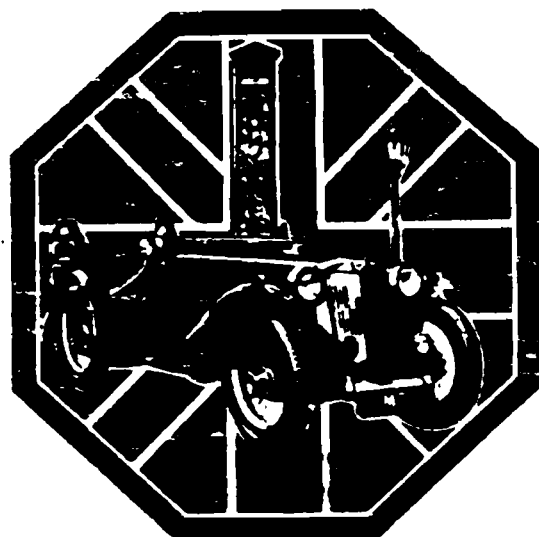


**m.g. car club
port elizabeth centre**



CONSTITUTION

MG CAR CLUB
PORT ELIZABETH CENTRE
CLUB CONSTITUTION

1. NAME

The name of the Club will be THE MG CAR CLUB – PORT ELIZABETH CENTRE, affiliated to the MG CAR CLUB ABINGDON–ON–THAMES.

2. DOMICILE

The headquarters of the Club will be situated in Port Elizabeth but membership is extended to all persons resident in the Eastern Province and Border areas.

3. OBJECTS

The objects of the Club are:

- (a) To assist in the acquisition, preservation and maintenance of all MG cars. An accurate register will be kept of all MG cars owned by members of the Club.
- (b) To promote, organise and hold on a regular basis competitions, trials, displays, gymkhanas, excursions or other similar events for motor cars and to offer awards and prizes in respect thereof.
- (c) To extend to owners and drivers of MG cars and their friends who share a common interest a Club which will facilitate the exchange of information among members with the purpose of fostering and maintaining the interest in MG cars. To assist in achieving this, regular social meetings/events will be arranged. In addition, where possible, reciprocal relations will be cultivated with kindred clubs and associations.

- (d) The funds of the Club shall be utilised in furtherance of these objects and may be invested while being accumulated towards these objects. No portion of the profits, gains or funds of the Club may be distributed to any person.

4. INTERPRETATION

- (a) In this constitution, the masculine shall be deemed to include the feminine when the context admits.
- (b) A member means a Member of the Club whose application for membership has been approved by the Committee, whose Subscription is not more than 3 months in arrears and who has not been suspended or expelled in terms of this constitution.

5. MANAGEMENT

- (a) The affairs and activities of the Club shall be governed by the Committee (as defined in Clause 8) which shall have full powers and authority to do and perform all acts within the scope of the objects of the Club as defined, not specifically reserved to general meeting of members.
- (b) The Committee shall be assisted in its management of the Club by any other committee(s) which may be deemed necessary to be formed as and when required.

6. MEMBERSHIP

- (a) Any person who owns or drives a MG car or any person who subscribes to the Objects of the Club may apply for membership by submitting an application form prescribed by the Committee who may, by resolution, elect him to membership or reject the application in their absolute discretion and without being obliged to give any reason for rejection.

- (b) On the election of a new member, the Secretary shall notify him of his election, and shall send him a copy of the Constitution of the Club. Payment of subscription shall be a distinct acknowledgement on the part of any member that he is bound by the constitution of the Club. Issuance of the Club membership card will be effected by the Secretary upon receipt of the stipulated entrance fee and subscription.
- (c) A member may be elected by the Committee into one of the following classes which are defined forthwith:
- (i) **FULL MEMBERSHIP:** will be open to those who own or regularly drive a MG car. The wife or husband of a Full Member, upon application and approval by the Committee and payment of the stipulated subscription fee, shall be considered a Full Member and shall, accordingly, enjoy the same privileges e.g. voting rights, eligibility to compete for Club points etc. but shall not have the right to receive separate communications and notices.
 - (ii) **ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP:** will be open to those persons who share the interests of MG owners, but do not fall under the above class and such members shall have no voting rights in the affairs of the Club nor shall they be eligible to officially compete in Club events. In addition, they shall not constitute more than 20 % of the paid up membership.
 - (iii) **COUNTRY MEMBERSHIP:** shall be defined as those persons who normally reside more than 80 km from Port Elizabeth. Classes of

membership as defined in Clause 6 (b) (i and ii) shall apply; the only difference being that Country Members shall pay a reduced annual subscription.

- (iv) **HONORARY MEMBERSHIP:** may be proposed at the discretion of the Committee for any person who has rendered outstanding service to the Club. This proposal shall be voted on by ballot by members at a General Meeting and shall be approved only by a two thirds majority of those present.
- (d) Any Member deliberately infringing the rules of the Club or of any competition connected with the Club or whose conduct appears likely to bring the Club into ridicule or contempt may be:
 - (i) Suspended instantly and verbally by any member of the Committee, or any person officially appointed by the Committee in respect of any competition or outing sponsored by the Club.
 - (ii) May be expelled from the Club by a majority vote of the Committee after an enquiry at which the member shall have been invited to be present.
- (e) Any person shall, on ceasing to be a member of the Club, forfeit all rights to and claims upon the Club and its funds and shall return any Club property which may be in his possession.

7. SUBSCRIPTIONS AND ENTRANCE FEES

- (a) Entrance fees and subscriptions shall be determined from time to time by the Committee.

NOTE:

The Committee has the authority at any time to revise the subscriptions and entrance fees as necessary. This will be done at a Committee Meeting by a majority vote. Members shall be informed of the revisions at the next General Meeting.

- (b) Should any person join the Club after 30th June in any year, he shall be liable for only half the annual subscription.
- (c) Annual Subscriptions shall be due and payable on the 1st January each year.
- (d) Any Member whose subscription is three months or more in arrears shall be liable to have his membership cancelled by the Committee.
- (e) Any Member wishing to resign shall give notice in writing to the Secretary before 1st January, failing which he shall be liable for his subscription for the ensuing year.
- (f) A person whose application for membership has been rejected or a member who has been expelled under Clause 6 (d) shall not again apply for membership within 6 months of the rejection or expulsion.

8. COMMITTEE

- (a) The Committee shall consist of the following officers:
 - Chairman
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - 3 Other Members
- (b) Officers and Members of the Committee, and any other officers deemed to be necessary at a later

date, shall be elected by ballot at the Annual General Meeting and will retire annually but will be eligible for re-election.

- (c) Members of the Committee shall be full Members of the Club.
- (d) No Committee Member of the MG Car Club – P.E. Centre, may serve on any Committee or Sub-Committee of any other motor club.
- (e) The Committee is increased from six to seven members for the specific purpose of creating a nominated post of Editor for the magazine.

9. MEETINGS

(a) Annual General Meeting:

- (i) Shall be convened by the Committee once in every calender year before the 31st March, not less than seven days notice thereof shall be given to the Members in writing.
- (ii) The business of an Annual General Meeting shall be to receive and consider accounts of the Club for the previous year, to review any report of the Chairman or Committee; to elect Members of the Committee for the ensuing year to transact such other business as the Committee may have approved for inclusion in the notice.

(b) Ordinary General Meeting:

Shall be held every month and it shall not be necessary for a notice in respect thereof to be given unless the fixed date or venue thereof has, for the time being, been altered.

(c) Special General Meeting:

- (i) Shall be called at any time by the Committee for the purpose of conducting any special business, the urgency of which is such that, in the opinion of the Committee, it cannot be delayed until the next General Meeting.
- (ii) Not less than 7 days notice shall be given to all members in writing.
- (iii) The business of the Special General Meeting shall be restricted to the proposed resolutions in the notice convening it, but the Chairman of the Meeting may allow amendments to such resolutions, if, in his opinion, they are necessary or desirable in order to clarify the resolutions or render them more practicable.

(d) Committee Meeting:

Shall be held once monthly or as and when circumstances so demand.

(e) Quorums for policy decisions shall be constituted as follows:

- (i) 8 Members at General Meetings
- (ii) 4 Members at Committee Meetings

(f) The Chairman of the Club shall be entitled to take the chair at any General Meeting. If he is not present at the stipulated time of the meeting, the members shall elect another member as Chairman of the Meeting.

(g) Each Member entitled to vote in terms of Clause 6 (c) shall have one vote. All decisions shall be by majority vote unless otherwise stipulated. The

Chairman of the Meeting shall have an ordinary vote which he must exercise simultaneously with the other members, as well as a casting vote which he may if he wishes, exercise in the event of an equal vote.

- (h) The declaration of the Chairman as to the passing or defeat of a resolution shall be conclusive unless a recount is immediately demanded.
- (i) Where appropriate, the Chairman may direct that the voting on a resolution be by ballot, otherwise by a show of hands.
- (j) The accidental omission to serve any notice on any member before the meeting shall not invalidate any resolution passed at any meeting of members.
- (k) If any member of the Committee fails to attend two consecutive meetings without an excuse which, in the opinion of the Committee, is reasonable, the Committee may resolve that he forfeit his office and a vacancy shall be deemed to have occurred. This casual vacancy may be filled by any member elected by the Committee.
- (l) The Committee shall cause Minutes of their Meetings and of General Meetings to be recorded, and such minutes, when signed by the Chairman of the Meeting, or the Chairman of a subsequent meeting, shall be conclusive evidence of the transactions at that meeting.

10. FINANCE

- (a) The Club's Financial year shall run from 1st January to 31st December each year.

- (b) The Treasurer shall collect and be responsible for all monies due to the Club and shall place the same to the credit of the Club in a Bank or Building Society without reasonable delay. All cheques drawn on account of the Club shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Chairman or his authorised signatory. A Financial Statement shall be submitted at each Annual General Meeting.
- (c) The ownership for the time being of all property and assets which the Club may acquire, both moveable and immoveable, shall be vested in the Committee.

11. INDEMNIFICATION

- (a) The Committee Members and any other officials shall be indemnified by the Members of the Club in respect of all reasonable matters undertaken for the benefit of the Club and in pursuance of its objects.
- (b) The Club shall in no way be liable for, or for the recovery of damages in respect of, injuries sustained by members.

12. ALTERATION OF CONSTITUTION

No alteration or addition to this constitution shall be made except at a General Meeting. Members shall be notified of such proposed alterations or additions in writing not less than 7 days prior to the meeting at which they will be discussed.

13. WINDING UP

Upon winding up or liquidation of the Club, the Committee shall be obliged to transfer the assets remaining, after the satisfaction of all liabilities of the Club, to another club having objects similar to those in Clause 3 above. If such club cannot be found in the Eastern Cape to the satisfaction of the Committee, then the guidance of the Chairman for the time being of the MG CAR CLUB COMBINED SA CENTRE shall be requested for this purpose.

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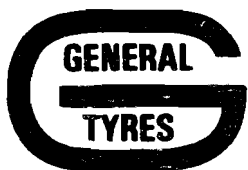
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