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Fun on the Winter Run

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Chairman's Chat - March 2025

Cold but bright conditions greeted the first club road run of the year on Sunday 16 February which was well supported - it was particularly nice to see some of our new members joining us for their first club event outside of the meeting room.

Thanks to Alistair Reid for sorting out an interesting route and arranging lunch for us at the St Peter's Finger (see right the MG ZS Hybrid+ I was testing at the time outside the pub), and to Adrian Mullins for co-ordinating the day along with Pip and Ursula Bonner who did the administration.

The next group outing is the 1020 Spring Road Run which is on Sunday April 27 (National Drive It Day) and will start at Phoenix Classic Cars at Holton Heath. Details in this newsletter.

SUMMER RUN AND BBQ

Put Sunday 29 June in your diary now - this will be the day of our 1020 Summer Road Run which will finish at Pamphill Village Hall with a 'back by popular demand' barbeque. Full details and an entry form will be available in the coming months.

And while you are at it take a note of Sunday 12 October which is the date of the Autumn Road Run finishing at the Boscombe Down Aviation Collection and includes the option of lunch overlooking Old Sarum airfield and a visit to a micro-brewery for pre-lunch drinks.

NIGEL HEDGES BACK AT THE HELM

Congratulations, or should that be commiserations, to honorary club member and former 1020 area secretary Nigel Hedges who recently secured the presidency of Bournemouth Chamber for the sixth time.

Nigel, who closed his engraving shop in Bournemouth town centre at the end of December and is temporarily working from home, says his main aim will be to increase membership of the chamber which has shrunk since he was last in charge.

CRICKET ST THOMAS CONVOY RUN

For those club members who are planning to attend the big regional MGOC weekend gathering at the Warner's Cricket St Thomas Hotel in May a reminder that we are organising a club convoy run on the Friday from Hamworthy Sports Club to Cricket St Thomas with a lunch stop.

If you have booked in for the Cricket St Thomas event and would like to join the convoy please let Pip Bonner or Adrian Mullins know so they can book enough places at the lunch stop.



SHOW TIME

As mentioned in previous issues of this monthly newsletter we are planning to attend several local shows as a club this year and we are already starting to take names for some of them.

The committee has opted to take official club display spaces at shows where exhibitors and their cars have free entry - there has been criticism in the past of some events where exhibitors are charged an entry fee while members of the public coming to see the cars pay either nothing or a lower admission fee.

We are also concentrating on shows that allow all ages of MG to take part rather than those that have an age restriction.

They start on Saturday 14 June with the Macmillan Summer Fete where we are being offered space for 12 club cars.

The following month on Sunday 06 July we will be at the Broadstone Fun Day for which entry forms are now available.

A week later on Saturday 12 July we return to Westival, at West Moors which is always a popular event for club members and is well supported.

Later in the year I am also hoping we can attend the Westbourne Motor Show on Saturday 20 September.

Previously we had looked at attending as a club the Ferndown Fete on the Field on Saturday 21 June - however they now charge £5 for exhibitors and their cars so we are leaving it up to individuals to attend.

Chris Adamson

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March club night - New Forest history

This month the New Forest celebrates 20 years since it was designated as a UK National Park and for our club night on Monday 03 March our guest speaker Steve Roberts will be giving us an illustrated history of the forest.

The New Forest is one of the largest remaining tracks of unenclosed pasture land, heathland and forest in Southern England covering southwest Hampshire and southeast Wiltshire. It was proclaimed a royal forest by William the Conqueror and appears in the Domesday Book as Nova Foresta.

It is the home of the New Forest Commoners, whose ancient rights of common pasture are still recognised and exercised, enforced by official verderers and agisters. In the 18th century, the New Forest became a source of timber for the Royal Navy. It remains a habitat for many rare birds and mammals.

The boundaries of the forest have varied over time and depend on the purpose of delimiting them. It is a 289-square-kilometre (112-square-mile) biological and geological Site of Special Scientific Interest and includes Geological Conservation Review sites, a number of Nature Conservation Review sites, a Special Area of Conservation and a Special Protection Area.

Roughly 90 per cent of the New Forest is still owned by the Crown. The Crown lands have been managed by Forestry England since 1923 and most of the Crown lands now fall inside the new National Park.

Felling of broadleaved trees and their replacement by conifers, began during the First World War to meet the wartime demand for wood.



It became a National Park on 1 March 2005, transferring a wide variety of planning and control decisions to the New Forest National Park Authority, who work alongside the local authorities, land owners and Crown estates.

These facts will be elaborated on and other fascinating stories about the forest will be revealed by Steve in his talk.

At the meeting members can also sign-up for the Spring Road Run (27 April), book a place on the coach trip to the STEAM Museum at Swindon (15 May) and take part in the monthly raffle - prizes always welcome.

Spring Road Run - National Drive It Day

As previously announced the 1020MGOC Spring Road Run will take place on Sunday 27 April - National Drive It Day.



Assembly point will be Phoenix Classic Cars on the Holton Heath Industrial Estate near Sandford who are marking 25 years since the business was started. For those who have not been there before, instructions to reach Phoenix can be found at the end of this article.

Cars can arrive at 10am when John Copleston and his team will be serving tea and coffee and giving tours of their workshop facilities - featuring some of their latest restoration projects.

The day is relatively relaxed and there is no urgency to depart so members are encouraged (weather permitting) to stay and have a chat.

A road book will be issued to participants for a leisurely drive to Potterne Park at Verwood with an alternative finish section for those who are going onto the Winchester MGOC Cobweb Spin at the Dorset Heavy Horse Farm.

Everyone else will finish at Potterne Park where they can either use the facilities of the licensed café (pictured below) that has a selection of hot and cold meals including tapas and pizzas; bring a picnic lunch or head off to a local pub for Sunday lunch.

The closest locations are the Three-Legged Cross, The Albion and the Monmouth Ash - individuals are encouraged to book in advance for Sunday lunch at their chosen venue as the pubs could be very busy that day.

Entry fee is £5 per car including the road book and rally plaque. Speak to Adrian Mullins or Pip Bonner at club nights or contact Adrian via email: adrianm@1020mg.org.uk

Entries close on Monday 07 April.



HOW TO GET TO PHOENIX CLASSIC CARS

Travelling from Poole along the A35 Upton By-Pass towards Dorchester take the first exit at the Bakers Arms (Wareham Road) roundabout signposted Wareham A351.

At the next roundabout (just after the BP filling station on your right) turn left onto Blackhill Road signposted for the Holton Heath Trading Park.

At the T-Junction on the estate turn right onto Holton Road.

Take the eighth entrance on the left (just after the Nurco building) signposted Debs Dinky Diner....and follow signs to Phoenix Classic Cars - then turn right and it will be on your left.

Coach trip to STEAM Museum

It is full steam ahead for the next 1020 coach trip on Thursday 15 May when the double destination will be the Museum of the Great Western Railway (STEAM) at Swindon and the adjoining Swindon Designer Outlet shopping centre.

The visit is highly appropriate as this year marks 200 years since the railways opened. The Stockton and Darlington Railway was the first railway in the world to operate freight and passenger service with steam traction. The first engine ran from Darlington to Stockton on September 27, 1825 travelling at a speed of 15 miles per hour.

The 2025 diesel powered coach will be leaving from Hamworthy Sports Club at 9am and should arrive at Swindon by 11.30am before departing at 3pm for the return journey allowing over three hours to tour the museum, visit the café and window shop in the designer outlet which is housed in the same complex.

Entry fee is £30 to include a seat on the coach and discounted entry to the museum. Alternatively, a seat on the coach for those preferring to go shopping is £20. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

STEAM is housed in a restored Grade II railway building in the heart of the former Swindon railway works and tells the story of the men and women who built, operated and travelled on the Great Western Railway - a railway network that, through the pioneering vision and genius of Isambard Kingdom Brunel, was regarded as the most advanced in the world.

It is situated in the heart of what was once one of the largest railway engineering complexes in the world.

Swindon Railway Works opened in January 1843 as a repair and maintenance facility for the new Great Western Railway.

By 1900 the works had expanded dramatically and employed over 12,000 people. At its peak in the 1930s, the works covered over 300 acres and could produce three locomotives a week.



The railway dominated the fortunes of Swindon until after the Second World War, when new industries moved to the area. The completion of the last steam locomotive for British Railways - Evening Star - at Swindon in 1960, marked a watershed in the history of the works, and in 1963 a large part of the old carriage and wagon works on the eastern side of the Gloucester branch line was closed and sold for redevelopment.

The main body of the museum was a machine and turning shop created when the Great Western Railway roofed over a courtyard between the original Brunel Engine House of 1843 and the 1846 machine and fitting shop.

The museum contains a wide range of artifacts including famous GWR locomotives, imaginative story-telling displays, videos - mixing rare archive film footage with the stories of ex-railway workers - hands-on exhibits, interactive displays and many rare GWR memorabilia.

There are eight locomotives of different types and sizes, a buffet car, Queen Victoria's Royal Saloon, a covered goods van, brake van and inspection vehicles plus a horse dray van, horse dray, Scammell tractor and trailer and a Lister auto truck.

There is also a café on Platform One that offers a selection of hot and cold drinks, plus homemade cakes and sandwiches.

Next door is the McArthurGlen's Swindon Designer Outlet which is one of the largest covered designer outlets in Europe.

It features a mix of high street and designer brands, at over 90 stores including fashion brands Boss, Hobbs, Outlet, Ted Baker, Calvin Klein and Tommy Hilfiger, as well as home brands John Lewis, Marks & Spencer, Le Creuset and many more.

Swindon Designer Outlet has a variety of restaurants and a selection of cafes including Starbucks, Soho Coffee and Costa.

Entry forms for the coach trip are available from Chris Adamson at club nights or via email: chris@1020mg.org.uk

Brooklands Best of British Day

Brooklands Museum in Surrey plays host to its annual Best of British Day on Bank Holiday Monday 26 May 2025.

There will be a huge display of British built vehicles, from the pre-war Alvis, Norton and Sunbeam right through to the latest Jaguar models - all British marques are welcome to join, independently or with a car club.

There will also be the opportunity for owners to take their cars up the famous Test Hill climb.

Admission includes access to Brooklands Museum for the day.

More details and how to book tickets can be found at: www.brooklandsmuseum.com/whats-on/best-of-british-2025



Club display at Broadstone Fun Day

Bournemouth and Poole MGOC has taken up the invitation to display our cars at the Broadstone Fun Day which takes place on Sunday 06 July 2025.

The event, organised by Broadstone Fields in Trust, is open to all ages of MG and it is free to take part - all you need to do is complete a booking form in advance with your details.

Cars can arrive on the day from 10.30am but should be on site by 11.30am at Broadstone Recreation Ground, Lower Blandford Road, BH18 8NZ. The club will have a designated display area and the club event shelter will be on site.

The show is open to the public at 12noon and finishes at 4.30pm - cars can leave earlier if necessary, but owners should contact a steward to guide them out to ensure the safety of the attending public.

The show features a number of stalls and attractions and for exhibitor cars there is a Car of the Day Award - owners are encouraged to display information about their vehicles for the judges benefit.



Entry forms are available from Chris Adamson at club nights or via email: chris@1020mg.org.uk

A copy of the entry form is also on the 1020 website.

Car meets at Blandford Brewery



Regular Sunday monthly car meetings (all ages of vehicle welcomed) are being organised by the Dorset Car Club at the Hall & Woodhouse Brewery at Blandford.

Taking place on the third Sunday of every month until November the event runs from 12noon until 3pm and entry is via a cash donation to charity - with a suggested minimum of £2.

The brewery tap bar and café will be open during the events. More details and a full list of dates can be found at: www.dorsetcarclub.com

All the dates can be found on the 1020 website diary page.

Bransgore Fun Day - limited places

Bransgore Rotary, who are behind the New Forest Car Show (13 July) featured in last month's newsletter, are also the organisers of the Bransgore Fun Day on Bank Holiday Monday 05 May and they are inviting a number of classic cars to attend.

The event takes place at the Bransgore Recreation Ground and Village Hall (where we finished a previous Winter Road Run) and has a limit of 50 free classic cars (due to available space).

The gate is open at 10am and all vehicles are required to be in-place by 12noon. An award for the best car will be announced at 4.30pm and the event will close at 5pm.

Vehicle owners may leave at any time but must contact a marshal or Rotary official to be escorted out.

Anyone interested in taking part should contact Brian Parker on Email: Brian.Parker_6@hotmail.com

Road Run to Herstmonceux Castle

The South East region of the MG Car Club is opening-up entries for its inaugural road run on Sunday 18 May to all MG owners, not just registered car club members.

The day begins at Denbies Wine Estate in Dorking, Surrey where there will be an opportunity for breakfast and tea or coffee in the cafe.

Participants will then head out, guided by a route book, across the North and South Downs to finish at Herstmonceux Castle in East Sussex. This moated castle has its origins in the 15th Century and will be open for visits.

There is an opportunity for a guided tour by one of the castle's expert guides during the afternoon priced at £4 per person if booked in advance or a gentle walk around the gardens.

Cars will be parked on the grass area immediately in front of the castle which is an ideal location for a picnic, or you can use the castle's Chestnut Cafe.



Entry fee for the event is £20 per car and driver (non-MGCC members) and £10 per passenger.

More details and an entry form can be found at: www.mgccse.co.uk/2025/01/07/the-south-east-run-2025/

Alternatively, you can telephone Andrew Mitchell - MGCCSE Events Secretary on Tel: 07703 138419

Classics return to Christchurch Quay

Organisers of the popular classic car meetings on Christchurch Quay have announced the dates for 2025 - let's hope the weather is kind this year.

The gatherings (10am to 5pm) start on Bank Holiday Mondays 21 April and 05 May and then continue on Sunday 08 June and Sunday 22 June. In a change to the normal format the next date is Saturday 12 July (due to the Quomps being booked for another event on the Sunday).

The final scheduled meeting is on Sunday 28 September. All the dates are governed by the weather and the ground conditions.

The events are open to cars registered before September 2001. Entry fee is £2 per car and all vehicles are required to use a drip tray.

Details can be found at: <http://bppcltd.com/ccotf/>



Compton Sundays

Compton Abbas airfield, located between Blandford and Shaftesbury, has announced plans to host a series of informal car meetings for classic car owners on Sundays mornings from April to September 2025.

The meetings are designed as a relaxed opportunity for fellow enthusiasts to grab a coffee and enjoy a morning together.

The dates are 06 April, 04 May, 01 June, 29 June, 17 August and 07 September.



Expansion at the British Motor Museum

The British Motor Museum at Gaydon in Warwickshire has announced a series of expansion and development plans.

These will begin with the building of a hotel on the roundabout at the entrance to the museum, for which an agreement has recently been signed with leading global hotel group Marriott.

Alongside the hotel it is planned to install an electric hub, effectively a filling station for electric vehicles. With the museum's location adjacent to the M40 motorway this is expected to prove a highly popular facility, raising vital funds for the museum in the process.

A second collection centre is planned, adjacent and connected to the existing centre which houses the museum's reserve collection and workshop, and the Jaguar Daimler Heritage Collection.

The museum hopes the availability of the new building will encourage manufacturers to place their heritage vehicles at Gaydon - these will include eight one-off MG prototype models which have already been placed on long-term loan with the museum by MG Motor UK.

Further plans include a higher education facility and eventually 'The Wrap', an extended display space around the perimeter of the existing museum.

More immediate change will see the museum's cafe moved downstairs over the winter into the entrance area, so that it can be used by the public without having to pay to enter the museum.

It is hoped this will encourage more people to use the museum, particularly the local community.

Jubilee celebrations at Abingdon

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the MGB GT Jubilee model and the 45th anniversary of the final MGB LE GT and Roadster there will be a special event in Abingdon on Sunday 18 May 2025.

The day will feature a display of Jubilee and LE models in the Abingdon Market Place from 10.00am until 1.00pm with a road run to follow which features some of the factory test routes in the area.

Owners of Jubilee and LE examples who want to take part and reserve a place in the Market Square should contact Martyn Lucas on email: mgbmartyn@gmail.com



Invitation to Poole Goes Vintage

Club members who have cars made before 1970 are being invited to take part in the Poole Goes Vintage Festival on Sunday 13 July 2025.

Taking place from 11am until 6pm, the festival takes over Poole's High Street and the Quay and is designed to be a retro-lovers paradise, with live entertainment, shopping and activities all infused with the charm of the 1940s to the 1960s.



At the heart of the festival will be a central live stage, hosting performances from various vintage-style solo artists and bands, filling the streets with the sounds of swing, jazz, rock 'n' roll, and more from the golden age of music.

Adding to the musical atmosphere, there will be two DJ booths strategically placed along the high street, each spinning classic hits from the '40s to the '60s, encouraging dancing and a lively, social vibe throughout the day.

The festival will also showcase vintage traders, offering an array of clothing, accessories and collectibles from yesteryear. These traders will be complemented by stalls from local businesses and artisans selling unique crafts.



To add to the atmosphere the organisers are inviting owners of vehicles that match the period to come along and display their cars. There is space for just 25 cars so early booking is advised to guarantee a space - there is nothing for owners to pay to take part.

Full details can be obtained and places booked, from Mandy Polkey, managing director of Stir Events email: mandy@eventsbystir.com or tel: 07869149976

Headlines from the Beaulieu Diary

Here are some of the latest snippets of news from the National Motor Museum at Beaulieu.

The museum has just launched a brand-new website enabling motoring enthusiasts and history buffs world-wide to discover the story of motoring in Britain.

The new look website www.nationalmotormuseum.org.uk reflects the museum's new brand identity and uses new photography and pages of articles and multimedia content to share the collection of vehicles and motoring memorabilia.

Additional pages allow supporters of the museum to discover more about its educational and restoration projects, enables the public to make online donations, to book tickets for National Motor Museum events and, before long, to join the Friends of the National Motor Museum Trust and the patrons of Beaulieu 100, and to create an account for easier renewal and updating.

Racing Pride

A new exhibition in the museum's In Focus gallery has been assembled in conjunction with Racing Pride to showcase LGBTQ+ heritage and achievement in motorsport - the exhibition runs until Sunday 07 September 2025.

Breakfast at Beaulieu

The next Vintage Tyres 'Breakfast at Beaulieu' meet is on the 15 March. Just turn up with your vehicle on the Saturday morning - there's company, hot food and drink and other classic cars, motorbikes and other cherished vehicles to see.



Transport Torques

Attendees at the Transport Torques evening series of lectures can now enjoy the more informal surroundings of the newly refurbished Brabazon Restaurant.

Formerly held in the Lecture Theatre of the Collections Centre, the Transport Torques will now take place in the Terrace Room of the Brabazon.

The next evening is on Saturday 29 March with guest speaker Steph Hoy who describes herself as a "60s time traveller who makes classic car and vintage content, works in a classic restoration garage and wears Crimplene every single day".

Future speakers include overland adventure motorcyclist Sam Manicom who will be blending fun, awe, drama and laughter, as he shares captivating stories from his eight-year motorcycle journey around the world.

Oily Rag breakfast at Weymouth

Those who fancy a Sunday morning jaunt west down the coast can join the Oily Rag Breakfast Club meeting which takes place each month at the Bob Lucan Stadium Weymouth, Weymouth FC Car Park.

The event is open to classics, custom and modified cars and runs from 9am to 12 noon.

Entry for exhibitor cars is £2 per vehicle - there is a café on site serving hot drinks and breakfasts.

The next meetings are on Sundays:

02 March,
06 April and
11 May.

Your memories of Colin Sexton

The funeral of popular and well respected club member Colin Sexton took place on 20 February at Bournemouth Crematorium.

Bournemouth and Poole MGOC was represented at the secular service by chairman Chris Adamson, vice-chairman Pip Bonner, membership secretary Patricia Lodge and treasurer Ursula Bonner.

They joined Colin's family and friends at a moving but light-hearted tribute to Colin and his twin brother Terry who had died five days before Colin. The service was shown on zoom for other family, friends and club members to watch the event.

The wake was held at the St Leonards Hotel where an additional 12 club members arrived to pay their respects to Colin's extended family along with other friends from the classic car community.

His son William was presented with the illustrated book of memories signed by club members - it also featured a number of photographs of Colin such as his two successes in the annual Pride of Ownership competition; his presentation as Club Member of the Year; his role welcoming fellow MG owners at Athelhampton and his participation on club events such as road runs, the skittles evening and coach trips.

William is taking possession of Colin's award winning MGBGT and says he plans to make good use of it - we hope to see him at 1020 club events in the future including the annual Pride of Ownership night in July.



Plant propagation explained

Things were blooming at last month's club night thanks to the green fingered advice of guest speaker David Bassil from Bournemouth in Bloom.

David gave a practical demonstration of the various ways to propagate plants for your garden with lots of useful tips about the time of year to propagate different plants, how to take cuttings and the best soil / compost conditions to guarantee the best results.

Among his advice for sowing seeds was to use good quality compost and a pinch of horticultural sand plus perlite, cover seed trays with a plastic bag and watch the temperature.

He then moved onto how to identify and take soft-wood cuttings, where to cut the stems, reducing the number of leaves, using rooting powder and the best time of year to take cuttings from different plants.

For semi-hardwood cuttings he advised looking for new growth in July and cutting leaves in half and for hardwood cuttings such as various soft fruits and roses (time to do that now) he showed how these can be cut and planted straight into the soil.



Other techniques explained included air layering and ground setting for certain plants.

At the end of his talk David offered his cuttings to members to take home, an offer that many accepted - no doubt lots of gardens in the area will soon be reaping the benefits.

Winter Road Run & Pub Lunch

Twenty-eight club cars took part in the first 1020 seasonal outing of the year - last month's Winter Road Run and Pub Lunch.

The scenic 40-mile road route was devised by new committee member Alistair Reid (pictured right) starting at Hamworthy Sports Club and finishing at the St Peter's Finger pub at Lytchett Minster for a pre-booked Sunday roast.

Clear skies followed the convoy of cars which ranged from the usual ranks of classic MGBs to an RV8, MGBGT V8, MGC and an MGA through to more modern classics such as an MGZR, MGFs and TFs plus a newer ZS sports utility and the all-electric MG4. There was also a guest appearance of the latest MGZS Hybrid+.

The route took participants into north Dorset then west towards Blandford and Milton Abbas before heading south to Wareham and then back towards Poole. There was universal praise for the route - the only complaint being that many would have liked it to be longer they were enjoying the first outing of the year so much.

At the finish 50 club members sat down to a very welcome and warming Sunday roast lunch.



Winter Road Run & Pub Lunch



Sale of Items for club charities

We have been donated the following brand-new items to sell on behalf of the club charities - some are illustrated here. The original retail price is mentioned for each item, but we are only looking for offers of around 50% to secure each purchase.

You can email Chris Adamson (chris@1020mg.org.uk) with your offers and collect the items at the March club night - or you can view them and make an offer at the meeting itself.

Ultrasonic Cleaner - 190ml. Cleans small items such as rings, watches, ear-rings and dentures
Retail price = £25 - OFFERS AROUND £12

Double-sided LED illuminated Vanity Mirror with stand
Retail price = £22 - OFFERS AROUND £11

Magemata Watch Stand. Marble base and leather watch pad
Retail price = £38 - OFFERS AROUND £19

Squid Mini Power Bank. Portable power bank
Retail price = £13 - OFFERS AROUND £6

Smart Sport Watch
Retail price = £38 - OFFERS AROUND £19

Smart Watch with Heart Monitor and Alexa built-in
Retail price = £38 - OFFERS AROUND £19

Conisy brown leather wallet
Retail price = £27 - OFFERS AROUND £13

Etentols Men's Three Head Shaver
Retail price = £22 - OFFERS AROUND £10

Klim K7 Cassette Player
Retail price = £36 - OFFERS AROUND £18

Floodlight Cob Head Light
Retail price = £15 - OFFERS AROUND £7

Solar Power Bank. Long battery life, Android compatible with integral flashlight
Retail price = £38 - OFFERS AROUND £19

TRU 1 TWS Wireless Ear Buds - Bluetooth 5.3
Retail price = £27 - OFFERS AROUND £13

Globright Pull Cord Rope Lights - box of four
Retail price = £8 - OFFERS AROUND £4

Angenil Flat Iron straightener for short hair
Retail price = £30 - OFFERS AROUND £15

Kerui 32 zone wireless Home Alarm System with siren
Retail price = £30 - OFFERS AROUND £15

Mia & Co weighted heating pad for neck and shoulders. 57cm x 58 cm, six heating levels, 66watt, 120 minute timer, auto power off
Retail price = £38 - OFFERS AROUND £15

Stichzy Snow Foam car wash Lance with 1 litre canister
Retail price = £17 - OFFERS AROUND £8



SWVA Classic Winter Sale Results

All the MGs in the catalogue for the first South Western Vehicle Classic Sale of the year found new owners, although most only just made their lower estimates.

The best performer against its guide price was a 1973 MGB in Mallard Green with a black tonneau soft top and a matching black interior. Despite needing some work due to age-related wear and tear it still made £4,400 (before buyers' premiums) against an original guide price of £2,000 to £3,000 which had always looked on the low side.

Just making its reserve at £3,550 was a 1978 MGB Roadster finished in eye-catching Pageant Blue, complemented by a black canvas soft top and a cloth interior. It had been with its seller for 30 years and came with a well-documented history file.

This was just over the hammer price (£3,400) paid for a 1978 Inca Yellow MGB - the price reflected the fact that the vendor has only owned the car for a year, and it had six previous owners.

Eventually selling for £500 below its bottom estimate at only £2,500 was a 1979 MG Midget finished in Teal Blue with a black tonneau soft top and matching black interior. Originally equipped with rubber bumpers it has been converted to chrome.



Also selling below estimate at £5,000 was a well maintained 1961 Cherry Red Austin Healey Frogeye Sprite that had a catalogue guide of £6,000 to £8,000.

The youngest MG entry in the sale was a 2002 MGTF135 in Trophy Blue with a navy-blue soft top and a black half-leather interior with Alcantara trim. It sold for £1,150, which was just inside its lower estimate.

Double delight for latest MG HS

The new MG HS SUV has achieved a double win at the 2025 What Car? Car of the Year Awards. The MG HS PHEV was judged 'Plug-in Hybrid of the Year' by the What Car? team whilst the petrol HS SE was crowned 'Best Family SUV for Value'.

Steve Huntingford, editor at What Car? commented: "MG's product offering continues to impress the What Car? team. The HS SUV follows in the footsteps of the award-winning MG4 EV hatchback, being another very competent all-rounder."

The MG HS PHEV, made its global debut at the Goodwood Festival of Speed last summer

It was praised by the What Car? judging panel for its premium cabin and its impressive, electric-only range of up to 75 miles.

MG HS SUV models secured 30,207 sales in 2024 making this MG the eighth best-selling car in the UK. MG was also ranked tenth in terms of UK vehicle registrations, a first for the brand.

The new generation of the HS range offers customers the best possible overall value in the SUV marketplace.

The petrol HS SE 1.5T is available from just £24,995 with the range-topping HS Trophy PHEV priced from £33,995.



Classic Cars On The Quay 2025

Monday 21 April
Monday 5 May
Sunday 8 June
Sunday 22 June
Saturday 12 July
Sunday 28 Sept

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1020 CLUB ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS 2025

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MARCH

- 03 **1020 Club Night - History of the New Forest** 1020mg.org.uk
16 Blandford Brewery Breakfast - Dorset Car Club
21-23 Practical Classics Classic Car & Restoration Show necrestorationshow.com

APRIL

- 06 MGB Register Spring Run, Milletts Farm mgb-register.org
06 Compton Abbas Airfield Breakfast meeting
07 **1020 Club Night - Film show - the History of MG** 1020mg.org.uk
20 Blandford Brewery Breakfast - Dorset Car Club
21 Classic Cars on Christchurch Quay bppcltd.com/ccotf/
26-27 Organford Classic & Vintage Show organfordclassicevents.co.uk
26 MGB Register AGM, Kimber House, Abingdon mgb-register.org
27 **National Drive It Day - 1020 Spring Run** 1020mg.org.uk
Start at Phoenix Classics - finish at Verwood
(Option to go onto the event listed below)
27 **Winchester MGOc Cobweb Spin**
Dorset Heavy Horse Centre, Verwood winchestermgoc.co.uk

MAY

- 04 Compton Abbas Airfield Breakfast meeting
05 **1020 Club Night - Life of a Driving Instructor** 1020mg.org.uk
05 Classic Cars on Christchurch Quay bppcltd.com/ccotf/
06 Bransgore Fun Day - Classic Cars included
11 Exeter MGOc - More2See Run exetermgoc.com
15 **1020 Coach Trip to Steam Museum, Swindon**
17-18 Three Okefords Steam Rally northdorsetrailway.co.uk
17-19 Beaulieu Spring Autojumble beaulieu.co.uk
18 Lulworth Castle Classic Car Show dorsetblind.org.uk
18 Solent MGOc, MGs in the Park - Stansted Park
18 MGB Jubilee & LE Celebration, Abingdon
18 South East MG Car Club Road Run
18 Blandford Brewery Breakfast - Dorset Car Club
23-26 **MGOc Cricket St Thomas Weekend - Convoy Run** 1020mg.org.uk
26 Brooklands Museum - Best of British Day Brooklandsmuseum.com
30-01 June Vintage Nostalgia, Stockton Park vintatgenostalgiainfestival.co.uk

JUNE

- 01 Southampton & New Forest MGOc New Forest Run 1009mg.org.uk
01 Oxfordshire MGOc, MGs in the Park,
Cotswold Wildlife Park
01 Transport of Yesteryear Hardy Country Classic
01 Compton Abbas Airfield Breakfast meeting
02 **1020 Club Night - Talk on Bee Keeping** 1020mg.org.uk
08 Classic Cars on Christchurch Quay bppcltd.com/ccotf/
14 **Macmillan Caring Locally, Summer Fete Club Stand** 1020mg.org.uk
15 Blandford Brewery Breakfast - Dorset Car Club
21 Ferndown Fete on the Field ferndownfotf.org
21-22 **MGOc Racing Championship, Thruxton Circuit**
1020 club members invited to join Wessex Vehicle Preservation Club display
22 Classic Cars on Christchurch Quay bppcltd.com/ccotf/
29 **1020 Summer Road Run & BBQ** 1020mg.org.uk
27-29 Roads to Rail Steam Rally, Norden swanagerailwayroadstorail.co.uk

1020 CLUB ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS 2025

CONTINUED . . .

JULY

06	Broadstone Fun Day - 1020 Club Stand	1020mg.org.uk
06	MGF30, British Motor Museum, Gaydon	mgfregister.org
06	Cotswold Caper, Gloucestershire MGOC	glosmgoc.co.uk
07	1020 Club Night - Pride of Ownership	1020mg.org.uk
10-13	Goodwood Festival of Speed	goodwood.com
11-12	Pilford Heath Heritage Show	
12	Westival Show, West Moors - Club Stand	1020mg.org.uk
12	Classic Cars on Christchurch Quay	bppcltd.com/ccotf/
13	New Forest Car Show, Bransgore	bransgorerotary.com
20	West Moors Classic Car Show, Sturts Farm	Tel: 07481534052
20	Sherborne Classic & Supercar Show	classicsatthecastle.co.uk
20	Blandford Brewery Breakfast - Dorset Car Club	
26-02 Aug	Swanage Carnival	

AUGUST

04	1020 Club Night	1020mg.org.uk
08-10	Purbeck Rally	
10	1020 ATHELHAMPTON GARDEN PARTY	1020mg.org.uk
17	Blandford Brewery Breakfast - Dorset Car Club	
17	Compton Abbas Airfield Breakfast meeting	
22-24	CarFest South, Laverstoke Park Farm	carfest.org
23-24	Henstridge Wings & Wheels	
25	Verwood Rustic Fayre inc Classic Cars	

SEPTEMBER

01	1020 Club Night	1020mg.org.uk
05-07	Classic Steam at Norden	
06	Brunel Run, Bristol Area MGOC	bamgoc.co.uk
06-07	Beaulieu International Autojumble	beaulieu.co.uk
05-08	1020 Dartmoor Weekender - including	1020mg.org.uk
07	The Tamar Vallley MGOC People & Places Run	
07	John Haynes Classic Car Show	haynesmuseum.org
07	Compton Abbas Airfield Breakfast meeting	
12-14	Goodwood Revival	goodwood.com
20	Westbourne Motor Show - Club Stand	1020mg.org.uk
21	Chichester MGOC Day at Arundel Castle	
21	Blandford Brewery Breakfast - Dorset Car Club	
28	Classic Cars on Christchurch Quay	bppcltd.com/ccotf/

OCTOBER

06	1020 Club Night	1020mg.org.uk
12	1020 Autumn Road Run including visit to the	1020mg.org.uk
	Boscombe Down Aviation Collection & Lunch at Hangar3	
19	Blandford Brewery Breakfast - Dorset Car Club	

NOVEMBER

03	1020 Club Night	1020mg.org.uk
16	Blandford Brewery Breakfast - Dorset Car Club	

DECEMBER

01	1020 Club Night	1020mg.org.uk
07	1020 Christmas Lunch, Bridge House Hotel	1020mg.org.uk

A LIST OF EVENTS CAN ALSO BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE - 1020mg.org.uk

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