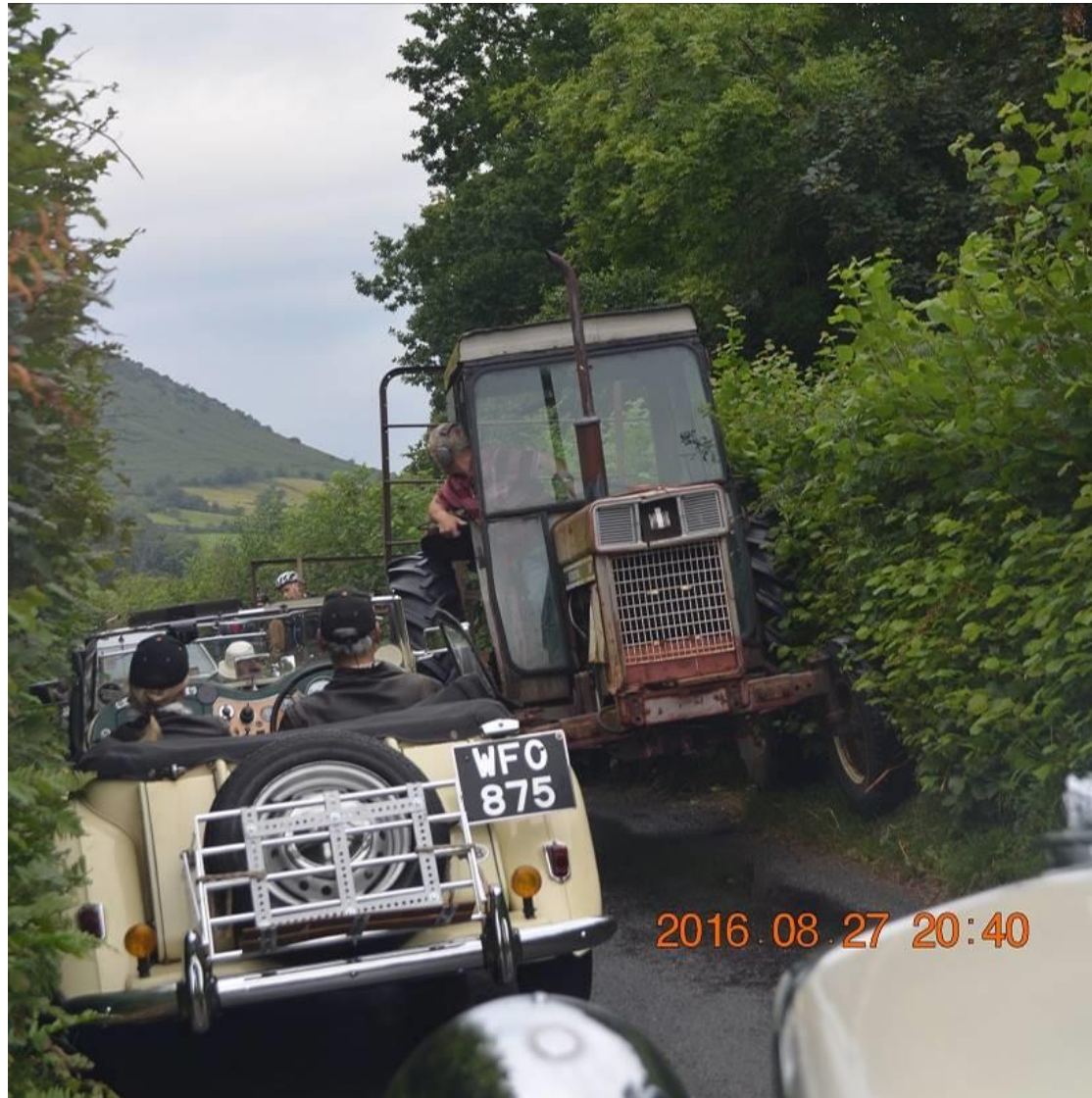
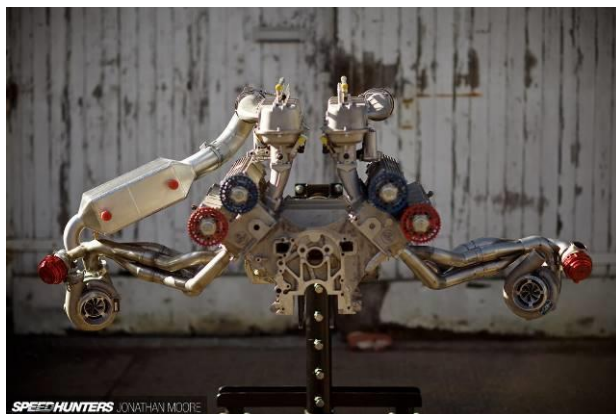


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Totally TTypes 2 cavalcade sneaking past a tractor on a narrow road.

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MG B GT GT3 Build – see Ed's Report

SSC – Mountain madness Run

NSC – Longford Morning Run

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TOTALLY TTYPES 2

FOREST OF DEAN; AUGUST 26/28TH AUGUST 2016.

Robin and I joined 76 others for a weekend touring the Forest of Dean criss-crossing the English/Welsh border on numerous occasions.

Thirty nine (39) MG's took part, with a couple of additions at times. Cars ranged from 1934 to a ring in RV8 due to the owner having sold his TD just prior to the run.

The cars taking part were PA (1); PB (1); TA (5); TB (2); TC/EXU (1); TC (6); TD (12); Cooper MG (1); TF (7); TF1500 (2); RV8 (1). A "Y" type and MG "A" were the occasional additions.

Robin travelled with Terry Baulich in the RV8. Terry sold his TD just prior the run. Derek travelled with Peter Cole in a TD. The weather could have been kinder, traditional



intermittent showers, but they failed to diminish the overall enthusiasm. Saturday's run of 80 miles was based on the eastern edge of the Black Mountains and the Welsh/English border. The roads varied from normal to abnormally narrow. All were bitumen, but some were so narrow, that the a largish 4WD, SUV would have completely used the full width of the bitumen.

There were plenty of photo opportunities at the Vale of Ewyas, Gospel Pass and Hay on Wye, better known as the second hand book sale capital of the world.

Saturday's route included three castles; White, Grosmont and Skenfrith Castle, as well as providing spectacular views of the Black Mountains and Brecon Beacons.

Unfortunately an immaculate MK2 TD from the Isle of Wight broke a clutch cable, and had to be driven for a considerable distance, before a recovery vehicle could access it.

The Sunday drive was of shorter duration, only 40 miles. It was mainly confined to the Forest of Dean and Wye Valley. As on Saturday some of the roads were so narrow, it was hard to believe people lived on a permanent basis alongside them with such restrictive access. It would be a nightmare to drive on them on a daily basis, but it can be nice occasionally. The cover photo of the tractor and the TF was taken on a ROAD (?) that was certainly not the narrowest we travel on.

On Sunday we visited the Dean Heritage Centre and Museum, where the MG's were displayed as part of the "Childhood Memories Festival".

We also visited Tintern Abbey and Symmons Yat Rock to see the spectacular vies of the River Wye. We also visited Clearwell Castle, Clearwell Caves and the 12th Century

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castle at St Briavels. An excellent dinner at Bells Hotel, Coleford, and a film show by Paul Ireland, which included the 2014 Ttypes2 run on the Isle of Wight and the 2015 Lancashire Lanes and Yorkshire Dales run wound up a highly enjoyable and very well organised weekend.

Our abiding memories of the weekend are; firstly the incredible narrowness of many of the roads, and secondly that British classic MG car owners are a hardier type than their Tasmanian counterparts, as they leave the tops down in circumstances when few Tasmanians would.

The Ttypes2 run was held the last weekend of August, the following weekend we will attend the Beaulieu Autumn Autojumble and the following weekend the Goodwood Revival. It is an ideal time to compress a number of motor vehicle related visits into a three week visit to the UK, particularly with depressed value of sterling.

The Jaydon Heritage Museum and a visit to Brooklands are also highly recommended, and there numerous other attractions and can be easily fitted into the three week schedule.

Derek Holden

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Wheel Love

Below is a copy of the MG-TC chapter from my 'Wheel Love' book, which covers most of my motoring adventures.

This book was originally produced just for the family, but proved to be a bit more popular. Hence it has just been re-printed, so copies are available.

It costs about \$39 each so if anyone wants one, well as I said, some are available

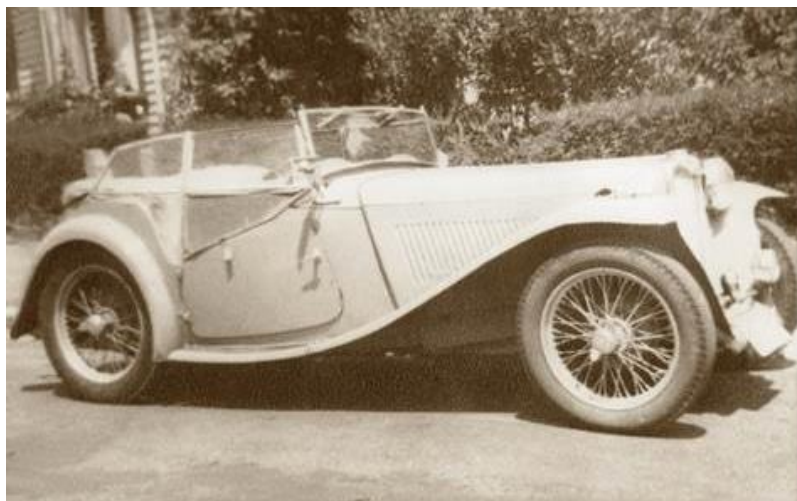
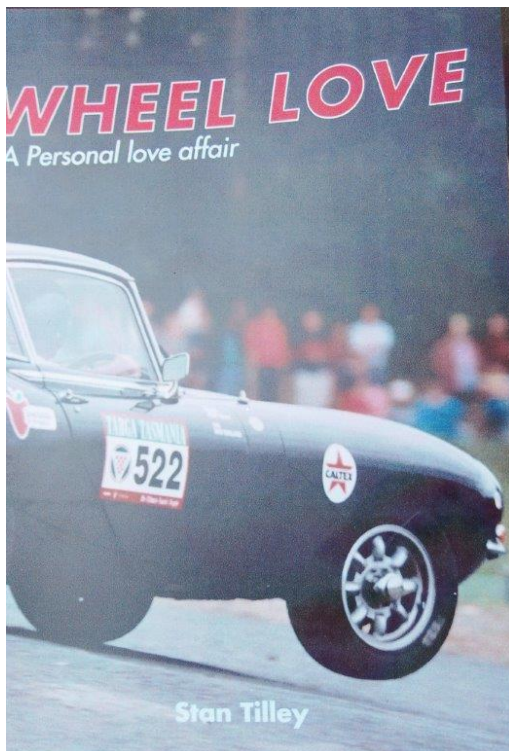
After some 20 years I decided that I did miss the MG, so went back to one.

My present car is a 1966 Series 1 MGB five bearing crank, with overdrive. Originally ordered from the factory in black, I have retained the colour- so it is a bit unusual.

I had other cars at UNI but-----

The real problem was that I was intensely jealous of a law student who had a beautiful pale blue TC MG. So jealous, I was moved to make disparaging remarks about the lack of space in it. "Listen mate – There is enough room for a man and a woman and six dozen ale. What more do you want?"

I went out and bought a **pale blue MG-TC**.



MG-TC

6. MG magic.

The MG was a fabulous motor car. Not only did it look the part but also it performed well. I was still living halfway up the mountain at Ferntree. By coincidence another driver used to arrive at the bottom of the hill at the same time almost every day. He was usually driving a brand new Ford Zephyr. It became a regular race to see who could get to the top of the hill first. Despite being totally different in character, the two cars were very closely matched. One day I went to the publicity release of the latest Ford cars. A man looked across and came rushing across with an enormous smile. “TC MG” he said. I looked and replied “Ford Zephyr”. It was the beginning of a lifetime friendship with J. Dennis Pooley, who was the Ford agent for Hobart. No wonder he always had the latest and best Ford.

University days ended and a job took me to the North West Coast. The MG was still terrific fun. A brother also had a MG, as did a brother - in - law; so many friendly acceleration bouts took place. Each weekend I was driving about 250 klms to visit a beautiful young redhead, yes it was the same Bonnie, in Hobart. The girl was fabulous and I enjoyed the 500km round trip. The MG motor was flat out at 5500 revs. At these revs the speedometer indicated 86 MPH and it sat on that speed all the way without a murmur.

By this time my brother Norm was a school-teacher. He just loved to ‘borrow’ the MG to do a few ‘wheelies’ around the school playground as he said “The kids just love it”. I was not happy with this but was really upset when Norm announced “That MG is dangerous. The brakes failed”. Now I was really cross. How dare Norm criticize my beloved MG? An argument ensued so to prove my point that the brakes were perfect I dismantled the master cylinder. The brakes **HAD FAILED**. The brake-actuating washer showed signs of being turned inside out by a massive brake application!



*Even future Mother-in- law, Elvie, loved the MG.
(As she prepares to pelt me with a snowball!)*

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Norm was a brilliant driver but was hard on vehicles, not to mention other drivers. When I first started work with the Hydro Electric Commission, straight from University, I was in 'seventh heaven'.

I was given a brand new Land Rover and sent out on field-work. The first night, I stayed at the family home in Launceston and carefully parked the new vehicle in the back yard. Panic. The Landrover had disappeared. It was an hour later that Norm appeared with the vehicle, covered in mud. "Never driven a 4WD" "Just borrowed it for a while to test it out on the clay cliffs at Windmill Hill"

I did learn by experience with the Landrover. One of our jobs entailed driving on a very steep and rutted bush track for some kilometres to our work site. I got quite relaxed. In low ratio the 'jeep', as we called them, would chugg up and down the track with the front wheels tracking in the ruts and me, smugly sitting with my arms folded.

It was pouring with rain. A medium sized rock had washed into the rut and with a sudden lurch the Rover leapt out of the ruts and over the steep bank to balance precariously on the centre mounted petrol tank. With the front driving wheels hanging in the air, I was going nowhere. I was on my own and the only tools I had were a part of the Rover jack and an axe. By the time I had cut several saplings for levers, moved rocks for fulcrums and eventually retrieved the situation, it was very late, very dark and I was very wet and subdued.

At another section the track did a deviation in the bush which seemed quite unnecessary. One day I decided to continue straight through- but was stopped rather suddenly when the boulder concealed by the scrub removed the front differential.

As mentioned, the MG was used for private trips to and from Hobart. Then disaster struck. After one weekend I was very cross that Robbie, my girlfriend's father would not allow her to come to Burnie with me for a few days.



MG - Magic.

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I set off (in the MG) very early on Monday morning in order to be at work by 8AM. As a Hydrographic Assistant I was sometimes requested to take some equipment with me, so the passenger seat that, I thought, should have contained Bonnie, was occupied by a roll of sisal insulation paper.

As I rounded a sharp left-hand corner about halfway through the journey, I was shocked to see a large truck on the wrong side of the road heading straight for me. I veered off the left-hand side of the road to avoid it but there was not room. At the same moment that I scraped the post and rail fence, the truck hit me, tearing the side out of the MG, removing the hood and part of my scalp.

The truck did not stop but continued on, taking a straight line through the corner, to crash into the bank on the other side of the road. The second impact of the truck was enough to awaken the driver who had been asleep at the wheel. I was pretty upset but in fact luck was with me. When I looked at the MG a fence rail had come in through the left and **had pierced the roll of insulation paper at ‘chest height’**.

I was so thankful that Bonnie was NOT IN THAT SEAT. Both the MG and I survived to enjoy another day.



Sad MG after the collision with a truck.

Stan Tilley

Another Pale Blue TC at
2006 National Meeting -
Launceston



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

Presidents Report

Spring has arrived, (at last) with the weather starting to warm up and jobs like lawn mowing starts.

The calendar is filling up with club Christmas activities.

It is also the start time to the end of the club's year with the AGM and the election of office bearers for the different committees.

Even though the club has a changing culture, with members preferring to enjoy the runs and social aspect rather than previously when it was competition, however the club still requires a committee.

I realise that to some it is not where they want to go, but somebody has to do the job. One is not required to sign up for life, 1 year would suffice, and you would receive guidance.

Positions becoming vacant are: President; Secretary; Editor; Membership Officer;

So come on members please take this **seriously** as it is **your** club.

We have teleconferences during the winter months and there is usually carpooling to go to Ross.

In the New Year the club has been asked to assist and run some events for the Aston Martin Club of Australia, which our Public Officer Bill Griffiths is Chairman. Events start on New Year's Day, which could include a Motorkhana, Supersprints and which could all be held at Symmons Plains. If you would like to assist in these events and perhaps see "James Bond" cars, then put your hand up to help.

So keep an eye out for further information.

Tasmania is holding the 2018 MG National Meeting at Easter with events being held along the North-West Coast. It probably seems a long way away, although planning, negotiations are well under way. We will require lots of helpers for this major event, not only for our club which could have up to 500 people attending, but also the State.

I will close now, but there is plenty to think about if the club is to continue being the very successful one it is.

Happy MGing

Zube

(Bronwyn Zuber)

Membership Report

This month we welcome 3 new members:

Michelle Harper & Ray Denton, Michelle has a 2002 MGTF Trophy 160.

Graeme Foote has a 1959 MGA Roadster

Welcome to the club, and we hope to see you soon at an event.

Sue-Anne Midgley

Membership Officer



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Ed Says

Inside the front cover there are some photos of an MG B GT which is being built to GT3 specs. The engine started off as a 4 litre Rover V8. But the heads were discarded and replaced with two Lotus twin cam 4 cylinder units. And of course, twin turbo chargers.

The suspension and bodywork is evident in the photos.

For those of your readers who are interested, the full story can be found at a website..... And includes part two of the story called "Thors Hammer"

Google: Speedhunters MGB GT3.

Sent in by Steve Barnard.

Readers will also notice that the layout of the magazine is different this month, I had to do this to allow for the middle pages to be removed with the AGM, AAM notices and forms. I could have broken the article in the middle, but I chose not to.

If you have read our presidents report you will now be aware that this year we are facing some major reshuffling of the State Committee. The commitment of attending the State Committee meeting once a month, along with a small amount of time outside is not too much to ask to keep this club going. Even the Secretaries role, which in the past would have been one of the most daunting is relatively easy now with most correspondence being by email. But the most arduous of roles is this one, Editor, it requires a commitment of about 10 hours a month to do. If you can use Word, you can do the magazine, I have all the templates set up and I can easily show you the tricks, to make it work. Now I know I will be inundated with calls so understand this, if someone does not take it on, there is no magazine. November will be my last. So look around and give someone who can do it a nudge, because someone will need to do it.

The Concours, AGM and Annual Dinner are being held in Devonport this year. Concours will be adjacent to Roundhouse Park on the banks of the Mersey, the AGM will be at the RSL, see the notice in this magazine, and the Annual Dinner will be at Indulgence. The date is the 26th of November, so pencil it in, many NW members have spare beds, so make your reservations and we will see you on the Cradle Coast. Last time in Devonport we had nearly 100 at the dinner, lets see if we can improve on that this year. All details will be in next months magazine, so "Lock it in Eddie".

The social calendars are filing up as we approach the Summer months. Our sub-centres all have a range of events that should have some interest for most members.

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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	

Well the year is certainly moving on and we will be having our area meeting shortly to elect a new committee to determine the direction of our sub centre for the next 12 months. The year culminates with our annual concourse on 26th November in Devonport so it's a good time to catch up with our fellow MG Car Club members from around the state.

It is also time for the club to recognise the achievements of club members with the annual concours and club champions and awards for the various club activities.

However in the North our own social calendar is happening and as usual all events have been well attended.

Separate reports will be provided somewhere in the magazine however if you are not part of the activities please RSVP to the coordinator and joint in the activities. Summer is now upon us so there are our social events and our monthly meetings to meet up with other like mined club members and the opportunity to bring your ideas for events along.

We are in the process of organising a group to go the 2017 National Meeting in Adelaide and you will find details in this magazine so if you would like to experience a national meeting before the Tasmanian event at Easter 2018 then come along and joint the tour.

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Some of the activities this month have been:

Fri 29th July, Friday Morning Coffee walk to Victoria's at City Park.

Sun 31st July, MGCC Race Meeting, Symmons Plains.

Wed 10th Aug, Mid-Week Dinner at the Kings Meadows Hotel.

Sat 20th Aug, Sat Morning Coffee Run to Longford.

Fri 26th Aug, Fri Morning Coffee Walk which finished at the Blue Café at Inveresk.

Coming Events:

Wed 14th Sept, Mid-Week Dinner. Meet at venue. Steve's Grill in Wellington St.

RSVP Brian Ralph 0447 632 813.

Sat 24th Sept, Sat Morning Coffee Run. Leave museum 9.30,

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29th 30th Sept, 1st 2nd October Baskerville Historic Race Meeting.

Fri 30th Sept, Fri Morning Coffee Walk. Leave museum 9.30

RSVP Bruce Keogh 0418 131 594.

Wed 12th October, Mid-Week Run & Meal. Depart Motor Museum 6.00pm RSVP Wes Saunders 0407511819.

Sun 16th October run to Longford. Morning Tea at JJ's. Leave the Motor Museum at 9.30am, visit swap meet, drive on for lunch at Bracknell Pub

RSVP Mark Dilger 0408 271 029.

Sat 22nd October Saturday morning coffee runs RSVP Rhonda Matthews 0422600405.

Wed 26th October Annual Area Meeting following our Monthly Meeting. 7.30pm

Fri 28th October Fri Morning coffee walk. Leave Motor Museum 9.30

RSVP Bruce Keogh 0418 131 594

Wed 2nd November VCCA Event at Ulverstone to view their display. Meet to leave the Motor Museum at 9.00am to arrive at Ulverstone by 10.30am.

Further details from John Biggelaar 0408 125 199.

Sun 13th November Lake Leake Hotel run for Lunch. Leave Motor Museum by 9.30am to have coffee at Campbell Town to arrive for lunch by 12.30pm.

RSVP Jim Dickenson 0407 309 672.

Mark Dilger

Next Meeting 28th September VCCA Club Rooms 75 Lawrence Vale Rd



Now that's a Midget - CT

Life Members

Joe Paul (dec)	1969	Bob Moore	1974
Arthur Twining (dec)	1976	Ian Wade	1984
Terry Atkinson	1984	Dennis Burgess	1984
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		

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

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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Notice of Annual General Meeting

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The Annual General Meeting of the MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc. (MGCCT), will be held at The Devonport RSL, 18 Macfie St, Devonport on **Saturday 26th November 2016** commencing at 3.00pm.

AGENDA

1. Apologies and Proxy Votes
2. Minutes of Previous AGM
3. Business Arising
4. President's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. General Business
7. Election of Committee

NOMINATION FORM

We (Name of Proposer)
and (Name of Seconder)
being financial members of MGCCT hereby nominate
..... for the position of
.....

Signed: (Proposer)
..... (Seconder)

ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION

I (Name of Nominee)
Being a financial member of MGCCT accept the above nomination.

Signed: (Nominee)

PROXY VOTING FORM

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Signed:

Notice of Annual Area Meeting - Southern Sub-Centre

The Annual Area Meeting of the MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc. (MGCCT), Southern Sub Centre, will be held at the Civic Club in Davey Street, Hobart, on **Tuesday, 11th October 2016** commencing at 8:30pm.

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Notice of Annual Area Meeting - Northern Sub-Centre

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- 1. Apologies and Proxy Votes
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Club Meeting Details		Every Tuesday Night at 8pm Civic Club, 134 Davey Street, Hobart	
Postal Address		GPO Box 5, Hobart, Tas 7001	

PAST EVENTS

12th August – Movie and Pizza night. After a lot of discussion about what movie would it be? The night turned out to be one of lots of food, laughs and a few beers, a really good one that 23 members enjoyed. The night featured a collection of short English comedies with The Plank as the main feature. Yes the poms know how to make a good comedy, ones produced in the 50s and 60s are still funny today. Thank you to those who helped make the night a success: Zube , Jeanette and Robin for the deserts and Tony Lansdell for the movies.

LaBella Pizza for the 14 Pizza's at a good discount

Shannons for donating the raffle main prize a DVD box set of Australian Motor Sport.

A big thank you to Robin for working the bar in his own time.

Chris W

28th August – Mountain Breakfast Run. We met at the Civic Club at 8.00am for a choice of pumpkin or seafood soup, followed by a run up Mt Wellington for those seeking

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to frolic in the recent dusting of snow. We then travelled on the old Huon Highway to the Longley International Hotel where facilities (two barbecues, an urn for tea and coffee and a covered area as plan B) were available for our cooked Aussie breakfast provided by the committee, some of whom went directly to Longley to start things off. Breakfast consisted of sausages, bacon, eggs, steakettes, onions, mushrooms and tomatoes. Peter Shaw brought his own black pudding which turned out blacker than when it started out, but he did say that he likes it well cooked. It must have been good because when I went to have a sample there was none left. All this for a mere \$10.00 per head was good value we thought. The weather, although a bit iffy and cold with sunshine, cloud and a bit of mist held out long enough for us not to need plan B as witnessed by the 27 attendees. From reports and after some discussion it was decided that we may use a similar format for next year.

Bob L

COMING EVENTS:

14th September - 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. For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 6229 6006

The remaining dates are: 19th October, 16th November and 14th December.
For further information please contact Wayne Goninon: 0408 388 881

15th September – Evening run to Franklin for fish and chips combined with a Poker Run. The Aqua Grill has been booked for 20 plus.

NOTE – THIS EVENT HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO VENUE CLOSURE

30th September- 2nd October – Baskerville Historics. If you wish to volunteer for this fantastic annual event put your hands up.

For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 6229 6006

11th October – Annual Area Meeting, Southern Sub-Centre in place of our usual Tuesday evening meeting for the election of office bearers for the coming year. If you want to be involved in the running of the club please put your hand up now!

For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: 6239 1341

20th October – Show Day. With the absence of Jenny Beard, we will proceed to the Lufra Hotel at Eaglehawk Neck for lunch. A booking for 20 has been made, so an RSVP to Shane would be appreciated. Depart Civic Club at 10.00am with coffee at Sorell and a visit to the Blowhole.

For further information please contact Shane Manley: 0405 077 570

22nd October – **Shannons Take your top off day.** From 10.00am till 2.30pm. Free entry to all convertible cars. See flyer in this magazine.

29th October from Civic Club to the Village Green Ranelagh depart Civic club 10.30
Classic car show as a fund raiser for the Huonville High School gold coin donation
" Let's get behind this one " BYO lunch

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For more details contact Chris Wagstaff

12th November – Overnight stay at Mt Lloyd. Bring your sleeping bag and food for the evening meal. Breakfast will be provided by your host. Depart Civic Club at 11.00am. Coffee in New Norfolk

For further information please contact Bob Leeson: 0362 296006

26th November – Annual Concours at Devonport. Southern Sub Centre members please note this date and attend if possible.

For further information please contact Chris Wagstaff: : 62391341

13th December – Christmas Barbecue. Activities will commence at 6.00pm. Lucky door prizes. Cooking by our renowned chefs.

A pleasant drive down the windy Taroona Channel Highway, followed by the Huon Highway and then a few twists and turns to Margate and Brookfield. Thanks to Ewan Cameron who led us off at a sedate pace so we could regularly convoy. A nice mixture of cars, MGs, Porsches, Jaguars, Healy, Triumph making up most of the fleet. The meal was sufficient for lunch and many commented on the excellent value for two courses and proper coffee.

The dates for the remainder of 2016 are,

September – Wednesday 14th – Bob Leeson to arrange

October – Wednesday 19th – Robin Wilmot to arrange with Lyn Cyngia's assistance

November – Wednesday 16th

December – Wednesday 14th

With best wishes and safe motoring.

Wayne (white MGA)

Phone: 0408 388 881



North West

Position	Member	Partner	Contact Details
Co-Ordinator	Tony Lansdell	Wendy	(h) 6425 6324 (m) 0418 378 214 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	

The days are finally getting longer and it's time to dust off the cobwebs and prepare your cars for spring & summer. I've been playing mechanic, trimmer, auto electrician and polisher for Wendy on her Dad's car. We both can't wait for daylight saving to arrive so we can head off for a quickie (drive that is) before dinner.

Last month's event, organised by Rosie & Jim sounded like a fun event. Unfortunately I couldn't attend due to work commitments. The report will be elsewhere in the mag.

This month's event is being organised by Terry & Colleen. It will be a casual drive through our glorious countryside ending at a destination that will serve us cheese, wine and coffee. It will commence at the Don Car park on Don Rd. between the railway and the highway on Sunday Sept 18. Assemble at 13:15 for a 13:30 departure.

For those of us who haven't organised an event yet, have a think about it and let me know if you would like to organise one. We don't yet have a volunteer for October or December. It doesn't have to be a grand affair, a drive and a picnic works!
See you at the Historics!

"till next month and don't forget...
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The Saga of the Phone Box.

Early in 2016 Roy Stuart asked the north west members of the MGCC to consider organising an event. An event would be held each month organised by the nominees. Somewhat reluctantly Jim and Rosie made the commitment. They were allocated August. Several months passed and then suddenly we were staring August in the face. The editor needed information for the magazine so all potential participants could commit to the "exercise". It should be noted that these events had to fit in around competition and other events.

However by July we had it sorted including the venue(s), time and date.

A cryptic trial to find numerous phone boxes in the Latrobe/East Devonport/Devonport, Turners Beach/ Forth and Spreyton areas.

After a number of hours Jim and Rosie had it sorted. The approximate timing and details needed for the phone boxes was set. Only thing left to do were the "clues" as to the location of each box.

The reward would be a chocolate, soup and sandwich refreshments at the conclusion.

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The day of Sunday 28th. August dawned fairly pleasant weather wise and duly at 1015 the 4 participating MG crews and their burbling beasts appeared.

Jim issued the instructions as M.C. (with Rosie putting her 2 bobs worth in as usual) and each team was waved off at 2 minute intervals commencing at 10:45.

Each team was issued a list of instructions and clues as well as the items to be noted at each box nominated.

These were:

1. Number in each box and
2. if the box was identified as a Wi Fi compatible box.

1 hour and 45 minutes later the Smiths from Wynyard rolled in all correct. They were followed by the Jeffrey's, Midgleys (held up in conversation at Forth), and the Irvings who took a ?"short cut" which saw everyone arriving back by 13:30.

There was a lot of interest in the location of the phone boxes, other boxes not mentioned were noted as were some strange street configurations in East Devonport! Some of the clues were challenging to say the least. Rosemary states that presented with them she would not have a clue about them. Cryptic crosswords are not her "thing" but Jim loves these cryptic trials.

A convivial time over soup and sandwiches was had by all.

Whilst the number was small we believe it was a nice little challenge to close off winter 2016.

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Baskerville Historics Update

The Baskerville Historics has been conducted continuously since 2010 and is now run and promoted as a joint venture between the Hobart Sporting Car Club and the MG Car Club. Chaired by Peter Killick, the organising committee is represented by 10 motor sport enthusiasts from a broad cross section of clubs and motor sport entities. The committee was thrilled to receive the CAMS Tasmanian Event of the Year award in 2015 and is determined to build on this success for 2016.

Baskerville Historics is the anchor meeting to the fundraising efforts of the Baskerville Foundation which aims to raise sufficient funds to complete a number of essential circuit and infrastructure upgrades including a complete re-seal of the circuit. The 2016 meeting will see the achievement of this goal – the track re-surfacing has been booked for December 2016.

The meeting is run as a 2+4 format and now includes a rallycross demonstration providing spectators with great variety. Entries are expected to top 250 in 2016 making Baskerville Historics one of the biggest meetings of its type in Australia. As a result of strong competitor entries the committee is adopting a 3 day format for the first time which will ensure the best possible experience for competitors and spectators.



This year sees the appearance of 5 genuine Bathurst Holdens including Garry Rogers year 2000 winner and the return of Bruce Gowans' Toyota Celica Repco following an extensive restoration. Perhaps the most significant car to appear since the inception of Baskerville Historics will be the MRD Formula Junior, chassis number 1, to be driven by Tasmanian legend Greg Crick. This car is now universally accepted as being the first Brabham racing car and has the official designation Brabham BT1.

Baskerville Historics 2016 commences with practise and qualifying on Friday September 30 with two packed days of racing on October 1 and 2.

Bob Leeson

BASKERVILLE HISTORICS

Sep 30 - 2 October 2016



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Baskerville Historics

2018 National Meeting – Adelaide

As all members would be aware next year's National Meeting in Adelaide is the prelude to our National Meeting in Tasmania 2018. It is therefore important for us to have a significant delegation of entries attend and promote our event for 2018.

This doesn't mean that if you go you will be working all weekend, but it does mean that you will be representing our club and the event and hopefully encouraging as many mainland members as you can to come and visit Tasmania for the National Meeting. I have already had 15 members contact me and put their names on the list of prospective attendees, so if you are thinking of coming along please let me know, so I can include you in any correspondence.

I have also been asked to organise a tour to and from Adelaide, so after receiving some up to date information on the current status of usage of the Great Ocean Road, I have decided to reverse the last tour I did and travel via the Murray River and Barossa Valley to Adelaide and then via the Great Ocean Road back to Melbourne. If you wish to join us, this is the plan.

So Monday morning the 10th of April we shall gather in Melbourne to set off to Adelaide, Sue-Anne and I will already be in Melbourne over the weekend to catch up with family, whether you travel on the ship on Sunday night or prior is entirely up to you.

We will travel via historic towns like Woodend and Echuca with a driving time of 4.5 hrs, Reaching Swan Hill to enjoy a river cruise evening meal on the Murray.

Tuesday we will follow the Murray River to Mildura and onto Renmark, 4 hrs driving.

Wednesday we will travel through the Barossa Valley into Adelaide, 3.5 hrs driving.

In Adelaide I have found some Holiday homes, suitable for 3 couples to share, they are approx. \$2,500 for the week, which works out to be \$120 per couple per night. If you are interested in sharing a house, let me know and I will make the arrangements for you. These rentals do require a deposit, so once organised at least one couple will have to pay the deposit and then recover the share from the other members. I will not be paying deposits except for our house.

The trip home will start on Wednesday morning 19th of April, we will travel through the McLaren and Strathalbyn wine regions to Robe, 4.5 hrs driving.

Thursday we will travel to Portland via Mount Gambier. 3 hrs driving.

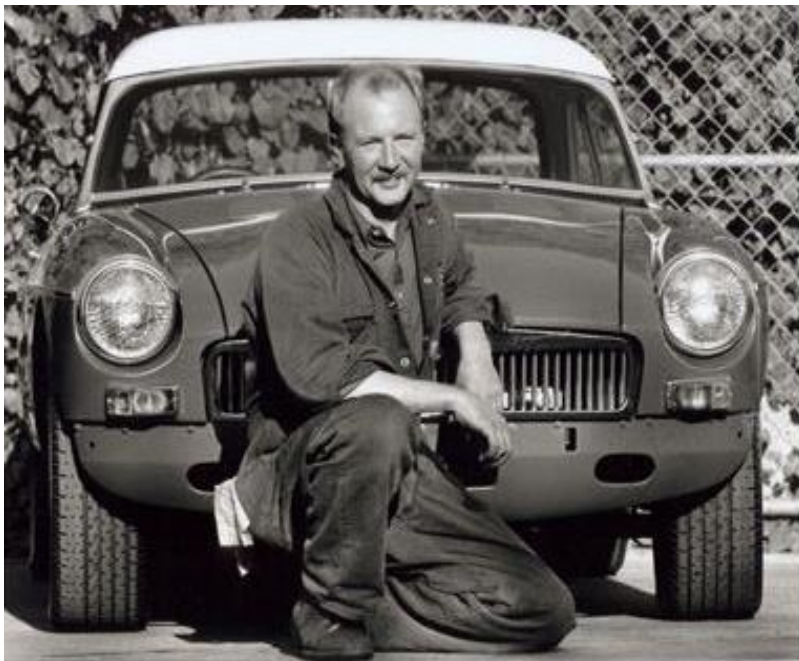
Friday we will travel to Apollo Bay, via Warrnambool and Port Fairy, 3.5 hrs driving.

Saturday we will travel to Melbourne, via Lorne, Torquay and Geelong to Melbourne to catch the ferry home or your own personal preference, 3 hrs driving.

The trip has an estimated cost of \$2,000/couple without registration at the National Meeting, which I do not have a figure on yet. Everyone is welcome, just let me know sooner rather than later please.

Andrew Midgley - Ed

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The Funny Bone

A priest, a doctor, and an engineer were waiting one morning for a particularly slow group of golfers. The engineer fumed, "What's with those guys?

We must have been waiting for fifteen minutes!"

The doctor chimed in, "I don't know, but I've never seen such inept golf!"

The priest said, "Here comes the green-keeper. Let's have a word with him."

He said, "Hello George, what's wrong with that group ahead of us?

They're rather slow, aren't they?"

The green-keeper replied, "Oh, yes. That's a group of blind firemen. They lost their sight saving our clubhouse from a fire last year, so we always let them play for free anytime."

The group fell silent for a moment.

The priest said, "That's so sad. I think I will say a special prayer for them tonight."

The doctor said, "Good idea. I'm going to contact my ophthalmologist colleague and see if there's anything he can do for them."

The engineer said, "Why can't they play at night?"

A wife asks her husband, a software engineer...

"Could you please go shopping for me and buy one carton of milk, and if they have eggs, get 6!" A short time later the husband comes back with 6 cartons of milk.

The wife asks him, "Why the hell did you buy 6 cartons of milk?"

He replied, "They had eggs."

Reaching the end of a job interview, the Human Resources Manager asked the young engineer fresh out of university, "And what starting salary were you looking for?"

The engineer said, "In the neighborhood of \$100,000 a year, depending on the benefit's package."

The HR Manager said, "Well, what would you say to a package of \$200,000 a year, 5 weeks vacation, 14 paid holidays, full medical and dental, company matching retirement fund to 50% of salary, and a company car leased every 2 years - say, a red Mercedes?"

The engineer sat up straight and said, "Wow!!! Are you joking?"

And the HR Manager said, "Of course, but you started it."

A lawyer and an engineer were fishing in the Caribbean. The lawyer said, "I'm here because my house burned down, and everything I owned was destroyed by the fire. The insurance company paid for everything.

"That's quite a coincidence," said the engineer. "I'm here because my house and all my belongings were destroyed by a flood, and my insurance company also paid for everything."

The lawyer looked somewhat confused. "How do you start a flood?" he asked.

To an optimist, the glass is half full.

To a pessimist, the glass is half empty.

To an engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

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Calendar of Events

Events in italics are not Club Points Events

Event	Location	Co-Ordinator	Date
NSC - Mid Week Dinner	Steves Grill	Brian Ralph	Wed, 14 Sep 16
<i>SSC - Mid Week Run</i>	<i>TBA</i>	<i>Wayne Goninon</i>	<i>Wed, 14 Sep 16</i>
SSC - Evening Run	Franklin	CANCELLED	Thu, 15 Sep 16
NW - Social Run	Devonport	Terry Jeffrey	Sun, 18 Sep 16
NSC - Coffee Walk	Launceston		Sat, 24 Sep 16
NSC - Coffee Walk	Launceston		Fri, 30 Sep 16
Baskerville Historics	Baskerville		Fri, 30 Sep 16- Sun, 3 Oct 16
SSC - AAM	Civic Club	Chris Wagstaff	Tue, 11 Oct 16
NSC - Mid Week Dinner		Wes Saunders	Wed, 12 Oct 16
NSC - Social Run		Mark Dilger	Sun, 16 Oct 16
<i>SSC - Mid Week Run</i>	<i>TBA</i>	<i>Wayne Goninon</i>	<i>Wed, 19 Oct 16</i>
SSC - Show Day Run	Eaglehawk Neck	Shane Manley	Thu, 20 Oct 16
Square Riggers Run	TBA	TBA	Thu, 20 Oct 16
<i>Shannon - Take your Tops Off</i>	<i>Salamanca</i>		<i>Sat, 22 Oct 16</i>
Super Sprints	Baskerville	Robin Wilmot	Sun, 23 Oct 16
NSC - AAM	VCCA Club Rooms	Aemonn Matthews	Wed, 26 Oct 16
NSC - Coffee Walk	Launceston		Fri, 28 Oct 16
SSC - Huonville High Show	Ranaleagh	Chris Wagstaff	Sat, 29 Oct 16
<i>VCCA - Run</i>	<i>Ulverstone</i>	<i>John Bigelaar</i>	<i>Wed, 02 Nov 16</i>
Square Riggers Run	State	Peter Scott	Sat, 12 Nov 16- Sat, 13 Nov 16
SSC - O'night Run	Mt Lloyd	Bob Leeson	Sat, 12 Nov 16- Sat, 13 Nov 16
NSC - Social Run	Lake Leake	Jim Dickenson	Sun, 13 Nov 16
THS - Round 3	Baskerville	PCT	Sun, 13 Nov 16
<i>SSC - Mid Week Run</i>	<i>TBA</i>	<i>Wayne Goninon</i>	<i>Wed, 16 Nov 16</i>
<i>TSS-Round 6</i>	<i>Baskerville</i>	<i>HSCC</i>	Sat, 19 Nov 16- Sun, 20 Nov 16
Councourse, AGM Annual Dinner	Devonport	Roy Stuart	Sat, 26 Nov 16
THS - Round 4	Highclere	NWCC	Sat, 10 Dec 16
SSC - Xmas BBQ	TBA	TBA	Tue, 13 Dec 16

SQUARE RIGGER NOTES

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

Photos from Rob Roy recently showing just a few of the wide range of vehicles in the long list of competitors. The PB, well known from it's long history in Tasmania, Bentleys, the T Model racing car and a strong line-up of Austins. The large crowd and the great interest and support for all types of historic competition is expected also to be well reflected at the forthcoming Baskerville Historics. The PB will also be remembered at Baskerville a few years back.



And a couple of fine examples turned out to Beach House for the regular first Sunday gathering, the Alvis and Anglia were very well presented too!

The next Square Rigger run is planned for Sunday the 2nd October at Baskerville Historics with a spot set out on the bank to assemble from 9.00 am. Enquiries to David Taylor and Bob Leeson.

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