

# ROCTOBER Newsletter

The logo for SouthWestern Ohio T-owners (SWOT) features the letters S, W, O, and T in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. Each letter has a red outline and a slight drop shadow, giving it a three-dimensional appearance. The letters are spaced out horizontally.

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## Notice;

People have been scheduling their cars for work to be done over the winter months at MG Services. The schedule is filling up fast, so if you plan on having something done while the car is laid up. The sooner you schedule the better the chance that there will be room for your car.

**Call MG Services @ 513-532-1795 to get on the list!**

We meet monthly at one of two places, unless we have a field trip or a garage crawl.....Rib City during the colder weather and at MG Services in the garage during nice weather. There are no dues....no officers....really not much of anything is necessary but your presence. Please make arrangements to join us for a good evening among friends. Any T-car owner will benefit from knowing others with the same interests and knowledge to help you with any problems. We know where you can get parts, get things done, secret machine shops, chroming, the mechanics, as well as improvement and modification details. All T car owners lick an ice cream cone and recite poetry at the same time. If you don't have a T car....just say you do and come out anyhow.

Next meeting is Nov.19th at Rib City. It will be a relaxed and good time. Come on out and bring your significant other and join us. We eat at six and the meeting takes up at seven. Polite belches are tolerated. Come on out and pick your seat.



**FIRST THREE BEERS ARE TWENTY FIVE CENTS EACH.**

# ***K u r t ' s C o o k o u t !***

**October 11, 2014,  
KURT HAD HIS SECOND ANNUAL  
COOK OUT. THIS IS GONNA GROW  
AND GET BIGGER. THAT CAN BE  
SAID BASED ON THE COMMENTS AND  
THE GOOD TIMES FOLKS HAVE HAD  
AT THESE EVENTS. CAPTAIN KURT  
ARRANGED A SHORT DRIVE FOR THE  
THOSE THAT ATTENDED WITH  
THEIR CAR. CLERMONT COUNTY  
WAS DEVELOPED BY ODOT FOR  
BRITISH CAR DRIVERS.**



**MRS. NIEMEYER HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN AVID ADMIRER  
OF THE EUROPEAN MARQUES....SHE GOT ALL DOLLED  
UP AND JOINED OUR GROUP. SHE HAD LOTS OF  
ADMIRERS HERSELF AS SHE MADE HER WAY TO THE  
GARAGE.**

***THE GUEST LIST INCLUDED.....BILL AND JAN OWEN WITH THEIR RARE DATSUN 2000, JIM AND PAULA CLARK /CORVETTE, MEL AND TERRY SHOTTEN...LOOKIN GOOD IN THEIR 52 TD, PETE AND BARB BAILEY/ 54 TF, CINDY AND GREG GARNETT/ 49 TC, JUDY BAUCHMAN AND STEVE WRIGHT/ 54 TF, GLENN WEGRYN / 61 MGA, CARY SUNDERHAUS / 53 TD, TRICIA RYBOLT/ TRIUMPH, JOHN LIBBERT/ 61 MGA, DON AND BARB GILMAN/. 51 TD, JIM AND SARRI ELLIS/MERCEDES SL/ JEFF DAVIS AND TINA STEVENS . MINIS, NANCY KINDRICK, JOE NEWTON/ 50 TD, TONY CARITO/ 52 TD, JT/ 51 TD, CALEB AND BRENDA MILLER, DAVE SENCE, GRAG CURSON / MGB, JACK BONINI, DAVE GIBSON, ORLOFF AND LIZ MILLER; 51 TD, LEE AND CINDY SCOVANNER. A NICE GROUP OF PEOPLE THAT CAME HUNGRY. YOU WOULD HAVE THOUGHT YOU WERE AMONG A GROUP OF RESCUED POW'S WHEN THIS GROUP SAT DOWN TO EAT.***



**Klever Kurt.....uses his lift to raise food...I would have been tempted to raise it another three feet and make those ladies feel around overhead for their food.**

**BUILD IT AND THEY WILL COME**



**AND THEY CAME...**



**WE JUST DIDN'T KNOW...**

**it would be Aerosmith**





**AND SO IT BEGINS...PETE HAD THE CAPTAIN'S CHAIR AT THE HEAD OF THE TABLE. HE SHOULD HAVE SAID GRACE BEFORE THE WOLVES STARTED IN.**



**MEL AND KURT DISCUSS WHICH FOODS OR COMBINATION OF FOODS PRODUCE THE MOST FLATULENCE. BOTH ARE VERY KNOWLEDGABLE.**



**This was a nice shot behind the barn.....John Libbert said it smelled funny round here. I noticed there weren't many weeds.**



**Wow....1,000 words go here.**



**THE CINCINNATI POLICE BECOME VERY ALERT WHEN THEY COME ON A SCENE LIKE THIS. JOHN AND RICK ARE UP TO NO GOOD HERE.**



**CARY AND JOHN ADVANCE LIKE ZOMBIES TOWARD THE FOOD. THEY WILL SOON BE THE WALKING FED.**



**DON  
GILMAN  
SHARED HIS  
LOVELY TD  
ON THE  
GREEN WITH  
EVERYONE.**



**TONY AND  
STEVE  
ADMIRE  
STEVE'S  
SHARP  
TF....THESE  
CARS ARE  
SMILE  
MAKERS,  
HAPPENS  
EVERYTIME**

**THIS LITTLE BUG EYE GOT A LOT OF COMPLIMENTS FROM EVERYONE THAT WAS AROUND IT.**



**AN INTERESTING AND KINDA RARE SIXTIES CAR SHOWED UP FOR THE COOK OUT.**

**IT'S A DATSUN 2000.....**



**THE CLOSER YOU LOOKED...THE BETTER IT LOOKED !!**

**AND, IT WAS HOT UNDER THE HOOD!**



**2000 CC ENGINE WITH TWIN WEBERS.....IN A SMALL CAR...YOU HAVE MY ATTENTION.**



**Jim has time to give singing lessons to several that were attending. Jim is a demanding and skilled yodeler.**

**Tony and Barb become very quiet and methodical when food is placed before them.**



**THE ROMANS HAD VOMITORIUMS AVAILABLE TO GUESTS AFTER A MEAL LIKE THIS. IF YOU DIDN'T ATTEND, YOU MISSED A VERY NICE TIME. THIS WILL BE HELD NEXT YEAR IN OCTOBER AS WELL. IS THAT ENOUGH NOTICE TO GET YOU THERE?**



**MTG OCT. 15, 2014**

**OUR MEETING AT RIB CITY KICKED UP ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup>. IT WAS A GOOD MEETING....WE HAD SOME NEW FOLKS AND MISSED SOME OF OUR REGULARS THAT COULDN'T MAKE IT. THE FIRST ONE'S THERE ARE USUALLY GREG, JOHN,AND JAN.....RUMOR AND A WAITRESS HAS IT THAT THE THREE MEET OUT BACK AND BRIEFLY DISCUSS AGENDA ITEMS.**



***THOSE ATTENDING INCLUDED.....***

**DAVE JOHNSON (*GOOD TO HAVE YOU HERE DAVE*) BOB HANSEMAN, DON GILMAN, MIKE PHILLIPS, RICK BENHASE, KAREN CARPENTER, JOHN LIBBERT, CARY SUNDERHHAUS, JIM ELLIS, KURT NIEMEYER, JOHN LIGON, JERRY GARCIA, TONY CARITO, PETE BAILEY, BARB BAILEY, GREG GARNETT, CINDY GARNETT, JIM PESTA, AND JT**

**PETE WAS CLUCKING HIS TOUNGE AND SNAPPING HIS FINGERS....WHEN HE TOOK TO THE FLOOR TO REPORT THAT HIS TF IS UP AND RUNNING CORRCTLY! NOW, HE CAN STOMP HIS FOOT AND IT WILL START. JOHN LIBBERT REBUILT THE CARBS.**

**THREE BENEVOLENT AND WISE GROUP MEMBERS CALLED PETE UP AND SAID....HEY PETE,WE'RE COMIN OVER ON SATURDAY TO HELP YOU. PETE SAID OK. PLEASE COME OVER ON SATURDAY. PETE WENT OUT ON FRIDAY NIGHT AND KILLED A CHICKEN AT MIDNIGHT ON A FULL MOON....HE DRIBBLED A BLOOD RING ON THE GARAGE FLOOR AROUND THE DEMON FILLED MG ENGINE. HE THREW THE CHICKEN IN THE NEIGHBOR'S YARD AND WENT TO BED. NEXT DAY, THREE WISE MEN SHOWED UP AT PETE'S HOUSE.**

**THANKS TO RICK WRIGHT WHO DROVE TO PETES HOUSE WITH RICK BENHASE IN THE PASSENGER SEAT AND GREG CAME DOWN FROM OXFORD. THEY SET UP THE IDLE....DECIDED TO SWITCH THE PISTONS IN THE S.U. CARBS...THEY MOVED IN CONCERT BETTER...THE CARBS WERE SET AT 11 FLATS DOWN.....THAT WAS CHANGED TO FIVE FLATS DOWN. IT FIRED UP JUST FINE....THE DISTRIBUTOR WAS LOOSEMED AND TEASED A BIT. VOILA.....**

**THIS IS A HEALTHY GROUP AND YOU FEEL GOOD BEING A PART OF IT. THIS IS THE KINDA STUFF THAT JIM PESTA HAD IN MIND WHEN HE GATHERED THE DIRTY MASSES AND A RATTY LIST OF OWNERS....WE NEEDED ORGANIZATION AND FOCUS...GREG WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER IN MINNESOTA WITH LOTS OF MG GROUP EXPERIENCE....TONY IS A MASTER LIST KEEPER AND MAKES SENSE OF THE SENSELESS...JIM OPENED HIS GARAGE AND SHARED LOTS OF KNOWLEDGE AND TIPS...WE WENT FROM THREE OR FOUR AT A MEETING AT MCDONALD'S ....AND NOW THE LIST IS UP TO 124 NOW....JIM HAS REACHED OUT AT CAR SHOWS AND ORGANIZED DRIVES WITH GREATS LIKE GREG AND KURT AND STEVE...JOHN OLMAN. IF YOU OR ME NEEDED STEVE, PETE, TONY, JOHN, GREG, JOHN L. RICK, JIM P. TO COME TO YOUR GARAGE,THEY WOULD MAKE IT HAPPEN....AS WOULD OTHERS. WE ARE BLESSED AND WANT TO MAKE YOU A PART OF THIS. WON'T YOU JOIN US?**



**PETE'S AND HIS TF....TONY LOOKS ON. WHEREVER YOU SEE PETE...SEEMS LIKE AN A/W ROOT BEER CAN IS ALWAYS AROUND.**



**GREG BROKE UP A BELCHING CONTEST AT THE FAR TABLE AT SEVEN FIFTEEN....THEY DON'T TAKE TO THAT WELL BUT GREG BEING AN EXPERIENCED FACILITATOR, HE IS ABLE TO DRAW THEM IN WITH RHETORIC.**



**GREG,  
FACILITATOR,  
DRIVE PLANNER,  
HOSTS CHRISTMAS  
DINNERS, ATTENDS  
GARAGE CRAWLS,  
DRIVES 800 MILES  
TO MG EVENTS IN  
A TC, MAKES WINE  
FROM SCRATCH,  
OWNS A TD AND A  
HEALY, AND  
DEVELOPS A  
GREAT AGENDA  
EVERY TIME.  
GREG IS ALWAYS  
WILLING TO HELP  
ANYONE...IN THE  
WORDS OF THE  
KINKS...A WELL  
RESPECTED MAN.**



**THE MEETING  
ALWAYS BEGINS  
AROUND  
SEVEN....WE HOPE  
YOU WILL JOIN US  
IN NOVEMBER.**



**GREG  
REVIEWED  
SOME OF THE  
EVENTS HELD  
LAST MONTH  
AS WELL AS  
THE PICNIC  
AT KURTS  
PLACE. THIS  
IS AN ACTIVE  
GROUP AND  
WE NEED  
YOUR INPUT.**



**RICK AND  
JOHN ARE ALL  
SMILES WHEN  
THE WAITRESS  
BRINGS THE  
BEER AND  
FOOD INTO  
THE ROOM.**



**OUR WAITRESS IS ALWAYS GRACIOUS AND ANXIOUS TO MAKE OUR DINING EXPERIENCE A MEMORABLE ONE. EACH PLATTER OF RIBS OR STACKED ROAST BEEF SANDWICH IS SERVED WITH STYLE AND LOVE.**



**THIS SECTION  
OF OUR CHOIR  
IS ALWAYS  
READY TO  
LEARN A NEW  
SONG WITH  
GREG LEADING  
US.**



**BOB GETS HIS BILL  
FOR THE  
EATS....HE  
FIGURES IT IS  
CHEAPER WHEN  
JEANNE DOESN'T  
ATTEND WITH HIM.**



**WE ALL HOPE  
JIM CLARK  
ENJOYED HIS  
FIRST TIME  
WITH US AS  
MUCH AS WE  
ENJOYED  
HAVING HIM  
AT OUR  
MEETING.**



**CARY HAD TO  
CLEAN HIS  
GLASSES  
AFTER SITTING  
ACROSS FROM  
AN ACTIVE  
AND EXCITED  
JOHN L.  
EATING BEANS  
AND SLAW.**



**SOME OF THE LADIES TAUGHT US HOW TO USE NAPKINS....KURT LEARNS TO UNFOLD ONE AND WIPE HIS NECK AND FOREHEAD WITH IT AFTER EATING. BOB REFUSED THE LESSON AND DAVE FELL ASLEEP.**



**JOHN AND CARY REVIEW GREG'S AGENDA.**



**IT APPEARS THAT JOHN HAS DETECTED A LINE OF B.S. FROM SOMEONE AT THE TABLE...THIS IS HIS LOOK WHEN HIS B.S. METER PEGS.**



**CINDY DEMONSTRATES HEARTBURN FROM SPICY SAUCES AND THE NEED TO BELCH.**



**A RARE MOMENT  
WHEN TONY STOPS  
EATING TO  
ADDRESS THE  
WAITRESS**



**WILL JOHN MOVE  
IS HEAD TOWARD  
THE RIB OR WILL  
HE MOVE THE RIB  
TOWARD HIS  
MOUTH?? IT'S  
LIKE WATCHING  
VELOCIRAPTORS  
FEASTING.**

**WE WILL LOOK HIGH AND LOW FOR AN INTERESTING STORY. IF YOU HAVE A GOOD ONE ABOUT YOUR CAR OR YOUR EXPERIENCES IN YOUR CAR....CONTACT TONY OR JT AND LET US SHARE IT. IT'S A GREAT WAY TO GET TO KNOW OUR FRIENDS BETTER.**



# GREAT IDEA

**I RAN ACROSS A GOOD TIP.....WE HAVE ALL SEEN THOSE SMALL ROUND AND POWERFUL EARTH MAGNETS THAT WILL PICK UP MUCH LARGER ITEMS THAN A TYPICAL MAGNET. I HAVE SEEN THEM AT MICHEALS AND HOBBY LOBBY. THEY USE THEM IN PICK UP TOOLS. WELL, IMAGINE ONE OR TWO OF THEM STUFFED UP INSIDE YOUR DEEP OR SHORTWELL SOCKET. YOU NOW HAVE A POWERFUL MAGNETIZED SOCKET. YOU MIGHT ATTACH ONE TO YOUR EXTENSION.... SEE THE PIECE BELOW I DISCOVERED.**

**The solution is to attach small disc-shaped rare earth magnets to your sockets and extensions to create magnetic ones. They are inexpensive and are available at home centers, craft stores, or on eBay in various sizes so they can be used on 3/8" or 1/2" drive. They can also be stacked to provide even greater holding power. They can be adhered to the inside base of a socket or to the tip of a ratchet extension with a drop or two of instant glue (SuperGlue).**

**Before gluing on a magnet be sure that it won't interfere with the connection between a socket and extension.**



**PETE WILL GROWL LIKE A DOG IF YOU APPROACH HIM WHILE HE IS EATING A SLAB OF RIBS...IT'S BEST TO LEAVE HIM ALONE DURING THIS TIME.**



**JIM DISCUSSED THAT NOISY VIBRATING SOUND THAT YOU SOMETIMES HEAR AS YOU CRUISE DOWN THE ROAD. THE ONE THAT EMANATES FROM YOUR SHIFTER.**



**AN INEXPENSIVE  
BUSHING IS THE  
FIX FOR THIS  
ANNOYING  
PROBLEM.**



**SEE WHAT YOU  
MISSED!?. JIM  
DEMONSTRATES  
THE MAIN SHAFT  
AND ALL THE  
GEARS THAT GET  
YOU DOWN THE  
ROAD.**



**Jim has a box of goodies for tactile learners in his tech session. This box is full of transmission parts.**



**Jim probably knows as much about T cars as any mechanic in the United States. We are fortunate to have his council in our group. Got a question??**



**Looking a bit like a Civil War General, Jim reflects before taking the floor to deliver important information for every T owner.**



**This must have been the part of the meeting when Greg and Jim were singing Neil Diamond songs. Don, Dave, and Mike are all taken in.**



**Don't care what you are selling.....doesn't look like these two are buying it !**



**Barb brings fun and class to our table....but watch her if you order the fried okra....she throws it up in the air and catches it with her mouth.**



**They're having fun....really.**



**Greg gets the agenda in everyone's hands**



**Pete and Tony  
catch a tech  
session from Jim**



**No Kurt !!.....stop trying  
to get the new people to  
pull your  
fingers.....we have  
all been your victim of  
that trick.**

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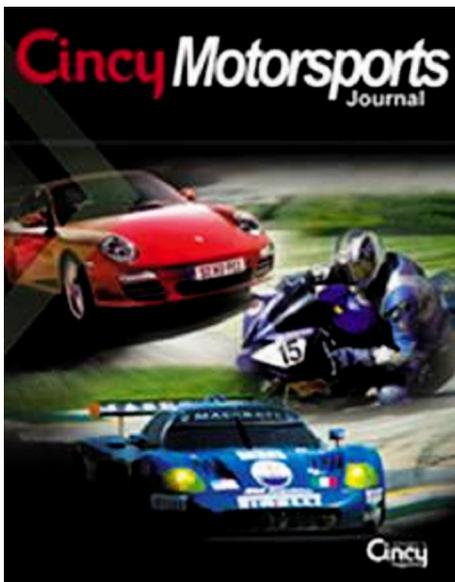
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***check the above link for information regarding the 2015  
GOF.***

Thanks a Million,

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# Monthly Tech Report

## Tuning issues;

Last month I was asked if I would drive a customer's car to the event in Xenia. This prompted the following tech story.

This TD belonged to a long time enthusiast who had passed away a couple of years ago. His wife was very involved and is still interested in driving the car and getting together with old friends.

The owner did all of the maintenance himself and the car was used for many competitive driving events over the years.

This car had sat for a couple of years and was brought to me in June because it had not been driven for a few years and was running rough. The owner wanted to drive to the Ohio Chapter event in Athens Ohio.

I was doing a complete tune up when I discovered that it needed a head gasket. A complete valve job was done at the same time.

I put it all back together just to find an intermittent miss. I chased it for awhile and the it seemed to disappear.

I delivered it back to the owner. A few weeks later it came back in for a final check before a five hundred mile trip across the state.

The owner's, out of town daughter, was coming back into town to go on this trip in the TD for the first time since her father had passed. The new family dynamic was looking forward to be traveling in the car to create their own traveling adventure.

You should be starting to get the picture of the expectations of the family. This trip was going to be special.

When the car came in I took the distributor apart, cleaned, and replaced the rotor, plug wires, condenser, both sets of points, but I had to use the old cap because a new one was not available at that time. Oh, I forgot to mention that it was not a stock distributor; it was a Mallory dual point (racing) distributor.

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## **Tuning issues;**

Did I mention that the previous owner liked to go fast? If I didn't, he did! (We chased each other down the highway many a time).

Having done all of this, it still had an intermittent miss. I changed the coil and that seemed to solve the issue.

I had made a commitment to go the Athens event a day early to help the organizers set up.

I was gone when the rest of our group left for Athens. About thirty miles from Cincinnati, the TD started to act up again, it was missing very badly when it was under a heavy load. The best solution was to abandon the car and proceed onto Athens without the car.

When the parties arrived in Athens and the tale was told, I immediately donated the Y-type to the mom and daughter for the rest of their weekend to try to salvage their adventure. I tagged along with the organizers for the rest of the weekend.

After the weekend, Mother and daughter drove back to the abandoned car in the Y-type. Dave Zyp was following in the Ford with me in the back seat. When we got to the TD I got in and then nursed it back home.

A couple of weeks passed when I discovered that I was requested to drive the same TD to the Xenia meet.

I went over the car once again and checked everything, when I put it all back together, it seemed to run fine.

Dave Zyp, Jim Williams and I left town about noon on Friday for the trip to Xenia. We drove at a very brisk clip all the way without stopping. It was quite a pleasant drive.

I thought that the owner would be at the meet and then take the car for the rest of the weekend for herself. After I arrived, I was told she would not be there at all for the weekend.

It was about three o'clock when I decided to make a quick run to Dayton to visit Mendolsons liquidation store.

On the way back I was driving along Rt. 35, at rush hour, when the car suddenly dropped to an idle and when I tried to accelerate it would just break up.

## Tuning issues;



After about ten minutes, while checking the distributor, I discovered that the carbon button inside of the distributor cap had broken and what was left did not reach the rotor to make contact. SEE PHOTOS ABOVE.



If you are not sure what you're looking at above is a photo of the damaged cap at left and a new one at right. Notice the length of the center button on the right photo. I do have to mention that this photo was taken a week later when we were all safely back in Cincinnati.

I did mention that I was driving someone else's car, and my spares collection did not include a non-stock distributor cap.

Remember a few months ago when we were talking about traveling with the spares that you might need to get your and your car home? I think that the last paragraph said to make sure you had any non-stock parts when you were on the road.

We've gotten way off of the story.

## Tuning issues;

Anyhow, there I was in the middle of rush hour traffic on a major highway with a broken car with no parts to repair it.

The carbon button has a small spring underneath it to push it down onto the rotor to make sure it makes constant contact otherwise the engine it will never run.

I'm now looking in the toolbox for something that I might be able to bridge the space to the rotor.

Nothing!

During this period of time a Good Samaritan, who passed himself off as a car, guy stopped to help.

When I described what the situation was, he looked at the problem, shrugged and left.

In the mean time I'm wondering along the side of the road to find something that could be used as a repair part. Then it came to me, I remembered that old cigarette boxes that had a foil liner. Foil liner, that should conduct the electrical charge to the rotor.

**I did find a box and removed the liner, tore a small piece to fit into the area of the distributor cap where the carbon button was fitted.**



Unfortunately, that did not work. Maybe, like everything else, the foil liner had been replaced with a less expensive silver looking material that was not conductive. Anyhow, I had to call back to Xenia to ask for assistance. Someone there had a Mallory distributor in his car so he said that he would bring me his cap to get me back to the hotel.

The rescue party arrived with the cap and a trailer just in case. I put on the cap, but the car did not respond the way I expected so we loaded the car onto the trailer and went back to the hotel to work in a more friendly environment.

## Tuning issues;

Back at the hotel I inquired to find anyone who might have a spare distributor that they would be willing to let me use to drive back to Cincinnati.

A couple of distributors were offered from various spares boxes. I picked one and proceeded to put the car back together with the spare distributor. The car started and ran until it reached about 2,500 RPMs and then it would start to break up.

I inquired to the owner of the distributor and he said he checked the distributor years before and thought it was fine so he threw it into his traveling spares box. Other than that, he did not know about the distributor.

I fooled around with it some more, but I could not solve the breaking up issue .

All of our driving for the event was done so I decided to just limp the car home at a leisurely pace (under 2,500RPMs) the next morning.

I told my traveling partners that I was going to leave early Sunday morning and drive quite slow to get home and they should travel on their own schedule.

Jane Grim, Jim Williams traveling companion, thought that a leisurely drive sounded good so they decided to join me.

If any of you have traveled with me, you know I'm not used to driving at a leisurely pace. It took a while to get used to the driving technique that would allow the car to perform properly. The drive took a little longer than normal, but it was quite pleasant.



Let's review; above is a stock TD dist. cap. Notice the center carbon button just like in the Mallory.

## Tuning issues;



Here is another stock dist. cap with the carbon button removed to see the spring underneath.

I know of a certain Dr. who used a big carpenter's pencil and carved away the wooden part to expose enough carbon to sculpt a replacement button to get back on the road.

Sometimes it just takes some creative thinking to create a repair on the road.

## In Conclusion;

After the trip I discovered indications that the damaged carbon button had been arcing to make its connection long enough to discolor the cap. SEE PHOTO AT RIGHT.

With this information I've come to the realization that the TD's intermittent miss was probably from the damaged dist cap all along.



When I was trying to track the problem down I discovered that when I replaced other components, the car ran better but they did not completely fix the problem. This shows that when regular maintenance was neglected, multiple parts were deteriorating at the same time and all parts were contributing to the problem.

**Tuning issues;**

**In Conclusion Cont;**

Hopefully, all of the deferred maintenance has been completed so the car can now be driven for many uninterrupted miles. However, there may still be a couple of small issues that might surface as the unaddressed next weakest link.

This episode just goes to show how important it is to do regular maintenance on a continuing basis and carry the right spares when you travel.

We have provided a complete list of traveling spares a couple of months ago. Unfortunately, if you did not read the last couple of sentences, you still would not have had the custom spares needed to repair this TD on the road.

I see this issue over and over again. These kind of things happen when the maintenance is not kept up to date.

In this case the car's maintenance was taken over by someone who did not know the history of its maintenance.

When someone comes to me and says he/she wants to be able to drive the car anywhere. I tell them that this will take a process to achieve. The first thing that needs to be done is make the car reliable for any 25 mile trip. Easy enough. When you feel comfortable driving 25 miles, drive fifty miles, if something fails, you have found the next weakest link. Do the repair and continue to complete this process until the weakest link is stronger than what you need.

This is a simple process but it does take some time and effort. Eventually you will be able to get in your car and drive it across the country without fear.

I know about four or five T-cars here in the Cincinnati area that the owners fit into that category.

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On a final note, I just wanted to mention that there are many things like rubber bands, panty hose, aluminum foil, pencils, etc. are readily available and can be used to create a road repair. You just need to understand how a part works. With this information, you may be able to fabricate a repair even though it you do not have access to the correct part.

When you are out on the road it is not just a challenge for the car, but also of your creativity.

**So get out on the road and drive the snot out of your car!**

If you are a member of an MG club that would like to have these technical reports sent to your newsletter editor.

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*History is made by optimists.*



**HAPPY HALLOWEEN**

## **EVENTS CALENDAR**

Local events sponsored by SWOTs

**NOV. 19 RIB CITY MEETING.**

**Dec. 14 Christmas get together.....Jane will announce details soon.**

The Local Events need 3-4 more volunteers to be a coordinator for the above events.

Other events of interest to MG-T owners.

**Anyone need a garage crawl?**

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