

NORCEMOG

NEWS

NORTH WEST AND CHESHIRE

April 2013

Welcome to this edition. The AGM is in Garstang on 14 April, and the Agenda, and the renewal form for your subs are included together with an update of the forward diary of events. With the Yorkshire 40th anniversary celebrations this coming weekend, and the Drive it day on 21st, April is looking like a busy Morgan month. Let's hope the cold relents a bit...

NORCEMOG REGALIA – Isobel Moore 01253 738201 To access the Jancraft clothing and print details the web site is www.jancraft.com. They have our badge on their computer system, and you can go onto their website and order garments that they will badge for you. However, to ensure that you get both the fit and the quality that you expect, you can also buy elsewhere, and then send it to them to put the badge on.

March Noggin – Saltaire, 10 March

On a significantly cold Sunday morning, some 20 Norcemoggers travelled to Saltaire, most of them in Morgans, as can be seen in the photo below, and some of them, with the hoods down. You may not have to be daft to drive a Morgan, but a strong resistance to the bitter weather is a decided advantage! Thanks to Richard Corke for the photo, and apologies to John Anderson that his Morgan, parked beyond the cone just visible at the edge of the photo, is not included.



Bryan Rawlinson, missing an engine and gearbox from his three-wheeler, and a door handle from his less esoteric model, travelled by Ford.

The cold made the attractions of the coffee stop difficult to overcome, and the start of the walking tour was rather less than prompt at 11.00. Conducted by Maria Glot, in character, but not in costume, and with each of the group given a bookmark with some detail of a person who lived in Saltaire and worked in Salts Mill, the tour included graphic descriptions of much

of the goings on in the Mill, and in the village, including the origins of such common phrases as "shit stirrers" and "piss takers".

Because of the start time, we were not able to go into the church, but the way in which the wishes of Mrs Salt were not met by Titus were amply explained. The tour went through the village, and by the time we were on the site of the wash house, not much used, apparently, because "I'm not washing my smalls in plain sight of others"; I could no longer feel my feet – it was colder than driving a Morgan! The tour ended outside the school and opposite the Village Hall, both well covered in crests, and with lions, rejected as too small for Trafalgar Square, and consequently snapped up by Titus at a bargain price, on each corner.

After the tour, we repaired to the warmth of Salts Diner, where our seating was affected by a strong draught from an open window in the shopping area through a door that "had to be kept open" much to Isobel's annoyance. Efforts to close the window met with only momentary success, and the quality of the food was rather overshadowed by the persistence of the draught. However, it was warmer than outside. There was the usual coppering-up at the end of the meal, and then we dispersed to look further through the Mill and its attractions before making our way home. A fine time was had by all, even in the cold.

Adrian Grant

Thanks to David Birch for this photo which is from his visit to the Oakmere dealership, where in addition to the champagne for rolling up in your Morgan, there were bacon butties and coffee. He definitely enjoyed himself, and probably you did if you went. However, if like me, you were already booked for that day, make a strong mental note to go next time!



NorceMog Diary of Events here is the latest update, covering most of the next 12 months.

April 14th AGM – Royal Oak Garstang - Bryan Rawlinson Tel 01995 604716. The food is good, and this is your opportunity to influence the forward programme for NorceMog. The weather is always chancy – so you can get the choice of top up and top down! Agenda and Committee Nomination Form below.

April 21st FBHV Drive it Day - Tan Hill at 12:00 –see below.



DRIVE-IT DAY, SUNDAY 21ST APRIL 2013

Following the success of our visit last year, we will be returning to **TAN HILL INN**, the highest pub in Britain, for Drive-It Day and a celebration of St George's Day. As before, there will be no set route, simply make your own way there to arrive between 12.00 noon and 1.00 p.m. for lunch.

In 2012 we had around 70 cars, and this year it would be nice to see if we can get 100 cars up there! So, if you came last year you know how good it was, and you will want to come again. You will also want to encourage those who didn't come last year to come and join the fun.

To make life easier for both us and the pub staff, this year the meal will be self-service. There will be a restricted menu which I will publish in due course; at which point I would ask that you advise me of our lunch choices so that the pub has a rough idea of what to prepare and will minimise wastage.

Please register your interest with me, Neil Edwards, to ensure your participation. Please contact me at: vivandneiledwards@btinternet.com (Tel: 01535 670498)

May 12th The venue is Gawthorpe Hall, Padiham nr Burnley, preceded by lunch at The Best Western Higher Trapp Hotel, Trapp Lane, Simonstone, just off the A671 Whalley Road on the way to Padiham. We will meet at the Trapp Hotel at 12.00 and move on to Gawthorpe Hall for 2.15/2.30. We are being allowed to park in front of the hall to display our cars, up to a maximum of 20 cars, additional parking will be in the staff car park. For those who wish to there is a cafe at the hall for refreshments following the tour of the hall. The entrance fee to the hall is £4.00, £3.00 for concessions and free to NT members on production of their membership card. Please note this is not a guided tour.

Please confirm your attendance by 1st May so that I can confirm numbers to the venue. John & Kathleen Alden – Tel 01253 726314

May 17th-19th Mog on the Tyne - Josie Sandford- Tel 01661 844778 If you haven't been, experience the enthusiasm of those who have, and book!

June 1st- 2nd Tatton Park Classic & Performance Car Show - Martin Cocks - Tel 01772 862936

June 9th Autotest & Concours - Commercial Vehicle Museum, Leyland -. Bryan Rawlinson - Tel 01995 604716 Always more fun than you imagine it is going to be, whether you are driving, or watching.

June 14th-16th Cholmondeley Festival of Power - Colin Hill - Tel 01457 764804

June 23th Arley Hall Garden Festival - Geoff Mizon -Tel 01253 892 733

Arley Hall have been staging their Garden Festival for 18 years and as we found out last year it is a rather good show with plenty to see and do. More details can be seen on their website at www.arleyhallandgardens.com.

We have been invited again this year to provide a display of Morgans on Sunday 23rd June. The plan is to have our cars parked directly in front of the Hall has a major attraction. We will be provided with space to put up a gazebo but have been requested not to picnic around the cars. (We can use our chairs and sit with the cars however).

I have been offered 10 passes which will admit the car, driver and 1 passenger on Sunday 23rd only. These will be issued on a first come first served basis. If you would like to take part in this event please email me to claim your pass. Please include details of your car, Model, colour, year and reg no. Nearer the time I will ask the successful people to send me an A5 SAE so I can send out the passes together with arrival and departure details.

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July 14th Mid-month Noggin Volunteer required.

August 11th Speke Hall - Adrian & Alicia Grant - Tel 01253 727336 - Victorian on the inside, but with an entertaining external tour by people costumed from Cromwell's time, and a chance to use your National Trust membership.

August 16th - 19th MOG2013 Canterbury

Aug 25th-26th Oulton Park Gold Cup - Geoff Mizon - Tel 01253 892 733

Sept 7th-8th Morgans at Windermere - Andrew Hirst

Sept 8th Dunham Massey - Andrew & Joan Threlkeld - Tel 01606 852 395 Another National Trust property, and with gardens, lake, deer, and other attractions to complement the very interesting interior.

October 18th -20th Autumn Retreat - to be confirmed at the AGM.

November 8th -10th Base Camp - to be confirmed at the AGM

December 8th Christmas Market/Party/Award Presentation at Grassington - to be confirmed at the AGM

NORCEMOG AGM – 14th April 2013

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Secretary's Report
- 3 Treasurer's Report
 Finances
 Membership renewal – subs (£6) for 2013 are now overdue
- 4 Election of Officers

Position	Current Officer
Chairman	- Andy Bleasdale -
Secretary	- Geoff Mizon -
Treasurer	- Bryan Rawlinson -
Regalia Officer	- Isobel Moore -
Newsletter Editor	- Adrian Grant -
Competition Secretary	- Martin Cocks -
General Officer	- John Alden -
General Officer	- Eric Isherwood -
General Officer	- Margaret Martin -
General Officer	- Roy Wilkinson -

- 5 2013 Diary of Events – Weekend Away, Base Camp, Christmas Party
- 6 Any Other Business

If you are unable to attend the meeting but wish to have your views expressed on any matters relating to the centre, please contact a committee member before the meeting.

AGM AGENDA NOTES

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In order to keep Norcemog attractive to and enjoyed by its members we need to keep a steady flow of new ideas for our events. This can be assisted greatly by a regular turnover of committee members. Several of the current committee have been officers for approaching 10 years; one or two even longer.

Our constitution requires that all the Officers of Norcemog need to be elected each year, we therefore require volunteers to fill ALL the various positions.

Please consider volunteering to join the committee in any of the positions and help by bringing some new blood to the organisation. If you are prepared to help (or know another member who is), please use the form below to make a proposal. (be sure to confirm the person is willing to stand if you are proposing another member).

OFFICER PROPOSAL FORM

Position	Name of Proposed Person	Signature of Proposed Person
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Proposed By _____



Proposal forms must be returned to Geoff Mizon, 179 Garstang Road East, Poulton, FY6 8JH. by the 30th March 2013.

**MSCC NORCEMOG
SUBSCRIPTION FORM**

Annual Subscription **£6.00** (runs from 1st April)
Please complete **Clearly in Block Capitals**

MSCC Membership Number _____

Surname: _____

Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss or Title: _____

Forenames: _____

Partner: _____

Address: _____

_____ Post Code _____

Telephone No: _____ Mobile No: _____

Fax No: _____

E-mail address: _____

Morgan Car Registration Number: _____

I agree to E-mail/telephone reminders or details of events. Yes No

I am willing to allow my name, address and telephone number to be circulated amongst the Norcemog affiliated members. Yes No

Please return this form together with your remittance (payable to MSCC Norcemog) to: - Bryan Rawlinson, Treasurer, 21 Graham Road, Cabus, Garstang, Preston, PR3 1LB