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Prewar & T Type Register report for 5 January 2023

New Year, New Venue and how happy we were in leafy Heathfield.

God bless America says Donald & Joe, but I say God bless Simon Ewart for having his first register meeting and hosting us in such a delightful setting with adequate parking in the paddock. Did you get the garage? Olde style English build, cracked concrete floor and timber trusses holding up the galv. Just fantastic with the TC & the MGF on show, what ambience!

The stats: It looks like 43 signed in, 8 TC's, 7 TD's, 5 TF's and a solitary Y, **total** 21 cars.

A few apologies: B Forth, G Chapman, T Driver, P & D Lancaster, J Henderson, D Herbert, D Liebrandt, B Schapel, P Cundy, J & L Schiller, P Shipside, K Fisher.

General Business: Well here we go there was a lot put to the assembled populous which strains the attention span of a few.

Forthy Brian, has won a heap of wine with the TD in the MG Motor Australia & New Zealand Driving Sustainable Change competition. His attendances at the register is however not sustainable hence, number one apology for each meeting. Send a photo Brian, lest we forget.

The Gold from Murray Bridge, peddling a +ve earth DVR solid state voltage regulator, did not quite cut the mustard I have to say from first impressions. Hope you made a sale Brian.

Ian Sweetman is looking for a RHS backing plate for the TC brake assembly, any one got one spare in the shed?

John Roach has finally decided on the dates for his breakfast runs, so early in the season, most of us are just getting over new year's eve. Great job John, thanks for bringing Reg O.

Gotcha moment. Leigh Richter will host the March register meeting around the corner in Aldgate. His registers are always fun but usually bloody cold in winter, hence in daylight that month. Bad luck Chris Kinney you missed out, next year now tell Annette.

Nuts: Yes that is what I said, Ian Buckley ever precise and emphatically correct, purchased a packet of 3/8 BSF nuts from the UK for his cars and Peter Cundy's NA, what with freight and VAT the cost headed north of 26 GBP! Mind you he gave me 4 to keep secured on the TC just in case the shackles get loose and fall off. Ask Simon Ewart he knows what that feels like. I am not implying that Ian has a mental problem of any kind, he is just a stickler for detail.

Carsales @ goolwa.don.au

Everyone remember Bob Moran and that infectious advertising jingle by the Beach Boys?

Bob, Bob, Bob... Bob Moran! Must have sold more cars than anyone else in the 90's.

Well now he is rivalled by :

Don, Don, Don.....Don's the Man! Don the Man Walker seller of MG TC's and the like.

Congratulations on your latest sale Don and more to come you say. You must have the greatest "sniffer dog" going around hunting down dusty and rusty cars in garages and sheds all over the place. Where did you get that dog? You are of course doing a good service for MG enthusiasts all over dragging those cars into the sunlight, the cars of course will outlive

their owners so keep it going, enjoyment in retirement is something to behold especially with a MG.

THE LONG LUNCH : Introduced, Produced and Directed by Jeannette Walshingham-Meath Goddess to the cars.

A huge success last year, the long and extravagant lunch at the Howard Vineyard, Nairne is planned again for Sunday 28th May, 12.00pm. You have to book early, pay a deposit early (\$30) only \$80 per each, surprise morning tea on the way there, lots of courses in this long lunch. Colour theme in the national colours of the South Korean flag to impress the staff.

It was a sensational event last year with four yeses from the judges and the golden gong !

WELCOME BACK: Gordon Brice has been absent for the past three years, was good to see him again. Gordon has been volunteering all that time mending fences after the fires and other jobs to help in the rural sector. No work allowed on the TD however until the pergola is fixed.

WEBSITE: A new website is in the wind, site designer has been commissioned by the club. We will have our own page , our window to the world I have been told. All detailed information including reports and photos can be posted there, Ken Burke is actively involved on our behalf.

STEERING WHEEL. Anyone see where the wheel went that Nigel Steele-Scott gave me? I left it under the table while trying to keep things in order. It's not for me, but a colleague with a busted unit that may fit his A series temporarily.

CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR 2022. Sorry not just yet but it is important that you sign the book always so that I can count and award points for that and also for the Irvine Cup.

GLEN EWIN HILL CLIMB REVIVAL: Sunday 29 January at Glen Ewin Estate 43 Lower Hermitage Rd, Lower Hermitage. Peter Cundy (MG NA) has enlisted and I know Ian Buckley will also with others. Go onto the Glen Ewin web page for entry information. Breaking news, the supercharger for the NA is not far off according to the Vicar, I cannot wait to hear the wine of the turbine. Buckles has the replacement nuts if it does come loose.

NAT. MEET 2023 JUDGES: Head judge of the Register, Anthony Pearson.com, appealed for support however he had really predetermined who should be admitted to the bar for this important role at the National Meeting next Easter. Only experienced judges with a drinking problem are eligible to carry out the task. Others are to be assigned to light duties carrying the refreshments out to the judiciary. No cheating by interstaters this year is the edict.

NEXT MEETING: Torrens Park, Peter & Chris Auld on Thursday 2 February. Mitcham Council will sweep the street for this prestigious event in Fife Avenue. BYO cardboard for the driveway.

I hope Robert Horn gets to read this as I will be chasing him up for a meeting at Clarence Park later this year if he is available. We need to sniff out his garage of wonderment again.

March meeting: Aldgate, Hillside Drive, Leigh Richter in daylight saving time.

I am done now, so see you at Auldy's next month.

Cheers: BOTR 2023 John Bray

