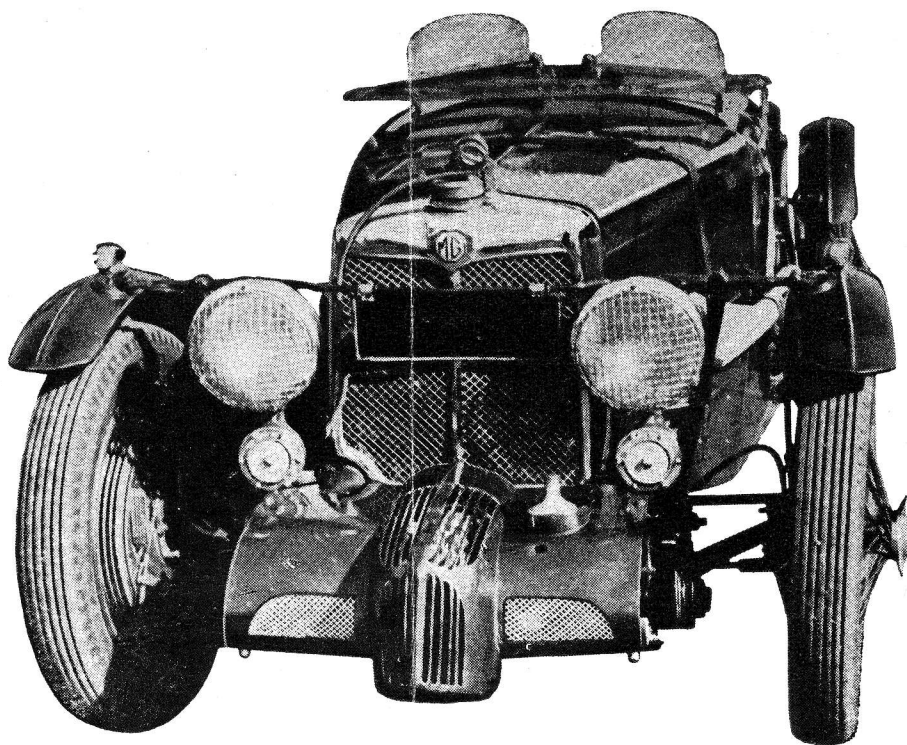
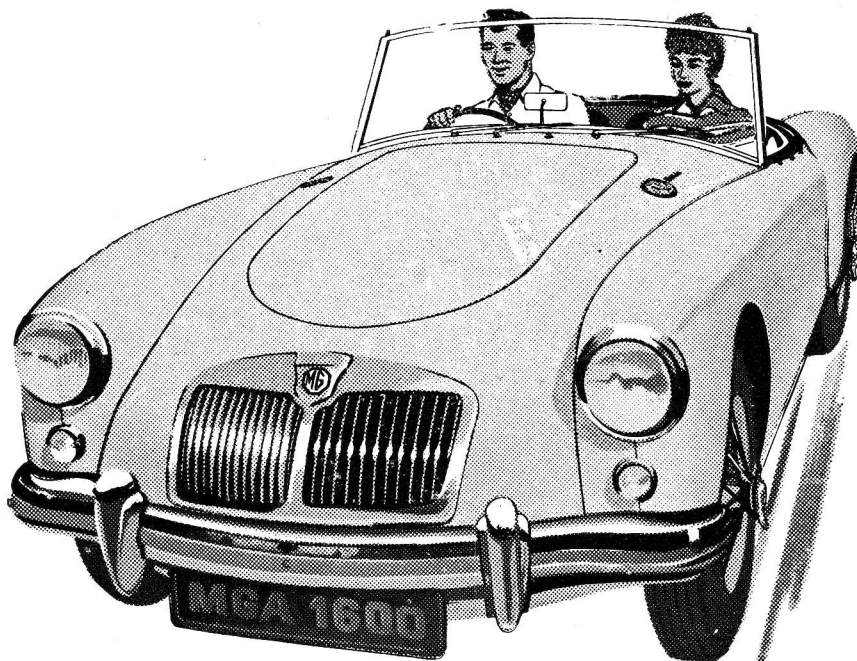


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The PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT 1960

At the Fifth Annual General Meeting of the Centre held on 27th 1959, the following Office Bearers and Committee were elected and duly took office on 1st January 1960.

President	R.T. LOVEJOY
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Committee	D. ALLAN, K.J. ANDERSON, R.V. DAVIS, D.S. GEARY, B.M. TEBBIE, P.B. THEW.

Mr. R.V. DAVIS was elected Club Captain for the year. On 26th April Mr B.S. Campbell resigned from the position of Hon. Treasurer and Mr. R.B. Anderson was elected to the vacancy. On 7th June Mr P.B. Thew's position on the committee became vacant and Mr C.A. Lind was elected to the vacancy.

Due to the rapid growth of the Centre and the increased Secretarial work the Hon. Secretary, Mr A.V.Nichols, requested the committee to assign him an assistant. Mrs E.A. HUNTER was appointed to the position and has carried out the duties of Assistant Hon. Secretary in a conscientious and efficient manner.

Twenty committee meetings have been held and the attendance was as follows:- R.T. Lovejoy 20, M.E. Hunter 15, W.J. Thomas 18, A.V. Nichols 18, B.S. Campbell 7 (to April), R.B. Anderson 11 (from April), D. Allan 16, K.J. Anderson 18, R.V. Davis 19, D.S Geary 15, B.M. Tebble 18, P.B. Thew 7 (to June), C.A. Lind 7 (from June).

During the year, the Committee have worked most harmoniously and efficiently for the well-being of the Centre and I would like to express my appreciation for their support and co-operation.

The following members were selected and agreed to carry out the duties of five sub-committees.

Speed Sub-committee;- Messrs M.E. Hunter, W.J. Thomas, D. Allan, D.S. Geary
Gyrkhama & Social;- Messrs W.J. Thomas, R.V. Davis, B.M. Tebble, D.S. Geary
Sub-committee G. Taylor, D. Coles, V. Appleby.

Octagon Sub-committee;- Mrs E.A. Hunter, Messrs A.V. Nichols, B.M. Tebble,
R.V. Davis, D.S. Geary, C.A. Lind.

House Sub-committee;- Messrs K.J. Anderson, V. Appleby, R. Pringle,
B.M. Tebble, T. Kratzmann, C.A. Lind.

Trials Sub-committee;- Messrs B. Weston, D. Coles, I. Michels,
K.J. Anderson, P. Weston.

I would like to thank them for organising the events on the program for the year and running them in such a capable manner.

The financial position of the Centre is very sound and there are no outstanding accounts or loans on the books. It is anticipated that the Centre will finish the year with approximately \$500/-/- in the bank.

The financial year has been favourable in all aspects. The financial statement showing an excess of income over expenditure of £361 for the year 1/7/59 to 30/6/60.

MEMBERSHIP.

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The membership of the Centre has now reached 240 an increase of 32 since last year. This is an excellent indication of the growth of the Centre augers well for our activities in the coming year.

Meetings.

This year, only one Sprints Meeting was held in comparison to three last year. Unfortunately, a suitable circuit for this type of event was not available until very late in the year. However, your Committee is making every endeavour to arrange regular events of this type during the forthcoming year.

During the year, the sub-committees have worked with considerable zeal. Five Treasure Hunts, six Gymkhanas, one Interclub Gymkhana, one Concours D'Elegance, three Barbeques, two Scavenger Hunts, six Film Evenings, one Odds and Ends Night, two Club Runs, a tour of the Ford Assembly Plant and a tour of the Australian Paper Mill were held. The attendance at most events has been most gratifying.

OCTAGON.

Your Committee decided to continue the Octagon in the form which was introduced late last year. In this form, with the printed cover and duplicated centre, the magazine can be brought out regularly every month full of articles of topical interest.

I would like to thank the Editor, Mrs E.A. Hunter, and the Octagon sub-committee for producing a refreshing, pleasant reading magazine on our Centres activities.

CLUB ROOMS.

With the rapid expansion of the Centre, it is obvious that our Club Rooms are becoming too small to accomodate, with comfort, the Members who attend on a Friday night. Yours Committee has endeavoured to obviate the inconvenience but, unfortunately, no immediate solution presents itself.

However, I would like to comment on the activities of the House sub-committee who have kept the Club Rooms in an immaculate condition throughout the year and the improvements they have made. Also the tea provided by the ladies which is an appreciative conclusion to meeting nights.

Stocks of cigarettes, tobacco and soft drinks have increased. Offering members a great selection. Sales have increased and a reasonable profit is being made by the Canteen.

GYMKHANA GROUNDS.

Early in the year, the Aspley Show Grounds, which we have regularly rented for gymkhanas became unsuitable. Mr D. Heather suggested another venue on a property at Stanton Road, Tingalpa owned by Mr. Porter. Your committee examined the property and a section was found suitable for use as a Gymkhana Ground. Negotiations were entered into with Mr. Porter for the rental or lease of the selected section of his property. A lease was duly signed by both parties.

4 President's Report concluded.

Here is a brief summary of the conditions of the lease for the Gymkhana Ground at Stanton Road, Tingalpa.

The lease is for three years with the option of a further three years if taken within thirty days of expiry. Right to remove all buildings improvements and fixtures on the expiration of the lease. Access to the grounds at all times via Stanton Road. Right to sub-let for use as a Gymkhana Ground.

Your Committee decided to launch the grounds off to a good start with the Interclub Gymkhana. The amount of time and energy devoted to the project by the gymkhana sub-committee and the members and friends who assisted them to prepare the grounds and organise the Interclub Gymkhana was tremendous. The success of the event is a substantial measure of their enthusiasm.

GENERAL.

I would like to thank those members of the Trials, Speed, Octagon, House, and Gymkhana sub-committees and the Club Captain, Mr. R.V. Davis, who so ably organised the running of these events. Mr & Mrs Muller for making their home available for Barbeques and all the members for their co-operation and assistance in conducting the events. I hope the President and Committee elected to office in 1961 will receive the same assistance and co-operation that I have received during the past year.

In conclusion, I would like to thank Messrs Howards Limited for the invitation to our Centre to view the record breaking M.G. EX181. Also Messrs U.K.Motors for their invitation to view the record breaking EX 179.

R.T. Lovejoy.

President.

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BALANCE

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M.G.CAR CLUB (Queensland Centre).

REVENUE ACCOUNT

for the year ended 30th June 1960

EXPENDITURE

Rent	240	0	0
Printing, Stamps, Staty.	101	9	1
Lighting	13	6	-
Depreciation	55	11	8
General Expenses	16	13	-
Affiliation Fee	20	18	6
Trophies	27	5	6
Insurance	10	16	2
Bank Charges	2	5	11
Club Room Expenses	5	17	1

REVENUE

Subscriptions	426	6	-
Social Events	99	12	9
Speed Meetings	282	13	4
Canteen Trading	90	6	10
Donations	3	3	2
Sundry Income	18	5	4
Profit on badges etc..	15	18	9

EXPENDITURE

REVENUE

Annual President's Trophies 81 - -

Surplus of Revenue over
Expenditure

575 7 11

360 18 3

936 6 2936 6 2

BALANCE

SHEET

Current Liabilities

42 8 9

Current Assets

515 11 -

Sundry Creditors

A.N.Z. Bank Ltd 446 9 9

Sundry Debtors 29 - -

Stock, Badges 8 17 4

Year Books 3 8 -

Maps 1 18 -

Canteen 15 7 11

Deposits 5 10 -

Petty Cash 5 - -

Accumulation Account

899 2 3

Bal. 1/7/59 538 4 -

Add Surplus of

Revenue over

Expenditure 360 18 3

Investments 200 - -

Debenture I.A.C. Ltd - -

Fixed Assets 226 - -

Furn & Ftg 141 - -

Equipment 65 - -

Timing gear 20 - -941 11 -941 11 -

I report that I have completed my audit of the books, accounts, vouchers of the M.G. CAR CLUB (Queensland Centre) for the year ended 30th June 1960 and in my opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Club's affairs as at 30th June 1960, according to the best of my information the explanations given to me and shown by the books of the Club. I have received all the information and explanations I have required.

Ian H Shaw

A.A.S.A. A.A.U.Q.

Brisbane 14th October 1960.

Hon Auditor.

PROGRAM.

NOVEMBER 12th Bucks' Party. To be held at the residence of Mr Doug. Bright, Graham Road Aspley.

NOVEMBER 20th GYMKHANA, CONCOURS d'ELEGANCE AND BARBEQUE.

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Don't forget to stay on and bring your own steaks eating implements, please.

November 25th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. ADMITTANCE BY MEMBERSHIP CARD ONLY.

December 9th Presentation of Trophies at the Bulimba School of Arts at the Balmoral Tram Terminus.

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TROPHIES POINTS SCORE.

With the years program nearing its conclusion, the winners of three trophies have already been decided. These are the Trials, Navigators & Speed trophies. With only the final Gymkhana and Concours D'Elegance left to decide the rest, the competition at this event will be keen.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Trials</u>	<u>Navigators</u>	<u>Gymkhana</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Ladies</u>	<u>All-round</u>
D. Allan	0	10.6	0	0		0
V.J. Appleby	3.2	0	11	0		0
D. Coles	0	0	33	0		0
B.D. Finan	2	0	0	6		0
D.S. Geary	0.6	0.6	32	6		13.0
L.C. Gisler	0	8.2	5	2		0
K. Herron	6.6	0	5	0		0
K.F. Horgan	4.6	0	14	2		9.4
M.E. Hunter	10.6	0	9	0		0
A.M. Huxley	0	0.6	11	0		0
T.R. Kratzmann	4.2	0	6	10		15.4
P.W. Lillicrap	0.6	0	21	0		0
C.A. Lind	0.6	0	3	6		7
R.T. IOvejy	15.3	0	1	0		0
R.B. Lidgate	0	0	1	7		0
I.M. Michels	0	0	18	5		0
G.N. Raymond	0	6.6	0	0		0
G.M. Taylor	6.6	0	4	0		0
B.M. Tebble	0.6	0	16	2		5.8
M. Thather	2	0	5	4		7
W.J. Thomas	0	15.3	4	0		0
K.J. Turner	6.6	0	1	0		0
B.L. Weston	0	0	15	0		0
Mrs J. Appleby	0	3.2	0	0	1.3	0
Miss E. Geary	0.6	0	4	2	4.3	3.4
Mrs E.A. Hunter	0	0	4	0	4.5	0
Miss Reeve-Smith	0.6	0	0	0	0.3	0
Mrs P. Weston	0	0	5	0	4.8	0

NEW MEMBERS.

N McKay	33 Oliver Street	Nundah
L.J. Maher	54 Lockhardt Street	Woolloongabba
J.A. urnheim	49 Percy Street	Tarrigindi
D. Savage	32 Playfield Street	Chermside
L.J. Ayers	133 Oxford Street	Bulimba
R.K. Hoddinot	11 Harte Street	Chelmer
L.G. Phillips	16 Graceville Avenue	Graceville
C. Henchen	75 Union Street	St. Pauls Terrace
C.L. Barr	72 Daisy Street	Wynnum
L. Olsen	4 Russell Avenue	Norman Park
W.C. Keible	14 Kembla Street	Wavell Heights
J.H. Curling	Prior Road	Moggill
D.J. McGrath	54 McGregor Terrace	Bardon
B. Croft	52 Beresford Terrace	Coorparoo

A big welcome to the Club for the new members mentioned above. We hope you enjoy your membership and will welcome your participation in our events, Social and otherwise.

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PAST EVENTS

FILM EVENING

by Phil M Spule

After parking my car somewhere near Afghanistan and fooling it back to the Club Rooms (for there was not a parking spot in the vicinity) I managed to force my way in to see the film show. The rooms were bursting at the seams as a record attendance was obvious.

A good run of films was shown, racing at Silverstone, Nurburgring etc.. A loud cheer went up as Brands Hatch 500 c.c. race came into view once more, especially where that car spun round completely and kept going as if nothing had happened. Bardahl's film of Indianapolis was received by the audience with enthusiasm.

Our thanks to the projectionist for a mighty job also to the ladies who, as always, sally forth with the 'brew & biccies'.

Thank you all for coming along.

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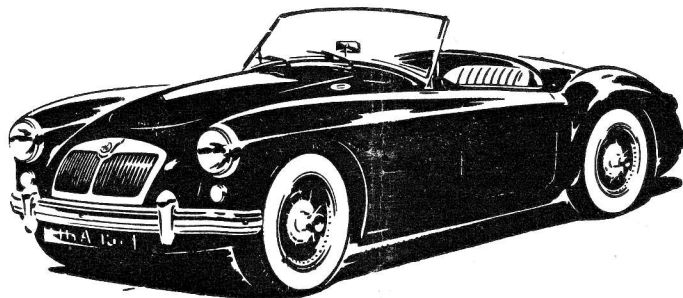
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