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## **What's On**

***MG Car Club Hunter Region sponsored and supported activities.***

### **DECEMBER 2023**

- ♦ ***Saturday 2nd — Historic Plates Rego Checks***
- ♦ ***Sunday 3rd — "MGCC Newcastle" Regularity Hillclimb at Ringwood Park***
- ♦ ***Monday 4th — "GEAR" at Sydney Motor Sport Park***
- ♦ ***Thursday 7th — Square Riggers Natter 12pm to 2 pm Inu Café Carrington***
- ♦ ***Tuesday 12th — Committee Meeting at club rooms 6.00 pm Club Meeting at Club rooms 7.30pm***
- ♦ ***Wednesday 13th—Mid Week Gathering— 11.30 am for 12 Lunch .***
- ♦ ***No Clubman Run for December***
- ♦ ***No Tuning Run for December***

### **JANUARY 2024**

- ♦ ***Thursday 11 th — Square Riggers Lunch***
- ♦ ***Sunday 21 st — President's Breakfast Run***

## ***HISTORIC PLATES REGO CHECKS***

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## **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.

Terry / Janeen Clifton  
John / Astrid Perdriau  
John Ray  
Andy Webmaier  
Mark / Karen Hodgen  
Christine Hobson  
Martin Evald  
Jason Lay  
Bruce Whitten  
Dianne Whitten  
Patricia Carter  
John Needs  
Lisa Needs  
David Carter  
Elizabeth Hilton  
Cheryl Moran

## **Mid Week Gathering DECEMBER Kay Bowden**

Mid Week Gathering Wednesday **13th December 2023**

Venue : **.WANGI WORKERS CLUB**

Location : **Market Street Wangi**

Time : approx., 11.30am for 12.00

Members and their wives or partners are able to sit together if they wish.

Please let Kay Bowden know if you are coming or Denny Bowden on **0402 476 631**.

Thank You, Kay Bowden



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I read an interesting article from the magazine "MG Enthusiast" wherein the author was mentioning that the tax impost on the use of internal combustion engine vehicles in London was encouraging motorists to purchase classic older vehicles that are not included in the umbrella rules for the tax. Consequently the classic vehicles are increasing in value. Hopefully our politicians will not take up a similar approach in our cities. We might be tempted to sell our beloved MG's.

Christmas festivities are almost upon us and as a club we have shown our generosity in the quality and number of toys provided to the Salvation Army so that our less privileged children may have the joy of playing with the toys.

In this issue I have attempted to illustrate the variety of members cars, as well as our members enjoying the social aspect of our club, by the use of many photographs from FB. I refer to the reports on the Square Riggers Natter, Mid Week Gathering, Clubman Run, Toy Run and the club Presentation recently held at Club Catalina.

### **Progress with my MGB.**



Finally I have decided to attempt the replacement of shaft seals in the front dampers of my MGB.

I have researched many sources to determine how to do the task and where to purchase the necessary seals to achieve the objective of no oil leaks. I will report on how I propose to do the task and whether it is successful in the new year.

I take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe holiday break so that we can all enjoy another successful Year together.

Enjoy reading this issue.

Graham



## ***PRESIDENT'S REPORT***

***Denny Bowden***

MGCCHR Presidents Report for December 2023

Salvation Army Toy Run and MGCCHR Presentation Day turned out to be a great day thanks to the efforts of Andrew Gowans and Howard White, with morning tea at a very busy Teralba Cafe then hand over the gifts to the Salvation Army and lunch at the Rathmines Bowling Club.

After lunch we had our award presentations, congratulations to all.

last months Club night we had a driving instructor who is also a driving test person for aged drivers ( not that we have any of those).

Phil Burns came along to give us an update on the road rules, unfortunately he was on the receiving end of some aggression from a couple of members. I am pretty sure that most of us don't like, or disagree with, some rules of our land, but, they are the rules and by law we must follow them or take a chance of being fined.

To our couple of aggressive members, the phrase "shooting the messenger" comes to mind.

Guest speakers come to our club at no charge to us and I ask that we show them respect.

Hope to see you all at December CHRISTMAS club night.

Anne has some surprise activities for us.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO ALL

from Kay & Denny Octagonally Yours,

Denny Bowden , President



## THERE'S A LOT OF HISTORY HIDDEN HERE...

I spy a driver, two Bathurst legends, and an Aussie first.  
A honey badger, four tracks, a Martin, a fine four-fendered friend, a bumblebee, and a mad man.



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**MGCCHR - December 2023 – Vice President's Report**

Firstly, congratulations to all the trophy winners at last Sunday's Toy Run and Presentation at Rathmines Bowling Club. It was a shame there weren't more members present, although I don't think any more people could have squeezed into the Café at Teralba for morning tea before the run to Rathmines!

The December Clubnight on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December is the 2nd to last event for this year, as there is no Thursday Tuning run, nor Sunday Clubrun. So please try and come along as we will have a Christmas

theme night. I have organised 16 prizes for the Chocolate Wheel instead of the usual raffle, with lots of chocolate consolation prizes! And if time permits, we might also have a couple of games.



So please bring your loose change to buy tickets, wear something Christmassy, and bring a plate of food to share for

supper. Also, our Regalia Officer will have some Christmas specials which would make great Christmas presents for any MG enthusiasts!

For those members unable to join in, I wish everyone a very safe and happy Christmas and New Year. And don't forget the President's breakfast on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January at Blackalls Park, which will be the first club event for 2024.

See you there!  
Anne Pettigrew  
Vice-President  
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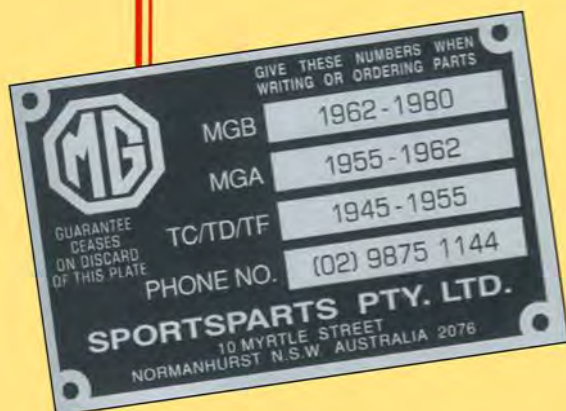
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As 2023 draws to a close we will see the final events for the year taking place.

On Saturday 25 & Sunday 26 November "HSRCA" will run their Summer Festival at Sydney Motorsport Park which will see a wide range of historic vehicles competing in class racing, super sprint & regularity events.

Team Hunter member Bruce Melville will be competing in the regularity event, good luck Bruce.

Sunday 3 December "MGCC Newcastle" will run its Regularity Hill climb at Ringwood Park. This is always a low key fun event which sees competitors divided into teams & the key to winning this event is to stay as close as you can to your nominated time.

Monday 4 December "GEAR" Club will run its final event for the year at Sydney Motorsport Park Eastern Creek on the North Circuit containing the long straight that will give the cars with long legs a chance to stretch them & experience the thrill of turn 1 which is said to be the fastest corner in Australian Motorsport. Austin Blanch and I will attend to help the "GEAR" committee run the event.

Hopefully both of us will be back on the track in 2024 as both of our cars are up & running again. They now just need a bit of running in and a dyno tune to complete the process, so hopefully it is all good.

The "GEAR" Club has tentatively scheduled its first event at "One Raceway" (formally known as Wakefield Park ) on Monday May 6. This is exciting news!

It will be great to get back there & have a run on what should be a greatly improved circuit. They have also scheduled 2 more events later in the year so we're really looking forward to that.

I would like to wish all our members & their families a merry Christmas & an enjoyable festive season.

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Enjoy your MG.

Yours in Motorsport Gary Piper





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We’ve had a very successful 2023, with great events, good weather, and all the fun of our regular MGCC HR Club Runs. With the end of the year coming up fast, it was time to run our Annual Christmas Toy Run & Club Presentations. Once again, we asked Members to donate an unwrapped toy to the Salvos which they can pass on to a needy child at Christmas. The economic crunch in Australia has stretched the resources of charitable groups very thin, so it’s great that our Club can give back to our community in this way.

Thanks also to our Club Captain Howard for organising the morning tea stop in Teralba, and to the staff at Maddz Cafe who, apart from serving great coffee & treats, also provided a basket for their customers to contribute to our Toy Run.

We had a great response, and filled the boot of a car with toys. A big thank you to all who donated toys.

I sit down to write this report having just come back from the final Tuning Run of 2023. This run was a bit different, as we started from Paul’s Corner in Salt Ash, took a run up to Salamander Bay for Morning Tea, and then back to Taylor’s Beach for a visit to Nepean Classic, Muscle & Kustom.

Norm who owns Nepean Classics was very hospitable, and discussed at length his backstory as a Mechanic and car restorer/repairer. There’s an Aston Martin AMV8 in the workshop at the moment and he took us for a journey through the work he’s doing to get it back on the road for his Customer. This involves installing an electronic fuel injection system (originally it has a mechanical system), fabricating induction components, and some minor rust repairs. Norm also showed us some repair panels he’s fabricated for an old Falcon he is also working on. All in all it was an interesting workshop visit, and our host was both welcoming and informative. Thanks to Norm and Nepean Classic, Muscle & Kustom for a fun morning.

Nepean Classic, Muscle & Kustom is at 6/39 Shearwater Drive, Taylor’s Beach, and you can find them at [www.nepeanclassic.com.au](http://www.nepeanclassic.com.au).

After the workshop visit we ran up to Nelson for Bay for lunch at the Wests Club, to round out the last Tuning Run. Keep your eyes peeled in 2024 for more Tuning Runs, and other events.

A reminder that I’ll be away on holiday in December, so updates to the Website and Facebook may be a little slow. As always, check your Club Magazine for details of coming events.

In the last month I have sent my Tacho to Robert Cronin for servicing, and I anticipate having it back in January, after I return from my holiday. Meanwhile John Morton has loaned me an old tacho to plug the gap. The ZT is once again, still on the back-burner.

Cheers & see you in 2024,

Andrew Gowans

The PRO with Speedo-Au-Go-Go!.

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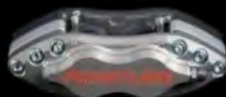






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## **MID WEEK GATHERING NOVEMBER 2023**

The November meeting was at the Swansea RSL Club.

Great meals, venue and company.

Many thanks Kay for your organising it again.



Some of the participants cars in the car park.





Larry Dickason &  
Charlie Heads MGB's  
to the left.

Below are Phil Mudie's  
Ford Mustang & behind  
Bob Woods MGTF



Participants enjoying  
good company and  
conversation prior to re-  
ceiving their meals



# BRITISH MOTOR MUSEUM

## 1965 MG MGB GT half-section

Introduced in October 1965, three years after the MGB Roadster, the GT was conceived as 'the poor man's Aston Martin' and was, according to MG's managing director John Thornley, "a car that no managing director need be ashamed of turning up at the office in".

The bodywork was basically styled by Syd Enever's department at MG's Abingdon works but with some final retouches by Italian designer Pininfarina who was a consultant to the British Motor Corporation.

The GT quickly established itself in the market place, offering the same performance as the Roadster but with the added versatility of children's seats in the back, more luggage space, as well as a roof which made it more sensible for all-year-round motoring.

Known affectionately by our staff as 'the divorce model', this unique MGB was sectioned into two halves for display at the GT's launch at the British Motor Show in 1965. The car was exhibited on the Earl's Court stand complete with the slogan 'MG magic in a new shape'. The MGB show car was subsequently upgraded to mark II specification and displayed at the 1967 Turin Motor Show.

Engine:  
4 cyl, 1798cc

Top speed:  
101 mph (161 km/h)

Power:  
98 bhp

Coachwork:  
coupé in two halves

Price new:  
£998 (whole car!)

Registration mark:  
none

Accession number 199.3.105.1





## NOVEMBER CLUBMAN RUN

H White

The November Clubman Run was started at the Maddz Café in York St. Teralba on Sunday 19th for morning tea.



Excited and vibrant discussion during the coffee and sweets consumption at the very supportive Maddoz Café and their Staff.

After morning tea stop we drove on towards the final lunch destination “Club Catalina Bowls Club” at Rathmines for presentation of Xmas Toys to the Salvation Army Representative then into the club for lunch and the MG Club Presentations.



A Fine range of MG's in the car parking area at “Club Catalina”



## 2023 Sporting & Clubman Pointscore Awards

The 2023 Sporting & Clubman Pointscore Awards are tabulated each year as per the "Pointscore System" used by the MGCC Hunter Region.

### Sporting Pointscore Winners

#### Marque

1. **Austin Blanch - MGA** (name to go on the Club Honour Board)
2. **Gary Piper - MGB**
3. **Stephen Jones - MG Midget**

#### Non-Marque

1. **Bruce Melville**

### Clubman Pointscore Winners

#### MG Magnette

1. **Denny Bowden**

#### MGA

1. **Andrew Gowans**
2. **Neville Roxby**
3. **John Fraser Easton**

#### MGB

1. **Peter Le Breton**
2. **Larry Dickason**
3. **Bob Woods**

#### MGB GT

1. **Charlie Head**
2. **Ian Ashton**
3. **Howard White** - Equal Third Place  
**Alistair Leask** - Equal Third Place

#### MGC

1. **Neville Roxby**

#### MGF

1. **Gary Piper**
2. **Alan Andoni**
3. **Arthur Nicholls**

#### MG RV8

1. **Denny Bowden**

#### Non-Marque

1. **Phil and Jenny Mudie**

#### MG Mate

1. **Kay Bowden**
2. **Maggie Head**
3. **Trish Ashton**

#### Overall Clubman

1. **Denny Bowden** (name to go on the Club Honour Board)
2. **Charlie Head**
3. **Ian Ashton**

**Congratulations to all the winners for 2023**



Steve Jones MG Midget



Denny Bowden MG Magnette



Andrew Gowans MGA



Neville Roxby MGA



Peter LeBreton MGB



Larry Dickason MGB



Bob Woods MGB



Charlie Head MGBGT



Ian Ashton MGBGT



Howard White MGBGT equal 3rd



Alistair Leask MGBGT equal 3rd



Neville Roxby MGC



Denny Bowden MGRV8



Phil & Jenny Mudie Non Marque



Kay Bowden MG Mate 1st



Maggie Head MG Matte 2nd

Congratulations to all award winners and especially to those pictured whom were able to attend the club ceremony..



Trish Ashton MG Mate 3rd





Denny Bowden Clubman Champion  
His name will be added to the club hon-  
our board



Charlie Head 2nd in Club Champion



Ian Ashton 3rd in Club Champion

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# Tuning Run



**Thursday 23rd — Tuning  
Run to Nepean Classics,  
meeting at Paul's Corner for  
coffee 9:30am  
First cars to Paul's Corner**







First stop was morning tea at Salamander Bay  
On today's Tuning Run we visited Nepean Classic, Muscle & Kustom in Taylors Beach. Many thanks to Norm for his time in the workshop.





***Only 181 days to the 2024 National Meeting: Let's Keep the Revs Ticking Over!***



We're now less than half a year out from the 2024 MG National Meeting and the team is hard at work preparing a wonderful celebration of our marque. Here are a few facts and updates.

### **Sporting Events**

- A competitive speed event will be held on tarmac at the Tamworth Oakburn Park motorsports complex (adjacent to the Tamworth City Speedway)
- A competitive motorkhana event consisting of three (3) tests will be held at the nearby Gunnedah Airport tarmac airstrip.
- A competitive observation run will require a Motorsport Australia Speed License (Touring Assembly Motorsport Australia determination)
- A non – competitive social Kimber Run requiring a valid driver's license

## Concours

The concours will be held in a park close to the main town centre, details will be available once confirmed by the Tamworth Council.

Concours classes will be the same as last year.

Anyone available to help with judging please contact: Stuart Ratcliff at [mgcentre@bigpond.com](mailto:mgcentre@bigpond.com)

## Social Events

The full line up of Nat Meet social events will be taking place as usual:

- Friday: Welcome evening with rocker cover racing will be held at the Tamworth Town Hall
- Saturday: Country Ball at The Mercure.
- Sunday: Club free evening
- Monday: Presentation dinner - Tamworth Regional Entertainment and Conference Centre

We need all hands on deck - Please volunteer by contacting:  
[editor@mgcarclubsydney.com.au](mailto:editor@mgcarclubsydney.com.au)

Ros Bastian

Bulletin Coordinator





## SQUARE RIGGERS NOGGIN & NATTER



Square Riggers Noggin & Natter meeting will occur at the usual location "Café Inu" at 43 Denison Street in Carrington for Thursday **December 7th 2023**.

We will meet at usual time of 12 noon and natter until around 2pm.

As usual we order, then sit in the outside area, or inside the Café if it is raining, to eat, drink and chat.

**Come and join us as you will be welcome.**



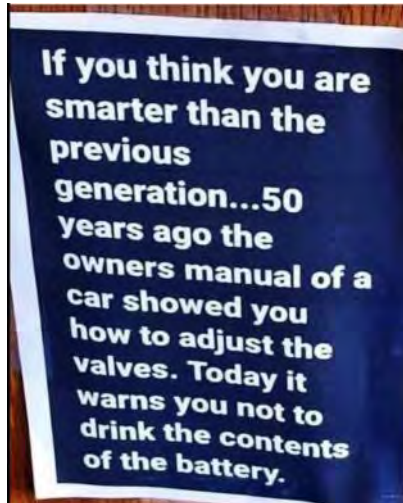


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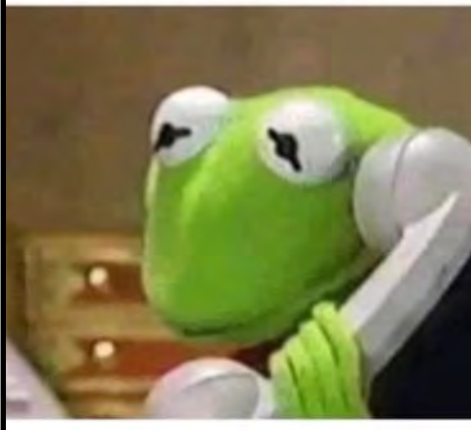
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with no rust, interior and  
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condition  
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All wet weather gear including hood, Tonneau and side curtains in very good condition.



Include daily log book on all running maintenance including fuel since restoration.  
Has been in same ownership for 40 years but stored since 1993.  
The price is **\$39,000.00** and any enquiries can be directed to me on mobile **0408653581**. Regards Peter Dever.

## FOR SALE

**White wall tyre inserts 4 off X 14”  
dia suit MGB.**

**In very good condition.**

**\$100.00**

**Contact mob 0415843710**





# FOR SALE

FOR SALE

1951 TD MG



On CRS plates, Top condition,  
23,000 since full restoration. 1.25 Ltr engine



TD 1952 plates can be done at purchasers cost  
\$ 34,000 ONO  
Some spares  
Contact Bryson on 0489540311

## 1950 Morris Minor Tourer,

Mist Green, low-light split screen as original except for alternator and electric fan which takes load off the side valve motor.

Rust free, working trafficators, beautiful little car complete with good roof and side screens, original jack and wheel brace etc.

Also have spare parts e.g. rear wheel spats, guards, wheels, spare side valve motor, rear axle etc that the buyer must take with the car!

Asking \$22,000  
Contact Frans  
0419561448



# FOR SALE

## MGB PARTS AVAILABLE

I have a front cross member for an MGB 1966, and two wheels. Happy for them to go to a good home or make me an offer **Bill Brown 0425246572**



## For sale 76 Midget 1500cc ,

lot of work done by Bob Rowntree, fast and new German 3.55 Crown Wheel & Pinion.

**\$13,500**

Selling only as retired and too many MG's. to maintain and rego etc.



Details and info contact Steve in Sydney 96804648 or [mgcgtsf@yahoo.com.au](mailto:mgcgtsf@yahoo.com.au)

# FOR SALE

## Help Needed

I am missing some single items.  
I need one TA/B/C brake shoe of  
the same type as shown, and  
one acorn nut for an Altette horn,  
1/4" BSF thread.

If you can help, please contact  
Peter Lloyd by leaving a  
message on 0439 212 880.



MG Car Club Hunter Region

Minutes of Committee Meeting Held 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Meeting Opened: 6.05 p.m.

Chair: Denny Bowden Minutes: Frans Henskens.

Present: Denny Bowden, Anne Pettigrew, Frans Henskens, Greg Jenkins, Howard White, Andrew Gowans, John Longrigg, Peter Le Breton, Graham Haywood.

Apologies: Gary Piper.

In attendance:

Minutes: Minutes of previous meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023 were read and approved; moved Graham Haywood, seconded Peter Le Breton.

Business Arising:

Nil.

Reports:

*President (Denny Bowden):*

Nothing new to report.

*Vice President (Anne Pettigrew):*

I had a lovely message from Peter Lloyd thanking me/us for sending him the MG Coaster, as he had paid but didn't attend the Centenary luncheon.

Do we want to have a Christmas party on our December Club Night (12<sup>th</sup> December)?

Yes, Anne to organise with assistance from John.

I would like to ask that early next year, we have a Club Night when members can hear from Concourse judges about things to check or do prior to the National Meeting, to make our cars the very best possible.

Yes, at Club meeting early 2024.

Re discussion on the Calendar for 2024

I noticed that the Club Run dates for April, July and October have been entered on the SECOND Sunday of the month, whereas (as I always understood) it is normally the THIRD Sunday.

Maybe the committee would rather celebrate Bastille Day (14/07 = 2nd Sunday!) instead of Christmas-in-July (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday)

In past years, the committee has met in January to discuss the diary. But if this has already been done via the calendar tonight, then I suggest we should still have a January committee meeting when we could perhaps



look at the Committee Job Descriptions.

(Frans looked up this document prior to the AGM this year, which revealed that it was somewhat antiquated eg. Organising an annual ball!)

When I was Social Director, there were a couple of events that were planned but didn't happen. These included 'Barefoot Bowls'; a weekend away to Denman; a Clubrun to the Olive Farm near Paterson; a visit to Heddon Greta Drive-In; and a picnic at Moorebank Vineyard that also sells Olives and Condiments (as well as wine!).

In addition, I have discovered lovely tea rooms in Cessnock that also sell arts and crafts, and have off-street parking.

*Secretary (Frans Henskens):*

2023/24 Membership renewals to date: 74 single and 66 family, a total paid-up membership of 206.

Talk about port numbers and impact on email security. More Committee Members are using the huntermg.com email addresses.

*Treasurer (Greg Jenkins):*

*Club Captain (Howard White):*

Toy Run is happening next Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November. Has been advertised on the Magazine, Website and Facebook sites. Meet-

ing at Mads on York in Teralba at 9:30 for departure ~10:30.  
Unwrapped toys are welcome!

*Sporting Director (Gary Piper):*

As per *On The Marque*.

*Public Relations (Andrew Gowans):*

PRO Report

The trophies for the Club Presentation are due this week. I'll collect from Purnells later this week.

By default the huntermg.com accounts are set up with 250MB of storage on our server (incl. both sent and received emails). I can increase this, if required just drop me a line. I will monitor usage and give you a heads up if you're getting near your limit.

Reminder that I'm away from 28/11 - 23/12. I will have limited capacity to amend any Website items, but I will schedule Facebook posts on significant events in Dec/Jan before I go. If you have any special, or urgent, messages to publish, you can post to the Facebook Group if you're a Member.

Agenda Items

Draft Calendar for 2024.

General Business.

I've received an email invitation from David at 'Cars & Coffee In The Bay' for their Christmas BBQ & Toy Drive, at Autobarn Port Stephens on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. The toy drive is in conjunction with the Susan Roskell Toy Drive. This event is in addition to the regular monthly meet at Fingal Bay (Nov 20 & Dec 18) for which we have a standing invitation.

To be added to the calendar of Club Events for December.

This month's Tuning Run will include a visit to Nepean Classics at Taylors Beach.

*Regalia (John Longrigg):*

Regalia sales at Concours were \$330.

Reconciliation as at Jun 30<sup>th</sup> has gone to the Treasurer.

Panama hats have mould on them, trying to clean them up.

Went to Onya Visuals who can provide t-shirts for men, but not for women (cut is different, as is side of buttons). Cost to us is now over \$31. Will look for other comparative sources. Shirt SPF rating is also an issue.

*Committee Member (Peter Le Breton):*

Discussion about a proposed Morning Coffee Run.

Not to compete with any current Runs, and to be something conducted around the Lake rather than in town.

Committee thinks it is a good idea, 4<sup>th</sup> week of the month would be best. Agreed to try it in the New Year, advertise in *On the Marque*, Facebook, Website.

*Social Director: (Position Vacant)*

*Magazine Editor (Graham Haywood):*

November magazine issued and was e-mailed to all financial members on 30<sup>th</sup> October.

Is away from 6<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> December.

General Business:

Discussion was held on the first draft 2024 calendar.

Euro Motorfest Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> (and 23<sup>rd</sup> June as backup). FAH to book with NCC.

Concours 20<sup>th</sup> October backup 27<sup>th</sup> October). German food Euro Motorfest, Turkish at Concours.

Clubman Runs to be moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.

Annual Concours to be moved back to Sunday.

Andrew would apply these changes to draft calendar and forward (editable) source file to Frans.

Andrew to write to Newcastle and Sydney MGCC to check whether our proposed Euro Motorfest and Concours dates clashed with their plans.

Club Website stats for September 2023 (Andrew Gowans):

The Website stats report module isn't working at the moment. I've logged a support call. If the reports update I'll send them through for the next Committee meeting.

Facebook Stats

In October there were 195 Posts or Comments in the Facebook Group and the Group was viewed a total of 6,893 times.

Website Updates

A full site backup was downloaded on 14 October. All Website Plug-Ins and components are up-to-date.

Meeting Closed 7:25 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023 @ 6.00 pm

## 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 (D) member responsible for co-ordinating display of MGs at Car Shows or Community Events (unless there are limits on the number of cars that can participate). 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.