

Winchester MG Owners Club



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Winchester MGOC meet on the last Tuesday of the month at:
The Plough, Itchen Abbas, Nr Winchester, SO21 1BQ

Happy New Year to all WMGOC members! Here's looking forward to a great 2017. Thanks to all who came along to our AGM in November. You will find a short summary of the meeting with key decisions taken in this newsletter.

The first edition of our 2017 calendar can also be found, outlining some of the events for the year. Hopefully you can pencil some into your calendars well in advance. Our annual Dinner & Dance takes place this month, so if you haven't yet got tickets there is still time to come along and join us at Norton Park on the 21st and dance the night away to our in-house live band Rhythm Method. Due to the closeness of dates, the Dinner Dance will replace our usual club night meeting, so please note that we have no meeting in January, the next being February 28th.

Our Cobweb Spin this year will be held at The Great Hall in Winchester on March 19th. To ease traffic, parking arrangements and use space effectively, we are asking people to book in advance, so please let me know if you intend coming along. We have had some excellent news insofar as we now have permission from the Military Museums in Peninsular Square to use their parking areas as well as those at The Great Hall. This means we will have around 140 spaces available in four different locations. So far, by early January, we have had 74 firm bookings and further expressions of interest. This is after just one appearance of our ad in Enjoying MG. The Cobweb organising team met early in January and will be advising you of arrangements and coordinating our volunteer marshals over the next few weeks.

Regarding our 2017 events calendar, don't forget that each of our club night runs needs an organiser and route planner, so don't be shy in volunteering. For the darker indoor evenings any guest speaker suggestions would also be welcomed. Finally a reminder of course that with the start of a new year our annual subs are now due. Cash, cheque or bank transfers are all acceptable. Please see the back page for your form.

Happy MGing

STEVE

The Annual General Meeting of the WMGOC

REPORT

General

Membership currently stands at 66 with new memberships this year slightly exceeding those who have for various reasons left. Typically this is due to relocation or no longer owning an MG. Thanks are due to Dave Tilbury for his efforts in editing on newsletter and web site, and to Clyde Cunningham for looking after our accounts. It was proposed that the club committee is extended and granted more freedom to make decisions on behalf on the membership between AGMs. The new post of Chairman would assist in running the extended committee. Examples of organisation structures and posts from neighbouring MGOCs were reviewed. Key decisions for the coming year were outlined but proposals and voting were held over until the Treasurer's report had been made.

Treasurer

Accounts summaries showing income and expenditure for the year were circulated. While the current bank balance is healthy, account must be taken of the sums received for the Xmas Dinner Dance and the amount of deposit funded by the club. Greatest out-goings were once again printing and postage for the newsletter. The amount was less than previous years due to hard copy and electronic newsletters being alternated this year. Discussions and voting on key decisions then took place.

Newsletter

First was regarding the year's trial of alternating hardcopy and electronic newsletters. The cost of postage and printing is ever increasing, plus there is a burden placed upon those who regularly collect from the printers, buy stamps, fill envelopes and post. Some members no longer wanted hardcopy and small print runs are uneconomic. A proposal was put forward to move fully to electronic newsletters and to discontinue hardcopy and postage. This was accepted by a majority vote.

Subscription rates for 2017

Subs were then discussed with respect to setting the 2017 membership rate. A proposal was put forward to reduce membership costs to reflect the transfer to an electronic newsletter. The ensuing discussions suggested that the existing rate of £15 was not regarded as expensive and that the level should be maintained to provide some extra funds to enable support for club activities such as the Cobweb Spin and Xmas Dinner Dance etc. One of the main concerns being that funds should be available to cover any initial outlays such as deposits, prizes etc. A proposal to maintain the current rate was accepted by majority vote.

2017 Cobweb Spin

The decision on whether or not to proceed with 2017 cobweb Spin arrangements was discussed. Hampshire County Council is supportive and has given permission to use 3 parking areas at the Great Hall. This currently will provide about 85 to 90 spaces. This falls short of previous years attendances. Further parking that will take the total to around 140 spaces if being discussed with the Military Museums in Peninsular Square. This has to be agreed by the resident's management committee and is therefore not guaranteed. The decision was taken to go ahead with current plans based on the smaller number of spaces in the hope that the larger number could be secured by the time the event takes place.

Voting in of the Committee for 2017

The following were proposed and voted in by a show of hands.

Secretary – Steve Favell

Treasurer - Clyde Cunningham

(it was further agreed that Heather Ellis, who has assisted Clyde in the Treasurer role during 2016 will work closely with Clyde again this year with a view to taking over the role for 2018)

Chairman – Peter Cranstone

Newsletter Editor & Webmaster – Dave Tilbury

Regalia – Niall Fitzgerald

The 2017 Cobweb Spin will be jointly organised by the Secretary & Chairman assisted by the committee members and others. For 2018 the post of Cobweb Organiser will be considered again at the next AGM once a format has been established.

Celeb Hunter



Not quite the standard of celebrity we have come to expect Steve to throw an arm round. The tall chap is Ed China, one of the hosts on the car restoration TV show Wheeler Dealers. Originally on the Discovery Channel but now on one of the Free View channel 37 Quest – so I am told).

“Now Dougal.....Remember..... The big one is very near – the small one is far away” (An esoteric reference to Father Ted)



Health

Exercise for the Over 60's

1. Begin by standing on a comfortable surface, where you have plenty of room at each side.
2. With a 5-kg potato bag in each hand, extend your arms straight out from your sides and hold them there as long as you can.
3. Try to reach a full minute, and then relax.
4. Each day you'll find that you can hold this position for just a bit longer.
5. After a couple of weeks, move up to 10-kg potato bags.
6. Then try 50-kg potato bags and eventually try to get to where you can lift a 100-kg potato bag in each hand and hold your arms straight for more than a full minute. (I'm at this level).
7. After you feel confident at that level, put a potato in each bag

A man goes to the doctor and says. Doctor I need help. I think I might be addicted to Twitter.

Doctor says "Sorry I don't follow you"

I recently followed a car with a bumper sticker stating:

"I am a Vet, therefore expect me to drive like an animal."

I then realised just how many proctologists there must be on our roads!

And God promised Man that Good and Obedient wives would be found in all corners of the World

She then made the Earth Round

And Laughed

And Laughed

And Laughed

Boxing Day in Romsey

Words & Images by Steve Favell

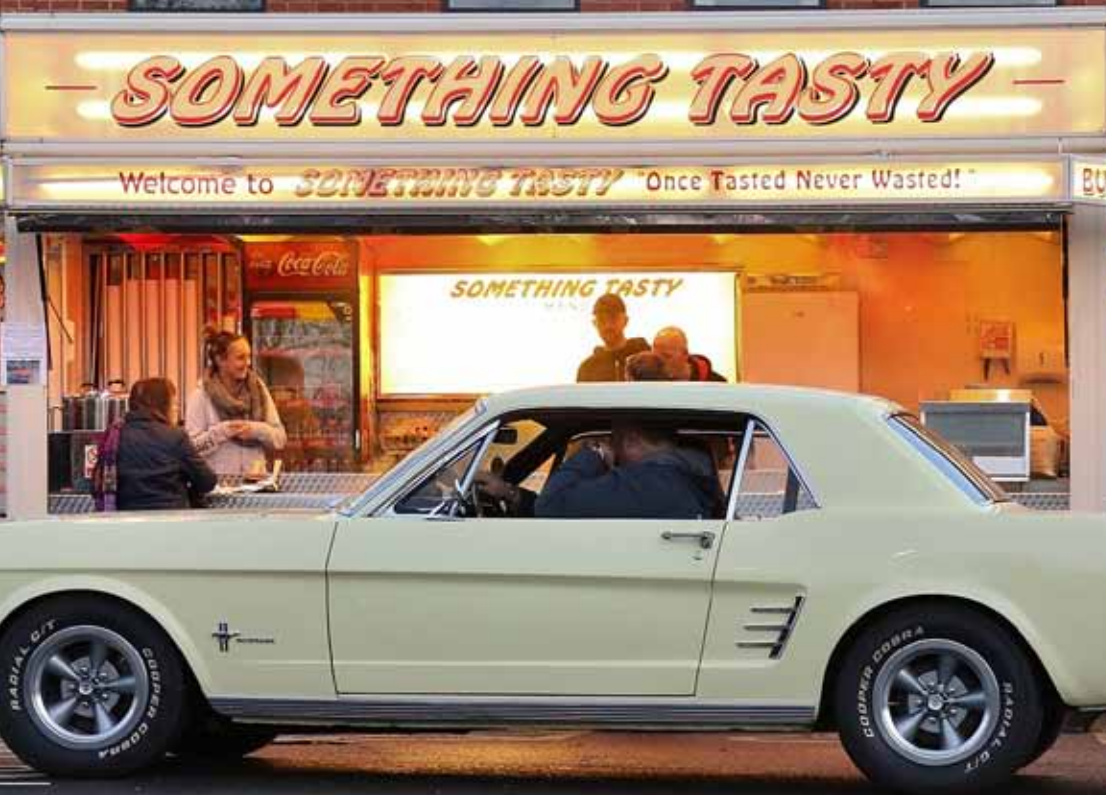
There was once again good weather for the 15th annual Romsey Boxing Day pre 1976 car & bike meet ensuring a bumper turn-out. The quality of the turn-out was as good as it has ever been ranging from the once familiar family saloons to top end sporting exotica with just about everything in between. I arrived early (or so I thought) having had time to cook myself a breakfast and arrive on site around 7-45am just before it got light. (Why, when you don't have to get up for work do you tend to wake up even earlier than normal?). The main car park was already about a quarter full and by 8-30 cars were being directed across the road to the Crossfield Hall area. By about 9-30 the main areas were full and it was then a case of improvising a space at the roadside or in the Town Square area. I know that some with more modern 'classics' went straight to the outer car parks and they tell me there was much to see there as well. Estimates of attendance at around 600 to 700 vehicles are quite believable. While I enjoyed walking around the main car parks, I found it more to my liking to wander around the town, watching the arrival queues, those circulating and later the departures. Much better material for my camera as photography in the main car parks was almost impossible due to the crowds. I met quite a few of our members, some parked in the main areas and others who had parked farther out and walked in. I know there were several others, but our paths did not happen to cross, which due to the numbers attending was not surprising. A charity collection was made in support of Prostate Cancer research with donations on the day and via a 'just giving' web page set up by organiser Steve Biddlecombe. The Coffee and Burger stall traders also make a generous donation and Steve reports that by 1st January the total collected had reached a record £4,331 with some more expected to come in over the next few weeks. An excellent result.



Another excellent image from Steve Favell that was left over from the November edition.

Boxing Day at Romsey

Submitted by Steve Favell





All pre 1990 classic cars WELCOME!

Crotch Cooler's

CLASSIC CAR SUNDAY

2nd April 2017 - Classic Car Sunday
 7th May 2017 - British Sunday
 4th June 2017 - American Sunday
 2nd July 2017 - Classic Car Sunday
 6th August 2017 - Italian & French Sunday
 3rd September 2017 - Classic Car Sunday
 1st October 2017 - Oldtimer Oktoberfest

CARS ARRIVE FROM 2.00pm.

www.crotchcooler.co.uk for details.
 The Departure Lounge Cafe, Basingstoke Road, Alton GU34 4BH



Solent MGOC - MGs in the Park

Sunday 21st May 2017

Attractions include:- The Soberton Strummers, Pavilion Tea Room, Chapel of St Paul, Working Pottery, Maze, Garden Centre, Gift Shop, and the Stansted Park Light Railway all in 1700 acres of ancient forest. So bring the wellies as well as a picnic !

Note - Parking space is limited - Entry Forms (click takes you to the form) will be accepted on a first come first served basis

Entry is £7 per car. More information is available from Monica Chiverton (Events Coordinator, Solent MGOC):

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Chevron Racing Cars, Stockbridge

The Editor must admit to plagiarism. This article appeared in a north-west motorsport newsletter that I receive. I contacted the editor and we had a good moan about the serious lack of copy at this time of year. Well, WDK being a local Hampshire firm I thought it would be rude not to give them a mention. They are, after all, a make we see at Gurston Down and other circuits in our area.

WDK Motorsport Ltd, based at Stockbridge, Hampshire UK and formed just seven years ago, is today announcing a raft of significant business developments, including the acquisition of the world-famous Chevron racing car brand.

WDK Motorsport Ltd is a first-class historic race car restoration and preparation business employing a broad range of experienced specialists, catering to in excess of fifteen UK and international clients, all owners of important historic and classic cars, with diverse requirements for their racing experiences. WDK was originally formed by Ian Cox, Simon Turner and Kevin Drew, who together developed the business to a level where it was sold in 2015.

It was announced recently that WDK was acquired last year by VV Capital LLP, the investment vehicle of Nicola Foulston. Ms Foulston, a former UK Businesswoman of the Year, is best known in international motor sport as the past owner of the Brands Hatch circuits group, which she floated on the London Stock Exchange in 1996. She took that Group from a value of £6 million in 1991 to one of more than £120 million before managing its sale to the American advertising agency giant, Interpublic, in 1999.

The Co-founder of WDK and now its Managing Director, Ian Cox, has 35 year of race car engineering, with his experience in F1, F2, F3, Group C and sports & GT cars. Ian Cox and Nicola Foulston are now joined on the Board as a nonexecutive director by Christopher Tate, a 39-year motorsport industry veteran who is Managing Director at Donington Park, and a well-known figure on the international historic racing scene.

WDK Motorsports acquires Chevron. WDK together with Vin and Helen Malkie the brand's former owners, are also announcing today that the trading business and Intellectual Property in the brand of Chevron Racing Cars, the famous UK racing car company founded in the 1960s, has been sold to WDK Motorsports Limited.



Chevron B19

Chevron, which builds highly competitive racing cars and is still winning trophies in historic racing in 2016, will be relocated to WDK's premises in Hampshire, where all future manufacturing of the official Chevron cars, especially the very popular B8 and B16 FIA continuation cars, will be produced.

Ian Cox, the Managing Director of WDK said "We have been working on this deal for a while. We are all delighted to be able to announce this exciting news. One of the first race cars I ever worked on was a Chevron B8 and over the years I've worked on too many different Chevrons to mention. So when the time came for Chevron to find new owners, this was a natural fit with WDK. We have a fantastic fabrication department who are hugely excited to be manufacturing cars & parts for the pre-eminent Chevron Brand".

"WDK already has a great reputation for restoration & race car preparation having just won back to back Historic FIA F1 championships & secured multiple podiums in many classes again throughout 2016. This new expansion of our business will enable us to diversify and means we can now offer our full race support package to both new & former Chevron customers as well as continuing to grow with our existing customers.

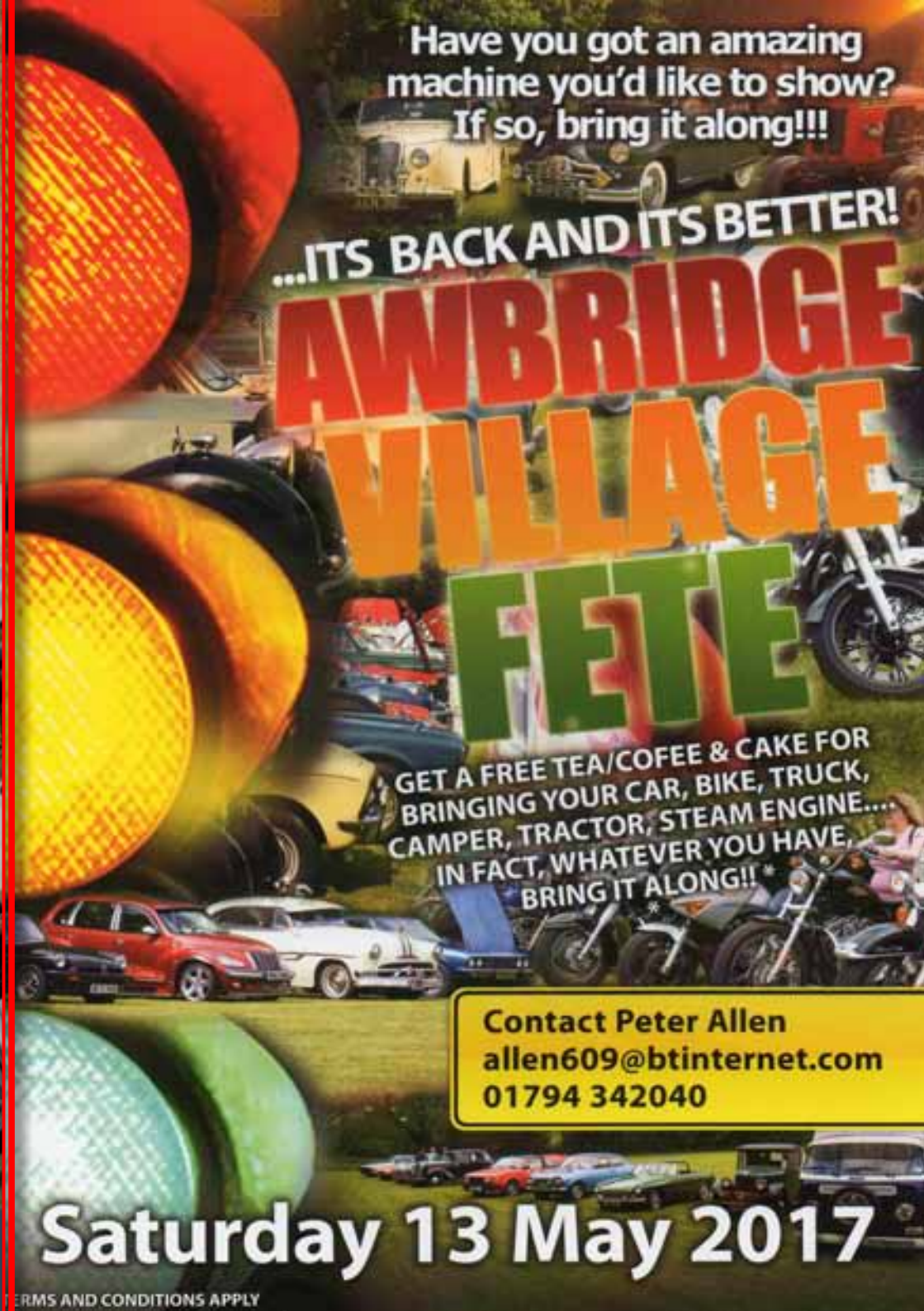


CLASSIC VEHICLE & VINTAGE SHOW SAT 1st JULY 2017

HENSTRIDGE AIRFIELD BA8 0TN
10.00 AM TO 5.00 PM
ADULTS £5. CHILDREN U14 FREE
FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT
TRADE & CRAFT STALLS
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Contact Peter Allen
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Saturday 13 May 2017

TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY

Events for 2017

Always check before you travel – locations & times sometimes change

January

8th Bicester Sunday Scramble

21st WMGOC Xmas Dinner

No January Club meet

February

28th WMGOC Club night – The Plough, Itchen Abbas

March

19th Winchester MGOC Cobweb Spin

28th WMGOC Club night – The Plough, Itchen Abbas

April

2nd Crotch Cooler meet, Alton – Classic Car Sunday

2nd Brooklands MG Era

9th Arundel Castle gathering, Chichester MGOC

9th CCOTP Christchurch Quay

17th 25th Spring Vehicle Meet & Autojumble – Newbury Showground

22 & 23 Gurston Down speed event

23rd National "Drive it" Day

23rd Bicester Sunday Scramble

25th WMGOC Club night run

May

1st King Alfred buses running day in Winchester

1st Popham aero & auto Jumble, classic car rally & fly-in

7th Crotch Cooler meet, Alton – British Sunday

7th Charity Gala Cowdray house – Chichester MGOC

7th Twyford Waterworks Spring Rally

tba Basingstoke Festival of Transport

tba 23rd New Forest International Car Run (Rotary)

13th Bill Targett Memorial Steam Rally- Highbridge Road Eastleigh (13th & 14th)

13th Beaulieu Spring Autojumble (13th & 14th)

13th Awbridge Fete & Car Show returns for 2017

14th Waltham Chase Village Hall car meet

20th Sparsholt Celebration of Motor Vehicles and open day in aid of Macmillan Cancer

21st MGs in the Park, Stansted Park, Rowlands Castle – Solent MGOC

27 & 28 Gurston Down

28 & 29 Prescott - La Vie en Bleu

28th CCOTP Highcliffe Recreation Ground

29th Kings Worthy Parish Fete – WMGOC display

tba Winchester City Football Ground – Classic Car & Bike breakfast meet 8-12noon

tba Classics in the Park – Poole Park – Dorset Midget & Sprite Club

30th WMGOC Club night run

June

3rd Wilton House Classics & Supercars (3-4th)

10th MG Live at Silverstone (10-11th)

4th Crotch Cooler meet, Alton – American Sunday

4th Southampton & New Forest MGOC New Forest Run

25th CCOTP Highcliffe Castle

tba Bishops Waltham show incl. classic car show & parade

tba WMGOC run to Cranbury Park open day

tba Beaulieu Simply classics

27th WMGOC Club night run

July

- 1st Blackmore Vale Revival
- 2nd Crotch Cooler meet, Alton – Classic Car Sunday
- 16th CCOTP Christchurch Quay
- 16th Alton Bus Rally & Car Show – Anstey Park
- 25th WMGOC Club night run
- 28th Silverstone Classic 28th – 30th

August

- 6th Crotch Cooler meet, Alton – Italian & French Sunday
- 13th Athelhampton Garden Party, Bournemouth & Poole MGOC
- 20th CCOTP Highcliffe Castle
- tba Radio 2 Carfest South, Laverstoke
- tba Breakfast meet 8am-2pm Winchester Football club, free entry – no need to book
- 29th WMGOC Club night run

September

- 3rd Crotch Cooler meet, Alton – Classic Car Sunday
- 8th Goodwood Revival (8-10th)
- tba The Concorde Club classic & sports car show, Eastleigh
- 24th The Doughnut Delight charity day – Basingstoke MGOC
- 24th CCOTP Christchurch Quay
- tba Andover Festival of Motoring – High Street – pre book to display
- 26th WMGOC Club night

October

- 1st Crotch Cooler meet, Alton – Oldtimer Oktoberfest
- 1st Bicester Sunday Scramble
- TBA Thatcham classic car show, Dunstan Green, 10am- 3pm, £5 donation per car
- 31st WMGOC Club night

November

- 5th London to Brighton Run
- TBA NEC Classic Motor Show
- 28th MGOC Club night AGM

December

- 26th Romsey classic car & bike meet (pre 76)

For Reference:

Gurston Down Prescott	http://www.gurstondown.org/event-calendar/
Goodwood	https://www.prescott-hillclimb.com/events-list
Brands Hatch	https://www.goodwood.com/sports/motorsport/
Brooklands Museum	http://www.brandshatch.co.uk/calendar.aspx
	https://www.brooklandsmuseum.com



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SUNDAY SCRAMBLE DATES 2017

8 January
23 April
1 October

SCRAMBLE!

Pre-booking via our website is essential
All visitors are welcome from 8am

Bicester Heritage is an active airfield. It is almost certain your car and household insurance DO NOT cover you for driving here.
PLEASE PROCEED WITH CAUTION



1991 to 2016

Membership Application 2017

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Names _____

Address _____

Post Code _____

Home Phone No _____

Mobile No _____

E Mail Address _____

MG Model; reg _____ colour _____ year _____

.reg _____

colour _____

year _____

Please return form with your £15 subscription to:

Steve Favell, 179 Romsey Road, WINCHESTER, SO22 5PQ or bring this form to a meeting.

Still great value @£15pa. Make cheques payable to: Winchester MGOC

Or pay by direct transfer to Sort Code: 30 99 71 Account No: 57512560

Or pay by cash on a club night

In all cases return a copy of this form by post or email

secretary@winchestermgoc.co.uk

Please tick: Bank transfer Cheque Cash

Data Protection The information given on this form will be stored on a computer and used to keep a record of members and for producing membership and mailing lists for WMGOC communications. The information may also be made available to all club members.

Please tick if you do not want this information divulged to other WMGOC members

Signature.....

Membership covers family and all MGs owned

Solent MG Owners Club – 1003

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MGs IN THE PARK

~ Garden Party & Picnic ~

Sunday 21st May 2017

Stansted Park, Rowlands Castle, Hants, PO9 6DX

Viewing Stansted House this year will be half price

Gates open from 10:30am

Attractions include:- The Soberton Strummers, Pavilion Tea Room, Chapel of St Paul, Working Pottery, Maze, Garden Centre, Gift Shop, and the Stansted Park Light Railway all in 1700 acres of ancient forest. So bring the wellies as well as a picnic !

Note - Parking space is limited - Entry Forms will be accepted on a first come first served basis

Please post the completed form below with a SAE and cheque for £7 per car made payable to:-
"Solent MGOC"

To:- **Monica Chiverton, 33 Ladywood, Boyatt Wood, Eastleigh, Hants SO50 4RW**

Tel: 023 8061 9898

Email: malcolm6390@talktalk.net

Entry details will be sent to you with your receipt

Please apply by 30th April 2017



MGs IN THE PARK 2017

ENTRY FORM

Name:

Address:

Tel: Email Address:

Your MG:..... Body Style:.....Reg No:Year:

Your MGOC Region:

Optional further details:

How did you hear about our event ? Flyer / Enjoying MG / Solent MGOC website / attended previously.

Other