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# Coming Events APRIL 2018

Sun 1		<b>Daylight Saving End</b>	
Sun 1	MG TAS	MG Nationals	Tasmania Mkhana CC7 R5
Mon 2		<b>Easter Monday</b>	
Mon 2	MG TAS	MG Nationals	Tasmania sprint CC8 R6
Thurs 5		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 7	KSCC	Tri-Chall Pr 2	Mt Cooperabung
Sat 7		STATE Motorkhana Rd 3	Armidale Tar
Sun 8	KSCC	Tri-Chall Hillclimb 2	Mt Cooperabung TC2
Sun 8		STATE Motorkhana Rd 3	Armidale Tar
Mon 9		Magazine Assy	2:00 pm Cobby St
Tues 10	MGCCN	Mid Week Run	TBA
Thurs 12		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 13		<b>School Term Finish</b>	
Fri 13		Club Night	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Sat 14	MGCCN	Khanacross	Ringwood M KC2 CC9 Dirt/Tar day/night
Sun 15	SDMA	STATE Hillclimb Rd 3	Canberra Fairbairn Park
Sun 15	MG HR	Euro Motorfest	MacDonald Jones Stadium M Invite R7
Tues 17		Board Meeting	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Thurs 19		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 21		Natter Night	5:00 PM John & Rose Collins Heatherbrae
Wed 25		ANZAC Day	
Thurs 26		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 28	MGCCN	Motorkhana + YDDC 2	Ringwood M MK2 CC10 Dirt

**Legend**

M - Club Member

R - Register pointscore

CC - Club Championship

KC - Khanacross

MK - Motorkhana

TA - Touring Assembly

TC - Tri-Challenge

TS - Tar Speed Series

Please contact the respective Panel Chairman or Michael Snow to confirm that an event is still being conducted. Also check the website as late cancellations do happen.

# Coming Events - MAY 2018

Tues 1		<b>School Term Start</b>	
Thurs 3		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sun 6		Club Run	TBA M R8
Sun 6	NSSCC	STATE Khana- cross Rd 3	Syd Int'l Dragway 2:00 pm Cobby St
Mon 7		Magazine Assy	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Wed 9		Speed Panel	Ringwood
Thurs 10		Dads Army	
Fri 11		Club Night	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Sat 12	MGCC N	YDDC 3	Ringwood M
Sat 12	KSCC	STATE Hillclimb Rd 4 Pr	Kempsey Mt Cooperabung
Sun 13		Mothers Day	
Sun 13	KSCC	STATE Hillclimb Rd 4	Kempsey Mt Cooperabung
Tues 15		Board Meeting	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Thurs 17		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sun 20	MGCC N	Hillclimb A5	Ringwood M TS3 CC11
<b>Sun 20</b>	<b>MGCC N</b>	<b>Biggest Morning Tea</b>	<b>10:00 am Ringwood INVITE</b>
Sun 20	RCCA	STATE Motork- hana Rd 4	Nirimba Tar
Sun 20		Tilligerry Mo- torama	Tanilba Bay invite
Sun 20	Mini CC	STATE S'sprint Rd 2	Wakefield Park
Thurs 24		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 26	Jaguar	CSCA S'sprint Rd 2	SMSP North
Sun 27	MGCC N	Khanacross	Ringwood M KC3 CC12 Dirt/Tar
Thurs 31		Dads Army	Ringwood

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## PRESIDENTS REPORT

Once again, I stand corrected on some of the detail in an article I wrote for the last Clubtorque. When congratulating Christian Thompson on his First Outright placing in our Rd.1 Hillclimb at the end of January, I stated that he was “the first ever Junior Driver to take outright first place in a Ringwood Hillclimb.”

I overlooked that Keith Hammond took out FTD on the old Hillclimb Course back on 29/1/2012 when he too was just 16 years old. Sorry about that Keith, I’ll be more careful in future!

Since then, however Christian has continued his winning ways, taking out First Outright at the combined Dirt/Tar Khanacross on 11<sup>th</sup> February and then the Hillclimb on 25<sup>th</sup> March. Well done Christian.

We had a chance to have a good look at the new ZB Commodore at the March Club Night, Thanks to Daniel from Newcastle City Holden for telling us a bit about what Holden will be doing now that Australian manufacturing has ceased. It is pleasing that Australian “Commodores”, while built in Germany, do have a significant amount of input from Holden’s Australian design engineers. The V6 AWD sports versions look like being the most popular at this early stage. Unfortunately, we had to compete against the Knights first home game for the season, so the numbers attending were slightly fewer than we had hoped.

While the March night was about now and the future, Hal Moloney will be at the April Club night to talk about his recently released history of Long Distance Trials Events in Australia. When you investigate this history, it is quite surprising just how many of those mentioned were Newcastle or Hunter based and even members of MGCC(N). I’m sure this will be an interesting and entertaining evening.

By the time you are reading this, the 2018 MG National Meeting will be over. This year, we have had the smallest team attending that I can recall. Thanks to the Frasers, we were at least represented. I know most of our MG owners who regularly attend National Meetings, have been to Tasmania at least once before, so decided to stay at home this year. Unfortunate for the hosts.

Back to competition matters! The first round of the Tri-Challenge at Tamworth has been run and won, we were short on the number of people we normally have at these events, hopefully Round 2 at Kempsey will see us with a bigger team.

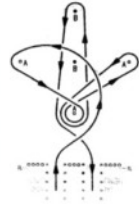
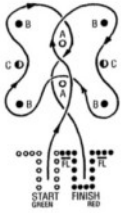
Rd. 2 of our Ringwood Hillclimb Championship attracted 59 entries with 57 actual starters, had it not clashed with the Hillclimb at Bulahdelah and the Australian Grand Prix, I’m sure the event would have been oversubscribed again. Our next Hillclimb is scheduled for 20<sup>th</sup> May and will again be hosting a “Biggest Morning Tea” to raise much needed funds for the Cancer Council. Please come along as a competitor or spectator and support this very worthy charity fund raiser. (Don’t worry about the power to weight ratio for this event, eat up!)

I hope to see you at an event soon.

Dave Atkins



**Ringwood Park Motorsport Complex.  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2018.**



# Motorkhana & YDDC 2

## Multi-Club Motorkhana and Young Driver Development Course

This event is Round 2 of the Club Motorkhana Championship and Round 10 of the Club Championship



See further details, Supplementary Regulations and Entry Form on web.  
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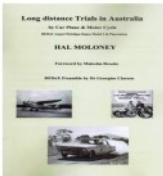


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### HAVE YOU BEEN LATELY?

IT'S CLUB NIGHT THIS FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018  
COME & ENJOY A CHAT WITH FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS  
ENJOY A TEA OR COFFEE WITH  
SUPPER AFTERWARDS. ITS YOUR CLUB  
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LOOK



**Special Guest Speaker – Harold (Hal) Moloney.**  
**Club Night – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018**  
**At MG Club Rooms – Cobby Street, Shortland.**

Hal is known to most of the long term members of the Club, as he first joined back in the late 60's to follow his passion for Rallying.

He is well known and highly respected for his knowledge of motoring history, in particular his passion for the Leyland P76 and the Sport of Rallying. He has now shared his knowledge of both in writing.



Members and their guests are invited to hear Hal tell us a small part of what has inspired him to write these books.  
The night kicks off at 7.30pm with an update of the club's activities.  
Then, after Hal has completed his presentation, a light supper will be served.

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If you have read the Fluffy Duck report in this months magazine & you want to join the fun

The next round of our TRE Series will be the AHRG event the Des West Winter Classic on Sunday June the 3rd.

See rally coordinator Bernard Corbett for information

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#### Natter Night

Hosts: John Collins and Rose Cogger Collins

Where: 8 Heather Street

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Time: 5.0pm for Drinks and Nibbles

Just bring a small salad and dessert to share, your own drinks of choice, and what you would like to cook on the Bar-b-que.

## NEW MEMBERS

**New members approved by the board to join the club: 20th MARCH 2018**

HAYDEN LITTLE – JUNIOR MEMBER – VW BEETLE

THOMAS ALCHIN – ASSOCIATE MEMBER

MICHAEL ALCHIN – JUNIOR MEMBER

BRENDON WOOD – ASSOCIATE MEMBER – SUBARU WRX

CHARLIE GYLER-WOOD – JUNIOR MEMBER

LILYBELLE GYLER-WOOD – JUNIOR MEMBER

KURT ZINGG – FULL MEMBER – 1953 MG TD

KYNAN PATTERSON – JUNIOR MEMBER

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## 2018 Fluffy Duck TRE Report

On Saturday March 10<sup>th</sup> The Australian Historic Rally Group conducted theirs and MG Car Club Newcastle's first round of their respective Touring Road Event Series.

Under slightly overcast but improving weather conditions some 19 cars started out from the M.C.G. (that's Mulbring Cricket Ground) for about 200km's of great roads in good condition with some keen observation and simple navigation required to find their way to the finish.

Section one was some 120 km's long using a selection of good quality but little traf-ficked roads. First of all a small loop of Mulbring out onto Leggett's Drive, as we were about to reach Pelaw Main we turned into The Hunter Economic Zone before turning onto Hebburn Road and our first taste of gravel to bring us out on Lake Road and into Kearsley.

Our Directors Ron Fraser and Russ Baldwin had their first trick shot in Kearsley with a detour onto an unmapped track to find a control where we had 60 seconds to look at a photo of historic racing cars after which we had all the time in the world to answer 5 questions about the photo we had just ever so briefly observed, questions included; what race numbers appeared on the cars, which car didn't have driving lights, the colour of the helmet worn by the driver in the third car and a couple of others as well but I'm sure you get the drift.

This certainly was not as easy as you might think, only 4 competitors managed to get all the questions right a popular score was 3 from 5. Another of the observations required was to identify what order 8 locality photographs were in along the route, the pictures supplied where off course not in order, where black and white and possibly taken with a box brownie such where their quality. (Could be my opinion was clouded by the fact Madelon and I missed two of them....). From my observations there is an astounding amount of people who use milk can's as letter boxes (this was one of the photos) and also how many people have some wild and creative imaginations when it comes to the decoration and construction technique of a letter box as well. There was another letter box to be found, turned out it was at "Fred Flintstones" place but more about that later.



Again this proved to be quite a difficult task as only 1 car managed to get these all correct that being eventual event winners MG Members Darren and Fran Hodgson.

Heading along past GO- CARTS-GO and past the back of the Neath Pub we turned onto Cessnock Road very briefly at Abermain followed by a trip along

the length of Bathurst Street a very short stint on Sawyers Gully Road past "Fred Flintstones Car" (those who have seen it will know where I'm talking about) turning left onto Old Maitland Road (also known as 21 bends I believe) to then turn into Cessnock State Forest for an interesting loop through that.



We exited Cessnock State Forest along Lomas Lane past Hunter Valley Zoo. Using Wine Country Drive,

Broke Road, Wollombi and Payne's Crossing Road we made our way through Broke and just into Wollombi where we turned onto Yango Creek Road for a very scenic loop to finish section one at Laguna General Store for our lunch break.

Other observations that had been required to this point and for that matter the entire event included.....How many yellow and black diamond shaped road signs with a rider on a horse back can be seen. As well as how many yellow and black diamond shaped road signs with only animals can be seen. Naturally there were also the obligatory visual route boards to be looked out for as well, most had been fairly obvious however there was one very tricky one along that wonderful winding bit of road between Broke and Wollombi just to catch out anyone "enjoying" the driving a bit too much.

Following lunch the route took as south from Laguna to join the wonderful Murray's Run Road onto Brush Creek Road (a road once used as a competitive in the 2GO Rally) to keep our enthusiasm under control our wonderful organisers had us counting the white posts that were nailed to the tree's from the start to the end of this road, the correct count was 30, you had to be careful as some were nailed to telegraph or even fence strainer posts and therefore not to be included.

Arriving in Yarramalong we then drove out the Yarramalong Valley towards Wyong. We turned onto Hue Hue Road and did about a 24km loop around Dicksons, Mandalong and Jiliby Roads finishing the event at Woodbury Inn Park. To the results, and what a terrific effort from MG Members filling the first three outright places. Darren and Fran Hodgson driving there Mazda SUV came in first with a loss of just 16 points; Bernard and Madelon Corbett came in second in the trusty Liberty RS, just 1 point back on 17 points lost; David Miller and Mark (that's a guess sorry if not correct) Miller in David's Volvo 142S (I think) were third outright with 21 points lost. One other MG Member Paul Martin navigated for Dave Chippindale (who has just recently joined the MG Car Club) they finished 8<sup>th</sup> outright with a loss of 29 points, clearly it was a close set of results from 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> place. Certainly makes for an interesting MG Car Club TRE Series for 2018.....As my gorgeous wife has said "bring it on guys" see you at the Winter Classic on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks AHRG and particularly Ron Fraser, Russ Baldwin and the volunteers directly involved in setting the Fluffy Duck. Thanks also to the 19 crews that took part there is no doubt TRE numbers are increasing.

## The Morris Garages marque of car (MG) Centenary

For many years across the MG community, 1924 has been taken to be the year when the first MG cars were made and sold. Some have put the case for recognition in later years – 1925/6/7 – and have given reasons for doing so. In the main though, 1924 has been the accepted year and has been the basis of past anniversaries which have been celebrated by both MG clubs, and the various parent manufacturers of MGs.

The 1924 date has been based upon the modified ‘Bullnose’ Morris Oxford cars of 1924 which have been known as the 14/28s and accepted as the first ‘MGs’. It has been known for a long time that a car prior to the 14/28 was commissioned by Cecil Kimber – founder of MG, and from early 1922 manager of the Morris Garage in Queen Street, Oxford. Kimber ordered six Morris Cowley chassis from the Morris works, had some modifications made to these chassis at the Alfred Lane workshop in Oxford, and ordered bodies from Raworth & Co. based in St. Aldates, Oxford. None of these six cars have survived, and nor – until 1998 – had details of the alterations made to these cars.

The MG community tended to be divided on the Raworths between those who felt the 14/28s and the 1924 date was the correct one, and those who believed that the Raworths should receive recognition as the first MGs – in concept, if not realisation. The 14/28 school had the advantage of surviving cars which could be compared to the standard Morris versions and the modifications identified, along with the very different Kimber-inspired bodies. The 14/28 school were reluctant to acknowledge the significance of the Raworths because there was an absence of evidence that they were more than bespoke-bodied Morrisises. The 1923 view was not helped by the fact that the Raworths were a commercial failure, unlike the 14/28s.

It has become apparent that this difference over the Raworths vs. the 14/28s can now be resolved due to the considerable efforts of *The Early MG Society* and in particular, researches in the Oxford County and City archives by the late Robin Barraclough and by Phil Jenkins. Of the twenty-one mechanical differences between the standard Morris Oxford chassis and those sold as Morris Garages Sports (14/28), there is general agreement that the significant differences were in the lowering of the rear springs and the alteration of the angle of the steering column by relocating the steering box. In themselves these alterations do not appear very significant, but crucially it meant that the chassis sat lower, and the driver sat lower and further back. This in turn enabled the bodies to be different from anything then currently available in the Morris Motors catalogue.

Research in the Oxford City and County archives, especially microfilm copies of newspapers and magazines – finally revealed some of the alterations which had been made to the Raworths prior to their bespoke bodies being manufactured.



The crucial changes, which have allowed the 14/28s to be recognised so far as the 'first' MGs, were, it has been shown, made also to the Raworths a year earlier. The documentation supporting this had lain in the archives for nearly 75 years. The Raworths were overpriced, lacked sufficient distinction, and were a commercial failure, but they were Cecil Kimber's first attempt – along with the support of his employer Sir William Morris – to create the first MG.

The current governing Board of the MG Car Club (UK) has made a careful and thorough examination of the evidence, and arrived at the conclusion that the year 1923 can indeed be regarded and celebrated as the founding year of the MG marque. While the available evidence is not absolutely conclusive, the first Raworth MG was most likely registered on 1st June 1923 with the Oxford authority as FC5581. It is also recognised however that 1924 was the year when the first successful MG was manufactured – the 14/28. Without the success of Cecil Kimber's second attempt at a sports car his employer, William Morris, would not have provided the £16,000 necessary to build the first bespoke MG factory in Oxford (Edmund Road) and ensured the future of the marque. It seems entirely appropriate therefore that the 14/28 and 1924 should also receive celebratory recognition. With these two aims in mind it has been decided that the centenary year should start in June 2023 and last until June 2024. In this way Cecil Kimber's vision as well as his successful realisation of the MG are both recognised.

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*This summary is a brief overview of a far more detailed paper. Anyone who would like to read the full paper should contact me: – petercookdr@btinternet.com.*

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2	207	Matthew LANDESMANN	(MGCCN)	Subaru Liberty RS	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	69.59
3	3	Bryn BAVERSTOCK	(MGCCN)	GRP Terrapin	Grp 2A/2C u 2 ltr	69.60
4	150	Jake BRAMBLE	(CNCSSC)	Subaru WRX STi	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	69.62
5	99	Rick VINCENT	(MGCCN)	Lotus Elise 111R	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	70.11
6	514	Joel BUCKLAND	(MGCCN)	Nissan 200SX	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	70.54
7	321	Dylan GERRISH	(MGCCN)	Ford Focus RS	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	71.01
8	183	Warwick BERGE	(MGCCN)	Datsun 1200	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	71.12
9	510	Reece ATTWOOD	(MGCCN)	Lotus Elise	Special Vehicle u 3 ltr	71.31
10	847	Matt GRANGER	(MGCCN)	Ford Falcon XR6	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	71.51
11	841	Mark GRANGER	(MGCCN)	Ford Falcon XR6	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	71.87
12	330	Jeff SCHMITT	(MGCCN)	BMW M3	Tp 1 o 2 ltr	72.22
13	47	Andrew WALKER	(MGCCN)	Turnham Bandit	Grp 2A/2C u 2 ltr	72.44
14	10	Steve WOODS	(MGCCN)	Renault Megane RS275	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	72.75
15	777	Garry CHRISTOPHERSON	(MGCCN)	Holden Manaro	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	73.14
16	186	Kthaniel VICKERY	(MGCCN)	Toyota 86	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	73.30
17	808	Ben SOUTHCOMBE	(MGCCN)	Suzuki Swift Gti	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	73.92
18	279	Wayne LEWIS	(MGCCN)	MG F	PS 2B Modern 1.4 -2 lt	74.11
19	997	Tyler CANNON	(MGCCN)	Mitsubishi EVO V	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	74.34
20	12	Damien SPINKS	(MGCCN)	SRT Mk1 F Vee	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	74.64
21	366	Mark DE GIOIA	(MGCCN)	Datsun Sunny	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	74.86
22	53	Harry HARRIS	(MGCCN)	Honda Integra	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	75.09
23	570	David FLAYE	(MGCCN)	Datsun 1600	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	75.25
24	54	John FINCH	(MGCCN)	Mazda MX5	PS 2B Modern 1.4 -2 lt	75.47
25	690	David MITCHELL	(MGCCN)	VX Commodore	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	75.49
26	78	Andrew RIGG	(MGCCN)	Toyota Starlet	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	75.56
27	91	Ben KENT	(MGCCN)	Mazda MX5	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	75.62
28	48	Jeff NEWEY	(MGCCN)	MG B	PS 2B Classic 1.4 - 2 lt	76.02
29	360	Darren LINDSAY	(MGCCN)	VP Commodore	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	76.16
30	791	Bronwyn LEWIS	(MGCCN)	MG F	PS 2B Modern 1.4 - 2 lt	76.59
31	43	David HARRIS	(MGCCN)	Honda Civic	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	76.88
32	236	Luke KILBY	(MGCCN)	Toyota Soarer	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	77.02
33	401	Andrew WALLIN	(MGCCN)	Toyota Celica RA40	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	77.48
34	26	Martin BARNES	(MGCCN)	Subaru BRZ	Tp 1 u 2 ltr	77.77
35	400	Michael WALLIN	(MGCCN)	Toyota Celica RA40	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	77.78
36	28	David CHIPPENDALE	(AHRG)	Mitsubishi Starion	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	77.97
37	51	Lyall CLARKE	(MGCCN)	MG F	PS 2B Modern 1.4- 2 lt	78.07
38	57	Bob MILLINGTON	(MGCCN)	Subaru BRZ	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	78.31
39	161	Terry PERKINS	(MGCCN)	Mazda MX5	PS 2B Modern 1.4 - 2lt	78.80
40	184	Michael ALCHIN	(MGCCN)	Subaru Liberty B4	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	78.92
41	19	David ATKINS	(MGCCN)	Datsun 240Z	PS 2B Classic o 2 ltr	79.39
42	37	Rod BERWICK	(MX5 NSW)	Mazda MX5	PS 2B Modern 1.4 - 2 lt	79.63
43	73	Bill KELLY	(MGCCN)	Holden Gemini	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	80.44
44	128	Joshua CHIPPENDALE	(AHRG)	Mitsubishi Starion	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	80.80
45	29	Kevin AKERS	(MGCCN)	Subaru Impreza	Special Vehicle u 3 ltr	80.91
46	605	Richard GRANT	(MGCCN)	Mazda RX7	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	81.33
47	95	Noman JAWAAD	(MGCCN)	VW Golf	Tp 1 o 2 ltr	81.78
48	246	Paul WHITWORTH	(MGCCN)	MG B	Grp 2A/2C o 2 ltr	82.07
49	359	Matthew WHITWORTH	(MGCCN)	MG B	Grp 2A/2C o 2 ltr	83.33
50	116	Allan EVANS	(MGCCN)	Triumph TR7	Tp 1 u 2 ltr	83.55
51	296	Gary PIPER	(MGHR)	MG B	PS 2B Classic 1.4 - 2 lt	85.67
52	22	Gregory PAYNE	(MGCCN)	Austin A30	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	87.17
53	306	Ian FLETCHER	(MGCCN)	Peugeot 306	Tp 1 u 2 ltr	87.55
54	281	Madeline CHIPPENDALE(	(AHRG)	Mitsubishi Starion	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	90.76
55	4	Rose COLLINS	(MGCCN)	MG F	PS 2B Modern 1.4-2 lt	107.72
56	784	Thomas ALCHIN (J)	(MGCCN)	Subaru Liberty B4	Jun Spec	111.61
57	11	Tom CLEMENS	(MGCCN)	VW Beetle	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	999.99

- Top . Hard luck award of the day Tom Clemens gets a lift home after diff failure on the first run
- Right. President Dave Atkins finishes his run, good crowd using the new shelter on the hill
- Left. The old & the new! Doug Rae, Howard Maclean ,Christian Thompson the fastest time of the day
- Bottom. Three MGs & a Mazda line up for a start



# NOTA CONSUL (Chassis No 13)

Built by NOTA Engineering (Sydney) in 1957 it was the first of five different Formula Libre monoposto racing cars built by Nota 1957 - 1962.

Originally built with a MG Magna 6 cylinder engine, but not long after delivery, the owners John and Brian Schroder of 'Town and Country Engineering' returned the car to Nota to have a destroyed Ford Consul 204E engine fitted in order to comply with the CAMS under 1500cc racing category.

The Car ran in this form in the 1958 Australian Grand Prix at Bathurst driven by John Schroder.

The car was later restroked to 1745cc and has maintained that engine capacity since. The Aluminium Body was built by Englishman Jack Wiffen who is also noted for building the body for Donald Campbell's Bluebird record breaking car. In late 1959 the Nota was sold to Barrie Garner who finished second in the 1960 NSW Hillclimb championship with the Nota Consul before using some of the components to have Nota build the Nota Major.

Ambitious and talented young race driver Mal Brewster bought the Nota Consul from Barrie Garner for 150 Pounds

and set to rebuild it. After paying 7.10 Pounds for a new front axle and a further 7 pounds for a crossflow radiator,

Mal cut his losses and sold the car having never driven it. (As a postscript to the sale, Mal finally enjoyed drive of the Nota Consul at Wakefield Park in March 2004 – 42 years after selling the car.)

The Car moved on to Bob Winley who campaigned the Nota in Historic events before selling it to John Stevens in 1979. John continued to regularly race the car until 1994 when Mike Gosbell purchased it and completed a complete rebuild before selling it to Rod Moore in 1996. Current owner Terry Perkins purchased the car in 2010.

The car is now 60 years old and has been continually raced for all that time and is still raced up to six times a year at Wakefield Park with the GEAR Club.

Tech Details;-

Engine – Ford Mk2 Consul 1745cc with twin H4 SU carbs.

Gearbox – MG TA 4 speed (Needham modified)

Diff – BMC 'A' series (4.55 ratio)

Brakes - Morris Major.

Front stub axles – MGTC, mounted on split Ford 10 beam axle.

Steering – Hillman Imp Rack & Pinion.

*Thanks to Terry Perkins for this article, I saw this car at the MGCCN concours & was so impressed with the bodywork in particular I asked Terry to share the history of this car with us* Editor





# CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Hi Members,

The point scores shown are as at 29/3/18.

Cheers Greg.

**Mick Nielson Memorial Club Mem-  
ber of the Year**

**Chris Dodds Memorial Club Champi-  
onship**

	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Points</b>		<b>Events</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Points</b>
				<b>Min. 8</b>		<b>Best 12</b>
Chris Fernance	1	40	David Atkins	4	1	45
Doug Rae	2	37	Steven Woods	3	2	41
Libby Fernance	3	34	Harry Harris	2	3	32
David Atkins	4	32	Tyler Cannon	3	3	32
Kerry Woollard	5	30	Warwick Berge	2	3	32
Bryn Baverstock	6	26	Kevin Akers	3	6	31
John Finch	7	24	Wayne Lewis	2	6	31
Allan Evans	8	22	Mark Granger	2	8	30
David Walker	8	22	Matthew Granger	2	8	30
Alex Frodl (J)	10	20	John Finch	2	10	28
Darrell Gregory	10	20	Rick Vincent	2	10	28
Greg Hunter	10	20	Jake Bramble	2	12	27
Michael Snow	10	20	Garry Christopherson	2	13	25
Steven McLeod	10	20	Paul Whitworth	2	13	25
Gregg Noonan	15	18	David Harris	2	15	24
Ken McLeod	15	18	Allan Evans	2	16	23
Leo Frodl	15	18	Andrew Fraser	2	16	23
Lyllal Clarke	15	18	Andrew Walker	2	16	23
Rose Collins	15	18	Jeff Newey	2	16	23
Ted Dial	15	18	Jeff Schmitt	2	16	23
			Matthew Whitworth	2	16	23



**Paul Daley Memorial Junior Championship**

	Event s Min. 6	Rank	Points
			<b>Best 12</b>
Christian Thompson	4	1	50
Lilybelle Gyler-Wood	1	2	13
Izaiah Meldrum	1	3	12
Alex Frodl	1	4	11
Dominic Portelli	1	4	11
Nicholas Fernance	1	4	11
Thomas Alchin	1	4	11
Connor Morley	1	8	10
Charlie Gyler-Wood	1	9	9

**Lions Club Trophy Championship**

	Event s	Rank	Points
			<b>Best 10</b>
Wayne Lewis	2	1	31
Jeff Newey	2	2	23
Bronwyn Lewis	2	3	22
Lyall Clarke	2	3	22
Paul Whitworth	1	5	12
Andy Peters	1	6	11
Matthew Whitworth	1	6	11
Rose Collins	1	8	7

**Judith Rae Memorial Ladies Championship**

	Events Min. 4	Rank	Points
			<b>Best 12</b>
Bronwyn Lewis	2	1	22
Fran Hodgson	1	2	12
Madelon Corbett	1	3	11
Rose Collins	1	4	7
Raewyn Perkins	1	5	6

**David Huck Register Championship**

	Events	Rank	Points
			<b>Best 10</b>
Lyall Clarke	3	1	23
Wayne Lewis	2	2	21
Bronwyn Lewis	2	3	15
David Walker	2	4	12
Eric Chandler	2	4	12
Jan Chandler	2	4	12
Jan Clarke	2	4	12
Jeff Newey	1	4	12
John Collins	2	4	12
Lesley Walker	2	4	12
Rose Collins	2	4	12
Andy Peters	1	12	11
Bryn Baverstock	1	13	6
Chrystal Griffiths	1	13	6
Darren Hodgson	1	13	6
Fran Hodgson	1	13	6
Helen Baverstock	1	13	6
Michael Fraser	1	13	6
Peter Griffiths	1	13	6
Raechel Fraser	1	13	6

## VALE

### DR. ERIC ROY MARSHMAN (1928 - 2018)

Eric along with his devoted wife Wilma, were stalwarts of the Newcastle M.G. Car Club for many years.

Eric qualified in Medicine in 1952 and spent ten years as a GP in Bowraville before moving to Belrose and starting psychiatry training in 1966. He worked in Goulburn, Gladesville, Morisset, Newcastle and Cessnock and became a Fellow of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists in 1972 with a Bachelor of Health Administration in 1980.

However being a doctor didn't define him! He loved adventuring and spent many happy times with Wilma and family on extensive car trips to outback Australia. Cars were a huge part of Eric's life, and his restoration of a 1926 Rolls Royce Phantom1, a 1951 Mark VI Bentley and a 1969



MGB were some of his greatest achievements. We particularly remember both Eric and Wilma at M.G. National Meetings spending preparation time under the White MGB cleaning the underside and the wheels with toothbrushes to get rid of the accumulated dirt gathered on the trip to the venue.

A man of honesty and integrity, he will be missed, and our thoughts go to Wilma, Robert, Judy and their families.

### HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP

The Club's membership year starts 1st March 2018.

If you have not renewed your membership by then you will be **UNFINANCIAL**. Remember if you are entering an event you require both a financial club membership and a current CAMS Licence.

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

TED DIAL IS ON HOLIDAY, PLEASE DIRECT ALL ENQUIRES, PHONE CALLS, APPLICATIONS ETC. TO Bryn Baverstock Ph.49657137 email bhbav@optusnet.com.au

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**REGULAR YDDC TRAINING EVENTS Held on sealed and unsealed surfaces. DOCUMENTATION COMMENCING 8.15 AM, TRAINING COMMENCING 9.00 AM**

Event Three / Sat 12<sup>th</sup> May    Event Four / Sat 18<sup>th</sup>/ Aug

**YDDC INTRODUCTION COMPETITION DRIVING "MOTORKHANA"**

**Held on unsealed surfaces. DOCUMENTATION 9.30 AM with the EVENT COMMENCING 9.30 am sharp.**

Event Two/ Sat 28<sup>th</sup> April    Event Five/ 30<sup>th</sup> June.

No late arrivals please be on time. Minimum age 12 years.

**YDDC INTRODUCTION COMPETITION DRIVING "KHANACROSS"**

**Held on unsealed and sealed surfaces. DOCUMENTATION COMMENCING 8.00 AM, with the EVENT COMMENCING 9.30 am sharp**

One event only 17<sup>th</sup> of November.                      No late arrivals please be on time.

Minimum age 12/13 years, only with approval of the YDDC Panel.

Helmet must be worn, and clothing and enclosed foot wear to Speed Event Regulations.  
In-car instruction will be conducted by YDDC instructors at all above events.

## **SPECIAL NOTICE FOR ALL YDDC STUDENTS**

ALL STUDENTS TO ADVISE AND CONFIRM THEIR ATTENDANCE on the 6/7 DAYS before the dates LISTED ABOVE-----FAILURE TO ADVISE COULD LEAD TO THE EVENT OVER SUBSCRIBED-----IN WHICH CASE YOU COULD MISS OUT.

For NEW STUDENTS please note ENCLOSED footwear must be worn, DRIVERS YOU MUST TAKE WITH YOUR YOU CLUB MEMBERSHIP CARD AS WELL AS YOUR CAMS LICENCE without both, your entry cannot be accepted

THE SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL IS THE COMPETITION MOTORKHANA, TWO WEEKS AFTER IS A TRAINING MOTORKHANA ON THE 12<sup>TH</sup> OF MAY

It's possible that above programme can change during the year, please check the above list, it will be updated as soon as changes come to hand.

However, it is not always possible to meet the Club Torque magazine deadline, event confirmation can also be check by using the club's website, [www.mgcarclub.com.au](http://www.mgcarclub.com.au).

If in doubt please call on 0412493711 or email Greg Hunter at [gh.hunter@bigpond.com.au](mailto:gh.hunter@bigpond.com.au)



<b>HOST</b>	Bates and Co
<b>DATE</b>	20th May 2018
<b>TIME</b>	9.30am till 1pm
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<https://mail.mgcarclub.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/MGCCN-Vehicle-Rules-2018-Ver-1.pdf>

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## REGISTER SECRETARY REPORT

The Car Club has been invited to partake in two Car Shows on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

One event Euro Motorfest will be held at MacDonald Jones Stadium Broadmeadow. The event is organised by Hunter Region MG Car Club and the invitation is for owners of European Manufactured Cars. Entry fee is \$10.00/vehicle.

The second event is a Show and Shine organised in association with the Maitland Steamfest.

It will be held at Maitland Park (access via Walker Street)

Entry fee of \$5.00/vehicle with proceeds going to Firstchance a local not for profit organisation.

This event organised by Maitland Street Rodders Inc. is open to all vehicles of interest.

Both events are likely to be well supported and have an interesting array of vehicles on display.

I have other commitments that weekend, so unfortunately cannot attend, but I do encourage you to attend either event as suits your requirements and perhaps take some photos of interesting exhibits and submit a report to Bryn for the Car Club Magazine.

Regards,

Allan Evans – Register Secretary





At the recent hillclimb this picture was taken of three generations of the Fernance gang! Randolph Fernance, Chris Fernance & Nicholas Young-Fernance as three generations that competed in the last hill climb of 2017.

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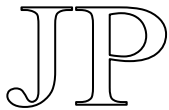
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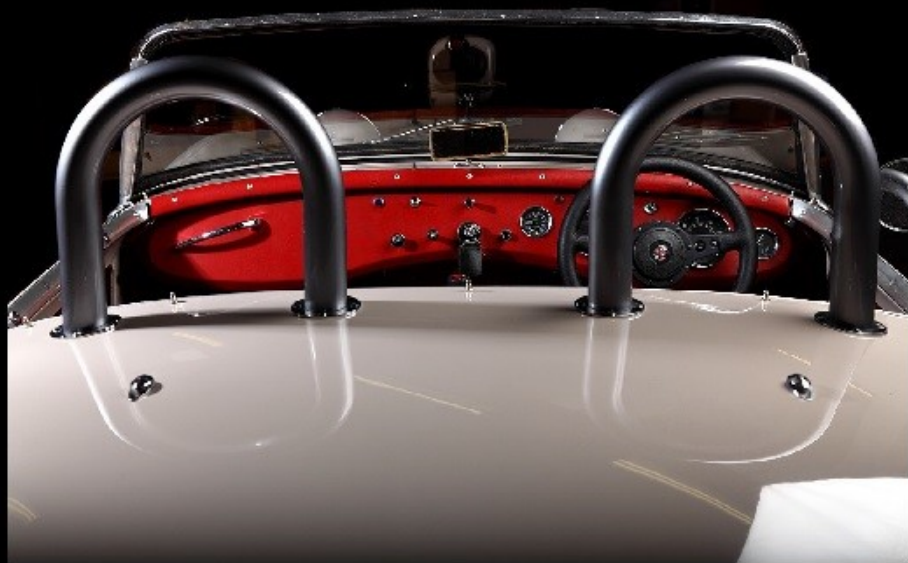
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