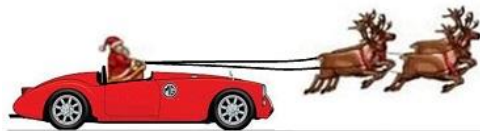


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High Tea for the ladies at Yacht Club Fifty five



The silverware distribution at the Riverside Golf club



The Sunday after breakfast run to Woolmers Estate for the Rose garden display

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Missing Safety Vests

Garry Rusden reports that several safety vests are missing in action. If anyone knows of the whereabouts of any of these vests, can they please arrange their return as they are required for club events.

For further information please contact Garry on 0362736520

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Cover Story

The annual State Meeting, Concours and Dinner Weekend, was this year a Northern hosted event, delivered in an relaxed friendly manner that usually indicates a dedicated efficient and hard working organising committee and support team.

The Concours at Royal Park was well attended with a good exhibition of classes, categories of sports cars and others. Congratulations to Robin Wilmot the overall winner, considering the other contenders this is a good outcome. The number, condition and diversity of cars present for display is also pleasing to the casual observer. Thankfully the weather gods were kind, with all present able to appreciate the vista of the Cataract Gorge at its best.

The High Tea at the *Yacht Club Fifty Five* for the ladies during the concours was a successful gathering and diversion, enjoyed by those ladies taking part.

The annual meeting was well attended, with the earlier commencement appreciated by most, if not all. Congratulations to the new and re elected office bearers for the ensuing year.

The annual dinner at the Riverside Golf Club was a lively well attended get together, with the distribution of silverware be being awarded in a rather less than across the board manner but obviously and no doubt well deserved, congratulations to all recipients (listed below).

Sunday started with a BBQ breakfast at the Launceston Tailrace Reserve, judging by the attendance the annual dinner was not unduly late affair? On completion of the morning repast, farewells being offered the Northern and those that wanted too, departed for the Woolmers Estate Rose Garden Event for a display of MG's, with the Southern and North Western members heading in those directions.

Thank you must be said to all those taking part in the weekend's activities, travelling from the Southern and North West regions making the event worthwhile, with special appreciation to the organisers of the overall event and those tasked with the individual activities.

This should cover any gaps not mentioned in the following articles.

Photo's forwarded by Rebecca Ramage <rlrphotographer@gmail.com> , Geraldine Biggelaar and J Frost with addition information by Bronwyn Zuber

CONCOURS WINNERS

Class 1 Square Rigger

Peter Thorne – 1954 MGTF

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Class 2	MGA/MGA Coupe/MGA Twin Cam	Col Cleaver – MGA Twin Cam
Class 3	MGB/MGC/MGB V8/GT's	Peter Scott – MGB GT
Class 4	MGB/MGC Roadsters Mk 1 Mk 2	Ronnie Thomas – MGB
Class 5	MGB Roadsters BL and Later	Greg Bannon – BL Roadster
Class 6	MG Midgets	No Entries
Class 7	MG Saloons (Post MGY)	Bronwyn Zuber – MG 1100

Class 8	MG Specials (incl. any non-factory V8)	John Hartley
		Richard Ashley-Davis
		Peter Richardson
		Phillip Tilley
Class 9	MGF/MGTF/RV8	Mark Dilger – MG F
Class 10	Non-Marque Sports Car (incl. Sprites)	Bill Daly Shane Manley
Class 11	Limited Prod. Non-Marque Sports Car and Open Racing cars)	Michael Sullivan
Class 12	Post 1980 MG Saloons	Robin Wilmot Terry Sansom
Craig Gillespie Memorial Trophy – Members Choice		

		Col Cleaver – MGA Black Twin Cam
		Peter Thorne – Red MG TF
		Terry Jeffries – MG TC
David Cooper – Best MG in Concours		Robin Wilmot
Stroud Trophy – Outright Concours Winner		Robin Wilmot

GENERAL TROPHIES

WH Allison North-West Clubman	Winner: <i>WAYNE JESSUP</i>
VIP Menswear Northern Clubman	Winner: <i>BRUCE KEOGH</i>
Robyn n David Wells Southern Clubman	Winner: <i>SHANE MANLEY</i>
CC Bloomfield 1 st Year Clubman	Winner: <i>JEANETTE LINNELL</i>
Craig Twining Junior Trophy	Winner: <i>CAMERON HOWIE</i>
D B Roberts Square Rigger	Winner: <i>JOHN JAMES</i>
Nick Lockyer Memorial Trophy	Winner: <i>PHILLIP TILLEY</i>
D R (Herby) Burgess Perpetual Trophy (Motorkhana)	Winner: <i>ROBIN WILMOT</i>
Rick Jones Memorial Trophy	Winner: <i>ROBIN WILMOT</i>
Bob Moore Perpetual Hillclimb Trophy	Winner: <i>DON FRASER</i>
Russell Reynolds Official's Trophy	Winner: <i>GARRY RUSDEN</i>
Judy Rowbottom Memorial Trophy – Ladies	Winner: <i>JANET SUTCLIFFE / LORETTA SUTCLIFFE</i>
Barry Harbottle Perpetual Trophy	Winner: <i>ROBIN WILMOT</i>
John Waterer Perpetual Trophy	Winner: <i>DUNCAN BEARUP / SHANE MANLEY</i>
Arthur "String" Twining Memorial Trophy "Clubman of the Year"	Winner: <i>ROBIN WILMOT</i>

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The MG Car Club of Tasmania held its first National Meeting in 1975. While I was not a member of the club at that time I did travel to Symmons Plains to view the variety of cars entered, one memory of this that of the Western Australians as all had a yellow strips across the top of their windscreens proudly displaying the State they were from.

One car in particular stood out and that was a stunning Black MGA MKII and for some reason I still remember the owners name, it was Andy Fairweather. But there was another MGA there from WA, was a red Twin Cam belonging to Colin Cleaver, Colin had entered it in the Concours and Jim Brown was the Judge for the class on the day, moving forward some forty plus and Colin and Cathy now live in Tasmania and at a recent Concours entered a stunning Black MGA Twin Cam, the very same car they had in Tassy in 1976 and who was the car to be judged by once again but “Jim Brown”.



Colin Cleaver and Jim Brown with Colin's MGA Twin Cam



MGA's at the 1976 National Meeting

Greg Bannon.

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State Committee

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Committee Meeting Details		First Monday of the Month Ross Meeting Room, Ross, 7:30 pm	

Membership Report

No joining members this month



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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	1986
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
Craig Twining	2014	Phillip Tilley	2017

MGCCT Facebook Page

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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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NATIONAL MEETING 2018

Venues

Ulverstone Sports Stadium

- Registrations
- Scrutineering
- Noggin & Natter
- Theme Night (Kimber House Garden Party)
- Start of Navigational Run
- Start of Kimber Run
- Delegates Meeting

Pier 01

- Breakfast Tuesday Morning

Anzac Park

- Concourse

Oonah Road

- Hill Climb (to be run by the NW Car Club)

Penguin Sports Centre

Penguin District High School

- Motor Kana

All venues including catering & music are booked & ready to go.

For those interested there will be a hill climb at Oona road on the second of December entries are open via the NW Car club Web Site & another hill climb early in the new year, there will also be a Motor Kana closed to club to trial the Motor Kana tests this is in the middle of January so for all those planning on entering the competition side there is every opportunity for a trial run.

Craig Large is currently updating our National meeting web site with details of our Nat Meet Regalia & order form.

Web site registrations opened on the 1st of December 2017 & entries are rolling in

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| • Social Early Bird | \$370.00 |
| • Competition Regular | \$460.00 |
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| • Junior Social 5-11years | \$250.00 |
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President's Report

The roar of R spec tyres, the rattle of blue stone rocks off the inside of the mudguards, the hollow sucking of the Weber carburettor and the howl of the straight cut gearbox, it's great to have the MGB back on the road, and that was just driving it to the annual meeting and concourse.

What a weekend, it reminded me of just how lucky we are, lucky to have volunteers like John Biggelaar and his band of concourse judges, those who organised marquees, judging sheets, banners and those who overcame a myriad of council regulations to get us on site. Geraldine Biggelaar for the ladies high tea (yes high tea at and MG event) at the Tamar Yacht Club that I'm told was enjoyed by all attendees, what a great idea.

Mike Paine and team for the hours that went into blending the presentation dinner dance night and breakfast at the tailrace into one smooth happening, thank you all. Now if whoever was in charge of the weather can provide the same conditions for the giant event coming up, that would very much appreciated.

The National Meeting of the MG Car Clubs of Australia is coming here at Easter. For those members who have attended one previously you have an idea of the work now being done by the organising committee, for those of you who haven't, boy are you in for a great time, hundreds of MGs to ogle, hundreds of new friends to make and lots of social, competition and touring events to wet any MG enthusiasts appetite.

The brave band of organisers is going to need our help.

As a small state and even smaller sub centre, the North Westerners will need us all to pull together, putting aside any parochialism and factionalism to prove to our interstate and overseas visitors that MGCCT can get the job done.

That means registering early and volunteering early so that at least our own members are organised and don't miss out.

A big thanks to those members who have volunteered for your new state committee, it's a good, experienced team with a big year ahead.

I hope we can help provide the foundation to keep your club strong and active.

My wife says I have finally recovered from my personal surprise at the presentation dinner, very unexpected and very humbling from one who always considered himself to cheeky and mischievous for such honours, thank you.

Sophie and I would like to wish you all a happy and safe Christmas and look forward to meeting new members and old during 2018.

Have a great new MG year.
Phillip Tilley

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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

31st October – Annual Area meeting. This meeting resulted in no change to our Southern Sub-Centre committee.

11th November – Overnight stay at Mt Lloyd. As usual, the shenanigans started at the Civic Club when Bob lost the key to the Civic Club, but I won't talk about that!

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First stop for the 6 intrepid travelers was the Patchwork Café in Willow Court, New Norfolk, where Phil was waiting for us! I ordered a scallop pie only to be told they had run out (I had been briefly delayed collecting the key) so I ordered a beef one instead. When I got to the table I noticed 3 scallop pies, so my comrades were to blame for their dearth! After a nice feed and the usual merriment we headed off to our destination.



The drive to Mt Lloyd was very pleasant in brilliant sunshine with green meadows and forested areas causing memories to flood back of times gone by. After our contingent of 7 had claimed their lodgings we settled in on a peaceful afternoon with a few sherbets, nice conversation and some nostalgic music in the background. Wayne arrived about 5pm and he, Gurk, Shane and Bob set about collecting our wood for the campfire. Phil, Shane and Bob decided a 5 hole round of golf was in order while the others continued to relax. Golf balls bouncing off rocks, lodging between them and narrowly missing the assembled cars and the dam made the game interesting. Phil left early and Wayne arrived about 5 pm.



It was time to light the campfire and in accordance with last year's threat to light a fire with one match and no paper I was up to the challenge. To prove the match was genuine I had Greg light one beforehand. I collected the required ingredients and being quietly confident, I struck the match and applied it to the kindling. A twig caught fire then a second before the match burned out. A gust of wind arrived at the perfect time and the kindling flared and the fire burst into life. Unbeknown to me a conspiracy had transpired

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and Shane had licked the match that Greg had supplied so it was a win against dastardly odds!

Next up was a few games of darts with Bob Shane and Wayne while the others continued to enjoy a beautiful afternoon in the ambience of God's own country. Nothing really to report on the darts as we were all pretty woeful. With Shane and I stoking up the campfire with enough wood to last till morning, including one log that took both of us to lift into the pit, it was time for dinner and for our guests to reveal their choices. Naturally Herby and Bruce competed for the steak of the day. Herby won by a street with his 1 kg side of beef that took 25 minutes to cook. Wayne produced a bottle of port to complete a great meal.



We adjourned outside where the campfire was burning brightly and the contingent continued enjoying a convivial chat over a few wines, beer and port with roasted marshmallows thrown in. We were then treated to a spectacle that nature can only provide in such a location. With no lights, a moonless night and a perfectly clear sky, from dusk onwards the familiar stars began to appear with the Southern Cross, Orion, the Iron Pot and the Saucepan, to name a few, prominent along with a few nebulae in the Milky Way. This continued till the whole sky was full with millions of stars around 10 pm.

About that time, Wayne, Herby, Shane and Bob indulged in the traditional game of Euchre. Herby and Shane were up against formidable opponents in Wayne and Bob and were resoundingly pantsed 4 games to nil. Shane was found wanting trying to bluff against such a class outfit! Herby is looking for a worthy partner next year.



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Most of us, except Wayne and Herby who could have slept through a tornado, were woken at 6 am because Greg thought it was time for a coffee, so I started cooking breakfast at 7.40 with traditional, sausages, eggs, bacon, tomatoes, mushrooms and onion ably assisted by Wayne.

After fulfilling the only rule – “leave it as you found it” we packed up and 5 of us proceeded to the Glen Derwent in New Norfolk where our hosts Rob and Liz Virtue (previous MG Car Club members) treated us to lovely Devonshire teas in brilliant sunshine on the shores of the Derwent River. Many thanks to all those who helped with the tasks and made this such an enjoyable event.

COMING EVENTS:

3rd December - 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 296006

12th December – Christmas BBQ at the Civic Club. Activities will commence at 6.00pm. Cooking by our renowned chefs. Lucky door prizes. \$10.00/head.

For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0362 391341

13th December - 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. This is the last run for the year.

For further information please contact Wayne Goninon: 0408 388 881

14th January – Poker Run, Dru Point. This is a BYO picnic. We will be leaving the Civic Club at 10.00am MG Time and travel to Cygnet where we will partake of coffee. Hut 4 at Dru Point, Margate has been booked from 1.00pm till 4.00pm. A card will be dealt at each of the 5 Poker Stops which will be advised on the day. Cost is \$2.00 per car and a gold coin donation to cover Hut 4 hire cost.

For further information please contact Lyn Cengia: 0409044787

20th January – South East Rally. This Annual event is organized by the Post Vintage Car Club and departs from the Wrest Point Car Park. Not to be missed. Entry forms are available at postvintage.org.au.

For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296006

4th February – Snug Tavern. Further details to follow.

For further information please contact Shane Manley: 0405077570

18th March – My Slice of Pie. “Breakfast with a Difference”. Christine advises that she no longer opens on a Sunday, but will open as a special favour to us if I can guarantee 20

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participants. She is offering her usual scrumptious breakfast for the ridiculous price of \$20.00 per head. We will be departing the Civic Club at 8.15 on the dot to be there by 9.00am. RSVP to Bob Leeson so that I can confirm numbers to Christine please.

For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296006

30th March-3rd April – National Meeting. This year it is Tasmania's turn to hold this prestigious event. Preparations are well underway on "The Cradle Coast" in the North West of the State.

For further information please contact Don Fraser, Chairman of the organizing committee

26th April – One Care, Barossa Park visit. We need a good display of cars from 10.30 am for a couple of hours.

For further information please contact Garry Rusden: 0428523592

Bob Leeson

Wayne Goninon Midweek run



"This month's drive culminated in a very pleasant lunch at the Lauderdale Tavern, having wound its way over the Tasman Bridge, onto the East Derwent Highway, along the famed Grass Tree Hill Road (a favourite Targa stage), into Richmond Road, and through Seven Mile Beach and Acton. The cars - Porsches, MGs, MX5s, an Austin Healey, a Fiat, a Mercedes and a Rolls Royce - were a magnificent sight and attracted a few admirers when they parked in the tavern's car park.

Please enjoy the following photos. If any of the participants would like a copy of the images of their cars, please leave a comment at the bottom of this 'blog. Also feel free to browse the rest of the UMPH site; you never know what other interesting classic vehicles you might find."

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Wayne (white MGA)
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Editors notes

Another year about to unfold in way of this one, the committee was “wished All the Best and Seasons Greetings” so it seems only reasonable the membership receives the same.

Some housekeeping, please have your MGCC annual membership dues up to date as soon as possible, if not already taken care of, those with VC registration in particular!

Looks like another year of activities ahead, with the very well patronized weekly, mid or weekend “runs” being enjoyed by all participants and enthusiastically planned by the area committee’s set to continue, with of course the MG National Meeting to be held in March of the coming year, no doubt some of the North Islanders will be down for a bash at reclaiming the silverware.

All the Best, Season’s Greetings and enjoy the MG’s

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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	

Past Events:

Midweek meal November 8. Wes arranged the evening at Silks restaurant, Luxbet Racing Centre Mowbray for us. We met at the Motor Museum, 21 of us led by Jenny drove to the racecourse at Mowbray and parked our lovely cars on the ledger under lights overlooking the racetrack. What a lovely evening with a differencewe were honorary members for the night, a complimentary wine and two course meal while watching the horse racing under lights, with many of us placing bets.....there more losers than winners! Some of us had never been to a horse race ,so a big thank you to Wes.

Robyn Keogh.

Coffee run November 24. Bruce led 15 of us on a lovely run beside the Tamar River to Rosevears Hotel. Over coffee and biscuits there was much chatter as usualwhat a lovely way to finish our last Friday run/ walk for 2017!

Robyn Keogh.

Coming Events:

Sun 10th Dec. Combined North West & North Christmas party. Meet at Car Museum 10.00 am and travel to Westbury for coffee and on to Deloraine to meet the North Westerners. Father Xmas will be calling in so don't forget to bring presents, male and female with a maximum value of \$5.00.

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Wed 13th Dec, Midweek Run, 6.00pm Car Museum, RSVP Phil Paine 0419 261 483

Thurs 14th Dec, Thirsty Thursday Forth Pub with NWC members 7.00pm

Sun 14th Jan. East Coast Run. 9.00am Car Museum, Travel to Conara to Esk highway to Fingal for morning tea at “Bean There” with toilets etc. This event has changed to now include a fully catered for BBQ lunch at Bill Daly’s home in St Helens including sandwiches and snacks, hamburgers, sausages, salads, bread and rolls, cordials and coffee as required all for the very reasonable cost of \$12.00 per person. RSVP Ian Saunders 0400 185 726

Sat 20th Jan. Practice motor motorkhana for Nat meet at Penguin. Return to Chester’s.

Sat 20th Jan, Social event at Chester’s. Car Museum 5.00pm BYO BBQ/ Food/ Drinks
RSVP Chester McKaigh 0407 113 516

Fri 2nd Feb, Coffee run to Paper Beach, 9.30am Car Museum, RSVP Phil Paine 0419 261 483

Sun 11th Feb. Maxies Motorkhana, Exeter

Wed 14th Feb, St Georges Square dining followed by coffee with John & Jill James.

Sat 24th Feb, Run to Evandale Penny Farthings, 9.00 am Car Museum.

Wed 14th Mar, Mid week run, TBA Mark Dilger.

Sun 18th Mar, Lunch run, TBA Bruce Keogh.

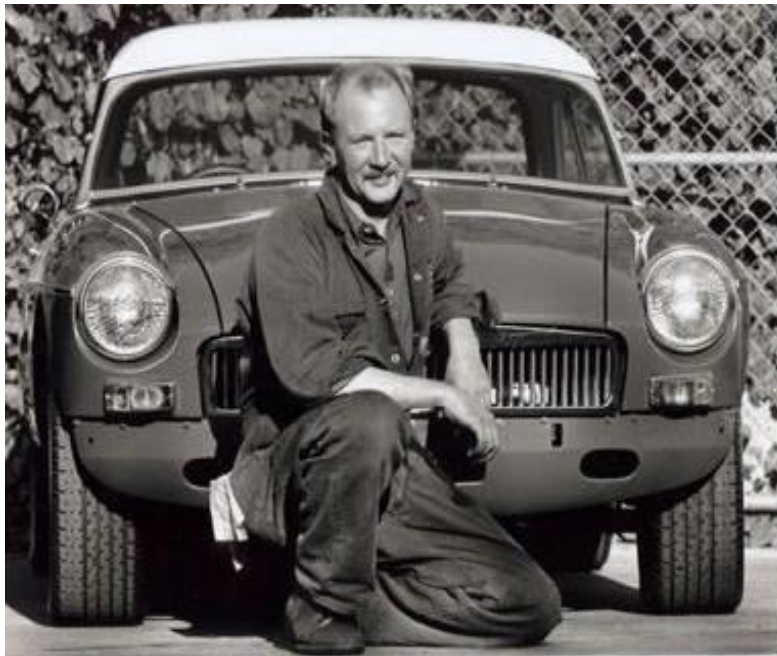
Fri 30th Mar – 3rd April, National Meet at Ulverstone.

Sun 4th Nov 2018. MX5 Symmons Plains track day.

Andrew NSC MGCC Secretary



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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 NW group is a bit short on numbers on the ground this month:

John, Dawn, Max and Margaret are touring around Victoria,

Wayne, Ruth, Sue-Anne and myself are about to fly out to Hawaii for a couple of weeks.

Margaret Bannon is in sunny Queensland

We did have a reasonable roll up at our last thirsty Thursday at the Forth pub, which was good because we had to get organised for all those Xmas parties.

Sunday 10th December is our NSC Xmas get together, this year will be at the Deloraine Riverbank Reserve. NW members will meet at Spreyton Sports centre at 9:30 am for a leisurely drive and morning tea stop in Sheffield before meeting up with our northern counterparts at around 11:30 am. Please see NSC report for more details.

Thursday 14th December is our annual Xmas Dinner night at Forth Pub, this a fixed 2 course meal, cost this year is \$35 per head and we must provide numbers so please contact John and let him if you will be there.

Saturday 16th December is M&M's Xmas party, the usual format for this one, cooking starts about 4pm, drinking is optional but can start at any time, dinner will be served from 6:30pm. Men is \$10 to go toward the meat, ladies are bring a plate, which you should already be aware of what you volunteered. If not please contact Max or Margaret for clarification. Bring a <\$10 novelty gift that starts with M for the boys and G for the girls. This night is always a lot of fun, so hopefully we will see you all there.

Hopefully I have all the details correct, if not, it's Johns fault for hand balling this job to me, when he knows I don't listen.

The concours, AGM and Annual dinner was held in Launceston this year and congratulations must go the NSC team for a wonderful day and night. The venues were perfect, the day was perfect, the company was excellent and the food was excellent.

Congratulations to Peter Scott for winning his 2nd concours trophy, this is becoming a bit of trend Scottie, you are going to have to start taking concours a bit more seriously. I know Peter Richards was a little disappointed to have missed winning his class by the narrowest of margins for his only just completed TC project. It certainly looked a picture next to Terry Jeffrey and Frank Brooks TC's, with the river and Gorge in the background.



The AGM was held with the reports showing the club has had a good year, despite not having a President for the last 6 months, congratulations to Phill and Sophie Tilley for taking on the President's role again, I say Phill and Sophie because they will both tell you that Sophie does all the work behind the scenes. She is the one that answers all the emails and writes the reports, a fantastic example of a true team effort. Either that or Phil just knows his limitations?? Many of the other state committee members took on their roles for another term, so well done to them, but we are down a Club Captain, so hopefully someone will put up their hand to do that job this year.

The Annual Dinner was held at the Riverside Golf Club and this was a terrific spot to have the dinner, I think the final count was 76 attendees. The backdrop out the big glass windows was fantastic as the sun went down over Launceston and the awards began.

Congratulations to:

Wayne Jessup for winning the NW Clubman Trophy

Don Fraser for winning the Hillclimb Trophy

Congratulations must also go the Cameron Howie for winning the Junior Champions Trophy, even though Cameron does live in Launceston, as Don and Susans grandson, we claim him as a Nor-Westerner, no inter-centre rivalry here!!!

Congratulations go out to all trophy winners, whether it is officiating, competing, organising, assisting or just attending, it is everyone's contribution however large or small that makes this club work, and makes for nights like our Annual Dinner that are such memorable events.

The highlight of the night had to be the bestowing of Life Membership on Phill Tilley, the introductory speeches by Andrew Kuzniarski and Jim Brown were terrific and only

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scratched the surface on the contribution Phill has made to our club. A very worthy recipient.

In January I am organising a Put Put golf night at the Devonport Mini Golf course, at this stage I am thinking Sunday afternoon the 28th of January, it will be a lot of fun, so watch out for more details in the January magazine.

Well we are about to jump on a plane, John will be back for next month, everyone please have a very happy and safe Xmas, and keep smiling, it makes people wonder what you are thinking!!

Cheers
Andrew Midgley

A Hill climb day at Oonah Road Highclere, a contingent from the MG Car Club was checking out the event facilities prior the 2018 MG National Meeting speed event. While Greg Bannons MG was the only Marque contender the other MGCC entrants had a good look at the course with the consensus being one of enthusiastic approval, with respectable if not blistering (except maybe for Don) times for day.



Robin Wilmots's MX5 with Greg Bannons MGB

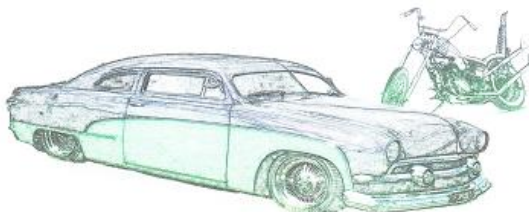


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Bronwyn and Robin have indicated they may attend.

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MG's for (BIG) Boys

Like most teenagers that were interested in cars in the early 60's I was into plastic model car kits and slot cars. Once again like most I started my slot car hobby with a 1/32nd scale Scalextric set bought for either Christmas or birthday. I progressed to 1/24th scale club racing and then onto real cars.

Unlike most I rekindled my slot car hobby when commercial tracks (1/24th but NOT scale) came to the state and renewed old friendships with some of the same guys from the 60's. As the commercial tracks closed we decided to build our own 1/32nd scale tracks routed from timber and now race weekly on up to five tracks.

For the MG enthusiast now has never been a better time to buy slot cars. The detail has improved dramatically and there are various manufacturers, such as Scalextric and Ninco, that do MG slot cars. Various body styles include the Le Mans MG Lola, MG Metro 6R4, MGB (roadster and GT) and the current British Touring Car Championship (BTCC) MG6.

For those like myself, that never really gave up static modelling, there is also a range of resin kits available that include the MGF. These however are basic body kits to which an appropriate chassis, motor, wheels etc. need to be incorporated.

In the picture below we have a collector's edition MGB, a BTCC MG6 (both Scalextric) and a resin MGF that I will build as a copy of our Abingdon. Well almost, ours does not have a hardtop and I cannot risk removing the roof as any rollover when racing would lead to a broken windshield frame!!



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Calendar of Events

Social and Competition Events include co-ordinator details

Events in italics are not Club Points Events

Event	Location	Co-Ordinator	Date
Square Riggers	South	David Taylor	SUN 3 DEC
SSC – Classics on the Beach	Long Beach SB	Bob Leeson	SUN 3 DEC
SSC – Christmas BBQ	Civic Club	Chris Wagstaff	TEU 12 DEC
SSC – Midweek	Rivulet Cafe	Wayne Goninon	WED 13 DEC
NSC - Midweek	Car Musuem	Phil Paine	WED 13 DEC
NSC – Thirsty Thursday	Forth Pub	Bar Prices	THU 14 DEC
SSC – Poker Run	Civic Club	Lyn Cengia	SUN 14 JAN
NSC – East Coast Run	Car Museum	Ian Saunders	SUN 14 JAN
SSC – South East Rally	Wrest Point CP	Bob Leeson	SAT 20 JAN
NSC - Motorkhana	Penguin		SAT 20 JAN
NSC – Social@Chester's	Car Museum	Chester McKaigh	SAT 20 JAN
NSC – Coffee Run	Car Museum	Phil Paine	FRI 2 FEB
SSC – Snug Tavern	TBA	Shane Manley	SUN 4 FEB
NSC – Maxies Motorkhana	Maxies Exeter		SUN 11 FEB
NSC – ST Georges Square		J & J James	WED 14 FEB
NSC – Penny Farthing Evandale	Car Museum	Big Bike	SAT 24 FEB
NSC – Lunch Run	TBA	Mark Dilger	WED 14 MAR
SSC – My Slice of Pie	Civic Club	Bob Leeson	SUN 18 MAR
NSC – Lunch Run	TBA	Bruce Keogh	SUN 18 MAR
MGCC – NAT Meet	North West	Don Fraser	30 MAT- 3 APL
SSC – One Care	Barossa Park	Garry Rusden	THU 26 APL
NSC – MX5 Meet	Symmons Plains		SUN 4 NOV

First aid kits and defibulators have now been made available to each of the three sub-centres. Would the co-ordinators or designated member of each run make sure this equipment is available should it be required during a club run.

SQUARE RIGGERS

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

And there's another year, all but the December MG News and Christmas. The ultimate Square Rigger run from a number of facets, the very convivial group of 15 from around the State turned out to Campbell Town, tour to St Helens and environs, this St Mary's streetscape along the way not to be often seen. And the six TCs of Briggs, Richards, Wallman, Brooks, Jeffrey and Scott with the Three Taylors at full song and providing very regal support with the large Black Bently Beas Beauty. And a great welcome to Chris & Dawn Morris who have very ably organised two previous Square Rigger extended runs. Purely co-incidentally TCs pulled up in the main street at Binalong Bay with a support vehicle of a different variety!



Touring then to The Gardens with the weather holding perfectly for MGs, Priory Vineyard and the concluding dinner, 400 miles plus, and all performing admirably. The cars went very well too! Peter Richards appears ecstatic with the sunshine, a stark contrast to his previous days travel and the memorial macrocarpa sculptures at Legerwood always worth a visit.

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