

MGCCSE – Events Secretary Report for the Year 2022

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Whilst some car clubs have floundered since Covid was lifted; 2022 has been a good year for events at the MG Car Club (South East)...

As I said in my last report; Having to be Covid compliant in the last few years has encouraged us to use the “down-time” in 2020/21 wisely by having more regular zoom committee meets together - which worked so well, we have continued with them going forward. And it has also demonstrated to us how well the internet helps via using Zoom and Club members being able to enter events more easily via a “Click” (to show interest) on our main Club website.

www.mgccse.co.uk

As another bonus – The committee meets have all been “Net-Zero” – as we don’t have to drive over to someone’s house each month!

It has also encouraged us to improve on what we were already doing, by overhauling our website with more tabs, functions, listings and storing our archive of previous events better – But also using Facebook more and tapping our future events to a younger audience out there. Collecting money electronically via BACS, before any event we put on, has also made the committees job easier and meant we don’t have to spend our time collecting money on the day – This is all thanks to the efforts of Tim Morris, our chairman, John Morgan our competitions secretary and Ron Kemp our Treasurer.

By avoiding taking money on the day; The Event venues have also been able to receive their money a few days earlier and with a guaranteed payment & totals number attending, helped their planning for staff needed at these events the Car Club puts on.

Out of the numerous events we put on in 2022; I am pleased to show just a fraction of the main event highlights that we all enjoyed in 2022, below :-

2021 –

- **17th September – Lullingstone Castle Autumn Gathering** – Nearly 100 MG's attended this event, which we are re-visiting again in April 2023.





2022 :-

- **April 23rd – Watts Gallery** – Over 20 MG's attended this very interesting “day of culture” to see the Watts Gallery house and its Pre-Raphaelite Art galleries ..







- **April 24th – British Marques Day (Brooklands)** – Over 1000 Cars...and 5000 people attended this event. The MGCCSE marquee attracted a lot of visitors and we had a good spread of MG's..





- **29th May – Filching Manor Museum Run / Concours / PoO**

A Spring Meeting was held this year at Filching Manor and Museum – A beautiful Tudor Manor house and gardens dating back to 1450 , with a private car collection and Campbells Bluebird K3 Record breaking boat from the 1930's.

The event included a Scenic Run, starting just north of Hartfield, along with a Concours d'Elegance and Pride of Ownership competition.

The event entry attracted close to 50 cars with 24 cars on the scenic run.

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 Midget mkIV.

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.







- 11/12th June – MG Live....And a View from the MGCCSE Tent!







- Tuesday 14th June – Reigate Tunnel Road & Caves





- 18th June = Brooklands Double 12



- 10th July – South Downs Windmill Run / Picnic to Petworth House – Fantastic Weather Day !!







- 09th August – Annual Fish & Chip Run - Hayling Island & Its sunset (Run)





Boules on the beach !



- 18th September – Autumn Event @ Belmont House + PoO / Concours



Our NEW Club Marquee.....The “Coleman Event Shelter” that even fits in the boot of an MGF !







MGCC SE Centre - Autumn Meeting at Belmont House and Gardens 18 Sept 2022
Concours d'Elegance and Pride of Ownership Results

Entrant No	Entrant	Car	Total Votes	Position
Concours				
33	Richard Thorpe	MGZR GJ05 DWN Grey	98	1st
28	John Langford	MG Midget mkiv White AVE 442B	95	
Pride of Ownership				
Pre - 1956 Class				
7	David Brenchley	MGA XDG 969	434	1st
19	Rosemary Bayne-Powell	MGNA Allingham BYU 271	361	
23	Philip Bayne-Powell	MG NA Midget Coupe XXG 102	418	
Post - 1956				
4	Ian Russell	MG Midget SPN 231 G	420	1st
5	Robin Taylor	MGZR HV54 ADO	410	
32	Trevor Grout	MGBGT V8 KHS 543 N	370	
Event Awards				
28	John Langford	MG Midget mkiv White AVE 442B		Car of Show
14	Allan Reid	Ford Tudor (MG Midget)		Spirit of Event
19 & 23	Philip & Rosemary Bayne-Powell	MGNA Allingham BYU 271 and MGNA Coupe XXG 102		Enthusiast

Notes

- 1 Concours was judged by MGCC, Pride of Ownership was self judged by all the entrants and scores are overall totals of all votes.
- 2 Enthusiast Special Award presented to Philip and Rosemary for exceptional event support, considering distance travelled in MMM cars, bringing two cars to the event, fixing issues on both cars as well as displaying a rare MMM car.

