

SHIELDS WERE AWARDED!





Skittles were thrown









and tactics discussed!

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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

APRIL					
Thursday 3	From 7.30pm	Club Night – film night			
ΜΑΥ					
Thursday 1	From 7.30pm	Club Night – 80 years since VE day quiz			
Saturday 17		Victor Seymour club stand contact Paul Coleman			
Weekend 15-19		Spring weekend to Jersey contact Nigel Taylor			

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS				
Sunday 29 June	Tour of Farleys House and Gallery, Muddles Green, Chiddingly, East Sussex BN8 6HW (details in Social Scene) contact <u>Margaret Billinge</u>			
Sunday 13 July	Surrey Run to Gatwick Aviation Museum			
Saturday 26 July (TBC)	Whiteley Village club stand contact Paul Coleman			
Sunday 10 August	Cranleigh Classic Car Show Club Stand contact <u>Paul Coleman</u> to book place on Club Stand Booking information for event entry in Club Stand section			
Sunday 17 August (TBC)	Cordles' Run			
Saturday 1 November	Darts night at Wallington Bowling Club contact Margaret Billinge			
Sunday 26 October	Autumn Leaves Run contact Malcolm Childs			
For the 2026 diary:				
Sunday 24 January	Mothballs Run			
Saturday 31 January	Dinner Dance & Annual Awards			

OTHER EVENTS

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Sunday 27 April	National Drive It Day <u>click here for info</u>
Sunday 27 April	MGSECC- North Surrey run to Pashley Manor Tulip Festival at Wadhurst
Sunday 18 May	MGSECC run – from Denbies to Bewl Water
Sunday 26 May	British Car Day at Brooklands
Monday 25 August	Bexhill 100 Classic and Custom Car Show click for info
Sunday 7 September	South Downs Run <u>click for info</u>
Sunday 21 September	Chichester MGOC Arundel picnic

All events are undertaken at Members' own risk

CUT-OFF FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER IS SATURDAY 19 APRIL Send any entries or photos to <u>kimshros@gmail.com</u>

Copies of this newsletter and back issues can be download from the Newsletters section of the website

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 <u>clicking here</u>.



EDITOR'S ETCHINGS

Hello everyone

So, one cambelt, one alternator belt, one engine mounting, one CV joint and 700 quid later the TF has a brand-new MOT and is driving beautifully! This combined with my actually being able to see after my lens replacement, means safety is now also covered and I am back behind the wheel! Big shout out to both Russell Walsh and Tom's mate Graham for all their work on the car - if you need to get in touch with either of them let me know!

I really enjoyed the railway talk at the last meeting, who knew there were so many heritage railways in the country. For those of you who missed it, you can find out more <u>here</u>, including a fascinating and helpful map - Tom and I are now going to attempt to tick them all off in our retirement! This is the third talk I have attended from Paul Whittle having seen him at our local WI and at my Garden Society. Paul offers lots of talks for a small fee which he donates to the charities he supports. You can check them out on his website <u>here</u> and I highly recommend him as a speaker.

I can't be at this month's meeting as we are off up to the freezing north - Tom's home part of Scotland for a wedding. For those of you who knew Gordy, it's his sister who is getting married and I shall see him and his family, and I am sure he will want to be updated on Club life.

Kim



MEMBERS ONLY FACEBOOK GROUP

We now have a private Facebook group which is restricted to members of the Club. Feel free to post thoughts, requests, photos and anything else you think might be of interest. To join the group, <u>click here</u> and let <u>Kim</u> know if you have any problems joining the group

CHAIRMAN'S CHATTERINGS

Doreen was diagnosed with Vascular Dementia in 2020, and her illness now requires specialist care. It is therefore, with heavy heart, that Julie, Lynn and myself took Doreen to Lavender Oaks Care Home on Tuesday 18th March where she will receive the appropriate care for the foreseeable future.

I wish to thank all those members who asked after Doreen's health on a regular basis and sent her their best wishes. The care home is just behind the Diamond Riding Centre so I will be a regular visitor and hope to attend more Club events in the future.

That's all from me this month keep well and safe. Eric

SOCIAL SCENE

Sunday 29th June - Visit to and tours of Farleys House and Gallery, Muddles Green, Chiddingly, East Sussex BN8 6HW, provisional tours booked for 2.0pm and 2.30pm. Cost approx £25. Farleys House was the former home of the famous American World War II photographer and correspondent Lee Miller and her husband Richard Penrose. Lee died there in 1977 and her husband in 1984. The organiser with whom I was speaking has now left so I plan to go and meet her replacement shortly to finalise this visit. To find out more about Farleys House <u>click here</u>

Saturday 1st November - Darts Night with ham and/or cheese Ploughman's at Wallington Bowling Club, cost TBA

I have yet to hear back from Guides Marion and John about the proposed London visits.

Finally, I would like to give my thanks to Kevin, Malcolm and Marlene for their help with the Skittles evening. Kevin has summarised the scores later in this newsletter - congratulations to the winners.

Happy socialising, Margaret



CLUB STAND

We are hoping that this summer will include lots of MG events and Club Stands.

Victor Seymour School Club Stand Saturday 17 May - Bryan Young has booked ten places so if you would like to attend, please let him or myself know - there are still places but don't miss out. My details can be found <u>here</u>.

Cranleigh Classic Car Show Sunday 10 August –booking is now open for this show. You need to book tickets on their website and let me know if you are coming so I can add you to the space reserved for our Club Stand.

The tickets for club cars are £15 each if you book in advance but they go up to £30 if bought on the day. Tickets have to be booked via Eventbrite by following these steps:

- \circ <u>Click here</u> for the booking site and click **Get tickets** on the right
- \circ Choose 1 x Exhibit and Car Club Admission (this includes car and two occupants) and click Check out
- Put in your payment details and click Place Order (you have to do this before you can specify which Club you belong to)
- Once your details have processed, you can then enter your phone number, reg number and choose MG Owners Club V (Epsom Area) from the list - no, I don't know why there is a V there either!
- o Complete the details of your car and click Complete Order

Paul

MEMBERSHIP MUSINGS

Following my emailing those members who had not paid for 2025 last month, I am delighted to report that our membership has now risen to 95 paid for 2025, plus 26 Life Members. My thanks to all those who responded to my emails and letters and welcome back!

In the last 2 months we have been delighted to welcome:

David and Heather Hempsted from Kingswood, owners of a MG TF 1500 from 1954 in Old English White and excellent order.

Mick Breare and Jo Birkbeck from Chaldon who have a Red MGC GT from 1968 in excellent order, plus a MG YB saloon from 1953 in black and very good condition. In addition, they have a 1963 DKW Saloon in good order.

Welcome to you all.

With the 3 MG Motors dealerships: Dees of Croydon, Wilsons of Epsom and the Richmond Group at Guildford, having leaflets, using a double-sided sheet explaining the Club and providing a membership form, we hope that we will gain further new members from more modern MGs in the year ahead. With a fee of only £10 per annum we remain a great club to join.

Malcolm



SECRETARY'S SCRIBBLINGS

Dear All

I have very little to write about this month. The members who attended club night in March enjoyed an excellent guest speaker, Paul Whittle talking about Heritage Railways. He was a really good speaker who knew his subject.

With no car events in the month, the other big event was our annual skittles night at the Royal British Legion. 36 members attended to play skittles and enjoy an evening supper. You'll find a report from Kevin Watson below.

Club night in April is a video evening and, although we have no club events in April, Drive it Day is on the 27th so get your car out for a run. If you want to make a day of it MGSECC are doing a run to Pashley Manor on the day.

Nigel Taylor has been unwell, so coffee morning and natters are not currently happening, but we all wish Nigel a quick recovery.

The Cordles' Run will be on Sunday 17th August. We have a venue and just need to pay a visit before we confirm, hopefully by club night.

Happy Motoring, Richard

SKITTLES NIGHT REPORT BY KEVIN WATSON

35 players attended for an evening of "organised demolition". With my laptop looking after the scoring, all proceeded smoothly with the standings tables updating as each new score was entered. With more players than normal, there was only time for 4 games for each player. A break halfway was taken for a very welcome buffet. All of the final tables were quite close, with placings separated by no more than three points. Here are the scoring highlights:

Highest Player Game Score			Highes	Highest Team Game Score			
1 =	Malcolm	9	1	1 Mavericks 34		Richard's team	
1=	Kevin	9	2	Team G	33	lan's team	
1=	Leslie	9	3	Clueless 32		Malcolm's team	
4=	12 players	8					
Highest Player Match Score			Highes	Highest Team Match Score			
1	Leslie*	28	1	Team G*	110	lan's team	
2	Derek	27	2	Underdogs	109	Derek's team	
3=	Kevin	25	3=	Clueless	108	Malcolm's team	
3=	Mary*	25	3-	Dream Team	108	Simon's team	
* = prizes awarded							
The dubious honour of the Wooden Spoon went to Lesley with Lowest Match Score of 13.							



CAR EVENTS

From reading my Membership article, you will see that the winners of the MG Car Club part of the Hunt the Valentine Run have joined our Club, and this is good to see.

The MG Car Club SE Centre are holding an Auto Solo Event on Saturday 5th April at Filching Manor, Polegate, East Sussex BN26 5QA. This type of event can be great fun! And is effectively a taster event for Auto Tests but only going forward! Should you wish to look at this, please contact John Morgan at <u>johnv.morgan@btinternet.com</u>. This event is open to non-MG Car Club members and is from 10.00am to 4.30pm on the day.

National Classic Car Driving Day will be on Sunday 27th April 2025 and the MG Car Club SE Centre North Surrey Natter will be going to Pashley Manor Tulip Festival at Wadhurst on the East Sussex/Kent border.

In addition, the South East Centre Car Club will be doing a May Run from Denbigh's at Dorking to Bewl Water in East Sussex on Sunday 18th May. £20 per Car for Car Club Members and £23 for non- Car Club Members. Full details can be found on the MG Car Club SE Centre website. Rally plates are included, and arrival should be by 12 noon.

Do remember that, in late Spring/early Summer, there are many MG Owners Club runs available to participate in. Our famous, Surrey Run, on Sunday 13th July is covered elsewhere in this Newsletter.

The Bexhill Car Show takes place on August Bank Holiday Monday and full details can be found at <u>www.bexhill100mc.co.uk</u>. The South Downs Run will be on 7th September and commences from Storrington Glider Club, as it did in 2024 and goes to Eastbourne. The West Sussex MGOC website has further information for booking and is now open for registration.

Arundel Castle makes a welcome return on 21st September, via, Chichester MGOC booking page. This page opened on 17th March to non-Chichester Members and is limited to 100 Cars. Entry is £18 for Grounds, or to include Castle £28. Please note arrival by 9.45am and Cars must stay until 5.30pm!

Malcolm Childs Membership Secretary

NATTERS NEWS

There are no natters scheduled at present but do join our WhatsApp group to keep in touch and to share information or funnies and members of the group 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 Thursday 15th to Monday 19th May 2025

This trip will be coming up soon. Please note that the date has moved forward by a day to Thursday 15th May due to ferry issues. Contact me, Nigel Taylor, on 07584 575 695 or <u>nigetaylor39@gmail.com</u> and I will send you a booking form with details of how to pay for the weekend.

This trip is to St Helier, Jersey. The price for the 3-night package at <u>The Merton Hotel</u> 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





SURREY RUN 2025



Join the Epsom area MGOC for their annual charity fundraising event starting at Bocketts Farm, Leatherhead, Surrey with a scenic route covering a distance of approximately 60 miles finishing at the <u>Gatwick Aviation Museum</u>, Surrey.

On arrival you and your MG will be received by our marshals and provided with special parking in the museum complex.

The "Early Bird" fee of £24 includes a rally plate, route instructions and entry into the prize draw for those who complete the run. The fee includes museum entry for the driver and a passenger.

Online booking is available on the Epsom website at <u>epsommgoc.org.uk/epsom-mgoc-surrey-run/</u> or with the form below.

For enquiries please contact: Nigel Swann Tel: 01932 247140





SURREY RUN BOOKING FORM

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Name	 Telephone	
Address	 	
	 Postcode	
MG Type	 Reg No	
Email		

 \Box Cheque for £24 enclosed payable to EPSOM AREA MGOC

□ Paid £24 by bank transfer to:

Account Name	Epsom Area MG Owners Club		
Account number	20466565		
Sort code	20 24 61		
Reference	Surrey Run 25		

Return with stamped self-addressed envelope to:

Pat Watson, 47 Newlands Way, Chessington KT9 2RW Tel: 020 8397 2008 Email: <u>patricia@watsonkt9.f9.co.uk</u>



THANK YOU TO MEMBERS

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Supporter No: 74237

Ms Alison Bromley Epsom Area M G Owners Club 28 Lindley Road Walton-on-Thames Surrey KT12 3HA

21 February 2025

Dear Alison and the Epsom Area MG Owner's Club

The time has come for me to thank you for supporting Princess Alice Hospice and fundraising an incredible £400.00 in memory of Gary and in support of Sandra. We are so grateful to the family and friends who return to help our Hospice so that we can continue to support other families in the future. Our patients deserve to receive the highest possible quality of care and to be made to feel as comfortable as possible; your help ensures that we can make this happen.

To give you some examples of how the £400 could be spent. It could pay for:

- 4 visits to a patient at home by a Princess Alice Nurse;
- The cost of enabling 14 families to attend a Dovetail bereavement group meeting; or
- 17 hours of a complementary therapist.

I would be grateful if you could share our thanks with all those involved with this donation.

It costs us £11.5 million each year to provide free, high-quality care. Funding provided by Clinical Commissioning Groups represents circa 24% of our expenditure on charitable activities. In more normal times the balance is raised through legacies, fundraising, dedicated shop units, investments and the generous support of our communities. It is only the support of our community and beyond, that makes it possible to do our work.

But we believe that hospice care is for living, so our holistic approach means we focus on helping people live the rest of their days well, for however long or short a time that may be. Our youngest patient was just 19 and our oldest was 107. We are a community of compassion and base our care around the needs, wants and wishes of each individual, whether managing their symptoms or supporting their physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs, while also supporting their families before, during and after the death of their loved one. It is only the support of our community and beyond, that makes it possible to do our work. This money will help us to continue to provide outstanding healthcare, advice, and comfort to our patients and allow us to support their families at this difficult time. Thank you from the patients, their families, the volunteers and the staff here.

With very best wishes Willow Tilling Community & Events Fundraiser



For Excellence. For Compassion. For People. For Living.

Princess Alice Hospice, West End Lane, Esher, KT10 8NA 01372 468811 Princess Alice Hospice is a registered charity no. 1010930 and a company limited by guarantee in England and Wales no. 1599796



REGALIA

Tony Pearse 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

Henbury H720 made of cotton/acrylic with ribbed neck, cuffs and hem

Size: S/M/L/XL/XXL/3XL/4XL Colours: Black, Dark Grey, Navy, Purple



RESULT CORE POLARTHERM QUILTED FLEECE WINTER JACKET £44

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

Sizes: 38(S)/41(M)/44(L)/46(XL)/48(2XL)/50(3XL)/52(4XL)

Colours: Navy blue or black

FRUIT OF THE LOOM POLO SHIRTS £15



MENS (SS11) Size: S/M/L/XL/2XL/3XL/4XL/5XL

(mid-green), Kelly (light green), orange, sunflower (yellow) or white. purple, red, royal blue, sky blue, sunflower

LADIES (SS86) Sizes 8/10/12/14/16/18 Colours: Black, heather grey, navy, white, Colours: Black, bottle green, burgundy, heather grey, bottle green, burgundy, deep navy, emerald purple, red, navy, deep navy, royal blue, sky blue,

MENS TSHIRTS

FRUIT OF THE LOOM (SS10) £12.50	RUSSELL HEAVYWEIGHT (010M) £17.50
Size: S/M/L/XL/2XL/3XL/4XL/5XL Colours: Black, heather grey, navy, white, ash, bottle green, burgundy, classic olive, deep navy, light graphite, red, royal Blue, zinc, chocolate	



WOMENS GILDAN V-NECK TSHIRTS £12.50

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



FRUIT OF THE LOOM HOODIES £27.50

MENS (SS16) Size: S/M/L/XL/XXL heather grey, light graphite, red, royal blue

LADIES (SS82) Size: 8/10/12/14/16/18 (XS/S/M/L/XL/XXL) Colours: Black, burgundy, olive, deep navy, Colours: Azure, Black, deep navy, fuchsia, heather grey, red, white.



SWEATSHIRTS £17.50



FRUIT OF THE LOOM (SS120)

40/41-43/44-46/47-49

Blue, White

RUSSELL (762M) (thicker version)

Size: S/M/L/XL/XXL and chest 35-37/38- 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: Azure, black, bottle, burgundy, Deep Colours: Bottle green, bright royal blue, French navy,

Navy, Fuchsia, Heather Grey, Kelly (green), black, bright red, burgundy, classic red, light Oxford Light Graphite, Orange, Purple, Red, Royal (grey), purple, sky blue, winter emerald (green)

OTHER ITEMS



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

CAPS £12.50



BEECHFIELD CUFFED BEANIE £12 Colours: 57 - too many to show. Ask Tony for a colour chart!

One size embroidered with our logo. Reference BB45

MUMBLES BEAR £15

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 MGOC logo. Choose from:

- 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



METAL KEYRING £1.50

CREDIT CARD HOLDER £2

Keyring with domed decal fob featuring the Plastic credit card holder with Epsom Club Logo Epsom Club logo

CAR WINDOW STICKERS 50p

Not just for the car – why not buy one for home, shed, caravan or camper!

PENS £1

Wow your friends and family when you sign your autograph with a stylish club pen!

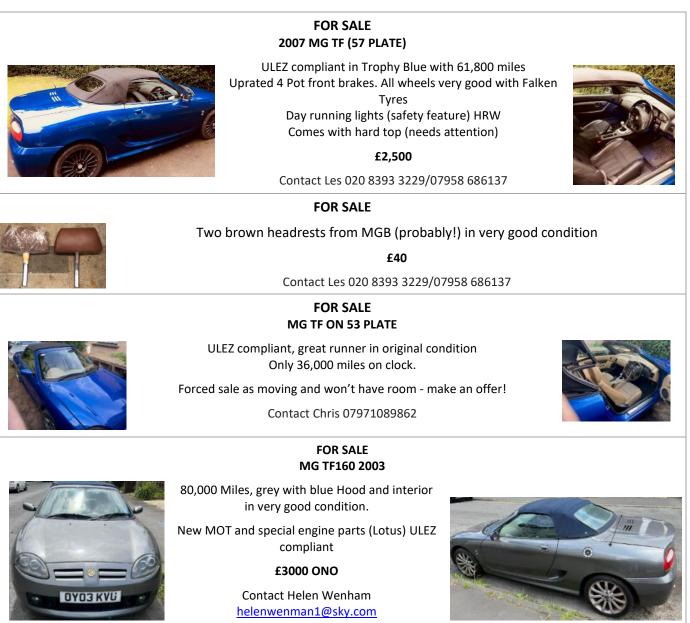
REGALIA ORDER FORM

NAME:						
TELEPHONE:			EMAIL:			
ITEM	REFERE		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 <u>kimshros@gmail.com</u> for entry in the next issue. Inclusion of an advert does not indicate Club endorsement



FREE!

I am a former member of the MGOC when I owned a 1968 MGB GT for fifteen years until about six years ago when I sold it at auction. I have a number of parts relating to this car which should have gone with the car but the dealer who bought it wasn't interested. Since then, they have languished in my garage, but they must go now as I am moving house soon.

The parts include original prop-shaft (refurbished) to fit cars with overdrive, the original exhaust manifold stamped MG which I replaced with a three-branch manifold, throttle pedal, and other bits and pieces. Free to anyone who would like to collect from me in Thames Ditton.

Stephen Ennis 07981794888

MAGAZINES WANTING NEW HOME

Nick Mears has about 200 motor magazines from current to back a few years including Enjoying MG, MG Enthusiast and Safety Fast which he would like to pass on to another enthusiast. All the mags are like new. If anyone is interested, Nick can be contacted by email on <u>nickmears@outlook.com</u> or by text on 0777 599 5100.

The magazines can be collected from him in Banstead, or he is happy to deliver locally.



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CAR EVENTS

Currently vacant Please contact Membership Secretary

If you would like to take on this role, please let us know

