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***Monthly Meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at the EPVCC CLUBHOUSE,
Conyngham Street, PE from 18.30H onwards.***

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Chairman's Chirp

Greetings and salutations to my MG Family!

The Windy City (or is it the Friendly City?) certainly lived up to its reputation during August. The traditional August wind arrived with a vengeance and seemed particularly determined to make life difficult for those of us living up here on the hill in Kragga Kamma. There were days when it felt as though Mother Nature had decided to see just how many roof tiles, garden chairs and MG car covers she could relocate!

Fortunately, summer is just around the corner, which means the braai fires will soon be burning high, the days will be getting longer and our MG outings should become more frequent, and hopefully less windy!

We had three events during August:

1. Driving Skills at the SAAF Museum

On Sunday, 16 August, the weather gods were kind to us when we held our annual Driving Skills Event at the SAAF Museum on a day which nearly felt like spring. What a day full of fun and laughter we had!

Ronnie and Desire had designed a challenging course on the grass, and before we started, we all solemnly promised James that we would respect his lawn and, under no circumstances, wheel-spin on it (Yeah, right!!!).

Sorry, James, but when you put a bunch of MG enthusiasts behind the wheel and then give them a grass course with a few tight corners, the temptation is simply too much for some people. There may have been the odd enthusiastic application of the accelerator!

Thankfully, not too much damage was done, and I'm sure the grass will recover in time for our next event at the museum. After all, grass grows again, MG tyres are another matter!

The event was very well attended, with members of MGCCPE enjoying a wonderful day of competition, fun and camaraderie. We were also delighted to welcome members from the Morris Club and the Jeffreys Bay Classic Car Club, who joined in the fun.

Congratulations to our top three competitors:

1st Place: Leon "Max" van Loggerenberg

2nd Place: Tony Greenwood

3rd Place: Stefan Dielman

Well done to all three of you and also to all the other competitors.

A special word of thanks must go to Ronnie and Desire for setting up and managing the course, and to James for once again making the SAAF Museum facility available to the Club.

To all those who participated and contributed to the day, thanks very much, this is after all one of our prime events for the year.

Another big thank you goes to everyone who bought lucky-draw tickets. Through your generosity, we were able to make a R960 donation to the Museum.

A great day was had by all, and we are already looking forward to next year's event. Hopefully James will have forgiven us by then!

There was however one exception on the day; when Yvonne did the course, Len was asked to be her passenger and it was noticed that he was the only one the whole day who wore a seatbelt. I don't know if he was just diligent or did he perhaps not trust Yvonne's driving skills. Judge for yourself!!

1. Soup, Sherry evening

Our August Noggin was our annual "Soup and Sherry" evening, expertly catered by the Putters (yes, I will take some credit here – I carried the dishes to the car). It was just what was needed on a cool winter's evening, and the event went down extremely well.

The evening was fully sponsored by the Club, and there was certainly no danger of anyone leaving hungry, or thirsty!

A huge thank you to Sharleen and our girls, Lindsay and Alana, who were our special guests for the evening, for all the hard work that went into preparing and organising the event. It takes more than a pot of soup and a bottle of sherry to keep a crowd of MG people happy, and you certainly rose to the occasion.

1. Frankie's Does the Trick

Our Midweek outing took place towards the end of the month, with members enjoying a very pleasant lunch at Frankie's in Sherwood.

This was a first visit for the Club and, judging by the feedback, I am sure it will not be our last. It is always good to find a new venue that passes the all-important MGCCPE test: good food, good company and plenty of opportunity for natter!

The MG Dealership Car Swap

In keeping with our ongoing arrangement and good relationship with the MG dealership in Port Elizabeth, we have once again swapped the MGs displayed on their history wall.

Alan's TC had been on display for the past few weeks and has now made way for Dirk's MGA, which will be taking pride of place for the next few weeks, and yes, there is an oil pan underneath the car. I am not sure whether this is because they know MGs so well, or because they know my MGA so well! At least it has oil in!

Either way, it is comforting to know that MG tradition and history is being respected.

As we head towards spring and warmer weather, there is plenty more motoring, socialising and general MG mischief ahead. I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming events.

Until next time...



AUGUST EVENTS

Driving Skills Test 16th August

A great day out as described in the Chairman's Chatter. The course was simply (you thought!) to drive in a certain pattern around a group of plastic markers placed in a large circle. Easy you may think – not so, as some of us were unable to recall the course. There were two rounds and the winner was not the car with the fastest time but the driver who could record the *same* time on the two legs.



Ready, steady and go, Dirk. Followed by Tony



First prize to Leon, second to Tony and third to Stefan. Dirk thought he had won the raffle but Tony took that too.

Thanks to the museum for their hospitality. Great venue.

Midweek Lunch at Frankies 26th August



Our cover page picture shows the ladies celebrating Mientjie's birthday which happened to coincide with our midweek run.

There were others there as well, of course.

September Noggin on the 2nd

The September Noggin took the form of a "boerie" braai splendidly prepared and an absolute pleasure to eat. Many thanks to Andre Nienaber and Tracy Yoko for the organisation and a host of helpers.



David Browne and Tony Ryan have empty glasses which is always a good sign.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 16th September Visit to VW Museum and Plant Meet 8.45am at EPVCC
Please reply to questionnaire on WhatsApp page

Sunday 27th September Distinguished Gentleman's Drive Entries still open

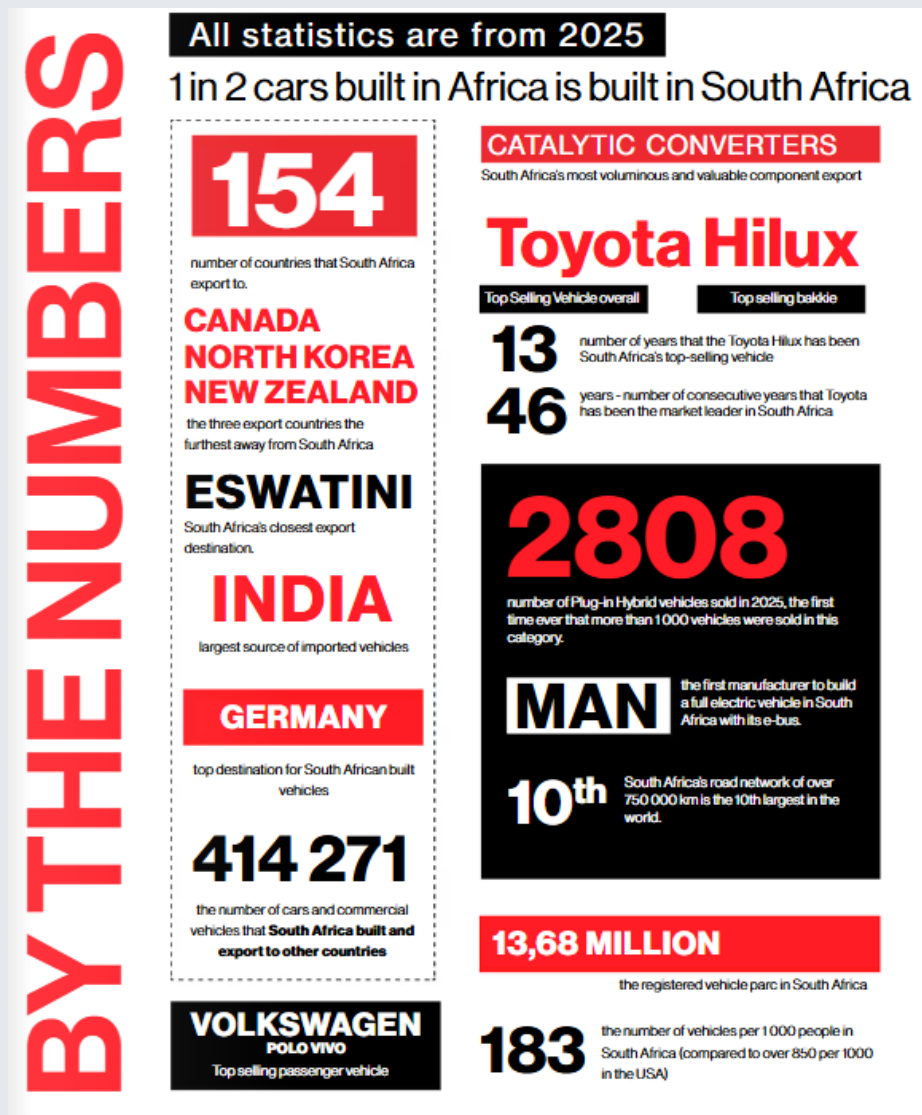
Wednesday 7th October Noggin Bring and Braai

Christmas Lunch 12th or 13th December Christmas Lunch at Chairman's home

Non MGCC Events

Friday 4th September Austin Healeys at EPVCC from 17.30

Sunday 1st November Modern Classics Post 1970 Show Day at EPVCC



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