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Pedal Car Racing at Baskerville Historics



Club Junior Cameron Howie competing in his grandfather's (Don Fraser) Clubman at Baskerville Historics

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#### **Cover Photo:**

The contrast of club activities, MG's at Baskerville Historics and at Lake Barrington on NW Social Run

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## Vale - Greg Ellis

Many of you will know that Greg Ellis sadly passed away peacefully on Monday  $6^{th}$  of September.

Greg was a member of the MG Car Club, a foundation participant at both the first Sunday at Lower Sandy Bay and the first Wednesday Car Enthusiast Group.

I met Greg when I joined the MG Car Club and he offered me some useful advice about my MGB. He knew I didn't know much about cars, so he reached out and it was greatly appreciated. When I bought my MGA in 2007 it went up a few notches - Greg said that I 'finally had a beautiful car' and offered to do any mechanical work needed. He didn't offer this on the B! How fortunate was I that a respected mechanic, and someone with an intimate knowledge of MGAs was offering to help me? Greg didn't need to ask twice. I took the A to Greg regularly for 13 years and although it was always going well when I left it there, it was like driving a better and different car when I picked it up. Greg had forgotten more about MGAs than most people know and I am indebted to his generous assistance and advice.

Greg and I also shared a love of soccer. He was a staunch supporter and participator in developing the facilities at Sherburd Park as a Committee member, President and Life Member of Kingborough United Soccer Club through to the late 1980's.

I and the club extend our sincere condolences to Carol, Mike and their family.

Wayne Goninon

Mike driving Greg's MGA at the Baskerville Historics



## **Chat with Richard Pringle-Jones**

Richard drove me in his Maserati 3200 GT which he's owned for 19 years to his car storage. It was my first time in a Maserati and what a perfect start to our chat driving in elegant style with power, sporty handling, luxurious comfort, not to mention the beautifully noisy Ferrari engine within a top speed on the speedo of 320km/hour. It's the only car that his wife Jill won't let him sell. Very understandable.

Maserati 3200 GT which needed a clean as recently parked near building works



Richard has been a member of the MG Car Club for a decade and the Maserati Car club (Victoria) since he bought the car. His interest in cars stems from his father who he never knew as he was killed in WW2 when Richard was 5 months old. The impressionable pre-war photos of his dad with a 3 litre Bentley provided an unerring lure to Richard who did his best in his late

teens to track down the car with the aim of buying it. Unfortunately he wasn't able to trace it.



Richard in his storage shed, with room for another car which will be here soon.

Richard purchased his first car when he was 17 years old - a Chrysler Tourer which cost £25. He has owned about 23 cars in his life, 6 of which he still owns! Richard went to Melbourne immediately after his schooling in Hobart and spent time with his cousin Lynden Duckett who raced a Bugatti - Richard's interest in classic cars was stimulated further. In 1962 Richard's inheritance from his grandfather went towards an Old English White Jaguar XK 140 Coupe, an SE with a C-type engine. Good choice! Richard said it was a fabulous car which at that time was 6 years old and the same price as a new Holden - really no comparison. (I looked this up and it was quite a rare car as only 199 XK140 FHC RHD SE with C-Type engine were made)..

Richard is a discerning car owner and all of his cars are in immaculate condition. His favourite car is his impeccable 1959 Glacier Blue MGA Twin Cam. Richard bought this from Max Freeland as a wreck. It was taken to David Short's, stripped back and the body went to the Healey factory in Melbourne for restoration. Richard bought the Twin Cam motor from his cousin Lyndon who had purchased two motors from BMC in the very early 1990's and they were still in their boxes. This was handy as only about 1,000 true Twin Cams were ever made and the availability of some parts were extremely limited. The restoration took 3 years and Richard decided to retain the original Glacier Blue colour as when it left the factory. Although it is a true and authentic colour for an MGA it was not a well known fact as evidenced at the National Concours in 2012 where it was awarded 3rd place. Both Richard and David Short were surprised and that his beautiful and recently restored perfect MGA didn't do better - it was confided to Richard later that the car should have won 1st place but the interstate judges wrongly believed the colour was not original and had deducted points accordingly. Richard had tasted success with his Lotus Elite winning the National Concourse so it wasn't the end of the world for him.





1959 immaculate Glacier Blue MGA Twin Cam



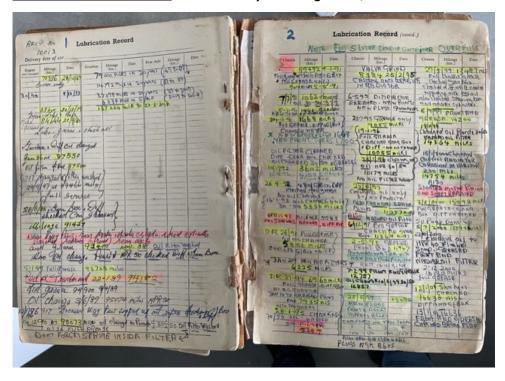
Richard also owns a replica Buchanan, which has a fibre glass body on a 1960 MGA chassis. It has a supercharged MGB Roadster motor, close ratio gearbox and the body is in the shape of a 1956 Aston Martin DB3 S. There aren't too many of these.

Buchanan, which was restored in Tasmania

Richard bought a 1949 MGTC in February 2021. The previous owner had owned the car 57 years and it is in a time warp for originality. The car has done 140,000 miles and came with a complete hand written car service and history - fascinating reading.

Recently purchased 1949 MGTC





Hand written service and history for MGTC dating back 57 years

As always in these chats, there's an interesting story or two. One particular story includes Richard's son, Marcus, who has also developed an interest in cars. Marcus's first job was at Pooley's some 35 years ago where he told his dad that a gold BMW CSI in good condition had come in and he should buy it. Richard did and it was stored 'all over the place', including in a shed at Brighton and their farm down the Channel. The car was not started for 8 years and when moving from the country to town, it was taken to Mick Arnold with a 'stuffed clutch, no brakes, was generally unroadworthy .......' and was subsequently bought by Wayne Clark. It was, however, the start of a close connection and love affair with that early model BMW, and Richard can attribute this directly to Marcus.



Richard (driving) and Marcus (navigating) at Targa

This is evidenced by Richard and Marcus competing in Targa in the 3 litre BMW CSI (1992) pictured above, a BMW 2002 (sold after 1993 Targa), and another BMW 2002 (1994). It will therefore come as little surprise that Richard is currently having a green 2002 BMW Bauer convertible restored in Melbourne. He purchased this car in 1995 from Sydney and Marcus used it sporadically in Sydney and Brisbane before bringing it back to Hobart where Richard decided to restore it bodily and mechanically. It should be completed and be with Richard by this Christmas. I look forward to seeing the new acquisition which I know will be as impeccable as his other collectables.

Wayne Goninon

## **MG Car Club State Committee**

Position	Member (Partner)	Contact Details	
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Meetings	First Monday of the Month via Zoom at 7:00 pm		
Postal Address	GPO Box 5, Hobart, Tas, 7001		

## **President's Report**

How many weeks until Christmas ????, where has the year gone. May not feel the same for members in other States who have been in lock-down on and off through the year and have not had the pleasure and enjoyment of using their MG's.

The Baskerville Historics is done and dusted for another year. There was a good roll-up of entries, all being Tasmanian, (approx. 160) Excellent racing, Supersprints, and Regularity events. The Gods were fairly kind with only some rain on the Saturday. Fairly good crowd on the "hill". There was also a Pedal Car competition for juniors during the lunch break on the Sunday.

Sub-centres are holding their Annual Are General Meetings this month, and from what I have heard all the positions on the committees have been filled.

We have a Club Day combined with the Mini Car Club at Baskerville on Sunday 31st October, which is our last of our competition event for 2021. Entry is by the MA Event Entry Portal. No entries on the day.

Our Annual Concours is being held on Saturday November 6<sup>th</sup>, on the Parliament House Lawn at Salamanca. (If the club is unable to use the Parliament Lawn, due to heavy rain etc, the plan will be to hold the Concours in the car park of the Civic Club in Davey St). This is always a popular place with people visiting the Salamanca Market, coming to also have a look at the cars on display. Also, easy access to food outlets.

The State Committee has the majority of its position filled except a Club Captain and a General Member (south), this position does not have to be strictly filled from a member in the south.

The Annual Presentation Dinner is being held at the **Lindisfarne Rowing Club** on the night of Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November, see elsewhere for more details. Let's keep enjoying our MG's by going to as many runs that you can in them, in this Spring weather, even if there are some showers.

## Zube

Bronwyn Zuber President

## **Membership Report**

This month we welcome two new members,

Barry and Robyn Littlejohn, (Northern)

The Littlejohns own a 1960 MGA and are interested in social outings and resource sharing,

We hope these people enjoy many club arranged activities.

Wayne Jessup Membership Officer. MG CAR CLUB of TASMANIA

### 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

## **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

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## VC Registrations, Inspections and Renewals

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

Geoff Dodge, 57 Evisons Road, Sassafras

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## **Motor Sports Chaplain**

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

Adrian Cooper

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## 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

Friday 5th

Noggin 'n Natter 7pm Civic Club, 134 Davey St Hobart

Saturday 6th

Concours

Parliament House lawns, \$10 entry fee Access from **8.30am**, judging **10am** 

Annual General Meeting 3pm Civic Club

**Presentation Dinner** 

6.30 for 7pm \$55 per head Lindisfarne Rowing Club 16A Esplanade, Lindisfarne

Sunday 7th

Recovery Breakfast 9am Civic Club

See opposite for registration and payment details

#### **Annual Events**

#### **Annual Concours, AGM and Dinner**

The annual events for 2021 will be hosted by the Southern Sub-Centre between Friday 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **Friday**

The **Noggin 'n Natter** is an informal catchup at the Civic Club from 7pm. Nibbles will be provided by the Club and drinks can be purchased at the bar.

#### **Saturday**

The **Concours** will take place on the lawns of Parliament House.

Entry is via Murray St from 8.30am, you will be guided down to the entry point. Judging will commence at 10am.

All members are invited to display their cars, regardless of whether they are entering the Concours or not.

For members entering the Concours, an entry fee of \$10 will be payable on the day, and you need to register by providing your name and the vehicle make, model and year of the car(s) being entered to the Southern Sub-centre Secretary by **15 October**.

The **Annual General Meeting** will be conducted at the Civic Club at 3pm.

The **Presentation Dinner** will be held at the Lindisfarne Rowing Club, 6.30 for 7pm. The cost is \$55/head, which includes pre-dinner nibbles, a complimentary drink, a three meat carvery and a choice of three desserts.

#### Sunday

A **Recovery Breakfast** will be provided by the Club at the Civic Club from 9am.

#### **RSVP**

Please provide the names of members and partners attending the dinner and the breakfast to the Southern Sub-centre Secretary by **15 October**. Payment for the dinner can be made by cheque or direct deposit.

Post cheques to: The Treasurer

MG Car Club of Tasmania

GPO Box 5

Hobart TAS 7001

Direct deposits: BSB 067 002 Account no 2804 1340

Please ensure you include 'Dinner' and your name in the payment Reference.

Concours registrations and RSVP's should be forwarded to the Southern Sub-

centre Secretary: Bob Leeson

Email: <u>rle30386@bigpond.net.au</u> Phone or text: 0457 354 645

## **Ed Says**

What an absolute joy it is to be out in the MG top down, in a tea shirt and driving through the picturesque backroads of the NW Coast. The social run last Sunday could not have been more perfect weather to get out and enjoy our cars and enjoy fellow members company. Hopefully the rest of spring and summer can hold up to the first day of daylight savings.

Speaking of daylight savings, where the hell did the last 6 months go!

I cannot speak for anyone else, but at the moment I cannot be happier that I am born and bred living in Tasmania. They can make all the jokes they like about us, right now there is absolutely no place I would rather be. I could not think of anything worse than having to come up with excuses to drive the MG 5 miles from home and back and that's it, I would be inclined to cover the car up and leave it in the garage so as not to torture myself.

There has been a lot of discussion about Facebook in recent weeks, with liability court cases and then going down for several hours. But my biggest gripe is all those travels posts we put up several years ago just keep popping up to remind us what we are missing out on, honestly there has to be a way of turning that stuff off, at least until we can travel again.

Ed.



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## **Hobart**

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# Sunday 12th December 10.30am till 2.30pm

Campbelltown Memorial Oval- Campbelltown

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Contact- Rod Belbin (Business Development Manager - Tasmania/Regional Victoria) on 0408314309 or email- rodney belbin@shannons.com.au for further information

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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**

<u>Vale Greg Ellis</u>. It is with sadness that we say goodbye to our long-term colleague and friend Greg. He has been a very enthusiastic member of our club for many years. Our deepest sympathies are with Carol and her family.

#### **PAST EVENTS**

#### 12th September - Winter Breakfast at Longley International Hotel.

On Sunday  $12^{th}$  September, a cold wet morning, many club members left the Civic Club. Due to a road closure the members took the Southern Outlet to Longley.

24 members enjoyed a hearty breakfast cooked by Steve Huntley, Shane Manley, Bob Leeson and Mark Harrington. Robin Wilmot organised the food. Thanks to these gents.

The breakfast included prawns, eggs, bacon, tomatoes on hot toast and muffins and tea and coffee.

The staff at the Longley International Hotel had the fires going for us which was most welcome.

A good run, good company, good food.

Stephen Huntley



## GENERATIONS OF STYLE







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**17-19**th **September – Baskerville Historics**. In spite of restrictions preventing many entrants from the mainland, this event still attracted 155 entries and 52 races! Although the weather presented us with a wide variety of conditions including strong wind, heavy rain and sunshine not necessarily in that order, it was a very successful and well organised event. The pedal car races were an added attraction for the youngsters. There was also a fitting tribute to Greg Ellis with his MGA circling the track driven by his son, Mike.

#### **COMING EVENTS**

#### 17th October - Triabunna Run

We are departing the Civic Club at 10am. With a coffee stop at the Buckland Roadhouse, we aim to be in Triabunna by noon. The **Britain to Bunna** car show is being held on the Village green in Melbourne St from 9.30am to 1.30pm. Last year we found the display area to be rather waterlogged, so our thinking is that we will assess the conditions and decide whether we:-a) Join the show; b) Park on the street and peruse the show and market; or c) give it all a miss and just do lunch! Good fish and chips are available at The Fish Van on the Esplanade and at the Triabunna Café in Vicary St. For further information please contact Mark Harrington: 0427 538 412.

**19**<sup>th</sup> **October – Southern Sub-Centre AAM.** Commencing at 8.15pm in place of the normal Tuesday meeting. Time to put your hand up! *For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0438 055 199* 

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Wayne Goninon's mid-week run.

These runs all commence at the Rivulet Café, 64 Anglesea St, South Hobart where we partake of a coffee before heading off to our destination around

11.00am. The remaining schedule is shown elsewhere in the magazine. *For further information please contact Wayne Goninon: 0408 388 881* 

**6th November – Annual Concours**. Parliament House lawns have been booked for the display. The AGM will be held at the Civic Club. Dinner is at the Lindisfarne Rowing Club. Breakfast is at the Civic Club. See flyer45 for details. For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 0438 055 199

**7th November – Classics on the beach**. An informal gathering of collectable cars at Long Beach Sandy Bay on the first Sunday of each month from around 09.00am to noon. All are welcome to attend. *For further information please contact Bob Leeson:* 0362 296 006

**14**<sup>th</sup> **November – Charity Event**. Claremont Trash to Treasure Car and Bike Show. Event goes from 10 am till 2.00 pm. Entry by gold coin donation in support of Claremont Girl Guides. See attached flyer for details. *For further information please contact Car Show coordinator: 0437 075 623* 

**7th December - Christmas Barbecue.** \$10.00/head. Details to follow.

**Bob Leeson** 



## **Northern Sub Centre Committee**

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

#### **Northern Notes**

Daylight saving is upon us once again and you are reminded that our midweek runs commence at 6.00pm and will include a small drive before reaching the venue.

We are nearing the end of the year and our annual Area Meeting will be held at the end of the month.

Election of officer bearers will be undertaken at the meeting and anyone wishing to put their name forward should complete a nomination form included in the magazine.

Check the up and coming events as members have put together some interesting runs for the month ahead.

Our mid-week gathering in September was held at the Kings Bridge restaurant.

It was attended by 35 enthusiastic members who enjoyed a great meal and good company.



L:R Robin Phillips, Bill Daly Bronwyn and Jim Brown



L:R Terry Sansom Des Hogan, Paul Rossetto, Di Paine and Phil Paine



The group of NSC members at the Kings Bridge Restaurant

#### Friday 24h September 2021 Coffee Run to The Café Verde - Westbury

Despite warnings of 'snow down to sea level, hail & winds over 100kph', 7 - MG's & 8 - other variants of Sporting Machinery & their crews gathered at

The Country Club & Casino in Prospect Vale, ready for a spirited run through some picturesque rural countryside to historic Westbury.

The sky, although looking threatening, retained all it's moisture & in fact allowed the occasional burst of sunshine as we transited via Westwood, Rosevale & Selbourne on the beautiful, quiet country lanes that we are so blessed with here & that other visiting MGCC interstate centre member's envy & can't wait to experience yet again.

After an almost too short 50k Motorway free run, we arrived in Westbury to be joined at the Café by the other MGCC- NSC members that made up our 33 strong group.

The crew at the Café Verde did an excellent job in providing quality coffee & fare in short order at reasonable cost – thanks guys.

Those who made the effort - despite the anticipated inclement conditions were:

John JamesTerry SansomPeter, Liz Harper & LucyRichard JonesDavid AnnearBrenda & Bert HindsPeter & Colleen MolesJim DickensonTony & Mary KingFrancis JeevesWayne & Judy MolesChester & Sally McKaige

Bruce Allison Bruce & Robin Keogh Bill Daly

Robin Philips Mick Bellchambers Ronda Thomas

John & Paula Barrass Mark Dilger John & Geraldine Biggelaar

Thanks folks.

Octagonally, Cathie & Col Cleaver.

#### **Up Coming events:**

**Wed Oct 13<sup>th</sup>:** Dinner run Alphen Rose Grindlewald, leave Windsor Park 6.00pm RSVP to M. Paine 0407271926 by 11<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Wed Oct  $27^{\text{th}}$ : Monthly Meeting commencing at 7.30pm followed by Annual Area Meeting.

**Fri Oct 29th**: Run to D. Beckett's Truck Museum, meet 10.30am at Velo wines Legana- coffee/food from the wood fired oven or toasties at the Timbre Restaurant. Head to Exeter the Frankford Highway 1Km on the right side. RSVP by Tue 26th Oct. R. Phillips RSVP 0409274482 or W. Daly 0417512484. **Sun Oct 31st**: Club Day at Baskerville.

**Sat Nov 6^{th}:** Annual Concourse, Parliament Lawns Hobart. C. Wagstaff 0438055199.

Wed Nov 10th: Dinner run P. Paine RSVP 6th Nov 0419261483.

**Sun Nov 14**th: Run to Miners Gold brewery, West St. Beaconsfield for lunch, Members meet at the car Museum car park Invermay to depart at 10.30am for an East Tamar run to Beaconsfield, route details advised on departure. RSVP 1st Nov to B. Daly 0417512484. Please advise Bill of your menu choice as follows, West Ale, fish and chips with house made Tartare sauce or panko crumbed chicken parmi, house made Napoli sauce, cheese, chips and salad. Cost \$28.00 per head including a craft beer, wine or a soft drink.

**RESTRICTED TO 40 GUESTS.** 

**Sun Nov 21**st: Run to John Glover Patterdale Deddington. Drive through the village of Nile in order to keep on sealed roads. R. Ashley-Jones 0419350811 RSVP 15th Nov. Bring own picnic and chairs. Cost \$35.00 per head to be paid to Richard-Ashley Jones.

BSB: 067 600

Account No: 00235825

#### MAX 30 people!

Meet at High St Evandale on the side of the road near the Evandale Community Centre for departure at 10.00am to Patterdale. Morning Tea will be at 10.30 on arrival. The Glover House tours will be available for 15 people at a time. First at 11.00am and  $2^{nd}$  at 1.00pm.

There are selected walks of the garden and other areas

**Wed Nov 24**th: NSC monthly area meeting 7.30pm.

**Fri Nov 26<sup>th</sup>:** coffee run to St Leonards Café. RSVP 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov.to J. James 0409432665

Sun Dec 5th: T Series run

**Sun Dec 12th:** Combined Xmas get together with NW Section, at Huntsman's Lake, 9.30 am- coffee at Deloraine- leave at 11.15am. Please supply a gift to the value of \$10.00 marked male or female to be placed in Santa's sacks on arrival. Santa or Mrs Claus.

**Sun Jan 23**<sup>rd</sup>: BBQ get together at McKaige - Carrick.

BYO Food and drinks from 5.00pm.

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

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

Fri Feb 25th: Coffee run J Biggelaar

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

Be sure to check where the run is to commence as the VCCA Club Rooms car park is still under construction and the organiser may have nominated an alternative departure venue.

Monthly Meeting Venue will be advised due to above car park development.

**Mark Dilger** 

#### NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING SERVICES

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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.

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C & M Blake Engineering Services ABN: 81 603 672 000

#### **North West Notes**

#### **Past Events**

**September Dinner Meeting – Thursday 9th Sept** –Bass and Flinders Motor Inn – 22 members attended the dinner meeting.

**Luncheon Mystery Run – Sunday September 12**th –18 members joined in for the days outing. Coffee stopover was at "Windows on Westella" after which members were handed the instruction sheets for the next part of the Run which travelled the country roads of Sprent, Central Castra, Gunns Plains, Gawler and back into Ulverstone, (approx. 1½ hours) ending at Pedros Sea Food restaurant for lunch. John Irving guessed the Restaurant chosen for lunch and won himself a selection of chocolates and other members earnt a choc bar for getting all or most of the mystery run questions correct. The weather was on our side for most of the run and apart from a couple of hiccups along the way, a fun time was had by all.

Mystery Run Sunday October 3rd –organised by Donald and Susan Fraser – 20 members enjoyed this run which ended at Lake Barrington for Lunch. Bright blue sky, warm temperatures (behind glass) and an easy care free mystery run mapped out by Don and Susan took us through Kelcey Tiers, Melrose and Buster Roads, Sheffield Road to our morning tea stopover in the town of Sheffield. After our coffee shot and a little retail therapy for some ladies, we set off to Lake Barrington, using roads through the Gog State Forest, Karst National Park arriving at the end destination, the picnic area, at Lake Barrington – a total of 106.2km (66 miles). Unfortunately for Tim and Chris their red TC was not a "happy chappie" and told them so along the route. We all eventually turned up at the end destination where waiting for us was a scrumptious luncheon prepared by Donald and Susan. (Homemade soup, hot roast beef and pork rolls served with gravy and sauces, ending with a selection of Susan's homemade cookies served with coffee or tea. A luncheon fit for King and Queen!!

**Thankyou** Susan and Donald for the effort and time you both put into the day's activities for our enjoyment.

#### **Up Coming Events**

**October Dinner Meeting – Thursday 14**th **Oct** –Bass and Flinders Motor Inn – Ulverstone from 6 pm.

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Coffee Run to Rocky Garden Café 34 -36 Shearwater Blvd. - Departing Bunnings Car Park 9.30 am. RSVP to TJ if attending by Tues 26<sup>th</sup> October to confirm a cafe booking.

**November - Saturday and Sunday 6 – 7th** Annual Concours/ Presentation Dinner and Breakfast, this year being hosted by the Southern MG Centre.

Suggestions for accommodation are the *Hobart Tower Motel*, 300 Park Street, New Town. Rooms – Double \$89.00; Queen \$99.00 and Twin share \$109.00. **City View Motel**, 30 Tasmanian Highway Montagu Bay (on the left-hand side after crossing the Hobart bridge) Price range approx. \$140/night but may be willing to negotiate at time of booking.

The Dinner on Saturday night will be at the *Lindisfarne Rowing Club* NOT Yacht Club as indicated last month. The City View Motel is closer to Lindisfarne than the Tower Motel. In both cases make mention that you are part of the MG Car Club. Both premises have off street parking but not under cover parking.

See detailed information elsewhere in the magazine re Concours and Presentation Dinner. **RSVP** (as indicated in the magazine) including dinner payment by 15<sup>th</sup> October.

You may also be aware, a Square Rigger extended run to the East Coast has been planned to commence in Hobart following the Recovery Breakfast. The stopover is two nights at the Beachfront Bicheno. If you wish to be part of this run, please arrange your own accommodation and let Cheryl and Tony Gurnhill know of your intensions.

(Mob: 0408 386 482/ Email: - <u>acgurnhill@bigpond.com</u>) or Peter Scott (Mob: 0418 599 676)

**November Dinner Meeting – Thursday 11th Nov** – Bass and Flinders Motor Inn – Ulverstone from 6 pm.

**Christmas Dinner Meeting Thursday 9**th **December** from 6pm at the Bass and Flinders Motor Inn. A Christmas menu will be served and Santa and his helper will give a present to each member (bring gift each to the value of \$10.00 or thereabouts).

**Combined Christmas Picnic/B'que with the Northern MG Car Club – Sunday 12th December.** The Northern members are organising the outing this year and it is being held as per last year at the Huntmans Lake picnic ground – short distance from Meander from 12 noon. More information next month.



#### TJ'S humour for the month of Oct -



#### Hot Mum

#### This is "said to be a true story"!

It's set on the Liverpool Plains on a scorching hot February day, circa 1958. Grasses crackle underfoot, no birds chirp, cattle huddle near trees in paddocks on a vast acreage.

The only sound to be heard is the gentle throbbing of insects. It is rest time for animals and the farmer's hardworking, wiry, 89 – year – old mother, who has spent the morning feeding the chooks and baking the scones for the stockmen when they return in the late afternoon.

She is confident there is no-one within cooee and removes all her garments and stretches out on the bed to try and catch a breeze.

Shhh, shhh, shhh. An awful slithering sound disturbs her.

Our heroine sits up quickly, runs to a small closet in a room off the kitchen and grabs and loads the 12gauge shotgun. She stalks in all her glory, stealthily moving out to the veranda, stopping, raising the gun, then BOOM!

Missed the king brown snake by inches. However, as the reptile slithers away another sound distracts her. It is the stockman, who has ridden into the home yard early.

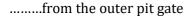
He doffs his wide brimmed hat with a forefinger, smiles widely, nods laconically, speaks five words, then turns his horse and trots back out into the heat: "Nice day for it, missus".



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## **Baskerville Historics Snapshots**



Shane Manley's EH dropped a piston during Qualifying on Friday

Don Fraser was the master of consistency with two first places in Sport Cars Regularity

Mark Dilger had a great outing in his newly rebuilt MGB with two 2<sup>nd</sup> places, a 3<sup>rd</sup> and a 4<sup>th</sup>



The pedal cars were a great hit with the crowd



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#### Wanted,

A poster from the 1992 Launceston National Meeting for Club Archives. Please contact Robin Wilmot 0400 193 579





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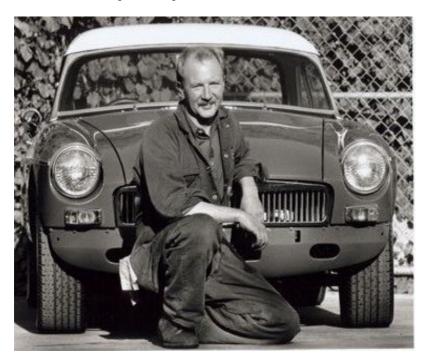


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## **Contact Andrew Midgley 0458 949 881**

## **Square Rigger Notes**

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

A few pics from the Baskerville Historic Motor Racing weekend, congratulations must be extended to the organising group for a successful event in the wake of the previous year's cancellation for the reason you are all well acquainted with. The organisation has worked extremely hard firstly to present an event of quality and interest given the reduced field and absent mainlanders and of course to meet the challenging health directives. Photos of the Brooks TC and Biggelaar TF in a good crowd for the circumstance along with the Briggs P Type.

And the Ellis MGA entered by Greg, driven by Mike, a fitting tribute to Greg's recent passing and his long contribution to motor racing, before it became historic and since!













The Sunday paddock showed the TC of Dave Peters with again strong support from a good crowd.

Other entries on the weekend, the Fraser Clubman driven by Cameron Howie and a pair of racing cars, the Reynard Formula Ford of Danny Newland and Grant Bingley's Elfin 600. The classic new production on static display, the stricking red open wheeler of the Sodenberg/Dungey duo inspired by the Maserati 250F.

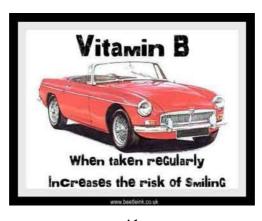
The next Square Rigger run follows the Concours and AGM, Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November from the concluding breakfast at the Civic Club, arrangements to Hobart for the weekend organised locally by each area.

#### Square Rigger contacts:

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## **Club Social Events**

Events in red do not attract Club Points
(More details can be found in the Sub Centre Notes)

Date	Event	Meet At	Coordinator
Wed 13th Oct	NSC Dinner - Grindelwald	Windsor Park	Mike Paine
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Britain to Bunna	Triabunna	Chris Wagstaff
Tues 19th Oct	SSC - AAM	Civic Club	Chris Wagstaff
Wed 27th Oct	NSC – AAM	VCCA Clubrooms?	R Ashley-Jones
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	NW – Coffee Run	Bunnings D'Port	Terry Jeffrey
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	NSC – Coffee Lunch Run	Velo Wines/Becketts	Robin Phillips
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	106 <sup>th</sup> Mid Week Run	Rivulet Cafe	Wayne Goninon
5-7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Annual Events	Hobart	Chris Wagstaff
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	NSC Dinner Run	TBA	Phil Paine
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	NSC – Lunch Run	VCCA Clubrooms	
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Claremont Car and Bike Show		
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	SSC – Charity Event	New Norfolk	
Sun 21st Nov	NSC – Lunch Run	VCCA Clubrooms	R Ashley-Jones
Fri 26th Nov	NSC – Coffee Run	VCCA Clubrooms?	John James
Wed 1st Dec	107 <sup>th</sup> Mid Week Run	Rivulet Cafe	Wayne Goninon
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	T- Types Run North		Frank Brooks
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	SSC – Xmas BBQ	Civic Club	Bob Leeson
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	NSC - NW Xmas Picnic	Huntsman Lake	TBA

## **Club and State Competition Events**

Date	Event	Meet At	Coordinator
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Barrington Hillclimb	Barrington	NWCC
16-17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Baskerville 1000	Baskerville	HSCC
Sun 24th Oct	CMI Hillclimb	Domain	CMI
Sun 31st Oct	Club Day	Baskerville	MGCCT/MCCT
20-21st Nov	TCRC Rnd 6	Baskerville	HSCC
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Hillclimb Series Rnd 5	Highclere	NWCC



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