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Andrew Gowans, John Longrigg, Peter LeBreton, Linda Claydon,
Denny Bowden, Anne Pettigrew, Graham Haywood, Frans Henskens, Alan Andoni
Absent Gary Piper, Greg Jenkins

#### What's On



MG Car Club Hunter Region sponsored and supported activities.

#### **NOVEMBER 2024**

- ◆ Thursday 7th Square Riggers Noggin and Natter—"CafeInu" Carrington—
   43 Denison St 12pm to 2pm
- ◆ Tuesday 12th Committee Meeting at club rooms 6.00 pm General Meeting at Club rooms 7.30pm.

Guest speaker for our next meeting is Duncan McDougall on Shar ing his adventures he has had with his MGB travelling from the East coast to the West coast of this Big Land.

- ♦ Wednesday 13th Mid Week Gathering—11.30 am for 12 am Lunch— contact Kay Bowden if you wish to attend
- ♦ Sunday 17th Christmas Toy Run and Club Presentation awards
- ◆ Tuesday 26th Lakeside Morning Coffee "Marks Point Post Office & Café" at 9.30am to 10.30am.
- ♦ Tuesday 28th Tuning Run Meet for 9.00am start. See website for details.

#### **DECEMBER 2024**

- ♦ Wednesday 4th Mid Week Gathering—11.30 am for 12 am Lunch— contact Kay Bowden if you wish to attend
- Thursday 5th Square Riggers Noggin and Natter—"CafeInu" Carrington—
   43 Denison St 12pm to 2pm
- Saturday 7th Historic Vehicle registration Inspections will take place on
   Saturday the 7th December, 9.30 until 10.30 at the Ampol Service
   Station, Minmi Rd, Maryland.
- ◆ Tuesday 10th Committee Meeting at club rooms 6.00 pm General Meeting at Club rooms 7.30pm.
- ♦ No Clubman Run for December
- ♦ No Tuning Run for December
- ♦ No Lakeside Coffee for December

#### **JANUARY 2025**

- Sunday 19th President's breakfast run Meet at Club Rooms at 8am.
- ♦ No magazine for January.
- No club meeting in club rooms for January

Changes to arrangements published in "On the Marque" will 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.

Mark / Karen Hodgen Jonathon Prior **Gerry Harper** David & Patricia Carter Kevin Liddell John & Lisa Needs Lyell Blackman Elizabeth Hinton Maree Sullivan Robert McDonald Thomas Caelli Nicholas Hartley Ian Jones Lawrence Caelli Linda Claydon John Breedon **Andrew Barker Derek Howley** Clarke & Brenda Orlowski Peter Gavey Bill Pike Heidi Nader

#### Mid Week Gathering November.

Mid Week Gathering Wednesday 13th November 2024

Venue: .Pelican R.S.L

Location: . 1 Piriwal Street, Pelican

Parking: .Plenty of parking.

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

### **NEXT MAGAZINE CONTRIBUTION DEADLINE**

Please submit your contributions via email to editor@huntermg.com

Deadline for the December 2024 edition will be

### FRIDAY 29th NOVEMBER 2024

That will allow a report from Lakeside Morning Coffee and Tuning Run to be included.

### From the Editor

### **Graham Haywood**

The Club CONCOURS was held on Sunday 20th October on the Lambton Park across the road from our club rooms. Initially it was damp with light rain but thankfully the day finished with bright sunlight and good spirits with all whom attended.

The "Square Riggers" had a good patronage for October. There also were the usual MG group of cars. So check out the report on page 15.

The "Mid Week Gathering" for September was at the "Lakeside Village Tavern" at Raymond Terrace and it was apparently the first time we had a gathering there. A good attendance of members to enjoy a meal and social discussions however due to the wet weather there were only a few MG cars in attendance. Check page 16 for Photos.

The October "Clubman Run" was very well patronized showing support for our new Club Captain Peter Le Breton. Regrettably I was not able to attend. See pages 16 and 17 for more information. The Lakeside Morning Coffee run once again was held however for the first time attendance level was low.

The Club "Tuning Tour" as it will be known in future was held over 3 days and was a great success with 21 starters and 11 cars doing the road trip without any flattop journeys required. See pages 22 to 27 for a report with photographs that illustrate how it was a resounding success regardless of the weather.

The annual inspection of concessional registration MG's is intended to be held on Saturday the 7th of December and it should be noted that the cost has risen to \$20.00.

#### Progress with my MGB.

Once againI had no work demand from my MGB for October (mainly due to my absence during September) which is a pleasant outcome but that doesn't mean there aren't any tasks that I have delayed doing as they currently don't effect my driving pleasure.



Enjoy reading this issue of our magazine!

Graham Haywood Editor



### MGCCHR PRESIDENTS REPORT for NOVEMBER, 2024

The last month has been a bit busy in our club.

The first piece of news is that Anne Pettigrew has resigned from our committee.

Anne has been a hard worker for our club and very thorough in everything she has done, Anne is not leaving our club and will be coming along to events, I thank Anne for her contribution and wish her well.

The Concours! What can I say, We must have upset the weather gods somewhere along the way, another wet event, but, all considered, I thought it was a success.

Thanks to Greg ,Frans, Gary and Andrew for the lead up work and preparation, also Peter and his crew of helpers on the day, everyone chipped in to get the job done. Thanks to Graham and Greg for doing the tallying up of the judging sheets and Steve Jones for the Certificates. Thanks to Michael Stevens for the setting up and use of his PA system, and Alan Andoni for being the voice for the day. I must thank Kay for sitting all day selling raffle tickets. Kay had a very able assistant in Bennie Campbell, even though Bennie is on a walker at the moment, thank you. The other group of people to mention is the judges, Judging can be a thankless task but our crew did a sterling job, thank you.

Gary will be covering the winners and place getters in his article elsewhere in your magazine.

#### Finally,

Historic Vehicle registration Inspections will take place on Saturday the 7th December, 9.30 until 10.30 at the Ampol Service Station ,Minmi Rd, Maryland.

Octagonally Yours,

Denny Bowden, President

# HISTORIC PLATES REGO CHECKS

Saturday 7th December
9.30am until 10.30am @ Ampol (formerly Caltex)
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# Are you thinking of going to NatMeet?



We need an idea of numbers to start arranging accommodation

Please contact Andrew Gowans (public\_relations@huntermg.com) to register your interest

### PRO Report For November 2024 Andrew Gowans

It was great to see our Annual Concours go ahead on Sunday 20 Oct, after a few showers in the morning which brought back memories of Euro Motorfest. Fortunately the weather cleared and we had a great day on Lambton Park. Congratulations to Gary & Denny for organising a great event, and many thanks to Frans & Greg for managing the venue bookings, catering and the gate takings. Also, a great big Thank You to all those people who helped on the day. Without our Members we wouldn't be able to run events like this.

The year has vanished at a startling rate, and now we look forward to Christmas and 2025! One remaining bit of 'business' for our Club is the **Christmas Toy Run on Sunday 17 Nov**. We ask those attending this run to bring along an unwrapped toy which we can donate to the Salvos for their Christmas outreach in our Community. Speaking to Major Leanne Bennett from Lakes Salvos, things are continuing to be tough for a lot of people but we can help bring a bit of Christmas cheer to a child through our Toy Run. If you can't make the run, but would like to support the Salvos, you can bring the toy along to the next Club Night on 12 Nov or you can drop it off to one of the Committee people (please call them first, though).

The Toy Run will end in the car park for Club Catalina at Rathmines, after which we can enjoy a lunch from the Bistro and the presentation of the 2024 Clubman Awards. Peter Le-Breton, our Club Captain, will be releasing the details of the Club Run so Members can make their plans.

At the time of writing this report, the work on Miss Scarlett's engine bay is getting very close to completion (see below). The current ETA is before the end of October. I can hardly wait.

Cheers & see you in your MG,
Andrew Gowans
The PRO with the trophies
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### SPORTING DIRECTOR REPORT

**Gary Piper** 

Firstly thanks to all those who helped out with the recent concours I thought the committee & members worked well together to make it great day despite the rainy start to the day.

The cars presented on the park were of a very high standard & kept judges busy working out who would be the winners. A big thank you to Greg & Frans for their efforts getting the event off the ground, they do a lot of work that isn't seen before these events can be run.

#### Results:

Pre War — Elliot Burns.

MGTD — 1st John Bradshaw, 2nd Willy Sher.

MGTF — 1st Denny Bowden, 2nd Don Firth,

MGA Twin Cam — 1st Leo Pinczenski,

**MGA Roadster** — 1st Frans Henskens, 2nd Derick Howley, 3rd Lyell Blackman,

**MGB MK 1** — 1stJohn Morton,

MGB Mk II — 1st Geoff Gallagher, 2nd John Longrigg,

MGBL Roadster — 1st Don Noble, 2nd Greg Jenkins,

**MGB RN Roadster**— 1st Peter LeBreton, 2nd Graham Haywood,

MGBGT Mk I & II — 1st Neil Morrison,

MGBLGT — 1st John Stewart.

**MGBGT RN** — 1st Howard White,

MGBGTV8 — 1st Don Noble, 2nd Noel Armstrong,

MGRV8 — 1st Peter Dever,

**MGC GT** — 1st KenCampbell,

**MGF** — 1st Anne Pettigrew,

**MGTF modern** — 1st Bob Woods, 2nd Arthur Nichols,

**MGZS** — 1st Lyall Clarke, 2nd David Atkins,

MG Specials — 1st Neville Roxby, 2nd Peter Moxham, 3rd Luke Andrews,

Outright Trophies: Pre MGA Elliot Burns MG PA,

Post MGA up to & including R/N Ken Campbell MGC GT

Post MGB R/N Lyall Clarke MGZS.

Non Marque 1st Allan Blanch MX5 , 2nd Lorry Glen Vauxhall , 3rd Mike Stevenson Audi TT .

The "GEAR" Club will be running its first event at "One Raceway" Goulburn on Wednesday Dec 4 & team Hunter members Steve Jones, Austin Blanch, Evan Redman, & I have entered. Hopefully Paul Hamilton will have his "B" track ready for the event. The "GEAR" Committee is expecting a large number of entries for the first historic event on the revamped Wakefield Park circuit. I watched the Super Bike event held there recently & the track looks great but still a bit of work to be carried out. I'm tipping times will be quicker due to changes made to a few of the corners, can't wait to have a run there.

#### Coming Events.

MGCC Newcastle will be running a regularity Hillclimb at Ringwood Park on Sunday November 24 it's a teams event & it would be great if we could get a team from our club com-

peting.

Sun November 17 MGCC Newcastle Hillclimb track A3 Ringwood Park.

Sun November 24 MGCC Newcastle Regularity Hillclimb Ringwood Park.

Wed December 4 GEAR One Raceway Goulburn.

Remember drive them don't hide them enjoy your MG.

**Cheers Gary** 



Elliott with his MG PA



Denny's winning TF



Frans winning MGA EDITOR comment



MG TD's being judged



Leo's winning MGA Twin Cam



John's winning MGB MK1

Above are photographs of a few of the winning cars. Regrettably I do not have photographs of all of the winners. I had a three quarter page with nothing on it so took advantage by including some of the winners.

### **SQUARE RIGGERS NOGGIN & NATTER**

Square Riggers Noggin & Natter meeting occurred at the usual location "Café inu" at 43 Denison

Street in Carrington on Thursday 3rd of October 2024.

Next meeting will be on

#### Thursday 7th of November.

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

As usual we order, then sit outside the Café if it is warm, as the group of enthusiasts did for the October meeting. We all enjoyed our food and conversations.















Come and join us as you will be welcome.

### **MID WEEK GATHERING OCTOBER 2024**

The "Mid Week Gathering" for October was at the Lakeside Village Tavern at Raymond Terrace.

An enjoyable time was had by all as is well illustrated by the adjacent photographs of the attendees

Many thanks Kay for your organising the venue.



### **2024 CONCOURS PICTORIAL**













Concours class winners MGB mk 1 mk2 and MGC GT











### OCTOBER TUNING RUN REPORT

#### **Peter LeBreton**

This months Tuning Run ventured to Spencer for lunch. Despite the dodgy forecast a cou-

ple of days out, 8 MGs and a Subaru WRX participated. After the regulation coffee fix at the Wollombi Kitchen, we hit the Great North Rd for an 80km run to Spencer, where we were greeted by a sign that we had arrived at "The Hub of the Universe". Tony Cavanagh drove his 1947 TC up the Yarramalong hill from Budgewoi to meet us for lunch. Well done Tony. Also well done to Sue Hoefsmit for bringing her recently





purchased MGTF along for her first club run. Trent and staff at The Anchor Cafe had prepared a table setting fit for a wedding by the river. The food was fresh and tasty and the hospitality was refreshing.

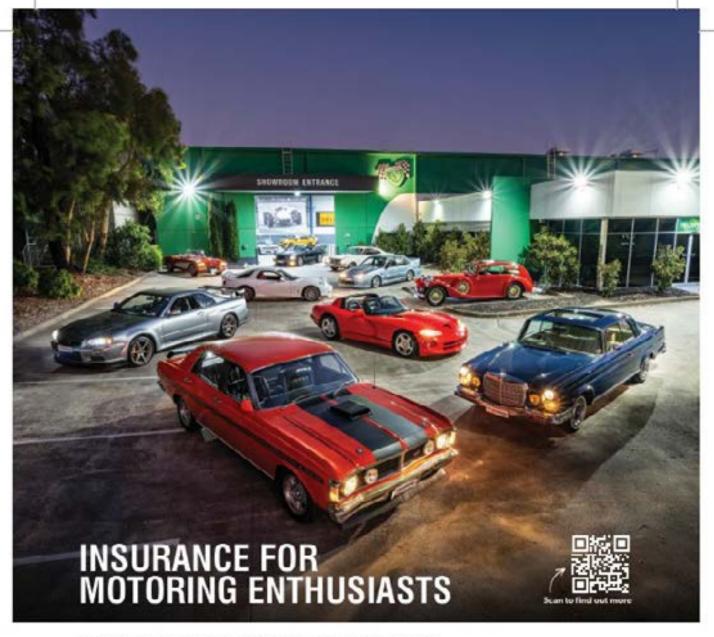
The drive home through the lush Yarramalong Valley was a highlight although a couple of cars were low on fuel and made a detour to fill up.

Austin agreed that this should be an annual run, so it's pencilled in for next year.

All up, the run was a touch over 200kms of varied countryside and hopefully everyone arrived home safe and dry.







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# 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.





The Lakeside Morning Coffee Run was held on Tuesday 29th October.

Another delicious morning tea, great coffee and MG friends enjoying conversations at Marks Point Post Office & Cafe.

Attendance this month was down in numbers however the four whom attended enjoyed the company and enthusiastic conversation during consumption of our delicious treats washed down with the excellent coffee.

For those who haven't yet joined us, come along at 9.30am (ish) on the last Tuesday of the month.

November will be the last chance for 2024 and the next will be in February 2025 as there will be no Lakeside Coffee in December nor January.





### A Few Weekdays of Winding Woads and a few Winewies...

and distilleries and breweries.

We've come up with a small name change. I thought we'd call our weekend away the TT (for Tuning Tour). I've plagiarized some artwork (guess where from) and hopefully our monthly runs will use the new name as well from now on. Anyway, back to a great drive...

Bev and I started planning this run at the beginning of this year. We did the run then came home and analysed what we'd done and added in a few more locations. Motels were booked and entries opened. I'm a woos so we restricted numbers to 12 couples. This meant we could all stay in the same motel, plus it was a reasonable size for organising venues and alternate transport. Most of the spots filled very quickly. From there we did the whole run again a few weeks ago to make sure the roads were ok and we wrote detailed navigation notes for the participants.

The aim for me with all of the tuning tours and runs, is to have someone say that 'they've never been on that road before'. We had that in spades for the 2024 TT. The weather forecast for at least the Thursday was terrible so I put out the offer to downgrade the transport from their MGs to more mundane vehicles.

Everyone had an early start as we were aiming at getting away from Broke at 9am. Seventeen members were bright and early, two cars were meeting us part way. We had 375km in front of us for day one and we knew that we had some major road works along the way. Timing was tight.



The TT group awaiting the start.



Start instructions.



Tuning Tour start at Broke with typical wet weather



The Grey Gum Cafe half way down the Putty Rd opened just for us to have morning tea. From there it was down to the Tourist Information Centre at Richmond opposite the airbase to collect Elliot and Maryann Burns in their well-travelled YT and then Charlie & Maggie Head in their BGT. Up through the old Springwood Hillclimb (behind a very slow truck) and we landed at the Hydro Majestic right on time.









High Tea at the Hydro Majestic was enjoyed by all.

High tea at the Hydro is something you need to try at least once. Unfortunately, there was a typical Blue Mountains heavy fog which made the view of the Megalong Valley non-existent. Fortunately the internal decor was resplendent. From there we hit the back roads where possible heading for Oberon and the first night at the Big Trout Motel. For some reason, very few needed dinner.



The Big Trout Motel



Oberon arrival













Oberon arrival and next morning

Friday dawned overcast but none of the rain from Day 1. Only 190km to do today. After a hearty breakfast in Oberon, we headed for Bathurst and through to Sofala and historic Hill End. This was another first for several members. We spent a few hours site seeing around the village and enjoying yet another Royal Hotel meal and refreshments before a beautiful drive through to Mudgee.





Running repair to one car before reaching Hill End Where oil was installed.







**Exploring Hill End** 

Our accommodation at Mudgee was right next door to a pub with a happy hour or 2, so after settling in, we all walked over for some light refreshments and dinner.





After hitting a few local cafes for breakfast on Saturday, we went exploring the magnificent scenery around Mudgee. We took the easy option of hiring a bus so we could also enjoy some local produce. We did tastings at the Baker Williams Distillery, Di Lusso Winery (along with Pizzas for lunch) and finally the Small Batch Brewery and Hop Farm, with a fair amount of product purchased. This is where it was handy to have a few non marque cars in the group. We got back in time to wander the streets for the Mudgee Wine and Food Festival. I'd love to say we organised it but we were just lucky.









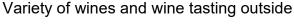
The group outside the winery







Inside the winery enjoying lunch









At Denman prior to dispersing

Sunday, we pointed our noses towards home. Charlie and Maggie headed south to Sydney and the rest headed North East to Denman for late morning tea. From there we scattered to the winds and home.

A few bonnets went up over the tour but nothing was terminal and all the cars that started, made it home. Bev and I covered 850km all up.

What's on for next year's TT? That will be up to the people that organise it. We've done the last 3 tours so I thought it would be nice to have some fresh ideas. Where would you like to go? What back roads do you want to travel on? What time of year? Put your hand up and then we go where you want, when you want.

#### MG NAT MEET 2025 BULLETIN 1



#### WELCOME TO ALBURY-WODONGA

They're waiting for us in Albury-Wodonga and they've been very patient. Originally the venue for the pandemic-cancelled 2020 National Meeting, the twin cities on the Murray will finally welcome us for Easter 2025. The meeting runs from 18 to 22 April.

We've got a great program of events and venues in mind and planning is well advanced.

#### THE PROGRAM

To get things started, we will be using a venue in Wodonga called The Cube for our Noggin 'n' Natter and Rocker Cover Racing. You will know how to find it on Friday evening because you'll have been there for Registration and Scrutineering earlier on Good Friday.

The Concours will take place on Easter Saturday at Gateway Lakes Park, on the Victorian bank - rive gauche - of the Murray River. It's a great open space with plenty to do after you've checked out all the cars. There's some boutique shopping and refreshment venues at the nearby Gateway Village, along with nature walks along the river bank. Food and coffee vans will be available on the concours site too.

Saturday night will be theme night at Albury's Commercial Club. The theme for this year will be *Flappers, Gangsters and All That Jazz* - celebrating a time when the only MG you could buy was a new one, when clothes were classy and the music was hot. So let's celebrate the 1920's in style.

Once the theme night has concluded, the scenic roads, hills and valleys of the region will provide everything a sporting motorist could wish for. The area is replete with historic towns dating back to the gold rush. The scenic Murray River, the Hume Weir and winding country roads, including the longest remaining section of the old Highway 31 running through towns complete with period shops.

What could be better for the Sunday Kimber Run and Monday Discovery Run? Be ready for a walk through some of these historic towns to answer the Discovery Run questions, have a refreshment and soak in the atmosphere.

Sunday will also be Motorkhana Day and the patterns will put all of our memory capacity to work once again. We are still selecting a venue for the motorkhana and will update entrants when a selection is finalised.

Monday will be Lap Dash/Sprint Day at the Logic Centre driver training facility in Barnawartha, a short drive south of Wodonga. This is a great facility with a challenging track and will provide plenty of fun for our competitors and spectators.

Monday night's presentation dinner will be held at the SS&A Club Albury, which will also be the venue for the traditional farewell breakfast and delegates meeting on Tuesday morning.

#### **PROGRAM SUMMARY**

Friday 18 April

Registration and Scrutineering

Noggin 'n' Natter with Rocker Cover Racing

Saturday 19 April

Concours d'elegance

Theme night dinner

Sunday 20 April

Motorkhana

Kimber Run

Free Night

Monday 21 April

Lap Dash/Sprints

Discovery Run

**Presentation Dinner** 

Tuesday 22 April

Farewell Breakfast

**Delegates Meeting** 

#### ACCOMMODATION IN ALBURY-WODONGA AND SURROUNDS

Albury-Wodonga has plenty of accommodation options, but Easter is always a busy time of year, so don't delay your bookings.

Accommodation to suit everyone's tastes can be found on the following websites:

visitalburywodonga.com

alburywodongaaustralia.com.au

We suggest you make bookings directly with your venue of choice.

Travel times to Albury-Wodonga are approximately:

3 hours 45 minutes from Melbourne

9 hours 30 minutes from Adelaide

6 hours from Sydney

#### **BEFORE AND AFTER TOURISM**

Before and after tourism opportunities are nearly limitless in the area, so if you can arrive early or stay a few days after formalities conclude, you'll be rewarded with some wonderful experiences. Albury and Wodonga have great museums and galleries, along with fine restaurants to enjoy.

Take the time to see Lake Hume, paddlesteamers on the Murray and the north-east Victoria wine and gourmet food region. Fascinating places like Beechworth, Milawa, Chiltern and Yarrawonga are all within easy reach. Albury-Wodonga Tourism is working with us to provide plenty of information about what's on in the region for an extended stay.

#### **EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST AND ENQUIRIES:**

Please lodge your expression of interest now by email to:

Nat Meet Registrar (Jan Rattray) - natmeet2025.registrar@mgcc.com.au

Other queries please email:

Nat Meet Director (Tony Lupton) - <a href="mailto:natmeet2025.director@mgcc.com.au">natmeet2025.director@mgcc.com.au</a>
or

Nat Meet Secretary (Louise McKenzie) - natmeet2025.secretary@mgcc.com.au

Put Easter 2025 in Albury-Wodonga in your calendar and we look forward to welcoming you.

#### **Tony Lupton**

Secretary MGCC Victoria

**Director 2025 MG National Meeting** 

#### MG NATIONAL 2025 ALBURY/WODONGA

Next year's meeting will be in Albury/ Wodonga from April 18<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>. This will be Victoria's 3<sup>rd</sup> attempt at running the meeting there and I wish them all the best. Bev and I are planning on being there and I hope we'll have lots of Hunter Region friends with us.

If you are interested in going, please let me know. I will be looking for accommodation very soon and need to know numbers. It's only an expression of interest, you aren't locking anything in.

Steve Jones (sbmbjones@optusnet.com.au or 0412495234)







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Please submit your contributions via email to editor@huntermg.com

Deadline for the DECEMBER 2024 edition will be

FRIDAY 29th NOVEMBER 2024

#### For Sale 1960 MGA 1600

1960 MGA 1600, Monza Red, soft and hard tops, tonneau cover, seat belts, original motor and gearbox, 23,000 miles on clock, two owners since 1980, tyres replaced 5000 miles ago, carby's overhauled 2021, major overhaul by previous owner including soft top and upholstery, mechanically excellent, runs well, used regularly for short distances, garaged, serviced

correctly, repair receipts, original service manual, no rust, Kenwood CD player and speakers, crank handle, fully registered until June.

Chrome could be enhanced, Soft top needs re-attaching to crossbar, horn not working, duco under bonnet could do with a respray.







\$43000 ONO Contact Craig Patrick on 02 49588658 or Patricks38@iprimus.com.au

#### FOR SALE 1964 MGB

1964 MGB, 68000klm.

Local Newcastle car.

Immaculate condition, no rust at all and fully restored.

Wonderful to drive.

Over \$11,000 just spent on motor, gearbox, SUs and electrics.

Brand new tyres and chrome wire wheels.

Immaculate soft top and tonneau cover included.

Any inspection welcome.

\$33,000 ono

Call Tim Owen on 0477201000









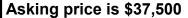
#### 1968 MGB Mk2 Roadster

I wish to sell my 1968 MGB Mk2 roadster. This car has been fully restored by MG Workshops in Melbourne and it is a quality restoration of the car and the engine.

The engine is totally rebuild, balanced and with a fast road cam and is a delight to drive.

The bodywork is restored to a high standard with new floors and sills and fully repainted in the original white colour with a new rag top.

This car is as original except for a very 60s after-market steering wheel and chrome wire wheels from my MGC ( I fitted  $15 \times 6$ " wheels to my MGC )



This car has not even covered 5000 km since restoration. Howard Anderson

howard@andersonwinery.com.au





#### 1968 MGB

1968 MGB with overdrive, standard number plate, and electronic ignition. Rust-free and reliable with 12 months registration.

A joy to drive, with many additional features.

Reluctant sale, previously advertised on another site.

Located near Armidale NSW. \$23,500

Contact: Dylan Worley on 0407299266.









The car is in very good condition with new Brakes including slave cylinders, new Clutch, brake servo, clutch slave cylinder, new radiator, new muffler, new water pump and motor oil pressure 70bs. Suspension rubbers replaced.

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 76 Midget 1500cc,

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

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

#### \$13,500 reduced to \$12,000

Details and info contact Steve in Sydney 02 96804648 or mgcgtsf@yahoo.com.au



#### Also 'For Sale 68 MGCGT.

Full body strip to bare metal is In undercoat & ready for paint. 2 new front guards, new bumpers . needs assembling.**\$20,000** Steve, mgcgtsf@yahoo.com.au or 02 96804648.



# 1951 MG TD – Unfinished Project

The MG TD in British Racing Green with an Ivory interior, an unfinished project is ready for restoration. In original condition.

1250cc XPAG motor, 4-speed manual transmission, serviceable tyres. All major parts included. Also includes a Rag Top in excellent condition. No structural

issues. The car is solid at its core, free from rust.

Currently not road-worthy and will require a trailer for transportation.

Selling as a project. \$24,000 Contact pennyfurner@gmail.com



#### **MGB GT For Sale**

I am offering my 1971 MGBGT for sale.

It is mechanically excellent and runs well.

1800cc original engine with twin carburettors and functioning overdrive on 3rd and 4th gears.

Runs on unleaded fuel.

Spares include original Rostyle wheels.

The car was originally imported from US and converted to Right Hand Drive.

I have owned it for 30 years and have documentation of work done over that period including top overhaul, telescopic rear dampers and clutch replacement.

Price \$15,500.00 ono will be considered.

Phone for a test drive.

John Stuart 0408622674. (Merewether)



This is Yvette Bywater daughter of Kerry Reily ( I hope you remember dad )

Dad is 91 years old and his mobility is very poor, hence he is no longer able to tinker around with his beloved MG

He has asked us to reach out to the club to see if there is any interest from members wanting to purchase his pride and joy.

He has said the coil needs replacing.

This MG has received a whole lot of love from dad over the years, and to be honest, it is sad that we are now putting the car up for sale.

I've attached some photos.

We would prefer to go through the club prior to advertising else where.

Would appreciate if you could circulate this to other members.

If anyone is wanting to discuss further I can be reached on

0418 464 363 Ybywater@me.com

Many thanks Yvette Bywater













#### **1968 MGC GT**

Your chance to own a rare 6 cylinder MG!

Only 4,000 built over 3 years, compared to over 300,000 MGBs

4 speed manual with electric overdrive, sunroof. 145 BHP

Serviced by Gilberts in Maitland.

Contact Andrew 0499 602 481









### FOR SALE 1949 MG Y Type Saloon

1949 MG Y Type four door saloon, finished in British Racing Green with tan interior.

Powered by the single carburettor version of the XPAG 1250cc motor.

The car has a sliding roof and design features of the period such as forward opening front doors, tilting windscreen and burr walnut veneered woodwork, and has period accessories including "Jackall" hydraulic jacking system, 1940's valve radio and Smiths Beehive heater.

Obtained from Phil Redhead (Sportsparts Pty Ltd) in 1974, and since then has been maintained to a high standard including body and mechanical restoration in the 1980's. Originally it was used as a daily/ weekly drive, but recently has been placed on Historic Registration 34953J (not transferable).

Price: \$21,500

Condition: Good, as per the photos.

Location: Galston 2159 NSW.
Contact: Graham Monaghan

0296531230

gmono1@proton.me







#### MG Car Club Hunter Region

#### Minutes of Committee Meeting Held 8th October 2024

Meeting Opened: 6.05 p.m.

Chair: Denny Bowden Minutes: Frans Henskens.

<u>Present</u>: Denny Bowden, Frans Henskens, Greg Jenkins, Peter Le Breton, John Longrigg, Alan Andoni, Linda Claydon, Graham Haywood.

Apologies:. Gary Piper, Andrew Gowans.

<u>Minutes:</u> Minutes of previous meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2024 were read and approved; moved John Longrigg seconded Greg Jenkins.

#### **Business Arising:**

Nil.

#### Reports:

President (Denny Bowden):

Anne Pettigrew has resigned as Vice President and from the Committee.

The Committee and Club thanks her for her service.

We express appreciation of Tuning Tour efforts of Steve & Bev Jones.

Consideration of increasing charges for vehicle inspections, drinks from the bar, etc. – they have not changed for almost a decade.

Committee approved registration inspection fee to become \$20.

Bar prices have not changed for about a decade. They will change to: soft drinks \$3; bottled water \$3; beer \$5; wine glass \$5.

Vice President (Anne Pettigrew):

Discussion re poor patronage of proposed Presentation Luncheon situation, and possible alternate event date and location.

The Committee decided that Presentation will now be held along with the Toy Run at Rathmines on 17th November.

Secretary (Frans Henskens):

2024/25 Membership renewals to date: a total membership of 141 with 66 Associates.

Re 2024 Annual Concours, the application for 20 October has been lodged with Newcastle City Council and today we received the approval. Coffee to be provided by The Coffee Well, and sausage sizzle to be conducted by Variety Childrens' Charity.

Andrew to print off park permits.

We wish Gary well with his recovery from recent surgery and will pitch in to assist him in organising the Concours.

Correspondence received: Magazines from MGCC (UK) and MGCC (Newcastle).

Treasurer (Greg Jenkins):

Club Captain (Peter Le Breton):

September Clubman Run.

To Patterson, 24 members attended and everyone enjoyed it.

The Lakeside Coffee Run is attracting good patronage.

Tuning Run, Thursday 24th October.

Austin is not available so Peter has planned it from Freemans Waterhole via Wollombi to Spencer – about 220 kilometres

It was agreed that route directions would be on paper.

Sporting Director (Gary Piper):

As per On The Marque.

Organising of Concours.

Seeking volunteers for judging etc.

Prizes required: winners' wine, raffle prizes.

John will set up a Club regalia store.

Public Relations (Andrew Gowans):

Invoice from Digital Pacific for Web hosting, \$200.59.

I've booked the Christmas Toy Run lunch to Rathmines for Sunday 17 Nov.

If the Committee could remind the Members at the next Clubnight, particularly about gifts to donate to the Salvos

Regalia (John Longrigg):

Contact has been made with Cash's Awards & Promotion Solutions in Frankston VIC to obtain a quote for the manufacture of the metal HRMGCC car badge. More details will be provided to the Committee for approval to proceed with placing an order.

Clothing

Cloth arm coverings (used by golfers) still to be investigated.

Long sleeve cotton shirts still to be researched.

HRMGCC website – access to the Regalia page to update Regalia information is being provided by Andrew.

Car window stickers with our Club logo are being arranged.

The Club has a significant quantity of Regalia stock which we need to clear. Please watch the Club website for more information on clearance sale details. Our Concours day on Sunday 20th October may be an excellent opportunity to clear some of this stock.

Regalia Officer will be holidaying in the USA from 24th October to 29th November.

#### Committee Member (Alan Andoni)

On the MG run to Oberon, Hill End and Mudgee we met an ex employee of MG in England. He did his apprenticeship on MGFs and then worked on various specialty projects with various MGs and motors. He indicates he is not a confident public speaker but he is very good at answering random questions concerning his work. He is happy to be a meeting night guest and to answer questions from the floor. Do we want him? If so, when? I've run many q & a sessions if that helps.

Yes, Alan will try for the November meeting.

#### Social Director (Linda Claydon)

Has been speaking to potential Clubnight presenters.

Is keen to hear about other presenter possibilities.

#### Magazine Editor (Graham Haywood):

October magazine issued and was e-mailed to all financial members on 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

Had a phone call from a representative of Shannons wishing to update their advertisement in On the Marque.

#### General Business:

Historic Plate Registration Inspection Day will be 7<sup>th</sup> December at the Ampol garage, Minmi Road Maryland.

Club Website stats for August 2024 (Andrew Gowans):

In September the Website was viewed 1,963 times with the peak being 14 September with 136 views. The daily average was 65 views per day.

#### Facebook Stats

In September there were 169 Posts or Comments in the Facebook Group and the Group was viewed a total of 6,761 times.

#### Website Updates

Full site backups were downloaded on 11 & 16 September. All Website Plug-Ins and components are up-to-date.

Meeting Closed 7:39 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 9th November 2024 @ 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.