Pre-War & T-Register Report August 2024

From Arthur Ruediger & John Bray

The August meeting was held at the home of Thane Martin, Coromandel Valley, the temperature during the day was 18 degrees with no rain forecast and the evening turned out ideal for the 17 register vehicles that were driven to the meeting, there were 40 members signed in with one visitor. The garage was spic and span and a 3, meter square gazebo enclosed on 3 sides, had been erected on the driveway with the open side accessible from inside the garage making the conditions very cosey just in case it rained. Despite this Thane's and Buckles friends Carin and Sunny spent the evening in the comfort of the lounge along with mummy Pearson and Harry the resident dog.

There were apologies from John Davies in Hungary, Lachlan Kinnear and Pat Mullins busy packing for separate trips overseas on the morrow plus 10 others for varying reasons.

The next meeting is scheduled to be at Robert Horn's home in Clarence Park, home of the complete set of T- Type MGs.

General Business

BOTR reported receiving a request for a 90th birthday ride in a TC for a Charlie Glen who had a TC back when he was 21 years old. He was not ever a member of the MG Club and no one present had no knowledge of him. A ride has been organized.

A request from a Gawler car club member seeking advice on the repair or availability of broken front left steering arm for his TD, Bob Schapel offered to contact him, many interesting suggestions were offered from the members some not so credible!

Grant Carr reported ongoing problems with the TF, rear wheel seals leaking, resulting in oil and grease on brakes, seeking advice on removal and replacement of bearings and seals.

A video of Peter Cundy competing in the NA in the UK was on view during the evening, courtesy of Russell Garth, and a phone call from Peter was received during the meeting, The President, Stephen Marlow informed the meeting that Peter would be back home in November and an evening on 22nd November is planned, at the clubrooms, for Peter to talk about his exploits racing in the UK and the continent.

Anthony Pearson has a number of give away for free, yes for free, a quantity of 15,16 and 19 inch tires, kept in ideal cellar style conditions under mother Joy's house.

Chris Frost, a visitor from The Sporting Car Club of SA, has been having a clear out and brought along as selection of car related bits and pieces for sale and or give away, he got rid of some of it.

The regular wine raffle was again conducted with Willo reporting a scoop purchase of a quantity of one liter bottles of wine from Dan Murphy's, plus we had a donation of a presentation pack of a bottle of port and a glass, from Michael Griffen for the raffle.

And now for Roving reporter John Bray's news

Yes, the eight o'clock news.

Thane Martins' display and presentation of his cars for the meeting was outstanding.

Ken Burke's mate John Roach is now home from a delicate leg & spine operation, doing ok.

Geoff McLean not travelling so well with a hip complaint, Anne is in charge and a capable driver.

The "coilers" appear to be in trouble, not only Grant Carr above, but Andrew Bate-TF (radiator blockage), Chris James-TD (fuel blockage), might be the "leafy's " turn next?

Russell Garth, self-appointed scribe of the "coilers" appears concerned that there are so many TF's on the market currently.

Robin Gibbs is back on the M Type resto he says but only for a short time, Mike Greenwood has given him support with parts etc.

Steve Grist picked up a bargain priced workshop manual for his coil spring TD, a real steal at \$10.

That's all folks, looking forward to the next meeting.

Cheers, Arthur R, BOTR.