

Real efforts and generous contributions to help the Club avoid costs of recent events

As part of a serious drive by the Club's Executive Committee to reduce Club overheads and event costs, at each of three recent classic car motoring events below where the Club was present, it was supported by generous sponsors and the personal contributions of Club directors, volunteer Members covering event costs and their personal transport and accommodation costs, so there was **no cost for the Club**. Club Office staff and Club members volunteering to support the Club at those events each fully backed the cost saving measures and welcomed the generous financial support from sponsors. The result has been the real benefit of attending those major events at **no cost for the Club**.

NEC Classic Car Show 2023

As usual the Club had a stand at this major 3 day classic car show with generous support from the Club Office staff, the Club's directors and Members as volunteers who supported the Club by transporting the display kit to the NEC, setting up the stand and providing space and support for branches of the Club to have their displays, offering MGs for display on the stand, maintaining a roster of volunteers to welcome visitors to the stand over the three day, offering merchandise on a Club Shop, recruiting new members and then taking down the stand and returning the equipment to Abingdon. The cost of the Club's stand was covered by a generous sponsor, the Club Office staff generously volunteered to commute to and from the NEC on each day to avoid expensive hotel costs near the NEC, and the Club directors and other Members volunteering to provide support for the stand each paid their own transport and hotel accommodation costs. **So there was no cost for the Club for the stand at the NEC**. In fact the recruitment of many new Club members at the NEC (and more since they returned home reflecting on the welcome they had on the Club's stand), together with sales of regalia at the Club Shop on the stand, generated welcome income for the Club from having an attractive stand at this year's NEC Classic Car Show.

The Historic Motoring Awards 2023

The table at this event was paid for by a private sponsor and the Club directors and Members and the guests on the Club's table each paid their own transport and overnight accommodation costs, so **there was no cost for the Club**. The clear benefit for the Club was to receive the "Best Club of the Year Award" at a major classic car motoring awards event. It was also an opportunity for the Triumph clubs who had supported and made the MG & Triumph 100 meeting a success (which was surely a significant factor behind the decision to make the 2023 award), to be there and see the Club receive such a significant historic motoring award.

2023 Royal Automobile Club Historic Awards

The winners of the 2023 historic awards will be announced at a glittering evening at the Royal Automobile Club on Pall Mall on Thursday 23 November 2023. The Awards are a set of annual accolades recognising excellence and outstanding contributions to the UK's historic motoring and to motorsport industries. Again the Club directors, Members and any guests attending the event for the Club will each pay for their own transport and overnight accommodation costs, so **there will be no cost for the Club**.

Misinformation circulating

Unfortunately misinformation has been seen circulating recently, within and outside the MG Car Club, which has been inaccurate and in some cases incorrect which has a corrosive and potentially damaging effect on the standing of our Club. This note is to provide accurate information which will enable fellow Club members to see the truth and deal with any further ignorant rubbish that may be circulated.