

**Newbury**



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## **NEWSLETTER NO. 377 – February 2026**

### **SECRETARY'S SUMMARY FEBRUARY 2026**

Hi all

New Year begins with a new diary. Loads already in for us all to get our teeth into. Please let whoever is running the events know if you are attending, this will make arrangements much easier.

January 12<sup>th</sup> was the annual Pasta Bake, a good time was had by all attending, Good chat and food was great. Thanks to Trina for the smooth running of the event, also Jurgita for handling the accounts on the night.

Looking forward to 9<sup>th</sup> February, our next club meet, for a Tour Around India by Sue Totham. Thanks in advance Sue.

Lunch bunch walks continue, thanks to Trina, all arrangements and locations for her direct.

I am in contact with Steve at Winchester MGOC regarding the Cobweb Spin, more news on that when I get it. Looks like its at Hollycombe Steam Collection at Liphook and is scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup>. Hope that some of can attend when confirmed. Again we will need exact numbers attending as I will need to let him know. Be good to dust off the cars and give them a run.

Ok, all enjoy the years events and here we go.

*Paul*

# Newbury MGOC Diary 2026

Full details of all events will be published in the Newsletter near event date.

Date	Event	Organiser
February		
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Club Night - A Tour Round India	Sue Totham
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Lunch Bunch Walk?	Trina
March		
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Club Night - Quiz Night	Paul
Thur 26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Lunch Bunch Walk - Salisbury	Judith and Kelvin
April		
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Shakedown Run - Cobweb Spin with Winchester	Paul
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Club Night - Chat and drinks	All
Thur 16 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Marchant House, Marlborough	Richard & Jenny
Thur 23 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	Lunch Bunch Walk?	Trina
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Battle of Britain Bunker - Uxbridge	Carol & Mike

## EVENTS TO LOOK FORWARD TO IN FEBRUARY

### CLUB NIGHT – MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

Many of you will know that Brian & I went to India in November to celebrate our Golden Wedding Anniversary. As is my want, I took many photos and I've been asked to let you all see some of them. This will be a quick trip around the "Golden Triangle" looking at some of the temples, mosques and memorable sites we saw. We will also have some of the treasures we brought back to show you. (It will not be a standard holiday travelogue).

*Sue*

### LUNCH BUNCH WALK – THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

Is there a Lunch Bunch walk in February? In short – NO!

Unfortunately, I do not have any Lunch Bunch walks actually lined up except for the postponed Salisbury walk by Judith and Kelvin in March. I understand there may be some others in the pipeline but.....!! Is anyone interested in organizing and leading a walk this year. I can probably come up with a Tadley walk but we may be reduced to Lunch Bunch without the walk bit, which really we could do with to give us an appetite for the Lunch.

So how about it guys!!!

*Trina*

## UPDATE ON RECENT EVENTS

### CLUB NIGHT (PASTA NIGHT)

Another New Year – what will it bring??

Well, to start with Pasta Night for the Newbury MG Owner's Car Club!! - our traditional start to another year of Club nights.

January is never a conducive time to venture out in the evening – its dark and chilly so why not simply stay at home? Because there is more fun to be had at the Bowler's Arms with 33 members joining each other to compare Christmas and New Year events; catch up on all news and look forward to this year's events as detailed in the Diary.

Once again Richard did us proud with delicious chicken pasta and bolognese, with salad, and good looking veggie options too, all beautifully served by Donna and her great colleague (sorry, can't remember a name - age!!!!) We mingled and chatted, ate and drank mingled again and then we felt it was time to return home - and so did our lovely bar staff as not many had ventured out for an evening at the pub!

Thank you to all those who came and to Richard and his staff.

*Trina*

## EVENTS TO LOOK FORWARD TO

### Private Tour of the Merchants House - Marlborough 16 April 2pm

Our private tour of the above is now confirmed subject to there being a minimum of 10 preferably 12 attendees. The cost as mentioned is £17.60pp including gift aid or £16pp without. The Tour including the House, Museum and garden, will last approximately 90 minutes. Historical details of the property can be found online but it has a fascinating past right in the centre of Marlborough.

For those wanting it we can also book a table for a simple early lunch such as at Ask, Italian just down the road or indeed just a coffee. We can sort that out later.

The House administrators would like to know our numbers as early as possible so please let us know if you are joining us by say 28 February. Payment being made to the Club who can then issue one group payment.

Marlborough is a lovely little town to visit so we hope you will join us.

*Richard and Jenny*

## **Battle of Britain Bunker, Uxbridge – Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

I am aware that we visited the Bunker (maybe 2017) – but since that visit there has been a major refurbishment including a brand new museum (which I think was underway on our last visit). We did have a date in the diary for a re-visit following the refurbishment but Covid happened. So thought we could try again!

As we need to book to visit the Bunker, and as most of us are over 65, the cost is £10 per person. The tours of the main bunker are timed and 12 noon would work well as we could browse in the museum before and after, have lunch and still avoid rush hours! I have attached the website so you have further information [Battle of Britain Bunker |](#)

Please let me know if you are interested so that we can book the tour, which is 60 minutes in length and involves a 45-minute talk in the Operations Room.

*Carol and Mike*

## **OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST**

### **For Sale**

John and Avis Taylor are planning on selling their MGF in the spring after the MOT is done in March.

Will put full details in newsletter then but if anyone's thinking of buying one soon please contact Avis or John on 07787 080355 or email them for initial details.

### **Diary Update**

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June Thatcham Carnival and Classic Car Show