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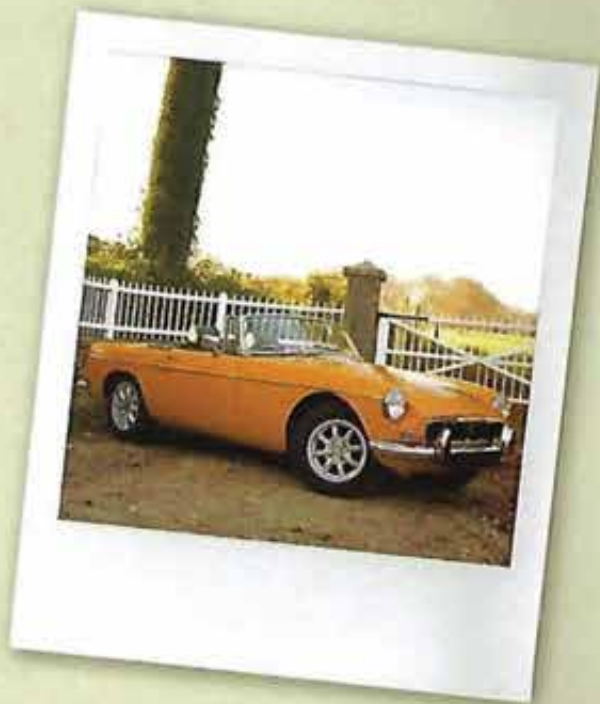
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2010 Club Committee





Having a bit of a rifle through the archives this week and came up with this photo taken exactly 25 years ago when I was resident in Leicester in the UK. The car was a Ford Cortina Ghia with the 2.8 litre Cologne built V6 - a very pleasant car indeed for the time, although then petrol was something like £2 per gallon and it wasn't the most economical of motors. I'm always happy to publish old car photos, so why don't you all have a look through the old albums and see what you can find - MGs would be good, but there's lots of interest in any old cars, so send them in and I'll return them promptly, I promise!

A new cover this month which celebrates our wonderful club Morris J-Van as well as a certain well known TF ... numberplate changed to protect the driver. Our J Van apprentice Steve Doyle has been taking to the driving duties with enthusiasm ... although he may have his wages docked a couple of bob for going home with the keys in his pocket. There'll be trouble at mill if the young'n does that again.

We've got a good lot of colour in the magazine this month - December is always busy with the Concours, Christmas Party and other fun events. But please, I'd love to see more pics from more people - we do tend to have the same one or two coming up with the goods all the time. Different views from a different eye would add some variety to the magazine.

Oh dear, I'm having to finish yet another editorial with humble pie all over me, to thoroughly mix my metaphors. Made that cardinal error of again trusting published sources on matters of MG lore. Jeff Newey as usual was quick to enlighten me that, despite what Sherrell and McComb might have intimated, there were in fact TCs other than black within the first five hundred cars ... and he was able to show me the import papers indicating five Red cars to prove it. Further, I'd had a typo referring to Monaro Motors as Monaco Motors ... there was a famous Monaco Motors, but it was *Monaro* who made the TC brake fins. So there, another apology published and released into the world to my eternal embarrassment. And it's true, you can't always trust what you read even in the most authoritative publications. What tends to happen is that a rumour or an error is published in one source, it is then picked up uncritically by one or two more ... and then it must be true because it's in all the books. And I'm supposed to be in the business of history and research, but then it is always gratifying to know that people actually read the magazine critically.

I hope you all have a terrific, happy, safe and relaxing Christmas - I'm off to Melbourne for a while, so will probably rustle up a few interstate MG stories while I'm there,

Gavin Fry

President



Peter
Currie

Here we are into December, so don't forget to bring along that little gift to go under our Christmas tree at the December club night, [it doesn't need to be wrapped just tagged Girl or Boy].

November a very big month. Thanks to Lin and Geoff Smith for arranging the special breast cancer awareness evening. We then completed the concours season - Sydney concours in October, ours on the 2nd weekend and Newcastle's was on the last weekend. Congratulations to everybody who made the effort, especially the people who travelled long distances - thank you for your support. I must mention the volunteers who worked so hard setting up, judging and packing up. Thank you all for your wonderful support. Congratulations also go to all the winners and we look forward to seeing you next year.

A disappointment for the committee was the drop in numbers, not just for ours but all concours. It's hard to pick - years ago T models were rare, whereas this year we didn't have one MGB mk2, but we had TCs, TD and TFs, Magnette, Midgets, Y's, A's, MGB mk1's, MG rubber noses, various MGB GT models including a couple of MGB GT V8s, a couple of sporting entries, 5 F's, 7 RV8, a couple of very special examples and not forgetting a couple of road class entries. As you can see we had little of nearly every thing, so were have all the MG's gone? Come on HUNTER MG, we can do better than that and we have a National Meeting happening next year in our own back yard.

At our last Committee Meeting we decided to do away with listing a club contact phone number in the White pages. We feel that the majority of people seeking anything now use the WEB, and most people that contact us normally get our contact details that way. We have also decided to complete what was started last year and talk to an Insurance broker with car club experience. We need to see if we are have adequately coverage or if we can do better.

With the drop in numbers at our Concours we decided to make some minor changes to EURO MOTOR FEST in an attempt to raise our profile. We will be trying to get the support of the Lambton Business district to make a special day for the area we also will be inviting some stall holders and a couple of non European car clubs to attend. I know some of these decision will not go down well with all members but if we don't keeping looking to improve our big day it will go the same way as our Concours. EURO MOTORFEST is our only real money making venture for the year, so we need to try different things in an attempt to encourage more people to attend. I would be interested in all your opinions, so please send me an email or give me a call.

We have a number of people who haven't rejoined this year, so as a show of good faith from the committee we will continue sending out your magazine, but if we haven't heard from you by the end of the year your this will stop with the start of the new year. Our thoughts and best wishes go out to a couple of our Members who are very unwell at present.

Well it is that time of the year again from Roslyn and myself can I wish you all a very Safe Merry Christmas and a Happy New year. We look forward to seeing you all out there enjoying those special little cars that brings us all together next year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Peter Currie
President

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to everyone who participated in our November meeting for our Breast Cancer fund raising night. Our club raised \$500 and what a great night it was. There was both laughter and tears when our two speakers Michelle Gray, a breast cancer survivor and our own Margaret Morton gave us their stories. As the photo's show Margaret brought along her famous very large bra which gave everyone a laugh. I have to say it was one of the best club nights you could wish for. It was a very "pink" party atmosphere with EVERYONE wearing pink, including Cindy's little doggie! There was plenty pink food and I felt no one wanted to leave. Trish informed me later she had taken more money that night than at any other time she has worked behind the bar. Once again well done to everyone who participated in such a worthy cause.

I have to say it's hard to believe it's Christmas already!! As previous years we have the the Salvation Army Christmas toy appeal. Anyone wishing to participate please bring along a gift and place it under our club Xmas tree. We have been reminded that the gifts must not be wrapped.

LONG WEEKEND JUNE 11TH – 13TH 2011

I can now officially announce that our destination for next years June long weekend will be "Port Macquarie". We will be staying at the Best Western – Macquarie Barracks Motel. The cost for the accommodation only for the weekend, including full cooked breakfast, for two people will be \$348. This will be paid directly to the motel on departure. All those wishing to attend please contact the motel directly on Tel: 6583 5333 and give credit card details as confirmation (no money will be taken at this point in time) The booking has been made in the name of MG Hunter Region Car Club.

We have arranged a Saturday and Sunday night dinner with entertainment at a cost of \$95 per person. This cost includes a coach trip to our Sunday night venue saving people having to drive. As it is early days I am still negotiating prices, therefore I am sure that this cost will be reduced.

Wishing everyone a very merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year from Lyn and myself

Myself
Social Director

Remember....a man who can smile when things go wrong, has just thought of someone he can blame it on!





Hi everyone, Captain John here,

Our November run proved to be a winner in every way, a winding trip to Sunshine in the Sunshine (plenty of sun cream was applied as summer has arrived). We had 11 MG's, plus one standard family car turn out on a wonderful Sunday morning drive.

As I gave out the run sheets I heard someone say were off to Mulbring for morning tea via Warners Bay and then on to a place called Sunshine (I have never been to Sunshine!).

At 10.10 am we headed off from HQ in convoy and to see our cars travel together is a sight to see, everyone in shops, cafes and other cars turn their heads as we cruise past. As we went past the lake it was a magnificent dark blue in colour (what a great asset we have on our doorstep). Our journey to get to Mulbring was via Mount Sugarloaf and turn left into Richmond Vale Road (which is now completely tarred) as we followed the winding road past the large lake on the left we arrived into a quite peaceful Mulbring Town. Morning Tea was an array of homemade cakes and everyone was enjoying the tasting. Carol and Neville made a quick phone call and friends from Mulbring came over to where we had parked to join in and meet everyone. After morning tea, we continued our way over the gap and onto Cooranbong; here we turned left towards Dora Creek. After passing under the bridge at Dora Creek we turned left again and headed in the Morisset direction. We turned Left into Fishery Point Road and made our way to Sunshine Park (next to Sunshine sailing club). What a view as all the boats were on the water racing each other. Thank you everyone for making it a great day out to remember.

Midweek Run: Jim reports that 3 cars went on a run to Wangi Wangi workers club, when they arrived another 16 people had made their own way to join in. A little bird told me that they have a new chef and the food is plentiful (some had to arrange for doggy bags as it was too good to waste). Christmas Run is leaving MGHQ at 10am Sunday 19th December (see you then) Also Roz Roals is turning 21 again in December, "HAPPY BIRTHDAY ROZ"

John Flucker (Silver MGF)





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There has been some talk at committee level about some of the club's history. I managed to pull out of my folder a copy of the membership list for our 1st year. Bev and I were there, and in fact I was the returning officer at the MGCCHR's inaugural meeting and election of officers. I even ended up on that committee later in that first year as guess what... Sporting Director. There's only a handful of the original members still in the club today. I was given a 'Foundation Members' grille badge by a past member and wondered if there was a record anywhere of who has what number (they were all numbered). I know I have #65 (since Monty is a '65 B). I don't suppose I should sell it as the new owner wouldn't be a 'Foundation Member' of our club. If anyone else has one of these collectable items (there were two different badges numbered the same issued due to a fault in the first batch). Drop me an email with your name and 'Foundation Badge' number and see how many I can find.

I don't know where everyone was, but the planets lined up and everyone seemed to have some sort of engagement on Sunday the 14th November. Personally I had someone in the

MG Car Club Hunter Region

Class	1st place	2nd place
MGTC	Brian Muirhead	Jeff Newey
MGTD	Ray Tolcher	
MGTF	Don Noble	Paul Windred
MGY TYPES	Elliot Burns	
MG MAGNETTES	Mal Davies	
MGA roadster/ twin cam	Austin Blanch	Frans Henskins
MG MIDGET	Bev Jones	Jeannie Boote
MGB MkI roadster	Peter Brown	Gary Boote
MGBL roadster	Don Noble	Anthony Hubbard
MGB R/N roadster	Maurie Prior	John Woolmer
MGBGT Mk I & II	Damien Kuik	
MGBLGT	Peter Morrison	Anthony Clarke
MGBGT R/N	Robert Bessell	
MGBGT V8	Peter Fellows	Michael Andrews
MGRV8	Peter Currie	Doug Fraser
MG F	Lyall Clarke	Bill Van Der Veen
MG modern saloon	Peter Eaton	
MG Racing	Stephen Jones	
MG Specials	Don Fogarty Y	Wayne Colfax
MG Road class	John Morton	
OUTRIGHT Pre MGA	Don Noble TF	
OUTRIGHT TF - Pre BL	Don Noble BL	
OUTRIGHT Post MGB MkII	Lyall Clarke	

family having their 25th x 2 birthday that day, and we still managed to make it. Obviously others had other priorities. If you weren't well, I hope you are feeling a lot better and we'll see you soon.

I counted 48 cars on the paddock for our Annual Concours, and at best I would say it was an intimate event with quality over quantity. This would have to be our smallest ever concours. The only explanation I can think of was that everyone's MGs are being restored ready for the 2011 National Meeting in Newcastle, more on that later. To all the winners, congratulations, I hope the great Hunter wine goes down well with the great Hunter MGs.

Don Noble proved once again the quality of the MGs in his garage by taking out the overall trophies in both the 'Pre MGA' class with his TF and the 'Post MGTF to Rubber nose B' with his MGBL. The 'Post MGB Rubber nose' over-

all trophy went to Lyall Clarke from MGCC Newcastle with his MGF. I know this car personally and can attest to the enthusiasm with which this car is driven at hillclimbs and motorhomas. It goes to prove that with a bit of elbow grease you can have an all round car that gets podium finishes in everything it competes in. It might have something to do with the driver as well I think.

For the first time in the history of the club there were vacancies in classes that are normally massive. There were no MkII B's and only a few MkI B's and BL's. Numerous classes had just one entry (which made picking up a glass a lot easier. I'm not arguing, it is probably the first time Monty (my B) has picked up a 1st place in a Concours... and he's due for a body rebuild very soon (maybe after the Nat Meet).

A great big thanks must go to all of you that pitched in and helped out on the day to make

Summer Concours Results

3rd place

David Tooth

4th place

Denny Bowden

5th place

Colin Dunne
Cindy Dedman

Jeff Boyce

6th place

John Stuart

7th place

Mic Collins
Geoff Smith

Paul Knight
John Main

Peter Dever
Ian Ashton

Peter Nelson
John Kennedy

Owen Gray
John Flucker

the officiating side of the day a success. Denny and I would like to thank all the judges and a special thank you to Cindy Dedman who sat with Denny and crunched numbers all day. To the workers that lugged tables and chairs, cooked food and sold stuff, the day was a success because of all of your efforts.

When I asked the question in earlier magazines about trophies, the only feedback I got was that you were all happy with the current arrangements of a wine glass (with etched MG or club symbol) and a certificate for 1st, 2nd & 3rd at the Concours. Someone winged last year but never stepped up when I asked for feedback. At \$5 entry you can't expect a \$20+ trophy (remembering that there are 27 possible classes with possible 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each... you do the maths). This year I added a bottle of quality Hunter wine to the 1st place getters reward. If you ramp up the trophies according to entry fee the motorkhana and hillclimb winners are going to get big trophies.

This club years Economy Run will be held on Saturday 29th January. It will be a combined Club run as well. The course taken will be the same as last year so there is no difficult navigation. I thought I'd throw in a twist to give the V8 drivers a chance. It is going to be a Regularity event where the driver nominates their MPG at the start. They will then lose 1 point for every 10th MPG over and under their nominated figure. The closer you are to your estimated consumption, the less points lost... the person with the lowest number of points lost wins, not necessarily the person with the best economy. Entry will be \$5 with

trophies for 1st 2nd and 3rd. There will still be the 'Lead Foot Award' but for once the person winning that might get 1st place as well. There will be dinner at the Junction Inn Hotel at Raymond Terrace afterwards (I will need to know numbers please).

The 2011 MG National Meeting is now only a few months away and I dream that a miracle will occur and the MGCC Hunter will put on a good show and do the club proud. Hopefully the last of the competition venues will be locked in now and next month I can give you all a full run down of what, where, when, and why. This event is the ultimate event for every MG owner. Everyone of you should be attending and competing, no ifs or buts.

The word on the street is that Ringwood is now moving forward and we could see a race track built up there in the next year. It will be strange going to a race meeting and sleeping in my own bed, but hey, the sacrifices I'd make... I'll believe it when I'm sitting on the dummy grid but along with our members competing at a Nat Meet, it's nice to dream. If the track does come to fruition, I believe our club should lease a few car ports and a garage for the use of our members at race meetings. I have broached the subject in the past with the committee and got positive feedback, but this might have been because no one thought it would happen. Team Hunter has 25 competitors on its books of which 12 regularly compete at race meetings. Since they represent our club at major state and national event and always do well, it would be nice to provide some facilities for them.

Steve Jones





Peter Brown, Colin Dunne and Gary Boote share the spoils, Centre: Don Noble, Anthony Hubbard and Cindy Dedman





*Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
fluttering and dancing in the breeze ...
or at least relaxing happily by the
sunlit waters at Sunshine. [With apologies
to William Wordsworth]*





Comfortable pitstop en route ... John has the details in the Club captain's Report

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More cautionary Tales from Brian Braithwaite

1st problem after engine-out overhaul of 58 ZB Magnette. After fitting the engine and gearbox back in the car and adding all the accessories, pipes and wires do you think it would start 1xx**#+!??? Finally called in friendly professional mechanic and after at least 2 hours of frustration narrowed it down to the rotor button in the dizzy. It had been working fine before removing the dizzy intact prior to the overhaul and had been slipped back in afterwards without change. Problem - the pin that locks the arm to the rotor button is very close to the spring inside holding the button onto the dizzy shaft and that's where the spark was going. Next fit the brand new spare rotor button (same pattern as above) only to find the arm was loose, the moulding and the pin allowing the arm to move every which way. Next pirate the button from June's Austin A30 - old style Lucas pattern, success, and the engine fired-up and settled to steady beat

... Who said Lucas is the Prince of Darkness?
Suggestion. At sales and swaps for Magnettes, MG As, MG Bs (not V8), Midgets, Sprites etc keep an eye out for NOS Lucas pattern rotor buttons either DRB 101, RA 1 or GRA2 101.

Next item: Rear brake seals in MGB GT leaking. Ok, no problem, nice new cylinders, seals and all plus a set of new shoes should fix that. Now remember June 2009 issue of the magazine Steve Jones suggested modifying the handbrake operating levers for extra purchase? That seems a good idea as the handbrake is indeed a bit iffy. Caution - please check the clearance between the lever and the rim *before* action. In my GT with standard Rostyle steel rims sadly there is not enough room to lengthen the levers.

Brian B.



Well worth a look while you're doing a bit of web surfing ... the new website of the Hunter Region Morris Owners' Club ... www.morrisownersclub.org





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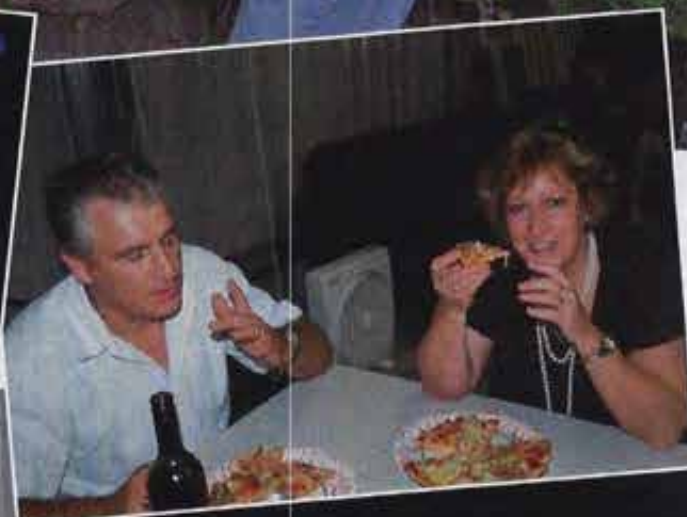
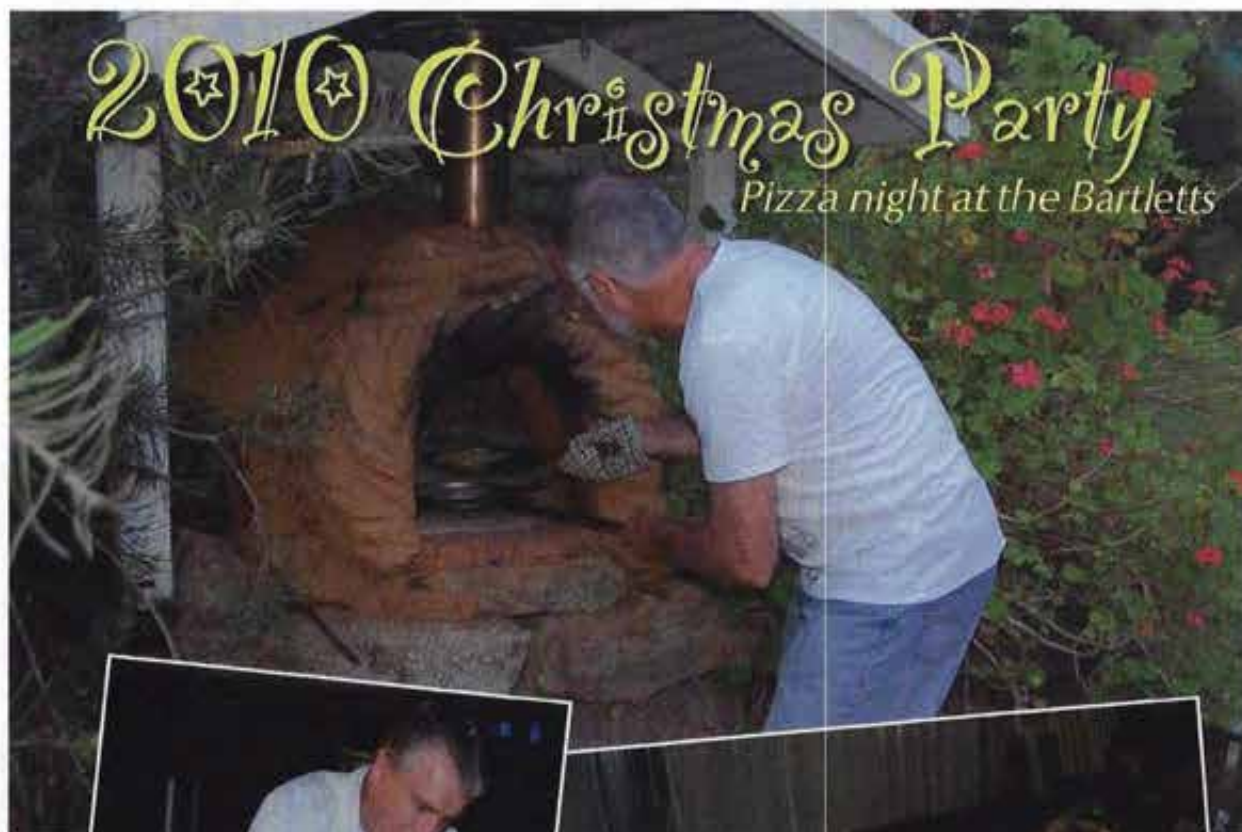
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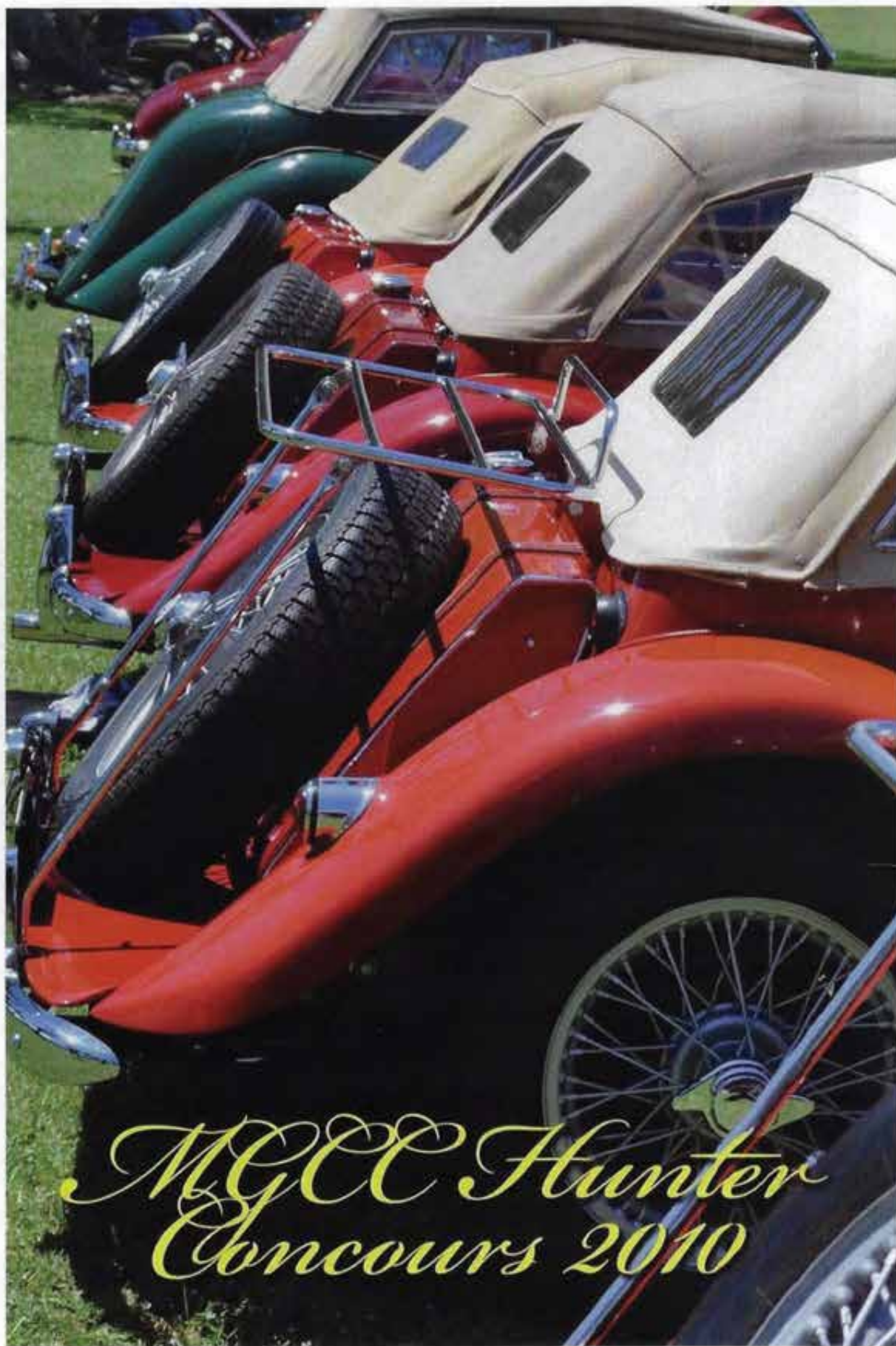
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Top: Keith tending the oven and keeping everyone well fed.
Centre: The Tippers celebrating their 28th wedding anniversary in style while below a large and very contented team of MC Club members.

Top: Nev Roals has lost his slice, Centre: Cindy and Chris wait their turn in the Pizza line, Below: Nev Roxby, Kaye Bowden and Carol Roxby, Inset: Mary and Jim O'Neill tuck in.

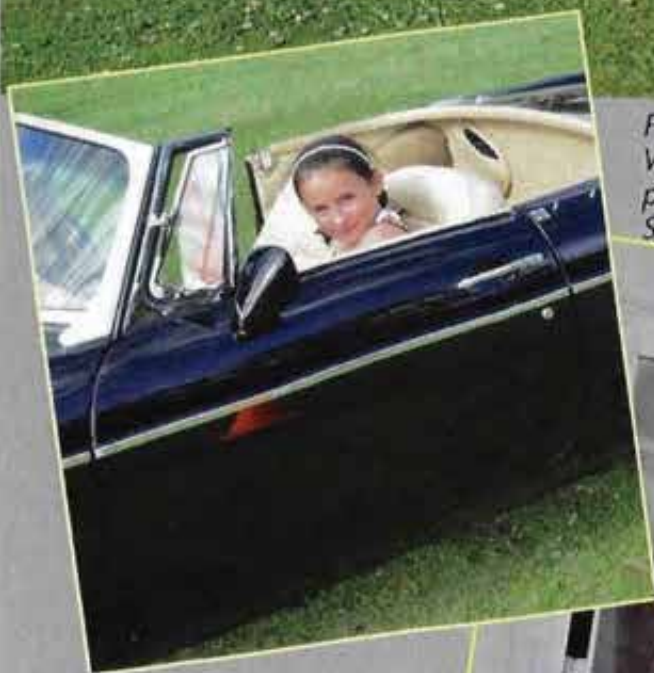
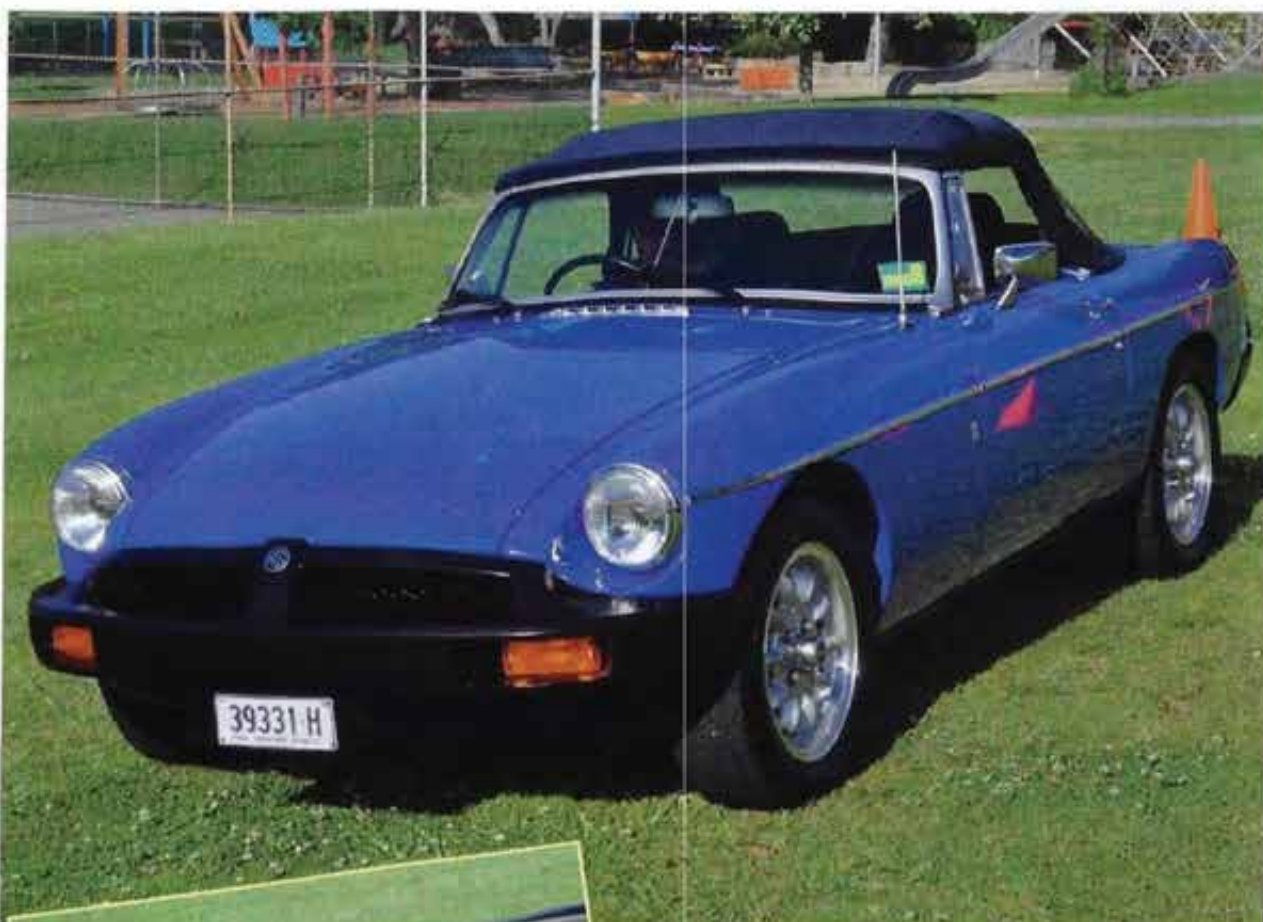








Left: Dinner plates not required - Don Noble's TF engine is clean enough to eat from, Left: Sparkling Y Type of Don Fogarty, Above: Top man on the day in two classes, Don Noble accepts the spoils from President Peter Currie.



Pristine Rubber nose in electric blue, Left: Wayne Colfax had a smart accessory in the passenger seat, Below: Lyn Smith on Tuck Shop duty.



'Pink' Club Night



November Club Night was themed in Pink for a highly successful Breast Cancer awareness and fundraising event ... even the poodle got into the spirit of the evening!

MG K3030 AT ROB ROY



A sight to gladden the heart of every MG enthusiast, K3030 ready do battle again, just as it has done for for more than 70 years. Sincere thanks to Matthew

Magilton who had the photos in my inbox on the day of competition - the wonders of the internet!





Historic images/ Dacre Stubbs - www.motormarques.com



Above: 1949 - Same car, same track, 61 years ago. Note the Army uniform jacket on the refueller ... four years on ex-diggers were still wearing out there old uniforms and would do so for many years to come. Crowd control was rudimentary compared to the double Armco of today. below, K3030 under the famous PBR brake shoes, rescued from the former Templestowe hillclimb and re-erected at Rob Roy under MG Club ownership.

Australia's most valuable and arguably most raced MG was back at Rob Roy hillclimb in Victoria for a rather damp November meeting. K3030 was first delivered in 1935 to the famed Prince Bira of Thailand [Siam as it then was] after its original sale to Italian Lelio 'Rover' Pellegrini was quashed by Benito Mussolini. Bira raced the car six times, including a lap of Brooklands at 109 mph, before it passed to John Snow who entered the car in the 1936 Australian Grand Prix at Victor Harbour in South Australia. For the next twenty years K3030 raced at nearly every major Australian event on tracks as diverse as Lobethal, Bathurst, Phillip Island and Albert Park in Melbourne. Retired from front-line racing in 1955, the K3 passed to Phillip Bradley in South Australia who campaigned it as an historic racer for another 50 years before it was sold to John Gillett in Melbourne, in whose hands it has had four major outings this year alone. MG enthusiasts everywhere can delight in the fact that a car so significant and valuable has been raced with enthusiasm for the whole of its long and distinguished life.

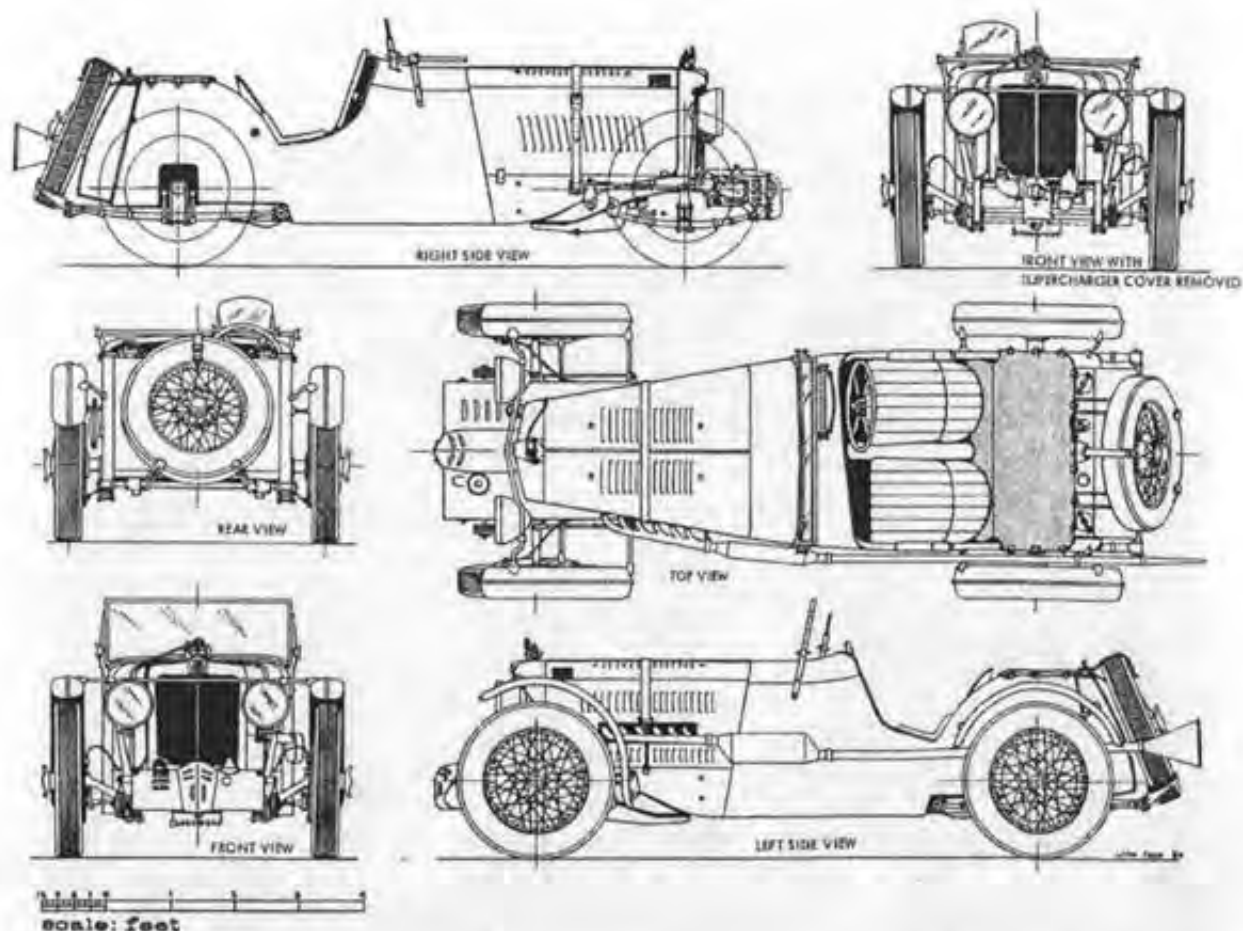




Waiting in the rain, Rob Roy, 28 November 2010.

Left and below: K3030 on two very different Melbourne tracks - in 1949 on the bleak and windswept Fishermans' Bend airport circuit. The wartime landing strip right in the city was used up until the early 1960s. The tree lined avenues of Albert Park made a beautiful circuit until local pressure groups killed off the track in the late 1950s. Its rebirth as the modern GP circuit shows that in the end money speaks louder than local do-gooders. Below: Main opposition to K3030 was the Otto Stone K3, with alternate 'slab tank' body style - see drawing next page.





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MG 1300 4 door 1968, off-white with red interior, 12 months Registration \$10,000 Tony Bartnick [02] 6882 5073, 0428 398 848



1965 MGB Mark 1, last rego was 2004, always garaged. The car has not been used for about 2 years but has a new battery and new fuel and runs ok, but hard to start. I have receipts for engine rebuild at Teterins and new clutch and other parts fitted. \$9,500 or near offer. Kim Benn 4959 5628 or 0414 497 926



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1979 MGB MK 2 89,021K, Silver / black interior 4 speed manual / overdrive, alloy wheels Reg until Oct 2010, spare gearbox available, Pirelli tyres, CD player, Canvas top in excellent condition, and also comes with a tonneau cover. \$15,000, Contact Ray 02 65557387 or 0418 118 309 (no text messages please) FORSTER



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Dorian Timer as required at race meetings. \$10 per event ... as long as I'm not competing! Ph Steve Jones 4952 3486 or 0412 495 234. or John Moremon 0414 684 794

Parts Wanted - MGB long battery cable, MGB seat runners [seat parts] MGB early tin can master cylinder, preferably with rear banjo bolt - 4.50 x 18 tyre suitable for spare, Robert Gibson 02 4968 4696



MGB MkII 1970 Camino Gold, Reg. until Nov '09 MG3101, Excellent condition throughout. New seats, Alloy wheels, new hood - any inspection welcome \$15,400 ONO, always garaged, excellent mechanical condition
Alan Bennett 02-4369 6363 Gosford area



MGB MK 2 1971 \$17500 O.N.O
Hal Paemaa Ph 02 665559819 Mob 041745461 BRG, 'Autumn leaf interior, Wire wheels, 115420 Ks [72138 Miles] 4 speed + overdrive Reg: MGB 053 until 14 Dec 2011, Third owner, British car, no rust, new soft top, lots of spares, books, etc

More Parts and Wanted next page!

Tyres wanted: 235/50 R13. *If anyone can help with any leads please call Robert on 0428 556 705.*

MGF Spares VVC Alternator belt, Boot remote release kit (in case keys are locked in boot) Seat lowering kit (for people over 6ft) \$200 the lot *Front and rear rubber bumpers for MGB* \$200 Ray 49887049

Wanted to Buy: 5 bearing short motor, set of mag wheels - Performance brand or similar, MGB tonneau cover Peter Smyth 4955 7310

Wanted: 3 bearing MGB engine, only block and bearing caps required as a minimum, but more would be great. Definitely only a "short" motor required...

Matt Blanch 49 874 275 or 0425 344 814

Wanted, 1275 'A' series motor (the block without side cover plates) for 'just in case' spare/s. Mini 1275 will do but Midget is better. Bare block or full motor. Also Wanted MGB windscreen frame. Bottom and sides needed. Contact Steve Jones 0412495234

Wanted to buy....Detachable hardtop for MGA Neville Roxby 0249555443

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German Clubs' Display Day



A week after our own Concours comes the combined German car clubs display day at Foreshore Park. A good roll out of all the old favourites, plus a few unusual marques in the form of Borgward [Isabella TS Coupe below], NSU and Lloyd Hartnett. Borgward was a

quality car, notable for fully independent suspension. They don't get much more imposing than the Mercedes 600 Grosser saloon ... this is the short wheelbase version, as compared to the full limo 'Pope-mobile' as preferred by discerning dictators and pop stars.





Sublime and the ridiculous: Above, fully pimped Merc with LA wires - not a good look at all. Below: Delightful M version of the

beautiful BMW 850 coupe. Hugely expensive in standard form, modified versions required mortgages and then some.





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A 'MERRY' Christmas to our fellow MG lovers,

This year has really flown for everyone. We hope you all had a great year and wish you all a safe & happy 2011. A few dates for the calendar for next year, so pencil or pen them in. Don't forget the June long weekend 'Winter Woolies' next year is to Port Macquarie. Geoff & Lyn guarantee you'll have a fantastic time.

Don't forget to check with our own club calendar for further events.

Cheers

Brad & Julie Tipper

Up & Coming Events

December 2010

11th & 12th Dec: ChromeFest – The Entrance

Due to wet weather, ChromeFest will be re-run. Features classic American cars & hot rods.

Enquiries: Jeff – or Janet .

February 2011

Sunday 6th Feb: Mad Motorists Appreciation Day

Bargoed House, Swansea. Be part of the largest gathering of enthusiasts vehicles in one place within the Hunter Valley. Entry Fee is \$5 for all vehicles. Gates open at 8am – presentation at 1:30pm. Enquiries: Mark Norton – 4.

Sunday 27th Feb: 8th Annual Central Coast Show 'N' Shine

Invitation for all makes & models, cars, bikes, small trucks. At Tuggerah Supa Centa, Bryant Drive, Tuggerah. Entry Fee \$20.00 per car.

Entrants set up from 7:00am to 9:00am. General public admission from 9:00am.

Enquiries: Ross Bailey - or Angela Stanford –

March 2011

Saturday 12th March: Tea Gardens Hawks Nest - MotorFest 2011

Hunter MG Car Club will be supporting this event. An entry fee of \$10.00 per vehicle will contribute to support the following beneficiaries: Tea Gardens Hawks Nest Surf Life Saving Club Inc., Local NSW Rural Fire Services & NSW Ambulance Service.

Further information will be available in the new year.

Sunday 13th March: Swap Meet & Car Display

Run by the Central Coast Holden Car Club. Venue Morisset Showground, Ourimbah Street, Morisset. Commencing 6:00am to 3pm. Car displays \$10 per car. Car Corral entry of \$15 per car to put your car on sale on the day.

Enquiries: Vince -

Saturday 19th March: Bulahdelah – rock, rattle 'n' roll classic autofest 2011

Open to all classic vehicles including vintage & veteran, British, European & sports cars (including modern classics). Trophies on offer. Stalls, food, music, rides & games. Put on by the Bulahdelah Chamber of Commerce.

Enquiries to Crazy Dave –

April 2011

1, 2 & 3 April: Longford Revival Festival - Tasmania

One of the world's great race tracks in the 50's & 60's – celebrate the tracks amazing history. Festival of fashion, music & Tasmania's world class food & wine.

3 – 11 April: Targa Tasmania

9th & 10th April: Shannons Country Classic Motorshow

First major Motorshow in the North West presented by Rotary & local charities. Classic car show, Hotrod & street machines. Invitations to car clubs & organizations to attend the outdoor display in the grounds of Tamworth Regional Entertainment Centre. Further information to come.

Further Dates for 2011

Sunday 1st May: Hunter MG Car Club Euro Day.

Sunday 19th June: Mid-Winter Wander – Hunter Valley Gardens

Sunday 13th November: Hunter MG Car Club Concours.



December 2010

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Club Calendar



Note: *Meeting point for all midweek runs will be the MG club at 10.30am*

The next midweek run will be:

8 Dec - Reidee's Salamander Tavern

12 Jan - Minmi Hotel

9 February - Gwandalan Bowling Club

9 March - George Washington Hotel Stockton

December Club night - bring a Christmas gift for the Salvation Army Children's appeal

The Trailer renovations will be held every Saturday directly after the Club Night.

Don't forget to check the calendar on the club website!

Club Night is the second Friday of each month - MGHQ @ 8 pm

Committee Meetings Tuesday after Club Night MGHQ @ 7.30 pm

- members welcome

2011 Motorsport Calendar

January:

29th (Sat) Economy Run

February:

12th /13th FoSC Wakefield Park (Championship Points)

TBA (Wed) GEAR @ Wakefield Park

26th/ 27th HSRCA Wakefield Park

March:

TBA Tar Motorkhana (Championship Points)

April:

16th/17th Phillip Island Vic – MG Racing Championship

TBA (Wed) GEAR @ Wakefield Park

22nd – 26th MG National Meeting – Newcastle (Championship Points)

22nd – 24th FoSC Eastern Creek (Championship Points)

May:

1st Euroday

14th/ 15th Sandown – MG Racing Championship

June:

TBA Tar Motorkhana (Championship Points)

TBA (Wed) GEAR @ Wakefield Park

25th/ 26th HSRCA Eastern Creek

July:

23rd/ 24th Sandown Vic – MG Racing Championship

August:

TBA GEAR @ Wakefield Park

September:

10th/ 11th Phillip Island Vic – MG Racing Championship

24th/ 25th HSRCA Wakefield Park

October:

TBA (Wed) GEAR @ Wakefield Park

TBA MGCC NSW Concours (Championship Points)

November:

TBA Historic Sandown Vic

12th/ 13th FoSC Wakefield Park (Championship Points)

13th (Sun) MGCCHR Concours (Championship Points)

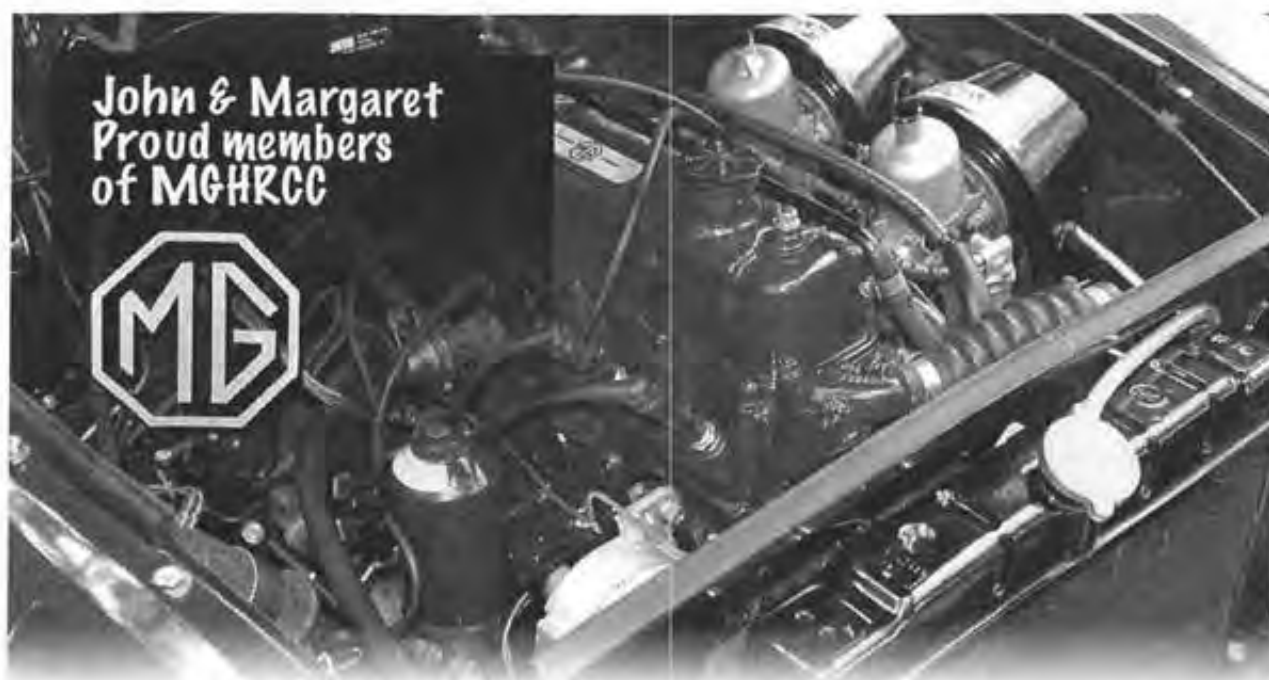
26th/ 27th HSRCA Eastern Creek

TBA MGCCN'cle Concours (Championship Points)

December:

TBA (Wed) GEAR @ Wakefield Park

**** Date will change throughout the year so keep checking****



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Agenda Items

Membership Renewals

All renewal payments to be accompanied by a completed Club Membership Renewal Application Form with all details completed. Payment receipt will be issued unless payment lodged electronically or by Credit Card. Treasurer to investigate options for electronic payment. Need to issue Membership Cards discussed, no firm consensus reached. Fully completed renewal forms will be utilized by G Evans to audit and update the Club Members Vehicle/s Data Base.

Registration of Club Vehicles

Viable to process registration of Club trailer into clubs name, further discussion with Denny Bowden regarding the J Van registration is to be undertaken by P Currie.

Associate Members Trophy

Agreement reached that Associates should accrue trophy points for attendance at Club events.

Club Honor Board

G Smith to contact G Redman to arrange updating of entries.

Need for Club Mobile Ownership

Committee members contact details may change annually. To maintain the Clubs "White Pages and Yellow Pages Listings there was no consensus that a phone number was required to facilitate using these services. J O'Neill is to investigate the ability to utilize our web address for this purpose and obtain from Noel any outstanding charges he has for the use of his personal phone number as the Clubs point of contact. All people wishing to contact the club need to be directed to the Clubs web site to obtain existing committee members phone contact details.

Updating of Trophies

S Jones to check his records and have the appropriate shields engraved and attached to relevant trophy.

Club Insurances

No consensus was reached whether there is some duplication of appropriate insurance cover, renewal for Business Insurance Policy has been received due on the 31 December 2010. J O'Neill is to investigate what policies have been paid during the last financial year and C Dunne is to advise G Evans of the contact details of an Insurance Broker he is aware of that has experience arranging Motor Club insurances. Once these details are available G Evans is to seek additional insurance quotations and communicate with P Currie on this issue.

Magazine Mail Outs

G Fry to correlate his mail out list to the Current Membership Data Base.

Meeting closed 9.30 pm.

Next committee meeting at clubroom on Tuesday 14 December 10 at 7.30 pm.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING OF MG CAR CLUB HUNTER REGION HELD 16 November 2010 AT CLUBROOMS, MECHANICS INSTITUTE, LAMBTON

Present: P Currie (President), G Evans (Secretary), G Gallagher (Regalia), G Smith (Social), J Flucker (Captain), C Dunne (Vice President), G Fry (Editor), J O'Neill (Treasurer), B&J Tipper (Publicity), S Jones (Sporting) Apologies: S Doyle (Committee)

Meeting opened 7.30 pm, chaired by President P Currie.

Previous committee meeting minutes presented and accepted, moved Geoff Smith, seconded John Flucker.

Secretary: Read through received correspondence and distributed items to appropriate people. Membership dues received from Glendovan Pastoral P/Ltd, member/s have been identified as T&M Kirk.

Updated Membership Data Base has been sent to all committee members, as updates occur these will be circulated.

Club insurance and CAMS Club Affiliation renewals received. Payment of \$A715 to be posted to CAMS.

Letter of thanks and appreciation received from Riding for the Disabled Association.

Treasurer:

Club Captain: Advised individuals requiring club web site training should contact Graham Hill at Red Back.

J Flucker will follow up having the font size increased and getting pictures displayed on the web site.

Sporting: Concours Event prizes format was well received. MG glasses require reordering, quote is being obtained.

Proposed to hold Club Economy Run in January, tentative date is the 29th. Format for event discussed, regularity format concept accepted.

Appears the venue for next years National Meeting is the Hockey Centre.

Editor: Advised closing date for next magazine contributions is 28Nov10.

New Magazine cover has been organized.

Publicity: Requested input to assist with increasing patronage at Club events, this is particularly relevant with the Club Euroday being held on Sunday 1 May 2011.

Contact is to be made with Lambton Business Owners to ascertain whether Club activities can be promoted in conjunction with other town activities.

Regalia Advised sales at the Concours were excellent.

Social: Annual June long weekend venue will be Sails Resort at Port Macquarie. Sunday night activity will be held at a surprise venue. Accommodation \$A165 per night for a double room breakfast included.

34 people have indicated attendance at the Xmas Party.

President Consensus was reached that the MX5 and Macquarie Restorers Clubs should be invited to participate in the Clubs Euroday Event. This should increase the public exposure and attendance at this major event on the Clubs Calendar.

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