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**ITS GREAT TO SEE JOHN COLLINS'S YELLOW CAR BACK  
AT RINGWOOD. EVEN BETTER SEEING HIM HAVE A  
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HIS WIFE ROSE!!!!**

**MGs & Motorsport  
JULY 2023**



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5	DAVID	ATKINS	12	DARRELL	GREGORY
6	BRIAN	FORD	13	FRAN	HODGSON
7	JEFF	NEWHEY			

# COMING EVENTS — JULY

Sat 1	WAC	Rallysprint	Awaba
<b>Sun 2</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>Khanacross Dirt/Tar M KC4 9am</b>	<b>Ringwood</b>
Thurs 6	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
Sun 9	MGCCN	Touring Assy ** Cancelled **	TBA
Sun 9	TSOA	CSCA Supersprint Rnd3 9am	Sydney Dragway
Mon 10	MGCCN	Mag Assy 2pm	Cobby St
<b>Wed 12</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>Motorsport Panel M 7:30pm</b>	<b>Cobby St</b>
Thurs 13	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
<b>Fri 14</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>Club Night M Speaker Port Stephens Koala 7:30pm</b>	<b>Cobby St</b>
Sat 15	TSCC	State Hillclimb Rnd 6 Oakburn Park Practice 9am	Tamworth
<b>Sun 16</b>	TSCC	State Hillclimb Rnd 6 Oakburn Park 9am	Tamworth
Sun 16	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>Motorkhana Dirt M MK4 CC15 9am</b>	<b>Ringwood</b>
Sun 16	NSCC	All Japanese Car and Bike Show 9am	McDonalds Jones Stadium
Mon 17		<b>School Term Start</b>	
<b>Tues 18</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>Board Meeting M 7:30pm</b>	<b>Cobby St</b>
Thurs 20	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
<b>Sat 22</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>Xmas In July M R11a 9am</b>	<b>TBA</b>
<b>Sun 23</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>Xmas In July M R11b 9am</b>	<b>TBA</b>
Sun 23	Mini CC	State Motorkhana Rnd7 9am	Nirimba
<b>Wed 26</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>AHC Plan Meet M 7:30pm</b>	<b>Cobby St</b>
Thurs 27	MGCCN	Dads Army 8am	Ringwood
<b>Sun 30</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>Hillclimb A5 M TS5 CC16 9am</b>	<b>Ringwood</b>

**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 — AUGUST

Thurs 3	MGCCN	Dads Army	8am	Ringwood
<b>Sat 5</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>YDDC-4 M</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Ringwood</b>
Sat 5	WAC	Rallysprint		Awaba
Mon 7	MGCCN	Mag Assy	2pm	Cobby St
Thurs 10	MGCCN	Dads Army	8am	Ringwood
<b>Fri 11</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>Club Night M</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Cobby St</b>
<b>Sat 12</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>State Hillclimb Rnd 7 Ringwood Practice M</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Ringwood</b>
<b>Sun 13</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>State Hillclimb Rnd 7 Ringwood M</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Ringwood</b>
Sun 13	MOCA	CSCA Supersprint Rnd5 Gardner		SMSP
<b>Tues 15</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>Board Meeting M</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Cobby St</b>
Thurs 17	MGCCN	Dads Army	8am	Ringwood
Sat 19	AHRG	Touring Assy Heart of the Hunter Tar Only CC17 R12 TR4	9am	TBA
Sat 19	WAC	State Khanacross Rnd 6	2pm	Awaba
Sat 19	Club Lotus	CSCA Supersprint Rnd 4	9am	SMSP GP
Sat 19	TSCC	Tri-Challenge Rnd3 Practice Oakburn Park	9am	Tamworth
Sun 20	TSCC	Tri-Challenge Rnd3 Oakburn Park TRI3	9am	Tamworth
Thurs 24	MGCCN	Dads Army	8am	Ringwood
<b>Sat 26</b>	<b>MGCCN</b>	<b>Cobby St Working Bee M</b>	<b>** New Date ** 9am</b>	<b>Cobby St</b>
Sun 27	NSWRRC	State S'sprint Rnd4	9am	SMSP Druit/ North
Thurs 31	MGCCN	Dads Army	8am	Ringwood

## PRESIDENTS REPORT

Wow, what a month it's been. A Supersprint, Hillclimb, and two Khanacrosses all in one month. We have been an exceptionally busy club on the track this month.

That doesn't mean we are taking it easy in July. Our Autotest competitors will have a Motorkhana on the 16<sup>th</sup>, whilst our tar competitors are looked after with a Hillclimb on the 30<sup>th</sup>. For those looking to take things at a more relaxed pace, our annual Xmas in July gathering will be held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of July. Even our junior members are considered with a Young Driver Day being held on the 5<sup>th</sup> of August.

From there we start looking into some of our bigger events for the year. August sees us hosting a round of the State Hillclimb series, whilst Mattara will be the fourth round of the Tri-Challenge series at the end of September. A month later comes the biggest event, being the 2023 Motorsport Australia Hill Climb Championship.

In social news, we look forward to the Port Stephens Koala Sanctuary Hospital visiting our Club Night to give a presentation. I am sure it will be a very enjoyable and informative evening, as many of our club nights are when we have a special presentation.

If you haven't been to one of our club nights in a while, this will be a great opportunity to come along, hear the presentation, grab some nibblyies, and you may win a prize with the purchase of some raffle tickets.

Keep it shiny side up (not naming names here),

Chris Fernance



# NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members.

<b>Chris Goldsmith</b>	Associate Member
<b>Louis Bonomini</b>	Associate Member
<b>Ami Hynds</b>	Associate Member
<b>Damian Gahan</b>	Associate Member
<b>Geoffrey Hamilton</b>	Associate Member
<b>Peter Polwarth</b>	Associate Member
<b>Izzy Gahan</b>	Junior Member
<b>Noel Saunders</b>	Full Member
<b>Jeffrey Johnstone</b>	Full Member

We look forward to having you join us at future events, be it a Club Night, Social Outing or a Competition Event.

## Membership System Upgrade

As previously reported and with the support of the Board, I'm investigating an upgrade of the Club's Membership register and related information systems, with the aim of gaining efficiencies and improving communications with members while maintaining strong privacy protections and system security.

I want to thank our member and regular motorsport competitor, Rob Dawson for stepping up to help with this. Rob is an integral part of local company Myrtec, which provides managed IT services for small to medium businesses. He has suggested that a program called Membership Works may suit our needs and together we will be testing this program in the coming weeks.

If you have any knowledge or experience with Membership Works or similar web-based programs, please get in touch to share your thoughts.

John Garroway  
Membership Secretary

# SOCIAL NEWS

The next Club night is on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at the Cobby Street Club Rooms. The club rooms are nice and warm these days with modern air conditioners installed.

## **GUEST SPEAKER JULY**

**A representative from the Port Stephens Koala Sanctuary & Hospital will be attending this Club night to let us know the work they are doing to help save the precious Koala.**

**The Koala Sanctuary at Port Stephens is a special facility in supporting the long-term rehabilitation, preservation, and conservation of koalas in the wild.**

## **GUEST SPEAKER AUGUST**

The Guest Speaker at the August Club Night will be from the **Salvation Army talking to us about their Drive for Life Program** which helps disadvantaged youth from the ages of 16-25 gain their driver's license.

The MEMBERS DRAW will be held at the July Club Night.

Rose Collins M 0413222828

# RAFFLE AND JACKPOT DRAW

This Months Friday Club Night sees the continuation of the past popular

Three Prizes to be won total value \$60.00.

Draw for this month is \$200.00

Tickets \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

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If the Jackpot is not won, it will increase to \$250.00 next month.

The Jackpot is guaranteed to go off before or on the 19<sup>th</sup> Draw of \$1000.00

Last month Dave Durie had the chance to collect the Jackpot.

He said that he would draw ball #13 but he did.

# NEWS FLASH

## How to get to do the Jackpot draw

1. Come to the Club Night
2. Purchase the Raffle tickets
3. The winning Raffle tickets are drawn
4. First, has choice of prizes valued between \$30 & \$10
5. Second, has choice of the 2 remaining prizes
6. Third, gets the remaining prize

The first prize winner then nominates a number between 1 and the total of the balls remaining in the bucket  
If the nominated number is drawn the winner collects  
If not, the highest number ball is removed for the next month

When the jackpot is won, the Jackpot starts again at \$100.00



June Khanacross

## MOTORSPORT AUSTRALIA HILL CLIMB CHAMPIONSHIP SPONSORS WANTED

MG Car Club Newcastle will be hosting this year's Motorsport Australia Hill Climb Championship event at Ringwood Park Motorsport Complex this year. The last time we hosted a national level Hillclimb was in 2014, where it was judged to be the best event run in NSW for 2014.

With this year's event fast approaching, planning is already well underway. In order to start promoting the event, we need to look at locking in some more sponsors so they can be included in our promotional media.

- Naming rights sponsor – The big one. Want to be front and centre of all the promotional material? This is the one for you. Sponsorship value can be negotiated depending on the type and how much coverage you are after.
- Major Sponsor at \$5000. All major sponsors will be acknowledged in all promotional activities, as well as in the official event programme. They will also be provided with 20 free gate tickets that they can hand out, along with the opportunity to have Passenger Rides. You will also be invited along to be part of the trophy presentation at the conclusion of the event. Having a physical presence at the event in the form of a display, gazebo's, etc can also be discussed.
- Minor Sponsor at \$2000. Don't quite have the advertising budget for a major sponsorship? This could be the opportunity for you. You'll get advertising in the event programme, 10 free gate tickets, and well even throw in some Passenger Rides prior to the event.
- Track/Corner Sponsor at \$300 – Got some signage you'd like to display? This could work for you. Sponsor a corner and put your business on display trackside. We'll even throw in 5 free gate tickets.
- Class sponsor at \$200 – The cheapest option to get involved in supporting the event. As a class sponsor you will be advertised in the programme, as well as being invited along to the presentation ceremony to hand out your class trophy. You'll also receive 4 free gate tickets.

Sponsors of all levels will be mentioned at multiple times over the course of the event by the commentators, and broadcast over the PA system for all at the event to hear.

## 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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# REGISTER SECRETARY

We have had 4 new vehicles added to our Historic Vehicle Register since the last magazine report.

Vehicles are as follows: -  
1966 Ford Mustang  
1989 Leitch Super Sprint  
1989 TD 2000  
1975 Leyland Mini Clubman

There were 15 registration renewals processed in June.  
We currently have 220 vehicles listed on our Historic Register.

MG Car Club Hunter Region Euro Motorfest at Newcastle Foreshore Park was a great success.

The event has been disrupted in recent years by Covid and bad weather, but on this occasion a nice sunny day brought exhibitors out in large numbers with nearly 300 vehicles on display. Our club had 10 or more members bring vehicles to show in the park. Michael Taylor made the largest contribution to the whole event bringing in his historic Bedford truck, with his Morris Minor race car loaded on the truck tray and a trailer in tow loaded with two historic motorcycles, an LE Velocette and a very early Lambretta motor scooter.

Two other nice exhibits; Fiat 850 and BMW i8. (Photos on next page)

Allan Evans





# REGISTER CAPTAIN'S

Christmas in July on 22/07/2023 and 23/07/2023 is almost here.

There has been a late cancellation so if you are quick, call me on my mobile and see if you are able to be involved.

We will start the trip from the Club rooms leaving at 9.45 stopping for morning tea or Brunch on the way to Forster, there is a good variety of food and drinks and plenty of parking, and you will be given a map before we leave.

The accommodation is at the Forstay Motel at Forster the cost is \$125 per night, it is close to where we will be having our Christmas in July dinner on Saturday night.

The Christmas in July dinner is at the Forster Golf Club, which is a good venue with plenty of parking.

John Collins – M 0412260343



# TAR SPEED RND 4 SUN 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

O/R	Name	Vehicle	Class	Time
1	Peter AKERS	Subaru WRX	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	72.72
2	Ryan BATES	Subaru WRX STi VA	Type 4 E AWD or > 6.0 l	74.42
3	Ron HAMMOND	Debron RH75	Grp 2A/2C u 2 ltr	74.50
4	Nathan ABBOTT	VW Beetle	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	75.11
5	Steve BRYDIE	Datsun 1200	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	75.69
6	Kevin AKERS	Carroll Clubman	Grp 2A/2C u 2 ltr	75.98
7	Blake PATERSON	Toyota Supra	PS 2B Modern o 2 ltr	76.32
8	Matthew BATES	Subaru WRX STi VA	Type 4 E AWD or > 6.0 ltr	76.47
9	Colin BROOKES	US Legends 34 Chevy	Tp 5 spec u 2 ltr	76.82
10	Mitch CRAIG	Honda Civic Type R	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	76.98
11	Rick YATES	BMW Mini Cooper S	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	77.65
12	Andrew FERENCE	Mazda MX5	PS Modern 1.4 - 2 ltr	77.66
13	Adrian ROW	Subaru Liberty	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	77.67
14	Raymond WEDD	Mitsubishi Sigma	Type 4 E AWD or > 6.0 ltr	77.70
15	Joel BUCKLAND	Nissan 200SX	Special Vehicle o 3 ltr	77.82
16	Reece ATTWOOD	Lotus Elise	Special Vehicle u 3 ltr	78.39
17	Damien SPINKS	SRT Mk1 F Vee	Tp 5 prod u 2 ltr	78.40
18	Scott MILLER	PRB Clubman	Grp 2A/2C u 2 ltr	78.58
19	Mathew WOOTTEN	Toyota 86	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	79.08
20	Matthew MCINTYRE	Toyota Chaser	Tp 4 o 2 ltr	79.63
21	David PRIDE	BMW 335i	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	79.86
22	Stuart BOWER	Mazda RX8	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	80.06
23	Graham ORR	Honda Civic	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	80.19
24	Bruce RIDGE	Lotus 7 Replica	Grp 2A/2C u 2 ltr	80.55
25	Tom CLEMENS	VW Beetle	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	80.61
26	Malcolm ROACH	Toyota 86	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	81.42
27	Bruce CONDRON	MG B	PS Classic 1.4 - 2 ltr	81.43
28	Russell WEST	Datsun 180B	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	81.48
29	Brian FORD	Toyota Celica GT4	Type 4 E AWD or > 6.0 ltr	81.67
30	Joel BZADOUGH	VW Polo	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	81.75

# HILLCLIMB OUTRIGHT PROVISIONAL

31	John FINCH	Mazda MX5	PS Modern 1.4 - 2 ltr	82.20
32	Garry CHRISTOPHERSON	Renault Clio	Tp 1 u 2 ltr	82.23
33	Mark DE GIOIA	Datsun Sunny	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	82.25
34	Nikki PRIDE	BMW 335i	Tp 3 o 2 ltr	83.13
35	Adam SINGLE	Holden Astra	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	83.22
36	Robert DAWSON	Suzuki Ignis	Tp 2 u 2 ltr	83.34
37	Jeff NEWHEY	MG B	PS Classic 1.4 - 2 ltr	84.07
38	Matthew WHITWORTH	MG B	PS Classic 1.4 - 2 ltr	84.10
39	Amanda SINGLE	Holden Astra	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	85.41
40	Andrew WALKER	Turnham Bandit	Grp 2A/2C u 2 ltr	85.42
41	James GRAHAM	Hyundai Excel	Tp 3 u 2 ltr	85.50
42	Paul WHITWORTH	MG B	PS Classic 1.4 - 2 ltr	85.92
43	Dean TOMLIN	Commodore	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	86.00
44	Leslie CRANDELL	Sierra Reno	Tp 5 prod u 2 ltr	86.01
45	Kodi SINGLE	Holden Astra	Jun Prod	86.10
46	Hayley NIX	Mazda 3	Tp 1 o 2 ltr	87.37
47	Brendan JEFFRIES	BMW 135i	Tp 2 o 2 ltr	89.18
48	Allan EVANS	Triumph TR7	Classic Car pre 1986 u 2 ltr	90.23
49	Jack BRYDIE	Hyundai Getz	Jun Prod	90.52
50	Gordon HARRIS	VW Beetle	Tp 4 u 2 ltr	92.54
51	Tracey HARRIS	VW Beetle	Tp 4 u 2 ltr	92.74
52	Lindsay CLOUT	Mini Cooper S	Tp 1 o 2 ltr	93.84

NSW HILLCLIMB CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND 5 11<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023

The fifth round of the NSW Hillclimb Championships were held at Mountain View Circuit north of Grafton over the June long weekend. The club was formed in the 1950's with a gravel Hillclimb course at South Grafton.

The club moved to the current 67 ha site at Mountain View north of Grafton and when karting regained popularity in the 1980's redeveloped the site to include the karting circuit within the course. The first karting meeting was at the new circuit was held in 1991. The facility has good amenities with canteen, amenities, and a camp kitchen for the campers on a upper level of the hill. In the paddock area there are offices, storerooms, toilets and a shower and some carports for use by the competitors. The club also has a Racecar for hire by the entrants currently a Honda Prelude.

Weather was warm and fine, so conditions were pleasant.

Competition was fierce in some categories beginning with outright resulting in Dean Amos setting a new course record in the Gould GR55B of 40.95 secs lowering his previous record by approx 0.25 secs. Dean Tighe chased to come in second with a best time of 42.11. He spun the car twice on his fourth run trying to improve. Dave Morrow finished third with a time of 45.88, Steven King in the Uberkart Reaper was forth with a best of 48.47.

Peter Akers in the Subaru was fifth fastest with a best of 48.90, Fastest Tintop as well. Craig Klingbiel was next in the Honda Civic with a best of 49.21 closely followed by Tim Blake in the Subaru WRX with a time of 49.24 for seventh outright. Erron Hennessy was next with a time of 49.67 in a Honda Civic, Greg Jones was ninth in his Locost Clubman with a time of 49.85. Michael Boaden in his Mitsubishi EVO9 completed the top ten with a best of 50.61 generally running with the anti-lag turned off. This car and driver are the Australian Rally Championship winning combination of 2012 with several NSW championships prior to the Australian. Michael is enjoying the competition of Hillclimbing and the clean car at the end, just put it in the shed and have a quick look over service and wash before the next event.

Grafton has split timing similar to Ringwood so examination of the best combined sector times results in a theoretical best for Tim Blake of 48.74 which happens to equal Peter Akers's theoretical best.

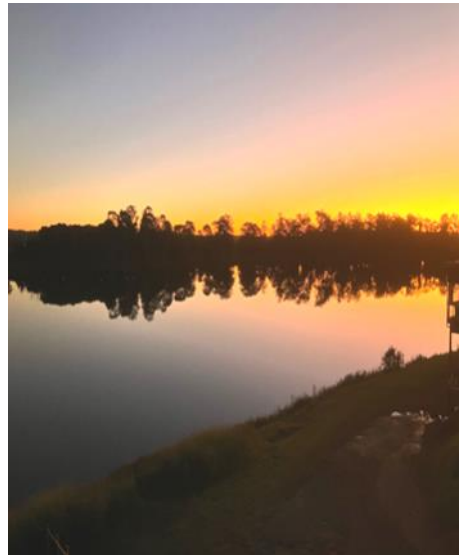
Eleventh was David Hussey in the Laser TX3 with a best of 51.13 followed by Jason Perkins in the Lotus Evora Gt 410 Sport. Daryl Small in the Commodore VL sports sedan was next ,Rick Yates finished fourteenth with a best time of 52.79, Garry Christopherson completed the day with a best of 56.14 for nineteenth outright in his first drive at this event in this car. James Graham in his Hyundai XL came in twenty third outright with a best time of 59.09.

All our club members participating Peter, Tim, Rick, and James beat their previous best time at this track for a successful weekend, Garry was having his first run in this car at this track.

## MOUNTAIN VIEW GRAFTON, GRAFTON SPORTING CAR CLUB

In the club event run concurrent with this event the winner was Ian Beadman in a Williams sports prototype followed by Alan Hunter in a Renault Formula 2 . Steve Sauer competed in his well-presented Escort RS200, Steve was a regular in the State series until experiencing Covid and floods over the last few years. Dick Willis had a run in his 1960 Nota Major, Michael Gosbell also competed in the 1957 Sabakat Lotus 12.

The Audis did not make the trip up from Canberra but are promising to be at Tamworth for the sixth and penultimate round on the 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> July.

**Kevin Akers**

# MGS THAT HAD A UNIQUE ENGINE

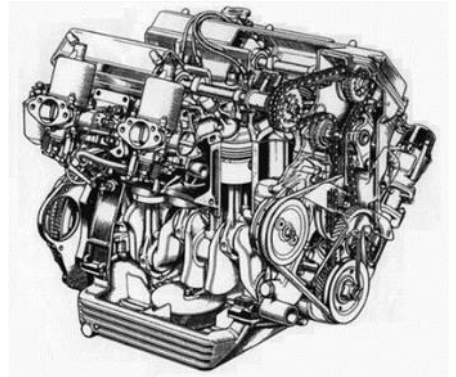
## The MGA Twin Cam

The MGA Twin Cam was announced in 1958 and was the product of a lengthy and involved development but disappointingly it returned one of the shortest production runs that Abingdon had ever seen. This certainly makes the car somewhat a rarity with only 2111 cars being produced between early 1958 and early 1969. The twin cam was to utilise an engine that was never fitted to any other car and was developed from the B series unit, prior to this the PB was the last MG to use an overhead cam engine in 1936.



The MGA Twin Cam engine was developed as an extensive modification of the Austin B-series 1500 cc pushrod engine. The capacity was increased to 1600cc and of course the replacement of the Head with the twin cam arrangement were the main modifications, there were also many other significant mods to accommodate the twin cam arrangement.

The MGA Twin-Cam engine was capable of generating up to 108hp from a DOHC aluminium cylinder head version of the B-Series 1.6L inline four engine, which made it the most powerful MGA to ever be built by the factory. The Twin-Cam was offered in both coupe and roadster body styles, with a 4-speed manual sending drive to the rear wheels. Unfortunately, the Twin-Cam engine had many issues, which eventually lead to the creation of a low compression version of the engine, but by that point, the car's reputation had taken a big hit and demand plummeted. Production of the MG A Twin-Cam ended in 1960.





The Twin Cam version



The more common push rod engine version

Jeff Newey had an immaculate black twin cam MGA.'

Information sourced from searches on the internet.

## The MGC

The MGC was produced as a Roadster as well as a GT version from 1967 to August 1969.



The small teardrop-shaped blister on the side of the MGC's bonnet bulge was added to provide clearance for the front carburettor. The bulged hood (with its stainless - steel trim strip), larger wheels, and badges are the only external differences between the MGC and the Mk 2 MGB. The hood itself was aluminium.

## UNIQUE ENGINE CONTINUE



Many historians assume the MGC was just an MGB with the engine from the Austin-Healey 3000, but it was not that simple. Although the MGC's inline six had the same bore and stroke as the big Healey, it was essentially a new engine, similar (though not identical) to the one developed for the Austin 3-litre sedan. The engines in the 3-litre and MGC share the same displacement and architecture, but there are many minor differences; the two engines are not identical. Thus, it qualifies as unique to the MGC.

There are conflicting figures for MGC production, but the grand total, including pre-production cars built in 1966, was around 9,000 cars. The Austin 3-litre, which shared the 2.9-liter six (albeit with many minor differences), was also a commercial flop, and British Leyland dropped the C-series engine at the end of the 1971 model year. There would be a V8-powered MGB GT from 1973 to 1976, powered by Rover's ex-Buick 3,528 cc (215 cu. in.) engine, but there wouldn't be another six-cylinder MG until Rover launched the ZS 180 and ZT 190 in 2001.

Apparently in 1967 Prince Charles took delivery of an MGC GT (SGY 766F), which he passed down to Prince William 30 years later.

Information sourced from searches on the internet.



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Our First YDDC for the year kicked off with great success in June with students varying from experienced hillclimbers and racers all the way down to drivers that haven't driven a car before.

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August 5<sup>th</sup>  
September 9<sup>th</sup>

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