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HAPPY BIRTHDAY MG car club, what a fantastic achievement ... 50 years young! To go through so many years of club friendships and memories. Only fitting that the noggin will be one reminiscing about the old times celebrating in our history... Celebrating where we have come from! Personally, I am really looking forward to this noggin as it will be about the people in the club and their memories.

The other big celebration around our birthday will be the run out to Krugersdrop airfield! This should be a spectacular event plus a buffet lunch.... Yummy! The plan really is to duplicate (as best as possible) the run on the 29th June 1969, the first official club run! More and more details will be posted so watch our various information platforms to make sure you do not miss anything. I would also like to say thank you to Norman for the fantastic effort! What a great job, getting all the details perfect... thank you!

Lets not forget the exciting showday coming up, I took a drive out to fort Klapperkop last weekend (for a planning meeting)... WOW what a spectacular venue with scenic views all the way around, beautiful twisty rounds up the hill (watch out for some suicidal cyclists) and an incredible piece of history within the fort! Pepi is doing an awesome event plan (as always). If you wish to enter the competitions please find the details on facebook, whatsapp or in an email sent to the clubs mailing list. If you are still struggling, please email me michaeltrolley@gmail.com and I'll gladly help you. So, get out the polish, find some elbow grease? And lets gets our cars shinny and in showroom condition!

With all the excitement of the upcoming month I nearly missed the previous months recap! Claudette gave an informative and interesting talk, with a good laugh along the way! She gave a summary which I have included below, a must read if you missed out on the talk. We should all know our rights and responsibilities when on the road. Sadly, there are members of the

public out there that infringe on our rights (on both side of the law) the talk was aimed at protecting yourself!

Finally, we had our monthly run to 33 high street food, next door to piston ring. Unfortunately, it happened to land on mothersday. The committee deliberated back and forth in a decision to postpone, we ultimately didn't (various reasons) and we still got a great turn out! I was delighted, we had our average amount of cars and people but considering the day I was thrilled with the turn out!

We played car bingo, a game set up by Claudette. We had car parts listed on a bingo card and randomly drew part names from a hat and members then covered the correct answers with old nuts, bolts and washers (thanks Bruce). Congrats to Derek Langsford, Jenny Loader and Jocelyn Norton on their wins! What a fun way to spend a morning!

I am so excited about the upcoming events and I hope to see everyone there, events that are not to be missed!

Octagonally

Mike



First meeting at Six-gun Steakhouse May 1969

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Noggin Summary

Know Your Rights!!



At the May Noggin Claudette Dutilleux (from Thomson Wilks Inc) gave a talk on your legal rights when driving your MG. This included the parameters of the preclusion of drinking and driving, your legal rights in the event you are arrested by the JMPD, the different types of road blocks on South African Roads, and your legal rights if you are stopped in one of these road blocks.

Currently the legal alcohol limit (concentration of alcohol in the blood) is 0.05g per 100ml; rule of thumb being one unit of alcohol for one hour (for an approximate weight of 68 kg). Please don't get too excited here, 1 unit equates to a 75ml glass of wine or two thirds of one beer, of 5% alcohol content. The most important advise that was given, and which is a common cause fact, is that drinking and driving is not acceptable and is not tolerated by the South African Police Force.

A secondary topic of conversation was a discussion regarding the basics of wills and estates, which is a prevalent topic to each of us. Should you die without a testamentary will your Estate would be divided in accordance with intestate law; whereas should you die with a properly executed will in place, your estate would be bequeathed in accordance with same. It is important to revise your will once a year and make any necessary changes in order to make it easier for those who are left behind.

In addition to a testamentary will, one may consider signing a living will. A living will provides instructions regarding certain decisions you can make for yourself prior to a situation in which you might not be able to, namely in the event of being incapacitated. In South Africa we follow a strict code against euthanasia and should one be incapacitated in a permanent vegetative state*, the medical doctors will have no other choice but to keep you alive – this is in the event that you do not have a living will in place. A living will may also be used to provide instructions on the administration of certain medicines if you are incapacitated and whether or not life prolonging procedures should be used, namely CPR or the use of a defibrillator. Understandably this is always a difficult topic to raise and discuss with your loved ones (whether it be regarding a testamentary will or a living will), however having these documents in place before hand definitely aids the loved ones you have left behind.

The talk ended on a lighter note with a scene from the 1952 movie “Monkey Business” where Cary Grant tries to impress Marilyn Monroe’s character with his driving skills in an MG TD.

- Claudette Dutilleux





Winner Winner!!

Congrats Derek Langsford on winning.

Well Done to Jenny Loader and Jocelyn Norton on winning the second round.



THE BEAUTIES



Forthcoming Events

The Official 50th Run (Not to be confused with the September run)	NOT TO BE MISSED!! The 50th anniversary of the club. Historic Re-Run to the Tiger-moth club. Planes, Cars and good memories!!!	Sunday 30th June
Combined Centre Show-day	Fort Klapperkop, Gates open 8am. R50 per car	23rd June
MGCC JHB 50th Anniversary	Run to Numbi for a spectacular weekend, celebrating our milestone.	6th to 9th September
Bedford Centre Classic show	Concours show, Various manufacturers.	16th June
Hartees Meander	Rotary club meander, entrance R300	28th July
KZN 80th anniversary	At Champagne Castle Hotel, R940pppd. Details and entry form at end of magazine	2nd to 4th August

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Notice Board

Great News, John Buttress is home and recovering... We hope to see you on a run soon!

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

IN 1969



**M.G.
ENTHUSIASTS!!
MEET AT
BARAGWANATH
FLYING CLUB
ON SUNDAY
29th JUNE
at 10am
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IN 2019



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MEET AT
SHOPPING CENTRE
OPPOSITE KING DAVID
SCHOOL CLUB STREET
LINKSFEILD
ON SUNDAY
30th JUNE
at 9:45am**

Sunday 23 June 2019 Fort Klapperkop Pretoria

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GOLDEN JUBILEE WEEKEND

6th to 9th SEPTEMBER 2019

REGISTRATION FORM

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FIRST NAME: _____

ACCOMPANIED BY: _____

SURNAME: _____

CAR TYPE: _____

Registration No.: _____

SEND THIS FORM TO NORMAN EWING mgewing@polka.co.za and EFT the R 251,00 REGISTRATION FEE TO:

THE MG CAR CLUB JOHANNESBURG CENTRE

STANDARD BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER 00 203 458 1 BRANCH CODE 00 43 05

REFERENCE – YOUR SURNAME

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE ON 12TH APRIL 2019 ANY LATE ENTRIES WILL BE CHARGED R 120,00

THE TOTAL COST PER COUPLE FOR ACCOMMODATION FOR THE ENTIRE 3 NIGHT WEEKEND – DINNER BED AND BREAKFAST IS R 4998,00 THE SINGLE COST IS R 2790,00

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BRANCH CODE: 210554 REF: YOUR SURNAME

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PER COUPLE SHARING

	3 NIGHTS	PAY BY DATES	2 NIGHTS	PAY BY DATES
DEPOSIT	1000,00	20 TH MARCH	1000,00	20 TH MARCH
1 ST PAYMENT	1999,00	30 TH JUNE	1290,00	30 TH JUNE
2 ND PAYMENT	1999,00	6 TH AUGUST	1290,00	6 TH AUGUST

PER SINGLE

DEPOSIT	500,00	20 TH MARCH	500,00	20 TH MARCH
1 ST PAYMENT	1145,00	30 TH JUNE	845,00	30 TH JUNE
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All welcome – no entrance fee.



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Norman Talk's

A MAGIC CAPE CENTRES IN CRADOCK

Before the De Castros headed off to Aussie I told them that there were still places available for Cradock. They told Rolf and Judy and then there were three Joburg cars off to Cradock! Whilst they were away as is now known, Pat and I were just finishing the route of the Kimber Run...when crunch, the rear lower wish-bone arm bolt broke ... AGAIN! The fifth time in sixteen years on that wheel. The damage caused necessitated a rethink on the whole job, I will go into in full some other time but thanks to Alan Uzzel who put me onto Gino, the car which I had planned to take to Cradock was with

Joe's help Ubering me back and forth ready after over a month for its next big adventure...Cape Centres!!! Boy did that car enjoy the trip..nearly as much as I enjoyed driving it!!!



Joe and Anita, Pat and I decided to meet at Kroonstat for coffee (sounds like the French) Pepi on hearing our plans asked if he could join us, so we would soon be four. Pepi is an original Joburg member! Off we went to Bloem to collect the Schweizers top down in that great white TD...does that car ever go...it flies and Rolfie only knows flat out! While the three of us were booked in at The Barracks in Colesburg for the night. Pepi was going to spend the night with Maureen and Dave Wheeler now resident near Bethulie on the other side of Gariep...so with flashing lights and much waving we parted company until the morrow when we would meet for breakfast in Colesberg. Pepi's rear lower arm bolt had other ideas and it snapped leaving him alone...but help in the form of Dave, Maureen and one red MGF fuelled and ready to go...plus one trailer for Pepi's car....HOW OFTEN HAVE I TOLD THE WORLD THAT THIS IS A PEOPLE'S CLUB...and that the cars are just the catalysts??? Show me a greater motor-ing family than this great MG family we belong to worldwide!!! Pep was really in need of family as news of Roberto really hit him and so he was surrounded by many many friends for the weekend.

The event was beyond superb and as always it was the people who made it. We are all getting older, but the warmth of long lasting...and very special friendships still has a MaGic all its own.... making the long drives worth it. We had found a truly fantastic restaurant in Colesberg called "Ini Kraal" Superb, but it was the company that made it...as was the case at the Victoria Manor from staff like Amos, Sandra the owner and her daughter Lisa...The PE team of Peter and Lynn Reebein, Ronnie and Desire van Eyk, Alan Froom and Roger Webb were on the ball all weekend...Great job chaps. We sang Happy Birthday to Tony on the Friday night, and although Pepi could not get a signal, the rest of the mob at Cradock were certainly aware of his birthday in Pretoria. Joan Parker, Bobbie Graham, Fran and Mike Johnson, the Stokes, Dunstons, Greenwoods, Recks and Roger Lewis and Tatania, his energetic Russian partner certainly lit up the weekend. Sadly, it was up and away at 8,15 after a hearty breakfast... bidding Joe, Anita, Judy, Rolf and Pepi farewell we put foot. We had promised Sarah at home



looking after Morris, that we would stay over after Bloem, and leave early the following morning to be home to put her on the plane for her trip to Monaco, however we were home in time to walk Morris and take her to the airport the next day....

What can I tell you...GREAT LITTLE MG HEY??? YOU BET.

Octagonally,
Norman

THE FJ STORY - Courage and dedication

FJ Is a young man who joined the MG Youth Racing Program at age 12 in 2014.

He was unable to reach the pedals, so worked on the cars and prepped them for races. He was always at prep days and worked hard.

His legs grew and by 15 he was able to go out on the track. It was apparent that he was naturally talented and quick.

At age 15 he raced Go-carts and won the F400 Championship in his 1st year, which is exceptional.

At age 16 he was allowed to race the Youth's MGA and was really impressive. A star in the Sarel Van der Merwe mould.

Then disaster: A car skipped a stop street, hit FJ on his moped, and flung him into a fire hydrant, smashing his pelvis and amputating his leg at the ankle. Many subsequent operations ensued, and his leg was shortened to below the knee. He spent 3 weeks in ICU.

Costs were massive and the Medical Aid funds dried up.

The MG Club has indicated their willingness to assist so that the prosthesis, rehabilitation and medical shortfalls are covered.

FJ would like to be on the track later this year and is practicing driving his Dad's car, and getting in and out of the car fast, which is a MSA requirement.

Classic Car Africa will be running an article on this and follow up on progress until "Big Day" arrives and his dream is realised.

We appeal to other MG Car Clubs and racing clubs and members to chip in and assist us in raising R60 000 for FJ's dream to be realised.

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-Cameron McLeod

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Dates: Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th August 2019

Rate: 1. R940 per person per night, sharing (+50% supplement for those not prepared to share)

A 50 % deposit is required by the hotel on booking your place.

2. If you are a single booking and are prepared to share please let me know.

3. The rate is all inclusive from lunch on Friday to breakfast on Sunday. (includes breakfast, mid morning tea/coffee, lunch, mid afternoon tea/coffee, and dinner) Also there is free WiFi.

4. For those wishing to stay over Sunday, the same rate will apply.

80th ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

The programme is provisionally as follows;

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Please fill your details on the form below and email to the hotel with a copy to Lawrence@ionline.co.za

Friday 2nd August. Arrive for lunch (1.00-2.00pm)

Fun Gymkana at the airfield from 3.00pm. Leave for the airfield at 2.45. **All can take part! Ladies can do the driving!**

Meet in the lounge / pub for welcome speech and drinks at 5.30pm.

Dinner from 6.30 – 9.30pm

Saturday 3rd August. After breakfast (7.00-9.30am), an interesting drive / treasure hunt is planned, including a visit to a reptile park, a shopping Centre and a tour of a Mini Brewery and a tasting session there (maybe). There will be no clues on the road. In each case the stops will mean walkabout to find the cryptic clue answers. Then back to the hotel for lunch. (1.00-2.00pm)

Spend the afternoon at your leisure. There are various activities you can participate in. Walks, Giant Chess, Trout Fishing, Horse Riding, Darts, Table Tennis, Tennis Court etc.

A 19km drive will take you to the Thokozisa Market.

Pre dinner drinks and Fun Run prize giving at 5.30pm (Maybe the odd speech!)

Gala evening with a Woodstock theme. (6.30-9.30pm) **Dress up accordingly!!**

Sunday 4th August.

Enjoy a good breakfast then off home !!!

MG CAR CLUB – 80th ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND CELEBRATIONS
VENUE – CHAMPAGNE CASTLE HOTEL – DRAKENSBURG

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