

`SAFETY FAST' SCRIBES JOTTINGS REPORT

I act as the Register's Scribe for contributions to *Safety Fast*. This involves a short monthly item under 'Register News'. The introduction of new registers following the successful launch of particular models has resulted in a growing number of registers under the MGCC banner. There are now 38 and each has an opportunity to make a contribution to the monthly issue of SF. The outcome is a reduction of space for each register in the magazine.

Each register has a twice yearly spot to provide a Newsletter to the magazine. Our slots are June and December. Every contribution has to be with Andy Knott 3-4 weeks before publication and I only finished the June newsletter yesterday!

Like all activities articles and photographs are very welcome and if you can forward these to me I will endeavour to get these included at some time during the year.

There are three other ways in which information can be posted or shared and these are reliant on the use of social media. I am well aware that several of you either don't use or actively loathe these platforms. Whilst I fully understand this, it is important to appreciate that say the need to seek advice or suggest an event to attend near you that the use of printed medium will not provide you with the immediacy that you are seeking for the reasons I have stated.

The use of the Y Register website is one such avenue and this is run by Sara Vielvoye (www.mgccyregister.co.uk). This includes items on events and activities, Y Type history and numbers of surviving cars (originally compiled by the late Jack Murray and now run by Chris Callaghan) and a particular detailed technical contribution by Neil Cairns. This website can be complemented by visiting Paul Barrow's International Y Type Register (www.imgy.com).

Neil Cairns excellent Facebook Site is a valuable means for sending photographs and the Bulletin Board, which is run by Mike Plumstead, who provides the service for a range of British Cars and includes of course M.G's!

It is also worthwhile having a look and joining the MG Octagon CC website (www.mgocctan.co.uk) and particularly their Facebook page, which has nearly 1000 members and is a great resource,

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