

You Can do Motor Sport in your MG!

Ever watched racing at Knockhill and thought "I wish I could do that". Well perhaps Knockhill is a bit too much to chew at the start but there are less expensive alternatives.

Many of the drivers in classic cars competing at Knockhill started in sprints and hillclimbs. For these events you will need a licence from the MSA (about £40) and a race suit and helmet (about £350 new but Ebay can supply used items).



As far as your car is concerned the only requirements are that it should be safe and if old enough should have an

MOT. It will be checked over at events by scrutineers who will give you as much assistance as you need.

Other than that you need to join an MSA recognised club (the MGCC Caledonian Centre is one!) and then apply to enter your first event.

Sprints and Hillclimbs are all run on tarmac roads with only one or two cars on track at any time. If there are two then they are well spaced out so there is no danger of collision. Events are run "against the clock" so the quickest car in your class wins!



These events are run in central Scotland at Kames in Ayrshire and Forrestburn, just off the M8 and elsewhere at Doune, Fintray House and Alford Aberdeen and Golspie.

I started some years ago in a completely road going MG Midget and now run a more developed Turner MG. Other drivers use MGBs, Metros and V8s but any car will do. **For more info check; <http://www.scottish-sprinting.co.uk/begin.html>**

Have a go!

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WELCOME TO GLAMIS

by Jim Henderson

On behalf of the Caledonian Centre of the MG Car Club we welcome you to our stand and trust you like our presentation of the MG marque. You will see a selection of the many cars that our members have throughout Scotland. We have over 320 members within Scotland with MG's from the 1920's right through to the very latest. Virtually every model and variant is available. Some very rare, technically advanced and special cars are available within our membership ranks.

Historically, the MG Caledonian Centre participated mainly with lovely scenic runs throughout different areas within Scotland, however for the first time we are incorporating several, selected static shows within our large programme of events.

This is the second major show we have attended this year. A selection of cars were chosen for each event and there will be members on hand to give advice on all aspects of MG ownership. Those thinking about purchasing an MG or needing any MG advice are welcome to speak to our knowledgeable and experienced members who will be happy to assist and help in any way.

Our current entry list for this event has a diverse range of MG's from an incredibly rare 1932 MG D type to an even rarer 2005 MG SV-R. Both of which are unique in Scotland. Notwithstanding all



1932 MG D-type

the other MG's throughout the ages, another specific theme this year will be to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the legendary 'MGA Twin Cam.' This unique model as you may know is a special and significant part of MG history. They were incredibly technically advanced for the 1950's having twin overhead cam

engines, alloy cross flow high compression heads, Centrelock Dunlop wheels and 4 wheel Dunlop Disc brakes and all the performance modifications available at the time. Worldwide there are only a few roadworthy examples around and we are fortunate to have an entry of six for our display here today.



2005 MG-SVR

Our next show will be the Autoclassica event and will be held in the beautiful grounds of Culzean Castle, Ayrshire over the weekend of 23rd and 24th August 2008. The Caledonian Centre again hopes to show a good range of between 10 and 20 cars on the Sunday, representing all aspects of the MG marque. For those who wish to make a weekend of it, camping and caravan sites are available.



The infamous twin cam engine - exciting performance, oh so fickle!

The event promises to be one of the most comprehensive motoring weekends ever held in Scotland. As well as club and single marque displays, there will be displays of historic racing cars and motorcycles, concours de elegance, trade village,

AUGUST AMBLE - Sunday 17th August

This Run will start at the Old Craighall Services (Little Chef) at the junction of the Edinburgh bypass and the A1. Meeting at 10.00 for a 10.30 start.

The run will take us around Gosford Bay then over the Lammermuir Hills and on through Duns to Coldstream. The lunch stop will be the Hirsell Country Park in Coldstream. There is good parking, an excellent tearoom and some retail therapy, not to mention a nice walk round the lake.

The return run will take us back over the Lammermuirs by a different route ending up the Goblin Ha Hotel in Gifford.



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soap-box grand prix, team driving challenge and live music. It is planned to run some historic racing cars in the grounds throughout the weekend. Selected cars from the decades of the 20th century will also be run through the grounds.

The organisers wish participants in the main area to be dressed in period costume depicting the era of their car. This isn't as hard as you might imagine and just taking off T-shirts, jeans and trainers and donning a jacket, tie and flat cap is often sufficient. A secondary area is available for those participants who do not wish to do this. See the web site for more information. This is the first full running of this event and it would be good to see MG take its rightful place as one of the leading sporting marques.

For more information you can visit www.mgcaledonian.org or www.culzeanautoclassica.com or contact one of the Caledonian organising team, Dave Stewart, Jim Henderson and Mike Howlett.

JULY JOLLY - Sunday 27th

This Run will be in the Argyll area, and start at 10.30 hrs from the Loch Lomond Garden & Home Centre which is 1 mile north of Balloch. We will go up the A82 and through Glen Fruin, northwards to Garelochhead and Arrochar on the A814 and then on to Inverary for Lunch.



After lunch it's back to the junction with the A815 at Cairndow and then on to the A875, down Loch Eck and cut over the Glen Finart Road to Ardentinnay around Strone Point and finish at Shiela's Cafe.

Ferry home via Hunter's Quay or Dunoon to Gourock or as you like.

Reduced Fare Tickets available from W. Scott

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YOU CAN JOIN THE MG CAR CLUB HERE TODAY!

The MG Car Club caters for all makes of MGs from the Old Number One to the last super car produced the SV-R