



2009 NATIONAL MEETING

GEELONG

10th – 14th April 2009

NEWSLETTER No. 1

Hi MG'ers,

Just a few notes and reminders for our next NatMeet.

Have you booked your accommodation yet? Easter 2009 is not far away!!

The MG Car Club of Victoria has an outstanding National Meeting planned for you so please don't miss out because you haven't got anywhere to stay.

All accommodation will be within the City of Geelong boundaries with easy access to all event venues.

As you can imagine, Geelong is a very popular destination for tourists due to the fact that it is the Gateway to the Great Ocean Road and many other attractions for international and interstate visitors.

We have reserved a number of choices for members ranging from wonderful cabins in a very picturesque and central location. These have all of the comforts that you would need at a very good price, plus plenty of parking with easy access to all events. All you need to do is check the details on the listing provided on our website at <http://www.mgcc.com.au/natmeet09/Accommodation.asp> and phone in your booking.

The Cabin parks have advised that they can only hold our block reservation for a **limited amount of time** due to the fact that they are now receiving expressions of interest from other parties and, as a result, they need to ensure that they are not left in the lurch. Some accommodation venues will need to release their reserved spaces to the general public within the next 2 months due to demand.

Motel accommodation is to be booked through an agent at "All about Travels" just ring **Ramute Stepan**, Senior Travel Consultant (03) 52 298 641 or email www.allabouttravel.net.au.

The Motels can only be held until December before they are released to the general public.

We need to make all centres aware that if you wish to take advantage of our "block bookings" you need to book soon to avoid disappointment.

Venues:

Due to the unexpected and unreasonable cost of hiring Calder Park, we have changed the venue for the speed event which will now be at the Mt. Leura Hillclimb at Camperdown.

Camperdown is approximately 110 km west of Geelong on the Princes Highway. There is a map on the website at <http://www.mgcc.com.au/natmeet09/SpeedEvent.asp> and there will be maps and directions in the Event Program.

Mount Leura is used as part of the Victorian Hillclimb Championship and is approximately 800m long and is challenging and all uphill.

The other venues will be unchanged, with the Concours at Rippleside Park, and the Motorkhana at the Barwon Valley Activity Centre.

Don't forget to work on your masks for the Masked Carnivale!

Registration:

Registration and Entry forms and the Supplementary Regulations will be available early in November, keep your eye on the web site!

There will be "Early Bird" registration which will be available until 15th February 2009 and will save you nearly 10%. Registration will also be available electronically from the NatMeet website, a NatMeet first!

Another NatMeet first is the special fees applicable to children. This will enable their attendance at all the dinners and will guarantee a place at the table for them. For details of all the fees for the NatMeet check the Registration page on the website at: <http://www.mgcc.com.au/natmeet09/Register.asp>

Regalia:

A booklet detailing all the proposed regalia has been forwarded to all Centres and includes colour photographs of the regalia and a size chart. The regalia will predominately only be available through pre-order, so to assist this procedure an order form is in the booklet and will also be available from the 2009 NatMeet website.

We look forward to being your hosts for the 2009 National Meeting.

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