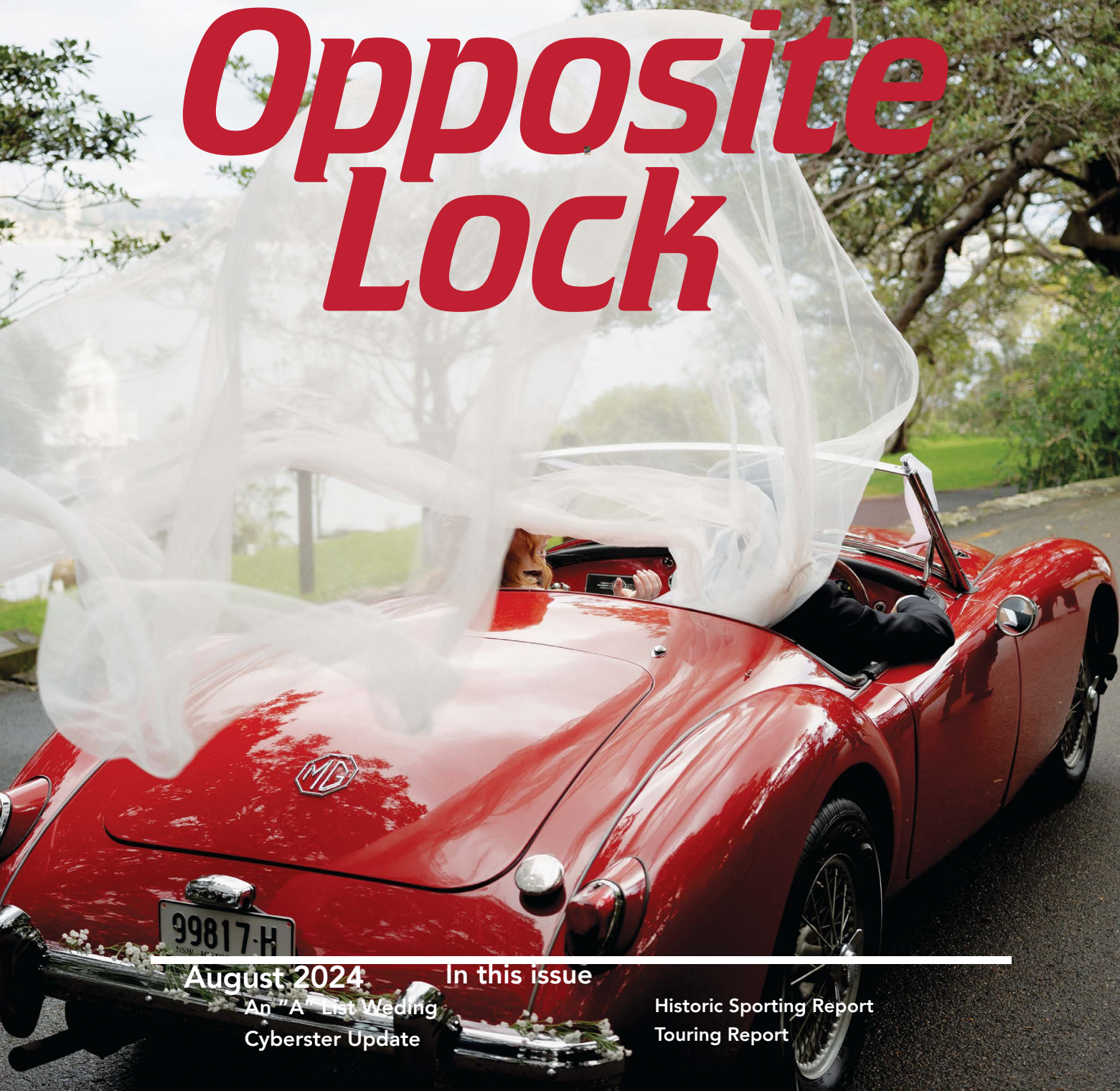




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DECEMBER

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- 10 Members Christmas Party, Strathfield Golf Club, Hilary Wren
- 25 Santa comes - Get some MGCC regalia to put under your tree



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August President's

As Arnie famously said, "I'm back". I have just returned from a month in the UK where at least for some of the time I was able to indulge myself in MG stuff.

No MG enthusiasts' trip to the UK is complete without a visit to the MG Car Club's headquarters at Kimber House in Abingdon. Kimber House is just outside the old MG factory, which has now been largely demolished for houses. However, the old administration building remains and has been converted to stylish flats. I was given a warm reception and shown around Kimber House.

Kimber House has a massive archive of factory records up to T-types (later records are kept at the British Motor Museum at Gaydon), a library, and in several display cases there are badges from various clubs, including our own 50th Anniversary badge.

Whilst I was there I met up with Peter Cook, the Overseas Director. Peter often comes to Australia for our National Meetings but unfortunately was unable to make it this year.

Peter very kindly took me up to Oxford in his MGBGT V8 and showed me some of the old Morris and MG sites. You will be able to read more about this as I will pen an article for a future edition of *Opposite Lock*. My thanks to Hilary for keeping the ship on an even keel in my absence.

You will have read in the July *Opposite Lock* that after many years of sterling service Brian Woolmer would like someone to take over the management of conditional registration for the club. Historic and Classic vehicle registration is a key benefit we provide to our members so it is very important that we get someone to volunteer for this position.

Brian has refined the process, so it shouldn't be too difficult or time consuming, and he will show you the ropes and be on hand for any queries.

So if you think you can help please let either our Secretary, Matt Crawford or myself know.

Now I hope you have bought your raffle tickets for the complimentary weekend drive generously offered to us by Tynan Motors. This is a great prize and all proceeds go to the club.

Tickets are only \$5 each and are being sold at member's gatherings and are also available to purchase on-line through our Wild Apricot membership system for those that can't make a meeting. Look it up under 'Events'.

The raffle will be drawn at our August member's gathering.

We also have lots of great events coming up for you this month including the Shannon's Classic at Eastern Creek. While our allocation of tickets have all been sold you can still come along and enjoy the day.

While you won't be able to park and display your car with the Club within Motorsport Park, there is plenty of parking outside and there will be a huge representation of all makes of classic cars as well as trade stands and interesting displays. So come along and join us.

And don't forget to send your MG photos and bits of news to David Dyer for inclusion in our MG Car Club Sydney Facebook page.

You can email him at: david@modernclassiccars.com.au, please also include Hilary in the communication for *Opposite Lock*. editor@mgsydney.com.au

Well that's it from me for another month. The rain seems to have abated, so get out your MGs and enjoy all of the wonderful runs and activities we have for our members.

John Clarke



New Members

Welcome all to the
MG Car Club Sydney

Please make yourselves known to one of the members so that we can ensure you meet up with some like minded MG enthusiasts!

Ralph & Sue Clark	Magnette
Stewart Egerton	MGB
Jan Garland	MGB
Ray Johnston	MGB
Graeme Kerr	MGB
Craig & David Morton	TD + MGB
Alison Reeves-White	MGB



So, you have bought a 'new' MG, or you have unearthed one long lost in the garage or you have finally finished that 'long, long, longer than you expected restoration & decided to now join the club.

We want to hear your story!

Please send a short story about your car by email
and do not forget some pictures!
to: editor@mgsydney.com.au



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Monthly Club Gatherings are held
the second Tuesday of the month at
Strathfield Golf Club,

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August 2024 Cover:

John Udy driving his daughter
Rebecca to her wedding in his
immaculate MGA
Photos by Callan Robinson

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9th July Members Gathering.

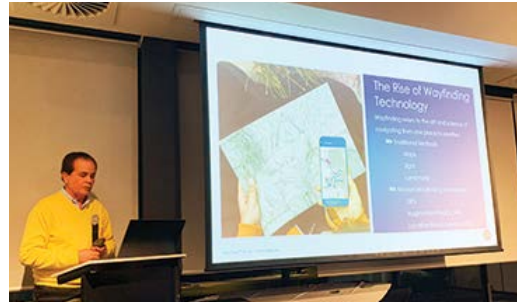
For our July meeting we welcomed Winston Reinboth who introduce us to e- "The Future of Travel": Wayfinding, Self-Drive, Self-Guided Exploration and Storytelling.



"Today, we stand at the crossroads of a technological revolution that is reshaping the way we travel and explore our world. The future of tourism is being transformed by innovations in wayfinding, self-drive, self-guided travel and storytelling."

With over 40+ years of expertise in the Tourism and Hospitality industry, Winston is now embarking on a new digital journey in his senior years. His career has taken him across many cities and regions of Australia, the Pacific and Asia.

He unveiled a revolutionary platform tailored for modern travelers seeking a hassle-free DIY experience. He is working in conjunction with the CSIRO and the



University of Technology on this project. Winston invites feedback on how to enhance this concept, prompting reflection on your own travel experiences particularly the "highs" and the "lows" with a view and the desire for simplicity and efficiency in planning and implementing a trip.



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Alan Heritage

13th August Members Gathering



Please welcome to our club, Michelle Murphy. Michelle was inducted into the NSW Rally Hall of Fame as a Rally Legends Award Recipient in 2023.

Michelle started rallying in 1994 entering the Targa Tasmania with Sharyn McKay in a Ferrari 308 GT. Michelle's husband John Sullivan entered the two women in the Targa as he was trying to publicise his accounting practice, 'Sullivans'

An excellent idea as Michelle and Sharyn won the women's trophy and came 22nd outright.

Here she met Coral Taylor, Rick & Neil Bates and her rallying story began.

A fascinating evening for all to enjoy. *Lynn Calluud*

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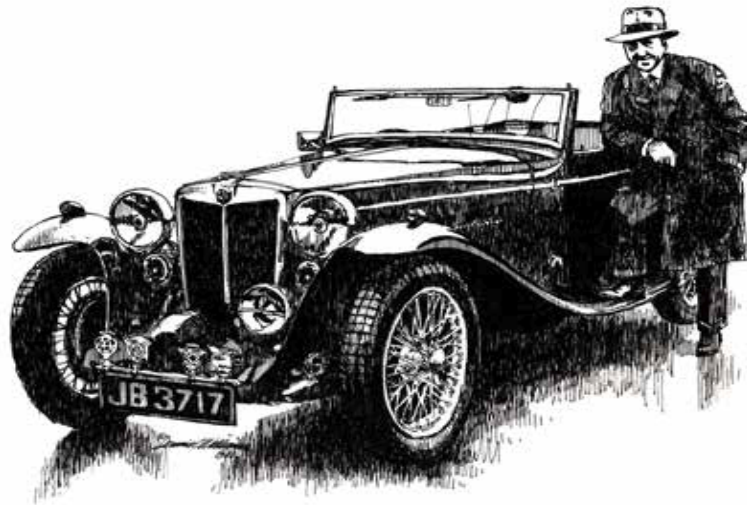
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FABULOUS PROPERTIES, GARDENS & ORCHARDS)*

START: McDonalds Thornleigh, Central Ave. (Off Pennant Hills Rd)

TIME: 10.00am

FINISH / LUNCH VENUE: THE GALSTON CLUB
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(lunch at own cost)

BOOKINGS: Via Wild Apricot system

Please make your booking asap as I need to advise the Galston Club of our numbers so that they can allocate a reserved lunch area for our group

Enquiries: Robert Smith, Pre-War Registrar
Phone: (M) 0407 600632 (E) robert_smith@live.com.au

Letter to the Editor

Hi John and Hilary.

As many of us are very aware, reproduction parts are often infuriatingly poor. They often don't fit right, they don't look right, and they usually prove to be far less durable than the originals. Often it's just a lack of care in their production.

Here's 3 examples, in this case relating to both the earlier and the later style of rocker cover badges. (The badges became stick-on labels around November 1965).

1) 'MG' logo badge. Apart from the failure to reproduce the original letters and the octagon accurately, the rivet holes are too small. Unfortunately however, not only are the holes too small, but they are also incorrectly located to line up with the original rivet holes on the rocker cover. So to fit the replacement badges to your rocker cover, you need to drill the holes both larger, but also eccentrically to suit.

2) I probably should be offering a prize for who can spot the fault here.

Harry Weslake did a lot of pioneering work on refining cylinder head porting and combustion chamber



shapes when knowledge of gas flow behaviour and the maximisation of detonation were not yet well understood. Elements of his design were patented and the patents of designs used by BMC were acknowledged on the rocker covers of MG's, till quite late in their production.

(British Leyland discontinued the practice).

Unfortunately the Weslake on my reproduction badge fitted to my MGB has been misspelled as Westlake! (I never noticed before, and neither had Bruce Smith, who sold me the badge, in 2006!)

3) On the third badge, they at least spelled "Weslake"

correctly, but they instead got "patents" wrong, writing "petents" instead!



It was FREEZING cold, with an icy wind too last Monday morning, when I decided to drive my MGA when I had to go to Central Mangrove. I decided to put the roof up for the first time in three years. Damn it was difficult. The vinyl had shrunk through disuse, and was also very stiff



in the 6C temperature when I was trying to erect the top with my numb fingers didn't help. *Regards Tom Azzel*

STOP PRESS WANTED

Would an owner of a MG Green MGTC or MGTD be willing to assist with providing the car for our daughter's wedding in the Southern Highlands on 14th September?

Our Daughter is getting married on the 14th of September 2024, at Bendooley Estate in the book barn and has requested if I could find a MG Green MG TD or TC that they can use for having photos with after the wedding ceremony, apparently our restored 1972 MGB is not the look she is going for, much to our disgust I might say.

Do you know of any owners of green TD's or TC's that are in the Southern Highlands area or Greater Sydney that I could contact to have a car available for the photos. We do not need to have the bride driven or arrive in the car it will just be required for photos with the couple after the ceremony. We are happy to pay a hiring fee.

With thanks. Ian & Deborah Ross

Contact: debra.j.ross@outlook.com 0490 917 791

An "A" List Wedding

This story starts on 19th November 1957, when this MGA was one of a batch of 16 CKD kits dispatched from Cowley, England. After a sea voyage and assembly at Pressed Metal Corporation in Enfield, the car was first registered in Victoria on 17 June 1958, with the registration number GVE 159.



Fast forward 55 years to 27 October 2012, when the current custodian accepted responsibility for care of this car, fondly known as Audrey. After some fettling and life distractions, the car was reregistered on 26 February 2013 in NSW as CJT 33U. Prior to moving to NSW, I believe that the car had been off the road for at least 20 years, with parts stored in many cartons.

It was about this time that my daughter Rebecca, then aged 15, informed me that this would be her wedding car. During the following years, both Rebecca and her older brother Alex had driving lessons and many outings in the 'A'. Alex and Bec enjoy taking her for a spin, often with their respective 'significant others'.

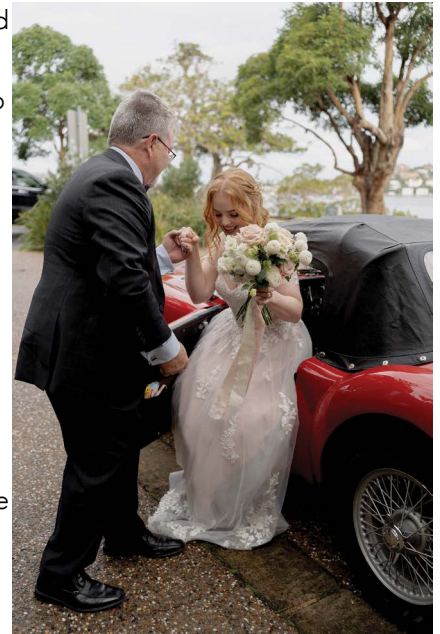
One notable drive I had with Rebecca was a trip to Brisbane up the New England Highway to attend my grandmother's 100th birthday celebration. On this trip we experienced some light rain while driving; Rebecca asked if she should pull over so we could put up the rag top. I then pointed out that we were not getting wet,

Rebecca found that by keeping the speed above 50MPH, we remained dry until the rain had passed ... or is that we passed the rain?



Fast forward again to May 2024, Rebecca had now selected a groom to go with the wedding car. To add to the 'usual' panic leading up to a wedding, the clutch failed two weeks before the big day. So it was a couple of tense days spent scouring the web for parts, including some

slightly harder to find bits that were sent by express post to make it on time: who know that the clutch fork is cast from an alloy of rocking horse poo and unobtainium? A few evenings were spent in the workshop that week to get the engine out, and back in and running again with 5 days to spare. Even on the timeline, I decided to pull the gearbox out as well to change the failed gearbox mount. Deep sigh of relief after the test drive, and much appreciation to Alex and my friend David who ably assisted. Luckily, the bride didn't find out about this drama until after the honeymoon.



The drive to the wedding venue at Bradleys Head was done with the hood up: 'Dad, this makeup and hairdo cost too much to get blown away'!! But we did take the top down for some great photo opportunities.

Life can be an adventure with the 'A', and what a great way to welcome Mik into our family. Audrey was looking her best that day with a fresh polish, ribbon and flowers on the bumper.



Awesome photography by Callan Robison
www.callanrobison.com.au

John Udy

Australian Motorlife Museum

Well, the TF classic run to the Australian Motorlife museum on the 30th June was a bit of a wash out.

Only six people arrived at McDonalds Rooty Hill for the run down to Dapto.

One MG, a TF, and an XJS Jag and two moderns.

The drive down was very interesting as it passed the new airport construction zone and the drop down the escarpment towards Woolongong was through verdant rainforest's, a beautiful sandstone single lane bridge and a fantastic waterfall falling about 50 metres to the valley floor below.

On arriving at the museum another four club members joined us. The Museum itself is a must for car nuts, a very eclectic mix of mainly early 1900 vehicles and motor bikes. I was surprised to find quite a few cars that were built in Australia that I had never heard of.

The museum was very gracious to run their only MG out to the front Concours to welcome the club.

A very nice "Y" type seen here with two of our members not afraid of the rain.

After the visit to the museum we all gathered at a nearby pub for lunch and a good catch up. *Ian Frost*



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Invitation to the "Clarendon Classic" Rally 2024

The Sydney Antique Machinery Club extends an invitation to members of your club to display at our annual "Clarendon Classic" Rally on the 21st and 22nd of September 2024. The event will be held at the Hawkesbury Showground, Racecourse Road, Clarendon, opposite the Richmond RAAF Base. Setup is on Friday 20th of September 2024 from 8.00 am.

The event will feature all kinds of antique and vintage machinery including stationary engines, tractors, trucks, buses, cars, motorcycles, boats, steam power, model and unique vehicle displays. We are again co-hosting the "Kenworth Klassic" truck display of historic and working trucks.

We will also be running active tractor displays, including a tractor pull sled (no competition, Display only), and junior tractor drivers' activities.

This year's themes are "Chrysler cars, Wolesley equipment, Chevrolet trucks, vintage motorcycles and pre 1940 tractors.", but of course all exhibits are most welcome.

Exhibitors are welcome from all clubs.

Registration and proof of liability Insurance is required to enter active working display areas. Online registration before the event is preferred.

We will be having a welcome BBQ for exhibitors on the Friday night, at a cost of \$10.00 per person and a Saturday night dinner at a cost of \$25.00 per adult, and children under sixteen \$10.00, pre-booking is encouraged to secure your tickets. Limited tickets will be available at the registration office. Pre booking can be done on the Registration form which you can find on our website closer to the event.

Free onsite camping is available for exhibitors on the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights, also powered sites are available on a first in first served basis. There will be onsite security at the rally grounds. Please note, the Showground is an alcohol-free area, and open fires are totally banned. Dogs are permitted on a leash only.

As in previous years, we hope to have steam train rides running on the Richmond Line both days of our rally and Vintage double decker buses which will link our rally with Richmond Railway Station.

There will be a variety of food and coffee vans available onsite, and something for the kids with rides and jumping castles etc. Tractor pulled ride trailers will run for most of the two days.

Please visit our website: www.sydneyantiquemachineryclub.com for additional information

Regards,
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Website: www.sydneyantiquemachineryclub.com

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Gathering of the Faithful 13th-15th September



It is with much pleasure that I announce that the MG Gathering of the Faithful will be held once again in Wagga Wagga on the 13th, 14th and 15th September 2024.

Entry forms are available for download at our website: <https://www.mgccwagga.org.au>

As 2024 celebrates the 100th year of the MG marque,
it will be fantastic to see a great number of entrants attend
with supporters from the public attending the car display of our wonderful MG's looking
fabulous!

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Gathering of the Faithful in Wagga Wagga

Yours Octagonally Darryl Ross President MGCC Wagga Wagga



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**Sunday 15th September 2024
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The All British Day is being held in 2024 at the Hawkesbury Showground, Racecourse Road, Clarendon
Sunday 15th September.

Access to Racecourse Road is off Hawkesbury Valley Way.

There are eighty (80) tickets available at \$10.00 each for our Club.

If members wish to have the tickets mailed to them, please mail a stamped self addressed envelope to
John O'Neill, PO Box 887 Bondi Junction NSW 1355.

Otherwise, tickets can be collected at a members gathering.

Payment can only be made through the Club website under the calendar tab.

Cars will be able to access the Showground from 7:00am to 9:30am on the Sunday.

Visitors are welcome from 10:00am.

Trophies will be presented at 2:00pm.

The event finishes between 2:30 and 3:00 pm.

Visitor parking will be available for cars with trailers for those owners who prefer to trailer their car
A site map is not yet available but will be once the Association of British Car Clubs has the final numbers
The MG Car Club to be allocated it's spot for display.

Club members will need to provide their details, including a phone number, email address
and the car and registration number of the car they will be displaying.

For the volunteers, there will be a set up meeting at an association members home on 7th September.
Set up day is Saturday 14th September 2024.

Touring to Cootamundra
Friday 30 August - Sunday 1st September 2024

The MG Car Club is organising a Touring Run to Cootamundra to enjoy the Sprint Racing.

- 30th August Meet:** 9 for 9.30 start , Ampol Foodary.
Pheasants Nest, Hume Highway
- 30th August :** Drinks & Dinner at Cootamundra Golf Club
- 31st August:** Enjoy the Cootamundra Sprint at the Airport,
either as a spectator or participant.
See details above for race participation.
A really fun day, admiring vintage cars doing their thing!
Dinner at the Cootamundra Services Club.
- 1st September:** Buy Swap & Sell at the Cootamundra Showgrounds



Please book your accommodation and advise Don with your name, phone number & e-mail
Bring morning tea, light lunch
Happy Hour each day, late afternoon
Don Young 0412 600 415 don.young9636@gmail.com.

PS. For club members wishing to stay over in Cootamundra on Sunday night 1st September , please advise Don.
The photograph above is of our club member Peter Foggarty, taken at last years Cootamundra Sprint,
where he commanded a very creditable performance.

2024 COOTAMUNDRA SPRINTS
Saturday, 31 August 2024

Scrutineering	From 8.30 am	Drivers' briefing	9:30 am
First run	10:00 am	Last run	3:00 pm

Increased costs - Entry fee now \$150.

Unfortunately we have been struck by increasing costs, with timing, St John's Ambulance & aerodrome hire.
Early Registration Discount - \$120, if you pay prior to 1st August 2024

Dinner Saturday Night will be at the Cootamundra Services Club @ \$35 per head, payable with your entry.
Please let us know how many of you will be coming.

Let us know your preferred car number at the earliest opportunity.
Entry forms and supplementary regulations are on the website www.vacca.org.au

Contact: jeremymorris@13stjames.net.au We hope to see you all there, as it's so much fun!

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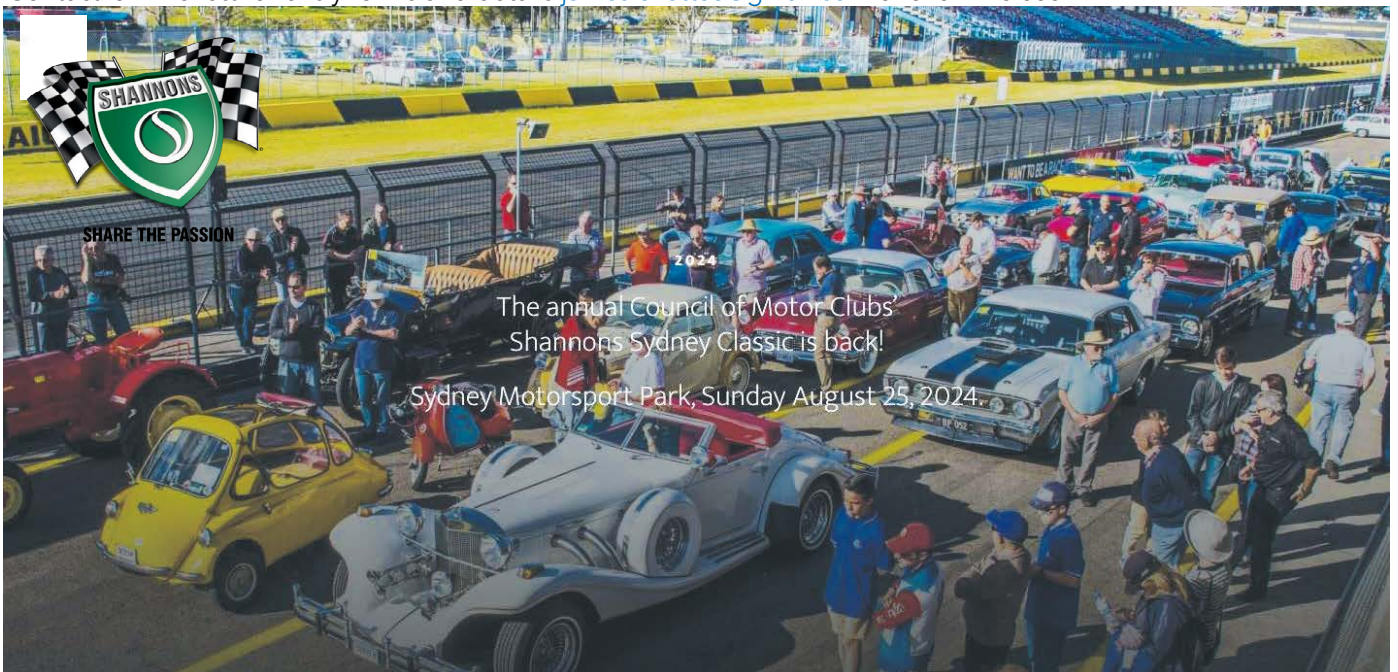
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Run in conjunction is a Concours, one of the most prestigious events of its type in the country. The club has a couple of entries so far but we would like more, we can enter one vehicle from each decade, a great Concours to be part of. Entries close July 19th.

Contact: Jim Lovett for entry forms and details jameslovet03@gmail.com or 0407 478 866.



MGCC RV8 Run 29th September 2024

The RV8 Run will take us on a Steam Rail Experience 12:30 pm at the ZIG ZAG Railway, Clarence, NSW in the Blue Mountains.

Meet: 9 for 9:30am departure McDonalds Car Park, McGraths Hill, Mulgrave
& travel the Bells Line Road

11:00am Arrive at Clarence, NSW Zig Zag train station

Plenty of parking is now provided.

Have a snack/ warm drink at the ZigZag Café Cart - or bring your own

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Check in to receive your train tickets at the Ticket Office, the train departs at 12:30pm for a 90 minute round trip on the historic journey traversing the Blue Mountains, the track was originally built in 1886.

Please arrive on time, to enjoy taking seats in a carriage with fellow MGCC members.

Bookings are made online to: www.zigzagrailway.com.au

Adults : \$45, Concession, including seniors card \$35.

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Please bring along the grandchildren for hands on fun with "Thomas the Tank engine"

Please go to their website zigzagrailway.com.au / timetable/ buy tickets/select a date, scroll to September 29th,select Time ,12:30pm, add names of passengers and your email address.

After your booking is confirmed, please register for the run on Wild Apricot or contact me 0418 459 496.

(If you lose track of your bookings, ZigZag have them readily available on their computer)

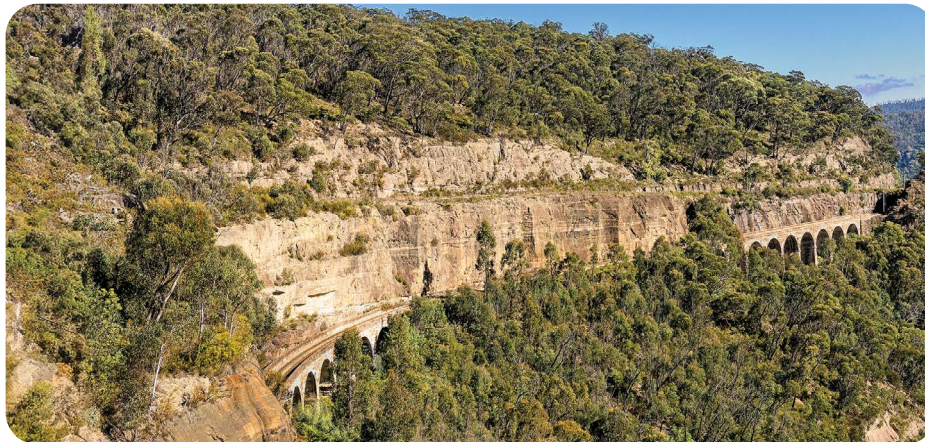
At the station you will be issued with a commemorative ticket for your journey.

Return to Sydney via Bells Line or the Great Western Highway.

The MGCC RV8 Register welcomes all members on this September run, a steam train adventure on a civil engineering masterpiece.

Contact: Alan Heritage, RV8 Registrar. Tel: 0418 459 496

alanheritage@yahoo.com.au



Membership Renewals

All membership renewals were due by 1st July. Thank you to all those members who have renewed, especially with a credit card which is much less work and provides you with an instant renewal and a membership card to either download to your phone and/or print out a hard copy.

Please note, if you pay by cheque or EFT, it may take some time for the payment to show up in your account and you may be reminded to renew even though you have paid. Therefore please pay with a credit card which is instantaneous.

If you use your smart phone rather than a computer, you might consider downloading the Wild Apricot App to your phone to access your membership.

It is important to note, that for those of you with cars using the Conditional Registration Scheme (which covers Classic and Historical vehicles) that current membership of a recognised Club is a TfNSW legal requirement of

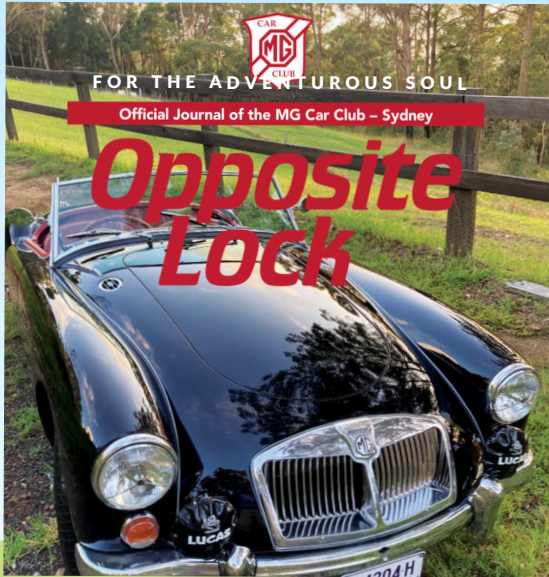
this Scheme. If you are reading this and have not yet renewed your membership, you are in breach of the law if you continue to drive your car whilst not a current financial member. While the club will give you some scope, the police are not so inclined. Members who have not renewed by August will have their membership suspended and will need to pay a rejoining fee.

We appreciate your support and involvement with the Club and look forward to your renewed membership for the coming year.

The on-line system should be simple to follow to renew your membership. If, however, you do encounter difficulties please contact me either by email or phone and I'll be only too happy to assist you.

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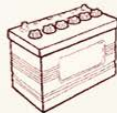
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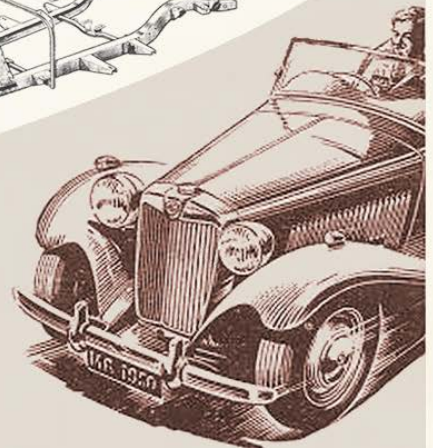
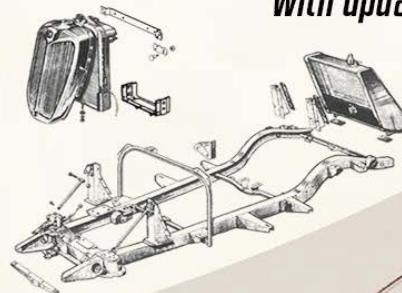


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Historic Sporting Report- HSRCA Sydney Classic Meeting. June

The Historic Sports & Racing Car Association (HSRCA) of NSW held this annual historic race meeting on Sydney Motorsport Park's Gardner (GP) circuit over the King's Birthday June long weekend. What follows is a brief account of a strong entry field of over 200 bitumen pilots in low flying machines.

Drivers had some dampness at Friday's practice, but then enjoyed a drying surface on Saturday and a perfect track on Sunday.

Regularity is one of two types of speed (i.e. non-race) events conducted by the HSRCA. Supersprint is the other. The key difference is that a Supersprint is focused on achieving the fastest lap time, whilst Regularity is focused on running consistently close to a pre-nominated time. Both events have rolling starts in lieu of standing starts, and both limit overtaking to the straights, and not by diving inside under braking – hence less risk of any damage, compared to racing.

Regularity is an excellent preparation for possibly running later on in a race class when track skills have improved, because it requires the ability to lap consistently in close company with other cars and cope with greater speed differentials than may be experienced in race class.



Regulatory Jaguar And Alpine. Photo Seth Reinhardt

The cars were the stars, along with famed race car designer and builder Bob Britton of the famous Renmax stables being commemorated over the weekend.

We were pleased to see many interesting pre-war and post-war historic cars at the meeting, including a 1947 MG TC Special from 1964, Midgets & Sprites, MGA, MGBs, MGC, and even a 1958 Buckle Lightweight GT, alongside Chev Corvettes, and beaut open wheeler 1960s Brabhams, Ralts, Elfins, Renmax, Lolos, Formula Fords and Vees. The big sports cars like a Match, & the Nola Chev were excellent, as were the tin tops and open top MGs, Monaro, Camaro, Mustangs, Porsche, Cooper S, Torana XU1s and some wonderful Group C & A touring cars including Nissan GTRs, BMW M3, Ford Sierra, Jag XJS and the 5 litre big banger Holden & Fords to watch and hear scream down the main straight at 8000 rpm on this great circuit. Even the 1970s HQ Holdens were racing this year (and we thought parts were difficult to find for an MG!)

The HSRCA team ran a beaut, well organised meeting again, and the keen historic drivers were very well behaved (as usual) and so we happily saw very few delays, and there were many driver smiles. MGCC Members (and ex-Members) I noticed

Senior scrutineer Stephen Page, who runs a very nice 1972 BMW 2002TI, was competing in Group N, Daniel Nolan raced Alan Nolan's big 5 litre 1977 Nola Chev sports car, John Croft was entered in his beaut 1963 Sunbeam Alpine (but not seen on track). Ex-member Doug Barbour raced his 1976 Porsche Carrera in Group S, ex-member Kerry Phelan from Junee, was running his MGB in Regularity and Geoff Pike was racing his 1971 MGB roadster in Group S along with Kent Brown in his 1963 MGB from the MGCC ACT. Ex-member Peter Mohacsi raced a 1981 Spectre Formula Vee & I competed in the Supersprint in my MGC GT.



MGCC members' entries were well down on years past, when we used to get up to 20 MGCC entrants just in Regularity alone, plus a half dozen or so in Group S, and a few in Group N. The ex-MGCC members are almost as numerous as current competing Members!

Some Results;

Stephen Page qualified the BMW 14th in Group N with 1:54.7, then ran 15th 1:55.8, 16th 1:55.6 & 12th 1:57.8 in the enduro. Daniel Nolan in the Nola Chev qualified 1st in Q&R racing with a rather quick 1m 31.1 secs, and then problems arose with the car in race 1. John Croft entered in Regularity with a long time keen MG competitor, now living near Junee, Kerry Phelan in his Mazda-powered MGB, who picked up 10th, 8th, then a podium 3rd. John Croft did not run his Alpine apparently as no times were recorded.

Group S racing was represented by ex-member Doug Barbour in his Porsche 911 and Geoff Pike in his well campaigned MGB roadster, who qualified 12th with 1:55.4 & then 11th, with a 1:55.5, then a DNF presumably with car issues. My MGC qualified 10th with a 1:58.4 then ran 7th with 1:54.6, then 8th with 1:56.2

It would be very pleasing to see a few more MGCC members pull on a helmet and enjoy their MGs on the track, and not have just a few have all the fun! Congratulations to the HSRCA for running a very successful meeting.

Please contact me if you have any interest in competing in either Regularity or Supersprint events.

Steve Perry



Daniel Nolan. Photo by Steve Koen



Daniel Nolan Q&R Race on Grid 2024. Photo Seth Reinhardt



*Geoff Pike & Kent Brown in their MGB's Group S
Photo Steve Koen*



*Steve Perry in MGCGT in Super Sprint
Photo Mark Walsh*



*Race Car examples built by Rennmax.
Photo Riccardo Benvenuti*



*Steve Page in BMW 2002 in Group N.
Photo Jeremy Dale*



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Please find Judging sheet to help you prepare your car,
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Entry from 6.30am for volunteers to help with set up.
7.30 am for other participants vehicles with all to be in position by 9.00 am.

Judging commences at 9.30 am sharp

Food & Drinks available from The Abingdon Café and Coffee Cart.

Club Regalia for sale.

Volunteers needed as follows;

1. Friday 18th 10.00am help set out Silverwater park. Peter Baldry has offered to organise this but needs a few helpers. Please let him know if you can help. Please contact Peter at leslyandpeter@gmail.com
2. Saturday 19th 2.00pm to help load truck at Kennards Storage cnr Victoria Rd and Frank St Gladesville. Opposite Bunnings.
3. Sunday morning from 6.30am to help unload truck and set up. Then various roles throughout the day, followed by pack up.
4. Scrutineers to assist Model Registrars.
5. Sunday late afternoon help unload truck back at Gladesville.

Please let Jacques Calluau, jcalluau@live.com or 0433 506 668 know if you can help.



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Show & Shine	
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ENTRANT'S NAME - _____ COLOUR - _____
 ADDRESS - _____ REGO # - _____
 PHONE # - _____

1 - ENGINE BAY - Cleanliness & condition	Maximum 25 points each	MAXIMUM 100 POINTS
1 - Paintwork, bodywork, engine & bonnet insulation (where applicable)		
2 - Wiring, electrical equipment, battery & battery box (where applicable)		
3 - Fluid leaks - oil, coolant, fuel, brake fluid etc.		
4 - Carburettors, exhaust manifold, pipes, hoses and fuel pump (where applicable)		

2 - BODYWORK - Cleanliness, fit & finish	Maximum 25 points each	MAXIMUM 100 POINTS
1 - Panel fit & paintwork		
2 - Chrome - grille, bumpers etc.		
3 - Glass & rubbers, side curtains, wipers, hood & rear window		
4 - Mirrors, lamps & lenses		

3 - INTERIOR - Cleanliness, fit & finish	Maximum 25 points each	MAXIMUM 100 POINTS
1 - Seats and floor coverings		
2 - Roof lining, soft top and door trims		
3 - Dashboard, steering wheel, instruments, switches, controls and console		
4 - Trunk, trunk lining, tool kit, spare wheel and batteries (where applicable)		

4 - CHASSIS / UNDERSIDE - Cleanliness	Maximum 25 points each	MAXIMUM 100 POINTS
1 - Floorpan and/or chassis		
2 - Suspension, axles & steering controls		
3 - Exhaust, fuel pipes, cables etc.		
4 - Wheels & tyres, hub caps and/or knock-on's		

5 - ORIGINALITY - CONCOURS ONLY! - Refer to "Aids to Originality" procedure sheet	
To be compared as the car left the factory - Points deducted for non-original items 1 point deduction for minor items 5 - 10 points deduction for major items No points to be deducted for the fitting of safety items	MAXIMUM 200 POINTS _____ MINIMUM 100 POINTS

JUDGES USE ONLY! TOTAL POINTS OUT OF 600 (Concours) & 500 (Show & Shine) =

JUDGE 1 - Name: Signed:

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CLASS	PLACE

ANY MATTER OF CLARIFICATION OR DISPUTE MUST BE REFERED TO THE CHIEF JUDGE

Touring Bathurst , Goulburn & South Coast

Our touring Registrar Don Young mapped out another great touring run in June. This adventure took some 26 members on a cool and hearty run to Bathurst , with morning tea at the beautiful botanic gardens at Mount Tomah, designed by Lady Fairfax and then onto lunch at the O'Connell Hotel , onto Bathurst for dinner and overnight. Up bright and early with the temperature at only 2 degrees, cars covered in ice it was time to fire up and get underway for the day. Before heading south we did a couple of lap of the Bathurst race track with it's amazing views. We then headed due south towards Goulburn for our overnight stop, with clear blue skies and great scenery. Next day we headed off towards the coast, lunching in Nowrah by the river. A great three day tour . Thank you. Don.



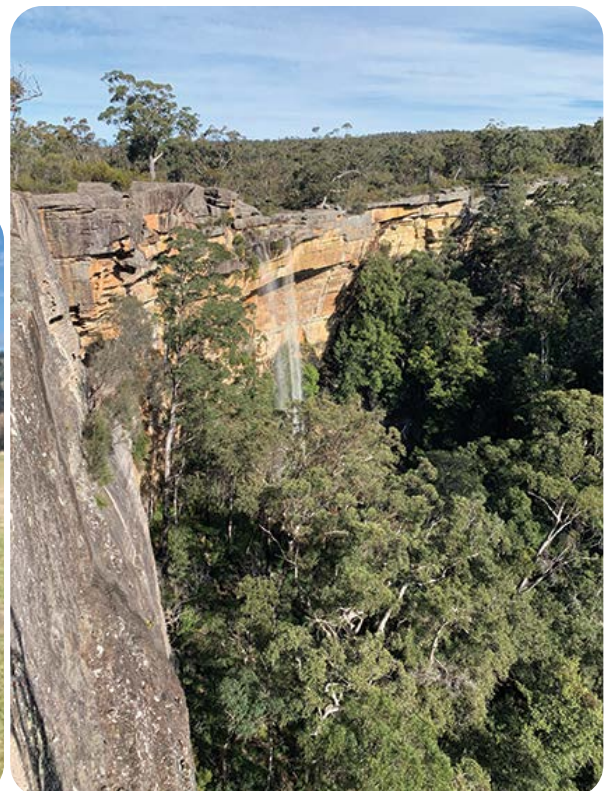
Peter Harper with his MGC



Stuart & Sally Ratcliff's MGA



Scenes from the Tour, Bathurst on the circuit; morning tea in Trunkey Creek, below which was freezing; lunch in Crookwell with the MG car line up on day 2 . Swinging in Braidwood; Water fall was in Morton National Park before we headed to Nowra for lunch by the river before the drive home.



MG Cyberster up to \$20K cheaper than first thought.



New electric sports car to cost between "\$100K and \$130K", capable of 0-100km/h in just 3.2 seconds MG's new electric sports car – which promises acceleration in the same league as Porsche and Ferrari – could cost up to \$20,000 less than first thought.

MG initially provided a range of "\$100,000 to \$150,000" for its Cyberster electric convertible, which can accelerate from zero to 100km/h in just 3.2 seconds, but has now declared pricing between "\$100,000 and \$130,000".

While official pricing is expected to be confirmed before the car's launch in the fourth quarter this year, that would make the Cyberster one of the quickest accelerating cars for the least amount of money available.

Other electric vehicles such as Kia's EV6 GT, Volvo's EX30 Performance Ultra and Tesla's Model Y Performance are capable of sub-four-second 0-100km/h acceleration for less money, however the next fastest car matching the Cyberster's 3.2-second 0-100km/h claim is the \$292,600 Porsche Taycan Turbo.

"We've narrowed the [pricing] band a little bit, but we're still negotiating," Giles Belcher, Chief Commercial Officer, MG Motor Australia, told Wheels.

"You can put a deposit down on one now and we're expecting first deliveries in Q3," he added.

Belcher said MG would sell just one model from launch. "There's a choice of colours and interiors, and roof colours," he said. "We're trying to keep it simple."

That model is the dual-motor, all-wheel-drive with 400kW and 725Nm, and a 77kWh (74kWh useable) battery pack claiming 444km of WLTP range.

The Cyberster comes with electrically-opening scissor doors, a cloth roof that can open in just 15 seconds at speeds up to 50km/h and triple screens for its digital instrument display.

Five exterior colours will be offered – beige, grey, silver, red or yellow. A black roof is available on all colours, but some can be had with a red roof. Two interior colour schemes will be offered in Australia – black and red, and white and grey. A single-motor, 250kW rear-drive model is available overseas, but Belcher told Wheels there are no plans to sell it in Australia.

Belcher said MG didn't expect the Cyberster to be a volume-selling model, but instead to bring value to the brand in other ways.

"There's certainly still a love and a want and a desire for sports cars in the market," he said. "Not in the same volume as the SUVs obviously, but there's certainly a place for this. It's a halo car, we haven't put any volume targets on it or anything like that, it's a showcase for design, technology and performance as much as anything. It will bring some halo effect to the rest of the brand."

The Cyberster will tour MG dealers around Australia over the coming months as the brand gears up for the vehicle's local arrival.

Dylan Campbell. Wheels & whichcar.com.au

Illawarra Register

Michael Hough



Welcome to another month of classic motoring, and I hope that you are enjoying taking a classic car for a run, despite the cold and wet weather we have been having.

Here is a list of the remaining Illawarra register events:

Sunday 28th July:- Christmas in July Lunch

Now to be held at Corrimal RSL Club auditorium 168, Princes Highway Corrimal NSW. I'll report next month.

Now Sunday 15th September:

National Motoring Heritage Day vs All British Day.

In my opinion very unfortunately, the All British Day venue has now been transferred to the Hawkesbury Showground, due to rejection from The Kings School. The postponed National Motoring Heritage Day has also been scheduled for the Berry Showground that day.

The Illawarra Register is choosing to attend the NMH Day at Berry for 2024, and we will meet at the Nungarry Rest Stop at Dunmore on 15th September for an 0815 departure for Berry.

Now October 1st October :-Visit to Graham Lord's Man Cave, Mittagong. We will meet at Mc Donald's / Hungry Jacks at Fairy Meadow to depart at 9am to drive in convoy to Mittagong.

Graeme Lord has now de-registered his business, and so we are visiting his Man Cave.

This raises a public liability insurance issue and after checking we have ensured that the MG Car Club membership fee covers us each for public liability insurance.

This means that if you are not a financial member of the MG car Club on 01 October 24, you should not attend this event please. A far better option is to please join the MG Car Club before that date and be covered.

To join please go to:-

<https://mgccs.wildapricot.org/membership-application>

Thursday 28 November :-Lunch run to Greenwell Point. Details TBC

We have started to plan for 2025, so if you have any suggestions for venues or events please e mail them to me. mhough5@mail.com 0418 424 748

Enjoy your classic motoring.

Michael Hough, Illawarra Register



Photos taken at
The All British Day
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John Lackey & Richard Lamrock in John's MG Q Type, on the Bathurst Circuit



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The MGCC Conditional Registration 2024

The club presently has 329 cars registered on the Historic or Classic schemes. Not all are MGs with a smattering of Mercedes, Toyota, BMW, Austin Porsche and a few Honda and other motorbikes for good measure.

Management of the program has been greatly assisted by the Wild Apricot Membership System. The system provides simple data handling, search capabilities, reporting, invoicing/payment and ready email notifications to individual or groups of club members.

A majority of club members now complete their registrations online making time savings by not having to post in documents. When members have uploaded their current documents they send an SMS/email to indicate they are ready.

The plate registrar then sends an invoice and prepares their documents. When the invoice is paid the document is posted using a tracked envelope.

Some of our members who do not have computers or do not use them can and do post in their documentation but their records are still maintained in the Wild Apricot system.

The process for registration has been simplified by the Department of Transport now providing online access to check key car/club details. Applicants no longer have to send in their reminder notices.

Historic Vehicle Declarations, once completed to a satisfactory standard, are kept on file to use for the years ahead. The critical document from year to year is of course a valid Pink Slip.

As current Plate Registrar I am nearing the time when I would like someone else to take over. It is a good position to have as it keeps you in touch with a large

chunk of the membership who are generally very grateful for what you do.

It involves some simple administrative tasks and a bit of computer work but anyone who can send an email or write a word document would have no trouble operating the system.

If you are interested please contact the club secretary, Matthew Crawford and put your name down for the AGM nominations.

secretary@mgcarclubsydney.com.au

Naturally I would be available to show you the ropes and help until you are comfortable with what needs to be done.

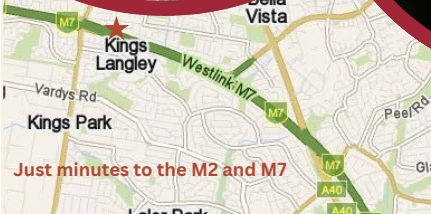
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Around Australia in my MG TF



My first car was my MG TF bought at 17 years old in 1964. A spray painter by trade, I painted her silver blue. Some years later I painted her red to become my 'Lady in Red'.

I always wanted to drive around Australia so one day I took off in a clockwise direction and I was soon on the Nullarbor Plain. It was just how I like it - no other cars. On the heavily corrugated road I had to drive very slowly, often no more than at walking pace. The bull dust came up through the wooden floor of the TF and covered everything. I loved every mile of it.

Arriving in Perth I stayed for a only few weeks and got a bit of work. There I met future my wife to be, Ann. Heading north out of Perth my next stop was Geraldton where I got a job spray painting. We ended up staying for two and a half years during which time we had a baby girl named Laetita and were given a dog we named Sandy and a budgie in a cage.

Now with some cash in the bank we headed off north again. I particularly remember the road at Sandfire

As from June 1 2024, Mobile Phone Detection Camera technology has been upgraded to expose front seat drivers and passengers not using lap sash seat belts correctly or not at all, if detected fines and demerit points will be issued ,this will apply to all registered vehicles including full rego,HVS & CVS etc.

This presents a problem to the Historic Vehicle movement as a large number of our vehicles do not have belts fitted and the authority are unable or its too difficult to exempt our vehicles (I have made an appointment with our local member of Parliament to discuss the matter).

The only option at the moment that if a fine is issued you will need to defend it yourself with the authorities to have the matter dismissed this would involve personal visits and photos all time consuming ,I will keep you updated with any progress with this situation.

Jim Lovett. MGCC CMC Delegate

Flats. It was a sand road more like a beach than a road that ended up sand blasting the back guards of the TF. Many miles later we arrived at Broome and two weeks after that at Derby where I drove part of the Gibb River Road. I loved it. We were very hot when we parked near a bridge to swim in the river for several minutes. Then on to Kununurra and then to Katherine. Unable to get work and nearly out of cash, we fortunately made it into Darwin just before the big wet season arrived.

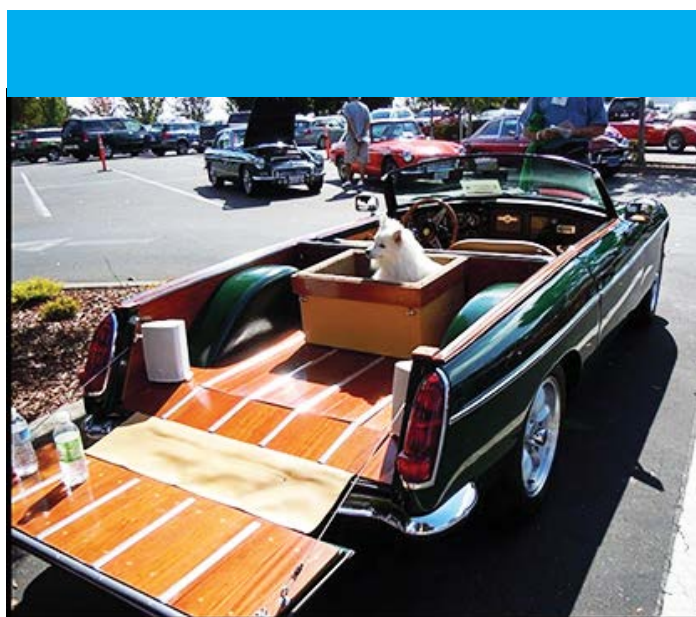
With no money the paint shop/ panel beaters in Darwin let us live on site and paid me cash in hand to work. Two or three months later and after the wet season, with cash in our pockets our next stop was Alice Springs. I liked Alice and Ayers Rock now named Uluru. At Ayers Rock I took a photo at sunrise, putting my camera on the soft top of the TF only to drive off with it still there. Of course it fell off on the dirt road. Many miles later an old man in an old FJ Holden gave me back my working camera.

After Alice it was then to 3 Ways, over to Cairns for a few days, up to Port Douglas and Cooktown, down to Townsville and then back home to Sydney. I got into Sydney at peak hour with oil coming out of the engine bay events. When I arrived at my parents house in Dee Why I had to park on the lawn because of the oil. The motor was worn out and needed a rebuild. Two weeks later I got a house to rent only two minutes away and pulled the motor out to fix it. Some time later I also took off all the panels right down to the chassis and painted the TF silver blue again.

I ended up got a full-time job, settled down and after a couple of years bought a house on the Central Coast. I have driven around Australia again in 2004 and 2022, but this time in other cars. Doing it in the MGTF was the most fun. I love Australia and believe that you should see Australia first.

MGs For Ever

Alan Lett.



*"In the Dog Box " enjoying his MG
Not quite the Tuckerbox!*

Art & Photography Competition 2024

Motors & Masterpieces is proud to unveil the inaugural Art and Photography Prize sections of festivities, with the pre-eminent automotive event set to take over the Melbourne Showgrounds from November 22 to 24, 2024.

The subject matter for prospective entrants is simply 'The Classic Motoring Movement', and it is recommended that entries attempt to fit into one of the event's 10 themes, with selected pieces displayed at the event in the relevant area.

Separate awards are available in both the artwork and photography divisions, with the first prize for each being \$4,000, while each runner-up will receive \$1,000.

All entries remain the property of the entrants; however, Motors & Masterpieces reserves the right to use the winning and runner-up entries as promotional materials for the 2025 event, with due recognition given. Further to this, the entrants cannot use these works for other commercial purposes.

The selection of winners will be made by a panel of prominent individuals from the Australian art and cultural scene, with their decision final and uncontestable.

All entries must be made through the Motors & Masterpieces website no later than October 18th, 2024.

info@motorsandmasterpieces.com

Selected entries must be made available to the event organisers at the Melbourne Showgrounds on 21 November 2024, with details to be provided beforehand.

Themes for Motors and Masterpieces 2024 include:

- La Dolce Vita
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- Swinging London
- Great Southern Land
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Classifieds - Cars



NEW

1956 Magnette.

This Magnette is finished in Twilight Grey and the odometer reads 59,588. It has been recently serviced, receiving a new fuel tank and lines and a new battery, and drives well.

There is some minor wear and tear of the Twilight Grey finish due to age.

The interior needs work and can be a project for a car enthusiast. Currently a member of the MG car club and has the original engine.

Price -\$16,000 AUD, negotiable

Location: Epping NSW for inspection

Contact: Bhavna Shivalkar

466 821 903

bhavnashivalkar@gmail.com.au



NEW

1998 MGF

Nightfire Red September 1998 MGF with an odometer reads 120k.

I have owned the car for over 22 years and I would prefer to sell under market value to an MG member or enthusiast before I contemplate putting her on the open market. I've owned MGs continually since the early 1980s but future downsizing and knee issues, sadly means the MGF has to finally go.

Good condition, fully registered in NSW until late Sept 2024.

Hard top & Soft top & Mk2 Tonneau cover.

MG Centre of Sydney fitted coil over adjustable shock (no more hydragas issues) to original height

NOS MGTF CD player

Mk2 T-Bar with speakers (both original cassette radio and T-Bar included)

2 spare MGF leather seats with alcantara inserts with original MGF windstop.

Location: Cherrybrook

Price: \$4,500

Contact: John Meyer 0414 994 848

jahmeyer2329@gmail.com



NEW

1951 MG TD

In good order, benefiting from a previous restoration to the tune of \$40,000. The odometer reads 20,247 miles.

It is offered for sale by an owner of five years who kept it garaged and didn't run it in competition. It was a local car to Walcha before the current owner.

During the restoration, the motor and gearbox were removed and refurbished and the interior was re-trimmed. The engine is understood to have done low mileage since the rebuild.

Available for inspection.

Location: Walcha

Price: \$40,000

Contact: Peter Norbury

0428 780 133

pnorburymotors@bigpond.com



NEW

1955 MG TF 1500

I am the third owner of this car and it is in excellent condition.

It has a 5 speed gear box.

Price: \$55,000.

Contact: James Bennett

0456 220 649.

Or David on 0417 698 178.

cgbennett1997@gmail.com.au



1969 MGB Mk II

A unique opportunity to own an incredible piece of MG history. This meticulously preserved 1969 MGB MkII O/D Roadster has been under the care of a single owner for the past 39 years and has accumulated 11,000 dry miles since its 1998 bare metal rebuild (which is supported by a photographic record). The polished and waxed underside has maintained its lustre to this day. With flawless presentation and an illustrious Concours history, this car is truly exceptional.

Beneath its ionic sleek lines, British Racing Green exterior, and polished chrome accents, this MGB has been restored to fully original condition with unrivalled attention to detail. This includes an authentic wiring loom produced by one of the few remaining machines worldwide that still manufactures such items, and new Pirelli Cinturato tyres, sourced from a specialist European supplier, that carry the period-appropriate tread pattern. These meticulous efforts to maintain originality apply to many fittings and are responsible for the vehicle's success in numerous Concours competitions.

Opportunities to acquire exceptional cars like this are extremely rare.

Concours history highlights:

- MG Car Club NSW MGB MKII Winner 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006
- All British Day Grand Champion and Class Winner 2000
- Eastern Creek Classic Grand Champion and Class Winner 2002

If you're interested in becoming the next custodian of this outstanding vehicle please contact:

Price: \$48,000

Contact: Roger Porter

rdporter62@outlook.com





1980 MG GT V8

Road or track car, purchased in 2018 by Andrew Cornish from WA with a 3.5-litre V8. Chassis GVGEJ1AG516996 it was registered in Victoria (1023 H8).

The car has been completely stripped down and a rebuilt.

It is equipped with a 4.6-litre engine, balanced & blueprinted with ARP studs & bolts, featuring a crossbolted block. 800 newton metre on the dyno.

Body is straight and no rust, all glass installed. Front & rear bars included.

Clive cam 210 deg, compression 10.5:1

Performance Ignition distributor

Heads ported and polished

Heritage motorsport outrigger rocker shaft post

Adjustable timing gear, twin roller chain

Adjustable pushrods

Billeted crank pulley

John Eales extremely rare 'swan neck' inlet manifold with 4 Weber 45DOCE Carbies, Borg Warner LSD 3.23

Supra W56 5spd gearbox

Custom cross member & mount

Lightened steel flywheel with twin plate ceramic clutch, Extreme Clutch SA

Modified dissy pickup and front engine plate, with remote oil filter

Extractors thru the guards with strengthening plates to guards

New race radiator, oil cooler

Reconditioned steering rack

Rebuilt front and rear suspension with choice of front springs and bars

VE Commodore rotors with Wilwood 4 spot calipers

2 racing seats, Baffled sump

New half Brown Davies cage

New fuel tank New wiring loom

4 new alloy 15x6 'minilite look' rims

Price: \$25,000 ONO must be sold

Location: Surrey Hills

Contact: Ross Boyd

0418 466 337

[.boysfive@bigpond.com](mailto:boysfive@bigpond.com)



1952 MG TD

Incomplete restoration.

Receipts held for all engine reconditioning and body parts including new wiring loom and timber components.

Engine had been running but not recently started.

Some chrome work to be completed.

Majority of upholstery completed. Hood and side curtains require new paint and materials.

Colour matched hidem binding ready to install.

Price: \$19,500

Contact: Robert Goldfinch

0419 149 640

finchtrebor@gmail.com



1951 MG TD MK1

* Fully restored to Concours condition

* Meticulously restored in 2004-05

* Reconditioned engine, gearbox, rear axle, brakes & suspension.

* New hood, upholstery & carpets.

* Complete respray

* Includes a tonneau cover

* Low kms since restoration

* Has won various awards

Location: Canley Vale, Sydney NSW

Price: \$38,000

Contact: Laurence 0437 666 089



MG ZT 2002.

1802.5 Auto 4 door saloon.

Reg EGDD60F Amethyst (dark blue)

166,100 kms. Full service history. Timing belts replaced at 142,178kms. Sept 2023

New radiator, thermostat, fuel rails, engine mounts, coolant pipes and valve hoses. Only two owners, last since 2005,

Always garaged, good condition interior and exterior, new roof lining. ABS, air conditioning, sunroof, central locking, parking sensors, air bags, cruise control, blaupunkt radio/CD.

Price: \$7,500

Location: South Australia

Contact: Leslie McNickle

0407 979 272

lmcnickle@optusnet.com.au

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Original photo of this car when new



1955 MG TF 1500

All matching numbers - Chassis 9587, XPEG 3486, full rego history; original number plate available.

The vehicle is currently disassembled but partly restored with many photos available on request.

Reconditioned engine/gearbox/diff/springs/straight chassis/carbys/ etc plus many smaller assemblies restored or new.

New quality wiring harness/double duck/carpets/hubs/fuel and water pumps/etc.

New English Ash timber kit, new leather/vinyl trim kit (seats and interior panels).

Most chrome is re-chromed or new, bumpers/overrides/knock offs/ door hardware/etc all to Concours standard.

All parts are catalogued, next to no items to be sourced as most assemblies are complete with nuts, bolts and rubbers (remaining work is primarily assembly labour, paint and panel).

Location: Brisbane Queensland

Price: Negotiable

Contact: Oswald

0403 210 013

oswaldc@bigpond.net.au



1955 MG RV8 3.9L

Purchased in 2017, a pleasure to own. The car was imported from Japan through South Australia, Darwin, then onto Gold Coast.

The car has been professionally serviced and is registered till August, 2024. Woodcote Green, with a black hood & beige leather interior. The hood & seats were replaced in 2017.

23,190 km on the clock, tyres were replaced in 2019 with Supercat tyres through Bridgestone at 21,749 km. Garaged in a locked garage under a dust cover. Both the engine and body are in good condition.

In 2019 received 2nd place in the MG Car Club Show & Shine.

Price: \$56,000

Location: Cronulla, NSW

Contact: Barry Braithwaite

0419 403 487

gabraithwaite@gmail.com



1971 MGB

Fully Restored Regardless of Cost.

When I joined the club in 1970, the idea of spending \$80,000 restoring an MGB was unthinkable. That figure would have bought four home units! But it's what's been spent on this stunning and immaculate 1971 model in Connaught Green. Rotisserie restoration, everything done correctly, except it has light tan leather interior (luxury!), a classic chrome grille, and a new softtop with zip-off rear window. It sports fresh chrome wire wheels, carpets, radiator, fan etc. I have to tell you that it's not mine, but haggling starts at around half the amount invested.

Contact: Text John Young

0412 246 911 (I'm traveling shortly) and I'll put you in touch with the owner's representative.

jycomms@hotmail.com

Classifieds - Parts



1972 MGB 5-Bearing 18V Motor

This engine is surplus to my needs and has been meticulously stored.

- Has new starter motor
- New water pump
- New high tension leads
- New oil filter
- Reconditioned generator and distributor
- Fitted with original H.I.FSU carby and exhaust manifold

All in good working order and will fire up.

Price: \$2,500. Reduced

Contact: Zig 0414 693 841

z.bluzmanis8@gmail.com

MG TF Beige trim kit (New)
\$1500 ono

MGA Black trim kit (New)
\$1500 ono

MG TC/TD XPAG Engine
\$1500 ono

Contact: James Bennett
0456 220 649.

Or David on 0417 698 178.

cgbennett1997@gmail.com

TF Radiator Shell False Nose including Medallion and Dummy Cap for sale.

Picked up at a Local Swap meet is in very good condition however not appropriate for my TD.

Price: \$250.

Contact: David Suters

whipstick02@gmail.com

Classifieds - Parts



Hudson Supercharger

Fully refurbished Judson supercharger for MGA for sale.

Housing honed, end plates resurfaced, all new vanes, bearings and seals.

Complete with rocker cover with built-in oiler and fully refurbished original glass bowl Holley carburettor.

Spare intake manifold, all spacers, bolts, etc. different sizes pulleys to change boost levels, manuals.

Will fit MGB.

Price :\$6,000 ONO

Location: Dulwich Hill

Contact: Christophe 0402948817

1christophe.roose@gmail.com



Wanted

Would an owner of a MG Green MGTC or MGTD be willing to assist with providing the car for our daughter's wedding in the Southern Highlands on 14th September?

Our Daughter is getting married on the 14th of September 2024, at Bendooley Estate in the book barn and has requested if I could find a MG Green MG TD or TC that they can use for having photos with after the wedding ceremony, apparently our restored 1972 MGB is not the look she is going for, much to our disgust I might say.

Do you know of any owners of green TD's or TC's that are in the Southern Highlands area or Greater Sydney that I could contact to have a car available for the photos. We do not need to have the bride driven or arrive in the car it will just be required for photos with the couple after the ceremony. We are happy to pay a hiring fee.

With thanks. Ian & Deborah Ross

Contact: debra.j.ross@outlook.com
0490 917 791

MG TC 19" wire wheels in good condition. I have some in poor condition that I could restore however before I do, does anyone have any 19" wheels with good slimes and spokes surplus to requirements that they wish to sell?

I can repaint if they need it.

Location: St Ives Sydney

Contact: John Martin

0401 007 421

john_m_martin00@hotmail.com



MGB steering wheel

Original type for an approx. 1974 model with no slots in the spokes wanted in good condition.

Also wanted, an airbox for a BGTV8

Contact: Warwick Protheroe

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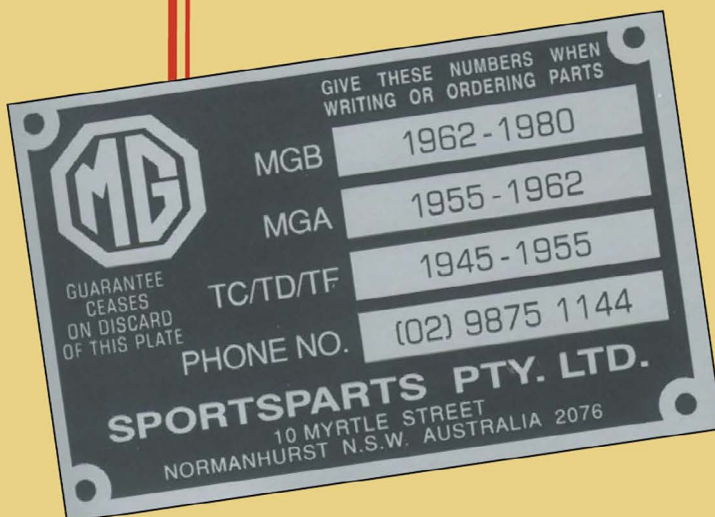


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