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AFTER A CLUB RUN AND BEFORE COVID LOCK DOWN**

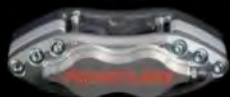
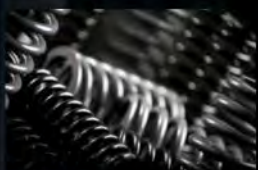
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please call before 9.00pm**



What's On

MG Car Club Hunter Region sponsored and supported activities.

OCTOBER 2021

- ♦ ***Thursday 7th—Square Riggers Natter—12pm to 2 pm Inu Café
May be CANCELLED DUE TO COVID see page 15***
- ♦ ***Tuesday 12th— No Committee Meeting at Club rooms and
No Club Meeting due to Covid 19 restrictions***
- ♦ ***Wednesday 13th—Midweek Run— CANCELLED DUE TO COVID.***
- ♦ ***Sunday 24th—MGCCN Hillclimb—Ringwood***
- ♦ ***Sunday 24th—Clubman Run— CANCELLED DUE TO COVID***
- ♦ ***Thursday 28th—Tuning Run— CANCELLED DUE TO COVID***

Restrictions due to health orders during COVID have caused many functions to be cancelled and sometimes with little notice.

Changes to arrangements published in “*On the Marque*” will in future be advised on both the Web page and the Club’s Facebook page. Members are advised to check them for such changes as the date/time of each event approaches.



NEW MEMBERS NAME TAGS

The following NEW MEMBERS can collect their club badges when attending a club function .

The club badge should be worn during any club function.

Martin / Melanie Campbell

Trevor / Janine Clifton

John / Anne Marley

Phil / Glenys Powell

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MGCCHR Clubman Point Scoring System

The Honour Board on the wall in the Clubroom has provision for the yearly Clubman Champion and Sporting Champion. Every member has the chance to get their name on the board through consistency of participation in Sporting Events or Clubman runs.

Sporting results are kept by the Sporting Director and apply to any MG Club endorsed sporting event that members compete in whether it is a hill climb, motor kana or racetrack event. 1 point allocated for each sporting event a member competes in during the club year. 1st, 2nd and 3rd placings are decided by the total number of points allocated and are rewarded with a trophy. The 1st placing winner's name is listed as the **Sporting Champion** on the Honour Board.

Clubman results are kept by Public Relations Officer (PRO) and are forwarded to him via (A) member responsible for monthly Wednesday mid week pub and club runs, (B) member responsible for monthly Thursday tuning runs, (C) Club Captain responsible for Sunday monthly Clubman runs. To qualify for Clubman points members must participate in a minimum of 3, mixed or the same, event runs in the same MG during the club year (July to June).

Depending on what model MG you own and or participate in will decide 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each allocated model division. PRO allocates one point to each driver and mate for each Clubman run for each MG Division. Trophies are awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each MG Division and to the first three MG mates (car partners, wives, girlfriends, boyfriends etc.) The overall winner (the member who participates in the most Clubman runs) wins the Clubman Trophy and has their name listed as the **Clubman Champion** on the Honour Board

Our Club also has a **NON MG** class which is designed to attract members with other marque sports cars to join our club and participate in all runs. PRO allocates one point to each NON MG sports car participating in a run. Members must also participate in a minimum of 3 runs in the same NON MG car to qualify for the trophy. There is only one **NON MG and mate** combined trophy which is awarded to the member with the highest points at the end of the club year.

Although NOT awarded annually the **Octagon Award Trophy** can be awarded by the committee to a NON committee member who in the view of the committee continually assists the MGCCHR with a range of services over the club year.

This months cover photograph is from the clubman run to Ettalong Hotel and is of a few cars parked outside of the Hotel. The majority of the participating cars were parked around the back on the grassed hotel car park.

The Sporting Director report this month has informed about most if not all racing activity has been cancelled. "Team Hunter" members are continuing to fettle their cars in anticipation of some racing towards the end of the year.

Gary has also discussed with me about starting up an information and help section on MG maintenance titled "Ask an MG Guru".

See the first issues on pages 19 and 21 as well as my request for help below.

Progress with my MGB.

I have been doing some alterations to my J&S fibreglass hardtop by adding stiffening to the rear bottom section of the rear window frame to try and stop the deflection that was occurring allowing the Perspex rear window to be over stressed and cracking.

In the interim I have installed my vinyl roof as even though it is in bad repair it does provide some weather protection.



"Ask an MG Guru"

Unfortunately the rear flexible plastic window of my vinyl roof is opaque and provides little rearward vision. If any member has a cure for removing the opaque film I would appreciate your suggestion.



Around the bend – the ravings of your President.

Life is being very hard for us all at the moment with the lockdown. Some people just don't get it and unfortunately there seems to be a few politicians in that group. Some people are coping better than others (is this what retirement is like?) so it is vitally important to keep an eye (or ear) on your mates. The 9th of September was the official "RUOK" day but every day should be 'call or text a mate day'.

Reopening the Club rooms may be problematic due to government regulations. I haven't looked into the finer details but if and when we do, we may be forced to open only to those with double dose vaccinations. I have very strong views on all of this and we should be respecting a person's right to make their choice. Unfortunately, it looks like if you aren't double vaccinated, you will not be allowed under the legal restrictions imposed on us, to enjoy a club night gathering.

As soon as I was able, I had my two "AZ" injections. It didn't affect me in a negative way at all. I now get better phone reception, my on track driving ability will be enhanced by increases in certain parts of my anatomy, Bev can track my location on her phone and I don't need a vasectomy any more, but hey... (kidding!!!).

A heads up, we probably won't be having a club night anytime in the near future, even for those of us that are fully vaccinated. We just can't fit a reasonable number of members into the club rooms.

Our "Concours" was scheduled for the end of October. There is no way, even with an easing of restrictions that we are going to be able to hold the event on Lambton Park. We'd need to check everyone's vax status, possibly turn away members, keep distanced and not interact with the public. Impossible at this point.

I was thinking outside the box on this. Maybe we could have the "Concours" just before next Easter. Hopefully we'll have a large team lining up for the "MG National Meeting" at Lake Macquarie so all their MG's will be cleaned and prepared ready. We can do a last minute "Concours" check over our babies. This is yet to be run past a formal committee meeting and a contact with the Newcastle MGCC. We don't want to interfere with their Natmeet plans.

Please stay tuned and watch the web and Facebook pages.

I have found one good thing about being locked in my house, "Goodwood Revival" was on in the UK on the 17 – 19th September. The next best thing (and we had nothing better to do) was sit in-front of the tele and watch it. Bev and I watched at night until bed time then put it on the next day and caught up where we left off. Three full days. Far better than Bathurst Supercars.

There were only three MGs racing for the weekend, an YB, ZB (1950's race) and a K3 in the pre-war event. None of them featured in the telecast much

but since there were no As or Bs, we kept our eyes open all the time for a glimpse. The highlight race was the Mini's race on Saturday and the Pre-war race in the wet on Sunday. Both were breathtaking in their excitement and made the Supercars look pedestrian and boring. The only thing better would be to have been at the track.

Back to life... there is a lot of work being done on gardens, houses and cars. Bev keeps asking what I have planned for the day. Absolutely nothing planned but probably bread (I make sourdough), shed, get fed, and then bed. I'll improvise everything in between.

One of our advertisers and supporters, David Dyer from "Modern Classic Cars", came through with the final large item for the race Midget rebuild. A "Frontline UK" telescopic suspension conversion (the same as the one I've been running on the car since I built it) arrived to replace the bent unit. I had been waiting for it to arrive before painting the remaining part and as it turned out, they are already nicely painted. They arrived and were fitted the same day. You'd think I organised the lock down so I'd have time to fix the old girl and not miss any events.

The Midget now sits on her own wheels again and has been in and out of the shed for cleaning a few times. Lock-down has slowed my ability to get parts dropped off for repairs and now it is a matter of waiting before I can get the engine back in and started. There's a "GEAR" meeting pencilled in for early December. That might be a good one to aim at a shake down.

I was up at Tamworth for work a few weeks back (yes during lockdown, I was working and legal) and took the opportunity to have a fully masked and distanced check on my MG mate up that way. He has come up with the ultimate fix for the rodent problem. He bought a nice new, extra-large, fully sealed, container. Let's see the little mongrels get to the TF now. I just have to work out some ramps so we can get the MG in and out easily.

I regularly hear lots of noise coming from a few doors up. There are times when I'm on the deck at the barbeque, cooking dinner, and the shed door is open, lights burning bright at number 49. There has been real progress and the running gear is looking very impressive on the P type... I think. I can only look over the fence at the progress. It looks exciting from 10 metres. Every once and a while I get some parts dropped in my letterbox. Since I'm spray painting some bits of my own, I may as well add some of Elliott's bits too.

Anyway, stay tuned to the Club's social media sites for the latest updates and give a mate a phone call.

Steve

VALE NEVILLE ROALS

Dear Members,

It is with much sadness that we inform you all of the passing of Neville Roals. Nev and his wife Roz were very active members of our club up until a few years ago.

Nev passed away on 20th September in hospital.

Our thoughts are with Roz and the other family members.



Still not much going on in Motorsport at the moment. Due to current Covid restrictions the October "GEAR" meeting has been cancelled & we are hopeful that the December "GEAR" meeting scheduled for Wednesday December 1st will go ahead.

We're all having motor sport withdrawals, it will be great to get the cars back on the track again & catch up with fellow Motorsport enthusiasts.

"GEAR Club Gearbox" magazine editor Alan McMaster is bringing out a fortnightly news letter called the "Car - Owna Virus" news letter to keep "GEAR" members keen & informed on what's happening.

Have you watched the "Monterey Motorsports Reunion" at "Leguna Seca Circuit California" or the recent "Goodwood Revival", which is the only historic race meeting to be staged in period theme recreating Motor Racing as it used to be in days gone by . Within both of these events you will be able to watch a wide variety of historic cars racing from big banger "Can- Am" open sports cars , "Trans - Am" cars , "Indy Cars", "British Sports Cars & Sedans", "GP" Cars . How good are the drifting E Type Jaguars to watch , great car control quick machines considering their age. If you haven't watched any of these events do yourself a favour & get on the net & have a look I'm sure you will enjoy it. I know it gets me keen to get the "B" back on the track & experience the thrills & oops moment's Motorsport has to offer.

Hopefully in the next couple of months there will be some events that "Team Hunter" members have competed in & I can report on.

Good luck to all those carrying out work on their cars during the lockdown period I hope all is going well.

Coming Events—subject to Covid restrictions.

Sun October 24—MGCC Newcastle Hillclimb Ringwood Park (new date)

Sun November 28—MGCC Newcastle Hillclimb Ringwood Park (new date)

Wednesday December 1—"GEAR" Wakefield Park Goulburn.

Sun December 12—Regularity Hillclimb + Come & Try (possible new date)

Stay safe, Stay healthy.

I look forward to seeing you in the near future, be it on the track or on a club run.

Let's get back to enjoying our MGs as soon as we're able to.

The Next adventure in our Covid lockdown - Club Run for October 2021

Hi everyone.

Just a quick message for this Ground Hog month. Unfortunately due to continual lockdown and large numbers of infection in our Local Government Areas the October Club Run has been cancelled. Hopefully with the increasing percentages of fully vaccinated community we may be able to hold a Club Run in November. We now can have up to five fully vaccinated people go on picnics, so hopefully by November this number will increase so that a run could be organised. This would include our normal bring your own morning tea in a park somewhere with toilets and cover. Lunch would be a picnic style or Barbecue.



This lucky couple enjoying a double vaccinated picnic by the water. So as I hinted from last month, with all this extra time at our disposal due to lockdown, have you been preparing for our parole in the near future??

Hopping into your cars can be seen as a possibility and your first post-Covid trip needs to be planned. The feeling of the wind in your hair and the sun on your face,(remember the sun screen and hat)

the open road has never felt more appealing.

Now before we head off on this magical adventure we need to make sure this first outing doesn't turn into the 'nightmare from hell', as our pride and joy glides to a halt by the side of the road. Fortunately we can do a few things to prevent this happening before we embark on this journey.

Six basic Maintenance checks

No 1. Check your battery.

As you and your car have been leading a very sedentary lifestyle over these many months, meaning we don't regularly drive our cars these days, the battery is the first thing to suffer. To keep the battery fully charged we should run the car for a short time every few days or invest in a small trickle charger in which the car can be on charge all the time, ready for an escape.



Oops!
Now where did I
put that darn
battery?
Right!!
Under the floor
behind the seats.
No wonder I
forget to check
the electrolyte.

No 2. Tyres.

Sitting in the garage over extended time the tyres can develop flat spots and lose pressure.

This is a simple fix. Using your own pressure gauge for accuracy, inflate and check all four tyres, PLUS the spare to the correct pressure.

No3. Perform an oil change.

Check the Brake and Clutch fluids and top up if required.

Change the engine oil if you have the skills, as oil will deteriorate being left over time with contaminants.

Also check the radiator fluids and top up.

No4. Refill your fuel tank.

Petrol loses its potency and goes stale over time. Without fresh fuel your car will not perform and will run like a hairy goat.

No5. Mother Nature.

Over time, left in a garage or in the elements, the paint work can get marked and dusty. So give it a good wash and polish if you haven't already done so. Can't go out with a dirty car!

No6. Final Checks

Safety checks include: All lights

Seat belts - no frayed edges or difficult operation.

Windscreen and wipers.

Mirrors.



All road trips require a healthy supply of snacks and drinks. Also a decision on where to go. Or does this really matter as long as we can escape into the country side, and for some of us, with the roof down letting the fresh air blow through our hair.

Until we are let out, be safe, read our Journal or go onto Facebook and the website, to find out what is happening in our area.

Hope to see you on the road soon,

Jeff Lauff



SQUARE RIGGERS NOGGIN & NATTER

Square Riggers Noggin & Natter meeting might be allowed this month. If so meet at the usual location "Café inu" on 43 Denison Street in Carrington for October 2021.

CHECK LATEST LOCKDOWN CONDITIONS ON SERVICE NSW WEBSITE OR HUNTER NEW ENGLAND HEALTH.



Come and join us, should we be able to re-commence as you will be welcome.

Lovely sitting yakking away and enjoying a drink and lunch during a meeting whilst keeping COVID safe.

The following are teaser Photographs to start the conversation.





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ASK AN MG GURU (1)

After my article in last months mag regarding the problem with the lower bearing in the late model MGB steering rack I had 2 responses from members who had encountered the problem & found a solution.

Both Ray Tolcher & John Ray used a machinable plastic material (which is available locally) to machine up a bush to do the job. Both say that the plastic bush is a permanent fix & will probably last the life of the car.

Thanks to both Ray & John for their feedback we appreciate it.

It is obvious that we have a wealth of MG knowledge within the Hunter Region MG Car Club with many members having an engineering, machining, sheet metal, automotive industry background or have just owned MGs forever.

So after a discussion with magazine editor Graham Haywood we have decided to run a "Ask an MG Guru" section in the magazine where, if you have a problem with your car or you might be having trouble getting a part for it particularly if you want to keep it original, email Graham & he will put your question in the magazine.

Hopefully someone will be able to help you but if not Graham & I will do our best to find out & give you an answer.

Gary Piper

To start this support page off a common question that seems to be asked is

What is the best size tyre to fit to my MGB?

Most MGB's with wire wheels have 4.5 inch width X 14 inch diameter wheels.

Early roadster steel wheels and early MGBGT were 4 inch wide X 14 inch diameter. However some time after the introduction of the GT their steel wheels became 5 inches wide.

The roadster and the GT steel wheels became 5 inch wide with the introduction of "Rostyle" steel wheels although some sources suggest that even early "Rostyle" steel wheels were 4.5 inches wide.

It can become confusing but all wheels will have the width stamped into the rim and for example my "Rostyle" wheels have 5JFHx14.

The original tyre size fitted to MGB's was a 5.60 x 14 x 80 aspect ratio and had, when new, a diameter of 24 inches.

Therefore to avoid speedometer error it is best to seek a tyre as close as possible to have the same diameter of 24 inches.

Modern 14" Tires

Original 5.60x14 Tire Diameter Approx. 24.0"

Size	Width	Diam.	Wheel Width
165/80R14	6.50"	24.39"	4.0"–5.5"
165/65R14	6.50"	22.44"	4.0"–5.5"
175/80R14	6.89"	25.02"	4.5"–6.0"
175/70R14	6.89"	23.65"	4.5"–6.0"
175/65R14	6.89"	22.96"	4.5"–6.0"
185/70R14	7.28"	24.20"	5.0"–6.5"
185/65R14	7.28"	23.47"	5.0"–6.5"
185/60R14	7.28"	22.74"	5.0"–6.5"
195/65R14	7.68"	23.98"	5.5"–7.0"
195/60R14	7.68"	23.21"	5.5"–7.0"
205/60R14	8.07"	23.69"	5.5"–7.5"

- Recommended fitments are in bold.
- Early MGB roadster steel wheels were 4.0".
- Wire wheels and early GT steel wheels were 4.5".
- Rostyle and Alloy wheels are 5.0"

The table above has highlighted the best fit tyres at the respective tyre width to minimise speedometer error.

It is also important to note the recommended wheel width for each tyre width and to avoid too wide a tyre for the wheel width.

Fitting a wide tyre to a too narrow wheel will allow the tyre to potentially roll too much relative to the wheel when negotiating corners at speed. It is possible to pull the tyre bead away from the wheel rim allowing air to escape with disastrous consequence.

When selecting tyres first check what wheel width is fitted to your car.

Some MGB's, if the wider tyres are fitted, have tyre rubbing occurring on the rear wheels. This could be either the tyres are too wide or is caused by the axle and rear spring assembly not central to the car centreline. This usually occurs when only one side tyre contacts the mudguard.

Graham Haywood

ASK AN MG GURU (2)

BALANCING ROSTYLE TYRE WHEEL COMBO

Have you had your tyre and Rostyle steel wheels balanced and yet still have vibration around 90 to 100 kmh speed?

The reason for the vibration could be because the tyre shop balanced the wheels using a centred balance connection to the balancer machine. Rostyle wheels do not have the pressed centre hole actually centered to the wheel rim during manufacture like modern steel and alloy wheels.

The correct method is to set up the wheels to have the stud holes centred to the balancing machine as only the stud holes are centred to the wheel rim. Not all tyre shops have the adaptors to allow the centring of the wheel by the stud holes so when arranging for the balancing you need to ask this question of the tyre fitter before balancing.

Do you have an adaptor to centre the wheels on the stud holes for your balancing machine?

The diagram below illustrates one such method and the Tyre Retailer that provided these illustrations asks an additional fee to provide that service.

Balance Optimisation System:

- Extends the life of the tyre
- Less wear on steering & suspension components
- Improves passenger and driver comfort
- Enhances vehicle safety
- Reduces driver fatigue



Standard Balance

The tyre and wheel is mounted to the balancing machine using the rear cone and held by the front wing nut clamp.

Premium Balance

To achieve a smooth vibration free drive, the wheel must be centred and positioned on the balancer just as it will be centred and positioned on your vehicle. To ensure this, the tyre and wheel are balanced to the machine using a Duo Expert Adaptor & flange plate.



2022 MG Car Club Victoria - Calendar

Supporting MG Foundation, Victoria Australia

Artist: Colin Bodie

After a professional career as an illustrator, MGCC Victoria member and MG enthusiast Col Bodie has created a unique whimsical and satirical take on MG Owners and their cars.

In retirement, Col has donated his time to entertaining our club with reminders each month of our own foibles of MG ownership in our magazine.

For the 2022 Calendar year, Col has produced 12 original illustrations, in a simple calendar format to suit any office, kitchen or shed.

Col's services are donated free of charge, and all proceeds after p&p are directed to the MG Foundation of Victoria.



Image: Courtesy July 2021 Wheel Spin, the official Journal of the MGCC Victoria



MG Car Club Foundation

About the Appeal:

The Foundation are launching an appeal to assist with further upgrades to the historic Rob Roy Hillclimb track. The hillclimb track history goes back to 1935, and at the time of construction, Rob Roy was one of 3 purpose built hillclimb tracks in the world, the others were Shelsley Walsh and Prescott in the UK.

Recently the MGCCV won a state government sponsored community motorsport grant of \$495,000 (maximum was \$500,000) and the MG Club Victoria is contributing an additional \$100,000. This funding will allow:

- Resurfacing of the existing track;
- Adding a new optional chicane;
- New tyre cleaning pad
- Sealing of the return road
- Constructing a new bridge over the gully avoiding the track; and
- Improving spectator seating and uncover areas.

But there is more to do:

Whilst we are privileged to have been acknowledged and awarded funding by the State Government and Motorsport Australia, there is more to do. Such as adding additional spectator comforts, sealing the entrance road and improving the administration and competitor facilities.

NOTE: Guest speakers are available to speak to your club in person or over video link (if interstate) of the history of Rob Roy Hillclimb and the redevelopment plans.



Image: The above illustration honours the start line of the historic Rob Roy Hillclimb, under the restored brake shoes archway.

2022 MG Calendar

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MG Show and Shine 2021

On behalf of **MG Australia**, we are thrilled to be launching our 2nd annual Show and Shine event.

With the help of the MG Car Club Hunter Region, our inaugural Show and Shine event last year helped to bring together over 330 MG owners from across Australia and raise vital funds for Australian Red Cross. I want to again say a huge thank you for your club's participation, which meant we could bring our virtual Show and Shine concept to life.

As key custodians of MG's legacy, your participation not only helped us to showcase the wide range of classic MG vehicles in Australia, but it also demonstrated the renowned MG Car Club spirit to the next generation of owners – and all the while contributing to a worthy cause that gives back to the local community.

As lockdowns are still affecting many of us, we will again be hosting our Show and Shine event online. However, this year we will be simplifying the process of submission.

Exhibitors can enter by using a competition landing page which will link their submissions through to a viewing gallery on the MG Motor Australia website. We will continue our support of Australian Red Cross and offer great prizes for all MG owners, similar to last year's event.

Show and Shine will be launching this year on **Wednesday 15 September and concluding on Friday 15 October 2021.**



MG CYBERSTER ELECTRIC SPORTS CAR



Australia's fastest growing mainstream brand is looking to add some excitement to its line-up with an electric sports car capable of sprinting from 0-100km/h in less than 3 seconds.

A concept version of the Ferrari-fast MG Cyberster was unveiled in Shanghai earlier this year and the general manager of the brand's EV division, Danny Lenartic, says it could be headed Down Under.

"That's firmly in our plans," he says.

The two-door, two-seater roadster, which was developed at MG's design centre in London, pays homage to the British MGB sports car and crucially will be available in right-hand drive.

MG claimed a range of 800km for the concept car, but it remains to be seen whether that can be achieved with the production version.

There is no firm on-sale date, but 2024 seems logical, given that will coincide with the 100th anniversary of the original Morris Garages company

"That's going to be an epic year for us from a line-up perspective. It's just excitement," he says.

Lenartic says a sports car would be a fitting reward for the MG car clubs of the world, who have been "custodians of this brand through a lot of turmoil" and are warming to the latest incarnation of the brand.



2022 MG National Meeting

Bulletin 1



Greetings to MG enthusiasts around Australia and further afield!

With the 2020 and 2021 National Meetings having been cancelled due to Covid-19, we are thinking positively that 2022 will be a better year for us all and we are well advanced with planning for the 2022 National Meeting.

You are invited to join MG Car Club Newcastle for "MGs by the Lake" 15th to 19th April 2022!

The event will be based around Lake Macquarie over the 2022 Easter Weekend. We look forward to welcoming you and your MG to this beautiful part of Australia. Lake Macquarie is the largest coastal salt water lake in Australia and is renowned for its beautiful scenery and variety of water sports. It is a city in its own right, just 25 minutes' drive from the centre of Newcastle.

Lake Macquarie City Council has come on board as a major sponsor and we are grateful to them for their support.

All the traditional activities and events!

All social events will be held at Club Macquarie in Argenton. A variety of accommodation is available close to the main venues, including 36 rooms on-site at the club's own motel.

Friday - Registration & Noggin n Natter

Club Macquarie is just 5 minutes' drive from the Lake, and is the venue for Registration and all the evening social events. There is ample space for Registration, Scrutineering and the Noggin n Natter including the Rocker Cover Racing.

Saturday -The Concours

The Concours will be held in beautiful Speers Point Park, right on the shore of Lake Macquarie, with a large paved area available on the off-chance of inclement weather. Speers Point Park features many shade trees, picnic facilities and one of the best children's playgrounds you'll ever see. Food and drinks will be available during the event, or there are many cafes and restaurants in Warners Bay - a 5 minute drive around the Lake.

We are planning an optional scenic cruise on the Lake for those who aren't directly involved in the Concours and want to see more of this lovely area.



Sunday - Speed Event

Those with the need for speed will be able to test themselves and their cars on our recently extended and improved hillclimb at the Club's Ringwood Park complex, an easy 40 minute drive north of the Lake.

Monday - Motorkhana

The motorkhana will take place right alongside Lake Macquarie at Rathmines, a 20 minute drive from Club Macquarie. This is where the famous Catalina Flying Boats were stationed during the 2nd World War, and the area is steeped in history. Competitors can be assured of interesting motorkhana tests to challenge their driving and navigational skills.

Sunday and Monday - Touring Events

Lake Macquarie will be the backdrop for the Observation Event and Kimber Run. Participants will enjoy the scenic landscape and interesting roads, and maybe a few testing questions to sort the field.

Saturday and Monday - Social Events

The Theme Night and Presentation Dinner will be held at Club Macquarie. As 2022 marks the 60th anniversary of the launch of the MGB, we will be going "Back to the Sixties" for our Theme Night. Ladies, start searching for your old mini-skirts and knee-high boots, and men, dig out those flared trousers and paisley shirts (if you're game!) for a fun time celebrating the "good old days".

Tuesday – Farewell Breakfast

The farewell breakfast will be held right on Lake Macquarie at the Belmont 16 Foot Sailing Club. The venue overlooks the sailing boats moored on Belmont Bay, a scenic 20 minute drive along the Lake's edge from Club Macquarie. The Delegates' Meeting will follow at the same venue.

A Special Note about Accommodation

MGs by the Lake will coincide with the Australian Deaf Games being held in Newcastle and Lake Macquarie, which will create additional demand for accommodation in the area. The NatMeet website provides a list of hotels, motels and apartments that are convenient to most of the event venues, and we strongly encourage you to make reservations as early as possible to ensure you secure your preferred accommodation. There are 36 rooms at "Macquarie 4 Star", part of the Club Macquarie complex, and these are expected to be in high demand.

To ensure you are kept up to date, please go to our NatMeet 2022 website, click on the "Express Interest" button and provide your contact details so you will be added to our email list to receive further bulletins and updates.

Contacts for more Information:

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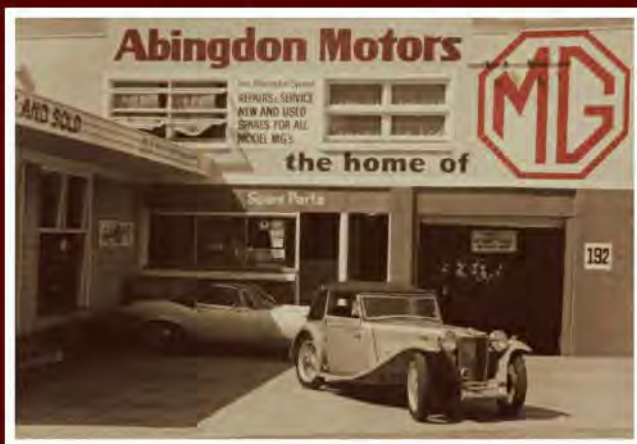




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“Owner’s Manual” for Diamond Dot car radio fitted to MGB BJN 532 by Talent Car Radios at Kogarah on 22 October 1970. 16 A5 pages including the cover in good condition.

“Austin Morris Dealers and Service Centres in Australia” Leaflet listing all dealers, locations and tel. numbers. A4 in size but folded into eight panels. Printer’s code indicates 1970 in line with documents above.

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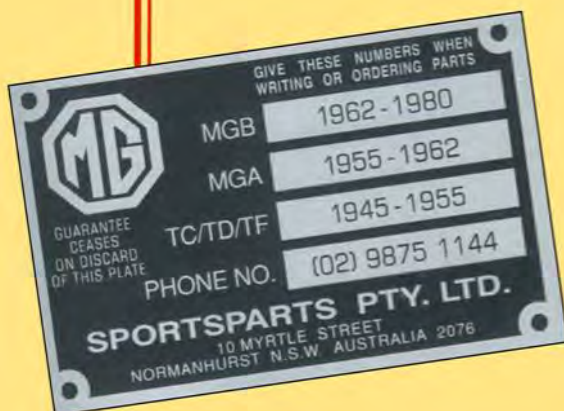
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