

Auction of the 100th RV8 gearknob – proceeds to the Macmillan Cancer support charity



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When I first thought about a burr elm gearknob for my RV8 in 2006, I never dreamt I would be celebrating making the 100th gearknob! It's been a most satisfactory experience, thanks to all the contacts and friends I've made all over the world and it truly illustrates that wonderful MG strapline, 'the marque of friendship.'

Along with my fellow Norwich Burlblers, I decided that this gearknob should be very special and so it is - thanks to the skill and generosity of the men who made it. The 1mm thick, polished stainless steel, laser cut MG logo was made by former MG RV8 owner Alan Smith of AA Sheet Metal in Norwich. The remarkably skilled Aubrey Hanner, maker of all 100 gearknobs, carefully and precisely set the logo into the top of the gearknob to create an almost 3D effect. Friend and colleague, Nick Wale, who developed and made all 100 inserts, has stamped the base of this one with the number 100. This is the best gearknob we have made and should add greatly to the driving pleasure of the wonderful MG RV8.

I am grateful to everyone for giving their time free in the making of this knob.



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I hope we'll raise a tidy sum which will be donated to **Macmillan Cancer Support**. Why this charity? Well five years ago a very old and close friend of mine, Ian Smith, died from stomach cancer. He was cared for by kind and caring nurses who truly understood his plight and I was deeply touched by their kindness. **Macmillan Cancer Support** does the same for thousands of people so deserves our support. So please, dig deep and bid for this unique and beautifully made piece of MG RV8 history. I hope the lucky buyer will think of the good he's done every time he changes gear!

Bid process and rules: www.v8register.net/subpages/auction06rules.htm

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See the current bids at: [http://www.v8registerdata.net/viewreply.asp?id=2823&mtid=\(1,2,3,4,7,8,9,10\)](http://www.v8registerdata.net/viewreply.asp?id=2823&mtid=(1,2,3,4,7,8,9,10))