

April 2023 Edition.



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<h1>Club Events, Car meets & shows</h1>			
Sunday 2 April	Pork Pie run. Great day out with lots to see, eat and do.	White Horse. 9.30am.	
Tuesday 4 April	Club meeting at the White Horse, Broughton Astley. Starts 8pm or come early for a chat and food.	White Horse. Broughton Astley	
April 6	Visit to Taylors Bell foundry. Meet at White horse for 12.00 or make your own way to LE11 1AR for 13.00 . Please tell Bob if you are going straight there.	Contact. Bob driver.	£10.50
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What happened in March.



March Hare Sunday lunch run 26th March

We all met at the White Horse at Broughton Astley at 11.00am on Sunday morning. There were 11 cars on the run – 34 miles to our end destination.

Michael was there handing out the Tulip guides but unfortunately Gill was unwell so they were not able to do the run. Derek and Val also had to drop out at the last moment which was a shame because we had a very good run to the Sun at Cottesmore. Linda and I were in the lead most of the way and given that the route was, except for the last few miles, the same as the one I had planned for our visit to Rutland Water it was quite easy.

The Sun is a nice country pub in a nice village and we had a separate room at the back and enjoyed a nice meal and good company.

When we left each car made its own way home. I decided to switch on Tomtom and set the destination as Home. However, I quickly realised that it was going to take me along the A47 and through Leicester which I didn't want to do. I wanted to go from Uppingham to Market Harborough and then to Lutterworth and home.

So when we got to the roundabout and it told me to take the third exit I said "No I'm not doing that" and took the second exit.

After this had happened three or four times a voice from the seat next to me said "I don't know why you have got that thing on when all you do is ignore it"

"Because it is a gadget and I like gadgets even if I do ignore them"

"Huh"

Knowing which side my bread is butter I decided to switch it off and the screen went blank. However, as we approached the next junction the blank screen said "In 400 yards turn....."

And a voice from the seat next to me said "Huh, you don't even know how to switch the thing off"

I pulled over and while I was switching it off I tried to sound intelligent, making comments about modern technology. Fortunately I wasn't challenged because I hadn't got a clue what I was talking about.

I was forgiven before we got home so a great day out ended on a high note. I just hope that Michael, Gill, Derek and Val will be there on our next run.

Finally, to anyone who hasn't been on one of our runs, please join us, we do enjoy ourselves and I am sure you would too.

Look out for the notice board that Derek puts up at every monthly meeting, future events are all listed – put your name down, there's lot going on.

Stuart & Linda

Any further ideas you might have or you would like to achieve during 2023, let the events team know, and I am sure they will point you in the right direction...

Whats happening in April



Sunday 2nd Pork pie run.

9.30 pm start at White Horse.



Tuesday 4th Monthly meeting

Starts at 8.00pm. White Horse.

Thursday 6th Taylors Bell Foundry.

12.00 start , White Horse.



Wednesday 12th Urban Chef run. Meet at Morrison's car park at 4.45pm.



Sunday 23rd Drive it day.

Meet at Morrison's at 10.45am.

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MGA: the Classic & Sports Car



The MGA is a paradox – one of the last new designs built with wooden floorboards – but now, who cares? It's a fun, lively, stunning-looking '50s sports car that is easy to drive and cheap to run.

Accurate, original spec (look for details such as the full toolkit) will be highly valued in the future, but a well-restored, rust-free body is the crucial consideration for now.

FOR

- Exceptionally good-looking
- Brisk, usable performance, particularly the Twin-Cam models
- Practical and economical
- Eligible for many forms of motorsport

AGAINST

- Limited luggage space
 - Roadster difficult to secure
 - Convertible hood is a pain to erect
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MGA specifications

Sold/number built 1955-'62/101,082

Construction steel chassis, steel body

Engine all-iron, ohc 1489/1588/1622cc 'four' with twin 1 1/2in SU carburettors, or alloy-head dohc 1588cc 'four' with twin 1 3/4in SU carburettors; 68bhp @ 5500rpm-108bhp @ 6700rpm; 77lb ft @ 3500rpm-105lb ft @ 4500rpm

Transmission four-speed, three-synchro manual, driving rear wheels

Suspension: front double wishbones, coil springs rear live axle, semi-elliptic springs; lever-arms f/r

Steering rack and pinion, 2 3/4 turns lock-lock

Brakes 10in drums, 11in front discs on 1600, all-10 3/4in discs on Twin-Cam and De Luxe

Length 13ft (3962mm)

Width 4ft 10in (1473mm)

Height 4ft 2in (1270mm)

Wheelbase 7ft 10in (2388mm)

Weight 2044-2128lb (929-967kg)

Mpg 22-34

0-60mph 16-9.1 secs

Top speed 98-114mph



Trouble spots

- 1 Front wings, notably around lights, arches and seams
- 2 Front valance, shroud and inner wings
- 3 A- and B-pillars
- 4 Door frames and alloy skins
- 5 Inner and outer sills
- 6 Main chassis legs, adjacent to the inner sills
- 7 Wooden floorboards and steel floor-support rails
- 8 Coupé roof to rear shroud join
- 9 Outer and inner rear wings
- 10 Boot floor, rear chassis crossmember, rear valance



The standard MGA should perform briskly; if the engine feels flat, it needs attention. Raising the hood will reveal how it fits, plus the noise of the running gear.

Various stages of tune were offered, involving polishing ports, changing carb needles (or swapping for bigger carbs), an uprated cam, higher-compression pistons and so on. Some, such as a crossflow head or a supercharger kit, are now sought-after, but over-zealous tuning may affect tractability for normal road use.

The Twin-Cam's high compression when new was its undoing, resulting in holed pistons – 8.3:1 became available and something less than the standard 9.9:1 is advisable now. High oil thirst and an inaccessible dipstick didn't help; it was also too easy to over-rev. Despite some common parts, its cylinder block differed from the standard model. Incorrect spark-plugs and ignition settings also contributed to piston-holing issues, but today a Twin-Cam can be as reliable as well as sparkling performer if carefully maintained.

Any MGA should feel confidence-inspiring, with light, precise rack steering on crossplies or radials. *The Motor* found that running all tyres at 27psi avoided understeer – a recommendation that's still followed (30psi works well with 155s). An anti-roll bar was optional on the

MGA price guide

1500/1600 Roadster

Show/rebuilt: £35,000*

Average: £18,000*

Restoration: £6000*

1500/1600 Coupé

Show/rebuilt: £25,000*

Average: £14,000*

Restoration: £4000*

Deluxe/Twin-Cam Roadster

Show/rebuilt: £45,000*

Average: £27,500*

Restoration: £12,500*

Deluxe/Twin-Cam Coupé

Show/rebuilt: £40,000*

Average: £22,000*

Restoration: £11,000

An aerial photograph of Rockingham Castle, a large stone building complex with multiple towers and a central courtyard. The castle is surrounded by lush green trees and rolling hills in the background. A flag is visible on a tall pole to the right of the main building. The text is overlaid on the top half of the image.

The South Leicester MG Club
25th Anniversary 2023 Ratae Run
Rockingham Castle
11 June 2023

£30 per car per entry. All types of cars welcome.

Supporting local charities.

Includes bacon or sausage cob with tea or coffee at the start and tea or coffee at the half way point.

Visit www.mgleicester.org for entry forms.

Events Programme & Information

Event No	Date	Information	Cost
	MARCH		
	Tuesday 7th	Club meeting at the White Horse, Broughton Astley. Starts 8pm or come early for a chat and food.	
4	Sunday 26th	March Hare Run a very popular event organised by Michael & Gillian. A Sunday Lunch run to a nice Country Pub. More details to follow.	£5 deposit
	April		
5	Sunday 2nd	Pork pie Run. This year we have an enjoyable road run through our lovely countryside to our end venue at Melton Mowbray taking part in a classic car display, also there will be Vintage Craft Market which will feature live music, Steam Punk, Music, Dancing, There is food available and a few shops open.	Free
	Tuesday 4th	Club meeting at the White Horse, Broughton Astley. Starts 8pm or come early for a chat and food.	
6	Thursday 6th	Taylor's bell Foundry Tour in Loughborough. 1pm-3pm The visit begins with a short talk introducing the Taylor's story, before you step out onto the casting hall viewing platform. You will then experience the Full Foundry Works. 12.00 depart from White Horse Broughton Astley or make own way to LE11 1AR	£10.50 See Bob
7	Wed 12th	Urban Chef run. Starting at the Morrisons car park Hinckley at 4.45pm. Drive through some lovely countryside to our end venue. Urban Chef has built a reputation for quality food. We have a full and varied menu with something to suit the whole family. We go the extra mile to deliver consistent quality food using the best ingredients cooked by experienced chefs. We pride ourselves on service with a smile, we aim to make every Urban Chef experience a good one.	
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	May		

May and June 2023

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	Tuesday 2nd	Club meeting at the White Horse, Broughton Astley. Starts 8pm or come early for a chat and food.	
	Sunday 7th	North Leicester MG Club, Charnwood Caper Classic & Sports Car Run.	£28 per Car
9	Thursday 11th	The Great British Car Journey. You are going on a journey which starts in the early 1920s, when the working family could only dream of owning a car. The journey ends as we venture into the new millennium and most of Britain's great car. Ambergate, Derbyshire DE56 2HE	Adult £16 Senior £14
10	Sunday 14th	Shedshed Windmill open day. 11.30am-4.30pm Restored Watermill with tea room & Blacksmith Workshop.	£3.00per car
11	Sunday 21st	Lutterworth Rotary Club is now gearing up to stage its annual Plant, Craft and Food Fair at Misterton Hall on Sunday 21st May.As well as our Plant, Craft and Food stalls we will have musical entertainment as well.	£5.00 per car
12	Sunday 21st	Rutland Showground will host its third Classic Wheels' event on Sunday 21st May 2023. If, like us, you can't wait to get out and about in your pride and joy – take a ride out to Rutland this spring for an unforgettable day of motoring. More than 1000 classic vehicles were on display in 2022 alongside Autojumble stands, Food & Craft stalls, Live music.	£10 per car.
13	Saturday 27th	100 years of MG Motoring, this promises to be a very special day!at the British Motor Museum at Gaydon on 27th May. Vehicle Exhibitor. Display your MG vehicle at this event. Includes Museum entry for the driver on the day.£10.00. Additional passenger (Adult) if you're bringing any passengers in your vehicle. Museum entry for one day. £10.00	£10-£20 per car.
	June		
14	Sunday 4th	Stony Stratford Classic Car & Festival. The Stony Stratford Classic Car Festival – now known as 'Classic Stony', has grown in stature over the years and now attracts an incredibly varied display of vehicles from concourse to 'well used'The event runs from 9:30am until 4.00pm. Spectators are free, All cars taking part must be 25years or earlier.	From £5.00 to £10.00 per car.
	Tuesday 6th	Club meeting at the White Horse, Broughton Astley. Starts 8pm or come early for a chat and food.	

June, July and August

Event No	Date	Information	Cost
15	Sunday 11th	25th Anniversary 2023 Rate Run Rockingham Castle, This is the clubs main fund raising event, Local charity also benefit.	£30.00 per car
16	Sunday 18th	Ashby Magna Vinage Rally. The weekend has all manner of attractions, The weekend has all manner of attractions, from tractor displays, vintage & classic cars, lorries, full scale & miniature steam engines, fly fishing, working dogs, re-enactments, There's plenty to see and do for all ages, including a small fair, trade stalls and our craft tent. We will be having a display of our cars, so come along for a fabulous day.	
17	Mon-Fri 26th-30th	Our annual Holiday to Warners Holme Lacy House, Hereford. See poster at club meeting.	Full
	July		
18	Sat-Sun 1st-2nd	Hollowell Steam & Heavy Horse Show. HSHHS was started in 1986 by Allen Eaton in response to a request for a donation from the Warden of Hollowell Church for repairs to the roof. Over the years it grew from the first rally which had 233 exhibits (and raised £8090) and was on an 11 acre site including car park to almost 100 acres of family entertainment. Very popular event within the club, We usually go on Sunday.	TBC
	Tuesday 4th	Club meeting at the White Horse, Broughton Astley. Starts 8pm or come early for a chat and food.	
19	Now Saturday 8th only	The Great Rempstone steam & Country Show. Each year the organising committee try to bring something new or different for visitors and exhibitors to enjoy, be it Vintage fairground machines, Vintage or Classic cars, farming or agricultural machinery of yesteryear or the glorious display of Steam Engines - we endeavour to make sure there is something for all ages to enjoy	
20	Thursday 20th	John & Glen Evening run	
	August		
	Tuesday 1st	Club meeting at the White Horse, Broughton Astley. Starts 8pm or come early for a chat and food.	
21	Saturday 5th	Glen Parva	

August, September, October, November and December.

Event No	Date	Information	Cost
22	Sunday 6th	A trip to Peter Stevenson home in Pailton, Rugby. Where you will be able to have a picnic and rides on mini trains with a track covering 1 mile long and has its on station. Also in the lake have a ride on his steam boat, Ice cream available. All Peter asks for is a donation to his charity, The air ambulance.	Free
23	Thursday 10th	Stuart & Linda Rutland Water Run. Very popular event in the club, with a short run to our end venue where we all enjoy our picnic. Then continuing the French theme we have pétanque and Boules so wear your berry and a string of onions round your neck.	Car park charge
	September		
	Tuesday 5th	Club meeting at the White Horse, Broughton Astley. Starts 8pm or come early for a chat and food.	
24	Sunday 17th	The Hinckley BID's hugely popular Motorshow returns for its 12th year! Hundreds of vehicle owners from all over the Midlands and beyond filled Hinckley town centre and Argents Mead are expected to show off their beautiful and carefully restored machines to a crowd of several thousand people.	
25	Sat-Sun 23rd-24th	Sywell Classics, Piston & Props, Sywell Aerodrome. Very popular event within the club. Combining historic racers, hot rods and motorbikes with classic planes and vintage music to create a fantastic two-day event, celebrating classic motoring on the ground and in the air.	£5.00 per day
	October		
	Tuesday 3rd	Club meeting at the White Horse, Broughton Astley. Starts 8pm or come early for a chat and food.	
	November		
	Tuesday 7th	Club meeting at the White Horse, Broughton Astley. Starts 8pm or come early for a chat and food.	
	December		
	Tuesday 5th	Club meeting at the White Horse, Broughton Astley. Starts 8pm or come early for a chat and food.	

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Event Information Page

Meeting place ~ departure times

Member event programme

All you need to know about up & coming events.
Booking available in the comment section

Club car of the month

A look at members & their cars within the club

Your photos

Been taking photos of events & shows you have attended, Then send them into the clubs facebook page and we will show the best.

Events & Shows



The Barn
Brewery Bar and Restaurant
Classic car meet
The Fourth Sunday of the Month. 11.30am
Dates
January 15th
February 26th
March 26th
April 23rd
May 28th
June 25th
July 23rd
August 27th
September 24th
October 22nd
November 26th
December 24th

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Join the North Leicester MG Club for the Charwood Caper Classic & Sports Car Run. Registration will take place at Quorn and Woodhouse GCR Station from 8am. Enjoy a run of approximately 75 miles through mainly country lanes ending at Calke Abbey, near Melbourne. £28 per car - all marques welcome. Sunday May 7th 2023.

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your local
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Melbourne, Northamptonshire)*

A run of approximately 80 miles
around rural Northamptonshire

2023 ROSE OF THE SHIRES

**Sunday
21st May 2023**

Northants MG Owners' Club
www.mgownersclub.org

Rose of the Shires Charity Road Run 2023
email: roseoftheshires@mg-orthants.org

Would you like to take part?

Your events team are thinking about a mid week trip to the **Black Country Living Museum** based in Dudley.

Black Country Living Museum is an award-winning open air museum that tells the story of one of the very first industrialised landscapes in Britain.

Set across 26 acres, you'll explore carefully reconstructed shops, houses and industrial areas that represent the Black Country's story. You'll learn how steam power, human ingenuity and an increasingly interconnected world transformed this region into a manufacturing powerhouse.

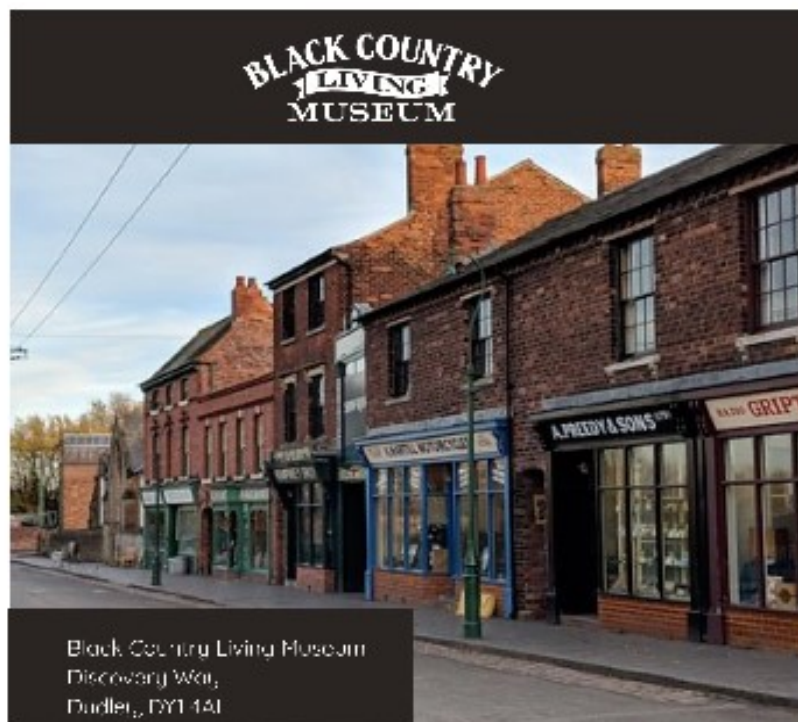
You'll meet our historic characters who'll tell you stories of what it was really like to live and work during this revolutionary period of history. Most importantly, you'll see history brought to life before your eyes – hear the clang of hammers, smell the smoke billowing from red brick chimneys and maybe even taste the best fish and chips in the Black Country!

On the date of your first visit to the Museum, we will automatically convert your general admission ticket(s) into an UnChained Annual Pass. The UnChained Annual Pass offers great value for money, giving you 12 months of free return visits for general admission.

Admission. Adults £22.95. Concession £20.95. Car Parking £3.50.

To bring a group of 15 or more, plus you can take advantage of our group discounts which would be Adults £17.00. Concession £15.50. And free car parking. You do lose the benefit of your annual pass. So is this something you could see yourself being interested in, It would be in the months of May, June or July. We need eight cars 2 people in each car to pass as a group, so could you let me know ASAP as we need to book well in advance, just text yes to Derek on 07831390270.

Thank you.



Needed Urgently

We urgently need prizes for the 2023 Ratae raffle. This can be anything from bottles, toiletries, confectionary or any unwanted gifts.

We can also accept gifts in the form of a pledge for services etc. (meal out, free MOT, vouchers etc.)

All donations will be gratefully accepted to help us raise money for this years chosen charity, which is the Sue Young cancer support in Leicester.

If you could bring your items to any of our meetings, that would be most appreciated. Many Thanks.



prizes!

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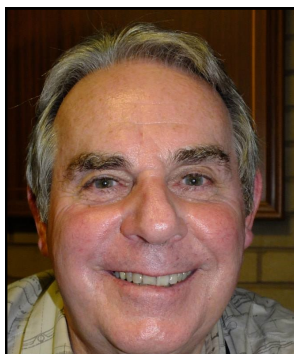
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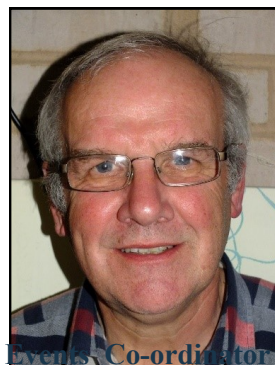


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South Leicester Monthly Meetings

Membership open to all, so why not come along and meet like-minded people and enjoy the magic of the marque.

We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at the White Horse Inn, Station Road, Broughton Astley, Leicestershire. Family membership is £10.00 p/a, payable in January. For further details contact the Secretary.

Meetings are held from 7.30pm with members forum 8pm.