



OCTAGONAL NEWS

May 2021

RIP - YOUR HIGHNESS A FELLOW CAR ENTHUSIAST



Dave Naylor passing the Duke of Edinburgh at the Royal Windsor MG Heritage Festival in 2009

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TONIGHT'S PROGRAMME

Monthly meetings are normally 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

AS YOU KNOW, THERE ARE NO MEETINGS AT PRESENT
LET'S HOPE WE CAN MEET AGAIN VERY SOON

WHAT'S PLANNED

If not given, contact details are in Committee Listings at the end of the newsletter

MAY		
Thursday 6	Cancelled	Club Night
JUNE		
Thursday 3	TBC	Club Night
Weekend 25-27 Jun3		London Classic Car Show, Syon Park info here

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Sunday 11 July	Cotswold Caper info here
Sunday 19 July	Surrey Run to Leonardslee click here to book
Weekend 24-25 July	MGF 25 at British Motor Museum info here
Weekend 30 July	Silverstone Classic www.silverstoneclassic.com
Sunday 1 August - CANCELLED	Cranleigh Lions Classic Car Show
Weekend 13-15 August	MG & Triumph weekend at Malvern info here
Sunday 22 August	MG & Triumph Spares Day at Telford info here
Sunday 5 September	South Downs Run – West Sussex MGOE book here
Weekend 17-19 September	Goodwood Revival info here
Sunday 17 October	Autumn Leaves Run – this and the postponed Mothballs Run will only take place if able to be safely run

All events are undertaken at Members' own risk

CUT-OFF FOR THE JUNE NEWSLETTER IS SUNDAY 23 MAY

Send any entries or photos to kimshros@gmail.com

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ON THE COVER

Back in 2009 Epsom MGOE played a pivotal role in the Windsor MG International Event in support of Prince Philip's charitable work with the Club running the dispersal area for the cars entered in the "Timeline" run up through Windsor around the Castle quadrangle and then into Windsor Great Park where the parking of the vehicles was also handled by the Club.

Thanks to BBC Berkshire, photographs were taken in the quadrangle of 14 pre-war cars. The photo on the cover of this newsletter shows one of members, Dave Naylor, with his passenger, Ron Smith, (sadly now deceased) in Dave's Magna L2. Dave provided us with the excellent photo which, we hope, pays a fitting tribute to Prince Philip.

The gentleman with HRH is Graham Robson, well known MG author and regular contributor to MG Enthusiast and Enjoying MG. He was there to describe each of the cars that passed that day. In addition, that day, the heads of the Chinese company that took over the MG Brand were present. Later in the day, the Prince moved around the cars parked in Windsor Great Park.

The Prince held a number of these charity events with major British car companies, including Rolls Royce, Jaguar, Bentley but MG members raised more money for his charities than any of the others.

EDITOR'S ETCHINGS

Hello! Firstly, I would like to thank everyone who took the time to get in touch to welcome me back. It was lovely to hear from so many of you.

Paul Coleman has asked me to let everyone know that Cranleigh has been cancelled. The Lions Club, understandably, felt they could not run the event within the bounds of Covid regulations. Onward to 2022!

How marvellous that things have opened up a little. So far, we haven't ventured to the pub, but we have had a takeaway ice cream which felt magical! Having virtually not drunk for over a year, I will have to slowly wean myself back on to a pint or two – I got some practice in with a quick beer in the sun in the garden! We were down at Mum's on the first day restrictions were loosened, and it was lovely to see everyone out and the shops open. We also had a haircut thank goodness. I had done my own using the dog grooming scissors during lockdown – my hairdressers' analysis "nothing I can't rescue"! I think her job is safe!

Anyway, on to the summer and hoping we can all meet up soon.



SOCIAL SCENE

Thank you to you all for sending me more great ideas for Outings, now that lockdown restrictions are slightly easing, and once more facilities have opened up, I will start visiting the suggested venues for our trips hopefully for this year.

Please continue to let me have your great ideas.

I hope you are well and stay safe and I look forward to seeing you before too long.

Margaret

CHAIRMAN'S CHATTERINGS

Covid 19

I do hope that all members are steering clear of Covid 19 and keeping well. The recent figures on Covid 19 give some hope of a relaxation of the lockdown rules and we may at last see a light at the end of the tunnel. Even so, the 1st July is the earliest we can probably have our first meeting subject to Sutton United Football being geared up to receive us. We will not hold our first monthly meeting until we are able to accommodate all of the membership.

Committee Vacancies

Sorry to continually push the need to recruit new members to fill the vacancies for Area Secretary, Car events Secretary and Editor of the monthly newsletter. If we are unsuccessful in doing so, it will affect our ability to offer the range of events and activities that members had been used to. Do, please, consider joining the committee and help us to get back to business as usual.

That's all from me this month, keep safe, Eric

MEMBERSHIP MUSINGS

Following on from last month's update on Membership, I am pleased to report that our Membership now stands at 94 renewals or new additions for 2021. Our Life Membership stands at 25. Taking into account that the vast majority of memberships are joint it means we have over 220 people involved with our local area Club. In view of Covid-19 this is an excellent result and shows the commitment to MG Ownership and friends in our Area. If any Member has contact with Members who have not renewed for 2021 do remind them as they are no longer receiving information from the Club from this month.

Application forms for renewals or new memberships can be found on the club website www.epsommgoc.org.uk or by contacting me at mrmrchilds9@gmail.com to obtain a form.

Lastly, I am delighted to welcome Graham Hughes from Great Bookham to the Club. Graham owns both a 1962 MGA MK 11 Roadster in British Racing Green and a 1973 MGB GT in White and both cars are in excellent condition.

Malcolm

SECRETARY'S SCRIBBLINGS

2021 Committee

As yet, we have had no takers for the roles that remain outstanding at this time, Area Secretary and Car Events. However, some good news that Adam Domaingue has agreed to take over the administration of the Club's Facebook Page. Adam will need articles, news from Members where appropriate and he can be reached on adam.dom@virgin.net. This is an important area to promote the Club so please look to support him in this area.

However, after this good news, I have to advise you that Alison Bromley will be stepping down from operating our website from the end of 2021, so we are on the lookout for someone to come forward to take-on this important role within the Club. On a personal and Club level I will be sorry to see Alison go but, with a busy family life, there comes a time when needs must. If anyone is interested, please contact one of your Committee.

Club Nights

As advised previously we are not yet in a position to commence our regular Club Nights until Covid-19 regulations allow us to do this with the support of Sutton United FC. As matters stand, it is still the first Thursday in July (1st July) that looks likely to be our first meeting. The Club will, of course, keep members up-to-date on the position by the normal channels but let us hope that the recent progress on the control of the pandemic continues.

Club Events/Runs

Our recent change of Editor to our Newsletter has resulted in the "Upcoming Events" in our "What's Planned" section being more informative with links to the various events and any Members looking to participate in any of those listed will find an effective way of finding out the necessary information. Well done Kim!

Sutton Green Show: My next door neighbour is in charge of the Classic Car element of this show which takes place on Sunday 18th July 2021. This clashes with our Surrey Run so I am not including this in forthcoming events. However, should any Members be interested in attending do contact me at mrmrchilds9@gmail.com.

Information

I have now in my possession one of the Club flags for members who may wish to use this when promoting the Club at events, where applicable. Should any members wish to borrow this please contact me.

Finally, for those of you who receive "Enjoying MG", the National MG Owners Club Magazine, you will see that I am now the contact for the Club. I am always willing to receive a photo to go with any article I submit so please forward to me at my email address if you can help.

Malcolm (Membership Secretary) and acting Area Secretary

RETRO PAGE

WHAT WE WERE UP TO IN 2002

Your Committee were:

Chairman -	Eric Nicholls	Car Events -	Derek Edwards.
Secretary -	Reg Bolton	Membership -	Tony Edmonds
Treasurer -	Joan Porter	Regalia -	Christine Shepherd.
Club Stand -	Paul Coleman	Editor -	Gordon Shrosbree-Kenmuir
Special Events	Nigel Swann		

Once again this was a very busy time for the Club. In January our meeting place was in doubt as the Ewell Sports & Social Club was up for sale, fortunately for us, we were allowed to continue meeting there even after the sale.

Club Awards at December Dinner Dance were:

Chairman's Cup - Peter & Carole Beckett
Tony Cox Memorial Trophy. Members of the Year - Mick & Pat Finch
Trevor Taylor Memorial Trophy. Car of the Year - Nigel Swann (this was the inaugural year for this award)

Events planned:

January

2nd Ewell - Quiz Night
Sun 19th Tolworth - 10 Pin Bowling
Sun 27th - Mothballs Run

February

6th Ewell - Table Top Rally
Sun 10th - Valentine's Treasure Hunt
Wed 20th - Evening Natter, Sportsman Mogador

March

6th Ewell - Wine Tasting
Wed 20th - Evening Natter, the Amato Epsom

April

3rd Ewell - MERU Speaker
Sun 7th Brooklands MG Day marshalling
17th - The Postillion, Brockham. Gourmet Night, where the menu was:

Soup of the day
Appetizer salad-salmon and melon
Nurnberger bratwurst

Loin of pork or chicken fillets in chasseur sauce
Rolled sole filled with smoked salmon & prawns in dill sauce
Nut roast with piquant sauce
Pasta Bavaria (tomato, mushroom, sauerkraut, bratwurst)
All the above main courses served with a selection of vegetables and potatoes

Choice of deserts
Coffee and petit fours

£14 per person, wine from £9 per bottle/£3 per glass

Wow! Have to say it was a very enjoyable evening, finished off with the owner serenading us with Lili Marlene - not to everyone's taste but a good evening.

If you were not there you missed it, but you will get more from the Club in the future with lots to come. Paul

SURREY RUN 2021

20th ANNIVERSARY



SUNDAY 18th JULY

The Epsom Area MGOC invite you to join us on 18th JULY for "SURREY RUN 2021". This charity fund raising event will start at Bocketts Farm, Fetcham near Leatherhead in Surrey. The scenic route will cover a distance of about 65 miles finishing at the **LEONARDSLEE LAKES and GARDENS, SUSSEX**. On arrival, you and your MG will be received by our marshals and provided with special parking.

The fee, at only £20.00 includes free rally plate, route instructions and entry to the prize draw for those who complete the run. It also includes free entry for driver and passenger to Leonardslee.

Booking form available from the website
www.epsommgoc.org.uk
 Other enquiries to Nigel Swann tel 01932 247140



For entry to SURREY RUN 2021 complete this pre-booked application form and send with your cheque and s&e to: Pat Watson 47 Newlands Way, Chessington, Surrey KT19 2RW.

Tel 020 8397 2008. email patriciaj@watsonkt9.19.co.uk

A copy of this form is acceptable

NAME

ADDRESS

POSTCODE..... Tel.....

email.....

MG Type..... Reg No.....

Cheque £20 enclosed payable to EPSOM AREA MGOC



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.

CLOTHING		
	FRUIT OF THE LOOM HOODIES £25	
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	WOMENS GILDAN V-NECK TSHIRTS £12.50	
	V-neck premium (GD91) Size: 8-10/12-14/14-16/16-18 (S/M/L/XL/XXL) Colours: Azalea, black, Cornsilk, Heliconia, light blue, navy, red, royal blue, sapphire blue, sport grey, white	
	CAPS £12.50	
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Keyring with domed decal fob featuring the Epsom Club logo

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ITEM	REFERENCE	SIZE	COLOUR	PRICE
TOTAL TO PAY				

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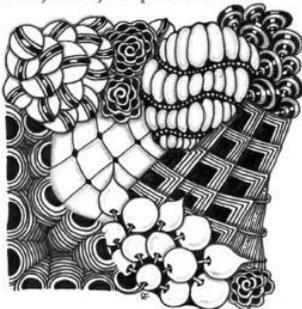
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Canine Partners is running an on-going Stamp Appeal to raise funds for the first year of puppy training (£5000 each). If Members would like to help them achieve their goals, Eric will take any postage stamps and send them to Canine Partners on behalf of Epsom Area MGOC – there are details in his Chairman's Chatterings.

They can also be sent directly to Canine Partners – there is more information here:

<https://caninepartners.org.uk/get-involved/fundraising/recycle-used-postage-stamps/>

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