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### **Cover Photo:**

Alan Briggs with navigator Chris Wagstaff in Alan's P Type preparing for the PVCC SE Rally.

### **Inside Front Cover:**

Members enjoying Club Activities

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## **A Chat with Bronwyn Zuber**

Bronwyn Zuber prefers to be called Zube and thinks she is in trouble or is talking with someone who doesn't know her well when she is called Bronwyn.

Zube is a doyen and long time, passionate hard worker for the MG Car Club of Tasmania which was duly recognised by the awarding of MG Life Membership in 2013, one of only two women Life Members, the other being Cheryl Gurnhill.

Zube joined the MG Car Club in 1992 by necessity. She didn't own a MG. She joined as Robin Wilmot had 4 MGs and wanted to take them all to the National Meeting in Launceston, (Lucky as her parents lived in Launceston. He twisted Zube's arm to drive his 1966 MG 1100 and, as you had to be a Club member to attend functions, Zube joined and it was the start of her love affair with MGs.

Before buying her first MG 1100 she had a drive of a MG Magnette, as what she described as feeling "old and frumpy" in it.

Robin Wilmot was instrumental and played a key part in helping find her a MG 1100. Through Robin's contacts in Melbourne, she drove other MG 1100's there, but fell for the Connaught Green 1963 MG 1100 from MG Workshop in Melbourne. She bought the MG 1100 as she had elderly parents who could travel with her or for someone who described herself as 'not a light traveller'.



1994 - MG National Meeting in Newcastle. Zube was Miss MG Tasmania.



Her interest in cars started with her dad who gave Zube a practical knowledge of basic mechanics and loves the smell of oil and grease, much to her mums disgust, (you are just like your father). Zube recalled fondly her father improving the running of a 1936 Chevrolet sedan and the family all crying when he sold that car.

Zube's dedicated contribution to the MG Car Club is long standing. She has been on the Southern Sub Centre Committee for many years and undertaken every role except Treasurer. Zube has also been on the MG Car Club State Committee for over 15 years and undertaken every job except Editor - she is currently State President (for a second stint) which she enjoys and has not found being the only woman on the Committee as an impediment as she's 'been involved and known all other committee members for a long time'. I think Tasmania has been a trail blazer, as Zube is not aware of another State having or had a female as their State President, there have been two, Heather Dodge and Zube.

Zube is known by many people in Motorsport in Tassie as she has been a Motorsport Australia (formerly known as CAMS) licenced official for over 20 years and has been an official at other car club's events, e.g., Steward at events, CATO (alcohol breath testing officer), Targa Tasmania for 25 years in various roles.

I asked Zube what she had been doing recently for the Club. It was like getting blood out of stone as she did not want to beat her own drum; but I persevered. Nothing much for the MG Car Club apart from the President's duties, but the Weekend before last she had been an official in the Control Tower at the Boost Mobile Race Tasmania at Symmons Plains Raceway, as a scribe (recorder) to Assistant Clerk of Course (ASCOC) in charge of the Fire, Rescue and Recovery officials, to record all the verbal transmissions between the officials and the ACOC. Weekend just gone she was an official at Boost Mobile Race Tasmania, doing a less stressful job of opening and closing "Pit Gate Outer, to let vehicle and people in wheelchairs to cross the track, under command from Race Control.

No job is too small.

Among her other many achievements, she was Event Secretary (a huge job) for the Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship (formerly the Tasmanian Super Series). Zube and other working MG officials were asked to manage

this large high-profile event for one year but their involvement (mainly Robin Wilmot and Zube) finished last year after 16 years!

Zube said she liked to involve and help at other Clubs events run under the umbrella of the MG Car Club.

She has enjoyed competing at local and national MG meetings and has had her share of success winning. Won our Arthur Twining Memorial Trophy for Clubman of the Year several times. Best in Class locally many times and nationally a few times. Significantly, Zube particularly treasures being awarded the Joan Richmond Ladies Trophy on a few occasions at National Meetings.



MG National Meeting Shepparton. Her MG was best in Class.



Zube competing at a National Motorkhana

Zube purchased a new MG GS last year ('with modern features but not over the top') and enjoys its turbo power. Her other car is the Green / Grey 1966 MG 1100 which she purchased from Robin Wilmot in December 1994, being the same car as she drove to the National Meeting in 1992.



1994 - Robin Wilmot's 1966 MG 1100 (purchased by Zube in 1994) with Zube's 1963 MG 1100. This car was severely damaged on her drive back after the National Meeting in Newcastle.



Zube with her new and classic MGs





Zube competing  
at Baskerville

Retiring after 47 years of nursing at Calvary Hospital, Zube attends as many MG Car drives as she can and loves nothing better than driving in convoy. Her dream car, by the way, is an Aston Martin, James Bond version. Keep dreaming Zube.

Wayne Goninon

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## President's Report

Wow, we are into February already! It will be a short report this month.

The Sub-Centres have had some social outing during January, but I am sure that will ramp up now the major holidays period is over, and “grandchildren” are back at school. The weather will probably improve now that has happened, (it my day the weather seemed to be hotter once back at school)

We have had one competition event this year, a Motorkhana (1<sup>st</sup> round of the State Motorkhana Series) held at Baskerville Raceway. Next one is at Symmons Plains on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> February, go the MG website or Facebook for more information.

The Post Vintage Car Club held their annual. South-East Rally held on the 16<sup>th</sup> January. There were members of the car club that “competed”. The overall winner was our club member, Mr Bill Griffiths in a 1936 Talbot 110. Members of the club have won the event two years in a row, me last year and now Bill. Can we make it a hat trick next year?

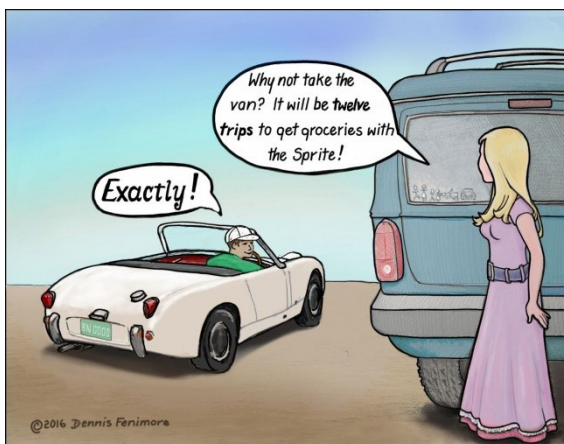
Just a reminder for Sub-Centre Secretaries to apply to Motorsport Australia for permit/s for all their Social Runs, go to [www.motorsportaustralia.org](http://www.motorsportaustralia.org), type in search social permit.

Well, that is all for now as it was a quiet month.

Let's keep enjoying our MG's.

***Zube***

Bronwyn Zuber  
President





## Membership Report

This month we welcome nine new members,

Mark and Hazel Wheatley (Northern)

The Wheatleys own a ZST MG and are interested in classic cars and orchard growing.

Bruce Lindsay (Northern)

Bruce owns a SLK Mercedes Roadster and is interested in travel, gardening and classical music.

John Allport and Robyn Mays (Southern)

John owns a MG RV8 and a MG TD and is interested in social outings.

Ian Godfrey (Northern)

Ian owns a Lotus Elan+2 and is interested in social outings, model making, and repairs to house and car.

Phill and Vivian Dance (Southern)

The Dances own a MGB and are interested in social outings.

Stuart Browett (Northern)

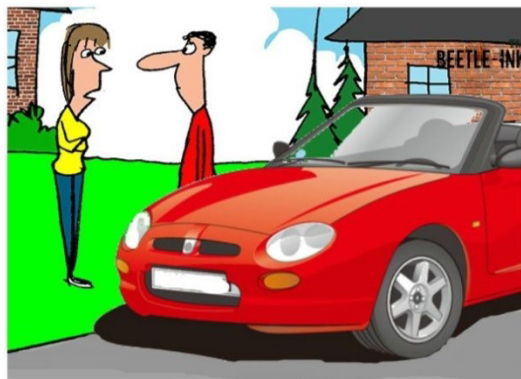
Stuart owns a MG TF and is interested in motor sport.

We hope these new members enjoy the many club arranged activities.

Wayne Jessup

Membership Officer

MG CAR CLUB of TASMANIA



**"When you said you were going to do the cleaning  
I thought you meant the house NOT just the MG!"**

## Life Members

01	Joe Paul (dec)	1969	10	Bill Griffiths	2007
02	Bob Moore (dec)	1974	11	Tony Gurnhill	2009
03	Arthur Twining (dec)	1976	12	Cheryl Gurnhill	2013
04	Ian Wade	1984	13	Greg Bannon	2013
05	Terry Atkinson	1984	14	Bronwyn Zuber	2013
06	Dennis Burgess	1984	15	Craig Twining	2014
07	Chris Ellis (dec)	1985	16	Phillip Tilley	2017
08	John Sluce (dec)	1994	17	Jim Brown	2020
09	Robin Wilmot	1998	18	Peter Shaw	2020



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### **The MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc**

For those members who are Facebook users, we have an MG Car Club Tasmania Facebook page. Feel free to add events, photos, and videos, but 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)

Copies of this magazine can be downloaded from the MGCCT website. Membership forms and change of address forms are also available for download. Links to other car clubs are also available.

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## **VC Registrations, Inspections and Renewals**

Vehicle Club registration allows members of a recognised car club (approved by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles) to use their vehicle in either a club sanctioned event or for general use 30 days outside of club events. These vehicles attract a reduced rate of registration and third party insurance.

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## **PVCC South East Rally - 2021**

On a cold and damp Saturday from the top carpark at Wrest Point, Hobart, 77 cars started at 30 second intervals on a 115 miles run. Over the bridge to the East Derwent highway, past Baskerville Raceway to Brighton, over Bridgewater Bridge to new Norfolk where the rally split in half, up each side of the Derwent River to Westerway. Lunch break was at Meadowbank Dam for some and Hamilton for others and then onto New Norfolk.



Lunch at Meadowbank dam, Car 75 John Torgo, Ferrari 308 + van?

Cherry, raspberry and hop picking were in full swing along the way.

Back to Bridgewater and the finish line on the East Derwent Highway.

A very good run with a wide selection of cars:

- Andrew Bayley's 1926 Rolls Royce
- 7 MG's
- Bill and Olivia Griffiths 1936 Talbot 100, car 037 which won outright.
- My car MG TF 2005, car 71 navigated by my old navigator Tony Westbrook came first in Class G, Modern Cars 1980 – 2011



- Bruce Keogh's – 2005 MG TF
- Bob Leeson's – Mercedes something or other!!
- Allen Briggs's 1934 MG PA ( Chris Wagstaff's arm)

Entry Classes for the event are:

- Class A Veteran Car to 1918
- Class B Vintage Car 1919 - 1930
- Class C Post Vintage Car 1931 - 1949
- Class D Car 1950 - 1959
- Class E Classic Car 1960 - 1969
- Class F Modern Classic Car 1970 - 1979
- Class G Modern Car 1980 - 2011
- Class H Motor Cycle to 2011

Congratulations to the organisers for an excellent event.

Bruce Keogh



Photos from Bob Leeson, cars lined up ready for the start.  
Yellow Whippet is Bruce Hills



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## Recent Rally Winners



2020  
MG 1100 - B. Zuber



2019  
Jaguar Sovereign - H. Bluett



2018  
Volkswagen Beetle - P. Curran



2017  
LJ Torana - T. Hilder



2016  
FB Holden - M. Calder



2015  
Triumph Spitfire - T. Walker



2014  
Porsche 924S - M. Dewey, L.Joubert



2013  
FC Holden - B. Allen



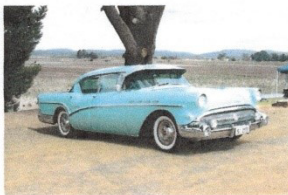
2012  
Morris Minor - W. Mizzen



2011  
HQ Monaro - G. Burns

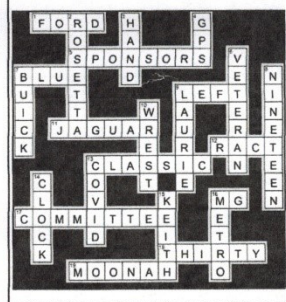


2010  
Hillman Safari - G. Meikle



2009  
Buick Roadmaster - D. Chaffey

## Crossword solution...



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<b>Postal Address</b>	GPO Box 5, Hobart, Tas, 7001	

## Southern Notes

### PAST EVENTS

#### **10<sup>th</sup> January – Gordon Jetty BBQ.**

With 25 people in attendance we set off on a glorious day for a BBQ at Gordon Jetty. We were accompanied by 5 MGBs, a 1934 PA, an MGF II, a Mazda, a Jaguar, a Ford 1 tonner and a Tigra Holden. A thankyou goes to Bruce Hills for his assistance in taking the Club BBQ as a back up. Also a mention to Robin Wilmot for obtaining beautiful tasting meat patties.



Club members left the Civic Club at 10.15am and travelled along the Southern Outlet to Margate where we stopped for a coffee and a cake at the Channel Museum. Here we met up with Phil Rollins in his BGT and Derrick

Millhouse in his red AH 100.

After a half hour stop members headed off to the Gordon with MGs' roofs down of course. Arriving at the Gordon picnic area we were greeted by lots of caravans and motor homes on site. Chris Wagstaff and I fired up the BBQ and got into the cooking of the sausages, patties and ham steaks while the other members retrieved their picnic baskets and set up on the two tables.







Frank Manley arrived with a pot of new pink-eye potatoes as we sat down for lunch at 12.20pm. A wonderful position overlooking the D'Entrecasteaux Channel to Bruny Island – a spot on day. After a fantastic day with our members we packed up and returned to our homes.

Shane Manley

Thanks to Shane for a job well done!

## **16<sup>th</sup> January – South East Rally.**

About a dozen MGCCT members participated in this annual event organised by the Post Vintage Car Club of Tasmania. With 80 entrants in all we departed Wrest Point at 30 second intervals from 9.30am.

Our members performed quite creditably with Bill Griffiths taking out outright winner and Class C “Post Vintage Car” trophy. Bob Sincok came in in second place overall and Bruce Keogh (welcome Bruce) sixth place overall in his first run!

The event is timed with entrants vying to complete the course with a nominated average speed. Bill arrived 32 seconds early over a distance of 190 kilometres and Bruce/Herby was 240 seconds early. Peter Shaw/Phil Dance was 10th overall with a loss of 383 seconds. Mark Harrington came in 11th overall but won the trophy for “modern Classic Car”.

Also rans included Kevin McGuire, Bronwyn Zuber, Bob Leeson, Alan Briggs/Chris Wagstaff and Bruce Hills/ Dennis Burgess. Team Briggs/Wagstaff in their P type (hoodless of course) had to contend with rain, sunshine, wind and hail and a lack of fuel in the tank! Team Hills/ Burgess had a fuel line blockage and decided to take a short cut by opting out of some parts. Covid restrictions led to a bit of streamlining with the announcements introducing the entrants at the start line omitted and the lack of a get together at the end disappointing. A great event finishing about 3.00pm.

*Ed: See report from Bruce and photos.*



**COMING EVENTS**

**13<sup>th</sup> February – Working Bee at the Civic Club.** Starting at 10.00am. If you are able to assist it would be greatly appreciated. *For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0438 055 199.*

**14<sup>th</sup> February – The trip to “The Wall in the Wilderness” has been cancelled as a result of operational issues. It has been replaced by a run to the Cannery in Dunally.** Depart Civic Club at 9.00am. Coffee at the Patchwork Café in New Norfolk returning via Tea Tree and Sorell to Dunally *For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0438 055 199.*

**3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021 – Wayne Goninon’s mid-week run.**

These runs all commence at the Rivulet Café, 64 Anglesea St, South Hobart where we partake of a coffee before heading off to our destination around 11.00am. The remaining schedule is shown elsewhere in the magazine. *For further information please contact Wayne Goninon: 0408 388 881*

**7<sup>th</sup> March 2021 – 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: 0362 296 006*

**14<sup>th</sup> March – My Slice of Pie.** This is our annual “Breakfast with a Difference” at Mountain River. We will depart the Civic Club at the usual time **8.10am** to be there by 9.00am where Tracey (the new owner) will have everything in readiness for us. Cost is again \$25.00 per head!! for a delicious breakfast. *For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296 006. RSVP by 10<sup>th</sup> March if attending for catering purposes.*

**18<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 – Dave Scott BBQ, Orford**

Once again Dave Scott has agreed to hold a BBQ at his house at Orford. We are hoping to include a distillery tour and tastings at the **SPRING BAY DISTILLERY**. *For further information contact Kevin McGuire 0409 315 014*

**23<sup>rd</sup> May – South Arm RSL.** Further Details to follow.

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**13<sup>th</sup> June – Run to Stephen Huntley’s at Brighton.** Further Details to follow. *For further information please contact Stephen Huntley: 0428 127 932.*

**25<sup>th</sup> July – Mid-Winter Run.** To be confirmed. *For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0438 055 199.*

Bob Leeson

## Ed Says

If your thinking to yourself Ed has finally lost it, well you are probably right, but that is not the reason why my Editors notes finds itself in the middle of the magazine, instead with the other state committee reports.

In order to print the magazine the number of pages must be in multiples of 4. This month I had an excess of submissions for the magazine, but so as not to overload this month I have put a couple of articles to the side for future magazines. So after just dropping everything in and then starting to format it, I was left with the dilemma 45 pages!! AAHHH!!! So I have to get rid of 1 page or come up with 3 more pages. At least it isn't midnight, I have time.

None of the other articles were 3 pages were they? so how do I reformat, squeeze a bit here, move a bit there, then I have to get that Buckby ad in the centre. NOTHING IS WORKING!!! So my apologies for a bit of a disjointed magazine, I cannot afford anymore grey hairs and my sanity is on the edge in this humidity, I cannot wait for that storm to clear the air.

So thankyou to all for the submissions for this month, and everyone was in time, so I have not had to wait for a report to come in. Even my serial offender got his report in on Sunday, great effort.

Hope you enjoy all the pictures, as Zube said we have a lot of social events happening and it is great to see members out and about enjoying their cars.

Remember snap it and send it to Ed. 44 pages YES!

## Northern Sub Centre Committee

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<b>Northern Sub Centre Meeting</b>	Committee meeting and social night: Last Wednesday night of the Month at 7.30pm VCCA Rooms 67 Lawrence Vale Rd, Launceston	
<b>Postal Address</b>	PO Box 682, Launceston, Tas, 7250	
<b>North West</b>	Meets Second Thursday night of the Month: 6.00pm for meal and social evening. Bass & Flinders Motel, Ulverstone	



## Northern Notes

### **Northern Sub Centre Notice:**

Members, when you receive an email about a changed event could you acknowledge the convener with a simple icon.

The sender has no idea of the receipt of the notification.

Due to the covid restriction problems, you must RSVP by the allocated date as numbers will be locked in.

Thank you for your cooperation

Geraldine.

### **PAST EVENTS**



After a pleasant drive thru Longford at Bishopsbourne arriving at Chesters in cooler conditions 29 members engaging in happy conversation with the evening meal. Followed by inspection of their wonderful car collection. Many thanks to Sally & Chester for their kind hospitality. Geraldine

The first event for 2021 was held on Sunday 17th January. 12 cars left the VVCA rooms at 4pm for a drive out through the backroads of Longford and onto Chester and Sally McKaige's property 'Carrick House' for a Soirée in their lovely garden.

29 members thoroughly enjoyed their nibbles, picnic/bbq and drinks and the viewing of Chester's pride and joy in his garages including the Napier which is coming along very nicely. We would all like to thank Sally and Chester for a wonderful evening. Cheers Mike

## **Coffee run January 29th**

Our first coffee run for the year was organised at the last minute but great that 16 members were able to join the run. We travelled via Pateena Rd, through Longford to Woolmers Lane , then onto the Midlands Highway to Illawarra Rd, finishing at Evandale. Judy and Wayne Moles walked from home and joined us at Ingleside for coffee and cake. Great to see Bruce Allison back with us again, even though he is still wearing very “ fashionable “ foot attire. Another most enjoyable MG get together.

Phil & Di Paine

## **COMING EVENTS**

**Wednesday Feb 10th** – Canberra Car Club run to Barnbougale. Meet 9.00 am at Country Club Avenue on the right before Casino Rise. RSVP Geraldine 0400 356314 by Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

**Friday Feb 12<sup>th</sup>** – Summer Coffee run to Exeter Wine Centre. Depart 9.30 RSVP Ian Saunders 0400 185726 by Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

**Sunday Feb 14<sup>th</sup>** – Lunch at the Crazy Duck York Cove. Depart 10.00am RSVP Geraldine 0400 356314 by Feb 10<sup>th</sup>

**Wednesday Feb 17<sup>th</sup>** – midweek dinner run. Depart 6.00 RSVP Peter Harper 0417 597897 by Feb 13<sup>th</sup>

**Friday Feb 26<sup>th</sup>** – coffee run. Depart 9.30 RSVP Richard Jones 0419 350811 by Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Wednesday March 10<sup>th</sup>** -midweek dinner run to Empire Hotel Deloraine including Platypus Tour Depart 6.00 RSVP John Biggelaar 0408 125199 by March 6th

**Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup>** – **MGA Register** garage tour and BBQ lunch. Meet at Jim Browns MG Centre at 9.00am RSVP Chester 0407 113516 by Feb 9th

**Mar 13<sup>th</sup> Saturday** - Liffey Valley Market –We have been invited to return by the organising committee. In conjunction with a **10 Days On The Island** event (literature & Poetry theme) there will be live music, coffee van, food van, Devonshire Teas, sausage sizzle, homemade produce/art & crafts to purchase along with Liffey Bush Honey and lots more – there are some picnic tables but maybe wise to bring your chairs. – our cars will be on display- leave Club rooms at 9.30am -RSVP P. Harper 0417597897 by Mon 8th March

**March 19-21** -Devonport Motor Show Expo, make your own way there

**Friday March 26<sup>th</sup>** -Coffee run Depart 9.30 RSVP J Biggelaar 0408 125199 by March 22nd

**Wednesday April 14<sup>th</sup>** -Midweek dinner TBA

**Friday April 30<sup>th</sup>** – coffee run Depart 9.30 RSVP Peter Moles 0417 265073

**Sunday May 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Marios Car Show at George Town details TBA

**A big THANKYOU to Richard Ashley-Jones for taking on the role of chairman of the NSC.**



**"What do you mean you were having so much fun with the MG you lost track of time? You've been gone all summer!"**

## **North West Notes**

### **Past Events**

#### **January Dinner Meeting – Thursday January 14<sup>th</sup>**

Twilight run and dinner organised by Andrew Midgley. 22 members enjoyed the first outing for 2021. A run along the scenic route to Burnie and dinner at the Mallee Grill Hotel. The weather was with us and attracted hoods down for some MGs. Thanks to Andrew for organising the event. Great time had by all!



### **Up Coming Events**

**Sunday February 7<sup>th</sup>** – Afternoon run and B'que to Bracknell Reserve - organised by Marianne and Rod. Leave Bunnings car park 1.45 pm for an afternoon run to Bracknell and a lazy relaxed afternoon at the Reserve Park. BYO - eats, drinks, water, chairs, table, sunblock, hat, insect repellent etc., etc. There is a gas b'que on site but your portable b'que might be handy. Please RSVP to me if you wish to join us by Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February** – February Dinner Meeting –6 pm at the Bass and Flinders Motor Inn – Ulverstone.

**Sunday February 28<sup>th</sup>** – Lunch Run to Earthwater Café, Mole Creek. Depart Bunnings car park at 9.45am for a morning tea coffee stop, ending for lunch at the Mole Creek Cafe. Please RSVP to me by Friday 26 February for catering numbers.



**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March** – March Dinner Meeting –6 pm at the Bass and Flinders Motor Inn – Ulverstone.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March** – Run departing Bunnings car park at 9.45 am for coffee stop and ending for lunch at the Devonport Country Club, Woodrising Avenue, Spreyton. Please RSVP to me by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March for catering nos.

**March 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>** - Devonport 3 day Car Expo at the Paranapple Centre, Devonport. Members make their own arrangements re attending and exhibiting.

**Sunday March 21<sup>st</sup>** - Inspection of variety of vehicles at Geoff Dodges, Sassafras - organised by Greg Bannon. More details next month – possibly will be a luncheon date followed by the inspection.

*TJ's Humour for Month of February*

- *What town is the favourite of repairers?*

*Broken Hill.*

- *What is the hottest town in the West?*

*Burnie.*

- *Where do you find confused South Australians?*

*Addle-aide.*

- *What is very cold and crosses the harbour?*

*The Sydney Harbour Fridge.*

- *What well dressed mountains are near Melbourne?*

*The Dandy-nongs.*

TC– Terry Jeffrey NW Co-ordinator Mob: 0417 344 369 Email: northwest-coord@mgtas.org.au

## **Southern Car Enthusiats Mid-Week Run**

For our first mid week lunch run for 2021 Wayne put together a great event. The run took us to first to the Southern Beaches then across to the mountain foothills traveling from Vince's Saddle to the lunch venue in South Hobart via the old Huon Highway. More twists and turns in 80 klms you would not find. One of the UTAS Colleges Jane Franklin Hall put on a Carvery lunch for us where besides the view over the river the food and service was superb. Pity about the gridlock in the car park!

Phil





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## **MGA Register Notes**



**February 2021**

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Welcome MGA owners, to the latest edition of the MGCC of Tas –

***MGA REGISTER NOTES***, an occasional missive designed to cater for the local Tasmanian owners of the **MGA**.

### **Forthcoming Events:**

#### **MGCC OF TASMANIA - MGA REGISTER – GARAGE TOUR – SATURDAY 13th MARCH 2021**

Chester McKaige has kindly offered to organise a **MGA Garage Tour & BBQ Lunch** early the part of the year – this will comprise a visit to a number of garages of MGA interest in the North, finishing with BYO - BBQ Lunch at Chester & Sally's. One for the Boys - with a fair bit of tyre kicking & tall tales.

**Please RSVP to Chester 0407 113 516 by 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

#### **The Schedule**

Start: - 9.00am	James Brown's – MG Car Centre, Cnr Churchill Park Drive & Herbert St Invermay.
Garage 1. – 10.30am	William Briginshaw – 21 Bald Hill Rd, Trevallyn.
Garage 2. – 12.00 noon	Col Cleaver (Coffee) – 35 Bayview Drive, Blackstone Hts.
Garage 3. – 1.30pm	Chester McKaige (BYO – BBQ) – Carrick House Liffey St Carrick

#### **NOT THE NATIONAL MEETING EVENT – EASTER SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2021**

The Clubs plans for an **MG event at Symmons Plains on Easter Sunday** unfortunately now cannot go ahead as V8 Supercars will be setting up and the track will not be available (perhaps we could have a substitute, substitute event called NOT THE NOT THE NATIONAL MEETING EVENT ;-)

**MGA Register News:**

**GAVIN YOUL'S - MGA TWIN CAM POWERED AUSTIN LANCER:**

There has been considerable interest on one of the MGA Internet chat sites recently about Tasmanian Gavin Youl & his potent racing Austin Lancer. James Brown has supplied the following historical information about the hitherto missing Twin Cam motor:

*"I bought Gavin's Twin Cam motor and close ratio gearbox in around 1970 after it was removed from the Austin Lancer and fitted it into my 1500 push rod car and used it for 2-3 years as an everyday only car.*

*In 1972 I purchased from Clive West in Melbourne, Twin Cam Roadster 2474, I then removed the Youl engine from my 1500 which I sold with the original push rod engine and kept the Youl engine which I still have.*

*Twin Cam 2474 is currently undergoing a full rebuild which I hope to have finished in about 18 months.*

*The Youl engine was bought new I believe in 1959 and fitted in the Lancer which was well campaigned both here at Longford and many hill climbs, local and Victorian races.*

*Gavin was the brother of John who was the better known racer who also raced in the UK and was offered a drive with a well-respected racing team but had to come back to Tassie to run the family's large property Symmons Plains. Gavin's Lancer was sold on Gavin's death and ran in a few Rallies before having a major blow up and was rebuilt with a New block which I'm pretty sure does not have an Engine No.*

*I still have the Youl engine and somewhere many newspaper cuttings and racing mags talking about the Lancer passing the Repco Holden at Longford at well over 100 mph.....Good Memories."*

*Best Regards*

*James*



Gavin Youl with his Lancer & the Altitude Record setting DH Chipmunk.



The MGA Twin Cam powered Austin Lancer

Further interesting reading on the Youl brothers exploits can be found here:  
<https://forums.autosport.com/topic/107867-gavin-youl/>

### **Members MGA's No 6:**

#### **Col & Cathie Cleavers 1962 MGA 1600MkII Coupe**

A bit of self-indulgence this month folks, (due mainly to the lack of promised articles forthcoming from “*you*”). Our much loved MGA Coupe.

The car was purchased via Bob Bazzica in SA on 14<sup>th</sup> May 1990 - an ex Californian, stalled restoration project. The last US registered owners being Mr. & Mrs. O. Stankov of Bellflower Ca.

Chassis Number: GHDL 2 / 105853

Engine Number: 16GC-U-5759

Colour (original): OEW

Body No: B37126

It was one of 521 MGA 1600MkII Coupes built of which 182 went to North America.

This little MG has given us hours of fun & helped to introduce us to many fantastic people as well as providing us with an occasion of ‘some’ stress when its gearbox ‘ceased to function’ on the side of an Austrian mountain. But we could write a complete newsletter on that occasion.



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### **Concours Results**

**MGCC National Meeting Concours Outright** : 1993 Adelaide. 1995 Perth

**MGCC National Meeting Concours Class** : 2005 Maitland. 2016 Perth

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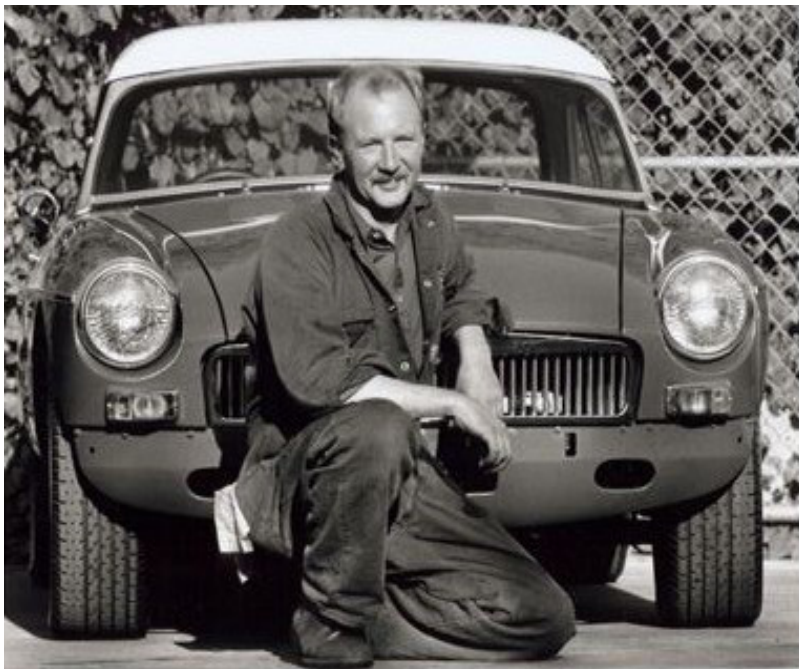
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## Club Social Events

*Events in red do not attract Club Points*

(More details can be found in the Sub Centre Notes)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Meet At....</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	SSC Christmas BBQ	Civic Club	Bob Leeson
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	NW Christmas Dinner Meeting	Bass & Flinders, Ulverstone	Terry Jeffrey
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	NSC & NW Christmas Party Deloraine	TBA	Andrew Merry
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	NSC Coffee Run	VCCT Clubrooms	Frank Brooks
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Classics on the Beach	Sandy Bay	Bob Leeson
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	NW Twilight Run & Dinner	Bunnings Carpark	Andrew Midgley
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	"A" Register Gathering State	See notice elsewhere in the magazine	
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	South East Rally	See notice elsewhere in the magazine	
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Carrick House BBQ NSC	VCCA Clubrooms	Chester McCaige
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	NSC Coffee Run	VCCT Clubrooms	John Biggelaar
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	John James Mystery Run	VCCT Clubrooms	John James
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	NSC Twilight Run and Dinner		Richard Jones
March 6/7/8 <sup>th</sup>	Longford Motorama	TBA	TBA
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Deloraine Motor Show	TBA	TBA

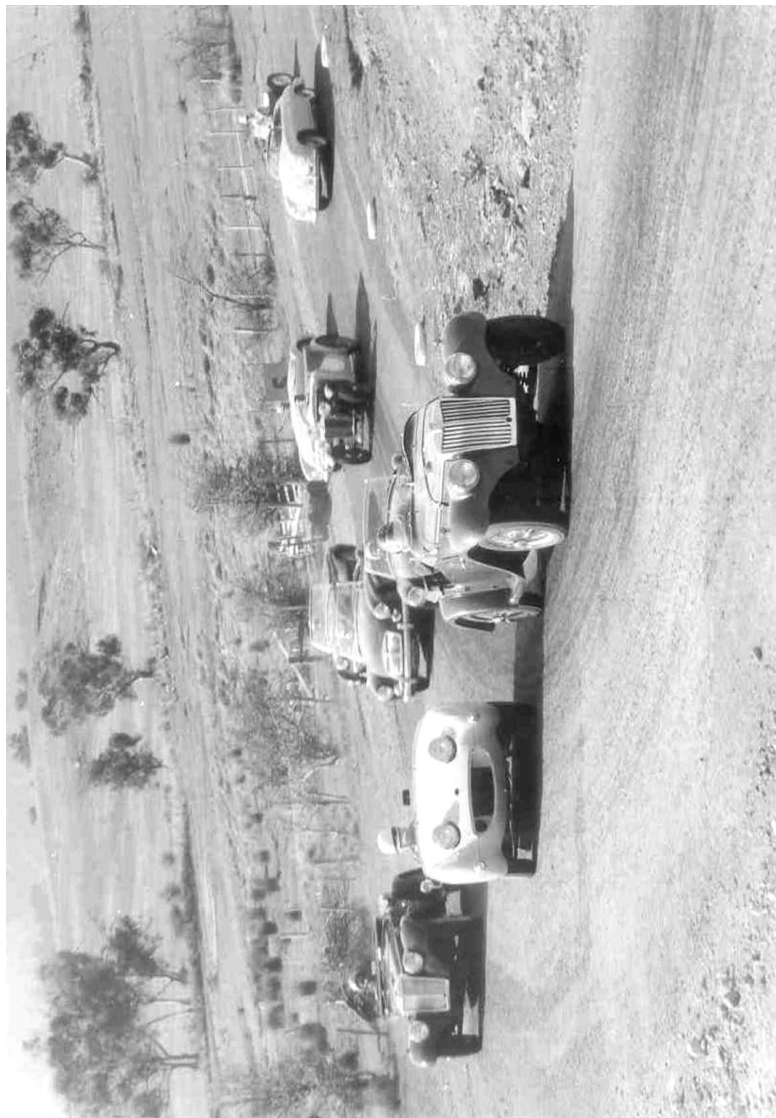
## Club and State Competition Events

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Meet At....</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Hillclimb	Highclere	NWCC
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Khanacross	Powarana	MSCT
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Khanacross (Twilight)	Andersons Block	NWCC
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Summer Series Khanacross – Rnd 3	Baskerville	500CC
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Motorkhana	Bothwell	Club Captain
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	CAMS Tasmania Awards Dinner	Launceston	CAMS
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Maxies Motorkhana	Greens Beach	Club Captain
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Tas Hillclimb Series – Rnd 1	Highclere	NWCC
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Summer Series Khanacross – Rnd 4	Baskerville	500CC
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Tas Circuit Racing Championships – Rnd 1	Baskerville	HSCC

# Square Rigger Notes

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

Continuing the historic theme till the year accelerates, this photo from 'Humphrey' Roberts' files taken at a Baskerville Club Day Laps and Hill Climb 7<sup>th</sup> October 1961. This promotional assembly and other similar shots around the circuit will be familiar to many, here for posterity a view of the participants. There were around 30 entered on the day.



Leading the group is Brian Roberts TF 1250 on this occasion naturally aspirated putting him in Class C. Flanking in the front row Don Rust Mk I Sprite and Allan Buddle TF 1500. Next row of three: Peter Ellis MGA 1600, Brian Hey MGA 1500 and Keith Roberts Mk I Sprite. Further on Steve Foster in his quick TC, Charlie Button MGA, Roger Lockett Porsche 1600 Spider and well obscured Chris Tapping piloting the diminutive 'Demon' Ford 10 Special.

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