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Prewar & T Type Register report, September meeting

Thirty one spirited and dedicated members attended the meeting, however there was only one register vehicle parked in the yard. The red TC from Murray Bridge driven courageously by our esteemed Brian 'Goldy' Golding. Actually Brian thought that I should have mentioned this courageous driving act during general business, however I was distracted by Bob Schapel's show and tell, expecting Goldy to leap to his feet any time with an article from his Grandpa's shed as he is ought to do. Actually it was not raining at the Bridge when Goldy left I think but we do applaud his dedication to the register events.

The three amigos from the deep south deserve a mention for their trek up from Goolwa, driven by Peter Shipline, Don "Ghost who Walks" and Ian Burman made a brave decision to come and return home down the long and winding South Road in the rain. Great effort blokes was good to see you, the night made even better for Peter as he could hear every word over the club's PA address system, he actually knows now what the register is all about !

Another appreciative member, Reg O'Malley can now actually tell Jaquie what went on thanks to the afore mentioned PA system, mind you he did hold the floor for quite a time talking about the old days MG CCSA TC raffle which was quite a success, mainly due to the ticketing advice he received from the late and great Russell Ebert he says. I guess he had quite a time explaining the red wine stain on his trousers to Jaquie when he got home.

Reg is one of two unique members who are made to attend Register meetings by their wives on a Thursday night, I really feel guilty when we have a cancellation, must be so disruptive at home on those occasions. Sorry Chris, you are the other one, there may be others though.

Apologies. Quite a few this month, no real stand outs, understandable when it is wet and cold outside. By surname and in no particular order , Bowering, Fisher, Auld, Herbert, Ewart, Trebilcock, Greenwood, Thorpe, Mills, Loader, Tamke, Bazzica, Garth, Chapman, Bate, Driver, Sweetman & Aiken. I think Forthy has given up !

David TD McNabb was a late withdrawal, apparently leaving for the meeting he walked under a water fall from above at his back door. Kerry, understandably said that he should stay home and fix the problem, never mind getting the car wet he was wet enough.

Attendance. No records broken, 32 on board , 1 sorrowful T Type in the carpark, 19 apologies

General Business. Firstly congratulations to Bob Schapel for selling his SA MG to an enthusiast in Victoria, sold via the website I gave him, British Classic Car Buy Swap Sell I reckon although he cannot remember. He did a great job with the presentation for the advert.

Brian Kemp's car MG TC is for sale, sadly Brian has passed and his family near Riverton wish to sell it , has been restored and a lot of money spent on it, contact me if you want details however it is probably going to be in very high \$40k.

Bits and pieces. Thanks to Eric Bayne for the box of TD / TF parts which were picked over and taken by various suspects, these came through Roland Harris.

Long time member Brian Sparks sent his regards to the club through Chris Kinney, we remember him and the sky blue TC that he and his wife (dec) had for many years in the club. The car has been passed on to his son now, so we may see it again. He was a wonderful club member we had such good nights at his home with his own home cooked suppers.

Secretary of Registers, Ken Burke gave a colourful insight into the forthcoming Kimber Run that will now finish up at the exciting Penny's Hill Winery outside McLaren Vale on the road to Willunga, capacity 300. Rumour has it that John Roach got in early and has a very low entry number pipping out David McNaughton who annually looks for a single or low double digit numbered plaque for his garage.

Ken also invited suggestions for the website from all interested and computer literate parties to make innovative and sensible contributions. There was no resounding applause as the Pizza delivery boy from Dominos broke through into the populous assembled and caused instant distraction. Sorry Ken.

Ken again, Finch Restorations of Mt Barker are to commence advertising in the magazine and are willing to have our most inquisitive members visit their restoration workshops with a little bit of hospitality thrown in. They are thinking a Sunday morning but evenings can be arranged.

Stan Shepard's collection of model cars is to go on sale on behalf of his family, Robin Gibbs has details which he will get into the magazine. It is a comprehensive collection of model MG's complete with their original boxes. Contact Robin or myself if you are interested in the list.

Ian Buckley took a couple of photos in TD McNabb's absence, thanks Buckles who commented on the general good nature and atmosphere in the clubrooms.

Berry Treffers, legend, opened up early for us and ran the bar operation expertly for us. Thrusting the microphone into my hands at a moment of crisis for the hard of hearing, was a godsend, saved me again, thanks heaps Berry.

Peter Cundy has returned from the land of 1930's racing and all things historic after having a great time at the Prescott Hill Climb, Mallory Park, the British Motor Museum at Gaydon and on the bucket list, the Silverstone Classic. We will get to hear more from him I am sure on this.

Di and Peter Lancaster, good to see you both back in the fold

October meeting. Yes it is on the agenda but I have not confirmed the venue just yet so I will email out when settled. We are most likely at Hahndorf in November and Eden Hills, December. January 2023 could be interesting this year if Artfur is ready and willing.

Cheers and good driving.

John Bray BOTR