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Cars at the Picnic at Ross

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Phil Tilley's TC Special

MG T's at 2014 Historic Race Meeting

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## **Z Midget Upgrade Notes**

V8 Case Study (Midget Register Technical website)

<http://www.zmidgettech.info/modifications/engine/118-midget-v8-motorway-express-a-modification-case-study>

Z Midget V8 Motorway Express - A Modification Case Study

Written by Malcolm Eades, 05 April 2010

This stunning V8-powered Midget was spotted at the MG Car Club European Event of the Year at Speyer, Germany by Register Webmaster Gunter Graskamp and Editor Malcolm Eades. As if to emphasise the European nature of the event, they discovered that it was owned and built by Andrew De Bernes, an Englishman living in France. Not only is the design subtle and sympathetic to the character of the car but the execution is to an exceptionally high standard.

The technical details are as follows:



**Engine:** Ex-TVR 3.9 Rover V8 (200 BHP)

**Carburettors:** Twin SU HS8 (from Jaguar)

**Ignition:** Electronic

**Exhaust:** Made-to-measure stainless steel system 8 → 2 → 1

**Radiator:** Original triple-core with integrated temperature sender and relay to operate electric fan. Bonnet catch

support rail removed to accommodate large fan. Bonnet secured with clips to the front valance.

**Gearbox:** Standard 5-speed ex-Rover SD1

**Propellor shaft:** shortened balanced ex-MGB

**Front Suspension:**

- Leading and trailing links adjustable (welded “rally design”) with lh/rh thread; top link special mini; springs: heavy duty and shortened
- King pins and wishbones:
- king pins MGB bottom modified for link fixing



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- top wishbones shortened and strengthened
- modified top plates made in aluminium
- superflex hardened bushes on bottom linkages
- adjustable spax shock-absorbers

### **Rear suspension:**

- back axle MGB (limited slip diff) Salisbury type
- standard rear leaf springs reconditioned and flattened
- fixing plates re-positioned and welded on axle
- plate and pin fixing on axle for panhard rod (welded)
- bracket made to measure on right-hand side of boot-floor corner with adjustable panhard rod (parallel to axle)
- shock absorbers (spax adjustable) special top plate in rear arch. Bottom fixing under reversed base- plate under u bolts.
- car lowered using ford aluminium lowering blocs (2")
- 2 anti-tramp bars (modified in length anglia 105e) from: milton engineering
- 2 pinch plates welded to front leaf spring housing for tramp bars.



### **Brakes**

Pedal box from Ford Escort (racing model Burton)

- twin master cylinders front-rear with adjustable bias on dash-board separate hydraulic master cylinder for clutch
- Lockheed servo on front brakes only (servo above passengers knees)
- all brake lines in “Aeroquip” flexible tubes

Front: 4 pot calipers from MGF racer + fixing plates made to measure discs, vented (Citroen SM) - modified diameter/thickness

Rear: 2 x (2 pot) aluminium callipers from Citroen Visa special back plates for callipers using original back-plates fixing holes.

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### **Hand brake:**

- in line hydraulic hand brake on separate brake line master cylinder
- hand brake lever “original” with modified housing

### **Electrics: 12 volt**

- alternator re-positioned under left-hand. exhaust bank
- wiring loom totally original (brand new left-hand drive)
- integrated fuse box on bulk head centre (inside car)
- horn + indicator switch on column (from Ford Anglia)

### **Dashboard**

- all new magnolia instruments in redesigned dashboard using half-octagon binnacle original pattern
- rev-counter runs off distributor
- Veneer French polished



### **Steering**

- all parts original + MGB track-rod ball joints
- all felt bushes new
- no central wiring in column
- wood-rim steering wheel on home-made boss using mini splines (idem!)

### **Petrol tank and fuel system**

- made to measure 65 litre aluminium tank (above back axle for safety)
- 12v electric pump and separate filter with pressure regulator
- Fuel-line is copper tube running inside car

### **Interior Trim**

Seats back seats cleaned and tinted black,  
front seats special order buckets on adjustable rails

Headlining - new original headlining with integrated “Britax” sunroof in black Wood  
work all wood work trim French polished

Door panels marine ply 3 mm, home covered + pockets & plastic screw fixings

### **Body work/ bonnet**

Front - twin heat louvres and matt black mesh grill

- widened front wheel arches to cover Borrani 6” wheels
- twin orifices for rear-mounted Lucas spot lights in front wings
- twin mesh grill air intakes in front for brakes
- twin mesh grill air extractors “a la Aston Martin” lateral
- new front windscreen and rubber



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**Doors** lightened and re-welded

- all glass replaced by “Macrolon 5 min” racing authorized plastic
- rear windows fixed in closed position
- front windows up/down in made to measure aluminium guides

**Rear**

- rear arch embellishers from Jaguar MkII (Coombs)
- matched and welded into rear doors and rear arch
- bottom rear sill shortened to top sill height



**Exhaust** - all stainless steel made to measure

**Wheels** - 6” J. Borrani (ex. ferrari) wire wheels rebuilt, new Borrani spokes

- polished rim/painted center
- tyres (T9 635) 205x65x15
- fixing: twin-eared MGB spinners (large splines) handed.

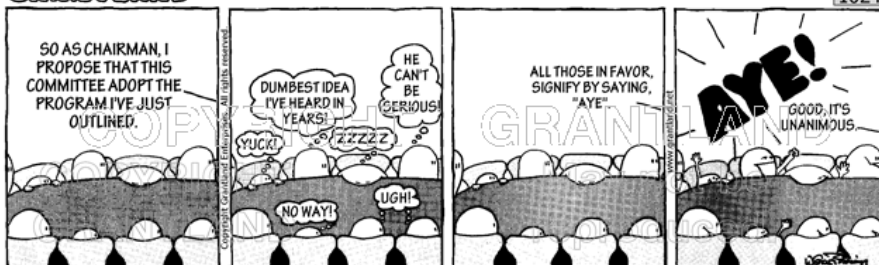


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## **Presidents Report**

Another month has passed and winter is now here and what a first day it was all over the State – not long now to the shortest day!!!

Picnic at Ross (organised by the PVCC) one of the largest gathering of vehicles in the state. Unfortunately I was unable to attend as I needed to be in Launceston for a family matter. However as I was travelling back to Hobart around 2:30pm I passed such a variety of makes and models, although I only saw one MG. I stopped at Ross for a coffee and was informed a local and MG member that there was a good number of MG's there, some at the oval and others parked in the street.

My report about Tassie conducting the 2018 MG NATIONAL MEETING – the comments have been deafening – I have not heard anything, positive or negative. I plead with ALL members to THINK about this important event. Tassie gets good attendance to the Nationals held here. The Committee need to have YOUR comments so it can make a decision and hopefully with the members backing we can start the planning. Speak to any committee person of what you think – this is IMPORTANT!!.

During the next few “cold” months all centres have some good trips and day runs, which is good to see. So whether you are game to go “topless” or use a modern car join in and enjoy.

Enjoy your MGing

*Zube*

*(Bronwyn Zuber)*

## **Exhaust Notes**

### **Loaned to Club Members**

A copy of “Original MGB” by Clausager.

Also, loaned to someone on the Devonport Car Show day – my chamois in a yellow plastic case.

If these items could be returned it would be much appreciated.

Tony Lansdell

0418 378 214

### **Wanted to Sell**

I purchased an MG in Hobart last year and I have been advised that the Tassie plates are personalized and I own them as they were sold with the car. As I have no use for them, here in NSW I wondered if any member in your club would be interested in purchasing them. I have attached a photo for you.

Cheers Nigel Martin 0414 243 822





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## **Ed Says**

Winter is upon us and the days are we are nearly to the shortest day, not your ideal MG weather, especially if you are roof off. However, taking a drive through rural Tasmania on a crisp clear day with beautiful blue sky's after that harsh morning frost is an experience second to none. This is what makes MG ownership so special, other's will scoff and tell you your mad, but that's only because they cannot grasp just how great that feeling is. (I wrote this before I received Zubes report, how scary is that!!!)

I am going to dob myself in here for some ridicule but it still makes me laugh. The message sound on my phone is a train whistle, so one night last week we were having dinner guests, before I left work I rang Sue-Anne to see if I needed to grab anything on the way home. "I'll text you, if I think of anything" she said. So as I travelled along Devonport Road I heard a train whistle, that might be Sue-Anne and I may need to turn around and go back into town I thought. So I promptly pulled over (safely) and checked my phone. No Message??? What the!! I thought, then I looked up and saw a train rolling along the tracks adjacent to the road. Red Smiley Face!!!

And then as I related the story to a work colleague who had only been with us for a few weeks after moving to Tassie from WA, she admitted that between mine and another colleagues message sound (which are the crossing bells) she was of the opinion that Tassie had trains rolling through town on a regular basis, then after mentioning this to an acquaintance, could not understand the laughter when she was told that only two trains a day go through Ulverstone, and only one of them during the day.

Still on my phone message sound, last year on my birthday Sue-Anne's daughter thought it was a great joke to sing me Happy Birthday one word at a time in MSM. I was driving at the time and wondered what the hell was happening as the train whistles went off in succession for about 2 minutes.

As you will read in Roy's report I am president of the Ulverstone Lions Club and have been, for the last 2 years. This year has also been the clubs 50 Year Anniversary, so I have been very busy between work, Lions and the Car Club. It has been a very rare occurrence this year that Sue-Anne and I have had a weekend without commitments so we are both looking forward to the Strahan Weekend. My tenure comes to a close on June 16<sup>th</sup>, so I am looking forward to the IPP role, and chilling for 3 days.

We may have engaged the services of RACT for the bookings for the Strahan Weekend, but we still have planned all the activities and competitions for the enjoyment of those attending. Our numbers might be down a little on last year, but we welcome some new faces to the experience and guarantee that the only way you won't enjoy yourself is if you don't want too. I can take last minute acceptance's up to Monday June 29<sup>th</sup>. We also have a commemorative port and some wine to mark the 5<sup>th</sup> Mid Winter Run. If anyone has opened last year's wine they will agree that it was reasonably priced at the \$3.50 per bottle we paid for it. Our sell price of \$10 per bottle just might have been ambitious. Hopefully this years clean skins will be an improvement as I have bumped the buy price up to \$3.75, so it should be a good drop!!! Ed. ( B There or B Square )



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## **Membership Report**

This month we welcome 7 new members

Leigh Richardson from Kingston owns a 1973 Teal Blue MGB GT V8.

Mark and Jeanie Chilton from Binalong Bay own 1969 White MGB Roadster.

Peter and Beth Bradford from Geilston Bay own a 1998 Nightfire Red MGF.

And returning to the club Mike and Moira Wellman from Legana own a 1972 Bold as Brass MGB.

A reminder to member's to add these new members to their Contact Diary's

MGCCT Membership Officer

Sue-Anne Midgley

## **Club Captains Report**

Here we are almost halfway through the competition year and the second of our three club days; the combined Mini & MG Baskerville Club Day, has been run and won. We had a good overall turnout with thirty one entries, unfortunately only six of those were MG Car Club members and only one was a Mini Car Club Member. The bulk of the field was made up of Hobart Sporting Car Club Members with a few from the 500 Car Club and the Light Car Club. The fastest man on the day was HSCC member Matthew Rogers posting a not too dusty 0:57.89 in his Toyota Supra. There was some lively competition between a couple of our junior competitors with some great tussles over times between Jeremy Bennett in his Mini Cooper and William Twining in "Alice" the Excel. By the end of the day Jeremy proved to have the edge, posting a creditable 1:15.47 in his final Super Sprint. The MG Points for the day were taken by Tony Dykes in his Celica from a very slick Terry Sansom in his Corolla and Craig Twining in William's Hyundai Excel. Garry Rusden did a great job in his first Club Day, giving our illustrious Presidents MG 1100 a thrashing and consistently improving his times during the day.

Our next event is round three of the State Motorkhana Series to be held at Latrobe speedway on the 28<sup>th</sup> of June. It is therefore time to get all those little jobs around the house done this weekend; gather all your fun coupons and cash them in with your partner, get the MG out of the shed, put all the oil on the outside of the motor back inside, make a sacrifice in the name of Lord Lucas and come and play at Latrobe on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

## **Racing Committee Report**

Round 5 of the TSS is being held at Symmons Plains on the weekend of September 5-6 in conjunction with the HQ National championships. The Race Committee is in the process of deciphering HQ rules and putting together the program for the weekend.

A weekend combining 2 major race meetings will take a lot of organising and assistance, and yes we know it is Fathers Day. If you are able to assist in any way, please contact Zube, Robin or Kevin K, they will be most happy to hear from you.

## **Baskerville Historics Report (Extract from Bulletin 1)**

We have much pleasure in issuing our 1st Bulletin for the 2015 event. Please be aware that all relevant information relating to the event will be placed both the MG Car Club of Tasmania and Hobart Sporting Car Club websites.

The pressure is on the organising committee to better last year's event and the record entries that participated in one of the most enjoyable events that has occurred at Baskerville in recent years! We are again hoping for 200+ entries and look forward to an increased Mainland presence as the event continues to grow in stature and reputation.

Entry forms are now available on both club websites, and a bulk mail out to all recent competitors to occur in the coming weeks. Entries will close on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2015, no late entries will be accepted after this date under any circumstances. With this much notice there is absolutely no excuse not to enter on time!

On the most important social side of the race meeting, there will be 3 evening opportunities to undertake a bit of social networking. Friday night we will have a function when guest interviewer, Barry Oliver will interview several name drivers in a relaxing and informal function. Details are still being finalised, but location will be in the city, cost will be minimal, drinks will be available, with a commencement time of around 7.30pm.

You may or may not have worked out that for this year's event due to the late start in the football season, we have a clash with the AFL Grand Final. We had a choice of changing dates, but this we believed was a bigger risk to the event, and we have chosen to stick with our usual date of the week before Bathurst. We will have a large screen billboard sign broadcasting the football for those that are interested!

On Saturday evening at the conclusion of racing, there will be a "man cave auction" and meats / salads, along with the full bar operating in the Darryl Wilcox Hobart Sporting Car Clubroom. We have some fantastic items up for grabs in support of the Baskerville Foundation, and food will be available for \$10P.P, it promises to be a light hearted bit of entertainment with an opportunity to grab a memento for your shed! A catalogue for the auction items will be provided closer to the event with your entry details.

On Sunday evening at the conclusion of racing, we will have our trophy presentation and BBQ, with food available for a gold coin donation and full bar facilities operating again. A highlight of the trophy presentation will be the draw of the Triumph Bonneville Classic motorbike Raffle. Final tickets will be available throughout the meeting.

A highlight of the meeting will occur during the lunchtime break on Sunday when the track is opened up to the public for a grid walk. In recognition of the history of open wheelers at Baskerville Raceway, all open wheel race cars competing at this meeting will have the opportunity to participate in the grid walk. Full details will be explained at the drivers briefing.

We are expecting significant fields of regularity competitors again at this year's event. We would ask that any queries relating specifically to Regularity be directed to Mike Ellis. Mike can be contacted on 0409 418 988.

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We are featuring open wheel race cars at this meeting and are keen to attract as many open wheel race cars as possible, in either racing or regularity. We will attempt to cater for varying categories and classes of open wheelers.

### **Summary of Contacts**

For race entries, general enquiries and marquees:

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Trailer queries: Robin Wilmot 0400 193 579

Open Wheel competitors with queries Kevin Miller 0417 140 931

We are extremely excited about this year's Baskerville Historic race meeting and would love to see a bigger turnout than last year! The committee are extremely keen to accommodate the needs of visiting and local competitors where we can, and ask that you don't leave your entry any longer than necessary, that way we can do our best to make everyone happy!

Thanks again for your interest, hope to see you at Baskerville in October.

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## Life Members

Joe Paul (dec)	1969	Bob Moore	1974
Arthur Twining (dec)	1976	Ian Wade	1984
Terry Atkinson	1984	Dennis Burgess	1984
Chris Ellis (dec)	1985	John Sluce (dec)	1994
Robin Wilmot	1998	Bill Griffiths	2007
Tony Gurnhill	2009	Cheryl Gurnhill	2013
Bronwyn Zuber	2013	Greg Bannon	2013

## MGCCT Facebook Page

The MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc

For those members that are facebook users, we now have a MGCCT facebook page. Feel free to add events photos and videos, just remember that anything offensive or not relevant to the club may be removed at the discretion of the administrator

## MGCCT Website

[www.mgtas.org.au](http://www.mgtas.org.au)

A copy of this magazine can be downloaded from the MGCCT website.  
Membership application and change of address forms are also available for download.  
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# **State Motorkhana Series**

## **Round Three**

### **28<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

#### **Latrobe Speedway, Latrobe**

- **Scrutineering begins at 9.00am**
- **Drivers briefing at 9.45am**
- **Level 2NS CAMS licence required, single day licences available at the event for \$25**
- **Entry fee \$30 or \$40 for family**
- **A good way to get started in competitive motorsport**
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**For more information contact;**

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Club Meeting Details		Every Tuesday Night at 8pm Civic Club, 134 Davey Street, Hobart	
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**PAST EVENTS**

April 18th a poker run starting from the Civic club was well attended by 15 people . By the time we arrived at our first stop at Kingston beach we had lost 2 cars, A stop for coffee was next at Brookfield and it wasn't until after Snug beach at stop 4 that we found our 2 lost card sharps lurking in the back streets of Snug ,trial bay was our final stop where all enjoyed a BYO BBQ. Well done to David Taylor our winner on the day and a not so well done to Shane for the speeding ticket from a Policeman behind a phone box near the Civic club.

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2<sup>nd</sup> May – Fire extinguisher demonstration at Orford with BYO BBQ. Appreciated by all in attendance. Coffee at Buckland.. Thanks to David Scott for providing the venue and for his help with organization.

17<sup>th</sup> May – Picnic at Ross. 3 T-Types met at Mc Donalds, Bridgewater accompanied by Greg Ellis in his A. After coffee we left for Ross where we were joined by 5 T-Types from the North and North West and Derick Millhouse in his Austin Healy. As usual a good array of cars of all types was on display.

20<sup>th</sup> May- Wayne Goninon's mid week run to South Arm RSL organized by Walter Van Schie. Excellent run and good meal. Separately reported by Walter.

### **COMING EVENTS:**

**Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> June-** Wayne Goninon's mid- week run. These runs are conducted on alternate Wednesdays and Thursdays in the middle of the month. They all commence at the Rivulet Café, 64 Anglesea St, South Hobart where we partake of a coffee before heading off to a destination unknown until departure time around 11.30am. For further information please contact Wayne Goninon : 0408 388 881

**Wed 15<sup>th</sup> July** - Wayne Goninon's mid week run.

**Sun 16<sup>th</sup> August** – BYO Mountain Breakfast starting with a run to the Springs and summit of Mt Wellington weather permitting. We will then return for a BYO breakfast at the Waterworks Reserve. Hut 9 (the largest site) has been booked from 07:30am to 4pm. Soup will be provided for starters. Departure time is 08.00am (MG time) from the Civic Club. For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296006

**Weekend 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> October** – Baskerville Historics. If you wish to volunteer for this spectacular event please contact Bob Leeson: 0362296006. Volunteers put your hand up; there are heaps of roles up for grabs!

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup> November** – Annual Concourse. The vehicle display will be held on the Parliament House lawns on Salamanca market day! The AGM will be held at the Civic Club and the Dinner at SOHO, all venues within walking distance. We are planning a departing breakfast for our Northern guests. For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296006 or Chris Wagstaff: 0362 391341

Although details have not yet been finalized, other runs planned are:

September – Run to Hartzview winery. Depart Civic Club at 10.00am. Action: Ches Bogus

October – Run to Richmond Arms. Depart Civic Club at 10.00 am. Action: David Scott

November – Overnight stay at Mt Lloyd. Action: Bob Leeson

Bob Leeson

## **Classic Car Drive 20 May 2015**

The long term weather forecast was for a fine sunny day but unfortunately it was rather grey and bleak. On the positive side it didn't rain on the way to the venue but sadly it did on the return. The dismal conditions didn't dampen the spirits of the forty people who attended though. There was the usual high level of camaraderie at the Rivulet Cafe and a number of new starters within the ranks. There was Harry, a Dutch expat who drove the beautiful white TR5, Leigh with the immaculate blue MG BGT V8, Paul in the red Alfa and Graeme in the Jensen Interceptor to mention a few.

At 11.30am sharp we left the cafe in South Hobart, made our way through town and across the bridge. Our drive took us through Lindisfarne, Geilston Bay to Risdon past the gaol and up and over Grasstree Hill. The convoy managed to stay together quite well in spite of a few interlopers in their 'real' cars and utes. A small detour through Malcom's Hut Rd brought us back to Richmond Rd where we turned toward Cambridge. We crossed the Tasman Hwy to get to Acton Rd which we followed to South Arm Rd. From here it took us just 15 minutes to arrive at our destination, the South Arm RSL. For the princely sum of \$20 we were offered a good range of mains including pork, steak, trevalla and scallops and again, a good range of desserts...a delicious repast that certainly satisfied my gargantuan appetite. The service, the quality of the food and the standard of the venue were all excellent and I believe that many in our numbers will be patronising the RSL in South Arm again in the near future.



In the course of organising this event it made me realise what a great job Wayne Goninon does. Each month he organises a run and they never disappoint. I enjoy these runs for the drive, the good food and in particular the wonderful company and the opportunity to develop great new friendships. I'm now

looking forward to next month's run, again in Wayne's absence, to be organised this time by Rosemary and Bruce.

Safe driving!

Wal van Schie  
(Green MGB GT)







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Club Meeting Details		Last Wednesday night of the Month: 7.30 pm for meeting. VCCA Rooms, 67 Lawrence Vale Rd, Launceston	
Postal Address		P.O Box 682, Launceston, Tas 7250	

Well by the time you are reading this we will be into winter and the changes to the format of our monthly mid-week social gathering will have been fully implemented. That is we are now meeting at the meal venue rather than taking a drive before dining.

For the month of May we went to Sporties in Charles Street and had a very enjoyable meal with 13 club members.

The June get together will be at the Cock n Bull so if you would like to join in let Mark Dilger (refer to events calendar) know and come along and enjoy a great meal, good company and the log fire upstairs at the Cock n Bull.

Our run to the Picnic at Ross had a cold start but the remainder of the day was fine and sunny with lots of interesting cars on display. However, whilst it was a great day, since the move from the main street it has lost the atmosphere it previously had and the business centre of Ross does not receive the extent of patronage as most participants remain on the town football oval.

## **MG Car Club of Tasmania – MG Monthly Motoring News, June 2015**

To extend the social activities the meeting has decided to implement a morning coffee event on the last Friday of the Month for the retiree's. Our first morning on 26<sup>th</sup> June and is designed for the retirees in the club who would like to have the flexibility to either having a run then coffee or just coffee depending on the weather.

We have a pretty full events calendar for the next few months so I look forward to seeing you on one or more of the events.

### **Coming events:**

**Wed 10<sup>th</sup> June 2015** Cock n Bull 6.30 pm up stairs RSVP Mark Dilger 0408271029

**Sat 20<sup>th</sup> June 2015** Morning Run 9.30 am at Motor Museum drive to Evandale's Ingleside Bakery

**Fri 26<sup>th</sup> June 2015** Morning Coffee Run 9.30 am at the Motor Museum

**Sun 28<sup>th</sup> June 2015** State Motorkhana Series Latrobe MGCC

**Fri 3rd to 5th July 2015** Midgley's Mid-Winter Run Destination Strahan and Macquarie Harbour Tour and all points west

**Wed 8th July 2015** Mid-Week gathering Gunners Arms Meet at venue at 6.30pm Jim Dickenson RSVP by 6th July ph 0407309672.

**Sat 25<sup>th</sup> July 2015** Morning Tea run meet at Motor Museum at 9.30am

**Fri 31<sup>st</sup> July 2015** Morning Coffee run 9.30am Meet at Motor Museum

**Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Aug 2015** Prickly Cactus RSVP Rhonda Matthews 10<sup>th</sup> Aug 0413 009 284 Meet at venue.

**Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2015** Tas Super Series Baskerville  
September Trivia Night TBA

**Sat/Sun 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> September 2015** Tas Super Series, HQ Nationals Symmons Plains

**Wed 14th October 2015** Meet at Motor Museum Jim Dickenson/John James RSVP to Jim Dickenson by 12th October 0407309672

**Sun 13th Dec 2015** Combined North and North West Christmas Function at the Biggelaars 44 New Ecclestone Rd Riverside Tas More Details Later

If you would like to suggest a social event come along to the meeting and have your event included in the calendar.

**Next meeting Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

**VCCA Club Rooms 67 Lawrence Vale Road Launceston Tas 7250**

Mark Dilger

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**North West**

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Club Meeting Details		Second Thursday night of the Month: 6.00 pm for meal and social evening. Bridge Hotel, Forth	

A big thank you to our President Bronwyn Zuber and the state committee for having the confidence and faith, in the North West Members, as to the holding of the 2018 National Meeting on the North West Coast. This is such an important and prestigious event in the MG Car Club social and competitive calendar. I'm sure we have the members with the enthusiasm, knowledge and dedication to organise the event.

The North West has spectacular scenery, touring roads memorable tourist attractions, unique and diverse accommodation and the friendliest people. Let's hope the powers to be change the date from Easter so we can take advantage of an earlier date (this is my opinion only) with the Spirit of Tasmania and accommodation houses putting their prices up at Easter time it would make for a more cost effective Nat Meet.

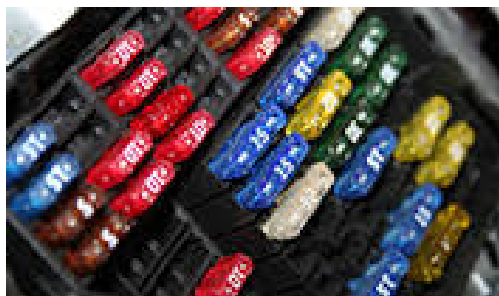
We have two important events coming up in the North West social calendar. Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June is our much anticipated whiskey and pizza night at Max and Margaret Wood's and Midgley's Mid-Winter get away at Strahan on the weekend 3-5 July. There are still several vacancies available so please RSVP as soon as possible or you may miss out. 28<sup>th</sup> June is the MGCC Motorkhana at Latrobe Speedway, if you can help in any way please turn up, your support would be appreciated.

Being multi-talented is a great task; member's Don Fraser and Andrew Midgley are a perfect example of this. Not only do they have full time jobs they are both dedicated family men and active MG Car club member's and have a share in the local paper with Andrew being President of the Ulverstone Lions Club and Don being President of the Rotary Club Ulverstone West. If you haven't been able to get a copy of the Advocate lately both have featured several times with write ups and colour photos, WELL DONE!

It appears several Northern drivers are still seething at being beaten by the more professional North West drivers at the recent go cart challenge. Mark (I am a numbers man) Dilger (as per last month's magazine) has endeavoured to make numbers work for him as we all know ANYONE can make numbers and figures work in their favour. Mark (I want to be a politician) Dilger I believe may have been influenced by Craig Large (I'm scared to say anything about him). I have checked all the video footage and the consulted with the independent Judges, and the original decision of the North West being the winners is final and no more correspondence will be entered into.

Have a Happy Winter  
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Baskerville Supersprints - 31st May 2015**

No.	Competitor	Club	Vehicle	Class	Timed Lap	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5	MG Class	Ladies	Junior	MG Only	Best Performance By an MG
58	Matthew Rogers	HSCC	Toyota Supra	4	01:04.52	00:58.57	00:57.89	00:58.63							
111	Peter Pisco	HSCC	Audi TT RS Coupe	4	01:05.10	01:04.78	01:04.50	01:04.11	01:04.50						
12	Michael Elliot	HSCC	Mazda RX7	2	01:06.82	01:06.82	01:06.69	01:05.48							
21	Peter Heron	HSCC	Audi GTV	4	01:06.97	01:07.13	01:06.66	01:06.66							
3	Rod Bender	HSCC	VW Golf	2	01:07.58	01:08.73	01:01.36	01:01.46							
16	Julian Roberts	HSCC	Subaru WRX	4	01:08.38	01:07.82	01:10.11								
18	Ben Holmes	CT	Toyota Corolla	4	01:08.41	01:07.24	01:09.09	01:09.42							
190	Gameron Kuc	HSCC	Hyundai Excel	3	01:08.73	01:08.80	01:08.17	01:09.02							
13	Todd Elliot	HSCC	Mazda RX7	2	01:09.03	01:04.77	01:05.46								
11	Rob McIntyre	500	Subaru GC8	4	01:09.48	01:07.91									
14	Andrew Walter	HSCC	Porsche	4	01:09.59	01:01.65	01:00.76	01:00.63							
45	Scott Oost	MCCT	BMW E30	2	01:09.74	01:05.91	01:05.22	01:05.92	01:06.36						
19	Andrew Kuc	HSCC	Hyundai Excel	3	01:10.60	01:09.72	01:09.92								
6	Josh Wiggins	HSCC	Nissan Silvia	4	01:10.72	01:09.65	01:08.30	01:08.09							
9	James Loneragan	HSCC	Nissan Pulsar	4	01:10.72	01:10.56	01:10.85	01:10.76							
31	Chris Wiggins	HSCC	Bugby Custom	4	01:10.78	01:06.02	01:06.00	01:07.78	01:06.24						
4	Tony Dykes	MGCC	Toyota Celica	4	01:10.84	01:08.19	01:08.13				O			4	
7	Michael Watts	HSCC	Mazda MX5	3	01:12.15	01:11.28	01:11.45	01:11.35							
48	Thomas Beare	HSCC	Nissan Silvia	2	01:12.34	01:13.06	01:08.06								
23	Bracy Paul	MCCT	Nissan Blubird	4	01:12.45	01:12.45	01:08.26	01:08.61	01:07.08	01:05.97					
20	Terry Sansom	MGCC	Toyota Corolla	2	01:12.77	01:12.32	01:11.97	01:11.68	01:10.79		N			3	
26	Ben McCulloch	LCCT	BMW E30	4	01:12.99	01:09.91	01:08.80	01:09.50							
64	Ashley Broad	HSCC	Hyundai Excel	3	01:13.60	01:05.92	01:04.74	01:06.62							
8	Jeremy Mullins	LCCT	Torana	4	01:14.77	01:06.44	01:05.41								
2	Grant Woolnough	HSCC	Lotus Roadster	2	01:16.57	01:11.01	01:10.20								
69	Robert Herbert	HSCC	Hyundai Excel	2	01:17.37	01:13.96	01:13.39	01:14.32							
73	Craig Twining	MGCC	Hyundai Excel	2	01:18.89	01:13.09	01:14.30				N			2	
17	Xavier Wishart	CT	Toyota Corolla	2	01:19.53	01:18.14	01:17.46								
33	Jeremy Bennett	MGCC	Mini Cooper	2	01:23.89	01:16.74	01:17.97	01:15.47			N		3	1	
72	William Twining	MGCC	Hyundai Excel	2	01:24.81	01:18.62	01:18.56				N		2	1	
53	Garry Ruscen	MGCC	MG 1100	1	01:34.95	01:32.84	01:29.39				G			1	1

**Club Championship Standings**

**MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc.**  
**Club Championship Standings as at 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015**

Competitor	Ladies	Junior	MG Only	Best performance by an MG	Motorkhana
Craig Twining	0	0	12	0	7
Craig Large	0	0	11	6	8
Tony Sutcliffe	0	0	9	0	9
Terry Sansom	0	0	9	0	6
Robin Wilmot	0	0	6	3	6
Craig Bennett	0	0	6	0	6
Kelli Large	6	0	6	0	6
William Twining	0	11	6	0	3
Jeremy Bennett	0	9	5	0	4
Phil Tilley	0	0	4	1	3
Lincoln Spurr	0	0	4	4	0
Tony Dykes	0	0	4	0	0
Tim Johnson	0	0	3	0	3
John Hartley	0	0	3	0	3
Tyler Lucas	0	6	3	0	3
Steve Barnard	0	0	3	3	0
Bruce Allison	0	0	3	3	0
John McCabe	0	0	3	3	0
Des Hogan	0	0	3	3	0
Grant Twining	0	0	2	0	2
Duncan Bearup	0	0	2	0	2
Claire Johnson	3	0	2	0	2
Janet Sutcliffe	3	0	2	0	2
John James	0	0	2	2	2
Nic Twining	0	3	2	0	2
Mike Ellis	0	0	2	0	2
Mark Dilger	0	0	2	2	0
Darren Bennett	0	2	1	0	1
John Biggelaar	0	0	1	1	1
Garry Rusden	0	0	1	1	0





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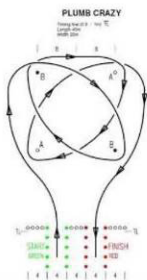
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## **The Funny Bone**

An Irishman is stumbling through the woods, totally drunk, when he comes upon a preacher baptizing people in the river. He proceeds into the water, subsequently bumping into the preacher. The preacher turns around and is almost overcome by the smell of alcohol, whereupon, he asks the drunk, "Are you ready to find Jesus?"

The drunk shouts, "Yes, I am."

So the preacher grabs him and dunks him in the water.

He pulls him back and asks, "Brother, have you found Jesus?"

The drunk replies, "No, I haven't found Jesus!"

The preacher, shocked at the answer, dunks him again but for a little longer.

He again pulls him out of the water and asks, "Have you found Jesus, brother?"

The drunk answers, "No, I haven't found Jesus!"

By this time, the preacher is at his wits end and dunks the drunk again -- but this time holds him down for about 30 seconds, and when he begins kicking his arms and legs about, he pulls him up.

The preacher again asks the drunk, "For the love of God, have you found Jesus?"

The drunk staggers upright, wipes his eyes, coughs up a bit of water, catches his breath, and says to the preacher,...

**"Are you sure this is where he fell in?"**

An Irishman was flustered not being able to find a parking space in a large mall's parking lot.

"Lord," he prayed, "I can't stand this, If you open a space up for me? I swear I'll give up drinking me whiskey, and I promise to go to church every Sunday."

Suddenly, the clouds parted and the sun shone on an empty parking spot.

Without hesitation, the man said, "Never mind, I found one."

A Texan walks into a pub in Ireland and clears his voice to the crowd of drinkers. He says, "I hear you Irish are a bunch of hard drinkers. I'll give \$500 American dollars to anybody in here who can drink 10 pints of Guinness back-to-back."

The room is quiet and no one takes up the Texan's offer. One man even leaves.

Thirty minutes later the same gentleman who left, shows back up and taps the Texan on the shoulder. "Is your offer still good?", asks the Irishman.

The Texan says yes and asks the bartender to line up 10 pints of Guinness.

Immediately the Irishman tears into all 10 of the pint glasses drinking them all back-to-back. The other pub patrons cheer as the Texan sits in amazement.

The Texan gives the Irishman the \$500 and says, "If ya don't mind me askin', where did you go for that 30 minutes you were gone?"

The Irishman replies, "Oh...I had to go to the pub down the street to see if I could do it first".



**Calender of Events***Events in italics are not Club Events*

<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Co-Ordinator</b>	<b>Date</b>
NSC - Mid Week Dinner	Cock'n'Bull	Mark Dilger	Wed, 10 Jun 15
Pizza and Whiskey Night	Ulverstone	Max Wood	Sat, 13 Jun 15
Square Riggers Run	South	David Taylor	Sun, 14 Jun 15
SSC - Mid Week Run	Hobart	Wayne Goninon	Thu, 18 Jun 15
NSC - Morning Run	Evandale		Sat, 20 Jun 15
NSC - Morning Coffee	TBA		Fri, 26 Jun 15
Motorkhana SMS-2	Latrobe	Club Captain	Sun, 28 Jun 15
Midgley's Mid Winter Run	Strahan	Andrew Midgley	3 - 5th July 2015
NSC - Mid Week Dinner	Gunners Arms	Jim Dickenson	Wed, 08 Jul 15
SSC - Mid Week Run	Hobart	Wayne Goninon	Wed, 15 Jul 15
Economy Run	TBA	Club Captain	Sun, 19 Jul 15
NSC - Morning Run	TBA		Sat, 25 Jul 15
NSC - Morning Coffee	TBA		Fri, 31 Jul 15
<i>NWCC Hillclimb</i>	<i>Lake Barrington</i>	<i>NWCC</i>	<i>Sat, 01 Aug 15</i>
<i>TSS Round 3</i>	<i>Baskerville</i>	<i>HSCC</i>	<i>Sun, 02 Aug 15</i>
Motokhana	Kempton	Club Captain	Sun, 09 Aug 15
NSC - Mid Week Dinner	Prickly Cactus	Rhonda Matthews	Wed, 12 Aug 15
SSC - Mid Week Run	Hobart	Wayne Goninon	Thu, 13 Aug 15
SSC - Mountain Breakfast	Waterworks Reserve	Bob Leeson	Sun, 16 Aug 15
Motorkhana SMS-3	Latrobe	Club Captain	Sun, 30 Aug 15
TSS Round 5, HQ Nationals	Symmons Plains	Race Committee	Sat, 5 Aug 15 Sun, 6 Aug 15
Square Riggers Run	North	Frank Brooks	Sun, 13 Sep 15
SSC - Mid Week Run	Hobart	Wayne Goninon	Wed, 16 Sep 15
<i>CMI Hillclimb</i>	<i>Domain</i>		<i>Sun, 20 Sep 15</i>
<i>Test and Tune Day</i>	<i>Baskerville</i>	<i>Historic Committee</i>	<i>Sun, 20 Sep 15</i>
Motorkhana SMS-2	Latrobe	Club Captain	Wed, 30 Sep 15
Motorkhana SMS-3	Latrobe	Club Captain	Wed, 30 Sep 15
Baskerville Historics	Baskerville	Historics Committee	Fri, 02 - Sun, 04 Nov 15
Square Riggers Run	Baskerville	David Taylor	Sun, 04 Oct 15

## Square Rigger Notes

### All Pre War, T and Y Type MG's.

A group of 18 cars from Hobart, Launceston and Sassafras toured to the PVCC Picnic at Ross to soak up the sun and atmosphere. The 'race' scene below on the run from Longford takes you back, apart from the bridge, the river and the road rules. The Square Rigger on the right at Ross, as they say, nothing's new. Herbert's late 20s attempt into the Bavarian economy where a batch of these little beauties was rebadged under the Dixi name as the for-runner to manufacture of these and other motor cars by that well established motor works. This one no doubt presented in all it's finery for the recent Austin tour of Tas.



And a fine line up of T Types in that colourful and picturesque environ that is Ross! The next run in the Hobart area 14<sup>th</sup> June, contact David Taylor for details.

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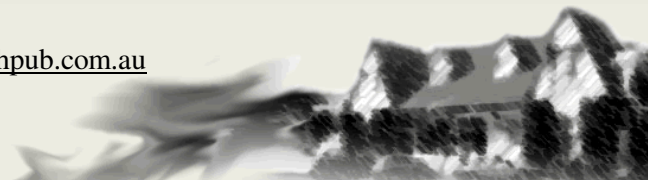
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