



2014 Knysna Car Show to feature MG International Indaba.

Participants of the biennial MG International Indaba held in Knysna to take part in the 2014 Knysna Car Show.

With an expected 320 MG enthusiasts to attend the Indaba, Organiser and Chairman of the Garden Route Motor Club Peter Pretorius explained that over 160 MG's, covering the various model ranges, will be on display at the event on Sunday 11 May at the Knysna High School sport fields on Waterfront Drive, Knysna, from 9:30 to 16:00.

"This will include three late 1940's, TC-based racing cars, as well as a race-prepared MGA that will also enter the Jaguar Simola Hill Climb the following week," Peter explained.

"We are very excited to see the 1950 MG Special Spider, built by Les Miller," he said. "This car has many wins under its belt, including five National wins for Miller and the Fairfield 100 in 1958, the 1974 Historic Racing Car Register championship and three Historic Single Seater Association National Series championships for various other owners."

"A familiar sight in Knysna is the 1959 MG Special Hedgehog," Peter continued. "The Hedgehog has not only taken part in the Simola Hill Climb in previous years, but won an award in the 2011 event. The engine was fully stripped and rebuilt after this run and Team Hedgehog maintain this fully restored engine, allowing it to compete in many national events – and completing every race."

"The third racing special on show will be the MG Special Fatman. But you'll have to visit the show to find out more about this fascinating car," Peter explained. "And speaking of attending the show, we will be charging an entrance fee of R30.00 per adult and children enter for free, but this is a charity event. The 2013 Knysna Car Show raised R41 000.00 and distributed this amongst Hospice, Animal Welfare, E-Pap and FAMSA. And we're hoping to better this amount this year."

"The Knysna Car Show is a fun day for the whole family – not just the petrol heads!" Peter smiled. "The beer tent will be pouring Knysna's own Mitchell's Brewery brews and a variety of food stalls will cater to everyone's tastes. And, as it is Mother's Day, we'll be giving away a number of spot prizes to lucky mothers – such as a weekend away, spa treatment with lunch, delicious breakfasts and more."

Visitors may also look forward to seeing the Porsche 911 S that completed the London to Sydney Rally in 2004 and the Brian Bruce car collection featuring the Jaguar C-type, D-type and XK 140, Cobra Daytona, GT 40, Austin Healy, Rolls Royce and many more. A host of Minis, including a Mini Cooper S similar to and dressed in the livery of the car that won the Monte Carlo Rally in 1964 and a variety of veteran, vintage and classic road and racing motorcycles. These are a new feature to the show and will feature prominently in future years. In addition visitors will see an array of Ferraris, Aston Martins, Jaguars, Porsches, Austin Healeys, Mercedes' and other rare and fantastic collector cars.

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