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Coming Events—June

Wed 2	MGCCN	Mid Week Run ** Change of Date ** 9:30am	TBA
Thurs 3	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
Sun 6	TCC	State Motorkhana Rnd5 9am	Nirimba
Mon 7	MGCCN	Mag Assy 2pm	Cobby St
Thurs 10	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
Fri 11	MGCCN	Club Night M 7:30pm	Cobby S
Sat 12	GSCC	State Hillclimb Rnd 5 Mountainview Practice 9am	Grafton
Sun 13	GSCC	State Hillclimb Rnd 5 Mountainview 9am	Grafton
Mon 14		Queen's Birthday Holiday	
Tues 15	MGCCN	Board Meeting M 7:30pm	Cobby St
Thurs 17	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
Sat 19	WAC	Rallysprint 2pm	WAC
Sun 20	MGCCN	Khanacross D/T M KC3 CC8 R6 9am	Ringwood
Sun 20	HDCC	State Khanacross Rnd4 9am	Hampton
Sun 20	AHRD	Des West Memorial Touring Assy Dirt & Tar TR2 9am	TBA
Sun 20		Eurofest 8:30am - 1pm	Newcastle Foreshore
Thurs 24	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
Fri 25		School Term End	
Mon 28	MGCCN	NatMeet 2022 Meeting M 7pm	Cobby St

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—July

Thurs 1	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
Sun 4	MGCCN	Winter Run Touring Assy Rnd3 Tar Only M CC9 R7 TR3 9am	Cobby St
Sun 4	WAC	State Motorkhana Rnd1 10am	Awaba
Mon 5	MGCCN	Mag Assy 2pm	Cobby St
Thurs 8	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
Fri 9	MGCCN	Club Night M 7:30pm	Cobby St
Sun 11	WAC	State Khanacross Rnd4 & MGCCN KC4 10am	Awaba
Mon 12		School Term Start	
Wed 14	MGCCN	Motorsport Panel M 7:30pm	Cobby St
Thurs 15	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
Sat 17	MGCCN	CSCA Supersprint Rnd4 Pheasantwood M CC10 9am	Marulan
Sat 17	TSCC	State Hillclimb Rnd 6 Oakburn Park Practice 9am	Tamworth
Sun 18	ARDC	State S'sprint Rnd4 9am	SMSP
Sun 18	TSCC	State Hillclimb Rnd 6 Oakburn Park 9am	Tamworth
Tues 20	MGCCN	Board Meeting M 7:30pm	Cobby St
Thurs 22	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
Sat 24	MGCCN	Xmas In July M R8a 9am	Nundle
Sat 24	MGCCN	YDDC-3 M 9am	Ringwood
Sun 25	MGCCN	Xmas In July M R8b 9am	Nundle
Sun 25	MCC	State Motorkhana Rnd6 9am	Nirimba
Thurs 29	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
Sat 31	WAC	Rallysprint 2pm	Awaba
Sat 31	JDCHR	All British Day 9am	Foreshore Park

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PRIVATE PRACTICE & TESTING AT RINGWOOD.

Available most Thursdays, check in advance to ensure track works are not planned by the Land Panel on that day. Other days can be arranged, provided a suitably qualified "Supervisor" is available. CAMS have now implemented the MIDCAR protocols under which we must operate to be covered by their insurance policy.

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

Well what a busy month it's been. Hillclimbs, Supersprints and Khanacrosses at night, Motorkhanas, Young Driver Development, a Mid-Week run, Track hire events, Private practice and even a Working Bee. It's been non-stop and anyone that says there is nothing to do has rocks in his or her head.

With many of the same faces being seen at these events anything you can do to help support the club by volunteering some time can help. As they say, "Many hands make light work". This is even more important as we come into the second half of the year, with many of our bigger events such as the State Hillclimb and Mattara still to come. If you wish to help out as an official we can sign you up on the day, or simply come and lend a hand with any of the numerous other tasks available.

Many of our competitive events have been getting full fields and we are having to close entries early. Most of our events are run on a first come, first served basis, and this has unfortunately meant that some of our regulars that have waited till the last minute to put in an entry have either missed out or been placed on a reserve list. If you are planning to enter an event please try and get your entries in early.

Club members have been busy behind the scenes as well. Planning is well under way for next years MG National Meet. Staged at various locations around Lake Macquarie, it will make for a very picturesque event with many of the events such as the Concours and Motorkhana be held right next to the lake itself. If you own an MG please register an expression of interest on the website to be kept in the loop with further info on whats coming up.

Personally I have been trying to compete at some events, particularly if I'm not required as an official. The last such event happened to be the Tri-Series Hillclimb round at Tamworth, and along with it is the story of how I won 'half' a trophy.

Many of the plentiful Newcastle contingent such as myself made their way up on Saturday morning for the afternoon practice session. The day was fairly uneventful, but some of us decided to camp rather than book a room in a motel. Thankfully we had decent sleeping bags as the temperature dropped into the negatives, leaving a layer of frost to welcome us as we awoke in the morning.

The Type 1, U2L class consisted of just two competitors, Anthony Rogers in a Mazda and Myself in the Kia. On our first run out I went quicker then I had in practice, however Anthony was quicker again. Much to my dismay he admitted that his car hadn't been running 100%, likely due to fuel surge. With him topping up the tank before the next run I knew I had my work cut out for me. Sure enough, he went out and set a time of 45.4320, and whilst I improved again, I was well over half a second slower.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

On the previous two runs I noticed the stability control was cutting in on turn 2, slowing my exit speed. With only 1.2L under the bonnet I needed to carry every KPH I can through the corners. For the third run it was turned off which was good for another improvement, and with Anthony having a tyre issue he was unable to go any quicker. I was now within 0.2s.

On the final run the track temps were cooling, and as many of us know that usually results in less grip and slower times. This was the case for Anthony, so his time from the second run still stood. I however was still learning the track, and putting together I what I had already figured out I decided it was time to 'Send It'. With caution thrown to the wind I went out and gave it everything I could. No traction control, no stability control, and was using every inch of the kerbing I could. Three laps later I pulled into the paddock and checked my time. 45.4320. An identical time to Anthony. As we both were called up and awarded a trophy for the equal first position I pondered what could have been; If only I hadn't had that extra hotdog from the canteen.

Chris Fernance



REGISTER CAPTAINS REPORT

Stop press:

Register Captain Report: June 2021.

The latest report on the most recent club event.

Whilst on the Mid Week Run many had thoughts of those members working on such a lovely day whilst we were out enjoying ourselves, but not for very long.

On the first Wednesday of the month 2th June we went on a run that we have never done previously. After leaving the club rooms we met up with some extra members at the Williamtown RAAF Air Strip viewing area. This time it wasn't in vain. We witnessed a Virgin passenger aircraft make a perfect landing right on our end of the runway then a RAAF trainer jet do likewise.

We then made the drive to Nelson Bay and then around to Fingal Bay to the upstairs SALT WATER Restaurant, overlooking the Fingal Bay Beach. Lunch consisted of a choice of 4 meals, a schooner of beer or a Red or a white wines as well as their regular menu and it was very reasonably priced.

Next is our Christmas in July outing to Nundle so make your decision now and let me know so the bookings can be made. Hope to see as many possible, make the weekend trip.

Hope to see you there

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Finishing time is approx. 3.00pm, for all events

EVENT 2 SATURDAY 15TH OF MAY
Entries close 4.00pm Tuesday 11TH May

NEW events dates for 2021

Event 3 Saturday 24th July
Event 4 Saturday 9th October
Event 5 Saturday 20th November

Late entries will not be accepted

All document will be forward by email for you to complete.

Return completed, ENTRY & SCRUTINY FORMS, FORWARD BY email to

gh.hunter@bigpond.com.au

GATE OPENS 7.30 AM DRIVERS BRIEFING 8.40 AM EVENT STARTS 9.00 AM

SUMMARY OF “RETURN TO RACE STRATEGY”

Will be issued with entry DOCUMENTS and included the following REGULATIONS;

No entries on the day of the event.

One support person allowed per entered car, a “pit crew” person.

No Spectators.

All attendees to provide contact details for COVID-19 tracing.

No document checking on the day, all to be done by email.

Driver to complete self-scrutiny via Self -Scrutiny Checklist.

Must Keep SOCIAL DISTANCING

No group gatherings

No Passengers in training vehicles whilst a student is under driving instruction.

One Student per car, No double entries.

PLEASE BRING A PREPARED LUNCH OR MONEY TO PURCHASE A
 TAKEAWAY LUNCH FROM RAYMOND TERRACE OR MEDOWIE SHOPS

DRIVERS YOU MUST BRING YOUR CLUB MEMBERSHIP CARD AS WELL AS
 YOUR MOTOR AUSTRALIA LICENCE. Without both, your entry cannot be accepted.
 Please remember you driving apparel required for the day complete with fire resistant
 clothing. If in doubt ASK.

Confirmation of the above dates by a check, using the club’s website,

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SOCIAL SECRETARY

June Social Report

The May Club Night was very interesting with the guest speaker Neil Livingstone letting us know the tricks to making good honey and which honey we shouldn't be buying. Neil also had some jars of honey for sale and I think when you try it you will be pleased with the taste.

At the June Club Night the guest speaker maybe Shawn Fitzgerald from Motor Sport Australia so come along with your questions for Shawn to answer and I'm sure he will come along with the latest news from Motor Sport Australia. Just check the Website and Facebook regarding the attendance of this guest speaker

The date of the June Club Night is Friday 11th June 2021 at the Cobby Street club rooms. We do welcome new members to club nights to visit our club rooms and meet other members.

Remember the club rooms have air conditioning so it is warm on cold wintry evenings.

Rose Collins – Social Secretary – M 0413222828



Hillclimb 30th May A2A Rnd 3

Also Come and try day.





Photos Thanks To, **Bill Pearson,**
Jason Gregory and
Robert Hawkins

Hillclimb Ringwood TS3 Track A2A 30th May 2021

O/R PI	Car No	Name	Club	Vehicle	Class	Time
1	189	Adam SINGLE	(MGCCN)	Subaru WRX	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	57.89
2	811	Theo POTERIS	(MGCCN)	Ford Focus RS	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	58.61
3	81	Karen WILSON	(MGCCN)	Ford Focus RS	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	58.86
4	83	Steve BRYDIE	(MGCCN)	Datsun 1200	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	59.46
5	553	Adam HARRIS Simon	(MGCCN)	Honda Civic Renault	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	59.71
6	201	NICHOLSON	(MGCCN)	Megane RS	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	59.91
7	184	Robert MITCHELL	(MGCCN)	Toyota Corona	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	60.11
8	99	Rick VINCENT	(MGCCN)	Lotus Elise 111R	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	60.36
9	53	Harry HARRIS Garry	(MGCCN)	Honda Civic	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	60.51
10	777	CHRISTOPHERSON	(MGCCN)	Westfield SE	Grp 2A/2C u 2 ltr	60.74
11	174	Hayden LITTLE (J)	(MGCCN)	VW Beetle US Legends 34	Jun Prod	60.86
12	129	Colin BROOKES	(MGCCN)	Chevy	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	61.12
13	61	Graham ORR	(MGCCN)	Honda CRX	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	61.32
14	45	Terry LANESBURY	(MGCCN)	Subaru WRX	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	61.80
15	89	Amanda SINGLE	(MGCCN)	Subaru WRX	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	62.08
16	3	James HULL Connor MORLEY	(MGCCN)	Toyota GR Yaris	Special Vehicle u 3 ltr	62.12
17	556	{J}	(MGCCN)	Subaru WRX Holden	Jun Spec	62.36
18	111	Samuel DODDS	(WAC)	Commodore	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	62.45
19	64	Peter ROBINSON	(MGCCN)	PRS RH01	Tp 5 u 2 ltr	62.64
20	932	Katie MOY Joshua	(MGCCN) (NSW)	Subaru WRX	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	62.80
21	41	FITZGERALD	(NSW)	Mazda MX5	PS 2B Modern o 2 ltr	62.92
22	279	Brett HORD Matthew	(MGCCN)	Mazda RX7	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	62.99
23	359	WHITWORTH	(MGCCN)	Subaru WRX	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	63.17
24	54	John FINCH	(MGCCN)	Mazda MX5	PS 2B Modern 1.4 - 2 lt	63.51
25	37	Rod BERWICK	(MGCCN)	Mazda MX5 Renault Clio	PS 2B Modern 1.4 - 2 lt	64.35
26	172	Alex FRODL	(MGCCN)	Sport BMW Mini	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	64.42
27	36	Rick YATES	(MGCCN)	Cooper S	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	64.44
28	113	Dean MEARS	(MGCCN)	Nissan 180SX	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	64.78
29	40	Darren LINDSAY	(MGCCN)	VN Commodore	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	65.36
30	70	Brian SUTTON	(MGCCN)	Mazda MX5	PS 2B Modern 1.4 - 2 lt	65.41
31	126	Nat HAILS	(MGCCN)	Toyota Sprinter	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	65.65
32	611	Rian HUMPHRIES	(MGCCN)	Holden SS Ute	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	66.11
33	48	Jeff NEWWEY	(MGCCN)	MG B	PS 2B Classic 1.4 - 2 l	66.56

34	93	Toby BANKS Martin	(MGCCN)	Renault Clio 182	Tp 1 u 2 ltr	66.61
35	23	M CLOUGHLIN	(MGCCN)	Renault Clio	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	66.66
36	78	Daniel SMITH	(MGCCN)	Ford Cortina	Tp 4 u 2 ltr	66.67
37	606	Michael FRASER	(MGCCN)	MG F	PS 2B Modern 1.4 - 2 lt	66.81
38	60	David WALKER	(MGCCN)	MG Midget Honda Civic	Grp 2A/2C u 2 ltr	67.24
39	444	Mitch CRAIG	(MGCCN)	Type R	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	68.00
40	908	Bruce FRASER	(MGCCN)	MG A 1600	PS 2B Classic 1.4 - 2 l	68.11
41	94	Paul WHITWORTH	(MGCCN)	MG B	PS 2B Classic 1.4 - 2 l	68.12
42	151	James PEARSON	(MGCCN)	BMW 120i	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	68.14
43	305	Robert ILES (J)	(MGCCN)	Mazda MX5 Mitsubishi	Jun Prod	68.26
44	50	Trevor COOK	(MGCCN)	Mirage	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	68.30
45	110	Robert DAWSON	(ARDC)	BMW M135i	Tp 1 o 2 ltr	68.70
46	262	Peter BALL	(MGCCN)	BMW 330i	Tp 1 o 2 ltr	68.81
47	32	Jacob MOTUM	(MGCCN)	Toyota MR2	PS 2B Modern 1.4 - 2 lt	68.95
48	2	Matthew HALL	(MGCCN)	Honda City	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	69.21
49	282	Bruce BALL	(MGCCN)	BMW 330i	Tp 1 o 2 ltr	69.37
50	56	Grant MUNRO	(MGCCN)	Ford Escort	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	69.75
51	161	Terry PERKINS	(MGCCN)	Mazda MX5	PS 2B Modern 1.4 - 2 lt	70.19
52	44	Michael DODDS	(WAC)	Holden SS Ute	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	70.88
53	296	Gary PIPER	(MGHR)	MG B	PS 2B Classic 1.4 - 2 l	71.47
54	371	Ted DIAL Michael	(MGCCN)	Mazda RX7	PS 2B Classic o 2 ltr	72.46
55	6	CUNNINGHAM	(MGCCN)	Mazda RX8	Tp 1 o 2 ltr	72.79
56	8	Tristan HOUGH Meredith	(ARDC)	Toyota 86 Mitsubishi	Tp 1 u 2 ltr	76.25
57	205	NICHOLSON (J)	(MGCCN)	Mirage	Jun Prod	77.06
58	162	Raewyn PERKINS	(MGCCN)	Mazda MX5	PS 2B Modern 1.4 - 2 lt	79.28
59	641	Gary ANGEL Rosalie COGGER-	(TSOA)	Lotus 7	Grp 2A/2C u 2 ltr	82.67
60	4	COLLINS	(MGCCN)	Toyota Echo	Tp 1 u 2 ltr	82.87

Trophy Winners - Hillclimb Ringwood TS3 Track A2A 30th May 2021

Class	Trophy	Name	Vehicle
Type 1 Under 2 ltr	1st in Class	Toby BANKS	Renault Clio 182
Type 1 Over 2 ltr	1st in Class	Robert DAWSON	BMW M135i
Type 1 Over 2 ltr	2nd in Class	Peter BALL	BMW 330i
Type 2 Under 2 ltr	1st in Class	Graham ORR Martin	Honda CRX
Type 2 Under 2 ltr	2nd in Class	MCCLOUGHLIN	Renault Clio
Type 2 Over 2 ltr	New Record - 1st in Class	Simon NICHOLSON	Renault Megane RS Holden
Type 2 Over 2 ltr	2nd in Class	Samuel DODDS	Commodore
Type 3 Under 2 ltr	1st in Class	Steve BRYDIE	Datsun 1200
Type 3 Under 2 ltr	2nd in Class	Alex FRODL	Renault Clio Sport
Type 3 Under 2 ltr	3rd in Class	Nat HAILS	Toyota Sprinter
Type 3 Over 2 ltr	New Record - 1st in Class	Adam HARRIS	Honda Civic
Type 3 Over 2 ltr	2nd in Class	Harry HARRIS	Honda Civic BMW Mini Cooper S
Type 3 Over 2 ltr	3rd in Class	Rick YATES	
Type 4 Over 2 ltr	1st in Class	Robert MITCHELL	Toyota Corona
Type 4 Over 2 ltr	2nd in Class	Rick VINCENT	Lotus Elise 111R
Sports Grp 2A/2C Under 2 ltr	1st in Class	Garry CHRISTOPHERSON	Westfield SE
PS 2B Classic 1.4 - 2 ltr	1st in Class	Jeff NEWHEY	MG B
PS 2B Classic 1.4 - 2 ltr	2nd in Class	Bruce FRASER	MG A 1600
PS Modern 1.4 - 2 ltr	1st in Class	John FINCH	Mazda MX5
PS Modern 1.4 - 2 ltr	2nd in Class	Rod BERWICK	Mazda MX5
PS Modern 1.4 - 2 ltr	3rd in Class	Brian SUTTON	Mazda MX5
SVO 3 ltr	F.T.D. - 1st in Class	Adam SINGLE	Subaru WRX
SVO 3 ltr	2nd in Class	Theo POTERIS	Ford Focus RS
SVO 3 ltr	3rd in Class	Karen WILSON	Ford Focus RS
Junior in Prod Vehicle	New Record - 1st in Class	Hayden LITTLE (J)	VW Beetle

Trophy Winners - Hillclimb Ringwood TS3 Track A2A 30th May 2021



Tamworth Tri-Challenge RND2 Oakburn park, Tamworth



It's time for a laugh, or two,

I'm on two diets. I wasn't getting enough food on one.

A cold seat in a public restroom is unpleasant. A warm seat in a public restroom is worse.

Apparently RSVP'ing to a wedding invitation "Maybe next time," isn't the correct response.

Don't irritate old people. The older we get, the less "Life in prison" is as a deterrent.

Aliens probably fly by earth and lock their doors.

"You will hit every cone on the highway before I let you merge in front of me because you saw that sign 2 miles ago like I did."

I asked my wife if I was the only one she had ever been with. She said yes, all the others were nines and tens. Give it a minute...

I really don't mind getting older, but my body is taking it badly.

It turns out that being an adult now is mostly just googling how to do stuff.

I miss the 90's when bread was still good for you and no one knew what kale was.

Do you ever get up in the morning, look in the mirror and think "That can't be accurate."

I want to be 14 again and ruin my life differently. I have new ideas.

As I watch this new generation try to rewrite our history, one thing I'm sure of.... it will be misspelled and have no punctuation.

I told my wife I wanted to be cremated. She made me an appointment for Tuesday.

Confuse your doctor by putting on rubber gloves at the same time he does.

My wife asked me to take her to one of those restaurants where they make food right in front of you. I took her to Subway. That's when the fight started.

Me: Sobbing my heart out, "I can't see you anymore..... I'm not going to let you

MG Pre-War and TYme Event 2021

Event Information and Registration is now available for the MG Pre-War and TYme Event to be held in Canberra from 1 to 4 October 2021. The information and registration form can be found at: <https://mgcccanberra.org.au/>

Inquiries concerning the event may be sent by email to mg-pre-war-tyme@mgcccanberra.org.au, or by phone to:

- Pre-War Registrants: Malcolm Robertson ph. 0408 627 685
- T Type and Y Type Registrants: Kent Brown ph. 0412 558 029



REGISTER SECRETARY REPORT

There have been 3 vehicles added to our Historic Register since those recorded in the May Magazine.

Vehicle details are follows: -

1990 Eunos Cosumo

1986 Chevrolet Comaro

1968 MGB

The Eunos Cosumo is a particularly interesting vehicle imported from Japan by one of our members, it is a three chamber rotary, twin turbo charged Mazda derived sports coupe. Will see if I can arrange a feature article for a future magazine.

It is good to see events getting underway again following relaxation of Covid restrictions and we now have the opportunity to exercise and show our Historic and Classic vehicles. Coming up on 20th June will be the Euro Motorfest held at Newcastle Foreshore Park by MG Hunter Region club.

[Euro Motorfest 2021 – MG Car Club Hunter Region \(huntermg.com\)](http://huntermg.com)

Last month a display of German manufactured vehicles was held at the Newcastle Foreshore Park. It featured many splendid and expensive cars; Mercedes, Porsche, Audi and others, from historic to modern. I am always on the look out for that rare gem or something out of the ordinary that often appears out of the woodwork at these events.



When did you last see one of these? An **NSU Prinz** in very nice original condition.

REGISTER SECRETARY REPORT



The poor man's **Porsche 914**. Modest custom details and wheels really lift the appearance of what was initially a bit of an ugly duckling. Also including updated Boxster motor and suspension, will drive nicely as well I suspect.



Beautifully restored **1916 Benz** with a fascinating history. Imported into Australia as a running chassis and fitted with a bespoke tourer body locally manufactured. Converted to a van by it's second owner in the 30's. Discovered abandoned cut in two in 1966 and reconstructed to its original tourer configuration by the current owner.



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Allan Evans

2022 MG National Meeting

Bulletin 1



Greetings to MG enthusiasts around Australia and further afield!

With the 2020 and 2021 National Meetings having been cancelled due to Covid-19, we are thinking positively that 2022 will be a better year for us all and we are well advanced with planning for the 2022 National Meeting.

You are invited to join MG Car Club Newcastle for “MGs by the Lake” 15th to 19th April 2022!

The event will be based around Lake Macquarie over the 2022 Easter Weekend. We look forward to welcoming you and your MG to this beautiful part of Australia. Lake Macquarie is the largest coastal salt water lake in Australia and is renowned for its beautiful scenery and variety of water sports. It is a city in its own right, just 25 minutes' drive from the centre of Newcastle.

Lake Macquarie City Council has come on board as a major sponsor and we are grateful to them for their support.

All the traditional activities and events!

All social events will be held at Club Macquarie in Argenton. A variety of accommodation is available close to the main venues, including 36 rooms on-site at the club's own motel.

Friday - Registration & Noggin n Natter

Club Macquarie is just 5 minutes' drive from the Lake, and is the venue for Registration and all the evening social events. There is ample space for Registration, Scrutineering and the Noggin n Natter including the Rocker Cover Racing.

Saturday -The Concours

The Concours will be held in beautiful Speers Point Park, right on the shore of Lake Macquarie, with a large paved area available on the off-chance of inclement weather. Speers Point Park features many shade trees, picnic facilities and one of the best children's playgrounds you'll ever see. Food and drinks will be available during the event, or there are many cafes and restaurants in Warners Bay - a 5 minute drive around the Lake.

We are planning an optional scenic cruise on the Lake for those who aren't directly involved in the Concours and want to see more of this lovely area.

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Sunday - Speed Event

Those with the need for speed will be able to test themselves and their cars on our recently extended and improved hillclimb at the Club's Ringwood Park complex, an easy 40 minute drive north of the Lake.

Monday - Motorkhana

The motorkhana will take place right alongside Lake Macquarie at Rathmines, a 20 minute drive from Club Macquarie. This is where the famous Catalina Flying Boats were stationed during the 2nd World War, and the area is steeped in history. Competitors can be assured of interesting motorkhana tests to challenge their driving and navigational skills.

Sunday and Monday - Touring Events

Lake Macquarie will be the backdrop for the Observation Event and Kimber Run. Participants will enjoy the scenic landscape and interesting roads, and maybe a few testing questions to sort the field.

Saturday and Monday - Social Events

The Theme Night and Presentation Dinner will be held at Club Macquarie. As 2022 marks the 60th anniversary of the launch of the MGB, we will be going "Back to the Sixties" for our Theme Night. Ladies, start searching for your old mini-skirts and knee-high boots, and men, dig out those flared trousers and paisley shirts (if you're game!) for a fun time celebrating the "good old days".

Tuesday – Farewell Breakfast

The farewell breakfast will be held right on Lake Macquarie at the Belmont 16 Foot Sailing Club. The venue overlooks the sailing boats moored on Belmont Bay, a scenic 20 minute drive along the Lake's edge from Club Macquarie. The Delegates' Meeting will follow at the same venue.

A Special Note about Accommodation

MGs by the Lake will coincide with the Australian Deaf Games being held in Newcastle and Lake Macquarie, which will create additional demand for accommodation in the area. The NatMeet website provides a list of hotels, motels and apartments that are convenient to most of the event venues, and we strongly encourage you to make reservations as early as possible to ensure you secure your preferred accommodation. There are 36 rooms at "Macquarie 4 Star", part of the Club Macquarie complex, and these are expected to be in high demand.

To ensure you are kept up to date, please go to our NatMeet 2022 website, click on the "Express Interest" button and provide your contact details so you will be added to our email list to receive further bulletins and updates.

Contacts for more information:

Website - www.natmeet2022.mgcarclub.com.au/

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Secretary - Fran Hodgson - mgnatmeet2022@gmail.com

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2022 MG National Meeting “MGs by the Lake”



Some members may not realise that our club will be hosting the National Meeting of Australian MG Car Clubs over Easter 2022. The event will be centred around Lake Macquarie and we have named it “MGs by the Lake”. Lake Macquarie City Council have generously provided sponsorship, as well as the use of Speers Point Park for the concours and Rathmines Park for the motorkhana.

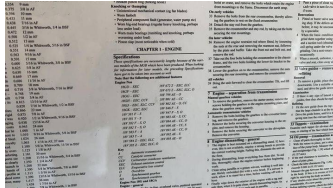
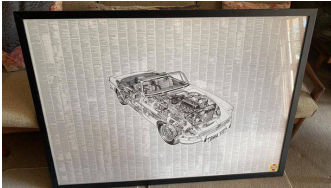
We are already well advanced with planning, and the NatMeet pages should be live on our club website by the time this magazine is published. Bulletin 1 for the event is printed elsewhere in the magazine and gives details of the various events over the long weekend.

The planning committee has been meeting regularly for over 12 months now, but are looking for extra volunteers to join us and help with preparation and running of this significant event for our club. If you are interested in being involved, please contact myself, Fran Hodgson or Lyall Clarke, or simply come along to the next planning committee meeting at the Cobby St clubrooms at 7pm on Monday 10th May. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

Bruce Fraser
Chair of the NatMeet Planning Committee
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The menu items across the top of the screen have drop down menus.

Just below the top menu, the sliding pictures show adverts for the next few events. Clicking on the picture will take you to the event page where the Supplementary Regulations and Entry Form are stored and can be downloaded.

By scrolling down the Home page, an Events Snapshot bar will become visible showing the next few events. At the bottom, click on View All Events to see events set further in the future.

Michael Snow

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