



OCTAGONAL NEWS

September 2024

A MONTH OF MG FUN!



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EVENTS

Click a name or link for more information.

Monthly meetings are on the first Thursday in the month from 7.30pm in
The Times Square Room, Sutton United Football Club, Gander Green Lane, Sutton SM1 2EY

SEPTEMBER		
Thursday 5	From 7.30pm	Club Night – - Race Night
Weekend 6-9		Summer weekend to Isle of Wight. For more information contact Nigel Taylor
Thursday 19	From 12.30pm	Lunchtime Natter at The Pheasant, Reigate Road, Buckland RH3 7BG contact Nigel Taylor
Friday 20	From 7.30pm	Evening Natter at The Skimmington Castle, Bonnys Road, Reigate RH2 8RL contact Nigel Taylor
Sunday 29		Club stand at the Autumn Fair at The Diamond Centre, Woodmansterne Road, Carshalton SM5 4DT

OCTOBER		
Thursday 3	From 7.30pm	Club Night - Malcolm's MG quiz
Sunday 27	10am	Autumn Leaves Run from The Pheasant Reigate Rd, Betchworth RH3 7BG to The Plough at Leigh RH2 8NK contact Malcolm Childs

UPCOMING CLUB EVETS	
Saturday 2 November	Darts Night at Wallington Bowling Club, 13 Grosvenor Road, Wallington SM6 0EN
Thursday 7 November	Club Night – - Falklands Talk by Roger Bennet
Weekend 16-19 May 2025	Spring weekend to Jersey. Booking form attached to the email accompanying this newsletter contact Nigel Taylor

OTHER MG EVENTS	
None at present	

All events are undertaken at Members' own risk

CUT-OFF FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER IS SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

Send any entries or photos to kimshros@gmail.com

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CANINE PARTNERS STAMP APPEAL

Canine Partners is running an ongoing Stamp Appeal to raise funds for the first year of puppy training (£5000 each). If Members would like to help them achieve their goals, Eric will take any postage stamps and send them to Canine Partners on behalf of Epsom Area MGOC or they can also be sent directly to Canine Partners – you can find more information on their website by [clicking here](#).

EDITOR'S ETCHINGS

Hello everyone

What a busy month we had in August. This is the first summer we've been able to throw ourselves wholeheartedly into MGing. Tom and I and Team Teddy enjoyed the BBQ, thanks to Paul and Rita and their family for all their hard work. If we could go there again, Cleo would be delighted, she loved having the huge field to run about in and we enjoyed the peace and quiet total exhaustion brought! We also went to Cranleigh (thanks again to Paul and Rita and to Nigel and Sue for the bacon sarnies) and to Capel just to look around having never been before. We really enjoyed our day there, especially as the marvellous Firebird Brewing were there!

We also particularly enjoyed the as always brilliant Cordles' Run to the Wings Museum. The clues were excellent, and Tom and I managed, probably for the first time ever, to get all the way round without a mammoth bicker over them! How long is a piece of string - I think we may by now know! It was a little poignant for me personally going into the Dakota and sitting in the same seat which my RAF Navigator father would have sat in when her served in India and Burma prior to VJ Day.

A final thanks to Nige T for arranging the natter at The Black Horse, we had a lovely walk with The Team prior to meeting up with everybody.

I think last month was proof I am making a huge success of retirement - onwards to a well-earned holiday at the end of the month!!!

Kim

SOCIAL SCENE

Saturday 2nd November - Darts Night at Wallington Bowling Club, 13 Grosvenor Road, Wallington SM6 0EN

Meet at 6 for 6.30pm start. Food will be served - Ham and Cheese Ploughman's with garnish (you may, of course, just have either ham or cheese or ham, if preferred -please let me know if there are any dietary requirements). Cost per head is £10 and there is a maximum number of places of 30. You may [contact me](#) if desired as I am not able to come to the August meeting if you would like your name to be added to the list.

Future event

Visit and guided tour of St. Paul's Cathedral with guide John Morgan approximate cost £20-£22.I am in touch with John about possible dates and will advise you of these in due course.

Possible Skittles Night with supper. Please let me know if you would like me to organise another Skittles Night for early next year.

Happy socialising, Margaret.

CHAIRMAN'S CHATTERINGS

Looking forward to seeing everyone again and getting back to normal. We will have a Race Night at the September monthly meeting, which is always popular with the members.

Keep safe and well. Eric

MEMBERSHIP MUSINGS

Membership has now reached 107 paid-up members for 2024, plus our 26 Life Memberships the Club remains in a very healthy position and long may that continue.

We welcome two new members this month. Firstly, Andrew and Leah Simpson from Epsom, they have an Autumn Gold Round Wheel Arch MG Midget from 1972 in excellent condition. Secondly, Chris and Sheila Redhead from Langley Vale who own a 1966 MGB Roadster in Iris Blue in excellent condition. Welcome to you both.

With our cost remaining a highly attractive £10 for annual membership, please spread the word about joining Epsom Area MGOC, wherever you can. U

Unfortunately, I will not be at the September Club Night but look forward to seeing members at our "Centenary MG Quiz" at October Club Night.

Malcolm

CAR EVENTS

For those who were not at our August Club Night, here are the results of our Pride of Ownership competition on 4th July. 22 cars turned up to be judged by members and the results were as follows:

- 1st Tony Pearse MGB Roadster 1967 Judging% 47 Pride% 50 Total 97 points
- 2nd Sue Swann MG Midget 1965 Judging % 46 Pride % 43 Total 89 points
- 3rd Malcolm Childs MG TD 1953 Judging %4 2 Pride% 45 Total 87 points.

August saw three busy weekends, firstly, the Club barbeque at Gatwick Aircraft Museum on Sunday 4th which I understand was a great success with many members turning up in their MGs on the day.

On Sunday 11th, 13 members were on display at a very busy and warm Cranleigh Car Show, our thanks to Paul and Rita for organising and hosting both of these events.

Sunday 18th saw our Annual Cordles' Run to the Wings Museum in West Sussex, thank you Richard and Linda.

At the beginning of September, on Sunday 1st, there is the South Downs Run. We always see a number of members on this enjoyable Run alongside the South Downs.

I am sure members will be pleased to know that following our Club's efforts at the MG Centenary Celebrations, in May, we have received £718.75 for Club Funds for charitable giving, and I received a further £80, for club funds from MGOC for the article in August "Enjoying MG".

I hope those members going to The Isle of Wight enjoy their trip in early September.

Regrettably, Marlene and I and Chris and Dave Gill will not be with you on Club Night as we will be on the MG T Register Gathering in Mid-Wales.

Our Annual Autumn Leaves Run will be on Sunday 27th October when the route includes a Garden Centre coffee stop on the way around, if required. The route is around 30 Miles and will take 1¼ hours. Start will be from 10am from The Pheasant at Buckland RH17 7BG and we finish at The Plough at Leigh RH2 8NK. Lunches will be available. Please let me know at the October Meeting or by email if you are coming.

Malcolm Childs Membership Secretary

SECRETARY'S SCRIBBLINGS

Dear All

It was another very busy month for the club. Due to our annual holiday Linda and I missed the social evening club night and the excellent Club BBQ at Gatwick Aviation museum. The BBQ sounds like another fantastic event that we were really sorry to miss. We took the caravan to Jersey, pulled by the ZT. It really is an excellent tow car, especially with the weight we are pulling, but it takes it in its stride.

We came back in time for our own run to the Wings Museum at Balcombe. I came back from Jersey with Covid, and although I was 'clear' by the Sunday of our run, Lin caught it off me and was still testing positive, so she had to, regretfully, miss the event. Thank you to all who took part for your support. A total of 23 MGs attended on a nice sunny day, lots of blue sky and nice temperatures. The Wings Museum allowed us to park at the beginning of the adjoining field, with nice views over the South Downs. As normal, we had our 'fun' quiz for those who wanted to take part, and the winner will be announced at the September club night and the answers will also be included in the next newsletter.

September's events include a quiz for club night, a weekend in the Isle of Wight and a club stand at The Diamond Riding centre. Linda and I are unable to join the members at their hotel in Shanklin as we are already booked on the IOW that weekend for the IOW Classic Motor Show. We have been attending this great event for years, and this year we are planning to take the 'B'.

Hope to see a lot of you at the race night at club night on the 5th September.

Happy Motoring, Richard

CLUB STAND

29 September - The Diamond Centre, Woodmansterne Road, Carshalton SM5 4DT

We will have our last Club Stand of the season at The Diamond Centre for Disabled People's Autumn Fair. This is always a very enjoyable event with lots to see and do.

For more information or to tell me you are coming to any Club Stand, either see me at a Club night or email me on paaablo@talktalk.net. Looking forward to seeing you, Paul

NATTERS NEWS

Following a quieter August month (for some of us) we finished with an Evening Natter at The Black Horse in Reigate, where a group of 10 of us got together for an enjoyable evening.

We now move onwards into September, where some of us will be going on our Summer Weekend on the Isle of Wight, (from 6th to 9th September), before returning to enjoy:

A Lunchtime Natter at The Pheasant, Reigate Road, Buckland RH3 7BG on Thursday 19th September from 12.30pm and then

An Evening Natter at The Skimmington Castle, Bonnys Road, Reigate RH2 8RL on Friday 20th September at 7pm.

I also run our WhatsApp group which members use to keep in touch and to share information or funnies. Members of the group sometimes even meet up for coffee at a local garden centre or cafe. If you want to join the WhatsApp Group, please text me on 07584 575695, giving your name(s) email-address and phone number, and I can add you to the group.

Happy nattering Nige T

Spring Weekend Friday 16th to Monday 19th May 2025

This trip is to St Helier, Jersey. The price for the 3-night package at [The Merton Hotel](#) is £489* and includes:

- 🍽️ Half board in ensuite room with flat screen TV, Wi-Fi, toiletries, tea & coffee making facilities
- 🚗 Free limited on-site parking
- 🍷 Wine reception
- 🏋️ Fitness Centre
- 🏊 Aquadome with outdoor and indoor pools
- 🏏 Island Club run









**Supplements payable for both trips can be found on booking forms*


I am arranging this trip for May 2025. Contact me, Nigel Taylor, on 07584 575 695 or nigel.taylor1@btinternet.com and I will send you a booking form with details of how to pay for the weekend.

REGALIA


Tony Pearce is the Committee Member responsible for our fabulous Regalia. Sport your Club colours with pride or choose one of our lovely gifts for you, your family, or friends. To buy any item, complete the order form below, including the reference number beside the item you want, and email it to anthony2444@tiscali.co.uk or hand it to Tony at a Club Nights.


We have added a sweater to our range offered – the details are just below.


CLOTHING		
	LIGHTWEIGHT V NECK SWEATER £24.50	
	<p>Henbury H720 made of cotton/acrylic with ribbed neck, cuffs and hem</p> <p>Size: S/M/L/XL/XXL/3XL/4XL</p> <p>Colours: Black, Dark Grey, Navy, Purple</p>	
	RESULT CORE POLARTHERM QUILTED FLEECE WINTER JACKET £44	
	<p>Luxury soft feel fleece, Polartherm™ polyester quilted lining. Windproof. Full length zip, two zip closing side pockets. Elasticated cuffs, Adjustable drawcord hem. 100% polyester, Super warm. Reference RS219X</p> <p>Sizes: 38(S)/41(M)/44(L)/46(XL)/48(2XL)/50(3XL)/52(4XL)</p> <p>Colours: Navy blue or black</p>	
	FRUIT OF THE LOOM POLO SHIRTS £15	
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	MENS TSHIRTS	
	FRUIT OF THE LOOM (SS10) £12.50	
	RUSSELL HEAVYWEIGHT (010M) £17.50	
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	WOMENS GILDAN V-NECK TSHIRTS £12.50	
	<p>V-neck premium (GD91) Size: 8-10 (S)/10-12 (M)/12-14 (L)/14-16 (XL)/16-18 (XXL) Colours: Azalea, black, Cornsilk, Heliconia, light blue, navy, red, royal blue, sapphire blue, sport grey, white</p>	
	FRUIT OF THE LOOM HOODIES £27.50	
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SWEATSHIRTS £17.50		


	<p>FRUIT OF THE LOOM (SS120) Size: S/M/L/XL/XXL and chest 35-37/38-40/41-43/44-46/47-49 Colours: Azure, black, bottle, burgundy, Deep Navy, Fuchsia, Heather Grey, Kelly (green), Light Graphite, Orange, Purple, Red, Royal Blue, White</p>	<p>RUSSELL (762M) (thicker version) Size: XS/S/M/L/XL/XXL/3XL/4XL or chest 34-36/36-38/38-40/40-42/42-44/44-46, 46-48/48-50 Colours: Bottle green, bright royal blue, French navy, black, bright red, burgundy, classic red, light Oxford (grey), purple, sky blue, winter emerald (green)</p>
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OTHER ITEMS


	<p style="text-align: center;">CAPS £12.50</p> <p>BEECHFIELD (BB58) heavy cotton drill with stitched ventilation eyelets, pre-curved peak, fabric strap with tri-glide buckle. Colours: Black, bottle green, bright royal, classic red, French navy, light grey, natural and white</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">BEECHFIELD CUFFED BEANIE £12</p> <p>Colours: 57 – too many to show. Ask Tony for a colour chart! One size embroidered with our logo. Reference BB45</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">MUMBLES BEAR £15</p> <p>Bears (MM016) are light brown and 30cm (12”) tall. They can be ordered beautifully dressed in a coloured jumper, hoodie, or t-shirt, embroidered with the famous Epsom MGO logo. Choose from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jumper: Cream, baby pink, baby blue, navy, white, red • Hoodie: Fuchsia, navy, red, white • T-shirt: Fuchsia, navy, red, white, sublimation white, baby blue, bottle green, burgundy, pink
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	<p style="text-align: center;">METAL KEYRING £1.50</p> <p>Keyring with domed decal fob featuring the Epsom Club logo</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CREDIT CARD HOLDER £2</p> <p>Plastic credit card holder with Epsom Club Logo</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">CAR WINDOW STICKERS 50p</p> <p>Not just for the car – why not buy one for home, shed, caravan or camper!</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">PENS £1</p> <p>Wow your friends and family when you sign your autograph with a stylish club pen!</p>
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REGALIA ORDER FORM				
NAME:				
TELEPHONE:			EMAIL:	
ITEM	REFERENCE	SIZE	COLOUR	PRICE
TOTAL TO PAY				

ADS

Private Ads are free to members and will stay in the newsletter for 3 issues unless you request an extension. Contact the Editor - email kimshros@gmail.com for entry in the next issue. Inclusion of an advert does not indicate Club endorsement

FOR SALE MG TF ON 53 PLATE



ULEZ compliant
great runner in original condition
Only 36.000 miles on clock.
Forced sale as moving and won't have room.



Make an offer!

Contact Chris 07971089862

FOR SALE Early 1950 MG TD



Laystall Head fitted 2000 and much work carried out between 2002-2015 including 5 speed gearbox. New battery and fuel pump fitted 2023.

Body No 488 and engine no 828 -this is a very early MGTD in good condition. Car has toured Europe on many occasions. Has Roll I Bar, Rally Seat belts and Clocks for timing.

The owner recently passed away and any enquiry should be made through Malcolm Childs at mrmrchilds9@gmail.com

Local viewing

Around **£10,000** is sought by the late owner's widow

FOR SALE MG TF160 2003



80,000 Miles, grey with blue Hood and interior in very good condition.

New MOT and special engine parts (Lotus).ULEZ compliant

£3000 ONO

Contact Helen Wenham
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