

MG Monthly Motoring News

April 2016





National Meeting
Max Wood – Best Dressed Male
Neale Marshal – Sprints
Greg Bannon – Burning up the
Motokhana course

SSC – at the Channel Heritage
Centre



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Cover Photo’s:

Time for a break and catch up with other MG travellers along the Great Western Highway,
All roads lead to Perth

Enjoying a break in Kalgoorlie.

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National Meeting Preliminary Results – Tasmanian Members

Listed below are the preliminary placings for our members at the National Meeting in Perth.

Class G: MGA Roadster, Don and Susan Fraser
Sprints: 1st Place

Class K: MGB Mk 1 Push Button, Ronda Thomas
Concours: 4th Place

Class M: MGB BL, John and Dawn Irving
Concours: 1st Place

Class M: MGB BL, Greg and Margaret Bannon
Motorkhana: 1st Place
Sprints: 1st Place

Class N: MGB Rubber Bumper, Neale Marshall
Motorkhana: 2nd Place
Sprints: 2nd Place

Class N: MGB Rubber Bumper, Addison Marshall
Jean Kimber-Cook Perpetual Trophy – Fastest Motorkhana by a Junior

Class P: MGB GT BL, Peter Scott
Concours: 2nd Place
Motorkhana: 2nd Place

Class P: MGB GT BL, John Sadler
Motorkhana: 3rd Place

Class V: Magnette, John and Margaret Hartley
Concours: 3rd Place
Motorkhana: 2nd Place
Sprints: 1st Place

Class ZA: RV8, Max and Margaret Wood
Concours: 2nd Place
Best Dressed Male at the Theme Dinner (Max that is!!)

Class ZD: MG Post 2000, Tony and Wendy Lansdell
Concours: 2nd Place
Motorkhana: 1st Place
Sprints: 3rd Place

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Committee Meeting Details		First Monday of the Month Man O Ross Hotel, Ross, 7:30 pm	

Presidents Report

What a difference the end of daylight savings makes, dark by 6pm at present, it is a bit depressing.

The National Meeting is over and done for another 12months.

Wratten Trophy: 1st Queensland; 2nd Victoria and 3rd Tasmania

Nuffield Oceania Trophy: 1st Western Australia, 2nd Tasmania, 3rd Queensland

Congratulations and well done to all who attended.

Below are points results for the Tassie Team:

Class	Name	Concours	OR	MK	CS	Total
M	Greg Bannon	1		9	9	19
V	John Hartley	4		6	9	19
ZD	Tony Lansdell	6		9	4	19
M	John Irving	9	1	3		13
N	Neale Marshal	1		6	6	13
P	Peter Scott	6	1	6		13
G	Don Fraser	1		1	9	11
ZA	Max Wood	4	1	2		7
N	Addison Marshal			3	3	6
P	John Sadler			4		4
K	Rhonda Thomas	3				3
ZD	Wendy Lansdell			1	1	2

There have been no competition events in the past month, but there have been several social activities. Information in Sub-centre reports.

Next competition event is the Tasmania Super Series at Symmons Plains. If anyone could come and lend assistance later in the afternoon (around 3pm) to set up trophies etc it would be greatly appreciated. If you could contact either myself or Robin Wilmot. Contact information under State Committee.

Re the editor's article last month re having your magazine sent to you by email or to continue to have posted please either contact Andrew or a committee member with your comments to help the State Committee make the right decision.

Happy MGing

Zube

(Bronwyn Zuber)

Ed Says

Well, one could say, that if you open your mouth it just creates another place to put your foot. My editorial last month centred on the possibility of going electronic with the distribution of the magazine. Now one astute member noticed that it took 10 days to get the magazine up on the web site and questioned why with today's technology, could this delay possibly occur? As always even with all the technology there is still human intervention, unfortunately last month a memory fade combined with work commitments meant that myself and the webmaster were not aligned in executing the posting of the magazine efficiently. We have however combined to come up with a near idiot proof solution that not even I could mess up? So be assured members, should you end up being an electronic recipient of the magazine it will be distributed to you efficiently and without delay.

I and other committee members, have received some good feedback from members, this is good, so keep it coming in. One question has been raised, that members would like the opportunity to select what method they want. So without pre-empting any state Committee decision, the way I foresee it working is that this years membership renewal will have 2 membership price options, membership with a printed copy of the magazine and membership with electronic only copy of the magazine. This is how you will make your choice. The reason we need to be able to gauge the take up is because as you reduce the number of copies printed, the cost per copy actually increases. So there is a fine balance between quantity and cost which we have to allow for in our budget, and therefore the membership and advertising fees.

While on the topic of magazines, I think I have mentioned this before, I get emailed a number of interstate club magazines. If you would to receive a copy of these magazines just send me an email and I will forward as I received them.

Next months magazine will have the tales of the trip to the National Meeting, along with more photo's and the official results. Next years National Meeting is in Adelaide, this is traditionally a very good meeting and I would suggest that we should have a good delegation in attendance to promote our National Meeting in 2018. Planning will start very soon so put this date in your diary, April 14-18 2017. Watch this space for more details.

Ed.

Membership Report

This Month we welcome back Sophie Tilley as a Member,

Sue-Anne Midgley



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Joe Paul (dec)	1969	Bob Moore	1974
Arthur Twining (dec)	1976	Ian Wade	1984
Terry Atkinson	1984	Chris Ellis (dec)	1985
Dennis Burgess	1986	John Sluce (dec)	1994
Robin Wilmot	1998	Bill Griffiths	2007
Tony Gurnhill	2009	Cheryl Gurnhill	2013
Bronwyn Zuber	2013	Greg Bannon	2013
Craig Twining	2014		

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

A copy of this magazine can be downloaded from the MGCCT website. Membership application and change of address forms are also available for download. Latest Events information and links to other MG Clubs and car clubs.

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Club Meeting Details	Every Tuesday Night at 8pm Civic Club, 134 Davey Street, Hobart		
Postal Address	GPO Box 5, Hobart, Tas 7001		

PAST EVENTS

5th March – Working bee at the Civic Club. A good rollup of members made quick work of the required tasks to have the Civic Club looking its best. Just to prove they could follow instructions to leave everything at the tip the tip run guys came back minus the wheelie bins which were later retrieved by the ever vigilant Robin!

6th March – Run to My Slice of Pie for breakfast with a difference! A nice early 8.20am start from the Civic Club saw our members greeted with an overcast morning which gradually turned into a beautiful warm sunny day. 30 of our contingent in 18 vehicles made their way down the Southern Outlet to Margate and on to Sandfly where we convoyed and were joined by 4 other members. We rejoined the Southern Outlet to Mountain River and our destination, My Slice of Pie where the remaining 5 members joined us, making a total of 39 which must be a record for an MG run! Our hostess, Christine and Rod and staff made us most welcome and did not disappoint in providing a

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fabulous “breakfast with a difference” with only one chair remaining in the restaurant! 14 of our contingent decided to venture further afield and continued via Cygnet and Woodbridge Hill to Peppermint Bay for coffee before returning home.



20th March - Square Riggers Run. “9 cars of assorted heritage (5 of them square riggers) enjoyed the hospitality of Alan and Jeanette McKenzie (owners of a 54TF) at their shack at Deep Bay on the Huon River after having morning coffee and a visit to the Channel Heritage Museum in Margate. There were plenty of exhibits dating from both the youth of the visitors and the vintage of their cars that puts history into perspective. A couple of new members is also likely to be a result of the day”.

David Taylor

COMING EVENTS:

10th April – A Cryptic run to The Salmon Ponds departing the Civic Club at 10.00am. For further information please contact Peter Shaw: 6223 1020 or Bob Leeson: 6229 6006

13th April – Wayne Goninon’s mid-week run. These runs are conducted Wednesdays 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 our destination around 11.30am. The remaining dates are: 18th May, 15th June, 13th July, 17th August, 14th September, 19th October, 16th November and 14th December.

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For further information please contact Wayne Goninon: 0408 388 881

24th April – Shannon’s Show and Shine. Ian Campbell is gathering groups of cars from the various Clubs for this event. The plan is for participants to meet at the Civic Club at 9.00 am, and continue from there in convoy to the Rosny display area around 9.30 am.

Ian will be at the venue to greet the vehicles.

For Further information please contact Ian Campbell: 0414 721 393

1st May – Classics on the Beach. An informal gathering of collectable cars at Long Beach Sandy Bay *on the first Sunday of each month* from around 09.00am to noon.

All are welcome to attend.

For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 6229 6006

15th May – A combined run to the Picnic at Ross. The Northerners will be leaving Longford at 10.00am. The plan is to meet them on the Main Street in Ross. The Southerners have the option of leaving the Civic Club at 9.00am or join the T type group at McDonalds, Bridgewater where they will be leaving at 9.30am.

For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 6239 1341 or

Mark Dilger: 6327 1028

12th June – Run to Orford for a BYO BBQ at David Scott’s. Depart Civic Club at 10.00am. Salad will be provided.

For further information please contact David Scott: 6257 1508

10th July – Run to Oatlands via Runnymede. Venue details to follow.

Depart Civic Club at 10.0am

For further information please contact David Scott: 6257 1508

August? - Mountain Madness/ Breakfast. Details being finalised.

For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0362 391341

Note; Although events such as the Sandy Bay Classics on the Beach and Wayne Goninon’s runs are not official MG runs, and do not count towards clubman points, they are included in the magazine so that nobody is excluded from participating. Also many MG members are represented at these events.

Bob Leeson





That was more like Hobart weather – 4 seasons in one day, roof on, roof off The numbers were a little lower this month but all enjoyed the \$19 two course lunch at the Dunalley Hotel. Thank you again to David Bantoft for the attached pics; he is fast becoming the official photographer! Wayne Goninon



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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		

The Northern Centre mid week runs have been popular events during daylight saving time. Our last two runs have been extremely well patronised and at the February event we met up with some members who travelled from the north west coast to meet us at Evandale to enjoy a great evening at The Prince of Wales Hotel. 38 members and a couple of overseas visitors meant a packed out dining area.



The March event saw 20 members travel in convoy to Grindelwald where once again we enjoyed a great meal in excellent surroundings.

For the next few months we will continue our monthly mid week dinners but as winter will be upon us we will meet at the venues instead so keep an eye out in the magazine for venues and times.

Eamonn.

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The social calendar is in full swing and to highlight some of the events held last month we have had:

28th February 2016 Picnic run to Larooma Park approx. 200klms

Wed March 2nd Ulysses Club AGM Display (Covered in the March Magazine.)

Sun 6th March 2016

Run to Tony and Janet Sutcliffe's place at Bothwell and have arrange to do a garage visit to a friend place who is an avid collector in Bothwell.

Wed 16th March Mid-Week Run to Grindelwald

Sun 20th March Devonport Car Show (North West)

Sun 20th March Visit to Tilley's at Targa.

Mon 28th March Not the Nat meet coffee run

Picnic at Larooma Park

Where is that ? was the first question . John James who organised the trip wanted a \$ for every time he was asked that. (or event 10cents would have made it worthwhile) GOOGLE was extensively consulted and by the time it came around for the event most knew it was at Hawley Beach, or more importantly at the end of the road at Hawley.

6 cars set out, Jacqui and Brian Ralph (TF comfortable one) Robyn and Derek Holden (real TF) Margaret and Frank Brooks (F) Jim Dickenson and Terry Sansom (MGA) Robyn and Bruce Keogh (TF comfortable one) and John and Jill James (MX5).

With the weather just ok the group travelled via Legana, on to Beaconsfield and then through Howell to the Blue Café at Frankford. Usual discussions ensued over coffee and cake before travelling on to the destination for the day, Larooma Park. This was BYO everything Picnic and all participants were well equipped for a picnic lunch.

Some had a walk after lunch before returning along the fantastic roads via Sassafras and Mersey lea to partake in coffee etc. at Deloraine.

The day was concluded with a quiet drive along the old Bass Highway and John thanked all that participated.

On March 6th we travelled to Bothwell over Poatina and down through the Stepps, a trip of approx. 280klm's for the day.

We set out tops down with 6 cars from Launceston to meet up with an equal number from the south at Bothwell.

The weather was fantastic and made for a very pleasant trip.

First stop was at Poatina for coffee and cakes at the tea shop. We were made very welcome and although it did not show the group were sprung on the venue at very short notice as our booking at the chalet needed to be changed due to another commitment. As you find in a small community there was a quick rally around and the shop owner and the art gallery owner manned the Tea Shop and we were all feed and watered. Full points to Poatina and the Tea Shop, Thank you.

The day only go better with the run over Poatina, across the Lakes and down through the Stepps to Bothwell.

We arrived at Bothwell at about 11.30am and were greeted by the southern members at Janet and Tony Sutcliffe's place to be wined and dined as they say and can only thank them both on behalf of the members for their very generous hospitality.

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We were entertained in Tony's Man Cave with lots of photos and man cave stuff that the boys loved and they ladies were entertained with movies while the boys went and visited a friend of Tony's garage.



Our hosts for the day Janet and Tony doing the cooking.



In Tony's Man Cave amongst the boys stuff .



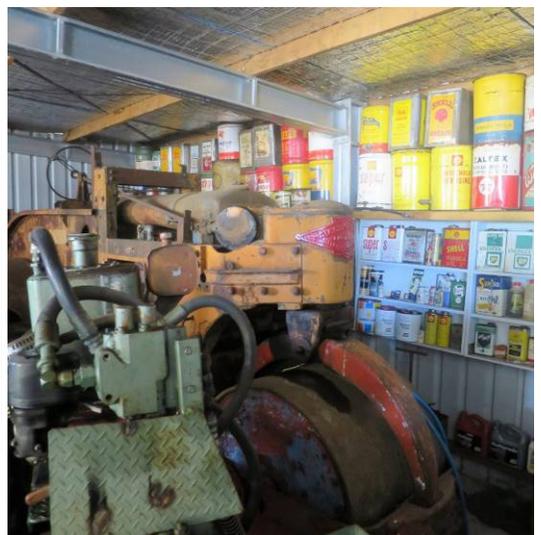
They are big toys and beautifully restored



The artefacts to die for and all in operating order.



They are also very old and collectable



and everyone wants their own rare road roller

We all had a very interesting day and can only thank Tony and Janet for opening up there home and for their hospitality for the day.
The home run was as good as the trip up through the clean and clear air of the central highlands.

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Well worth taking another trip on a sunny summers day up into the clean clear air of the central highlands.

Andrew Merry's midweek run was as popular as ever with 20 members participating in the trip to Grindelwald for a great meal with the usual round of discussions. Thanks to Andrew for organising a very pleasant venue and evening which provided a great social gathering for all.

On 20th March we had the annual visit to the Tilley's at Rainbow's End at Targa and we all enjoyed another great day which started with the drive from the Motor Museum led by Phil himself.

We travelled up through Waverley via Ravenswood and out on to the Scottsdale road to Nunamara

to arrive at Rainbow's End at around 11am.



Coffee was served on the deck overlooking the property, the river and the car park.

Following lunch we adjourned to the river flat to observe the wild life and play some games being in the form of an apple hunt and as you would expect with a difference.

The apples were put into a bucket of water in the simulated garage of witches' hats and then transported through a further maze of witches' hats to be deposited into a second bucket.

The exercise was repeated until three apples were deposited into the second bucket, can you visualise the scene, if not have a look at the following photos.

A couple of escapees from the nursing home

On the home run Frank Brooks, getaway driver with fellow escapee John Biggelaar

Now you can get the drift of a lovely afternoon in a beautiful setting, birds chirping etc. and one Camira humming away in the bush



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consuming witches hats which appear to be a staple of its diet.

The Camira games were topped by our NSC Chairman Eamonn Matthews even though attempts were made to sabotage his drive by narrowing down the garage so the Camira would only just fit, but to no avail he still squeezed it in.

Once again we had a great day and on behalf of the all who attended wish to thank Phil and Sophie for being great hosts of the event and opening their home for the club members. Also letting them drive around their lawns, trees, holes and spear the apples Phil pinched on the drive to Rainbows End.

We must also thank Phil's brother for the use of the Camira and hope it recovers soon.

The final event for the month was Phil Paine's not the nat meet coffee run. Approx. 17 club members participated which finishing up at JJ's at Longford to make for a very pleasant run for the Monday after Easter. Thanks Phil for putting the run together and choosing the venue.

Coming Events.

Sat 9th April to Tue 12th April Targa Tas in Northern Tasmania

Wed 13th April Mid-Week dinner meet at Venue RSVP Mark Dilger Kings Meadows Hotel 6.30pm

Sat 23rd April Sat Morning Run leave Motor Museum 9.30am RSVP Rhonda Matthews

Fri 29 April Morning Coffee Walk RSVP John Biggelaar

Wed 11th May Mid-Week Dinner RSVP Mike Paine Winter arrangements to apply i.e. meet at venue.

Sun 15th May Picnic at Ross meetup with the Southern and North West members for a picnic, Meet at Longford 9.00am leave Longford 10.00am via back roads to Ross

Sat 21st May Morning Coffee Run RSVP Phil Paine leave Motor Museum at 10.00am

Fri 27th May Morning Coffee Walk Bruce Keogh 9.30am Motor Museum

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

Wed 8th June Mid-Week Run

Sat 11th June Sat Morning run RSVP Rhonda Matthews

Sun 19th June RSVP John James Winneah Pub Meet at Motor Museum at 10.30am
RSVP Mark Dilger

Fri 24th June Morning Coffee walk

Sat 25th June Observe State round of MST Motor Khana. Leave Motor Museum 9.30 am drive to Symmons Plains.

Next Meeting 25th May

Mark Dilger

Secretary

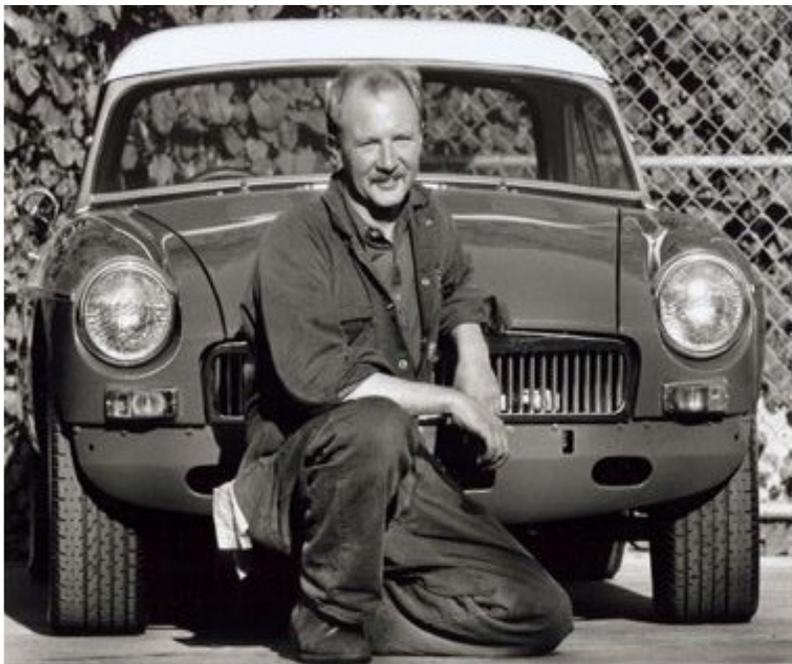
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Wayne Jessup's Recently completed MGA 1500 at The Devonport Car Show



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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	

The 10th Annual Devonport Motor Show organised by the Rotary Club of Devonport North is proving to be one of the Australia's premier Car Show's. Held on the banks of the Mersey River in Devonport the event attracted over 620 display vehicles from across Australia. The organisers thanked all participants for their efforts, especially the MG car Club, whose display of immaculately prepared vehicles created an enormous amount of interest amongst the thousands of spectator's.

A very impressive 17 members attended the National Meet in Perth Western Australia, with 14 of those from the Northwest. From the reports Tasmanian participant's figured highly in the results. All results will be published in the magazine next month

The MG Car Club has once again been asked by Targa Tasmania if we would like to act as course marshals once again (we must have done it right last time). We are required on Wednesday 13th April. If you may be able to help please contact me on 0419589316

The Mersey Devonport Lions are once again attempting the record for the most convertibles in one place. Last time we had an excellent turn out from the club, but there were more hairdressers around than you would think and so we were outnumbered by MX5's. See the information in this magazine for registering and be part of the record whilst assisting Lions do carry on with their community projects.

The Man in Red

May's social event is on Sunday 15th of May and consists of a run along some very fine Northwest roads before descending upon "El Perro's" in Penguin for lunch. We have booked the outside area, which is enclosed, for a maximum of 30 people.

Costs usually range between \$15 to \$30 but a special menu has been put together for us.

Ring Wendy or Tony on 6425 6324 or 0418 378 214.

Because of the limited seating, COB Tuesday May 10 is the cut off date for RSVP's.

If you have not indicated your intention to attend by then, don't expect to turn up on the day and get a seat!!"

Kind Regards

Wendy & Tony Lansdell

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Midgley's MG Mid Winter Getaway

Destination: Boat Harbour, North West Tasmania

Dates: Friday 8th – Sunday the 10th of July

Accommodation:

We have rented 8 Holiday Homes for the weekend, so the accommodation arrangement will be similar to the weekend at Coles Bay. 6 houses will accommodate 2 couples and 4 rentals will accommodate 3 couples. 2 of these rentals are actually 2 holiday units where one unit sleeps 2 couples and the studio sleeps 1 couple. So two couples will be able to have their own accommodation, 1 has already been grabbed the second is still available by request.

Now all members who have already indicated to me that they will be attending will be receiving an email with some important information. If you are attending the weekend I need to know by the end of this month. All accommodation has to be paid for in advance and some we have had to pay for to secure the booking. One couple in each house will be made responsible to co-ordinate and pay the respective owners and then recover the share of the rent off your fellow house mates. I know this is not ideal, but the alternative is we pay for all and this is not an option.

Friday:

So we have come up with a couple of alternatives for Fridays activities, in the end it will be totally dependent on the weather, You will get about 2 days notice that you may need to bring some extra warm clothing!!!

Friday night we have 2 options, the local Surf Club has offered to do a short menu for us or we can do the casserole night as we did in Coles Bay. The Surf Club is only a relatively small venue, so it will be conducive to mingling. When you receive the email please include in your response your preference.

Saturday:

Up until 3pm, Saturday is free for members to explore the National Park and walks in the Boat Harbour, Sisters Beach and Rocky Cape area. There is also the Wynyard market, Table cape and other local attractions to explore at your leisure. That is until the start of the MG Annual Surf Carnival, which will be held at the Surf Club, afternoon tea and drinks can be purchased at the venue.

Saturday Night is a dinner at Seabreeze Restaurant, you will select from a full a la carte menu. And there will be games so be sure to bring your sense of humour.

Sunday:

After a leisurely departure from Boat Harbour, we will make our way to Ulverstone for a Xmas in July lunch, before going our separate ways home. If any members not attending the weekend would like to join us for lunch on Sunday the 10th, please let me know so I can include you in our reservation numbers.

As always **B** there or **B** square, non MG's are optional only.

Sue-Anne and Andrew Midgley

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VALE John Roughton

To all our friends and acquaintances, It is with a very sad heart that I wish to inform you all of the sudden passing of my dear husband John. Some of you already know and I wish to thank you so much for your thoughts, cards and flowers.



John had radical surgery for aggressive prostate cancer 5 years ago. He had been going really well until the last half of last year. In November the cancer had spread to lymph and bone and the specialist suggested taking a holiday before it progressed. He was then to start chemotherapy when we returned.

We had completed 7/8 of a wonderful 21 day cruise around South America from Valparaiso in Chile, down through the Chilean fjords to Tierra Del Fuego, on down to Antarctica, then back up to the Falklands, Uruguay and Argentina. On 15th February John had a fall whilst on a shore excursion hitting his head hard but on soft ground. Two days later he had a sudden event ? heart, ? head, and it appears died immediately.

We have come up against many obstacles in trying to get him home. After three weeks he is still in Buenos Aires. This has been extremely frustrating and exhausting physically and emotionally. We hope to have some positive news by the end of this week. We are hoping we can have a funeral instead of a memorial service for a more definitive closure.

Will keep you informed
Love from Julie xxx

Dear Car Enthusiasts

Paula and I were shocked and saddened to hear about the recent passing of John Roughton. He was a gentle, considerate and compassionate man who was held in high regard by all who knew him. He enjoyed his mid-week runs in his fine burgundy 1954 MGTF, and looking at the cars and catching up on the first Sunday of each month at Beach House.

John's wife, Julie, was happy for me to forward her email above. David Taylor has advised me that when the Memorial Service is held Julie would like a contingent of T Series cars at the venue, where they will be featured.

With our condolences and best wishes to Julie and her family during this very difficult time.

Wayne Goninon

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As a major fund raising event, the Lions Club of Mersey Devonport are attempting to break the world record of - "**The Largest Parade of Convertibles**" Which stands at 275 convertible vehicles and held by a English MX5 car club.

The event will be held at Roundhouse Park, Victoria Parade, Devonport, on Sunday, 24th of April 2016, from 10.00am with the official count being made at 2.00pm.

We are asking all owners of convertible cars to assist us in our attempt.

\$20.00 entry fee.

Money raised will be going to our ongoing lions projects, beanies for brain cancer research and other local community donations.

The Guinness World Record definition of a convertible is:

Any vehicle where the passengers travel in the open after the roof if folded down, does not have a roof or the roof is removed. A sun roof does not qualify.

If you can assist us, (or know someone who has a convertible vehicle,) by participating in the world record attempt, please send your details, via email to rikki52@bigpond.com

Or post to lions club of Mersey Devonport, PO Box 770, Devonport, Tas, 7310, And we will email or post out entry forms. Form can also be downloaded from <http://devonportmersey.tas.lions.org.au/> under projects.

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Please bring your own Club name badge this year!

Friday 9th September

- 7.00pm Noggin' & Natter**
Meet other participants and enjoy a wide range of finger food at the Wagga RSL Club. A courtesy bus is available. Please contact the RSL Club on 02 6921 3624 to book the courtesy bus.

Saturday 10th September

- 10.00am Registration**
Meet at the Wagga Beach car park and collect your GOF registration and goody bag. Then take some time out and enjoy what Wagga has to offer before returning after lunch to take part in this year's run.
- 1.00pm Fun run**
What better way to enjoy your MG than by sharing your experience with other owners on our fun run. Please be back at the Wagga Beach car park by 12.30pm for a 1pm departure. A map and directions will be provided.
- 2.30pm Afternoon tea**
After the run, sit back and enjoy a hot tea or coffee, plus a delicious afternoon tea provided by the Country Women's Association.
- 7.00pm GOF Dinner**
This year we have an optional dress-up theme at our formal dinner. Wear clothes from the same period as your MG. Prizes for the best dressed! Bus pick-up and drop-off to/from your motel is available at extra cost.

Sunday 11th September

- From 7.30am BBQ breakfast**
Start your day with a BBQ breakfast at the Wagga Beach car park, freshly cooked by the Rotary Club of Wagga.
- "The Gathering of the Faithful"**
All entrants' vehicles are on public display at the Wagga Beach car park.
- Trophy presentation**
Celebrate our 2016 trophy winners - who knows, you might be one of them!



For more information contact the GOF Coordinator at the MG Car Club of Wagga Wagga:

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Exhaust Notes

From the West

As members should know a number of our club members have made the trek across the Nullarbor to attend the MG National Meeting in Perth. A couple have chosen to trailer their cars across, but most have opted to drive and this has not been without some issues. John and Dawn Irving in their BL MGB ran into some issues about Mildura with rust in the carburettor (Weber), due to the extended driving stirring up the fuel tank. A make shift repair by the RACV got them on the road again but unfortunately not for very long.

About 80km out of Mildura and about the same to Renmark the car again slowed to a halt, as John pondered his next move a phone call from Tony and Wendy Lansdell “Where are You?” “We are just behind you, we will be there in about ½ an hour and we will tow you into Renmark”. Now the story goes and I swear this is no exaggeration, but the towing episode was like the scene out of Charlie and Boots (Paul Hogan and Shane Jacobson) except there wasn’t a cop trying to pull John over for speeding. If you haven’t seen the movie here is a link to the relevant youtube clip, I highly recommend it.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=euBPP35YTNs>

Now the story has a good ending, once in Renmark John rang the RAA and a young mechanic who happened to compete on the weekends, knew all about Webers, had them fixed, tuned and back on the road singing like a busy bee, albeit 1 day behind the others. John’s trip took yet another turn as he caught up to the other intrepid travellers in Kalgoorlie only to get a chipped windscreen. So this time it was a drop into the local Windscreens O,Brien to get it repaired before travelling onto Perth.

Hopefully the trip home will be much less eventful.



Then I received this “bizarre photo” on Good Friday. Sometimes seeing is believing!!

If you know of Peter Scott (Scottie) you would be aware that he is not the most car proud person in the world. In fact I have always thought that Scottie lived on permanent water restrictions and therefore hadn’t learnt how to wash a car. Well Scottie has been photographed not just washing but detailing his MGB GT ready for concourse in Perth.

Now MGCCT members present, did question him 3 times to make sure that in fact he was “detailing his car” and that indeed this was his intention. Once confirmed they thought the rest of the club should be made aware of this most irregular event, that could only possibly happen at a National Meeting.

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Regards Frank Lockwood Swan Bay

Tasmanian Hillclimb Series

Don Fraser has been the clubs Hillclimb champion for the last 3 or 4 years now. 2 years ago he was also the State Champion having a very consistent year in the competition.

I recently received the following photo's from member Steen Andersen who noticed Don competing in the February Highclere Hillclimb.





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The Funny Bone

As the lawyer awoke from surgery, he asked, "Why are all the blinds drawn?"

The nurse answered, "There's a fire across the street, and we didn't want you to think you had died."

If two lawyers were drowning, and you could only save one of them, would you read the paper or go to lunch?

A man walks into a friend and sees that his friend's car is a total loss and covered with leaves, grass, branches, dirt and blood. He asks his friend,

"What's happened to your car?"

"Well," the friend responds, "I ran over a lawyer".

"OK," says the man, "that explains the blood... But what about the leaves, the grass, the branches and the dirt?"

"Well, I had to chase him all through the park"

A guy walks into a post office one day to see a middle-aged, balding man standing at the counter methodically placing "Love" stamps on bright pink envelopes with hearts all over them. He then takes out a perfume bottle and starts spraying scent all over them.

His curiosity getting the better of him, he goes up to the balding man and asks him what he is doing. The balding man says

"I'm sending out 1,000 Valentine cards signed, Guess who?"

"But why?" asks the man.

"I'm a divorce lawyer," the balding man replies

A local United Way office realized that it had never received a donation from the town's most successful lawyer. The person in charge of contributions called him to persuade him to contribute.

"Our research shows that out of a yearly income of at least \$500,000, you give not a penny to charity. Wouldn't you like to give back to the community in some way?"

The lawyer mulled this over for a moment and replied,

"First, did your research also show that my mother is dying after a long illness, and has medical bills that are several times her annual income?"

Embarrassed, the United Way rep mumbled, "Um...no."

"-or that my brother, a disabled veteran, is blind and confined to a wheelchair?"

"The stricken United Way rep began to stammer out an apology but was interrupted,

"-or that my sister's husband died in a traffic accident," the lawyer's voice rising in indignation, "leaving her penniless with three children?"

The humiliated United Way rep, completely beaten, said simply, "I had no idea..."

On a roll, the lawyer cut him off once again: "-so if I don't give any money to them, why should I give any to you?"

How many lawyer jokes are in existence?

Only three. All the rest are true stories.

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Event	Location	Co-Ordinator	Date
Square Riggers Run	North	Frank Brooks	Sun, 10 Apr 16
SSC - Social Run	Salmon Ponds	Ian Campbell	Sun, 10 Apr 16
NSC - Mid Week Run	North	Mark Dilger	Wed, 13 Apr 16
<i>SSC - Mid Week Run</i>	<i>TBA</i>	<i>Wayne Goninon</i>	<i>Wed, 13 Apr 16</i>
NSC - Morning Run	TBA	Rhonda Matthews	Sat, 23 Apr 16
TSS-Round 2	Symmons Plains	Robin Wilmot	Sun, 24 Apr 16
<i>Shannons Show & Shine</i>	<i>Rosny</i>	<i>Ian Campbell</i>	<i>Sun, 24 Apr 16</i>
NSC - Coffee Walk	Launceston	John Biggelaar	Fri, 29 Apr 16
<i>Classics on the Beach</i>	<i>Sandy Bay</i>		<i>Sun, 01 May 16</i>
NSC - Mid Week Dinner	TBA	Mike Paine	Wed, 11 May 16
PVCC Picnic Day	Ross	Chris Wagstaff Mark Dilger	Sun, 15 May 16
NW - Lunch Run	Penguin	Tony Lansdell	Sun, 15 May 16
<i>SSC - Mid Week Run</i>	<i>TBA</i>	<i>Wayne Goninon</i>	<i>Wed, 18 May 16</i>
NSC - Morning Tea Run	Launceston	Phil Paine	Sat, 21 May 16
<i>TSS-Round 3</i>	<i>Baskerville</i>	<i>HSCC</i>	<i>Sun, 22 May 16</i>
NSC - Coffee Walk	Launceston		Fri, 27 May 16
SuperSprints	Baskerville	Robin Wilmot	Sun, 29 May 16
<i>Classics on the Beach</i>	<i>Sandy Bay</i>		<i>Sun, 05 Jun 16</i>
NSC - Mid Week Run	North	Mark Dilger	Wed, 08 Jun 16
NSC - Morning Run	TBA	Rhonda Matthews	Sat, 11 Jun 16
SSC - Social Run	Orford	David Scott	Sun, 12 Jun 16
<i>SSC - Mid Week Run</i>	<i>TBA</i>	<i>Wayne Goninon</i>	<i>Wed, 15 Jun 16</i>
THS - Round 2	Baskerville	CMI	Sun, 10 Jul 16
NSC - Social Run	Winnaleah	John James	Sun, 19 Jun 16
NSC - Coffee Walk	Launceston		Sat, 24 Sep 16

SQUARE RIGGER NOTES

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

Shots from the Perth NatMeet, here some of the crew who travelled in magnificent weather and company, at least for those not distracted by incidentals along the way such as the sights of Kalgoorlie. The B earned inclusion in this page by winning class in Concourse, congratulations John and Dawn Irving.



Other shots general of T Types only a sample of the numbers expected and present in the state of TCs! The supercharged J Type going through it's paces at the motorkhana. Also to be congratulated are the medallists many who brought home the spoils and no doubt referred elsewhere in this edition.

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