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EDITORIAL

First, a warm welcome to new member Eamonn Doyle from Boat of Garten with a 1972 BGT V8. Secondly, apologies for a later than usual newsletter as I've been trying to sort out a run for September. Patsy has stepped-up to help with this one (thank you) but please note a change of date to Friday, 7 September; more details below.

Lastly, we have an extra informal event on Friday, 24 August when some of us will meet-up with a Czech MG enthusiast and his wife, over in the Highlands on holiday - again details are below - please join-in if you can.

Richard

CLUB EVENTS NEWS

August

Jan Kroužek from Prague and his wife are in the Highlands later this month. Sadly, not in their MGB GT V8 as time precluded the long drive and instead they are on a fly-drive tour. Jan has been corresponding with Peter Poole for some years and has asked to meet a few Highland MG Owners while in Inverness. Jan is an editor for a Czech classic motoring magazine and hopes to write about us. Peter has arranged to meet at the shoreline public car park in North Kessock, on **Friday, 24 August at 2 pm**. The intention is to offer Jan and his wife a seat in an MG and have an informal bumble around the Black Isle (possibly tea in Cromarty?). **Please feel free to join in.**

September

The September one-day run will now take place on **Friday, 7 September**. Patsy's suggestion is to meet at the Highland Wildlife Park (Kincaig PH21 1NL) at 11.00 am. We could spend a few hours in the park (see the baby polar bear Hamish?) & other new arrivals and have lunch there. We could then drive down the B9152 route out to Garvamore which is always a beautiful drive through Glenshero via Laggan & then return along our back road, the B970 & have a cuppa at our place before heading homewards. Please note that the concession rate for entry to the park is £14.50 (£13 without voluntary donation) but if we can assemble 10 or more of us we can arrange (in advance) for a group rate of £9.95 each. Please also note that dogs are not allowed (even in the car park). To enable pre-booking, the cut-off date for this event will be 11.00 pm on Monday, 3 September. **Please contact Richard to reserve places.**

Richard

REPORTS

We've had 2 successful days-out since the last newsletter. On 12 July, 6 MGs met at Attadale Gardens (recommended) and were invited to line-up in front of the house for photos. Lunch was enjoyed in the fresh air at the Carron Restaurant.



The August run was also on the 12th with a meet at the new Cars & Coffee venue in Inverness (Roller Bowl) before heading off via Culloden & Cawdor (6 MGs, 1 BMW) to the Old Mill Inn at Brodie. Some of them went on to the Historic Wheels Rally where we meet-up with 5 other members who had entered MGs. There were some nice MGs at Brodie – this was the oldest (1937 TA – count the strips on the running board! – just visible here).



BODY WORKS

As most of you know, the F required a sill repair for its MOT this year and I had the work done neatly & swiftly by John Westwater who is based just outside Kiltarlity. I booked the car back in for some cosmetic work to both wheel arches and rear quarter panels which had various dints and some missing metal. The driver's side proved to be a real swine and needed all of John's 20 years' experience. Here are some pictures:





Finished! Furthermore, John works quickly. I dropped the car Tuesday late morning and it was ready the following Monday. I'd give him



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