



WAMGOC

Newsletter

The "Wycombe Area MG Owners Club".
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Survivors of storm and tempest.

Keith's regular contribution shows extra dedication this month, as it was prepared and sent from his hotel room in Amsterdam.

Keith's Bit

The first of this year's Informal Pub Runs took place on Sunday 6th May, at The Crown Inn, Burnham Beeches. 20 members attended, and everyone had a good time with excellent food. Some members also found the time to visit a classic car event at the Beaconsfield football club in the afternoon.

See you at one of the next informal get-togethers.

Dates planned are;

Saturday 16th June, at the Royal Standard, Forty Green at 12noon.

Saturday 14th July, at the Polecat, Prestwood at 6:30pm. Come early if weather is bad as tables get taken quickly.

Saturday 13th October, at the Firecrest at 12noon.

Just turn up, no need to book, but please make sure you are early if you want to eat, especially at the Polecat if the weather isn't too warm. The dining area isn't that big.

We hope that you will be able to come and join us for a good drive, a pint and a chat.

All MG's welcome, so get the MG out for a summer's drive!

At our monthly meeting on the 2nd May Dave and Val Bevan from the **Pepper Foundation** gave us an enjoyable talk about the work of the foundation.

The Pepper Foundation is a charity, which exists to alleviate suffering by funding home care to seriously ill children within our local community. Pepper is known for funding the Pepper Nursing Service, a Family Support Services Manager and a Play Therapist, all managed by the Iain Rennie Hospice at Home.

This service operates on a 24 hour, 7 days a week, 365 days a year call basis, and provides much needed professional and loving care at home for

Children throughout the Chilterns area of Hertfordshire and Buckinghamshire.

Today their nurses, care for 40 children and their families and in 2006, ran their annual Chrysalis Club, providing bereavement support for children who have lost a member of their family.

To enable them to provide these essential services within our community, Pepper rely on the generosity of people like us to continue supporting the Pepper Nursing Service and its work, through regular donations, by organising fundraising events, distributing home collection boxes (Pepperpots), all of which you can find out more about by clicking onto the relevant sections on the homepage on their web site.

At our last meeting, the committee recommended that we should advertise forthcoming Pepper events in the WAMGOC newsletter.

Tickets for their show go on sale on Sunday 10th June (www.peppershow.com) and the **music extravaganza** takes place on the 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 July 2007 at the Centenary Hall, Berkhamstead Collegiate School, Kings Road, HP4 3BG.

Tickets are priced at £15 to £25 (£7 for concessions).

Please try to get along to one of the shows. I know that a good number of committee members have expressed an interest in going along.

Octagonal Run 2007. This years Octagonal Run will take place on Sunday 19th August 2007. This is the 12th running of this our premier WAMGOC event, It starts at The Royal Standard, Forty Green 9.30-10.00 am, with tea/coffee and possibly breakfast, the 65 mile run, then finishes at the Mossman Collection / Museum, Luton. So please make a note of this in your diaries, and book your place now, as it is important that you're

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there to help us have a good day and raise a good sum for our charity. Suggestions and offers of help will always be well received.

Book now!

WAMGOC WAMBLE.

On Saturday 30th June, for this year's WAMBLE, Arthur and Angela have organized a River walk from Marlow car park, with an informal pub lunch and after a walk back or train ride to the car park. Then a cream tea is planned at Arthur's to help raise funds for this year's WAMGOC charity. See last month's newsletter for more information.

The Uxbridge Car Show takes place on the 15th July.

More information seen P

British Airways Classic Car Show.

We have been invited to the British Airways Social Club, Cranford, Middlesex, on the 1st July, to display our MG's and enjoy seeing other classics.

Plenty of additional events are planned for this show (auto jumbles, live entertainment, go-karts, fun fair, etc), which promises to be a great day.

Classic car entry fee £3.

See details further on.

The 57th **MG Silverstone International**, will be held at the home of British Motorsport on the weekend of 22-24 June 2007, celebrates the 40th Anniversary of the MGC, the 60th Anniversary of the Y Type, 70th Anniversary of the SVW cars and the 80th Anniversary of the 14/40.

Cars for Sale, MG Trade Area, Register Stands & Car Displays, Concours, Parades and a full 2-day Race Programme go to make this a wonderful weekend for all MG enthusiasts.

Tickets in advance are available from the MG Car Club on 01235 555552 or online at www.mgcc.co.uk.

Details of the second **Inter-Regional MG Weekend**, planned to take place At Warners Cricket St Thomas on 25th-28th April 2008 are now in.

Many WAMGOC members enjoyed last year's event and some have already booked for next year.

I have the latest details from Nigel, so please don't hesitate to ask me for a form.

Nigel Hedges, Tim Hipwell and Fred Robinson are busy planning the next by-annual weekend. (More details go to www.1020mg.org.uk)

Visit www.1020mg.org.uk to see photos of Cricket St Thomas 2006, featuring WAMGOC members at play.

June

Sun 3rd New Forest Run, at Sammy Miller's Motorcycle Museum, Sway (£15 per car) a 75 mile run.

Wed 6th Monthly Meeting, The Gate.

Saturday 16th June lunch at The Royal Standard, Forty Green at 12noon.

22nd/24th MGCC Silverstone International Weekend.

Saturday 30th June WAMGOC WAMBLE.

Saturday 30th Wigginton Classic Car & Village Show. Contact: Helen Bell tel: 01442 824072

July

Sun 1st British Airways Classic Car Show.

Wed 4th Monthly Meeting, The Gate.

Saturday 14th July Dinner at The Polecat, Prestwood at 6:30pm. Come early if weather is bad.

15th Uxbridge Car Show.

August

Wed 1st Monthly Meeting, The Gate.

Lookout for details of the WAMGOC Octagonal Run, August 19th 2007.

September

Wed 5th Monthly Meeting, The Gate.

October

Wed 3rd Monthly Meeting, The Gate.

Saturday 13th October lunch at The Firecrest, 12 noon.

Membership Report.

Alan Jones, our membership secretary reports that We have 109 members, losing 6, and gaining 6 new members in the last 12 months.

New members are;

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Paul Gretton '78 BGT
Ian and June Cambell '05 MGTF
Peter, Christine and Helen Dickey '74 BGTV8

Welcome to all of you, we hope you enjoy the club and using your MGs

The Fifteenth “Old Speckled Hen” Tour. Sunday 27th May 2007

Greene King brewers of the beer that the event is named after sponsored this year's event. The said beer was once brewed by Morlands in Abingdon, and was named after a famous racing MG “the Old Speckled Hen”. Clear!?

Our thanks to Greene King for supporting this event, one of the best of the year.

And so the tour returns to it's old original name, great!

Unfortunately that was the good bit.



The Start

Nature conspired against us to give us what was the wettest day in May since records began. The declared field of 85 MGs and an A35 was well short of that number as MGCC President Bill Wallis started the event. Visibility even while stationary at the start was poor, but I think the first car away was No3 John Venables in his '29 18/80.

WAMGOC member Bill Abbott in his pre-war 6cyl N type was an early starter, he was entered in his TF '54 type but claimed that there was more room for waterproofs in the N type!

Terry Whiffin in his MGB started, but Stanley Best failed to show, Stan later rang to tell me a tale of

wet woes on the M40, his engine misfiring and then dying due to ignition problems. His day ended on the back of an AA truck. The problem was not water, but a faulty “new” condenser.

Ang and I had entered the TC, which was a good choice, we were off early, No13 !!!

In very wet weather the TC beats the Midget, it has better weather equipment, visibility is better in spite of having no heater or demister, and being much taller with greater ground clearance it dealt with the unmapped fords and miscellaneous floods very well.

Fortunately the navigation element of the run was a simple Tulip Route of 35 miles in the morning, stopping at Nuffield Place for “picnic lunch” and just 22miles in the afternoon.

We and many others arrived at Nuffield Place dryish, but by the time we had walked to the loo and back we were wet to the skin.

My pal David Hague and our wives had had a touch of inspiration when we decided to leave the picnic at home, and rely on a pub lunch.

The Crown, opposite Nuffield Place was most welcoming, was warm, dry, and the food was good. After our lunch the rain had eased up so we decided to follow the route to the cream tea.

10 minutes later there was a cloudburst, and it was colder, so misting was a much bigger problem.

There was no point in turning back so on we went to the end, to join the relative few who made it to the finish, for a hot cup of tea or coffee and a delicious cream tea.



The End

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Both Bill and Terry finished, their wives, like mine were pleased to finish, enjoyed the tea, but were not looking forward to the run home.

I heartily joined in the thanks to the organisers especially those whose role it was to stand in the

rain and make it all happen. Thanks ladies and gentlemen.

See you next year, but please remember to talk to the clerk of the weather, or even God.

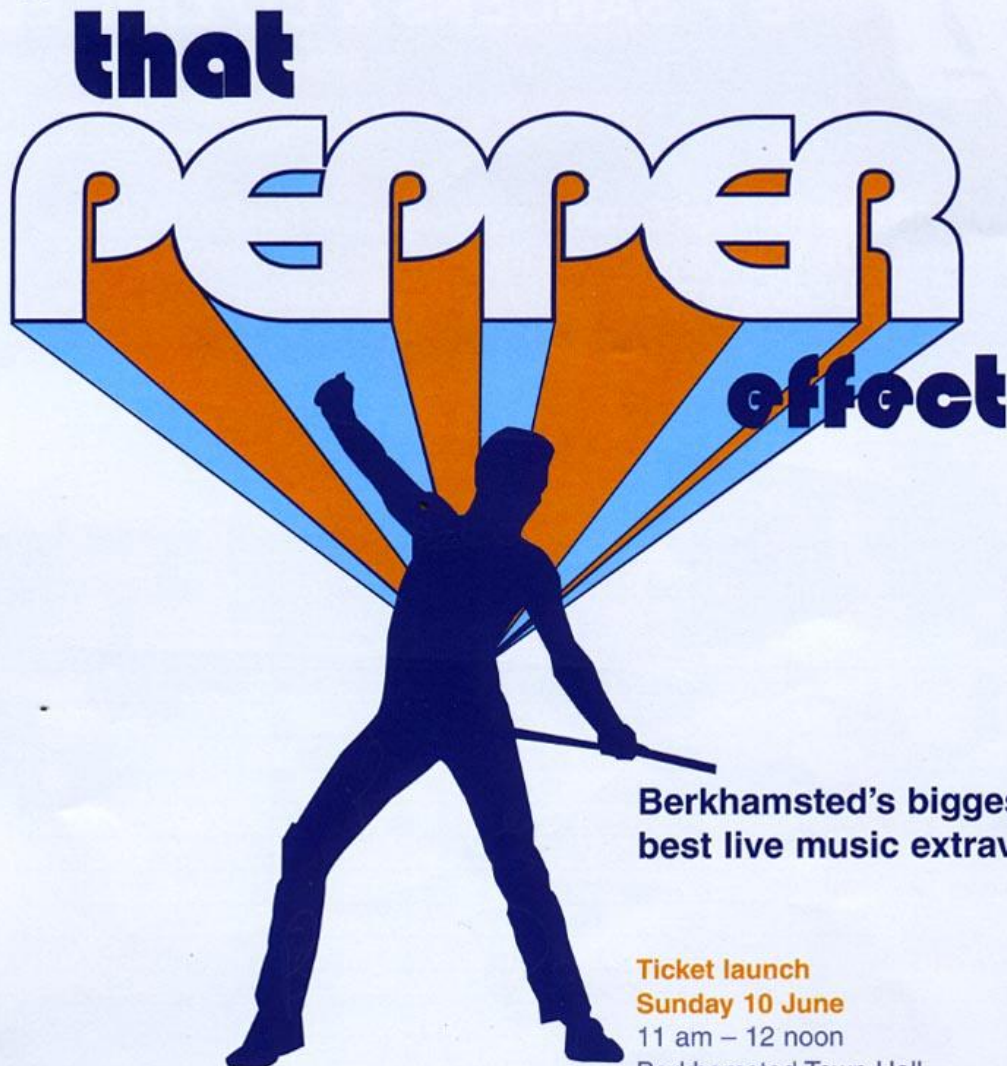


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Pepper Events Limited presents



**Berkhamsted's biggest and
best live music extravaganza**

Ticket launch
Sunday 10 June
11 am – 12 noon
Berkhamsted Town Hall

14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 July 2007
Centenary Hall,
Berkhamsted Collegiate School,
Kings Road, HP4 3BG

Come early and stay late!
Enjoy live music, bar and buffet food from
6.30pm and after the show until 11.30pm
(on Sunday from 4.30pm until 9.30pm).

Box office and telephone bookings from
Monday 11 June
9.30 am – 5.30 pm
Acorn Pharmacy, 256 High Street
Berkhamsted
Tel: 01442 877292
(50p per ticket booking fee for credit card purchases)

Tickets from £15 to £25
(£7 concessions)

All proceeds from the show will be used by
the Pepper Foundation to enable the charity

Italian Food Beckons the Gourmet Midget!

manager with Italian staff, all of which adds to the atmosphere and With the blue skies and the sun shining, the Gourmet Midget's thoughts turned to Italy and the renowned Italian cooking. He searched long and hard for a suitable Italian pub/restaurant and it was decided to try the L'Italiano per Ogni Occasione "Darusso" in Chinnor Road, Bledlow Ridge (Tel: 01494 481499). This restaurant was originally a public house but has been converted into a rather splendid country restaurant. This can be reached most easily from turning right after going through West Wycombe village on the road to Bledlow Ridge or, of course, for the more adventurous, there are a number of lanes which can be used for a cross-country route.



There is a large car park immediately adjacent to the restaurant, which has been completely refurbished inside and is hosted by an Italian we found them extremely welcoming and helpful at lunchtime.

There is a lounge area immediately to the left on entering the front door where it is very comfortable to enjoy a pre-lunch or dinner drink.

A three course lunch between Monday to Saturday costs £13.50 and can be chosen from a number of dishes on the lunchtime menu.

On the Gourmet Midget's visit he chose sardines as a starter to be followed by sea bass and vegetables, all of which was freshly prepared and of the highest

quality. This was followed by a typical Italian sweet, all of which was complimented by, would you believe it, the recommended Italian house wine.

There was plenty of room in the restaurant and it seemed there was not any particular necessity to book at lunchtime, although this may well not be the case in the evening.

For those who really wish to go to town for a Sunday lunch, the restaurant offers a four course Sunday lunch for £19.50.

On the occasion of the visit by the Gourmet Midget and, indeed, his second and third visit, it was decided to award the restaurant five gold stars and a marking of 10/10 (the highest possible award).

After this success, it was decided that the Gourmet Midget would increase his continental knowledge with a visit to a Spanish/English restaurant.

THE GOURMET MIDGET

WAMBLE Saturday 30th June 2007

A riverside walk from Marlow to Bourne End, return by foot or by the Marlow Donkey (train). The walk starts at Gossmore Lane Car Park, Marlow at 10.30 am.

Pub lunch at The Bounty, or bring your own picnic and sit beside the river.

Return to Marlow on foot, or by train from Bourne End; collect your car and drive to Niarbyl, 31, Spinfield Mount, Marlow for a cream tea in the garden (3pm onwards).

To enable us to know numbers could you please telephone (01628 484043),

e-mail (ja_magee@yahoo.co.uk), or write a note if you would like to join us on the 30th. Closing date is the 25th June. When we have heard from you we will forward a map with full details of the different venues and train times. As the walk is along the Thames it is quite flat with no hills and should take about 2 hours.

Angela & Arthur Magee

Uxbridge Auto Show

Sunday 15th July 2007

10.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.

The Uxbridge Auto Show is organized by the Rotary Club and has been held every year since 1984, during this time it has raised over £300,000 for charity.

It is held on the Middlesex Showground, Uxbridge next to A40.

Last year there were over 2000 Vintage, Veteran and Classic cars on display including Motor bikes and Commercial Vehicles, as well as new car displays and a large selection of Autojumble.

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to give your MG an extra special clean and polish and then to spend the day chatting to like minded car fanatics, or to stand discreetly in the background and listen to everyone else admiring your pride and joy. I am sure it will also bring back lots of memories of cars you used to own or learnt to drive in.

We expect to be the only MG club at the event so would like a large and varied display, and it will be the perfect opportunity to recruit new members. So if you would like to join us, please complete the form below and return to Shirley and Dave Townsend, 7 Edinburgh Drive, Ickenham, Uxbridge UB10 8QY along with a cheque payable to WAMGOC for £5 per car by Friday 22nd June. If you need any more information call us on 01895 631615.

I/We would like to bring our to the Uxbridge Auto Show on Sunday 15th July 2007.

Name Telephone

Address

I/We enclose our cheque for £5 per car payable to WAMGOC

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**Have a look at your “old” kit, do you need to increase your sartorial elegance?
WAMGOC REGALIA**

Clothing: The following are some standard items supplied embroidered with the Wycombe Area club logo. The club number can be omitted.
Additional items and others colours are available. Ask to see catalogue.

Club Colours: Bottle Green with Gold embroidered logo.

Page 7	Jerzees T-Shirt Zt180	100% Cotton (31 colours available) Sizes S/M/L/XL/2XL £10.75 each	
40	Jerzees S/S Polo Shirt 539M	Poly/Cotton (16 colours available) Sizes XS/S/M/L/XL/2XL/3XL each	£13.75
51	Jerzees Ladies S/S Polo Shirt 539F	Poly/Cotton (11 colours available) Sizes XS,S,M,L,XL,2XL,3XL,4XL each	£13.75
49	Fruit of Loom L/S Polo Shirt 63-306-0	100% Cotton (7 colours available) Sizes S/M/L/XL/2XL	£15.25 each
56	Jerzees Sweatshirt 762M	50/50 Poly/cotton (17 colours available) Sizes XS/S/M/L/XL/2XL/3XL £17.25	from £16.25 to
60	Whytes Polo Sweatshirt WHO6	Poly/Cotton/Acrylic (6 colours available) Sizes S/M/L/XL/2XL £19.95 each	
85	Front Row Rugby Shirt FRO1	100% Cotton (13 colours available) Sizes S/M/L/XL/2XL/3XL £22.75	from £21.75 to
85	Front Row S/S Rugby Shirt FRO3	100% Cotton (4 colours available) Sizes S/M/L/XL/2XL £20.95 each	
194	McForsum All Weather Jacket 747	Polycotton with Nylon mesh lining Sizes S/M/L/XL/2XL each	£42.50
180	Results Arctic Fleece Jacket R16	Reversible (10 colours available) Sizes XS/S/M/L/XL/2XL each	£29.95

Other items available:

Enamel/Plastic Badge	£2.50 each	Windscreen Sticker	
£1.00 each WAMGOC Keyring		£2.50 each	WAMGOC Car Grille
Badge	£7.50 each		

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To Order: Complete the order form below and hand to me, or a committee member, at club meeting, along with your payment in cash or cheque (made payable to WAMGOC). Alternatively you can contact me direct (details on reverse).

Name: _____ Telephone _____

Address: _____ Email _____

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**WAMGOC OCTAGONAL RUN
SUNDAY 19TH AUGUST 2007**

ENTRY FORM

NAME

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE NO

MODEL OF CAR

REG NO OF CAR

I wish to enter the 2007 Octagonal Run and enclose my cheque, payable to WAMGOC, for the total shown below to cover the following:

Entry fee (driver & one passenger) £18.00
Additional Passengers @ £6.00 each

TOTAL

£

I undertake that my vehicle will be in a roadworthy condition, with a current, valid MOT, insurance certificate and road fund licence.

I accept that neither the Wycombe Area MG Owners' Club nor the organisers, individually, will be liable for any loss, injury or damage arising from my participation in this event.

Signed..... Date.....

