Here's where you can stick it! (the badge that is)

Tom Aczel's account of a conversation with John Lindsay:



Another little side remark of John Lindsay's today was of great interest to me. John can clearly recall, in the process of making the relevant mounting jigs, taking an MGB boot lid to scribe out the locations of the "Overdrive" and "Automatic" badges and also to locate the "Mk II" badge. The "Styling" department had wanted the badges at the left bottom of the boot lid. But, no matter how John orientated the boot lid badges, they always looked crooked from one or other angle, due to the curvatures of the boot lid edges and profiles. He finally convinced the stylists to allow him put mount the

badges in the centre of the boot lid. The reason however that I'm describing this is that since the locations of the "Overdrive", "Automatic" and "Mk II" badges were all arrived at, at the same time, it follows that the Mk I overdrive cars did not have the "Overdrive" badge on the boot lid ex-factory! Another point of uncertainty appears to be answered!