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FROM THE HIGH CHAIR,

My sincere apologies to our esteemed editor and all members for delaying this final edition for 2016. I shall stop making 'kudu excuses' and bring myself back to reality!

The year seems to have come to an abrupt halt far sooner than my internal timing was ready for it. The final events of the year followed the trend with excellent attendances at the November breakfast at Zucchini's and the Prawn Braai, and even the wet weather did not deter a good crowd at the street party. We sincerely thank Trevor and his team of chefs, barmen and general helpers not forgetting Marchè and the ladies who stepped in to help with the catering. The events calendar for the first half of 2017 will be published later in this newsletter and we look forward to seeing you at the traditional Brenton picnic and the breakfast run towards the end of January. Trevor is in the process of arranging the new venue for the Plett-side breakfast and you will be notified as soon as arrangements are confirmed.

I would like to express my gratitude to the committee who have taken over and carried the club for the past almost 4 months making my meagre participation in club affairs purely social. Their support has been enormous and a huge relief to me. Vice Chairman, Ricky, has chaired meetings and has been there to offer support and advice when it was most needed; Trevor has put much time and effort into keeping us successfully entertained; Duncan has kept the finances on an even and sharp keel including frustrating dealings with SARS and sorting out our charity donations; Tony puts huge effort into our 'administration' and I know that behind the scenes, Lorna very capably assists him; Gerry has put regalia back on the map and is successfully selling items which we would like to see more prominent among members; Liesel with her team has been involved with the arrangements for Cape Centres. I thank you all very sincerely for what you have done for the club and for me. Charlotte has been incredibly tolerant of my confusion and forgetfulness and I thank her for her support and for continuing to produce this excellent newsletter which we very easily tend to take for granted.

The big event of 2017 for the club will be the Cape Centres Gathering and we look forward to your participation.

I hope we will be able to distribute this edition before Christmas and I wish you all a very happy and joyous festive season and a successful, happy and healthy 2017. May your enjoyment from your MG association grow and may the pleasure of using your MG give you many hours of happiness.

With best wishes,

Bruce

EDITORIAL:

Can you believe, the prawn braai is a thing of the past and the worst part of it, I missed it. Now I have to start counting the days to the next one. But I had the privilege to attend the Christmas party of Sivuyela School for the Deaf, an MGCC supported project, where I shared some tea and eats under the trees outside the school. The new nameboard looks good and the kids looked really smart in their uniforms.

It is the last newsletter of the year, and the next one will only be in February 2017. Thank you for the members who send articles to fill the newsletter - I really do appreciate it as I cannot do it on my own. I trust that next year you will do the same. I also wish you all an absolutely fantastic holiday season, safe driving, and lots of fun and laughter with your loved ones.

PAST EVENTS

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Zucchini Restaurant - Timberlake



As always a lovely day for a MG drive specially knowing a good breakfast is waiting.

Christmas Party at Sivuyela

A year ago I attended the Christmas Party of Sivuyela, and the positive difference this year compare to the previous one is rather significant. Apart from the name of the school, with the MG logo clearly visible, the classroom has a new floor covering, the kids all look lovely in their new uniforms and they were proud to display their hand work. The kids really do look happy. All of the children were not at school. Two girls of single moms cannot attend anymore as the mother have no means to get the children to the school. The mayor of Knysna also attended the party and three red MG 's were part of the display. I think Bruce, Gerry and Tony had planned it that way - red for the christmas theme. Helping Sivuyela financially is really a worthwhile cause and we as an MG club can be proud to be involved with



them



Schools nameboard with MG logo

Christmas Cake sponsored by Spar



Schoolkids pointing to their names written on board



The three wise men made by kids



Three red MG's their owners and the children



Children having treats .



All attended.

PRAWN BRAAI

I have a great friend and I love prawns. I could not attend the prawnbraai this year, and what do I get, a photo of all my prawns eaten by my friends. Thank you Dianne.



Photo by Jill Morse

Bodge Street Braai

Many hands make light work. Thanks for the braaiers - you can.



Photo by Ton



FUTURE EVENTS

Regular breakfast runs are held on the last Sunday of the month. Please see under forthcoming events in the current newsletter for more detail.

Meeting Places:

KnysnaQuays: at the Waterfront end of Grey Street.

Sedgefield: Engen One-Stop

TC - Trevor Cooper; trevcoops@gmail.com 044 382 3322

PP - Peter Pretorius; peterp@afrihost.co.za 044 533 5114

BH- Bruce Henderson; brucejhenderson@gmail.com 044 382 1989

MGCC Events Calendar 2017

Regular breakfast runs are held on the 1st Sunday of each month unless stated differently. Please see under “Forthcoming event” in the current newsletter for more details.

Meeting Places:

Knysna - The Quays at the Waterfront bottom of Grey Street

Sedgefield - Engen one Stop.

Jan									
Date	Day	Host Club			Event		Quays	Invited	Convenor
							Start		
17th	Tues	MG	Sundowner Picnic				16h00	GRMC	TC
29th	Sun	MG	Brenton on sea				9h00	GRMC	TC
Feb									
Date	Day	Host Club			Event		Quays	Invited	Convenor
							Start		
5th	Sun	MG	Glentana Bring and Braai Special Event				10h00	GRMC	TC
26th	Sun	MG	Breakfast Run Sao Goncalo Plett	run to Zucchini Timber Lake			9h00	GRMC	TC

Mar									
Date	Day	Host Club			Event		Quays	Invited	Convenor
							Start		
7th	Tues	MG	MG AGM at Angling Club-S		Club-Boerie Roll		18h00	MG only	TC
							9h00	GRMC	TC
26th	Sun	MG	Breakfast Run		Plett		9h00	GRMC	TC
Apr									
Date	Day	Host Club			Event		Quays	Invited	Convenor
							Start		
9th	Sun	MG	Braai at Kobus Halliday Great Brak				10h00	GRMC	TC
23rd	Sun	MG	Breakfast run to Zucchini Timber Lake			er Lake	9h00	GRMC	TC
30th	Sat	GRMC	Knysna Car Show				9h00	MG	PP
May									
Date	Day	Host Club			Event		Quays	Invited	Convenor
							Start		
5/6/7th	Fri/Sun	MG	Knysna Hill Climb @Simola					GRMC	BH
25/26/27/28	Fri/Sat/Sun	MG	Cape Centres Wildernes				9h00	MGCC onlyAll	All
Jun									
Date	Day	Host Club			Event		Quays	Invited	Convenor
							Start		

8th	Thurs	MG	Sop & Dop	Pembury's			18h00	GRMC	TC
25th	Sun	MG	Breakfast Run to Sao Goncalo	run to Plett				GRMC	TC

May									
Date	Day	Host Club			Event		Quays Start	Invited	Convenor
5/6/7th	Fri/Sun	MG	Knysna Hill Climb @Simol	a				GRMC	BH
25/26/27/28	Fri/Sat/Su	MG	Cape Centres Wilderness				9h00	MGCC only	All
Jun									
Date	Day	Host Club			Event		Quays Start	Invited	Convenor
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25th	Sun	MG	Breakfast Run to Sao Goncalo	run to Plett				GRMC	TC

REGALIA

Current Regalia Prices

The following changes to regalia prices – due to new ranges now being supplied. All garments carry the MGSCCC badge and approved wording where applicable.

Item	Sizes	Price
Caps - two tone peak, navy/blue	-	R 120.00
Fleece Beanie - navy		R 80.00
Windbreaker - water shedding (roll-up hood in collar), navy	S, M,L	R 450.00
	2XL, 3XL	R 480.00
Golfer shirt - high quality, trophy-line navy-blue curved inset	S, M,L	R 340.00
	XL, 2XL, 3XL	R 380.00

Members can ask for a garment to be embroidered with club badge	-	R	50.00
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Please note that the above pricing includes the embroidery of one logo only

Some stock is available, subject to prior sale, but allow 1 to 2 weeks for delivery please. All Regalia to be ordered via Gerry Page, – payment by EFT to Club a/c, send proof of payment please.

Normal club accessories (i.e. key rings, bumper badges, additional name tags etc.) via Ross Lawson direct or Ron at Bodge.



Gerry can order this good quality car badges at R150 per badge if he can get at least 10 people who

December Birthdays

6th Dec - Lorna Lyons-Lewis

13th Dec - Kate Smart

14th Dec - Jan Mentz and Laurie Smart

15th Dec - Elva Fisher

23rd Dec - John Davies

26th Dec - Brian Davidson and Charles van Niekerk

27th Dec - George Winter

January Birthdays

5th Jan - Bob Junt

7th Jan - Anthony Roff

8th Jan - Lionel Hewitt

15th Jan - Stuart Cox

20th Jan - Ron Hollis

22nd Jan - David Caims

25th Jan - Hugo van der Hoven

FOR SALE & WANTED

(Would members please contact the Editor if they have any MG cars or spares for sale)

For Sale - For used MGA and MG Magnette spares, contact Ricky Cooper on 0828222146 or ricky@cyberperk.co.za

Wanted - Ricky Cooper is looking to purchase scrap MG's and other sports cars for spares. Please contact him on 0828222146 or ricky@cyberperk.co.za

Wanted 6" foglight Lucas – will consider pair to purchase Fred 082 321 4700 Thanks***

Wanted - TD Windscreen supports (Uprights), left and right hand sides, complete with wing nuts etc. Gerry Welz, Cape Town, (021) 671 3807 *

For Sale - The car is in Johannesburg, is a 1968 model and asking price is R135 000. Garth Miller, our member, will pass on any enquiries. His cell number is 0725967022.***



For Sale - I Have a early 1968 MGB GT gear box three gears + overdrive, this has been overhauled with new seals and bearings by Ricky Cooper, this has not been used since . Anybody interested please contact:- Derek Etridge 0443827036 cell 0722436540 **

SERVICE PROVIDERS:

(If members are aware of other reputable service providers not mentioned here, please let me know, Ed)

Car Care Products:

For all your **Autoglym** requirements contact Sylvia at : 082 958 2498

email: sylvia.vintagerose@gmail.com

Mechanical Repairs and Servicing

Bodge Engineering, Ron Hollis 0828598771

Classic Car Storage:

Ricky Cooper, 082 822 2146

ricky@cyberperk.co.za

Radiators and Fuel Tank repairs

Silverton Radiators, Knysna Industria

MG Spares

Sports Car Centre Alan or Denise 011 4860021

Teds Spares, Knysna (parts/consumables for older cars) Oscar 044 3821335

Panel beating, Spray painting.

Tino 0782543643 Sedgfield/Karatara area – (including full restorations)

Spotless Knysna Industria Hein 0824706213/0793807337 (including valet service)

Rubber seals/sections

ProAuto rubber 29 Hibernia St., George; 044 8740817

Rubberman 61 Albert St., George 044 8732502 sales@rubberman.co.za

Ash framing, dashboards, door cappings, veneer repairs & refinishing etc.

Classic-Dash Ray Mackey 0829226106 brmprojects@telkomsa.net

Chrome plating

African Electroplating Peter Posniak 0825535032

Supreme Bumpers Glen Brits 011 6262304/5/6 or 0834503745

Chromeworks Peter Tiles 041 4841533 / 0828558628 or chromeworks@yahoo.co.za

Exhausts, brakes, suspension, steering etc

De Graaf Undercar, Knysna Industria, Johan/Doreen 0820993164 / 044 3820806

Windscreens and Glass

Classic Car Windscreens - Contact julien@classiccarwindscreens.co.za

Disclaimer: The above list of service providers is included in good faith and no responsibility will be accepted for inferior workmanship or poor service. Members availing themselves of these services do so entirely at their own risk. Ed.

Engine Detailing: Give your engine bay a face-lift. Some experience with MG models- work done in secure carport area in Brenton- usually three/four days, dependant on scope of work. Under-car "stone-chip" coating, can be done as well. Fred Mullany 082 321 4700




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Note: Numbers above refer to each entry on attendance sheet and do not take account of passengers or spouse.

Members with one MG which is under restoration can be awarded 2 points for attending in a “modern” if the editor is made aware of it.

Attendance Register Members name	Partner	YTD Dec. TOTAL			
Baker Lew	Heather	7		Lawson Ross	Antoinette 2
Battison Dave		0		Le Feuvre Tim	Sheila 14
Bechlars Philipp	Martina	1		Lodder Hugo	2
Bickley Fred	Cheryl	30		Lyons-Lewis Tony	Lorna 35
Brannon Janet	Bob	4		Mackey Ray	Angela 25
Bruce Brian	Gwendolyn	14		Macmillan Rosalind	Gordon 4
Burton Keith	Ella	25		Madeley Brian	Lyn 18
Bush Marion	Gavin	0		Marsden Susan	13
Cairns David	Susie	3		Marucci Oscar	2
Clary George	Carole	21		McCallum John	Louise 0
Cleland Jim	Glen	8		McMahon Tony	Vicky 6

Clough Pat	Ali	19		Mentz Bunny	Jan	14
Cool Wilhelm	Joeleen	11		Metelerkamp Neil	Norma	8
Cooper Ray	Pat	16		Miller Garth	Shirley	19
Cooper Ricky		24		Milton Podge	Merrill	25
Cooper Trevor	Marche	41		Morse Peter	Jill	9
Cox Stuart	Dottie	7		Mullany Fred	Jo	33
Davey George	Margie	18		Orsmond Ret	Julie	0
Davidson Brian	Jose	23		Page Gerry	Mary	22
Davidson II Brian	Bernie	2		Parfett Ed	Jennie	9
Davies John	Babs	0		Parker Wilf	Jenny	20
Day John	Margaret	4		Paton Duncan	Lesley	32
Douglas Murray	Anne	31		Posniak Peter	Patti	2
Dunlop Denis		1		Pretorius Peter		12
du Plessis Alex	Janet	16		Putter Willie	Linnea	2
Etridge Derek	Jil	10		Reitz Fritz	Madene	10
Farrell Graham	Charmaine	0		Reitz Karl	Tilly	15
Fisher Roger	Alva	12		Rist Beth	Chris	3
Frost Norman	Jennie	5		Rosser Phillip	Amanda	0
Gough Dave		7		Scheepers Bert	Renate	0
Gregory Mike	Jan	6		Schnitzler Erwin		1
Greyvensteyn Rudolph	Sharon	0		Slade Keith	Yvonne	16
Hamilton Allan	Brenda	0		Smart Laurie	Kate	11
Hartzenberg Louw	Sarah	0		Spencer Mike	Jill	0
Henderson Bruce	Dianne	36		Stead Heyns	Ann	3
Henderson Mike		0		Stockdale Brian	Dawn	0
Hewitt Lionel	Rose	11		Swart Hendrik	Tina	2
Holliday Clive	Charlotte	33		Thornborough Jim	Maxine	0
Hollis Peter		1		Tops Paul	Barbie	6
Hollis Ron	Dee	18		Vadas Peter	Vivian	19
Horak Leish	Ingrid	3		Vadas Robert	Annabel	0
Houseman Marilyn	Dennis			van Loggerenberg Johan	Shirley	5
Hunt Bob	Lindsey	1		van Niekerk Charles	Carrol	0
Jones Dave	Fay	11		von Zeil Margie		15
Jones Ian	Gay	2		Warne Alan	Jill	0
Jones Nick	Sandie	5		Waterston Allan	Pam	19
Kells Trevor	Hilary	4		Wessels Jane	John	0
Koch John	Jillian	0		Whisken Doug	Irene	14
Koncki Heinz	Paula	6		Whitehead Neville	Enid	2
Krahe Alexander		6		Williams Denny	Pat	17
Kruger Johan	Ilse	4		Winter George	Liesel	13
Langman Frostie	Sue	16		Witzmann Otto	Rosy	4

No.	Event	Date	Mbrs.	Non Mbrs
1	Sundowner Picnic	12 Jan 2016	28	4
2	Zucchini's B'fast	31 Jan 2016	37	13
3	Glentana braai	7 Feb 2016	26	5

3	George Car Show	13 Feb 2016	37	
4	Old Nick's B'fast	28 Feb 2016	32	14
5	AGM	1 Mar 2016	35	
6	Zucchini's B'fast	20 Mar 2016	26	7
7	Bonnets Up	27 Mar 2016	18	
8	Pepperboom Groot Brak	10 Apr 2016	18	4
9	Old Nick's B'fast	24 Apr 2016	25	5
10	Knysna Motor Show	1 May 2016	30	2
11	Knysna Hill Climb	6-8/5/2016	21	9
12	Zucchini's B'fast	29 May 2016	33	11
13	Jubilee Creek braai	12 Jun 2016	5	
14	Old Nick's B'fast	26 Jun 2016	28	10
15	Quiz Nite Bell	12 Jul 2016	10	3
16	Zucchini's B'fast	31 Jul 2016	40	9
17	Addo Combined Tour	23-12/8/2016	17	2
18	Old Nick's B'fast	28 Aug 2016	15	7
19	Red Bridge Competition	13 Sep 2016	11	1
20	Zucchini's B'fast	25 Sep 2016	33	3
21	Braai @ Slades	16 Oct 2016	18	
22	Sao Gonzales B'fast	27 Oct 2016	26	7
23	Braai Ebb & Flow	cancelled		
24	Zucchini's B'fast	27 Nov 2016	66	3
25	Prawn Braai	2 Dec 2016	37	
26	Bodge Street Party	9 Dec 2016		
27				

Birthday Present - by Tony Lyons Lewis

Both our children live and work in London. We agreed that we would visit them in October 2016 for my mile-stone birthday and so Lorna and I set off early October to visit.

We had some time together in London and then in Wales, touring around the Brecon Beacons area.

Back in London and with the birthday nearing I had no idea what was planned - and was not given any answers to questions asked!

Sunday 23 October dawned and off we set, tube to the mainline station, over ground to Milton Keynes.

Milton Keynes? What ever for as it is a bit of a blot on the UK New-Town landscape. There we were collected by an Uber Taxi and whisked off to..... Silverstone Race Track.

My present was a track-day in an Aston Martin V8 Vantage.

Session started with a classroom lecture on driving a very powerful racing car, braking, cornering and track rules.

Then followed one lap with an experienced racing driver, me in the passenger's seat. Then..... 4 laps behind the wheel with the instructor giving instructions.

We then had a 10 minute break in which I could ask questions and get some more guidance on where I was going wrong.

Then back on the track for 4 more laps. 135 MPH down the straight was amazing. I was also astounded how late one brakes into the corners. The Aston is a big car but it's road-holding and sheer grunt under acceleration truly breath-taking!

I thought my session was over but the instructor said "go" past the pits so I did --- they gave me an extra lap because it was my birthday.

There were 3 Astons and 4 or 5 Ferraris and we were told the Astons would be a bit slower than the Ferraris in the dry but, in the wet, they would be much faster.

Well, we passed 4 Ferraris during my two sessions so we must have been doing something right!

What an amazing birthday present from my family. One that will never be forgotten!!



A Thank you from Fred Mullany



Just thought I'd say thanks to Keith and Ricky, for their assistance in components, that resulted in my upgrade. Here's the finished product – Best wishes, Fred Mullany

Something funny:

A child asked his father, "How were people born?" So his father said, "Adam and Eve made babies, then their babies became adults and made babies, and so on." The child then went to his mother, asked her the same question and she told him, "We were monkeys then we evolved to become like we are now." The child ran back to his father and said, "You lied to me!" His father replied, "No, your mom was talking about her side of the family."

Teacher: "If I gave you 2 cats and another 2 cats and another 2, how many would you have?"

Johnny: "Seven."

Teacher: "No, listen carefully... If I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?"

Johnny: "Seven."

Teacher: "Let me put it to you differently. If I gave you two apples, and another two apples and another two, how many would you have?"

Johnny: "Six."

Teacher: "Good. Now if I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?"

Johnny: "Seven!"

Teacher: "Johnny, where in the heck do you get seven from?!"

Johnny: "Because I've already got a freaking cat!"

A blonde and a redhead have a ranch. They have just lost their bull. The women need to buy another, but only have \$500. The redhead tells the blonde, "I will go to the market and see if I can find one for under that amount. If I can, I will send you a telegram." She goes to the market and finds one for \$499. Having only one dollar left, she goes to the telegraph office and finds out that it costs one dollar per word. She is stumped on how to tell the blonde to bring the truck and trailer. Finally, she tells the telegraph operator to send the word "comfortable." Skeptical, the operator asks, "How will she know to come with the trailer from just that word?" The redhead replies, "She's a blonde so she reads slow: 'Come for ta bull.'"



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