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Peter Fry skidding to a halt at his first Autotest and laying some rubber, especially after telling Sarah off for doing the same.



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General Meetings held at the Clubrooms on the third Tuesday of every month
(fellowship from 7:30, formal proceedings commence at 8:00 p.m.)
All members and visitors are welcome.



For the second time in two years
Heather Forbes
won this months raffle of a nice
bottle of red and \$25 voucher.

There will be a stewards enquiry!

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President's Piece

As you may know by now, some minor changes have been made to the member fees and the Club Bylaws. The changes to the fees were made to simplify the list of member categories to just two and to clarify the position of member dependents. Due to the requirements of our new Constitution which was agreed last year, we have had to introduce a new class of Associate Member, known as Junior Members, for under 15-year-old children of existing ordinary /pensioner members. We have also clarified the position of CAMS Public Liability Insurance for passengers in club members cars, when on Social runs or other social events. To be covered by the CAMS Insurance Policy the passenger must be a Club Member. Thus, we have added the words, Spouse/Partner and if applicable, children under 21 Years of age, to the class of 'Member' and 'Pensioner Member'. Therefore, we politely request all members who regularly have the same person as a passenger to advise the Membership Secretary of the name of that person. If on an event, you carry as a passenger a person whose name has not been notified to the club, please ensure that that person's name is entered on the event Attendance Register.

The club is still looking for a volunteer to step forward and take on the role of Social Coordinator, on the Committee. It is not an onerous task but a post that we need to fill ASAP. Basically, the post entails administering the Social activities of the club. It is a Committee position and the occupant is expected, if possible to attend the monthly meetings, that are held on the 1st Tuesday of each month at the clubrooms. Production of some short notes about the months Social Activities, for display in the Octagon and on the website, is the other principle requirement. Assistance will be given to the Volunteer, by the past coordinator and other Committee members. If you consider that you might wish to take on the role, please contact me.

The Saturday morning 'Garage' meeting in December was an unqualified success, with a very good member turnout. Thanks to Mike Smith for organizing and to Tav, for hosting the morning at his premises. The event will be repeated later this year. Most of our MG's are relatively easy to maintain, with simple electronics and SU carburettors, which once set up correctly are extremely

reliable. The introduction of the MGF in 1995 took MG's into the 'electronic age' with 'ECU's' exhaust Catalyser's, etc. This year my TD will be 65 and it is still going well. How many modern cars will reach 20 let alone 50+.

Regrettably the electronics and computers will probably have failed on them well before that. It appears that 2018 car electronics are designed to be good for about 7 to 9 years! In contrast the MG Car Club will be 90 years old on 12th October 2020 and at 88 is now one of the oldest and largest world-wide single marque car clubs. So be proud to be a member of the MGCC of WA.

Finally, I extend a warm welcome to the following new members:



Welcome to New Members



Peter & Pia Dover - 1974 Blue MGB Roadster
Alan & Coral Morris - 1978 Blue MGB Roadster
Cameron Mart - 1963 Red MGB Roadster
Graham & Karen Morey - MGB

Doug Bush



*Congratulations to
David Blaxall
for winning the
Attendance Award
for 2017*

NOTICE BOARD

Make a note in your diary.

Highlight of next month's Club General Meeting (February 13th) will be the showing of the remarkable 50 minute documentary film **"Across the World in 30 Days"**.

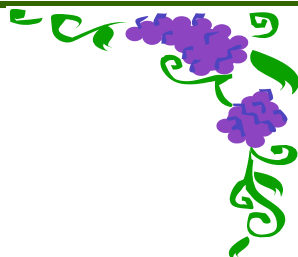
Narrated by Murray Walker, this is the enthralling story of the 18,000 km London to Sydney Classic Marathon.

It has everything - desert heat, breakdowns in remote places, blinding dust on the Australian bush tracks, an unseasonal snow storm, laughter and tragedy .

Supper will be served following the screening of the film so you can enjoy the usual Noggin 'n' Natter.

Heard on the Grapevine....

Apparently you can hold the back suspension strut on an MGB with just a few plastic zippy ties!



In this edition of the Octagon we have had several contributors who have taken photographs or supplied articles that were used throughout the magazine.

David Pitcher, Sarah and Peter Fry, Peter McGrath, Lindsay Campbell, Mike Smith, Carol and John Bennington, Peter Hagarty, Steve and Jess, Richard Gusterson and Doug Bush

Thank you

The Deadline for articles to be included in the March edition of the Octagon will be Thursday 22nd February 2018

Thank you **M & G** *Editors*

SOCIAL REPORT

Brunch Run

Thursday 1st February 2018

Meeting point at the Narrogin Inn, Albany Highway, Armadale'
08:15 for an 08:30 departure to Beverley [Red Vault Café] via the Brookton Highway,
returning via Talbot Road West and the lakes.
Organiser is Eddie Preston Tel: 0402 135090.

Twilight Social Run

Sunday 18th February 2018

Meeting point is the car park off Railway Road at Kalamunda [behind the Kalamunda Hotel] Assemble from 16:00 for a 16:30 departure to a Swan riverside picnic area.
Organisers are Doug & Christine Bush. Tel 0449 255412

Show n Shine 2018

Advanced Notice.

Sunday 11th March at Bayswater Riverside Gardens
Commencing at 13:00 with a Concours and general display of MG's
All members are encouraged to come along to this prestige event and show their cars
and enjoy the fellowship with other owners.
Entrance is by 'Gold Coin' donation

SOUTHERN CHAPTER FUTURE EVENTS.

SUNDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2018

Social run to Margaret/Dunsborough region with lunch at CLANCYS FISH PUB
at Dunsborough.
Meet at the Crooked Carrot Cafe, Forrest Highway, by 9am for a 10 am departure.
Contact details:- Peter and Glennis Naisbitt - 97252380

SATURDAY 24th MARCH 2018

South West British Auto Classic.

This is an annual display of all classic British cars.
An area will be set aside to display our MG's.
Meet on site at Signal Park, Queen Street, Busselton by 10am to 10.30am.
Contact details:- Colin and Karen Bell. 0417212140

Midweek run

Thursday 11th January

It started out as a cool and cloudy day, just perfect for an MG run. We met outside the Perth Zoo, thinking that we would be the first, but no, Doug and Christine had beaten us as they (to avoid traffic) had left home before the sun was up! Bruce and Kan then Tony and Lesley rocked up with Eddie and Elke soon after. Apparently another MG (David Rose) turned up after the posted start time and wondered why there was no-one



there. Four red MG's and one green V8 had an easy run down the freeway as we headed south and looked at all the traffic going towards Perth at their usual morning standstill.

Coming off at Mundijong Road to apparently rendezvous with other members starting from a southern direction at a petrol station near Jarrahdale. Turned out the organizer made a small mistake, should have been the service station in Byford. No great problem, we carried on with our route through Jarrahdale, past Serpentine Dam, along South West Highway to Waroona then along the back roads to Dwellingup where Tony and Eddie had to wait at several corners on the way through for the poor slow Midget to catch up. Sometimes the idea of these runs is to enjoy the scenery, the curves through the hills and to smell the flowers along the way.



We arrived at the Blue Wren Café to find the other seven MG's from the second starting point had already settled themselves in and ordered their breakfasts and coffees.

It was very pleasant to sit out on the verandah (once the blinds were down) and enjoy the camaraderie and the well presented and ample food.

Many thanks to Eddie Preston for organizing yet again another great run and arranging for the weather to be as perfect as possible.

Graham

BRUNCH RUN - 11th January 2018

This article is on behalf of the Southern Brunch Bunch. (Best of the bunches, of course!). We had a nice selection of MGs - 4 Bs, an A, a modern F and a modern TF, the owners being the Blaxalls, the Hilles, the Malones, the Davo Roses, the Gustersons, David Gard and Mike Markham.

It was a nice mixture between some newer and some older members and a bonus to have the opportunity of having a good natter whilst contemplating why the Northern Bunch had not yet joined up with us. Davo Rose & Michelle then arrived from the Perth Zoo car park, having arrived there some 8mins after departure time to find the car park devoid of MGs. Davo quickly deflected to the Southern Bunch in Byford. Good move!

This confirmed our suspicions there was some confusion over the arrangements. After waiting a little longer and starting to fight off our appetites - our minds focusing more and more on the brunch, the Southern Bunch took off directly to Dwellingup.

What a lovely cafe - the Blue Wren. Friendly staff, good service and good choices on the menu. There was carrot cake with generous icing and cream - delicious but somehow I

managed to resist!

About then the Northern Bunch arrived via Waroona and much leg pulling and rejoicing at finally being one group.

Thanks very much Eddie Preston for organising a different but very enjoyable run - don't stop now Eddie.

Richard Gusterson





VP's Chin Wag

THE FASTEST BEE

It was proposed to have an evening at the Perth Motorplex, starting at 1900 hours on a Wednesday evening and costing \$22.50 per car for the evening plus each car would receive a commemorative certificate showing their best time.

Due to the underwhelming response of five people the event has been cancelled.

TECHNICAL GARAGE VISIT

Saturday morning 1000 hours 14 April 2018 is the proposed date for our next Technical Garage visit. Club members can write down technical questions on the TECHNICAL REQUEST FORMS available at the Club Rooms and the various questions will be dealt with during the visit.

Bring along any items for trade or sale and this time it's coffee and doughnuts.

Please advise Mike Smith if you are attending to assist with planning.
IF THERE IS NOT SUFFICIENT INTEREST WE WILL NOT HOLD THIS EVENT.

MIKE SMITH – Email m7rs@icloud.com

Any member who is intending to go by road to or from the Easter nat meet this year will have the opportunity to visit Kimba South Australia as it is on route, but you must drive past on the town side of the silo. How they paint these pictures with such clarity considering they cant just stand back every few minutes as they are perched on a giant cherry picker. In a recent ABC Landline TV program they showed the technique as quite a few small towns are having the silo's painted with the hope travellers will stop a while. Our nearest example is on the Toodyay road at Northam, where a few years ago a Rowland Emmett inspired painting was commissioned to commemorate Steve Fossett & Fedor Konyukhov Trips non stop round the world in hot air balloons, that started & finished 13 days & 11days respectively just up the road! Keep your eyes open if you are traveling in the wheat belts, you could get a free art show.



**John & Carol
Bennington**



Action Update # 3 - Safety Fast Run – 20th, 21st & 22nd.October 2018

WOW !!!!! We now have over 125 persons registered for the 2018 Safety Fast Run.

The reservations at STAY Margaret River have **ALL** been taken apart from some Family Rooms.

Today Wanda and I compared the “Early Bird” nominations to the Booking Reservations at Stay Margaret River.

PROBLEMS !!!!

Stay Margaret River has 50 rooms booked and only Family Rooms left.

We have sourced other possible locations to book your accommodation for the 2018 SFR and these are in the attached document.

My early Bird Registrations who are NOT on the STAY Margaret River booking list are as follows.

LEARY, COOPER, McWHINNEY, STOKES & CAMPBELL, BELL, MULCAHY, RADECEVICH, LEONHARDT, BRIELEY.

There are possibly more potential applicants who have not registered and if so please look at the attached alternate accommodation list and **BOOK YOUR ACCOMMODATION PROMPTLY.**

The Family Rooms at Stay Margaret River have two bedrooms and one bathroom.

Terry & Wanda Banton
2018 MG Safety Fast Run Coordinators
Monday, 29 January 2018



MGCC and ROLLS ROYCE RUN

Sunday 14th January

This year the annual combined run was organized by the RR Club, meeting on Sunday morning 14th January 2018 at Tomato Lake for 11.00am departure. The weather was ominous with a threatened approaching cyclone aftermath (rain bearing depression) and Tomato Lake Park was a little congested however eventually everyone gathered for the route sheet and without further words or joyous banter we sped off in our respective groups.

First car out of the veggie patch was naturally a red MG followed by a small number of drones following the speeding Bee (which was actually an MGA



Meanwhile, back at the ranch the ponderous sublime RR cars were priming their pumps and in RR terms "preparing to proceed" which they did.



Flight A for ALPHA in perfect formation sped through the ever glorious WA countryside which we seem to have on all runs but this time there was no mystery location for lunch; we were



going to lake Leschenaultia. It kept everyone on their toes watching the bushfire raging through the Mundaring /Sawyers Valley area. Fortunately none of the main roads were closed.



Our flight leader in MG, A for ALPHA, signalled for us to bank left and prepare to land at the Lake, where we made our way into a reserved area and naturally inhabited the best spot before laying out our meager fare. Stragglers of the other club drifted in and settled in their designated area procuring a lavish spread of food and wine befitting such an extinguished gathering.



Those of us that did not bring a banquet trekked up to the foodery for a huge box of Aussie traditional chips which were prepared in a record breaking 20 minutes with only 3 customers waiting - obviously not a tourist trap!

Several people ventured into the lake to soak their toes and check out the gathering smoke clouds. Apparently the large water carrying helicopter was not able to safely pick up water from the lake as its downdraft could have been dangerous to bystanders.



We were concerned about the encroaching bush fire thus President Doug Bush stood up and pronounced the gathering concluded and we departed the scene and, to the best of my knowledge, all arrived home safely .

Mike Smith





Your Club Needs You!



The Club Calender for 2018 is full of activities for members to enjoy. Resources are needed to provide those enjoyable events for you. Help is needed in particular organising social runs. Below is a simple skeleton of the elements involved in designing a run. Detail, with much more support and encouragement is freely available to all members volunteering!

1. Choose Destination
2. Choose Starting Point
3. Choose Route Using a Map
4. Drive the Route with "Navigator" to Record Details.
5. Choose Route Instructions Format
6. Create Draft Instructions
7. Check Drive the Route 1 Week before Event
8. Print Final Route Instructions
9. Attend Event/Short Briefing of Drivers
10. Distribute Route Instructions

Arranging a CAMS permit via President or Social Co-ordinator (Volunteer urgently required for the latter position!) and completion of Event Attendance Forms are a couple of formalities, plus ensuring your run receives good promotion via the Octagon and our Website.

A good suggestion is to team up with a fellow Club mate and organise a run jointly.

In itself, there is a lot of satisfaction to be enjoyed being an organiser and contributing personally to your Club plus connecting with other members is good too.

Please think about it and give me a call.

Doug Bush: 0452 561 398

VALE - Geoff Herbert

It is with much regret we advise the sad passing of one of our long term members, Geoff Herbert, who passed away last September.

This has only been very recently advised to us.

Geoff owned a number of MGs and joined the MG Car Club of WA in 1986 and his membership No was 501 to reflect his long term membership.

Geoff was passionate about MGs and delighted in events like Round the Houses at Northam, Albany and York.

He was also a member of the VSCC and very active in the East Giddegannup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade.

Geoff will be sadly missed by all his friends in the motoring clubs and volunteer fire brigade.

Our sincere condolences to Vicky, her family and relatives.





Competition Corner

Midvale Speed Dome

Sunday 21st January



Competing MG's

With the weather forecast as a hot 34c we weren't quite sure how the day would pan out with us racing around the Midvale track. With everyone getting down there early for scrutineering it had already started to heat up with it being so still. The MG's were well represented with Ross in his white B, Rami in his orange B, Peter and Sarah sharing their green B, Kerren Stokes and Lindsay Campbell sharing their purple F and us with our blue B.

There was time to catch up with everyone and plenty of friendly banter and ribbing being thrown around between the TSOA's and the MG's. They are a very friendly bunch, well organized, who are very welcoming to new comers. Our new Competition Sec Peter McGrath came down to check out the troops and watch a couple of runs before he had to go and have a wander over the new (Perth) Optus Stadium.



After the housekeeping was taken care of everyone started to line up in order ready to take their first run on the track (initially we were to have 3 runs but Because it ran like clockwork, those who wanted could have a 4th run allowing us to drop our slowest time)

Rami was the first MG onto the track and holding some very respectable times as did Ross (just pipping him) and it was easy to see where experience shone through on our well seasoned drivers with their nice smooth drivelines. Us novices will just have to hope that will come with experience.





Peter

It was good to see the return of Kerren and Lindsay to the track after a couple of years of not partaking. First time in ages we have had 3 ladies competing. Peter Fry wasn't entirely sure it was his 'thing' but after getting out there he thoroughly enjoyed himself having found the accelerator after his first go and improving his time each subsequent run.



Kerren

The competition was fierce (friendly of course) between Sarah, Graham and myself with Sarah declaring the 'gauntlet' had been laid down after Graham's second run had beat us both but as you can see 'girl power' won through, beating him by ten hundredths of a second. Me, well forget about that although I was known by the end, as 'Miss Smokey' (something to do with sliding sideways into the garage each time and sending a plume of grey stink over the lovely timekeepers).



Sarah

Apparently the timekeepers said it was contagious as Sarah also had a go.

At the end we were treated to a lovely big ole 'Bentley' doing an honour lap followed by Bob Shrader's 'Orange Bug'. It was such a fun morning and we were home just before midday.



Ross

To our new members that are thinking about competing, I really encourage you to do so.

Many thanks must go to the TSOA's for giving us the invite to compete with them.

Moyra



Name	Car	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Total Penalty Times	Best 3 Runs Total Time	Overall Placing	MG Placing
Ross	MGB	48.87	47.25 G	47.81	47.90	5.00	144.58	6	1
Rami	MGB	49.89	48.20	48.38	48.50		145.08	7	2
Peter	MGB	58.10	52.48	50.89	50.29		153.66	20	3
Sarah	MGB	52.56	51.44	51.90	51.35		154.69	22	4 & 1
Graham	MGB	53.42	52.35	51.30	51.14		154.79	23	5
Moyra	MGB	53.57	53.65	53.29	53.17		160.03	25	6 & 2
Lindsay	MGF	54.24	53.72	52.52 G	52.33 G	10.00	165.29	26	7
Kerren	MGF	58.99	56.67 G	57.80	59.19	5.00	175.98	29	8 & 3





WACKY RACES

with Peter McGrath

I wish you all a happy new year in this, my first Octagon article for 2018.

It's an honour to take on the Competition Secretary role and I'm really looking forward to what is hopefully a busy calendar of competitive events this year.

If our first competition of the year is anything to go by, participation is looking positive. The Midvale Speed Dome Autotest on Sunday 21st of January had an excellent turn out from our members. Peter Fry, Sarah Fry, Rami Brass, Ross Humphries, Graham and Moyra Mitchinson racing in MGBs, with Kerren Stokes and Lindsay Campbell racing in an MGF. A great proportion of 8 from a total 29 drivers.

This event was expertly organised by the Triumph Sports Owners Association. Unfortunately, due to a clash in my own calendar, I was unable to participate, but I made it along to watch the first hour, before having to dash off.

It was great seeing our members really go for it, recording some excellent times and some entertaining driving styles (including Moyra's full lock-up diagonal entry into the finish garage).

We really want to encourage more participation in competitive events this year and it was great to speak with some of the new members at the January general meeting, who indicated an interest in competition. I'm sure there are members, like me who joined the club initially so that they could take part in track days and the like. The weekend events seem to appeal more to the members more likely to take part in competitions, so we aim to join in with as many as possible.

If you haven't taken part in any competitive events yet, but would be interested to find out more, drop me an email and I can discuss how to get involved. We have the Jaguar Car Club track day at Barbagello coming up on the 27th of March. This is an excellent opportunity to take part in your first track day. You will get to take part in a number of five lap sprints against similar cars. The event is well organized by the JCC and you'll get a lot of track time during the morning (The first time I did it, I managed around 100KM of track time). You can get a one-off CAMS license on the day, which will enable you to take part, without having to sign up for a year's license. It is on a Tuesday, but it is well worth taking the day off for. It must be the best value per kilometer racing you can do.

We don't have our own timing gear unfortunately, so at this stage we need to partner up with other clubs to take part in their events. There are Motorkhana events throughout the year that we are invited to take part in, so there is still plenty of opportunity to see what your car can do. We are well represented by MGBs and Midgets at the track days, hill climbs and motorkhanas. It would be great to see more MGF/MGTFs involved. If you have an MGF/MGTF and want to find out what it's made of, then come and join in. You'll have some fun and will get hooked – believe me, I did! Here's to a rapid and fun year.

Peter McGrath

Southern Chapter Run

Sunday 21st January.

Well what a beautiful day, the weather was perfect. Meeting at the Crooked Carrot Cafe with some MGF'S and a MGA Coupe. Leaving the cafe 5 MGF'S turning into Clifton Road then on to SouthWest Highway.

It was a nice scenic drive through Boyanup down to Donnybrook and Balingup then onwards to the Golden Valley Tree Park. On the way at Boyanup we met up with Angus from Dunsborough with his MGB, a quick greeting to say hello then we were on to Donnybrook stopping there for a rest and quick chat.





Arriving at the Tree Park all of a sudden the group become larger with fellow MG people from Busselton and Augusta joining in. Picnic chairs and tables were put out under cover , where we all had lunch and chatted the day away. With 20 people 4 dogs and our MGTC 1949, MGB'S and MGF'S numbering thirteen vehicles it was a superb day. Thank to all that attended, and before we knew it was time for a nice cruise home.

Steve and Jess



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April 27-29 2018

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Introducing the West Cape Classic - tarmac challenge

The **West Cape Classic** is a new event which will offer an unparalleled opportunity for driving excitement for participants and spectators.

Set to take place 27-29 April 2018, the event is timed to coincide with the Forest Rally's Busselton Super Stage.

A significant part of the West Cape Classic will be the social aspect, with excellent functions throughout, including dinners at great locations.



Five competition stages each day will include many new stages never before run. There's no navigation, just driving on some great roads of South-West WA - and great company.

Several spectator locations are sure to attract big crowds over the 3-day event. Destinations include Bunbury, Busselton, Margaret River, Yallingup, Dunsborough and Collie plus the Perth metro area, including the Claremont Showgrounds finale. Competitive stages will include closed road sprints, motorkhanas, circuit stages, hillclimbs and more... all great tests of driver and machine.

Categories will suit older or newer cars and one or two drivers per car, driver and passenger and a Touring class for those who wish to take it a bit easier. Something to suit everyone!

Uniquely, the event is designed to have several categories:

1. a single driver,
2. two drivers sharing a car (each drives every competition stage),
3. a driver and a non-driving passenger,
4. a Touring category, which aside from the Motorkhanas, drive the closed-road stages spiritedly in a group behind a pace car. These choices allow for a wide mix of competitive interests among participants and their co-drivers and passengers.

Importantly, the **West Cape Classic** does not require race suits, roll cages or equipment of more serious rallies. As a Touring Road Event, Level 2 Speed (L2S) competition licenses are required, helmets, long sleeve clothing, a first aid kit and fire extinguisher - so anyone can use their car without modifications.

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So for those celebrating a February birthday,
the committee would like to wish you a **MaGic** Day

February BirthdaysWednesday 14th**Kan Phusasai
Lovella Pearce
David Rose**Tuesday 13thTuesday 20th**Erica Ward
Karen Bell**Thursday 22nd**Karen DeKlerk
Barbara Hunt-Davies**

Wishing you all a very happy time
On your special day

Happy Birthday

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING/ GENERAL MEETING

16 January 2018: Minutes

Meeting opened at 20.00pm.

Club President in the chair.

Visitors: Wayne McCullough / Cameron Mart/ Peter Dover

Apologies: Patrick Reed, Maxine Robbins, Ernie & Lynn Whitehurst.

Special general meeting - purpose of meeting to amend membership details on documents.

Calling notice was circulated at the end of last year to all members, to amend the clubs bylaws by deleting all reference to family members, plus previous single/family member will merge into one category know as ordinary members (language from the Department of Transport).

Constitution will also change to incorporate junior member (under 21 years of age and over the age of 15 years)

as associate members. Members and pensioner members, partner names must be provided to the club, under clause 7.

A copy of the amended by laws being proposed was circulated with the calling notice and it was proposed to change the membership fees at the same time to amalgamate the classes from single/family to Ordinary Membership and Pensioner Members (which includes any member over the age of 15 years and under the age 21 years old) which covers the carrying of a regular or casual passenger (the club must be notified of the name of the person and also noted on the attendance sheet) for the requirements under the CAMS Public Liability insurance.

Ordinary Membership will be \$90.00 (\$10.00 reduction)

Pensioner Membership will be \$70.00 pensioner membership qualifies with a Government age / disability pension card).

No changes to by laws under clauses 1 to 4,

Clause 5 has changed re: to members and clause 7 re: fees

Doug Bush proposed the bylaws to be amended and adopted, seconded by Richard Gusterson and approved at the meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting: 12 December 2017 published in the Octagon: Motion to accept Minutes: Proposed by Alley Mulcahy seconded by John Bell agreed by Marion Pitcher as a true record.

Correspondence. Chris Hart advised 1 x Newsletters from other clubs, 9 x Membership Renewals, 1 x Letter from Commonwealth Bank re: Confirming Term Deposit renewal, 1 x Cheque Book for MGCC current account.

In: Nil

Business arising: Nil

REPORTS:

VP's Report: Nothing to report

Secretary's Report: Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report: Chris Hart advised that the club funds Year to date, total of all accounts is \$xxxxx

Chris Hart then advised that the following cheques be proposed for payment; D Bush – Stationery & Supper \$88.30, D Pitcher – Raffle prizes \$25.00, M Smith – Refreshments for Garage Day \$72.42 & De-fib board \$19.30 total \$91.72. Approval moved by John Goff seconded by Sarah Fry and approved by the meeting.

Membership Sec's Report: Richard Gusterson advised number of renewals outstanding :85, renewals paid :168 and 10 lapsed memberships.

One new member to nominations – Graham & Karen Morey MGB details TBA, purchased in NSW and currently going through local licencing.

Competition: Peter McGrath advised there is a competition on Sunday 21st at Midvale registration still open till Friday 19th Jan, next competition is in March.

Social Report: Doug Bush advised still looking for someone to fill the position of Social Coordinator.

Two enjoyable runs this month – weather holding good for both, brunch run on the 11th organised by Eddie Preston & 14th organised by Rolls Royce Club.

Sunday 21st Southern Chapter run starting at the Crooked Carrot Café - 10am departure.

Thursday 1 Feb Brunch run -starting from the Narrogin Inn Armadale finishing in Beverly.

Sunday 18th Feb Twilight run organised by D & C Bush starting at 4.30pm, finishing with picnic dinner – details to be published in Octagon.

Show n Shine 11th March – starting at 1pm

MGA register 11th March – starting in the morning following through to the show n shine.

All runs will be advertised in the Octagon and on the website.

Editors: Nothing to report

Safety Fast Run: Terry Banton advised there is 42 early bird entries (84 people) all ready registered, please book accommodation as soon as possible if you intend on going.

Club Captain: Neale Cooper apologized to the new members for not having badges for them due to Christmas and will continue with the green dot system allowing new members to be recognised.

New member welcomed – Cameron Mart

Neale also advised he has been emailed a request for someone looking to buy a MGA (everyday driver) if anyone knows someone selling.

Regalia: Nothing to report

Librarian: Nothing to report.

Webmaster: Nothing to report.

Any Other Business: Nothing to report.

Meeting closed at 20: 18pm



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Bayswater Riverside Gardens, Milne Street Bayswater

Sunday 11th March 2018

(Participant vehicles to be in place by 1.30pm)



2018 SHOW n SHINE

Incorporating the Club's Concours d'Elegance

The 2018 Show n Shine is being held on Sunday 11th March at Bayswater Riverside Gardens (same venue as previous years – see map above). This is a very pleasant and attractive location on the banks of the Swan River.

The emphasis once again this year is on a Show n Shine with Concours entry being optional, as we want to encourage as many MGs to be displayed as possible - of all varieties. The event is a great opportunity to socialise and chat with fellow MG owners, as well as compete in the event if you wish. If you have chosen not to enter the Concours, come along with your MG and add to the display of cars. A great time to invite your friends and family to join us as well. The event offers a great opportunity to enjoy a relaxed picnic (BYO) under the trees on the banks of the river.

The MG Owners Club have been invited to participate again this year both in entries and assisting in running the event and an invitation has also been extended to the MG TC Owners Club.

The usual organisational arrangements will apply with access available from 12.00pm and all cars required in place by no later than 1.30pm with trophy presentation at approx 5pm for those entering the formal Concours. A gold coin donation is requested for all cars entering the reserve. If you receive your Octagon electronically, you will receive an Entry Form by email and also a Judging Sheet to brief you on the judging criteria (forms are included with the hard copy Octagon). Entries will only be accepted on the official Entry Form. **An entry form is NOT required if you only wish display you vehicle and do not want it to be judged.**

Entrants please note: to assist in the smooth running of the event, arrive in time to have your car in place and any paperwork completed before 1.00pm. **Concours entries will not be accepted after 1.30pm and display-only vehicles may be refused entry due to risks that moving vehicles pose to meandering enthusiasts.**

Assistance with marshalling and judging will be required. Contact Doug Bush on **0452 561 398** if you can assist. **Help the organisers – please submit entry form ASAP.**

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