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### EDITORIAL:

The M.G. Owners' Club National Event was held at Bourn, near Cambridge on 22nd and 23rd September. Dave Robinson and I went along to take a look. It was a somewhat larger affair than our own rally! In amongst the thousands of M.G.B's and Midgets there were two Y-Types. One belonged to Hilary Walklett (YB1050/'NLF 949'). It was very nice to see one of our stickers in the rear window and we were amazed to learn that under the bonnet this Y-Type has a two-pin socket into which a small electric kettle can be plugged so that you can have a brew-up whilst freezing at whatever rally you happen to be attending!! The other Y-Type we saw was new to us. It is YB1177/'YMG 125' and it is owned by Malcolm Randall from [REDACTED], Northants. Full details of this car and Malcolm's address will appear in a forthcoming issue. Thus both Y's were from Northants - hopefully the beginning of a local Y-Type Register meeting. We were also fortunate enough to meet Mario Leisi from Switzerland. We learned that he had just purchased a YT in Cambridge and was hoping to drive it back to Switzerland in the near future. We wish him luck - it's nice to have a Swiss member!

Talking of overseas members I'm disappointed to note that the M.G. Car Club's Melbourne Centre has yet to send me details of those 50+ Y-Type owners in Australia. I am aware that it is M.G.C.C. policy in this country not to reveal the names and addresses of members but I had hoped that this practice did not apply equally to our Australian friends.

Lastly this month just a reminder that your editor will be on holiday between 19th October and 4th November so replies to letters may take a little longer than usual.

1st October 1979.

REGISTER NEWS:

<u>Chassis No.</u>	<u>Year.</u>	<u>Type.</u>	<u>Reg'n No.</u>	<u>Engine No.</u>	<u>Owner's Name.</u>
Y/T/EXR 1924	1948.	YT.	?	?	R.L.Knudsen.
Y 1966	1948.	YA.	HDG 774	XPAG/SC/11781	T.Bowman.
Y/T/EXR 2509	1948.	YT.	?	XPAG/TL/11953 *	A.D.Smith.
Y/T/EXR 3030	1949.	YT.	MGY 575	XPAG/TD2/20438	A.D.Smith.
Y/T/EXR 3465	1949.	YT.	?	?	B.J.Rempire.
Y/T/EXR 4368	1950.	YT.	MGYT	XPAG/TR/14277	T.Boscarino.
Y/T/EXR 4833	1950.	YT.	?	?	J.Hoskins.
Y/T/EXR 5139	1950.	YT.	?	?	?
Y 6041	1950.	YA.	GBX 166	XPAG/SC/15766	D.Chapman.
Y 6244	1950.	YA.	KDF 746	XPAG/SC/16136	M.G.Ash.
YB 0305	1952.	YB.	KCG 259	XPAG/SC2/17140	M.R.Bond.
YB 0337	1952.	YB.	LWD 827	XPAG/SC2/B86335	M.G.Ash.
YB 0601	1952.	YB.	MOL 848	XPAG/TD/ ?	P.Reckless.
YB 1029	1953.	YB.	JJF 86	?	M.G.Ash.
YB 1050	1953.	YB.	NLF 949	XPAG/SC2/17921	H.J.Walklett.
YB 1099	1953.	YB.	RVT 914	XPAG/SC2/17987	A.Brier.
YB 1535	1953.	YB.	4971 H	XPAG/SC2/18429	M.G.Ash.

\* This was the original engine number. No engine is currently fitted.

Total cars on the Register as at 7th September 1979: 279.

Made up as follows: YA: 86 YB: 67 YT: 46 YA/YB Composite: 2  
Unknown: 78.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS:Members Who Have Left The Register:

Mr. Robinson, [REDACTED], Sussex. (Car Sold).  
G.Knight, [REDACTED], Kent. (Car Sold to M.R.Bond).  
(Member No.123)

New & Corrected Addresses:

R.Harper, [REDACTED], London, S.W.10.  
T.Pennicott, [REDACTED], Bucks.  
D.N.Gray, [REDACTED], Scotland.  
B.Leece, [REDACTED], Derbyshire.  
M.G.Ash, [REDACTED], Virginia.  
J.Hoskins, [REDACTED], Tennessee, [REDACTED], USA.

New Members:

G.Knight. (Member No.123 - See Above).  
A.D.Smith, [REDACTED], Massachusetts, [REDACTED], USA.  
(No.126) (1 x YA; 3 x Y)  
K.Winn, [REDACTED], Florida, [REDACTED], USA.  
(No.127) (YT)  
J.Gardner, [REDACTED], Florida, [REDACTED], USA.  
(No.128) (YT)  
E.Betts, [REDACTED], Virginia, [REDACTED], USA.  
(No.129) (YT)  
R.Germano, [REDACTED], Georgia, [REDACTED], USA.  
(No.130) (YT)  
R.Schlabach, [REDACTED], South Carolina, [REDACTED], USA.  
(No.131) (YB)  
C.Nelson, [REDACTED], Bergen II, W.Germany.  
(No.132)  
D.Chapman, [REDACTED], Middlesex. (No.133) (YA)

R. Evans, [redacted] Wolverhampton. (No.134).  
M. Dunhill, [redacted] London S.W.4. (No.135).  
C.M. Geery, [redacted] Nottingham. (No.136).  
B.U. Goodey, [redacted] Kettering.  
[redacted] (No.137).  
J. Jones, [redacted] Shrewsbury. (No.138).  
M.J. Rushmere, [redacted] London, N.W.7. (No.139).  
H.J. Walklett, [redacted] Northampton. (No.140)(YB).  
J. Hartley, [redacted] Surrey. (No.141).  
K. Nelson, [redacted] Berks. (No.142)(YB).  
M.R. Bond, [redacted] Kent, [redacted] A. (No.143)(YB).  
A. Brier, [redacted] W. Yorks, [redacted]  
[redacted] (No.145)(2 x YB).  
T. Boscarino, [redacted] New York, [redacted] USA.  
[redacted] (No.146)(YT).

#### CARS FOR SALE:

Reg'tr No.276: YB, complete but with very rough body. Will also consider breaking for spares. Contact Tony Brier, Tel: [redacted]

#### PARTS FOR SALE:

YA wings, doors, body, seats etc. Also YB engine, gearbox, front and rear axles. Tel: [redacted] after 7 pm.

Tony Brier has for sale original petrol pipes (petrol pump to carb'), £2.50 each including postage.

If you wish to order a fibreglass spare wheel compartment lid or fibreglass boot lid contact Tony Brier. If there is enough demand this offer will proceed. Please state what type of car you have in view of Tim Pennicott's notes on page 32 of issue No.20.

#### PHOTO OFFER

Now for something new. Occasionally I get asked if we can have photos of Y-Types published in 'The Classic Y'. Well, although this would be a nice idea, the short answer is 'no'. The present format of the magazine and the present subscription does not allow for this (the printing of photos being much more expensive). Thus, I am beginning what I hope will be an occasional feature. A chance for you to obtain prints of various Y-Types which I have photographed on my travels this year. The price is 40p per print (colour) and this includes postage. Just send me your orders and remittance quoting the appropriate negative numbers and I will send you your prints. Incidentally, some of you may remember that an attempt was made last year to start a photo competition. Well, a few photos have arrived since that time and whilst there was insufficient response to organise a competition proper, I feel I must commend the following for both good photography and cars in excellent appearance:

Kirtley Winn of [redacted], Florida with Y/T/EXh 4458, 'Yellow Lady'  
Ron Gay of [redacted], Victoria, Australia with Y/T/EXR 3300.  
Brian Griffin of [redacted] Bristol with Y 7225.

By the way, if anyone wants to loan colour slides for copying so that they can be added to the 'catalogue' below I'd be glad to hear from you. O.K., so now turn to the next page and browse through the photos currently available:

John Lawson.



<u>Neg no.</u>	<u>Subject.</u>	<u>Comments.</u>
8K-7	YB1524/'MG 7317'	7.4.77. Before restoration commenced. Roadworthy. Left side view. Black.
8K-8	" "	7.4.77. As above but left side/rear.
8K-9	" "	7.4.77. As above but rear view.
8K-12	" "	7.4.77. 'In Action'.
8K-14	" "	7.4.77. As above but left side/front.
8K-15	" "	17.9.77. Grey primer. Right side/front.
8K-16	" "	17.9.77. As above but front view.
8K-19	" "	17.9.77. As above but right side view.
8K-25	" "	30.10.77. Right side/front. Partially sprayed white.
8K-35	" "	5.8.78. Dismantled. In yellow primer.
8K-40	YA /'KEL 884'	25.9.78. Green. Roadworthy. Left front.
8K-41	YA /'KEL 884'	25.9.78. As above but left/rear view.
8K-48/2532	YB1524/'MG 7317'	May '79. Partially restored. In yellow primer.
8K-63/2556	" "	June '79. Partially restored. Boot lid and s.w.c. lid finished white.
8K-64/2557	" "	June '79. As above but rear view.
8K-83/2588	Y2598/'CMS 98'	July '79. Roadworthy. Orange/Black. Front view.
8K-84/2589	Y2598/'CMS 98'	July '79. As above but right side view
8K-93/2611	YB0354/'MFJ 631'	18.8.79. Roadworthy. Maroon. Right side
8K-94/2612	YB0354/'MFJ 631'	18.8.79. As above but front view.
8K-101/2622	Y/T/EXR 4827/'EKS 231'	14.7.79. Black. Side view before restoration. Dismantled.
8K-103/2625	" "	14.7.79. As above but front view.

And more to come soon, I hope, if this offer is a success. It should be stated, I think, that the majority of these photos are not of vehicles in concours condition. They were taken and are offered here as reference material for the true enthusiast who is interested in seeing Y-Types in all conditions in order to gain a better understanding of the 'engineering principles' involved in restoring such vehicles. All the photographs above remain the copyright of The M.G. Y-Type Register.

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