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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE

- 16th Fri *MSCC NIGHT RUN MGCCQ members invited Leaves 7.15p.m. the Tooweng Park & Ride, Cnr. Dean and Milton Rds.,
 Enter on the night. 2hr duration + hr late time. For more information contact Bernie Campbell (HO 202 6982
- 7th Fri 1990 National Meeting planning Meeting Clubrooms 7.30p.m. Your views are most welcome.
- 9th Sun * MGCCQ PICNIC RUN to Mt. Tamborine. Leaves Ikea Springwood Rd., Springwood. at 9.30a.m. BYO BBQ lunch at Pauline and Chris Lakes home 26 Witches Chase, North Tamborine...weather permitting. See how their 'A' is progressing and how they grow kiwi fruit....
 For a rain check ring Peter or Delia Rayment 300 3148
- 14th Fri Working Bee at Clubrooms to collate next magazine light work and a chat and refreshments available 8p.m.
- 16th Sun * Working Bee at Mt. Cotton if wanting more details then then contact our President Terry Corbett on 892 1151 Λ/H.
- 21st Fri *MGCCQ NIGHT RUN leaves the Clubrooms 8 p.m. You will need a torch, a UBD/Refedix a navigator, pencil. Enter on the night. Bring your Club Card, Cams Licence.
- 23rd Sun * MGCCQ MT.COTTON HILLCLIMB for sup. regs. contact Joan Appleby 857 1561. Or collect from clubrooms. Entries usually close about 7-10 days beforehand.
- 29th Sat * MSCC NIGHT RUN MGCCQ members invited details as per the the night run of the 15th June.

LUGUST

13th Sun *MSCC ECONOMY & PICNIC RUN third party extension required on your insurance. MGCCQ invited.

27th MGCCQ LAKESIDE RICEMEETING (OPEN)

SEPTEMBER

- 1,2,3 *MGCCQ IRONNAN COMPETITION 4 events on the week-end ...
 Night Run, Motorkhana, Sprint & Hillclimb
- 17th Sun*MGCCQ CONCOURS in conjunction with MSCC
- 24th Sun*ALL BRITISH DAY gathering
- We've run out of time again more next issue. *Denotes MGCCQ point scoring events towards perpetual trophies.
- MSCC stands for the Marque Sports Car Club.
- For a full year's calendar consult March edition of 'The Octagon'

EDITORIAL

Dear Members.

Well by the time you get this magazine the Queensland Hillclimb Championships will be over.

The weather we have been having is certainly effecting the viability of events. Numbers at all sorts of events are down and we feel that everybody is wanting to see some continuous sun (especially on the week-ends) for a while.

The work on the Midget is now months behind schedule but surely the sky will blue up again and people will get back to normal.

Still the wet to most is more a nuisance than a problem.

One family of members had some problems after Easter. After coming back from a most enjoyable Easter, they broke the clutch mechanism of the TF in Brisbane on their way back to Gympie. They pushed on to Gympie with no clutch to arrive home at 1 A.M. The next day found them shifting everything out of their furniture shop - the water was 5 feet above the floor. They cleaned up. 3 weeks later the same thing happened again - everything out, clean up, everything back.

So think about this whilst you slop around your yard and moan - it could be worse.

You have to take the good with the bad and try and look on the bright side. Things must improve.

Positive thinking is a wonderful attitude to life - in this day and age it is a necessary aide.

If in life we find something does not suite us, does not meet with our approval, then it is entirely up to us to do something to make a change. A change which will make that something more desireable, more aggreeable to our taste.

To make this change we have to know all / or as many of the facts that relate to this something - then and only then can we make a decision. We have to have the knowledge and to obtain this knowledge we seek it out in various ways. Be it by means of written historical facts and or from persons who have actually experienced / or have been involved in this something.

To be successful at this decision making we each of us has to rely on this way of doing things for NO ONE is an expert at everything.

If you wish for a change - be brave - have YOUR SAY.

See you next magazine. Peter & Delia Rayment.

M.S.C.C. YOKOHAMA SUPER SPRINT

Amazing, but true! Saturday 27th May was fine - overcast, yes, but NOT raining!

The Supersprint attracted 47 entries with 42 actual competitors. Our Club was well represented with the MGs of Peter Rayment (TC) Paul Strange and Mark Waterford (Bs) Tony Gould (GT) and John Walker (A). Also competing from our Club were Brian Ferrabee and Marilyn Campbell (Triumph) Mark & Brett Arnold (Capri) Geoff Muir (RX-3) and Mark Robinson (RX-2). Another GT V8 from the Gold Coast was driven by Neil Hasse and son Andrew. Great practice for next year's MG National Meeting.

After scrutineering the practice laps got under way a little . later than planned but the organisers still managed to fit in 4 runs during the day.

The cars moved off in pairs from the dummy grid near the start/finish line on the main straight and were then timed **for** 2 flying laps from the Dunlop Bridge before making their way back to the pits.

Computer print outs of the times were posted shortly after each round.

There were several incidents during the day mainly spin offs onto the soggy grass but one sedan had it's front re-arranged after attacking the armco railing in the main straight. The others were let off lightly.

Soon after the Clerk of Course (Peter Whalley) closed the track for the day, a rather black cloud appeared and once again the heavens opened. During the presentation everyone huddled under umbrellas, raincoats and the Yokhama tent in an attempt to keep dry. (Guess who had only just made a decision to drive home with the top down??)

Yokhama were very generous with the awards. There were trophies for all 3 places in every class as well as special presentations (Yokhama clocks) for the fastest on the day, the fastest lady and the unluckiest driver.

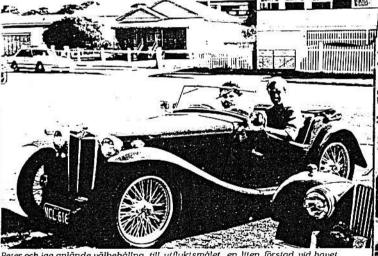
Four of our members received a trophy. In their respective classes, Brian Ferrabee came first, Peter Rayment second with John Walker and Tony Gould each retting a third.

All the competitors enjoyed the racing and their support crews had a lovely social day. Thanks once again to the always reliable Rayments for supplying and erecting a tent fly to make our camp more comfortable — all that was missing was John Crane and his ever-boiling kettle.

Pat Walker.

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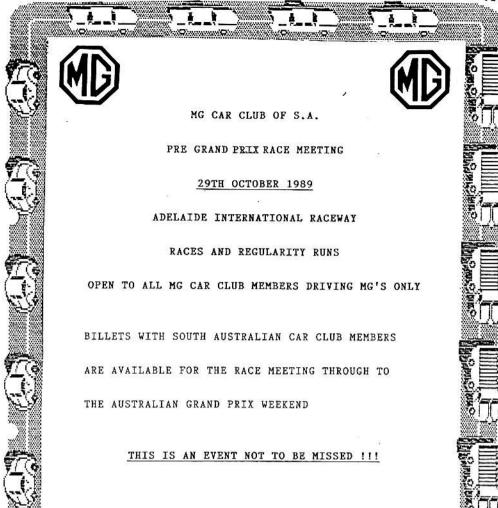


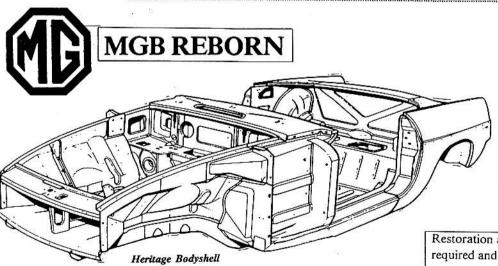
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THE OCTAGON

ATTENTION NEMBERS ATTENTION MEMBERS!

We've been invited to a QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS evening, plus

LECTURE ON OIL & GREASES by CASTROL.

A date as yet has not been set as we would like to know how many, plus names, of people interested in going to same possibly of one Friday night.

IF INTERESTED PLEASE RING OUR HON. SECRETARY-VICKY MOORE 359 3460 (H)

BODS & BENDS

Gary Scott has done well at his last 2 Race Meetings. 1st at Amaroo-great going. He has been using Mark Trenoweth's Jaguar.

Dicky - is still charging ahead in the Shell Ultra.

Amazed faces were the order of the day at the Hillclimb recently. The Committee organised a backhoe to fill in a massive washout at the end of the return road that had been caused by some recent rain!!!!. The bobcat duly arrived on the day of the Hillclimb to find that there was a hole there NO LONGER....it had vanished! Our quiet achiever, clubmember Barry Smith had been down sighted the washout and due to the lateness of the hour used his initiative and took trusty pick and shovel and filled it.

Shows what a determined worker can do. Good on you Barry.

Brett Peters in his Formula Ford did well at Sandown also.

John Briggs and Bat Romano drove in the first Formula Holden race at Mallala.

John Fraser's new Bristol 403 took an airing at the MacLean's Bridge Mothers Day meet. Certainly different.

Believe Bob & Bev Cossor are in the throughs of shifting house - all the best in your new home.

Betsy Hughes joined the throng at MacLeans Bridge Mothers Day Meeting, she bought along Alan & Colleen who bought out copious amounts of photes-firstly of one daughters wedding and then of other daughters graduation. They certainly have been busy.

Hope Ian Costin has a speedy recovery from his op .. and that he doesn't get chasing too many nurses around the hospital.

Mt. Tamborine members, Chris & Pauline Lake - when asked 'How much rain have you had ?' - Reply...in feet NOT inches. Seems like they've had 5 feet since the rains have started. Onris dryly commented - that they have saved heaps on the Electricity account as they haven't had to irritate their kiwi fruit etc. BUT boy has the clothes dryer been working overtime.

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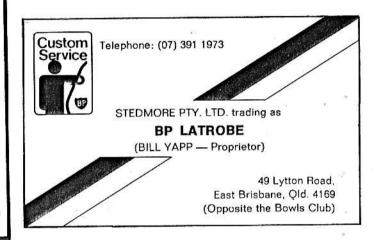
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