

Saturday, August 13

- 8:30 a.m. Drivers Meeting & Line Up for Hill Climb
- 9:30 a.m. High Street Hill Climb
- Noon Lunch & Club Meeting at the [Plains United Methodist Church](#)
- 3 p.m. Journey to [Nelsonville](#)
- 4 p.m. [Hocking Valley Train Depot](#) for a ride on the train



Get Ready! For High Street Hill Climb

When a King Midget rolled off of its Athens assembly line quality control consisted of an old-fashioned Appalachian challenge – if it could climb Athens' notoriously steep High Street it was ready for sale.

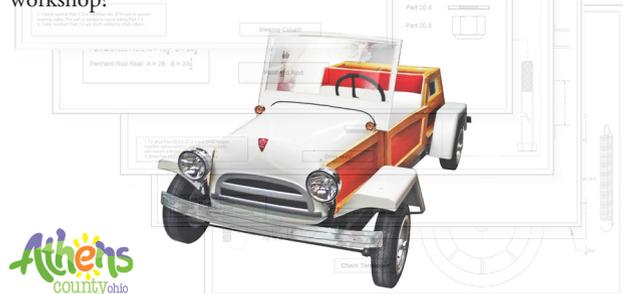
The 26th Jamboree rekindles that tradition as King Midget owners test their cars against the intimidating mini-mountain in the High Street Challenge. Come see the courageous King Midgets take on the hill and cheer them on (and maybe even help push a bit) Saturday morning at 9:30!

Build Your Own King Midget

Rumors have persisted since 1969 that someone was going to put King Midgets back into production. And with 2016 that time has arrived! Midget Motors believed in engineering simplicity efficiency – King Midgets had only 88 moving parts and car owners were generally able to solve problems on the fly. But what about building a King Midget? Veteran King Midget engineers and designers have developed complete plans to allow a competent craftsman to build a reproduction two-seater Model II just like Midget Motors Inc. made them in 1955. To prove it a brand new home-built King Midget called the King Midget Club Car will be introduced during the 2016 King Midget Jamboree.

Joining in the fun will be Ohio University's Digital Games and Animation faculty and students who will animate the building of a King Midget digitally as the actual reproduction building process unfolds.

Will you be taking a set of King Midget plans back to your workshop?



The 70th Anniversary August 11–13, 2016

Thursday, August 11

- 8 a.m. Registration begin at [Fairfield Inn](#)
- 9 a.m. Tours to [Athens Historical Museum & Jackie'o Brewery](#)
- Noon Lunch on your own
- 1 p.m. Hometown Cruise
- 5 p.m. All the Kings Viewing & Introduction of the brand new Club Car at [Market Mall](#)
- 8 p.m. Dinner on your own



Tour of Athens highlights including Jackie O's, Dairy Barn, Kennedy Museum, and concludes at the King Midget display at the Athens Historical Museum.

Friday, August 12

- 8 a.m. Registration begin
- 8:30 a.m. 100 MPG Challenge OR
- 9:00 a.m. [Ralph Calverts Train Display](#) and [King Midget Manufacturing Building](#)
- 12 p.m. Lunch at [Miller's Chicken](#)
- 4 p.m. [Alden Library](#) Grand Opening of the KM Special Collection
- 5 p.m. [Court Street Cruise](#)
- 8 p.m. Dinner on your own

THE KING MIDGET

Midget Motors Co. was founded in Athens, Ohio in 1946 and made the King Midget car, which by the 1960s had grown into the 6th largest car company in the US. The diminutive vehicles, which appeal to fans of all ages, have a loyal following of car owners and aficionados that will converge on Athens August 11-13, 2016 for the King Midget Jamboree commemorating the 60th anniversary of the cars debut.

This summer's King Midget Jamboree is the 26th straight year that the event has been held with Athens last hosting the event in 2006. Many events are open to the public, including the 100 mile per gallon challenge, the grand opening of the official King Midget archives in Ohio University's Alden Library Special Collections, and a cruise-in and party on Court Street. For more information on the King Midget and Jamboree visit kingmidgetcarclub.org.



Don't Forget About The 100 Mile Per Gallon Challenge.

26th Annual King Midget Car Club
INTERNATIONAL JAMBOREE
AUGUST 11-13, 2016



Ohio University's Alden Library, within its Mahn Center for Archives and Special Collections, will be home to the permanent collection of Midget Motors history and memorabilia with the grand opening of the exhibit Friday, August 12th in conjunction with the 26th Annual King Midget Jamboree. The special collection will provide King Midget researchers, scholars, and enthusiasts a comprehensive, permanent archives that will include all original letters, historical documents, and exhibit materials of Midget Motors. The grand opening will include a ribbon cutting, tour of the exhibit by curator Doug McCabe, reflections from donors of historical items, and refreshments. The agreement with the Ohio University Library calls for dedicated space for the Midget Motors archives as well as periodic King Midget exhibits and displays. The King Midget Car Club will be working with the library to assure that the collection is authentic, relevant and appropriate to the history of Midget Motors. Donations of Midget Motors materials are welcomed, and any duplicates or items not deemed satisfactory will be returned to the donor. If accepted, items will become a permanent part of the Ohio University Mahn Center's collections.

Documentary On King Midgets In The Works

Filmmaker Arthur Cromwell is filming a documentary on the King Midget and will use the 26th annual King Midget Jamboree to continue his documentation and video-archiving of the King Midget.

