# NORCEMOG NEWS

## NORTH WEST AND CHESHIRE

January 2015

Welcome to this edition, and apologies that it has been delayed, due to my having been struck down, again, with the flu. I very much hope that you had a pleasant, and flu – free festive period, and that the current lousy weather is whetting your appetite for the forthcoming spring weather to get you Morgan out and about. Many thanks to Andrew for the contribution to this edition.

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### NORCEMOG WEBSITE

Andrew Threlkeld has taken this over, and will welcome any contribution you want to make, especially photos.

# <u>Norcemog Christmas Party – 7<sup>th</sup> December 2014</u>

Another great Christmas Party, organised by Barbara and Roy, took place at The Mollington Banastre Hotel, Chester, and what a splendid event it was.

This was the Dynamic Duo's swansong as they have decided enough is enough and this was the last Christmas Party they want to organise, or at least they think it was (never say never!). Harry & Kay Walker, who have volunteered to run the 2015 Christmas Party and have booked a venue already, were taking carful note of the proceedings and pumping Barbara and Roy about the various duties involved.

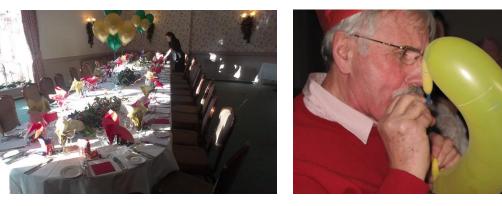
The table held its usual array of Holly, from Barbara's brother's garden, crackers, tooters and compulsory 'screaming' balloons which never fail to test the lung capacity and cause much amusement. There were even gifts for all the male attendees (females last year!) as Barbara had raided Roy's paperback book collection and gift wrapped the 'loot.'

We had 28 attendees, which was a great turn out for this time of year, as there is always the inevitable clash of dates for Xmas Parties and gatherings and we

assembled in the bar (where else?) for a pre-dinner drink around midday.

The service was slick and meals served hot however there is always one! This year it was Derek whom the servers seemed to have missed and whilst maintaining a stiff upper lip his smile was reminiscent of the little boy that Santa Claus forgot! OK, he was served a bit after everybody else but it did not detract from a thoroughly enjoyable occasion. After the coffee and mince pies the Annual Trophy Presentation took place with John Anderson kindly stepping in to bestow the award winners present with their trophies. A full list of winners is shown below.





Life's Cup J & I Anderson Harvey Cup A Threlkeld Layshaft Award J Alden Wilkinson Sword P & I Moore Gymkhana Shield A Threlkeld Glendower Cup (Shared) B Rawlinson & A Threlkeld Glenise's Shield S Bleasdale J & A Threlkeld Scriptwriters Award B Rawlinson Anderson Trophy Many thanks again to Barbara and Roy, your is much appreciated. Date for your diary



endeavour over many years

2015 Christmas Party – Sunday December 13<sup>th</sup>, Forest Hills Hotel, Frodsham

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**J & A Threlkeld** 

#### Norcemog at The Inn at Whitewell January 10<sup>th</sup> 2015

January, dark and dismal seems, An end to all our Christmas dreams, But Norcemog travel at the start of New Year, To The Inn at Whitewell to all have a beer.

The Bleasdale's organise near Clitheroe, And many Morgans turn up to go, Alas the weather decides not to play, It's hoods up now and all the way.

The quest count up to at least 28, Other organisers start to celebrate, A great attendance, the route is clear, Wilkinson Sword, already won this year?

The Fish and Chips always the choice, The chips are crisp, the cod is moist, Served with veg, maybe a pea, And just for Gill it's gluten free.

The menu extends to a long list, However the puddings we do resist, For outside on the road we take, To the Bleasdale home for tea and cake.

Suddenly all the men disappear, To Andy's garage so we can revere, His Morgan's there, so well restored, Took many years, he was never bored

Original green and a very fine Mog, It's a Series 2, envious eyes agog, Shares with Neil a year of birth, But looks so much better around its girth!

Whilst Martin measures the radiator, creator, 2 The assembled throng make as

A pre-ignition system for a jet fighter, With a spark plug, a liquid and a Zip firelighter.

I feel the cold has gone to their head, Start the Mogs, it's time for bed A final thanks to Sue & Andy, See you next year for beer and brandy.

Reported by **Andrew Threikeld** with apologies to Wordsworth!

#### NorceMog Diary of Events Dates in red are subject to confirmation.

**8 Feb 2015** Peter and Isobel have arranged a lunch starting 12noon at the Birley Arms Hotel Warton, Lancs. PR4 1TN.

The hotel is on Bryning Lane between Warton and Wrea Green (there is a map on the internet) followed by a tour of the Lytham St Annes NEW Life boat station and 'Her Majesty The Queen' the all weather life boat.

Please ring on 01253 738201 or email <u>isobelpeter@gmail.com</u> by Friday the 6th Feb.

**8 Mar 2015** Lowther Castle, Cumbria CA10 2HH we are booked to arrive at 11.30, in time for a coffee before the tour which starts at 12.00, followed by lunch at 14.00. Firm bookings required- Adrian and Alicia Grant 01772 204988 of <u>Adrian.grant@taspartnership.com</u>. As part of the restoration of the 130 acre gardens, the Trust arranged the volunteer planting of some 100,000 daffodils in 2012, and with luck, these will be in bloom when we go....

**11 Mar 2015** Committee Meeting at 18.30 The TAS Partnership, Preston

**28-29 March 2015 Restoration Show** The MSCC will have a small display at the Restoration & Classic car show at the NEC - Our stand will be in Hall 5 near the restaurant & loos - very handy!.

This is the first time we have exhibited there - so please bear with us!

There are special offer club discount tickets available at  $\pm 10-50$  for a single ticket quoting RS14 EC or  $\pm 26-50$  for a family ticket quoting RS14CF.details on <u>WWW.NECRESTORATION</u> <u>SHOW.COM</u> or ticket hotline 08448586758.

I went as a visitor last year and found it a very interesting event with lots of practical things going on - much more a show for the hands on enthusiast (plenty of rare bargains in the Trade Village) rather than the "gaze in awe at the unobtainable" type of show.

**12 April 2015** AGM and Lunch, Garstang – Bryan Rawlinson 01995 604716

25 April 2015 MSCC AGM, Visitor Centre, Malvern

26 April 2015 FBHV Drive it Day - TBC

4 May 2015 Gawsworth Hall Car Show - TBC - Roy & Barbara - Tel 01772 324134

**10 May 2015** TBC – John & Kathleen Alden – Tel 01253 726314

**30 & 31 May** Tatton Park Classic & - Martin Cocks – Tel 01772 862936 Performance Car Show

5 - 7 June 2015 MOG 2015 – Devamog Llangollen

**14 June 2015** Autotest & Concours - Bryan <sub>3</sub>Rawlinson - Tel 01995 604716

# **21 June 2015** Arley Hall Garden Festival - Geoff Mizon – Tel 01253 892 733 (10 cars max)

12 July 2015 Scenic Run North - Andrew & Joan Threlkeld – Tel 01606 852395

**24-26 July 2015 Silverstone Classic** Tickets for the Silverstone Classic in July 2015 are now available. This year is the 25th Anniversary of the event and Status Quo are the headline act on Saturday night! We have reserved a Morgan Sportscar Club area. The car club code is C1525009 Tickets can be booked through the website <u>www.silverstoneclassic.com</u> Go to the Car Clubs page and enter the code. You then need to buy the 'CAR CLUBS DISPLAY PACKAGE' ticket. This ticket gives you entry for 2 people and 1 infield vehicle pass for your Morgan.

Please note you will NOT be able to bring any other vehicle onto the club area. This is for Morgans only. There is plenty of free public parking available. For the best ticket prices book before the 31st March 2015. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us either by email or 01908 330273. Michele and Peter Chapman April 26<sup>th</sup> FBHV Drive it Day - TBC

May 4<sup>th</sup> Gawsworth Hall Car Show - TBC - Roy & Barbara – Tel 01772 324134

May 10<sup>th</sup> TBC – John & Kathleen Alden – Tel 01253 726314

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June 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> MOG 2015 – Devamog Llangollen

June 14<sup>th</sup> Autotest & Concours - Bryan Rawlinson - Tel 01995 604716 Commercial Vehicle Museum, Leyland

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Norcemoo7g Autumn Retreat 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> October 2015 Murder Mystery Week-end

The Stirk House Hotel is an award winning hotel mixing 16<sup>th</sup> Century charm with luxurious classic interiors. Set in the heart of the Ribble valley and surrounded by splendid views of the magical Pendle hill and the rolling countryside of the Trough of Bowland and Yorkshire Dales.

The hotel has spa facilities, pool, sauna, steam room and gym which guests have full use of.

http://www.lidun-group.co.uk/stirk/index.html

The week-end includes a black tie / posh frock dinner on the Saturday night with a 'Licensed to Thrill, Criminal Cabaret Show' provided by 'After Dark Entertainments.' Details on next page.

The rates below are based on 2 people sharing a Classic double / Twin bed room and includes Dinner , Bed & Breakfast on each day plus the Murder Mystery Event

16<sup>th</sup> October 2015 for 3 nights - £258 per person £516 in total

16<sup>th</sup> October 2015 for 2 nights - £200 per person £400 in total

To book your place please phone 01200 44 55 81 and ask for Helen on Reservations mentioning Morgan Sports Car Club event. A £50 deposit will be paid and cancellation will be accepted up to 7 days before the event.

It would help if you would also let Geoff Mizon know via <u>Geoff.mizon@btinternet.com</u> so we can keep track of room utilisation