

THE CLASSIC 'Y'

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EDITORIAL

So, here we are at the start of our sixteenth year of the "Y" Type Register and, just before Christmas, several interesting events took place which convinced me that the "Y" Type world in general still has a few surprises left in store. First of all, Frank Neumann wrote to say that he had set up a "Y-Type Register" in his native Denmark to keep the owners of those rare left-hand-drive YAs well informed. Then, only a few days later, on Christmas Eve, I at last succeeded in making contact with Tony Slattery of Queensland when a letter arrived from him giving details of many more Australian "Y" Types hitherto unknown to me. For the last year or so, Tony has run his "Australian Y-Type Register" and has been painstakingly contacting owners out there. He also publishes his own newsletter full of all the latest news on newly-found cars, technical tips and road tests etc.

Turning to the annual report of Register statistics which you will find on page 7 of this issue, you will see that compared with last year I have been able to pin down many more of the "potential reallocations". The significant improvement in these figures is mainly down to Tony's "last-minute" letter in that the number of cars known to exist in Australia has now increased from 214 to 270. Separate owner numbers, by the way, are no longer allocated (with effect from last July), in order to simplify matters somewhat. And there have also been a number of other small changes to Register administration so that the time taken on Register up-dating can be reduced.

In view of these changes, and the expanding international aspect of the Register, I have decided to increase the U.K. subscription to £10 with effect from 6th April. This will help finance the overseas registers and the acquisition of new "Reference Library" items and material for inclusion in future issues of "TCY". Full details of the new subscription rates next time.

Register Movements

0169. YB0831 has moved "just up the road" from Southport to Ormskirk and is now owned by Jim Ward. It has B.M.C. replacement engine no. E91589 (part no. AEG 11R R4A), body number 6381/657 and body code 1.25 MG 6381/ No.524 SRZ 12592. This car is currently green but may be refinished in Silver Streak Grey. Interestingly, although a late 1952 car, it was not first registered until 4th May 1953.
0173. A "NEW DISCOVERY". Y0543. Engine no. SC/10306. Body no. 221/391. t/t Green/(beige). This 1947 YA, owned by Mr.G.E.Pardee of Florida, originally had the British registration plates, "MG7217". Long-time readers of this newsletter may remember that the editor's 1953 YB was "MG7317"!
0293. A "NEW DISCOVERY". Y3749. A 1949 YA owned by Gordon.C.Kohler of Dundee.
0301. A "NEW DISCOVERY". Y/T/EX(U) 3072. Engine no. TL/12867. Body no. 45034-354. This Clipper Blue/(beige) 1949 YT is owned by Mr.R.H.Hooker of Florida and is part of a small consecutive batch of YTs which still exist viz., Y/T/EXR 3073 (also in Florida), YT3074 (in New York) and Y/T/EXL 3075 in Ohio.
0316. Y5241 has had its external colour changed from t/t Black/Green to t/t Silver Metallic.

The "newly-discovered" Australian cars reported by Tony Slattery are as follows. Brief details only are given and the listing only includes those cars not previously known to us. There were many more ownership and external colour etc. changes for other cars, but lack of space precludes their inclusion:

0076.	Y0630	SC/X10378	0358.	Y0816	SC/X10600
0605.	Y0847	SC/X10652	0803.	Y1006	SC/X10779
1078.	Y1033	SC/X10726	0600.	Y1099	SC/X10848
0667.	Y1307		0380.	Y1851	SC/X11617
0668.	Y1985	SC/X11799	0414.	Y2007	SC/X11825
1085.	Y/T/EXR 2270	TR/12635	0669.	Y/T/EXR 2371	TR/12567
0666.	Y2402	SC/X12308	0670.	Y2437	SC/X13114
0671.	Y/T/EXR 2813	TR/12667	0672.	Y2836	SC/X12680
1065.	Y/T/EXR 3069	TR/13149	1113.	Y3095	SC/X12912
1129.	Y3137		0715.	Y3184	SC/X13044
1134.	Y3190	SC/X13016	0763.	Y/T/EXR 3209	TR/13150
1135.	Y3234	SC/X13057	1136.	Y/T/EXR 3294	TR/13153
1137.	Y/T/EXR 3296	TR/13190	1138.	Y3302	SC/X13330
1139.	Y3324	SC/X13221	1141.	Y3407	
1142.	Y/T/EXR 3471	TR/13387	1143.	Y/T/EXR 3479	

1145.	Y3504	SC/X13372	1147.	Y/T/EXR 3519	TR/13441
0845.	Y3560	SC/X13359	1155.	Y/T/EXR 3590	TR/13440
0965.	Y3604	SC/11818	0702.	Y3755	SC/X13639
0720.	Y/T/EXR 3781	XPAW	0871.	Y/T/EXR 3811	TR/13738
1156.	Y/T/EXR 3826	TR/13735	1101.	Y3844	SC/X13535
1157.	Y/T/EXR 3863	TR/13568	1158.	Y/T/EXR 3926	TR/13490
1159.	Y/T/EXR 3969	TR/13765	1160.	Y/T/EXR 4017	
1161.	Y/T/EXR 4024	TR/13860	1162.	Y4055	SC/X13907
1163.	Y/T/EXR 4170		1164.	Y/T/EXR 4186	TR/14019?
1165.	Y/T/EXR 4265	TR/14076	1166.	Y/T/EXR 4314	TR/14019?
1167.	Y/T/EXR 4315	TR/13875	1168.	Y/T/EXR 4605	
1169.	Y5113	SC/X14953	1170.	Y/T/EXR 5133	TR/14870
1171.	Y/T/EXR 5137	TR/14858	1172.	Y/T/EXR 5153	TR/14856
1173.	Y6153	SC/X15996	1174.	Y6323	SC/X16054
1175.	Y6594	SC/X16397			

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Condition B+ or A "Y" Type. Contact: Mr. Norman Jay, [REDACTED]
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We also have MG7180, MG7255, MG7309, MG7317, MG7340 and MG7437 on the Register!

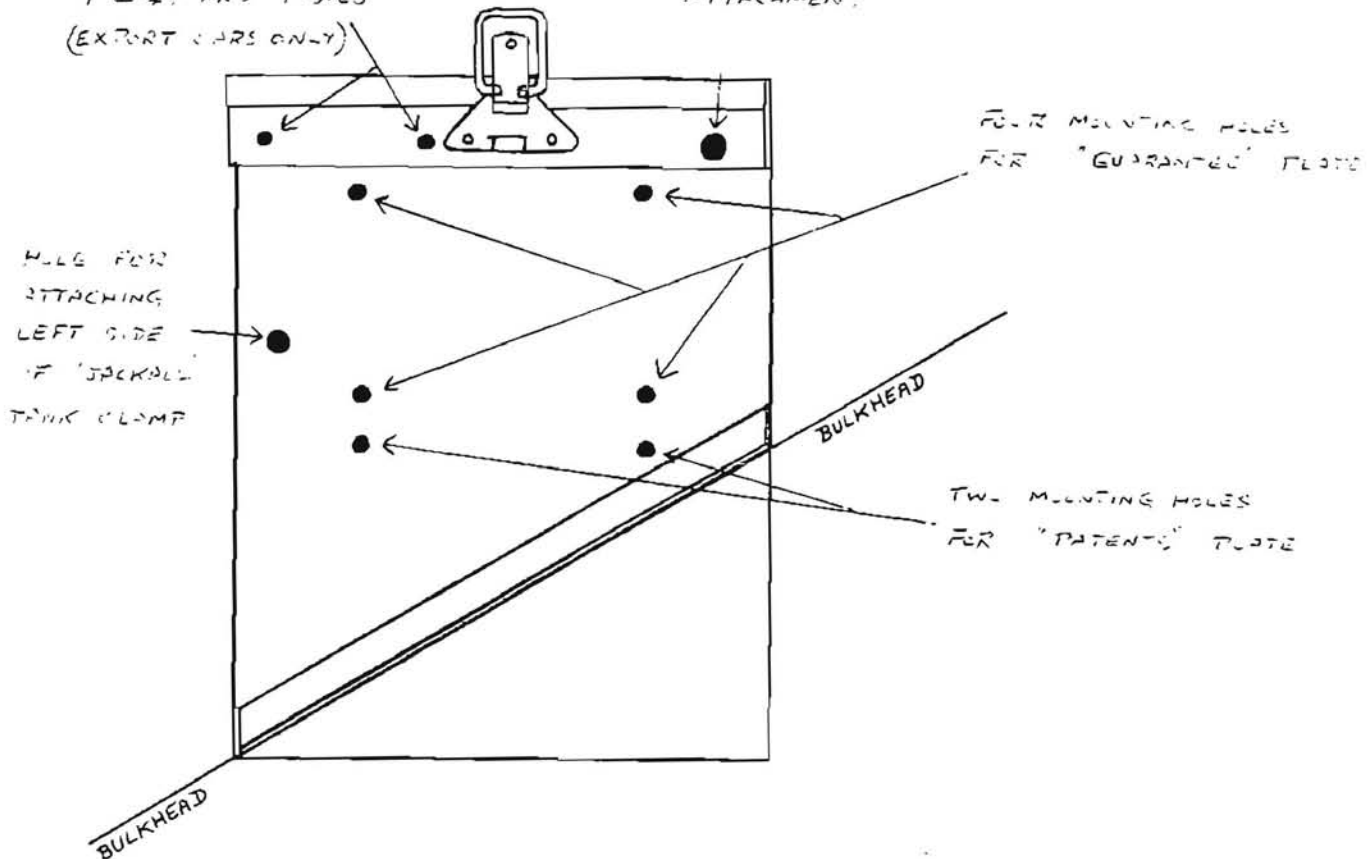
LEFT SIDE - "CENTRAL" BOX ON YA, AND YT

TWO MOUNTING HOLES FOR
'MADE IN ENGLAND' PLATE
ON ALL YTS, AND ON

YAS TO SOMEWHERE BETWEEN
Y 4743 AND Y 5165

(EXPORT CARS ONLY)

BATTERY EARTH
ATTACHMENT

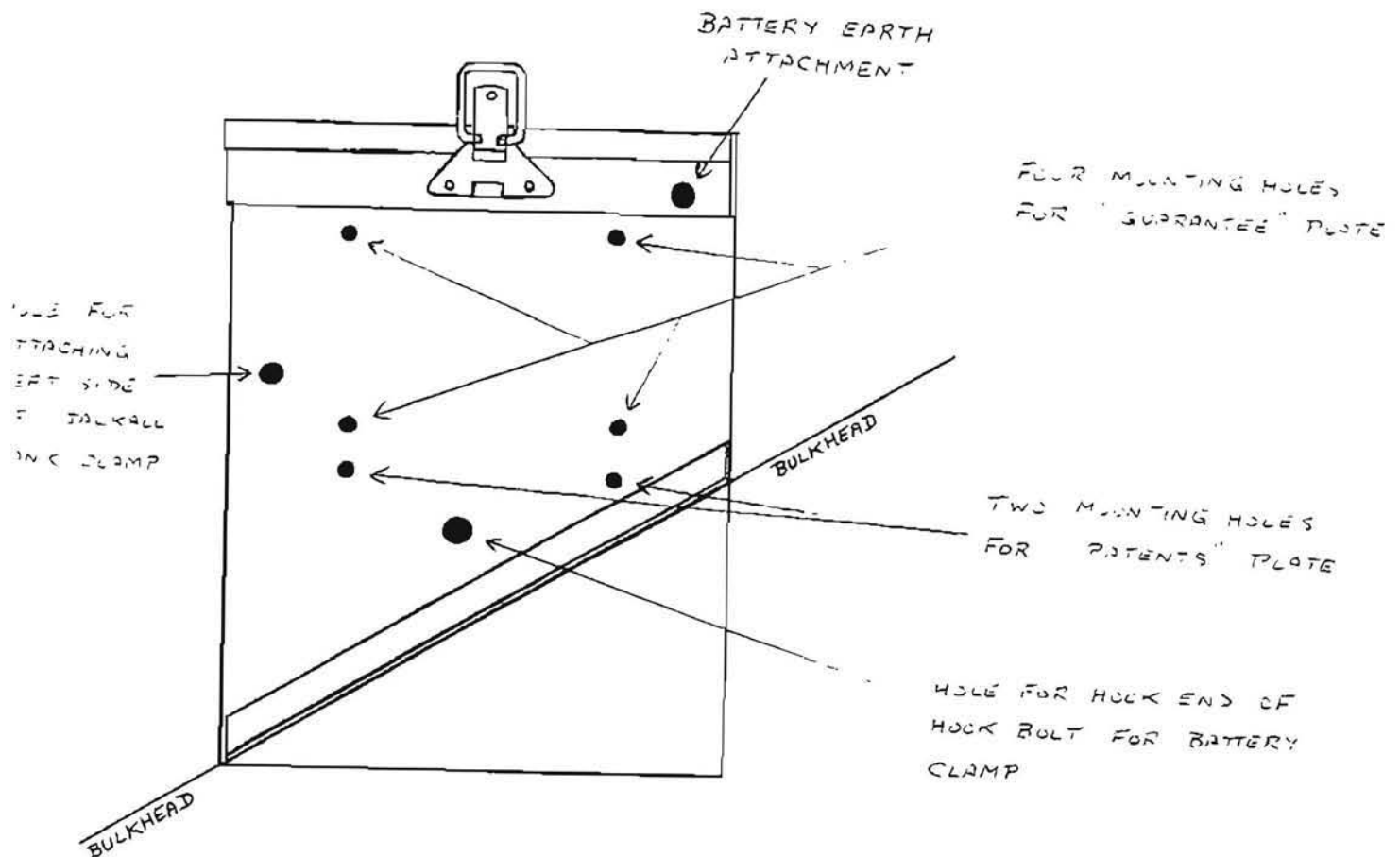


The final part of Dave Lawrence's article on "Y" Type battery boxes....

NOTES

1. ALL YTS HAD THE "MADE IN ENGLAND" PLATE IN THE POSITION SHOWN. THIS PLATE SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN DISCONTINUED SOMEWHERE BETWEEN Y. 4743 AND Y. 5165, AND FROM Y 5165 (OR EARLIER), NO HOLES APPEAR.
2. THE "JACKALL" TANK CLAMP ^{HOLE} IS PROVIDED FOR THE SLIGHTLY MODIFIED CLAMP THAT WAS USED FOR ATTACHING THE TANK TO "CENTRAL" BATTERY BOXES.

LEFT SIDE - YB



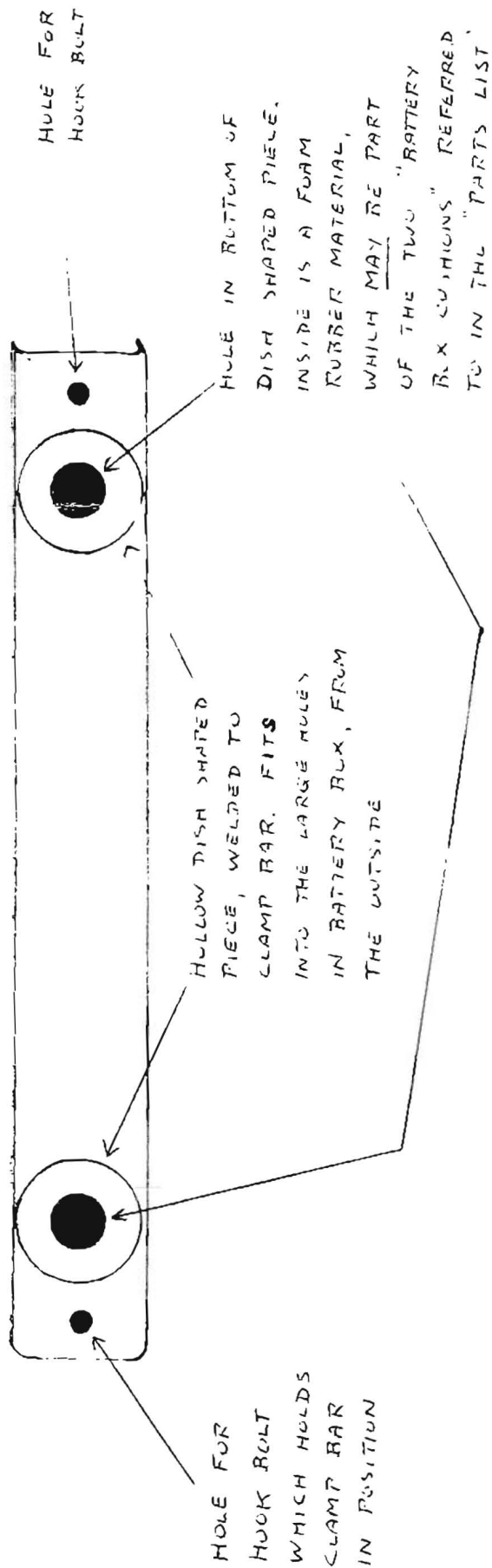
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BATTERY CLAMP BAR - YB



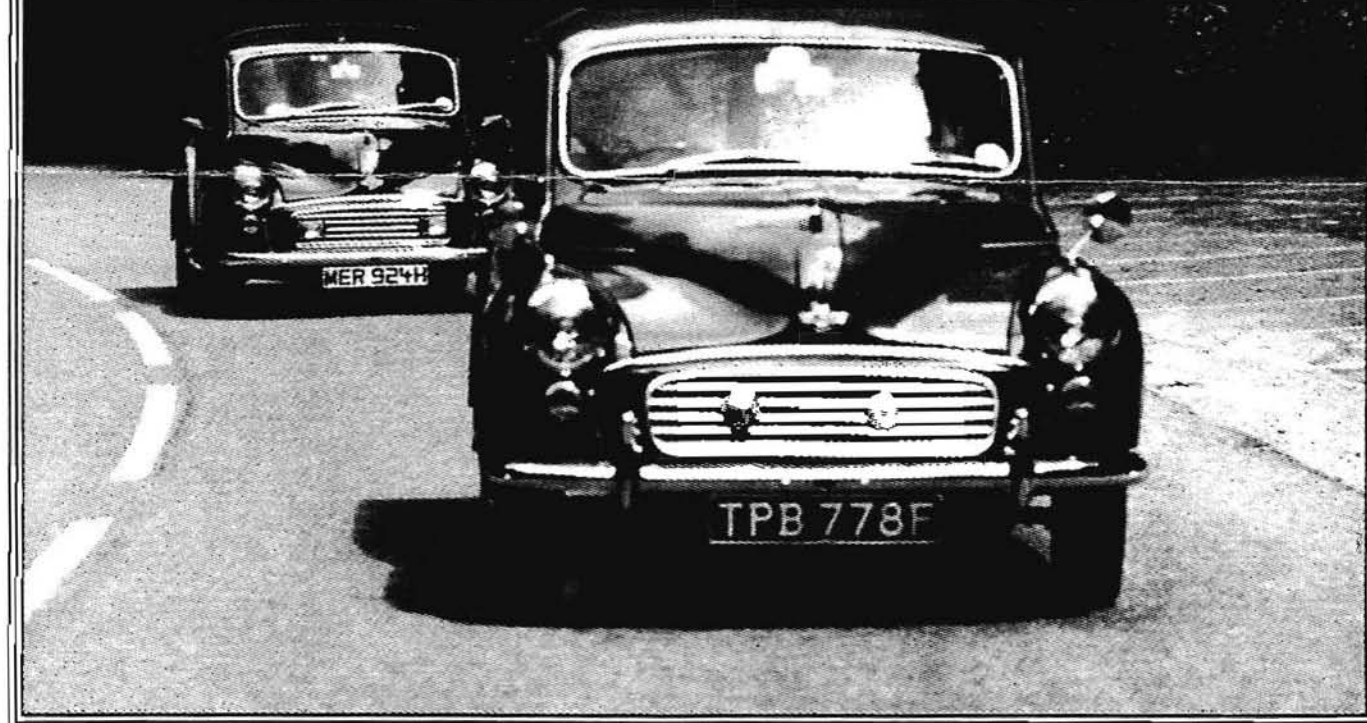
THE M.G. "Y" TYPE REGISTER

<u>Annual Summary of Important Statistics</u>	1993	1992
YAs on the Register (of which 13 are left-hand-drive)	631	625
YBs on the Register	249	256
YTs on the Register	216	181
YRCs on the Register	3	3
Specials/Composites on the Register	13	16
Unknown (mainly saloons) on the Register	63	66
Total number of cars on the Register	1,175	1,147
Positively identified	1,103	1,013
Potential reallocations	72	134
Cars identified by chassis number:		
1947	58	51
1948	88	83
1949	251	202
1950	181	166
1951	89	86
1952	77	75
1953	95	93
TOTAL	839	756

Number of cars in each country: (38 countries)

England	538
Australia	270
U.S.A.	121
Republic of South Africa	47
Scotland	27
Netherlands	25
Wales	17
Canada	16
Switzerland	13
New Zealand	11
Eire	11
Denmark	10
Singapore	9
Northern Ireland	7
Malaysia	7
Hong Kong	4
Channel Islands	4
Belgium	4
Madeira	3
Thailand	3
Cyprus	3
Japan	3
Germany	2
Zimbabwe	2
Malta	2
Portugal	2
Luxembourg	2
India	2
Bangladesh	1
Isle of Man	1
France	1
Sri Lanka	1
Norway	1
Colombia	1
Macau	1
Namibia	1
Austria	1
Spain	1

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