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### Early pre-production development V8 sold at auction

The early pre-production development MGBGT V8 (Glacier White 0096) which was up for auction at the Silverstone Classic Sale on Saturday 26th July 2014 is reported to have been sold for £9,315 - see the result published on the Silverstone Auctions website via our "more" link. The estimate in the auction particulars was £10,000 to £14,000.

The auction was held in the Wing at Silverstone Circuit. We understand the hammer price was £8,100 to which was added a 12.5% premium (£1,012.50) with 20% VAT (£202.50) on the premium. The car was previously owned by longstanding V8 enthusiast Clive Wagerfield and had featured in the wonderful MG90 Timeline

2014 display at Silverstone in June this year.

Our updated MGBGT V8 price guide released earlier this year has a tax exempt chrome bumpered MGBGT V8 at £15,250 (Condition 1) and £8,700 for a Condition 2 car. A premium for the early pre-production development status of this car had been expected by many observers.

### Goodwood Revival

A "memorable step back in time" is the strapline and in so many ways that's what the Revival long weekend is, except the racing on the track is far from a gentle memory. In fact it is some of the most exciting and close motor racing you will see anywhere in the year with the added benefit the cars have timeless individual character. If you have not been to this event then why not make 2014 the year you go? Chase the moth from your old jacket you wore as a student and pop on a stout pair of brogues and you will look as though it is 1966 again!

The Revival is now a three day event over the long weekend from Friday 11th to Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September. You will find Friday is the least crowded day and an opportunity to move about reasonably freely. It is best to reach the north car park by 7.30am as the gates open by 8 in the morning when most

V8 members make a beeline for the marquee next to the white Aero Club building where a hearty breakfast is served. As you finish your full-house chatting with fellow MG enthusiasts, the magical sound of Merlin engines firing up outside is a reminder the morning air display of Spitfires, Hurricanes or Mustangs is about to begin. It is also a time to stroll round the paddock and see the variety of stunning cars there before the crowds build up.

During the day a walk round the circuit with fellow V8 members stopping at Madgwick, Fordwater and Lavant corners for refreshment is a wonderful way of seeing the cars on the track at speed. If you plan to go do remember **you have to buy a ticket in advance** as no tickets are on sale on the day. See our "more" webpage at: [www.v8register.net/more.htm](http://www.v8register.net/more.htm) for details of how to get a ticket, where to park, the layout of the circuit and a mobile number so you can call to meet up with fellow V8 members.

### RV8 enthusiasts in Devon

Peter Ferguson is arranging a meeting of RV8 members in Devon during September to which fellow V8 members will be very welcome. For details and Peter's contacts see our "more" webpage at: [www.v8register.net/more.htm](http://www.v8register.net/more.htm)