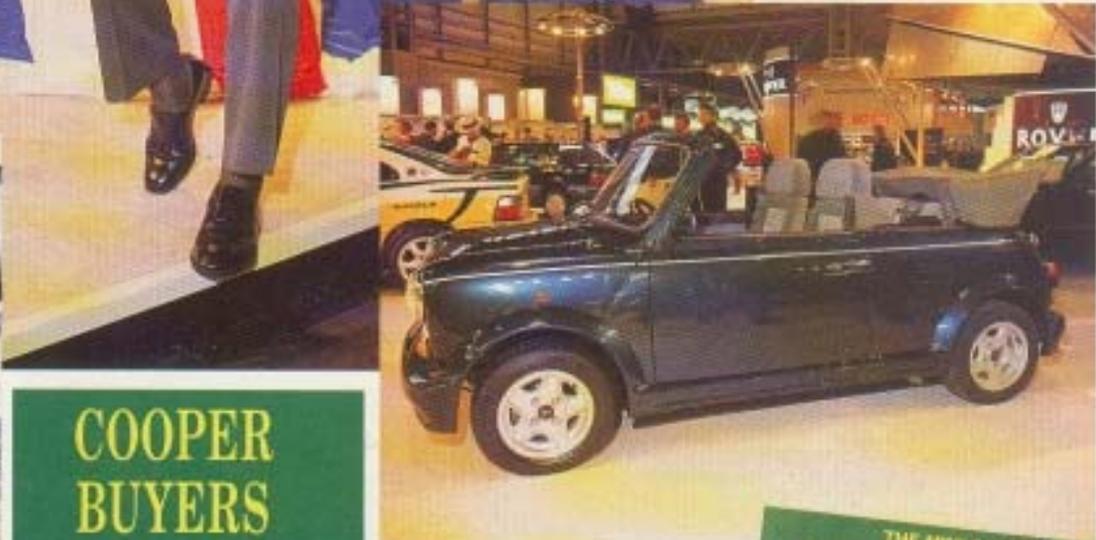


## 8-PORT DOWN UNDER

Thanks to the truly international appeal of your favourite magazine, we recently received some information about an aluminium eight-port cylinder head currently producing big power figures in Australia. The head has been developed by Ken Elder and of course significantly improves the breathing capacity of any Mini engine.

Ken claims that it can be used on any A-Series from 850 to 1400cc. Ken provided us with a dyno sheet from an eight-port equipped 1300cc engine running on two 45 carbs. The figures are certainly impressive with peak power topping out at 135bhp at 7000rpm. The head currently sets for \$2000 Australian dollars which according to our exchange rate calculations makes it a pretty good deal and who knows, perhaps one of our more enterprising Mini tuning enthusiasts could secure the UK rights or franchise.

If you like the sound of this Australian power pack then contact Ken Elder & Sons Pty Ltd, PO Box 584, Kogarah N.S.W. 2217, Australia. Tel (02) 546 1000; Fax (02) 547 2000.



## COOPER BUYERS GUIDE

The first piece of advice we at *MiniWorld* would give to anyone thinking of buying a Cooper would be to join the Mini Cooper Register. And that advice is even more sound now that the register has produced a Mini Cooper Buyer's Guide free to existing members and to all new members as they join.

With Cooper-copying rife, it really is important to know what you are looking for and this guide will provide you with all the answers. Every variant of the Cooper is looked at and all the distinguishing features are listed from the most obvious, to the most subtle. Even the very latest

Coopers and Innocenti Coopers come under scrutiny.

The booklet is superbly produced and features a laminated cover and full colour throughout. Remember though, it's only available to members. For membership details and an application form, send a SAE to Brian Simmons (Jnr), Mini Cooper Register, 7 Donemowe Drive, Sittingbourne, Kent ME10 2RH. Tel 0795 426062.

● John Cooper Garages Ltd are now getting their 'buying a Cooper' scheme well under way. As Mike Cooper explained in a previous issue, the scheme allows for the Ferring concern to sell your Cooper for you. Less hassle, for sure. Give Mike a ring to find out more. Tel: 0903 504455

green, and come with Rover's now standard fitment 50bhp fuel injected catalyst-equipped 1300cc engine. Production is limited to 1750 - 750 cars going to Italy and 1000 for the UK. Price is £5995 and unfortunately, there appears to be no sign of any gold bullion lurking in the boot! However, grab next month's *MiniWorld* for some exciting news about one of these cars . . .

