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What's On



MG Car Club Hunter Region sponsored and supported activities.

November 2019

- ♦ Friday 1st to Sunday 3rd—MG Racing Sandown
- ♦ Sunday 10th—Clubman Run—Toy Run And Presentation see page 18 for more guidance
- ♦ Tuesday 12th—Committee Meeting 6.00 at Clubroom Club Night 7.30pm at Clubroom
- ♦ Wednesday 13th—Mid Week Gathering Lake Macquarie Yacht Club, Belmont
- ♦ Thursday 14th—North Arm Run see page 16 for details
- ♦ Friday 15th to Sunday17th—GEAR /Historic Wakefield Park
- ♦ Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th—Supercars Newcastle
- ♦ Saturday 30th—HSRCA Summer Festival at SMP

December 2019

- Sunday 1st—HSRC Summer Festival at SMP
- ♦ Saturday 7th—Historic Registration Car Inspection at Caltex Maryland see page 6 for details
- ♦ Tuesday 10th—Committee Meeting 6.00 at Clubroom Club Night 7.30pm at Clubroom
- ♦ Wednesday 11th—Midweek Gathering—?
- ♦ Saturday 14th—Clubman Run—Twilight Economy

Reminder of Midweek Gathering

Wednesday 13th November

Meet at the venue Lake Macquarie Yacht Club Belmont
for a 12 noon lunch

NEW MEMBERS

To continue with sharing it would be great if other recent new members could put pen to paper and discuss their car, to supply a photo of their car and to discuss their reasons for selecting our club.

Also perhaps a little about themselves which could enable a quicker and smoother integration into club activities and social contact..

HISTORIC PLATES REGO CHECKS

Club Regalia is available at Club Nights See Wendy Croker for all your regalia needs Cash and credit card facility available Shirts, Hats, Jackets, Umbrellas, Badges, Cooler Bags,

not to mention our

MGCC Hunter Region wine from Tamburlaine!

The new club website is up and running.

Search MGCC HUNTER

The site is temporarily hosted by www. ratwhacker.com so don't worry

From the Editor

Graham Haywood

Our Concours was rescheduled for 19th October and the weather was excellent with sunshine and a little breeze. See page 15 and 17 for a report on the day and some Photographs on pages 19, 20 & 21 recording some of the cars on display.

Drove my MGB on the Clubman Run Sunday 20th October to spectate at the MG and Sports Cars Hillclimb at Ringwood conducted by MG Car Club Newcastle. See Presidents report on page 8, Sporting Directors Report on page 16 and Club Captains report on page 22.

Thoroughly enjoyed myself and I encourage more members to get out on the road with your cherished MG to enjoy motoring whilst we can. Unfortunately I did not enjoy my trip home as a vibration started to become present and worsened the more I drove.

Progress with my MGB

My MGB was running better than ever with more use of the car. However it was too good to be true as a vibration at 100kmh occurred during the Clubman Run which gradually worsened so I slowed to 90kmh where it was bearable.

Days later as I shifted the car to a better position on my driveway to raise it onto my car ramps I noticed a pool of water under the car. Investigation revealed worn Universal joints in the tailshaft and a leaking water pump seal.

So unfortunately whilst organising parts I had to cancel my attend-

ance at the Tuning Run and the Sunday MG Muster Run.

Graham Haywood

NOVEMBER 2019

<u>President's Report</u>

Stephen Jones

It might be my warped sense of humour but the thought of staging a concours in a severely drought stricken area amuses me. Not only would there be a distinct possibility of torrential rain on a parched land (it would probably wash away all their top soil) but the competitors would be banned from washing their cars due to the water restrictions. A dusty concours could be a good leveller. Maybe the mass washing of cars prior to leaving is the thing that attracts the rain.

We have finally broken the hoodoo... and that is with two concours' in the one weekend. Who would have thought? Locals had the choice of backing up on the Sunday and heading south for more show or north for the annual MG/ Sports Car Hillclimb at Ringwood... but I digress.

Back to the konkers, 43 cars ventured onto the park to be judged. It's been a while and hopefully we'll have a good run of fine concours dates in the future. The day was perfect, the park looked a picture and all the MGs looked splendid. Thank you to everyone that made it on the day.

I backed up for both show and go events. My B has been semiretired from racing for quite a while now, and with a new MkII gearbox and raised suspension (speed hump friendly), I thought it would be nice to see how the old team performed on the hill.

A 5 person team assembled as 'Team Hunter' for the regularity hill climb event.



My best from last year in Bev's Midget was a 72.77 seconds. My first run in the B was a 72.42. I eventually got to a 69.11. When I glanced at the pictures Bev took, I realised how much body roll is induced by raising the B 30mm.

I was very pleased to see our Sporting Director Gary (B) quickest of our group. It's taken a lot of effort on his part and it's nice to see all the work and practice paying off.

Austin Blanch (BGT) and John Stuart (BGT) were





nobbled in the team event as they were my adjustment if we needed a quicker or slower time.

Paul Smith in his F got to just go and enjoy himself like Gary & I.

In the end we came in 2nd, pipped on the last run by just 100th of a second.

It was great to see some 'Team' supporters there to encourage us. A great weekend.

Excellent news that the RMS registration log book trial for historic cars is no longer a trial but a permanent fixture. There were worries about abuse but there are sufficient club events to keep the MG's on the road more than I can drive. It's nice to have some permanence for those of us with cars on historic



registration.

The tuning runs are one of my regular runs. It is always a healthy distance over some great roads. There will be a summer break (for temperature reasons) and when we come back next year we are going to move the normal start time $\frac{1}{2}$ hour earlier. Times may vary as the run dictates but unless otherwise posted, we'll hit the road from Hexham Maccas at 9:30 AM.

For those that wonder what the tuning run is, no we don't go and tune the cars. Cars benefit from regular runs. Not dawdling around on short trips, but a good run for a reasonable distance where all the components get up to running temperature. The MG will benefit by being easier to start, run better and be more pleasurable to drive. A big aim is to find a road that someone has never been on before and revisit those that we've enjoyed before.

Come and join us. Don't expect a short drive or a funeral procession. The speed limits on our roads seem to be dictated by the lowest common denominator and MG's are certainly not that. We don't break the law but try to enjoy ourselves at all times. You need to keep up with the pack (or know where to find us at the morning tea or lunch spot). There is nothing more frustrating than having a beautiful road, a sports car, a gorgeous woman at your side and sitting well under the speed limit for no reason.

For the intervening month between attempts at running a Concours, I've had an old friend back in the garage. Another Midget but this time the moss green TF variety. Our club member John Colville brought it down for the concours in September, and rather than drag it all the way back to Tamworth he left it at my place. At least I have enough water to be able to wash it.

I've had a few trips to Tamworth to check on the situation up there. Even the weeds have given up and moved to the coast. Bare dirt paddocks are everywhere and the situation looks dire. On my trips west I've done my best to conserve water by only drinking beer. Sacrifice!

If you can do anything to help our country folk please do it. The money raised at our 2018 Euroday would have gone a small way but we all need to support our farmers and country towns when and wherever we can. Do a short trip to where a bit of mateship and our money may make the difference. We don't realise how good we have it on the coast.

Team Hunter was at the very first Wakefield Park Historic meeting with 5 MG competitors and a big support team in 1994. The 25th anniversary meeting will see us again entering 5 MGs and a massive pit crew. We are still the biggest MG sporting/ competitor club in this area, in my opinion. Austin and I were there 25 years back but my MG has changed and I'll be running in the racing group. Austin will be in the same A. Jeff Redman's TC will be there again except with Evan behind the wheel. This is a lifelong dream but a shame that Jeff won't be there to watch. The Redmans have the biggest pit crew. Asho is now a regular in his B and Gary Piper is moderately new to the circuit and still learning the trade and developing his car. You never finish either on the track.

Evan has produced some wonderful artwork for individual T shirts for all of the team. I did a cartoon of the original competitors and thought I should do it again. Someone has to be on every ones back, figuratively.

We have 5 carports in a row so it will be 'Team Hunter' party central.

For now it's back to the shed to chase an oil leak in the race Midget before Wakie Park. The engine will have been out and back in by now (I sincerely hope). I know it's an English car but this leak was a little excessive. When you play hard you either have to continually have oil on your hand or a cashed up wallet. I'm in the first group. My workshop is always busy. I'm getting good doing engine changes.

Steve.

This article is not of my own work it's about a car that was born in 1946 Prototype #1 was hand made in the USA and now is on show in the National Museum. The car came off the Ozz production line 29/11/1948 the last model on 20/10/17. So enjoy the following poem, author unknown, I think it was printed in the Daily Telegraph in 2013. Enjoy, at the time of writing Brenda and I are on leave touring Tasmania.

At sixty-five it's near the end, Of a lifetime rich and golden, Of memories both bold and grand, For the humble Aussie Ho????

It ruled the roads that stretched out wide, From the Bridge out to the Rock, And fuelled our street-steel love affair, With Bathurst and the Brock.

The greatest times for families, On holidays each year, When Dad would stuff the car, With kids and fishing gear. The Tor??? in the driveway, The Mon??? past the gate, The one-ton ute in an outback town, It's Kings???? country mate.

The F? and the E? The Premier, Bel???? and the Clubsport, Is all a bloke could want. But times have changed and rearranged, From boom-time into bust, Our national pride is set aside, To languish and rust.

The glory days have all but gone, Our car is into thin air, To history's page at this stage, Advance Australia – where!

When locks have seized the factory door, And they've long switched off the light, You can hear the ghost from Fisherman's B??? Where the Lion sleeps tonight.

<u>Questions:</u> What was the make of cars of 1946 to 2017, Complete the eight with substituted question marks with letters to determine the models and location.

Answers with no prizes next month.

Have Wheels Will Travel

Fired Up MG Muster 2019 John Fletcher

This was the fifth annual running of the MG Muster and clearly it will be long remembered by those who participated. It was an event that did not go to plan and required numerous changes to the schedule because of fire, BUSH FIRES. After meeting up with the Sydney MG members at Heatherbrae, we headed north on the Pacific Highway to our proposed destination, Nabiac National Motor Bike and Car Museum. Five minutes into the journey I received a warning phone call about road closures due to extensive out breaks of bush fires at our destination. So in the heat of the moment, the planned events structure went up in smoke. My main concern was the safety of visitors, so a phone call to the Forster Police hot line for confirmation of the situation on roads leading to Forster. The Lakes Way from Bulahdelah to Forster was open, usually its a traffic free drive but today it became almost as busy as George Street Sydney. Change of plan, no visit to the museum maybe next year.

<u>PLAN "B"</u> The museum visit now cancelled it was time to phone a friend, a friend that had a shed full of quality classic cars. On reaching Forster, the ladies decided shops was their go, so only the male combustion heads made their way through the Forster smoke filled air to the shed of cars. The smoke just to the west of the shed was billowing like an intensive towering inferno. Within a minute or two of our arrival, friend Wally received a phone call to return home quick as the fire was closing in on his home. Wally's mate Peter Eaton stayed to act as the tour guide and a couple of minutes after his appointment, he received a call, the fire was approaching his home. Plan "B" now cancelled a quick retreat back to the motel was actioned.

<u>PLAN "C"</u> Dinner was to be held at the Tuncurry Bowling Club. On phoning to confirm the attending person numbers, I was advised dinner is cancelled. The club is closed and is now the EVACUATION CENTRE. At this time the Forster – Tuncurry area was under a power blackout. Stockland's Shopping Centre had closed and had been evacuated. Woolworths were still open, as they had their own power generator. There was a hive of activity as locals rushed the food supplies. Brenda and I decided we would have a home barbecue to feed the Sydney visitors. Brenda, on arrival at Woolworths was amazed to find the meat refrigerators were almost bare, but

was able to grab two large trays of sausages and other required food items. (the BBQ is a gas enclosed backyard structure) Time was 5.30pm a quick call to Bev Morrison, Bernie and Carol King to help with preparations. At 6.30pm our MG Sydney guests started arriving. Within 15 minutes of their arrival twenty two plates of barbecued sausages, fried rice and salad was served, followed later with ice cream and peaches as desserts. Our guests were over whelmed, they expected to have only sausage sandwiches. There was plenty of social discussion regarding the weekend forced circumstances. The visitors appreciated the meal produced under very trying circumstances. Sunday was back to PLAN "A" all events went with no issues, breakfast at Beach Bums Cafe at Forster Main Beach, morning tea at John Wright Park, Club members from Great Lakes Historic Car Club and Taree Historic Motor Club also attended. After morning tea it was then a picturesque journey via The Lakes Way to Raymond Terrace for lunch, with the MG Car Club Hunter Region. A good time was had by all even though events didn't go to plan. If you didn't attend then you missed a most memorable event, hope to see you next year without the fires

25th ANNIVERSARY WAKEFIELD PARK CELEBRATIONS

Team Hunter, which is a group of our members whom participate in motor sporting activities, was represented at the inaugural race meeting at Wakefield Park outside of Goulburn NSW.

The Team will again be represented at the 25th Anniversary Race Meeting on Saturday 16th to Sunday 17th November.

Scrutineering (Technical inspection for safety) of cars will commence on Friday 15th November.

Competitive events will occur on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th starting at 9.00 am each day.

Adjacent carports have been leased for the event so that spectating members can go see the cars and meet with team members. Having such a facility will enhance the experience by being up close with our team cars and also encourage discussion with other competitors as well as their support teams.

Public Relations Officer Report...lan Ashton

The weather gods were finally kind to us on Saturday 19th October allowing MG members and owners to enjoy their first MG Concours at Lambton Park for several years.

Forty four beautifully presented MG's and a few non marque cars and owners turned up for a picture perfect day on a freshly mown Lambton Park.

Thank you to those members who arrived early to help out with the day's set up and those who helped with the judging . A special thanks to Michael Stevenson who brought and set up his own PA system and to Therese Brown and Brad Tipper who sold raffle tickets.

At the time of writing this report, the annual Salvation Army Toy Run and Presentation Day lunch at Rathmines Bowling Club was only a few weeks away. I'm sure this event was well supported as in previous years.

The 25th Anniversary of Wakefield Park Raceway will be celebrated on the weekend of 16th and 17th November. Six Hunter MG members will be competing over the weekend. Hunter MG has a hospitality area where members and their friends can congregate and enjoy the overall ambience of a race meeting. So please consider a weekend away at Goulburn enjoying some great car racing and supporting Team Hunter. There is plenty of accommodation available in the area.

I would like to thank all those member friends who have asked after Trish following her knee replacement operation on the 10th October. I'm pleased to report that she is recovering well and looking forward to resuming her Club activities with MG friends.

Finally I am pleased to display the trophy I gained at the HSR-CA Spring Festival Historic Race Meeting at Wakefield Park. I had a great weekend competing with my Sydney MG team mates known as "The Rusty Nuts"...simply old blokes having fun in their MG's

Enjoy your car with fellow minded MG enthusiasts Your PRO with the mo.....Asho

N.B. ALL Sunday Clubman runs leave the Club at 10am unless an advice to the contrary!

Cheers from your pro with the mo!..

....Asho

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NORTH ARM GROUP RUN

November's North Arm Group Run is on Thursday 14th and we will meet at 9.15am at the "Taree Information Centre."

We will then depart for Morning Tea at "Coffee on Isabella" 2/97 Isabella Street Wingham. Lunch will be at the "Salty Dog Café", Pacific Highway Coolongolook.

If you intend meeting us at any of the above mentioned places please let me know before 9.00am on the Day.

Peter Eaton. 0417022233.

SPORTING DIRECTOR REPORT

Gary Piper

Several Team Hunter members have competed in sporting events over the past couple of months & achieved some pleasing results.

lan Ashton competed in the annual HSRCA Spring Historics & achieved his best results in 20 years of competing in Regularity, well done Asho.

Finally we have been able to run our concours, for the first time in three years the weather gods were kind to us & we saw 45 cars on Lambton Park for judging.

Thanks to the judges & all those who worked so hard to make the event a success .

Results:

MG PRE WAR: Robert Gibson

MGTC: Jeff Newy

MGTD.: 1 John Bradshaw, 2 Willy Sher, 3 Scott Parkinson **MGTF**: 1 Denny Bowden, 2 Don Noble, 3 John Colville

MGY TYPES: 1 Bruce Melville, 2 Elliott Burns

MG MAGNETTE: 1 Bob Wood

MGA ROADSTER: 1 Leo Pinzewski, 2 Frans Henskens

MG MIDGET: 1 Bev Jones, 2 Adam Collins

MGB MK I ROADSTER: 1 Rudy Scevak, 2 Robert Young, 3 Ste-

phen Jones

MGB MARK II ROADSTER: 1 Ross Adams, 2 David Robertson, 3

Greg Jenkins

MGBL ROADSTER: 1 Don Noble

MGB R/N ROADSTER: 1 Gary Piper, 2 Graham Haywood

MGB GT MK I & II: 1 Austin Blanch

MGBL GT: 1 Brad Tipper, 2 Alister Leask, 3 John Stuart

MGB GTV8: 1 Peter Fellows, 2 Noel Armstrong

MG RV8: 1 Denise Jacka

MGF: 1 Lyall Clarke, 2 Paul Smith, 3 Jeff Lauff **MGTF:** 1 Ross & Cushla Hollings, 2 Ross Roe

MGZ: 1 Colin Dunne

MG RACING: 1 David Walker

MG SPECIALS: 1 Evan Redman, 2 Doug Campbell

MG ROLLING CHASSIS: 1 Michael Rapa

OUTRIGHT TROPHIES PRE MGA: Jeff Newy

POST TF inc R/N MGB: Peter Fellows

POST MGB R/N: Lyall Clarke

Five "Team Hunter" members, Steve Jones, Austin Blanch, Paul Smith, John Stewart, & Gary Piper competed in the "MG Car Club Newcastle's" MG / Sports Car Regularity Hillclimb at Ringwood Park.

Regularity is a form of Motorsport where outright quickest run times have no bearing on the overall results. Competitors had to nominate a benchmark time to complete a Hillclimb run following 3 practice runs. The competitors then aimed to get as close as possible to their nominated time in each of the following runs. Penalty points are awarded for each tenth of a second you are over or under your nominated time. As this was a team event the team with the lowest points wins the competition.

After the first run "Team Hunter" was in the lead & for each run thereafter the Team captain Steve Jones was busy with the calculator working out what time each of us needed to achieve to keep the team penalties as low as possible. "Newcastle MG1 Team" with Jeff Newey, Lyall Clarke, Dave Walker & Darren Hodgson managed to get ahead of "Team Hunter" on the last run & take the win. The "Mongrels Team" with Bruce Condon, Paul Bower, Jacob Motum, Allan Evans (so called because of the mix of cars in the team) took out third place.

Thanks to "MG Car Club Newcastle" for putting on a very enjoyable day of Motorsport, thanks also to Denny Bowden who sat in the starters box for the day & to our members who did the clubman run to Ringwood & gave us their support on the day.

The next sporting event "Team Hunter" have on the agenda is the Wakefield Park 25 th Anniversary weekend on November 16 & 17, with team members Steve Jones (MG Midget Marque Sports), Ian Ashton (MGB), Austin Blanch (MGA), Evan Redman (MGTC Special), & Gary Piper (MGB Rubber Bumper), competing.

"Team Hunter" have secured 5 pit carports alongside of each other so it's bound to be a good social weekend as well as a great weekend on the track. We look forward to seeing you there. Anyone interested in coming & having a look can contact myself or any of the team members for info on the event.

Remember drive them don't hide them & Motorsport is driving them as the maker intended.

Cheers Gary





CONCOURS 2019









Concours 2019





Captain's Corner

Jeff Lauff

Finally, after three years of bad weather, success on Saturday, for our 2019 Club Concours at Lambton Park.

Congratulations goes to Gary Piper and his team for a most successful event in the organization and presentation of our 2019 Club Concours. We finally got some good weather!



Due to a very busy, but successful month of activities, many of our members were not up to the Clubman run the following day. The clubman Run for October was a breakfast trial in the support of our Sporting car members at the Ringwood Hillclimb facility. We had a number of our members competing on this day who would not normally be able to attend our Clubman Run. So to solve this problem we decided to trial a run to support them. It was a very nice sunny day for most of us travelling up from our Lambton headquarters, however, Ross and Denise did not experience the same situation at Tea Gardens. They had to contend with threatening clouds and a deluge of rain most of the way to the Ringwood site. Because of this situation the RV8 stayed at home tucked up in bed.

All up we had a good turnout of 16 members.

On the day Denny did a tireless job of official starter to the Hill climb events. Hopefully, by leaving his hearing aids at home and wearing the head phones, he managed to finish the day without anymore hearing loss. Well done Denny.



The venue at Ringwood Hill Climb is especially well set up. The spectators area is well covered for rain and sun and has adequate seating. You can view the complete track and activities easily from this location. The Canteen offers a selection of food and drink at very good prices.



For future proposed Clubman runs to support our Sporting car members at Ringwood, we will extend our morning run to include a morning tea break at another location along our trip. Our Run will end at Ringwood for lunch and the afternoon Hill climb events.



The next Clubman Run is November 10th and will be our Christmas toy run, concluding with our presentation day lunch at Rathmines. We will be leaving the club house at 10am, with Morning tea on the shores of Belmont Bay, (coffee available across the road.) Please check our website and book in. Gifts non wrapped will be presented to the Salvation Army representative on site at midday.

The Morpeth cruise is on Saturday 16th November. Money was due on the 24th October. If you would like to attend please contact Jeff Lauff on 0413971154 as limited seats are available. See you on the road.

Jeff Lauff

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Robert Cronin 0424142629



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MGB V8 engine Complete except for front timing cover.

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Contact Rudi Scevak-0413841272

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Ads are free to members

MG Clubman

Incomplete project.

(as featured in ON the MARQUE Nov.2009 & Feb. 2010.). Chassis complete, steering & suspension ready for assembly. Nose cone only, no bodywork. Morris Major Elite mechanicals.

Who's after a project? For sale @ less than material costs.

Price reduction now \$2,000 Phone Alan on. 0408608397.

1974 MGB.

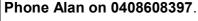
Red with black hardtop, soft top, tonneau, & half tonneau. Mechanically good. Body good. Paint good. Interior carpet & trims look a bit sad. Same owner, 15years. Currently on Historic rego.

14/6 Super-lite mag wheels,+ original Rostyle wheels + 14/6 steel

wheels. + Spares. Reduced price is now



\$12,000





1968 MG Midget (Pale Blue)

This MG Midget is a wonderful car ready to drive and enjoy, only travelled 70,900 miles. Has little use for the past 7 years and ready to enjoy weekend drives or entry into your next MG Concourse. Supplied with a full tonneau cover in excellent condition, pristine paint work showing no

rust. Brakes and suspension recently rebuilt, quality trim, as new tyres, currently on Historic registration (not transferable). The first to see this car will buy.

Price: \$18,000.

Contact: Bernie 0265575946/ 0419 282133

(located in Forster, NSW)

FOR SALE 1974 MGB GT

Rego Number 95564 H

Damask red. Mechanically very good; 4 speed plus Overdrive.

Interior is in original condition therefore the carpets are showing age.

Car has always been garaged and is currently at Wangi.

Original Rostyle wheels. Some spares and workshop manuals included. Note: Currently on Conditional Registration





\$12,000 Jim Hutton **0401 768899**.

FOR SALE: 1965 MG1100 Sedan

Bought new in 1965 by a lady who then brought it with her to Australia in 1967. When she stopped driving, she handed it over to another family member, who sold it to a neighbour when he, too, became too old in 1984.

It basically went into storage until we purchased it in 2017, making us only the fourth owners.

The mileage is 69,917 miles, which is believed to be a true reading from original.

The third owner had a rust and damage free body re-sprayed (black), fitted a new windscreen and rubbers, new head-lining and carpets, as well as fitting a later all synchro gearbox. Interior seats and door cards are original and tidy. It still has the original woven cane boot floor mat, tools and spares.

Tyres are near new and there is also a workshop manual.

Qld R/C supplied upon sale. Plates not transferable.

Price \$8,750 o.n.o.

Phone Alan or Lynne, 07-46302330



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2004 MG TF RARE ANNIVERSARY MODEL

Travelled only 40,500 km. Badged Number 51 of 1600 produced.

Boot and seat panels embossed 1924—2004

Red hood and seat panels. Fully functional in original condition.

Garaged and rarely driven by long standing elderly MG owner.

Radio, CD Player, New rear tyres, good battery.

12 months registration RVR111. Opportunity to own classic last model of MG Roadsters with modern convenience and comfort





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FOR SALE MGTF 160 LE 07/2004 Build



Iridescent dark green, 46,000 klms. Factory hardtop, dual air bags package, antilock braking, air con, 16 inch alloy wheels, central locking



remote control, fog lights, engine immobiliser, leather steering wheel, leather upholstery, power mirrors, premium brake package, power steering, power windows, rear spoiler, seat belt pre tensioners, sport

seats, sports suspension and wind deflector. Yokohama AT tyres and water level sensor kit fitted.

In 2013 the car won "Gold Coast MG Club" Modern MG Concours Car of the Day. **Asking price \$20,500**

Phil Sherriff, Qld. 0411708234 <u>pspalms@bigpond.net.au</u>
The car is at Tamborine

FOR SALE 1952 MGTD

Mileage 3368
Four speed gearbox and two door body
Good tyres.

Everything works except clock.

No driver's side door curtain (but have material). Currently on logbook registration (54018H) but can be sold with black and white MG plates.

Asking \$36,000.

Phone Brian on 65433097 or 0409609895



FOR SALE 2005 MG TF 120 SPARK

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.MG Car Club Hunter Region

Minutes of Committee Meeting held 8th October 2019

Meeting Opened 6:00 pm

<u>Chair:</u> Stephen Jones; <u>Minutes:</u> Frans Henskens

<u>Present:</u> Stephen Jones, Denny Bowden, Greg Jenkins, Frans Henskens, Ian Ashton, Graham Haywood, Gary Piper, Jeff Lauff.

Apologies: Wendy Croker.

In attendance: Brian Madden.

<u>Minutes:</u> Of previous meeting approved moved Denny Bowden seconded Graham Haywood.

Business Arising:

Cost of mailing *On The Marque* exceeds membership cost by \$12.82 per annum. Decision on user pays for paper copies of *On The Marque* to be held over until committee receives membership feedback.

Reports:

President:

Receipt for Concours certificates passed on to Greg Jenkins.

Vice President:

The Lambton Mechanics Institute Land Manger (Trust) has made an application for funding to undertake internal painting of the building. The success or otherwise of the application will not be announced until March 2020. The colour will remain consistent with the heritage values. If success, the Trust will consult with us before any work is undertaken.

60 Day Logbook Trial is now no longer a trial. It has been added as a standard form of NSW historical registration.

Treasurer:

Secretary

- My email provider is (idl.net.au) being shut down. Please note that my new email address is henskens@henskens.com.au. This will need to be changed on the website, both in the list of office bearers and as the contact email.
- NOTE: 2019/20 membership cards are available for collection at Club meetings. They are not being sent out by post (as was done previously) as a cost-saving measure.

Club Captain:

- The Morpeth trip (Nov 16) has 21 participants. Leaves at Honey-suckle at 9:30, cost per person is \$84, it is an 8-hour trip, either buy or bring lunch, morning tea provided on the boat. Payment should be paid at Club meeting in advance.
- Combined Toy Run & Presentation Day is 10 November. Register online, please. Depart 10 a.m., morning tea at Belmont Bay. Rathmines at midday.
- This month's Club Run is Breakfast Run on 20 November. Depart Clubhouse 9 a.m., breakfast at Ringwood meeting there at 10.

Public Relations:

- MGCCHR Annual Concours proposed for Lambton Park on 21st September was cancelled by the Newcastle City Council because the park was too wet. The reserve date is 19 October 2019 this has been approved by NCC.
- Clubman results are nearly complete ... only 9 members qualified for a trophy with the minimum 3 run attendance NO member register was kept for mid-week runs or tuning runs.
 - Are we including Club meeting attendance? Meeting decided 'yes'.
- MG Concours 19th October ... preparations complete. Therese Brown will take Trish's place selling raffle tickets.
 - Has coffee cart booked, problem with food as it is a busy weekend.
- Request for members' registration for Toy run and Presentation lunch on website and prompted by Facebook.
- Would we like a Christmas Club Night?

 Jones' have offered their deck!
 - Will look into dates etc and make an announcement.

Sporting Director:

As per Report in On The Marque with the following additional items.

We have 5 team Hunter Members entered in the Wakefield Park Anniversary event in November & have managed to secure 5 pit car ports alongside of each other.

lan Ashton recently competed in the HSRCA Spring Historics & drove well to achieve 1 first & 2 second placings in the regularity events, also his Rusty Nuts team won the 22 lap teams Regularity endurance event, he also took out the trophy for the best MGB for the W/E. I will have an article in next month's mag. Well done Asho.

Committee Member:

N/A.

Regalia

N/A.

Magazine Editor

Magazine went out this week.

For the final social event for the year with the MG Car Club Hunter Region being the Toy Run and Presentation Lunch on Sunday 10th November at Rathmines Bowling Club it is requested that registration for the event is received.

A new registration form is now available after opening the MG Car Club Hunter Region web site and clicking on the form for the Toy Run.

For those members whom do not have the capability to open the web site on the Internet then the alternative is to contact lan Ashton "The Pro with a MO" who is our Public Relations Officer on phone number 0429592823

*** Would members please immediately advise if you change your email address? Otherwise you will not (cannot) receive On The Marque Please email changed address to Club Secretary henseudo.com eneral Business:

Motion that the Club sponsors representation by Team Hunter at 25th Anniversary Meeting at Wakefield Park. Club members are invited to attend, and covered facilities will be available for their enjoyment. The amount of the sponsorship to be \$250. Moved Greg, seconded Denny, passed unanimously (competitors from the Committee abstained from the vote).

Advertising:

several businesses have either indicated they would pay and haven't, withdrawn, or are non-committal. Club members are encouraged to introduce themselves when they purchase from our sponsors.

Meeting Closed 7:25 p.m.

Next Meeting

6 p.m. Tuesday 12th November 2019.

Tuning Runs

NO TUNING RUNS FOR NOVEMBER NOR DECEMBER

Thank you to those who have contributed to this edition of "On the Marque" Please submit your contributions via email to ghaywood6@bigpond.com It is great to have input from members as well as committee members!

Deadline for the December edition will be Tuesday 21st November 2019

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CLUB QUIZ for NOVEMBER G Haywood

- 1. The twin-cam engine which was in the 1962 Lotus Elan was based on what manufacturers engine?
- 2. When Sunbeam which was produced by the "Rootes" company decided to produce the Tiger model, who did they sub-contract to re-engine the car to fit the V8 engine (a)? and what manufactures engine did they use (b)?
- 3. Which manufacturers V8 engine did TVR use in their sports car?

CLUB QUIZ ANSWERS G Haywood

Last months questions and Answers

1. In March of 1976 lead wiping on the MGBGT was replaced with what?

A neat handed GT badge on the join of the roof pressing and both rear quarter panels.

2. How was the MGB changed externally to identify the 1976 year model?

The front valence was painted Satin Black.

3. In the summer of 1976 two strands of the MGB story drew to a close. What were they?

The last remaining left hand drive MG BGT were with drawn from sale along with European spec LHD roadsters. The MG BGT V8 was cancelled.

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MID WINTER WEEKEND WINDING ROADS TUNING RUN

After the raging success of the 2019 'Weekend of Winding Woads and Waterfalls' I am proud to announce the dates for the 'Mid Winter Mid Week end Winding Woads Tuning Wun'. I have finally tied down accommodation and arrangements. There will be a maximum of 15 cars with individuals or couples. I have 9 spots pencilled in already. If you want to go you will need to contact me asap.

Day 1 (Thursday 30th July 2020) We'll have a fairly big day of driving so we'll get away a little earlier than normal (TBA). We're heading to Rylstone for lunch @ the Globe Hotel via the Bylong Valley Way. We may stop at Denman for morning tea. After lunch we will head over to Bathurst and through to Oberon for the evening. We'll stay at the Highlands Motor Inn (approx \$150). BYO happy hour at the motel then enjoy a 10 minute stroll to the Royal Hotel for dinner.

Day 2 (Friday 31st July) we're going to head via Edith Road to Jenolan Caves House. It might be a bit early for morning tea but we'll try our hardest. We probably won't have time for a caves tour but you can have a good look around and plan for another visit. From there its up the hill and back through to Rylstone for lunch again then on the the Soldiers Motel at Mudgee (\$165 queen room) for the evening. Happy hour (or 2) will be at the Mudgee Brewery (a 10 minute walk). I do know a very nice restaurant near the motel but it is a little pricey. Lovely food though. We'll see.

Day 3 (Saturday 1st August) we will be heading home. There are several different ways to go and it will be up to you when where and how you get there.

So, Mi Winter Mid Week Tuning Wun will be 30th, 31st July, 1st August 2020. Bring warm clothing! Roof off where possible. Please let me know if you are still interested. I will then send a list through to the motels and you will need to ring and book your room.

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