Join us on the MOAB to Montrose September 30 to October 4!

We leave Denver on September 30 and stop in Salida for the night. Augie is once again willing to host happy hour at his house, 544 H Street. BYOB and snacks to share.

We were unable to reserve a block of rooms (without a guarantee) in Salida. Many of the places I called were half full for our September date. YOU WILL NEED TO MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS IN SALIDA.



Possible Hotel Choices In Salida:

Woodlands Motel 719-539-4980 Circle R Motel 719-539-6296 American Classic 719-539-6655 Gateway Inn and Suites 719-589-2895 Amigo Motor Lodge 855-729-0465



n October 1, we'll travel from Salida to Montrose, via US 285, Colorado 114 and US 50.

And yes, US 50 is open on weekends.

In Montrose, we will stay at the **First** Interstate Inn, 1480 Townsend Ave, Montrose. Check In on 10/1; Check Out on 10/4. We have a block of 20 rooms. Reservations must be made no later than September 14. Call Danny or Mona at 970-249-6644. Mention the MG Car Club when making your reservations. We have King, Queen and Kitchenette rooms available. The rate is \$89.99 plus tax per night, regardless of the type of room you reserve. They will honor that rate if you decide you want to stay a bit longer and explore on your own.

Note: By October, US 50 is scheduled to be open, with one alternating lane open on weekdays.





Montrose Visitor Center

Some things to do in and around Montrose:

If you are into antiques and general stuff, *Tracy's* is a great stop. I would not normally schedule a shopping activity, but Tracy is retired and works only when he wants to. He's willing to open one day for us. I'm thinking Sunday afternoon will work. Please let me know if you are interested, so I can make the appropriate arrangements.

A great stop is the Montrose Visitor Center, in the old Elks Lodge, 107 S Cascade Ave. There, you can pick up flyers for local attractions, the historic downtown walking tour brochure and buy some Montrose swag. Check out their web site, VisitMontrose.com

The Museum of the Mountain West, 68169 Miami Rd (east of town) offers guided tours that are well worth the price of admission. They require reservations for groups larger than 8. If you are interested, please let me know and I'll organize a guided tour for Monday. They are closed on Sunday. museumofthemountainwest.org . Plan on a minimum of 2 hours.

The Ute Indian Museum (part of History Colorado) is excellent. 17253 Chipeta Rd, (just south of town) Monday - Saturday, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Sunday, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

At the mouth of Cimarron Creek, just upstream from where it spills into the Gunnison River, stands a reminder of bygone days in railroading. The Cimmaron Canyon Railroad exhibit is located on Morrow Point Dam Road off US Hwy 50. The recently restored locomotive #278, its coal tender, a boxcar, and caboose stand atop the last remaining railroad trestle along the Black Canyon of the Gunnison route.

Other great attractions:

Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park; Ridgway RR Museum; Fort Uncompangre in Delta; Ouray; Telluride

If you are planning to take the trip, please send a confirmation to <u>Rebbeccamwriter@gmail.com</u> with name(s), cell phone number(s) and email. More info will be sent to those who sign up.



n 1958, or thereabouts, a Denver area doctor was bitten by the sports car bug. To soothe the resulting itch, he bought an Alfa Romeo Giulietta spider and joined two local sports car clubs: the Sports Car Club of America and the Denver Sports Car Club. All was not well with the little Alfa, which left him stranded on the road side on more than one occasion. In search of a more reliable sporting device, he settled on a blue 1961 Porsche 356 coupe.

Bliss was his for a time, first with the blue Porsche, followed by a yellow one, then a red one, and finally a red 911. Many happy hours were spent with his wife navigating on road rallies, their two young daughters bumping along behind the seats on the rear package tray. The good doctor and his wife got seriously into it, competing in the "equipped" class, with Curta calculators, Stevens Rallye Indicators, and dual hundredth mile odometers in their Porsche.

Gradually, however, the rallies became less frequent, with the daughters older now and no longer able to accompany mom and dad in the Porsche. Weekends were spent on fishing trips and other pursuits. Finally, in 1967, the red 911 moved on to another owner.

Many years passed and daughter Lisa, one of the original package tray passengers, was left with the job of disposing of the lifetime of possessions left by her parents. At the estate sale she saw the three club badges and said, "I never even knew they still had them," as she weighed the symbols of her dad's fulfilled passion, rendered in enameled metal, in her hands.



Ron adds:

"My point in relating the story is that even car nuts can move on. I found it interesting that the estate sale advertising had over 1,100 photos of items in the estate and there was not one single photo of any car-related item other than these badges. And that wasn't just the estate sale company making choices about what to show. There simply were no car related items in the estate. Not a car book, not a poster, not a model, nothing. It turns out the good doctor saw the car itself as a tool for rally competition. It wasn't that all the car enthusiast stuff was thrown out over the years. Apparently, they actually never had any of it!"





EAR SHOW TECH SESSIONS FUNKHANA VALVE COVER RACING MODEL COMPETITION PHOTO CONTEST

LIFT LOCK TOURS LOCAL AALLY SELF-DIRECTED DRIVES PARKING LOT PARTY SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

D uring the summer of 1992, hundreds of MGs converged on scenic Peterborough, in the Kawartha Lakes region of Ontario, for the inaugural convention of the North American MGB Register. Thirty years later, we are going back to where it all began. Come join us June 19th to 23rd to honour our history and celebrate the future. We will have a slew of activities for enthusiasts of all ages including a car show, tech sessions, lift lock tours, funkhana, local rally, self-directed drives, a parking lot party and an awards banquet with a very special guest speaker. We look forward to seeing you in Peterborough at THE MG event of 2022!

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MGCC - RMC

MONTHLY MEETING ((MEMBERS & GUESTS))

MEETING DATE; 5/11/2022 TIME: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

VENUE : 4G'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT; LITTLETON COLORADO

As the active driving season for members starts up - it was a beautiful night to have members wake up their great machines. About 36+ people showed up for the monthly meeting and we spotted two (2) very nice MG's in the parking lot. Bring out your car and attend the June meeting

CALL TO ORDER:

President: Sub: Greg Peek Welcomed club members & introduced new members.

TREASURERS REPORT:

John Layman;

presented the club financials and was happy to report the club is in excellent financial condition. Call John for actual numbers.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Allen Wulf; aka AL

Membership continues to grow to an all time record of 232! New 2022 updated directories are available. Call Al if you would like to get an additional copy. Copies are limited so act now if you need one.

VICE PRESIDENT:

Greg Peek:

Greg ran the meeting as Neil White was traveling in Mexico. Greg reviewed the past month's activities as well as highlighting coming events:

- GT-47 in Colorado Springs
- Glenwood Rallye

Both events are coming together nicely and look to be highly successful. Still time for you to step up and help your club. These events are for you and your assistance is greatly appreciated. As noted: these events run back to back and anything you can contribute would go a long way . PLEASE HELP !!!



COMING EVENTS:

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* GT-47
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* GLENWOOD RALLYE * CONCLAVE

* MOAB

(SEE DYNAMO - CLUB NEWSLETTER) for more information.

The club website:

Continues to be updated on a routine basis. The (Buy - Sell) feature has run into some unexpected technical challenges and remains unusable until further notice.

SWAP SHOP:

Allen Wulf: aka. AL

Coordinates this great service as well as a lot of stuff for your MG club. While the (Buy - Sell) has been sidelined : Al has been posting emails as to some things members have available.

Call AL - (His number is in the club directory)

SHAFT & PHINQUE STORIES:

These are funny & informative when heard in person - join us at our next meeting in June at the 4 G's restaurant in Littleton.

Regalia:

Cathy Gunderson: Lots of new merchandise available online. Great new logo stuff.

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We're headed back to Memory Lane for the 2022 Christmas Party, scheduled this year for December 10. "We'll do an informal dinner buffet again this year," says Christmas Party Chair Cathy Gunderson. Owned by Darrin and Rick Martin, Memory Lane is a private collection of nostalgic memorabilia and artifacts from the 1950s - poodle skirts and tail fins, Elvis and Willie Nelson, model train dioramas and Radio Flyers. "We've persuaded the local T-Register folks to join us again this year, so we're looking forward to a great time!" Mark your calendars folks!



W Upcoming Events

For updates on these and other events, please check our website: www.mgcc.org

Monthly

Regular Second Wednesday Membership Meetings are held every month except December. We'll be meeting at 4Gs Mexican Restaurant, 5950 South Platte Canyon Road Littleton, Colorado. Dinner at 6, The meeting starts at 6:30.

May

22 - It's the **Gundersons' Birthday Mega Party** in Castle Rock. Clowns! Ponies! Flyovers! CAR SHOW!

28 - Ben Greene's drive to Paint Mines Interpretive Park. See Page 4 for more details.

June

5-6 Big Bore Thunder at Pueblo Motorsports Park in Pueblo. A Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing Event. <u>www.rmvr.com</u> A variety of vintage race cars, including a large contingent of MGs, go wheel to wheel at Pueblo Motorsports Park.

6-10 GT-47 in Colorado Springs. The North American MGA Register annual meet. Hosted this year by the MGCC, RMC. Jim Goodwin and Lora Swenson are co-chairs. Come out and lend a hand, or register at <u>gt-47.com</u> and join in on the fun. **If you haven't done so, check out the GT-47 website.** There are great tours planned, as well as a cowboy night chuckwagon cookout at the Flying W. And who here isn't a cow person?

IO-I2 The 70th Annual Rallye Glenwood Springs - Rallye on Friday, Tour on Saturday. Join us in celebrating 70 years of continuous TSD rallies, along with her majesty's Platinum Jubilee. This year's rallye written by "Devious" Doug Eulberg. Register now at <u>mccc.org</u>.

18 The 1940s WW II Era Ball at Boulder Airport. Tickets are sold out, but organizers are looking for period classic cars to display. Spice things up by bringing your TC or M type! In return, you'll get free admission – Fantastic music, Glen Miller and Swing Dance music, period dress, etc. It's like Goodwood with an American Flair.

19-23 NAMGBR's MG 2022 in Peterborough, Ontario. Meet & Greet, Tech Sessions, Rallye & Funkhana, Hagerty Driving Experience, Parking Lot Party, Car Show and more. Ticketed activities include bus trips to local sites of interest such as Petroglyphs Provincial Park and Bobcaygeon, Lift Lock Cruises, Scottish Afternoon Teas and an off-site barbecue dinner at Lang Pioneer Village. https://mgtoronto.com/mg2022/

July

II-15 MMM Register Annual Meet, celebrating the 90th Anniversary of the J-Type in La Crosse, Wisconsin. Enjoy a stern wheel boat tour, the Car Show on the island where the first trading post was located, enjoy a Norwegian heritage center, restaurants, local craft beers, and martinis in a retro 1960's lounge. Trivia: La Crosse was named by explorer Lt. Zebulon Pike in 1805 after the game of lacrosse played by the local Winnebago and Sioux. No word on who won. <u>nammr.org</u>

II-15 is also the **GOF Central Meet**. So, dust off the TD and leave by the 4th, and you'll get there in time. <u>https://mnmgtr.org/gof-central-2022/</u>

16 Elizabeth Celtic Festival Come for the Highland Games, Piping competitions and the Bonnie Knees Contest. Put your MG in the car show! <u>https://www.elizabethcelticfest.org/</u>

August

6-7 Colorado Scottish Festival It's not too late to break out the kilt! Presented by the St. Andrew Society of Colorado. Another car show opportunity. <u>http://www.scottishgames.org</u>

6 CCCC Rocky Mountain Car Show and Swap Meet - Rocky Mountain Metro Airport, Broomfield. <u>https://collectorcarcouncil.com/?page_id=308</u>

27 The Morgan Adams Concours d'Elegance an exclusive and exhilarating aircraft, automobile, and motorcycle preview with silent and live auctions. The event brings together a collection that spans all collectible eras, representing an incredible array from the earliest significant air/auto/moto to breathtaking modern jets and supercars. The attractions include one-of-a-kind vintage vehicles, one-off assembly automobiles, as well as custom private jets and extraordinary vintage aircraft. <u>https://www.morganadamsconcours.org</u>

September

12-17 - The Colorado Grand - Applications due May 1. <u>https://co1000.com/2022-application/</u>

17-18 The Colorado English Motoring Conclave in Arvada. Be there! Ride the Rockies Tour on Saturday, Car Show on Sunday. Volunteers needed! Etc.!

September 30 - October 4— **MOAB** goes to Montrose, Ouray, Telluride, Black Canyon of the Gunnison. Tourmeisters are John and Becky MacIntyre. Details at the May meeting.

October

First Weekend - Oil Spot Rallye - BMCNC

Second Weekend - Alan Saltzman Memorial Drive



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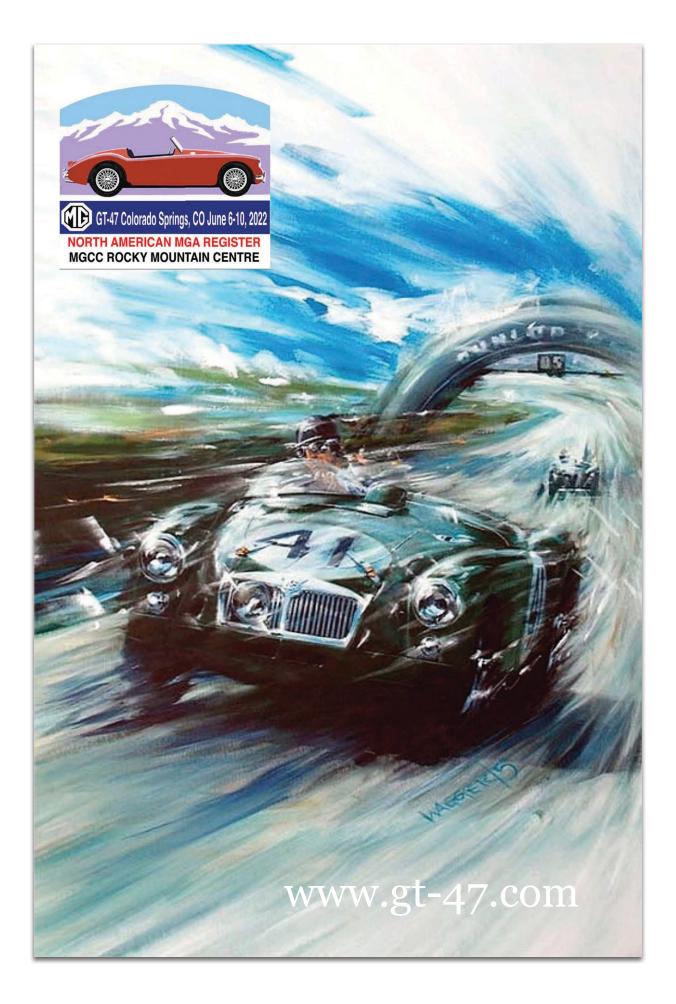
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Do You See how Much Fun We're Having? - Editor





It's Not Too Late to Register!

Checkpoint Workers Needed.

