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# NORCEMOG

# NEWS

**NORTH WEST AND CHESHIRE**

**February 2016**

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**Welcome to this edition, and apologies for its lateness. Thanks to Bryan for almost all of the content this time.**

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## **January Noggin at The Inn at Whitewell.**

As we drove towards Whitewell we came across numerous floods, and one in particular convinced us we had made the correct choice of vehicle. On the approach to the Inn we came across a diversion via Cow Ark due to a land slide close to the Inn.

Later we learnt that six brave Morganeers risked the floods, but Andrew suffered a red warning light problem diagnosed as an alternator fault by all the Morgan owning experts, but Andrew told me later that it was ok when the hand brake warning switch dried out.

I was asked by two people if it was a wedding party due to the attractive cars in the car park.

Despite all the recent flooding and bad weather it was good to start 2016 with a well attended noggin. Thirty of us, including two new members and two Morgan three wheeler members enjoyed the fine food and welcoming log fires.

Following a delicious lunch most of the Party accepted Sue and Andy's kind invitation to go back to their house to look in Andy's garage and check on his restored 4/4 and to sample Sue's delicious home cooked baking .

Once again thanks to Sue & Andy for another successful Noggin.

## **Bryan Rawlinson**

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### **Reflections on 52 years with Morgans Part 1**

On 27 January 1964 I drove a Morgan for the first time.

For the technical minded, it was a late 1950s 4-4 with a Ford side valve 1,172cc 100e engine 10hp with Aquaplane head & twin SU carburettors, known as the 4-4 Series 11 competition. The Motor Magazine tested a series 11 in 1956 and recorded:

Top speed 75.3mph.

0-60 in 26.9 seconds

MPG 35.1

Cost of car new £713 including taxes.

And that's the boring bit out of the way.

Glenise and I were married in Barton on 25 January 1964. It was a cold winter's day but fine and sunny, and for our honeymoon, Glenise's sister and her husband had invited us to their farm just outside Dent in Cumbria for a week. They said they would find us transport for the week, and when we arrived at the farm we were told that the Morgan was ours for the

week. The car had no wet weather equipment but that didn't stop us enjoying our honeymoon!

Our brother in law Geoffrey Parker Eaton was no stranger to Morgans. He was the original owner of TOK 259 the LE MANS class winning plus four. Geoff sprinted and hill climbed the 4-4 that we used.

Glenise and I told each other that we would have our own Morgan one day when we could afford one. It took us 25years to the day to acquire our first Morgan a 1980 4/4 1600 Ford crossflow series V. It was our 25th wedding anniversary present to each other and we had loads of fun in it....

## **Bryan Rawlinson**

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### **DIARY FOR 2016 Red is "to be confirmed"**

#### **NORCEMOG DIARY OF EVENTS - 2016**

N.B. Dates **highlighted** are NorceMog organised events  
Easter Monday – March 28<sup>th</sup> St Georges Day – April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Dates in RED to be confirmed

**Feb 7<sup>th</sup>** Birley Arms lunch and Snowdrop walk - Click Here for [Details](#)  
**Contact - Isobel & Peter Moore – Tel 01253 738 201**

Feb 21<sup>st</sup> – Opportunity to walk / cycle a lap of Oulton Park

**Mar 13<sup>th</sup>** Tour of Skipton Castle followed by lunch  
**Contact - Adrian & Alicia Grant – Tel 01253 727336 or**  
[Adrian.grant@taspartnership.com](mailto:Adrian.grant@taspartnership.com).

**Mar 9<sup>th</sup>** Committee Meeting - 18.30 TAS Partnership, Preston

**April 10<sup>th</sup>** Lunch & **AGM, Vale Royal Abbey** - Click Here for [Details](#)  
**Contact – Andrew Threlkeld – 01606 852395**

**April** MSCC AGM - MMC, Visitor Centre, Malvern

April 24<sup>th</sup> FBHV Drive it Day -

**May 2<sup>nd</sup>** Gawsworth Hall Car Show, Macclesfield - Click here for [Details](#)  
A link for the entry form will be here when available  
**Contact - Roy Wilkinson – Tel 01772 324134 or 07754 565955**

**May 15<sup>th</sup>** – A visit to Bancroft Mill & Engine Trust including a working steam engine – Note - date changed from 8<sup>th</sup> May to ensure a 'working' engine  
**Contact - John Alden – Tel 01253 726314 or 07963 253154**

**May 21<sup>st</sup>** – Confirmation of the VSCC's Vintage Sports Car Festival at Oulton Park

**28 & 29 May** Tatton Park Classic & Performance Car Show - Click Here for [Details](#)  
**Contact - Martin Cocks – Tel 01772 862936**

**June 12<sup>th</sup>** Autotest & Concours - Click Here for [Details](#)  
Commercial Vehicle Museum, Leyland  
**Contact - Bryan Rawlinson - Tel 01995 604716**

**June 19th** Arley Hall Garden Festival - **10 Cars Max** - Click Here for [Details](#)  
**Contact – Andrew Threlkeld –2Tel 01606 852395**

July 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> **Week-end at Eynsham Hall Hotel** including The ALL MORGANS DAY at Blenheim Palace

**Contact - Isobel & Peter Moore – Tel 01253 738 201** Click Here for [Details](#)

July 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Chateau Impney Hill Climb - Droitwich Spa, WR9 0BN Click Here for [Details](#)

**Contact - Ian Patton, Chateau Impney Hill Climb Team**

**Direct Dial - 01905 823896, Mobile - 07896 528302**

**July 10<sup>th</sup>** 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**

**August 3<sup>rd</sup>** Committee Meeting - 18:30 TAS Partnership, Preston

**August 7<sup>th</sup>** British Sports Cars at St Helens Transport Museum – Date to be confirmed, details to follow

**Contact – Andrew Threlkeld – Tel 01606 852395**

**August 14<sup>th</sup>** August Noggin - TBC

Aug 27 – 29<sup>th</sup> Oulton Park Gold Cup – 3 day race week-end Click Here for [Details](#)

**Contact – Andrew Threlkeld Tel 01606 852395**

**Sep 9 - 11<sup>th</sup>** Autumn Retreat – [Mayfield House Hotel, Cotswold](#).

**Oct 9<sup>th</sup>** Gymkhana / CVEC Autumn Trial – To be confirmed

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

**Nov 13<sup>th</sup>** Noggin Venue TBC – John & Irene Anderson – Tel 0161 973 0169

**Dec 11<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Party, Forest Hills Hotel, Frodsham –

**Contact –**