

MG Monthly Motoring News

January 2022



Written and Published by MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc
PRINT POST APPROVED PUBLICATION No .PP 100002891

Contents:

Contents:.....	1
2021 - The Rise of the MG Opportunist	2
MG Car Club State Committee	5
President's Report.....	6
Life Members	6
Ed Says.....	7
Membership Report.....	7
MGCCT Facebook Page	8
MGCCT Website	8
VC Registrations, Inspections and Renewals.....	8
Motor Sports Chaplain.....	8
Southern Sub Centre Committee	10
Southern Notes	11
107 th Southern Enthusiasts Run	13
MG Motor Self-driving Taxi	17
Northern Sub Centre Committee	21
Northern Notes	22
North West Notes	27
MG Buy and Sell	31
Regalia	34
Square Rigger Notes	35
Club Social Events.....	38
Club and State Competition Events	38

Cover Photo:

Ian Campbell's TC at Concours 2021

**Printed by Impress Print,
10 Wenvoe St, Devonport,
Tasmania, 03 6424 5900**

impressprint
ESTABLISHED 1996

2021 - The Rise of the MG Opportunist

I have written about this issue previously and it seems that the situation is becoming more prevalent – the non-enthusiast opportunists in the MG fraternity. I have a great deal of respect and affection for all things Abingdon MG, that is, up until the Brits shamefully flogged off the revered MG Marque to the Chinese, my essay however, is to do with the carpetbaggers who have just recently discovered the MG, and like most of the millennials, are wanting to change everything, because it doesn't fit with their ill-liberal mindset. These people don't restore, instead, they de-value, by whacking numerous bits of chrome on engines, and they paint over rusty panels and gloat on Facebook, about how clever they are.

The physical process of self-restoring any classic motor car is a very demanding activity, and there is usually an untallied financial price to consider as well. There are no short cuts, and anyone who thinks that a quickie make-over will get past the concourse judges, or earn them some fast bucks will have to live with the consequences for a long time. Maybe not in a financial re-compensation sense, but a moral burden that will never leave. As a prime first hand example of this, I recently had a chap contact me regarding some restored and refurbished MGB car parts. These parts had been collected by me over many years and had become surplus to my restoration activities. My creative sense had prevented me from simply selling off these scruffy but valued parts, so I refurbished them as a value adding exercise, to what I considered a near showroom quality.

The youngish fellow, who contacted me, was into dealing in MGB's – buying up "bargains", tarting them up and reselling for thousands of dollars profit. No judgement from me, as he can do what he likes, but instead of adopting a sincere enthusiasts approach to his venture, he boasted of how much moolah he was making. Never mind the unwary punters, who he sold these cars to, it was just a financial result that mattered. Now, I am all for free enterprise, and good luck to anyone who can turn a dollar, but there appears to be a generation of younger sports car aspirants, who do not understand or

appreciate the history of what MG stands for. Because MGB's particularly, are fairly plentiful and robust, and even better, so easily kept on the road, by dint of their simplicity, they have become a bit of a novelty to the I-Phone and Facebook set, and these ill-informed youngsters, are snapping up cars for previously unseen high prices, in a form of current faddism.

There is a danger in all of this, as what now appears to be a lack of historical correctness and a departure from originality, these cars have been saddled with mismatched components and because of ignorance, the resultant vehicles are losing their individuality of what an MG really represents. As a senior member of the MG fraternity, I am firstly an enthusiast, I am computer literate, I am a keen observer of many things, and secondly, I am into the internet and anything MG etc. I get to see the goings-on of the newer MG cohort, who, use Facebook for their exchange of information and parts, and it disturbs me that my beloved MG marque is treated with enthusiastic ignorance. The volume of mis-information and distortion of facts, urges my rebuttals, but common-sense prevails, so while tempted, I abstain from responding and just leave them to it.

The upshot of all of this, is that there is a generation of MGB owners with cars that are not truly representative of their particular model era, and these younger ones are in total ignorance but are quite happy to accept this. Examples of this are MK1 and MK2 cars fitted with Rubber Bumper and Mazda seats, glaringly incorrect interior fittings, incorrect carbies and air cleaners, Nissan engines and gearboxes, etc. Other molestations are the deletion/additions of fan blades, vacuum braking systems, electrical components, and inappropriate "fuel-saving" devices, etc. There are more and more examples of the later, Rubber Bumper cars being converted to chrome bumper versions (and badly done) and more alarmingly, they are increasingly, and most blatantly misrepresented, in their model years. In the future we will see more and more MGB's prostituted by ignorance, but as restorers like me fade away, I earnestly wish, that at least some of these younger generation, will come to realise, just what that MG badge means.

One of the really more beneficial things that happens in Australia particularly, to stem the flow of ignorance, and to "maintain the breed", is the annual MG

National Meeting event, where beautifully restored cars are judged by enthusiasts and like-minded owners. In the meantime hopefully, older restorers and other enthusiasts like me, can keep the flame of originality alive, by restoring cars that may have been destined for the scrapyard. Originality can be very subjective, and even if one simply restores for hobby or pleasure, one can avoid contributing to the outlandish practises of the Facebook crowd, by sticking to originality as much as possible, without the need of being over-the-top obsessive. How else to avoid our beloved MG's from becoming grotesque street rods or worse, and losing the aura of what that special octagon badge stands for? We as enthusiasts, have to keep on, "Maintaining The Breed" (with courteous reference to the author, the great John Thornley).

- By Maurie Prior – (member of the MG Car Club, Hunter Region)

NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING SERVICES

Mechanical, Structural, Automotive crack testing & condition assessment of all ferrous and non-ferrous materials

Mechanical components are subjected to stresses in service from dynamic and static loading, temperature changes and corrosion resulting in cracking which can remain undetected visually until there is a catastrophic failure. This can be accelerated by exceeding design loads, inadequate maintenance or remaining in service in excess of the lifespan intended by their designers.

The correct NDT method applied according to strict guidelines by a trained and certified technician can detect cracking in metallic structures, welds, castings and forgings before they are large enough for the part to fail in service.

For advice and applications talk to **Chris Blake** to discuss your requirements large and small, I have tested everything from wheel studs to Hydro turbines. Full reporting provided to Australian Standards, I am certified to AS3998/ISO9712 with the Australian Institute of Non-Destructive Testing (CB# 4679) and carry full public liability insurances.

Contact Chris on 0477 862 009 or email: tasndt@gmail.com
for more information go to www.cmbengineeringervices.com.au

C & M Blake Engineering Services

ABN: 81 603 672 000

MG Car Club State Committee

Position	Member (Partner)	Contact Details
President	Bronwyn Zuber	(h) 6273 6797 (m) 0419 569 156 president@mgtas.org.au
Immediate Past President	Mark Dilger (Angela)	(h) 6327 1028 (m) 0408 271 029 past-president@mgtas.org.au
Vice President	Don Fraser (Susan)	(h) 6428 3791 (m) 0418 316 451 vice-president@mgtas.org.au
Secretary	Mark Harrington	(m) 0427 538 412 secretary@mgtas.org.au
Treasurer	Robin Wilmot	(m) 0400 193 579 treasurer@mgtas.org.au
Club Captain	Position Vacant	club-captain@mgtas.org.au
Membership Officer	Wayne Jessup (Ruth)	(h) 6427 9384 (m) 0447 642 793 membership@mgtas.org.au
Editor	Andrew Midgley (Sue-Anne)	(h) 6427 2392 (m) 0458 949 881 editor@mgtas.org.au
General Member	Chris Wagstaff	(m) 0438 055 199 general-south@mgtas.org.au
General Member	Paul Rossetto	(m) 0497 266 076 general-north@mgtas.org.au
Meetings	First Monday of the Month via Zoom at 7:00 pm	
Postal Address	GPO Box 5, Hobart, Tas, 7001	

President's Report

Well Christmas and New Year have come and gone. Hope everyone had good ones.

I personally had a quiet Christmas and New Year. I was in Launceston, where the weather was a bit too hot for me, so I escaped to the beach where it was a lot nicer. Water was quite warm as well for a dip or two.

I have been caught on the hop. Just received a call from our editor as to whether I was going to do a report for this month's magazine, with the deadline asap tonight. Therefore, my report will be short.

Looks like Covid is with us – with some runs cancelled query due to people not wanting to be out in a group. Venues are closing also. Tassie hasn't had to deal with this before, we have been lucky that our borders were closed.

Sub-Centres have runs organised for the future months, and we will just have to wait and see if there are able to go ahead.

Well, that is all off the top of my head.

Keep safe everyone.

Zube

President

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

Ed Says

I hope everyone has had a most enjoyable Xmas and New Year, for some of us it is time to start researching heavy duty springs for the car, may have just enjoyed it a bit too much!!

Our trip to see our new grand-children was way too short, Sue-Anne extended her stay in Canberra as the birth of grand-son no5 ended up 1 week and 3 days overdue. I unfortunately had to come home to do this magazine. In doing so I had to deal with all the new testing for this Covid thing (you may have heard of it!!) I tested negative before I left Canberra, but after flying home on a plane where I was totally reliant on other peoples honesty as to their status, I have to admit I was a little bit nervous for my test on day 3 after my return, but it also came back negative, so a sigh of relief.

For those of you that make New Year resolutions, why not make one to participate in club events more, it sure beats the hell out of giving up drinking or going on a diet.

Cheers Ed.

Membership Report

This month we welcome four new members,

John and Karin Fripp (Southern)

The Fripp's own a MGB also MG CGT

Levi and Maklyn Midgley (Junior's)

Levi and Maklyn are interested in doing Motorkhana's

We hope these people enjoy many club arranged activities.

Wayne Jessup

Membership Officer.

MGCCT Facebook Page

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

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.

Webmaster: Craig Large

(m) 0408 559 252

webmaster@mgtas.org.au

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.

Geoff Dodge, 57 Evisons Road, Sassafras

(h) 6426 7338

(m) 0428 509 627

Motor Sports Chaplain

Should you require the services of the Tasmanian Motor Sports Chaplain, his contact details are:

Adrian Cooper

(m) 0408 395 917

adrian.j.cooper@education.tas.gov.au



MARSHALL

Batteries

Club member discounts

For all your battery needs



Launceston

1 Invermay Rd
63626680

Hobart

7 Warwick St
62315700

Bellerive

96 Clarence St
6244 8377

Southern Sub Centre Committee

Position	Person (Partner)	Contact Details
Chairman	Chris Wagstaff (Vicki)	(h) 6239 1341 (m) 0438 055 199 southern-chairman@mgtas.org.au
Secretary	Mark Harrington	(m) 0427 538 412 mgharrington59@hotmail.com
Treasurer	Robin Wilmot	(w) 0400 193 579 mgbgt68@hn.ozemail.com.au
Committee	Alan Briggs (Trish)	(m) 0475 089 560 alan.trish@optusnet.com.au
	Richard Holtsbaum (Janice)	(h) 6244 5741 (m) 0418 541 230 rollsss11@gmail.com
	Bob Leeson (Dianne)	(h) 6229 6006 (m) 0457 354 645 rle30386@bigpond.net.au
	Shane Manley	(m) 0405 077 570
	Peter Shaw	(m) 0417 641 802 pjshawmga@gmail.com
Southern Sub Centre Meeting	Meet every Tuesday night at 8pm Civic Club, 134 Davey Street, Hobart	
Postal Address	GPO Box 5, Hobart, Tas, 7001	

Southern Notes

PAST EVENTS

7th December – Christmas Barbeque

The Southern Sub-centre wrapped up the year with a Christmas BBQ at the Civic Club. 39 members and partners were treated to an excellent meal from cooks extraordinaire Stephen Huntley, Bob Leeson and Richard Holtsbaum, with the favourite item being the prawns which disappeared as fast as they came off the BBQ. This was followed up by an extravaganza of desserts served up by the ladies who made sure we all left feeling rather full.

Thank you very much to the cooks and to all who provided desserts. Robin Wilmot deserves a special mention for not only organising the BBQ foods for this event, but for doing all the food organisation for events throughout the year.

COMING EVENTS

22nd January – South East Rally

A great fun event hosted by the Post Vintage Car Club of Tasmania. The rally starts from the Wrest Point top level car park. Registrations open at 8am, with a competitors briefing at 9am and cars departing from 9.30am. This is a timed event with competitors aiming to finish with an average speed as close as possible to their nominated speed. Entry forms are available on the PVCC website. Entries close on 10th January. Entrants are also invited to join a classic cars display on Parliament House lawns from 9.30am on 15th January. *For further information please contact Mark Harrington: 0427 538 412.*

30th January – Bothwell Run

Meet at the Civic Club at 10am for a departure at 10.30am. There will be a morning tea stop at the Glen Derwent Tea Rooms in New Norfolk, followed by a run up the Eastern side of the Derwent River to Hamilton, and then across Hollow Tree Rd to the Castle Hotel in Bothwell for lunch. We have open choice of all meals on their lunch menu. We are on sealed roads all the way. *To RSVP or for further information please contact Mark Harrington: 0427 538 412.*

13th February – Sandford BBQ Run

A run to Bruce and Leonie Hills place at Sandford for a lunch time BBQ. Further details will be published in next month's magazine.

To RSVP or for further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0438 055 199.

27th February – Bruny Island Run

A run to the Alonnah Hotel for lunch. We will leave the Civic Club at 8.30am in order to be at Kettering by 9.00am. The cost of the return ferry trip is \$32.50 per vehicle. We aim to cover the whole of the island, with lunch timed for 1pm. A 2 course lunch is \$36/head.

To RSVP or for further information please contact Shane Manley: 0405 077 570.

13th March – My Slice of Pie Breakfast Run

Meet at the Civic Club at 8am. Our breakfast booking is for 9am.

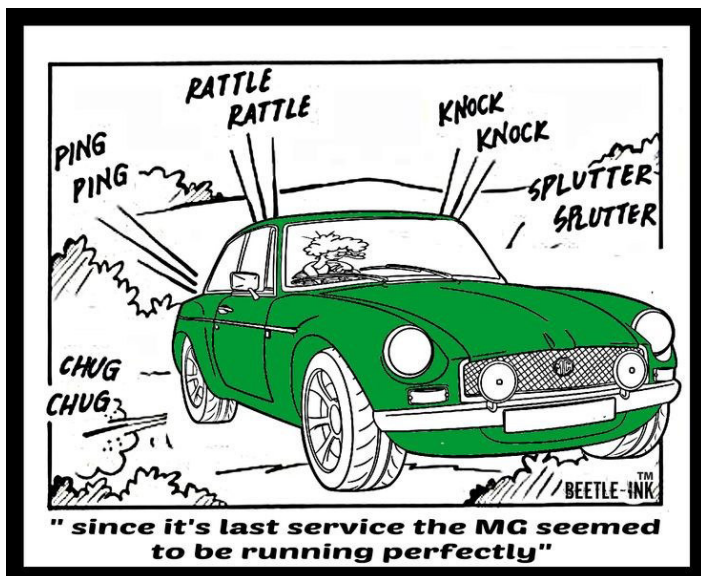
For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0457 354 645.

April – Dover and Hastings Caves Run

A run to Dover for lunch at the RSL Club, with an optional run to Hastings Caves. A date and Further details will be published in next month's magazine.

For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0438 055 199.

Mark Harrington



107th Southern Enthusiasts Run

Belated greetings,

The 107th drive was a déjà vu experience as the drive and destination were the same as the previous December. The menu was different though! The drive was a mixture of windy roads, a hill climb, a highway drive and more windy roads before arriving at the University Club. 30 parking spots were reserved out the front of the building, and others could park anywhere else on campus as the parking attendant was away doing his Christmas shopping. The 88 people in 50 cars all had a convivial, quality lunch with wonderful friendly staff.









Cheers for now,

Wayne (XK 140 DHC)

Phone: 0408 388 881

Email: wayne.goninon@utas.edu.au

MG Motor Self-driving Taxi

MG Motor launches first Level 4 self-driving taxi in Shanghai

- **MG Motor begins operation of first level-4 autonomous taxis in Shanghai**
- **SAIC Mobility seeks to create data-driven ecosystem for urban scenarios**
- **Programme set to roll out 200 units nationwide across China**

Sydney, Australia, 21 December 2021: MG Motor has announced the official operation of the company's first level-four self-driving taxi programme, which is now underway in Shanghai, China.

Rolled out by MG Motor's parent company, SAIC Motor, Robotaxi has employed the resources and knowhow from SAIC Motor Passenger Vehicle Company, SAIC Motor AI Lab, autonomous driving technology company Momena, and its ride-hailing service platform SAIC Mobility to bring this programme to life.

The project is focused on creating a data-driven ecosystem that continually evolves, in an effort to explore the application of level-four self-driving technology in urban mobility scenarios.

While the first 20 Robotaxi vehicles - which can be hailed on the SAIC Mobility app - were launched in Shanghai Jiading district, the Robotaxi Discovery Center also opened in the district on the same day, allowing local consumers the opportunity to experience this technology for themselves.

Robotaxi is set to have a fleet of 40 vehicles in Shanghai and another 20 will operate in Jiangsu Suzhou this year. In 2022, Robotaxi will have a fleet in Guangdong Shenzhen, with a total of 200 vehicles in operation nationwide.

In addition to this, SAIC Motor AI Lab has cooperated with Momena to provide intelligent driving solutions to Robotaxi. The platform offers powerful computing power with 600 trillion operations per second. Its "vision + radar" solution can independently complete 3D perception and data-driven fusion to ensure multiple and high-level redundancies in the system.

Based on SAIC Motor's cloud platform Fin-Shine and Momena Framework, Robotaxi has established a whole-process data-driven algorithm and efficient closed loop automation tool chain.

On the premise that data and cyber security is ensured, data transmission and technological convergence concerning intelligent driving between Robotaxi and mass-produced vehicles are available, which offers mass data for L4 self-driving to boost the rapid iteration of intelligent driving technology.

Vehicle manufacturing and self-driving safety embody Robotaxi's hardware strengths in safety. As Robotaxi's first model put into operation, Marvel R boasts high-strength steel that accounts for 74 percent of its body structure, as well as reliable hardware safety protection.

In terms of intelligent driving, Robotaxi and mass-produced vehicles share data and technology flow based on Momenta's unique Flywheel technological insight, using "100 billion km of test data" to solve major problems in intelligent driving.

Robotaxi employs the iEPS redundant-wire control chassis independently developed by SAIC Motor's subsidiary DIAS to improve vehicle handling accuracy and improve its safety level with dual-channel redundant backups.

SAIC Motor AI Lab has built an intelligent driving data monitoring platform to create a complete vehicle-to-cloud closed data loop. This means the platform can master the real-time operational conditions of each Robotaxi vehicle's intelligent driving system.

Operation services and network data security embody Robotaxi's software strengths in security. Benefiting from SAIC Mobility's rich service experience, Robotaxi's security supervisors have undergone strict selection and professional training to ensure driving safety for the users.

Data encryption, desensitisation and other measures have been adopted to ensure the security of personal information, including facial recognition information and mobility data.

As China's first ride-hailing service platform to earn ISO27001 certification of its information security management system and ISO27701 certification of its privacy information management system, SAIC Mobility has created a complete network information security assurance system for Robotaxi to efficiently defend against cyber-attacks and ensure the security of users' private information.

GENERATIONS OF STYLE



MG3^{AUTO} Core
\$17,990
from **DRIVEAWAY**



MG3^{AUTO} Excite
\$19,490
from **DRIVEAWAY**



buckbymotors
www.buckbymotors.com.au



Buckby MG | 36 Margaret Street, Launceston | Ph 03 6337 5001 | Value since 1924

buckbymg.com.au

*\$17,990 is the drive away price for the MY21 MG3 Core (no added options) as shown. ~\$19,490 is the drive away price for the MY21 MG3 Excite (no added options) as shown. *~Offers available at participating MG Dealers for new stock vehicles only, purchased and delivered between 01 September and 31 October 2021, unless extended by MG. While stock lasts. Offers not available to fleet, government or rental buyers, or with any other offers. ^!Warranty & roadside T&Cs and exclusions at www.mgmotor.com.au/warranty.

Northern Sub Centre Committee

Position	Member (Partner)	Contact Details
Chairman	Richard Ashley-Jones (Phyllis)	<u>0419 350 811</u> <u>northern-chairman@mgtas.org.au</u>
Secretary	Paul Rossetto	(m) 0497 266 076 <u>paulrossetto@hotmail.com</u>
Treasurer	Peter Harper (Liz)	(m) 0417 597 897 <u>peter.lizharper@gmail.com</u>
	Geraldine Biggelaar (John)	(m) 0400 356 314 <u>gbiggelaar@gmail.com</u>
	Carlo Busato	(m) 0434 927 166 <u>carlobusato@yahoo.com</u>
	Bill Daly (Gill)	(m) 0417 512 484 <u>williamdaly1@bigpond.com</u>
	Mark Dilger (Angella)	(m) 0408 271 029 <u>dilger@bigpond.net.au</u>
	Phil Paine (Dianne)	(m) 0419 261 483 <u>pgpaine@gmail.com</u>
	Robin Phillips (Sherry)	(m) 0409 274 482 <u>robhp@bigpond.com</u>
North West Coordinator	Terry Jeffrey (Colleen)	(m)0417 344 369 <u>northwest-coord@mgtas.org.au</u>
Northern Sub Centre Meeting	Committee meeting and social night: Last Wednesday night of the month at 7.30pm VCCA Rooms 67 Lawrence Vale Rd, Launceston	
Postal Address	PO Box 682, Launceston, Tas, 7250	

Northern Notes

Well we are into the next year of the two little ducks (as they say in bingo) and I'm not sure were the last one went.
Not much in the way of social activity in December except for our combined North West and North Christmas party.









Coffee run December 17th

Our last Friday coffee run for 2021 was very well attended, with 30 members in 18 cars meeting at the Casino car park on a beautiful December morning. We headed out the main highway, turning onto Oaks road, driving to Bracknell. We then headed towards Bishopsbourne but detoured onto Greenrise Rd which took us into Cressy. We then travelled to Longford arriving at JJs for coffee. The only hiccup was the irrigator we encountered at one point...most negotiated the spray successfully, though some didn't quite time it as well as they hoped.

It was a busy morning for the staff at JJs but everyone appeared to have a good time as always.

Phil and Di



Coming Events

Jan Wed 12th: Midweek dinner run. P. Rossetto 0497266076

Jan Sun 23rd: BBQ get together at McKaige - Carrick. BYO Food and drinks from 5.00pm.

Jan TUESDAY 25TH NSC Meeting 7:30pm **N.B. TUESDAY!!**

Jan Fri 28th Coffee Run J.Biggelaar 0408125199

Feb Wed 9th: Midweek dinner run, M. Dilger

Feb Sun 13th: Run to the Hoo Hoo hut. J James.

Feb Wed 23rd: NSC Meeting 7:30pm

Feb Fri 25th: Coffee run to Andie's Bakery, Westbury ..now refurbished. J Biggelaar 0408125199

Mar Wed 9th : Midweek Dinner. R. Ashley-Jones

Mar Sun 13th: Run to Bridport. P. Paine

Mar Fri 25th: Coffee run Mark Dilger.

Mar Wed 30th: NSC meeting 7:30pm

April 15th to 19th 2022: Nat meeting Newcastle.

Remember the next meeting will be:

NOTE: January NSC Meeting Tuesday 25TH 7:30pm.

Cheers

Mark Dilger

Northern Notes coordinator

North West Notes

Position	Member (Partner)	Contact Details
North West Coordinator	Terry Jeffrey (Colleen)	(m)0417 344 369 northwest-coord@mgtas.org.au
North West	Meets Second Thursday night of the month: 6.00pm for meal and social evening. Bass & Flinders Motel, Ulverstone	

Past Events

December Dinner Meeting – Thursday 9th Dec – 22 Members enjoyed a Christmas menu at Bass & Flinders Motor Inn. Mrs Santa and her helper visited and members received a gift from her Christmas sack. Members then moved onto Margaret and Max Woods for a Christmas night cap.

The combined Christmas Picnic/B'bque with the Northern MG Car Club was held on Sunday 12th December. 11 members from the NW made the journey leaving Bunnings car park at 9.30 am and stopping at Sheffield for morning tea. The Frasers mapped out the route for us to Huntman's Lake picnic ground. A relaxing afternoon was enjoyed in each other's company sampling the picnic lunch and refreshments each provided. Mrs Clause and her helper paid a visit and members received a gift from her Christmas sack.

Up Coming Events

January Dinner Meeting – Thursday 13th Jan 2022. Dinner at the Vault Restaurant, Wynyard at 7 pm A twilight run organised by Andrew Midgley. This is always a great outing, enjoying our MG (with the hood down) on a Tasmanian summers evening. Meet at Bunnings car park for departure at 6pm sharp for our journey to Wynyard. Members beyond Devonport can arrange a pick up at Ulverstone on way. Please RSVP to Andrew or myself if attending by **Monday 10th January.**

February – Saturday/Sunday 12 and 13th - Run to Smithton – Stanley and surrounds staying overnight – Saturday at the Tall Timbers, Smithton.

At the December meeting members showed interest in staying overnight at the Tall Timbers for our trip to Stanley.

We have therefore pre booked accommodation at the Tall Timbers at this stage for 20 persons – 10 rooms. We can go over 10 rooms but it will depend if the rooms are still available at time of booking. As at 3 January, 30 rooms were available for the Saturday night of the 12th Feb and I pre booked 10. The original date, being the first weekend in February 5th is unfortunately not available at Tall Timbers nor is the weekend of the 19th, hence I have booked Sat 12th Feb.

16, 8 couples showed interest at the December meeting. If you wish to join us, please **book direct to Tall Timbers 1800 628 476 as soon as possible**. Bookings are very heavy for Feb and the booking holding of 10 rooms for the MG Club will only be held for a short time.

We have pre booked what only is available at this date - i.e. – Standard Rooms consisting of King/Queen/ or Single shared - for a *corporate price of \$150/per room* from \$170.00 standard price. Lake cabins had all been booked. When you book indicate you are part of the MG Car Club. Also notify me you have booked and will be joining us for the weekend.

Dinner has been booked for Saturday evening at Tall Timbers for 7.30 pm.

We will leave Bunnings car park at 9.00 am – further details of the two days activities will be advised later as well as being detailed in the February magazine.



TJ'S humour for the month of January



The Senior Driver

As a senior citizen was driving down the freeway, his car phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him, "Herman, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on route 280. Please be careful!" "Hell," said Herman, "It's not just one car. It's hundreds of them!"

Trust all members have had a relaxing, enjoyable festive season with their love ones.

We look forward to coming together again in 2022 for more enjoyable outings with our MG family.

Terry Jeffrey
NW Co-ordinator



TRUST YOUR MOST PRIZED POSSESSIONS WITH SHANNONS

Shannons have designed Home & Contents Insurance specifically for motoring enthusiasts, including **\$10,000 worth of enthusiast cover**. Plus extra features like a **10% Multi policy discount** when you add a home and/or contents policy to your existing Shannons car or bike policy. You can even pay your premium monthly at no additional cost.

When it comes to insurance for your home, there's only one person you should talk to – a fellow enthusiast at Shannons.

So call Shannons for a 🏍️ 🚗 🏠 quote on **13 46 46**.



SHARE THE PASSION

**INSURANCE FOR MOTORING ENTHUSIASTS
CALL 13 46 46 FOR A QUOTE | SHANNONS.COM.AU**

Shannons Pty Limited ABN 91 099 692 636 is an authorised representative of AAI Limited ABN 48 005 297 807, the product issuer. Read the Product Disclosure Statement before buying this insurance. Contact us for a copy.

MG Buy and Sell

1978 MGB GT fitted 2020 with 3500 Rover V8 and Toyota 5 Speed.

Originally Rubber Bumper now Sebring style.

Built up with heaps of brand new parts and on VC rego.

- All new valve train, JP chain conversion, fast road cam and bushes, lifters, rocker gear and valves. ARP Studs to mains, heads and exhaust.
- Rings and bearings, new front cover with high volume oil pump, remote filter conversion.
- All new ignition including distributor, coil, leads etc.
- New water pump, pulley, big radiator, twin fans and remote header tank.
- New brake master cylinder, 4 pot callipers and ventilated discs.
- New clutch, lightened flywheel with Dellow conversion to Toyota 5 speed. New driveshaft.
- Suspension all good with poly bushes etc.
- “Through the fender” extractors and all new exhaust.
- New 4 barrel carb, manifold and air cleaner, properly set up to fit under standard bonnet.
- High torque starter, new alternator.

Price \$35,000, you could not build one yourself for this price.

Alan Briggs 0475 089 560



1958 Jaguar XK 150 SE Roadster.

Silver with blue leather. Originally New York delivery LHD 3.4 twin carb. Following 1990's Sydney restoration now RHD 3.8 triple carb. ("S" Replica)
This is the very rare and attractive 2 seater roadster with longer bonnet and disappearing hood.

Presents very nicely but you will find minor cosmetic faults.

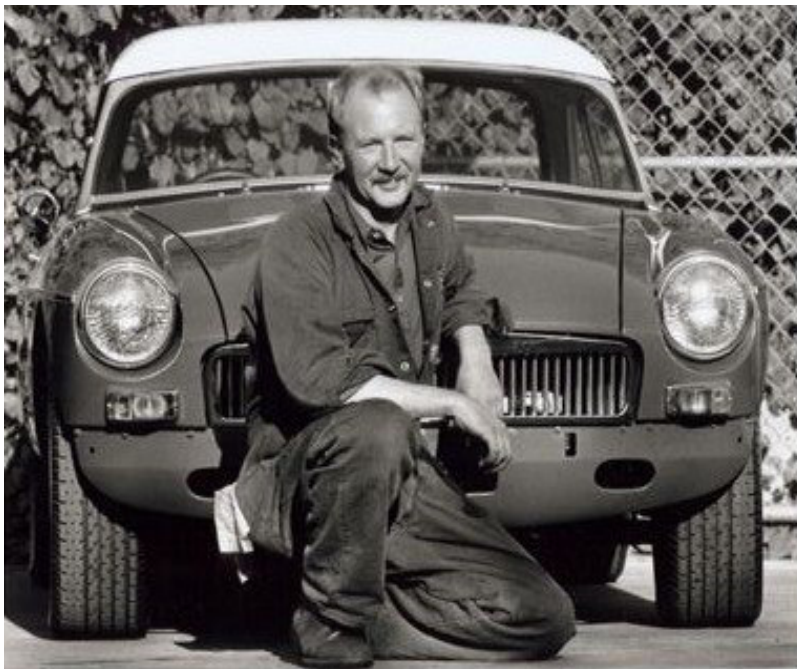
Perfect mechanically, if you want an XK to actually drive and use this is the one.

VC Rego. Price \$150,000 firm.

Alan Briggs 0475 089 560



Love your sports car ??



Think of Shorty when you need:

- * Service**
- * Spare parts**
- * Mechanical repairs**



**DAVID SHORT
AUTOMOTIVE**

320 Elizabeth Street, North Hobart

Telephone: 03 6234 4388

davidshortautomotive@netspace.net.au



Regalia

Stadium Jackets	\$100.00
Navy with white logo	
Long Sleeved Polo	\$65.00
Navy with white logo	
Polo Shirts Ladies	\$55.00
Black with white logo	
Black with red logo,	
Navy with white logo	
Polo Shirts, Men	\$55.00
Black with white logo	
Black with red logo,	
Navy with white logo	
Navy Vests, Ladies and Men	\$95.00
Caps	\$20.00
Pale Blue, Beige, Black	
Safety Fast Cloth Badges	\$5.00
Cloth Badges, Tasmanian Logo	\$10.00
Brown & Gold on White	
Grill Badges	\$30.00
Red & Black/Cream & Green	
Lapel Pins	\$6.00

Contact Andrew Midgley 0458 949 881

Square Rigger Notes

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

Good to see a couple of newish T Types, TF 6239 of Will Boulter entertaining the group travelling to Hobart. The TF, previously Datsun powered, progressing here and through the previous owner to original format. Richard Pringle-Jones has added TC 8060 to his interesting stable photographed also at the Concours.



The Square Rigger Register in recent years has continued following the Concours weekend, here heading to the East Coast for two nights at Bicheno, as you see piloting these firm little MG road holders does create an appetite. More pics from Coles Bay with our TC Guru heading the charge. A very flexible run, some joining along the way, others peeling off as needed.



There is always a Classic Challenge in motoring interests, the presentation of a classic limerick at the ‘formal’ wind-up tour dinner presented unannounced by a long time member quite adept at this sort of thing. So, the first limerick challenge quoted here to set the standard “There was a young Lady from Ryde who ate a green apple and died. The apple fermented inside the lamented and turned into cider inside her inside.” Dig deep all members.



On a slightly different tack an interesting modern MG seen in Devonport, the MG electric vehicle Model ZS EV, understood to be one of five sponsored by Aurora Energy and put into the community to sample. It does ask the question of course who-when-where will produce the first MG Square Rigger EV?



Another pic needing editorial space, our inimitable Editor shown providing his usual strong support to all things MG Car Club at the Concours AGM weekend.

Square Rigger contacts:

Launceston	Frank Brooks Ph 0418 134 262, silverglade@bigpond.com.au
Hobart	Alan Briggs Ph 0475 089 560, alan.trish@optusnet.com.au
NW	Peter Scott Ph 6426 7321, 0418 599 676, petermsscott5@bigpond.com



**MICHAEL
BELLINGER**

- Log Book Servicing
- Exhausts
- Mechanical Repair Services
- Brakes and Clutches
- Custom Made Exhaust Systems
- Vehicle Safety Check
- Catalytic converters
& DPF filters

**Precision Exhaust
and Mechanical**

03 6424 9655



www.precisionexhaust.com.au

42 Don Road DEVONPORT

Club Social Events

Events in red do not attract Club Points

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

Date	Event	Meet At....	Coordinator
12 th Jan	NSC Mid-Week Run		Paul Rossetto
13 th Jan	NW Twilight Run	Bunnings Carpark	Andrew Midgley
23 rd Jan	NSC visit to Chester's	Chester's Carrick	Chester McKaige
<i>28th Jan</i>	<i>NSC Coffee Run</i>		<i>John Biggelaar</i>
30 th Jan	SSC Run to Bothwell	Civic Club	Mark Harrington
<i>6th Feb</i>	<i>Classics on the Beach</i>	<i>Sandy Bay</i>	<i>Bob Leeson</i>
9 th Feb	NSC Mid-Week Run		Mark Dilger
12 th Feb	NW Run to Stanley (Overnight Stay)	Bunnings Carpark	Terry Jeffrey
13 th Feb	NSC Run to Hoo Hoo Hut		John James
13 th Feb	SSC Run to Sandford	Civic Club	Chris Wagstaff
<i>25th Feb</i>	<i>NSC Coffee Run</i>		<i>John Biggelaar</i>
27 th Feb	SSC Run to Bruny Island	Civic Club	Shane Manley
<i>6th March</i>	<i>Classics on the Beach</i>	<i>Sandy Bay</i>	<i>Bob Leeson</i>
13 th March	NSC Run to Bridport		Phil Paine
13 th March	SSC Breakfast Run	Civic Club	Bob Leeson

Club and State Competition Events

Date	Event	Meet At....	Coordinator
16 th Jan	State Motorkhana Rnd 1	Symmons Plains	MGCC
<i>22nd Jan</i>	<i>South East Rally</i>	<i>Wrest Point</i>	<i>PVCCT</i>
20 th March	MG / JAG / Mini Club Day	Baskerville	MGCC
<i>26th – 27th Mar</i>	<i>V8 Supercars</i>	<i>Symmons Plains</i>	<i>V8 Supercars</i>
3 rd April	Motorkhana	Symmons Plains	MGCC
15 th May	Motorkhana	Latrobe	MGCC
<i>23rd April – 2nd May</i>	<i>Targa Tasmania Anniversary Event</i>	<i>Statewide</i>	<i>Targa Tas</i>
19 th June	Hill Climb / Super Sprints	Baskerville	MGCC / MCC
17 th July	State Motorkhana Rnd 3	Latrobe	MGCC
<i>28th August</i>	<i>Test and Tune Day</i>	<i>Baskerville</i>	<i>MGCC</i>
<i>15th – 18th Sept</i>	<i>Historics</i>	<i>Baskerville</i>	<i>Baskerville Foundation</i>
30 th Oct	Club Day	Baskerville	MGCC / MCC



~ Chocolate TASTING ~ VIEWING ~
~ GARDENS ~ CAFÉ AND MUSEUM ~

Come and see us at 9025 Bass Hwy, Latrobe.

Ample parking for the loved one, whilst we look after the family.



Sportsparts Pty Ltd

Parts and
Technical
Advice for pre
1980 MG's

PROMPT MAIL ORDER SERVICE

Detailed catalogue
available \$5.00

- Specialists in original and reproduction MG parts for over 30 years.
- Buy your parts or accessories from us and get free and comprehensive advice on the best way to fit them.
- Visit our store or take advantage of our fast mail service. Our normal trading hours are 9.00am to 5.00pm but may vary if we have to visit customers or suppliers. Please call beforehand to ensure that we are at the shop to provide the parts you need.

Sportsparts Pty Ltd

10 Myrtle Street
Normanhurst NSW 2076

PO Box 2
Thornleigh NSW 2120

Phone: 02 9875 1144

Fax: 02 9875 1906

Web: www.sportsparts.com.au

