

# Minutes of Meeting-April 11

by Rollie Welch

The April meeting of the BCCSWF was held at the usual location of Famous Dave's in Fort Myers, Florida with 39 members attending. New members were introduced: Janet and Aldis Lemesis owners of a 1962 Jaguar E-type, Rich and Judy Fifield who own a TR250 and John and Angela Sergeant who own an MGB, but have also rebuilt a TR3 and a TR4. Also introduced were guests Jack and Francis Breece who own a 1980 MGB. Jack told the group he has owned in the past two MGAs and ten MGBs.

President, Bill Newman mentioned several emails he received from outside people. One person has a 1961 Morgan for sale, another needs help starting his car that has been sitting for some time and another is interested in exchanging MGT-series info. Club members should contact Bill Newman if any of these queries sound intriguing.

Rollie Welch once again mentioned that articles for the *British Marque* are welcome even if bullet points of an event are provided. An article can always be formed around them. Rollie also reminded members that jpeg is the preferred form of photos for articles. Lin Dworkin was mentioned as the author of an upcoming article detailing the annual club picnic. Lauren Welch summarized the treasurer's report. Membership now stands at 82 with many more memberships yet to be renewed. Webmaster, Gary Eidson reiterated the process to post photos of members' cars for sale on the website. A jpeg is needed along with specific information about the car (year, model, price, any flaws or recent improvements). Gary also is involved with tweaking the B.I.G show next March to make it an even more attractive venue along the banks of the Caloosahatchee River. Since 60% of the automobile entries come from BCCSWF members, Gary feels better signage and a more favorable parking layout for showing cars is needed.

The meeting paused to sing Happy Birthday to three club members with April birthdays: Richard Bartlett, Aldis Lemesis and Steve Ruppert. Bill Newman introduced the possible change in location for the last Saturday each month breakfast run. The current location of Mimi's has been up and down in service and several members have voiced their displeasure. Gary Dworkin has discovered The Garden Café in Bonita Springs, which is a possible destination. Much discussion ensued about central location, service, parking and ease of access. No decision was made, as this was the opening discussion of a possible change in location. Bill Newman mentioned the many upcoming events through April and reminded members to check the webpage for details. Several members spoke about the good times at the annual picnic including the thrilling competition of horseshoes and cornhole. Thanks went to cooks Lionel Hill and Larry Gleeson along with Alan Shakman who provided the food.

New member Margrit Vegter won the 50-50 (for the second month in a row) raffle of \$48. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 9. Check the **BCCSWF.com** site for more information.