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The Village Triabunna & The Rover Car Club of Australia, Tasmanian Register Present "The Predominantly From Britain To 'Bunna Car Show 2019"



The Annual Classic Car Show presented by Tasmanian Register of The Rover Car Club of Australia & Eastcoast Regional Development Organisation will be held at The Village Community Centre in Triabunna on Sunday 20th October 2019. While predominantly for British Made or Make Cars owners of all Classic cars are invited to attend and display their wonderful vehicles. Shall we have a Brexit Battle? Our Car Show coincides with the Monthly Village Market with Art works, craft and local produce stalls, second hand books, Bric a Brac, home made cakes, jams & sauces etc. Hot food including BBQ will be available, and Wheel Good Coffee Van will be onsite.



Where: The Village 20 Melbourne Street Triabunna
When: Sunday 20th October from 9.30am to 1.30pm



Experience the Great Eastern Drive on the wonderful East Coast of Tasmania. We ask that display cars be in position on The Village Lawns between 9.30 & 10.00am. Look for the Flags and Marshalls who will guide you. There will be prizes for People's Choice Award, one for British Vehicles and one for Non British, to presented at 1.00pm. Participants can then wend their way home if they wish, or take a look at the other wonderful East Coast Attractions. Entry is Free.



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NORTHERN SUB CENTRE

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Northern Sub Centre Meeting	Committee meeting and social night: last Wednesday night of the month at 7.30pm VCCA Rooms 67 Lawrence Vale Rd, Launceston	
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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Position	Person (Partner)	Contact Details
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Southern Sub Centre Meeting	Meet every Tuesday night at 8pm Civic Club, 134 Davey Street, Hobart	
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LIFE MEMBERS

Joe Paul (dec)	1969	Robin Wilmot	1998
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 (dec)	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

I am sure we are all appreciating the warmer weather and longer days. Great for top off motoring.

Baskerville Historics has been “run and won”. It was another very successful event, with almost no rain, albeit quite cold at times. Thank you and well done to all the MG Car Club Tas members involved in this event. From the Gurnhill point of view, it was the first time Tony competed, having helped at previous events. Likewise for me; not competing!! But being free to watch various events, and socialise with those we seldom see. Following the success of producing this magazine in colour, I was pleased to be able to do the Historics programme in colour also. And I was told it was “The best programme we have had”. Plus Round 5 of the Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship, run by the MG Car Club, was held on the 6th October. I am sure President Mark Dilger will provide information on this in his report. As will there be comment in the Secretary's Report.

Greg Bannon has sent some archive photos from his collection. I am sure these will bring back memories for some of you. And Greg has contributed a Member Profile. I understand the difficulty in writing these, so really appreciate the time and thought that goes into them. Thank you Greg.

We have a long list of events for all areas; mark some on your calendar and enjoy your vehicles. Not the least of these are the Annual Area Meetings for the North and South, plus the Concours, Annual General Meeting and Presentation Dinner in Ulverstone. Please notify Terry Jeffrey as soon as possible re the events over the weekend that you will be attending, to assist with organisation.

And then there are the Christmas functions across the state, coffee mornings, dinner meeting etc, etc. Plenty of opportunities to use our cars, and be with others who share our passion.

Cheryl Gurnhill

Editor MGCC Tasmania



AND FOR MGA OWNERS

Owners of MGAs that may be interested in attending workshops or get togethers please contact :

Col Cleaver 0419 772 926.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our MG Car Club year is quickly coming to an end with our Concours, AGM and presentation dinner on November 22nd to 24th so if you have not let the organisers know you are coming, details on how you can do that are on Page 11 of the September Magazine, and in this magazine.

To help the organisers, early registration would be greatly appreciated.

Nominations are open for the committee for the two sub centres and the State Committee for the 2020 year. If you feel that you have something to contribute then complete a nomination form and send it to either of the Northern or Southern sub centres, or for the State Committee send to the club Secretary GPO Box 5 Hobart 7001 and be at the meeting in Ulverstone on Saturday 23rd at 3pm Bass and Flinders Motor Inn 45-51 Eastlands Dr Ulverstone Tas.

The North West members have put in a great deal of effort to ensure that we have a memorable weekend and it provides all members the opportunity to meet or catch up with those we have not seen for the last 12 months.

As with any event there is a cost and the State Committee has contributed \$500 to the North West organisers to subsidise the weekend's costs, and the entry fee paid by entrants in the Concours will also go to subsidising the weekend so it eases the expense of coming along .

As we reach year's end its get very busy with the usual round of social activities and the organising of Christmas. The Concours, AGM and presentation dinner is the culmination of the Club's activities for the year and where members are acknowledged for excelling in the club activities over the past 12 months. You might say it's our Grand Final.

On another front the MG Race Committee ran its last race meeting last weekend for the 2019 year and the competition calendar has been completed for the 2020 year. However it is yet to be approved by CAMS.

That calendar of events includes the club's Motorkhanas, Club Sprints, Hill Climbs and the rounds of the Tas Racing Drivers Championship and what our total involvement will be is yet to be decided .

My plan for the remainder of the year is to be at both the sub centre Area Meetings so there is the opportunity for all members to let me know their issues and if it's a matter where the State Committee can be of assistance.

Our Secretary has provided a report in this magazine on the matters before the State Committee and discussed at the October Meeting, so be sure to have a read.

That's about all from me this month so remember get more form your club by becoming involved.

Mark Dilger
President



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Storage of MGCCT equipment

As previously mentioned the committee is looking into ways of storing club items such as the timing equipment, witches hats, gazebos etc and mentioned was an enclosed trailer. This matter is ongoing as consideration into the hire of a storage unit is also being considered.

Advertising in the MG Monthly Motoring News

M Dilger is continuing to find a sponsor for the centre pages in the magazine

MGCCT Seal (incorporated body)

Being unable to find the original seal, a new stamp will be produced with R Wilmot to follow up on this matter.

CAMS and Motorsport Tasmania Chaplin Fund

We have in the past supported the fund and again have been approached to give to this cause. This fund is held by Motorsports Tasmania and has successfully contributed to the presence of the Chaplin at events within our state. The MGCCT has been asked to donate \$200 to support the continuity of the fund and at the State Committee meeting on the 7th October we again voted to support this worthy cause.

Points allocation for sending photos for magazine only.

Decision was made to issue one point irrespective of the number of photos sent to the editor

Concours 23rd November

R Belbin of Shannons has offered to supply a “People’s Choice Trophy” at this year’s Concours and we are also looking for Judges, should you wish to assist could you contact Greg Bannon please.

Regards
Greg Bannon
Secretary



**Be aware that Membership fees are now due.
Non financial members cannot vote at the A.G.M.**

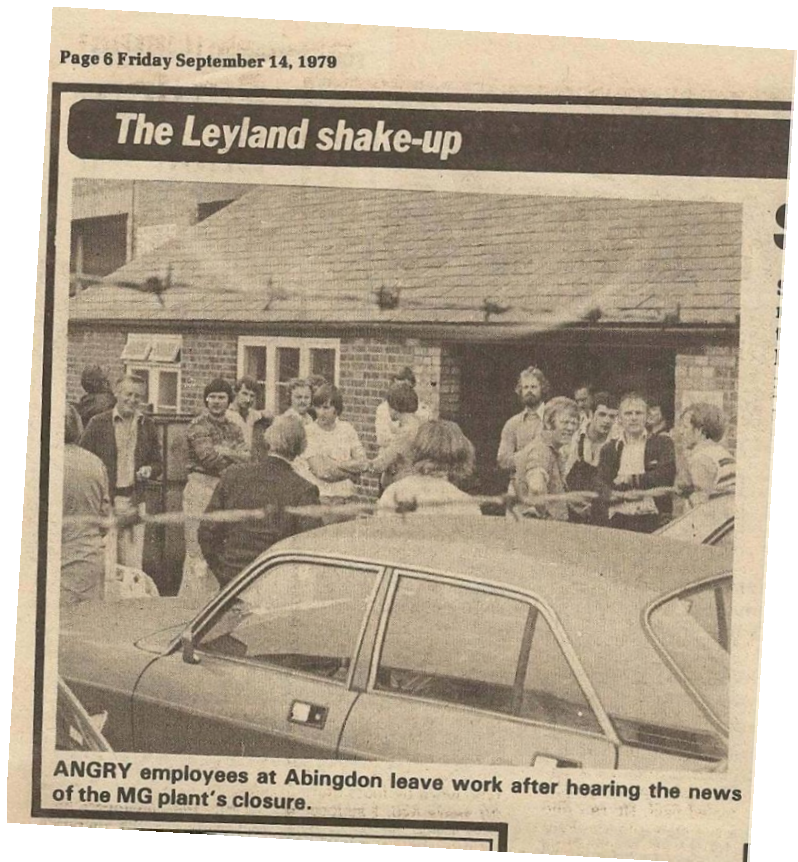
MEMBERSHIP REPORT

This month we welcome two new members,

Ian and Judy Robinson,(Southern)

The Robinsons own a Bristol and are interested in social outings,
We hope these people enjoy many club arranged activities.

Wayne Jessup, Membership Officer,
MG CAR CLUB of TASMANIA.





**MG CAR CLUB OF TASMANIA
STATE CONCOURS, AGM, PRESENTATION
DINNER,
22ND – 24TH NOVEMBER 2019
*Ulverstone***



- Noggin & Natter** **Friday 22nd November**
7.30p.m.- 9.00p.m. Bass & Flinders Motor Inn, 45-51 Eastland Drive,
Get Together-Drinks at Bar Prices, some finger food provided.
- Concours D'Elegance** **Saturday 23rd November**
10.00a.m.-2.00p.m. Tobruk Park, 1-17 Helen St, Ulverstone.
\$10.00 Registration Fee to be paid on the day.
- Partners Coffee/Lunch** **11.30a.m.-1.30 p.m.** Coffee & Lunch at Cafe in Ulverstone for the
female gender (if sufficient interest). Please email or text Colleen
Jeffrey if you wish to attend. **Mobile** 0408 580 507; email:
colleenjeffrey3@bigpond.com. Cost: pay on day per your order
- Annual General Meeting** **3.00p.m.** Bass & Flinders Motor Inn; 45-51 Eastland Drive.
All welcome. Note-only financial members can vote and hold proxies.
- Presentation Dinner** **6.30p.m. for 7.00p.m.** Ulverstone Golf Course, Lobster Creek Road.
(7 minutes car drive from centre of Ulverstone)
Three course menu-three choices for each course; coffee/tea and
mints. Plus bottle of red and white wine per table
Two person band providing music for the evening.
\$60.00 per head
- Farewell Breakfast** **Sunday 24th November**
from 8.30a.m. onwards.
Otto's Grotto Park, 12 Dial St, Ulverstone. Free bbq breakfast
provided.

RSVP-Early reply would be appreciated to allow planning. Dinner money (\$60.00 per head) **must**
be received **by Friday November 15th**.

Please direct deposit money to

MG Account-BSB 067 600 Acct No. 1099 3837,

indicating surname and your Sub Centre/Group; as well as emailing or texting your attendance **for**
each event to:

Terry Jeffrey: northwest-coord@mgtas.org.au Mob: 0417 344 369

**Accommodation for the weekend
- 22 -24 November 2019**

As mentioned previously The Bass and Flinders Motor Inn is offering special accommodation rates for those attending from the North or South requiring accommodation. Book direct for these rates on 03 6425 3011 or email - info@bassandflindersmotorinn.com.au - mention the MG Car Club to get a discount.

The Bass and Flinders Motor Inn also offers dinner from an A La Carte menu for those members requiring dinner on Friday evening prior to the Noggin and Natter get together. Bookings necessary.

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Proposed Square Riggers End Year Run -

Sunday 24th Nov – Mon 25th Nov – 2019

Peter Scott and Frank Brooks are currently organising this event to coincide with the State get together on the North West Coast. Details will be posted in the November magazine.

It is proposed to depart after Breakfast on Sunday morning 24th Nov., stopping for a light lunch at Waratah and then continuing down the west coast for an overnight stay returning to our home towns late Monday 25th November.

Phone Peter Scott Mob: 0418 599 676 or Frank Brooks Mob: 0418 134 262 should more information be required before the November MG Monthly News.

From Andrew Kuzniarski (In UK)

Gday Saw this in some blokes drive. Made him an offer he funnily didn't quibble with and he even offered to transport it to my sister's place here for me. Will have it sent to Tasmania so I can spend the rest of my life restoring it.





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NORTHERN NOTES

PAST EVENTS

Great day to get the MG out after nearly 4.5 months. Phil & Di Paine Taken, with permission, from Facebook.



Friday 27th September - Coffee Run to The 50s Diner at Deloraine

September's MGCC NSC Coffee Run started on a mild but cloudy day at the usual, soon to be relocated, Motor Museum for the 50 minute 'off the highway' run to Deloraine & *The 50s Diner*.

The entrants comprised 18 cars including 10 MGs ranging from a Jim Dickenson's classic MGA through to Tony & Mary King's late model MG6. Other thoroughbreds on the run included Bruce Allison's recently acquired sparkling BRG Jaguar E Type.

The route went fairly directly via Meander Valley Rd through Westbury and comprised no gravel roads, much to no-one's disappointment. Despite a little rain on the way, all enjoyed the quiet MG driver's roads and we all arrived at the Diner without drama.

It was terrific to be joined at the Diner by Cheryl & Tony Gurnhill who had made the trip down, representing the NWSC, from Sheffield in their trusty MGB. It was also great to see Phil & Di Paine on the Run, with Phil looking fighting fit & well again.

The food & service at the 50s Diner was good considering we were a large group all arriving about the same time. A very special welcome was displayed by the resident 'Westy' who would suddenly appear from beneath the table & onto the diner's lap to inspect the food, much to everyone's amusement.

All in all a good time was had by all 31 attendees.

Words & Photos: Cathie & Col Cleaver.



Left: Tony & Mary King's MG6
Below: Ronda Thomas' MGB
Below Left: ZS, MGA & MGB



Above: Jan & Ian Howard's MGB, and
Bruce Allison's E Type
Left: Cheryl Gurnhill, Sue, Di & Phil Paine



Events Calendar. Amended September 27th, 2019.

Sun 20th Oct: Sunday Lunch Run, Great Lake. NSC members are meeting with those from North West at Deloraine Train. Lunch will be held at Central Highlands Lodge at Miena. This will be an ALL Bitumen Run. Numbers are to be capped at 40 so don't miss out.

RSVP to Frank Brooks on 0418 134 262 before October 13th to assure your attendance.

Fri 25th Oct: Coffee Run Leave Motor Museum 9.30am.

RSVP Wes Saunders 0407 511 819.

Wed 30th Oct: NSC Annual Meeting VCCT Clubrooms Lawrence Vale Road, 7.30pm.

Could ALL Members please consider attending as a new Chairman, Secretary and Committee persons will be required to be elected.

From this point could ALL NSC members attending events please ensure that they aware of the venue that the group are leaving from in Launceston as the Motor Museum will be relocating.

Mon 4th Nov: Ulverstone Car Show, Ulverstone Showground. Leave Motor Museum at 8.30am. RSVP Mark Dilger 0408 271 029.

Wed 13th Nov: Venue TBA Leave 6.00pm. RSVP Andrew Merry 0408 331 612

22/23/24 November Concours and MG Annual General Meeting, Ulverstone.

Fri 29th Nov: Friday Coffee Run Venue TBA. Leave 9.30pm.

RSVP Mark Dilger 0408 271 029.

Sunday Dec 8th Shannon's Toy Run, Campbell Town. Could all attendees please bring grocery items as donations in aid of the Salvation Army.

Sunday Dec 15th: North & North West Christmas Party venue Deloraine Caravan Park.

Fri 20th Dec; Coffee Run TBA Frank Brooks RSVP 0418 134 262.

Sunday 19th January 2020: Carrick House Soirée. Picnic/ barbecue from 5.00 pm.

Members from other areas who would like to attend can stay at Hawthorn Villa Estate. This was once the family home of the Mond's family who ran the Carrick Mill back in the 1800s.

Now owned by Nicole and Innes Pearce, this residence offers four cosy loft type accommodation units situated in their lush private garden about a two minute drive from Carrick House.

For further information and booking, please ring Nicole Pearce on 0427 936 150.

NORTH WESTERN NOTES

Past Events

Sept Dinner Meeting - Bass and Flinders Motel, Ulverstone – Thursday 12th September - A great attendance - total of 21 members which included new face – Jamie Gillam – we hope to welcome Jamie to more of our gatherings in the future.

Sunday 22nd September – Lunch run to The Black Stump Restaurant at Gowrie Park.



10 members joined the field for our luncheon run. Leaving Bunnings car park we drove to Latrobe for a coffee break at Monclair's. It was then onto Gowrie Park via Railton where Kate and Guy Thomson, Lessees of the Old Black Stump Restaurant and Function Centre gave us a friendly

and warm welcome on arrival together with the warmth from a big roaring wood heater.

All thoroughly enjoyed the roast meal which was choice of either



pork with crackle or lamb (with crackle)! And the accompanying roasted vegies. Dessert was a choice of Sticky Date Pudding or Crème Brulee.



Clockwise from top left:

Terry Jeffrey;

Terry Jeffrey, Ruth & Wayne Jessup, Margaret Wood

Ruth Jessup, Margaret Wood, Dawn Irving and Judy Wright at back

October Dinner Meeting – Bass and Flinders Motel, Ulverstone - Thursday 10th October from 6 pm.

Sunday 13th October - Early Morning Breakfast run to Sheffield - Meet at Bunnings car park 8.30 am. We will enjoy a run through the country side for approx. an hour – ending with a continental breakfast at the end destination. (private home). To date we have 9 members indicating they will participate in this run - more will be welcomed.

Sunday 20th October – We are joining Frank Brooks and the northern group for a run to the Great Lakes and surrounds. As there is a limit on the numbers the Chalet can accommodate for lunch our numbers for the North West have been limited. Should you still wish to participate in this run and have not indicated to date please contact Terry J. The North West members **will depart** from Bunnings car park Devonport at **9.45am**. We will gather for coffee at Deloraine and then join the Northern group for the remainder of the journey.

Thursday 7th November Coffee / Lunch Run to the Blue Berry Coffee House at Frankford – depart from Bunnings car park, Devonport 10 am.

November Dinner Meeting – Bass and Flinders Motel, Ulverstone - Thursday 14th November from 6 pm

2019 Concours/AGM/Presentation Dinner /Farewell Breakfast – 22 to 24 November.

Keep this weekend free to participate in the weekend activities. Full details re registration and event venues elsewhere in magazine.

Early registration would be appreciated

Help from members will be required over the weekend's activities to achieve a successful event.

December Christmas Dinner Meeting has been changed to **Saturday Night 14th December from 6.30 pm** at the Bass and Flinders Motel, Ulverstone.

TJ's Humour for Month of October

Mick at the bar drinking noticed his fellow mate was wearing only one thong! "Did you lose a thong mate?" "No," he replied "I found one"!

TC – Terry (Jeffrey) - NW Co-ordinator

Mob: 0417 344 369

Email: northwest-coord@mgtas.org.au

Notice of Annual General Meeting

MG Car Club of TAS INC

The Annual General Meeting of MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc. (MGCCT) will be held on Saturday 23rd November 2019, commencing at 3.00 PM, at Bass & Flinders Motor Inn 45-51 Eastlands Drive, Ulverstone,

AGENDA

1. Apologies and Proxy Votes
2. Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting
3. Business arising
4. Chairman's Report
5. Treasures Report
6. General Business
7. Election of committee (all positions, with the exemption of Immediate Past President, are deemed vacant)

NOMINATION FORM

We (Name of Proposer) And
..... (Name of Seconder) Being financial members of
MGCCT hereby nominate, for the position of
..... Signed:
(Proposer) (Seconder)

ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION

I (Name of Nominee) Being a financial member
of MGCCT accept the above nomination. Signed:
(Nominee)

PROXY VOTING FORM

I being a financial member of MGCCT hereby
appointto vote on my behalf at the AGM on 23rd
November 2019

Signed:

Notice of Annual Area Meeting (Northern Sub Centre)

The Annual Area Meeting of MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc. (MGCCT), Northern Sub Centre, will be held at the Veteran Car Club of Australia (VCCA) Clubrooms, 75 Lawrence Vale Road Launceston, on Wednesday 30th October 2019 commencing at 7.30 PM

AGENDA

Apologies and Proxy votes

Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting to be read and confirmed.

Business Arising:

Chairman’s Report:

Treasurer’s Report:

General Business:

Election of Officers: All positions deemed vacant.

- Chairman
- Secretary
- Treasurer:
- Four (4) Committee positions

Close of Meeting.

A brief meeting of new Executive and committee will be held following AGM.

All Members welcome

Wes Saunders

Secretary

NOMINATION FORM

We (Name of Proposer) And
..... (Name of Seconder) being financial members of
MGCCT hereby nominate, for the position of
.....

Signed: (Proposer)
(Seconder)

ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION

I (Name of Nominee) Being a financial member
of MGCCT accept the above nomination.

Signed: (Nominee)

PROXY VOTING FORM

I being a financial member of MGCCT hereby appoint
.....to vote on my behalf at the AAM Wednesday 30th
October 2019

Signed:

Notice of Annual Area Meeting (Southern Sub Centre)

The Annual Area Meeting of MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc. (MGCCT), Southern Sub Section will be held at the Civic Club, Davey St Hobart, on Tuesday 22nd October 2019 commencing at 8.30 PM

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Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting to be read and confirmed.

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Chairman’s Report:

Treasurer’s Report:

General Business:

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- Chairman
- Secretary
- Treasurer:
- Four (4) Committee positions

Close of Meeting.

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..... (Name of Seconder) Being financial members of
MGCCT hereby nominate, for the position of
.....
Signed: (Proposer)
(Seconder)

ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION

I (Name of Nominee) Being a financial member
of MGCCT accept the above nomination.
Signed: (Nominee)

PROXY VOTING FORM

I being a financial member of MGCCT herby appoint
.....to vote on my behalf at the AAM Tuesday October 22nd
Signed:

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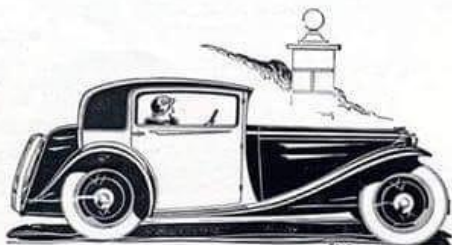


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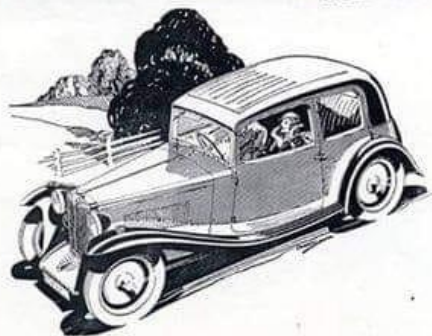
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MG TYme and Pre-War MG Register Gathering

Commencing in 2010, MG Car Club Canberra has hosted a biennial social event to celebrate the T and Y Types. Known as MG TYme, it has been a successful gathering enjoyed by many MG enthusiasts. An MG TYme event would normally have been planned for 2020, but a decision has recently been made to postpone the next MG TYme until 2021. The reason is that MG Car Club Canberra has agreed to a request to also host the Pre-War MG Register of Australia's biennial rally in 2021. The two events will be run concurrently in 2021.

Both events have similar social-oriented formats, and the Canberra Club hopes that they will have great appeal to all owners of Pre-War, T and Y Type MGs. Canberra is accessible, has ideal venues, and will offer a warm welcome to all visitors. Tentative planning indicates that the events will be run over a long-weekend in early to mid-October 2021. This timing will coincide with Canberra's Floriade festival and the spring weather. So, the message to all pre-56 MG owners is watch this space, and make sure that you have October 2021 pencilled in your diary.



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SOUTHERN NOTES

PAST EVENTS

Southern Mid Week Group



With a perfect spring day approximately 50 of us set out from South Hobart on a run through Taroon, over the Bonnet to Kingston and on to Howden. Meeting the highway at Margate we turned off again at Oyster Cove to traverse the well known Targa Stage and on to Cygnet.

Cygnet was famous for its three hotels known locally as the bottom, middle and top pubs. We visited

the bottom pub a few year's ago for lunch, the middle pub has closed so this time it was the top pub for lunch. Originally built in the early 1900s as the Imperial Hotel it still is an imposing sight on the way out of town. *(Story & Photos; Phil Rollins)*

Good afternoon to all car enthusiasts,

Many thanks to Lyn Cengia and Wal Van Schie for arranging the August and September drives respectively. I have heard they were amazing and very well attended. I'm hoping this month is the same with the warmer weather.

Remaining drives for 2019 (the first Wednesday of the month) are,

November – Wednesday 6th (to be arranged by Phil Rollins)

December – Wednesday 4th Christmas lunch (usually a bit more expensive than the usual)

Cheers for now,

Wayne (white MGA)

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Photos: David Bantoft. Story Phil Rollins

Please advise me if you know others who may be interested or alternatively if you wish to be deleted from the distribution list.

COMING EVENTS

20th October – Run to Dover RSL. Departing the Civic Club at 10.00am sharp. *For further information please contact Stephen Huntley: 0428 127 932*

22nd October – **Southern Sub-Centre Annual Area Meeting.** Time to put your hand up if you want a say in the direction of the Club. Commencing at 8.30 at the Civic Club in place of the normal Tuesday meeting.

For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0362 391 341

22-24 November – State Concours/AGM/Dinner, Ulverstone. Refer to details elsewhere in the magazine.

10th December – Christmas BBQ at the Civic Club. Activities will commence at 6.00pm. Cooking again by our renowned chefs and hopefully help again from the ladies for dessert (Di Leeson will co-ordinate). Lucky door prizes.



MEMBER PROFILE Greg Bannon

I bought my first MG at the age of 17, this was a Maroon ZA Magnette which I was to later have painted an orange colour but I found keeping this car going required more money than an apprentice could afford so it was retired to my father's barn then maybe in 1972 it was spotted by a keen eyed and well known car club member from Launceston.(he has owned a Brown MG) This car was later owned by Southern member Barry Holman and I believe was successfully campaigned.

In 1974 an early B (pull out door handles) was purchased, quickly sold then in 1976 an Indigo Blue MK2 was purchased. It was with this car that I joined the MGCCT and became a member sometime prior to the 1978 Perth National Meeting. Back then the NW Sub Centre was meeting weekly and usually at the Forth Hotel.

The Ballarat National Meeting in 1979 was the first of many that Margaret and I attended and if my memory serves me correctly a barrel of beer was taken by the Tasmanians to that meeting and on the night of the presentation dinner it was rolled in the door and tapped in the Tassy corner.

Maybe it was in 1979 that we purchased a stunning 1968 Tartan Red MK2 BGT with only 29000 miles on it , this car won the State Concours and a first in class placing at the Adelaide National Meeting in 1981, this is the car now owned by Robin and Julie Wilmot. Around 1980 two Magnettes were purchased with one being our everyday driver (later owned by the late David Cooper) , the other was purchased from Ross Story and converted to a sports sedan ??? (I'll come back to this)

Through much of the 80s I was a CAMS steward and being given quite a few all night car rally's really wasn't much fun so off to Launceston to the CAMS office I'd go to resign only to be met by a very stern and forceful lady, the late Enid Baker, usually after a brief discussion I'd walk out the door with my tail down and another three months work. In 1990 we purchased another BGT (an ex Phil Tilley car) from Marie Dungie and immediately set about converting it to a V8 the entering Targa Tasmania twice and competing in maybe six Rally Tasmania events with friend Igor Van Gerwen as my navigator, this car has given so much pleasure to not only myself but our son and I cannot ever see us parting with it.

Back to the Magnette Sports Sedan or whatever it was. I cannot recall who did suggest that a race car should be made out of it but I would think it was either the late Arthur Twining or Gary Rayner, anyway it was converted to a lightweight mid-engine car sitting on ten inch slick tyres and was built using wheel scales to balance the car. Gary Rayner's input to not only this car but our Black BGT has been huge and the pleasure and success I have had would not have come without Gary's input.

Our last B was purchased from Heather and Geoff Dodge some thirteen years ago. As I have mentioned before joining the MGCCT certainly did open up a whole new world to us.

Greg Bannon

Photos from Greg Bannon



MG R TYPE



Introduced 1935 Number built - 10

Originally known as EX 146, the R type Midget was quite revolutionary. This new MG was the first British car to feature all-round independent suspension, as well as being the first MG to be offered for sale built as a single seater racing car. The engine and gearbox were virtually identical to the Q-type racing car, although close ratio gears were used in the preselector gearbox. A Zoller supercharger, was employed as on the Q type compressing to 24psi.

The suspension and chassis were the really far-reaching aspects of the

design. The suspension was by torsion bars with Luvax hydraulic shock absorbers. Steering was unique to the R type made by Cam Gears of Luton, which employed two gears driven by a single gear on the steering column. These gears were “keyed” directly onto the arm of each side of the car which relayed movement of the steering wheel to right and left-hand front wheel independently.

Another major change was to adopt Girling brakes, in place of the Alford & Alder systems used previously although the actual operation was still by cables. The gear change selector was placed to the left of the steering column under the steering wheel in the position this control is more commonly found, and enabled the driver to select gears without removing his hand from the steering wheel. Many gauges adorned the dashboard, with tachometer, water and oil thermometers, oil pressure gauge, and fuel pressure and supercharger boost pressure gauges. A very attractive single seat body graced the car with a full cowl to cover the radiator and supercharger, with a distinctive MG grille on the front.

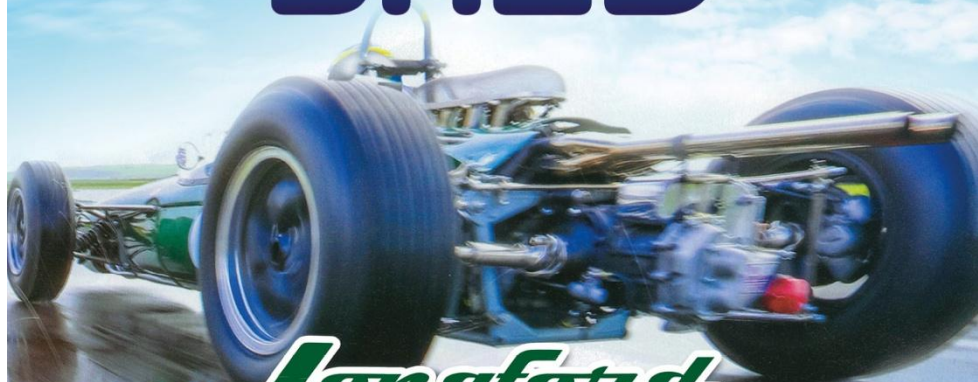
The car came equipped with the double Brooklands exhaust system and like the Q-type it was hardly a silencing device! The new model featuring the chassis, and called the R-type, was announced to the world in the April of 1935, and cars were immediately available for customers to use in the International Trophy Race at Brooklands. Priced at £795, the car offered fantastic value and the first nine of cars were sold as soon as the model was announced with the well known Captain George Eyston alone placing an order for three cars.

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Flying Past: *MG World: October 2003 by Neil Cairns*

It was one of the most complex projects ever undertaken by the MG factory at Abingdon, yet this rarest of machines has been all but forgotten by the MG community.

Picture the scene. It's late in the afternoon on a warm and quintessentially summer day. The date is 1942-the middle stages of World War II-and the characteristic sound of radial cylinder engines can be heard in the distance as a squadron of light bombers returns from the day's mission over enemy territory.

The first aircraft lands safely, and the pilot taxis into the airfield's designated holding area. He cuts the engines and, as the other three crew members vacate the cockpit and the two big air screws windmill lazily to a halt, the ground crew slides the all important chocks in around the main landing wheels.

The air crew-bomb aimer, gunner and navigator-saunter across the concrete with the confidence that belies both their youth and the extraordinary dangers they face almost daily. Deferentially they wait for their pilot, and then all four squeeze into his little MG TA, waiting patiently for them on the nearby grass, before speeding off to yet another debriefing.

What may have been the skills of that pilot- and we can assume that they were considerable-he wouldn't have known on that far off day that he was in command of one of the rarest MGs ever built. And he certainly wouldn't have known that, within little more than sixty years, only two would remain the UK-and then only in pieces, awaiting restoration.

This now ultra rare model was one of the fastest MGs ever built at Abingdon. It was large, too. It was powered by two huge fourteen cylinder engines giving a total of about 3200hp, and these drank high octane aviation fuel at an astronomical rate-by the standards of more conventional MGs, anyway.

Its performance was predictably impressive. Even when fully loaded and turning the scales at a massive 36, 599lb, it could accelerate from standstill to 60mph in just six seconds and, on the flat, it could reach no less than 265mph. Perhaps not surprisingly it was one of the most intricate of assemblies, too. Each took around 3500 man hours to build, and reportedly made little, if any, profit for the company.

Indeed, the complex political intrigue within the Nuffield organisation involving this model led in part to the dismissal of the firm's managing director, Cecil Kimber. Kimber had obtained the contract for this model from a contact, one John Howlett, without permission of the autocratic Lord Nuffield.

Actually, to call this unusual machine an MG isn't strictly accurate. It was, in fact, an Armstrong Whitworth Albermarle, a twin engined light bomber aircraft. The front section of the fuselage was built up by the MG car workers at Abingdon. It was they who dubbed the finished aircraft the "Marble".

MG became the sole supplier of the front fuselage section of this aircraft because its proven expertise had solved a number of problems that others could not. The hapless Kimber had become somewhat fed up with waiting for the Nuffield management to allocate his factory any was work, so he went out and sourced some himself.

Because of the possible effects of bombing a single factory responsible for assembling any one aircraft, the War Office had asked the companies concerned to engage outlying firms to build various parts, thus spreading the risks; this was the system of so-called shadow factories. This also made it possible to use the expertise of many engineering firms that had closed down their normal peace time production.

It did, however, create the problem of items requiring to be transported long distances to the ‘mother’ factory. MG had produced its last car in September 1939, storing any remaining parts at a nearby disused clothing factory.

MG at Abingdon was to build the ‘G1’ section of the Albermarle-the main front end, including the cockpit and nose-wheel-storage compartment. Aircraft in those days were still, to put it simply, part-vintage and part-modern. Some areas featured a highly stressed skin, but other parts relied on a light weight frame covered in fabric.

Due to a quirk of the production technique and requirements for this model, every part was inspected prior to assembly, and had the inspector’s identity either stamped or printed on it. This would begin with the prefix ‘MVG’ for the Abingdon assembly plant, so identifying the origin of any component is pretty easy.

The Albermarle was designed to have its frames built from steel and wood, in order to save on expensive aluminium. The cockpit was assembled from stainless steel tubing-essentially a mass of small steel tubes and intricate plates with aluminium-alloy sheet riveted on, and fabric as the skin.

To this was bolted the pilot’s, co-pilot’s and observer’s seats, instruments and control gear. Other parts of the same aircraft were being built at other locations, all eventually to be transported to Brockworth airfield in Gloucestershire for final assembly.

Wilsom McComb describes the production of the MG Marble at Abingdon in the seminal book *MG by McComb*. It seems that MG had taken on a difficult assembly job, and one which, once complete, also required rigorous testing of its systems, Jigs and fixtures had to be made in the toolroom from scratch, as well as test and inspection equipment. Suddenly, MG was very busy indeed.

Two MG employees, Giles Hoyle and Bill Bulcock, went down in aviation history for successfully making a test-rig for the complex electrical components of the Marble. The entire aircraft industry subsequently adopted their innovative system.

Alongside the Albermarle, MG was building interchangeable mounting s for the Rolls Royce Merlin engine for use in the Lancashire bomber, and also wing spans for the Tempest fighter.

The last two remaining nose sections of the MG Marble, the Albermarle, are being restored by David Stansfield of Burnley, Lancashire, and thanks go to John Lawson for some of the research for this article.

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Date	Event	Meet At....	Coordinator
Sun 20 th Oct	Great Lake Run N & NW	Motor Museum/ Bunnings Devonport	Frank Brooks/Terry Jeffrey
Sun 20 th Oct	SSC Dover RSL SSC	Civic Club	Stephen Huntley
Tues 22 nd Oct	SSC Annual Area Meeting	Civic Club	
Fri 25th Oct	Coffee Run NSC	Motor Museum	Wes Saunders
Wed 30 th Oct	NSC Annual Area Meeting	VCCT Club Rooms	
Mon Nov 4 th	Ulverstone Car Show N & NW	Motor Museum	Mark Dilger
Thurs 7th Nov	Coffee/Lunch Run Blueberry Cafe. NW	Bunnings D'Port	Terry Jeffrey
Wed 13 th Nov	Evening Run/Meal NSC	Motor Museum	Andrew Merry
Thurs 14 th Nov	Dinner Meeting NW	Bass & Flinders, Ulverstone	Terry Jeffrey
Nov 22-24	State Concours/AGM/Dinner	Ulverstone	Terry Jeffrey
Nov 29th	Coffee Run NSC	Motor Museum	Mark Dilger
Sun Dec 8 th	Shannons Toy Run		
Tues 10 th Dec	Christmas BBQ SSC	Civic Club	
Sat 14 th Dec	Christmas Dinner Meeting NW	Bass & Flinders, Ulverstone	Terry Jeffrey
Sun 15 th Dec	NSC & NW Christmas Party Deloraine		
Fri 20th Dec	Coffee Run NSC	Motor Museum	Frank Brooks
Sun 19 th Jan	Carrick House BBQ NSC	Motor Museum	Chester McCaige

COMING COMPETITION EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
Sun Nov 3rd	Club Day MGCCT/MCCT	Baskerville

SQUARE RIGGER NOTES

All Pre War, T and Y Type MGs.

Club history and the characters and cars that establish that culture is of course a long time progression, here now some pics from more recent decades, cars not so 'every day' but still seen on occasions. A pair of TCs, both quite immaculate, the red TC4029 of John Kingshott fully restored some 20 years back and TC5547 of Alan Eastoe now for sale. Collin Dean's TF8883 restored by the owner using locally made hood far superior to imports and TD29410 of Brian Cullen, a late production TD of long ownership.



Photos also from the last decade or two, this red TD6624 of Ted Calvert has long Club history, restored by Bob Jones way back and equally recognised within the Club, Allan McKenzie's TF6308 goes back to Heather Dodge and the late Arthur Twining, both great stalwarts of the Club.

Square Rigger events ahead: 20 October run to Great Lake with the N Subcentre and the extended run commencing Sunday November 24 following the Concours w/e farewell breakfast from Ulverstone.

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