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FSMGCC Appreciation Night

By Dennis Magee, Editor

Safety Harbor, Florida. On April 13, 2013 three British Car Clubs met together to honor a fellow member for their outstanding contributions, leadership, and dedicated service to their respected club.

The Tampa Bay British Car Club joined the dinner celebration and honored Phil and Fiona Ross, Co-Presidents, for their outstanding leadership and reorganization brought to the club, including a vast increase in club activities and participation.

Warren and Suzy Maxon were honored by the Tampa Bay Austin Healey Club for their leadership and organization of the All British Car Show in October 2012.

Warren spend many hours in the development in the highly attended show and reported by many attendees to be the best car show in the twenty-five year history of the All British Car Show, and one the the largest show in the Southeast.



The Florida Suncoast MG Car Club honored Greg “Iggy” and Darlene Miller for their longtime loyal and dedicated service to the FSMGCC. For many years, the Millers have travel long distance in order to participate in club activities. In 2012, Iggy’s



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submitted and make changes
as necessary.

MGA won the Best of Show for the NAMGAR GT-37 car show. This MGA was totally restored by Iggy, completing 90 percent of the work himself. Both Iggy and Darlene have donated many hours to the car club and have supported a vast number of activities.

That night, there was a great spirit of camaraderie among the three clubs and everyone enjoyed the event and celebration. Additional photos on page 5.



Lipizan Horse Show

By Mike and Karen Silvernail

On Saturday March 23, fifteen club members and guests made the trip to Myakka City, FL to see the Herrmann's, Royal Lipizzan Stallions. The weather forecast was threatening but the day turned out to be sunny and warm.



At 8:20 AM the group left the meeting location near the Blackthorn Memorial near the Skyway Bridge. Traffic was light and after a short time on I75 we exited on state route 70, heading east towards Myakka City. The sky was overcast at the start, but when we pulled into their parking area of our destination at 9:15 AM it was already sunny.

After paying our \$5 donation, we started touring the stables. There were about 300 visitors there that day. All the grounds were open to the public and there were many points of interest. The magnificent stallions were stabled in one large building where we could get up close and rub their necks and noses. They were obviously used to visitors since no one lost a finger. There were about 18 horses in that area.

Most of the mares were in a small pasture a short distance from the stallions. Several other mares that performed were stabled in another building. We were made aware that they always had to keep the mares separated from the stallions. Several of the stallions were in their thirties and were retired from performing. They were very well cared for just as were the others. Breeding only



occurs when a stallion passes and there is room in the stable. There was a memorial area for past horses.

The performance lasted about an hour. A running commentary accompanied the performance giving the history of what the horses were demonstrating. The horses were originally bred as war horses and were trained as a weapon during close up fighting. Their trade mark 'airs above the ground' was designed to strike down enemies with their hooves. It was interesting to note that during all of the intricate riding the saddles that were used resembled more a large pad and there were no stirrups.

All of the riders were female and were led by Gabriella Herrmann. Gabriella is the daughter of Colonel Herrmann, who played a key role in smuggling the rare horses out of harm's way during WWII in Austria. With the aide of US General George Patton, the horses were removed from areas designated for the Russian army. The Russians had a record of destroying German horses.



Bob Lindstrom was guest of the club and made the trip on Saturday. At the end of WWII, Bob's father was in the army and stationed on a base in New Jersey. That base was where the Lipizzan horses that were brought to this country where stabled. Bob recalls poor condition they were in when they arrived and how they responded to the care received. He watched them train and probably attended the very first Lipizzan demonstration performed in this country.



Bob had an opportunity to tell his story to Gabriella who shared it with all the visitors during the demonstration.

Around noon the group left and caravanned to a nearby diner where we enjoyed lunch.

The event was planned, hosted, photographed and reported by Mike and Karen Silvernail.

The Florida Suncoast MG Car Club Monthly Minutes Summary April 10, 2013

President, Glenn Lenhard, called the meeting to order at 7:35p.m.

The Secretary's Report & Treasurer's Report were approved as presented.
Membership Report: Bruce said that there are currently 58 family/members.

Regalia: Contact Barrie Carson if you would like to purchase any club regalia.

Past Activities: Bruce Rauch recapped the club's past activities:
Mar 23 – Herrmanns' Royal Lipizzaner Stallions & Mare Training Center
April 6 – All British Car Show – Mead Gardens, Winter Park

Future Activities: Bruce outlined upcoming activities. See Calendar of Events in this newsletter.

Fellowship: Bert reported that Deb & Bob Cannarella are doing okay in their new home in Orange Park and their son recently married, making them grandparents in the process. Iggy Miller, Chuck Helt and Cory (Glenn's MG Repair employee) are all being treated for cancer. (Addendum: See Fellowship in this Informer.)

Newsletter: Deadline for articles is April 20th.

There was a presentation by Jack Maniscalco on his and Lorrie's recent Christian Medical Mission to Togo, Africa.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Gail Lenhard, Secretary



May 2013 Fellowship

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

May 5 Norman & Pat Ridgely
May 8 Glenn & Gail Lenhard
May 10 Kevin & Kelli Pilsbury
May 20 George & Sandra Cooper
May 29 Ed & Terry McCarroll

MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 1 Don Graham
May 4 Lee Cayer
May 9 Phyllis Graham
May 13 Deb Cannarella
May 13 Jim Alonso
May 20 Lee Strickland
May 23 Rosemary Knight
May 27 Paul Reese

Fellowship News:

- Deb & Bob Cannarella are doing well in Orange Park. Their son was recently married. Pat Soler reported that she is now NED (No Evidence of Disease) and is getting stronger!

- Our dear Club member, Phyllis Graham, wife of Don Graham, died recently. A copy of her obituary was e-mailed to all members. Also, Chester Baumgartner's mother passed away recently. The Club has sent cards of condolence to the families.

- Please keep Iggy Miller; Chuck Helt, our Club's former President; and Cory, an employee of Glenn's MG Repair, in your thoughts & prayers as they are being treated for cancer.

Calendar of Events

Bold type is club sponsored event.

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Jun 12: Monthly Members meeting; 7:30 PM at Beef 'O'Brady's, 2471 N. McMullen Booth Rd, Clearwater, FL 33759 (727) 614-9717

Jun 22: Brunch @ Simply Delicious NY Deli, 4601 66 St N, Pinellas Park hosted by Pam Vosler & John Gilley - Please RSVP to Pam & John at 727-321-7333 or 727-742-2731 cell

Jul 03: FSMGCC Board of Directors meeting @ the Lenhard's home. Potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. Everyone welcomed.

Jul 04: Fourth of July Parade in Safety Harbor hosted by the Tampa Bay Austin Healey Club (See flyer on page 6)

Jul 13: Saturday Breakfast Club & Monthly Members meeting; 8:30 AM at Gator's Restaurant, 12754 Kingfish Dr. on John's Pass, Treasure Island, FL

Aug 10: Saturday Breakfast Club & Monthly Members meeting; 8:30 AM at a restaurant to be announced

Aug 17: Rays vs Toronto Blue Jays – 7:00 PM at Tropicana Field, St. Petersburg – Lower Reserved Box tickets are \$35.00 each, please contact B&B Rauch at 727-576-9474 or brauch1@tampabay.rr.com to reserve your seats.

Sep ??: Breakfast followed by a tour of the Yuengling Brewery in Tampa

Sep 11: Monthly Members meeting; 7:30 PM at Beef 'O'Brady's, 2471 N. McMullen Booth Rd, Clearwater, FL 33759 (727) 614-9717

October 10-13:: Southeastern Fall GOF at Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Georgia... Hosted by The Southeastern MG T Register. www.semgr.org – Callaway Gardens is a worthwhile trip even without the GOF...about the same distance as Atlanta – Car-a-Van info thru B&B Rauch at: 727-576-9474 or brauch1@tampabay.rr.com

Oct 26: All British Car Show in Safety Harbor

Nov 16: Sun-N-Fun Classic Car Show, Fly-In and BBQ Cook-Off, 4175 Medulla Road, Lakeland



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