

MG 635 Register Committee members Biography 2016

Chairman - Steve Haines



I am 40 odd and work as a Campus Manager, responsible for all things servicing and maintenance at a Further Educational college in Tiverton, Devon.

In my spare(!) time, I play 5 a side football and enjoy watching rugby and football, DIY, gardening and spending time with my family.

I have been an MG and Rover owner for the last 20 years, with a keen interest in classics, modern performance and the British Touring Car championship.

As a family, we own a 1973 MGB GT, a 1996 MGF VVC, a 1983 MG Metro, a 2013 MG6 GT TSE and a 2014 MG3 $\,$ Style Lux.

I first owned a petrol MG6 GT TSE in 2012, purchased new from our local dealer in Budleigh Salterton, Devon and traded this in for my current diesel model in June 2013 at the MG Motor Sales centre.

My wife owns a 2014 MG3 Style Lux, which we purchased from the MG Motor Sales centre in Longbridge in February and this car is also used by my son who has recently learnt to drive in it.

My youngest son has just bought a 1983 MG Metro 1300 for restoration by the time he learns to drive in 2017.

We are very enthusiastic about the marque and its continuation in the global car manufacturing market and are keen supporters of the BTCC teams.

We are family members and supporters of the MG Car Club and also the MG Owners club. We attend events locally and nationally when we are able and enjoy the social side of both clubs and registers immensely.

I have been the 635 Register Committee member responsible for BTCC and events in 2014. We have also been actively involved in the MGCC MGF Register Devon and Cornwall and Somerset and Dorset Regions for the past 6 years. I take part in MGs on track days when I can and contribute to many on line forums and Facebook pages relating to all things MG. I really enjoy organising and promoting events to bring like minded people together. To me this is what it is all about, having FUN!



Secretary – Mark Cropper



I am a 52 year old technical Motor Insurance Underwriter living in Birmingham.

I am married to Sue, who drives an MG3 3form Sport , and have 2 children aged 21 and 3.

I purchased my first MG in 2010, a white MGTF 85th, although, from a young age I have had a soft spot for MG having fond memories in my youth of my friends MG Midget 1500.

I also owned an MG ZR to teach my eldest son to drive.

I purchased my MG6 just before my youngest son Aaron was born.

My hobbies are restoring and driving classic cars, I have rebuilt a Scimitar 1800TI, a Bond Bug and I am currently restoring a Reliant Kitten.

We currently own 13 cars, although most of them are classics.

Last year we organised an MG 635 Register stand at Cars in the Park Lichfield, it was pleasing to hear such positive comments about the new range of MGs.

I have been the MG635 Register secretary since 2014, and enjoy promoting the register and the cars to the uninformed.

Treasurer – Barry Faiers

Bought my first MG from a friend in 1978 (and he is still a friend) and I still have the same 1964 MGB.

I do most of the maintenance myself and also have a hobby of DIY (destroy it yourself). I love taking things to pieces (but not necessarily putting them back together again).

Other hobbies include scuba diving and family history research. I bought our MG6 Magnette in 2012 and joined the Register at Longbridge on the day we took delivery as the register was having a factory visit on that day.

Sean Round - BTCC and Events



I'm Civil Engineer, working for renowned consultancy Arup, having graduated from a Civil Engineering degree from Coventry University. I'm responsible for the design of Civil Engineering Infrastructure, including Minor Highways, Drainage Systems and Ground works.

My first car was a '92 Rover 214 Si, and I became the proud owner of my MG3 3Style in Orange Marmalade in June 2014 and have never looked back! One of the best decisions I have ever made and love the car to bits!

I have a keen interest in Motor Sports, with a particular focus on Formula 1 and of course, BTCC. I attended a number of BTCC events in 2015, as well as the Singapore Grand Prix, and will be hoping to do the same again in the 2016 season.

In my spare time, I enjoy listening to music, watching Motor Sports, socialising with friends and helping them fettle with their cars; one of which being a 2001 MG F!

It's fantastic to see the MG marque returning to the fore and I looking forward to seeing them develop and flourish! I've been a keen supporter of MG and Triple Eight and am looking forward to their anticipated return for the 2016 Season.

I'm currently a member of the MG Car Club as well as the MG Owners Club and have very much enjoyed meeting our members and supporting MG's Sales and Marketing Team at the 2015 season's BTCC Events.

I have been involved with the 635 Register since December 2015, taking the position of BTCC and Events Co-ordinator. I recently took part in my first MGs on Track day and have well and truly got the bug and will be looking to return to one of their events in 2016. Like Steve, our Chairman, I really enjoy organising and promoting events to bring like-minded people together. Like the MG brand says, owning an MG is all about having fun and supporting one of the most famous British Car Manufacturers; long may their success continue!

Registrar and Archivist - Matt Kimberley



I'm a 30 year old IT Technical Specialist working on Server infrastructure systems for a large UK Group of companies.

During my spare time I'm the lead guitarist to a Worcestershire based rock band, having been playing guitar now for 13 years. I also enjoy walking, nature, IT and drink quite a bit of coffee. Oh, and when I'm not doing any of that I'm usually at the British Touring Car Championship cheering on MG!

I have been an MG / Austin / Rover fan since birth (way back in the 1984) and have been surrounded by everything BL since birth. To date, my family currently owns an MG6 TSE DTi, MG3 3Style, MG ZT 190+ and a 1974 MGB GT.

Previously we have also owned a MGF and MG ZR (my first car).

I am obviously deeply passionate about all things MG and I am thrilled to be offering something back to the community which I have loved for years though my role as Events and BTCC co-ordinator.

I hope to be able to publicise events and make them accessible to all members of the Register / Car club, and build upon the relationship we have with MG Motor to bring you exciting opportunities where possible.

Steve Taylor - Technical



I'm a 21 year old budding mechanic from Worcester, working in a very busy independent village garage. I'm very familiar with mostly the older MGs, especially with the K series.

I have a 2013 MG6 Magnette DTi TSE, it is my 2nd MG6, my first one was a petrol. I have bought both from the MG Sales Centre. I have enjoyed both of my MG6s and I'm starting to familiarise myself with the cars technical bits.

Allot of my family worked at Longbridge hence a strong love for the brand and for the factory, I find these MGs good fun to drive too especially the diesel. The engine is really impressive.

My hobbies are going to BTCC events, Shelsley hill climb as & when I can. Fixing cars, I have bought myself a Rover 45 1.6 from a customer which has an extreme case of head gasket failure. I plan to put MG ZS suspension on it, new copper brake pipes all round & put a new engine in it, like for like but put a VVC cylinder head on it, a bit of a Frankenstein engine.

My role is to try & help people with MG3s & MG6s with their problems, and to develop a sort of wiki page about these cars. I have done a few how to do guides for those of you who like to do a bit of DIY. I look forward to hearing from you all and meeting you all.