

# MG Monthly Motoring News

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Novel signs at Puddle Duck Vineyard



Herby getting a push start

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St Kilda MGA’s – Go the Saints

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## A Chat with Greg Ellis

The legendary Greg Ellis will be well known to many members of the Tasmanian MG Car Club. He joined as an inaugural member in 1959, had a break for his children's school activities and sports, then re-joined the Club in the early 2000's.

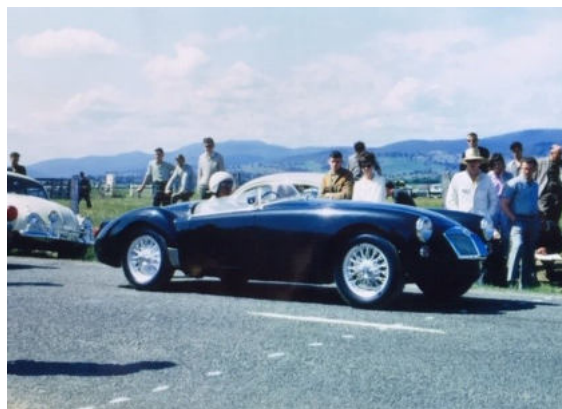
Greg's interest in cars and speed stemmed from his father who raced motor bikes. Greg has had many every day cars but the cars he remembers fondly and treasured are the Ford Anglia Tourer (his first car), Morris Minor 1000, Austin Healey Sprite, MGA 1600, MG 1300 and Jaguar Mark V. Greg owned the last three of these simultaneously, but his wife Carol said one had to go and Greg wisely (albeit reluctantly) sold the MG 1300 (pictured below).



Motor Sports records of the early 1960's reveal the often mentioned name of Greg Ellis and, more particularly, a pace setting Morris Minor 1000 ..... a potent Minor which left a solid mark on the motor racing scene. Greg had his first race at Baskerville in 1959, and the first competition at Grass Tree Hill in January 1960.



The 1963-1964 racing seasons saw Greg behind the wheel of an equally potent Austin Healey Sprite, which untuned finished 8<sup>th</sup> in the Baskerville Sports Car Championship.



Greg is best known for driving his historic MGA. In the early 1960's Greg competed in his brother Peter's MGA, perhaps the State's most reliable and consistent place gaining MG. In many years of solid competition the MGA never failed to finish a race due to mechanical failure. Greg's mechanical skills are widely acknowledged and I know first-hand that what Greg doesn't know about MGA's isn't worth while knowing.

MGA pictured at Richmond (Standing Quarter)

Peter bought the MGA new in December 1960. What many of you will not know, was the car was Carnation Red but within 12 months Peter had it resprayed British Racing Green. In 1962, Greg competed in the Standing Quarter at Richmond and raced at Longford and Baskerville from 1963-1966. In 1966, Greg raced the car at Longford racing 23 laps (103 miles) coming second to a Porsche. Peter then retired the MGA from racing and stored it under his house for some 35 years. Greg, hooked on car racing, eventually bought the car from his brother who had kept the car fully registered (although unused) for those 35 years! Greg readied the car for racing in time for the First Historic Meeting at Baskerville in 2009.

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Greg has a collection of photographs, memorabilia, handwritten records and notes, and is understandably proud of his racing times and achievements. In 1960, Greg had a 1 minute 19 second lap time at Baskerville and amazingly had very comparable lap times some 45 years later, although he was quick to point out the course layout had been changed. A recorded speed of 100 mph at Longford Revived was another triumph, whilst in 1966 at Longford the MGA was clocked at 111 mph - Greg said it was doing 7000 rpm in top gear and still accelerating. This must have been scary as the speed was achieved with standard tyres and no roll bar. Greg was 27 years old and it was 'pure adrenaline as he had no fear in those days'.

Greg has always been a passionate car enthusiast and is a regular attendee at many classic car and MG Car Club events in either his historic 1960 MGA 1600 or his classic 1949 Jaguar Mark V which he has owned for 4 years.



Wayne Goninon

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## President's Report

I am now sitting down to write my penultimate president report for our magazine.

The major issue confronting us this month is the elections in both the subcentres and our State Committee.

The club needs a guiding hand just to keep proceedings on track ensure that the various requirements that dictate our activities these days are adhered too.

The positions are not arduous but as an incorporated body we need to have all positions filled annually to meet the regularity requirements set out in our constitution.

The State Committee is still looking to fill the Secretary and Vice President positions so if you would like to nominate for either position you will be given all the help that you need to undertake the duties and you would be making a valuable contribution to the smooth running of our club.

The other club undertaking for the month of October is the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Symmons Plains with the running of Round 4 of the Tasmania Racing Drivers Championship on 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of October 2020.

This meeting will be the last championship meeting run by this MG Race Committee due to the change in the committee's availability in the future and without anyone to take over the running of local race meetings for next year I'm not sure what the future holds at this time.

We then have the annual Concours and AGM in Launceston and arrangements are well on the way and from the planning I have seen to date I am looking forward to a great weekend.

The committee has been able to secure the National Auto Museum of Tasmania site for our concours display so whilst there take to opportunity to have a look at this nationally acclaimed show piece and you will be in for a pleasant surprise as it is a first class facility that we have in Tasmania.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Concours weekend.

Cheers  
Mark Dilger  
President



## **Secretary's Report**

From the State Committee Meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> October ( 753 )

### **Trophy Display Cabinet.**

R Wilmot has found a fully enclosed display cabinet to hold the shields and trophy's held at the Civic Club. The cabinet measures 800 x 400 x 1900 high. Robin can now proceed with the purchase.

### **2021 State Committee Meetings.**

Following on from the success of using Zoom for the all States President's Meetings our State Committee has decided to use this system for some meetings next year.

### **Easter Saturday 2021.**

Following on from last months report a one day event will be held at Symmons Plains on Easter Saturday. As mentioned it will most likely be a Concours and Motorkhana with the idea of circuit sprints being dropped. Suggested was a spit roast at the end of the day with trophy presentations.

**State Committee Members badges to be handed to B Zuber prior to the AGM.**

## **Ed Says**

I make no apology for the cover this month, there are many of us poor St Kilda supporters who have had many disappointments over the years. But 3 MGA's displayed in the club colours is definitely not one of them.

For all members who are planning to attend the Annual Events weekend, please note the change in venues, times and RSVP times. Also when you need to make payment by and whom too.

See you at the AGM

Ed

## Membership Report

This month we welcome five new members,

Rudy Van Der Korput and Jenny Zautsen, (North West)

Rudy owns a MGB Roadster and they are interested in gardening, bushwalks and social outings.

Andrew Hayhurst (Southern)

Andrew owns a Commodore SS and is interested in competition.

Terrance and Katinka Hudman (Northern)

The Hudman's own a Royale Sabre and are interested in all aspects of the club.

We hope these new members enjoy many club arranged events.

Wayne Jessup

Membership Officer

MG Car Club of Tasmania

## Life Members

01	Joe Paul (dec)	1969	09	Robin Wilmot	1998
02	Bob Moore (dec)	1974	10	Bill Griffiths	2007
03	Arthur Twining (dec)	1976	11	Tony Gurnhill	2009
04	Ian Wade	1984	12	Cheryl Gurnhill	2013
05	Terry Atkinson	1984	13	Greg Bannon	2013
06	Dennis Burgess	1984	14	Bronwyn Zuber	2013
07	Chris Ellis (dec)	1985	15	Craig Twining	2014
08	John Sluce (dec)	1994	16	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](http://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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Vehicle Club registration allows members of a recognised car club (approved by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles) to use their vehicle in either a club sanctioned event or for general use 30 days outside of club events. These vehicles attract a reduced rate of registration and third party insurance.

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## **MGCCT Concourse, Annual Dinner 2020**

Due to the Covid regulations, we have had to modify some of the activities. Concourse to be held at the National Automobile Museum to be held on the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

Dinner, Golf Club, Riverside, has been renegotiated and achieved a better price \$50.00 per head – 2 course meal including pre dinner nibbles.

Breakfast at the Tail Race (Riverside) – Free.

Starts 9.00 am on the 8<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

### **We need to know names and the number for:**

Concourse names and vehicle make, model and year.

Names and number attending the Dinner.

Names and number attending the breakfast.

**By 14<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

This is a booked event and we will be unable to change bookings after the closing date.

Please NOTE: If we are not able to get more than 30 people for the dinner it will have to be cancelled (Dinner only).

**Please RSVP to John Biggelaar by message to 0408125199 with the above information.**

**And if you are willing to be a judge and which class you would prefer.**

### **Please pay for the Dinner by :-**

Cheques can be posted to:     Treasurer – Northern Section  
  MG Car Club of Tasmania  
  PO Box 682, Launceston, Tasmania 7250.

Direct Deposit can be made to: Commonwealth Bank

BSB: 067 002

Account No 1037 3830

Reference: Dinner Plus your Surname.

**By 14<sup>th</sup> October 2020 to ensure a secure booking**

Thankyou for your understanding and assistance.

John Biggelaar.

# MG CAR CLUB OF TASMANIA STATE CONCOURS 2020

**7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**



**Concours, 9.30am - National Automobile Museum  
84 Lindsay Street ,Invermay**

**AGM Silo Hotel - 89 Lindsay Street, Invermay**

**Presentation Dinner at Riverside Golf Club 6 for 6:30**

**Recovery Breakfast Sunday 9:00 Tailrace Park Riverside**

For more information refer to September/October Newsletter or Andrew Merry 0408 331 612

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<b>Southern Sub Centre Meeting</b>	Meet every Tuesday night at 8pm Civic Club, 134 Davey Street, Hobart	
<b>Postal Address</b>	GPO Box 5, Hobart, Tas, 7001	

## **Southern Notes**

### **PAST EVENTS**

#### **13<sup>th</sup> September – The Huntington Tavern, Kempton**

24 people in 16 cars set out from the Civic Club at 10am on a beautiful spring morning. Herby Burgess distinguished himself by being on time, but then needed a push to get under way. We headed over the Tasman Bridge and drove on to Cambridge via Warrane, Mornington and Tunnel Hill. We then travelled along Richmond Rd (at a very sedate pace as we passed a motorist who had been pulled over and was getting ‘the talk’ from one of the boys in blue) to Puddleduck Vineyard for morning tea. Despite being busy the staff was quick to provide us with drinks and fudge in a lovely setting next to the dam. Some of the ladies had time for a quick browse and the odd purchase at the gift shop before we gave Herby another push and headed north for a very scenic drive through Richmond, Campania and Colebrook.



The Coal River valley was as lush and green and Craighourne Dam as full as any of us had seen for many years. After enjoying the twisty bits as we climbed out of Colebrook, we cruised through to the Midland Highway and headed south to Kempton, where we were greeted by Chris and Vicki and Zube who had missed the run due to other commitments in the morning, but joined us for lunch. Host Nick and his staff provided us with friendly service and an excellent meal, with the scallops being very popular. With gathering black clouds and a forecast of rain for later in the afternoon and only carrying

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the tonneau on his MGB, Herby decided to head off a little early. Receiving perhaps a little ribbing, a few of us headed out to give him yet another push, but Herby had the last laugh as the B fired perfectly first turn of the key.



A very enjoyable day and a venue that we will visit again.



**COMING EVENTS**

**17/18/19<sup>th</sup> October – “Predominately Britain Burra car Show”** with Tony and Cheryl Gurnhill. This is an overnight stay at the Eastcoaster. Southern members to meet at Civic Club for an 11.00am departure. Coffee at the Buckland Roadhouse and a fish and chip lunch at the Fish Van on the esplanade at Triabunna. Plan for arrival at 3.30pm at our destination. Further details elsewhere in the magazine.

**20<sup>th</sup> October – Southern Sub-Centre AAM.** Commencing at 8.15 pm at the Civic Club in place of the normal Tuesday meeting.

**1<sup>st</sup> November – 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 296 006*

**4<sup>th</sup> November – Wayne Goninon’s mid-week run.**

These runs 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. Remaining run is 2<sup>nd</sup> December. *For further information please contact Wayne Goninon: 0408 388 881*

**7-8<sup>th</sup> November – Concours Weekend.** This is being organised by the Northern Sub-Centre this year. For details refer “Northern Notes” elsewhere in the magazine.

**29<sup>th</sup> November – Bush Inn, New Norfolk:** Meet at the Civic Club for a 10am departure on a drive along the East Bank for coffee at the Brighton Bakehouse. Then on to New Norfolk via a route you might never have driven before. It includes 12 km of good gravel road and you will be rewarded with a spectacular rural drive and the possibility of hearing banjo music.

For those who don’t like the sound of banjos we offer a much more travelled, less interesting, route from the coffee break.

A 2-course lunch option for \$25 is available, or order from the main menu.

*For further information contact Kevin McGuire 0409 315 014*

**15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas BBQ.** Civic Club. Stephen Huntley and Bob Leeson are the chefs. Activities will commence at 6pm. Lucky door prizes. Di Leeson will again co-ordinate desserts. *For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0438 055 199.*

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**10<sup>th</sup> January – Gordon Jetty BBQ.** Some food supplied, BYO drinks. Departing the Civic Club at 10.00am. *For further information please contact Stephen Huntley: 0428 127 932*

**14<sup>th</sup> February – The Cannery, Dunalley.** Departing the Civic Club at 10.00am. Details to follow. *For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296 006*

**14<sup>th</sup> March** – Day trip to “The Wall in the Wilderness”. **Depart Civic Club at 9.00am.** BYO BBQ at Tarraleah or local cafes for lunch. Possible Devonshire Tea at Glen Derwent on the way. *For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0438 055 199.*

? **April – My Slice of Pie.** Details to be confirmed

Bob Leeson

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## **Car Enthusiasts – Mid Week Run**

With a record 83 persons for a non-December/Christmas drive in 47 diverse cars, the car enthusiasts meandered over the Tasman Bridge, taking the new slip road to Richmond, before heading over the windy and hilly Grasstree Hill Road then over the Bowen Bridge before arriving at the Best Western Balmoral Inn. A few commented the drive wasn't long enough so this will be rectified in October.

Most of the attendees had never been to the Balmoral Inn although they'd been passing by for years! We weren't let down with a quality two course meal and coffee, wonderful service to be done and dusted in record time. No complaints whatsoever, and many complimentary emails which I've forwarded to the owners who have been doing it tough during Covid. Thanks to David Bantoft and others for the pics.

**Remaining drives for 2020** (always the first Wednesday of the month) are,  
**October – Wednesday 7th**  
**November – Wednesday 4th**  
**December – Wednesday 2nd**

Cheers for now,  
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## Notice of Annual General Meeting

### **MG Car Club of Tas Inc**

The Annual General Meeting of the MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc. (MGCCT), will be held at the Silo Hotel, 89 Lindsay St, Invermay on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2020** commencing at 2.00pm.

### **AGENDA**

1. Apologies and Proxy Votes
2. Minutes of Previous AGM
3. Business Arising
4. President's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. General Business
7. Election of Committee

### **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 AGM on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2016** at 3.00pm

Signed: .....

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<b>Northern Sub Centre Meeting</b>	Committee meeting and social night: Last Wednesday night of the month at 7.30pm VCCA Rooms 67 Lawrence Vale Rd, Launceston	
<b>Postal Address</b>	PO Box 682, Launceston, Tas, 7250	
<b>North West</b>	Meets Second Thursday night of the month: 6.00pm for meal and social evening. Bass & Flinders Motel, Ulverstone	



## **Northern Notes**

### **LIFFEY VALLEY MARKET/LUNCH RUN**

On Saturday September 12, 20 members left the club rooms, collected 6 more members at Carrick before proceeding to Bishopsbourne through to Bracknell and on to the Liffey Valley Market where we were met by 3 members from the NW club. As organisers we were in fear and trepidation that the day would bring heavy rain but after a mildly wet morning in Launceston we enjoyed the dry run to Liffey and were very fortunate that the rain stayed away whilst at the market and the run to Westbury. And that was very fortunate for Mr Harper as he had only just read 'how to correctly stow the hood with the hood cover' on and didn't want to undo all his good work so the hood stayed down and he was certainly going to be in the dog box if it had rained! Daffodils were in full bloom in many paddocks and along the roadside and lots of lambs were seen happily frolicking, and the mountains in the distance added to the scenery.

There were ample stalls to purchase some local produce - Whisky Marmalade, Liffey Valley Bush Honey, cakes, slices, jams, sauces, and more from Michael's larder, Bob Brown was in attendance promoting Val Whatley's watercolour book, bags of sheep manure, bulbs, plants and flowers, and garlic cloves the size of golf balls and lots more. Devonshire Teas were served in the old school with lashings of jam and cream, along with a sausage sizzle provided outside. Great interest was shown by the locals who had come to see our cars on display and many comments were made re the naming of the toilets - 'Dave and Mabel'. I (Liz) lived in Liffey from age 8 -15 and attended Bracknell School. I must say, while living in Liffey I didn't appreciate the beauty of the place, especially the drive from Launceston and the route we took showcasing the Western Tiers in the distance and the Liffey Valley nestled under Dry's Bluff. Midday approached and we assembled to drive through Cluan to Westbury where we were met by 6 more members who joined us for a very enjoyable lunch and more fun, fellowship and lots of laughter. The committee members that oversee the upkeep of the old school were very appreciative of our visit and would like to have us back again in the New Year. Proceeds from the sale of items go back into the upkeep of the Liffey State School (est 1885) and the surrounding grounds which include picnic tables and plaques in memory of pupils who attended the school and enlisted in WW1, some returned, some were not so fortunate.



Cars at the Liffey Market





NSC Members enjoying lunch at the Westbury Hotel

**Up Coming events:**

**Wed Oct 14<sup>th</sup>** Dinner M. Dilger. Entally Lodge, 6.00pm RSVP Mark by 7-10-20 by 0408271029.

**Weekend Oct 17-18-19<sup>th</sup>:** East Coast run Tony & Cheryl Gurnhill – All British Day. Meet at JJ's 10.00am Longford.  
Lunch Campbell Town 12.00 noon.

**Wed Oct 28<sup>th</sup>**-Meeting NSC at 7.30 all welcome.

**Fri Oct 30<sup>th</sup>** – Morning coffee run. J Biggelaar at Singapore Bakery Gravelly Beach by RSVP 26<sup>th</sup> Oct. 0408125199.

**Sat Nov 7<sup>th</sup>** - Concourse To be held at The National Automobile Museum  
Lindsay St Invermay,  
AGM held at Silo Hotel .  
Dinner at Golf Club Riverside 6.30pm.

**Sun Nov 8<sup>th</sup>** – 9.00 am, Breakfast at the Tailrace Park.

**Sun Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>**- Lunch run by R. Ashley-Jones (TBA)

**Fri Nov 27** coffee run Mark Dilger.

**Wed Dec 9<sup>th</sup>** midweek dinner M. Paine?

**Sun Dec 13<sup>th</sup>** Combined Christmas get together with North West. BYO food and drinks, picnic lunch, Santa Present marked Male & Female to the value of \$5.00 each, meet at Huntsmans Lake at 12.00 noon.

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RSVP Geraldine by 9th Dec. Ph 0400356314

**Fri Dec 18** coffee run F. Brooks?

Chester suggested a tour of 4 days around the State. Respondents please?

**Feb 9<sup>th</sup>** to 14<sup>th</sup> Canberra MG Club visit.

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## North West Notes

### **Past Events**

**September Dinner Meeting** – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>– Bass and Flinders Motor Inn – Ulverstone. 19 members attended.

**Coffee Run Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Sept to Round Hill Café , Cethana** – 14 members enjoy this run through the by roads to the Café at Cethana. Blue skies added to the country scenery enjoyed via route to Cethana. Members enjoyed coffee and breakfast or morning tea treats on offer served by the very friendly staff at Round Hill Café. We must return to this little café one day in the future.

**Run to Wynyard – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September.** 14 Members and their MG's took to the road for this outing.

First stop was a coffee break at the Beach Hut, Ulverstone. We then continued via the scenic highway to Penguin then Andrew and Sue-Anne Midgley led us into the byroads at the back of Penguin. A lovely drive through farm land at the back of Penguin/Burnie before meeting up with the Bass Highway again at Heybridge. We then continued along the highway to Wynyard and enjoyed lunch at the Wynyard Wharf Hotel.





**The BYO B'que with the Northern Group to Leven Canyon, Nieta** was cancelled owing to the anticipated bad weather. We hope we can re-schedule this outing next year when the weather hopefully will be settled.

### **Upcoming Events**

**October Dinner Meeting – Thursday 8th Oct from 6pm – Bass and Flinders Motor Inn – Ulverstone.**

**October 17/18/19 – Predominantly Britain Burra Car Show – East Coast of Tasmania.** Organised by Cheryl and Tony Gurnhill. See the monthly magazine for details re this event from the Gurnhill's.

***Those attending from the North West*** – we will leave Bunnings car park at 9.15 to meet up with the remainder of the group at 11.00am as per the information submitted in the August magazine by the Gurnhill's. This should allow us to get a coffee at Longford before we leave with the remainder at 11am for lunch at Campbell Town.

**Dates to Keep In Mind –**

**November – Sat, Sun 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> - Concours/AGM/Presentation Dinner and Farewell Breakfast.** Hosted by the Northern MG Car Club in Launceston. See **July Magazine page 20** for suggested accommodation options and brief program breakdown for the weekend activities.

**Reminder RSVP to John Biggelaar Mob: 0408125199 by the 14 October 2020** with your details if you are attending the Annual Dinner/Concours/Breakfast.

- ***Vehicle make, model and year – Concours***
- ***Names/Nos. attending Dinner***
- ***Names/Nos. attending Breakfast.***
- ***Dinner is \$50/head - Cheque or D/D as per information - page 13 September Magazine***

**Re Accommodation in Launceston** for the weekend. Andrew Midgley is organising a bulk booking for those interested. Please contact Andrew if interested Mob: 0458 949 881.

**November Dinner Meeting – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November from 6pm – Bass and Flinders Motor Inn – Ulverstone.**

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Coffee run to Villarett Gardens,** Railton Road Kimberley leaving Bunnings car park at 9.45 am. RSVP to me by Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** – Peter Richards has organised a **viewing of Peter Hawkins collection of old cars at his property in Turners Beach** and Mrs Hawkins has an extensive range of china MG ladies may find interesting if cars are not their 'thing'.

**Depart Bunnings Car Park at 9.45 am.** Coffee and drive on route arriving at Peters residence Turners Beach at approx 11.00 am. After the viewing we

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will have lunch at a nearby restaurant. RSVP to me by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Nov. for restaurant booking.

**December Christmas Dinner Meeting** Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December from 6pm at the Bass and Flinders Motor Inn, Ulverstone. Present for Santa to value of \$10 – marked M or F.

**Combined Christmas Picnic/B'bque with the Northern MG Car Club – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December** will be at Huntmans Lake Picnic ground (short distance from Meander) from 12 noon. Bring present for Santa to the value of \$5 – 10 each marked F or M.

**TC – Terry (Jeffrey) - NW Co-ordinator Mob: 0417 344 369 Email: northwest-coord@mgtas.org.au**

### **TJ's Humour for Month of October -**

**An GT6 pulled alongside a Rolls-Royce at the traffic lights.**

"Do you have a car phone?" its driver asked the man in the Rolls.

"Of course I do," was the haughty reply.

"Do you have a fax machine?"

The Rolls driver sighed. "I have that too."

"Do you have a double bed in the back?" the GT6 driver wanted to know.

Ashen-faced, the Rolls driver sped off.

That afternoon, he had a mechanic install a double bed in his car.

A week later, the Rolls driver passed the same GT6, parked on the side of the road with its back windows fogged up and steam pouring out. The arrogant driver pulled over, got out of the Rolls and banged on the GT6's rear window.

"I want you to know that I've had a double bed installed," bragged the Rolls driver.

The GT6 driver rolled his window down and frowned at the Rolls driver.

"You got me out of the shower to tell me that?"





## EastCoaster Weekend

Some of you have been seeking updates-where are we meeting etc. This is the plan at this stage, and hopefully there won't be any new Covid 19 restrictions that will enforce changes to this. We have been assured that at this stage the Car Show and the market will go ahead.

- For information on **accommodation** check the July magazine, (This is available on the car club webpage).
- The Saturday evening **meal** will be two courses, with choice of each course: \$40.00 per person

Breakfast on Sunday is available for \$18.00 continental or \$25.00 cooked.

Sunday night meal will be pizzas. \$22.00 to \$25.00

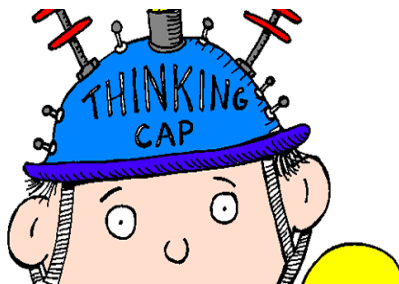
- The other meals will be by own arrangement. If you have special dietary requirements, please contact The Eastcoaster direct. 6257 1172, or [hello@eastcoastertasmania.com.au](mailto:hello@eastcoastertasmania.com.au)

On **Saturday we will meet** in Lyttleton St Longford to **leave** at 11.00 You will be given a "Spotto" quiz, plus route directions to follow. Lunch stop in Campbell Town; make your own arrangements-BYO or cafe etc. There are plenty of venue choices, plus the park for those who choose to BYO.

Leave at your leisure.

Following the evening meal, time to put on your thinking caps for a quiz.

- Prizes to die for will be awarded for the quiz and the "Spotto".





# The Village Triabunna & The Rover Car Club of Australia, Tasmanian Register will hold "The Predominantly From Britain To 'Bunna Car Show 2020"



The Annual Classic Car Show held at The Village Community Centre in Triabunna, is planned to be held, within the current COVID-19 guidelines.

Where: The Village 20 Melbourne Street Triabunna  
When: Sunday 18th October 2020  
9.30am-1.30pm,  
People's Choice Awards 1.00pm.

Appropriate COVID-19 Social Distancing and Hygiene to be followed.

The Triabunna Village: <http://triabunnavillage.com.au/>  
Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/VillageTriabunna>

Rover Car Club of Australia: <http://www.rovercarclubaust.asn.au/>

Phone: (03) 62577506/0488 047984

Contact Email: [webmaster@triabunnavillage.com.au](mailto:webmaster@triabunnavillage.com.au)





## **MGA Register Notes**



**October 2020**

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**Forthcoming Events:**

**MGCC OF TASMANIA STATE CONCOURS, DINNER & AGM – 7 & 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2020**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>**

Concours, 9.30am – National Automobile Museum, Lindsay St Invermay.

AGM held at Yacht Club 55, 7 Park St Launceston.

Presentation Dinner – 6 for 6.30pm at Riverside Golf Club

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>**

Recovery Breakfast - 8.30am Tailrace Park, Riverside

**Past Events:**

**MGA REGISTER RUN – SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020**



13 MGA's at Red Bridge

The MGCC of Tas – MGA Register's long awaited first Run to Campbell Town was finally held in perfect sunny conditions & saw a very healthy 13 MGA's representing all models 1500, 1600, 1600MkII & Twin Cam in both Roadster

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& Coupe variants. Representatives from all 3 Sub Centres converged on Zeps in the Main St of Campbell Town where we were treated to an ample menu served promptly by their very efficient wait staff. Fortunately Zeps had given us a private room as within minutes of our arrival our enthusiastic, happy conversation saw the noise level increase markedly. The award for longest distance travelled, should we have had one, would have gone to Chris Blake who had covered a distance of 250km from Strathgordon where he had spent Saturday working at the Gordon Power Station



John Biggelaar in Chester's 1500 at the Start.



NSC MGA's setting out.



Cathie with Geraldine & John at the Cressy coffee stop.

Kuz with Winsome & Max at Cressy.



Don & Susan's 1500 arriving  
at Campbell Town



Peter & Liz's 1600 MkII &  
Jim & Anna's 1600

**27.09.2020 MGA REGISTER RUN PARTICIPANTS:**

(photo's by: Geraldine Biggelaar, Bruce Keogh, Mark Dilger)

John & Geraldine Biggelaar (Kindly on loan from Chester McKaige)	MGA 1500
Chris Blake	-
James Brown	MGA 1500
Col & Cathie Cleaver	MGA Twin Cam
Jim Dickenson & Anna	MGA 1600
Mark ( <i>Pres.</i> ) & Angela Dilger	MG RV8
Greg Ellis	MGA 1600
Don & Susan Fraser	MGA 1500
Max & Winsome Freeland	MGA Twin Cam Coupe
Peter & Liz Harper	MGA 1600 MkII
Wayne & Ruth Jessup	MGA 1500
Andrew & Debbie Kuzniarski	MGA 1500
Barry & Robyn Littlejohn	MGA 1600
Richard Pringle-Jones & Gary Forward	MGA Twin Cam
Peter Shaw	MGA 1500 Coupe
Mike & Ingrid Walpole	-



**MGA Register News:**

Not much room for MGA Register News this month – but this should cheer you all up...

**MGA VALUES:**

<https://bringatrailer.com/listing/1961-mg-mga-roadster/>

<https://bringatrailer.com/listing/1960-mg-mga-34/>

[https://www.hagerty.co.uk/articles/calm-amidst-the-storm/?utm\\_source=SFMC&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=20 September 16 UKNews Weekly](https://www.hagerty.co.uk/articles/calm-amidst-the-storm/?utm_source=SFMC&utm_medium=email&utm_content=20%20September%2016%20UKNews%20Weekly)

Meanwhile back home carsales.com.au has (10) listed  
<https://www.carsales.com.au/cars/mg/a/?sort=Price>

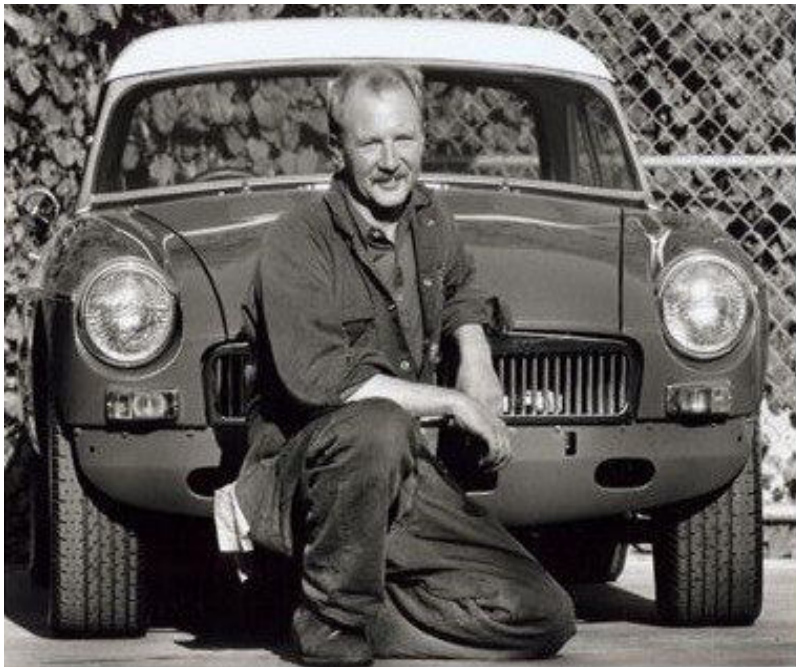
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**Contact Andrew Midgley 0458 949 881**



## Club Social Events

*Events in red do not attract Club Points*

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

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Meet At....</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>
<i>Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Oct</i>	<i>NSC Dinner Run</i>	<i>VCCT Clubrooms</i>	<i>Mark Dilger</i>
17-19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Spring Getaway - Triabunna	Local Locations	Cheryl & Tony Gurnhill
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	SSC AAM	Civic Club	Chris Wagstaff
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	NSC AAM	VCCT Clubrooms	Andrew Merry
<i>Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Oct</i>	<i>NSC Coffee Run</i>	<i>VCCT Clubrooms</i>	
<i>Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Nov</i>	<i>Classics on the Beach</i>	<i>Long Beach, Sandy Bay</i>	
<i>Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Nov</i>	<i>Car Enthusiasts Wid Week Run</i>	<i>C3 Church</i>	
7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Concourse, AGM and Annual Dinner	Launceston	Andrew Merry
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	NSC Lunch Run	VCCT Clubrooms	R Ashley-Jones
<i>Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Nov</i>	<i>NSC Coffee Run</i>	<i>VCCT Clubrooms</i>	<i>Mark Dilger</i>
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	SSC Lunch Run	Civic Club	Kevin McGuire
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	NSC Dinner Run	Civic Club	Mike Paine
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	NW Xmas Dinner	Bass & Flinders	Terry Jeffrey
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	NSC Xmas BBQ	Huntsman Lake Picnic Area	
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	SSC Xmas BBQ	Civic Club	Geraldine Biggelaar
<i>Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Dec</i>	<i>NSC Coffee Run</i>	<i>VCCT Clubrooms</i>	<i>Frank Brooks</i>
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	SSC Lunch Run	Civic Club	Stephen Huntley
9 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	MGCC Canberra Visit to State		
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	SSC Lunch Run	Civic Club	Bob Leeson

## Club and State Competition Events

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Meet At....</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary TCRC 4	Symmons Plains	MGCCT
8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Hillclimb	Baskerville	PCT
14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Hillclimb	Trowutta	NWCC
6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Motorkhana Rnd 3	?	MCCT

# Square Rigger Notes

## All Pre War, T and Y Type MG's.

Continuing with depiction and recording historic Square Riggers although in this case this TC Special, one of a handful built late 50s by Bruderlin and Thomas of Sydney with streamlining the performance clearly in view. Mind you supercharger as 'standard' and in the hands of Brian Bowe certainly boosted that outcome. Some of these pics have been widely published and here collectively. Brought to Tas by Bowe c1960, issues of tune presented including suspension, carburettor jetting and the single mindedness of a fixed diff at Symmons. Once sorted great success was forthcoming carrying No.132 - Trevallyn Hill Climb Feb '61 38.39s (photo below), standing quarter March '61 at Symmons 16.67. Also at Symmons below leading and victorious in the Sports Car Scratch Race Nov 1961.



Success continued in the hands of Roger Tyson No.128 naturally aspirated, winning 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Sports Cars c1964, and a quarter time of 18.49. Tony Woodward of Deloraine took over c1967 No.50 competing at Symmons Plains after improvements then required, particularly dual circuit brakes and roll bar. The TC returned to the mainland 1969 and unfortunately to this time no further reference is forthcoming.

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