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As a new chapter begins in the club, this being the first online only mag, I would like to send out my sincerest thanks to John McKenzie and Kalalex Business for the years of collating and printing the magazine. The decision to stop the printing was not taken lightly and the aim is to insure the financial security of the club for at least another 50 years. John's support behind the decision has been greatly appreciated!

The March events saw some first experiences, namely at Greensleeves medieval kingdom and with some well received complementary feedback, I considered it to be hugely successful. The plan was to allow members to suit themselves at the deli shop to cater to a wide range of appetites. Craft beer, homemade pies, pizza and even pate were all a part of our picnic feast! Everything looked and tasted delicious. It is a venue that will definitely go on my list for future events.

The noggin saw the prize giving, again congratulations to all the winners on their much deserved awards! Kevin Loader and Carol Dixon are our outstanding winners of the Ludourum points, no surprise to see the award return to some of our most dedicated members!

Sergio Mourao received the South York award for his enthusiastic involvement in the club that did not falter even when his car overheated for what I am sure is the 9000th time. Yet Sergio was at all the noggins. He is now serving on the committee, which we are thrilled about!

Les McLeod came racing through the field to clinch the Safety Fast! Title. Les's commitment to racing always make sure a MG badge is never too far away from the circuit, something we as a club are grateful for.

And the Final award was Anita de Castro who achieved The Doreen Evens award for a lady driver which is usually reserved for competition events, however with few/none events within the club (something that will change this year). The committee felt that the award should be giving to Anita as she showed true commitment to the club when she drove Joe to nearly every event and participated with enthusiasm.

I would personally like to make a special mention to Tony Maybank on his honorary membership, he has been serving the committee for 23years... Nearly as long as I am old!!! What an outstanding thought. The reason I wish to make a special mention of Tony is that he works every month tirelessly on the club's finances and memberships... a complicated task that not many are willing to do but it is a job where he is not thanked enough. His long overdue award is a token of thank you to his efforts.

The other club event was for the TC owners. "Tea with the T's" was generously hosted at Robyn Soutar's house. It was so spectacular to see some of the TC's lined up, including Robyn's TC (which I believe is the cars first appearance in a club event in nearly 40 years).

Since this is the first magazine I have completed I hope it is close to the quality that Bruce Dixon has produced over the years. I hope you all enjoy the read!

Safety Fast!

Mike



Prize giving Noggin



The Award winning members (See chairman's report).



A very special honorary membership for Tony Maybank.

Continued



Nigel Stokes, Jeanne and Hentie Erasmus.



John, Pieter and Paul enjoying themselves...as always.



Good turn-out!



GREENSLEEVES MEDIEVAL KINGDOM



Continued



Great People...

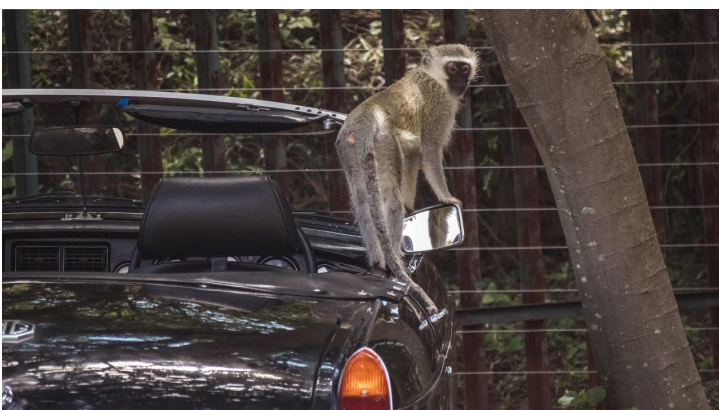


...Great food...



...Great fun!!!

Robin Clarke and his
beautiful N-Type



HE STOLE MY BREAKFAST!!!!!!



A big thank you to Paul Spencer for supplying the photos.

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John Meiring, Pierre Van Hell, Robyn Soutar, Carol Dixon, Angela Wood, Len Dutilleux and Bruce Dixon



Forthcoming Events

With the year in full swing there is a multitude of events coming up, namely:

Angela's Picnic	A Picnic at Delta park	7th April
Kimber Run (The last treasure hunt organised by Norman!!)	Our monthly run, a not to be missed treasure hunt	14th April
MGCC JHB 50th Anniversary	Run to Numbi for a spectacular weekend	6th to 9th September
Sandstone	Trains, cars and planes a petrolheads dream	4th to 14th April
Moz rally	SA to Swazi to Moz	13th to 17th June
Harteas Meander	Rotary club meander, entrance R300	28th July
KZN 80th anniversary	At Champagne Castle Hotel, R940pppd	2nd to 4th August
Dam Busters	Hosted by Sunbeam and finishing at Kenjara lodge.	1st May

Due to the large amount of upcoming events. Entry forms and adverts for all events won't be posted. However if you need more details on any of the above events, please feel free to email Mike Trollope on michaeltrolley@gmail.com

Angela's Picnic

The following is an article extracted from the Land Rover Club magazine a few years ago when it was their turn to man the gate, and was supplied by John McKenzie.

"This is an annual event, organised by SAMCA, The purpose of the picnic is to continue the tradition and preserve the memory of the late Angela Heinz. Angela was a truly remarkable lady an accomplished pilot who flew crop sprayers, her hobbies included; off-road motorcycles; rifle shooting; Opera; Ballet; sports cars, she owned a pink Morgan Plus 8; Land Rovers and the African Bush. Angela kept an old Rolls in England called Edwina for sorties to the Continent with her mates, studied fashion in London; Haute Cuisine in Paris and enjoyed life in the world at large, before returning home to South Africa.

When Angela was first diagnosed with cancer she decided that she would like to combine her love of classic cars and people with an event where money could be raised for a cancer related charity. With this in mind she arranged this totally laid back picnic in Delta Park to give classic car owners, and the public an opportunity to see a variety of these lovely cars in one place.

Angela lost her battle with cancer a few years ago and a collection is made in her name and honour at

the entrance to the park for Hospice. The collection of cars to be seen at the picnic represents a large, but sadly ever diminishing slice of South Africa's motor-ing heritage.

As we enjoy our picnics and stroll among the cars spare a thought for friends and family who have also lost the fight to this totally indiscriminating disease, Not forgetting Angela who crammed more into her relatively short life than most can hope to achieve in a full lifetime, she nailed the old adage "everyone dies but not everyone lives"

Note that fires are not allowed in the park, so bring along your own snacks and chairs or blankets for a picnic under the trees in this beautiful park with fellow classic and vintage car enthusiasts. Entry is free, but you are expected to make a donation to Hospice at the gate.

Road No. 3 leads off Rustenburg rd. Victory Park and straight into Delta Park. The picnic lasts all day but the best time to visit is probably between 09:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. All are welcome, mums, dads, kids, grand parents"



Angela's Picnic



All SAMCA affiliated clubs are invited to attend the
38th Angela's Picnic

In memory of Angela Heinz who initiated and arranged the
event until cancer took its toll

Venue: Delta Park, Victory Park, Linden

Date: Sunday 7 April 2019

Time: from 08h00 onwards

Directions: See route map below. NB: Entrance is along Road
No3 from Rustenburg road and is one way in direction east. To
exit turn left into Craighall road one way direction west to
Rustenburg road. Please obey marshalls.

Entry fee: Donation to Witwatersrand Hospice

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

No open braai fires under any circumstances.

No vendors and boot sales will be allowed.

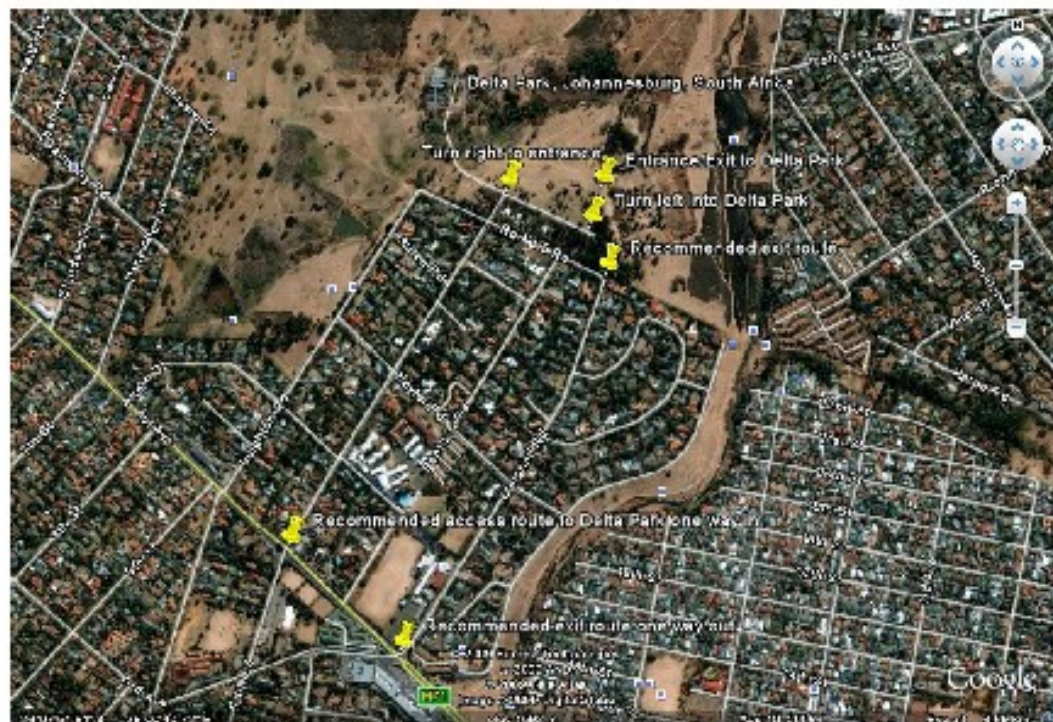
No Alcohol, Cool boxes will be searched.

There will be No Food for sale – Please bring your Picnic basket.

Each club to provide 1 x fire extinguisher serviced within prior 12 months.

Collect and remove your own rubbish.

Have fun and have your donation ready at the entrance





The Kimber Run

**With Easter around the corner, we are doing
an appropriate treasure hunt!!**

**This will be the last hunt organised by
Norman, DO NOT MISS!**

Destination: X marks the spot

Meeting point: Old Eds

When: 14th April @ 9:30am

Departure: 10am

**What to bring: Bring 'n Braai, fires will be lit
for your arrival. Also bring your picnic set-ups
(chairs, blankets, etc....)**

Clipboard and pencil recommended





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Norman Talk's

It was really great to have Brian Wallace along on the run. For newer members who may not know, in the early days the club had a history of important pilots and captains as members. Starting with Guy Patterson and then Brian Wallace it stretched to Des Steinhoble, Dennis Spence, Dave Lawrence, Les Rhind and Joe Petersen amongst others. However, it was Brian who when he was Chief Training Captain of SAA, that was tasked with training the German pilots of Lufthansa to fly their own plane...the Junker 52.

He not only did that but then went to Hamburg to fly Dr. Junkers on the maiden flight of their own Junkers. Unbelievable Ja!? In 1986 we took Brian's TC on the Helderberg to the USA for the Ocean to Ocean. Even in those days the Rand was a problem. to fly it to the USA cost R2000 but to bring it home was R10,000. Thanks to sponsorship from

Simba Chips (from an MGCC Cape Town Centre member) an engineering company approached by co driver Arnold Sommer and my boss at Sparham and Ford, the money was raised SAA had refused any sponsorship as Brian was in their employ. The event was a huge success and Brian's car ran faultlessly all the way around the US and thanks to Clive Alexanders tireless efforts on competitors cars a great many Americans followed us home for the greatest Indaba of all in Johannesburg in October '86. As part of the deal I had to write an article about the event for 'Flying Springbok'. As we left the start at Rockaway New Jersey a passing trucker shouted over his CB..."Lookey heyaa, Look at all those cute lil MGs" and the title of the article was born!

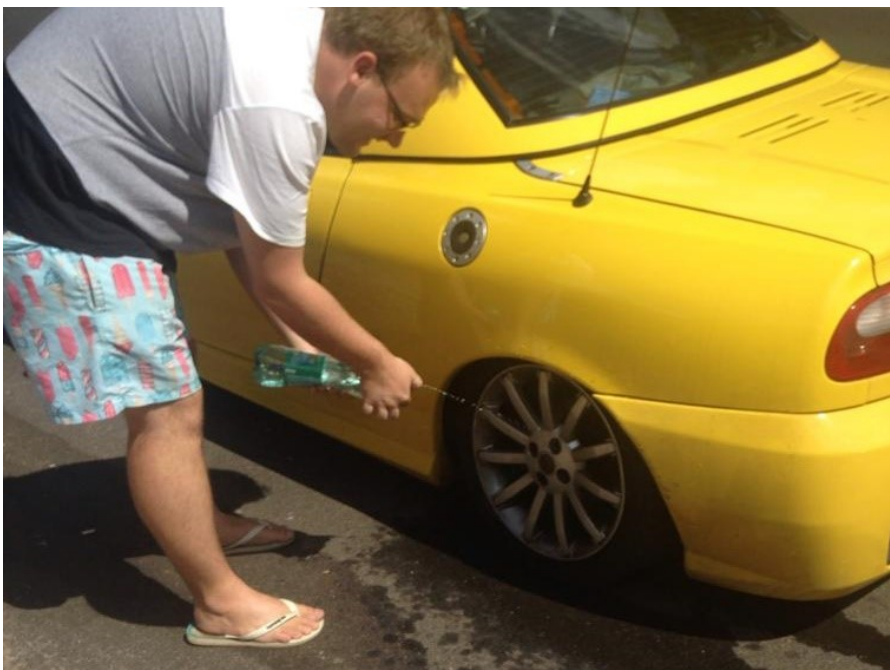
On a much sadder note, Rod Mercer-Todd will be missed and to Teresa and family we extend our deepest sympathy.

NORMAN

TEARS FOR TUFFY!!!

There comes a time in life when we have to part with material possessions. The dreaded word "downsize" has now appeared in our conversations, quite correctly. One has to move on, and so the time has arrived to put Tuffy our 1954 MGTF 1250 on the market. We have had 37 years of family fun with the car as well as lending it to Dutch, French. English and South African friends to use at Indabas, classic rallies and the Tusker Tour, so we will really miss it. Although I have been offered much more to send abroad, I am desperate to keep it in South Africa. When she was small Sarah referred to it as her MG... but first owning the GT and B she went off and bought her own TF, which she loves....so it is going to be "Bye,bye Tuffy" Really Tuff actually.

Octagonally, Norman



Attempted rescue on Norman's car after a suspension failure.

Temporary cooling measures while we got the car to a secure location.

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Notice



Fantastic news! Stewart and Thelma were spotted at the finish if the DJ. Wishing them the best.

Len Dutilleux's beautiful TC being used at a wedding. The bridal couple are neighbours and friends, Jordan and Nadia Dutrieux. Uncanny similarity to his surname, isn't it?

If you have any pictures of your cars in unique locations, or any news you wish to share with the club. Please email michaeltrolley@gmail.com



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