

# Official Journal of the MG Car Club – Sydney



December 2022

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# MGCC Sydney Club Calendar 2022

DECEMBER / JANUARY 2023

- 4 Club Run, TD Registrar, Michael & Jacqui Gerondis
- 5 Board Meeting
- 13 Members Christmas Party, Strathfield Golf Club
- 21 January 2023. Fish & Chips Run, Matt Crawford

There is NO Members Gathering in January, the 1st meeting of the New Year will be Tuesday 14th Feburary 23



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# **December President's Report**

As the end of the year approaches, I would like to encourage all members to attend the December Members Meeting at the Strathfield Golf Club. This is our annual Christmas party, and the third annual event that the club has subsidised. It is an opportunity for those of you that haven't recently attended a meeting,



to come along and renew old acquaintances and make some new ones.

The club subsidises this event for this reason. It is also as a way of giving some additional value to membership due to the disruption to club events over the last three years. Members may book using the Wild Apricot app.

As mentioned at the AGM, the membership secretary is developing a number of enhancements that will be offered to members via the Wild Apricot online system. The first of these, the TF Members Forum, has just been launched. Currently this forum is only available to TF members. The intention is to expand this initiative by the end of the year (2022) to a broader member base. I will be discussing this initiative and others briefly at the December meeting.

My sincere thanks to Wayne Blair, Seth Reinhardt, and Shelia Trotman for making this happen.

At this time of the year the President makes an award to the member that they consider has made a considerable contribution to the club over the last year. This year I would like to jointly acknowledge Granville Harris and Ashleigh Clarke for their work on Regalia. This member benefit has afforded the membership with an extensive and variable range of quality MG items, whilst at the same time providing a valuable income stream to the club.

On behalf of the club, I thank them for their dedication to this valuable component of our MG world.

Finally, a thank you to all members for continuing the traditions of this wonderful club of ours. Without you it simply wouldn't exist. I look forward to seeing you at the December meeting and I wish all members a safe and enjoyable Christmas and New Year. Charlie



# **New Members**

#### Welcome all to the MG Car Club Sydney

Please make yourselves known to one of the members so that we can ensure you meet up with some like minded MG enthusiasts!

Richard Ekholm	MGB
Peter van den Broeke	MGB GT
David Kent	Midget
Mary Sawkins	MGB
Terrence Laybutt	MGB
Michael & Sheree Clayder	n MGB
Raymond Male	MGB
Andrew Smith	Mitsubishi Triton
Jo & Peter Merrick	MGB
Kole Grujovski	MGB
Martin Hey	MGB, Midget
Roger Kable	ТС
Rob McBrien	-
Dean Hope	ТС
Louise Marshall	MGB



So, you have bought a 'new' MG, or you have unearthed one long lost in the garage or you have finally finished that 'long, long, longer than you expected restoration and decided to now join the club.

We want to hear your story! Please send a short story about your car by email and do not forget some pictures! to: editor@mgcarclubsydney.com.au



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#### December 2022 Cover:

Syd Reinhardt's MG TC with the iconic Sydney Harbour Bridge as the back drop.

Wishing you a Happy Christmas & a Healthy & Happy 2023 to all our members and their families.

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Glenda Gilmore, Hilary Wren,

Julie Porter Stephens,

Alan Heritage, Dom Davids.

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# MG Car Club Ltd, Annual General Meeting 8th Nov 2022

**Location:** Strathfield Golf Club 52 Weeroona Road Strathfield NSW Meeting commenced at 7.45pm

#### Welcome:

The President opened the meeting and welcomed all members attending.

The President introduced Jim Hull as the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of The MG Car Club Limited.

#### **Business:**

The Chairman declared the AGM open.

In accordance with the Constitution, the Chairman informed those present that only financial members of The MG Car Club Limited are permitted to speak or vote on any matter during the proceedings of the AGM.

The Chairman asked for any apologies and the following were noted:

John Clarke, Rod Read, Greg Fereday, Max Wasson and Stuart Ratcliff.

The Chairman advised that the Minutes of the 2021 AGM that were previously published in Dec 2021 Opposite Lock requested acceptance of the Minutes as a true and correct record.

Moved: Sally Ratcliff Seconded: Hilary Wren

Accepted by general acclamation.

#### **President:**

The Chairman invited the President to present a report pertaining to the activities of the The MG Car Club Limited for the preceding 12 months.

Life Members Ladies and Gentlemen. Once again not a traditional MG year, whilst it has not been a traditional MGCC year, we have certainly come a long way from the Covid restricted years of 2020 and 2021.

Zoom meetings in the second half of 2021, satisfied a need, in the main we were able to return to members meeting at the Strathfield club. On behalf of the Board, I thank the members for their patients and their will to remain flexible during this period. Whilst numbers have not quite returned to normal levels, they are on the up. So, please support the club and join us as often as you are able.

Looking back on the past year, it was a shame the All-British Day at the Kings School Parramatta was cancelled for the second year in a row due to Covid and weather. Regrettably, we are at the school's mercy re the timing of this event. Understandably, as the area is a sizable sporting field, the school is cautious in times of heavy rainfall. Over the years the school have been very supportive with this event, covering much of the costs and especially the insurance. I understand the All-British Day Committee are looking at two dates next year, a firm one and a substitute if needed. We will advise closer to the date.

Regrettably, the annual Concours d'Elegance was again cancelled. However, as an alternative the club held a Show'n Shine in the Strathfield Golf Club Car park prior to the December Christmas Dinner. Once again this event was a resounding success with 114 members and their guests coming together for a fun filled night. Special thanks to Life Member Robert Smith for running the Trivia Contest.

Despite some Covid restrictions, the Strathfield Club having to close on at least one occasion, and appalling weather conditions, club events in the second half of the financial year have been well supported. The board is grateful to the many members who lend a hand at these events and most of all the respective Registrar's that take the time to organise them.

The two standout highlights were the National Meeting at Lake Macquarie and the Tour d 'Gloucester. Again, thanks our national meeting organisers and to Robert Smith and Matt Sexton for organising the Tour.

During the year we have been fortunate to have had an interesting and varied array of guest speaker at our monthly meetings. Diversity at the monthly meetings helps to make our club special. As we return to normal and especially form February on, we will be bringing back discussion secessions such as the Tec-Tip Talks of pre Covid. The board thanks our Vice President Greg Fereday for sourcing these speakers. If you know of someone technical or otherwise, that you believe would be of interest to the membership, please have a chat with Greg.

The club financials continue to remain robust. Returning a surplus of \$26,534.65 for the financial year ended 2022. Members should note there were a number of reasons for this higher than anticipated profit. Whilst covered in the Treasurers report, I will mention the main ones.

On a very positive note, membership for the year returned a nett increase of 86 new members this year. Resulting in approximately an additional \$10,000 to the nett profit for this financial year.

This number speaks to a very healthy club. Please note, whilst the club did experience an increase in Historic Plate registrations, it was not reflective of the overall increase in new members. Members should note that the funds received for this increase will be reported in the 2023/2022 financials.

- Website expense was reduced by \$13,400 over the previous year.
- This financial year will see a return to normal expenditure as we develop a number for member and advertiser functions through Wild Apricot. These will include, though are not restricted to, a member engagement porthole, an advertisers portal, more stream lining of the Historic Plates process.
- The lack of expenses over the year relating to the annual Concours and other Club supported events, potentially \$5,000.
- The Board notes the inclusion in the accounts of the additional expense of approximately \$6,500 for the Club supported Christmas Party in 2021.

Specific member events of this nature help to build the solid friendships within the club as they also help to introduce new members to our respective personalities within the club and will continue in the future.

Late last year our treasurer Elizabeth Sutherland tended her resignation from the Board. Elizabeth has done a sterling job for the club over many years and on behalf of the membership I thank her for her service. As yet we are still to find a new treasurer. This is a Board position. If you have a commercial background and would like to support the club, please give me a call. As of last night's Board, meeting I have taken on the interim role of treasurer. John Bastian has stepped down as the Company Secretary. John has fulfilled many roles in his time with the club and his dedication to the Secretary's role is another fine example of his commitment. On behalf of the members and the Board I would like to thank John for his devotion to the club.

They say an army marches on its stomach, well the MGCC marches to the tune of Opposite Lock. Once again I would like to thank Hilary Wren for her commitment to the Editors role in the club. This really is a tireless job and one that Hilary has been doing for a number of years. It was once again pleasing to see our club's magazine rewarded at the National meeting in Easter this year. Well done and thanks Hilary.

Finally, a big thank you to our chief registrar John Clarke, for his commitment to the smooth running of all events. Again, thanks to Granville Harris for his enthusiasm with regalia, Allen Gower for stepping up and assisting at a higher level with the club accounts and Max Wasson and Alan Heritage for being there again for another frustrating year of motorsport cancellations.

The years 2022/23 and 2023/24 will be momentous time for the club. More than ever, we will need the assistance of our members. If you are able to assist then now is the time to step up and join our team.

Positions vacant at the moment are:

- Treasurer, as I have mentioned earlier, I will be filling this role till someone is appointed.
- Company Secretary, welcome to attend Board meetings, does not have to be a Board position.
- Social Secretary, critical for the information flow to the membership.
- MGC & V8 Registrar
- Midget & FWD

As we continue to move through the new financial year, I am confident that the club is in a solid financial position. The nett increase in membership is a testament to this.

Once again it has been a pleasure to be a Board member and President of the MGCC Ltd. I thank the members and the Board for their support.

Moved: Charlie Frew Seconded: Hilary Wren Accepted by general acclamation

#### **Financial Report:**

The Chairman invited the President on behalf of the Treasurer to present a report pertaining to the financial activities of the The MG Car Club Limited for the preceding 12 months.

The Board is pleased to present the financial results for the financial year ended June 2022. The club has returned a surplus for the year of \$26, 534.65. This is an increase of \$17,963.75 over the previous year. Total Members funds at the end of year were \$327, 290.67.

Clearly initiatives developed by boards in the previous years, namely the new membership platform, membership drives and website development, have contributed in no small way to this result. Once again, Covid restrictions inhibited much club activity and with this in mind the board suspended further development initiatives on the membership platform.

This reflected a saving of \$13,408.33 on website development on the previous year.

Other notable reductions include.

Website Development -\$13,408.33 Interest received -\$1,073.30 Credit Card Fees -\$1,535.82 Reflecting a reduction in Club Activity

Printing & Stationary Club Car Expenses

-\$1,630.36 -\$3,204.46

With regard to website development, the Membership Secretary has collated an extensive "wish list" which I am happy to expand on at a later date. Examples include, Discussion Forums, Advertisers Engagement, New Member Follow-up, Historic Registration Process streamlining, Regalia and Dashboard Reporting.

Rent and venue hire continue to increase, and this is one area that the club could look to reduce its expenditure. This could be done by purchasing a garage unit for storage. Saving would be in the vicinity of \$8,500 per annum.

The Board is confident that the infrastructure they have developed over the last 2-3 years will strongly support club activities into the future.

Moved: Allen Gower Seconded: Andy Leondiou Accepted by general acclamation

#### **Directors Appointment:**

The Chairman read out the Nominations received for the position of Directors of The MG Car Club Limited:

John Clarke

Greg Fereday Allen Gower

Granville Harris Alan Heritage

Charlie Frew

Sheila Trotman Max Wasson Hilary Wren

The Chairman confirm that all the above were nominated in terms of the The MG Car Club Limited Constitution and that all are financial members of The MG Car Club Limited.

As there are nine nominations for nine positions, the Chairman declared the above elected.

#### **General Business:**

The Chairman declared that one item of General Business had been received:

'We the members would like to have a vote at the AGM in November to bring back a printed version of our club magazine

Proposed Ross Freeman

Seconded Bob Parkinson, Nigel Martin, Peter Baldry, Bruce Duncan, Brian & McKenzie,

Paul & Shirley Challinor, John Cunneen, Warren Freestone. (10 people)

Please note, Andy Leondiou & Brian Woolmer advised the President prior to the meeting that they wished to withdraw their signatures.

Chairman advised that this item was for discussion only and that no vote would be taken.

The Chairman declared that the item has been received within the requirements of clause 51 of the Constitution The MG Car Club Limited.

Financial impacts were presented and the Chairman allowed members to speak for and against.

No conclusion was reached

The Chairman declared the AGM of The MG Car Club Limited closed and handed over the meeting to the President at 8:15 pm.

# Concours & Display Day 2022

#### Allen Gower



#### **Concours Winners Line Up**

After the All British Day was cancelled in September, we were concerned that our Concours and Display day on the 23rd October, would suffer the same fate. As it turned out, we were blessed with fine weather and a firm grassy surface to drive and position our MGs. Many of the participants commented that they would not be deterred by some rain, and this was typified by Glen Bernard, who arrived on crutches to make sure the PA system was properly put into service and the MGCC was not let down.

The MGs provided a colourful spectacle and displayed many of the MG models that were made, from a Pre-war MG TA right up to a present day MG3. There were a few MGs in the car-park, however my total count of the cars on display by Class was as follows:

Pre-war MG	TA	1
ТС		2
TD		1
TF		4
MG Y Type		3

MG Magnette ZA/ZB 4 MGA Roadster 6 MGA Twin Cam 1 MGA Coupe MGB Mk I Roadster 10 MGB Mk II Roadster 10 MGB R/Nose Roadster 1



	MGBGT Chrome Bumper	3
	MGB GT R/Nose	2
	MGB GT V8	4
	MGC Roadster	2
	RV 8	6
No.	MGF /TF (Modern)	2
ſ	Modern Saloons	3

MG Sporting MGB GT Sebring Repl. 1 Non-Marque Cars

Congratulations to all the trophy and medallion winners, listed in the November Opposite Lock and to all the MG owners who brought their cars and made the day such a great success.

I particularly want to thank John Clarke, who agreed at short notice to organize this year's Concours and Display day, which ran like clockwork.

This allowed me to concentrate on planning for the Tamworth 2024 National Meeting. Also, special thanks to Bob Grace & Peter Baldry who did the set-out marking on the Friday, Stuart Ratcliff & Robert Smith for Judging & preparing the winner lists, David Noble chief traffic marshall and Max Wasson for organizing the transport of the Concours equipment (Marquees, Signage, etc) back to our Storage unit in Gladesville.

> --- Safety Fast Allen Gower







# Concours & Display Day 2022











Our TC Registrar John Carter, competing with Ian Hazeldine in Ian's RV8 at the recent Alpine Classic.





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# MG Car Club Christmas Party

Strathfield Golf Club

Tuesday 13th December 2022

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# Natmeet Tamworth 2024 Update No. 3

As this year draws to a close, and the Adelaide Natmeet approaches, your Tamworth planning committee continues to work diligently. There are many sub-projects that make up a National Meeting and each is being worked on behind the scenes. As each event is explored in greater detail, issues arise and these must be considered and dealt with properly. This is the stage that we are in moment, with our event majors checking details of venues and obtaining budget quotes. Our contacts in the bustling City of Tamworth also regularly tell us of the competition for the best venues, so there is the added need to be decisive. A few of the committee will travel to the Tamworth region in December and January for follow-up reconnaissance and earlier meetings.

#### Licensed Officials

Since last month, when I requested members to volunteers with Motorsport official licenses, we have had some positive response, but we are still in need of licensed officials in the following categories:

Scrutineers Clerk-of-the-Course

Competition Events Secretary General Official

If you are able to help and have a license in one of the above categories (or are interested in training), then please contact either Steve Perry or myself.

#### Logo, Poster & Tag Line

The planning committee has it's creative juices flowing as it seeks to produce a Natmeet Logo, a Poster and a Tag line. These three items will be unique to the Tamworth Natmeet and form an important part of promoting the event and capturing the spirit of the 100 years of MG cars. The Logo is still work in progress, although we have already reviewed several interesting options. A copy of the colour poster will be given to each delegate at registration. This poster will require an artist and hopefully one of our members can help. The Tag line has now been agreed (unanimously) as :



#### "MG - Marque of the Century"

This bold statement will be added adjacent to the logo in correspondence and regalia, and hopefully will stimulate discussion about our beloved cars.

#### Natmeet History

I have done some digging into previous Natmeets and find that Tamworth 2024 will be the 8th time that we are hosts for the event. We were the inaugural host in 1970. Here is a list showing when and where we organised the seven previous Natmeets.

1970	Sydney
1973	Oran Park
1977	Katoomba
1982	Canberra
1991	Nowra
1999	Gosford
2008	Tamworth

I wonder how many of you have attended all 7 of our Natmeets? With that thought to ponder, I wish all members and their families a Merry Christmas and Happy 2023.

Allen Gower. National Meeting Chairman

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# National MG Motor Show & Shine 2022 Winning Photograph



George Ratcliff having fun in his very own personal MGA, courtesy of his Grandfather Stuart.

# Letter to the Editor

Good afternoon, Hilary.

After last night's AGM, I just wanted to reach out to you to see if you are okay. I am certain that the vast majority of the members truly appreciate the job that you do as editor. I was dismayed to see that, yet again, there are members that feel it is their "right" to raise issues in what I believe was an inappropriate forum. Without notice, it is very difficult to respond to such demands.

As a former editor of a Car Club magazine, albeit in days before computers and a smaller subscription, I understand that the task is sometimes onerous. I am also a volunteer on the Board of the Bowral Cricket Club and at times we can feel that our efforts are not appreciated.

Please know that Michael, Connor and I appreciate the work that you do in putting together what is a

#### fantastic magazine for the membership. Indeed a National winner!

The creation of an online magazine, in part due to Covid 19, was, I believe, a positive step for the Club. To reinstate a printed copy, with all the work and significant costs that would entail, would be a backward step. I cannot understand why those members demanding a return to a printed magazine cannot simply print a copy themselves: yes, some of us like to have a physical copy to thumb through and I appreciate that. The Board have already accommodated a number of members for whom a printed copy is necessary, due to sensory disability and limited access to computers.

If there is anything that we can do to assist, please reach out. Take care!

Glenda, Michael & Connor Gilmore

#### Vale SHIRLEY BRYANT 13/06/1936----27/11/2022

Shirley, wife of Leslie Bryant & resident of Coledale was a longtime member of the MG Car Club. Shirley was always immaculately presented with her upswept blonde hair as Les would pack her into their modified black MGTF on many MG club runs. Our sympathy goes to Les and his family.

Paul Challinor

#### The Alf Luckman Memorial Fish & Chips Run 2023

Saturday January 21st 2023 Berowra Waters Picnic Area

**Convoy Meet:** The Bull & Bush Hotel, Corner of Windsor & Seven Hills Rd Baulkham Hills

Time: 4.00 pm for a 4.30pm departure, estimated time of arrival 5.00pm at Berowra Waters.

The drive is quite picturesque, fully sealed and easy to navigate.

Maps & Directions: of the route to Berowra will be provided, for those that require them, however the route is easily obtained from a Navman/I Phone or similar device.

Non Convoy Meeting: Most participants from the northern suburbs elect to take the Pacific Highway to Berowra and then follow Berowra Waters Rd down to the Punt, cross the river and assemble at the Picnic area.

**Parking is Plentiful:** We will not be assembled in one area but scattered in groups within the available spaces.

**Food:** BYO, enjoy the locally available Fish & Chips. Three BBQs are available, at a nominal charge, for those who wish to cook their own. Seating is limited in the

fixed undercover shelters, so please bring your own fold up chairs and tables. Enjoy the cool of the evening, wine and dine with the other MGCC members.

Traditionally this is the opening event for the MGCC Sydney

One of the more popular gatherings on the calendar, and all members are welcome.

The vehicle you arrive in is your choice. All the better if it is an MG, but that is not essential.

This is a social event, designed to meet other MGCC members, discuss cars, politics or whatever is your interest.

No need to book, just looking forward to seeing there.

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Post War Saloon Registrar

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Our guest speaker in November was Judy Mc Cracken with a 25 year career in Science & Process Development, Judy is an advocate for the early application of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) in the event of a Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) to increase the chances of survival in the casualty. She explained the importance of the Chain of Survival and how to save vital minutes in the event of an SCA and why an AED is a vital piece of equipment in every home, workplace and club event. If you hold your iphone over the bar



code, open the camera you will be taken to the <u>shop</u>. <u>livcor.com.au</u> website, where all the products that Judy demonstrated for us are listed. A most informative and educational evening. Thank you Judy.



#### October Members Gathering- Strathfield Golf Club. 11th October

We welcomed Station Officer O'Conner from Burwood Fire Station and three other fire fighters to our October meeting. They gave a very informative talk on general fire safety in the house and garage, and how to protect our precious classics!

Electric vehicles and solar panels on house and buildings have changed the methods used by the fire crews in the event of a fire and they explained these changes and how to prevent a fire from starting or spreading by storing and handling combustibles safely. There are several Safety Bullets available from the Service on various topics, the front page of the one below unfortunately is very topical.



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# Y Not a Y Type Wedding

A great friend of mine Steve was asking me for some advice about wedding cars for his son Cameron and daughter in law to be Isabella. He knew from one of my previous roles I was involved in the wedding and hire car industry for many years.

Being a member of The MG Car Club Sydney, I immediately thought of the MG Y Type which would be suitable for their needs. So with cap in hand I asked Margaret and Mathew Crawford if their beautiful cars could be made available for the day. Without hesitation they offered their 3 vehicles and with Mathew's assistance he was able to source another beautiful car from Ross McMillan.

With all the rain Sydney was experiencing I was worried about using Margaret and Mathews convertibles but the weather gods were smiling on us and provided a magnificent spring day.

On the day of the wedding, I arrived at Isabella's home with Mathew's Y Type

convertible followed by Gavin in Mathew's Y Type sedan. Isabella and her family had no idea of the vehicles which were going to take her and the bridesmaids to the church. All she knew was that Steve, her soon to be father in law had arranged some cars!

Isabella was escorted out from the house with the bridesmaids and seeing both vehicles couldn't believe how stunning the cars looked and was even more surprised when she realized she was going to be travelling in the convertible.

At Cameron's home, Lindsay arrived with the 4 door



convertible of Matthew's and Margaret's along with John driving Ross McMillan's Y Type sedan. During the course of the day whether at the church or the park we had numerous people comment on how great the cars looked with many taking photo's. On a personal note, I would like to thank Matthew & Margaret Crawford and Ross McMillan for their generosity and understanding in providing their stunning cars and to the drivers who gave up their Saturday Gavin, Lindsay and John, I am hugely indebted to you all thank you.

Andy Leondiou





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A moody MG Sunday coffee morning at Brooklyn.

# The Element of Joy: The Bay to Birdsville

Recently, in October, we travelled to Adelaide to participate in the Bay to Birdwood. For those of you not familiar with this fantastic motoring event, Adelaide and its surrounds play host, over two weeks, to a multitude of people and their vehicles in a celebration of everything motoring. The ultimate event, however, is the drive from Glenelg to the National Motor Museum in Birdwood, along a route of picturesque scenery & gently meandering roads. The day begins at around 7.00am on a Sunday morning in Barratt Reserve, West Beach, where the participants assemble, grab a tasty breakfast and a coffee and chat cars with those around them. This year, the participants' vehicles ranged in age from more modern Toyotas, Fords and Holdens up to vehicles over 100 years old. The star of the event, however, was a Stanley Steamer.

Michael and I travelled to Adelaide in our trusty old 1970 Austin 1800 Ute. She is an automatic and a bit slow up inclines, but the addition of a pair of Wolseley bucket seats has made her a very comfortable long distance vehicle (although it is a bit noisy!). The trip was completed over two days with a stopover in Hay.



The potholes on the Sturt Highway were quite unkind to our 52 year old car's hydrolastic suspension. We tried to avoid them and were successful with most, but there were a few we didn't miss, despite driving like a cross between a downhill slalom and dodgem cars. We made it to Glenelg, unpacked and then, when we returned to the car, discovered that she had a distinct lean. The front driver's side displacer hose had chafed. I must admit that I panicked a little: this was our third attempt to drive in the Bay to Birdwood, the last two having been adversely affected by Covid and I was worried that we would not be able to participate in this one either. We were fortunate, however, to be able to have the vehicle repaired by Minisport in Adelaide and the fact that we had arrived five days before the event proved to be advantageous. They loaned us a car overnight: a trip to Pirtek to have the hydraulic hose repaired, then back to Minisport for reassemble and we were back on the road. Adelaide is a great place when it comes to old cars and we cannot thank Minisport enough. It was also fantastic that we were able to have the vehicle towed, rather than drive it to be repaired, thanks to Shannons.

We spent the next couple of days sightseeing and catching up with family. The reality that we were in Adelaide, getting ready to participate in something as momentous as this event in our own car, Wow! Finally the morning came and we travelled the short distance to West Beach from our accommodation, had that tasty breakfast and heart starter coffee, chatted to people and then we were off at around 9.30 am. The weather was perfect for touring with plenty of sunshine after a slightly start.

The Bay to Birdwood is a unique event: there is nothing else like it. It has elements of the Goodwood Revival in the UK, with the added bonus of approximately 1500 vehicles, over 30 years old, driving in convoy over a 65 kilometre route. People line the streets along the entire route, some having a breakfast spread replete with bubbly, cheering on the vehicles as they go past. Others park their own classic vehicle and watch and there's plenty of commentary. Even children and teenagers in Adelaide get excited about this annual event and amateur photographers take plenty of snaps and video of the passing parade. We even made it on to a number of YouTube videos!

It was as I was riding along, waving to the crowd with a grin from ear to ear plastered on my face, that I came to the realisation what joy our cars bring to not only us, but to those who see them out on the road. Cries of "Oh, look, it's a Landcrab!" and "What a cute little ute!" were heard along the way. It didn't seem to matter what marque they were driving: everyone cheered the participants on. Kids dared us to honk our horn and we rewarded them. Our cars are not merely materialistic possessions: they are a means of spreading joy, bringing smiles to faces and starting conversations with interested strangers as they reminisce about their own long lost cars and ask questions about ours. They are an important part of motoring history and we carry a significant responsibility to preserve this history both in the cars and in the minds of observers.

The arrival at the National Motor Museum saw us collect a medallion at the gate, (I may have been a little over excited as I exclaimed, "We made it!") and then we were directed to a parking space. Just like the start, there was no delineation of marques: it was a very democratic and organic process! The only "segregation" was for Concours vehicles, commercial vehicles and the new category of EV conversions. Considering the numbers of vehicles participating, the run went incredibly smoothly. Even the old Stanley Steamer made it up the hills, puffing away profusely.



Many people dress up in period costume, according to the age of their vehicle. Whilst the 1970s fashion era is not my favourite, we did our best, although we decided not to enter the "Fashion in the Field" competition, due to "wardrobe malfunctions": Michael's 1970s platform rocker boots disintegrated, as did my sandals! Good thing I packed a spare pair of shoes!



You will be very pleased to know that the MG marque was well represented. As usual, the dominant model was the MGB, but there was a smattering of others, including MGAs, a YA and some TC/Ds. We simply could not get around to see all of the vehicles. We met up with our niece and her two children and wandered around looking at many of the vehicles

on display. Our great nephew was astounded that some of the vehicles were even older than me! It also took some persuasion to convince our great niece that she couldn't sit in everyone's car: just ours. The kids now point out to Mum and Dad whenever an "old" car is in sight, so it looks like another generation is hooked! They are particularly hooked on MGs, so that's not such a bad thing, is it? We managed to get in to see some of the exhibits in the Museum and then it was time to catch up with more family living in the Adelaide The return journey was again a two day event with our half way stop being Hay. Anyone who has not driven the Hay Plain should do so. On the second day, we encountered detours due to the floods which put some time on the trip, but as we no longer have to run to a timetable, we were not overly concerned. However, the little Austin, in her own not-too-subtle way, informed us that we were going to have to



provide some TLC and maintenance when we arrived home. The automatic selector was problematic and we had to use paper towel to wedge the gears and prevent it from jumping out of gear. Her last tantrum, however, was just n<u>o</u>rth of Yass. The rear driver's side hydrolastic displacer

decided that it had had enough and also blew! It was a long and slower than we would have liked trip home, but we made it back in one piece.



So now begins what all of us who are custodians of old cars have to do: repair, make adjustments and get our beloved modes of occasional transportation

back and out on the road, for others to admire. Both Michael and I would thoroughly recommend the Bay to Birdwood. It is one of those events that should be on every car lover's "bucket list". We have provided some photos and information in this article, but if this has piqued vour intérest may I suggest



that you hop on to the website: https://motor. history.sa.gov.au/events/bay-to-birdwood-2022 and check out what is on offer.



Glenda Gilmore.



Octagonal Greetings!

Lots more detail for you in this edition of the Update – and more than 170 Expressions of Interest to date.

**Supplementary Regulations** are being finalised and will be posted on the National Meeting website once they are approved by Motorsport Australia.

Details of Registration categories for Adelaide next year are listed below. These are different to previous National Meetings following decisions made at the 2022 Delegates Meeting.

Category	Description
Social Social Junior aged 12 – 16 Social Junior aged 5 - 11 Social Junior aged less than 5	Social registration allows you to attend all Social Events (including meals) but you cannot enter a car in the Concours. You can participate in the Rocker Cover Racing, Social Run and the Kimber Run.
Competition – Concours Only	Competition - Concours Only registration allows you to enter one car in the concours and attend all Social Events (including meals, the Kimber run and the Social Run).
Competition - Full	Competition - Full registration allows you to participate in all social events as well as the Concours, Motorkhana, Super Sprint or Observation Run.
Competitor Junior aged 12 - 16	Competition - Junior aged 12 - 16 registration allows a person aged between 12 and 16 on January 1, 2023, to participate in all social events as well as the Concours, Motorkhana, and Super Sprint or Observation Run.

The **Concours** is amongst the first events of the National Meeting, and will be held at Wigley Reserve, Glenelg on Saturday April 8<sup>th</sup>. Cars need to be in position by 9.15. Judging begins at 10.00am and Class winners will be announced as soon as the class judging is completed.

The **Observation Run and Social Run** will end with lunch at the Lobethal Bierhaus who are also a sponsor and have arranged a special National Meeting bottling of a fine brew as a souvenir of the event.

And speaking of lunches, the **Kimber Run** will end with lunch at the Hahndorf Oval. If you haven't been before, this Adelaide Hills town is a prime tourist spot and well worth a lengthy wander during the afternoon.



Regalia is being produced and as always, orders can be placed as part of the registration process. You will not be able to purchase regalia during the National Meeting.

The National Meeting website is a primary source of information and contacts for the event and is updated as more details become available, so check it out at <u>www.natmeet2023mgcc.com.au</u>

Also check out the website for registration and full details. Entries are expected to be open at the end of December and will close at the end of February. In the meantime, you can lodge an expression of interest or send enquiries to our Registrar, Chris Bray, at <u>Registrar2023natmeet@adam.com.au</u> People who have lodged an expression of interest will be notified via e-mail as soon as registrations open.

And if you haven't booked your accommodation, I urge you to get onto it ASAP! Adelaide is hosting the AFL Magic Weekend featuring all teams from April 13th – 16th (the weekend after Easter) and as this also falls within School Holidays from most Eastern states there is likely to be very strong demand for hotel/motel rooms. The Stamford Grand at Glenelg, for example, is filling up fast. Straight after the footy is the LIV Golf Tournament at Grange which will put further pressure on accommodation.

There has been a request from visitors for Trailer parking over Easter, and Peter Micklem in Hahndorf has some space available. His contact details are <u>pbmicklem@gmail.com</u> or 0411 238 514.

The Bend Motorsport Park has also confirmed trailers can be left there but at owners' risk.

There will be another update in December with full details of registration, closing dates for entries etc. In the meantime please send any enquiries to:

Tim Edmonds, President, <u>Chairman2023natmeet@</u> <u>adam.com.au</u>

Chris Bray, Registration, <u>Registrar2023natmeet@</u> adam.com.au

Sandra Cardnell, <u>Secretary2023natmeet@adam.</u> <u>com.au</u>

See you in Adelaide next Easter!! Tim Edmonds President, MG Car Club of SA.

MG Car Club Sydney has booked Morphettville Motor Inn, 444 Anzac Highway Camden Park, Adelaide. 08 8294 8166 <u>https://morphettvilleinn.com.au/</u>



Illawarra Register

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The month of October was a month of considerable activity for our classic cars at last! and the Register members participated in three events as follows:-•The annual MG Car Club of Sydney Concours and Display day adjacent to the Parramatta river •Wings Over Illawarra 2022

•Social run to the Jamberoo Pub

Unfortunately, as often occurs- the "real world" got in the way, so as well as rain on the Concours and display day; the car club component of Wings was cancelled due to heavy rains making the grass fields unsuitable for display cars, although the main air show did go on, and as compensation for the car display cancellation the organisers honoured the passes to Wings for all those who had registered. The Concours day, despite heavy rain on the way up and way back from the event, there were a significant number of cars turned out and I am delighted to report that my MGBGT Rubbernose won its Division in the Concours.

Wings over Illawarra 22 was a really successful event- with strong crowd attendance, and excellent weather and a strong air show display on the Saturday, followed by reasonable weather on the Sunday (some light rain for 30 mis in the morning) and a reduced but still excellent flying display.

Thanks for all those who supported these events and it's a pleasure to see some classic car activities resuming after those long dreary years of Covid restrictions.

Thanks to all of you, and enjoy the photos. Michael Hough Illawarra Registrar





Caribou



Tracker

Catalina



Spitfire

# National Meeting 2023

The end of the year approaches and with it the 2023 National meeting draws closer.

I have been in touch with many members intending to go to the 2023 Nat Meet and some have already organised or purchased their Mickey or Minnie Mouse outfit. Talk about organised! So, don't forget either organise some ears and a likely looking look-alike outfit, or here are some links to places where you can buy an outfit.

- On line at Spotlight: <u>https://www.spotlightstores.com/party/costumes-and-accessories/adult-costumes/disney-mickey-mouse-adult-costume</u>
- On line at Party Savers: <u>https://www.</u> <u>partysavers.com.au/products/womens-</u> <u>costume-miss-mouse-costume</u>
- <u>https://www.partysavers.com.au/products/</u> <u>mens-costume-mickey-mouse</u>

or just go to either ebay.com.au or etsy.com and type in mickey/Minnie adult costume and lots of options will come up!

Some of these are a variation on a theme, which is fine as, well we wouldn't all want to look identical. Here are the original Mickey and Minnie characters and outfits as a reminder.



#### Getting there.....

A couple of months ago I looked at getting to Adelaide via an inland route – probably the shortest route. However, don't forget the Nat Meet offers you an opportunity to explore parts of our beautiful country along the way.



#### Ros Bastian

Another option is to travel to Melbourne and see something of Melbourne as well. The weekend before Easter, and so the weekend before the Nat Meet, 29 March – 2 April, the Melbourne Flower Show is on: <u>https://melbflowershow.com.</u> <u>au.</u> This show has everything you need to know about gardens and landscape design and a whole lot



more that you didn't realise you did need to know. Or for the petrol heads, and there are obviously a few of those in the Club, then you could take in the Australian Grand Prix on your way to Adelaide and get into the spirit of a bit of competition. <u>https://www.grandprix.com.au.</u>



Leaving Melbourne you can explore the wonderful scenery along the Great Ocean Road. Travel via the Princes Highway over the West Gate Bridge to the bayside city of Geelong. From here you can take the Surf Coast Highway to the famous surf town of Torquay. For over 400 kilometres, from Torquay to Nelson on the South Australian border, the Great Ocean Road provides some of the most impressive coastal scenery in Australia.

You can find all the information you need at the following site: <u>https://www.visitvictoria.com/</u> regions/great-ocean-road

There promises to be a further Nat Meet Bulletin



this year and I will forward this to anyone on my/ Dom's email list. If you are not on the Nat Meet email list and would like to join in then just email me ros@bastians.com.au and ask to be put on the list. Or go to the Nat Meet website: <u>https://</u> <u>natmeet2023mgcc.com.au/</u> and look for the latest Bulletin there.

Have a very Happy Christmas everyone and hopefully we will all meet up in Adelaide in April. *Ros* 

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# Breakfast Run to Southern Highlands 6th November



Julie planned a great drive for us, ( planned the night before !) through all the back roads to get us to Berrima on a wonderfully sunny Sunday morning. So good to let the wind fly and take off many hats with the tops down on the MGB's. The run culminated with a most enjoyable breakfast at Schmokin, Berrima.







# The Canberra MG Rally 2023

An event for the Pre-War MG Register and MG Ts and Ys Communique #1- Event Information

MG Car Club Canberra Inc (MGCC Canberra) and the Pre-War MG Register of Australia extend a warm invitation to the owners and custodians of Pre-War, T Type, and Y Type MG cars to a socially oriented event to be held in Canberra Friday 29 September 2023 to Monday 2 October 2023.



The event aims to bring together the biennial Pre-War MG Register Rally & the MGCC Canberra MG TYme celebration of these MG cars.

#### **Eligibility for Registration**

The event is for the owners and custodians of Pre-War, T Type, and Y Type MG cars to enjoy social and motoring activities focussed on these cars. Registration will therefore only be open to the owners and custodians, (and their partners of course) of Pre-War, T Type, and Y Type MG cars.

While there will be 'public events' for other MG enthusiasts to enjoy, and the cars will travel on public roads, MGCC Canberra regrets that registration will not be available to enthusiasts or other interested persons who do not own, or who are not custodians of an eligible car.

Communique #1 has just been posted on <u>https://mgcccanberra.org.au/events/the-canberra-mg-rally-2023/</u>

An event Registration Form with details of required payments is planned to be posted on the MGCC Canberra Event website link by 31 January 2023.



# **SPORTSPARTS**

I came here to Sportsparts some 33 years ago after guite a number of years in the aviation industry. Firstly as Qantas apprentice, then flying as a Qantas Flight Engineer whilst still an apprentice, then a Production Planner. After that with the Department of Civil Aviation, the forerunner to CASA, the last 10 years of which running the group that supervised Qantas airworthiness.

With this history, and a long time car racer, my hearing is shot. I have great difficulty hearing both on the phone and anywhere else where there is multiple noises or speech. Because of this I don't have a mobile phone even though I have what are supposed to be the best hearing aids available.

I don't want to stop work as I enjoy it, but I need someone to take over and run Sportsparts.

The ideal person would be someone who wants to work in an industry they are passionate about or take their hobby to the next level. The added benefit of working for yourself and making money from working in an industry you enjoy, from my time here, it has been a wonderful experience in dealing with fellow enthusiasts.

If you are interested, please get in touch with me, You could talk to Greg Fereday, for an independent opinion. Greg has been helping me for three days a week for the last few months and has a good understanding of the business.

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# The MG Inspired Trip to the Home of MG

Car related information from a 4 week holiday to the UK in October 2022 by members Jacques and Lynn Calluaud with Lynn's sister and husband. As an aside we own a modern car plus a 1972 MGB and a 1927 Erskine Phaeton.

Click on the following link to see a photo collection from this trip ;

https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgF3UtYMf7DvgZhEif0bIof04aTpw?e=TR2n9g

#### Abingdon.

I knew from the UK MG Club web site that Kimber House, now their headquarters was once part of the MG factory and thought it probably would not be opened on a Saturday. I was correct but drove and had a look and took a few photos. Next stop was Abingdon County Hall Museum. Collection of all sorts from Abingdon's past as well as a rubber nose MGB on a plinth with information about MB around the base. Picked up a nice brochure about MG published by UK MG Car Club.



#### British Motor Museum, Gaydon.

Gaydon was the site of an old RAF base with the runway now incorporated into the Aston Martin test track.

Originally started as a collection of vehicles from the Austin, Morris, MG, BMC and Leyland brands that kept growing and were located in multiple locations. In the early nineties a new building was designed and built to house this growing collection. It continued to grow and include other UK brands. Some years ago, Vauxhall transferred their heritage collection there and this includes an Australian built Vauxhall VRX which is a rebadged HSV Commodore.

A few years ago, Jaguar and the museum built a new large 2 storey building that now houses the Jaguar heritage collection on the ground floor together with a large workshop for maintaining all the cars which are nearly all running and used. Currently busy getting a bunch of veteran cars ready for the upcoming London to Brighton run. On the first floor is row after row of cars in storage all with data sheets. Maybe 200+

My biggest surprise was learning about MG's success in land speed record attempts as I had no knowledge of this.



As well as a special section on small cars featuring Austin 7s.



I then went to the library/records section as I wanted to see if I they could tell me if my Abingdon built late 1972 MGB was built for export or local delivery. The gentleman told me they have the records; they are digitised but not available to the public but he could look them up. He gave me a sheet of paper and a pen so that I could write down what they had. I said I would just take a photo but no couldn't do that due to privacy. Found my car as a oneline entry in a ledger. Basically, chassis no, engine no, OD or not, colour, local or export deliver, key numbers, date came off assembly line and date left factory. So, for all the MBGs around 1972 the whole record is one line in a ledger. I now know that mine still has its original engine and colour but how, why or when it came to Australia is still a mystery as it is shown as a local delivery car.



#### Museum of Liverpool.

A bit of everything in the museum with some automotive bits and pieces.



#### Lakeland Motor Museum.

A great regional road transport museum covering everything from push bikes to modern cars. Well organised in a flowing pattern, with recreations of shops and motor workshops along the way. Separate building covering the Campbell's and their land and water speed record attempts as some of the water speed records occurred on lakes in this area.



#### Birmingham City Museum.

Museum covering a lot of the history of Birmingham with a few transport related items.

#### Riverside Museum, Glasgow.

A great transport museum covering all modes of transport from the horse and buggy days to the present. Well set out including a street through the ages with period vehicles and shops.



#### Thornton Le Dale, North Yorkshire.

Many of you would have a seen a TV show called Bangers and Cash featuring the Mathewsons. It really does exist and is on the main road through Thornton Le Dale. There are cars for sale along the road and a "showroom" full of automotive memorabilia including a large selection of merchandise featuring Mathewsons and Bangers and Cash logos.



Museum of Lincoln Life.

Housed in an old army barracks. The rooms have been set up as period rooms depicting life in the 19th and the beginning of the 20th centuries. House rooms such as kitchen and parlour and shops such as draper, printer, pharmacist, iron monger etc. At the back of the site was a large gallery housing vehicles and farm and industrial machinery.



#### Rimmer Bros Lincoln.

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# **Classifieds - Cars**





#### **MGY 1949**

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Location: Sydney Price: \$26,000 Contact: Peter Sutherland 0419 314 295 Petersutherland1@bigpond.com





Serviced regularly & in excellent condition. Manual transmission & runs well. Odometer: Driven 50,724 km Exterior colour: Red Interior colour: Black Fuel type: Petrol Registration: BR4 8CZ Location: Sydney \$25,000 Price: Contact: Tim Campbell 0408 407 933

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# Classifieds - Cars



#### 1975 Triumph TR6 Roadster

6CYL, 2.5L Petrol, 150hp. Fuel Injection, 4 speed manual with J-Type overdrive.

Laminated windscreen, head rests, heater, radio/cassette player, lap sash belts, black tonneau cover.

A real collectors vehicle which looks outstanding & drives well. Up to Concours standard and probably unique in Australia.

Full body off re-build without compromise (every nut and bolt replaced), completed in 2004.

Current owner purchased in 2004 & garaged uncover in Southern Highlands , only travelled about 2,500km since re-build.

Rego ARA-87R till 13 July 2023.

Carmine Red with Black Interior. Excellent Yokohama tyres and chrome spoke wheels.

New battery fitted April 2022.

British motor industry museum certificate and manufactured in the last production run of P.I model on 7 February 1975 (5th last built).

Chassis number CR6696-0. Believe imported by Leyland Motors for Sydney Auto Show, 1975.Extras included in price

Rare, one piece (unpainted) factory steel hardtop with glass. Spare set (4) original factory wheels

with as new Michelin tyres. Various TR6 manuals.

Location: Southern Highlands Price: \$60,000 ono Contact: Dennis 0419 596 979 alex.chesser@me.com



#### 1962 JAGUAR MK 2 3.8L MANUAL O/DRIVE SALOON

Old English White & Black upholstery Always garaged with dust cover Jaguar Heritage Certificate # 67134 Body # S012606 Chasis # 204415 Engine # LB 38108 Gera Box # GBN 48788JS Build date 28th April 1961 Delivered to Bryson Motors Sydney 17 Mat 1961



Sold new to Wagga Wagga NSW 3rd owner purchased in Wagga and has owned for 50 years. Moved to Woolongong 1982 Serviced for 40 yrs by Graeme Lord Motors, Fairy Meadow. \*Motor fully rebuilt \*New Wiring Loom \*Electric power sterring \*HI Tech classic radio 2 full sets Jaguar MK2 workbooks Drivers Handbook, Original Toolkit Bolt on 14" wires & original disk wheel hubs Full documentation & receipts Heaps of spares , wood set , headlamps & fog lights, spare chrome bumper bar, dashboard instruments & 2 spare wheels Great Classic Car- not Concours but original & well presented Price: \$75,000 ono

Location: Woolongong Contact: Michael Hough

# Wanted - Cars

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Contact: Peter Anderson

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Car is needing a full restoration but everything is there to do so, plus a lot of extra parts.

The car has been taken apart to a degree, about 50% complete. Car is currently in a dry storage unit and can be viewed by

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The vehicle has been garaged for the past 40 plus years, it's currently unregistered but driveable. Would make

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Unused I purchased the wrong ratio from Moss Europe and it has been sitting on the garage shelf for a few years. The higher 4.1 ratio over the 4.3 gives a 5.5% reduction in revs. Moss charge \$550 for a CW&P delivered to Australia. If you are rebuilding your differential and have improved the car's engine performance from a standard 1500cc, a 4.1 would make the car a more pleasant car to drive on the open road.

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Appears to be complete except for the front clips to hold it to the windscreen, but I have never collection of MGTC engine fitted it.

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need to collect.

#### Contact:

Ross Chapman

0408 826 650





#### Wolseley 4/44 Engine. On stand

The block is 0.020 over and will need to be taken to 0.040 to be serviceable.

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