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A Collection of Fine English Cars dedicated to the
development of the Morris and MG Marques



Type: MC 11.9
Frame: D116278

Nov 5th, 1925 Morris Cowley Bullnose

Found after the All British day, 2005 in a chook pen at Blacksoil. Rusty chassis, flatnose radiator, Chev Cowl and no body. The All Aluminium Body is styled on a sketch by Gil Leach. This body was fabricated by John Handley's body builders in Bundaberg.



Type: MC 11.9
Car No: 185161
Engine: 198660

1927 Morris Cowley Flatnose

English Body, narrow track body
Bought at a Toowoomba Auction Centre. It belonged to the Warwick sawmill and was bought new as a 4 door tourer. The owner converted it to a ute. In the photo, it is being used by USQ students for their Play "The Grapes of Wrath"



Type: MC 11.9
Car No: 245238
Engine: 276861

1928 Morris Cowley Bakers Van

Purchased from Lyndon Whittingslow, Sunshine Coast, He purchased the vehicle from Ballarat, Victoria and restored it while he was living in Cairns. It also has a narrow track chassis.

The Wish List

1895 Morris Bicycle

1913-1920 Veteran Morris Bullnose

1925 14/28 Morris Oxford- MG Super Sports Bullnose

1925-27 14/28 Flatnose MG

1930 MG 18/100 Tiger or Tigress

VIEW OUTSIDE MORRIS MOTOR CYCLE GARAGE



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Picture is circa 1898, courtesy of The Bullnose Morris Club, December, 1981



Type: 25/6
Car No: S2/TF/46086
Engine No: 1792

1937 Morris 25hp Series II Sedan, Ruskin Body

I bought this car from Don Cox in 1987. It was a one owner car, Don's parents bought the car after they were married in 1938. Originally, they ordered an American Chev, but the boat was sunk by a U Boat on the way to Australia. After the husband died, the farm was leased out and the 25 pushed out of the shed into the paddock. It has a unique Body built by Charles Hope, Brisbane, being possibly the only "25" with a drop down boot lid.



Type: 25/6
Car No: S2/TF?41401
Engine: 723

1938 Morris 25 Series II English Bodied Sedan

This car also came from Grapham Smith at Caloundra, being a normal body style appealed to me. It was registered for a few years and attended several rallies, ie: David Hack in Toowoomba, All British Day in Brisbane. But I have let the registration run out as I prefer to drive the Super Sports Tourer.



Type: 25/6
Car No: S2/TF/56016
Engine: 2623

1937 Morris 25hp Series II Super Sports Tourer

Built on the 6th June, 1936 and exported as a rolling chassis to Charles Hope body builders in Brisbane. It was first registered in 1937. Apparently, it was built for the Duke of Gloucester, who visited Australia in 1938/1939. After twenty years of waiting for this car. It was finally advertised in the Trading Post. Jim Robertson rang me and said your car is available. I flew to Cairns, saw the car sitting forlornly under a Mango Tree, and purchased it on the spot. The back to chassis restoration was completed in 2004. The car has won Peoples Choice at the 2006 and 2010 National Morris Rallies.



Type: MC 14/28
Car No: 269986
Engine: 304975

1928 Morris Cowley Tourer,

Holden Body, wide track
Purchased June 2009, from Postle Street, Toowoomba where it had been stored for twenty years.



Type: MC 14/28
Car No: 292857
Engine: 330051

1928 Morris Cowley Flatnose,

Holden Body, wide track Utility. It was advertised in the Just Cars Magazine. I purchased it from South Australia in September, 2006. Driving down in my cattle truck, I loaded it on and then drove back. Completing the task in 5 days.



Type: MC 14/28
Car No: 269986
Engine: 304975

1929 Morris Oxford Tourer,

One of eight Holden Bodies built onto wide track Chassis. 13.9hp motor with a high compression aluminium head. Purchased from Fred Edney in Sydney. It is from this chassis that the MG's were built, hence very few Morris Oxford's survive.



Car: MG 2/2703
Engine: 163663

1929 MG 14/40 Mark IV

Purchased December, 2008 from Peter Briggs. He had advertised in the Toowoomba Chronicle to sell a Toowoomba bodied Veteran Car. I responded and asked what else he had for sale. On his list of cars was this MG 14/40, which is now mine. Unfortunately, I seized the engine at the 2009 Beechworth Pre-War MG Rally. This is a very original car and has not been restored. The MG 14/40 was the first model to carry a purely MG Badge on its radiator and there are Octagons everywhere.



Car: 4F/6666
Engine: JC 11093

1929 MG 18/80 Mark I Speed Model

The MG Company made twenty five 18-80 Speed Models. The Speed model body matched the 1930 international racing specifications. Six went onto MKIII chassis and were factory race cars; two of which entered the 1930 British Double 12 Race. Thirteen went on the MK II chassis and six went on the MK I chassis. This 18-80 was sold in 1932 and has the 4 speed transmission from the MK II & III. It has a 6 cylinder 2468 cc overhead cam engine, 4 wheel power assist mechanical cable and rod brakes. It is capable of going from 15 mph up to 80 mph in fourth gear. The car has been raced at the Monterey Historics, Portland, Lime Rock, Watkins Glen, Elkhart Lake, San Diego, and



Type: MO15.9
Car: EO207
Engine: EO2228

1929 Morris Empire Oxford

Purchased from Claire and Eric Cooling in Victoria. This car used to belong to a Real Estate Agent at Manly in Brisbane, changing hands a few times before going to the Cooling's. I had admired "The Lady" at several Morris Rallies and mentioned to Claire that I was interested if she ever wanted to sell it. Unfortunately, the bonnet flew up on their Modern Oxford, travelling back from Adelaide, giving them both a scare. Claire then offered me the Empire. It is fitted with a Harley body, and probably the only one in existence.



Car: MTW19
Type: 35/TW/3285
Engine: 5567

1935 Morris 12 Pre-Series

I found this car at the Broom Factory, near Maitland in the Hunter Valley. I called in to discuss a "Morris of London" which was also owned by the same person. In the book "How old is your car" Chassis number 3285 is recorded as being the first chassis imported into Australia. It has a Roadster body and four cylinder side valve engine.



Type: S2/ES/45792
Car: 18/6
Engine: 5115

1937 Morris 18hp 4 door Tourer

Lanes Motors No:1447, Body No: T2819
Owned by Mike Warner in the 1980's then by Grapham Smith. Several of us viewed the car, during the National Morris Rally held in Caloundra. It is a four door tourer with a body built by Ruskin body builders. Two others are known to exist, one in Rockhampton and one in Canberra. A Series II vehicle with a side valve six cylinder motor.



Car No: SA 2551
Engine: QPAC 2835

1937 MG SA 2 Litre Saloon

The MG SA's were derived from the Morris 18 (above), the engine was modified, the chassis and suspension improved and the body lowered. I bought this car at a Sydney Auction, It was owned by Walter Magilton then, prior to this Rod Hiley owned it and it was possibly one of the two black cars, previously garaged at Tarrigindi in Brisbane. Walter restored the body work, but left the mechanicals and upholstery alone. I love the original look of the upholstery.



1931 Vauxhall VX Cadet

Special Timber Body built on a burnt out Vehicle, ex Bundaberg. This is my fun car. At one stage, Jacqui, my wife said to me "NO MORE CARS". I found this Vauxhall on ebay, purchased it, and when she went shopping rolled it out of the shed. She came home and said "What's this". "A Boat" I replied, and no, I'm probably not forgiven yet.



Car: JO268
Engine: 592AJ

1932 MG J1

My first pre-war MG. After being given a copy of the Pre-War MG newsletter, John Firth-Smith had this car advertised. As usual, it was a long way away, of I went once again in the Cattle truck, picked it up and returned home. The car didn't start and has always had fuel problems. These are now fixed. The J1's used the same modified Wolseley motor as the M Type and the OHC Morris Minor, although again more modified.



Type: MC 14/32
Car No: 371631
Engine No: 418977

1932 Cowley Holden Bodied Tourer

Purchased from Paul Smith, Toowoomba. Surprisingly, this car was advertised in the local paper. Paul had the car for many years, but preferred Holdens. It is a fairly rare, 1932 model, with round mudguards. At present no 1932 Morris Cowleys are registered in Australia, according to club records.



Type: MO 15.9
Car No: EO280
Engine: 3036

1929 Morris Empire Oxford Tourer

Ex Merton Howe, Wyee. It was last registered in March, 1952. When I was reading the March, 2010 issue of the UK Morris Bullnose magazine, a letter to the editor caught my eye. It was written by someone in Sydney, who had seen the Empire advertised in a local NSW newspaper, and written to the Bullnose magazine to tell the members about it. Assuming it was sold, I rang the number, only to find he hadn't had any enquires. I picked it up on the way home from the Sydney Royal Show.



Type: MM8
Car: Y581
Engine: 19110

1929 Morris Minor OHC

The "Y" series chassis were export only from the UK and very few remain. This car belonged to Barry Foy, whom I have know since 1996. Unfortunately, Barry passed away and I purchased the car when it was advertised in a Brisbane Vintage magazine. Quite a few Motorbike parts came with it and this is how I met Tony Perrot. Tony helps me out with his mechanical knowledge and ability to keep my cars running.



Car: M3440
Engine: 3207A

1931 MG M

Another car from the Peter Briggs collection in WA. This car was being auction at a Bonhams sale in May, 2009. The vehicle was passed in at auction, after-which the salesman rang me. Luckily, we had just won Grand Champion Lowline Bull at Beef 2009, Rockhampton and I made him an offer, suggesting that it would be going to the same collection as the MG 14/40, as luck would have it, and not to my wife's agreement the car came home.

This uses the same Ex-Wolseley motor that is in the 1929 Minor (above) but improved to MG specifications.