

The start of it all ...

5 September 1930

The original letter to *The Light Car* by Roy Marsh proposing an M.G. car club for Midget enthusiasts

The Light Car & Cyclecar

OUR READERS' OPINIONS (contd.).

Why Not An M.G. Club?

Being a very interested reader of *The Light Car and Cyclecar*, I notice that a number of one-make clubs have been formed lately with very satisfactory results. Now Midget enthusiasts, what about an M.G. car club?

Owners' club? There are hundreds of you and surely some very enjoyable social runs and trials could be arranged. Perhaps M.G. owners would let me have their opinions on the idea.
Chatfield, 19, Roseleigh Avenue, Highbury, London, N.5. ROY MARSH.

12 September 1930

... and a letter of support from Norman S. Eames

Club for M.G. Owners.

May I be allowed to support the suggestion made by Mr. R. Marsh in your correspondence columns last week, namely, that an M.G. Club be formed? Every week one sees more and more M.G.s on the road and I feel sure that all owners of these cars who are keen motorists will welcome the suggestion. I have written to Mr. Marsh and I hope other M.G. owners will do the same so that the formation of a club will not be long delayed.

Perhaps then we can have the great clash—the M.G. Midget versus the Austin Seven—each club taking it in turn to organize a trial or similar sporting event. Now then, you Midget owners, rally round and get this club going. Incidentally, I have a vacant seat in my M.G. for anyone who wishes to travel from London to Exeter on September 14th. This is rather short notice, I know, but I should like some company.

NORMAN S. EAMES.
5, Alloa Road, Goodmayes, Ilford, Essex.

7 October 1930

John Thornley writes to *The Motor* after the initial meeting setting up the club

The Motor

An M.G. Car Club.

I wish to inform owners of M.G. cars that a club has been formed in their interest. I shall be pleased to send them particulars, together with a membership form.

72, Streathbourne Road, London, S.W.17. JOHN W. THORNLEY.

26 September 1930

Roy Marsh writes to *The Light Car* asking for publicity by referencing the formation of the club

A Club for M.G. Owners.

A NOTE from Mr. Roy Marsh, who had a letter in the correspondence columns of the issue dated September 5th, tells me that the proposal he then made for the formation of an M.G. club is making splendid headway. Mr. Marsh says: "May we take the liberty of asking you if you could possibly assist us in the formation of such a club by making a reference to it in 'Rich Mixture'?" We feel that you must be as enthusiastic over this sporting little car as we are and that you would be only too glad to help us in this way."

Of course, it will be the greatest possible pleasure to help in any way I can. The all-important matter in the meantime is for keen M.G. owners to get in touch with Mr. Roy Marsh, Chatfield, 19, Roseleigh Avenue, Highbury, London, N.5, or with Mr. Norman S. Eames, 5, Alloa Road, Goodmayes, Ilford, Essex. I understand that they have already heard from a number of readers and that they have now begun to make plans for a preliminary meeting.



'Great enthusiasm was evinced at the inaugural rally ...'

10 October 1930

... and *The Light Car* publicises 12 October 1930 as the first public meeting of the club

An M.G. Club.

Readers of this journal who are owners of M.G. Midgets will be interested to hear that a club has now been formed for owners of these popular sports cars. There will be an inaugural meeting at 3 p.m. on Sunday, October 12th, at the Roebuck Inn, Broadwater, near Stevenage, on the Great North Road, and all those interested are invited to attend.

17 October 1930

The Light Car reports on the inaugural rally of the M.G. Car Club on 12 October 1930 at which 'great enthusiasm was evinced'

The M.G. Car Club.

Great enthusiasm was evinced at the inaugural rally of the newly formed M.G. Car Club, which was held at the Roebuck Inn, Broadwater, near Stevenage, on Sunday last. Over 30 cars turned up—most of them Midgets—and an informal meeting was held. The hon. secretary, Mr. John W. Thornley, 72, Streathbourne Road, London, S.W.17, announced that he had approached Mr. Cecil Kimber, managing director of The M.G. Car Co., Ltd., who had promised the club his full support and consented to become president; needless to say, he was unanimously elected. A committee was then elected, a badge design decided upon, and other matters such as subscriptions and so on settled. The gathering then sat down to an enjoyable tea, the party afterwards breaking up and going their several ways.

M.G. owners should note that the subscription has been fixed at 15s. per annum (no entrance fee), with a badge fee of 5s. Full details will gladly be sent to prospective members by the hon. secretary.