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Postal Address North	PO Box 682, LAUNCESTON TAS 7250	
North West	Meets Second Thursday night of the month: 6.00pm for meal and social evening. Bass & Flinders Motel, Ulverstone	

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Bob Moore (dec)	1974	Bill Griffiths	2007
Arthur Twining (dec)	1976	Tony Gurnhill	2009
Ian Wade	1984	Cheryl Gurnhill	2013
Terry Atkinson	1984	Greg Bannon	2013
Dennis Burgess	1984	Bronwyn Zuber	2013
Chris Ellis	1985	Craig Twining	2014
John Sluce (dec)	1994	Phillip Tilley	2017

MGCCT Facebook Page

The MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc

For those members who are Facebook users, we have an MG Car Club Tasmania Facebook page. Feel free to add events, photos, and videos, but remember that anything offensive or not relevant to the Club may be removed at the discretion of the administrator.

MGCCT Website

www.mgtas.org.au

Copies of this magazine can be downloaded from the MGCCT website. Membership forms and change of address forms are also available for download. Links to other car clubs are also available.

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EDITOR'S NOTES

Another new month and the last magazine to do whilst away from home.

It was good to receive the Letter to the Editor from the Overseas Director, Peter Cook, with more information about RMO.

Greg Bannon has kindly given us more information on the early days of our Club. A mammoth effort on his part, and those who have helped him.

Our participants at the National Meeting at Easter appear to have enjoyed the event, but might have preferred better weather, to put it mildly.

The invitation to the 60th Anniversary Celebration has been included and I know President Mark is hoping to be inundated with positive responses. And looking forward to seeing a good roll up of MGs at the event. (Husband Tony's first job once we are home is to get the B back on the road so we can take that along).

Till next month

Cheryl

MGCCT Editor



Closing date for next magazine is Friday 31st May

Letter to The Editor:

Hello Cheryl,

I was interested to read in one of the recent Tassie magazines about MGC specials. The article is a bit vague on the current whereabouts of RMO 699F. I photographed it at Silverstone last year. You might want to add the photo to the next magazine. RMO lives in Surrey with one of the Kimber House directors.

All the best,

Peter Cook

Overseas Director Safety Fast MG Car Club
UK



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well we have just about finished another month and I'm back doing a president report for the next magazine.

With the number of things happening this month the members in the North were kept busy with events such as Targa and for the northerners AGFEST and combined that with the club's social calendar, the month of April went very quickly.

We are well into the organisation of the 60th Anniversary gathering at Campbell Town on 14th July and Cheryl our Editor has the invitation to current members in the magazine this month and if expressions of interest are any gauge then I'm anticipating a good roll up.

Greg Bannon our Secretary will provide a rundown on the activities of the State Committee and the main points requiring their attention later in the magazine.

The competition calendar saw the Race Committee run the hill climb at Baskerville with 44 entrants which made for a busy day for the organisers.

This also doubles as the qualifying event for the Club's Hill Climb Championship so the member with the fastest time on the day will be our champion for the year.

The new timing gear the club purchased this year has proven invaluable and the efficiency it provides enabled each entrant to have 6 runs for the day over the longer hill climb course which made for lots of happy chappies at days end.

There is considerable work goes on behind the scene at these events and many thanks go to Club Captain Craig Large, Bronwyn Zuber and Robin Wilmot from the Race Committee who have this covered.

Thanks also goes to Don Fraser who has taken on the role of looking after the timing gear for the next twelve months and does the setting up with Grandson Cameron Howie at each event.

Susan Fraser looked after the operation of the timing and thanks to her input procedures flowed smoothly throughout the day.

To feed the competition appetites, Marcus Hart from the Mini Car Club was our caterer for the day cooking gourmet sausages and hamburgers.

So thanks to Marcus and the Mini Car Club we didn't go hungry.

There is no better way to build your club than participate, so participate and enjoy your club activities for the coming month.

President
Mark Dilger



SECRETARY'S REPORT

CAMS Portal for Entry to Competition

The Club is to promote the use of this system for Club Competition as well as for the rounds of the Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship. For the recent Hillclimb at Baskerville six entries were through the Portal system, this should help to ease the congestion when registering for entry on the day.

Club trophies

As mentioned in last months magazine consideration is to be given to placing the names off trophies and their recipients on a data base, again this has been carried over for another month.

MG Car Club of Tasmania email security and phishing emails.

The Clubs Webmaster, Craig Large had received a call from a club member mentioning that they were receiving emails purporting to be the Club President, or other members of the committee and asking if our emails had been hacked. Craig's three pages of information on this matter is available should it interest a club member.

Minutes of the National Meeting Delegates Conference for 2019

Being the representative for our club at the recent National Meeting Delegates Conference Donald Fraser was able to update us on it's outcome and the points raised by this club prior to the meeting.

Junior competitor The age of a Junior competitor, that is under 17 years of age, is set at the first of January of the year of the National Meeting. Motion carried.

Crossing of Bass Strait Fudge factor Formula Cost of an inside cabin for 2 people plus the cost of 1 car (not to include a trailer or caravan) at the night crossing rate being the current rate at the day of sailing, 7 to 10 days before Easter. Motion carried

Demonstration Category Category for MGs with such modifications that will place them outside the eligibility criteria of the classes A to ZG. This is due to the engine employed being a non MG or silhouette. Don stated the MGCCT State Committee does not support the inclusion of this category. The motion for this category was passed but with certain conditions.



This is a special invite to all Tasmanian owners of historic vehicles.

Australian Historic Motoring Federation Inc. (AHMF), is hosting a major National Motoring Festival attracting Veteran Vintage and Classic motoring clubs Australia wide, as well as the government and the media, to Albury-Wodonga from a week from Saturday 28th March to Friday 3rd April 2020. It is anticipated we will receive 500 to 700 vehicles entered from all over Australia and also overseas.

AHMF, the national peak body for all historic motoring in Australia, is a federation of the state & territory based motoring councils. These councils represent 1000+ historic motoring clubs and 100,000 motoring enthusiasts across Australia.

We, with the assistance of our State and Territory Councils and support of our sponsors, will provide a world class event for its members, international guests and invited guests.

The scope of this event and the planned interaction with all sectors cannot be underestimated. This will be an important event for the Australian historic motoring movement and partners, with media coverage, via print, radio and television being sought daily.

All information you require for the Festival is on the website; complete your Registration/Entry online

www.ahmf.org.au/2020Tour

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

This month we welcome three new members,

Barton Dove, from Pelterata. In the Southern Sub Centre

Allan & Robyn Crockett from Hillwood, (Northern Sub Centre) own a red MX5 and are interested in both social and competition events.

Wayne Jessup,
Membership Officer



NATIONAL MEETING REPORT

Easter 2019 saw the running of the MG Car Club Golden Jubilee National Meeting at Redlands South of Brisbane.

A small band of Tasmanians ventured North, John and Dawn Irving with their MGF-TF, Michael and Vanessa Baxter with their MGB Mk1, Susan Fraser and Cameron Howie and myself with the MGA.

The venue for the scrutineering, registrations and all social events including the farewell breakfast and delegates meeting was at the Alexandra Hills Hotel Conference Centre, a wonderful venue with ample parking for cars and trailers. Scrutineering was held under the front foyer, which provided some shelter from the regular showers of rain, which was a feature of the weekend (don't let anyone say Tasmania is wet, at least it was warm).

Friday night was the Noggin & Natter - a chance to meet old friends and make new ones. An excellent display of photos was prepared by Peter and Delia Rayment, showing the time line of the national meetings starting with Sydney 50 years ago. Rocker cover racing was again hotly contested.

Saturday was the Concours held at GJ Walter Park, a short drive from the convention centre. Queensland really turned the weather on – heavy (torrential) rain squalls were the feature of the day, the judges were advised not to look under cars as the ground was so wet and all the underbody cleaning so meticulously carried out the days before was to no avail. While this was all happening the ladies headed off for a luncheon at the Grand View Hotel. Judging was completed by early afternoon with only the class winners announced, ready for the judging of the Outright Concours winners.

Saturday Night was “Time Travellers Theme Night” and the presentation of the Concours trophies.

An excellent buffet meal, some weird and wonderful costumes and great music made for an excellent night. This was topped off with trophies for the concours presented for all classes with Michael Baxter getting 2nd in class with his MGB Mk1 and John Irving 1st in class with his MGF-TF, the outright winners were held over to the Monday night.

Sunday dawned wet - this being the day for the speed event at Mt Cotton with some trepidation we headed off for a 7.30am start with safety checks and drivers' briefing ready for a competition start at 8.30am, all competitors got a familiarisation run plus four timed runs.

At this stage the weather gods started to smile on us and the track started to dry out. Cameron was first up in class G, not sure who was the most nervous Cameron or Grandpa. After a nice clean run it was my turn, down came the red mist and off I went, finishing with a respectable time. As the day progressed we both got quicker with the times improving to such a degree I had the fastest time for class G, as Sunday night was a free night everyone did their own thing.

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Monday was Motorkhana day (my favourite event!) this was at the Sleeman Sports Centre so of we went once again, another early start. On arrival a quick scrutineering check, drivers briefing and a chance to walk all three courses, this looks easy, one with an uphill run to the finish, the other two downhill, once again Cameron had first run finishing with one WD, my turn, 2WD one finish not a good start, second run Cameron three good runs, off I go surely it's not that hard No1 WD, No2 WD, No3 WD finishing the day with five well dones. Cameron placing first junior & fourth in class. Back to the function centre just as the rain came, spent the afternoon reloading all our gear ready for an early check out, and prepare for the Golden Jubilee Dinner and Trophy Presentation Night.

Dinner night was a formal affair with a three course dinner, punctuated with the trophy presentations. The Nuffield Oceania Trophy was presented by Peter Cook to Queensland, Peter also thanked Tasmania (Thanks Robin) for the addition of a Huon Pine Base to allow for future engravings, Peter also presented The John Wratten Memorial trophy to Victoria. Victoria updated every one about the 2020 meeting at Albury Wodonga. Plans are on track to use the facility at TAFE which is booked, some fine tuning is required

Tuesday morning was the farewell breakfast followed by the delegates meeting.

Once again an excellent buffet breakfast was provide at the conference centre, goodbyes were said, memory's shared with the consensus being we will see you in Albury Wodonga.

A brief report on the delegates meeting minutes still to be ratified, other items will be published at a later Date.

- That all MGY types be included in the calculations for the Golden Gudgeon Trophy from 2020. MOTION CARRIED.
- The age of a Junior Competitor; that is under 17 years of age, is set at the first of January of the year of the National Meeting. MOTION CARRIED.
- Fudge Factor The formula to be: Cost of an inside cabin for 2 people plus the cost of one (1) car (not to include a trailer or caravan) at the night crossing rate being the current rate at the date of sailing, 7 to 10 days before Easter. MOTION CARRIED.
- Peter Cook advised the Board of Directors of MG UK have proclaimed the date of 1 June 2023 for the commencement of a whole year event for 'the year of celebration' for the 100 years of MG. Thus the 2024 National Meeting will be in the celebratory year for the 100 years of MG.
- Future National Meetings 2020 - Albury Wodonga, 2021 and 2022 - Nobody at this stage, Sydney undecided possibly 2023/2024

Don Fraser
MGA



The Tasmanian Contingent: Cameron Howie, Don Fraser, John Irving, Dawn Irving, Vanessa Baxter, Michael Baxter

Trophy Winners: Don Fraser, Cameron Howie and John Irving

RESULTS

Jean Kimber-Cook Trophy (Highest Scoring Junior Member) Cameron Howie



Concours Placings

Don Fraser 7th MGA Roadster Single Cam
Michael Baxter Second MGB MK1 Pull Door Handles
John Irving MGF TF John Irving

Motorkhana Placings

MGA Roadster Single Cam Cameron Howie 4th and 53rd overall
MGA Roadster Single Cam 7th Don Fraser and 82nd Overall

Speed Event

MGA Roadster Twin Cam Don Fraser 1st

MAJOR TROPHY WINNERS

John Wratten Memorial Trophy	MG Car Club of Victoria
Nuffield Oceania Trophy	MG Car Club of Queensland
Jean Kimber-Cook Trophy	Cameron Howie (Tasmania)
Joan Richmond Trophy	Fran Hodgson (Newcastle)
Chris Dodds Memorial Trophy	Barry Evans (Queensland)
New Zealand Plate	Wayne Kirwan (Queensland)
Golden Gudgeon	Matthew Magilton (Victoria)
Cecil Kimber Trophy	Matt Johnson (Queensland)
TC Owners Club Perpetual Pre-War Plate	Not awarded
Outright Observation Run Trophy	Wayne Kirwan (Queensland) – Driver/ Megan Perrett (Queensland) – Navigator
Outright Concours Pre MGA Trophy	Jason Edwards (South Australia) MG TD
Outright Concours Post MG TF Trophy	Alan Fabry (Victoria) - MGC
Outright Concours Post 1980	Fran Hodgson (Newcastle) - MG ZR
National Magazine Trophy	1st Victoria 2nd. Queensland 3rd. Gold Coast
National Website Trophy	1st Geelong 2nd. Queensland 3rd. S.A.
Outright Speed Trophy	Barry Evans (Queensland) MGB GT V8
Outright Motorkhana Trophy	Michael Fraser (Newcastle) MGF
	Jointly awarded to Peter Kerr (Victoria) and Carole Cooke (Gold Coast) A series of misadventures where one car needed recovering. Subsequent multiple breakdowns and events on 'rescue' cars resulted in the first car being towed late to registration.
Hard Luck Trophy	
Photographic Trophy – 4 Categories	Best Action photo: David Hall (Queensland) Best Novelty photo: Claudia Lovett (Sydney) Best Digitally enhanced photo: John Lindsay (Sydney) Best Still: Warwick Protheroe (NZ/Sydney)



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SOUTHERN NOTES

PAST EVENTS

14th April - Run to David Scott's place at Orford on the East Coast *Some of the Catering Team*



A total of 24 participants in 16 cars departed from the Civic Club in ideal weather and after negotiating the busy streets of Hobart formed into a convoy all the way to Richmond and over its historic



bridge until a coffee stop at Buckland Roadhouse. Unlike the March breakfast run to 'My Slice of Pie' nobody got lost on the way to David Scott's house at Orford where we met up with David and some of his mates and other MG Car Club members from the East Coast. ***Not just MGs***

With some 40 people to feed, David's barbecue, mounted on a trailer with T Model Ford wooden spoked wheels, launched into mass production. It was great to catch up with members we don't get to see often.

The section of Tasman Highway from Sorell to the East Coast has only a few long straights and most bends have good visibility, ideal for a longer drive especially as log trucks have stopped using the road since the closure of the Triabunna wood chip plant. Many thanks to David for his hospitality. Thanks also to our chefs Phil Rollins and John McCabe depicted above.

COMING EVENTS

26th May – A run to Margate for lunch at the Brookfield Shed which was devastated in last year's floods, but is now back up and running so this run will support their recovery. We will be departing the Civic Club at 10.00am MG Time. This run will be combined with a poker run (\$5.00.per car) with 5 cards dealt on the way. Winner take all! *For further information please contact Lyn Cengia: 0409 044 787 or Chris Wagstaff: 0438 055 199*

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2nd June – Classics on the beach. An informal gathering of collectable cars at Long Beach Sandy Bay on the first Sunday of each month from around 09.00am to noon. All are welcome to attend.

For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296006

5th June – Wayne Goninon's mid-week run:

During 2019 these mid-week runs will be conducted on the first Wednesday of the month. They all commence at the Rivulet Café, 64 Anglesea St, South Hobart where we partake of a coffee before heading off to our destination around 11.30am. The remaining schedule for 2019 is: 3rd July, 7th August, 4th September, 2nd October, 6th November, and 4th December.

For further information please contact Wayne Goninon: 0408 388 881

23rd June – Run to Geeveston for lunch at 'The Bears went Over the Mountain'. Departing the Civic Club at 1 0.00am MG time. *For further information please contact Richard Holtsbaum: 0418 541 230*

14th July – the 60th Anniversary of the formation of the MGCCT will be celebrated at 'The Grange' Campbell Town. Kevin Mc Guire is the Southern Sub-Centre contact. The Southerners will depart at 09.00am from the Civic Club. We would like to see as many MG's as possible, however there is the option of a 40 seater bus departing at the same time for the cost of \$22.00 for the return trip to be booked and paid on registration for the event. Further details for the event are highlighted elsewhere in the magazine.

For further information please contact

Kevin McGuire: 0409 315 014

18th August – Mountain Breakfast Run to the Longley International Hotel. We are departing the Civic Club at 08.00am with an optional run to the Springs or summit of Mt Wellington. Once again we will have fires and be under cover with coffee and tea facilities available. Cost is maintained at \$10.00 per head.

For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296006 or Brian Sharman: 0362 299036

19th -22nd September – Baskerville Historics. An annual event not to be missed. See you there!

29th September – Run to 'The Wall in the Wilderness' at Derwent Bridge. Departing the Civic Club at 09.30am sharp with a coffee stop at New Norfolk.

For further information please contact

Chris Wagstaff: 0438 055 199

Notes from Ches Bogus

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20th October – Run to Dover RSL. Departing the Civic Club at 10.00am sharp.
For further information please contact

Stephen Huntley: 0428 127 932



Southern Mid Week Run

Southern Mid-Week group did a two-stage run. First a run from South Hobart to Dunalley Golf Club for where 40 of us sat down

to lunch. After lunch the group split into those on the second stage heading on to Eaglehawk Neck for dinner and overnight at Lufra while the remainder headed back to Hobart.

After lunch at the Murraville Golf Club in Dunalley, the overnights drove to Lavender Farm, just before Port Arthur for coffee. Then it was back to the Lufra Hotel to book in, then to the lookout for a glass or two (for those who knew about it) and then a very nice dinner at the hotel, with excellent company.

Southern Mid Week Group for May Day had a pleasant hours run through the mountain foothills before coming back into the city for lunch at Smolt Café. A nice change from the normal Pub Lunch with an up market menu including desert and good coffee.

Phil Rollins



Phil Rollins MGA, David Scott MGB V8, Phil Rollins MGA. Shane Manly MGF,

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NORTHERN NOTES

Daylight hours were shortening but we were still able to have a short run for our 10th April mid month evening run. We travelled down the West Tamar Highway, up Stephensdale, then down to Legana where we assembled at the Legana Tavern. Great to have 22 members join us. The meal was great - the pizzas were ENORMOUS but were obviously enjoyed!



Our Friday morning coffee runs continue to attract lots of members and April 26th saw 15 cars travel to Exeter via Bridgenorth and Long Plains Rd. The morning was

brisk but sunny , perfect for a jaunt in the countryside. We arrived at the Tamar Valley Wine Centre for coffee and cake - the staff did a fantastic job catering for 27 thirsty people. Another morning of great motoring and great company.



Coming Events :

Wednesday 8 th May, Midweek dinner at the Newstead Hotel, Meet 6.30 pm at the venue. RSVP by 6 th to Phil Paine 0419261483

Sunday 19 th May, Lunch run over the top to Bothwell. **We wish to advise that those members coming on this run probably won't arrive at Bothwell in time to see the motorkana as stated in last month's magazine...**Car Museum 10.00am, RSVP by 17 th to Frank Brooks 0418 134 262

Friday 31st May, Coffee run, Car Museum 9.30am, RSVP by 29 th to Mark Dilger 0408 271 029

Wednesday 12th June, Midweek dinner TBA, Mark Dilger 0408 271 029

Sunday 23 rd June, Mole Creek run and lunch, Car Museum 10.30am, RSVP Mike Paine 0407 271 926 by June 20 th .

Friday 28th June, Coffee run, Car Museum 9.30am, RSVP by 25 th to Phil Paine 0407 271926

Wednesday 1 th July, Midweek dinner, TBA, RSVP Brian Ralph 0447 632 813 by July 7th.

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Friday 26th July, Coffee run, Car Museum 9.30am, RSVP by 23 rd to Phil Paine 0407 271 926



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DELIVERY AUSTRALIA WIDE

MG D Type Midget



Introduced 1931 - 1932 Number built - 250

The D Type Midget was in production from the latter part of 1931 to mid 1932 and was derived from the first of the MG Midget range, the M type that commenced production in late 1928. The M type was undoubtedly the first of a long line of MG's that were to make the MG sports car so popular throughout the world and it is impossible to overestimate the importance of this little car in establishing the marque and associating it with affordable and exciting sports car motoring. The M type had its roots in the Morris camp and was loosely based on the Morris Minor that first appeared in early 1928. Cecil Kimber realised the importance of producing an MG based on the Morris which after all was hardly a surprising move as most of the forerunners were Morris derivatives.

Launched at the October 1928 Motor Show at Olympia, it was evident that the M type would be a success as there a full order book taken at the show and indeed the car sold very well for the ensuing three years. The car did not go into full production until early 1929 and used mainly Morris components with some modifications. The narrow two seater body and its exterior fittings were the main differences. The main reason for similarity with the Morris Minor counterpart was the fact that once the decision had been taken to produce the Midget there was tremendous pressure to get the car on show at Olympia and there was insufficient time to get individual components manufactured. Kimber had Carbodies of Coventry design the neat two seat boat- tailed fabric covered body and with a distinctive 'V' windscreen and louvered bonnet side panels, the car really looked the part. The overhead camshaft 847 cc engine was moderately tuned compared to the Morris Minor and it developed 20 bhp. At a later stage this was improved to 27 bhp but the engine designation of 8/33 as it appeared in

the D type could not really be justified with the 8 signifying the horsepower and 33 indicating power output. A feature of the engine was the vertically mounted dynamo which carried the drive to the camshaft from the crank. There were benefits in mounting the dynamo in this way, the main one being the absorption of vibration coming from the camshaft drive with the heavy armature acting as a damper. A distinct disadvantage with this arrangement was that as time went by the top driveshaft seal in the cylinder head would fail and leak oil into the dynamo itself causing charging problems. The top coupling would then deposit generous amounts of oil all over the engine compartment as it rotated causing quite a mess!

Building on the success of the M Type, Cecil Kimber saw the potential of promoting the marque through competition and with the move to Abingdon in January 1930 and its improved production facilities and more space, he was able to convince Sir William Morris that the time was right for MG to move into serious competition. Very soon Abingdon began to build the first real racing MG's. A team of five heavily modified M Type Midgets were produced to enter the Brook-lands Double Twelve race where they triumphantly took the team prize. As a result 21 replica double twelve M Types were produced for sale to the public. Following the success at Brooklands and the ensuing publicity, it is fair to say that Sir William Morris could not fail to have been impressed and it is likely that he favoured further development of the racing side which resulted in the production of the C Type racing car. Derived from the prototype EX 120 which was the first MG record breaker, it took the honour of the first 750cc car to exceed 100 mph, and was an out and out racing car. Only 44 of these were produced and Abingdon were ever mindful that the racers could only appeal to a very limited market and that the volume production cars, although benefiting greatly from the publicity and development point of view, they had to take precedence. Many of the racing features were emulated in the volume cars and this along with the racing successes certainly boosted sales. The C Type had many wins to its credit and on its first outing at the Brooklands Double Twelve race in May 1931 it not only one the race outright but the team prize also. Later on in the year, in supercharged form, the C Type won the Tourist Trophy outright which coincided nicely with the introduction of the D type at the London Motor Show in October.

With MG publicity riding high the D Type got off to a good start with plenty of initial interest. With a slightly longer wheelbase than the C Type but essentially the same chassis design with the main members underneath the rear axle and tubular cross members. The rear springs were mounted in sliding trunnions rather than shackles and the radiator was carried by the front engine mounts rather than affixed directly to the chassis. Centre-lock Rudge Whitworth wire wheels were fitted and cable operated 8" drum brakes provided the stopping power. The 847cc engine and three speed gearbox with compact remote control unit were taken directly from the M Type as previously described. A rear mounted but enclosed 8 gallon fuel tank supplied the single SU HV2 carburettor via an electric SU pump. The car looked somewhat short and stubby and

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lacked proportion in the bonnet length although many found the looks quite appealing. It was a heavy car and with only 27 bhp available to propel it, performance was not stunning. The bodywork options available were either closed or open 4 seaters, sadly no 2 seater sports were produced, possibly because the M Type was continued in production at the same time, albeit at a reduced price. The C Type was also still available retailing at £490 or E575 with supercharger, compared to £210 for the D Type open 4 seater, whilst the closed tourer D Type was on sale at £250. The M Type was reduced from £185 to £165 for the fabric bodied version whilst a new metal panelled option was available at £185. Launched at the same time and also based on the C Type chassis was the F Type which carried for the first time a new MG type name, the Magna. This car was greeted with slightly more enthusiasm as it sported a new 1271 cc 6 cylinder engine and an impressive 12/ 70 designation.

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2019 MG Annual State Meeting

The NW is hosting your State meeting this year. It will be held on the 22 – 24 November in Ulverstone.

The Bass and Flinders Motor Inn, Ulverstone will cater for some of our functions over the weekend.

Suggest members from the South and North requiring accommodation for the weekend contact the Bass and Flinders Motor Inn - (PH: 03 6425 3011) – mentioning the MG Club.

More details in due course.

Terry Jeffrey NW Coordinator



NORTH WESTERN NOTES

Past Events

April Dinner Meeting - Bass and Flinders Motel, Ulverstone –

Thursday 11th April 15 members attended - enjoying each other's company.

Morning Tea Run on Thursday 4th April 11 members participated. Last minute change was made to venue from the Blue Wren Café to the Letterbox Café at Penguin owing to staff illness at the Blue Wren Cafe.

Our Sunday 28th April run to Mt Gnomon Farm Restaurant was postponed to later in the year as a number of members were unavailable.

Up Coming Events

May Dinner Meeting – Bass and Flinders Motel, Ulverstone –

Thursday 9th May from 6 pm.

Friday 31st May – Devonport Choral Society Production – Down Town, the Musical –

at the Paranaple Arts Centre, 145 Rooke St., Devonport.

At this stage we have eleven (11) attending the Musical. Members are still welcome to join us but may now be seated in another section of the Centre for the show.

Those interested in dining prior to the show - Meet at the Central Hotel, Corner Stewart St and Formby Rd - 5.45pm approx. **Show starts 7.30 pm** not 8pm as previously advised. We will need to make our way to the Arts Centre by 7 – 7.15 pm.

Downtown – the Mod Musical is a bright vinyl time capsule that tracks five groovy girls as they come of age in the 60s. A musical journey, straight from Top of the Pops. Downtown is packed fill of songs, dance, nostalgia and fun. Features the biggest hits from the divas of the decade – stars like Petula Clark, Dusty Springfield and Lulu – With hits such as “To Sir with Love”, “Downtown”, “You don’t have to say you Love Me”, Son of a Preacher Man”, and Goldfingers”

Mid Week Coffee Run - Thursday 6th June - Leaving Bunnings car park 9.30 am - for a run to Monclair Café at Latrobe.

June Dinner Meeting – Bass and Flinders Motel, Ulverstone –
Thursday 13th June from 6 pm.

Midgley's MG Getaway - This year will coincide with our 60th Anniversary Celebrations - Weekend 13 – 14th July. This will be a great MG weekend – one to be remembered. Try not to miss. See Andrew's notes elsewhere in magazine for more info.

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Tasmanian Motorkhana Championship Round 1 19th May 2019

58 Patrick St, Bothwell

Scrutineering begins at 9.00am

Drivers briefing at 9.45am

Level 2NS CAMS licence required,

**Entry fee \$30 \$15 Junior or \$40 for
the family (2) and \$5 per extra (Max 4)**

**A good way to get started in competitive
motorsport**

**Great day for some Motorsport and
a social get together**

For more information contact;

Robin or Craig

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or

club-captain@mgtas.org.au



Baskerville Long Course
Sunday, 28 April 2019

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2019 MG Car Club of Tasmania, Mid-Winter Run

This years run is being organised in conjunction with the clubs 60th year anniversary function at Campbell Town, over the weekend of the 13th and 14th of July. If any members are thinking of attending the Mid-Winter run and are involved in setting up for the 60th anniversary event, Swansea is just 1 hour from Campbelltown, so you should be able to attend both if you so desire.

The weekend will begin for the North-Westerners meeting at Anvers for a quick coffee or breakfast should they wish, ready for a departure at 9:00 am, taking a scenic drive through to Longford

The Northerners will meet at the Motor Museum, Launceston for a departure at 10:00 am to meet up with the North-Westerners at JJ's Bakery in Longford for morning tea at 10:15 am.

They shall all depart about 10:45 for a scenic drive to Oatlands.

The Southerners will meet at The Rivulet cafe for a 10:30am departure taking a scenic drive to Oatlands to meet up with North and North-Westerners for lunch at the Feisty Hen.

At 1:30 pm we will depart Oatlands and make our way via Woodsdale, Buckland, Orford and Triabunna to Swansea.

I have negotiated rates at the Swansea Ocean Villas for the night:

- Studio Hotel Room (1 couple) \$105 per night
- 1 Bedroom Villa (1 couple) \$150 per night
- 2 Bedroom Villa (2 couples) \$200 per night

To reserve your room please contact Nabil on 6257 8656 or by email amoshouse.swansea@bigpond.com

Depending on final numbers we will be dining on the Saturday evening at either the Saltshaker Seafood Restaurant or the RSL Club.

Sunday morning we will depart Swansea at approx. 8:30am and drive to the Lake Leake Inn for Breakfast, please note that there is 3.5km of gravel road into the Inn, it is good road but is still recommended to be travelled at a slow pace.

We will then depart Lake Leake Inn at 10:30 am to arrive in Campbell Town at approx. 11:15 am.

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Those involved in the 60th Anniversary Function can choose to join us for breakfast and leave early or proceed directly to Campbell Town.

The 60th Anniversary Function begins at 11:30 am, information on this event can be found elsewhere in the magazine.

So what do you need to do:

1. Please book your own accommodation directly with Nabil
2. Please advise us by email or phone if you are attending the weekend
3. Confirming with us if you require:
 - a. Lunch on Saturday (plus any special dietary req's)
 - b. Dinner on Saturday (plus any special dietary req's)
 - c. Breakfast on Sunday (plus any special dietary req's)
4. Please advise the organisers if you are attending the 60th Anniversary Function

We look forward to catching up with you on the weekend.

Regards

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Swansea Ocean Villa

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1965

Committee elected at the AGM for 1965: President **Ian Dobson**; Vice President **Joe Paul**; Secretary **Bill Flaws**; Club Captain **John Dobie**; Treasurer **Vern Tuckett**; Club Rooms Officer **Bruce Hills**; Properties Officer **Tom Hey**; Overseas Correspondent **J Andersch**; Social Secretary **Jerry Langdale**; Editor **Arthur Twining**; Scrutineer **John Rundle**. **Tim Watts** appointed Membership Officer during the year.

New Club Rooms officially opened on the 15th December, located in Liverpool Street next to Fletcher Jones. Open every Tuesday.

Editorial June 1965 – At last we have a Newsletter of which you can be really proud. Importantly starting with this June 1965 Vol 1 No 3 issue the **Club is producing** the whole thing from go to whoa and consequently won't go phut after two issues!

Membership Officer **Tim Watts**; Northern Secretary **Peter Mawdesley**

New Members May – John Ward Holden 149

The HA Stroud Perpetual Trophy has been donated by Mr Stroud for the owner of the most immaculate vehicle entered in the Club's **Concours de Condition** which will be an **annual event**. **Mr Stroud** has been responsible for **surveying** the Club's Standing ¼ Mile **Championship Course** at Richmond since it's inception 5 years ago.

The event is a Concours de Condition not a Concours d'Elegance meaning that age, mileage and usage are taken into account, consequently all club members have a good chance.

Square Riggers notes introduced as a regular feature June 1964 written by that long-standing MG Club character Ivan Utmissen.

The Editorial July 1965 advises the club has entered it's seventh year, from the few who met at the RACT we are now 156 strong and steadily increasing.

500 CC have invited MGCC to their Standing ¼ at Richmond on a new venue on the Tea Tree-Brighton Road.

New Members June – John Weatherall Morgan; David Taylor TF; Kevin Nash AH 100/4; Nick Moore TF, Terry Buddle.

It was suggested and acted upon that a **T Series Register** be commenced.

A **special Class** has been created for reasonably standard **"Square Riggers"** in Club competition. This Class has also been adopted by the HSCC for their closed club events to which MGCC are invited.

New Members July – Chris Roberts MGA; Lindsay White, John Friend.

Major trophies winners 1965

DB Roberts Square Rigger Trophy – **Tom Hey** TC for the second year in a row.

Club Champion – **Tony Prinz** Triumph TR4

Clubman of the Year – **Bill Flaws**

Stroud Trophy Concours de Condition – **Jim Hanneman** Austin Healey 100/4

Membership for 1965 on a par with last year, 155 Full Members and 35 Social Members.

1966 Committee elected at the AGM, Park Hotel, Thursday 25th November: President **Ian Dobson**; Vice President **Joe Paul**; Secretary **Bill Flaws**; Membership Officer **John Dobie**; Club Captain **Arthur Twining**; Treasurer **Vern Tuckett**; Club Rooms Officer **Bob Moore**; Properties Officer/Overseas Correspondent **Tom Hey**; Social Secretary **Garry Marney**; Editor **Tony Prinz**; Scrutineer **John Rundle**; Northern Secretary **Peter Mawdesley**.

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New Members December – Miles Quartermain TF

1966

Club Rooms re-opened from 11th January, above Allan's World of Music, Liverpool Street, **Tuesday nights** 8.00pm.

New Members January – Warren Wilkins Austin Healey 100/4; Ross Blackwell MG B; Wayne Gill MG A; Tony McDermott Sprite Mk II; Frank Mack Datsun Fairlady; Graeme Smith TC; Miss Pat Foley Sprite; Garry Howden TC; Bruce Priestley, Frank Moore, Lionel Hart, Miss Sadie Gardiner Triumph Herald.

New Members February – David Potter TD; Peter Scott TA; John Everett Sprite Mk IIA; Christine Berry Honda S600; Peter Alexander Sprite Mk III; Graham Stevens MG A; Bruce Russell MG A; Tony Kudelka MG A 1600; Peter Crookall TR3; Bruce Gowans Repco Holden (Northern Member); John Graham, Ken Bennett.

Coming Events Sunday 27 February **Drag Sprints** (Valleyfield, Tunbridge or Quorn Hall), **Cryptic Car Trial** March 19.

Saturday evening 10th April 1966 **Northern Sub-Centre Annual Dinner**.

The following day **Flying ¼** on the **Powranna Road** near Symmons Plains, organised by the Northern Sub-Centre.

May 22nd **Club Day**; June 19th **Economy Run**; July **Symmons Plains Club Day**; August 14 **Club Day South**; September 23-25 **Avoca weekend** with Economy Run and Gymkhana; October **Hill Climb**; October 30 **Concours** Elwick Drive-In; November 26th **Standing ¼ Championships and Annual Dinner**.

The **Northern AGM** was held on the 11th February with good attendance and fierce constructive debating.

The new committee elected: President/Chairman **Peter Freeman**, Secretary **Peter Mawdesley**, Competition Secretary **Harry Williscroft**, Treasurer **Winston Saward**, Committee Member **Bruce Gowans**.

The main points of **General Business**: A **combined club room** with other car clubs to be organised; **Annual Dinner** to be held 10th April; a **Northern perpetual trophy for combined Clubman and Championship**, member Francis Sulzberger of VIP Menswear will donate the appropriate silverware.

The **MG timing crew** had a terrific weekend at **Longford** with timely accurate results well regarded by competitors. Discussion is following to becoming official timers for all CAMS meeting in Tas.

New Members March – Jim Hooper Sprite; Clive Pointon MG B; Mike Ward TVR Grantura; Ross Evans TC; Les Kingston, Michael Riseley.

The **Flying ¼** on the **Powranna Road** reset back two weeks to April 24th.

New Members April – Chris Tan MG B; Henry Sims TD; JR Alexander XK 120; Maureen Heffernan, R McLennan

The **Flying ¼** on the **Powranna Road** was a huge success, great site, big entry list, all well organised.

Class winners: Under 1000cc **Dave Scott** Morris 850 70.3mph; 1001-1500 **Peter Mawdesley** "Tweetie Pie" 94.9mph; 1501-1800 **John Mawdesley** MGB 101.3mph; Over 1800 **Kerry Cox** Le Mans Jag 113mph.

New Members May – Stuart Appleby TC (Sheffield); Colin Denny TF; Rod Theobald MG A; Paul Donovan Sprite IIA.

The **trip to Queenstown** has been talked for a long time, Well, now it's happening, **June long weekend** 11th – 13th.

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Tech discussion of tyres and their various **performance** and **safety** characteristics. **Radial ply** tyres highlighted, brands available Dunlop Duraband, SP & SP41, Goodyear G200 & G800, Michelin X, Pirelli Cinturato, Olympic GT.

New Members June – Neil Bester Sprite Mk IIA; Thomas Dick E Type; David Hutchinson Honda; John Hills MGA; John Hyslop Lotus Elite; Peter Griffith Morgan; Geoffrey Wigg TR2; M Wilson TF; Peter Cato Sprite Mk3; Graham Lindridge MGB; Geoffrey Munyard Holden; Les Linnell Fiat 1100; Lindsay McDougal VW; Leon Clover.

New Members July – Wayne Styles TC; Benny Baker AH Sprite Mk II; Edward Pickett TR2; Mario Ghedini.

August – Alan Park Honda; Frank Harris Sprite Mk I; Peter Dunster Honda; Tony Goodluck, Barry Harbottle.

October – DC Booth Sprite Mk III; RF Wood MG TA (Tweetie Pie); JH Waterer MGB; S McKenzie Sprite Mk I.

November – Bill Griffiths TC; Lyn Archer TC; Peter Cousins TR3; Ken Dobbie.

Trophies for the year: Club Champion **Bob Williamson**, Square Rigger Trophy **Tom Hey**, Clubman of the Year **Garry Marney**, Concours outright **John Waterer**.

1967

The Committee members elected at the AGM 1st December are little changed from 1966, changed roles are President **Joe Paul**, Vice President **Arthur Twining**, Club Captain **Tony Prinz**, Editor **Tom Hey**, Properties Officer/overseas Correspondent **Garry Marney**. Two new members, Membership Officer **Bob Williamson**, Social Secretary **David Bayne**. All other positions unchanged.

New Members January – W Whenn MGB, J Dean MGB; D Webster Holden.

February – Cyril Proud Spitfire; Andre DeBeer Sprite; Anthony Witt MGA.

March – Ross Studley MGB; Roger Tregaskis MG Magnette; Janine Balmer Honda Coupe; Philip Corby MGB; Michael Williams TF; Alan Tweedie TC.

April – P East Renault Gordini; Peter Herbert Morris 1100.

Launceston General Meeting and film evening held at the Village Inn 21st April, 40 in attendance including 10 members from Hobart. The main function to elect the new Northern Sub-Centre Committee:

Chairman **John Mawdesley**; Competition Secretary **Harry Williscroft**; Secretary **John Dean**; Treasurer **Norm Knott**; Committeeman **David Sheldrick**.

New Members May – GA Ramsey MGB; JW Moore MGB; J Kirby MGB; GL Denne Sprite Mk III; R Ware.

MGCC Tas Building Fund initiated due to the popularity of the Club room as much due to Club Rooms Officer **Bob Moore's** work to continually improve a limited facility. Donations to the Secretary, presently stand at \$58.

Carbon tetra chloride fire extinguishers have been banned by CAMS due to production of toxic vapours.

General Meeting Park Hotel Thursday 13th July 8.00pm. **Inspector Reid** of the Traffic Branch will demonstrate the **Breathalyser**, 9.00pm.

As the West Coast June long weekend is becoming a regular, a **West Coast Perpetual Trophy** is up for the winner of a feature of the trip, this year a treasure hunt at Strahan won by **Bill Whenn**. He gets a memento inscribed mug plus the **Perpetual Brolly** of fine quality suitably engraved as to it's purpose and winners. It comes with a set of conditions which must be

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faithfully observed throughout the ensuing year, on each default a fine to be paid to the Building Fund.

New Members June – Stephen Lyne TD; Malcolm Oates Sprite Mk II.

At a recent committee meeting it was agreed to make all membership fees due on a common date, 1st November.

Hill Climb Waterworks Road 18th June 1967, FTD set by **Norm Knot** in his Chev Stingray 36.74 sec.

The method of **allocating points** for the **Club Championship** have been reviewed and adopted by the committee. **Points awarded** for **one only** pre-nominated **car** where a member enter multiple cars, **events defined** for Championship eligible points, points to be awarded in **each Class** of a speed event and **outright only** for Gymkhanas. When **two events** are run on a **Club Day**, only half the points will be awarded to each event.

The French National Anthem has become popular with members at certain events. It was composed in Strasbourg in 1792 by a young French officer named Claude Joseph Rouget De Lisle and became known as **La Marseillaise**.

It seems to have been **unofficially adopted** as the Club song!!

Photos of events have been included with reports and results in the July issue of the magazine courtesy of member **George Andersch**. It is hoped to be a regular feature.

In line with previously proposed **Square Rigger class**, a more detailed **formula** has been defined and adopted.

New Members July – Miss K Wallace Sprite Mk III; Ian Glover TC; M Bruce Honda 600; DV Deslandes Spitfire.

CAMS has issued a change in regulations regarding **spare wheels** for open events.

MGCC Vic have invited us to attend their **Concours D'Elegance**, Lilydale Showground, Sunday 17th December.

A long list of Coming Events for the remaining year, **three events only** left to gather Championship points prior to 31st October cut-off date, namely Club Day Baskerville, Concours Hobart, Grass Hill Climb Launceston.

New Members a large list for August – Hobart: K Baine Sprite, D Semple E Type, L Caddick MGA, C Crowder MGA, M Arnold TC, G Conley Sprite, R Grey MGB, J Commane MGA, J King XK120, J Miedecke TD, J Wiggins MGB, R Jarvis Sunbeam Rapier, J Millar, J Cooper, M Savage, N Goodwin. **Launceston:** A Barnes Goblin Sports, B Grubb MGB, G Cope MGA, L Large MGB, T Doreian Austin Healey, C Street MGA, F Brooks TC, B Carosi Jaguar, B Lewis Peugeot Sports, Miss S Gray Spitfire, D Vernals MGA, R Boote Alfa Romeo, D Weller Datsun Sports, J Tucker Austin Healey, J Dorsett MGB & TC, I Blades.

Concours de Condition Saturday 21st October Shoreline Hotel. This event carries the **Stroud Perpetual Trophy** and cars will be judged on a condition for age basis. Also carries outright points 1st, 2nd, 3rd for the Club Championship.

We are now compiling a **Scrap Book** of the Club's history, press cuttings, photos and will continue this collection for future events. Any contributions for past activities will be appreciated.

North West Coast Sub-Centre is to be established decided at a combined meeting given the reported many sports cars across that area.

New Members September – P Vincent MGB Ulverstone.

The new **1275 MG Midget** to replace the Austin Healey Sprite is expected to be release in Tasmania this year.

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The 150 BHP MG, the **MGC** is shown to the public for the first time at **Earls Court Motor Show**.

New Members October – Ernest Berry MGA Burnie, Tim Roland MGY, John Briley MGY, Tony Kendall Datsun Fairlady, Helen Murray Spitfire, Chris Tapping Sprite, Barry Willing Austin Healey 100/4, David Cowles Austin Healey 100/4.

Trophy winners for 1967: Club Champion **Norm Knott**, Club Man **Garry Marney**, Square Rigger Trophy **Miles Quartermain**, Stroud Trophy Concours **Miles Quartermain**.

VIP Menswear Perpetual Trophy for the **Northern Clubman** of the year was won by **Norm Knott**.

Membership for 1967 is steady at 181 Full Members and 31 Social Members.

The new committee for 1968: President **Bill Flaws**, Immediate Past President **Joe Paul**, Vice President **Garry Marney**, Secretary **Tony Kendall**, Club Captain **Peter Champion**, Membership Officer **Bob Williamson**, Treasurer **Peter Crookall**, Social Secretary/Editor **Ken Dobbie**, Club Rooms Officer **Arthur Twining**, Technical Adviser **John Rundle**, Properties Officer **Kit Ellis**.

1968

The first **competitive event** this year is a **gymkhana** at **Tom Mulcahy's** Hamilton property 25th February. You will need a spare spark plug to change in one event. Slaloms, garaging tests and around the flags making the day.

Coming Events: **Four Hour Trial** March 23, **Hill Climb** April 21, **Club Day** May 12, **Flying ¼** June 9, **Economy Run (Open)** July 22, **Standing ¼** August 4, **Economy Run** September 15, **Concours** October 20, **Gymkhana** November 11, **Hill Climb (Penguin)** November 23, **Standing ¼ (Open)** November 30. Plus social functions.

There seems to be a world-wide craze for building replicas of famous cars, commonly known as **Replicas!**

Did you know 7 TDs started in the 1954 Redex Around Australia Trial, 2 completed the 6500 mile course.

The Club will be combining with the Vintage Car Club and Hobart Sporting Car Club for a Concours at **Elwick Race Course** in conjunction with a Race Meeting on the 6th April.

Advice received from the Denmark MG Club they are expecting a supply of **MG TA counterbalanced crank shafts**.

New Members February – P Marriot MGA, P Shaw MGA 1600, N Bridges Sprite Mk II, P Cromby MGA 1600, D Peters TC.

The dust is slowly settling on the **merger** between Leyland and British Motor Holdings.

Congratulations to '**Fangio**' **Willing** for taking out the **Norm Knott Navigators Trophy** in the Four Hour Trial.

New Members March – Tony Davis MGB, Doug Boote Alfa GTV, Nick Lockyer TD, Wayne Turner MG Magnette, Peter Freeman, Derwent Plunkett.

New Members April – Ken Farrell MGB, Dennis Chick MGB, Edward Guinan TF, Don Castaldi Porsche 1600S, P Saunders TR3A, I Whenn Sprite Mk I.

It was decided at the recent the General Meeting to **restrict Competition Classes to production sports cars** and adding two new classes for saloons all to encourage members to enter into meaningful competition.

New Members May – J Avery TF, A Chappell MGB GT, J Campbell-Smith TD, R Richardson MGA, R Buchanan Alfa GTV, J Goss Tornado Ford, C Dwyer Sprite Mk III, T Fogarty MGB

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Thought for the month: The driver is safer when the roads are dry, the roads are safer when the driver is dry!

The Light Car Club of Tasmania is holding an **Alpine Rally** Saturday 3rd August, an MG Team entry??

New Members June – M Cresswell Datsun Fairlady, W Behrens Mk I Sprite, R Holmes MGB, C Millington Sprite Mk III, T Sasser Sunbeam Alpine, C West Sprite IIA, G Henry TF 1500, T Scott Sprite IIA, B Sievers MG Midget, C Edwards Jaguar Mk 1, W Emery Alfa Romeo, K McGuire.

The magazine sports a new compilation MG cover prepared by **J (George) Andersch**.

We have this month entered our **tenth year** of the MG Car Club and members are encouraged to join in to celebrate in the full program of social events as well as the competition calendar.

The first **MGCC Committee Ball** was held at the Buckingham Rowing Shed, Friday 19th July, JA Madison Band played 9.00pm to 3.00am, hot supper served 1.00am. Actor **George Mallaby** arrived mid-way to sing and enjoyed the occasion including adjournment at 4.00 am to a certain house.

The issues at committee level have been largely resolved with **Doug Boote** taking over Editorial allowing Ken Dobbie and wife to put full attention to the social scene.

There is now the possibility of our own **Club Rooms**, Mr HA Stroud has offered us the use of premises, some rejuvenation will be required as soon as details have been finalised.

New Members August – George Mallaby (Honorary) Datsun 2000 Sports, D Burgess MGA, Michael Ball Morris 1100, J Holmes Renault 750.

Club Nights have been changed till further notice to the back bar of **Tattersalls Hotel** Murray Street, every Tuesday.

The Government has finally introduced the (much debated) **speed limit of 65 mph**.

The **Baskerville Club Day** drew a big crowd of 34 entrants, the start delayed due to finding a stand in doctor at 2 minutes notice. And the competition followed by the BBQ went very well.

The midget **Fold-Up Honda 49cc motor bike** supplied by **Bill Flaws** was road tested by **Bill Whenn**.

National Park trip require sports cars, 30 is the aim, to transport children from the **Oakdale Sheltered Workshop** to National Park for a day out and BBQ. Note your **New Members September** – Barry Scott AH 100/4, David Grimsby MGB, Ian Hosan Datsun 1600 Sports, Peter Kerr MGB, Peter Williams MGB, Peter Rogers MG Midget, Graham Boscoe Sprite Mk III, Peter Waters Elfin, Heather Graham.

Some 200 attended the **Annual Dinner** at Wrest Point, the seventh such celebration of the MG year.

Trophy winners for 1968: Club Champion drawn by **Peter Scott** and **Peter Cousins**, Clubman **Bill Flaws**, DB Roberts Square Rigger Trophy **Peter Scott**, HA Stroud Trophy for the outright Concours **David Grieve**.

New Members October – Colin Canes Holden, David Young.

Coming Events: Standing ¼ Championships – Richmond, Standing Championships – Cremorne BBQ.

New Members November – Alan Hilder Sprite Mk III, Leigh Fisher AH 100/4, David, David Totham MGB, F Montgomery MGB, Derek Millhouse AH 100/6, Miss M Heffernan Sprite Mk IIA.

committee has placed a max speed of 50mph for this event.

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The run to **National Park** was a top day by the smiles on the faces of the passengers, children from Oakdale Sheltered Workshop, and drivers all enjoying. Eighteen sports cars looked a treat. **Members new to the committee** for 1969 from AGM: **Tony Prinz** returns as Club Captain, **Bruce Priestley** Membership Officer, **Geoff Wigg** Treasurer, **Bob Tanner** Social Secretary, **Kevin McGuire** Properties Officer, **David Hutchinson** Editor, **Bob Moore** back as Building Fund Officer. New blood adding to other positions returned from 1968.

New Members December – E Graveley Sprite Mk III, A Ryan Sprite IIA, G Hill TR3

1969

A new magazine cover design again by member **George Andersch** to depict the year gone with the signal of continuing change ahead.

The Building Fund now stands at **\$303**.

It will be **mandatory** from 1st July 1969 for all drivers in circuit racing to wear **fire resistant clothing**.

New Members February – Dennis Cooper Holden, Graeme Ford Holden.

It's a cruel world isn't it, new committee man **Bob Tanner** is known in close circles as "one and six"!

The social event of the year, The **MG Car Club 1st Annual Ball**, Buckingham Rowing Sheds New Town, Friday 11th April, Commencing 9.00pm.

The **cost** of running **speed events** has the committee in a real **quandary**! From Club Captain the last Baskerville Club Day: CAMS Fee \$22.50, Ambulance Fees \$20.00, Doctor Fee \$30.00 Total \$72.50 plus trophies. Entry fees totalled \$24.00. The issue is being considered by the committee and competitors are asked to discuss. Also \$15 for the hire of Baskerville.

New Members April – Jill Voss Sprite, Michael Ball TR3A R Andrews Mini.

Membership now stands at **135** which is a healthy situation.

Congratulations **Bob Moore** and helpers who staged the very successful **First MG Car Club Ball** and treated 204 members and friends at \$3.50 per head to a thoroughly enjoyable evening. Based on the costs outlined last month to run events and additional cost for venue hire, the committee has decided as from May 18th, the cost of entry will rise by 50c to two dollars.

A busy time ahead, **June and July** have many social and competition events both Club and invited. And while the Club is reduced a little in numbers, considering participation and financially it is stronger.

Proceeds from The Club Ball last month were \$171.28 which takes the **Building Fund** to \$534.49.

New Members May – Max Thompson Ausca Triumph TR3, Terry Thompson MGB, Peter Spiers MGA, Allan Johnson Holden, Stephen McManus Morris 850, Laurence Watkins Holden. Membership now 153.

Editorial covers the recent State election and **road toll** issues with promises of a **Road Safety** Ministry, severe penalties on **drunken drivers**, points demerit system, regular vehicle inspections, reflectorized number plates.

The HSCC and MMCC have expressed willingness to **combine for speed events** during 1970 season to reduce costs.

New Members June – B.rendan Littlejohn MGB

New Members July – Peter Gourlay Austin Healey 3000, MG Magnette Special, John Gill MGB, Dennis Walker Sprite Mk III, David Anstee MGB, David Wakeling Honda 600S, Miss Alys Berry Sprite Mk III, R Jones MG Midget, Martin Farley Holden.

New Members August – Kathy Coombes MGB, Robert Grant Datsun 2000, John Wheaton MGB, K Ray Jaguar 2.4.

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The MGCC NSW invites members to the first National Meeting of MG Car Clubs, Sydney 10th & 11th January 1970.

New Members September – Phillip Donnelley MGY, James Brown MGA, Stuart Hobson Gogo Dart, Ian Fletcher Alfa GTV, Chris Hill Sprite Mk III.

New Members October– Greg Muir TR3, Glenn Warren MGB, Kevin Chaffey XK 120, Gary Foster Mini.

Trophy Winners for 1969: Club Champion **Bill Whenn**, Club Member **Arthur Twining**, DB Roberts Square Rigger Trophy **Miles Quartermain**, John Waterer Motors Trophy **Bill Whenn**, Stroud Concours Trophy **John Waterer**.

New Members November – Peter Stanley Sprite Mk I, Derek Bridgeland MGB, David Lardner TD.

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The new committee for 1970: President **Arthur Twining**, Vice President **David Hutchinson**, Treasurer **Goff Wigg**, Secretary **Bruce Priestley**, Club Captain **Bill Whenn**, Social Secretary **Ian Whenn**, Membership Officer **Mike Williams**, Editor **Herbie Burgess**, Properties Officer **David Grieve**, T Series Officer **Peter Scott**.

New Members December – David McMaugh MGB, Kerry Doyle MGB, Glyn Chapman Datsun 2000, Edwin Ellerington Holden, Peter Edwards MGB.

All members are requested to be at **Salamanca Place** 5.30 pm to participate in a **Cavalcade of Sports Cars** through the city, down Sandy Bay Road to **Hutchins School** where the cars will be on display at the **school fair**.

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COMING COMPETITION EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
Sun 19 th May	State Motorkhana Championship	Bothwell
Sat/Sun 1, 2 June	Circuit Racing	Symmons Plains
Sun 16 th June	Club Day MGCCT/MCCT	Baskerville
Sun 30 th June	Motorkhana	Latrobe
Sun July 28 th	Economy Run	Northern Midlands
Sun 11 th August	Motorkhana	Latrobe
Sun 8 th Sept	Test & Tune Day	Baskerville
Sat/Sun Oct 5/6	Circuit Racing	Symmons Plains
Sun Nov 3rd	Club Day MGCCT/MCCT	Baskerville

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COMING SOCIAL EVENTS

Events in italics do not attract Club Points

(More details can be found in the Sub Centre Notes)

Date	Event	Meet At....	Coordinator
Sun 19 th May	NSC Run to Bothwell	Motor Museum	Frank Brooks
Sun 26 th May	SSC Brookfields	Civic Club	Lyn Cengia/Chris Wagstaff
Fri 31 st May	NSC Coffee Run	Motor Museum	Mark Dilger
Fri 31 st May	NW D'port Choral Society "Down Town, the Musical"	Central Hotel	Terry Jeffrey
<i>Sun 2nd June</i>	<i>SSC Classics on the Beach</i>		<i>Bob Leeson</i>
<i>Wed 5th June</i>	<i>SSC Mid Week Run</i>		<i>Wayne Goninon</i>
Wed 12 th June	NSC Midweek Dinner	TBA	Mark Dilger
Sun 23 rd June	SSC Geeveston:	Civic Club	Richard Holtsbaum
Sun 23 rd June	NSC Mole Creek Run	Motor Museum	Mike Paine
Fri 28 th June	NSC Coffee Run	Motor Museum	Phil Paine
Wed 10 th July	NSC Midweek Dinner	TBA	Brian Ralph
Sun July 14th	State 60th Anniversary	TBA	Mark Dilger
Fri 26 th July	NSC Coffee Run	Motor Museum	Phil Paine
Sun 18 th Aug	SSC Breakfast Run	Civic Club	Bob Leeson
Sept 22-24	Baskerville Histories		
Sun 29 th Sept	SSC Derwent Bridge	Civic Club	Chris Wagstaff
Sun 20 th Oct	SSC Dover RSL	Civic Club	Stephen Huntley
Nov 22-24	State Concours/AGM/Dinner	Ulverstone	Terry Jeffrey

SQUARE RIGGER NOTES

For All Pre War, T and Y Type MGs.

The Square Rigger run for March assembled at Deloraine, looking closely you will note the TC numberplate on the Holden's MX5 qualifying it's position in the line-up next to Richards and Scott TCs and O'Grady TD. The interior of the TD highlights the finesse achieved in the detailed, recent completion of the TD.



The entourage enjoying an overcast and threatening journey underneath the Tiers emphasising their role and dominance over the productive scene from Meander to Caveside. Continuing on to the fine old pub at Mole Creek where the traveller is always welcomed, well fed and watered.

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