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MGB

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Ever thought about testing out your driving skills? A good introduction to this is the California Cup at MGLive! Silverstone. It is the Club's premier autotest, attracting competitors from throughout the UK and Northern Ireland, driving MGs in classes for the very earliest to the latest models.

You don't need a specialised vehicle to compete - in fact, all vehicles must be road-going and drivers are required to present their MOT certificates at scrutineering. The Chief Scrutineer and his team will also check Club Membership Cards, correct operation of throttle closing springs and general roadworthiness.

As the name suggests, there are team prizes as well as those for individual classes; the California Cup and BMC Trophy are for teams of three from the same geographical centre. Team entries do not have to be 'official' - to enter the event in the name of your Centre, all you need do is find two like-minded members from your Centre and send in your entry forms.

In addition, the Don Bishop Trophy is awarded to the highest-placed MGB in the California Cup and it would be great to see this trophy hotly-contested with more MGBs entering.

The MG Heritage Festival at Windsor

Castle was a great success with hundreds of cars joining various scenic drives to finish parked up on The Long Walk in front of the Castle. It was great to see almost all MG models represented at this event. One of the MGBs on display was the MG Works Show Car, built for the 1968 London Motor Show, with its original lilac metallic paint. It was originally built to USA specifications and was subsequently rebuilt for road use in 1974 and 2002, and it has done a total of only 5,500 miles.

2009 Diary Events

MGLive! - July 10-12

This should not be missed! There is a lot planned for this year's event at Silverstone - more details available at www.mgcc.co.uk

MGB Register's Summer Picnic - Sunday July 26

This is an informal gathering for a picnic to join the Wilton Windmill Trust for the day (www.wiltonwindmill.co.uk). Located just outside the village of Winton near Marlborough in Wiltshire, this 100-year-old working windmill will be open for tours and the Society will be selling tea and cakes. Nearby is the Crofton Beam Engine on the



Kennett and Avon Canal and this will also be open for visitors. There is no need to pre-book this event but a phone call to the contact before the day would be appreciated to ensure your parking space near to the windmill.

If you are interested in joining us please contact Roger Boys on 01635 253699 or e-mail roger@newbury.net

MGB Focus Day - Saturday October 24 - **Please note amended date**

Further details to follow - but keep this day free in your diaries for another informative and interesting day to be held at Bicester Performance Engineering Centre.