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'A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our Readers'

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PART TWO - SECS IN THE CITY

ME GUSTA CABRAS Y BERRO

Dear reader,

Having returned to work in the “big smoke” away from the land of golden sands and what seems our long forgotten holiday, we have heard tales of fun and frivolity in this milder climate surrounding the club’s birthday party. As parties go it sounds like it was “one of the best”, “the party of all parties”, “the place to be”; only sadly Heidi and I were not. It is however quite pleasing to know that everyone had a great time on this joyous occasion and those absent like ourselves will surely plan next year around that all important day.

I am pleased to say that we were “present and correct” when it came to Nik and Lyn’s run as indeed were plenty of other mad and borderline certifiable types all ready to take part in the MG mud wrestling event that followed. Funny, but everyone had a brown Mg that day.

As the night draws the curtains on the day prematurely for us working folk, we find it harder to make time to appreciate our hobbies. The frost lies sleepily on the cold tarmac waiting for the sun to wake it from its dormant state thus slowly making the path safe for our hardy chariots sadly often leaving only time for a short burst of roaring tone before heading swiftly home again. But, fear not as the nights are already getting longer and although it may be slowly we will soon once again be bathed in spring sunshine ready for that all important long hot summer to rekindle our appetite for adventure!

For now though we still have things to look forward to, on the [13th of December](#) there is our long awaited [Christmas dinner](#) – a must for the fun seekers amongst us. There may well still be seats available so with haste contact Barbara for details.

The [4th January](#) marks the new year [treasure hunt](#) which starts at 10;30 at the town centre car park in Bovey Tracy – see dates for your diary with Jerry Handysides number and details.

Before sloping off to tend to my chores I should mention there has been a slight change to the February holiday, it looks as though it may be visiting the New Forest and a suitable hotel has been found to cater for us. There are quite a few going so if you would like to join in let Barbara or indeed any committee member know and we will give you the full details.

Miss you already - Tim



29 years of Exeter MG'ing – Happy Birthday

NOTICE BOARD

DEVON COUNTY BADGES. I have managed to source some badges for those interested to sew on your Club Shirts. The cost is £3.25p per badge. If you are interested please let me know - Trish Room-Doubleday.

ANYTHING FOR SALE ?

Advertise in the Exeter MGOC Newsletter, local to world-wide audience via the Web.
Cars - £5 per advert in Newsletter.

MG spares, parts and memorabilia – FREE.

Cheques made payable to Exeter MGOC and sent to the Editor. Ring 01884 34109 for address - Brian Howitt.

WEEK- END BREAK: 27th Feb – 1st Mar 2009.

LATEST NEWS: New Forest location, Ormonde House Hotel, Lyndhurst. Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and En-suite rooms, 3 nights Fri, Sat and Sun £110 each. Secure parking and possible 'run' with Southampton MGOC. (2 nights also available but for £104 each....*basically 3rd night free on full week-end package*)

INTERESTED ? Contact Barbara Wooster on 01395 514446.

MG RUN TO FRANCE

For those people who have expressed an interest in a club French holiday next year, we will have a meeting at the Ley Arms on club night where we will have a table & discuss it. We have found a 7 bedroomed property near La Boule. Could all those interested scan the holiday brochures for a 6 bedroomed property somewhere north of the Loire in Western Brittany/South Normandy & bring them with them to the meeting.

Thanks, Roger & Pat.

FOLD-UP BENCH. If a club member require such a bench the club have a few available and are free to anyone who can collect. Please contact any committee member for further details.

SPEAKER'S AT CLUB NIGHTS. Does anybody know of any 'interesting speakers' that would be willing to address the club at club night. If so, please contact Tim or Neil.

CLUB REGALIA

DEVON GREEN (CLUB COLOUR) POLO SHIRT AVAILABLE IN ALL SIZES AND IN MALE OR FEMALE CUT	£10.00
VARIOUS COLOURS OF POLO SHIRT AVAILABLE IN ALL SIZES AND IN MALE OR FEMALE CUT SHIRTS CAN ALSO HAVE YOUR NAME ADDED FOR A SMALL FEE	£15.00 £ 3.00
ASSORTED BASEBALL CAPS IN VARIOUS COLOURS	£ 7.50
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SPARE WINDSCREEN STICKERS	£1.00

MANY OTHER ARTICLES AVAILABLE SO FOR DETAILS SEE

PAUL WOOSTER – REGALIA SECRETARY.

Sunday November 23rd Run organised by Nic & Lyn

11 MGs met at Moto Services Exeter after grey skies the sun came out but not good enough for the Hoods down apart from Tim & Heidi who had theirs down for about 15minutes. We travelled along Moor lane from Exeter Services towards Pinhoe then up Church Hill and at the top lovely views over the valley and ventured into Stoke Canon and through the lanes to Netherexe, Radden Cross and through to Shobrook and into Crediton via many muddy lanes and pot holes, we then travelled through Yeoford and over to Chagford (more muddy lanes) and through to Postbridge and Manaton and over Hound Tor and hay Tor with a brief stop at Jays Grave but no flowers on it, Nic & Lyn did a nice write up on this subject on the back of our route map. Anyway, on we went to Ashburton and our terrific lunch stop at the Dartmoor Lodge where Neil & Trish's BGT was voted the Dirtiest Car. Many thanks to Nic & Lyn for an enjoyable trip

Hazel & Derrick Layzell.



Dates for your Diary

Monthly club meetings 2nd Tuesday at the Ley Arms Kenn at 2000 hrs
Contact: Tim Hallam on 01803 326294

January:-

Tues 13th, Club night to include talk by The Automobile Association.

February:-

Fri 27th to Mon 2nd March week-end away to Lyndhurst in the New Forest.