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**MG Car Club Canberra Inc**

**Monthly Meeting Minutes 9 March 2023**

President: *Debbie Whitfield (DW),* Vice President and Motorsport: *Kent Brown (KB)*; Treasurer: *Brian Calder (BC),* Secretary & Library: *Ewan Ward (EW)*, Committee & Social: *Peter Dalton (PD),* Committee & Communication: *Malcolm Robertson (MR)*,Committee*: Vacant.*

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| **Item** | **Minutes** |
| **1. Opening** | Meeting Opened: 7:45pm  Meeting chaired by: DW Apologies: Brian & Christine Calder, Trevor Finklaire, Kent & Virginia Brown, Malcolm Robertson, Peter & Mo Dechaineux, Geoff Nickols, Jennifer Cather, Gail Argyle  Attendance: 20 members plus Brian Cather from the Sunshine Coast. |
| **2. Presentation** | * Paul Ireland – “How Engines Work” via Zoom from UK |
| **3. Confirm Minutes** | Discussion / Amendments: NIL  Confirmation of Minutes Moved by: Brian Tuckey  Seconded by: Peter Dalton  Carried. |
| **4. Matters Arising / Ongoing** | * New Secretary – New Approach! Minutes to be posted on Website on Events page for the following Monthly Meeting then archived and available on request. * Other matters of interest covered in due course tonight |
| **5. President’s Report** | * The Annual Display Day at Wheels 2023 on Sunday 19 February was a great success and a very fitting contribution to celebrate the Centenary of the MG marque. We had around 30 cars showcasing the many MG models through the decades with fitting signage and period displays. Cars included T-Type, Y-Type, MGA, Magnette, MGB, Midget, MGF and TF, race cars, specials and a couple of new MGs provided by John McGrath MG. Laurie Gardner did a fantastic job pulling together this display and was rewarded with the Club receiving the Best Car Display Trophy presented by Shannons. Congratulations to the Pride of Ownership and Concours winners. * Greg and I recently returned from the Great Ocean Road Tour with 13 other members of the Club. We had a fabulous 10 days touring the roads of NSW and Victoria in the little Midget which performed with utmost (well almost) reliability. A big thank you to Mark and Naomi Horsfield for the planning and organisation behind this very enjoyable tour. A more detailed report will follow in a future Communique. * Our Club Committee met on Tuesday 28 February and amongst other things considered the need for and content of a new Club Policy on the Privacy of Information. The Committee endorsed a draft policy for consultation with members with further details provided below. * It has been announced that the new ACT Concessional Registration Scheme will be introduced on 3 April. Information from a meeting of Club Registrars on 4 March was published in the recent Communique and there will be an opportunity for further questions tonight. |
| **6. Treasurer’s Report** | * As tabled – Carried. |
| **7. Secretary’s Report** |  |
| Membership | * There is a new online form for new membership applications. * New Members during the past month:   + Jenny Cather & family (MGB) – daughter of Brian Cather   + Colin Smeal – (AH Sprite, Jaguar XJ12)   + Richard Wilson (MGB) – reactivated from 5 yrs ago |
| Correspondence | * Routine correspondence - NSTR |
| Monthly meeting schedule | * Presenter at next Monthly Meeting on 13 April will be Kent Brown – “Abingdon Railway Station” |
| **8. Motorsport Coordinator** | * 2023 Autumn Motorkhana successfully held on Sunday 5 March   + 32 competitors, including 5 juniors   + 400 individual runs during the day * Kent is down at Phillip Island for the 3-day Phillip Island Classic race meeting * Next GEAR meeting will be held at Pheasant Wood circuit at Marulan on Wed 19 April |
| **9. Social Coordinator** | * Mid-Week Meander Tue 7 March to Olive Café, Federal Highway * Club Monthly Run to Wee Jasper Sunday 19 March – details are up on the website (Secretary’s Note: Run postponed to 23 April due to forecast hot weather) * Mid-Week Meander Tue 4 April to Historic Bredbo Inn * Autumn Weekend Away 19 – 21 May   + Note that on-line registration required for Batlow Cider Festival with early-bird discount available until end-March (Secretary’s Note: early-bird discount extended to end-April). |
| **10. Display Events / Workshop** | * Club Workshop on Saturday 22 April at Club Service Centre, 25 Yallourn Street, Fyshwick on “clutches”. |
| **11. Web Master / Communique** | * The committee is taking turns with editing the Communique * Please refer to the website for the latest Event information, photos from recent events and other Club information |
| **12. CACTMC** | * Introduction of changes to ACT Concessional Registration Scheme * Clarification provided on requirement for membership cards / letter from Club * Clarification provided on intent for everyone on CRS to transition to the new scheme; ie it is not possible to opt out and remain on the old scheme * Transition to the new scheme will commence on 3 April but ideally members should transfer when their registration is due * The new log book needs to be signed by a Club representative prior to commencement of 60-day usage   + Additional delegations have been provided to members of the Club Committee for this purpose * Refer to more detailed information to be provided via the Communique |
| **13. Natmeet** | * Adelaide 7 – 11 April |
| **14. Library** | * NSTR |
| **15. Canberra MG Rally 2023** | * Registrations trickling in, as at end-Feb 17 Registrations with 30 participants * Interesting range of MGs from 1928 MG 14/40 through the MG alphabet to Ts and Ys. |
| **16. Regalia** | * NSTR |
| **17. Environment** | * NSTR |
| **18. Any New Cars?** | NIL |
| **19. Any Restoration News?** | NIL |
| **20. Any Good Service?** | ACDC Pty Ltd in Mitchell were very helpful with the registration inspection on the CACTMC Pie Cart and offer a range of services including gearbox conversions. |
| **21. Other Business** | NIL |
| **22. Next Meeting** | Thursday 13 April. KB to Chair. Supper ladies will also be away. |
| **23. Meeting Closure & Supper** | Meeting closed at 9:05pm |