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please call before 9.00pm**



What's On

MG Car Club Hunter Region sponsored and supported activities.

AUGUST 2020

- ♦ **Thursday 6th—Square Riggers Natter—12pm to 2pm Inu Café**
- ♦ **Tuesday 11th—Committee Meeting 6.00pm at Club rooms**
Due to social distancing regulations in force there can be NO general club meeting at the club rooms
- ♦ **Wednesday 12th—IF CURRENT COVID RESTRICTIONS ARE RELAXED—12 noon at venue to be Advised.**
Registration with Kay Bowden is ESSENTIAL as maximum number is 10 Persons
- ♦ **Wednesday 12th—GEAR meeting at Wakefield Park**
- ♦ **Sunday 16th—IF CURRENT COVID RESTRICTIONS ARE RELAXED— Clubman Run members to declare their interest due to SOCIAL DISTANCING and person numbers restrictions. The run starts at 10am at club rooms.**
- ♦ **Thursday 27th—IF CURRENT COVID RESTRICTIONS ARE RELAXED—Tuning Run— members to declare their interest due to SOCIAL DISTANCING and person numbers restrictions. Start time will be 9.00 am from Maccas Hexham.**
- ♦ **Friday 28th till Sunday 30th—HSRCA Spring Festival at Wakefield Park**

SEPTEMBER 2020

- ♦ **Thursday 3rd—Square Riggers Natter—12pm to 2pm Inu Café**
- ♦ **Tuesday 8th—Committee Meeting 6.00pm at Club rooms**
Due to social distancing regulations in force there can be NO general club meeting at the club rooms
- ♦ **Wednesday 9th—IF CURRENT COVID RESTRICTIONS ARE RELAXED—12 noon at venue to be Advised.**
Registration with Kay Bowden is ESSENTIAL as maximum number is 20 Persons.
- ♦ **Sunday 13th—IF CURRENT COVID RESTRICTIONS ARE RELAXED— Clubman Run— members to declare their interest due to SOCIAL DISTANCING and person numbers restrictions. The run starts at 10am at club rooms.**
- ♦ **Thursday 24th—IF CURRENT COVID RESTRICTIONS ARE RELAXED—Tuning Run— members to declare their interest due to SOCIAL DISTANCING and person numbers restrictions. Start time will be 9.00 am from Maccas Hexham.**

COVID—19 Still restricting our club activities.

Unfortunately as we still have to have safe distance then only 12 general members can attend a meeting in our club rooms. Consequently we still would not be able to conduct general member Club Meetings.

We had to cancel the planned Club Runs during July however this issue of our magazine contains reports from the respective committee members which are still worthy of a read as you continue life under the Covid restrictions.

The President's Report includes some thought provoking comments about the future of our hobby with MG's and the social activities within our club. See page 8.

The North Arm Wheels enjoyed an invigorating breakfast run and it is reported on page 11.

Clubman Run News on page 13 discusses the July planned Run to stir our appetites for future runs.

Sporting activities are slowly returning and the report from the Sporting Director can be found on page 15.

The Square Riggers Natter meeting on the first Thursday of every month at the "Inu Café" is still functioning and subjects discussed over a coffee and lunch from 12 noon until 2pm is well worth the effort to attend. See page 17 for a brief report.

Progress with my MGB

The new rubber boots for the steering rack were delivered from our long supporting magazine advertiser Sportsparts Pty. Ltd. and have now been installed.

Next task was to inspect the internals of the differential and order the shims etc to reduce free play in the differential gears.

I have obtained some younger "TOYO Nanoenergy" tyres to replace my 14 year old "Bob Jane All Rounders" (Plenty of tread and no evidence of cracks) so their installation will have priority.

Graham Haywood



Around the bend – ravings of your President

Bev and I are back from our tour of country NSW. We stayed in Huskisson, Canberra (MG Friends), Batlow, Coolamon, Forbes, Grenfell, Cowra and Hill End. Along the way we spent time looking around Braidwood, Gundagai, Wagga Wagga (found some more MG friends), Junee, Temora, West Wyalong, Parkes (the dish was closed), Sofala, Kandos (everything was closed) and Rylstone. From Huskisson to Bathurst on the return leg, 98% of the roads were new to us.

A few weeks later we headed up the coast to Bellingen for a few nights, then across the Waterfall Way (there was even water this time) to Armidale and home via club members John Colville's place at Tamworth. Probably our last relaxing holiday for a while.

Teenage kids probably wouldn't have enjoyed the trips but we enjoyed it and hopefully it helped out a few country businesses.

The post Covid-19 world doesn't look like getting back to pre-pandemic normal any time soon. Victoria is showing us all what can happen if we take our foot off the accelerator and don't do what is right for our fellow Aussies.

Your club is stuck between a rock and a hard place. We can't have any gatherings over our social distanced 20 (16 seated and 4 working) in the clubrooms. We can go for drives in the countryside (at the time of writing) but are we able to find a destination that can cater for us? Groups of 10 is ok but a lot of venues still aren't open because of the lack of patronage and government restrictions. We can't run our major fund raising events due to the confines and numbers. We're doing alright and can continue for a few years yet without getting too worried. I sincerely hope we can and are providing a service to you to keep you interested in your 'feel good' hobby (that's the MG). We're always open to constructive ideas.

On the club front, this could possibly be my last article from the President's seat. There may be another posterior warming that throne as the elections of your new committee has taken place electronically for this coming year. Since we couldn't meet, and to fit within our constitution, we conducted an absentee vote. All those that we could contact were notified and nominations taken. This gave our far away friends a chance to have a say. If there is more than one nomination, for a position, we did the contact again for a member's vote. If you weren't contacted, it means that only one person put their hand up. Your 2020/21 committee will be posted as soon as the re-

sults are in. Thank you to all those that put their hands up to help the club in this rather challenging time.

This has shown another reason to have a working email address if at all possible. The way the Australia Post service is, you may be nominating and voting on next year's election if we used the snail mail system.

I was Clerk of the Course at the first GEAR meeting at Goulburn since lockdown. The weather in June was brisk with a fairly wet track for the morning. Everyone (including Gary Piper) found that traction was severely limited. The track dried out after lunch so the accelerator could be pushed a little further through the floor. The day went well with only a couple of 'tow ins' and virtually no time lost. It was great to see a meeting go ahead again, even with social distancing. Only 80 were allowed on site max. That was 60 competitors, flaggies (thank you Bev, stuck on the start line with me) and a few extra officials. No pit crew, no timing, no presentation, just fun on the track.

I must have done a reasonable job as they want me to be the boss again. The hard part is lining up with my work calendar.

Myf (my race Midget) is back together and hopefully ready for the HSRCA Spring meeting at Wakefield Park. Very old tyres will restrict the lap times but a newish engine and brand new gearbox will be fun to explore. It's hard when you can't just go for a drive to check things out. If that's my biggest worry then life isn't too bad.

I have been trawling through my archives and came across the list I've put together of the recipients of the foundation members Grille badges. It is an interesting collection. 19 of the 100 badges belong to current members. A couple of those haven't maintained their membership but have returned to the fold.

A recent new member (welcome back James Muddle) has one of my missing numbers leaving just 2 numbers that I don't have a name next to. Numbers 75 and 90. If by any unknown chance you can fill in these holes for me I'd appreciate it.

I've been thinking about the future and the resale value of our MG's. Yes we love our cars and have a value for them, but will they continue to be a reasonable 'investment'? Straight up, I do know that that isn't why I have any of my MG's, they will be part of the inheritance for my daughters. If you look at the money you spend to maintain them long term, they are a good way to lose money, but the best investment possible in friendship and fun.

My B is part of the family. The race Midget has taken a lot of soul to build

and I can see it staying in the family. It is really strange but I feel I have an emotional attachment to Bev's Dad's TC even though I don't own it and I've never driven a TC (maybe I need to take one for a drive and see if I like it). I even have an emotional attachment for another TC even though I can't fit in it to properly drive it and know that it will never be for sale. I just love that car. I don't think that the other MG's we have, have quite the same sentimental value to me, though Bev does have an attachment to her Midget. She did get it for her 41st birthday thanks to some shenanigans by Redo, Ray Tolcher and the Bootes.

There is the question that I am posing. Are younger people interested in a B or a Midget or for that, a TC? Will they ever want to own one or a bigger question, restore one? Will they have the ability to restore them? TAFE no longer offer the courses that gave many of us the skills required.

They were the cars of our childhood. We had an attachment to them. There will always be a few, like my girls, that have grown up with these cars and will hopefully maintain a long term interest, and if we play the game right their kids might have that childhood history too, for them to be kept and maintained and even restored. A few always will but will the broader community and the enthusiast? Will they be relegated to history and the next generation be interested only in Commodores, Falcons, Toyotas and Nissans? Some of these that we wouldn't even glance at, they drool over.

I feel that just like the membership of the MG Car Clubs in general, the demographics is of an increasing average age and thus a shrinking pool of supporters. The future is ours to make. Let's spread the word and love.

I hope you're all well and your MG's are ready to hit the road as soon as you can. I hope to see you all again soon.

Steve



At last, I'm able to report on a North Arm Wheels activity, in lieu of a historic car article.

Last month our local events organiser, Peter Eaton arranged for an early start adventure called "**The Brass Monkey Run**". Most cars were MGB roadsters, there was a couple of cars that wished they were MG Marque members?? a Porsche Boxster and Mazda MX5 all driven with no lids. The early morning fresh air before the sun got out of bed was exhilarating, to be truthful Bl**dy Cold. Oh, I forgot to mention one driver turned up in an MGB GT lid still on, the driver was greeted with plenty of comment on the spirit of the adventure, maybe next year we will see an MGA in its place.

Leaving Nabiac at 6.30am, destination was Gloucester for breakfast. Head lights on, long pencil yellow light beams failed to show much of the road and the edges as you negotiated bends. Not used to half light navigation, my new Mazda with **LED** lighting has spoilt me for driving a MGB of fifty years of age in the dark. Might have to look around for a disguised lighting system, to change the lighting colour from **YELLOW** to **WHITE**. Then why worry, the "B" is mostly driven in daylight hours, so who cares if the lighting is Yellow in lieu of White.

Wife Brenda rugged up with a body warmer vest, also with an added three quarter water/wind proof coat, fitted with a fur lined hood. A scarf covering her face and a MG badged blanket wrapped around her legs, no wonder the Safety Belt had to be adjusted. Me, all I had was a Biggles fur lined cap with built in ear muffs, a body warmer vest covered with an Eskimo type three quarter Jacket, to prove I'm no softy I had **NO BLANKET**. A bravery award was given to Brian Kelleher and his navigator, who drove a foreign type MG it was called a MOKE no doors, no heater, no roof, no seat padding just stretched canvas.

A line of eleven cars made it to Gloucester "Roadies Cafe," no

street parking problems, the residents of Gloucester were still in **BED**. Cafe management welcomed us, with an open wood burning fire, it was a popular hand and body warmer. The atmosphere in the cafe, warm and welcoming, so orders were placed for a hot breakfast and social nattering filled in time. Sun came up and there was some movement observed in the street, it was noted, early risers were stopping to inspect the well presented MG cars parked out in the **COLD**.

Next month we are off to Walcha for an over night stay, to spend some money for dinner, bed and breakfast. Just doing our little bit for a country town economy.

Have Wheels Will Travel,



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 September edition will be
Thursday 27th August 2020**

Dear members,

Our "An Awakening" activities didn't last very long, as we are now back to restrictions due to an outbreak of the Covid-19.

We had a very interesting outing planned for the July run, however, that did not eventuate. We were going to leave the Lambton Club House at 10 o'clock and travel down to Morisset for morning tea. From there we were going on an around about excursion through the back blocks and eventually end up at "Mangrove Mountain Memorial Club and Golf" for lunch.

The day was a glorious day weather wise, in which we could have had the top down and enjoyed the wonderful sunshine. It was a disappointment on cancelling, as a number of our southern members had nominated to experience a Sunday Run for the first time.

It doesn't look like we will be able to hold a Run in August as things don't seem to be getting any better, however the next time we can start our activities this run will be on our list.

Don't worry southern friends you will still get that new experience, only a little longer wait than we expected.

Future activities to think about. the "Newcastle MG Car Club" is intending to host a 90th Anniversary of the MG Car Club UK. This has been planned for Sunday 11th October this year, pending on Covid-19 developments.

Nominations and further information for this event will be given later this year. This is to get you thinking. An advertisement is also included in this month's magazine.

Well that's about all I have for you this month, keep your MGs clean and dry until we can once again get back onto the open roads.

See you on the road sometime soon.

Jeff Lauff



From days gone by.





INVITATION



MG Car Club Newcastle invites MG Hunter Region to join in a special Register Run to celebrate the 90th Anniversary of the UK MG Car Club.

This event is being celebrated world-wide on Sunday 11th October 2020.

The day will commence with morning tea at MGCCN club rooms followed by an interesting drive to the Hunter Valley for a wine tasting then on for a buffet lunch.

Due to various restrictions numbers will be limited so please RSVP early to avoid disappointment. Bookings will close 30th September and no late entries will be accepted.

Contact Ken McLeod MGCCN at kenneth-mcleod1@bigpond.com or telephone 0249436239

SPORTING DIRECTOR REPORT

Gary Piper

We are seeing Motorsport events now starting to reappear on a restricted basis.

During August "Team Hunter" members will compete in a couple of events, firstly Steve Jones & Matt Blanch have entered in the "HSRCA Spring Historics" event on August 28, 29 at Wakefield Park.

Steve is hoping to run as an invited entry in Group S category (Steve's car is classed as Marque Sports).



Matt Blanch at Wakefield Park



Steve Jones at Wakefield Park

Matt will compete in Group SB category, this will be be Matt's first event since the Bathurst 12hr so it's great to see him back on the track.

Last time I checked there were 135 cars entered for Race, Super Sprint & Regularity.

Austin Blanch & I will be competing in the GEAR event on Wednesday 12 August at Wakefield Park, hopefully this time it will be dry.



Austin Blanch at Wakefield Park



Gary Piper at Wakefield Park

I'm hoping to have some further suspension mods done to my car & also should be running on a nice new set of semi slicks which should improve the cars handling. Hopefully the driver can improve as well.



Gary Piper at Ringwood Hill Climb

SAIC the Chinese owner of the MG brand has published a series of official sketches of a concept MG electric Sports car called the MG Cyberster. Does this mean a new MG Sports car is on its way? Guess we will just have to wait & see, so get on the net & check it out looks pretty wild.

There were some great pics of Matt Blanch in his MGB at Bathurst 12 hr in the spring edition of the "MG Enthusiast" magazine also a good article on the Group S event which will give you an idea just how well the MG's went in the punishing super hot conditions against the bigger horsepower cars, impressive to say the least.

Looks like the 2021 Bathurst 12 hr is off as there will be a problem getting the overseas drivers & equipment into the country & there aren't enough competitive GT3 car teams based in Australia to support the event. Looks like it will be replaced with a super cars event. Remember drive them don't hide them, enjoy your MG.

Cheers Gary

SQUARE RIGGERS NATTER



Square Riggers Natter meetings are on again and eight members attended in May at the usual location "Café inu" in Stockland.

Lively conversations on our interest in MG cars, including the square riggers, was conducted over our lunches and liquid refreshments.

We had a good roll up for the July meeting.

The guys attended owning 1 TC, 1 TD, 3 TFs, 1 YT, 1 J2 , 1 PA and 2 MGBs between them.

Lovely sitting out in the sun yakking away and enjoying a beer and lunch.

ENGINES for MG'S

EMAIL sent by a club member to share a book prepared by Neil Cairns.

Hello Graham

I've been investigating the source of the odd engine number on my recently purchased 1968 MGB GT. I got onto a web site which put me in touch with Neil Cairns, UK, who has written a publication Engines for MG's. He sent me the attached book which is a very comprehensive record of MG engines from 1935 onwards. I mentioned I was in the MG Car Club Hunter Region and he advised that he was happy to pass it on to anyone that needs it. The book is updated by Neil as he finds more info. The most up to date copy is on www.mgccyregister.co.uk under technical advice.

I've been in touch with Denny Bowden about the engine number and sent him a copy of the publication.

For your info the engine number engraved on the block is Q970233P. Neil advised that it is likely a reconditioned engine by a small company that has removed the original plate and has its own numbering system. The car was originally sent new to California, USA and came to Australia in 1991 as LHD. It was converted to RHD in 2003 and work has been done on the engine in more recent years. The engine has a cast date of 3J1 - 3 October 1971 on the block - not the original block. So, I'm still uncertain of the origin of the reconditioning - USA or Australia.

If you consider it appropriate, please circulate the book and web site to club members.

Regards Dave Young

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AUTHORISED SERVICE BULLETIN - MANDATORY

The Official British Leyland Inspection Sheet



1. Place this sheet under your MG's engine. Leave overnight.
2. Remove and inspect this sheet before driving your MG.

-If the MG Logo above is covered in oil drips, check your oil level and top up. Now go for a drive!

-If the MG Logo above is clean, do **NOT** drive your MG! The oil sump is **EMPTY**!

Note: This sheet can also be used with the gear box, rear differential, or anywhere else fluid flows in your MG.

Do You Know...

Do you know there are four words in the '**coop**' group? Three are of French origin and one of German. All were adopted in English centuries ago and all have similar meanings, similar spellings and similar pronunciations, except for two which have a small Anglicised shift. They are : Kupe, coup, coupe, and coupé.

Kupe – German; and means a type of containment such as a cage. Spelled and pronounced 'coop' in English. The same meaning and nearly the same pronunciation.

Coup - French; pronounced 'coo' and means a military or significant take-over. The same meaning and pronunciation in English.

Coupe - French; pronounced 'coop' but spelled and pronounced 'cup' in English, and both mean just that - a cup.

Coupé - French; pronounced 'coo-pay' in English and French. In French it means something shortened or cut off, which has logically been applied to the variation of car body style which has two doors and a sloping back – cut back.

This last one is of particular relevance to us in motoring circles as it refers to a unique body style, and the word should always bear the acute-accented 'e' to confirm the pronunciation and therefore the meaning. Unfortunately it seems to be more frequently mispronounced as 'coop' because, if I dare say it, of our lackadaisical attitude toward our language standards and/or the ease with which the North American dialect infiltrates standard English. (Maybe that's actually a 'coup' of sorts anyway - by means of language takeover.) If you have a particular passion and dedication in a hobby or profession, your pride should include the correct related language and terminology so that you demonstrate your knowledge about your hobby. We like to preserve our cars, so likewise we should preserve the defining and unique motoring terms that go with them.

So now, when someone says they have the 'coop' bodied version of a car, you know for certain that they are actually driving around in a car that is a pig sty....or is it maybe a 'bird cage'?

Anyway, I'm off to my favourite caf for a nice hot latt.

Peter Lloyd

DURING THESE TRYING COVID—19 TIMES TRANSFER OF THE VIRUS IS AN ISSUE

When we use our cars to travel around have we considered how to minimise transfer of the contagious virus within our vehicle? Here are some tips on how to clean the interior of our vehicle to reduce the potential transfer of the virus.

1— Wear rubber gloves to protect your hands while cleaning. Before disinfecting the steering wheel and car interior clean it with warm soap and water or specific car cleaning products. Check that the disinfectant chemicals will not damage the interior lining materials.

Cleaning the steering wheel and interior first improves the disinfectant ability to kill any harmful stubborn germs.

2 —Give extra attention to areas frequently touched during the car operation such as door handles, the rear view mirror, gear stick, safety belts, dash controls, seats and armrests, glove box, hand brake and steering wheel.

Use proven disinfectants like isopropyl alcohol after checking on small area generally out of site in case it effects the material.

3— Only use soap and water on leather and it may be necessary to feed the leather with a leather product to prevent it from drying out.

Do not scrub hard on leather surfaces, avoid excess suds and water, use a microfibre cloth to avoid scratches.

4—Avoid using bleach and or peroxide based cleaners as although they kill germs they will also cause discolouration as well as damage vinyls and plastic.

5—Do not use too much water especially around electrical and electronics or you could cause a catastrophic failure of that equipment.



Last National MG Meeting held in Queensland at Redbank

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One complete set of brake drums, hubs and wire wheels for TF.
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For Sale MGB V8 Engine & Painted Wire Wheels

MGB V8 engine Complete except for front timing cover.

\$2,200 ONO

4 MGB Painted wire wheels with tyres. (4.5 inch X 14 inch)

Good splines, came off my car. **\$60.00 Each**

Contact Rudi Scevak—0413841272

For Sale Smiths tachometer to suit MGB

\$250

ph Ian 0429 592 823



WANTED : MGB 3 Bearing engine
Call Ray 0425245100

WANTED : MGB Bonnet Preferably original in good condition. **Call Larry 02 49772112**

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Note : it is a legal requirement that Price and Registration No., or VIN No. or Engine No. must be included in the advertisement

FOR SALE

FOR SALE

I have a number of MG items I would like to sell which consist of the following;

1. An almost complete MGTF timber kit in quality seasoned Australian coachwood (including most of the original timber) and a few TC bibs and bobs.
2. A set of sheet metal patterns for re-skinning the body tub and doors (less the firewall)
3. A complete but very rusty 1500 MGA that needs a total-ground up restoration. The body is in two halves with some work started and some extra panels.
4. I have the complete original motor plus a 1622 and a number of complete Austin 1800 heads

I am open to (sensible) offers for these items and if there is genuine interest will send photographs on request.

Contact **Tony Bayliss 0417 062 352** bayrest2@bigpond.com

FOR SALE.

New wiper arms for MGB GT. These were recently bought from MG Car Club UK and suit Right Hand Drive cars. (Mine is originally LHD so I can't use them). \$50 for pair.

Hazard switch 6 terminal with round connections. Also new from UK (mine has flat connections). \$15

Contact **John Stuart. 0408622674.**
johnstuart65@bigpond.com

Parts for MG PA Wanted.

To keep the restoration of PA1499 moving I'm looking for the following parts:

- Lucas M35A starter motor
- Second crank case breather. The one that fits under the water branch side plates on later PA engines.
- Lucas L140 headlamps. Complete lights or parts.
- Dashboard edge trim

Elliot Burns Phone **0478 415405** or email meburns66@bigpond.com

FOR SALE

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:

After 32 years of midlife crisis I have decided to sell my beloved TD. It is a 1951 build, I am only the third owner, it is fully registered until 21 st Feb 2021. NSW TD015

Engine rebuilt 2006 with XPEG crank, leadfree head, Jerry Austin axle shafts, stainless steel lined brake cylinders etc.

A more comprehensive history and copies of receipts are available on request. Many spares.

I'm asking around **\$18K.**

Sjef Vleeskens 0499 439 939



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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 The car is at Tambourine Phil Sherriff, Qld. 0411708234 pspalms@bigpond.net.au



FOR SALE 1971 MGB Roadster

Rego, No. XCV 313 — Overdrive — Midnight Blue in colour
New soft top with zip out rear window, Near new Tyres
Bolt on chrome wire wheels. Original steering wheel comes with car but needs repair. Overall car is in Good Condition



\$16,000. neg, Contact Terry, Mob. 0412 711 812

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MG Car Club Hunter Region

Minutes of Committee Meeting held 14th July 2020

Meeting Opened 6:05 pm

Chair: Stephen Jones **Minutes:** Frans Henskens

Present: Stephen Jones, Denny Bowden, Frans Henskens, Jeff Lauff, Gary Piper, Graham Haywood, Wendy Croker, Gary Croker

Apologies: Greg Jenkins, Ian Ashton.

In attendance:

Minutes: Of previous meeting approved moved Denny Bowden seconded Jeff Lauff.

Business Arising:

AGM: Email to go to members seeking nominations – acceptance and seconder to be included. One week for nominations, then a second email to go out for voting as necessary.

Reports:

President (Stephen Jones):

Nil.

Vice President (Denny Bowden):

Thanks to Jeff & Sally Lauff for the very successful June Run.

Treasurer (Greg Jenkins):

Things to keep in mind:

This financial year we had a Concourse but no Euroday.

Last financial year we had Euroday and Shannons Hunter Classic. The profit of for Hunter Classic was donated to the Lions Club Buy a Bale Charity. Also, the profit from Euroday was donated to the Save the Children Foundation.

The donation of to the Save the Children Foundation was made in this financial year but the credit funds were received in the previous financial year. Basically, we would have had a lesser loss in both years.

Treasurers Role.

I assume there will be some discussion regarding the AGM at tonight's meeting. If there is someone out there who wants the job, I

will be happy for them to take over but if not, I will nominate again.

Advertising:

In the Magazine

Some years ago, I took over this role of sending out the invoices each year however over the last few years the advertising income has fallen and we now have only three in the magazine and one on the website:

Sportsparts

Shannons (Concessional rate due to budget constraints)

Modern Classic Cars

Sunnyside Auto Electricians. They did not pay last year despite many phone calls. Should now be removed

On the Website Green Slip Calculator

As I see it there are two decisions. Firstly, in the current COVID-19 situation and economic downturn do we still ask for the same fees; and secondly, should we actively seek other advertisers for the magazine? If we are to seek further advertisers, I do not think I am the right person for this, and it would be better if someone else with a more outgoing personality could do this.

Committee endorses Ian Ashton's efforts and is happy for him to continue in the role. Suggest starting with the advertisers in the current magazine and the website. Offer the discounted rate in the light of COVID-19.

Secretary (*Frans Henskens*):

Correspondence received:

03 July 2020 (From our Treasurer Greg Jenkins): Well another financial year over and done with and what a year, drought, bushfires and now corona which will have an effect on our lives as we go forward. I have just been informed by the hospital that I am booked for minor surgery on 20th July. The recommendation in the current climate is that for one week before the operation I self-isolate. No tennis, no golf and more important no alcohol, I will be a nervous wreck. This will mean that I will not be attending the July meeting on the 14th. Paul Smith has been getting the mail and has given me some along with membership cheques. I will collect any further mail and cheques and bank these before isolation. I will give all mail what I have to Asho to bring to the meeting and I will do a preliminary balance sheet and send it to you all prior to the meeting.

The whole Club wishes Greg a speedy and successful recovery.

06 July 2020: The Lambton Mechanics Institute Land Manager (trust) has discussed rental arrangements following the 3 month concession made due to Covid19 affecting the club's activities. The trust has decided that as restrictions are now beginning to

ease it is appropriate for rent to revert back to the usual amount. The annual July increase will apply. Kind regards Alison Eaton
Secretary Lambton Mechanics Institute Land Manager.

12 July 2020 (from Wayne Routley in response to email of 22 June 2020 reminding members with Concessional Registration to renew their membership before end of month): "Well if you posted out a renewal application rather than an online form you may have had a more positive renewal response, not everyone has a printer."

Secretary to respond by email. Make sure to point out that paper renewal forms have not been sent to members since email circulation of *On The Marque*.

Perhaps members who require hard copy of such paperwork make their request in writing and include a stamped self-addressed envelope for return.

Membership renewals to date: 38 single and 60 family. Membership cards have been sent by email to all renewing members.

Club Captain (Jeff Lauff):

Last month's Run was a great success – 23 people and 15 cars.

This coming Sunday's event has 10 people interested. Travel to Morisset for morning tea, then to Mangrove Mountain (booking for 20).

Public Relations (Ian Ashton):

As the runs have been severely disrupted and mid-week Runs and Club meetings have still not returned I don't feel we should award trophies this year.

Committee decision: We only lost 3 months. There are enough events to still award a Club Championship. Should still award Clubman awards in categories for which members qualify.

Sporting Director (Gary Piper):

As per magazine. Motorsport is starting to up a bit. Did a run in his MGB last month. Another GEAR event coming up in August. Also, HSRCA coming up end of August – several entrants from the Club.

Committee Member (Gary Croker):

Nil.

Regalia (Wendy Croker):

Club shirt sent by Judy Gold (past member with Jim) – shirt is brand new, donated for prize since Jim has passed away.

Suggest having a new batch of embroidered shorts or jackets made when COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.

Magazine Editor (Graham Haywood):

Having trouble with printing of magazine. Printer is having problems with feeding consecutive gloss pages. Proposes printing with non-gloss pages. Concerned that the use of non-gloss results in a product of inferior quality.

Will investigate whether change of brand of paper improves feed in performance.

General Business:

Nil.

Meeting Closed 7:40 p.m.

Next Meeting

6 p.m. Tuesday 11th August 2020.

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