

MGCC SE Newsletter

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July 2022 Newsletter

Editorial Note

We welcome you to the July Newsletter. This edition covers the second quarter 22, a very busy period and expectations for following four months over the summer. See Pages 13-24 for events and 25-31 for local club meets.

Importantly, in April copy of Safety Fast you received the SE Centre Events Calendar listing everything that's happening this year in your region so "go for it" get involved and enjoy the MG in 2022.

If you or your fellow member are not receiving the quarterly SE newsletter via email it may be because your up-to-date email address is not held by the main administration at Abingdon. To update your details either go to the Members login area of MGCC web site, email mgcc@mgcc.co.uk or call 01235 555552.

Your Newsletter Editors / Scribes and their cars

Will Opie has been a member of the MGCC SE for over 40 years owning a multitude of MG variants and currently co-leads the North Downs Natter – pictured below left.

Ray Ruffels was introduced to MG motoring whilst working for Wadhams Stringers in the late 1970's and now runs several classic MGs plus a ZT-T daily-driver - pictured below right.



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Chairman's Chatter – Tim Morris

Well, we are already halfway through the first year of my Chairmanship and it has been great fun. We have a great team on the committee who are all dedicated to bringing fantastic events for you to enjoy with your MGs. Then there are all the Natter and Wanderer leaders and their groups who organise regular meetings and drive outs in your area. All these activities don't come without some risk however, and you will have noticed that at all MGCC events the paperwork has increased a bit!

Play Safe

The Club is committed to keeping all its members and organisers safe and following a club wide review, involving our insurance companies, you will find your local group leaders now risk assessing events and meetings and you will be asked to "sign on" for drive outs etc. Some have already been doing this anyway for years and to others it may be something new but don't be afraid – it is perfectly harmless and a few seconds signing your name may protect you and your event organiser from harm should the worse happen at an MGCC event/meeting.

StreetCar

Motorsport UK have recently launched their StreetCar campaign designed to get more people taking part in Grassroots motorsport and you'll find John Morgan explaining all about that elsewhere in this newsletter. We are delighted that the MotorSport UK Head of Club and Community Development, Claire Kirkpatrick who is leading on this initiative is also a member of the South East Centre and has owned MGFs for several years, being an active member of the local MGF Register group. We know her better as "Faz" and she will be delighted to talk about it to you at our Open Evening at The Fairmile on 14th July. The MGCCSE itself has signed up to the programme and we will be announcing some "Taster" events that you can take part in before too long.



Pic to left shows Tim (SE Chairman) and Claire Kirkpatrick (Motorsport UK Head of Club and Community Development) at Silverstone with Ian Beddingfield (Chairman of the South West Centre and below is Tim on the SE Stand



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Come and Meet Us

Open Evening you say? Well, yes this is the first time we have done this and it will coincide with the final round of the Alternative PoO at The Fairmile in Cobham. We would love to see you there if you are taking part in the competition or not and particularly if you have never been to a Natter or club meeting before. There will be plenty of MGs to look at too and you can meet some of the committee who can talk about the club if you wish – of course you can enter the PoO too and you don't need to have entered the other two rounds to be in with a chance!

MG Live! and Brooklands

It was great to be back at MGLive! again after a three year sabbatical and we hope you had a good time over the weekend . The Centre had a stand in the CRB area and there was a steady stream of SE members popping by to say hello and some potential new ones as well. We also picked up some new members at the recent Brooklands Motorsport Festival. Although the weather forecast looked daunting the weekend was not too bad in the end, apart from a shower of Saharan dust and there were plenty of MGs around both competing and on display.

Thank You

We say goodbye to a couple of our group leaders this Summer. Both of whom have done fantastic jobs on behalf of the club in coming up with interesting runs to interesting places at lunchtimes. Richard Clark from the Ashdown Adventurers is moving house out of the Centre's area and Su Joel from the Surrey Wanderers has handed over the reins to someone who is probably familiar to most people – Philip Bayne-Powell. The Club thanks both of them very much and wish them good luck for the future and good luck to Philip on his welcome return to club duties!

Modernisation

I first came on to the committee to bring the club's internet presence up to date and increase our social media coverage. The reasons are two-fold – to keep members interested and inform them and to attract new members to the club. We hope that it is achieving both goals and views/follows seem to be suggesting it is. Now, as Chairman, I hope to continue this modernisation process and we will soon be offering an online shop for you to buy regalia. This will be hosted by Ace Embroidery, who already cater for several of the club's CRBs and it should be available soon so do keep an eye on our social media and website for news of that and we'll give full details in the next newsletter. This Newsletter, too, is very important in communicating with you and we do hope you enjoy reading it. If you have any articles or would like to write something of interest to members, then please get in touch with our newsletter team of Ray and Will at scribe@mgccse.co.uk.

Meanwhile, safely enjoy the sunshine, safely enjoy your MGs and I hope to see you at an MGCCSE event soon!

Tim Morris, Chairman MGCCSE

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SE Centre Competition and Events – John Morgan

Why not think about Competing?

In the dim and distant past the MGCC was known by its sporting connections. In fact, the Club's beginnings had direct connections to the pre-war Factory supported trials and racing.

In post war years, in addition to the Club's main race events at tracks such as Silverstone, it continued at local member level with Production Car Trials, Autotests, Hill Climbs and even the humble Gymkhana.

Historically, the SE Centre actively participated in this sporting activity and events have included:

- Sprints at Goodwood
- Production Car Trials in Westerham and Longfield in Kent
- Autotests at venues such as M3 Fleet Services Lorry park and NESCOL College

In the last decade, the number of entrants has slowly dwindled to the point where these events cannot be organised. What has happened to the MGCC member? Have we all become, as Jeremy Clarkson once said about the MGZT260 V8 drivers, the cloth hat brigade!

We seem to have lost any form of competitiveness and little differentiates between the various MG Clubs, as they all now do little more than Sunday Runs or drive to the pub for lunch. Even driving at night seems to be an issue, as many members use this as an excuse for not coming to the evening meetings.

Whilst to many new members I may seem to be the old guard, I do have some very fond memories of the competitive events that I have entered over the years. If the events were there, I would still have a go!

My MGB was used for autotesting for well over 30 years and not once was anything broken or damaged and I even managed to win numerous events. It's a lot of fun to tackle a test which requires speed, accurate driving and good co-ordination. In all events, the speed is fairly limited, but it's the thrill of being able to drive the car in a sporty manner in competition without crash helmets, etc.



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Some of the most challenging events used to be organised by the Lincs Centre and the SE team used to regularly steal the awards. Sadly, the Tour of Lincs is no longer run; this comprised anything up to say 80 mile drive with 12 autotests along the way. These tests were in farm yards, World War 2 airfields, etc. and very often not all the test route could be seen.

Sadly now, even the Gymkhanas are struggling for entrants. Why is it that the modern Club membership and MG owner do not have any form of competitive spirit or sense of having a little bit of fun other than driving to the pub?

As reported in recent Newsletters, the SE Centre has been trying to encourage members to enter competitive events by taking part in events organised by other more sporting motoring clubs and these have included Trials (the new name for Production Car Trials) and Autotests. Motorsport UK (the organisation that provides guidance and regulations for events to whom the MGCC is affiliated) is currently promoting competitive event participation under their 'Streetcar' Initiative.

Recently the SE Centre was invited was invited to a Taster Day Autotest. This was held on grass and was intended to be more of have-a-go day with club members assisting drivers on what to do and how to drive to get the best test performance. One member who took part in a very nice Midget, thoroughly enjoyed the day.

Again for newer members, I have summarised what the principle different types of event are:

Pride of Ownership – These are competitions for the displaying and showing your car and are primarily aimed at member's cars that are used regularly but in very tidy condition. The car judging is normally done by other entrants.

Concours – Full name is Concours d'Elegance and is next step up from Pride of Ownership and is for cars that have been either restored or are in pristine condition. This event is normally judged by club officials.

Treasure Hunts – These take one of two forms. Either a directed route with clue questions to be solved along the route, or a directed route to venues such as villages, museums, etc. where the cars are parked with entrants walking around the venue to find the clue questions. Then event would be untimed although may have an overall time limit.

Naviscats - A Naviscat, or Navigational Scatter Rally, is an event with the principle aim of visiting the location of as many points on a map as possible within an overall event timescale. The point locations are advised to entrants at the event start whereupon the locations are all plotted on the requisite map with the entrant then deciding their own route to visit the point locations. Each point location has a clue that needs to be answered to confirm its visit. There is no competitive driving element.

Gymkhana - A Gymkhana is an event and in which if there are timed tests, there will be at least an equal number of untimed tests. The events are for driver and passenger. The timed tests may be driving the car through a slalom or cloverleaf route. Untimed are more fun tests requiring skill from the passenger as well as the driver. The event is intended to be more fun than competitive driving.

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Autotests – These events are the most affordable entry into motor sport, ideally suited to all MG cars of any age and are an excellent way to get novice drivers involved in competitive events. The event comprises a clearly defined series of slaloms, tight turns and some reversing manoeuvres, negotiating coloured marker cones on a number of course layouts during the event. Normally driver only although Production Car Autotests do allow passengers.

Autosolos – These events are run on a sealed hard surface no larger than 200m x 200m on which relatively short courses are laid out with coloured marker cones, comprising a series of numbered gates making up a combination of slaloms and turns driven forwards only which are attempted against the clock. There is no reversing involved and the non-stop run finishes with a flying finish before a final stop-astride.

Trials – There are a variety of different types of Trial. Some combine road navigation with a series of trial sections, similar to the Edinburgh or Land's End Trials organised by the Motor Cycling Club. More local events take place at a single venue where the Trial consists of a number of short sections where the aim is to try and drive up a slippery hillside course. Speed is not an element as the event is untimed and the event requires careful driving skills. Scoring is determined by the numbered posts up the test section.

This provides a very brief synopsis, if you are tempted please make contact with me for more information.

John Morgan

MGCC SE Centre Competition Secretary

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Initiative

Motorsport UK Streetcar initiative

Motorsport UK has started a new initiative called StreetCar to encourage car enthusiasts to take part in Grassroot motor sport.

The MGCC has signed up to take part and the SE Centre has been encouraging members to take enter in events such as Autotesting, Trials and Naviscats. A summary of all the initiative disciplines is included below.

The events can be organised as Taster Days allowing non club members to take part and recently one Autotest Taster Day we supported, was aimed more giving those who entered experience together with guidance on how to compete.

If you feel your MG is too pristine to compete in, you can always enter in the modern shopping car, although with these events there is very little risk of damage.

The MGCC Young Members Branch is keen to compete and have entered cars in events such as the California Cup at Silverstone. One of our SE Centre members entered our spring trial with his teenage grandson who is now so enthusiastic that he can't wait to enter when he reaches the minimum age. In fact these events can be entered for age 14 as long as the driver has competent car control.

The new Motorsport UK campaign aims to support clubs that run, or want to run, grassroots events by providing centralised assets and promotional support to help deliver more enticing and professional looking events. The aim is to draw a larger entry list, and ultimately more club members, through a wider reaching audience.

The seed of the idea came from an extensive series of consultations with motorsport clubs undertaken by Motorsport UK last year. Head of Club and Community Development Claire Kirkpatrick explains: "I had several clubs tell me 'grassroots motorsport is motorsport's best kept secret.'

How to take part

1. Get a license

Anyone can apply for an RS Clubman License instantly through the Motorsport UK website. This enables you to immediately enter to compete in any StreetCar event as well as a number of other forms of motorsport. It also provides basic personal accident insurance covering you for any Motorsport UK permitted event and comes with a host of member benefits and discounts.

2. Choose your discipline – or choose them all

Read up about all the different StreetCar disciplines in detail and work out which one might be best for you. Watch some YouTube videos to see if you like the look of it, and if you are still unsure, you can always seek out an event and go as a spectator (if permitted) or enter a Taster event to try it out without committing.

3. Choose a club

Once you have got the bug and have a plan in mind, contact Motorsport UK to find out where your closest StreetCar accredited motor club is that runs events in your discipline, and get in touch.

4. Get a car and get stuck in

Once you are connected with a club, get a car with MOT and insurance, and sign up to an event. Some clubs will even go so far as to provide the car for you, making it even easier for anyone to have a go.

If you would like more information, do a chat with John Morgan, MGCC SE Centre Competition secretary 07802 770025 or competitions@mgccse.co.uk

The 12 StreetCar Disciplines

StreetCar consists of 12 different disciplines, with events taking place in private venues, on public highways or completely off the beaten track. Here is a rundown of all the different ways you could get involved.

Autotests

The three disciplines in this category are AutoSOLO, Autotest and Production Car Autotest (PCA). They are fabulously fun, wonderfully friendly and fully inclusive.



Run at venues ranging from motorway services to farmers' fields, they all involve a number of timed 'tests' throughout the day, where participants drive around a pre-determined course of cones and precision and car control count just as much as speed. AutoSOLOs are run forwards only while Autotests require reversing skills and more advanced technical manoeuvres.

Trials and Cross Country

These two disciplines are for those who are looking to test their off-road capabilities.



Car Trials take place on steep grassy or muddy terrain, with the aim of getting from start to finish without stopping on the slippery surface. Planning your approach through the course of markers is key, with help from a bouncer, which is literally a passenger who bounces up and down in the car to help traction.

Cross Country Tyros are even more hard core and participants need a full-on 4x4 to tackle them. The aim is to manoeuvre through varying terrain, negotiating the course without touching a marker and without stopping.

Rally

If you thought Rallying was all about flying gravel and driving sideways, think again. In StreetCar, it means road and navigational rallies run mainly on public highways, with emphasis on navigation, teamwork and fun. There are seven different formats, so there really is something for everyone to try.



M and H Photography

Family friendly Touring Assemblies involve driving on a pre-determined route within set section-by-section target times designed to limit speeds. Equally sociable Treasure Hunts require participants to solve clues or collect items and follow their course accordingly.

Navigational Scatters, Navigational Rallies and 12 Car Rallies are all similar in nature, often held in the evening or at night. They are more challenging, with participants having to use maps to plot their route on the public highway, based on a set of instructions.

Road and Historic Rallies are the most advanced of the StreetCar disciplines that retain the principles of all other events. They are typically between 120 and 150 miles in length, with more competitors and more navigational challenges. To aid newcomers, clubs often have a novice class to aid the navigation part.

Targa Rallies, which are a new and increasingly popular form of the sport, include the navigation element but also focus on timed special tests that take place off the public highway at an average speed of no more than 30mph and require a wide range of driving skills.

The South East Chairman Tim Morris caught up with Claire Kirkpatrick over the weekend of MGLive! where she was taking part in the Autosolo in MotorsportUK's StreetCar Mini. Claire, who has been a South East MGCC Member for many years, was taking part in the Autosolo for the very first time and it goes to prove the point that these grassroots events are for everybody in any car. Whilst she may not have won a trophy that day she did enjoy the experience and is looking forward to having another go soon, perhaps at a South East MGCC event! Tim interviewed her for the South East YouTube channel and you can view the video of his chat with her here - <https://youtu.be/g0-ktVIda64> or catch up with her in person at the **MGCCSE Open Evening at The Fairmile in Cobham on 14th July.**

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The MG Car Club South East will be supporting a chosen charity for a year beginning with the Brain Tumour Charity. The aim will be to raise funds for the charity through the club's activities and special events throughout the year. The charity is chosen from suggestions made by the committee, natter and wanderer leaders. These are then voted on by the committee until a final charity is chosen.



“The Brain Tumour Charity is the world’s leading brain tumour charity and the largest dedicated funder of research into brain tumours globally. Committed to saving and improving lives, we’re moving further, faster to help every single person affected by a brain tumour. We’re set on finding new treatments, offering the highest level of support and driving urgent change. And we’re doing it right now. Because we understand that when you, or someone you love, is diagnosed with a brain tumour a cure really can’t wait.”

You can donate directly to the Centre’s Just Giving page via the MGCCSE web site or make donations at meetings.

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See Safety Fast South-East notes for monthly updates, Social Media and the MGCCSE web site for information on planned events plus updates on past events. Events could be subject to change so keep up-to-date via contact with your local Natter and Wanderers leader/s and see the Full Calendar of Events via the South Eastern Centre web site at - <http://www.mgccse.co.uk>

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact</u>
Sunday 3 rd July	Capel Military Show	Capel Surrey	John Morgan 07802 770025
Sunday July 3 rd	Bredgar & Wormshill Light Railway	Bredgar Sittingbourne ME9 8AT	Ian Russell 07590 498514
Saturday 9 th July at Lunchtime	Alternative Pride of Ownership	Round 2 Surrey Oaks Newdigate	John Morgan 07802 770025
Sunday 10th July	South Downs Windmill Run and Picnic	Start and Finish see Page 11	Andrew Mitchell 07703 138419
Thursday 14 th July	Alternative Pride of Ownership	Round 3 + Open Evening Fairmile Natter Cobham	John Morgan 07802 770025 competitions@mgccse.co.uk
Weekend 16/17 th July	MG40	Gloucestershire & Warwickshire Railway Toddington	Tim Morris For SE enquiries chair@mgccse.co.uk
Sunday 6 th August	Fish & Chip Run	Hayling Island Sea Front	Tim Morris chair@mgccse.co.uk
Sunday 18 th September	Autumn Event with Concours and PoO	Belmont Park Throwley Faversham ME13 0HH	Ian Russell 07590 498514
Sunday 25 th September	MGB60	National Motor Museum Gaydon	Main Club 01235 555552
Sunday 2 nd October	Autumn Naviscat	Map OS188 – Maidstone Weald of Kent	Chris & Janis Leigh 01634 201145

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The 2022
Windmill
Run

Make your
Entry!



The MGCC South East Centre 2022 Windmill Run

A 65 Mile Scenic Run from Bolney Stage (Nr. Haywards Heath) to Parham House.

Sunday 10th July 2022



Itinerary:- After an absence of a few years; The ever-popular MGCCSE South Downs "Windmill Run" & Picnic returns for 2022...

- A 65 mile Scenic Run starting from The Bolney Stage (RH17 5RL) to Parham House.
- Options for Coffee/Bacon Bap at Start of Run.
- Scenic Run past 8 Windmills with options to visit two.
- Finishing at Parham House for Picnic or Refreshments with parking in front of the House.

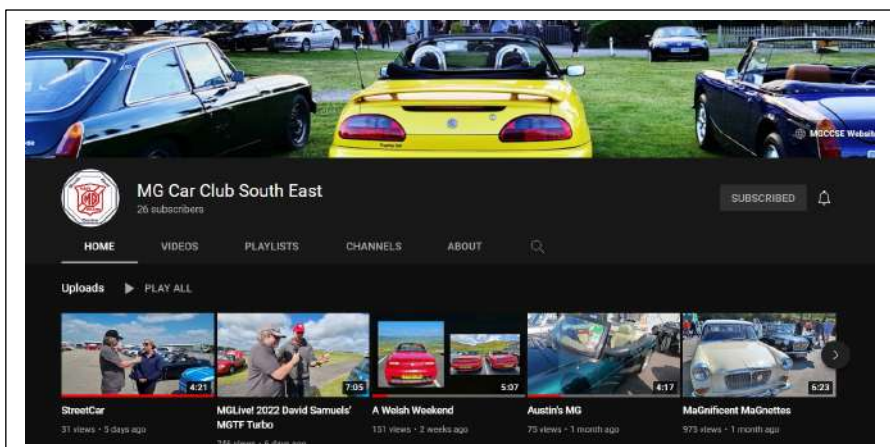
Please confirm your interest in taking part on our MGCCSE Website OR contact Andrew Mitchell on 07703 138419 andrewmgfvvc@gmail.com for further info. Event participation is only confirmed once interest has been registered on our Website, event registration completed & payment has been received by MGCCSE. Thankyou.

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Web &
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Media

MGCCSE on the Web - Tim Morris



All is ticking along nicely with the club on the internet. The YouTube channel is developing well and there are some more videos being put up on there for your MG viewing pleasure over a cup of coffee and piece of cake. I recorded quite a few interviews etc over the MGLive! weekend including a chat with Faz (Claire) Kirkpatrick about the StreetCar project and Mike Stafford about the Club's MGTf project car. Both are MGCCSE members of course and you may well have bumped into them at various shows – Mike with his MJS Turbo TF and Faz with her own MGF. You will also find a couple of videos on there from the SE MGF weekend at Llanerchindda to accompany the article in this Newsletter. The most viewed video so far is “MaGnificent MaGnettes” which has 1000 views. In it, John Langford talks about his Farina Magnettes at Brooklands. That quickly outstripped the University Motors Reunion with 380 views and hot on its tail is a new one from MGLive! featuring a modified MGTf Turbo with nearly 250 views as I write. All good stuff and each video bears the club logo and website address so we are getting the MGCCSE word out there and hopefully attract more members! We are a quarter of the way to 100 subscribers so if you do view one of the videos please subscribe to the channel – once we get to 100 we get some extra benefits such as our own URL! Meanwhile you can find it here - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9dBJUbCdbFc0zpENkl2Y9w/featured> (catchy isn't it?)

The Facebook page and website are our main means of communication with you with the FB page being more interactive if you want to comment yourself. Every Sunday we put up a “SE MG Sundae” picture which could be anything from a current photo at an event or something from the archives. If you have a great photo of your MG, perhaps with a bit of a story, then do send it to the Chairman – chair@mgccse.co.uk and we may feature it there. On the occasion of his Ruby Wedding Anniversary we posted a picture of the Chairman and his wife in May 1982 leaving their wedding reception in a blue MGBGT for instance.

The FB page is growing with at least 350 members following the page now and Instagram is not far behind with some 311 followers. The website itself is regularly updated with the latest event information and reviews and is now running at some 6717 views this year averaging around 40 a day. This is up on last year which was averaging 33 a day. It is the best place to go to find out what is happening within the MGCCSE – find it at www.mgccse.co.uk and our social media is found by searching for mgccse too.

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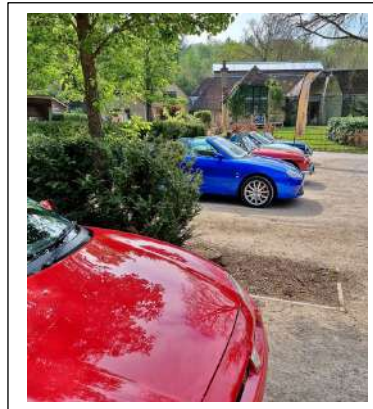
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Watts Gallery Spring Social – Tim Morris

On **Saturday 23rd April** the MGCCSE arranged a visit to Watts Gallery in Compton near Guildford. Over 20 cars gathered in the car park at the Gallery for an early season spot of culture. George & Mary Watts were the Beckhams of the Victorian era – a celebrity couple with houses in London and a country retreat in Compton. Limnerslease is the house in the country and it contained studios for both George and Mary respectively. The house has recently come into the full ownership of the Trust looking after the site and several rooms, including their studios, are now open to visit. They also built a gallery in the grounds which holds a fantastic collection of their work and a chapel a short distance along the road with a stunning painted interior. The cafe was put into good use by members and others took picnics into the grounds for a lunch stop.



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British
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Brooklands MG & British Marques – April 24th



The weather was kind for the first Brooklands event of this format. On a ratio basis MGs accounted for 60% of the total number attending and 40% were other British cars of all types!

It does not seem possible that the MGB in its original form was introduced at the London Motor Show in 1962. I am pleased to say I happened to be there on a school visit!

The SE Centre was given a premium location which enabled us to invite a fair selection of cars of various ages. As the attached photographs show we were able to celebrate the 60th birthday year of the MGB starting with a 1962 built car.

In addition to our MGB's and variants lined up we were well represented by triple M's, T types, MGA's and a trio of Farina Magnettes; unusual to have one at an event let alone three!

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The furthest travelled display car was the lovely airline bodied PA saloon which came from the Isle of Wight that morning.

Throughout the day the cars helped stimulate public interest in the MGCC including a couple of overseas visitors and young enthusiasts. A number of membership packs were handed out which hopefully may bring much needed new members to the club.

John Davies



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Battle of
Britain Run

MGCCSE Battle of Britain Spring Run – Ray Ruffels / Will Opie

This year's South East Spring Run, on **Sunday May 1st**, was centred on the 80th Anniversary + 2 of the Battle of Britain with visits to the Spitfire & Hurricane Memorial Museum at RAF Manston and the National Memorial to the Few at Capel-le-Ferne

Starting at the Spitfire & Hurricane Memorial Museum RAF Manston where special parking was arranged on the grass in front of the RAF Manston History Museum next door. MGs starting arriving from 9.30am and by mid-morning 27 MGs of various types, including T Types, YB, MGA, Midget, MGB, MGC, RV8, MG Metro, TF and ZR were registered and parked. Members enjoyed the fair weather, the MG scene, museums, the excellent exhibits and of course the Merlin Café!



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All participants received the 31 mile Touring Assembly Route instructions which toured through the beautiful East Kent countryside to the National Memorial to the Few adjacent to the White Cliffs at Capel-le-Ferne. During the run they was the option to visit the Lydden Bell PH and the Battle of Britain Museum at Hawkinge.

MGs started arriving at the National Memorial to the Few from 1.30pm where unique parking was arranged next to the central statue of a lone pilot, with unrivalled views across the White Cliffs. The Memorial is a peaceful place ideal for those who wish to show their respect to the heroes of the Battle of Britain named on the Christopher Foxley-Norris Memorial Wall.



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All the cars parked next to the Lone Pilot Statue provided quite a spectacle especially when 3 times during the afternoon a Spitfire flew overhead, one providing a victory role, on their normal passenger run from Biggin Hill to the White Cliffs.

Participants enjoyed their picnic and visits to the outside Spitfire, Hurricane and Stuka exhibits and The Wing Visitor Centre. which included the interactive scramble experience, the shop, the café and viewing gallery.

It was a long, rewarding and very successful day and we would like to thank the Memorials for the enthusiasm and support for the day. MGCCSE has provided a donation to both Memorials from the proceeds of the day.



The Marshalls in Charge – Jo Ruffels & Dianne Opie

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Auto Test
Taster Day

Auto Test Taster Day - Stephen Mitchell

On Sunday May 8th I set off on my 35mile journey through West Kent to Stoneacre Farm just east of Maidstone to attend the MMKMC Autotest Taster Day. The sun was shining and would continue to do so all day. After a warm and friendly welcome the day started with a comprehensive briefing before a chance to practice some tests. I was to be the sole MGCCSE representative amongst a wide range of cars (numerous MX5s, Micras, Fiestas, rally cars etc) and drivers from age 14 upwards. The majority were novices but there were some experienced autotesters present to show us how to do it properly!

During the morning there were 3 tests available to practice. I had never entered an autotest before as I was not confident that I would be able to remember the route and would be faced with “cone blindness” at the start line. However, this proved not to be the case (the cones were actually orange painted broom sticks), slow and steady being the order of the day to start with.



After lunch, two tests with the same layout and route were set up side by side and the timed tests began (but not before walking the test several times to memorise the route including walking the reversed sections backwards). Although not the quickest, I certainly wasn't the slowest with the time starting at 41.3 seconds followed by a 38.2, 36.7 and finally 34.5. I was more than happy to have got quicker on each run and learnt a lot during the day.

The day ended with a debrief and spot prizes of chocolate, most appropriate for a “taster day”. It was a pity that I was the only MGCCSE member taking part and would thoroughly recommend the day should it be repeated in the future.

My thanks go to all the volunteers and marshals at MMKMC who made the day possible.

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MGF/TF SE Llanerchindda Farmhouse – Tim Morris

Perhaps it was just me but discovering that the final destination of the South East MGF weekend in Wales was actually back in England at a garden called Hergest Croft in Herefordshire led me to get a little excited. Looking further it turned out that the garden is actually on Hergest Ridge – a legendary location as any fan of 1970s progressive music will tell you. Mike Oldfield was living in a house on the Ridge whilst composing his follow-up to the even more legendary Tubular Bells - naturally we had to play Hergest Ridge on our phone's Spotify connection as we drove into the gardens



Other than my prog rock fan boy excitement the whole weekend was steeped in some fantastic driving weather for the group of SE MGFers who made their way to the Llanerchindda Farmhouse for no less than a fourth time. Tops down all the way as we drove the beautifully tarmaced tiny roads across some of Wales's most stunning scenery. The area around the Brecon Beacons is not one of those overpopulated by tourists driving slowly and parking in every nook and cranny, as you find in the North of Wales around Snowdon in particular, so there was an excellent opportunity to play should you wish. Being Captain Slow I did gingerly edge a little over 30mph occasionally – but why would you go fast? The scenery is stunning, the roads swoop and turn across desolate moors and over mountains with strange fake East European villages and castles appearing perched on the top of craggy outcrops.



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One of those was Carreg Cennen whose romantic ruins were at the end of a long walk uphill. Built during King Edward 1's reign of castle creation it later came into possession of the Earls of Cawdor who held on to it until the mid-20th century when a land sale in the 1960s meant it was accidentally sold into further private ownership. The Cawdor estate tried to buy it back for £100 but the castle still remains in the same family ownership today. Of course, to get there was uphill and there was a tempting mid-morning coffee and cake stop in the farm at the bottom of that hill which tempted most of the group, although a couple did try the trek. The Thomas Shop near Llandidrod Wells was another great place for C&C. sandwiched between the roadside and the river this former local shop houses an eclectic collection of items from times gone by. As well as a shop it was a haberdashery and laundry for the grand Victorian houses of the nearby town but, for us, it provided a very pleasant stop on our Sunday circular tour.



Coffee and cake was a general theme for the weekend with many stops to try the Welsh fare. That was pretty much the story back at Llanerchindda as, once you drive under the impressive Cynghordy railway viaduct, you arrive at the isolated farmhouse to be greeted by either a Pimms reception or coffee and more cake. Three course meals every night followed naturally and the hospitality was outstanding from the Hadley family who run the farmhouse. They have cornered the market in car club tours in this part of the world where all the hard work of route planning and tulip diagrams are all taken away from you – OS maps, full route books, rally plates, entrance to places of interest and, as always, a special gift are normal for a visit here. A look at the rally plate wall shows how popular it is with groups from all over the country visit and there will no doubt a return visit in the future.

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Spring Meeting at Filching Manor and Museum - John Morgan

A Spring Meeting was held this year at Filching Manor and Museum on May 29th. The event included a Scenic Run, starting just north of Hartfield along with a Concours d'Elegance and Pride of Ownership competition.

The setting was lovely with the backdrop of the timbered Manor House dated 1450 but in fact built on top of a lot earlier building. The following provides more background to the venue as published on The British Motor Museum's website:

'Filching Manor Motor Museum is part of the Campbell Circuit site. Filching Manor has belonged to the Foulkes Halbard Family for over 35 years and is situated between Wannock and Jevington, near Eastbourne.

The Foulkes Halbard Collection is at Filching Manor Motor Museum. The collection is based around the speed record breaking Campbell family's many achievements. Included in the collection is Sir Malcolm Campbell's Bluebird K3 world record breaking boat, along with other famous Campbell cars, boats and memorabilia.

There are many other rare and wonderful things in the collection, which was originally put together by the late Paul Foulkes Halbard and is now being continued by his son Karl Foulkes Halbard.

The collection contains the very rare 1898 Orient Express (one of only two left working in the world), a 1907 Corbin Racer, several Bugatti cars, Fangio's very own racing car, the Alesso, a fantastic 1904 chain driven Mercedes racing car and many more. Most of the collection is in working order.'



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The event entry attracted close to 50 cars with 24 cars on the scenic run, 3 cars in the concours and 13 cars in the Pride of Ownership. The Concours and Pride of Ownership cars provided an excellent display in front of the Manor House. The scenic run was thoroughly enjoyed by the entrants with the route passing through the Ashdown Forest, plus several pretty East Sussex villages and countryside before looping through the South Downs into Filching Manor.

The earliest car was a 1936 MGPB Midget closely followed by a 1939 MGVA Tourer. Other models ranged the full spectrum from the TC through to MGFs and MGZR including a lovely Old English White MG Magnette MKIV. It was also nice to see several Modern Midgets that tend to be in minority of participating cars in recent times.



The event was made more interesting by Karl Foulkes Halbard giving two short talks, one on the Manor House and its history and the other in the main collection museum buildings. The tours started by showing members round Filching Manor – strictly a twin solar Wealden hall – originally built in 1450 for William Parker. Karl thinks that the front door is original, which makes it one of the oldest front doors in private ownership. The main hall is filled with antique furniture and a collection of arms and armour, including several halberds – Karl assumes that his family name means that they must have been halberdiers at some point in the past.



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The Museum talk mainly centred on the K3 Bluebird, covering in principle the history, how it was acquired, what had to be done to restore it until it finally returned to the water in 2012 with appearances at Bewl Water, the Henley Regatta and Lake Maggiore in Switzerland where several of the records were originally set. The boat was originally powered by the RR R series, as used in the Schneider Trophy record breaking aircraft, along with a one off bespoke gearbox and propeller. The drive train was removed and used in the next generation K4 Bluebird. K3 was sold before the war by the Campbell family when the later boats were developed and was used as an attraction for a used car sales showroom before being bought by Thorpe Park. Following acquisition by Filching Manor, the wooden hull was restored (70% of the original hull remains) and mechanical components reinstated. The boat is currently powered by an RR Merlin mated to a suitable gearbox and special fabricated propeller. In recent times, it has achieved speeds up to 59MPH. Karl does have an R series engine but this needs rebuilding after each six hours of use.

Karl is trying to get the boat running again in the Autumn. Possibly at Bewl Water if agreement can be reached with the new owners, and there would be a possibility of the MGCC being invited to attend.

There is also a go-kart circuit in the Manor's grounds which is currently unused. The SE Centre is evaluating whether an Autosolo type of event could be staged there.

Concours d'elegance and Pride of Ownership results:

Entrant No	Entrant	Car	Total Votes	Position
Concours				
31	Richard Thorpe	MGZR 160 Yellow R4 MGR	97	1st
33	John Langford	MG Mquette mkiv White AVE 442B	95	
42	Oliver Stielckel	MGBGT Red YAF 550J	87	
Premier Pride of Ownership				
5	Karl Foot	MGRV8 Red R88 MGR	93	
36	Peter Thomas	MGBGT BRG CDH 101H	96	1st
Pride of Ownership				
Pre - 1956 Class				
2	Peter Downing	MGYA Cream KLT 549	770	
11	David Oakenfold	MGVA Tourer BRG FKC 616	837	
25	Richard Clark	MGTF Red 231 APU	880	1st
39	Simon Broom	MGA White 796 YUL	861	2nd
41	Robert Macmillan	MGPB Red AYG 170	733	
Post - 1956				
7	John Harper	MGF Red M6 FRX	659	
16	Paul Keeler	MGRV8 Red M28 MGR	759	2nd
21	Philip Bayne-Powell	MGRV8 Gold M250 FFW	715	
34	Philip Roussel-Smith	MGRV8 BRG L500 MGR	839	1st
38	John Powis	Midget White HYD 154D	692	
43	Anne Bush	MGBGT Yellow TDL 584J	704	

Concours and Premier Pride of Ownership was judged by MGCC, Pride of Ownership was self judged by all the entrants and scores are overall totals of all votes.

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Fairmile Natter – Update

At the April meeting there was a very successful talk and slide show by John Morgan about his tour around the MG Abingdon factory in the 1970s when they were still building Bs and Midgets. Co-leader Jon Glover and John Davies from the SEC Committee organized the MG cars and SE stand at the excellent British Marques Day Brooklands on the April 24 (see pages 10/11 for coverage)

Co-ordinated by co-leader Ian Ailes, the Fairmile once again managed the South East Centre stand at MG Live Silverstone on June 11/12th. The stand was very busy and successful – see below:



Andrew Mitchell and son take a turn to manage the SE Stand chatting to member Max Ruffels

The Fairmile Nr Cobham KT11 1BW will be holding an Open Evening and Round 3 of the Alternative PoO on Thursday 14 July to which all are welcome.

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The Sportsman Natter Update - John Morgan

The Easter Monday Social took place on April 18th and on 16th May there was an enlightening talk by Pilgrim Brewery – Brewing in Reigate. This included an update and an insight to how they have been instrumental in the UK craft beer revolution.

Monday 29th May saw the Natter BBQ again at the Walcountians Club, near Banstead. It was a great social evening with entertainment including a variety of pub games together with the usual Fab BBQ.

Reigate Tunnel Display and Caves visit 14th June 2022

The Natter made a return visit to the Reigate Tunnels for a car display and to make a visit to the Caves accessed via the tunnel.

The event attracted a lot of interest and despite the impact of Covid that prevented a couple of members attending, we still achieved 22 cars spanning from the Reigate High Street by the Market Stores Pub up through the tunnel and beyond. The earliest Car was a MGVA Tickford and spanning through T Types, MGAs, MGBs to more recent MGF and MGZS. The evening enjoyed a pleasant summer's evening.



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The caves tour was very well organised by Robin Albert whose 'Wealden Cave and Mine Society' group manages access to the caves. The visit was to the East Tunnels Caves and providing a fascinated insight to how the caves had been formed and used through the ages. The Society had also produced some interesting displays throughout including the installation of part of Roman tile kiln found in the Reigate area.

After the cave tours refreshments were enjoyed at the pub next to the cars.



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North Downs Natter Spring Meets - Will Opie / Ray Ruffels

For 2022 the **Dering Arms, The Grove, Pluckley TN27 0RR** is now our evening Natter venue on the fourth Thursday monthly at 7.30pm. We also have an events calendar for monthly day meets either for pub lunch, breakfast or evening events so please contact raywillmg@gmail.com for further information.

Recent monthly lunch events including a trip to the Five Bells PH Brabourne in April and the Woolpack Inn Warehorne in June. The weather was kind so members enjoyed the cars, friendship and good food.

Below are some images of the day/s:



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The Canterbury Natter - John Clark

Canterbury Venture into Sussex on the Rye Trip!

And what a superb mid-week outing that was too....if you did not come you missed a cracker!

12 jolly folk met in Rye and parked up as the photos show. We all trundled into the town, in very fine weather, where much sightseeing was done together with tea and cake.

Then in convoy off to the Woolpack Pub on the marshes where we consumed some superb food and everyone greed that it was great quality and good value.

Jan Grist got all creative with her camera as the sun was setting and what great photos!

Oh, and Mick Abrahart was dead chuffed as he tried out his new spotlights on his Midget on the way home and could see ahead for miles he said!



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Sussex Wanderers - David Griffiths

Provisional Events remaining 2022

13th July 2022 – Start Goodwood Aero Cafe and lunch at The Selsey Arms, West Dean.

10th August 2022- Start Onslow Arms, Loxwood and barbecue at White Horse, Maplehurst.

14th September - Start Shoreham Airport, lunch at the Bolney Stage, Bolney.

12th October – Start at Roundabout, West Chiltington and lunch at Cowdray Golf Club, Midhurst.

9th November – Start at Worlds End, Clapham and lunch at Tottington Manor.

14th December – Festive run and lunch at the Red Lion, Ashington. - circular tour.

We are proposing that the outings take the same format as in previous years. Therefore, meeting for the start of an event will be at about 10.30 am, giving time to enjoy a coffee, nibble and chat before setting off, usually at about 11.30 am on the preplanned route to our lunch stop. Routes will be about 25-30 miles in length. Lunch venues, due to our numbers, will normally require us to pre-book, from a special menu that has been agreed for the Sussex Wanderers. Venues may change due to reduced parking or for the inability of the venue to accommodate the numbers required.

Contact David Griffiths at 01403 264548 or SussexWanderers@mgccse.co.uk for details on Sussex Wanderer activity

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EKW Update - John Bennett



It would be easier to write this note if something remarkable had happened to the Group but, fortunately, nothing has. We continue to meet every first Wednesday. One of our number continues to devise a route for us to follow through our stunning and varied East Kent countryside each month and we seem to be catered for admirably by all our chosen hosteleries.

Occasionally, somebody will ring and ask if they can join us and so far we have not had to turn anyone away. It's a pleasing reflection on the Group that these newbies always say how welcome they were made to feel and how eager they are to come back for more.

One slight variation to our routine is that in mid-August we shall have an additional get together for a picnic in the idyllic location of George Homewood's field not far from Pluckley. We look forward to this and to the rest of the year's events in the hope of more MG motoring down country lanes, more good food and, above all, more good company!



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The Last C Type by Owner – Allan Bentley

Foreword by Jon Glover

Allan Bentley, friend of The Fairmile Natter, very kindly trailed his C Type MG the 44th and last produced to Brooklands for the South East Centre (SEC) timeline at British Marques Day on April 24th.

You can see the car being reacquainted with the Brooklands track on the **SEC YouTube site** where it won the 1934, One Hour Race, averaging 80 M.P.H - 2 up!

After the Types, works racing success in The Brooklands Double 12 of 1931 demand for the car resulted in 44 being built to order not necessarily out of brand new components – see Allan’s article!

For instance, the C Type supplied to The Marquise of Cholmondeley’s Cannes residence, was found to have some unsatisfactory defects, not least of which were cracks in the gearbox casing Not surprisingly it came out of a race as a crashed works car!

Incidentally the Marquise was not the only Englishman to own a South of France holiday Home in that era. Allan’s Great Uncle W.O. had one.

As well as the Marquise. the names of some of the original C Type owners came straight out of a P.G. Wodehouse novel e.g. George Horatio Charles and Count Hugo Urban Emmerich were amongst the well-heeled Amateur Racing Drivers who just had to have an M.G. for that Weekend at Brooklands!

So, over to Allan for the detective story of the LAST C TYPE!



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My brother and I were told of an original C Type that had been found in the Surrey Hills in 1964 by Mike Allison one of the founder members of the MMM. He worked at M.G. and had saved from the scrap bin the previous year most of the chassis records - 1930 to 1936. His particular interest was the records of the 100 plus racing cars made by MG from the 12/12 M types, C, J3, J4, K3, Q, R, and NE built between 1930 and 1936.

When found C0294, engine No AA145 (the 45th 750cc engine) was complete with its original body, which carried the guarantee plate indicating it was the 44th car of which there were no chassis / build records. These ended with C0293 sold to the Hon George Horacio Charles.

To save the car from being scrapped as the entire area was being re developed as a private estate (Kingswood) Mike Ellman-Brown who had funded its rescue asked us to take it to pieces including stripping down the engine to verify parts originality. All parts were found to be original.

We noted that O/S chassis rail had been repaired close to the bulkhead indicating that it had been damaged in the past. Other features noted by the then experts were that the cream paint on the fuel tank indicated that it could have been one of two works owned cars. The most likely being C0257 which had been damaged when only a few weeks old during the German Grand Prix. This car was the only surviving works car and had been exported to South Africa fitted with a lightweight body and a new engine in 1933. The other works car had been traced by a friend, to a scrap yard near Manchester and I have a copy of the letters indicating its fate as sawn up!

My brother then chased up BMC for any further details and found that Cowley not Abingdon had the delivery records of C 0294, which had been commissioned for Mrs C Turner painted Rothschild Blue and delivered to Jarvis of Wimbledon in June 1932. We were offered the car by Mike Ellman Brown who was a Derby Bentley expert and author, but also collected rare M.G.s. He based the price on the cost of a Cricklewood Bentley which at the time was £100 a litre for a runner!



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We did not follow up the chassis damage but never understood why of all the C Types this was the only one without chassis build records. There are extensive records on C 0293 and C0292 the other special commission cars.

In the early 1970s C0294 was the only running C Type. There were about 10 genuine original chassis being restored but none running. A series of photographs were taken for the book Great Marques published in 1983. From this came several interesting contacts with previous owners, until we had a complete history of the car, its competition, pre and post WW2 until it was taken off the road in 1959 and purchased by a collector who lived in Shepherds Cottage Kingswood Surrey, where it was latterly discovered.

The complete history of all the racing cars is to be found in the Hawke History of MMM Competition cars, now as edition 2.

It is this book that shows that when C0257 was rebuilt for the Brooklands 500 race October 1931, it was a new car with the exception of the engine AA 105. M.G. could not risk using as a works car, one that had been repaired and according to the letters I have, the insurance company took ages to agree the claim and time ran out for preparation.

They were building the second batch of C Types so had all the parts for a new car. The chassis number is stamped on the O/S front spring mounting, which on the racing cars is bolted on. The production cars are rivetted for security of identification.

So, when a 44th car was ordered early in 1932 it appears M.G. took all the usable repaired parts and built C0294. New front spring mounts were fitted and stamped as normal. This use of a previously used chassis frame may account for there being no chassis records of the build. We will never know for sure.

To indicate the chassis rail repair they stamped C0294C on the upper surface so it was clearly visible, when the bonnet is open.

When 18 months old, C0294 was sold on and prepared by Thompson and Taylor of Brooklands for the Alpine Trial driven by Lesley Seyd. After that the car remained in the Brighton area and competed in speed trials up until WW2. History post WW2 is comprehensive and the car was raced at Goodwood in the mid 50s.

So, the history of our car today, is interesting but the C0257 connection is not proven, except to look at damage repairs to the present bonnet, for example, which can be verified by a photo of the bent car being towed after the crash.

Regalia

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Windscreen Stickers	£1.60
MGCC Pens (blue or red)	£3.50 (special offer)
MGCCSE Mugs	£5



A recent audit has determined that there are stocks to clear. Please take a look at the above and see if there is anything of interest, in particular the polo shirts, t-shirts and sweatshirts. The clothing is unlikely to be restocked for a while as the committee decides on whether to continue with these items or not.

We are now able to take payments by Paypal, so if you wish to make a purchase please contact Alex Lemon at alex.lemon@mgccse.co.uk

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Parts For Sale

1976 Model MG Midget parts unused in a
rebuild

For Sale

Description	Part No / Ref	Value £	Note
NSF Outer Sill *	AHA5552	73.00	Free
Clutch Cover * (1500 engine)	TT 4011	264.00)
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Release Bearing *	GRB 207	20.00)
Engine Oil Pump * (1500 engine)	GLP118	73.00	Free
Hood Stowage Covers (black Vinyl)**	CHA95		Free

* Denotes all new parts. - The clutch was built by Borg & Beck the EO supplier
- The engine oil pump was made by Hobourn Eaton the OE supplier

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Assorted Small parts

£50-00 the lot - please phone Keith on 07831 655276

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Pair of Late 1275 or 1500 Midget rear lamp assemblies with good plastic lenses and chrome. Complete with bulb holders and bolts etc.

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Smiths classic gauges all in superb condition and good chrome rings etc:
Ammeter with a -30 to +30 range and a red needle.

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Oil pressure (full gauge type) mechanical with 0 to 100psi and a white full travel needle.

Complete with all pipes etc

£30.00

No silly offers please - **Call John Clark on 07940769225 (Canterbury area)**

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Octagon Car Club Bulletins - No. 177 (August 1984) to 191 and No.302 (June 1995) to 435 (August 2006) (54 total)		£20

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And finally, we are celebrating MGB 60th year. Below was taken in Vancouver in 2018 of the export MGB Mk IV version!

