

Breakfast Run to Thorndon Park, Paradise

Sunday 28th July 2024

By Steve Spong

The July breakfast run saw a good turnout for the run to Thorndon Park, it being particularly good to have 7 assorted MGFs along.

Gary & Velli Algate brought their immaculate MGA TC along for its first outing after a full bare metal respray, in its original colour. This started as a planned touch up job but grew as they so often do. Its not as if the car was too shabby before, but the finish was outstanding.

Missing however was John Roach, who had recently had some back surgery done. John did however ring from the hospital to see how things went, and reported he was up and about and feeling good. So, he's back and dangerous again. Many thanks therefore to Terry Cook who again stepped forward to set everyone off on the run.

The run was fairly short, only about 40 km, but did venture into the hills and saw the route take them down the "Corkscrew". This was commented on by some who either had not experienced this challenging bit of road before, or had experienced it in some motor sport capacity, usually on the way up at speed, sometimes with a bit of a "moment" on the way.

Thorndon Park was very well attended by various social groups enjoying the fine winter's day, which was good to see, and the car park is a good size to accommodate a good number of vehicles.

So thanks to all who came, and to David & Lynden for helping with the photos.

Attendees:

Alan & Sandra Cardnell	MGA
Gari & Velli Algate	MGA TC
Pam & Norm Hellings	MGB
Andy Furman	MGB
Phil & Esther Smith	MGB
Paul & Carol Grech.	MGB
David McNaughton	MGB
Terry Cook.	MGB
Lynden & Christine Burns	MGB
Ken & Heather Burke	MGB
Mal Ayliffe	MGB
Bill & Sue Gilson	MGB V8
Leigh & Judy Albertson	MGB GT
Andy Morgan	MGC
Graham Lehman	MGF
Nick Micklem	MGF
Max Sierp	MGF TF
Dick Manning	MGF TF
Roger Dawe	MGF TF
Mark Whibley	MGF TF
Brian Sellers	MGF TF
David McNabb	MG GS
Audris & Irene Smits	VW
Steve Spong & Barb Harrington	Audi
Haydn & Jeanette Reynolds	Plastic
