



# SOUTH ESSEX MG OWNERS CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## Last Month

Joining us for the first time were Brian & Gwen who have a White MGB GT V8. Welcome to the club.

## Recent Events

On Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> May 12 cars gathered at the Lodge on a grey morning to compete in our annual Treasure Hunt which this year had been organised by John & Ann. Last to arrive were Barry & Maureen and was Barry in trouble! He had scraped the door of Maureen's pride & joy!!



At the start. Look at Bill Ratcliff's fantastic new hood. Leaving at staged intervals we enjoyed a good run through some of the quieter roads of the county solving clues along the way. All competitors found their way to the final destination, the Fox at

Matching Green, where Bar Snacks & Sunday Lunches were enjoyed.



Lunch at the Fox.

With anticipation we awaited the result; a three way tie! The tie break question of how many left turns were made during the course resulted in a further two way tie, Jan & Steve having lost out!

Second tie break question of how many right turns, resulted in a win for Bill & Jo, with myself & June losing out!



Presentation to Bill Cullen.

Worthy winners in the oldest car on the day; their lovely PA.

Our thanks to John & Ann for organising this year's event for us.

## Secretary's News

From time to time members have asked me how long the club has been in existence, however I could never really give a definitive answer. I knew which of our members were the longest serving but they only had information back to the mid 90s, so curiosity got the better of me and I set about discovering the history of 0906.

In my quest I found that two of our more recent members David & Jane had originally attended meetings as far back as the mid 80s. So when did 0906 start? I dusted off my copies of Enjoying MG. Having been a member since 1981 I was able to reconstruct most of the history, however there was a period of several years when the cars for sale and the roundup reports were published separately and I had not kept these, so last week I went to the MGOC Headquarters to delve into their archives.

The earliest reference that I can find is in 1978 when the venue was the Green Man, Howe Street, Chelmsford.

At the end of this newsletter is the history of 0906 showing when, where and whom has been responsible along the way to make the club what it is today.

Does anybody have information as to the whereabouts of the early Area secretaries? Or events that took

place? Ian has very kindly provided some photos. Are there any more!!!

I would love to hear from you.

I have received an invitation from the secretary of the Jaguar Drivers Club XK Register, who has extended an invitation to all MG Owners to join them at their major event of the year, which is being held at Burghley House on 30th July.

Once again this coincides with the Newmarket races, however if you would like to attend this I have all the relevant details.

## What's On

### **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2006**

Pub Run to the Greyhound, Little Burstead

### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> ~Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2006**

Club French Weekend Audenfort

### **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2006**

Brandy Hole Yacht Club Fun Day & Regatta

### **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2006**

Club Night from 8:30 pm

### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2006**

Chartwell Visit

### **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2006**

Newmarket Races

## **Events from other clubs**

23<sup>rd</sup>~25<sup>th</sup> June MGCC 56<sup>th</sup>  
Silverstone International.

2<sup>nd</sup> July Essex Group TR Register,  
Essex Day, Ingatestone Hall.

30<sup>th</sup> July Jaguar Drivers Club XK  
Day at Burghley House

## **Members Corner**

Spotted for sale on eBay by Steve Mead was a black 1980 MGB Roadster, which attracted a winning bid of £11300. The car which had never been road registered with 266 delivery miles on the clock was stored for 26 years in heated premises.

Our Member Brian has asked me to mention the following:-

*I recently had my overdrive fixed in a very efficient and satisfactory manner by: Brian Brown Classics whose address is, Langley, Nr. Hitchin, Herts.*

*Tel. 01438 729288 Mobile 07860 473298.*

*He did a great job and his costs are OK. The name of his company sounds a bit grand but it is a very small business and also very friendly.*

## HISTORY OF MGOc 0906

Year-Month	Venue	Area Secretary	Meetings
1978	The Green Man Howe St C'ford	Nick Clarke	3rd Fri
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1979-1982	The White Hart at Boreham	Peter French	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed
1983	The White Hart at Boreham	Paul Dowler	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed
1984-09			
1984-10	The Generals Arms Danbury	David Ginn	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed
1987-05			
1987-06	The Bell Ingatestone	Roger Manning	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed
1994-08			
1994-09	The Bell Ingatestone	Mark Turner	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed
1994-11			
1994-12	Prince of Wales Mountnessing	Mark Turner	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed
1996-12			
1997-01	Plough & Sail East Hanningfield	Mark Walton	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday
1997-08			
1997-09	Plough & Sail East Hanningfield	Richard White/Ian Selbie	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday
1998-09			
1998-10	Plough & Sail East Hanningfield	Richard White	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday
2000-08			
2000-09	Lodge Country Inn Rettendon	Richard White	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday
2002-10			
2002-11	Lodge Country Inn Rettendon	Barry King	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday
2003-09			
2003-10 on	Lodge Country Inn Rettendon	Barry King	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday



0906 Football Team 25/5/97 Red Lion Margareting  
(Thanks to Ian for providing this photo)