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Coming Events - November 2018

Thurs 1		Dads Army	Ringwood
Sat 3	AHRG	Evan Green Memorial TR	
C 4	NACCON		Upper Hunter TR5 Dirt/Tar
Sun 4	MGCCN	Hillclimb A4	Ringwood M TS6 CC20 R16
Mon 5		Magazine Assy	Kingwood W 130 CC20 KIO
			2:00 pm Cobby St
Thurs 8		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 9		Club Night AGM	
Sun 11	MGCCN	Motorkhana	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Sun 11	MGCCN	IVIOLOFKITATIA	Ringwood M MK6 CC21 Dirt
Tues 13	MGCCN	Mid Week Run	8
			ТВА М
Wed 14		Speed Panel	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Thurs 15		Dads Army	Ringwood
Thurs 15		WRC	Coffs Hbr
Fri 16		WRC	Coffs Hbr
Sat 17	MGCCN	Khanacross + YDDC 6	
Sat 17		WRC	Ringwood M KC6 Dirt/Tar
	NACCON		Coffs Hbr
Sun 18	MGCCN	Concours	Northcott Park (Clubrooms) M CC22 R17
Sun 18		WRC	Coffs Hbr
Tues 20		Board Meeting	7:30 pm Cobby St M
Thurs 22		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 23	Private	Touring Assembly	5
	Hire		
Fri 23		Cuparagra	Jon Thomson
==	LIDGG	Supercars	Newcastle
Sat 24	HDCC	STATE Khanacross Rd 8	Hampton
Sat 24		Supercars	Newcastle
Sun 25		Supercars	Newcastle
Thurs 29		Dads Army	Ringwood
Fri 30	Wheels	HVG School	J
	Skills Aust		

Ringwood

Coming Events - December 2018

Sun 2 AHRG Rego Run

TBA TR6 Mon 3

Magazine Assy 2:00 pm Cobby St

Mon 3 Wheels Skills **HVG School** Ringwood

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Thurs 6 Dads Army Ringwood

Fri 7 Presentation/Xmas Party 6:00 pm Cardiff RSL

Sun 9 MGCCN Club Rooms WB Cobby St

Tues 11 **Board Meeting** 7:30 pm Cobby St

Thurs 13 Dads Army Ringwood

School Term Finish Wed 19

Tues 25 Christmas Day

Wed 26 **Boxing Day**

Legend

TA - Touring Assembly TC - Tri-Challenge CC - Club Championship M - Club Member KC - Khanacross R - Register pointscore

MK - Motorkhana 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.

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

The October Club Night on Friday 12th for me was an occasion that I will remember for a long time. We were honoured to have the privilege of having Bob Holden tell of his experiences throughout his long and illustrious motorsport career. A true gentleman, who is as enthusiastic as ever about his motorsport and despite the approach of his 86th Birthday in December is planning to go on racing "as long as they will let me". It was good to see so many members turn up to hear about Bob's motorsport career. Thanks to Kevin Akers for making the arrangements with Bob. If you have anyone that you think would make an interesting Guest Speaker, please let me know and we will try to make it happen.

The MG & Clubman Cars, Regularity Hillclimb on Sunday 14th. was again blessed with near perfect weather at Ringwood. What a great sporting event with plenty of interaction between the competitors making for quite a social feel to the day. This is a great fun day, but unfortunately it wasn't well supported, now leaving us to consider the future of this concept for an event. One suggestion has been put already and that is that we open it up to all Sports Cars in the 2A/2C and 2B/2F categories. That should see an increase in the level of participation, and still not detract from the fun factor. The following weekend was our 5th Motorkhana & 19th Club Championship event, this time dust was not a problem, and great day was had by all. Chris certainly knows how to find fun tests to test our short-term memory, judgement and car control. (as evidenced by the number of "Well-Dones" scored. The final motorkhana for 2018 is on 11th of November. Recent work undertaken on equipment at Ringwood will see us able to water the grounds sufficiently to suppress the dust, should it be required, making for a much more pleasant experience. It is a lot more fun when you can see where the next flag is!! The final Championship events occur on the 17th and 18th. With the Khanacross on Saturday and "Pride of Ownership Display" and Concours on Sunday.

The 18th is the day set aside for all who have a vehicle that they treasure, to bring it out and share with other members, be it an MG, or one of the many very collectable cars on Historic Rego. If you don't have either but have a more recent model that is your "pride & joy", we would love to see that there also. The event is being held at the clubrooms and adjacent park and is another chance for social interaction with like-minded members.

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

Elsewhere in this edition you will find the Notice of The AGM and associated information. The election of the Board members is a key part of that meeting, and I know there are some people who will not be standing for a position, so we will be looking for some fresh faces for 2019. Don't be shy! I'm sure there are many within our almost 550 members who would love to have input into the running of the Club. If you are one of those, don't be shy, please feel free to give me a call, I can tell you what I believe is involved in each of the roles on the Board.

The December monthly club night is to be the Annual Presentation and Christmas party, and is once again at the Cardiff RSL Club. This is the night we recognise the successes of our competitors and the efforts of our officials. You do need to book in and pay for the night in advance so that proper arrangements can be made with the Club. See the advertisement elsewhere in the magazine. If you are a trophy winner, why not invite your friends to join you in the celebration.

This has been a very busy year for the Club, next year looks similar, so there is a lot to look forward to. The year now drawing to an end, has been a good one for the Club. (as usual). The AGM is the place to be, to hear a full review of that, but more importantly, your chance to elect the people who will be charged with the responsibility of running YOUR club for 2019.

See you there, Dave.



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SOCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

Hi to all MG Car Club Members 3 Important dates to remember for 2018

AGM Friday 9 November 2018.

Concours Day Sunday 18 November 2018

A complimentary light lunch will be provided to all who display their cars.

Xmas Party and Presentation Night Friday 7 December 2018.

Please let me know if you are attending by text on Ph 0431 656 663.

I would like to thank all members who have been so nice to me in my role as Social Secretary over the past 2 years. I will be stepping down from this position this year due to increased commitments at my art society where I am also secretary.

Thank you

Chris Finch.

MG Car Club Newcastle





Friday 7 December 2018.

6.0pm for 6.30 start



Private Function Room CARDIFF RSL CLUB 45 Macquarie Road, Cardiff.

\$25.00 per person for a buffet menu from the Eastern Tiger Restaurant.

RSVP Chris Finch 0431656663 by Friday 9 November 2018.

Lucky Door Prizes as well as Trophies... See you there.

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A SPRITELY TRIP AROUND AUSTRALIA

Russ Baldwin

I've owned Sprites since 1970 and have loved every minute of using them in all kinds of motorsport, but I've always wanted to do a lap around Australia in a Sprite. So after running the idea past a good mate (Bob Blayden, another Sprite enthusiast) and with 2018 being the 60th anniversary of the make, we decided the time was right.

I had just bought my Bugeye back from a friend so that became the vehicle of choice. After doing some servicing and preparations Bob & I set off in a clockwise direction from Newcastle on the 10^{th} of April to follow Highway 1 with a car full (in Sprite terms) of luggage and spares.

The first day to Cann River was fine but then it rained on and off until we hit Perth (the Bugeye only has a softop and I'm usually reluctant to use it). Travelling up the west coast and across the top end, then down the east coast, we would leave just before sunrise to make the most of the cooler morning conditions and leave the roof up to get some shade.

While tripping around Australia we got a sense of the great legacy Donald Healey and the British Motor Company has left us, because just about every time we would pull up people would come along, take photos and ask about the car. Kids would usually think it was out of a comic book (or was a blue version of The Wiggles car!), the 20 to 40-year-olds couldn't believe it didn't have a boot or door handles - or know how to start it - and 40-plus brigade could remember someone having one or wanting one in their hey day.

We met a lot of lovely and interesting people from all walks of life, all of them with some great stories. So in short, the little Bugeye more than doubled the amount of enjoyment we had on the trip.

Running repairs were covered mostly by spares we had onboard, like points, the rotor button and a head gasket that we needed to change just north of Perth. A kind mechanic let us swap the head gasket in his workshop and three and a half hours later we were off and running again. We also found the extra weight over the back wheels was causing the rear suspension to bottom out.

British Classic Spares on the Sunshine Coast sent us some new rear springs, but unfortunately Australia Post let us down, so we moved the heavier luggage forward and fitted some soft rubber grommets to soften the last bit of travel in the suspension. We also had a battery chuck it in, conveniently at British Classic Spares when I went to thank them for their efforts on trying to get us the springs.

So if anyone's thinking of doing a long trip like it, if you take an old car it really makes the whole experience that much richer – whether it's the interested people you meet or the challenges along the way, it's something you'll never forget.

The trip took 6 weeks & 18,000 klms. A big trip for a little car.

AUTO TEST CO-ORDINATOR

Last months motorkhana looked to be in danger of being washed away, with a number of storms in the days prior to, and even rain right up until the drivers briefing. However the rain held off for the rest of the day and condtions ended up being great for sliding the cars around and having some fun in the mud. A welcome change from the usual dust.

Once again there was a mix of familiar and new tests for the competitiors, and test them they did. The final test in particular saw more the half the attempted runs end with a Wrong Direction, although I suspect a few of the drivers were more in it for fun by then.

A number of juniors were up for the challenges of the day, and it was great to see them gaining experience and confidence behind the wheel as the day went on. Not to be outdone, some adults showed some trick driving skills too. Never before have I seen someone knock a flag over flat on the ground with the front of the car, then stand it back up perfectly with the rear tyre.

Despite a WD on the last test, and then stopping to get directions on his 2nd attempt, Chris Burrows still managed to take the win in his Swift thanks to having consistently quick times through-out the rest of the day. Close behind was Caleb Turner due to some impressive driving in the Lancer. Third for the day was Peter McPhee, also in the Lancer. News on the grapevine says the Lancer has now been retired and they may have something a little smaller and more suitable for motorkhanas in the near future.

As always a big thanks to Darrell for his help with timing, Kerry for her assistance as the Secretary, and Libby for running the canteen.

November has two Autotest events, a Motorkhana on Sunday the 11th and a Khanacross on SATURDAY the 17th. These are the clubs final racing events for the year and for the motorkhana it is the second last opportunity to earn points towards the Club Championship. Entries for both events are already open and I look forward to seeing you there.

Cheers, Chris Fernance.

Photos

- 1.Christian Thompson 2. Chris Burrows 3. Robert Iles
- 4. Dave Atkins 5. Jayden Edmonds 6. Nicholas Young-Fernance
- 7. Peter McPhee 8. Robert Iles









Notice to all members of MG Car Club Newcastle Inc.

The Annual General Meeting and Election of Board of Directors of MG Car Club Newcastle Incorporated will be held at the Clubrooms, Cobby Street, Shortland, on Friday November 9th 2018, commencing at 7:30pm.

Agenda

- Apologies
- Confirmation of minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held Friday, 10th November, 2017
- Summary of the Club's activities over the past 12 months
- Treasurer's Report and Report from the Auditor
- Election of the Board of Directors for 2019 (all positions become vacant)
- Any other business as submitted in accordance with the Club's Rules. Members are reminded that Special Business needs to be submitted to the Board before the meeting.

Rules

Members are reminded of the following:-

- Only full Members are allowed to vote
- Both Full and Associate Members can accept a nomination for a position on the Board of Directors
- Both Full and Associate Members can nominate any Club Member for a position on the Board of Directors
- Associate Members will be granted Full Membership if elected to the Board of Directors
- Members must financial to 28th February 2019 to be able to vote
- Current Financial Membership Cards should be produced in order to obtain Voting papers.
- Voting papers will not be issued after the current Board positions are declared vacant
- Nominations should be completed and posted or handed to the Secretary at least 7 days prior to the commencement of the meeting
- Associate Members are permitted to cast proxy votes for a Full Member who is absent; only if the Proxy form is completed and posted to or handed to the Secretary prior to the commencement of the meeting.
- All Proxy forms must be signed by the member appointing the proxy and must comply with our constitution.

BOARD POSITIONS - SUMMARY OF THE ROLES.

<u>President</u> - the leader, chairs Board meetings, and has the casting vote in case of a deadlock decision. Delegates jobs to Board persons, encourages members at events, and always acts with the best interests of the Club and its members. Supports Board members in the performance of their roles. Is the Public Officer of the Club.

<u>Vice -President</u> - assists the President, stands in for him/her when the President is absent. Helps other committee members with any special projects.

<u>Honorary Secretary</u> - takes the minutes, deals with the incoming and outgoing correspondence, circulates information to members, via the magazine and passes on information to the various panels. Answers enquiries about the club and its activities. Is the Club's primary contact with CAMS.

<u>Honorary Treasurer</u> - handles the Club's accounts, receives the money, deals with banking and investments. Is responsible for paying the accounts, keeping records and making sure that the books are audited at the end of the financial year. Prepares the Annual Financial Reports and has them audited for presentation to the AGM and subsequent lodgement with the Department of Fair Trading.

<u>Publicity Officer</u> - informs members and the general public of our activities. Always striving to keep a high profile of the Club whenever possible. Extra promotion for large events such as State Hillclimb events at Ringwood Park, etc. Endeavour to get Club information into newspapers, radios or magazines. May assist the Register Captain with displays and parades, and the Editor with advertisers for the magazine.

<u>Club Captain</u> – Receives event results, working bee records and attendance sheets for the point score. Keeps the point score for the Club and Event Championships and maintains the Club Member point score, assists with preparation of the calendar. Coordinates with the various panels to organise trophies for distribution after the events.

<u>Social Secretary</u> - provides supper for Club Nights each month, (does not have to cook, supper items can be purchased.) Organise other social outings as well as Christmas/Presentation Dinner and Natter Nights. Ideally forms a social committee of helpers.

<u>Magazine Editor</u> - does not write the magazine, but receives articles written by others to edit and produce the magazine. Ensures the magazine is delivered to and from the printer. Organises the Magazine Assemblies and posting. Co-ordinates the gathering of advertisers, artwork and invoicing.

<u>Register Captain</u> - Someone who is likely to attend most of the Club runs. Organises the monthly Register Runs, also the annual Concours. Keeps the register point score for MG owners, contacts MG members for promotional parades or displays. Maintains a close liaison with the Register Secretary to promote the interests of MG owners. Works with the Event Co-ordinator to ensure activities are included in the calendar.

<u>Register Secretary</u> - assists the Register Captain to plan and conduct MG events. Ensures enquires and correspondence specifically relating to MGs are considered and answered. Looks after the Club's Historic Registration Scheme. Keeps abreast of MG information in Australia and overseas. Maintains a close liaison with the Register Captain to promote the interests of MG owners. May act as National Meeting Co-ordinator organising accommodation and travel arrangements.

Event Co-Ordinator – Works with all Panel Co-ordinators to set up the year's calendar along with the Club Captain to construct the list of Club Championship point score events. Helps other panel members to promote their events. Is responsible for keeping the calendar current with event changes that often happen, and supply to Editor a list of coming events for the current magazine.

<u>Chairman of Rally Panel</u> — Keeps abreast of Rallies, Rallysprints, Touring Road Events and Touring Assemblies that are scheduled for the year. Works with Event Co-ordinator to schedule "Rally" events in the calendar. Ensures that scheduled events are organised in a timely manner, does not have to set or run them himself. Brings "rally" matters to the Board for attention as required.

<u>Chairman of Speed Event Panel</u> — Co-ordinates a panel of like-minded members to organise Speed events such as Ringwood Hillclimbs, Supersprints etc. This person does not have to direct the events, but is responsible for making them happen and can assist. Ensures event permits from CAMS are in place and supp regs are available and distributed in a timely manner. Make sure enough officials are organised and that the venue is ready. Results to go to the Club Captain.

Works with the Event Co-ordinator and Publicity officer to maintain accuracy of the calendar and promote the events.

<u>Chairman of Autotest Panel</u> - Co-ordinates a panel of like-minded members to organise Motorkhana/Khanacross events for the year. Locate suitable venues. Once again does not have to organise the events, but ensures events are organised in a timely manner and arrange for officials, timekeepers, paperwork to CAMS etc. Sends results to Club Captain.

<u>Membership Secretary</u> - processes new membership applications for presentation to the Board for approval. Processes member renewals. Keeps the database of club members up to date. Ensures new members receive relevant information on joining.

<u>Chairman Land Panel</u>_Co-ordinates a panel of like-minded members and is responsible for the maintenance of the Track and surrounding aresa at Ringwood. Organises any work to be done by other parties or organises and advertises working bees of club members for general maintenance of the Complex. Works closely with the Event and Equipment Maintenance Co-ordinators. Makes recommendations to the Board on improvements and works at Ringwood.

<u>Chairman of Equipment Maintenance Panel</u> - Co-ordinates the work required to maintain of mechanical equipment at our Ringwood Complex. Does not have to fix it personally, and may organises necessary work to be done by others, so that equipment is fully functionally.

Makes recommendations to Board regarding equipment.

<u>Member No.1</u> - This person has no direct responsibilities, helps other Board members with projects, and may have previously been on the Board.

<u>Member No.2</u> - Must be first appointment to the Board, assists other Board members. Is a good introduction to the running of the Club, its business and activities.

The Board positions are covered by the Club's Constitution, which should be read in conjunction with the above.

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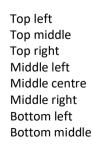
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The aftermath of Doug Barry's episode
Brad Antoniou RX8
Andrew Fraser Corvette
Nat Hails Toyota Sprinter
Christian Thompson JB Clubman
Steve Devjak Reynard 92D F3000
Steve Brydie Datsun 1200
Ben Hall Nissan Skyline R33

Photos by Jason Gregory



CSCA NEWS

Hi Super Sprinters

The provisional 2019 calendar for CSCA supersprints has been announced as follows.

Round	Host Club	Circuit	Day	Date
1	CLA	Wakefield Park	Saturday	2/03/2019
2	SCCA	SMP Amaroo (South)	Sunday	14/04/2019
3	JDCA	SMP Druitt (North)	Saturday	25/05/2019
4	АНОС	Wakefield Park	Saturday	29/06/2019
5	МОСА	SMP Gardner/Brabham	Saturday	17/08/2019
6	MGCC*	SMP Druitt (North)	Saturday	14/09/2019
7	TSOA	Wakefield Park	Sunday	10/11/2019

^{*} Subject to confirmation & with support from CSCA

Our club, **MGCCN** have advised that they are unable to run the SMP Druitt event on the 14th September due to the unavailability of key officials along with the club's desire to run an event later in the year at Circuit Italia subject to the completion of that circuit. Nevertheless, 14th September at SMP Druitt (North) has been reserved for CSCA and the current proposal is that the combined resources of the CSCA clubs should be able to run this event as an 'exceptional case'. A single club needs to take the lead, primarily for the track license arrangements. **MGCC** (Sydney) has been asked to consider accepting this responsibility, noting that every CSCA club will be asked to provide 2 to 3 officials to help in the running of this event.

In the event that Circuit Italia is completed in 2019, **MGCCN** may be able to run an additional non-championship event. Although based on the current construction status, this may not eventuate.

Presentation of Awards for 2018: Date: Wednesday 5th December 2018

Location: Carlingford Bowling Club Time: from 7:00pm

Format: Similar to 2017 where people ordered & paid for their own food & drinks.

Please let me (JG) know if you are interested in attending.

CSCA NEWS

The final CSCA super sprint for 2018, which was held in lovely bright sunshine on 21st October at Wakefield Park.

Congratulations to our quick men, Ewan Jones and Grahame Baxter in the 1 minute 10 second territory.

Honorable mentions to Dan Robinson on his return to the track in another vintage Datsun following his engine blow-up a couple months ago, and Wayne Movigliatti who shared his car with Laurie and got within 0.8 seconds of his much more experienced father!

Next CSCA sprint - 2nd March 2019 at Wakefield Park. Hosted by Club Lotus Australia

We need a new **CSCA delegate** for next year, as I have a lot of travel booked and won't be able to be effective in the role. It's not a big job, but is essential for communicating super sprint event details to our members. Please call me or talk to a club committee person if you can help out with this role for 2019.

Best Regards
John Garroway
MGCCN CSCA Delegate (Combined Sports Car Association)
0436 022 393



MG Car Club Newcastle – MG and Clubman Cars Regularity Event – 14 Oct 2018 At Ringwood on Track A2A.

Class Winners on Fastest Time Set.

Road Reg Classic Under 2 litre					
Matthew WHITWORTH	359	MG B	MG_EVEREST	67.14	
Andy PETERS	52	MG BL	MG_EVEREST	67.28	
Dave WALKER	52	MG B	MGCCN_1	67.77	
Road Reg Modern Under 2 litre					
Darren HODGSON	90	MG TF	MGCCN_1	64.13	New Record
Lyall CLARKE	51	MG F	MGCCN_1	65.94	
Bryn BAVERSTOCK	7	MG TF	MG_EVEREST	68.14	

Clubman Not Road Reg

Kevin AKERS 29 Carroll Clubman MGN CLUBMAN 58.41 New Record Darrell PEATIE C 9 Carroll Clubman MGN CLUBMAN 60.90

1st PLACE Team MGCCN "EVEREST"

Road Reg Modern Under 2 litre	Rose COLLINS	MG F
Road Reg Modern Under 2 litre	Bryn BAVERSTOCK	MG TF
Road Reg Classic Under 2 litre	Andy PETERS	MG BL
Road Reg Classic Under 2 litre	Paul WHITWORTH	MG B
Road Reg Classic Under 2 litre	Matt WHITWORTH	MG B

2nd PLACE Team MGCCN ONE

Road Reg Classic Under 2 litre	Jeff NEWEY	MG B GT
Road Reg Modern Under 2 litre	Lyall CLARKE	MGF
Road Reg Classic Under 2 litre	Dave WALKER	MG B
Road Reg Modern Under 2 litre	Darren HODGSON	MG TF

3rd place Team HUNTER

Road Reg Classic Under 2 litre	Stephen Jones	MG Midget	
Not Road Reg Classic Under 2litre	Ian ASHTON	MG B Mk II	DNS
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Road Reg Classic Under 2 litre	Gary PIPER	MG B	

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Darrell DEATIE

Carroll Clubman

Clubman Not Road Reg

















REGISTER CAPTAINS REPORT

I am away until the middle of November so have run out of time for any further Register Runs for this year.

We have had some great days out this year and Xmas in July and the American Car Museum were highlights. I want to thank all of those members who supported our events this year and we broke a few attendance records along the way so we must be doing something right!

The next thing for you to think about is the Australia Day brunch at Murrays Beach on January 26th. As we always get a good rollup for this event, I am taking names now. Please email your intension to attend and I will be sending out reminders prior to the event but don't leave it too late as previously we have booked out the restaurant.

Best wishes

Ken McLeod

Register Captain

NEW MEMBERS

New members approved by the board to join the club: October 2018 CHARLOTTE PONTING - ASSOCIATE MEMBER - AUSSIE RACE CAR

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LAND PANEL REPORT

Major works over the last month were the replacement of the damaged sections of guard rail from the incident's at our Mattara hillclimb, this has been done and the team is to be congratulated on achieving this difficult job.

Also on the agenda is water runoff and control of discharge from our dam this will be done by pumping out and distributing the water over grassed areas.

The recent rains have pointed out some areas that need attention and these are too be attended to.

I shall not be standing for the board this year due to health reasons and thank all those members who have contributed to the development and maintenance of our facility. After 18 years of travelling to Ringwood on average 80 times a year its time to have a rest and reflect on what has been achieved over the last 18 years.

After an agreement with a developer failed to achieve a circuit (7years) we were approached to sell a portion of our property, this was done after we subdivided our land. The monies were put to good use by then President Bryn Baverstock and Alan Bates in extending the hillclimb which I'm sure has been appreciated by those members who compete. Improvements have been ongoing and I'm sure will continue without me.

Once again I would like to thank all those members who have contributed in all manner of ways from labour , materials and verbal support.

Thank you Doug Rae





CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

Hi members,

Firstly, a request. Can all the holders of the Perpetual Trophies please return them to me during November. I will be attending the hillclimb (TS6), the AGM/Club night, the Speed Panel meeting, the Concours, & the Board meeting.

Nothing has changed at the top of the Club Member of Year, the Junior Championship, the Ladies Championship & the Tar Speed Championship. The contest for the Club Championship is going down to the wire! Here is the top 10 as at 1/11/18. Cheers, Gregg

Chris Dodds Memorial Club Championship

	Rank	Points	No.	Minimum
		Best 12	Events	8 Events
Steven Woods	1	138	11	Yes
David Atkins	2	136	12	Yes
John Finch	3	79	6	
Wayne Lewis	3	79	5	
Warwick Berge	5	77	5	
Kevin Akers	6	73	6	
Rick Vincent	7	72	6	
Harry Harris	8	71	5	
MattheGranger	9	67	5	
Tim Blake	10	66	5	

REGISTER SECRETARY REPORT

At the time of writing this report (Oct 20), there are 130 Historic Vehicles registered through the Club with the RMS. Just over a quarter of the vehicles are MG's. Browsing through the records there is an amazing variety of machines hidden away in our members garages that I am sure many of the other members would delight in the opportunity to check out and admire. An opportunity for this to happen is at the Club's end of year Annual Concourse which will be held in the Park adjacent to our Club Rooms, Cobby Street Shortland on Sunday 18th November (see details elsewhere in magazine). I encourage all members with vehicles on Historic Registration to come along to this event and share your pride and joy with fellow members and enthusiasts. Many people can be put off by the term "Concourse", fearing that their vehicle will be critically scrutinised by over-diligent experts. I can assure you that our event is very low key. In fact, you are not obliged to enter the competition, and we are happy if you just bring your vehicle along for display. However, if you wish to enter your car in the competition, there are established classes for the MG's, but typically classes for any other vehicles are drawn up on the day considering what has turned up. It is great to see what does appear, last year in addition to the MG's we had a beautiful historic racing car with Australian Grand Prix heritage, state of the art hot hatches, classic Ford and Holden muscle cars and a three-wheel Bond Bug!

Who knows what could be on display this year If members take up the invitation. The oldest vehicle on our register is a 1911 Hup; and we also have a Rolls Royce, Aston Martin and Mercedes representing the luxury brands. There are European classics, Japanese classic sports cars and saloons, American and Australian muscle cars and English and Australian family saloons. As you can see the variety is amazing, hoping to see you and your vehicle there.

Allan Evans – Register Secretary





BULLETIN #2

THE GOLDEN JUBILEE MG NATIONAL MEETING 2019 - REDLANDS QUEENSLAND OCTOBER 2018

It is time to start planning your trip to Queensland for the 2019 National Meeting.

Our dedicated Committee has been hard at work overcoming what initially appeared to be almost unsurmountable obstacles, and this has caused us to adopt some significant changes to what was proposed in Bulletin # 1

The Queensland Licensing Laws do not allow the service of alcohol on Good Friday unless it is in con-

junction with a meal in a part of the premises that is ordinarily set aside for dining. This has meant that the proposed venue of the Noggin and Natter did not comply, and so the search was on for a licensed restaurant that could accommodate us. The Alexandra Hills Hotel Conference Centre (which was already chosen as a venue for the Farewell Breakfast) could satisfy this requirement.

How does this affect you?

Well, the maximum number that they can legally accommodate in their largest function room is 350. This means our numbers have to be capped to 350 overall. This has also caused changes to other venues. While some of the venues have altered, the traditional functions have not, however. It's full speed ahead from now on.

We recommend that you register early so as not to miss out. Registration will be open before Christmas holidays so keep an eye on our new Nat Meet website for details mgnationalmeeting.org.au

Venue Details:

Friday 19th April Registration and Scrutineering Alexandra Hills Hotel Conf. Centre "Time Line of National Meetings Alexandra Hills Hotel Conf. Centre Noggin & Natter plus Rocker Cover Racing Alexandra Hills Hotel Conf. Centre Saturday 20th April Concours de Elegance GJ Walter Park, Cleveland "Time Travellers" Night & Alexandra Hills Hotel Conf. Centre Concours trophies presentation

Sunday 21st April Hillclimb (Speed Event)
Observation Run

MGCCQ's Hillclimb, Mt. Cotton Redlands and surrounding area

Sunday Night Free night

NATIONAL MEETING 2019

If you are thinking of going & want somewhere to stay contact the clubs

Natmeet Co-ordinator Fran Hodgson

Contact details at the front of the magazine

Monday 22ndApril Motorkhana Sleeman Sport-

ing Complex, Chandler
Kimber Run Redlands and

surrounding area

Golden Jubilee Dinner Alexandra Hills

Hotel Conference Centre
& Trophy Presentation Night

Tuesday 23rdApril Farewell Breakfast Alexandra Hills

Hotel Conference Centre

Delegates Meeting Alexandra Hills

Hotel Conference Centre

As we celebrate the 50th National Meeting with the theme of "Time Travel" we are looking to create a display to illustrate the history of these meetings.

TIME LINE OF NATIONAL MEETINGS

How are those old photographs going for the Time Line? Have you started going through those old slides and photographs and earmarking them yet? These photos will need to have been taken at any of the 49 National Meetings. They will more likely be selected for inclusion on the *Time Line* if they have people and cars in them. (A car by itself could have been taken any time.)

Please only submit about 2 per meeting, so be very selective. We will need the who, what, where, when and why on each photo, THANKS.

<u>Electronically</u> -They will need to be sent to Delia & Peter Rayment at <u>peterrayment@bigpond.com</u> or <u>memorabilia@mgnationalmeeting.org.au</u> or as an attachment to the email as a jpeg file, 2-3 Mbytes, to keep reasonable resolution. Don't send too many in one email, as we may not be able to access them. Definitely nothing off an iPad either thanks, we can't do anything with them.

No email facility -For those who do not have access to email facilities please post a **photocopy of your original** to our home address - 32 Coveys Road, Tinbeerwah. Q 4563. We ask for photocopies as we do not want to have to be posting originals back to people.

<u>The whole collection</u> – It is envisaged that after the 50th meeting, all the photos submitted will be available on our website for people to download if they want to make their own book of photos.

Cut off time for photographs will be a month before Easter. So the sooner the better OK. We look forward to lots of photographs.

The MG Car Club of Queensland invites you to come and help us celebrate 50 years of National Meetings at Easter 2019.

Expression of interest and enquiries to enquiries@mgnationalmeeting.org.au. More details of Redlands attractions, accommodation options, cut off dates and prices can be found on our new website mgnationalmeeting.org.au.



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A farmer drove to a neighbour's farmhouse and knocked at the door. A boy, about 9, opened the door.

"Is your dad or mum home?" said the farmer.

"No, they went to town."

"How about your brother Howard, is he here?"

"No, he went with mum and dad."

The farmer stood there for a couple of minutes, shifting from one foot to the other, mumbling to himself, when the young boy says, "I know where all the tools are, if you want to borrow any, or I can send dad a message."

"Well," said the farmer uncomfortably. "No, I really want to talk to your dad, about your brother Howard getting my daughter Susie pregnant."

The boy thought for a moment, then said, "You'll have to talk to my dad about that. I know he charges \$500 for the bulls and \$150 for the boar,

but I have no idea how much he charges for Howard."

Murphy showed up at Mass one Sunday & the priest nearly fell down when he saw him. He'd never been to church in his life. After Mass, the priest caught up with him & said: "Murphy, I am so glad ya decided to come to Mass What made ya come?" Murphy said: "I got to be honest with ya Father A while back, I misplaced me hat & I really, really love that hat. I know that McGlynn had a hat just like mine and I knew he came to church every Sunday. I also knew that he had to take off his hat during Mass and figured he would leave it in the back of church. So, I was going to leave after Communion and steal McGlynn's hat."

The priest said: "WELL, MURPHY, I NOTICE THAT YA DIDN'T STEAL McGlynn's HAT. WHAT CHANGED YA MIND?"

Murphy replied: "Well, after I heard ya sermon on the 10 Commandments I decided that I didn't need to steal McGlynn's hat after all."

With a tear in his eye, the priest gave Murphy a big smile & said: "After I talked about 'Thou Shalt Not Steal' ya decided you would rather do without your hat than burn in hell, hey?"

Murphy slowly shook his head. "No, Father, after ya talked about 'Thou Shalt Not Commit Adultery', I remembered where I left me hat.

I took my wife to a restaurant . The waiter, for some reason, took my order first."I'll have the rump steak, rare, please." He said, "Aren't you worried about the mad cow?"

"Nah, she can order for herself."

"Nah, she can order for herself."
And that's when the fight started.....

My wife was hinting about what she wanted for our upcoming anniversary. She said, "I want something shiny that goes from 0 to 150 in about 3 seconds."I bought her a bathroom scale. And then the fight started......

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No late arrivals please be on time.

Minimum age 12/13 years, 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.

The above event is the last YDDC training day left for this year. However, if you can comply with the Khanacross regulations you could also take part in the Khanacross event on the 17th of November. Both parent or student should speak with an instructor regarding the possibility of competing.

FIRST EVENTS FOR 2019

THE DATES FOR THE FIRST TWO YDDC TRAINING DAYS FOR NEXT YEAR HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED

Saturday 2nd Feb and the second date is Saturday 13th of April. Please be nice and early leaving ample time for the 9.00am start BE ON TIME PLEASE

SPECIAL NOTICE FOR ALL YDDC STUDENTS

COMMENCING FROM THE FIRST EVENT IN 2019 ALL YDDC TRAINING EVENTS WILL ATTRACT AN ENTRY FEE OF \$ 20 PER DRIVER FOR CURRENT FINANCIAL JUNIOR MEMBERS. HOWEVER, THE CLUB WILL MAINTAIN ITS LONG TIME COMMITTMENT TO THE JUNIOR PROGRAMME WITH FREE ENTRY TO CLUB COMPETITION EVENTS.

For NEW STUDENTS please note **ENCLOSED** footwear must be worn. DRIVERS YOU MUST BRING YOUR CLUB MEMBERSHIP CARD AS WELL AS YOUR CAMS LICENCE. Without both, your entry cannot be accepted.

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. If in doubt please call on 0412493711 or email Greg Hunter at gh.hunter@bigpond.com.au

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