

John Garry Budgen

Born 15 March 1938 Newcastle Street, West Perth.

Lived his early life at number 128 Eton Street, Mt. Hawthorn, sometimes called North Perth. Ted Hanke introduced him to motor racing and as a result John received his cams licence in December 1958. In March 1960 John purchased the remains of the Melrose "White Mouse" racing car from Stuart Campbell. (chassis and body). Stuart had dismantled the car taking the motor and gearbox out to fit to a rear engine car he was building. John with the help of some friends built a racing car with the remains, fitting a Morris 10 engine with twin SU carburettors. He called the car FOMO. The car was blue at one time and also red. The original white was not seen again on this car. John raced for three years and was also an examiner for two years.

In the early 1960s John went farming and took the car with him, where he sold it to a farmer's son who used it as a farm hack. John in his later life joined the Vintage Sports Car Club of W.A. and built the car known as the "Brudge Special", that he drove for a number of years.

John died on the 10th of January 2010.