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Coming Events - March 2016

Thurs 03		Dad's Army	Ringwood
Sat 05	BLCC	STATE Hillclimb Rd 1	Bathurst - Esses
Sun 06	MGCCN	Come and Try Hillclimb	Ringwood M
Sun 06	BLCC	STATE Hillclimb Rd 2	Bathurst - Mount Straight
Mon 07		Magazine Assy	Cobby St 2pm M
Wed 09		Speed Panel	Cobby St 8pm M
Thurs 10		Dad's Army	Ringwood
Fri 11		Club Night	Cobby St 7:30pm M
Sat 12	AHRG	Fluffy Duck TR	TBA TR1 CC3
Sun 13	WAC	STATE Khanacross Rd 2	Awaba 10am
Sun 13	MGCCN	CSCA S'sprint Rd 2	SMSP North M
Sun 13		Gunnedah Hillclimb	
Tues 15		Board Meeting	Cobby St 7:30pm M
Thurs 17		Dad's Army	Ringwood
Sat 19	KSCC	Tri-Chall Pr	Mt Cooperabung
Sun 20	KSCC	Tri-Chall Hillclimb	Mt Cooperabung TC1
Sun 20	WAC	STATE Motorkhana Rd 2	Awaba Dirt
Thurs 24		Dad's Army	Ringwood
Fri 25		Easter Friday	
Fri 25		MG Nationals	Perth Reg
Sat 26		MG Nationals	Perth Concours CC4 R3
Sat 26	Gem OC	NM Hillclimb	Ringwood M
Sun 27		MG Nationals	Perth Hillclimb CC5 R4
Mon 28		Easter Monday	
Mon 28		MG Nationals	Perth Mkhana CC6 R5
Thurs 31		Dad's Army	Ringwood

Coming Events - April 2016

Sat 02	MGCCN	YDDC 2	Ringwood M
Sun 03		Daylight Saving End	
Sun 03	MGCCN	Motorkhana	Ringwood M MK2 CC7 Dirt
Mon 04		Magazine Assy	Cobby St 2pm M
Thurs 07		Dad's Army	Ringwood
Fri 08		School Term Finish	
Fri 08		Club Night	Cobby St 7:30pm M
Sat 09	WAC	Rallysprint	Awaba 2pm
Sun 10	MGCCN	Hillclimb	Ringwood M TS2 CC8 R6
Sun 10	MX5	STATE S'sprint Rd 1	Wakefield Park
Wed 13		Speed Panel	Cobby St 8pm M
Thurs 14		Dad's Army	Ringwood
Sat 16		FOSC	Wakefield Park
Sat 16	MGCCN	Natter Night	TBA
Sun 17		FOSC	Wakefield Park
Tues 19		Board Meeting	Cobby St 7:30pm M
Thurs 21		Dad's Army	Ringwood
Sat 23	KSCC	STATE Hillclimb Rd 3 Pr	Kempsey Mt Cooperabung
Sun 24	MGCCN	Khanacross	Ringwood M KC2 CC9 Dirt/Tar
Sun 24	KSCC	STATE Hillclimb Rd 3	Kempsey Mt Cooperabung
Mon 25		ANZAC Day	
Tues 26		School Term Start	
Thurs 28		Dad's Army	Ringwood
Sat 30	MGCCN	YDDC 3	Ringwood M

Legend

TA - Touring Assembly TC - Tri-Challenge TS - Tar Speed Series CC - Club Championship KC - Khanacross M - Club Member

R - Register pointscore MK - Motorkhana

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

2016 has kicked off well with the new Board coming to grips with what we have ahead of us for the remainder of the year. There are some significant changes being made with respect to the financial operations of the Club, while these will have no impact for the general membership, the information that will be available to the Board will be much more detailed and timely than was possible in the past. John Finch has been working hard to get the data for the 2015-16 financial year entered into the new system and be in a position to complete the BAS for the final quarter of 2015. He has been on a steep learning curve to say the least.

Late last year the Board decided to investigate the possibility of acquiring a card printer for the production of membership cards for 2016. Ted Dial had only a short time to acquire the equipment and learn how to use it before the renewals process commenced, in the few short weeks, he developed a range of draft format cards which were presented to the Board in January. The decision made to go with the design that some of you will already have received. Research into the formats of membership cards, used by other Clubs (not just Motorsport clubs) revealed that the need for large amounts of text on the card is not necessary. We wanted the card to be representative of what MGCC Newcastle is about, "MGs & Motorsport" and the inclusion of an MG competing in an event is an ideal way to show this, based on past and recent performances, who could better demonstrate this than Lyall Clarke. Lyall was 2nd Outright in the 2015 Club Championship, completed his 1000th run at Ringwood in an MG, and a host of MG related awards going back quite some years. The challenge to deal with over the next 10 months is to come up with a new and appropriate design for 2017. I'm sure there will be many concepts developed between now and then.

With the availability of Direct Deposits as a method of paying membership fees, many people are not completing the renewal forms and returning them to Ted in a timely manner, it is important that you do this to ensure the information is up to date and that your renewal is documented for Audit purposes, so PLEASE either post them back, or scan the completed document and email it to Ted.

The competition year for us kicked off with the 1st Round of our Motorkhana Championship which was an event conducted by WAC at Awaba, unfortunately it was not well supported with just 3 of our members attending. This is sadly an indicator that using WAC events for a point score event is not a popular option. Unfortunately we don't have the space to provide anything like the quality of test area that WAC has, but we make do with what we have.

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The first Club Championship and Tar Speed Series event attracted a full field with some late comers missing out. This is a healthy situation for the Club, but those who wish to compete will have to commit early or run the risk of missing out in future.

The first Dirt/Tar Khanacross for 2016 was well supported too, so we are of to a strong start motorsport wise.

The first of the Young Driver Development Courses held recently attracted 19 participants, with quite a few people joining the club as a result. The Come & Try Hillclimb on 6th March is attracting entries from far and wide and it would appear at the time I am typing this, that the field of 40 will be filled before the day of the event.

The social scene has also been going well with the Australia Day outing and the Run to Fighter World both being well supported. Darrel Peattie's GT40 Replica was displayed at the February club night and he spoke about the how and why of the project, he is obviously proud of what he has achieved and rightly so. Hopefully we can do similar things with some other very interesting locally owned cars in the future.

All in all we have a very positive start to 2016.

Yours in MG's & Motorsport

Dave

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If you pay by DIRECT BANK DEPOSIT your completed renewal form must be returned for your renewal to be completed.

Please advise any change of details: address / cars etc.
As per our club constitution if you are not renewing your membership a letter of resignation is required.

Ted Dial Membership Secretary 0408562748

YOUNG DRIVER DEVELOPMENT COURSE EVENT DATES 2016

TRAINING DAY 2, Sat 2nd Apr, start 9.30 am SHARP, finish at 3.00 pm

3, Sat 30th Apr, start 9.30 am SHARP, finish at 3.00 pm

4, Sat 28th May, start 9.30 am SHARP, finish at 3.00 pm

COMPETITION Motorkhana Training

5, Sun 24th Jul, SEE Coming Events page for details.

TRAINING DAY 6, Sat 17th Sep, start 9.30 am SHARP, finish at 3.00 pm

7, Sat 15th Oct, start 9.30 am SHARP, finish at 3.00 pm COMPETITION Motorkhana Training

8, Sun 20th Nov. SEE Coming Events page for details.

EVENTS WILL BE CONDUCTED ON BOTH EARTH AND SEALED SURFACES

The programme above can change during the year, please check as the above list will be updated with changes as soon as they come to hand.

However it's not always possible to meet the Club Torque magazine deadline.

Although a check can also be made using the club's website,

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DAVID CHINNER - ASSOCIATE MEMBER - LOCUST CLUBMAN

IAN & JACQUELINE COTTON - ASSOCIATE MEMBER - 1994 COROLLA SECA

JIM MOORE – JUNIOR MEMBER

RILEY CHIARELLI - JUNIOR MEMBER

TAYLOR GILL - JUNIOR MEMBER

GABBY KING - JUNIOR MEMBER

We hope to see you at an event in the near future, either competition or social.

LAND PANEL REPORT

We have been very busy at the track over the last couple of months, during the latter part of 2015 there was a major undertaking to repair the damage done in the April storm. To date this work is continuing and will be for some time to come.

In excess of 300mm of rain was recorded in a 36 hour period, if you look at the catchment area we have at Ringwood you will realise that the whole area channels the water through the paddock area and down the access road, as a result significant damage was caused by the sheer volume of water.

There are many projects to be undertaken, this mixed with the need for continued maintenance of the grounds and the facilities demands many man hours of our Dedicated Team, affectionately known as DAD's ARMY.

One major undertaking was the upgrading of our amenities facility. After many hours of work the task has finally been completed.

If you feel the need to assist and have the time, we would be pleased to see you there on any Thursday. Please contact Doug Rae or Myself so we can arrange extra seating at the lunch table.

There are many and varied projects programmed for the year(s) ahead, all in all the thrust of the work is to provide a facility that all our members will continue to be proud of, we have already been rewarded with the best event of the year, Australian Hillclimb Championship 2014.

Where to from here, who knows, we might be lucky and get another chance at hosting this event. If so we need to keep building on what we have.

In the next magazine I will endeavour to provide you, the members, with a list of proposed works to be initiated this year.

Cheers

Alan

Formula 1 Knowledge Test by Greg Hunter

You all know that it's F1 time in Australia at the moment, so whilst you watch the great race with 25% more noise. This year you have this entertaining article to read and keep you awake during the TV advert time. It could also be more interesting than the racing F1 has produced over the last two years.

- 1/ True or false: The F259 Guido Ferrari was named after the nephew of the company founder Enzo who, three months earlier, had been christened F259 Guido Ferrari.
- 2/ True or false: World motorcycle champion and later, motor sport commentator Barry Sheene performed in Puccini's opera TOSCA at Covent Garden alongside the legendary singers Maria Callas and Tito Gobbi.
- 3/ Multiple choice: Older Americans remember exactly where they were when they heard of President Kennedy's death. With Italians, it's more likely Enzo Ferrari. 'The Pope of the North' died in: a) 1984 b) 1988 c) 1992 d) Bulgaria
- 4/ Multiple choice: What feat have Aussie race drivers Tony Gaze, Dave Walker and Paul England achieved?
- a) All have won the so-called Great Race at Bathurst
- b) All have competed in World Championship Formula One races.
- c) All have been crowned World Speedway Champion.
- d) All have survived high-speed accidents in Morris Marinas
- 5/ In the 1959 doomsday flick 'On the Beach' a nuclear scientist achieved his life's ambition by winning what was described in the film as 'the 1964 Australian Grand Prix at Phillip Island'. What unlikely actor played the boffin-cum-GP star?
- 6/ What was the name of the founder of the McLaren Formula One team, in what country was he born, and what record did he set in December 1959?
- 7/ Two winners of the Australian Grand Prix have given their names to special 'sporting' versions of mass-produced Australian cars, one in 1960s and one in the 1970s. Who were they and what were the cars?
- 8/ Who is the only South African to win the Formula One World Championship? For two extra entirely meaningless points; what year, what team?
- 9/ Now the final Q for the motor-sport tragics: Five Australian racing drivers have competed in International Formula One GP races in Brabham cars. Name them?

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National Meeting 2016 Perth WA



This month is MG National Meeting time again. It has been 21 years since a Nat Meet was held in Perth, so it is no wonder that over 350 MG enthusiasts have registered to attend this years' event. The TC owners Club, MGCC WA and MGOC have combined to run a full range of competition and social events. There are 236 currently entered for the Concours. To put it into perspective that's more than registered in total for our Nat meet in 2011. It helps if your area is seen as an attractive holiday destination.

Darren & I haven't been to a Nat Meet in the west before so we are really looking forward to the competition and a holiday. There have been 2 previous events in Perth (1987 & 1995). We were married in 1987 and 3 weeks honeymoon to NZ was cheaper than getting a car across to Perth. Then in 1995 we had an 18 month old and it was all a bit hard. This year seemed destined to be our turn (although still not ideal because Easter is not part of NSW School holidays and our son is in Year 12 this year - let's hope he actually goes to school while we are away.)

Another 10 Club members are joining us in our adventure including David & Lesley Walker (MGZT), Bruce & Beth Fraser (MGBGT), Dale Powell & Ally Crabtree (MGF), Ross & Marj Taylor (MGTC), Mike Cole (MGZT), Darren & Fran Hodgson (MGF/TF) and Kerry Woollard (social).

Along with the usual Nat Meet events of Concours, Motorkhana and Speed Event, our hosts have also organised a post Nat meet tour. 66 people and over 30 MGs will be touring south of Perth for a few days exploring the Margaret River area and Busselton, Pemberton & Albany. Darren & I will be heading home through Esperance and Norseman and across the Nullabor as part of our grand adventure.

WA have run a comprehensive website about the event but it has made it difficult to have documents that can be downloaded and shared in the magazine. Bulletin no 3 has just been released, so I've picked out a few pieces of information that might be of interest.

The social events will revolve around the Ascot Raceway. We'll get free entry to the races on the Saturday & the theme for the social night is "A day at the races". The Kimber Run - a social run instead of competition events will showcase the Perth foothills, historical settlements and seaside towns with an option to visit the West Coast Motor Museum. Not that any of us will see that, MG Newcastle members always feel "the need for speed"! The Motorkhana is at that RAC driving centre and for the first time in a long time we'll be doing 4 tests: Reverse Lazy 8, Crazy Square, Eccentric & Gate Slalom. The sprint is also at the RAC driving centre. They hope to offer us 3 sets of 2 runs (each set 4.3km). We also get to have a prelim look at the track in an untimed practice day on the Thursday before. Then it's back to Ascot for presentation night & farewell breakfast.

There will be stories and photos aplenty following the event. Wish us all good travels and great Motorsport and MG comradely

Fran Hodgson – Newcastle Nat Meet team Coordinator

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Pictures from Round 1 of the Tar Series event held on Feb 14. **Above**— Jake Bramble in his 02 STi **Below**—Simon Nicholson in his MX-5



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More pictures from the Feb 14 event. **Above**—Will Parsonage in his GRP Terrapin

Below—Reece Attwood in his 1600



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More pictures from the Feb 14 event. **Above**—Pat Goulding in his Nota Sportsman

Below—Andrew Chandler in his Corolla



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Above—Marea Semken in her MG F Trophy

Below—Kendall O'Connor in his MX-5

Pictures from the Feb 14 event are courtesy of Dave Miller.



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Pictures from CSCA Round 1 at Wakefield Park. Sorry there are no action shots.

Above—Gregg Noonan, John Finch, Ted Dial Lining up for another (grudge match) run.

Below—Danny Smith lining up in the Mk 1 Cortina. It may appear that the cars in this group are mismatched, but it has more to do with how well you can drive what you've brought to the track rather than just what you have brought.



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Above and Below—Darrell Peatie's GT40 at the February Club night. I don't think the dogs in the bottom corner of the picture below were the only ones panting and salivating.



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REGISTER CAPTAINS REPORT

Well our Club Runs for the year have gotten off to a great start with our first event on Australia Day with a run to the Lakehouse Café at Murrays Beach for brunch. We had 38 attendees who all enjoyed a great brunch at reasonable prices in very pleasant surroundings.

Our second event was recently held on the 23rd February which was a little

a parachute, a rocket will fire to send you up to 300 feet!

different in the form of a midweek run to Fighter World at Williamtown. We had 16 starters for this event setting off from the Clubrooms at 10.15am and those with convertibles enjoyed the run in pleasant open top conditions. However as the day heated up, the roof went up and the aircon on for the journey home. Our host for the museum was John Gillam who many of you know from his previous associations with the club on WW1 history matters and John was in the RAAF at Williamtown for many years where he specialised in aircraft armaments. It was fascinating to hear the history and development of aircraft guns but the history and development of aircraft ejection seats I found particularly interesting. Particularly the

Is that where the saying to put a rocket under somebody came from? It was great to see the F111 in the flesh, the last time I saw one of those was when Louise and I were sailing up the coast near Evans Head in 1994 when one came up behind us at about 200 ft and scared the heck out of me! It was a very informative day and as the base was very active with jets training it certainly added to the atmosphere. After all that excitement we enjoyed a snack in the café. Thanks again John for giving up your time.

bit about where sensors within the seat decide if you are too low to the ground to open

On some club calendars, a Club Run is shown for Sunday 27th March but that has been cancelled because it is Easter and I will be overseas. I will be organising another event when I get back, so those of you who are on the email list look out for that or check the website. If you would like to go on the email list, please let me know.

In the meantime there are a couple of other non-club events that some of you might be interested in attending and the first one is the Hawkes Nest Motorfest on Saturday 12th March. Further information can be obtained by googling the Hawkes Nest/Tea Gardens Show and Shine.

Another event of interest to car enthusiasts, is the annual Tilligerry Motorama on Sunday May 15. This event is located on the Lemon Tree Passage road at Tanilba Bay. You might remember we went to this event last year as a Club Run. However on that date there is a scheduled Motorkhana at Ringwood but we will see who is interested in going.

REGISTER CAPTAINS REPORT

REMEMBER YOU DON'T HAVE TO OWN AN MG TO JOIN IN THE CLUB RUNS – IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET YOUR HISTORIC PLATED CAR OUT OF THE GARAGE AND BLOW THE COBWEBS AWAY.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

I have previously advised the details of Christmas in July on Saturday 23rd July at Gloucester Country Lodge motel and I am currently looking for a commitment at this stage but no money is required at this point. I already have 8 starters for that event. Please send me an email showing your interest.

Ken McLeod Register Captain



CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

G'Day All,

I had a great time at the last hillclimb, I hope you all did to! It was great to see a full field of enthusiastic drivers there at the start of the year. Let's hope we can keep this same momentum up. A few updates to the webpage (http://mgcc.johndroach.com). I have added a link down the bottom to an archive page where you can view the 2014 and 2015 scores. Current point scores are provided below.

Have fun!



CLUB POINT SCORE

Mick Nielson (Club Member of the year)

Member Name	Points
Michael Snow	20
Doug Rae	14
Greg Hunter	14
Rose Collins	12
Ken McLeod	12
Ken Short	11
David Atkins	10
Rick Vincent	10
John Roach	10
Leo Frodl	10
Bryn Baverstock	10

Chris Dodds (Club Champion)

Member	Points	Events
Will Parsonage	16	1
Aaron Vincent	16	1
Nathan Notley	16	1
Kevin Akers	15	1
Bob Millington	15	1
Tom Clemens	15	1
Rick Vincent	15	1
Chris Orr	15	1
Stephen Butcher	14	1
Joel Buckland	14	1
Mark De Giola	14	1
Reece Attwood	14	1

Club Ladies Championship

Member	Points	Events
Fran Hodgson	6	1
Marea Semken	6	1
Bronwyn Lewis	6	1
Tara Mowett	6	1

SPEED PANEL REPORT

Hi Guys,

Well we finally had a dry track for the running of Round One for this years Hillclimb Championship, by utilising Track A5 all competitors received more track time, which required the field size to be at a maximum of 60 entrants, which proved correct as the first car commenced at 9.15am and the last car finishing at 3.40pm, all drivers received four runs.

There were a few mishaps during the day, all competitors were concerned when Fran Hodgson came to grief at corner six, marking a tree with a nice shade of blue, fortunately Fran didn't receive any major injuries, apart from a few stiff muscles.

The fastest time of the day went to Stephen Butcher in his Stinger 014x, with a brilliant time of 58.36 followed by Will Parsonage in the Terrapin, at 58.96 and in third place with Kevin Akers with a good time of 59.25.

A good day was had by all, and look forward to the next event on the 10th April.

As I explained at the Drivers Briefing, I must insist that members refrain from handing their Event Entry Form to another member, with the intension that I will receive their entry, prior to the running of the event, its not up to other members to look after your paper entry, the following procedure must be applied, so I receive your entry before the closing date, which is the Wednesday prior to the event.

Option One: (preferred method) Enter online via: www.meecamsau.com **Option Two**: Visit the clubs website: www.mgcarclub.com.au and print out the Entry Form fill in the details, read the Sup. Regs. and Post Entry, to P/O Box 632 Hamilton 2303.

Option Three: If the above methods are not suitable, please contact me on: 0418 494 663 and I will post you an entry form.

Keep in mind that if we do not receive your payment by the closing date, we cannot accept your entry, bank clearance dates sometimes can take up to 2 to 3 working days, you will receive an acceptance e mail, once your funds have been received into the clubs bank account, so please Pre Enter early to guarantee a start.

We intend to commence Officials Training Seminars shortly, we are desperate for Clerk of the Course / Stewards and Club Chiefs, so please contact me on 0418 494 663 or mgccnspeedevent@hotmail.com.au to indicate your willingness, to help your club run events, all officials that help run events, do receive more club competitions points,

so please contact me to share the load.

The next round of the CSCA Championship is on the 13^{th} March at SMSP – North Circuit, as you know we run this event in conjunction with MG Sydney and again we will require officials to assist, so please contact Ted Dial our CSCA Delegate on – 0408 562 748.

A special thanks to all the officials that assisted with the last Ringwood event.

Keep your tyres hot.

Regards, Rick

Supplementary Regs & Entry forms for the Tri-Series Kempsey event (held on the 19th & 20th of March) are now available on the mgcarclub website.

Some investigations have been carried out and Kempsey Motor Inn, about 24 kms North of the track, has good parking for trailers and are willing to give a good rate for club members (if they get a number of bookings of course).

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VALE KEVIN JOHN LUCAS

Sadly I wish to advise members of the Newcastle MG Car Club of the passing of our member Kevin on 1st December 2015, three weeks before his 74 birthday.

Many may not know of him, unless you competed with him on his visits to Ringwood or KEP. I myself didn't meet him through our club. I met him with my brother's introduction as a member of the Taree Historic Car Club. He told me of Kevin and Sue who had a collection of Minis and they would be happy for me to come and see them.

Some months later I eventually arranged to call and visit them on my way home from Wingham, where I go to restore our mini that my wife Dawn bought new in 1964. I was then shown through the lifetime collection, starting with their first, a 1964 Morris 850, the exact same model and year as the one I am restoring. Only this one is unrestored and in excellent original condition. The feast of beautiful special Minis began as Kevin shared with me his love for these fun cars, some modified (for performance), restored, original and to finally see his then latest restoration project which I hope he had time to complete.

I only met him on that one occasion but Kevin, Sue and their Minis had a profound influence on me I will keep for the rest of my life.

I was delighted to hear from Sue that the family will keep their collection in tact given it was such a big part of their life together.

Kevin is survived by Sue his wife, and two Daughters Meaghan and Georgia, Meaghan also competed in motor sport with Kevin and has (I think) a couple of Minis in her own collection.

Neville Lambert.





SOCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

The February club night was well attended and there was a lot of interest in Darrell Peatie's GT40 CAR, the details of its history and how it all came together, as well as the "ins & outs" of getting it on the road legally.

ROCKER COVER RACING

Its happening this Club Night, FRIDAY 11th MARCH at the Cobby Street Clubrooms. Come along, David Walker will have a few spare Racers which he is prepared to loan for racing.

The Easter MG National Event is almost here and will be held in Perth, "Rocker Cover Racing" is the first event held at the meeting. If you haven't participated or watched this racing, which becomes very competitive, come along.

NATTER NIGHT

The Natter Night held on 20th February at Beth & Bruce Fraser's home was a very pleasant night, well attended and very relaxing on the verandah overlooking the lake. The weather was kind to us and I'm sure those who ventured down to Bruce's garage for an inspection found it hard to leave. A big thanks you to Beth and Bruce for making us feel so welcome and congratulations to them on designing and building such a special home.



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NEXT NATTER NIGHT

The next Natter Night will be held at Joy & Paul Bowers home on 16th April further details will be in the April magazine.

Rose Cogger-Collins. 0413222828. Social Secretary



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REGISTER REPORT

The Historic register is progressing well with quite a few renewals coming through, just a reminder if you are posting renewals to include a stamped and addressed envelope for the return of documents.

Quite a few members have indicated they have gone onto the trial log book system and it appears to be working.

At our last board meeting it was noted that a number of our members still enter using the entry form system for various reasons, just a reminder that entries must be in by the Wednesday before the event and posted to Secretary of Event. MGCC Newcastle. PO Box632 Hamilton. NSW 2303. Do not rely on giving it to someone to pass it on.

If you have trouble acquiring a copy of the Supp Regs and Entry Form find someone to download them for you or contact me.

Doug Rae

CLASSIFIED ADS





Myself and my husband have a MGF for sale. It is a 1997 British Racing Green in colour. 65,571 km original and registered till 9-2-2017.

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Otto Scevak otto_scevak@yahoo.com 0414 862 088



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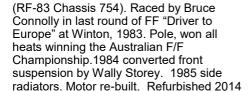
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- 1/ FALSE
- 2/TRUE
- 3/1988
- 4/ b All have competed in World Championship F1 races.
- 5/ Fred Astaire
- 6/ Bruce Mclaren was born in New Zealand, he was 22 years and 104 days old in 1959 when he became the youngest F1 race winner. How times have changed.
- 7/ Jack Brabham, Brabham Torana HB, John Goss, Goss Special Falcon XB Hardtop
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