
NORCEMOG

NEWS

NORTH WEST AND CHESHIRE

August 2016

Welcome to this edition. The next Committee Meeting has been rescheduled to 10 August. If you have anything that you want the Committee to consider, please let Andrew know this week! Despite a very strong turnout for the scenic run, very well organised by Bryan Rawlinson and Peter Moore, no trace of a report has reached me.

Suffice it to say that the route was excellent, the venues for food were very much more than adequate, the rain was fitful and did not deter those who resolutely refused to put their hoods up and I got home in time to see Andy Murray win at Wimbledon.

NORCEMOG REGALIA – Isobel Moore 01253 738201

Reflections on 52 years with Morgans Part 7 – Restoration Course.

In 2000, shortly after I retired, I spotted an advert for a vehicle restoration course at Preston College and decided to apply. This was a lot less easy than it sounds, since there appeared to be a prerequisite for applicants to be in receipt of some benefit or other and it took a bit of time to overcome this particular hurdle. Nevertheless, perseverance paid off and I was able to enrol on the two year programme.

We were taught welding, metalwork and bodywork skills, painting and health and safety. Initially, we had to work on vehicles supplied by the college and although the course was only 15 hours a week, this qualified as full time, and I was assigned a mentor! After a while, we were able to work on projects of our own and I took advantage of this to reskin the doors and weld up the front wings and then resprayed them all. I also made a rear wheel cover and a dash board.

At the end of the two years, it was possible to enrol again, so that in all I was there for six years, along with a number of other perpetual students. I am the proud recipient of NVQs and City & Guilds certificates for welding, spray painting and health & safety. And even now, some ten years after my prolonged attendance on the course was completed, my fellow students and I are still meeting twice a year to reminisce and compare notes on the projects we are doing

Bryan Rawlinson

Shelsey Walsh – “The Thrill on the Hill”

Early on Saturday morning a group of intrepid Norcemoggers set off for the Worcestershire Hills and Shelsey Hill Climb. Andy B with Martin navigating set off in his series II 4/4, chaperoned by Brian Rawlinson and Peter Moore in the camper van. Whether this was necessary or not they were struggling to keep up as Andy thought he was doing 70ish, but his speedo appears to a bit out, only 10 mph or so. Andy said there was still plenty of throttle left!!

I set off a little later and picked up Roy W in Lostock, along with some tasty cake Barbara had baked for the occasion. After a short blast on the M6 we took the route through the Shropshire and Worcestershire countryside to arrive in good time. We were greeted by Andy & co. before we went to register and book our times to tackle the Hill. Roy and I decided to do both runs in the morning at 10.00 and 11.30.

We checked into race control, attended the safety briefing, collected our helmets (Roy had his own) and were given our wrist bands, no wrist band no hill. The call came to assemble in the paddock ready to go. With the marshalls controlling the approach, and our excitement building, our turn to start came. With the start light on red, our car was chocked to hold it on the line. The light went green and we were off, a quick blast at the start but very steady at the corners, before blasting up the home straight.



When the rest of our group had completed their runs we went back down the hill for a coffee and some of Barbara's cake. Our second run was just as exciting, and a little quicker as we knew where we were going.



With our runs complete and lunchtime approaching it was time to watch the parade of Morgans of all marques run up the hill with Andy proudly displaying his car. The cars were then on display for all to inspect and chat about. A great day out. **John Alden**

NORCEMOG DIARY OF EVENTS – 2016

August 7th British Sports Cars at North West Museum of Road Transport, St Helens, WA10
1DU Date confirmed, details to follow, For details of the museum click [HERE](#)

Contact – Andrew Threlkeld – Tel 01606 852395

August 10th Committee Meeting – 18:30 TAS Partnership, Preston

August 14th August Noggin – Aspinall Arms – Isobel Moore 01253 738201

August 14th Teddy Bears Picnic, Top Close Farm, Macclesfield

Organised by TorMog – Click Here for [Details](#)

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

Contact – Andrew Threlkeld Tel 01606 852395

Sep 2nd - 4th Chatsworth Country Fair, Bakewell, Derbyshire, DE45 1PP

Organised by TorMog - Click Here for [Details](#)

Sep 3rd Morgan Challenge Race Series @ Oulton Park

Sep 16-18th Autumn Retreat – Mayfield House Hotel, Wiltshire, SN16 9EW - Click Here for [Details](#)

Contact – Andrew Threlkeld – Tel 01606 852395

Oct 9th Gymkhana - Farmer Parr's Animal World, Fleetwood FY7 8SL – Click Here for [Details](#)

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

Nov 13th Noggin Venue TBC – John & Irene Anderson – Tel 0161 973 0169

Dec 11th Christmas Party, Forest Hills Hotel, Frodsham, WA6 6HH – Click Here for [Details](#)

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