
NORCEMOG

NEWS

NORTH WEST AND CHESHIRE

August 2015

Welcome to this edition, and there is a Noggin on 16 August, details below. The Committee Meeting Minutes and action points are included in this edition, held back specifically to keep you all entirely up to date. If you have not booked for the Oulton Park Gold Cup, it is too late to try now! But it is NOT too late to register with Bryan Fearn for the Gymkhana on 13 September. A further 5 cars are needed to run this, so save the date and tell Bryan!

NORCEMOG REGALIA – Isobel Moore 01253 738201 is putting an order together, so if you are considering upgrading your in-car look, get on the phone to her NOW..

NORCEMOG WEBSITE

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

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NorceMog Town & Country Scenic Run Lancashire & Yorkshire Boundary 12th July 2015

Have you ever spent 4 hours assembling a piece of kit, found 1 last piece to add and realised it needed to be included 3 hours ago? That's how I felt driving home from a very successful day when Joan asked

"Did you get anybody to volunteer to write the report?"

"Damn it! Why couldn't you have mentioned it 4 hours ago?"

"I did!"

Oh yes she did, unfortunately there were only the 2 of us in the car and at my age the memory clears every 20 seconds. Women! Why are they always right?

Hence, here is the report for the 2015 NorceMog scenic run prepared by yours truly!

The clouds were 50 shades of grey as Ruby (our 4/4) rolled out of the shed, freshly polished, hood down and tonneau cover waiting to be fitted. Looking up to the sky Joan asked "what do you think!" – Amazing! As if I'd even contemplate setting off with the hood up! OK so we suffered a thunderous downpour 5 mins from home last time out, but hey, we didn't melt. "But I've just washed my hair!" "Yes, I know, we'll be fine"

Now I know what you're thinking – I wonder how wet they got before arriving at The Millstone at Mellor for morning coffee – Well I'm pleased to report that 'a little light spray' was the worst we suffered, sparing my dignity and Joan's coiffure.

We arrived at 09.45 for the 10.00 meeting thinking we could ensure everything is organised before the rest arrived. Fat chance, the car park was already teeming with Morgans and coffee was being quaffed by 12 'early' arrivals. We welcomed John and Margaret Johnson, long time NorceMog members, on their first noggin for many years and Joan & Eric Isherwood called in for a catch up. By 10.30 we were treated to the site of 13 Morgans and a 'guest' – an MG (small o short of a MoG) roadster – all ready to set off on a steadily brightening day.



Car Park at The Millstone as members get ready to depart.

The first part of the tour took us through the mill towns of Lancashire skirting Accrington and Burnley, which now exhibit more speed cameras than cotton mills, before heading out over a more picturesque route towards the Lancashire / Yorkshire boundary. Leaving the dual carriageways and A roads behind we wended our way down narrow tracks, forded streams and truly tested the clearance and suspension of our little treasures (the cars that is!). Up over the Lancashire moors the sun shone, the wind blew and those that had left their side screens on smiled smugly as we enjoyed the panoramic views for miles around. The rest of us were too busy hanging on to our hats, thank goodness for the retaining strap!

Arrival at The Stubbing Wharf, Bridge for lunch was most welcome drivers headed for the gents, enjoyed a meander along the canal am pleased to report that all cars safely after the 40 mile journey the very first instruction from The "Turn Left out of the car park" read Turn Right! Bryan & Ann also



Hebden and whilst passengers tow path. I arrived especially as Millstone should have joined us for

lunch so we now had 14 Morgans and the second part of the run.

The Stubbing Wharf – Hebden Bridge

MG for the

Service was efficient, if somewhat slow, however after an enjoyable lunch and suitably refreshed the intrepid 15 cars headed back towards Samlesbury Hall via Todmorden, Bacup, Haslingden and Blackburn. Not quite so taxing on the cars however there was still plenty of views to admire and the sun shone throughout..

Samlesbury Hall welcomed us with a ready prepared cream tea whilst the cars were much admired, parked around the edge of the lawn in front of the hall. More pictures are



available on the web site

NOW AN APPEAL – Please support all the Noggins for the rest of the year as, with 27 NorceMog members and 2 guests this was a strong contender for The Wilkinson Sword – Oh no, not again!

VSCC Meeting 18 July.

This years Vintage Sports Car Club Hawthorn Memorial Trophy Meeting was held at Oulton Park on the 18th July.

It was a great days racing with the elite of vintage sportscars participating, from Bugattis, Lagondas, Indy 500 racers, ERAs and Morgan 3 Wheelers getting on for 85 years old.

Apart from the racing there were numerous vintage and classic cars attending, plus the pits were open so all the racers could be seen close up.



Next year it is planned to include the VSCC meeting at Oulton Park on our Norcemog Agenda.

We hope to see you there. **John Alden**

NorceMog Diary of Events Dates updated as a result of the Committee Meeting.

8 August – Birkdale Village Fete

Birkdale village (postcode PR8) are holding their annual Sumer Fete on Saturday August 8th which involves closing the main street for 'entertainment' as below.

Following on from the success of the Village Christmas Victorian Event, a fantastic family day is planned by the Local traders. Pet Parade, Street Entertainment, stalls, rides for the little ones , traditional games like hook a duck , tombola etc , raffle for local charity, offers on in your local shops restaurants , wine bars and café , hot food, BBQ etc and so much more.

Life's Motors will be displaying some cars and we have been invited to attend and add to the display.

If you are interested please let **Andrew Threlkeld** know as soon as possible.

16 August – Aspinall Arms, Mitton, at Noon. <http://www.brunningandprice.co.uk/aspinallarms/>

Please confirm your attendance with Andrew Threlkeld.

29 -31 August Oulton Park Gold Cup

Contact – Geoff Mizon

Tel - 01253 892733

Email – geoff.mizon@btopenworld.com

Booking is essential by 3rd August!

Geoff will need a SAE to send your tickets plus Model, year, colour and reg number of your car.

The Oulton Park Cup will once again return on August bank holiday weekend (29-31 August) and it returns with an amazing racing line up featuring the Derek Bell Trophy, which recalls the Gold Cups of the 1970s, in which Formula 5000 and Formula 2 cars regularly competed for the prestigious trophy. Historic Formula 3 and Formula Ford machines will be amongst the other single-seater categories in action. GTs and tin tops will also compete, from 1970s sports-prototypes in the Martini Trophy, to the frequently sideways Lotus Cortinas and Mini Coopers in the Historic Touring Cars.

Away from the track, a large military display with vehicles and a Spitfire will feature, fire breathing Group B rally cars will take to the special stage, air displays will thrill from the sky, live jazz music will play throughout the weekend and, as always, a huge collection of special cars will take over every inch of our infield, this and loads more family entertainment will make this years' Gold Cup an event to remember (please visit our website at <http://www.oultontpark.co.uk/>, for more information).

NorceMog has been invited to attend and will be entitled to park in the special display area with free entry for the driver over the weekend (please note that passengers will need to purchase tickets through the website, <http://www.oultontpark.co.uk/> or at the gate for entry, children under 13 go free).

Saturday – Practice Day

Sunday – Race day 1

Monday - Race day 2

Booking is essential by 3rd August

13 September Gymkhana Farmer Parr's, Rossall, Fleetwood.

Contact – Bryan Fearn, bryanfearn@hotmail.co.uk



Norcemoo7g Autumn Retreat
16th – 18th October 2015
Murder Mystery Week-end

The Stirk House Hotel is an award winning hotel mixing 16th 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

16th October 2015 for 3 nights - £258 per person £516 in total

16th 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 Geoff.mizon@btinternet.com so we can keep track of room utilisation

2015 **Christmas Party – Sunday December 13th**, Forest Hills Hotel, Frodsham

All Morgans' Day 2016

Dear Centre Secretaries,

The first "All Morgans' Day" event held during

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2009 attracted 135 cars.

Since then the Morgan Centenary Roadster 100 Register has enthusiastically organised and sponsored three more Biannual All Morgans' Day Events at Waddesdon Manor.

Attendance numbers grew to 160 cars, then to 200 and last years event was the best so far attracting 220 Morgan Cars of all Three and Four Wheel Models.

Overseas visitors have been with us from Germany , Sweden, Thailand , Canada , USA - plus one regular visitor from Brisbane Australia !

The purpose of this note to you is to provide all MSCC Centres with an early notice, before your annual Event Planning Meetings for 2016.

Our next "All Morgans' Day" will be held at Blenheim Palace in Oxfordshire on Sunday 5th June 2016 from 9.30am until 5.30pm.

Special Display Parking Arrangements, in front of the Palace Grand Court and along its Drive, have been agreed for in excess of 220 Morgans of all Models.

Hopefully you will be able to inform your members via websites and newsletters.with an early note of the date.

As usual, we shall be inviting MSCC, MMC, Morgan Dealerships, a Charity and others to join us and display- and the Roadster 100 Organising Team will ensure this is a day not to be missed.

We hope to be advertising again in Miscellany in the New Year

Regards – David Harris and Frank Lomax – The Morgan Centenary Roadster 100 Register Coordinators.

NORCEMOG COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 5th August 2015 at 17:00Hrs
TAS Partnership Office, Preston

Minutes of Meeting

- **Present** Andy Bleasdale, Roy Wilkinson, Bryan Fearn, Adrian Grant, Bryan Rawlinson, Martin Cocks, John Alden, Isobel Moore, Peter Moore, Andrew Threlkeld
- **Minutes of 11th March 2015 Meeting** Accepted as true record
- **Previous Actions from Minutes & AGM – See action register**
 - Web Site – members mods –No progress yet, still pending
ACTION – Andy B to provide links to suitable web sites **AB**
 - NorceMog Banners – £150 - £200 including accessories.
ACTION - Circulate recommendation to committee prior to purchase **AT**
 - NorceMog Gazebo – See notes
ACTION – Investigate alternative shelters **AT**
 - Morgan representation at Car-Fest North?
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- **Treasurer's Report** Membership total = 42 members paid 2015, Cash in bank = £1982.48

- **Diary of Events** **All**

- **Review 2015 Diary**

- **August Noggin** – Not planned yet!

- ACTIONS**

- Check availability of The Aspinall Arms near Clitheroe – **AB**
- If OK – AB to co-ordinate **AB**

- **Gymkhana** – still low interest

- ACTIONS**

- Include in Newsletter to be issued this week **AG**
- Email current members with closing date of August 12th **AT**
- If less than 10 entries – cancel event but still do lunch **BF**

- **Murder Mystery Week-end**

- Currently 9 rooms booked – need 20

ACTION – Continue with event – Norcemog will subsidise if required **AT/BF**

- **Draft 2016 Diary**

- **Diary agreed**

- ACTIONS**

- Update existing draft **AT**
- Transfer of organisation of Arley and Oulton Park Gold Cup – See Geoff Mizon **AT**

- **Newsletter** **AG**

- No issues, would appreciate more input from members!

- **Regalia** **IM**

- **Badges** £43.64 (£36.37+VAT) + P&P ea Total = £960

ACTION – Check price / ordering with other Centre Secretaries **AT**

- **Merchandise - ACTIONS**

- IM advised to order 10 caps for sale to members **IM**
- Advise order about to be placed in next newsletter **AG**

- **Competitions** **Secretary**

- CoE for Gymkhana **MC**

- **Website**

- No issues

- **AGM 2016**

- April 10th Vale Royal Abbey - Northwich **AT**

- **AOB**

- NorceMog 50th Anniversary 2018 – Start thinking of what we want to do - **All**
- Next meeting – March 9th 2016 @ 18:30 TAS Partnership

Meeting closed at 6.15pm.

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DRAFT DIARY FOR 2016 (RED IS FOR DATES TO BE CONFIRMED)

- 10 Jan** The Inn at Whitewell - Click Here for [Details](#)
Contact - Andy & Sue Bleasdale – Tel 01995 61718
- 7 Feb** February Noggin
Contact - Isobel & Peter Moore – Tel 01253 738 201
- 6 Mar** March Noggin
Contact - Adrian & Alicia Grant – Tel 01253 727336 or
Adrian.grant@taspartnership.com.
- 9 Mar** Committee Meeting - 18.30 TAS Partnership, Preston
- 10 April** Lunch & **AGM, Vale Royal Abbey** -
Contact – Andrew Threlkeld – 01606 852395
- April** MSCC AGM - MMC, Visitor Centre, Malvern
- 24 April** FBHV Drive it Day -
- 2 May** Gawsworth Hall Car Show, Macclesfield - Click here for [Details](#)
Download entry form here
<http://www.gawsworthhall.com/Car%20Day%202015.pdf>
Contact - Roy Wilkinson – Tel 01772 324134 or 07754 565955
- 8 May** May Noggin
Contact - John Alden – Tel 01253 726314 or 07963 253154
- 28 & 29 May** Tatton Park Classic & Performance Car Show - Click Here for [Details](#)
Contact - Martin Cocks – Tel 01772 862936
- 12 June** Autotest & Concours - Click Here for [Details](#)
Commercial Vehicle Museum, Leyland
Contact - Bryan Rawlinson - Tel 01995 604716
- 19 June** Arley Hall Garden Festival - **10 Cars Max** - Click Here for [Details](#)
Contact – Andrew Threlkeld – Tel 01606 852395
- 1-3 July** Week-end at Wroxton House Hotel including The ALL MORGANS DAY at Blenheim Palace
Click Here for [Details](#)
Contact - Isobel & Peter Moore – Tel 01253 738 201
- 12 July** Scenic Run
Contact - Bryan Rawlinson - Tel 01995 604716 & Peter Moore 01253 738 201
- July ??** VSCC Meeting @ Oulton Park – TBC
Contact - John Alden – Tel 01253 726314 or 07963 253154
- 3 August** Committee Meeting - 18:30 TAS Partnership, Preston
- 14 August** August Noggin - TBC
- 27-29 Aug** Oulton Park Gold Cup – 3 day race week-end Click Here for [Details](#)

Contact – Andrew Threlkeld Tel 01606 852395

9-11Sep Autumn Retreat – Mayfield House Hotel, Cotswold.

16 Oct Gymkhana / CVEC Autumn Trial – To be confirmed

Contact – Bryan Fearn Tel - 01253 891539, A. Threlkeld - 01606 852395

8 Nov Noggin Venue TBC – John & Irene Anderson – Tel 0161 973 0169

13 Dec Christmas Party, Forest Hills Hotel, Frodsham –
Contact –