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President's Message

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Last month I wrote how Steve and I were stepping away from the 80 B project and were putting in shelves up in the garage to store all the numerous parts that have been stored throughout the house like under the bed, in clothes closets and yes they even have their own bedroom. It wasn't two days later when Steve receives a call from yet another husband whose wife wants to reclaim her garage space by making him get rid of all his MG droppings and asked Steve he wanted it all. Long story short ... Steve's waiting outside right now for me to help him clear out some room in our backyard to accommodate our new "treasures".

With all this heat it has been a challenge to drive anywhere in the A. We hope to put together a road trip when it cools down so if you can think of a good destination please share your suggestion. I noticed on the events for May that all of the events are up North. If any of you hear of any closer car events that you think the club members might be interested in please share it.

Oh, remember if anyone needs any MG or Triumph parts ask Steve.

Stay Cool.

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Bug Spray Melts Car Paint

adapted from the Internet

It is summertime, and you are working on your car in the driveway. Suddenly a swarm of no-see-ums decides to dine on you, so you grab the insect repellent and coat your arms and legs to save your flesh. But the next morning, you find that you have made a grievous mistake! Overspray from your repellent has left tiny white spots, or worse ... large blotches, on the paintwork of nearby cars. The DEET used in bug spray has melted the paint!



Wiping down overspray may remove white residue the next day, but may also find that the paint has discolored, bubbled, and the clear coat has removed entirely. This photo shows the results after hours of buffing and waxing. Not good enough!

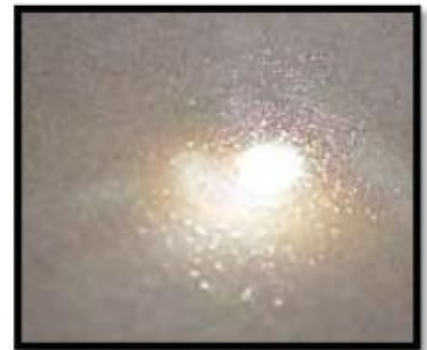


What causes the marks? The DEET in bug spray is an oily liquid known to destroy the varnish on wooden tables, melt plastics, and even permanently mark TV screens.

An internet auto expert said that "If a woman wanted to remove her nail polish, she'd use acetone." DEET is a solvent similar to acetone, but unlike acetone, it keeps on dissolving the material that it touches. "It's very difficult to neutralize using normal household products — soapy water doesn't work, alcohol doesn't work, nothing really works."

SC Johnson, the company that makes OFF!, issues a warning on its website: "Do not apply on or near: acetate, rayon, spandex or other synthetics (other than nylon), furniture, plastics, watch crystals, leather and painted or varnished surfaces including automobiles."

There are numerous cases online where people have inadvertently wrecked their vehicles fighting mosquitos. A BMW owner sprayed himself in bug spray and the next day found a large portion of his paint ruined, requiring it to be completely refinished. That owner described the marks as being like "chickenpox." "The actual paint has bubbled up and the clear coat has been destroyed!" the owner reports. "I spent hours buffing, waxing, claybar — didn't do a damn thing!!!"



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In the photo below, OFF! bug spray contained only 15% DEET while many other sprays contain 30% with some as much as 98%! So don't assume that because your bug spray is low on DEET you won't face this same issue.



Be careful spraying yourself or children near automobiles or other painted objects prior to playing in the yard. If you do use bug spray containing DEET, make sure you do so at a safe distance from your vehicle. And if an accident does occur, whether to a car or other painted, varnished or plastic surfaces, clean it as quickly and thoroughly as possible using soapy water to minimize the damage. It doesn't take much for a few drops to land on the wrong surface, and by the following morning, you'll awaken to a nasty surprise.

And never let children run amok mischievously spraying as performing an aerial fogging of the neighborhood with your Deep Woods OFF!

Article from The Journal of loose nuts and broken spokes.

Grand Strand British Car Club.

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Rubber Bumper MGB- 90K miles, good running condition, new top, car cover, pictures on request. Contact Vickie Jurkovic at 407-831-1855 (office) - April

A/C unit for 1968-1980 MGB. Brackets, hoses, I guess everything but a compressor, \$25 and come pick it up. Contact Steve Bradley, Orange City sbradley5@cfl.rr.com 386-775-9558, 386-801-2624 cell - May



Celebrations

By: Gene



Happy Birthdays

Lou Spradlin June 6

Richard Heckathorn June 7

Jan Myszkowski June 11

Steve Bradley June 16

Happy Anniversaries

Louis & Sylvia Spradlin June 6, 1959 - 60 years

Charlie & Linde Richardson June 10, 1964 - 55 years

2019 ABCC Upcoming Club Activities

Do you have an idea for an event? Contact Steve at SBradley5@cfl.rr.com

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UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE 5-7, 2019 MOG 49 – Luray VA – www.morgandc.com

JUNE 7-8, 2019 eEurofest 2018. Lime Rock Park, Lakeville, CT - <https://www.eeuroparts.com/eurofest/>

JUNE 7-8, 2019 The Grand Assent (hill climb). Hershey, PA – www.theeleganceathershey.com

JUNE 8, 2019 Moss Motorfest. Petersburg, VA - <https://mossmotors.com/motorfest>

JUNE 8, 2019 Touch of England. Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ. - www.njtriumphs.org

JUNE 8, 2019 London to Brighton Rally. Indiana - <http://www.ibcu.org/london-to-brighton-run.html>

JUNE 9, 2019 26th Annual British Motorcar Gathering. Hellertown, PA – www.keystonemg.com.

JUNE 23-26, 2019 MG 2019 NAMGBR. Traverse City, MI- <https://mg2019.regfox.com/mg-2019-traverse-city>

JUNE 20-23, 2019 Vintage Grand Prix of Mid-Ohio. Lexington, OH - www.svra.com/

JUNE 23, 2019 SCCA SOLO II (Autocross). DeLand Airport, DeLand, FL – www.cfrsolo2.com

JUNE 23, 2019 Brits by the Bay Summer Classic. Forest Hill, MD - www.tracltd.org

JULY 10-14, 2019 MG 2016 GT-44 Dubuque, IA- <http://www.namgar.com/>

JULY 20-21, 2019 Pittsburg Vintage Grand Prix. Pittsburg, PA – www.pvgp.org

JULY 20, 2019 British Car Day. Pittsburg, PA – <http://wptriumph.org/>

JULY 27, 2019 British Cars of New Hampshire 23rd Annual Show of Dreams. Hudson, NH - www.bcnh.org

JULY 27, 2019 Annual Caladium Festival Car Show. Lake Placid, FL – www.lpfla.com/

AUGUST 1-4, 2019 The Brickyard Vintage Racing Invitational. Indianapolis, IN - www.svra.com/

AUGUST 3-4, 2019 SCCA SOLO II (Autocross). Daytona International Speedway, Daytona Beach, FL –
www.cfrsolo2.com

AUGUST 10, 2019 35th British Car Day. Dayton, OH - <http://www.britishcardaydayton.com/>

AUGUST 10-11, 2019 Mount Equinox Hill Climb. Arlington, VT – www.vscca.org

AUGUST 18, 2019 “A Taste of Britain” Rothsville, PA - www.lancomgclub.com

AUGUST 23-26, 2019 Lotus Owner Gathering, LOG 39. Sturbridge, MA. – <https://lotusltd.com/log39/>

AUG 30 - SEPT 2, 2019 Lime Rock Historic Festival 36 (VSCCA). Lime Rock, CT – www.vscca.org

SEPTEMBER 5-8, 2019 2018 U.S. Vintage Grand Prix. Watkins Glen International - Watkins Glen, NY -
www.svra.com

SEPTEMBER 6, 2019 Austin Healey Conclave. Deadwood, SD – <http://www.healeyclub.org/event/conclave-2019>

SEPTEMBER 6-8, 2019 Out of the Woodwork 2019. Watkins Glen, NY- www.tvrccna.org/

SEPTEMBER 6-7, 2019 Brits of the Shoals. Rogersville, AL. – <http://www.shoalsbritishcars.org/>

SEPTEMBER 7-8, 2019 Beaulieu International Autojumble. Beaulieu, Hampshire, England – www.beaulieu.co.uk



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