

Pre-War & T-Register Report October 2023

From Arthur Ruediger

The October meeting was held at the home of Ken & Heather Burke in Hackham, a big thankyou to Ken & Heather for hosting the meeting. There were 32 members in attendance with only 7 register vehicles driven to the meeting, 2 TCs 1 TD and 4 TFs. Brian Golding once again showed his true colours, driving his TC up from Murray Bridge.

There were 14 apologies recorded, AC Pearson still overseas, Bob & Shelly Bazzica attending the Gathering of The Faithful in Sacramento USA, and Peter & Di Lancaster enjoying a night at the ballet.

The 14 intrepid members who attended the recent MG Pre-War & T- Type rally in Canberra had all returned with tales to tell, Thane Martin, Ian Buckley and David McNabb were the only ones brave or foolish enough to actually drive their T types all the way there and back without any problems apart from getting soaking wet on the return trip, all the other participants trailered their vehicles to the event.

BOTR.1 reported that he and 6 other club members attended the funeral of past MG club member Campbell Crouch on Wednesday 11th October, it was noted that his full name was **Malcolm Campbell Crouch**, obviously some connection with land speed record holder Sir Malcolm Campbell.

Future T- Register meetings were confirmed for the next 3 meetings, November at Peter & Bronwyn Micklem's , December at Mozza's under the big olive tree and January at the Heathfield home of Simon Ewart who indicated that his new garage would hopefully be finished.

General Business

Russell Garth reported that Pickles Auctions had a TF listed for \$9200.00, it has apparently been T-boned in an accident

Bob Schapel is looking for a front MG TC stub axle.

Peter Auld reports that a new club member is looking for a TF.

Ken Burke gave a reminder that Kimber run entries would be closing at the weekend.

Ken was also bemused by the electric fan I Goldy's TC on overrun outside cooling the old girl down after the sprint from Murray Bridge wit co-driver Ian Sweetman, it's ok Ken we are used to it.

Doug Clarke pointed out that the 1986 National Meeting poster on Ken's garage wall was designed by his brother.

Our good mate Graham Loader still in trouble in hospital all wishing the best that is possible.

The TF brothers Grant Carr and Geoff McLean are both having a few worries with their cars, Grant popped a manifold gasket and is looking to replace it, Geoff is tired of laying under vehicles at his age preferring to fiddle with his camper trailer water pump fit preparing for another unsuccessful fishing expedition to Eyre Peninsular.

The "Duck", Pat Mullins was rather complimentary of BOTR's driving in the ND on the Canberra trip suggesting of course that Arthur get a leg extension to reach the pedals.

Inspector Buckley is still drying out the TC after the horrific drive in the rain last Wednesday from Swan Hill to Adelaide, it was an amazing effort by him and Sunny, his lady passenger

Front leader Thane Martin in the TC must be acknowledged for his perseverance in the rainstorms as well, giant effort by any standards witnessed by the accompanying wimps in their SUV.s

Another successful raffle run this month, good wine selection from The Mechanic, Willow Willington, what a shame that in the excitement of signing and paying the money that a few intelligent aspirants failed to affix their names to the numbered squares and missed the draw.

Thanks to all who attended, next meeting at Peter & Bronwyn Micklem's.

Cheers Arthur BOTR.1