

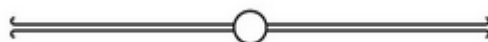


EVENTS REPORTS

Gransden Lodge 80th Celebrations

Sunday 14th June saw a group of Club members brave a very long and pot-hole ridden access road to arrive at the Cambridge Gliding Club at Gransden Lodge to support their celebration of the restart of motor racing after the Second World War which took place on 15th June 1946 at this former wartime airfield. One of the winning cars at that event was an MG – Reg Parnell's K3 Magnette (chassis no: K3009).

A number of our Club members took to the skies in the Gliding Club's aircraft to enjoy the scenery from the skies and receive instruction in handling a glider. An enjoyable day with six Club MGs, two Gliding Club MGs and a Triumph Stag on display.



Members' Day, BBQ and Fun Concours

Our annual Members' Day, BBQ and Fun Concours was took place on Saturday 20th June 2026.

This was held at Frank's Farm in Elsworth. The area allocated to the Club was at the entrance to the Frank's Farm retail and business site and proved to be ideal for our needs. The barbecue lunch was provided by Frank's Farm with the cost met by the Club and participating Club members. An adjacent ice cream stall sold unique flavoured products that were a great hit with members.

30 MGs and one E-type Jaguar graced the field on the day and a number of visitors to Franks' Farm for their Park Run and hospitality attractions came and admired the cars on display. 50+ Club members enjoyed the day and prizes were awarded to the owners of the winning cars from each category. The Fun Concours winners were:

Class A: MGA	–	Peter Ryle
Class B: MGB Roadster	-	Roly & Kathy Merrill
Class C: MGB GT	-	Mike Elsome
Class E: MGs over 2500cc	-	Roger Thwaites
Class F: Pre 1960 MG Models		Peter Cornwell
Class G: MGF & MGTF Models		Tom & Julia Lindley
Class H: Modern MGs	-	Ray & Jenny Myring

Thanks go to our Membership Secretary, Alison Meeks for organising this event, our Chairman, Peter Ganczakowski, for arranging the venue and our Treasurer, David Parker, for all the financials. Also to David and Emma Parker for the scoring 1 of the Fun Concours.

Alan's Fenland Run

Wednesday 24th June saw 18 Club MGs with 30+ members congregate at the Twenty Pence Garden Centre in Wilburton to embark upon this year's commemorative Run in memory of Alan Humphreys. Club member Janet Humphreys, again organised the Run which took us across rural Cambridgeshire and Norfolk Fens to reach The Potting Shed pub/restaurant at The Secret Garden near Wisbech.

It was a very hot day but everyone enjoyed the Run and a very convivial lunch. Thanks to Janet for very good directions that got us all across the Fens to arrive at the bar at The Potting Shed – the venue which Janet also organised.

Photographs taken by Club members at Gransden Lodge and Franks' Farm have been posted on the Club website.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Kimbolton Country Fayre & Car Show Sunday 19th July 2026

This annual event attracts a great many classic vehicles and visitors. The Club has had a stand at this Show each year and Chris Shurlock has been organising the stand again this year. ***At the time of writing he has eighteen cars registered but will be looking to fill two more spaces.***

All members interested in displaying their cars on the Club stand this year please contact Chris Shurlock at cshurlock@aol.com or through the Club at info@cambsmgoc.com .

Tickets must be purchased on-line by individual members at <https://kimboltoncountryfayre.com/tickets/> Prices are Club Classic Car & Driver (£11.00) and additional passenger (£3.00)



Little Gransden Air and Car Show **Sunday 30th August 2026**

The Club has booked a stand at this show as usual and has been organised by Tony Osborne. Tony has to date registered 18 cars to be on the stand. This is probably as many as we could realistically accommodate on the stand but if any further members are interested in displaying their MGs at this event please contact Tony via the Club email at info@cambsmgoc.com to see if they could be added to the list.

The cost of tickets is **£16.00** per car/driver and a further **£16.00** for 1 passenger. Tony has asked that this be paid to him on the day at the Show.

Any members who nearer the time decide that they would go along to this show could register with the show organisers as individual exhibitors and park in the non-club display/parking area. If a space is available on the stand on the day we may be able to get you onto it.



Regional MG Car Clubs (MGOC & MGCC) Meet **at Anglesey Abbey** **Monday 31st August 2026**

Chris Shurlock, in his role as Regional Secretary for the MG Owners Club (Swavesey) has again organised for Eastern Region MGOC-affiliated Clubs and the Anglia Centre of the MG Car Club to come together for a meet up and display of our MGs at Anglesey Abbey on the August Bank Holiday Monday.

Last year's inaugural event there was very successful in bringing clubs together and proved to be very popular with visitors to this beautiful National Trust venue who flocked to look around the cars.

We attend as a Club and as such please let Peter Alder know if you are interested in taking part so that he can liaise with Chris Shurlock in arranging our place within the Group of Clubs there. Contact Peter at info@cambsmgoc.com or 'phone on **07840 385723**.



Events in July

Wed. 1st July	Cars in the Walled Garden at Luton Hoo
Friday 3rd July	Barrington Classic Car Meet
Saturday 11th July	Wilburton Classic Car Show
Sunday 12th July	Culford Classic Car Show
Sunday 12th July	Colmworth Cars & Bikes of Character
Saturday 18th July	Welney Village Fete & Classic Car Show
Saturday 18th July & Sunday 19th July	Bedford River Festival & Classic Car Meeting
Sunday 19th July	Kimbolton Country Fayre & Classic Car Show
Sunday 26th July	West Suffolk Classic Car Show (Kedington, Haverhill)
Saturday 1st Aug	Ely Cars on the Green

For details on the above events that are not referred to earlier in this **Bulletin**, please see the Club website at <https://cambsmgoc.com/events/>

***Likewise for events taking place in August, September, October & November
Early booking for Runs and Shows or other events is usually required.***

Other Shows and Events Reminder

Other events have been brought to our attention that may be of interest to Members:

Sunday 19th July – Lincolnshire Classic Motor Show at the Lincolnshire Showground, north of the City of Lincoln. See advert below and refer to the organisers' website for contact details:- <https://livepromotions.co.uk>



"The Lincolnshire Classic plans to celebrate the very best of classic motoring, bringing together an incredible mix of vehicles, personalities, music and live action!"

Plus, we will also be joined by the stars of TV's Bangers and Cash! The Matthewsons will be meeting fans, signing autographs and sharing stories from their famous Yorkshire-based classic car auctions".

Sunday 2nd August – Helmingham Hall Festival of Classic & Sports Cars

Over 1200 cars on display in association with Suffolk Vehicle Enthusiasts Club and Bridge Classic Cars. More than just a car show, the day includes entertainment, a market, food, drink and entry to the gardens.



<https://www.helmingham.com/events/the-festival-of-classic-sports-cars/>

Sunday 16th August - Stonham Barns Classic Car Show

Over 600 classic cars on display at this leisure venue with catering, shops, crafts, Sunday Car Boot sales and Suffolk Owl Sanctuary.

<https://www.stonhambarns.co.uk/>

Saturday 29th August – Hemingford Classic Car Show 2026 at Hemingham Pavilion, Manor Road, Hemingford Grey, PE28 9BX. Contact and booking details: classiccars@hemingfordpavilion.co.uk or Tel: 07768 066291



Club Runs in the Planning

The Committee members are currently looking to organise a number of MG runs that could be undertaken mid-week (day, afternoon or evening runs) or at weekends as members prefer to interesting venues and/or meals.

Initial thoughts for potential runs to the Burwell Rural Museum & Windmill, the Type 2 Detectives Saturday or Sunday morning Café meet ups in Burwell, the English Whisky Distillery at East Harling in Norfolk (opposite the MG Mecca location) are possibilities but this programme is in development and will be brought to members as soon as possible for your thoughts and suggestions. Any ideas for Runs that any member would like to put forward would be gratefully and enthusiastically received. Contact Peter Alder at info@cambsmgoc.com or 'phone on **07840 385723**,

A Plea



Harvey Foster has contacted the Club Secretary with this plea,

He has been contacted by a bride who is getting married at Bassmead Manor Barns, Bassmead, Staploe PE19 5JB on Friday 21st August this year. She is looking for a "Classic sporty convertible" car for static display at the venue and for use in her pictures after the ceremony. He is away on holiday on 21st August and cannot assist the lady. He was wondering if there was a member within the branch that might be able to assist. The lady is happy to pay for the use of the car.

Harvey is happy to act as the point of initial contact for anyone who can assist and would be happy to pass on the member's e-mail or phone contact to the lady for her to make contact with the member. However, all contact first please via Peter Alder at info@cambsmgoc.com or 'phone on **07840 385723**.

Club Plaques

A recent member of the Club has contacted the Club Secretary to see if there is a Club plaque that he could purchase so that when displaying his MGB Roadster at shows, and especially when on Club stands, his car is seen as part of the corporate display. Sadly there are no Club plaques left for purchase but the Committee have been working to produce a new Club plaque and Glenn Pascoe is negotiating with our Rally plaque producer to design and produce the new Club plaques. Members will be notified as and when these plaques are available and the price, The existing plaques will remain in use but some members may wish to purchase a new plaque in due course. We are also looking to have windscreen stickers produced with the Club badge on.

April Natter Night at the George & Dragon, Elsworth

Tuesday 7th July 2026 at 7.00pm.

The July Natter Night is on Tuesday 7th July and the menu is set out below. Please let Nicole at the George and Dragon have your meal choices by **Sunday 5th July at the latest.**

We look forward to meeting up with as many members as possible for an enjoyable evening.

We are looking to have a number of speakers on a range of topics and to start these talks in the autumn. We will work to put together a programme of talks and this will be promoted in future editions of the **Bulletin.**

Menu for MG Owners Club

Tuesday 7th July 2026

Starters

Seasoned whitebait, roasted garlic mayonnaise

Warm goats cheese & fig salad

Balsamic dressed leaves

Homemade chicken liver & cognac pate

Toasted Brioche & Red Onion Chutney

Traditional prawn cocktail, Marie rose sauce

Homemade chicken & mushroom soup

Main Courses

Breast of chicken, cajun spiced with garlic butter

Skinny fries & house salad

Suffolk gammon steak, grilled pineapple, field mushroom & grilled tomato

Chunky chips & garden peas

Skate wing, black butter & capers -£3.00 surcharge

Chunky chips & garden peas

Fresh dressed Cromer crab salad, English new potatoes

Fillet of salmon mornay, lobster sauce & topped with melted cheese

New potatoes & selection of vegetables

The George & Dragon's fish & chips

Beer battered fillet of haddock, chunky chips & garden peas

Karen's homemade desserts to choose on the night

£22.50 per person 2 Courses

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Please email food orders to gdelsworth@yahoo.co.uk telephone on 01954 267236 by Sunday at the latest.

SERVICES

Classic Cars for Self-Drive Hire in Cambridge

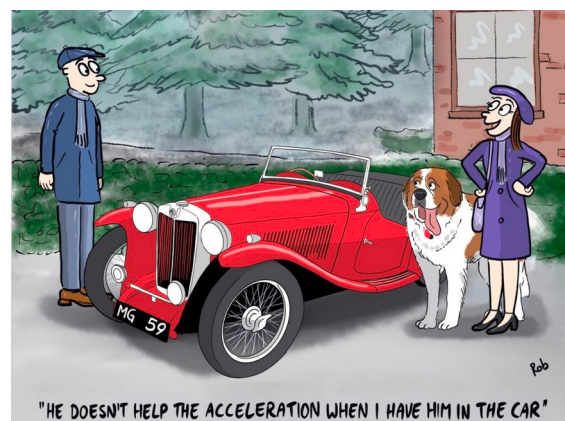


Harvey Foster, a Club Member, has a small business based in Cambridge called Drives of Yesteryear. This business hires out a small number of classic cars for formal occasions but also for self-driving experiences which from time to time might suit any member whose own classic car is temporarily off the road and thereby missing out on joining fellow members at car shows, etc. The bedrock of the fleet are two MGBs – 1968 Roadster and 1974 GT and now a recently purchased 2001 MGF Trophy 160. For those members looking for a different experience - a 1967 Ford Mustang.

Harvey is offering Club Members a special 25% discount on his normal hire charges. Full details from Harvey on **01763 261250** or **07530770432** or e-mail at drivesofyesteryear@gmail.com

Rob Middleton at Moving Cartoons

Rob Middleton contacted the Club Secretary to promote his business producing cartoon representations of Classic Cars (and other forms of transport). He also visited the Club stand at the Sandringham Pageant of Motoring on 24th May and talked to a number of Members about his cartoons and how they can be personalised to the types, colours, registration numbers and scenarios that each Member may wish to have drawn. He did quote typical prices in his discussions but as they would depend on what is required in the cartoon drawing by individual commissioners they are not quoted here. It would be for Members to negotiate individually with him if interested in commissioning a cartoon drawing of their car(s). Rob's website can be viewed at <https://movingcartoons.com/mg/> and Rob can be contacted at rob@movingcartoons.com



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Come and join us at our Natter Nights in your MGs
at The George & Dragon, Elsworth.