



## THE CLASSIC 'Y'

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### EDITORIAL:

I would like to begin this month by wishing everyone who reads this magazine much happiness in the coming year.

Now, unfortunately, on to the bad news ! - subscription rates for Volume IV !

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To ensure everything runs smoothly I would ask that you let me have your subscription renewals by February 10th. A further reminder will appear in the next issue of the magazine.

Now, with that out of the way, here's something to make you smile again ! The M.G. Owners' Club are offering a series of 16" x 11" full colour prints of many different types of M.G. The series includes a Y-Type (print reproduced below).



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## 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>
?	1953	YB.	GJG 726	XPAG/SC2/17938	Balmoral Automobile Co Ltd.

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

Address Change: 105. A.Taylor, [REDACTED], Scotland.

New Member: 238. Balmoral Automobile Co Ltd., 260 Knights Hill,  
London S.E.27.

## PARTS FOR SALE:

Here is an update on p.38 of Issue No.34. which gave details of parts currently being offered for sale by Mr.Ian McNeil of [REDACTED]:

2 x YA half-shafts	-	£15 each.
Exhaust/Inlet Manifold	-	£7.50.
Carburettors	-	£5 each.
Brake Drums	-	£5 each.
Hubcaps (one with M.G. motif and one without	-	
need rechroming	-	£1 each.
Air Cleaner Manifold (may not be Y-Type but has M.G. motif on it)	-	£5.
Windscreen Wiper Motor	-	£5.
Instrument Panel (rough, complete except for glasses)	-	Offers.
1 pair Semaphore Arms (one sellotaped up)	-	Offers.
2 x Wheel Hubs (one front, one rear)	-	£5 each.
2 x Road Springs (one damaged)	-	£5.
Front Bumper Sprung Steel Carrier.	-	?
1 Off-side Rear Shock Absorber	-	£5.
Door & Boot Handles etc	-	?
1 Brand-new Goodyear Tyre (5.00 x 18) 'Diamond Pattern', never used.	-	£15.
Two 300 x 19 Tyres - Good tread, on wire wheels, with no brake drums	-	Offers.

Contact: Mr.Ian.S.McNeil. [REDACTED]

Tel: [REDACTED]

Wanted - Early 'rubber bumper' model MGB Roadster (preferably red in colour) in good roadworthy condition, for around £1,800.  
Please contact the editor if you know of one for sale.

- YB in good roadworthy condition. Contact: Mr.S.C.Davis,  
[REDACTED], Hereford, [REDACTED]

The major part of this serialised listing detailing all the YA's and YT's imported into New South Wales was completed in the last issue. In the parts that follow additional information relating to some of those cars is given where known. It is thought historically important to publish every detail known on this subject despite the fact that to many these listings will seem unexciting.

Registration Numbers:

In the importer's records some of the cars received are noted as having registration numbers. I assume these are Australian registration numbers allocated to the cars after they were unloaded from the ships and before resale. If anyone knows more please contact the editor. The numbers certainly do not appear to be British registration numbers.

Y 0496 - XG 974	Y 2838 - EP 021
Y 0750 - WX 115	Y 2920 - TR 200
Y 0576 - WZ 519	Y 3000 - CH 820
Y 0814 - XA 905	Y 2925 - CF 409
Y 0823 - XB 801	Y 2923 - CT 964
Y 0756 - XM 918	Y 2921 - CB 028
Y 0865 - XE 351	Y 3011 - CA 711
Y 0831 - XH 491	Y 3013 - CD 466
Y 0847 - XE 324	Y 2931 - CM ?
Y 0848 - XE 352	Y 2963 - BU 476
Y 0888 - XE 350	Y 3192 - (OK 900) to MG 400
Y 0949 - SX 619	Y 3190 - BZ 216
Y 0796 - XG 973	Y 3132 - BV 192
Y 1003 - XK 770	Y 3159 - DE 009
Y 1091 - XN 390	Y 3121 - CT 375
Y 1065 - XM 928	Y 3125 - CT 378
Y 1038 - GT 736	Y 3191 - DA 975
Y 1095 - XV 103	Y 3193 - DA 241
Y 1058 - XN 391	Y 3222 - DN 865
Y 1062 - YP 810	Y 3225 - CY 067
Y 1059 - XR 397	Y 3321 - CY 065
Y 1063 - XR 401	Y 3278 - CX 067
Y 1057 - XW 836	Y 3266 - CW 366
Y 1032 - YD 160	Y 3221 - DO 812
Y 1047 - XV 052	Y 3267 - DE 011
Y 1035 - YL 984	Y 3270 - DE 006
Y 1046 - YC 407	Y 3237 - DH 184
Y 1465 - YT 148	Y 3236 - DE 193
Y 1664 - YW 043	Y 3234 - DG 748
Y 1876 - AO 110	Y 3233 - DF 486
Y 1884 - ZP 870	Y 3258 - DU 784
Y 1872 - ZP 907	Y 3490 - DY 134
Y 1873 - ZV 644	Y 3489 - DK 900
Y 1869 - ZP 869	Y 3259 - DH 819
Y 1897 - ZV 522	Y 3398 - DK 750
Y 1893 - ZZ 954	Y 3260 - EC 624
Y 1920 - AF 519	Y 3636 - DT 892
Y 1919 - (ZX 165) to MG 830	Y 3638 - DM 839
Y 1948 - ZW 739	Y 3640 - DZ 777
Y 2052 - ZV 762	
Y 2403 - AY 232	
Y 2515 - (AY 232) to BC 557	
Y 2687 - BD 096	
Y 2799 - BL 302	
Y 2796 - BM 674	
Y 2836 - SD 457	
Y 2825 - BX 290	

More next time.....

Credit: Australian T-Series Association  
& D.H.Miller.



## MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

David Miller: Wanted: A steering sector shaft and steering arm for a TC.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear John,

I felt I had to write to add my 'fourpenneth' to the article 'A Question Of Colour' in Issue No.32.

You may remove the question marks with regard to the metallic green colour. You may recall that my '51 YA was in fact metallic green all over with dark green interior (both totally original). With regard to the two-tone colour schemes, I believe that grey/black could also have existed. In Jonathan Wood's book 'The Restoration and Preservation of Vintage and Classic Cars' there is what I believe to be a contemporary photograph of a duo-tone 1947 YA. Although it is a black and white photo, by comparison with black and white photos of the green duo-tones, this car looks quite different, the body looking lighter and the wings darker (I imagine Abingdon could have achieved this quite simply by ensuring that a set of black wings and running-boards found their way onto a grey ear. The question is, did they? - Ed).

And now for something completely different ! Battery boxes ! The early YA had an off-set battery box, this we know, but what I would like to know is when the change took place and they were positioned centrally (I would like to know too. Does anyone out there know ? I know for sure that the 1949 YA, Y 2598 has an off-set battery box - Ed).

Stephen Davis.

## Editorial....

The prints are available to members of the M.G.O.C. at £6.75 each, but, if you are not a member and would like to purchase these prints just send £7 per print required to me and I will order them for you. I will also supply details of the other types of M.G. available if anyone is interested. The reproduction on page 41 obviously does not do justice to the quality of the full-size print.

Finally this month, it seems that member Alex Taylor recently saw two Y-Types in a film, 'Circus of Horrors', on T.V. One, he says, seemed to be in a Ford silver grey metallic colour whilst the other crashed and burst into flames ! - 'horrors' indeed !! Anyone get the chassis numbers ?!!!!

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