

MG Monthly Motoring News

May 2017



Adelaide MG National Meeting 2017



Cover: Getting and being there, with scrutineering.

A selection of some of the extra luggage brought back for Adelaide.



Nuffield Oceania perpetual trophy



Selection of the good times had by all

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Winners of our 2018 Nat Meet raffle are:

- 1st prize - Matthew Newan, Victoria
- 2nd prize - Richard Jones, Victoria
- 3rd prize - Phil Paine, Tasmania

Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all who supported our venture.

Wendy & Tony Lansdell
Raffle organisers

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RE CONCOURS 18 NOVEMBER 2017

A.G.M. Is to be held earlier, immediately after Concours @ Tamar Yacht Club, which is situated near to the proposed Concours venue. It hoped that this change will attract more members to attend.

The idea of holding a High Tea @ Tamar Yacht Club for entertainment of wives & partners whilst concours is in progress .. food on offer would be sufficient to call it lunch .. Please contact Geraldine Biggelaar on 0400 356 314 asap if you are supportive of this idea, as the venue needs to be secured. This cannot happen at the last minute..MENFOLK please encourage your wives or partners to respond ..

A Sunday morning BBQ breakfast is to be held @ Tail Race Park in Riverside



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**MG Car Club & Mini Car Club
Baskerville Super Sprints
Baskerville Raceway
14th May 2017**

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- Scrutineering begins at 9.00am
- Drivers briefing at 9.45am
- Level 2S CAMS licence, available on the day.
- Entry fee \$110 or \$150 for family, \$30 per extra family member.

Please ensure your car is “track worthy”, with fire extinguisher, steel valve caps, extra bonnet tie-down, wrist to ankle clothing, plastic covering headlight etc.

For more information contact;

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Cover Story

Adelaide MG National Meeting 2017

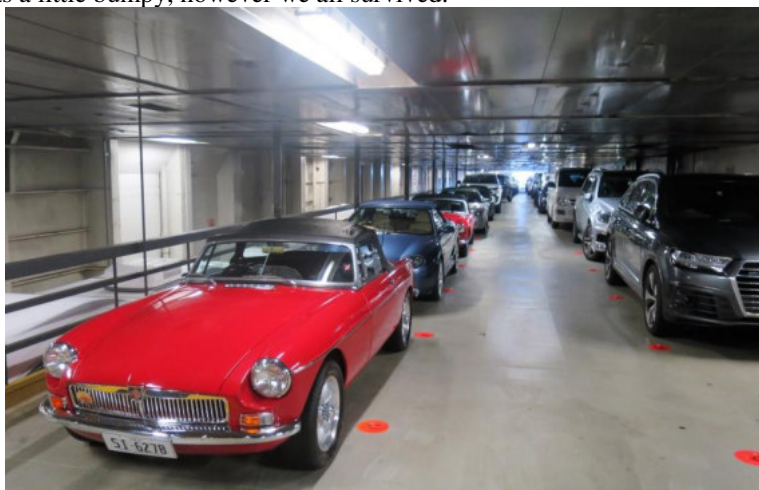
Thirty one members of the MG Car Club of Tas headed to Adelaide to attend the National Meeting.

Whilst we all did not travel together our trip started with most meeting on 9th April at Devonport to embark on the Spirit of Tasmania.

As the ferry was not boarding until after 7.00 pm we met for a meal at the Argosy Motel in East Devonport.

The North West Coast had had a considerable amount of rain that afternoon and for many it meant taking shelter during the trip to Devonport to ensure that we started out with a dry car.

Loading went very smoothly but that could not be said for the night trip to Melbourne which was a little bumpy, however we all survived.



Wayne and Ruth Jessup's MGB leading the line up on the Spirit.

Once we were off the Spirit the plan was to find our own way to the Diggers Rest Service Centre on the Calder Highway for breakfast at McDonalds.

However some strayed and Andrew Midgley spent some anxious time waiting for all the “kids” to come in but Melbourne had lots of road works to negotiate so it took a little time for us all to meet up.

The tip to Adelaide covered 4 states although one only for a few klms but we covered Tas, Vic, NSW and SA.

The first day's trip finished in Swan Hill but we travelled via Lancefield, Heathcote, Elmore and Echuca just for a look.

The lunch stop was at Echuca so the “boys” went to the Echuca Holden Motor Museum and the “girls” went shopping.

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Everyone arrived safely at Swan Hill and we dined that night at the Swan Hill Club. However after a 380km drive most were in bed early to be ready for the similar drive tomorrow.

Day 2 is April 11th and our destination is Renmark on the Murray River.

Next morning we had some free time so some visited the Pioneer Settlement at Swan Hill for a few hours, although you could have spent a day wandering around.



Pioneer settlement at Swan Hill

We headed off with an aim to meet up in Mildura at 3.00 pm so we started with a visit to the Pioneer Settlement where there was a 1920's Dodge to have a quick tour around the settlement.



The 1920's Dodge used for tours of the settlement



A Cobb and Co type coach to also travel around the settlement.

After leaving the settlement our time was limited, so we headed off to Mildura via Robinvale and travelling along the Murray River.

We arrived at Mildura and met up with the others and thanks to the GPS and good directions from the Midgley's we were all on time and headed off to Renmark.



Cars lined up on the banks of the Murray with the Murray Queen in the background

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Day 3 was 12th April and the day we arrived in Adelaide but continued our travels along the Murray River via Waikerie, Williamstown and Gawler



Crossing the border into South Australia

You cannot travel through the Adelaide hills without going to a winery so we all met up at the Sepplefield Winery on the Stuart Highway past Gawler where we had lunch in the gardens.



The old buildings at Sepplefields



Andrew and Sue Ann Midgley Wayne Jessup and Angela Dilger



The lunch crew at Sepplefields

At this stage we all parted company as we had different accommodation in Adelaide and we needed to get settled in with lots to do on the Thursday. Top of the list was cleaning cars after a trip so far of 1160klms showing on my trip meter to be ready for Concours D' Elegance on Saturday.



The results of our cleaning efforts on the Thursday.

Friday 14th April was registration scrutineering etc. from 10.00am. The Tassie team manned the stall that we had at the Adelaide registration to promote the National event that will be held at Ulverstone Easter 2018. From the interest shown the 2018 event will be well attended from the big island and beyond.



Tassie members manning the stall at registration

Once that closed at 3.00 pm we headed home and put final preparations into the cars for tomorrow's Concours'D'Elegance.

The Saturday's concours was held at Wrigley Reserve, Glenelg which is a very picturesque beach side area of Adelaide.



The concours display and judging area at Wrigley Reserve

The results of the concours:

MG TD Terry Jeffrey 3rd

MGA Roadster Andrew Kuzniarski 2nd

MGB Pull Door Handles Wayne Jessup 1st

MGB BL and Later Wendy Lansdell 3rd

MG Super Specials Peter Richards 2nd

MG Modern Saloons Terry Sansom 1st

MG F-TF Mark Dilger 1st

MG F-TF Bruce Keogh 3rd

MG Chinese Built Robin Wilmot 1st

To top the excellent Concours results we also collected a perpetual trophy as Mark Dilger with his MG F –TF won outright concours for the Post 1980 vehicles.



Concourse winners: L to R. Peter Richards Bruce Keogh Andrew Kuzniarski Robin Wilmot Wendy Lansdell Mark Dilger Terry Sandson Wayne Jessup and Terry Jeffrey.

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That evening was a theme night (the theme was MGM Stars) and Concours presentation and as you can see we tried to be MGM stars but it's hard to start from a very low base.

Sunday 16th April was Motorkhana and Kimber Run and we were off in many different directions.

The Kimber run is a non-competitive event which is run over a distance, in this instance of 190 Kms and participants were given a route map with travel directions.

The Motorkhana was held at a disused port facility at Port Adelaide.

Participants were split into 3 groups with group 1 starting at 9.00am, group 2 starting at 11.00 am and group 3 starting at 1 pm.

The motorkhana consisted of 3 tests, and we had two runs at each test competing against our own class.

Results of the motorkhana were as follows:

MGA Roadster John James 3rd

MGB Pull Door Handles Andrew Midgley 1st

MGB Pull Door Handles Wayne Jessup 3rd

MGB BL and Later Tony Lansdell 3rd

MG Magnette ZA to Mk IV John Hartley 3rd

MG Modern Saloons Terry Sanson 3rd

MG F-TF Mark Dilger 3rd

MG Chinese Built Robin Wilmot 1st



Motorkhana and speed event medal winners L to R Terry Sanson Andrew Kuzniarski Andrew Midgley Mark Dilger Sue-Ann Midgley Tony Lansdell Wendy Lansdell John Hartley.

Monday 17th April there was the Speed event at Mallala and the Observation Run commencing in Adelaide.

The speed event is self-explanatory and was run with qualifying laps to establish a time and that determined your group for the super sprints.

Each group consisted of approx. 12 cars with the aim of having cars of similar times on the circuit together regardless of class.

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The observation run was conducted over 110 Kms with entrants sent on their way in 4 separate groups. They were allowed a time of 3 hours to complete the course and were allocated 1 point per correct observation.

Results of the speed event:

MGA Roadster Andrew Kuzniarski 3rd
MGB Mk1 Pull Door Handles Sue Ann Midgley 2nd
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MGB BL and Later Tony Lansdell 2nd
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MG Magnette ZA to Mk IV John Hartley 1st
MG Modern Saloons Terry Sanson 2nd
MG F–TF Mark Dilger 2nd

Observation Run results:

Post MGTF and pre 2000 except 4 cylinder MGB John and Jill James 2nd

As a result of the strength of the Tassie teams results in the Motorkhana and Concours we were successful in winning the Nuffield Oceania Trophy.



The winning MG Car Club of Tas team at the presentation dinner.

L to R. Derek & Robin Holden, John Hartley, Robyn Keogh, Margaret Hartley, Mark & Angela Dilger, Tony & Wendy Lansdell, Peter Richards, John & Jill James, Terry Sanson, John Irving, Terry & Colleen Jeffrey, Andrew Kuzniarski, Ruth Jessup Dawn Irving John Biggelaar, Andrew Midgley, Sue Fraser, Wayne Jessup Debbie Kuzniarski, Don Fraser, Geraldine Biggelaar, Margaret Brooks, Bruce Keogh, Sue-Ann Midgley, Frank Brooks, Robin Wilmot.

Tuesday 18th April was the Farewell Breakfast at the Glenelg Club followed by the delegates meeting.

After that we returned to the accommodation to pack and be ready to leave Adelaide the following morning.

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To finish off the trophy winners we had two other winners in the photographic competition.

STILL

2nd Susan Fraser {Tasmania} MG Magnette engine

NOVELTY

2nd Derek Holden {Tasmania} Divorce MGB

ACTION

3rd Susan Fraser {Tasmania} MGB Motorkhana

So congratulations to Susan and Derek

Wed 19th April was a 300klm drive via Strathalbyn, Langhorne Creek to arrive at Kingston SE Beach where we stayed the night.

So far we had had little trouble but the length of the trip meant that we needed to nurse some of the cars.

Dirty fuel was the first problem along with blocked breathers on fuel caps.

We had a bonnet fly up and wrap itself around the windscreen.

It started to rain and we had some, well some is being kind as we had leaks though the soft tops.

Thursday 20April was another 300 Klm drive via Robe, Mount Gambier to arrive at Portland which was our stop over for the night.

Rain was still heavy and that night Portland had 37mm so the Repco shop next door to our accommodation was bought out of tarps and bungy cords to keep the rain out overnight.

Our return trip was via the great ocean road and we had stops at the 12 Apostles (or how many there are left) where we encountered hundreds photographing the phenomena.



Some of the gathering at the 12 Apostles



We watched the helicopters land, empty and refill to take sight seers at the Apostles for a 15 minute ride over the rock formations.

Friday 21st April we travelled via Port Fairy, Warrnambool, Princetown and Whittle Hill to arrive at Apollo Bay for our last night's stay.

The weather for the day improved and we got away from the rain but we encountered fog on the higher sections of the road in.

Saturday 22 April we all separated as some were visiting family etc. so the Dilgers and Kuzniarski continued our trip along the Great Ocean Road via Torquay, Bellarine Peninsula to Geelong and then onto Port Melbourne to board the Spirit of Tasmania to head back home.



Andrew Kuzniarski following the Dilgers along the final leg of the Great Ocean road as the weather turned bad and we ran into fog.



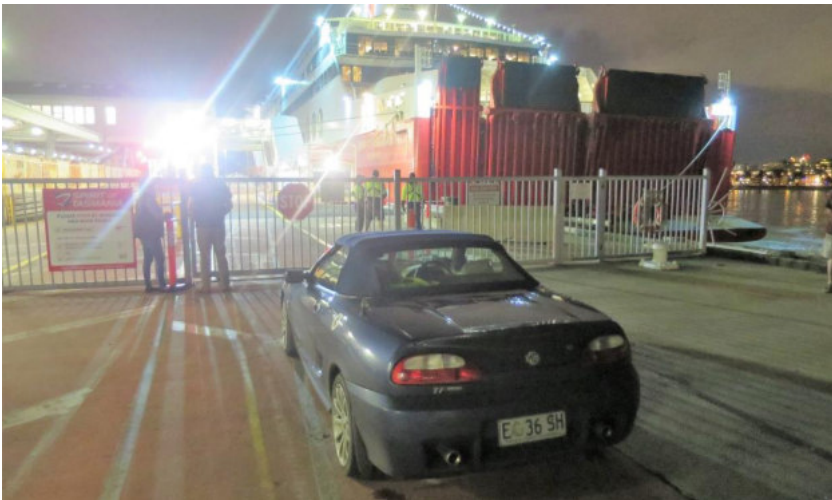
Mark Dilger and Andrew Kuzniarski at Bells Beach

The final leg of the trip was along the Princess Highway to join the usual Saturday afternoon traffic in Melbourne.

The Dilgers became separated from the Kuzniarski's but we both arrived at Station Pier about the same time to be greeted by a swag of Targa cars who were on their way over for the 2017 event.

Of note were the 12 Ferrari's, very common as there were more of them than MG's on the sailing.

After a wait of a few hours we were ready to board for a good night's sleep and an early trip back to Launceston.



Angela and Mark Dilger's not so concours winning looking MG F-TF at the boat in Melbourne

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It was a great trip and many thanks go to the Midgley's who organised the trip and accommodation to and from the National Event which covered approx. 2700 klm's.

Photos from Andrew Midgley and Mark Dilger.



John Hartley making some fine adjustments at the concours



The Midgley's and Jessup's Pull Door handle MGB's at concours



A quick snap of the Murray River



Breakfast at McDonalds



A couple of TF's (above and below) in the middle of no-where on the way to Swan Hill with a background that we are not used to.





John Biggelaar, Frank Brooks Geraldine Biggelaar Robyn and Bruce Keogh doging the rain at Port Fairy.

Presidents Report

Another month has past and also has the MG National's held in Adelaide.

The Tassie team did very well winning the Nuttfield Trophy.

The pressure is now on Tassie, as the next National Meeting is here, being held along the North-West Cradle Coast Area. We will require many hands to welcome all the visitors to our wonderful state welcome and make them have a wonderful experience at our event and our wonderful state.

In April, a Motorkhana was held at Bothwell, poor number of entries, but enjoyed by those who did attend. There is a Club Day to be held at Baskerville on Sunday 14th May, (Yes Mother's Day), advert elsewhere in magazine.

The weather is now cooling, however all centres are having their early morning run's with good attendance's – sometimes there are more attendees in the cooler weather, maybe it is because there is nothing better to do.

There is an Open Race Meeting being held at Symmons Plains on Sunday 28th May, and with a committee of four Monies made from these events are fed back into the club by help buying First Aid Packs and Defibrillators for each three areas, to be taken on runs, (in case of little accidents or emergencies, as our members are more senior), the maintenance of Perpetual Trophies, half payment for the repair / upgrade of the toilets in the centre of Symmons Plains (to be used only by the us on Club Days and Race Meetings), maintain the MG Garage at Baskerville and assist with memberships. Helpers are always welcome and especially this year as we can use these event as training for the next National Meeting.

This will probably be my last report as acting President as our Vice President will be back from leave to take over the reins, (writing this report is certainly not my favourite part of the position).

Happy MGing

Zube

Bronwyn Zuber

Acting President

Membership Report

This month we welcome two new members to the club,
Steve Jones and Tami Macnair,
Steve and Tami own a White 1967 MGB, and are interested in social outings.

Club Captains Report

The Competition report this month is bit thin. Apart from the Nat Meet (more about that elsewhere), the only event conducted was at Bothwell. The motorkhana attracted only a few entries but I'm sure everyone had fun. Every one who intends participating in next years Nat meet on home soil, should try and familiarise themselves with the format of a motorkhana. It's a basic test of manoeuvrability and clear thinking. Very little speed is involved and it's about having fun in a safe environment.

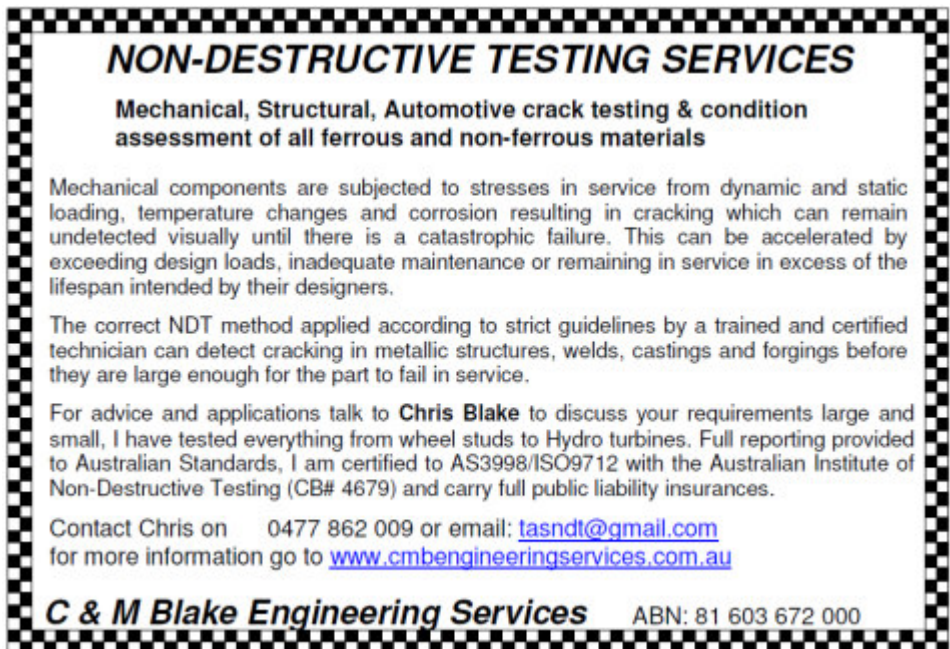
Our next event is a club super sprint day which we share with the Mini Club at Baskerville on Sunday May 14. It should be a fun day on the new surface. If you can't make onto the track then why don't you roll up and lend a helping hand. There are always jobs that need to be done.

Sat. June 3 is a club challenge day being organised by CAMS. If you are interested contact Robin Wilmot for further details.

Our next motorkhana event will be at Latrobe but more on that in the June Magazine.

“till next time

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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		

MGCCT Facebook Page

The MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc

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

MGCCT Website

www.mgtas.org.au

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

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PAST EVENTS:

2nd April – Picnic at Gordon. Although it was a bit cool and threatening rain a few of us still opted for tops down. It was a nice drive stopping at the Margate Museum and Café for coffee. This was a BYO everything picnic and the BBQ's and facilities at the Gordon Jetty are very good with an honour box to collect camping fees. Fortunately the weather held out while we dined out in style, downed a few cleansing ales and engaged in the usual chatter amongst the good company present. Our attention was drawn to the spectacle of a 4WD precariously parked against a tree on a steep bank above us with a long drop to the

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road below. After some futile attempts to recover it by the owner, we gave up and headed for home in various directions just in time to avoid the rain that finally came. 23rd April – Poker Run. Report next month.



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COMING EVENTS:

7th May - Classics on the Beach. An informal gathering of collectable cars at Long Beach Sandy Bay *on the first Sunday of each month* from around 09.00am to noon. All are welcome to attend.

For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296006

7th May – We will be conducting a run to the Swansea Bark Mill, with morning tea at Buckland. Due to the distance we will be leaving a little earlier at 9.30am at the Civic Club.

For further information please contact Richard Holtsbaum: 0418541230

17th May - Wayne Goninon's mid-week run. These runs are conducted Wednesdays in the middle of the month. They all commence at the Rivulet Café, 64 Anglesea St, South Hobart where we partake of a coffee before heading off to our destination around 11.30am. The remaining runs are 14th June, 19th July, 16th August, 13th September, 18th October, 15th November and 13th December.

For further information please contact Wayne Goninon: 0408 388 881

21st May – Picnic at Ross. “Depart McDonalds B’water 0930”

For further information please contact David Taylor: 0362 295817

18th June – Lachlan. We will be travelling to the Derwent Valley. Coffee at the patchwork Café and lunch at Lachlan Valley Food & Wine. Roast buffet \$26.00. Departing the Civic Club at 10.00am.

For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296006

8th – 9th July- Waggy's Winter Wonder. In the absence of a Winter Getaway from Andrew Midgley this year we thought we would throw this one in. It will be a fun overnight stay at Port Arthur's Stewarts Bay Lodge. For further details refer to the attached flyer. RSVP to Chris.

For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0362 391341

11th July – Old Boys night. Celebrating the formation of the MG Car Club on Bastille Day. “Old boys” cordially invited to come along. Old girls also welcome of course. Commencing at 7.30pm at the Civic Club in place of the usual Tuesday evening meeting.

For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296006

20th August – Mountain Breakfast Run. Details will be supplied soon.

For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0362 391341

Bob Leeson

“Waggy’s Winter Wonder”



Stewart’s Bay Lodge, Port Arthur

Date: 8-9 July 2017

Time: 10.30am at Civic Club.

Coffee stop at Dunalley on the way.

Accommodation: Book ahead for Overnight at

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(Ph 6250 2888 or 6250 2999)

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Saturday afternoon: Waggy’s Winter Wonder Shenanigans

Saturday night: Dinner in the restaurant

Sunday morning: Brunch at 461 White Beach Road (the Leeson’s)

Northern members are invited to attend and may wish to stay in Hobart on the Friday night.

Further Information: Contact Chris Wagstaff 0438055199

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Wayne Goninon

Greetings,

What a sensational day for a drive up the windy Cascade Road, Huon Road and Huonville roads – perfect weather – warm, dry and windless. A different style lunch with soups and sandwiches followed by dessert at Huon Manor was enjoyed by the 46 attendees who travelled in 31 cars!



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The remaining drives for 2017 are,

May – Wednesday 17th – Bob Leeson will be arranging this one

June – Wednesday 14th

July – Wednesday 19th

August – Wednesday 16th

September – Wednesday 13th

October – Wednesday 18th

November – Wednesday 15th

December – Wednesday 13th

With best wishes and safe motoring.

Wayne (white MGA)

Phone: 0408 388 881

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Please advise me if you know others who may be interested or alternatively if you wish to be deleted from the distribution list.

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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:

When I was a boy my father used to recite ditties to my brother and I. As an adult I can remember them all - along with my mother's look of scorn that our tender ears were being subjected to this inappropriate verse. One in particular started with "the morning was dark and stormy, the billy goat was blind" etc etc and ended with him doing all sorts of damage to his poor behind. Well it was funny as a child.

Sunday morning, 23rd April was just such a dark and stormy morning - well drizzly anyway. That didn't deter a hardy bunch of 16 members from assembling at the Automobile Museum ready for a drive along the West Tamar - 3 of the cars were even MGs!

We travelled to Legana, turned into Bridgenorth Road, then along through Long Plains Road to the Frankford Highway. A further 20 minutes along the highway and we arrived at the Blue Barn for a coffee stop (this also allowed the latecomers to catch up). I won't mention any names but Phil and Di managed to down their drinks in double quick time.

This allowed all to travel in convoy along the Holwell Road to Beaconsfield. We then travelled to Rowella, on to the Batman Bridge road and continued our journey alongside the Tamar River to Gravelly Beach for a great lunch at Hooked on Kookla's, a great Greek influenced restaurant.



I think the chatter and laughter from the group indicated that everyone was enjoying their mainly sea food meals and desserts of berry sundaes. I also noticed that quite a few Greek custard pies and baklava tortes were taken home by members for a late afternoon treat.



For a damp day - and in some places slippery corners - it was great fun. Annie and I thank all those who attended the run and we look forward to the next outing.







Ian Saunders

Mid Week Meal.

We had a reasonable turnout of eleven for the Wednesday night meal considering a fair amount of members were in Adelaide for the Nat Meet. We met at Steve's Grill in Bathurst St. The food and service were both excellent with good company, it made for a really good evening.

Brian.

Friday 28th April a Coffee walk

A very enjoyable outing, consisting of a leisurely stroll from the Launceston Car Museum to Blue Cafe. The weather being as good as it gets for this time of year (probably better than summer itself?) a delightful morning coffee and conversation with an equally pleasant return to the vehicles.





COMING EVENTS:

Wed 10th May. Mid week dinner, RSVP John Biggelaar 0408 125 199

Sun 21st May. Run & lunch. 10.30am Car Museum, RSVP Mark Dilger 0408 271 029

Fri 26th May. Midweek coffee run. 10.00am Car museum, RSVP Phil Paine 0419 261 483

Sun 4th June. Run & lunch. 11.00am Car Museum, RSVP John James 0409 432 665

Wed 14th June. Midweek dinner, RSVP Mike Paine, 0407 271 926

Fri 7th, Sat 8th & Sun 9th July. Waggy's Winter Wonder. This is a weekend event organised by our Southern Sub Centre travelling to Port Arthur's Stewarts Bay Lodge. (Refer to MG Monthly Motoring News for booking details) It is proposed that any northern members interested in attending this weekend event should contact Phil Paine on 0419 261 483 to organise a club run to Hobart on Friday 7th July and join our Southern counterparts on Saturday for a fun weekend. Please make your own accommodation bookings as detailed in the MG Monthly News.

Wed 12th July. Midweek dinner, RSVP John Biggelaar, 0408 125 199

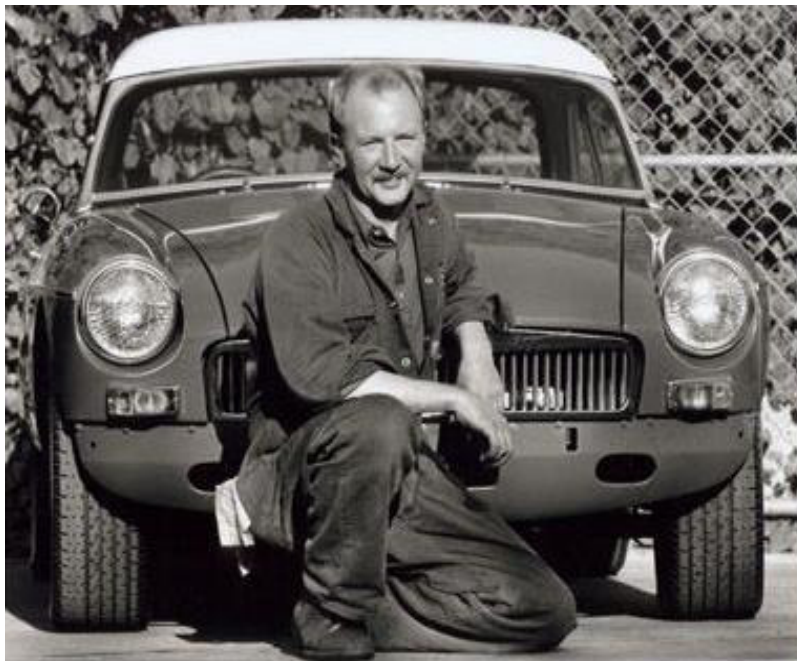
Andrew Merry. NSC Secretary

Editors Notes

It has obviously been a very social time for lots of people. Reading the articles and observing the photos, the Adelaide National Meet was a great success with all participants having a story or tall. This should be an inspiration to make the Tasmanian version, next year, equally memorable. It seems the members looking at this have everything coming along as it should at this point in time.

Thank you to the contributing members for their input to the magazine

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North West

Position	Member	Partner	Contact Details
Co-Ordinator	John Irving	Dawn	(m) 0417 538 012 northwest-coord@mgtas.org.au
Club Meeting Details		Second Thursday night of the Month: 6.00 pm for meal and social evening. Bridge Hotel, Forth	

Congratulations to South Australian MGCC on a fantastic Nat. Meet Adelaide 2017.

Tassie winning the Nuffield Trophy, and 3rd in the Wratten Trophy.

Congratulations to all our successful members to many to list, please see results.

Hard luck stories my car just does not like Victoria, it just cut out north of Bendigo, changed contact points all seemed ok.

But just near Rochester my car seemed starving for fuel, but after much assistance and all the normal checks seemed ok.

John Biggelaar removed the fuel cap and discovered the rubber seal was stuck preventing the tank from venting.

Amazingly this cap was on our car to the Perth Nat. Meet and back last year, thanks to John, I could still be there.

We changed the fuel cap at Renmark all has gone well since.(I am Writing these notes from Broken Hill)

John later had problems himself with dirty fuel and a electrical fault which he soon resolved.

Andrew and Sue-Anne Midgely first of all had a cracked distributor cap which was resolved with a bit of nail polish till Andrew organized a replacement.

However worst was to come when their bonnet failed to catch properly and flew up luckily Andrew and Sue-Anne stopping the bonnet from flying right over, fortunately a replacement bonnet was acquired for the trip home.

Wendy Lansdell saved their car when she sense all was not well stopping straight away, one very loose rocker was discovered, well done Wendy.

Unfortunately Don Fraser lost oil pressure on his practice run hopefully no serious damage was done. Don has probably already investigated this by now.

Our Next Meeting Forth Hotel Thursday 11th May 2017.

MAY MG Run Saturday 20th May 2017 Breakfast /Brunch run to JJ Bakery Longford.

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John Irving MGB

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Our Trip to Adelaide 2017

Wendy's 1971 MGB roadster looked marvellous as we packed for our trip to Adelaide. Our arrival at the docks just after 6pm and there was no queue of cars awaiting to board. It's the quickest we've ever got on!

Our sailing companions for the journey on the Friday night to Melbourne were the Midgley's and the Biggelaar's. Disembarking in Melbourne we went our separate ways.

Wendy & I drove down to Wendy's daughters place in Point Cook to unload some gear and have brekky before heading off to see my son and grandchildren for the day.

I had planned an outing for us all at Puffing Billy. What a great day. Steam galore.

An overnight stay with friends in Berwick before heading back to Pt. Cook on Sunday.

A leisurely departure on Monday morning via the Great Ocean rd to our overnight stay in Cobden. The aftermath of the storms was evident all the way to Apollo Bay.

Tuesday was a new day where we travelled on to Robe in SA. After checking in we noticed an old bi-plane buzzing around in the clear skies. We walked down to the visitor centre to learn that joy flights in a Tiger Moth were available. We booked for the 1st flights next morning.



You couldn't keep the grim off Wendy's face as she climbed out after her little adventure. I was probably the same due to not having flown in a light aircraft for some 20 years. Pure magic; humming along at 65 kts @ 2000 revs with the wind in your hair. The only thing missing was the long scarf trailing behind (now I know why Peter gets a buzz in "Freddie").

We departed Robe in very high spirits for the sometimes boring journey up the coast to Hahndorf.

Our arrival in Adelaide on Thursday morn meant that there was plenty on time to prepare the car. Our house mates had arrived the night before and had settled in well.

Wendy set off to explore the area whilst I got down to do what detailers do.

Nat Meet day 1

We arrived at Registration early to join the rest of the Tassie crew in manning the booth for next year. After scrutineering, Wendy and I concentrated mainly on selling our raffle tickets and catching up with old friends from interstate.

The Nog 'n 'natter happened in the evening with never ending finger foods and catching up with friends old and new.

Nat Meet day 2

Another glorious day and the park setting at Glenelg look superb. After being directed to our location and emptying the car, I set out to have a quick look at the opposition before judging duties.

Wendy's class (M - BL roadster and later) had quite a few entrants and it looked like the competition was going to be stiff.

I was very lucky in that the class I was judging only had 3 cars and that everyone was a winner.

The rest of the day was spent admiring some very fine machinery covering all decades past.

The Theme party on Saturday night was outrageous. Some people went to a lot of trouble dressing up for the theme of MGM (Morris Garages Movies) coming as there favourite film star. The Concours trophies were handed out and Tasmania collected its fair share.

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Nat Meet day 3

Motorkhana day and another fine day. The venue was part of an unused dock area in Port Adelaide.

We went out early to support our fellow Taswegians although our session wasn't until the afternoon.

3 testing patterns and no hiccups from either Wendy or myself.

All of the Tassie competitors performed admirably.

Sunday was the free night with not much happening. It was nice just relaxing after a hectic couple of days.

Nat Meet day 4

Monday dawned and another fine day. An early start and we were on our way to Mallala for the super sprints.

Timed practise sorted out who started where. All of the big boys were in the first 2 groups.

I was in group 4 and Wendy was in group 5. I was generally pleased with my efforts but there is only so much you can wring out of a standard car. Wendy's turn came around and she looked good chasing Sue-Ann on lap 1.

Lap 2 didn't eventuate and I thought, "What have I done".

Something had gone clunk so she stopped the car immediately. Luckily it was just pasted the dummy grid.

We got it back to the pits and it was only running on 3 cylinders. Checked plug leads - OK, replaced plugs and still no go. Time to take the rocker cover off. Problem identified immediately: no.1 tappet adjusting nut had worked loose. After readjusting all, she was on her way again.

Special thanks go to all who assisted with the repairs especially Rod from MG Sales in Adelaide.

Wendy posted some very creditable times after that.



The Presentation dinner followed that evening with a lovely meal and drinks provided again.

The remaining trophies (Motorkhana, Speed event, Observation run and perpetuals) were handed out to very worthy winners. The evening soon came to an end (to soon for those who wished to carry on).

The winner of our raffle was drawn with Phil Paine in Launceston picking up 3rd prize

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Nat Meet day 5

The farewell brekky was held at the Glenelg footy complex and was the last chance to say goodbye to friends old and new.

The Delegates meeting came later with another meeting between Wendy and myself and the Adelaide registrars and results people after that again. Late afternoon we headed back to our digs for the last night.

We headed straight back to Melbourne next morning.

Congratulations go to all who travelled to Adelaide and a list follows of attendees.

Andrew Midgley	Motorkhana 1st, Sprint 3rd
Sue-Anne Midgley	Concours 4th, M'khana 4th, Sprint 2nd
John Irving	Concours 5th, M'khana 5th, Obs run 13th
Dawn Irving	Social
Don Fraser	Concours =7th, M'khana 4th
Susan Fraser	Photo still 2nd, Action photo 3rd.
Peter Richards	Concours 2nd, M'khana 5th, Sprint 9th
Terry Sansom	Concours 1st, m'khana 3rd, Sprint 2nd
Robin Wilmot	Concours 1st, M'khana 1st, Obs run 5th
Wendy Lansdell	Concours 3rd, M'khana 4th, Sprint 3rd
Tony Lansdell	M'khana 3rd, Sprint 2nd
Andrew Kuzniarski	Concours 2nd, M'khana 7th, Sprint 3rd
Debbie Kuzniarski	Social
John James	M'khana 3rd, Obs run 2nd
Jill James	Social
John Hartley	Concours =7th, M'khana 3rd, Sprint 1st
Margaret Hartley	Social
Derek Holden	Concours =7th
Robyn Holden	Social
John Biggelaar	Concours 5th, Obs run 4th
Geraldine Biggelaar	Social
Mark Dilger	Concours 1st & outright post 1980, M'khana 3rd, Sprint 2nd
Angela Dilger	Social
Terry Jeffery	Concours 3rd
Colleen Jeffery	Social
Wayne Jessup	Concours 1st, M'khana 3rd, Obs run 10th
Ruth Jessup	Social
Frank Brooks	Concours 5th
Margaret Brooks	Social
Bruce Keogh	Concours 3rd
Robyn Keogh	Social

I think I have listed everyone. If I missed someone I do apologise.

Congratulations to all who represented their State. Winning the Oceana Trophy with only 18 competitors is a fantastic effort.

It's time now to think of next year and how we can go 1 better and win the coveted Wratten trophy.

Tony Lansdell

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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
SSC – Swansea Bark Mill	Civic Club	R Holtsbaum	SUN 7 May
SSC – Classics on the beach	Long Beach SB	Bob Leeson	SUN 7 May
NSC – Mid Week Dinner	Motor Museum	J Biggelaar	WED 10 May
NWC - Meeting	Forth Hotel	John Irving	THR 11 May
SSC – MG & Mini CC's BSS	Baskerville	Robin Wilmot	SUN 14 May
SSC – Mid Week	Rivulet Cafe	Wayne Goninon	WED 17 May
NWSC – Breaky/Brunch	SPTN Bowls club	John Irving	SAT 20 May
SSC – Picnic at Ross	Bwater/Mc Donalds	David Taylor	SUN 21 May
NSC – Run & Lunch	Motor Museum	Mark Dilger	SUN 21 May
NSC – Coffee Run	Motor Museum	Phil Paine	FRI 26 May
NSC – Run & Lunch	Motor Museum	John James	SUN 4 JUN
SSC – Mid Week	Rivulet Cafe	Wayne Goninon	WED 14 JUN
NSC – Mid Week Dinner	RSVP	Mike Paine	WED 14 JUN
SSC – Lachlan	Civic Club	Bob Leeson	SUN 18 JUN
<i>Square Riggers</i>	<i>South</i>	<i>David Taylor</i>	<i>SUN 18 JUN</i>
SSC–Waggys Winter Wonder	Port Arthur	Chris Wagstaff	8 & 9 JLY
SSC – Old Boys Night	Civic Club	Bob Leeson	TUE 11 JLY
NSC - Mid Week Dinner	RSVP	John Biggelaar	WED 12 JLY
SSC – Mid Week	Rivulet Cafe	Wayne Goninon	WED 19 JLY
SSC – Mid Week	Rivulet Cafe	Wayne Goninon	WED 16 AUG
SSC – MTN Breaky Run	TBA	Chris Wagstaff	SUN 20 AUG
SSC – Mid Week	Rivulet Cafe	Wayne Goninon	WED 13 SEP
<i>Square Riggers</i>	<i>Baskerville</i>	<i>Scott/ Taylor</i>	<i>SUN 24 SEP</i>
SSC – Mid Week	Rivulet Cafe	Wayne Goninon	WED 18 OCT
<i>Square Riggers</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>Frank Brooks</i>	<i>SUN 22 OCT</i>
<i>Square Riggers</i>	<i>Extended Tour</i>	<i>Scott/Taylor/Brooks</i>	<i>3-5 NOV</i>
SSC – Mid Week	Rivulet Cafe	Wayne Goninon	WED15 NOV
<i>Square Riggers</i>	<i>South</i>	<i>David Taylor</i>	<i>SUN 3 DEC</i>
SSC – Mid Week	Rivulet Cafe	Wayne Goninon	WED 13 DEC

SQUARE RIGGER NOTES

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

Vehicles of interest for this months News seen at the recent Alfa Romeo National Meeting held at the National Auto Museum, Launceston. As often the case great interest in the adjacent parking area, the magnificent Alvis Speed 25 and below a cousin of Alfas, the lovely diminutive Fiat 500, the Babe of old.



And the standout in the Alfa Romeo line-up, this striking red Giulia GTC from the mid 60s. Square Rigger diarists please note the following change of date as published April issue of the Monthly Motoring News, the extended **Square Rigger Tour for November** has been brought forward a fortnight to the **3rd - 5th November**.

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