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The red clay hills of Georgia thundered again this past November with the symphony of sounds played by the cars of the Vintage Grand Prix.

This annual event is a real treat for us good ole boys down South who have to endure a year-long diet of pickem-up trucks and mini-boxes that all look alike. (Many a bar room brawl has been fought over the relative merits of a Ford vs. Chevy truck).

At the risk of over-using a tired phrase, the Vintage Grand Prix is not just an event - it's an experience! How can one describe to another the sights and sounds of the very cars which shaped the international racing scene as we know it today? How can you relate the exhilaration of seeing and hearing nearly 20 vintage MG's roar past - their drivers "pressing on, regardless"? How can you express the awesome impression made when a vintage Aston Martin blasts down the straight, parting the competition like the Red Sea? Could you really describe to someone the

sight of an old man, flailing at the wheel of an immaculate 1928 Miller Indy car, making a valient run against cars 30 years its junior?

These sights, sounds and even smells are certainly welcome to those who have kept the faith alive all these years and who look forward to this annual event like Christmas. This year's edition was a special treat, as we finally saw a TR-3A run in the Vintage Group 2 race. Also on hand were veteran GT-6 and TR-4 competitors who, surprisingly, held their own against a screaming Ferrari Daytona - what

a sight! I couldn't talk to the drivers afterwards - they were mobbed by their fans!

Keith Anderson and his trusty MGA competed again this year in the MG Safety Fast Championship - an all MG handicap race - and also in the Vintage Group 2 event, giving a stout performance. Other Bayou Racing Team members Mike Lewis and Manley Ford also competed, with Manley having driven down from his new home in Ohio to race his TF. English Motoring Club members attending from Jackson were Pat Anderson, Dennis Loftin, Frank Peel, and Alex and Tere Wade.



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