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*Cameron giving his best at the Midvale Autotest
with his times improving on each run.*



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**General Meetings held at the Clubrooms on the third Tuesday of every month
(fellowship from 7:30, formal proceedings commence at 8:00 p.m.)
All members and visitors are welcome.**



New members, Steve and Jackie Hull were the winners of this months raffle. Well done and we all hope to see plenty more of them around the club

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President's Piece

After six very enjoyable weeks in the UK it is good to be back home in Perth. The MG scene in the UK is in a healthy state, with the new models selling well. They now have 84 new MG dealerships around the country, offering the MG3, ZS & GS models, although unlike the Australian versions, the UK ones offer 6 speed manual transmissions with three trim levels. We are still contemplating which model new MG we shall buy. The day after I got back, I was at the Motor Museum helping with the preparations for the Classic Car and motoring memorabilia auction on Saturday 18th August. Amongst the Classics auctioned were the Mitch Vickers collection of 11 Holden Premiers, one of each model produced. Bids were slow on most of these excellent examples of OZ motoring history. However, a 1964 EH Premier Export Model Wagon fetched \$100,000 [+buyer's Premium]. An 1800mm tall Michelin Man model also made \$4,000! The three consecutive days at the MM immediately after flying back from the UK, got rid of my 'Jet Lag'.

Then on the Sunday we turned up early at the clubrooms for Banton's Big Breakfast. It was a great turn out on a sunny, warm, winter morning. The run was very enjoyable and the breakfast was excellent, with lots of lovely 'nosh' for all. In addition, there was the fellowship of members sharing their dining experience and the enjoyable face-to-face 'chit-chat' and telling of tales. IMHO, a much better experience than 'Social Media'

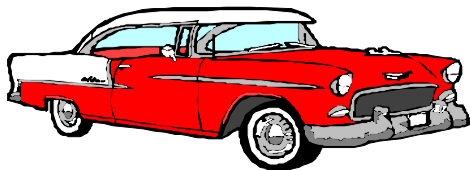
I know that I missed a number of Club events whilst I was away and I wish to thank V-P Mike and the team for ably covering for me. Using the internet, I was able to read the Octagon and occasionally look at the Club website but we were frequently in Wi-Fi 'blackspot' areas.

By the time you are reading this, Spring will be here and I trust that all members are looking forward to another Spring and Summer of MaGic motoring.

Having driven in the South-East of England in Christine's yellow ZR, I can assure you that in WA we do not know what road traffic congestion is!

I was sorry to receive an e-mail on my return, from Colin & Karen Bell, advising me that they wished to stand-down from their position as Southern Chapter coordinators. They have both done an excellent job over the past three years and Colin was the club Social Secretary for the three years before that. The SC has grown in member numbers and organised events since its inception and we must continue the momentum that has resulted. I am pleased however to be able to report some very good news, Ted & Robyn Mullins have volunteered to take over the position and responsibilities, I thank them both for doing so. Lastly on behalf of the SC and all other members I offer a sincere thank you to Colin and Karen.

Doug Bush



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Midvale Autotest

Sunday 29th. July

Another great turn out from the MG Car Club of WA, saw us contribute 8 no. members for the event out of a total of 29 competitors. In their MGBs were Cam Mart, Rami Brass, Peter & Sarah Fry and Graham & Moyra Mitchinson. I had my MGF whilst Bob brought one of his open wheel racers. There was a further MGB driven by Bill Potts.



The TSOA organised another great event, also planning the weather perfectly for us! We each managed four runs on the longer 1.5km circuit, which was the perfect combination between speedy straights and challenging corners.

The Fry's and Mitchinson's had to do a quick changeover of drivers after each run, with the ladies heading out a few places ahead of the gents in the running order. For the rest of us it was quite relaxing between runs, as we enjoyed the banter with other drivers and the micky taking of our fellow MG-ers.

Bob's open wheeler was too much for us to beat, but Rami put in some fantastic times in his 'B, getting under 90 seconds on each run. Everyone else got gradually quicker on each run (barring Graham's offer of free lawn-mowing on his final run). It was great to see Cam gain confidence and get much quicker each time, an outstanding effort for his first real competitive event. He finally got under the 100 seconds mark on his third run and then took another three seconds off that on his final run. Well done Cam.



Graham, Peter and I challenged each other on every run to get closer to and hopefully pip the 90 second mark. Unfortunately, we didn't quite get there, but the challenge from the others certainly lifted our games. Moyra and Sarah were likewise posting better times on each run, beating each other's times each turn. It looked like Sarah had the upper hand after her final run, but Moyra pipped her for the fastest time for a lady on her final run.

Peter McGrath



	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	TOTAL
Rami	88.56	87.99	87.71	86.87	351.13
Peter Mc	94.62	92.06	91.18	90.51	368.37
Peter F	104.31	92.79	92.45	90.64	380.93
Moyra	96.78	96.57	94.74	93.99	382.08
Sarah	105.07	96.59	95.13	94.72	391.51
Graham	94.08	93.83	92.56	104.73 WW	393.56
Cameron	121.18 WW	103.28	99.86	96.68	426.00





Attention Attention Attention

Change of Venue for Christmas Party/Awards Night

Friday 14th December 2018

6pm to 11pm

**Glen Iris Country Club,
Dean Road, Jandakot**

A 3 course, buffet style meal will be provided, along with tea and coffee
(Please advise of any dietary requirements) Menu on next page.

A fun filled evening will include a DJ for dancing, annual club awards as well as
spot prizes and a special raffle.

Tables of 10 (Cabaret style) with MG table motifs, balloons, hats, decorations
and Christmas crackers. So why not organise a group of friends or just join a
table on the night.

Plenty of parking and dress will be
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Cost to members - \$30 per person

Cost to guests and non-members - \$50 per person

Payment due late October

RSVP to Mike Smith by 30th September 2018

Email: m7rs@icloud.com

Mobile: 0403 574 815

**Note: People who have already registered for the event
at the Pagoda do not need to re-register**



MENU

Upon arrival tables are set with nibble plates of fresh
Bruschetta, followed by

Main Course Buffet -

Egg Battered Fish with Herb Green Sauce
Roast Beef with Red Wine Jus
Penne Pasta with Mushrooms and Herb Green Sauce
Chicken Green Thai Curry
Rogan Josh Lamb Curry
Steamed Rice
Steamed Vegetables
Roast New Potatoes
Bread Roll and Butter


DESSERT

Christmas Pudding and Sauce or
Lemon and Lime Brule

Tea and Coffee

Discounted Margaret River Wines at \$25/Bottle
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Specialty coffees available

GF and other dietary requirements are available.
Please notify when booking



SOCIAL EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

All Club members are welcome to participate in these social events. As they are listed on the Club's events calendar, your concessionally registered car can be driven to, from and during each event.

Classic Midweek Social Run – Thursday 13TH September

The August Midweek Run will start from either the Old Narrogin Inne in Armadale or Gingers Roadhouse (Great Northern Hwy, Upper Swan) at the usual time of 10am for a 10.30am start. **The start location will be confirmed by email closer to the date.** Join the usual collection of assorted MGs, Austin Healeys, Jaguars, Triumphs, Aston Martins and sundry classic cars for a pleasant drive and lunch at a country pub.

Contact is Richard Gusterson (richgus@bigpond.com).

Grass Gymkhana – Sunday 16th September

The annual grass gymkhana at The Nuthouse in Grass Valley, held in conjunction with the Austin Healey Club, will sadly be the last one as owners Bert and Angie Hayes have leased out the paddock. This is always a very popular event and great fun. Only sports cars are permitted to enter the event and only one car at a time is allowed on the "circuit".

All are welcome to enjoy the magnificent vehicle museum and re-created service station as well as BBQ lunch after the event. BYO food, drink & chairs. Meet at 9am for a 9.30am departure at the Sawyer's Valley shopping area carpark.

Contact is Richard Gusterson (richgus@bigpond.com).

Nog'n'Natter – Tuesday 18th September

ROCKER COVER RACING!

The monthly Nog'n'Natter will be held at the Clubrooms on Tuesday 18th September, meeting 7.30pm for an 8.00pm start. After a short briefing on Club matters and events by Committee members, a ROCKER COVER RACE will be held using the bespoke racing ramp constructed for the 2016 Natmeet. **Members are encouraged to resurrect their rocker cover racer – or make one – to compete in this very prestigious event.** Treasurer Chris Hart has promised that there will be valuable prizes awarded on the night. Racing will comply with the Rules on Running the MG National Meeting (see <http://mgcc.com.au/documents/MG%20NatMeet%20Manual%202018.pdf>, page 12). The racing will conclude with the usual convivial Nog'n'Natter and light supper.

MGF Register Run – Sunday 23rd September

An MGF Register Run is calendarized for Sunday 23rd September. This run is currently without an organizer and a member of the MGF Register is asked to volunteer for this task. Please contact Terry Banton (terwan@iinet.net.au) if you are able to help.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Como Rotary Classic Car Show – Sunday 7th October

Members are welcome to support this annual charity event held at Wesley College in South Perth on Sunday 7th October between 10am and 3pm. If you wish to display your MG, please register at comorotarycarshow.com, which will provide you free entry.

SENIOR RECREATION DAY “HAVE A GO DAY” BURSWOOD PARK 14TH NOVEMBER 2018

Once again we have been invited to put on a display for the annual “Have a Go Day” on 14th November.

The static display is always popular with the visitors (mostly seniors) and we do our best to make it as pleasurable as possible for all concerned.

I would like to have 12 cars of various models and colours for the display so please contact me (VAL GOFF) by phone 9305 1318 or mobile 0407 026 265 if you are willing to display your car.

We have to be in position no later than 8.30am and we can leave at 3.00pm. As you can imagine the day is for pedestrians so there must be no movement of vehicles from 9 am onwards. Our members always have an enjoyable day and usually bring a picnic or buy food from the stalls. There are also plenty of activities to interest us.

The Deadline for articles to be included in the October edition of the Octagon will be Thursday 27th September 2018

Thank you **M & G** *Editors*

In this edition of the Octagon we have had several contributors who have taken photographs or supplied articles that were used throughout the magazine.

David Pitcher, Nigel Emmans, Cameron Mart, Karen Bell, David Rose, Arthur Wallis, Peter McGrath, Peter and Sarah Fry, Tony Ford and Chris Hart

Thank you

MGCC Forthcoming Events in 2018

September

Tues 4 th	Committee Meeting		
Sun 9 th	Have a Try Motorkhana	Social	MCC
Thurs 13 th	Midweek Run	Social	TBA
Sun 16 th	Grass Gymkhana	S/Comp	AHC
Tues 18 th	General Meeting	Social	MGCC
Tues 25 th	Jaguar Car Club Track Day	Comp	JCC

October

Tues 2 nd	Committee Meeting		
Thurs 11 th	Midweek Run	Social	MGCC
Sun 14 th	MGA Run	Social	MGCC
Tues 16 th	General Meeting	Social	MGCC
20/21/22 nd	Safety Fast Weekend	Social	SFC
Sun 28 th	Motorkhana Round 5	Comp	MCC

November

Tues 6 th	Committee Meeting		
Thurs 8 th	Midweek Run	Social	TBA
Wed 14 th	“Have a go Day” Burswood	Social	V Goff
Tues 20 th	General Meeting	Social	MGCC
Sun 25 th	Bell Boy’s Bash	Social	Bell Boys

December

Tues 4 th	Committee Meeting		
Tues 11 th	AGM & General Meeting	Social	MGCC
Fri 14 th	Dinner, Dance & Presentation	Social	MGCC

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Birthday Calendar

We welcome all new members to please send through your information to the Editors.

For those celebrating a September birthday,
the committee would like to wish you a **MaGic Day**

September Birthdays



Wednesday 5 th	Pam Dorizzi
Thursday 6 th	Steve DeLegh
Tuesday 11 th	Renee Wylie
Sunday 16 th	Terry Banton
Monday 17 th	Ben Hille
Friday 21 st	Neville Frearson
Saturday 22 nd	Tony Ford
Sunday 23 rd	John Wallis
Thursday 27 th	Marion Pitcher
Friday 28 th	Kay Frearson



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on your special day



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WACKY RACES

with Peter McGrath

August was relatively quiet on the Competition front, with just the CAMS Club Challenge and Economy Run earlier in the month. Ironically, they were on the same day (August 5th), which was an unfortunate clash. Round 4 of the State Motorkhana is scheduled to take place on Sunday 26th August. Numbers not yet confirmed for this event.

The CAMS Club challenge was a Hill Climb event at Jack's Hill Climb (Barbagello Raceway complex). CAMS organised this challenge and invited various car clubs to participate. Our club was ably represented by Kerren Stokes in her MGF, Sarah Fry in her MGB GT, Cam Mart in his MGB, Peter Fry in his MGB and Graham Mitchinson in his wife's MGB. Well done team for taking part and keeping MGs visible on the Competitive scene. Details of the day elsewhere in the Octagon.

September has the Grass Gymkhana on Sunday 16th, which is a fantastic event. If you haven't tried it in previous years, then I'd encourage you to go along. This is the final year at this location, so take the opportunity to have a blast around the field. Richard Gusterson has all the details.

Also, in September is the Barbagello Supersprint on the 1st (with TSOA and HSV clubs).

The Have a try Motorkhana is on the 9th at Tiger Kart Club, which would be a great event for first timers looking to try out Motorkhana.

Later in the month is the Port Denison Foreshore Sprint on the 23rd.

And then finally the Jaguar Track Day on the 25th. As always, I'd encourage everyone to join in at Barbagello. A great value morning at the track to test out your skills and give your MG the chance to blow away any cobwebs. You'll get plenty of track time and even lunch is provided at the completion of the event. Please email me prior to the 21st September so I can confirm numbers with the Jaguar Car Club.

If you need any further information on any of the above, please let me know.

Here's to a rapid and fun September.



"OOPS" award went to Richard and Annette Gusterson for their attack on a poor innocent Emu quietly crossing the street.



Economy Run 5th August 2018

Notice how I haven't been given much room to write my article, well that's because **he** was in the poo! (*So you will get the short version of that fateful morning*)

Graham was up and gone by 7am (hill climb), I went to leave at 8.45 on this bitterly cold morning and the dear little Midget wouldn't start. So out with the jumper leads and I was finally on my way to pick up Leanne. First thing she says is "*shouldn't we get fuel?*" No, Gra says there's plenty to get to Mundaring, so past the fuel station at the end of her road we go and just after turning into Lord St she died (apparently needing a drink). After some phone calls and a wait we were finally on our way and the others had decided to wait for us. We had a lovely run up to York with all 6 of us braving the weather with our roofs down and then finally back to the servo where Tony watched us refuel, that's where I realised my first refuelling mistake but that doesn't matter as we got to have a lovely day out with great company. We met back in the park and Tony announced the winners and presented them with their bars of chocolate and bless him I think he took pity on me knowing I'm a chocoholic and after my eventful morning awarded me the booby prize which just happened to be Graham's favourite (although tempted, no I couldn't throw it at him). Thanks Tony for a great run and of course chocolate.

Moyra



MGCC Economy Run 2018 - Results

Classic Category

				Miles	Km
				96	155
Place	Entrant	Vehicle	Fuel (L)	Km/L	MPG
1	Graham and Heather Forbes	MGB	10.30	15.0	42.4
2	Moyra Mitchinson and Leanne	Midget	11.40	13.6	38.3

Modern Category

Place	Entrant	Vehicle	Fuel (L)	Km/L	MPG
1	Eddie Preston and Elke Otte	RV8	11.50	13.5	38.0

Hillclimb at Barbagello Raceway

Sunday 5th August

With the rain giving way for the first time in August, Graham, Sarah, Peter and Kerren and myself found ourselves parked up in our MGs trying to keep warm at the top of Jack's Hill, the purpose built hillclimb at Barbagello Raceway. We all knew it was bound to be a wild day full of thrills (and maybe some spills), as we stood with anticipation growing, facing our turbo-charged, four-wheel-drive competition.

After a short scrutineering and briefing, we got right into it, first taking a sighting lap of the track to learn the corners and decide which parts we'd have to jump on the brakes or just keep going for it with our teeth clenched. After that we were allowed a practice lap during which I decided that I wouldn't be able to go through the S-bend at full throttle.

We all knew that we stood next-to-no chance against the other club teams but that was not going to stop us sinking the right-hand-side pedals of our trusty MG sports cars into the carpet to see how much fun we could get out of the day.

We all set very respectable times in our first lap, and with the initial flurry of excitement out of our systems, we turned to watching the other competitors and their cars as they pushed to the limits of traction on their first sprint up the hill.

We then lined our cars up at the top of the track, ready to make our way down for the next run. I think that even though it was an awesome event, and fulfilled the desire of many to test the limits of their driving on track with plenty of safety, I would love to see how much fun a smaller event would be on the same track, maybe even a vintage orientated one.

After having lunch, we got ready to go down the hill for our second attempt, hopefully this time setting even quicker times now that our tyres were getting warm and that we knew the track even better. When we'd got to the top, Graham and I were told that we



had not completed the entire course. Although this was not the case, we liked to think that the commentator had just not seen us because we were just going too fast. After that we prepared for what would be our final lap. We all set very respectable times on this attempt, the best of which undoubtable made by Kerren, who slashed almost three seconds off her previous lap with a time of 68 seconds. After returning to our "MG garage", some of us relieved that we wouldn't have to push ourselves any harder that day, we were informed that we had one more chance to challenge our previous time in a fourth lap. Once again we all set respectable times, with Graham and myself setting our best for the day.

The day had been a fantastic experience for me and everyone else. Although no land-speed records were set, it was great to turn out to represent the MG badge in a competitive event and drive home with huge grins on our faces afterwards.

Cameron Mart

*Run times are over the page,
Times in red are fastest and although we
didn't win we all had a great day.*



	Practice	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4
Peter F	1.12.32	1.04.77	1.04.36	1.04.86	1.06.85
Kerren S	1.18.61	1.12.15	1.11.29	1.08.85	1.12.62
Graham M	1.15.48	1.12.22	1.11.96	1.10.65	1.10.37
Cameron M	1.19.90	1.15.40	1.16.32	1.12.95	1.12.84
Sarah F	1.19.10	1.13.77	1.14.20	1.15.56	1.13.80



VP's Chin Wag

Christmas Party and Awards Night

The proposed Christmas Function at the South Perth Pagoda Function Centre had to be cancelled due to lack of numbers regards the 150 people required for sole occupancy.

The new venue at Glen Iris Country Club is conveniently located just off the Kwinana Freeway (south) at Berrigan Drive, Jandakot, and has been provisionally booked for Friday December 14th.

Response has been good and we are nearing our target. We currently require seven couples or 14 people to reach our full occupancy target of 100 people then there will be a wait list as some cancellations are anticipated.

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Final Gymkhana at Grass Valley

Sunday 16 September



Our Grass Gymkhana and Bert & Angie's motor museum have now been recorded for television history in a programme called Desert Collectors and this photo was taken by a drone during the filming.

Originally Keith Patching wanted to hold a grass gymkhana so Keith and I set up a course on his Forrestdale property. We had a lot of fun on a very tight one acre course, but when they sold this property we needed another venue.

It is now over 10 years since Bert Hayes walked in to my office and we got talking about a place to have a motor gymkhana so he offered his farm. Bert and I have known each other for over 50 years.

We found holding the event in October in the first couple of years the course was getting too dusty, so we moved the event to September when there was a better chance of having more grass.

Originally it was just Healey's only but we were finding it difficult to get more than 5 cars, so the MG Owners Club joined us and the following year the MG Car Club and Triumph boys also joined in.

We have been complimented by members of these clubs as they see this as the best event of the year.

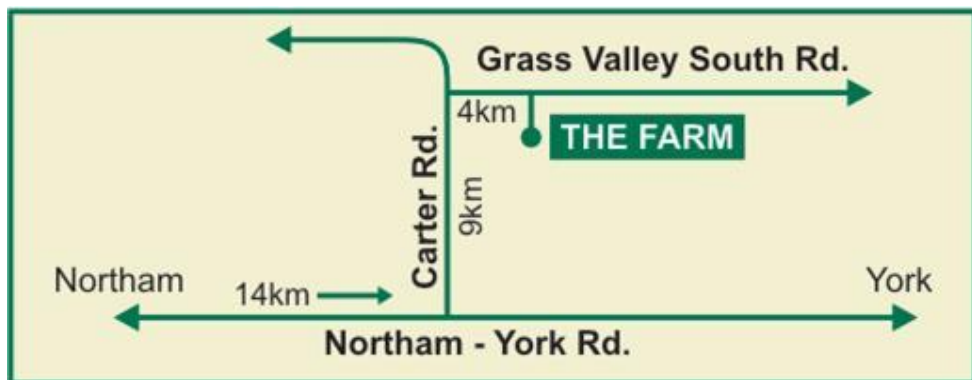
Since the other clubs have joined us the gymkhana has been very successful with at least 17 competitors each year, including more Healeys. Our constitution encourages cooperation with other like clubs and this event certainly does that.

We were thinking 2017 would be our last run, but Bert and Angie have now decided to retire and Bert tells me that the paddocks will be leased out and not his to use. All good things come to an end, so we are having one last hoorah this September, Sunday 16th. It would be appreciated if as many members as possible could come up to join us even if it's just for the BBQ.

Arthur Wallis



Bert and Angie's Nuthouse Grass Gymkhana



Meet at Sawyers Valley Shopping Centre Car Park at 0900 for a departure at 0930 on Sunday 16th September.

Heard on the Grapevine....

A certain MGB owner has left himself wide open to some friendly banter about acquiring an **MGTF!!**
We even have the photograph evidence.....



Two of our members have tied the knot.

Our congratulations go out to Kerren and Lindsay
And we wish them all the best for the future.

Once again we can bring you the evidence.....



ROCKER COVER RACING

*Tuesday, 18 September 2018
At the Club Rooms, after the meeting*



Get your Rocker Covers out of storage, oil the wheels and polish the bonnets, as Rocker Cover Racing returns to the MGCC at the regular Tuesday night meeting this month.

If you haven't got a Rocker Cover Racer, then you have just over a month to build one ! Here are a few examples to whet your appetite:



**Fabulous Prizes to be won,
But you gotta be in it to Win It !**

See you September 18th

MGA Register Run

Sunday 12th August 2018

After a week of "Storm and Tempest" we woke Sunday morning to clear skies, a frosty glistening front lawn and eager to experience the delightful driving that only an MG can offer. Obviously the last to arrive at the Mundaring Village Centre we were greeted with the sight of ten beautiful MGA sports cars and an MGB. People from all three WA clubs were present and excited when informed that "Avocados Café " in Kelmscott was our brunch venue.

We set off at 8.45 sharp for a spirited drive through the gleaming forest ablaze with golden wattle, past the Mundaring Weir then over to the Brookton Hwy before the decent through Roleystone to our destination. Couples were cuddled in the cockpits of their Art Deco inspired "Streamline Moderne" roadsters and it became immediately obvious that most were powered by an upgraded 1800 "B Series" engine as they devoured steep inclines to pass convoys of lycra-clad cyclists.



Within minutes of our arrival hot beverages and cooked brekkies were ordered and a scrumptious time was enjoyed by all.

Congenial chatter was interrupted by an announcement that the next "A" run was scheduled for 14th October which Peter Hagarty kindly volunteered to organize. Tony Ford then received a rousing applause for his efforts in planning today's enthralling tour route and meal booking.

It was all smiles as the sleek machines departed the lush environs of the Canning river location. You don't need an "A" to attend these runs. We took our "B" and enjoyed being amongst a collection of arguably the best looking MG ever designed.

Being a beautiful day we decided to extend the drive



home and our “B” was buzzing when Michelle questioned, “Is that noise the motorbike behind us?” No! It was the alternator bearing screaming for renewal. With careful attention to RPM we were able to make it home, just safely not fast.

David Rose



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The advertisement features a green classic car in the top left corner. Below it are several cans of Castrol Classic Oils. The central logo for 'FASTPHASE Classics' is prominent, with 'D/L 26247' underneath. At the bottom, there are more cans of Castrol Classic Oils (XXL 40, XL 30W-90, and XL 90) and a collection of merchandise including a green mug, a green cap, and a white t-shirt, all featuring the Castrol logo.

Report on August 9th Week run.

I rolled into the car park of the Narrogin Inn Armadale at 10.00am as instructed only to find the carpark deserted so I went home.

The First statement is not true I did not go and therefore cannot say if anybody else did turn up and I am sure if they did they will not admit to it.

Report on August 16th Week run.

After the first August run being cancelled due to forecast bad weather I was ready for this run and having checked the weather forecast and finding it to say occasional showers, decided the hood should stay in the boot. My navigator (Lesley) had other plans for this day having changed them from the 9th to the 16th so of I set off to Armadale via Welshpool to do some shopping on the way.

The shopping took a little longer than expected so I was the last one to sign in on the day, hence it is me writing this report.

What a turn out, I do like the midweek runs as they are joint club events and although I drive an MG that happens is a B, I am a true sports car enthusiast so to see so many other MG, Triumph, Austin Healy variants is a joy to my eyes.

10-30 on the dot the first cars start to leave, and I am off down Albany Highway towards Byford, Wow hasn't Byford grown from just a few shops set back off the road, onward we go and what a great day. The sun is shining I am driving an MG with the top off, what could get better? We then turn off towards Jarrahdale and yes it has got better, now no traffic.

After a while we turned off towards North Dandalup and off we went on twisting roads and across a dam wall, reminding me we still need more rain, what a drive. By this time

we are back on the highway and I am now driving as fast as the speed limits will let me as I could see to rain clouds traveling towards me from the west, I managed to beat the first but the second cloud won and that was when I found out that in a MG B the rain can be as wet on the inside of the windscreen as on the outside.

It was only a shower as advised by the weather report so a few minutes later all was dry or drying as we approached Pinjarra for the first stop.

This was a quick stop just time to hand in our quiz sheets and to



pickup a new map showing the route to the final destination. This also was a good drive with the added excitement of so many British sports cars coming in the opposite direction on more than one occasion.

I thought I knew this area quite well, but the King Road Brewing Company came a complete surprise.

We all neatly parked up and filed into order lunch and a pint. I enjoyed mine and as nothing was left on the plates around me I can only assume everybody else enjoyed theirs too. I did not get the final mileage correct, in fact I was about 10 Km adrift and only guessed one of the two cars that was capable of 120mph but I thoroughly enjoyed the whole event.

I thank the organisers again for their efforts.

Nigel Emmans



GENERAL MEETING. 21st August 2018: Minutes

Meeting opened at 19.58pm.

Club President in the chair.

Visitors: Steve & Jackie Hull 1978 Roadster Red

Apologies: Daniel Leary

Minutes of previous meeting: 17th July 2018 published in the Octagon: Motion to accept Minutes : Alley Mulcahy Proposed by Tony Ford seconded by agreed as a true record.

Correspondence: 3 x Newsletter from other Clubs, 1 x Letter from Department of Transport for trailer licence rego.

Business arising: Approval to pay trailer licence.

REPORTS:

VP's Report: Mike Smith advised it's the 55th Anniversary of the Club this year and we are going to have a Christmas Dinner, Doug advised the cost per person is \$30 each member and to please support.

Secretary's Report: Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report: Chris Hart advised that the club funds as of the 31 July 2018 , total of all accounts is \$xxxxxxx

Chris then advised that the following cheques be proposed for payment; CAMS - Club Challenge \$300, Snap Print – Membership cards \$92.40, H Forbes – Supper \$53.67, Allsports Trophies – Badges \$100.00, Club Rooms Insurance \$850.00, D Pitcher – Raffle Prize x 2 July & Aug \$59.75, Safety Fast A/C – Balance of Banton's Big Breakfast \$160.00 & City of Bayswater – Rates \$880.00. Approval moved Chris Hart by seconded by Peter Hagarty and approved by the meeting.

Chris also mentioned that we need to look at upgrading our contents insurance and Mike suggested we photographed all contents inside club rooms.

Tony proposed we pay current payment and then committee to look at upgrading and approved by the meeting.

Membership Sec's Report: Richard advised total membership 260 including the following nominations.

Michael & Julie Woollam 1968 red MGB

Roger & Marilyn Perks 1968 MGB snow white

Seconded by Graham Mitchinson and approved by the meeting

Competition: Peter advised

5th August CAMS event – club event,

Round 4 motorkhana 26th August Barbagallos
Motorkhana 9th September – have a try day
Grass Motorkhana 16th September – details in Octagon
Jag day 25th August – track time \$100

Social Report: Tony Ford advised in August we had the MGA register run

Sunday 5th August Economy run

Thursday 16th Aug mid week run

19th August Banton's Big Breakfast

Thursday 13th September Mid week run – combined clubs details by email 10am – 10.30am start.

Sunday 16th September Grass Gymkhana – meeting at Swayers Valley carpark

Tuesday 18th September Nog & Natter – Rocket Racing with prizes

Sunday 23rd September MGF register run

Advance notice – Como Rotary / Wesley College Car Show annual supported by the Jag Club Sunday 7th October not currently in calendar event but happy to place in calendar for concessional vehicles.

DVD presentation in October by David Pitcher

Editors: Graham advised he and Moyra will be away for September and Rob Hagarty will be doing the Octagon in their absence.

Safety Fast Run: Terry thanked people for attending Banton's Big Breakfast, great day with 83 people attended. 112 people – 57 cars will be attending the SFR, last year was 80 cars – 154 people (due to 25th Anniversary).

Terry also asked if you haven't sent your entry form in please do ASAP.

Club Captain: Neale Cooper presented Steve & Jackie Hull with their badges and mentioned that to remember to welcome new members with coloured dots on the badges.

Regalia: Nothing to report.

Librarian: Nothing to report

Webmaster: Ian advised nothing to advise regarding the web but last month July was the 25th anniversary in the current club rooms and we will have a cake for next Nog and Natter.

Any Other Business:

Tony Ford advised he has sold his MGA Deluxe and it was sent over to Geelong.

David Rose advised Thursday 6th September - first meeting of TC owners in the MG Club rooms and the TC owners are quite excited about seeing our club rooms.

Meeting closed at 20: 30pm

BANTONS **BIG** BREAKFAST

Arrived at the MGCC Clubrooms at 7.00 am in the morning and within a few minutes members started to arrive, congregate into groups and then the “Herding of Cats” began. “Please see Wanda and register, followed by don’t forget to register on the MGCC Attendance Register.”

More people arrive – have you seen my car since I spent \$\$\$\$\$ on it, what a wonderful morning – do you think it will rain ?, the Clubroom looks great since the external walls were painted and look there is Bernie Dorizzi – remember the Social Event where he was in the toilet and we locked the Clubrooms, got into our cars and drove off – Bernie had to use his mobile, contact Pam and then find someone who had a key to assist Bernie from the Clubrooms.



Finally with all the “Routine Duties “ completed we all assembled in the front of the Clubrooms to be briefed on the Social Run, by Terry prior to breakfast and to be warned that the questions were a little different to those of previous years and that the run had to commence at 8.00 am otherwise it would be a cold breakfast – It was like a Le Mans start as 42 cars headed for Tonkin Highway having been given the nod by Terry that the venue would be The Peel Manor House in Cardup. No short cuts and we all concentrated on the Questions instructing our navigators to leave the driving to “the Driver” and concentrate on both the instructions and questions.



We seemed to be in groups of MG’s namely VERY SLOW,

SLOW and Not SO SLOW and unfortunately dispersed by traffic lights and those members who kept stopping to confirm the navigator's questions!!

We arrived at the venue after an hours drive to be greeted by a host and directed to the grassed area behind the venue – a great array of MG's and would you believe it the drivers managed to keep them all in a fairly straight line – a great photo opportunity.

WOW!! What a venue for this event – some members remembered that we had the Safety Fast Run Sunday Lunch there a few years ago.



The tables and chairs were all dressed in white and the room looked absolutely first class.

Fresh tea and coffee, pastries, fresh juices and cereals were available prior to the HOT breakfast served buffet style. Terry instructed the members that the pre breakfast, cold food, namely cereal, fruit and pastries should be “tackled” first to avoid too many members queuing, pushing and shoving around the buffet.

All went well until we saw “The Gustersons” heading straight to the buffet, loading up their plates and starting to eat their hot food – we assumed that, given the quantity, they did not have dinner the previous evening.

It is amazing that given the number of times members have experienced BBB they would have learned that there is only ONE correct answer to the BBB Super Quiz yet still they questioned the “correct” answers Terry presented !! Not one person correctly



Winner and participates in Terry's convoluted answers were: Lesley Emmans, Pat Shaw, John and Anne Dawson, Doug Bush, Julie McGarth,



MG's on display at the very lovely setting.

Below was part of the secret garden grotto.



answered ALL 24 questions but given the talent that was on show 17 was reasonably accepted. It was also necessary to utilise the Tie Breakers in separating second and third places.

We are sure that all 83 members thoroughly enjoyed the variety of food, the environment and of course the fellowship that existed both during and following the breakfast and are looking forward to BBB 2019.

Terry & Wanda Banton
Wednesday, 22 August 2018

 *Safety first!*



**SOUTHERN CHAPTER
BANTONS BIG BREAKFAST**

On behalf of the Southern Chapter members who attended Bantons Big Breakfast at the Peel Manor House, we would like to congratulate Terry and Wanda for organising a wonderful event. Around 30 to 40 various MG's were paraded on a large grassed area in the Manor grounds for a group photograph. A full breakfast was supplied and I am sure everyone left with full bellies. After the breakfast Terry read out the results from the Observation Run by the MGCC members leaving from the Clubrooms. The first and second prizes were a bottle of wine. From Karen and my point of view, it was great catching up with members that we don't see a lot of. All in all a great success and looking forward to many more BBB's.

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Action Update #
5 - Safety Fast
Run – 20th, 21st &
22nd. October
2018_



Yes ! I know this is a REPEAT Action Update but we need to get the REGALIA ORDERS in so please forward your ENTRY FORMS asap

Website Entry Information - www.mgccwa.com

OK it's time to get your "money" out, complete your 2018 SFR Registration Form, order your Regalia and forward **ALL** these details to the address or email details on the Entry Form.

******Entries Close Friday, 17th August 2018**

At the discretion of the Organising Committee late entries may be accepted. However, due to the supplier lead times for plates and polo shirts, late entrants **may not receive these items.**

IT IS MOST IMPORTANT THAT THE ABOVE CONDITIONS BE COMPLIED WITH. ALL COMPETITORS (DRIVER & NAVIGATOR) MUST BE FULL OR TEMPORARY MGCC MEMBERS. THOSE THAT DO NOT MEET THESE RE-QUIREMENTS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENT.

It is important we finalise "Entry Details" promptly to enable all Regalia and Catering numbers to be finalised thus ensuring a successful MG Gala Event.

Please advise, on your Entry Form, any special dietary requirements for the lunch or evening meals during the event.

Please also note that special "Alcoholic Beverages" do not fall into this category.

Terry & Wanda Banton
2018 MG Safety Fast Run Coordinators
Saturday, 18 August 2018



FOR SALE AND WANTED SECTION

For sale Chrome Rollbar for MGB - \$750

Great condition, no damage,

Contact: Dennis Fair 0419 944 427



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For further information contact:
duncan_mackay@hotmail.com

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1971 MGB GT - \$13,500

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For further information contact:
TANYA 0422 645 306

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