



August 2026

Torque

South Leicester MG Club

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Next club meeting 1st September

Car parts to sell or wanted.

Messages from around the club.

What went on in August 2026

Dates for your diary.

Who's who.

Any parts or bits you might have lying around and would like to sell.

Cars, spares, etc.



Rules.

Its between the seller and buyer only. The club holds no responsibility for anything sold through the Torque magazine.

When sold please tell me.

Item	Description	Cost	Contact
MGB	12 Volt Battery Box. As new	£25	Andrew Munro 07703274865
MGF	5 Alloy wheels for MGF	?	kevinbarry23@yahoo.co.uk
1972 MGB Roadster	Immaculate condition. Colour Red / Maroon with wire wheels. (no reasonable offer refused)	£13,000 ono	George 07792118396
MGTF	Extremely well looked after 2003	?	Melvyn.
MGB	Radiator shroud (Centre fill)	£25	Andrew Munro 07703274865
Meccano	Large selection of Meccano bits including an electric motor, 2 windup motors and a selection of gearing, cogs and wheels.	Make me an offer.	Graham. (Chairman)
MGB	New: Pair of stainless Threshold plates GT Roadster	£15 Pair	Graham. (Chairman)
MGB	Starter motor (very little used)	£25	Andrew Munro 07703274865
MGB SU	Fuel pump (very little used)	£25	Andrew Munro 07703274865
Wanted MGF	Hydro gas n/s unit for 1999 MGF. paulrhoward@hotmail.com	Wanted.	Paul Howard 07745369256
WANTED	Set of HT Leads for MGTF	Negotiable	Graham 07763084294

Please feel free to bring any small parts or bits for sale along to the meetings.



Event page Derek

September

Tuesday 1st	Monthly meeting starts 8pm or come early and enjoy a meal with 20% off with your membership card. White Horse. Broughton Astley
Thursday 10th	Special Lunch Run. Closed
Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th	Sywell Piston & Props. Closed

October

Tuesday 6th	Monthly meeting starts 8pm. Ratae Run Presentation to this years charity. or come early and enjoy a meal with 20% off with your membership card. White Horse Broughton Astley.
Sunday 25th	George & Glenise end of summertime Breakfast Run

November

Tuesday 3rd	Monthly meeting starts 8pm or come early and enjoy a meal with 20% off with your membership card. White Horse Broughton Astley.
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December

Tuesday 1st	Monthly meeting starts 8pm or come early and enjoy a meal with 20% off with your membership card. White Horse Broughton Astley.
Saturday 5th	Christmas Breakfast
Saturday 19th	Annual Christmas Party Night. Closed

January

Tuesday 3rd	Monthly meeting starts 8pm or come early and enjoy a meal with 20% off with your membership card. White Horse Broughton Astley.
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February

Tuesday 3rd	Monthly meeting starts 8pm. Clubs annual general meeting or come early and enjoy a meal with 20% off with your membership card. White Horse Broughton Astley.
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Graham's Garage Sale.

Contact Graham Dorman for more information.



MGB rear brake drums, brand new



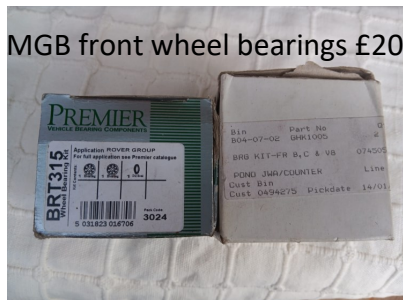
Oil filter £5



Grease gun £8. ono



Luggage straps £10



MGB front wheel bearings £20



Bird House £10



£70 ono



Smiths heater/blower
2 speed £40 ono



MG Midget half shafts £30 ono



Stove with spare gas £23



MG rear lights £20



MGB Speedo £5



Hideaway Ariel and amplifier £6



Pancake filters £6

Our Holiday in Suffolk

Article sent in by Michael and Gillian

What a Surprise



A first-time holiday to Suffolk with sun, sea and sand. Southwold was idyllic with traditional beach huts, a pier and "99" ice creams. Aldeburgh a shingle beach with fresh fish sold straight from the sea. The best fish and chips cooked in beef dripping too. But Aldeburgh had something else the "Egg and Boat Race". On a Friday evening after sitting on the shingle with our supper of, you guessed it, fish and chips we strolled along the sea front.

Hearing lots of clapping and cheering we went to investigate and there we found the boating lake surrounded by spectators of all ages and the "Egg and Boat Race". The hull of the boat must be constructed using a plastic bottle and no longer than 36cm and powered by attached elastic bands and paddles with a holder for the egg. The boat must sail the width of the lake to win. There was great activity as men and ladies, winding the elastic bands with one fellow using an electric drill! The Judge oversaw the proceedings with tensions mounting as each competitor put their vessel in the water with the egg and let it go, some went straight for a bit, some sank and had to be rescued by recovery (a man in shorts who went in the lake) and some actually made it to the other side. The gentleman who used the electric drill for winding had won the prize 50 years previous, unfortunately on his attempt the boat sank!! There was laughter, clapping, cheering and everyone had a good time.



Duck and Boat Race



Just a Summer evening where the towns folk of Aldeburgh came out to make people smile

Thank you.

Gillian Ricketts

Linda and Stuarts Annual Picnic Run



One of the Club's much-loved annual traditions is Stuart and Linda's Picnic Run. In recent years, they have organised a scenic drive through the beautiful Leicestershire countryside and across the border into the rolling hills of Derbyshire, finishing at Foremark Reservoir.

Although we had booked to attend several times before, this was the first year we actually made it, and what a delight it was. With soft clouds drifting across a bright blue sky, the weather was perfect for a picnic, games, and good company.

There was an excellent turnout from the Club, with a fine display of beautifully polished MGs attracting the eye of other visitors. One thing we missed was a prize for the best picnic setup. Perhaps that is an idea for next year. I might even have a word with the Club Treasurer about funding a Picnic Basket Award, especially as he happens to be the organiser!



We spent the afternoon playing French Cricket and Quoits, and enjoying plenty of conversation. As for French Cricket, I am still not entirely sure whether the rules were official or simply invented as we went along! Either way, the ladies seemed to have the upper hand. There were some entertaining moments, including the surprised expressions on a few of the men when the ball came their way, followed by a brief debate about who was actually supposed to catch it.



It was a wonderful day, and special thanks must go to Stuart and Linda for organising it. As always, the photographs tell the story far better than words.



An Interesting Fact

Foremark Reservoir is a 230-acre nature reserve featuring woodland, heathland, open countryside, and open water. It is owned by Severn Trent and cared for by the National Trust. The site offers excellent facilities, including a Kiosk (nice coffer), ample parking, and plenty of picnic benches.

The water level was noticeably lower than usual due to the dry weather, although the reservoir was still around 68% full. What I found particularly interesting was learning that Foremark is one of 15 reservoirs owned by Severn Trent. Together, they supply around two billion litres of water every day.

On the other hand, Severn Trent reportedly loses around 400 million litres of water daily through leakage, a cost ultimately borne by customers. That represents roughly 20% of the total water supplied, or the equivalent of around 160 Olympic-sized swimming pools every day.

Rant over! We had a fabulous day.

Michael Ricketts



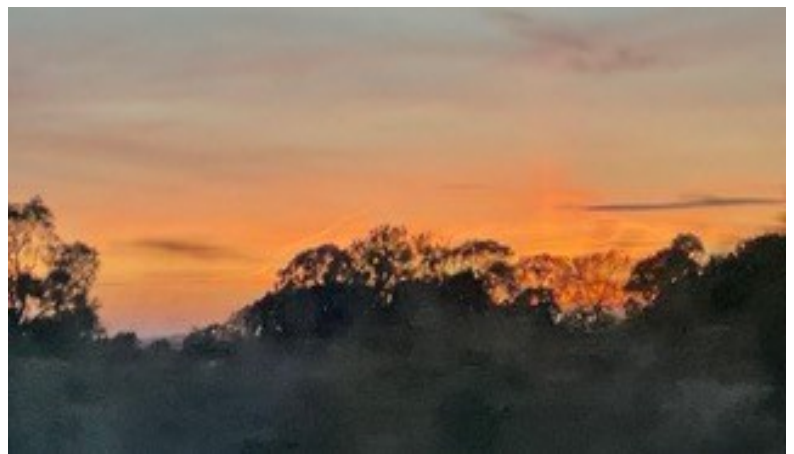
JOHN & GLEN'S EVENING RUN

Thursday, 23 July 2026

Twelve cars ambled through the glorious Leicestershire countryside on a run of 23 miles, passing Stamford Hall. It was a perfect evening, that culminated in a superb sunset. And in-between, a meal in a good pub with friends. (Despite the photo, the top table was not really as glum as they look!)

There was a Quiz - of course there was! The winners were the Armstons. The photo shows Linda collecting her prize from John Lee.

(Once upon a time, we took our evening run through a mighty storm that scattered heavy rain, twigs and other tree brash onto the cars and brought down branches on the road. I think we made up for it with this run - Glen)



Stuart and Linda Picnic in the Park

Formark Reservoir 7th August 2026

Was this at Foremark Reservoir or a sandy beach somewhere?

On a sunny Friday morning, the village ladies were exiting the Elmesthorpe village Hall after their morning yoga class. They glanced quizzically at the collection of MG's assembling in the car park as they left. 'What are they here for?'

When all were present, Stuart handed out the tulip instructions for our route to Foremark Reservoir, soon we were on our way. After an interesting drive everybody arrived safely. We encamped at our picnic spot, worryingly it was more scorched earth than green pastures, but undeterred we pitched our chairs. Picnic lunches were soon produced, and a surprise homemade cake appeared supplied by Gillian, (baked with love by hubby).

The heat intensity increased as the day past, but the die-hards still managed a game of French Cricket and an attempt at table quoits or was it Hoopla?

An excellent day! We sat, enjoyed the view, had a good natter and put the world to rights.

Thank-you Stuart, Linda, Gillian, and fellow adventurers for an entertaining day.

Peter



Sileby Classic Car Show

August 2nd 2026

What a great day, and what a fantastic turn out, over 200 + cars of all makes and models from the very old to the new.

A few of us (7 cars) from the club met up at Stonehurst farm in Mountsorrel for a cuppa before setting off to the Sileby Cricket ground, where we paid a £2.00 donation to Rainbows charity as entry.

We parked up against the boundary fence for a bit of shelter as it was extremely hot day.

The event was well supported with hundreds of visitors admiring the cars.

Graham (editor for Torque magazine).



Ratae 2027 Charities

We have listed three charities this year and decided we would split the monies raised across two out of the three.

At the next meeting we will handout a ballot sheet for you to select 2 out of the 3 .

1. Leicester and Rutland Blood Bikes



What we do:

Our group of volunteers provide a **free, “out of hours” courier service** to public health bodies in Leicestershire & Rutland between approximately 7pm and 5am Monday to Friday, with 24 hour cover at weekends and during public holidays.

We are not an emergency service but work with the hospitals to meet their transport needs in an efficient and timely manner.

We transport blood, blood products, pathology samples, patient notes, x-rays, patient scans, surgical equipment, in fact anything where there is an immediate need to transport an item that will directly benefit patient care.

The group also provides support to the local Air Ambulance, delivering blood each evening for the use with patients with severe traumas.

In addition:

We collect human milk from donating mothers in Leicestershire and Rutland and transport it to the Women’s Hospital in Birmingham for processing and subsequent distribution to neo-natal units. (see separate tab at the top of the page for link to Birmingham Women’s hospital)

2. Leicester Musical Memory Box

What is Leicester Musical Memory Box?

Leicester Musical Memory Box is an independent, not for profit organisation delivering fun and interactive sessions. We use singing, music and gentle seated exercises to help improve health and wellbeing whilst reducing loneliness and social isolation.

We believe that music is an essential part of life and whilst we initially began working with people living with dementia and memory loss along with their carers, we are now able to open the sessions up to anyone who feels they may benefit.

Our sessions are led by Kyle Newman along with Christina Birkby and a team of wonderful volunteers. We are very proud to now have our Geet Sangeet groups for the South Asian community led by Beena Masand. We also have a [YouTube channel](#) to help people familiarise themselves with some of the songs we sing in these sessions.

Please [do contact us](#) if you would like any further information.

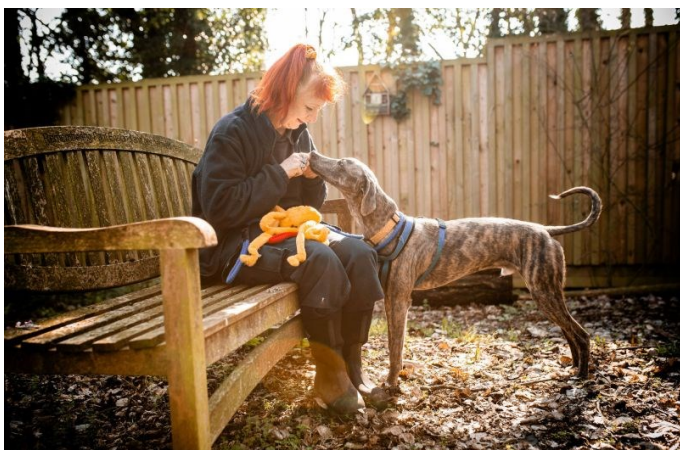


3. Leicester Animal Aid

Our Centre

Leicester Animal Aid has been in operation since 1956. At our site in Huncote, we provide care for up to 30 cats and 34 dogs at any one time in purpose-built, quality accommodation.

Each and every animal receives good food, veterinary care and lots of individual attention to help them feel secure and loved, perhaps for the first time in their lives.



South Leicester MG Club logo

Your MG Logo can be added to any items of clothing that takes your fancy

Just call in, Shop and ask for the clubs logo to be added. Examples below.



Printer Prime Ladies Softshell



Printer Prime Ladies T-Shirt 180g



Ladies Classic Polo Shirt 220g



141 Kustom Kit Mens S/S Poplin Shirt



Everyday Heavy Cotton T-Shirt 180g



B218 Polycotton Two Tone Polo Shirt

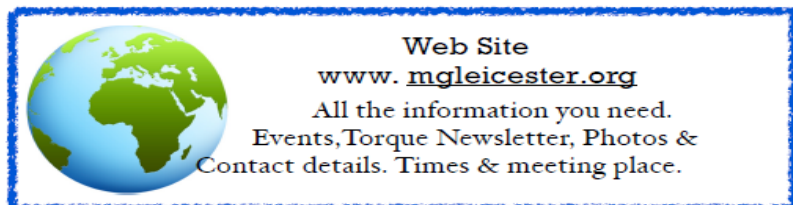
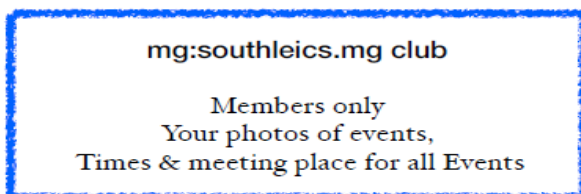
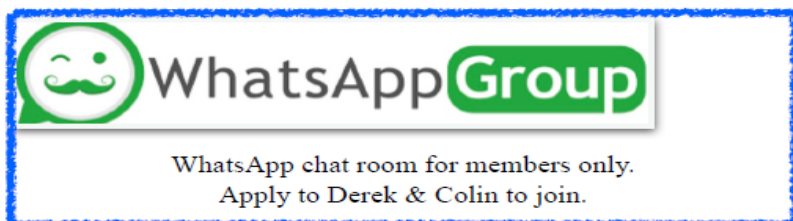
£15 from the clubs treasurer. Stuart Armston.



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Dodwells Road,
Hinckley, LE10 3BZ

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How to get in touch.



Remember

**All South Leicester MG members get
20% off food orders on club nights.**

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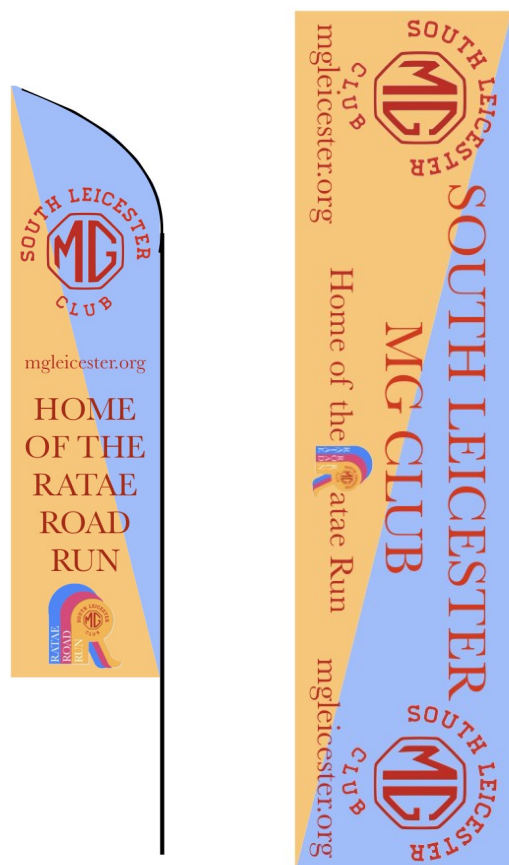
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South Leicester MG Club monthly meetings.

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.

20% off food orders on club nights.