

By the time you read these notes, it will only be a few days before our second annual lecture, 'The Vulcan Story' which is being given by members of the 'Vulcan to the Sky Trust' who maintain and fly the last air-worthy example. Having visited the Trust with the Register earlier this year, just before the Vulcan was moved from RAF Lyneham, I can assure you of a very interesting evening. As last year, the Register will make a substantial contribution to the Trust's funds. From the interest the Vulcan generated at this year's Abingdon Air Show, I'm sure tickets will be much in demand. They are available from Roger Cooper – contact details on the website, or the club office. If you decide to come along at the last moment, tickets will be available at the door. The lecture is being held on Thursday October 6 at 7.30pm at the Amey Theatre at Abingdon School – don't miss it!

The organisation continues at a pace for MGB 50, a 12-month celebration of the car, with many events taking place throughout next year. Obviously this is

the biggest thing the Register has ever organised; however the plans are gradually being finalised and as things move forward, details will be announced. Keep an eye on the MGB 50 website which will be updated with the latest information. We have been thrilled with the number of enquires we have received from people requesting information on the 'Birthday Party', many of which have come from overseas members. Hopefully, I have replied to all who have requested information, some of whom I replied to many months ago. Don't worry. You have not been forgotten. Once we have finalised things, we will send details to all of you.

As I have mentioned previously, the organisation of this year's Maintenance Day on Saturday October 22 is well under way. This year, the format will be slightly different, with a presentation called 'Self Service' and two presentations, one on 'SU Carburettors' and the other on 'Distributors'. The 'Self Service' presentation covers servicing of the MGB and is aimed at the home mechanic.

Danny Waters, our 'Technical Guru' will be showing what to do, how to do it and giving tips on how to achieve the best results, using equipment available in the home garage. We will also supply a suggested service chart and schedule to make things easier.

The other two presentations will be more detailed on the specific subjects and are aimed to support the 'Self Service' presentation. As last year, there will be a 'Bring and Buy' area where you can sell any unwanted parts, tools, books etc.

We have been very fortunate on many of the past Maintenance Days by having Don Hayter in attendance. Due to his knowledge of the design of the car he has given little snippets of information on the cars, which I, for one, find fascinating. For those that don't know, Don was heavily involved with the design of the MGB, ending up as Chief Engineer of MG at its closure.

For an entry form contact Jan Pratt – details on the website.