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What's On

May 2018

- ♦ **Tuesday 8th—Committee Meeting 6.00**
Club Night 7.30pm
- ♦ **Wednesday 9th—Midweek Gathering** 12 noon
Edgeworth Tavern, call Kay to book
- ♦ **Friday 18th—Movie Night—**Pizza & Movie Johnny English 6.00pm
- ♦ **Sunday 20th—Clubman Run—Tilligerry Motorama** page 6
- ♦ **Sunday 20th—Hillclimb @ Ringwood & Biggest Morning Tea**
- ♦ **Thursday 24th—Tuning Run—**Meet Maccas Hexham
for departure @ 10am

June 2018

- ♦ **Sunday 3rd—FoSC Meeting @ SMP GP Circuit**
- ♦ **Sunday 10th—Come & Try Hillclimb—**Ringwood Motorsport
Complex
- ♦ **Tuesday 12th—Committee Meeting 6.00**
Club Night 7.30pm
- ♦ **Wednesday 13th—Midweek Gathering** 12 noon
Gwandalan Bowling Club call Kay to book
- ♦ **Sunday 17th—Clubman Run**
- ♦ **Sunday 24th—Ringwood Hillclimb**
- ♦ **Sunday 24th—FoSC @SMP South Circuit**
- ♦ **Thursday 28th—Tuning Run—**Meet Maccas Hexham
for departure @ 10am

July 2018

- ♦ **Tuesday 10th—Committee Meeting 6.00**
Club Night 7.30pm
- ♦ **Wednesday 11th—Midweek Gathering** 12 noon
Lochinvar Hotel call Kay to book
- ♦ **Saturday 14th—All British Day** Jaguar Club
@ Foreshore Park
- ♦ **Sunday 22th—Clubman Run**
- ♦ **Thursday 26th—Tuning Run—**Meet Maccas Hexham
for departure @ 10am

August 2018

- ♦ **Wednesday 8th—Midweek Gathering** 12 noon
Hexham Bowling Club, call Kay to book
- ♦ **Tuesday 14th—Committee Meeting 6.00**
Club Night 7.30pm
- ♦ **Wednesday 15th—GEAR Meeting @ Wakefield Park**
- ♦ **Sunday 19th—Clubman Run**
- ♦ **Thursday 23rd—Tuning Run**

Finally!!! The weather is starting to feel a bit like Autumn....not too cold yet but the summer heat seems to have subsided. What a great time to be out and about in your MG! The countryside around the Hunter Region is quite lush and green after the recent rain, just another reason to get out onto the local roads and enjoy the great destinations so close to home.

As you can see by the contributions for this May magazine our club members have been busy with the National Meeting in Ulverston, Tasmania and our annual Euro Motorfest, not to mention our regular monthly activities.

Euro Motorfest was a success again this year. Numbers were down on last year but the day was still enjoyed by many. A huge thanks must go to Brian Madden and his sub-committee as well as all who pitched in on the day to help things run smoothly. Thanks also to Shannons for their sponsorship for the day.

Some of you will be aware that Brian Madden has resigned from his committee position of Public Relations Officer as of the end of April. This now leaves our committee short by two people. Our committee members already have a job they have put their hand up to do for our club. It makes their tasks harder if they then need to step up again to cover more tasks. Please consider taking on a position on the committee to help share the load. Even if you have a good idea for a run, would be happy to look after a film night or plan a social event, let someone know. Maybe you know someone that might make a great speaker for a club night, the committee would be happy to hear your suggestions or have you step in and lend a hand.

Don't forget about our Pizza & Movie night at the clubrooms on Friday 18th May. \$10 per person. Enjoy the company, pizza and Johnny English!.

Safety Fast!!

Tilligerry Motorama Sunday 20th May

Depart Clubrooms at 8.00am sharp

Second muster point at BP servo

Nelson Bay Rd & Richardson Rd at approx. 8.45am

9am start at Lemon Tree Passage Road, Tanilba Bay

Call Brian Madden for further information

...MEDIA RELEASE....MEDIA RELEASE....MEDIA RELEASE....MEDIA RELEASE...

From the Inbox, 23.03.18, **MG Motor coasts into Tuggerah**

This excerpt is from a media release received from MG Motor Australia

Danny Lenartic, Senior Manager, MG Motor Australia, said: "We're pleased to welcome Tuggerah MG to the family, and look forward to offering Australians situated on NSW's pristine Central Coast the opportunity to access our growing range of vehicles.

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I, and many other club members, lost a good mate a few weeks back with the passing of Jeff Redman. Jeff was one of our foundation members and long-time MG enthusiast. You can find a full article on Jeff on page 10 in this magazine.

On a far more pleasant note, there were some good results for the couples that attended this year's Nat Meet (that is the approved shortening of National Meeting) in Tasmania. In the Concours Ross Adams pulled a first in class again.

Norm Richardson got a 4th in the Concours in his TC, then promptly followed it up with a first in class in the Motorkhana. He then teamed up with wife Lynden and scored a second in the Navigation event.

Elliott proved that the new roof and paint job on the YT were worth it with a 2nd place in the Concours. That was behind a Y saloon so that makes it the best YT in Australia... North Lambton anyway!

I jumped on the MGCC of Australia web site and sure enough, the link is already there for next year's 50th anniversary National Meeting. I am hoping and planning to try and attend the next couple. 2019's will be Queensland as expected. It will be based in the Redlands area just south of Brisbane.

When I last attended a Queensland Nat Meet with Bev and Megan, we took the B and Midget. It was on the Gold Coast and we had a long drive to get to the Speed Event at Mt Cotton. Our Megan competed too (she was still on her Ps) and Bev wasn't happy because Meg beat her in the Motorkhana. This time, Redlands is where Mt Cotton is situated so there won't be as much travel and Bev may have her car to herself. Then again depending on whether I get Myf going in time we might be sharing a car.

With 50 years since the first Australian National Meeting (1970) the 2020, is aiming for Albury / Wodonga, Gold Coast has put their hand up for 2021. To be different, it will be a full Nat Meet at Alice Springs. Easter may be still too hot and wet so they are moving it to the end of April. Interesting.....

Over the past few weeks, I've been annoying one of our advertisers in Sunnyside Auto Electrics. Kevin is very patient and knowledgeable with MG and Lucas stuff. I had a TF (old TF) petrol pump that wouldn't tick and he fixed that. Then information on wiring extra gauges, namely an Amp gauge in Mac (my '65ish Spridget). Nothing is easy but Kevin has it worked out. He's well worth it for any Auto Electrical work.

I've been plodding away at my gearbox replacement in my B. The easy way is to pay someone to do it, then go Japanese. No, I have to do it the hard way... out of principle. Again, when putting in a MkII gearbox in a MkI you

replace the engine backing plate, flywheel and starter motor with the appropriate MkII items but why should I? I have perfectly good MkI items so I'll do it the hard way and modify the MkI bits to suit. It's not that hard and very satisfying to prove the naysayers wrong when they say you can't do it that way. So far, so good, but then again, it's not finished yet. And I can hear Elliot punishing some sheet metal for the P type 2 doors up. Such an industrious neighbourhood. We both like challenges.

The film night this month should be an English Spy/ comedy. I know I'll enjoy it. Come and have a good laugh.

Oh by the way, 'We all know small cars are good for us. But so is cod liver oil... and jogging' *Jeremy Clarkson*

North Arm Wheels

John Fletcher

Last month I was directing a nine day car tour for the Taree Historic Motor Club. I spent some time surveying the route, places to see and things to do. The planning started twelve months ago, making copious notes of roads to be taken, along with distances in miles and kilometres. I had to do this because not all of our travellers used historic cars. Some of the participants preferred to travel with air conditioning, automatics, comfortable seating and float on air suspensions. Just over half of our numbers were driving cars that were in the spirit of the tour. The first aid required by the historic cars was minimal, so the services of the NRMA to transport cars home was not required.

The same can't be said of the moderns as a Mercedes auto gave up about 100 k's from home, requiring a piggy back to complete the journey. The five MGs involved performed well with no mechanical failures one had a flat tyre and my MG had the brake light switch fail. Hydraulic brake light switches were not to be found in Katoomba. So at 2.00pm on a Monday I rang Bruce Smith of MG Sports Parts. The next day Tuesday on arrival to our motel in Wollongong at 4.00pm the switch was their waiting for me. The event was a total social success, travelling in an historic car made a notable entrance to all the places we visited. The welcome mat was always out at every stop, as the local residents came out to inspect our cars. Talk was of the good old days, when one of our historic cars was a family car and the MGs rekindled youthful memories.

The Memorial Run was held last month, there were three MGs from the North Arm Group with Lois Dever winning the chocolates. The Taree club had seven cars. The numbers were down I think because this event was hot on the tail of the Taree Long Run. I also feel that the organising club needs to ensure there is good communications between all clubs when setting the event date. All effort should be made to determine a date that is not in conflict with individual club events calendars.

Have Wheels Will Travel

Vale Jeff Redman

Jeff Redman was born during the Second World War in 1942. He grew up in a group that have many stories about doing fun things to cars, in cars and with cars. The yarns were as endless and wide ranging as the adventures.

In 1966 Jeff started his association with the MG Marque with the purchase of an MGTC. This car had history. It competed as the 'Red Cigar', a monoposto bodied, super-charged race car, in several Australian Grand Prix's. After a crash, the streamlined body was written off and replaced by a standard version and this is the way it was when Jeff took over as custodian.



Jeff purchased a pile of parts as spares for the TC but decided he had enough to build another MG. This ended up as a cream and brown TA.

A few years later Jeff met Merryl and she remembers trips to hill climbs and sprints at Amaroo and Oran Park. Jeff joined the MG Car Club (Newcastle) and ran the TC at King Edward Park Hill Climb and other local events as well as MG National Meetings. Jeff and Merryl's first Nat Meet was in the inaugural one in 1978 at Vacluse House. They didn't enter that one but were official entrants in the TA at the 1979 meeting in Ballarat.

Jeff joined the Newcastle Sporting Car Club, back to Newcastle MGCC and then was foundation member #2 of the MGCC Hunter Region when the club was formed in 1987. After many years and numerous committee positions, Jeff joined the Morris Owners Club.

In 1988 many of us saw a large pile of rusty bits at the National Meeting in Canberra. Jeff saw the potential and purchased their TA Tickford. Jeff restored it to National Concours winning standard. Merryl added a BGT V8 to the stable and it too was restored. The V8 eventually gave way to a Morris Major from a local car wrecker. Of course it was restored and improved.

In 1994 Jeff rustled up a rabble of MG mates to compete in Regularity at the first Historic Race Meeting at the new Wakefield Park circuit near Goulburn. This was the start of a resurgence of his track career and the start of a new chapter in the Hunter Region MGCC's history. Jeff became a Regularity regular at Historic meetings all around NSW. He ventured to a few historic Street Sprints and Hill climbs around NSW and Queensland.

At Jeff's 50th birthday party he was surprised when he received the 'Red Cigars' original Blower from Merryl as a gift. This was duly refurbished and re-fitted to the motor. The TC is a joy to watch on the track and it will be with mixed emotions that we watch the next generation of the Redman clan enjoy this piece of history.

Jeff loved the written word and red wine (not necessarily in that order). As Editor of a couple of different car club magazines Jeff's articles were always engaging. There were always stories and yarns to be told, the truth often the first casualty but he was always entertaining.

Jeff was a extremely talented and skilful sign writer. Our club J Van and the MG mural on the wall in our clubrooms are excellent examples of his work. His talents were much sort after by everyone that wanted their cars, truck or trailer pin stripped or sign written the old fashion way. He was a pleasure to watch, making it look so easy. His only failing in this field was the fact that he didn't charge enough for what he did.

A mate to many, he will leave a large hole in our hearts.



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The MG National Meeting is different things to different people. For many it is an opportunity to blow the cob webs out of their beloved MG as they compete in various speed events. For us it is the chance to use the MG to explore country that we haven't been to before, and often the journey to and from the event is as important as the event itself.

This year we headed to Tasmania, using two days to drive to Melbourne, stopping with friends in Canberra on the way. Replacing a manifold gasket before leaving Canberra, meant a late start and a long trip to our overnight accommodation at St Kilda. In Melbourne we caught up with MG enthusiasts Ian and Pam Prior, taking time to admire the collection of MGs in the garage. This includes an ex-Sebring MGA, part finished MGA Twin Cam restoration project as well as YT and PA. Ian also put our YT up on his hoist allowing easy identification of our ongoing exhaust leak.

Travelling on the Spirit of Tasmania across Bass Strait was something we had never done before and being joined on the vessel by countless MGs and their crews was a good way to take on the experience. We arrived in Devonport on the Wednesday morning before Easter and took the opportunity to head south and catch up with friends in Launceston for a couple of days before the National Meeting. Another exhaust gasket change in the Launceston Motor Museum car park saw us trouble free for the remainder of the rally.

On Good Friday we travelled back towards Devonport, stopping off at our accommodation in Latrobe. Here we got to meet Fraser, a 10-year-old motoring enthusiast and the son of the owners of the B&B that we were staying at. After booking in we found Fraser and one of his friends were lying on the asphalt in the car park with their pencils and paper out while they sketched our MG. It seemed a pity to have to interrupt this, but we needed to head about 25 kms up the road to Ulverstone and book into the rally. Here again (just like Perth 2 years ago) we had the ironic duty of returning perpetual speed trophies won the previous year at Adelaide by Steve Jones and Matt Blanch (ironic given our normal cruising speed is 80 kmph!)

We returned to our accommodation after an enjoyable Noggin & Natter night to find more of Fraser's car park art. This time he had used chalk to demarcate "MG Only Parking" on the ground!

Saturday saw the concours held in the Riverside Park at Ulverstone. Over 200 cars were on display, with something for everyone to enjoy. My favourite was Bob Bazzica's 1935 KN Corsica. After about 30 years of ownership, it had emerged from his shed as a restored masterpiece for the first time at this year's rally. It was a car with local links too, as Hunter member Rob Dunsterville located the remains of this vehicle in England many years ago and assisted in its importation into Australia. Maryann's favourite on Saturday

was the High Tea held at an adjacent restaurant and enjoyed by many of the “better halves”.

Sunday for all of the Hunter members meant the Observation Run and a chance to explore the local country side, ending at the rural hamlet of Mole Creek.

Monday for us was the Kimber Run, another drive in the countryside this time ending at Cradle Mountain lodge. We discovered that it doesn't rain on Cradle Mountain about 12 days per year. This wasn't one of those days!

Monday night finished with the Presentation Dinner. Portland based Hunter members Norm Richardson and Lynden Broune and Norm's faithful TC were the most successful of our members. They finished first in class in the Motorkhana, second in class in the observation run and fourth in class in the concours. Ross and Sue Adams won their concours class in their MGB, while we came second in our concours class in our YT.

Following the completion of the Natmeet, we took a couple of days to explore some parts of Tasmania's east coast, visiting Wine Glass Bay and the Bay of Fires before getting back on board the Spirit of Tasmania with many new MG friends to return to the mainland.

Our return journey was a leisurely 3-day trip up the east coast visiting places we had seen before like Mallacoota and Tathra. Our adventure now means that the YT has taken us to all of Australia's states and most of the capital cities. Talk of the Gold Coast Club hosting the 2021 Nat Meet in Alice Springs would give us the opportunity to take the YT the one place it hasn't been, the Northern Territory. While we contemplate that possibility, there is still next year's Queensland event (not sure if we'll make that one) and the year following being hosted by the Victorians in Albury Wodonga in (I'm hatching a cunning Plan for that one).



Left: MGs on the Spirit
Below Left: Allocated
Parking at the B & B
Below: Artist Fraser
with the MGY



National Meeting 2018 Ulverston Tasmania



From top: Concours at River-
side Park, Past member Pete
Smith with Norm Richardson's
TC, MGY on tour, MG Specials
with Bs and GTs ready for judg-
ing, Below: NE Replica from
WA, owner Allan Herring





National Meeting 2019 is Redlands in Queensland
Friday 19th to Tuesday 23rd April 2019
Start planning now!!

THE ADVENTURES OF MG TC2456

England – South Africa – England

By Roger Bateman

THE QUEST CONTINUES – SOUTH AFRICA

To make any progress at all, I had to find some way to trace the history in South Africa – but how? I knew nothing of the country and certainly didn't know anyone who lived there. I tried to find out information from the UK Customs and the South African Registration authorities, but neither could help.

After some thought, I decided to contact the MG Car Club of South Africa. From the import documents I knew the old South African registration number was DND 787T, and hoped someone might recognise it. From various sources I found the names of a couple of people in regional MG clubs, but they were unable to produce any results beyond telling me that the number plate was a Transvaal registration.

Then a thought occurred to me: if any family remain of the previous owners South Africa they may well not be MG enthusiasts, let alone car enthusiasts, and therefore would not be active in the MG scene today. This led on to the bright idea that I should write to the Johannesburg Star, one of the Transvaal (now Gauteng) mainstream newspapers.

They published my letter and, in due course, I was excited to receive an email from a member of the MG Car Club Johannesburg Centre. He kindly said he'd see what he could do to help. This resulted in TC2456's picture appearing on the cover of the January 2016 issue of their club magazine, *Thumbs Up*, plus an article outlining my quest inside.

Despite very high hopes that this would crack the problem, nothing came of it.

Then, after a while, I remembered that in my last job (working for a pre-war Bentley restorer) we had a customer who specialised in researching vehicle histories. I got in touch with him, not realising that he had originated from the Eastern Cape of South Africa and had owned an MG TC himself. He was enthusiastic and gave me a wealth of suggestions, including such contacts as Dr Joan Parker who maintains a register of MGs in South Africa.

Dr Parker replied saying she only kept details of TDs but suggested I contact the Secretary of the Johannesburg MG Car Club (who had, of course, already unsuccessfully published my plea in their *Thumbs Up* magazine). Of course, I did so again, and club chairman Bruce Dixon got in touch to say he would try to find out the ownership history of DND 787T.

Well – what Bruce did, and how he did it, I have no idea. I probably shouldn't know either, but I am extraordinarily grateful to him! Within a couple of weeks' he sent me a laconic message informing me that "the name of the last registered owner was J. Kat". Bingo!

Bruce had also discovered his ID Number which indicated that he was 85 years old in 2016. But, unfortunately, no contact details were available through the normal channels.

But now I had a name to toy with, a real person who had owned TC2456, and something to get my teeth into. However, considering his age, I had to realistically consider that he might no longer be alive. After much Googling, attacking the problem from different angles, I discovered that there was a firm of quantity surveyors in Pretoria called J Kat and Associates. This being such an unusual name, there had to be some connection. There was a string of phone numbers for this firm in the yellow pages – none of which worked except one, but that went unanswered.

Then tackling it from the quantity surveyor angle, I found that J Kat and Associates were listed as members of the Association of South African Quantity Surveyors. Their helpful secretary confirmed that the firm's proprietor, Mr *Jacob* Kat, was indeed a still member but now retired (at 85, so I should hope!). She wouldn't pass me his contact details for confidentiality reasons, but agreed to ask him if he would speak with me. In due course I was told that if he had indeed owned the car, he would be pleased to do so. Would I send details and a photo to pass on to him? This I did with alacrity and waited for a response.

But the response was stony silence. By now it was mid-December 2016 and I didn't realise that South Africa virtually shuts down for a month at Christmas. I bided my time impatiently until January 12, and then followed up with the Association. I was told that Mr Kat's memory is not as sharp as it used to be and he couldn't recall the car, so they were regretfully unable to do any more to help me.

So, what next? I felt I had hit a brick wall again.

I decided to try the unanswered phone number for J Kat & Associates periodically at different times of the day, and eventually the phone was picked up by a courteous gentleman who replied, yes, he was indeed Mr Kat. He was intrigued by my quest, but was very apologetic that he couldn't remember this MG. However, he told me that cars were his passion, particularly MGs and Jaguars.

He then suggested that I talk with his daughter, Ingrid, who might be able to help. He gave me her mobile number, which I rang, only to discover to my astonishment that she lives less than 100 miles from me in London UK! Even more remarkable, at that very moment she was packing to fly to South Africa to visit her father, and she agreed to see what she could find out about TC2456.

A day or two later and I would have missed her!

Ingrid was incredibly helpful, despite being very busy with family matters while she was in South Africa. She was there for 2 or 3 weeks and emailed me periodically with information she had discovered. First came a series of

photos taken in the 1980s of her father with the MG.



Above left: Jacob Kat and canine assistant working on TC2456 in August 1980. **Above right:** Note the unique indicator lamps, made in Pinetown, South Africa, which are still on the car today. The horn and (incorrect) fog lamp were fitted in these positions on export cars but reversed for the UK.

There can be no doubt that it is the same car as there are some features that are still present on the car today.

Then, to my surprise, a photo of a TC wooden dashboard arrived in my inbox with the message that it belonged to TC2456 and had been found displayed over Jacob's fireplace.

The photo from Ingrid of the wooden dashboard that had been displayed over Jacob Kat's fireplace for three decades. This style was fitted to all TCs until replaced with a Rexine covered panel at about TC5000.

Ingrid promised to bring the dashboard back as hand luggage along with some documents she had found! She was as good as her word and I went to visit her in London to collect them. No way was I going to entrust them to couriers! The documents were remarkable in that they were the key to unlocking the history of the car from 1967 right up to when it was shipped to the UK in 1986, helping to reveal the following fascinating story.

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Our thanks to Totally T Type & Author Roger Bateman for allowing us to reprint this article





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Agenda for Committee Meeting to be held 10th April 2018

Meeting To Open 6:20 pm

Present: Stephen Jones, Denny Bowden, Frans Henskens, Ian Ashton, Greg Jenkins, Alan Andoni, Brian Madden, Bev Jones,

Apologies: Wendy Croker, Jeff Lauff, Gary Piper

In attendance:

Minutes: Accepted, Brian Madden, seconded Greg Jenkins

Business Arising:

Bunnings has replacement folding tables – Stephen Jones to purchase 4.

Reports:

President:

- Nothing to report.

Vice President:

- Last Sunday we lost a Foundation Member – Jeff Redman. Funeral is Monday 16th April 2:30 at Pettigrews Wallsend

Treasurer:

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Secretary

- Change to constitution: no word back from either Club body yet, except confirmation of receipt from MGCC (UK). Will ring Shaun Fitzgerald at CAMS to seek info on their approval process.
Membership renewals to be distributed.
- 2018-19 Membership renewals to issue in June. It is very important that members on historic plates renew during June to ensure continuity of membership as we transition into the new financial year.
To contact NCC for park reservations: 13 October 2018 with 3 November 2018 as reserve for Concours.

Club Captain:

- Went to various car dealerships re Euroday, most of them quite indifferent. Asks if anyone has personal contacts in dealerships, could they please assist.
- Is largely out of action for Club matters until second half of August.
- Committee will ask Jeff Lauff to look after Club Runs during Alan's absence.

Sporting Director:

- Nothing to report.

Public relations:

- Been in constant touch with Melissa at McDonald Jones Stadium re Euro day, and organisation is progressing well.

Committee Member:

- Is an apology.

Regalia

- Six club jackets were ordered at the last club night, these have been received and sent for embroidery. They will be ready for collection at Euro Day.
- A couple of extra polo shirts have been received to fill gaps in sizes
- Contacted Newcastle, South Australia, Geelong and Wagga MG Car clubs re thermos orders. Response was positive so has placed an order for 50. We will keep 9, the others will be sold to these clubs. I hope the order will arrive before Euro Day. I will be contacting the other clubs to advise when the thermos' arrive and seek payment before they are sent.
- Steve is requested to announce at the club night that the jackets will be available on Euro Day for those who ordered them. Cost is \$80 each, cash required EFTPOS not available.

Magazine Editor

- Nothing on magazine front still seeking Editor for next membership year.

General Business:

- 2019 National Meeting is Redlands in Queensland. Albury Woodonga run by Victoria will be running the 50th Anniversary 2020 National Meeting. It has been just announced that Gold Coast is running 2021 National Meeting at Alice Springs.

Meeting Closed at 7:25 p.m.

Next Meeting

6 p.m. Tuesday 8th May 2018.

www.huntermg.com is undergoing a makeover.

We are not able to update our current website.

If you need information about events, please contact a committee member



Tuning Runs

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For more information call Austin Blanch

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It would be great to have input from more of our members!

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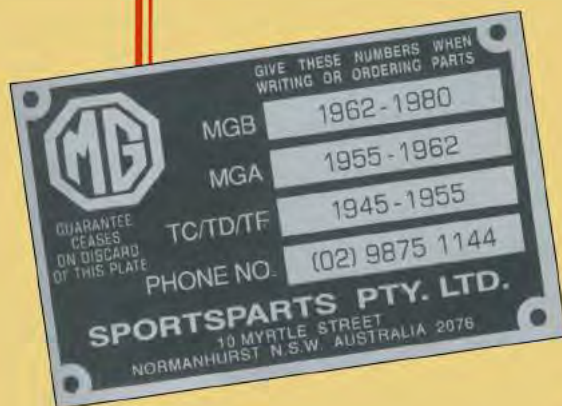
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